PI ARTICLE: A Celebration of Georgia Tech Research

Shifting gears from the first 17 monthly PI Articles which have focused on education, policies, and grants management best practices, I want to use this month’s article to celebrate the research enterprise at Georgia Tech. The graph below and associated table show just how far we have come since the start of the century.

For perspective, an inflation calculator will show that $1 in FY00 is worth $1.78 today. So our $232 million in research awards in FY00 equates to $411 million in today’s dollars. We crossed the $500 million mark in FY10, the $1 billion mark in FY19, and navigating through the after-effects of a global pandemic and multiple systems implementations, we hit a remarkable $1.45 billion in research awards in FY23. And as it has been noted through many channels, to achieve these levels without a medical school is a tremendous accomplishment.

Much like our hometown Atlanta Braves, Georgia Tech is at the very top of the major leagues when it comes to research across the country. And we would not be where we are today without the hard work of every single person who touches the research enterprise.

So to all of our faculty, researchers, and students in GTRI and Resident Instruction, our staff in central research administration offices, and our staff and administrators out in the labs and in the units, we would not be where we are today without all of your effort. I will resume our normal educational articles in September, but for this one month, I just wanted to say thank you to all of you!

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