



UCC Research

UCC's Research Support, Policy & Strategy Function
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UCC Supporting Research

Strategic Goal 1

Deliver **impactful research and innovation** that addresses global grand challenges in signature areas of excellence, through the *UCC Futures Framework*, resulting in a distinctive research reputation



Securing **Our Future** Through Research Excellence

The collage features 12 research themes, each with a representative image and text:

- Sustainability**: Applications open. Image: A green globe with various icons representing environmental and social factors.
- Pharmacology**: Applications open. Image: A scientist in a lab coat and safety glasses using a pipette.
- Future Ageing and Brain Science**: Opening in 2023. Image: A close-up of a human eye.
- Quantum and Photonics**: Applications open. Image: A person wearing glasses looking at a device with a network overlay.
- Children**: Opening in 2023. Image: A profile of a child's head with a network overlay.
- Future Humanities**: Find out more. Image: A close-up of a human eye.
- Collective Social Futures**: Applications open. Image: A group of people in a crowd.
- Food, Microbiome and Health**: Applications open. Image: A close-up of orange, rod-shaped bacteria.
- Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics**: Further opportunities in 2023. Image: A woman presenting at a podium with a world map and data charts in the background.
- Future Medicines**: Applications open. Image: A DNA double helix and a human silhouette made of blue dots.

Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation (1)

- Three constituent Offices: UCC Research, UCC Innovation, and the Biological Services Unit
- Support the UCC research community and our collaborators
- Agility in anticipating opportunities, influencing policy, and strategically
- positioning UCC for the future
- Proactive engagement with all external stakeholders

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- Inter-institutional cooperation: Regional – National - International
- Raising the UCC research brand nationally and internationally
- Securing Our Future - UCC Strategic Plan (2023–2028) – <https://www.ucc.ie/en/president/strategy2028/>

OVPRI Structure

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Research and
Innovation**



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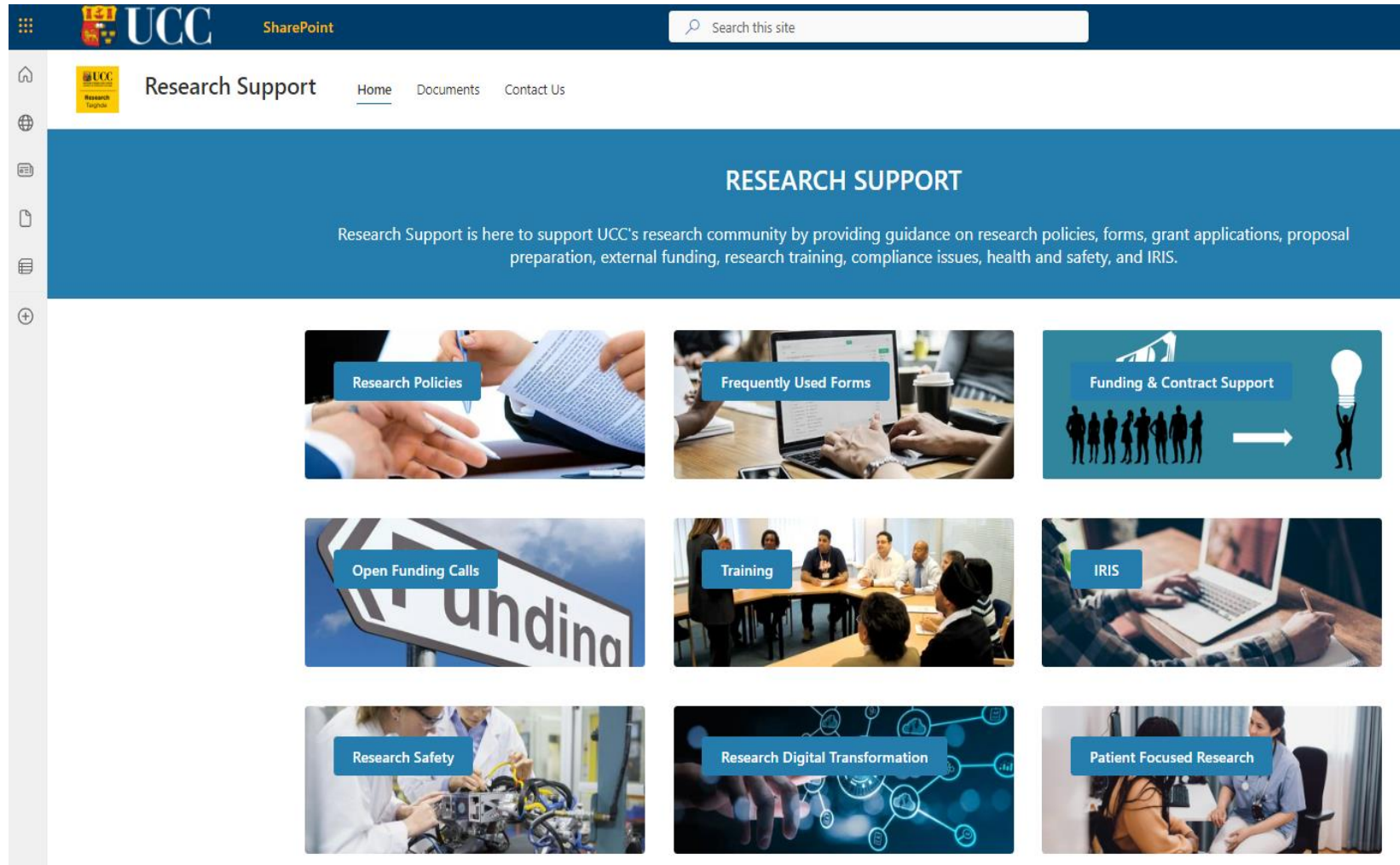
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Sharepoint



