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## **The Results of the Research Fund at Benha University on Building the Research Capacity of Young Researchers**

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### **Abstract**

The Scientific Research Fund (SRF) was established in 2013 mainly to improve the research capacity building of the researchers in Benha University (BU). Nowadays, there are five units in this SRF being: research projects Unit, international publication Unit, the Unit of Intellectual Property and Scientific citation, Unit of research laboratories and scientific devices, and Scientific Journals Unit At start in 2013, the activities of SRF were to support financially the research capacity building of the distinguished and young researchers in Benha University. Since the establishment, about 214 research proposals were submitted and 92 projects were accepted with a total financial support of 14.150 million pounds. Accordingly, 92 research groups were established in different faculties of BU All the researchers were mandated to upload their research papers on the Portal Website of BU along with the websites of Google Scholar and Research Gate to improve the World ranking of BU The major impacts of funding these groups were: 1) increasing significantly and considerably the number of citations in BU (17311 citation), 2) increasing the number of impacted publications (3240 publication), 3) improving the ranking of BU globally to be 601-800 in the last Times Higher Education ranking (THE) and in the webometrics ranking issued in 2018 and to reach the 5th position in the Egyptian Universities ranking. In practice, we are looking to improve the ranking of BU particularly in the Arabian region.

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