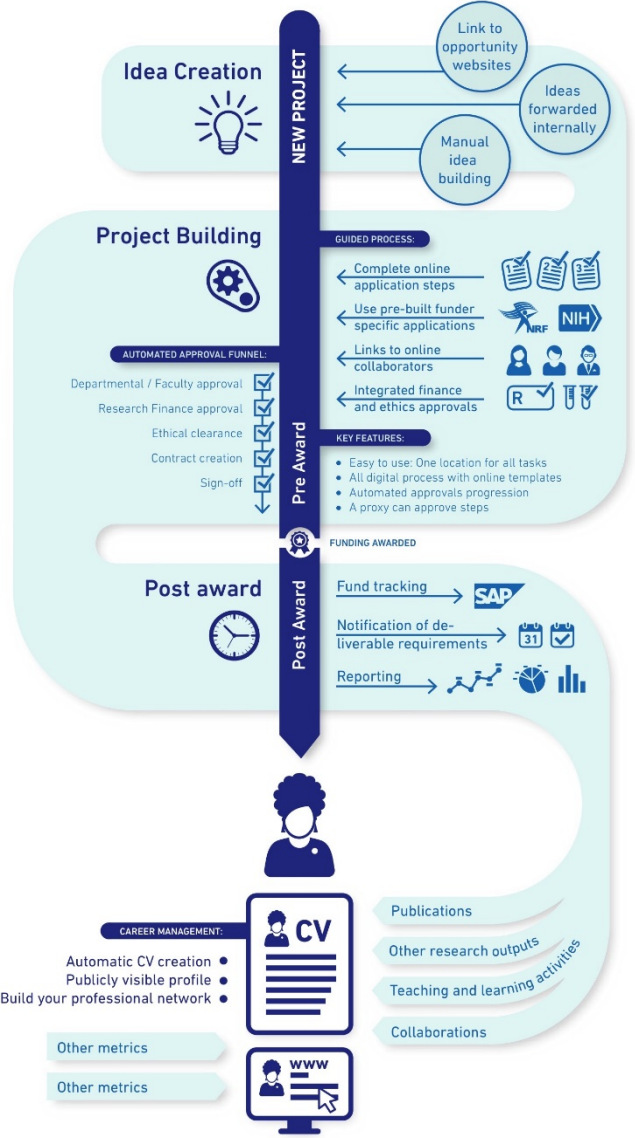


Update: Status of UCT's eRA system modules

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UCT's electronic Research Administration (eRA) System



Helps researchers & the University to:

- Manage and track research administrative workflows via an online system
- Capture, link & manage info through access-approved roles & across project lifecycles
- Report & analyse data to better support research

Configured & navigated through several modules



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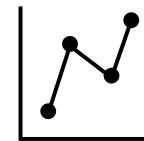


All modules tweaked and updated intermittently

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Ethics & biosafety module

- Developing from UKZN Converis ethics module
 - Obtained & transferred forms
- Configuring & testing forms for individual faculties & new Interfaculty Research Ethics Committee (IF-REC)
- Developing pre-screening questionnaire
- Preparing communications
- Preparing training
- Preparing for historical data migration

Ethics & biosafety module

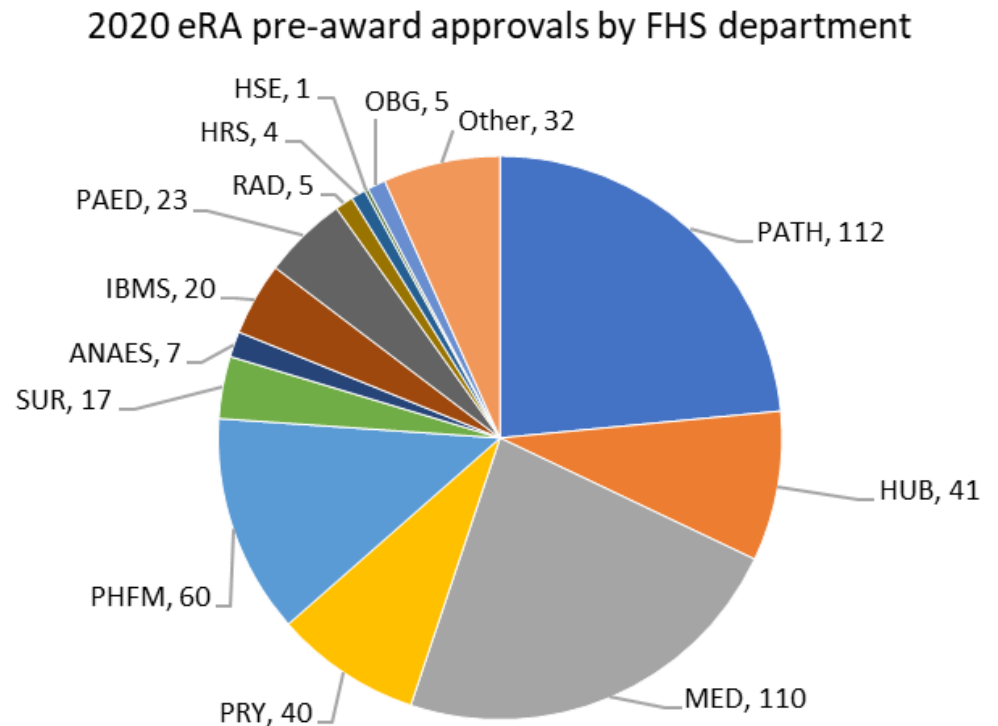
- Human Research Ethics form (FHS)
 - Configuration & testing Oct-Dec 2021
 - Rollout in Feb 2022
- Animal Ethics form (FHS)
 - Configuration & testing Feb-Mar 2022
- Biosafety form (FHS)
 - Configuration & testing May-Jun 2022

