

## Regulations on the Establishment and Operation of Science/Engineering Research Centers

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- Article 1 (Purpose)** These regulations specify matters concerning the organization and operations of a Science/Engineering Research Center of Pohang University of Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as “University”).
- Article 2 (Definition)** A Science/Engineering Research Center of the University (hereinafter referred to as “Research Center”) shall refer to a Science Research Center (SRC) or an Engineering Research Center (ERC) designated and supported by the National Research Foundation for the advancement of basic science research and development of cutting-edge technology.
- Article 3 (Director of the Research Center)** ① Each Research Center shall have a director; each director shall be appointed by the President of the University with approval from the National Research Foundation from among Professors and Associate Professors of the University.  
② A director’s term of office shall be four years, with the possibility of reappointment. If a director resigns before the completion of his/her term of office, however, the term of office of the director appointed to fill the vacancy shall be his/her predecessor’s remaining term.
- Article 4 (Organization)** ① The director of a Research Center shall report to the President of the University; a Research Center shall be placed under the President’s oversight.  
② A Research Center may have internal organizations such as divisions and teams as necessary.
- Article 5 (Research Staff)** ① A Research Center may have research staff, assistant research staff, and administrative and technical staff.  
② Research staff members and assistant research staff members shall be appointed by the director with approval from the President of the University. The qualifications of a research staff member must be equal to or higher than those of a full-time lecturer; for assistant research staff members, the qualification shall be a bachelor’s degree or higher.  
③ The administrative and technical staff members necessary for the operation of a Research Center shall be appointed by the President of the University.
- Article 6 (Steering Committee)** A Research Center shall have a steering committee to assist the director and deliberate on matters concerning the development of an operations plan, determination of research directions, selection and coordination of major projects, budgets, settlement of accounts, and other important matters concerning the operation of the Research Center.
- Article 7 (Compilation and Management of Budgets)** ① A Research Center’s budget shall be compiled and managed on a self-support basis.  
② The operating budget of a Research Center including ordinary expenses and salaries and wages shall be compiled and managed within its fund.
- Article 8 (Management and Support by the University)** ① The University may charge overheads associated with operating and supporting a Research Center; the overhead rate shall be determined separately by the President of the University.  
② If necessary, the University may provide financial support for the operation of a Research Center or purchase of equipment.
- Article 9 (Accounting Management)** ① Any fund provided for a Research Center from the National Research Foundation or other relevant companies shall be managed by the University; however, its accounting shall be managed separately from the research funds for general research projects.  
② Payment for expenses incurred regarding operation of a Research Center and its research shall be executed under the responsibility of the director of the Research Center.  
③ A Research Center’s costs shall be paid within the standard (in terms of applicable items and limits) set by the National Research Foundation; it shall not apply to the regulations and guidelines of the University regarding the management of general research projects.  
④ A Research Center may advance a fund for the payment of any expense incurred by participating research staff members, etc.; such advance payment shall be managed by each Research Center.  
⑤ The director shall report the budgets and settlement of accounts of a Research Center to the President of the University every fiscal year.

⑥ For reasonable accounting management, the University may give advice to a Research Center or make a request for submission of some necessary documents.

**Article 10 (Asset Management)** Any and all assets purchased with the fund of a Research Center shall be the University's assets; a list of such assets must be managed by the Research Center. A Research Center may lease the equipment or other items it purchased to participating research staff.

**Article 11 (Detailed Rules)** Detailed matters concerning the organization and operation of each Research Center shall be determined by its director with approval from the President of the University.

### **Addendum**

These regulations shall take effect on January 1, 1991.