

About **TRIP**

At its core, the **IUPUI TRIP** initiative illustrates and fosters interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research targeting goals which work toward the betterment of people's lives across communities, our state, and beyond. The faculty on the IUPUI campus are making a difference to farmers, manufacturers, the service industry, our waterways, policy makers, educators, and to the health and well-being of our citizens through their focus on translational research. Their translational research takes knowledge generated from scientific inquiry and humanistic scholarship and transforms that knowledge into practices and solutions.

Translational research solves problems people face in their everyday lives by using meaningful, evidenced-based information to address complex social, health, governmental, cultural, and relational issues. This process is more than just application. Translational research intentionally targets a problem and constructs an answer based on evidence.

IUPUI, through the leadership of Chancellor Bantz, recognizes that the partnership between an urban campus and its communities is best when the campus contributions to those communities are clearly evident. The **IUPUI TRIP** initiative proudly illustrates the contributions that our faculty make to others.

Currently, we have identified more than 100 translational scholars at IUPUI. We invite you to explore the meaningful research that our campus has to offer.

What characterizes translational research?

We see three distinct approaches to translational research:

1. Translational research is characterized by researchers/scholars who both generate knowledge and utilize the evidence to develop meaningful practices that address problems or issues in everyday life.
2. Translational research is characterized by knowledge generating researchers/scholars who collaborate or form partnerships with knowledge utilizers to successfully translate the researcher's evidence into meaningful practices.
3. Translational research is characterized by scholars specializing in knowledge utilization who translate evidence generated by others into practices.