

Ahmedabad
University



TO FOSTER CONTINUOUS PROGRESS OF SELF AND SOCIETY



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WHAT ARE WE
TRYING TO BUILD

A SERIOUS ACADEMIC INSTITUTION

Improve our understanding and find solutions to complex problems facing the society

Reimagining Learning

Interdisciplinary | Experiential Learning | Research Thinking

Bring the best & brightest from all sections of society to study whatever they desire



A PLACE
where ideas are born

A GLOBAL LEADER
in a few chosen areas

A PLACE
where a student discovers their passion

BUILD SKILLS
of the future

A CULTURE
of Entrepreneurship

EXEMPLAR
in University Governance



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A CONCISE HISTORY
THE FOUNDING PHASE 2009 - 2015

- *Founded as an urban university by the Ahmedabad Education Society (AES)*
- *Bringing into the University various existing Colleges of AES*
- *Master Plan for the Campus drawn out*
- *Started the University with existing Commerce, BBA, MBA, and MCA programmes*
- *Starting of programmes in Engineering and Life Sciences*
- *Establishment of our incubator, VentureStudio*
- *Experiments with Experiential Learning*





- └ *Purpose – To foster continuous progress of self and society*
- └ *Strategy for the next ten years to build a liberal education driven research University*
- └ *Establishing the Governance Structure and Plans for Innovation in line with its Purpose*
- └ *Global Faculty*
- └ *Undergraduate Programme, growing the PhD Programme, New Programmes*
- └ *Interdisciplinary, Choice Based Credit System, Project & Field based Active Learning (NEP 2020 ready)*
- └ *Imagination to address Complex Challenges with 21st Century Skills*
- └ *Starting a five year Masters Programme on Family Business & Entrepreneurship*
- └ *Starting of new Schools & Centres*

BUILDING A SERIOUS CONTEMPORARY

ACADEMIC CENTRE: 2015 - 2021



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THE GROWTH PHASE

2021 - 2027

- *Expansion of Research Activity including PhD and Postdoctoral programmes*
- *Expansion of Campus Infrastructure and Laboratories*
- *Expansion of Faculty and Student size*
- *Building Deep Global Partnerships with Institutions & Industry (e.g., Affiliated Labs)*
- *Research Park*
- *New Schools & Centres*

THE GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

2027 - 2033

- *Enter Global Ranking*
- *New Schools including Medicine | Law, Technology, & Governance | Digital Communication*





WHERE DO WE STAND NOW

SIX SCHOOLS

Amrut Mody School of Management

Bagchi School of Public Health

School of Arts and Sciences

- ▮ *Biological & Life Sciences*
- ▮ *Humanities & Languages*
- ▮ *Mathematical & Physical Sciences*
- ▮ *Performing & Visual Arts*
- ▮ *Social Sciences*

School of Engineering and Applied Science

The Undergraduate College

The Graduate School

NINE CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE

Ahmedabad Design Lab

Centre for Heritage Management

Centre for Inter-Asian Research

Centre for Learning Futures

Global Centre for Environment and Energy

International Centre for Space and Cosmology

Sahyog Centre for Promoting Health

The Climate Institute

VentureStudio

Physiotherapy College for the Visually Impaired

182 Faculty, 10 Visiting Faculty, 27 Adjuncts | 2862 Students

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

WITH MAJORS AND MINORS

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS)

*Economics
History
Philosophy, History and Languages
Psychology
Social and Political Sciences*

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS)

*Computer Science
Engineering Physics
Mathematical and Computational Sciences
Physics*

INTEGRATED MASTER OF SCIENCE (BS-MS)

Life Sciences

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY

*Chemical and Environmental Engineering
Computer Science and Engineering
Electrical and Electronics Engineering
Mechanical Engineering*

THE FAMILY BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME (BSM-MBA)

*(erstwhile administered as the
Integrated MBA Programme)*

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT (HONOURS)

*Accounting and Finance
Business Analytics
Finance
Finance and Economics
Human Resource and Organisations
Marketing
Operations Management
Operations Research and Statistics
Supply Chain Management*

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONOURS) AND BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (PROFESSIONAL) (ALONG WITH CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY TRAINING)

PROGRAMME IN INTEGRATED ARTS (BA + MFA/ MPA)

Major: Integrated Arts (Performing Arts/ Visual Arts)

INTEGRATED PROGRAMME IN TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT

(BTech + MBA)

THE BxMx PROGRAMME (DUAL DEGREE)

Bachelor of Arts + MBA

Bachelor of Arts + Master of Management Studies in Heritage Management

Bachelor of Arts in Economics + Master of Science in Quantitative Finance

Bachelor of Science (Computer Science/ Engineering Physics/ Mathematical and Computational Sciences/ Physics) + Master of Science in Quantitative Finance