The screenshot displays the UCC Research Support SharePoint site. The top navigation bar includes the UCC logo, the text 'SharePoint', and a search bar labeled 'Search this site'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar shows 'Research Support' as the active page, with links for 'Home', 'Documents', and 'Contact Us'. A vertical sidebar on the left contains icons for home, search, list, document, and a plus sign. The main content area features a large blue header with the title 'RESEARCH SUPPORT' and a descriptive paragraph: 'Research Support is here to support UCC's research community by providing guidance on research policies, forms, grant applications, proposal preparation, external funding, research training, compliance issues, health and safety, and IRIS.' Below the header is a 3x3 grid of nine tiles, each with a background image and a blue text box containing the tile's title: 'Research Policies' (hands holding a pen and paper), 'Frequently Used Forms' (hands typing on a laptop), 'Funding & Contract Support' (silhouettes of people and a lightbulb), 'Open Funding Calls' (a 'Funding' sign), 'Training' (a group of people in a meeting), 'IRIS' (hands on a laptop), 'Research Safety' (scientists in a lab), 'Research Digital Transformation' (hands interacting with a digital network), and 'Patient Focused Research' (a doctor talking to a patient).

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RESEARCH SUPPORT

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- Research Policies
- Frequently Used Forms
- Funding & Contract Support
- Open Funding Calls
- Training
- IRIS
- Research Safety
- Research Digital Transformation
- Patient Focused Research

<https://uccireland.sharepoint.com/sites/ResearchSupport>

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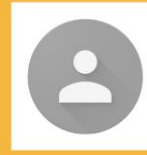
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Weekly Research Calls Email



UCC Research Funding Call Weekly Roundup

Please see the links to the individual call SharePoint pages or email the *UCC Research* Contact person supporting the call for more information including internal deadlines.

Visit [UCC Research Open Calls SharePoint](#) for more information about other **open calls**, **calls opening soon**, and **rolling calls**.

Please note that for Horizon Europe calls, Enterprise Ireland may provide [grants](#) for proposal development. Eligibility and deadlines for these grants will be flagged for applicable calls below.

Recently Launched Calls

The [Breast Cancer Now Project Grants](#) support excellent and innovative breast cancer research projects that meet at least one of the BCR strategic objectives. If project will be longer than 4 years, or require more than £400,000 in funding, the BCR research team will need to be contacted prior to submission. *UCC Research* budget deadline **21 April 2025**; Call deadline **29 April 2025**. Please see the [Charitable Funding Opportunities](#) SharePoint page for more information.

