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Research funding up

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IUPUI research awards have significantly grown over the past 12 months, despite fierce competition nationwide for research dollars. Through submission of highly competitive proposals and diversification of funding sources, IUPUI researchers have generated close to $284 million in research awards -- an increase of $89 million compared to a year ago.

This increased success reflects both the breadth of research and the determination of our colleagues. Medicine, Science, Philanthropy, and Social Work are among the schools that have realized significant growth in research over the past year.

Major initiatives contributing to this increase include the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, and the Concussion Assessment, Research and Education Consortium sponsored by the Department of Defense and NCAA.

Moreover, IUPUI researchers have sustained significant growth in research commercialization and industry and community partnerships.

Kody Varahramyan is the IUPUI vice chancellor for research, leading faculty, staff and students in these initiatives. He said, "The investments made in the programs and services to grow the research enterprise at IUPUI are paying off, enabling IUPUI to emerge as a top urban research university, with a reputation as a leader in many areas -- from health and life sciences to arts and humanities."

I congratulate all those who are making it happen and look forward to how lives will be changed for the better in Indianapolis, the state, nation and beyond as a result!

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