GRADUATE PROGRAMMES

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Economics

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Quantitative Finance

MASTER OF TECHNOLOGY

Composites

Computer Science and Engineering

Microelectronics and Semiconductors

MASTER OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES

Heritage Management

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

Global Executive MBA

Pharmaceutical Management

Transforming R & D

in Indian Firms

GROW

Executive General

Management Programme

DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES

Engineering

Epidemiology

*Interdisciplinary Humanities
and Social Sciences*

Life Sciences

Management

Physics

Mathematical and Computational Sciences

Ahmedabad University-led consortium with IIT Gandhinagar, and UC San Diego has partnered with GIFT City to launch GIFT International Fintech Institute.



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OVERALL ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT
AT THE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY AND STUDENTS AT THE HEART OF LEARNING

- ▮ *Go out and Search for the Best |
Provide autonomy to think independently and collaboratively |
Help them make an Impact |
Create Global Connect*
- ▮ *Become a National Institution*





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**INTERDISCIPLINARY
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
RESEARCH THINKING**

**UNIQUE IN THE COUNTRY
UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM**

Foundation Programme

Broad Multidisciplinary General Education

Deep Disciplinary Depth with Majors

Free Electives or Minors

Volunteerism

FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Six Domains

- *Data Science*
- *Communication*
- *Behaviour*
- *Constitution and Civilisation*
- *Biology and Life*
- *Materials*

Delivered through Four Thematic Studios

- *Environment and Climate Change*
- *Water*
- *Democracy and Justice*
- *Neighbourhoods*



AHMEDABAD UNIVERSITY EDUCATION
AND OUR PEDAGOGY

FACULTY

PhDs from Top Global Institutions

Columbia University	McGill University	University of Maryland
Delhi University	Moscow State University	University of Minnesota
Delft University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Missouri
Emory University	Purdue University	University of Oklahoma
ESSEC, France	Stanford University	University of Pittsburgh
George Mason University	Tallinn University, Estonia	University of Pennsylvania
Golden Gate University	Temple University	University of South Carolina
Harvard University	The University of Iowa	University of Texas at Austin
IIMA	The Wharton School	University of Utah
IIMB	University College London	University of Virginia
IIMC	University of Arkansas	University of Vienna
IISc	University of California	University of Warwick
IITs	University of California at Santa Barbara	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
ISI	University of Cambridge	University of Cambridge
Imperial College London	University College London	Uppsala University
Indiana University	University of Cape Town	Yale University
Jawaharlal Nehru University	University of Chicago	
John Hopkins University	University of Florida	
Leiden University	University of Georgia	
Louisiana State University	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology		



- Vibrant Research Seminar Series
- Internally funded Strong Doctoral Programme
- All degrees with strong research component - UG Thesis or Capstone Project
- Building extensive Digital Library Resources
- External Grants won from prestigious National & International Agencies
- University Grants Office to support Researchers

BUILDING A CULTURE
OF ACTIVE RESEARCH

Quality of Research & its Impact

Highly Influential Report: *1.5 degree C Warming, IPCC Report*

UNEP's The Emissions Gap Report 2024

UNEP's The Emissions Gap Report 2023

UNEP's Climate Technology Progress Report 2023

IPCC's Synthesis Report for Inclusive and Equitable Climate Action 2023

IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report on Mitigation 2022

Indicative List of top journals where our Faculty have published:

*Nature
Science*

Nature Climate Change

Nature Communications

Energy Policy

Management Science

Operations Research

Applied Economic Letters

Journal of Business Ethics

*Environmental
Research Letters*

JEBO

EJOR

Business History

Journal of Finance

Kantian Review

*Journal of Indian
Philosophy*

Inter-Asia Cultural Studies

*Journal of the Economic and
Social History of the Orient*

*Frontiers in Psychology
Journal of Experimental &
Social Psychology*

ACS Nano

ACS

*Catalysis
IEEE Transactions on
Communications*

Physical Review (A,B,C,D)

Phys.Chem. Chem. Phys

PLOS One

Journal of Biological Chemistry

The Biophysical Journal

*Journal of American Statistical
Assoc.*

*Organisation Studies and
Several similar top ABDC/
FT50 journals*

**Publishers of our recent
Books:**

Oxford University Press

Duke University Press

Orient Blackswan

Routledge

Springer

Prentice Hall

Elsevier

**We publish an international
journal:**

Journal of Heritage

Management (Sage)



