

UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
RESEARCH SUPPORT FUND
2021-22 PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES

The Research Support Fund (RSF) has allowed and continues to allow UPEI to maintain its research infrastructure, support the research enterprise at UPEI, and invest in technology transfer. At UPEI the RSF is spent in all categories. The outcomes are driven by the research community's interest in applying for funding and their success. UPEI's RSF strives to support research at both the pre-award and post-award stages.

2021-2022 Total RSF Allocation - \$822,614			
Performance Objective	Indicator	Targeted Outcomes Outcomes will be tracked and reported in June 2022	2021-2022 Outcomes
Facilities - \$116,701 (14.2%)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain UPEI research facilities and equipment in support of the research enterprise 	1. Funds are used to offset operating costs, renovations, or additions to research infrastructure	1. Research facilities operating costs are maintained	1. 20.0% of the RSF Funds were used to support research labs and facilities
Resources - \$82,261 (10%)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage and promote the secure institutional repository to support compliance with tri-agency Open Access Policy. Maintain as many core databases/subscriptions as possible considering rising costs Facilitate the management and preservation of research data Support for creations and dissemination of research Support awareness of funding opportunities 	2. Number of training sessions for researchers and/or users 3. Data sets preserved and data management plans created 4. Core databases/subscriptions maintained 5. Projects supported 6. Items added to IslandScholar 7. Database of funding opportunities available to researchers	2. Training sessions or workshops offered to researchers relevant to the research process from creation to publication to storage/archive. 3. Assist faculty with the deposit of data sets and creation of data management plans. Number of datasets deposited. Number of Data Management Plans created. 4. Number of databases/subscriptions maintained. 5. Support dissemination of research. Number of research projects supported. Number of open access journals supported. 6. Number of records added to Island Scholar. 7. Number of funding opportunities added/updated in the database.	2. 4 RDM workshops provided via our relationship with CAAL/CBPA in Oct/Nov 2021. 24 consultations provided ¹ . In addition, we have added a pilot subscription to Covidence along with a Systematic, Scoping, and Other Reviews Service. 3. a. 4 data sets deposited. b. No new DMPs created during this reporting period. 4. We have been able to maintain our most significant subscriptions. The impact of the US dollar exchange rate has had a significant impact on our collections budget. 5. a. 27 VREs supported ² . b. 2 Open Access Journals supported. 6. a. 418 new faculty/staff records. b. 14 Graduate theses added. c. 20 Graduate works added. d. 75 Undergraduate works added.

¹ Consultations in this context include consultations related to systematic and scoping reviews, training on the use of tools for research (eg. Covidence, RefWorks, etc.), and dissemination of research. Includes both faculty and graduate students.

² VREs reported include only those that are active. We have a number of archived VREs that we continue to host as well.

			7. 34 Grants added/updated in the database.
Management and Administration - \$337,259 (41%)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the human resources supporting UPEI research • Provide assistance with proposal preparation • Process grants, contracts and agreements • Regular updates for Application and Event Forms for Researchers • Support staff to attend educational opportunities via CAREB and CARA 	8. Number of full-time equivalent positions supported by the RSF 9. Number of UPEI led tri-council applications submitted to ORS 10. Number of non-tri-council applications initiated 11. Number of contracts and agreements processed 12. Application and Event forms to be reviewed 13. Staff participate in useful training opportunities	8. Invest a portion of RSF in human resources in support and administration of research at UPEI 9. Support the number of UPEI led tri-council applications (Target 45) 10. Support the number of non-tri-council applications submitted to ORS (Target 50) 11. Initiate processing of all grants, contracts and agreements received (Target 175) 12. Review event and applications forms annually and update as required 13. Provide training days for research & compliance staff	8. 35.2% of the RSF is used to support personnel in this area 9. 37 tri-council applications supported 10. 97 non-tri-council applications supported 11. 358 grants, contracts and agreements initiated. 12. Forms and events were updated in January 2022 and March 2022. 13. Training was provided through CARA national conference held virtually.
Regulatory Requirements & Accreditation - \$209,608 (25.5%)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest a portion of RSF in supporting regulatory requirements for research • Maintain human resources involved in regulatory requirements of research at UPEI • Regular updates for Compliance Application and Event Forms to aid Researchers 	14. Number of full-time equivalent positions supported by the RSF 15. Number of applications for ethics, biosafety and animal care 16. Application and Event forms to be reviewed	14. Invest a portion of RSF in supporting regulatory requirements for research. 15. Support the number of active applications (Target 600) 16. Review event and applications forms annually and update as required	14. 25.5% of the RSF was used to support personnel in this area 15. 558 active compliance applications supported. 16. Biosafety form updated in March 2022
Intellectual Property & Knowledge Mobilization - \$76,784 (9.3%)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide support to Synapse, UPEI's tech transfer office through investing a portion of RSF in supporting IP and knowledge mobilization • Provide tech transfer services to faculty • Develop and process collaborations with industry • Assist in licensing technology or creation of spin-out companies 	17. Number of researchers working with Synapse 18. Number of workshops with industry and faculty 19. Number of technologies assessed 20. Number of collaborations with industry 21. Number licenses or spin-out companies 22. External collaborations encouraged via proposal review and contact with Synapse	17. Engage with at least 12 faculty members per quarter 18. Host 4 workshops with faculty and industry 19. Evaluate 8 technologies with commercial potential 20. Facilitate 21 industry funded collaborations 21. Facilitate 22 publicly funded collaborations with industry 22. Facilitate 2 licenses or spin-out companies	During this reporting period Synapse joined into UPEI under the Office of Commercialization, Industry and Innovation and provided the support for IP collaborations and tech transfer. 17. Total Faculty engaged was 109. Breakout by quarter: Q1=21 Q2=32 Q3=35 Q4=21 18. Completed 4 workshops 19. Evaluated 8 new technologies (does not include ongoing) 20. Facilitated 27 industry-funded collaborations

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