



Cooperative Institute for  
Great Lakes Research

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*Great Lakes Science for Society*



# MAKING AN IMPACT

2008 - 2016

## COLLABORATIONS FOSTERED

\$13 million  
In subawards issued for  
180 projects  
74 PIs funded @  
30 research  
institutions

## RESEARCH OUTCOMES

418 journal articles  
6575 citations  
663 social/news  
media hits

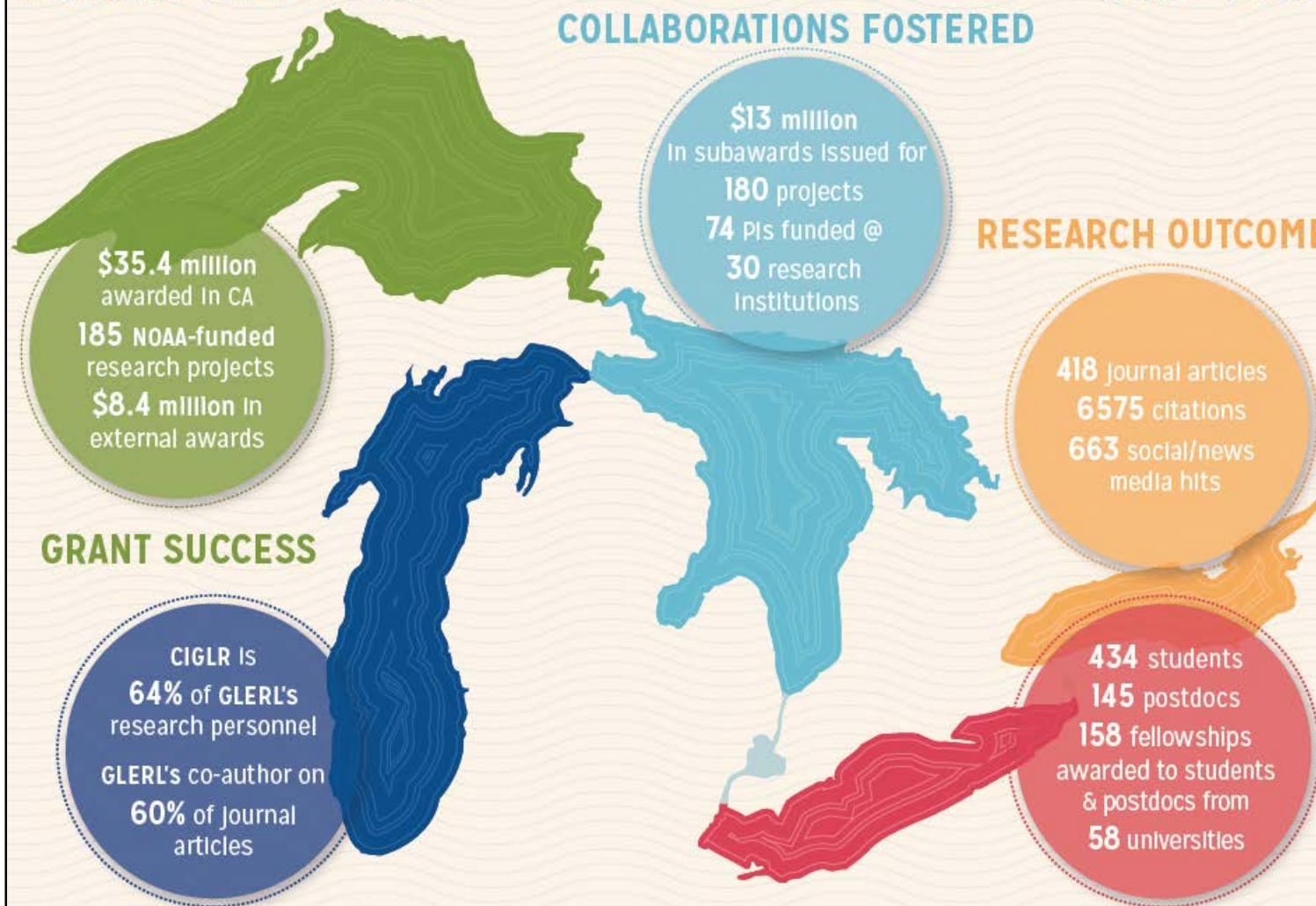
## GRANT SUCCESS

CIGLR is  
64% of GLERL's  
research personnel  
GLERL's co-author on  
60% of journal  
articles

## NOAA PARTNERSHIP

## CAREER TRAINING

434 students  
145 postdocs  
158 fellowships  
awarded to students  
& postdocs from  
58 universities





**Greater research capacity.** Regional Consortium includes 10 field stations, 12 vessels, 12 engineering/design labs, 38 observing systems, and an unprecedented set of specialty labs.



**More interdisciplinarity.** University Partners bring together a large group of natural and social scientists, as well as experts in engineering and design, who have committed to work together with NOAA-GLERL.



**Bi-national collaboration.** Partners include U.S. and Canadian universities working collaboratively with support of major international initiatives (IJC, CGLI).



**Increased cost-sharing.** University Partners guarantee NOAA a uniformly low cost of doing research across the Great Lakes with \$5.3 million in cost-sharing and in-kind support.



**Greater focus on co-design.** Private-sector partnerships with consulting firms, technology development companies, Great Lakes industries, and NGOs help accelerate transition of scientific research into applications.



**Faster R2A.** Private-sector partnerships with consulting firms, technology development companies, Great Lakes industries, and NGOs who help us accelerate transition of scientific research into applications.