A VIBRANT ECOSYSTEM for Entrepreneurship

Incubation & Acceleration Programmes

BIRAC BioNest Bioincubator

- BIG Partner / Transfer of Tech Office Acceleration Programmes focused on health, environment and fintech sectors
- Funding, Infrastructure & Deep Mentoring Support for incubatees
- Supported by DBT, DST, DPIIT & GoG

Facilities

- University Research Labs | Dedicated Maker Lab | Nidhi Prayas Shala (electronics facility) BioNEST Laboratories

- Active Entrepreneurship Club | Partnerships with India UK Startup Council, CII, FICCI on startups | Participate in SSIP Programme of Government of Gujarat

- Five Years Integrated Masters in Family Business & Entrepreneurship
- VentureStudio (our incubator) – started with support from Stanford University to incubate startups & grow the entrepreneurial ecosystem

- VentureStudio Student Fellowship Programme - Semester + Summer: earn credits for doing startups
- Strongly Promoting Faculty Startups
- IP Support
- Most reach Series A funding. One case of financial upside for the University
- Partnerships with other Indian and Global Incubators/Accelerators/ Venture Funds
- Technology & Services, Health, Diagnostics, Biotech, SpaceTech, Waste Management, etc.

21,500 sq ft
Incubation Space

170+ Startups supported

40 Patents Filed

70 Products
Commercialised

115 Active Startups

Around 650 Jobs created

INR 35 Cr + Funds raised

INR 60 Cr+
Revenues generated

RECOGNITION AND HONOURS

- UGC 12B Recognition, NAAC Accreditation with A grade
- Awarded status of Centre of Excellence by Government of Gujarat (one of the seven institutions in Gujarat)
- Ahmedabad University is recognised by the Times Higher Education Awards Asia 2025 as the Leadership and Management Team of the Year.
- Ranked 18th in South Asia (and ranked 6th in India) on THE Impact Ranking (SDG 13), 2024
- 8th Best Institution in Gujarat on GSIRF 2021 Rankings (same parameters as NIRF) and Five Star on Research
- The University Centre of Ahmedabad University won the prestigious Royal Institute of British Architects International Award for Excellence 2024.
- Ahmedabad University is recognised by the Times Higher Education Awards Asia 2023 as Highly Commended University for Teaching and Learning Strategy.
- Ahmedabad University's Amrut Mody School of Management presented with AACSB's Innovations That Inspire Award 2023.





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INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS
CAREFULLY SELECTED FEW BUT DEEP



- ▀ **Arboretum – forest within a city**
- ▀ **Building Arid-Biodiversity on Campus**
- ▀ **Expanding Solar Infrastructure**
- ▀ **Water Harvesting and Stepwell Water Recycling Facility**
- ▀ **Reduction of the use of Plastic on Campus**
- ▀ **Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**
- ▀ **Waste Recycling and Bio-Composting Station**
- ▀ **Shared Transport Facility to reduce emissions**

**SUSTAINABILITY
AND CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**





GOING FORWARD

Ten Year Plan

SCHOOLS AND CENTRES

School of Performing and Visual Arts
Institute of Computational Sciences
School of Medicine
School of Sustainability
School of Law, Technology & Governance

Ahmedabad Arts Centre
Centre for Advanced Manufacturing
Centre for New Materials
Centre for Mobility
Centre for Research and Impact in Water
Centre for Consumer Insight

PROGRAMMES

Masters Programmes

Semiconductors & Fabrication
Public Health (Environmental Health & AI/Data Science in Health)
Sound Engineering
Statistics & Data Science
Data Science in Life Sciences
Mathematics
Digital Marketing
Market Research
Technology & Heritage

Bachelors Programmes

Computational Social Sciences
Chemistry
Ecology & Environment

GOING FORWARD

Ten Year Plan

STUDENTS

- *UG : PG :: 60% : 40% | 6000 students | National character (with 10% international)*
- *Student faculty ratio: 1:12 (based on FT; 1:10 based on FTE)*
- *Student Startups: 20 percent over the first five years*
- *Support financially 50 percent of students | Bring in 20 percent as first-time learners*

RESEARCH

- *Faculty recognized globally in at least three areas at University Level with a focus on Grand Challenges*
- *Grow Post-doctoral (around 10 percent of total Academic Staff) | PhD as a percent of total students: 10*
- *Percent of faculty with external grants: 60*
- *UG formally involved in research: 25 percent*
- *Partnerships with select Industry Labs (national labs on Campus)*

FACULTY

- *500 full time and 600 full-time equivalent | Indian to foreign faculty: 75:25*



