



**MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH UNIT- MMC&RI**  
*The Research Brokers...*



**MRU BULLETIN 1 (June 2026)**

*Theme: UG Research*

**Introduction and situation analysis:**

CBME highlights the value of research for an Indian Medical graduate and the related competencies that an IMG should acquire. Most of the faculty are experienced in research as well as motivated to mentor the Undergraduates. There is a decent number of students who are also motivated to carry out research projects. Our institution also has a subscription to SPSS statistical software and databases needed for research. Every year, 15-20 students apply for the ICMR STS scheme, and 2-3 get selected. 2-3 students get selected for RGUHS STS grant also. Few students who are genuinely interested in research but are deprived of funds and guidance. To support them, MAA trust has come forward to sponsor UG research. This will be called as MMC&RI-MAA trust STS program and rolled out from this year.

Situation analysis of UG research is done by using ADIIT model as below:

**ADIIT MODEL: (ADHOC, DEFINED, INTEGRATED, INNOVATIVE, TRANSFORMATIVE)**

<b>1 AD HOC</b>	<b>2 DEFINED</b>	<b>3 INTEGRATED</b>	<b>4 INNOVATIVE</b>	<b>5 TRANSFORMATIVE</b>
Limited resources and a lack of formal processes	Formal structures, processes, and resources to support research	Integrated with the institution overall and collaborates and plans with other academic departments/units.	Innovative practices and methods	Model of excellence

Anderson, MC, Love, LM, Haggard, FL. Looking beyond the physician educator: the evolving roles of instructional designers in medical education. Med Sci Educator. 2019, March 15; <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40670-019-00720-6>. Accessed on 29/5/2026

According to this model, our institution is at level 2 with respect to UG research, and MRU invites input and involvement from the esteemed faculty to move to stages 4-5 in the coming years. We need to create a road map for the same.

### **Initiatives by MRU to foster UG research:**

1. Offering and conducting electives in molecular biology research. Around 50 students have taken this elective so far.
2. Supporting ICMR STS and RGUHS STS awardees to carry out laboratory investigations in MRU lab. Many students are utilizing this.
3. MRU has procured SPSS 31 statistical software package for data analysis
4. Conducting molecular biology workshops during VAGUS conference for students.
5. Implementing MMC&RI-MAA trust STS from the year 2026. We have received a total of 17 proposals this year. We thank all the faculty who are guiding these students.
6. Recognition for students who won awards in presentations in conferences at state/regional or national levels during the **Institutional Research Day** (tentatively scheduled in August 2026)
7. MRU plans to conduct a hackathon for students later this year.

### **For further information:**

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Event: MMC&RI and MAA Trust UG-STS Grant Committee meeting for the review of UG-STS research proposals, held on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026.



Event: Distribution of MMC&RI and MAA Trust UG-STS grant award letters to UG student awardees on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026.