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## **Mission**

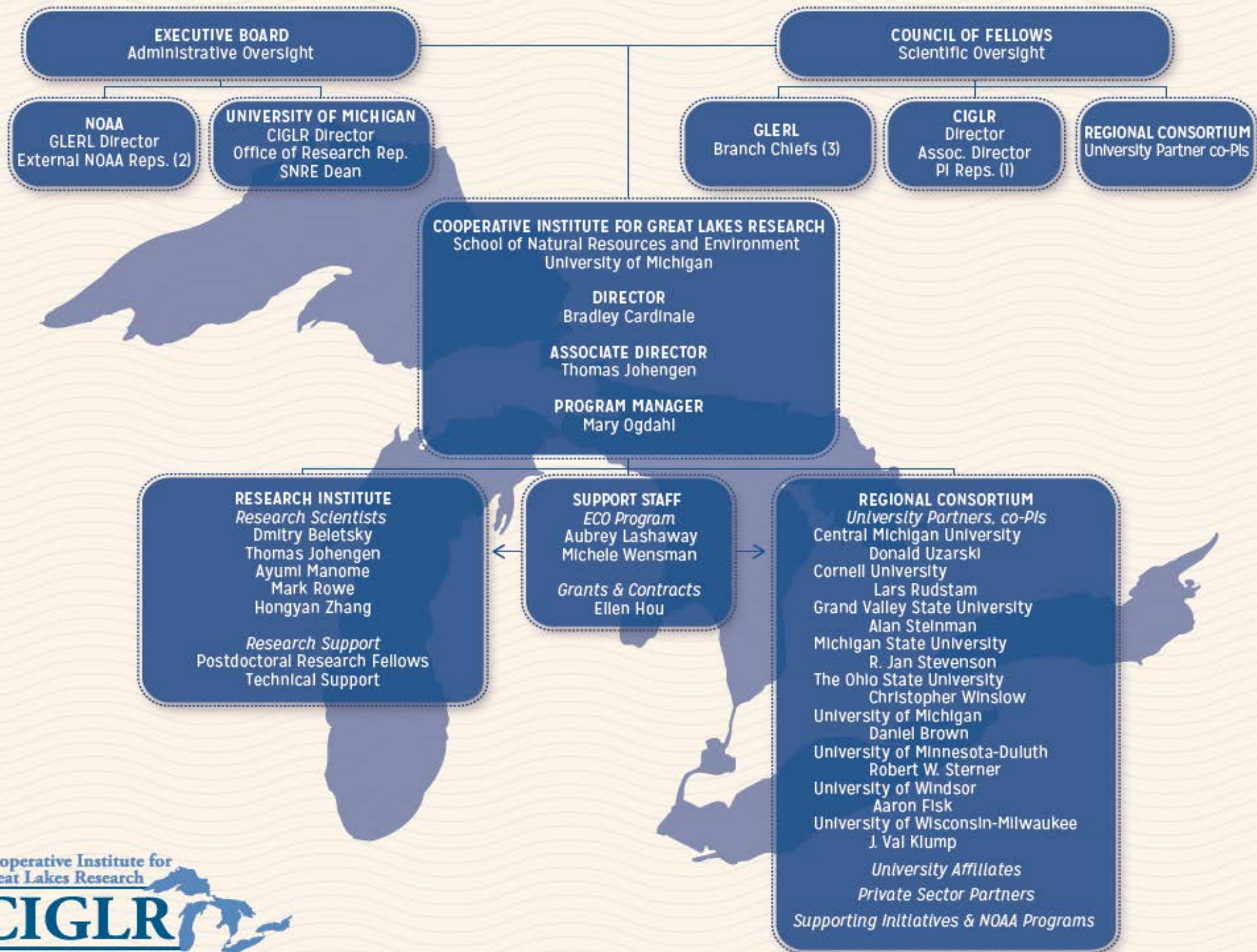
Lead research, develop applications and products, and engage with stakeholders to achieve sustainable management of the Great Lakes.

## Goals

- 1. Research institute.** Operate a research institute that complements NOAA-GLERL's workforce with a skilled, permanent group of research scientists, technicians, and staff.
- 2. Regional consortium.** Expand GLERL's intellectual capacity and research infrastructure by building strong partnerships with universities, NGOs, and private-sector partners throughout the Great Lakes basin.
- 3. Science translation.** Translate NOAA research into action-oriented products that meet the needs of end-user stakeholders like natural resource managers, businesses, public utilities, and citizen users of data.
- 4. Engagement.** Support informed decision making by advising local, state, and federal policymakers about the importance of the Great Lakes for national security, commerce, health, prosperity and sustainability.
- 5. Career development.** Foster development of a diverse, skilled workforce who will become the next generation of NOAA and Great Lakes scientists.
- 6. Outreach & communications.** Advance Great Lakes environmental literacy by communicating the value, importance & usefulness of NOAA's research to the general public at local, state, and regional levels.

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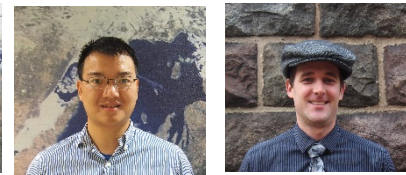


## *Research Institute ...*

5 Research scientists



2 Postdoctoral fellows



17 Research staff



> 20 Graduate students  
and summer fellows

# Regional Consortium ...














# Regional Consortium ...

## University Partners

University Partners agree to uniform 26% IDC rate on NOAA funds run through CIGLR

