

Research Performance

An intuitive SaaS product that analyzes the performance of research institutions

Infused with over 40 years of extensive experience and leadership in understanding the financial performance of sponsored programs, Attain Research Performance (Attain RP), formerly known as Attain Density, is an intuitive Software as a Service (SaaS) product that analyzes the performance of research institutions. We supply clients with industry-leading analyses down to the staff level and across multiple years, all while minimizing expense, workload, and the need for technical expertise.

Powerful Insights at Affordable Prices

Available with a short implementation window and an affordable annual fee, a subscription to Attain RP provides decision-makers at your institution with broader and deeper insights into your institution's research, and its associated financial costs and spatial usage, all with no increase of full-time equivalent (FTE) costs.



Comprehensive Analyses at Every Level

This new proprietary analysis tool helps your organization navigate both current year performance and multiyear trends related to your institution's density, effective recovery, space breakdown, and more at any unit level relevant to your institution.

For example, an executive at an institution can review the indirect cost recovery (IDC) and IDC density of the institution as a whole, the college of arts and sciences, the chemistry department, and a single investigator.

Supporting this level of detail enables institutions to monitor performance against density targets, make space allocation adjustments, and identify sources of rapid growth against key metrics such as effective recovery, IDC density, or modified total direct costs (MTDC) dollars.

Adapts to Your Institution

We understand the fluidity and nuance that exists within and across research organizations and have designed our product to accommodate these factors. Where many products enforce one-to-one relationships between researchers and departments or colleges, Attain RP allows for many-to-many relationships, which allows for the nuances that occur when principal investigators (PIs) collaborate and work on interdisciplinary research.

We have also tried to eliminate terminology confusion and the need for data mapping by having the system support any number of unit levels, conform to the terms of your choosing for each unit level, and adapt to any user-defined values for each field. For example, some institutions have half a dozen or more organizational levels, while others have only a few; some use the term "Division" while others use "College;" and each may have their own list of sponsor types. Attain RP adapts to all of these points of variability to ensure that each institution gets an experience that is appropriate and convenient for them.



Attain RP leverages industry best practice to calculate and roll up key metrics such as density, effective recovery, and utilization.



YOUR BUSINESS TERMINOLOGY

We automatically parallel most of the terms, types, and name used at your institution.

No need to learn or map expense categories, research/sponsor type, etc.

TREND & CURRENT YEAR ANALYSIS

Explore and understand your current positioning and trend data at any level of your institution.



Attain RP



DESIGNED FOR RESEARCH

We've designed our system to specifically accommodate the nuances and practices common to research organizations.



CUSTOMIZABLE METRICS

We customize cost, density, and other metrics to fit your institution during implementation.



RAPID IMPLEMENTATION & ROLLOUT

Most implementations can be completed in 30 - 60 days

Not just powering the future—empowering it.

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