

**The Code of Conduct Regarding the Use of Public Research Funds at
the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu**

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The Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu (hereinafter, "UoA"), in accordance with the Regulations Concerning the Handling of Public Research Funds at the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu, establishes the Code of Conduct Regarding the Use of Public Research Funds as follows.

UoA faculty and staff members, as well as any other individuals involved in the management and operation of UoA Public Research Funds (hereinafter, "Faculty and Staff, Etc.") must follow this Code of Conduct faithfully.

1. Faculty and Staff, Etc. must recognize that Public Research Funds are public funds managed by the UoA, and use them appropriately and efficiently.
2. When using Public Research Funds, Faculty and Staff, Etc. must obey any and all relevant laws and regulations, as well as regulations, etc. established by the UoA.
3. Researchers who receive the allocation of Public Research Funds must strive to use Public Research Funds in a systematic and appropriate manner based on their research plans.
4. The administrative staff, etc. in charge of the administration of Public Research Funds must understand the characteristics of research activities and must process clerical matters appropriately and efficiently.
5. Faculty and Staff, Etc. shall strive to mutually collaborate to prevent misappropriation of Public Research Funds.
6. When using Public Research Funds, Faculty and Staff, Etc., must not engage in relationships with specific vendors that would bring about the misgivings or mistrust of society.
7. Faculty and Staff, Etc. shall proactively participate in training, etc. on the handling of Public Research Funds, and must strive to acquire knowledge on

the relevant laws and regulations, etc., and understanding of administrative procedures, etc.

8. Should Faculty and Staff, Etc. engage in inappropriate behavior in violation of the relevant laws and ordinances or regulations, etc. established by the UoA, he or she must bear the legal responsibility and accept any punishment from the UoA or Funding Institution.