										
<b>Research Vessels</b>		38' <i>Chippewa</i> 7 small vessels	29' Trawler 5 small vessels	66' <i>W.G. Jackson</i> 45' <i>D.J. Angus</i> 4-6 small vessels	—	47' <i>Gibraltar III</i> 37' <i>M/V BioLab</i> 34' <i>Carmen</i> 27' <i>Echo</i> 3 small vessels	80' <i>Laurentian</i>	86' <i>Blue Heron</i> 25' <i>Kingfisher</i>	—	71' <i>Neeshay</i> 4 small vessels
<b>Observing Systems</b>		Ship-based system (L Michigan)	1 buoy (Oneida L)	1 buoy (Muskegon L), 5 ROVs	1 glider (regional)	1 buoy (L Erie) 2 ROVs (L Erie)	7 buoys (L Erie, L Michigan, Little Traverse Bay); 2 AUVs (regional); 3 gliders (regional)	2 buoys (L Superior) 2 gliders (L Superior)	5 gliders (regional)	2 buoys (L Michigan); 1 buoy (Green Bay); 2 ROVs, Ship-based system (L Michigan)
<b>Field Research Stations</b>	<b>Facility</b>	<u>CMUBS</u> : 130 ac, boat house, 4 labs, library, cafeteria	<u>CBFS</u> : 500 ac, 20 buildings, labs	<u>AWRI</u> : 14,000 ft <sup>2</sup> with 8 labs, vessel docks, meeting & office space, library	<u>KBS</u> : 17 km <sup>2</sup> biostation, 3600 ft <sup>2</sup> greenhouse, 12 labs, library	<u>StoneLab</u> : 16ac biostation, vessel docks, 3,000 ft <sup>2</sup> lab space, office & meeting space, cafeteria, library	<u>UMBS</u> : 10,000 ac biostation, 24,000 ft <sup>2</sup> lab space, dining hall, library	<u>LLO</u> : 224 ac campus on L Superior, analytical labs	<u>PERC</u> : 22 ac research center, Point Pelee <u>FERC</u> : 3300 ft <sup>2</sup> center, Detroit R.	<u>GLWT</u> : 160,000 ft <sup>2</sup> facility, 30 labs, deep water dock, ship staging area
	<b>Experimental Facilities</b>	350 gal (12) climate cont aquaria	800 gal (16) climate cont aquaria	350 gal (12) climate cont aquaria	30 m dia ponds (18)	450 gal tanks (4), 75 gal climate cont streams (2), 2500 L pools (54), 30 m hatcheries (2)	10 L (180) climate cont algal chemostats 1000 L (160) tanks	---	3000 L (18) climate cont aquaria 40 x 60 x 2 m deep ponds (4)	Aquaculture center Aquarium facilities
	<b>Housing</b>	12 cabins, 1 dorm, sleeps 146	Cabins & dorms, sleeps 40	---	3 cabins, 12 dorms, 30 apts, sleeps 100+	2 cottages, 12 dorm suites, 12 houses, sleeps 90	100 cabins, 14 dorms, sleeps 300+	---	---	---
	<b>Classrooms</b>	3	2	2	6	6	17	1	---	6
<b>Specialized Laboratories and Facilities</b>		Biomolecular; Engineering/design; Gas (volatile, & semi-volatile) spectroscopy; HP computing	Bioacoustics; Biomolecular; Engineering/design; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing	Biomolecular; Engineering/design; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing; Sedimentology	Biomolecular; Engineering/design; HP computing; Stable Isotopes; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing	Biomolecular; Engineering/design; Radioisotope; HP computing; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing	Aquaculture; Biomolecular; Engineering/design; HP computing; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing	IRMS; LC-MS; XRF; Bio-molecular; Coring & core processing; Engineering/design	Biomolecular; Engineering/design; HP computing; Satellite imagery; GIS; Remote sensing	Aquaculture; Biomolecular; Data visualization; Engineering/design; HP computing; Radioisotope
<b>Number of NOAA related PhD and MS programs (examples)</b>		5 (Earth Science, Ecosystem Science, Mathematics, Conservation Biology)	9 (Ecology, Aquatic Science, Wildlife Science, Policy)	3 (Biology, Aquatic Sciences)	10 (Fisheries, Ecology, Environ Science & Policy, Communication, Tourism, Protected Area Management)	12 (Ecology, Environ Social Science, Fisheries & Wildlife, Watershed Systems, Atmospheric Sci)	12 (Conservation, Human behavior, Sustainable Systems, Policy & Planning, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sci)	8 (Chemistry, Physics, Limnology & Oceanography, Geology, Conservation)	6 (Aquatic Ecotoxicology, Ecology, Invasion Biology, Biogeochemistry)	7 (Ecology, Ecotoxicology, Fish & Aquaculture, Environ Health, Water Law & Policy, Atmospheric Sci)
# of PIs in:	ED/NS/SS	0/25/0	2/19/10	0/13/2	4/15/9	11/10/4	12/18/7	0/12/0	2/13/2	5/23/8
	Theme 1-4	8/8/18/7	6/16/22/11	3/7/13/13	9/18/8/12	18/12/13/10	19/16/11/15	9/6/12/0	5/9/11/5	9/20/8/24

## ***Regional Consortium ...***

### *Private Sector Partners*



One of the world's largest charitable organizations. TNC Laurentian Great Lakes Project works in 8 states and Canada. Will partner in research, engagement, communication, and outreach efforts.



Largest private, nonprofit conservation education and advocacy organization in US. Great Lakes Regional Center will help expand our efforts in policy engagement (National Advocacy Center).



Leading water sciences and environmental engineering firm. Key role in observing / monitoring systems. Will partner to coordinate and expand observing systems – particularly, for public utilities



Leading distributor and certified repair center of sensors, platforms, and telemetry equipment. Will partner to build instrumented monitoring stations; offer support and repair services for existing monitoring instrumentation and systems.



Contracting firm with labs for aquatic toxicology, environmental chemistry, and taxonomy. Will partner for monitoring and toxicology studies to fill gaps in expertise.



## ***Regional Consortium ...***

*Supporting programs & initiatives*



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## ***20 core / 24 new projects ...***

### ***Theme 1. Observing Systems and Advanced Technology***

*Monitoring environmental change to help society navigate the Anthropocene*

### ***Theme 2. Invasive species and food-web ecology***

*Tracking the dynamics & functioning of Great Lakes ecological communities*

### ***Theme 3. Hydrometeorological and ecosystem forecasting***

*Modeling physical & biological processes to help predict the Great Lakes future*

### ***Theme 4. Protection and restoration of resources***

*Safeguarding habitats, natural capital, & ecosystem services in the Great Lakes*

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Environmental Research Laboratory



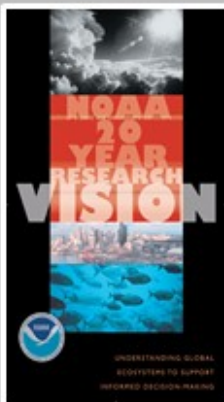
#### **Strategic Plan 2016-2020**

*A commitment to integrated scientific research on the Great Lakes and coastal ecosystems*

U.S. Department of Commerce  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research

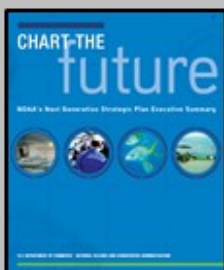


## Box 1. NOAA's Grand Challenges and Research Priorities



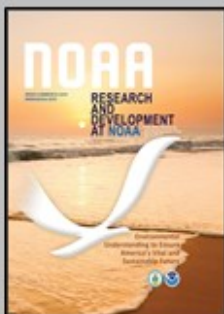
### NOAA's 20-yr Research Vision & Grand Challenges (N20)