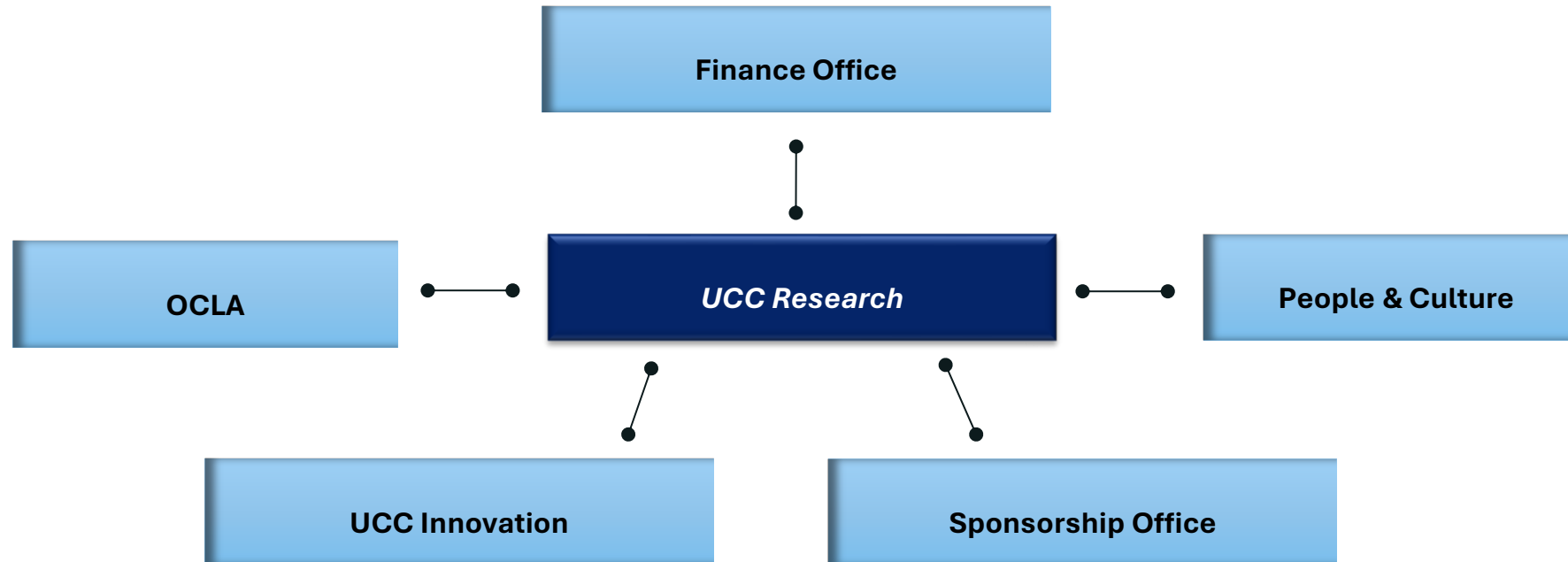
Applying for Funding

- Identify opportunities:
 - Keep an eye out for our weekly funding roundup email Wednesday Afternoons
 - Checkout our Open Funding Calls SharePoint page
 - Contact UCC Research to meet with one of us about funding options
- When you have a grant call identified, contact UCC Research at the earliest opportunity
- Submit application in plenty of time.
- Budgets need to be approved by Finance Office – 5 working days

Post Award

- A. All research contracts/agreements must be reviewed before they can be signed and a research account opened.
- B. The following documentation should be made available to the relevant Research Support Administrator (RSA):
 - Submitted Application
 - Contract Assessment Form (Appendix C): This document must be signed by you (and any co-PIs), your Head of Unit, and the relevant Head of College
 - Contract documentation from the Funding Agency
 - Patient-focussed Questionnaire (PFQ)
- The RSA will work with the relevant University Offices to coordinate the review of your contract/agreement
- All forms available on Support section of the UCC Research website

Coordination of Application/Contract Review



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Research Training (1)



Research Training
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Research Training @ UCC Weekly Bulletin

The Research Training @ UCC Weekly Bulletin provides information on training available to UCC researchers and research managers organised by UCC Research & Innovation, HR Research and UCC Library.

Training sessions happening **THIS WEEK**

<u>Monday 3th</u>	<u>Tuesday 4th</u>	<u>Wednesday 5th</u>	<u>Thursday 6th</u>	<u>Friday 7th</u>
Closing Date for Registration - SPRINT Kickstart Programme		11am-12pm Research Staff Recruitment Information & Selection Committee Training	10am-12:30pm Introduction to Open Refine 11am-12:30pm Audio Editing for Researchers	11am-12pm Cardea Hub Information Session for Research Staff Closing Date for Registration - Creative Facilitation for Engaging with Groups

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Research Training (1)

Title
Understanding EU Funding: Insights on How to Build an Effective Strategy
Pathways to Impact
Communicating Research
Fieldwork as a Research Practice: Principles and Case Studies
Patient and Public Involvement in Health and Social Care Research
The Entrepreneurial Mindset and Practice
Open Research
F.A.I.R. Data Management
Research and AI: Responsible Use and Practice

Writing a Narrative CV
Consortium Management
Navigating UCC when Managing a Research Grant: Contracts, Finance and HR
GDPR & IT Security
Clinical Research
Research Culture & Engaged Research
Research Integrity & Ethics
Preparing your Research Project Budget
Education and Public Engagement via Research
Citizen Science

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- Monthly online meeting
- Open all staff connected with research
- Discussion of research strategy, policy, and processes
- Developments on the national and international research environment