Pivot is a website developed for faculty members, staff researchers, and graduate students who are in need of a better way of searching for funding opportunities. It’s self-described as, “intuitive and easily implemented,” especially after its recent collaboration with COS, another highly recognizable brand. Pivot’s main focus is to connect Research Administrators and their institutions with opportunities for funding, and it does so by drawing from its immense and one-of-a-kind database. This database is a compilation of sources gathered from the Community of Scholars and the Community of Science profiles.

Becoming Familiar with Pivot

Pivot has developed a proprietary algorithm that aids researchers by compiling pre-populated researcher profiles that are specific to one’s institution, and then matches them with current and worldwide funding opportunities within their database. The idea behind this mode of searching is to combat the overwhelming, and often unhelpful, amount of information that comes from a general search so that Research Professionals are able to find not just more funding, but better funding as well.

Functions of Pivot

- Provides access to the most comprehensive source of funding opportunities globally
- Identifies researcher expertise from within or outside of your organization
- Enhances communication, monitoring, and tracking amongst individual faculty, teams or researchers and Sponsored Research and Programs
- Enables one to add internal deadlines to critical funding opportunities and sends weekly updates on saved searches you organize in your own folders
- Creates group for sharing funding opportunities on an ongoing basis
- Allows the focus to be on winning the necessary awards and grants