1. Enhance atmosphere-ocean-land-biology and human observing systems
2. Improve predictions of the water cycle at global to local scales
3. Characterize how climate variation impacts oceans (Great Lakes) and coasts
4. Characterize uncertainties associated with scientific information
5. Understand how biodiversity & ecosystem processes sustain ecosystem services ←
6. Develop approaches to reduce environmental degradation
7. Incorporate human behavior into Earth system sciences ←
8. Communicate science effectively to policy makers, the media, and the public ←



### NOAA's Next Generation Strategic Plan (NGSP)

1. Climate adaptation & mitigation: anticipating & responding to climate impacts
2. Weather-ready nation: preparing society to respond to weather related events ←
3. Healthy oceans and Great Lakes: sustaining fisheries, habitats, and biodiversity
4. Resilient communities: environmentally & economically sustainable coasts ←



### NOAA's 5-year Research & Development Plan (N5)

1. Climate variation and its impacts
2. Managing and leveraging big data
3. Extreme weather and water events
4. Preparing for and responding to unpredictable events
5. Modeling and managing complex systems
6. Integrating disciplines for a systems perspective ←



# **Theme 1. Observing Systems and Advanced Technology**

*Monitoring environmental change to help society navigate the Anthropocene*

## **Focus 1a. Development and operation of observing systems**

Project 1a.1 – Observing Systems: Implementing a network of observing systems

Project 1a.2 – Remote sensing: Enhancing remote sensing systems

**Project 1a.3 – Local monitoring systems: Expanding obs networks for key end-users**



## **Focus 1b. Advancing technology for observing systems**

Project 1b.1 – Fixed moorings: Advancing technologies for toxin and contaminant measurement

Project 1b.2 – Mobile platforms: Advancing technologies for monitoring physio-chemical & biological parameters

Project 1b.3 – Airborne platforms: Advancing technologies for lake-scale assessments of harmful algal blooms

## **Focus 1c. Data products for the science community and the public**

Project 1c.1 – Data management: Support for the GLOS Data Assembly Center (DAC)

Project 1c.2 – Real-time information systems: Support for Great Lakes CoastWatch

Project 1c.3 – Advanced warning systems: Public applications of observing systems

**Project 1c.4 – Beach forecast systems: Health monitoring to protect coastal recreation**



## **Focus 1d. High-risk, potentially transformative projects**

**Project 1d.1 – Social observing systems: Developing a Great Lakes Observing System for Human Dimensions (GLOS-HD)**



## ***Theme 2. Invasive species and food-web ecology***

*Tracking the dynamics and functioning of Great Lakes ecological communities*

### **Focus 2a. Invasive species**

**Project 2a.1 – Prevention: A human-natural systems approach to prevention**

**Project 2a.2 – Monitoring and early detection: Using eDNA to scan for invaders**

**Project 2a.3 – Rapid response: Support to guide eradication or containment**

**Project 2a.4 – Impacts: Community and ecosystem impacts of invasive species**

**Project 2a.5 – Control and management: Support for education and outreach efforts**

**Project 2a.6 – Coordination & leadership: GLANSIS**

### **Focus 2b. Food-web dynamics**

**Project 2b.1 – Pelagic systems: Core ecological monitoring of fish and invertebrates**

**Project 2b.2 – Benthic systems: Monitoring to assess impacts of invasive species**

**Project 2b.3 – Littoral systems: Ecological assessment of Great Lakes coastal wetlands**

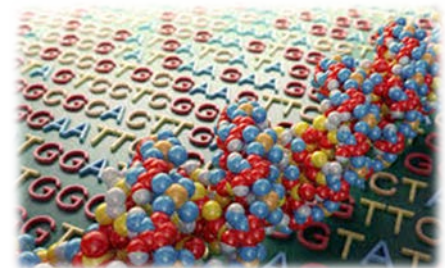
### **Focus 2c. Development of ecological “omics”**

**Project 2c.1 – Opening the Great Lakes microbial black box using genomics**

**Project 2c.2 – Using eDNA to monitor rare and threatened vertebrate species**

### **Focus 2d. High risk, potentially transformative projects**

**Project 2d.1 – Cyberinfrastructure for environmental omics of the Great Lakes**



## ***Theme 3. Hydrometeorological and ecosystem forecasting***

*Modeling physical and biological processes to help predict the Great Lakes future*

### **Focus 3a. Hydrological/hydrodynamic models and forecasts**

Project 3a.1 – Hydrological forecasts: Great Lakes in the National Water Model

**Project 3a.2 – Water level forecasts: Improving models for shipping and commerce**

Project 3a.3 – Coastal currents forecasts: NextGen coastal forecast system



### **Focus 3b Climate and weather forecasts**

Project 3b.1 – Climate forecasts: Regional climate modeling

**Project 3b.2 – Weather forecasts: Lake-effect snow**

Project 3b.3 – Ice cover forecasts: Improved ice modeling



### **Focus 3c. Ecosystem state forecasts**

Project 3c.1 – Harmful algal bloom forecasts

Project 3c.2 – Hypoxia forecasts: Modeling DO dynamics for public water systems

Project 3c.3 – Land use: Forecasting tipping points in Great Lakes water quality

**Project 3c.4 – Fisheries: Improving models for recreational/commercial fisheries**



### **Focus 3d. High risk, potentially transformative projects**

**Project 3d.1 – Predicting adoption of best management practices**



## ***Theme 4. Protection and restoration of resources***

*Safeguarding habitats, natural capital, and ecosystem services throughout the Great Lakes*

### Focus 4a. Valuation of ecosystem services

Project 4a.1 – Economic valuation: Quantifying use and non-use values

Project 4a.2 – Non-economic valuation of Great Lakes ecosystem services

Project 4a.3 – Business and enterprise: Adoption by Great Lakes industries

### Focus 4b. Habitat protection and restoration

Project 4b.1 – Sanctuaries and Reserves: Mapping socioeconomic values

Project 4b.2 – Sanctuaries and Reserves: Quantifying sociocultural services

Project 4b.3 – Unique habitats: Exploring novel habitats

Project 4b.4 – Areas of Concern: Evaluating the benefits of restoring AOCs

### Focus 4c. Social adaption and resilience of coastal communities

Project 4c.1 – Climate adaptation: Enhancing risk communication

Project 4c.2 – Coastal resilience: Scenarios to support resilience to water levels

Project 4c.3 – Coastal management: Local planning for resilient communities





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**Postdoctoral Fellowships.** Two fellowships year<sup>-1</sup> (\$48K + 25% fringe) selected from annual call for proposals. Priority given to projects that link NOAA Research Scientists with University Partners



**Graduate Fellowships.** Two Graduate Research Fellowships per year (\$25K) for students at University Partner institutions to collaborate with NOAA scientists.