Researcher volunteers for testing Human Ethics form?



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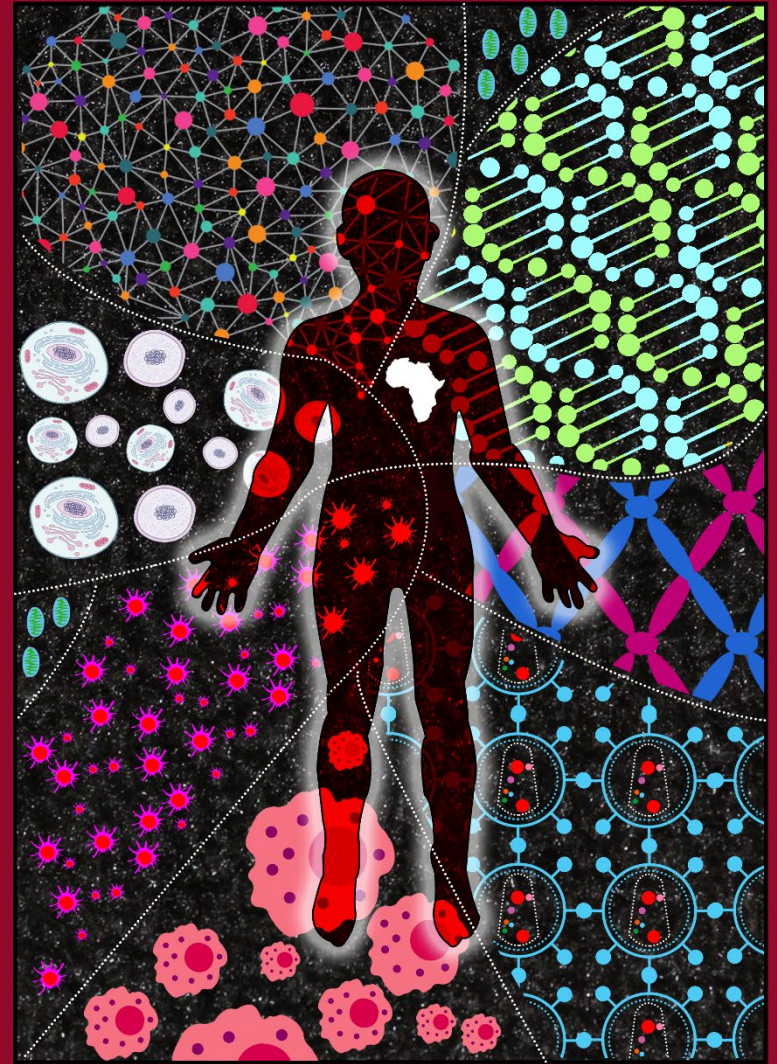
Communications & support

- Look out for comms released via research announcements & DVC desks:
 - Comms planned re Ethics Module
- Info sessions & training
 - eRA team run these; can request for dept/group
- Reminder: many resources to help – website
 - Reference sources (videos, user manual, 1-pg guidelines, FAQs, process flows)
 - Interactive resources (training sessions, help-desk support, online call logging)

www.researchsupport.uct.ac.za/era-overview



Thank you



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