ABSTRACT
This study investigates the impact of inventor mobility on individual innovation performance by using patent data collected from U.S. semiconductor firms. By discussing two different types of mobility: inter-regional and inter-organizational mobility, this study explores the impacts of different types of mobility on different dimensions of innovation performance. The findings indicate that the higher an inventor's inter-organizational mobility, the more his/her patent output. However, the findings also show that the higher an inventor's inter-organizational and inter-regional mobility, the less his/her patent quality.

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