**Summer Fellowship Program.** 10-12 fellowships per year for undergraduate and graduate students to work with CIGLR & GLERL PIs on summer projects.



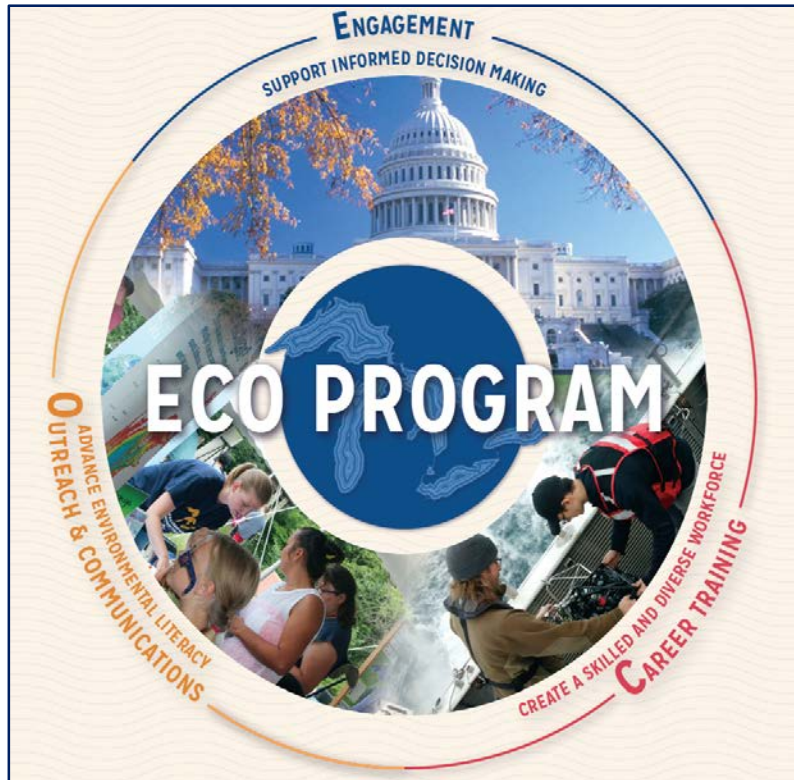
**Summits and Working Groups.** 3-5 SWGs per year (up to \$20K) convene experts from universities, NGOs, government agencies, & businesses to work together on the most pressing research and management needs in the Great Lakes.



**Rapid Funding.** Up to \$10,000 to PIs & students from University Partner institutions who need short-term funds for initial response to an emergency or time-sensitive need (e.g., Flint water crisis, oil or chemical spills, etc.).



**Outreach and Education Funding.** Up to \$2,000 to support undergraduate or graduate students at University Partner institutions who incorporate a public outreach or education component highlighting NOAA into their work.



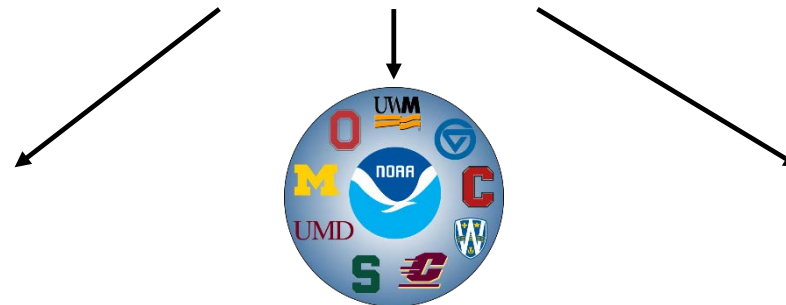
**Engagement.** Support informed decision making by advising local, state, & federal policymakers about the importance of Great Lakes' ecosystem services.  
*Examples: Great Lakes Day, Congressional visits, SWGs*

**Career training.** Promote a diverse, skilled workforce with career training for undergraduates, graduate students, & postdocs who will be the next generation of Great Lakes & NOAA scientists.  
*Examples: Student fellowships, Doris Duke Program*

**Outreach & communications.** Advance environmental literacy by communicating the value, importance, & utility of NOAA's Great Lakes research to the general public.  
(Examples: Newsletters, Social Media, Outreach Events)

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## Research Institute

- ✓ 5 PIs
- ✓ 17 Research Staff
- ✓ 2 Post Docs
- ✓ Students

## Regional Consortium

- ✓ 9 University Partners
- ✓ 148 Natural Scientists
- 42 Social Scientists
- 36 Engineering & Design

## Others

- ✓ University Affiliates (25)
- ✓ All other sub-awardees



**Research Institute**



**Regional Consortium**

**Others**



## Research Institute

- 26% IDC @ UM
- 6% CIGLR Task I
- 3% CIGLR Task II



## Regional Consortium

## Others



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### Regional Consortium

- 0% IDC @ UM
- 6% CIGLR Task I
- 3% CIGLR Task II
- 26% IDC @ Partner University

