

Supporting Faculty and Student Research at the UO

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OVPRI Strategic Plan to Increase Sponsored Research

- ❖ Support faculty and students in their efforts to compete for external funding and prestigious awards (e.g., seed funding)
- ❖ Reduce administrative burden of federal regulations
- ❖ Use broad definition of research inclusive of all disciplines and forms of creativity

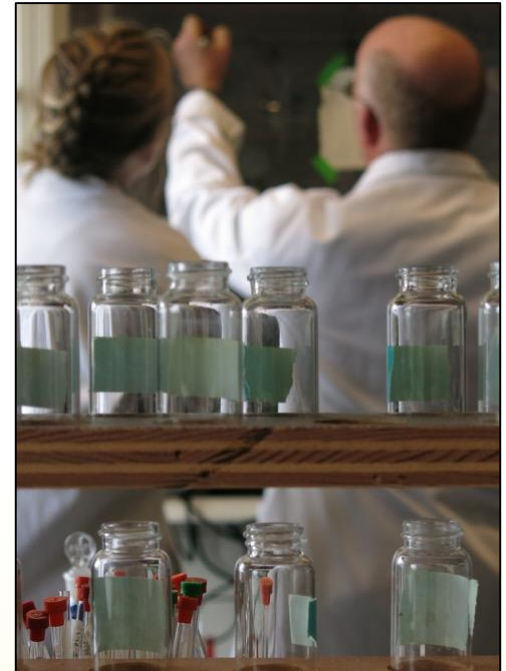
Facilities and Infrastructure

- ❖ Increased investment in faculty lab renovations
- ❖ New core facilities:
 - ❖ Research Advanced Computing Services (RACS)
- ❖ New equipment acquisition/replacement fund for core facilities
- ❖ New strategic plan for operation of core facilities
- ❖ High speed (100 gig) internet connectivity



Direct Support for Faculty

- ❖ Startup funds for new faculty
- ❖ Junior Faculty Research Awards program
(21 funded)
- ❖ Bridge funding
- ❖ Support for postdocs
- ❖ Faculty Research Awards program
(20 funded)
- ❖ Internal seed grant programs
 - ❖ Interdisciplinary Awards in Environmental Humanities and Social Sciences (3 funded)
 - ❖ Incubating Interdisciplinary Initiatives (I3) Awards
(20 proposals)
 - ❖ UO-OHSU Collaborative Seed Projects (45 proposals)



Direct Support for Students



- ❖ Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP)
 - ❖ New program: O'Day Fellowships
- ❖ NSF Graduate Research Fellowships
 - ❖ 10 Fellows award this year
- ❖ Graduate tuition and fees packages



Reducing Administrative Burden

- ✧ Expansion of Research Development Services (RDS)
- ✧ New electronic disclosure process for inventions
- ✧ Plans underway for integrated electronic compliance processes (IACUC, IRB, FCOIR, others)
- ✧ Implementation of Common Rule



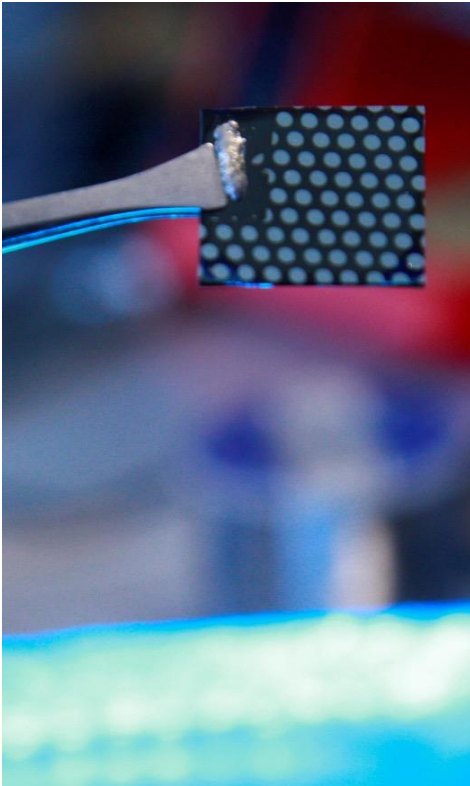
Status of Common Rule

Federal government has scheduled the Revised Common Rule to go into effect July 19, 2018. We are ready to launch!

- ❖ New informed consent templates compliant with both current and revised common rule are now available
- ❖ Streamlining of the procedures for determining exempt status upon implementation
- ❖ Dedicated office hours for faculty every Thursday for Q&A
- ❖ Webpage for Revised Common Rule implementation



Recognition and Advocacy



- ❖ Annual “State of UO Research” message
 - ❖ Recognize faculty and academic units
- ❖ National Academy of Inventors Chapter
- ❖ Science communication
- ❖ Federal funding for research

