Theme-based Research Scheme (TRS) 2021/22 (Eleventh Round) Funding Results

Theme / Project Title	Participating UGC-funded Universities#	Approved Budget* (HK\$ million)	Funding from the RGC* (HK\$ million)
(A) Projects Related to COVID-19 and/or Other Novel Infectious Diseases			
Theme 1: Promoting Good Health			
Virological, Immunological and Epidemiological Characterization of COVID-19	CUHK, HKU, HKUST	68.834	61.950
Ecology, Molecular Virology and Pathogenesis of SARS-CoV-2: From Bedside to Bench and Back	CUHK, HKBU, HKU	42.278	38.050
Total (A)		111.112	100.000
(B) Projects under Routine TRS Exercise			
Theme 1: Promoting Good Health			
Translating Disease-Mechanism Discoveries to Improve Treatment of Biliary Atresia, an Intractable Newborn Liver Disease	CUHK, HKBU, HKU	56.127	50.514
Stem Cell-niche Interactions in Tissue Maintenance and Engineering	CUHK, HKU, HKUST	66.438	58.195
Theme 2: Developing a Sustainable Environment			
Healthy and Resilient City with Pervasive LoCHs	CityU, HKU, HKUST, PolyU	34.604	31.144
Theme 3: Enhancing Hong Kong's Strategic Position as a Regional and International Business Centre			
Developing Hong Kong as a Global Green Finance Centre	CUHK, HKUST, PolyU	48.154	41.312
Theme 4: Advancing Emerging Research and Innovations Important to Hong Kong			
Multimodal Approaches to Testing and Prediction in Early Academic Achievement: Chinese, English, and Mathematics	CityU, CUHK, EdUHK, HKBU	37.570	32.992
Building Platform Technologies for Symbiotic Creativity in Hong Kong	CityU, HKBU, HKU	60.936	52.843
Total (B)		303.829	267.000
Total (A) + (B)		414.941	367.000

CityU: City University of Hong Kong

CUHK: The Chinese University of Hong Kong EdUHK: The Education University of Hong Kong

HKBU: Hong Kong Baptist University HKU: The University of Hong Kong

HKUST: The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

PolyU: The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

^{*} Inclusive of indirect costs / on-costs. The RGC's funding allocation for the TRS 2021/22 exercise is HK\$367 million. The remaining HK\$48 million of the approved budget will be matched by the universities concerned.