### Others





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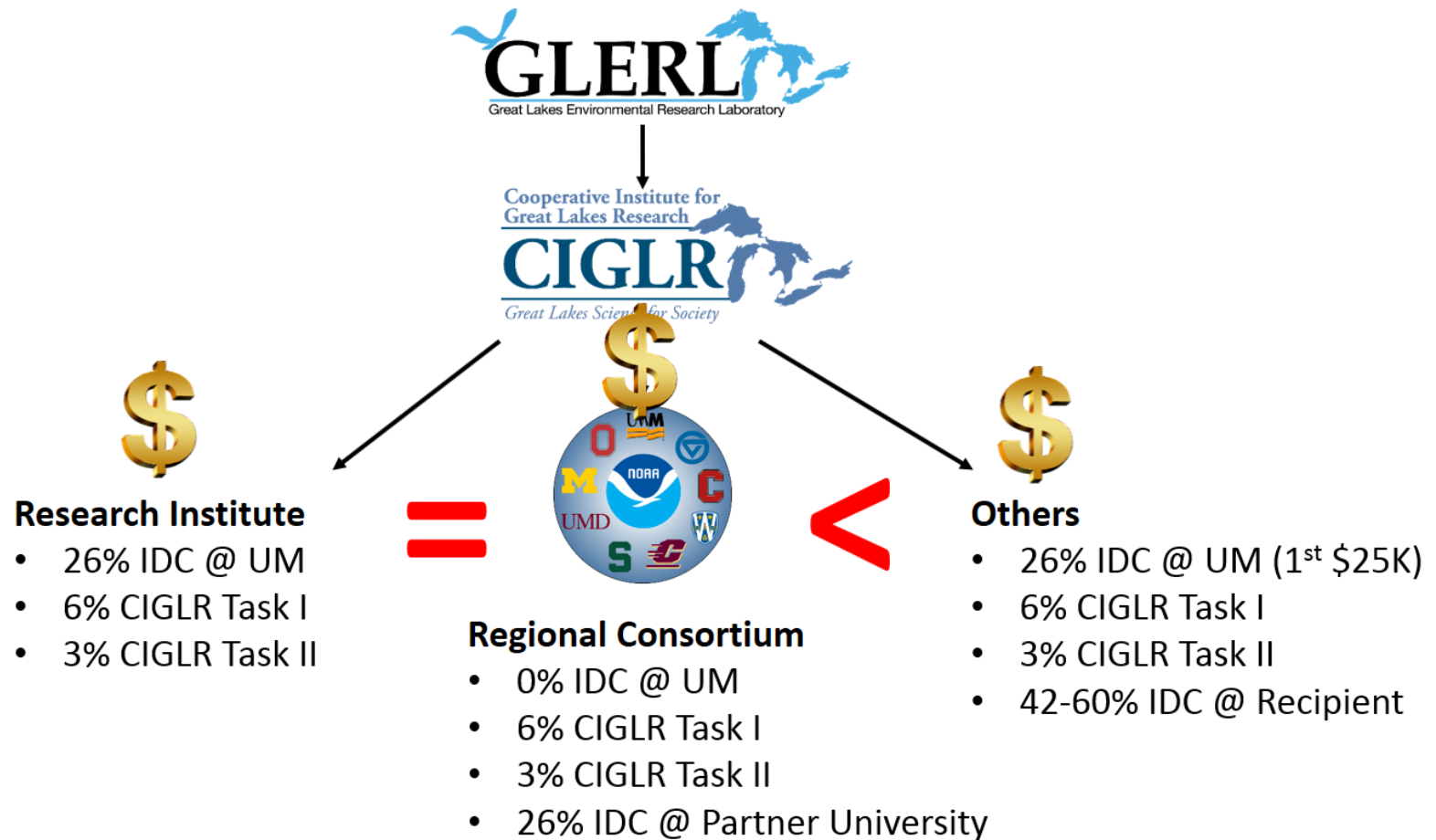
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### Others

- 26% IDC @ UM (1<sup>st</sup> \$25K)
- 6% CIGLR Task I
- 3% CIGLR Task II
- 42-60% IDC @ Recipient

***Point 1: CIGLR offers uniformly low cost to NOAA  
for doing research across all the Great Lakes***





**Research Institute**

**Regional Consortium**

**Others**





$\geq \$3.6 \text{ M yr}^{-1}$

UM contributes  
\$250K  $\text{yr}^{-1}$  in  
cost share

Research Institute



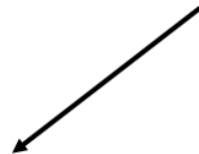
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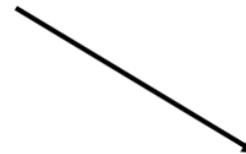


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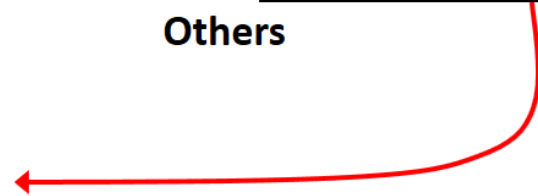
**Regional Consortium**

- 2 Postdocs  $\text{yr}^{-1}$
- 3 Summits or Working Groups  $\text{yr}^{-1}$
- Rapid funding
- Outreach funding

