

## Basic Policy for Preventing the Misuse of Public Research Funds at Osaka University

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Public Research Funds granted to universities are mostly sourced from taxes, and the misuse of funds would severely undermine the public trust and confidence upon which universities depend. Therefore, university staff have a duty to ensure that Public Research Funds are appropriately administered and managed.

Osaka University has established the Basic Policy for Preventing the Misuse of Public Research Funds, as shown below, to eliminate circumstances conducive to misuse and to create an environment and structure that deter misuse.

1. To define a system of responsibilities for measures for preventing the misuse of Public Research Funds and to make the system known both inside and outside of the university.
2. To define official authorities for and rules on administrative procedures for handling Public Research Funds and to raise awareness of measures against misuse among those concerned to create an environment and structure that deter misuse.
3. To develop a detailed misuse prevention program to eliminate circumstances conducive to misuse and to carry out effective measures against misuse continuously without fail.
4. To introduce a system for effectively checking that the budget is used properly to ensure that Public Research Funds are appropriately administered and managed.
5. To build a structure to ensure that information regarding the rules concerning the use of Public Research Funds is appropriately shared and widely understood.
6. To develop an effective monitoring system to create an environment where no one can misuse, or be made to misuse, Public Research Funds.