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4. [Guide to Intellectual Property and Knowledge Transfer at NOVA](https://novainnovation.unl.pt/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/GuiaPITC_Digital_UNL2021.pdf).
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**1.1 Title**

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*Please provide a short abstract describing your invention and the technical field it belongs to, including* ***confidential information****. Try to answer to these questions: i) What it is; ii) What it does; iii) What it solves; iv) What will it be used for; v) How are you planning to take this idea forward?*

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**4. DATE AND CURRENT STATE OF THE INVENTION**

**4.1 Approximate date of the invention**

*Date (month/year) of the conception of the invention or the beginning of project, without necessarily having proved that it would work or having built a prototype.*

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**6. OTHER REMARKS**

**6.1 Observations**

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