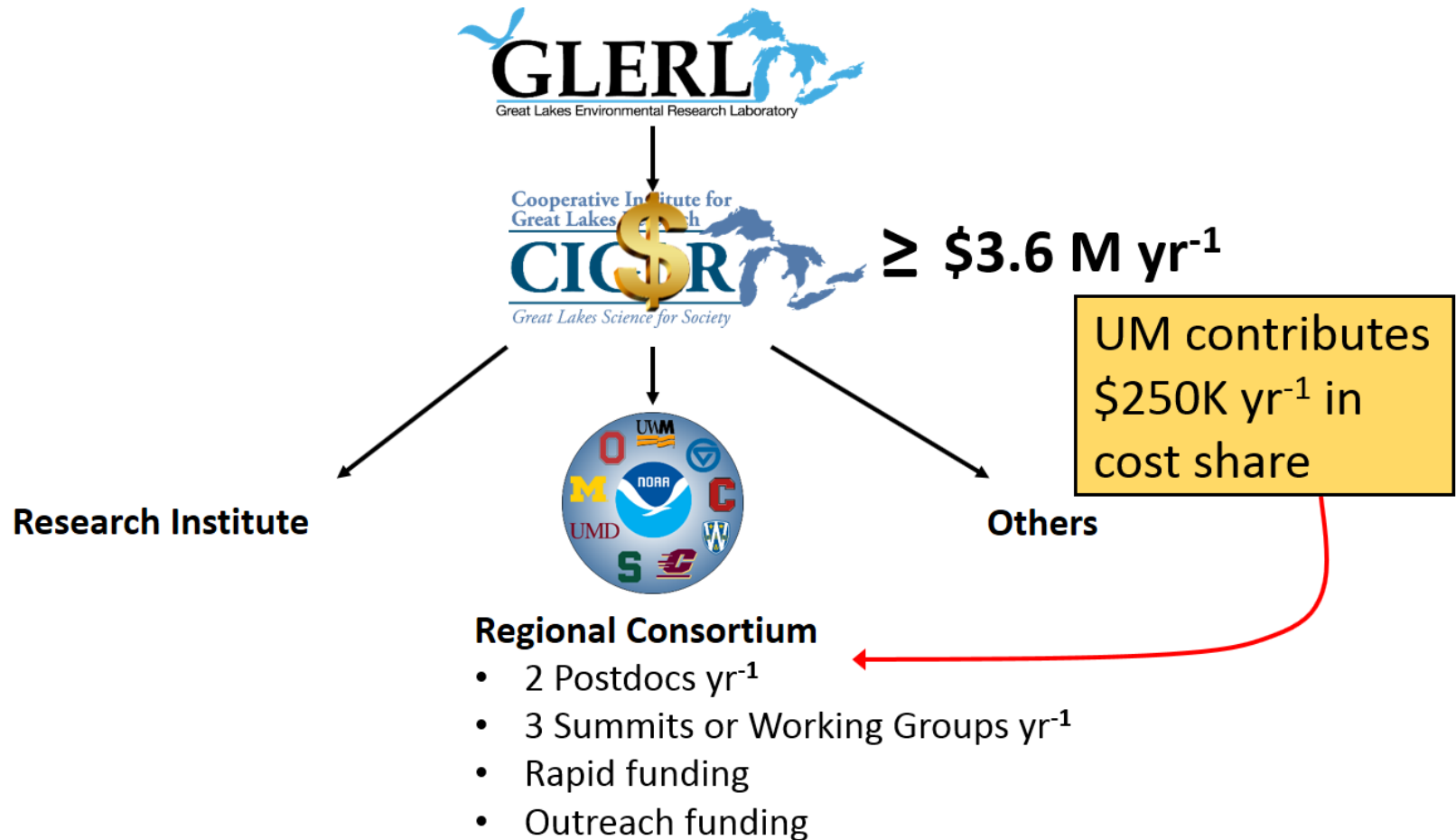


**Others**

UM contributes  
 $\$250\text{K yr}^{-1}$  in  
cost share



**Point 2: Stable funding ensures UM support for programs**





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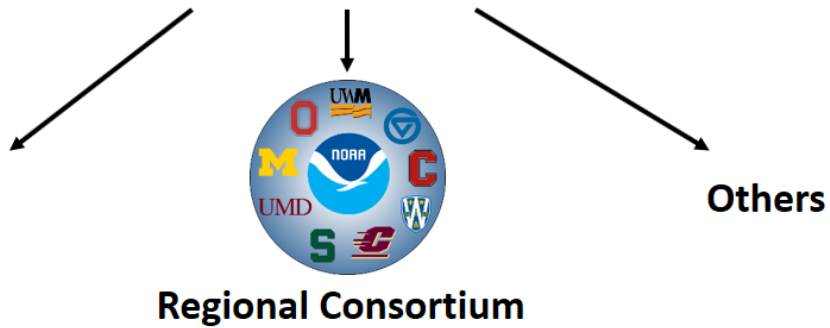


**Regional Consortium**

**Others**



  
**Research Institute**  
**60%**



**Others**





Research Institute

**60%**



Regional Consortium

**35-40%**

Others



Research Institute

**60%**



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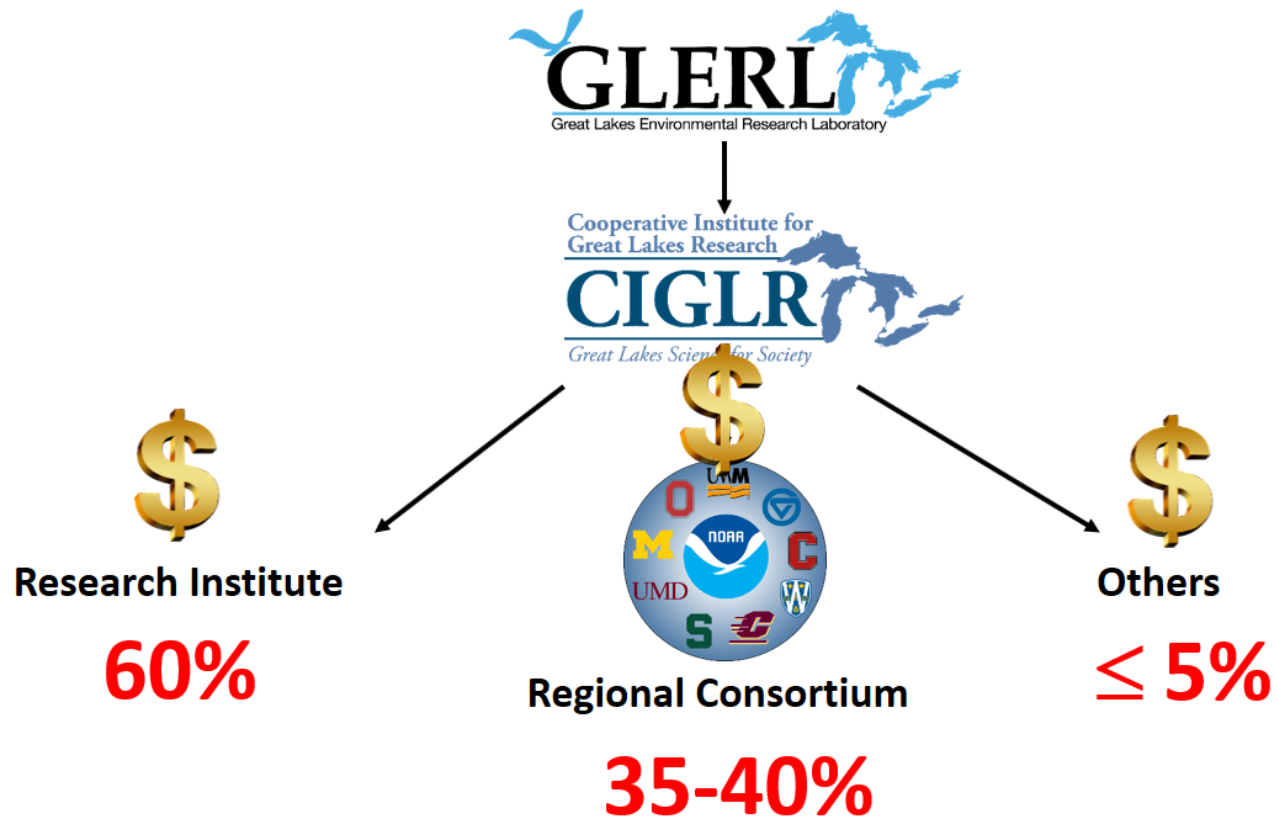
**35-40%**



