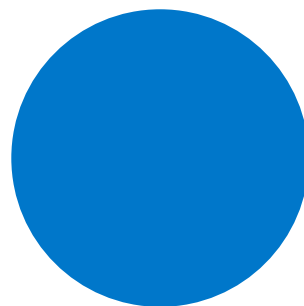
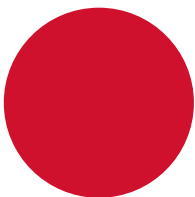
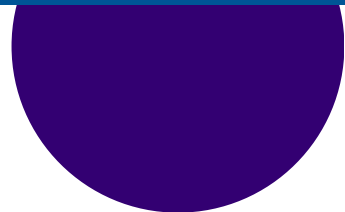


Backgrounder: OVIN-OCUR Critical Minerals and Battery Innovation Group Membership and OCI-OCUR Life Sciences Group Membership

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Through the leadership of the Ontario Council on University Research (OCUR), which comprises of Vice-Presidents, Research from Ontario universities, the following members were selected to sit on each innovation group. OCUR remains committed to helping advance life sciences and critical minerals and battery innovation in Ontario, and collaborating with the province to contribute to its knowledge-based economy.

OVIN-OCUR Critical Minerals and Battery Innovation

Membership

1. Ontario Centre of Innovation (OCI): Raed Kadir, Vice President, Strategic Initiatives, Business Development and Head of the Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (*Co-Chair*)
2. Lakehead: Andrew Dean, Vice-President, Research and Innovation (*Co-Chair*)
3. OCI: Ghazal Momen, Manager, Strategic Partnerships
4. Guelph: Benjamin Bradshaw, Associate Professor of Geography and Assistant Vice-President (Graduate Studies)
5. Laurentian: Gisele Roberts, Director, Research and Innovation
6. Ontario Tech: John Komar, Executive Director, ACE Core Research Facility
7. Toronto: Cristina Amon, Professor, Mechanical Engineering and Dean Emerita, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering
8. Waterloo: Alfred Yu, Assistant Vice-President, Research and International
9. Western: David Muir, Associate Vice-President, Innovation
10. Windsor: Narayan Kar, Professor, Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Electrified Vehicles
11. York: Hany Farag, Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
12. COU: Yvonne Robertson, Manager, Government and Stakeholder Relations
13. COU: Éilis Karry, Policy Analyst

OCI-OCUR Life Sciences Working Group

Membership

1. Ontario Centre of Innovation (OCI): Raed Kadri, Vice President, Strategic Initiatives, Business Development and Head of the Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (*Co-Chair*)
2. Ontario Tech: Les Jacobs, Vice-President, Research and Innovation (*Co-Chair*)
3. OCI: Ghazal Momen, Manager, Strategic Partnerships
4. Brock: Wendy Ward, Interim Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Studies
5. Carleton: Rafik Goubran, Vice-President (Research and International)
6. Queen's: Jim Banting, Assistant Vice-President, Partnerships and Innovation
7. TMU: Richard McCulloch, Executive Director Research Services
8. Toronto: Derek Newton, Assistant Vice-President, Innovation, Partnerships and Entrepreneurship
9. Trent: Holger Hintelmann, Interim Vice-President, Research and Innovation
10. Waterloo: Catherine Burns, Associate Vice-President, Health Initiatives, Canada Research Chair in Human Factors in Healthcare Systems
11. Western: Bryan Neff, Associate Vice-President, Research
12. Windsor: Nick Vukotic, Assistant Professor, Industrial Research Chair, Inorganic/Materials Chemistry
13. York: Courtney Cole, Business Development Manager, Research and Innovation
14. COU: Yvonne Robertson, Manager, Government and Stakeholder Relations
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