

Dear UNE Community,

I am pleased to announce funding decisions for the 2024 Office of Research and Scholarship (ORS) Research Infrastructure Fund (RIF) program. The RIF program is an internal funding opportunity, using dollars generated by external grants' facilities and administrative (F&A) award to the University to cover indirect costs (IDC).

ORS manages a portion of the IDC funds to provide strategic investment in research infrastructure such as instrumentation, faculty professional development in research, and student research experiences. I am pleased to partner with the Deans and Units, who in most cases provide matching resource support to these strategic investments.

In this round we received applications from across the university and we are pleased to award 12 grants, representing \$169,113 investment in research infrastructure and scholarly endeavors.

Please join me in congratulating the award recipients:

<b>PI</b>	<b>Project Title</b>
Carol Brenner	<i>MORGANE Student Research Fellowships program</i>
Ling Cao, Steven Sutton, Ravi Vumma	<i>Maintenance of MAGPIX instrument</i>
Shelley Cohen Konrad	<i>CAIEP Support for student-led interprofessional research</i>
Erin Ducharme	<i>Equipment for animal care in the Zebrafish Facility</i>
Harry Filippakis, Deena Small, Katie Becker, Ling Cao, Ben Harrison	<i>Purchase of research refrigerator</i>
Markus Frederich	<i>Purchase of BioRad CFX Opus 96 Real Time PCR system</i>
Amy Keirstead	<i>CAS SURE 2024 Program</i>
Will Kochtitzky	<i>Purchase of unoccupied aerial vehicle equipment for use on federally funded/collaborative projects.</i>
John Rosene	<i>WCHP Student Research Fellowship program</i>
Deena Small	<i>Animal care support scholarship</i>
Patricia Thibodeau	<i>Purchase of CO2-Pro CV sensor</i>
Steven Travis	<i>Alarm system for two -80C freezers</i>

Sincerely,



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Professor and Associate Provost for Research and Scholarship