Others

**≤ 5%**

***Point 3: Funding distribution maintains functions of  
Research Institute AND fosters benefits of partnership***



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## *Making partnerships work ...*



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### Benefits of not partnering

- Control
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- Communication & interaction

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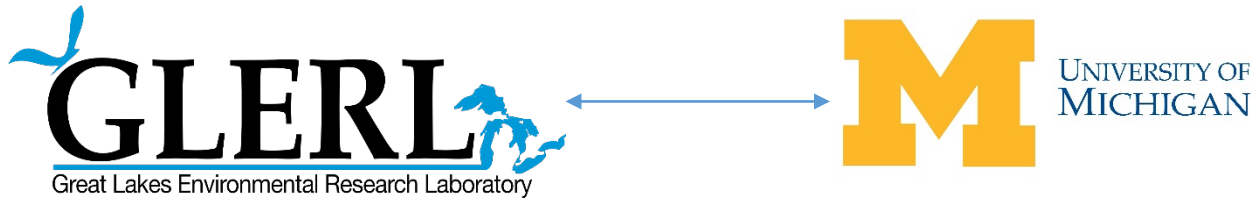


### Benefits of partnering

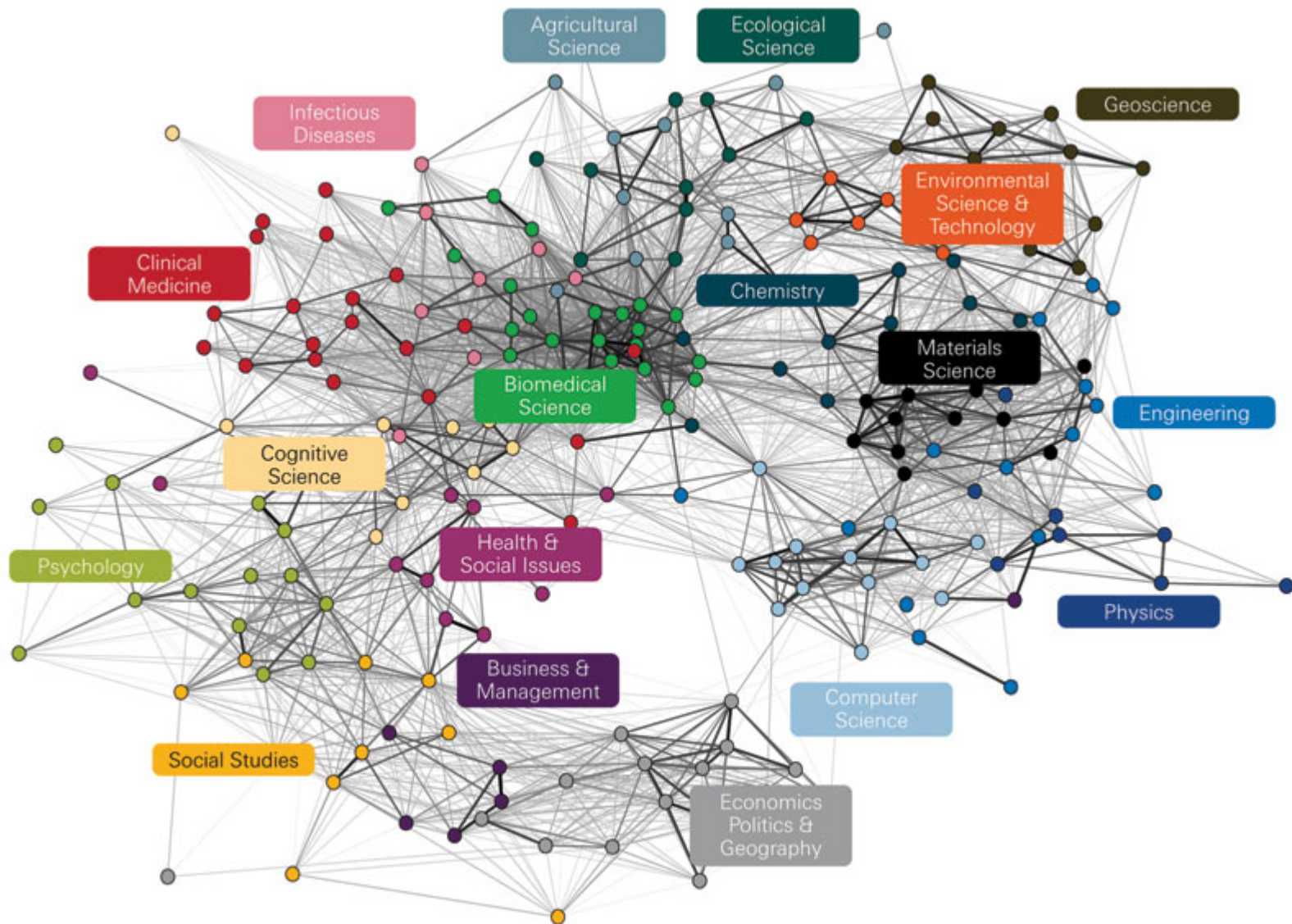
- Additional resources
- Expertise
- ↑ Productivity and impact



## *Connecting with UM ...*



## *Achieving inter-disciplinarity ...*



## *Sustainability and diversity of funding ...*







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