
PRESS STATEMENT

UN Research Roadmap guides investments in research to support global recovery from COVID-19 pandemic

NEW YORK, 23 MARCH 2022 – In November 2020, the United Nations released the [UN Research Roadmap for the COVID-19 Recovery](#) in collaboration with 38 research funding agencies around the world and led by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).

Today new data published in Wellcome Open Research show that between April 2020 and July 2021 more than US\$ 800 million has been invested in nearly 4,000 research projects that align with the UN Roadmap.

“The global response to the COVID-19 pandemic must be inclusive and meet the needs of those most vulnerable to the impact of the pandemic. Using science as our guide, we can ensure we leave no one behind,” said the UN Deputy Secretary-General, Amina J. Mohammed who convened leading research funders from around the globe for the release of the *UN Roadmap*.

To help monitor the funding of research linked to priorities in the *UN Roadmap*, the UK Collaborative on Development Research (UKCDR) and the Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness (GloPID-R) have developed the COVID-19 Research Project Tracker and publish quarterly updates on funding activities in the form of a Living Mapping Review.

Development of the *UN Research Roadmap for COVID-19 Recovery* was led by Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). CIHR and other federal research funding partners will support two new research initiatives that align with the *Roadmap*: a \$20M investment in [Women RISE: Research to support women’s health and economic empowerment](#) for an equitable COVID-19 recovery and a \$24 million investment in a New Frontiers in Research Fund 2022 [Special Call: Research for Postpandemic Recovery](#).

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Associated links

[UN Research Roadmap for the COVID-19 Recovery](#)

[COVID-19 Research Project Tracker from UKCDR & GloPID-R](#)

[A living mapping review for COVID-19 funded research projects: twelve month update](#)