

## Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### CRIP T Platform

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#### Overview

Welcome to the Community Resource for Innovation in Polymer Technology (CRIP T) Platform (the “CRIP T Platform” or “Platform”), a project funded by the National Science Foundation (“NSF”) Innovation and Technology Ecosystems, and led by the Chemical Engineering Department at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (“MIT”).

The purpose of the CRIP T Platform is to enable and empower researchers to capture and share polymer knowledge.

More specifically, the CRIP T Platform will enable user researchers to: (a) collect and store pre-published polymer datasets being used and/or developed in ongoing research activities in real-time (the “Non-public CRIP T Data”) and (b) publish polymer datasets to the CRIP T research community **and**, to the extent published by the CRIP T research community, the general public (the “Public CRIP T Data”). The Non-public CRIP T Data and the Public CRIP T Data will collectively be referred to as the “Data.”

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