

# NIH Relative Citation Ratio (RCR) index

- Measures the scientific influence of an investigator's publications by field. Defined as the yearly number of citations a publication receives divided by the yearly number of citations accrued by NIH-funded publications in the same field.
- Required for all Tenure-Track and Tenured faculty with Investigation and Inquiry as an area of Excellence/Review, as well as Professional-Track faculty with Investigation and Inquiry as their designated Area of Excellence.
- The RCR index must be included in the Candidate Statement for Investigation and Inquiry as a link to the faculty member's iCite profile.
  - The iCite user guide can be found here: [https://icite.od.nih.gov/user\\_guide?page\\_id=ug\\_overview](https://icite.od.nih.gov/user_guide?page_id=ug_overview)
  - Information about the RCR can be found here: [https://icite.od.nih.gov/user\\_guide?page\\_id=ug\\_infl](https://icite.od.nih.gov/user_guide?page_id=ug_infl)
  - Calculate your RCR and create your link here: <https://icite.od.nih.gov/analysis>