GOING FORWARD

Ten Year Plan



ENGAGEMENT

- *Top ten companies from each sector to recruit from University*
- *Student outcomes: best graduate schools in India and globally, Civil Services, Prestigious Global Scholarships, Startups*
- *At least ten major projects each year with the City & the State*
- *Faculty on Boards of Companies, Academic Institutions, and Key Government Committees*
- *Increase Support for Faculty Startups*

NEW EDUCATION POLICY (NEP)

- *Implementing UG Thesis/Capstone option*
- *Academic Bank of Credits*
- *Assurance of Learning Completed*
- *All programmes to include Internship*
- *Increase teaching of Indian languages*
- *Translation Programme in Indian languages*

DIGITALISATION AND ONLINE

- *Offer Online and hybrid degree programmes*
- *Building digital natives*
- *Complete ongoing digitalisation of all Functions and Activities*

BOARD OF GOVERNORS



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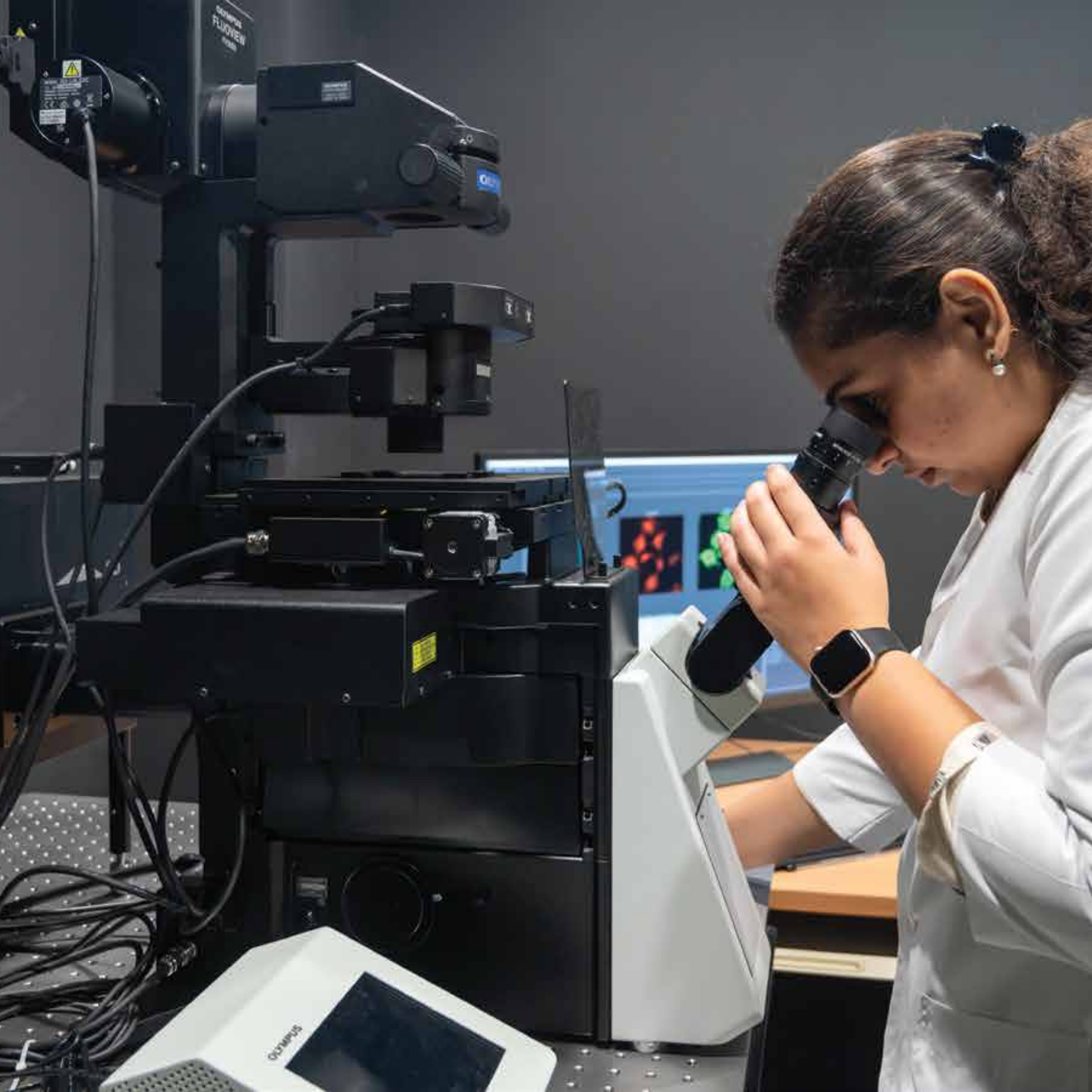
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