How to look for grants using the PIVOT Database
Program

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1. Where to find PIVOT
Go to the main BC Website.
Click on Search.
Where to find PIVOT

- Type: PIVOT

Resilience, generosity, and hope

Afghan refugee Farhad Sharifi escaped violence in his home country, and found a team of supporters at Boston College. Here’s how it happened.
Where to find PIVOT

- Select PIVOT Database
Where to find PIVOT

- Select GO
2. PIVOT’s Main Interface
- PIVOT's main page.
- To start looking for opportunities you can write a keyword in the Search tab, or press on to the Funding tab.
If you press on to the Funding tab, then you are directed to this page.

You can find here the Search tab. Also, you can explore the Profiles page (researchers profiles), Conferences page (a database of call of papers), and the Awarded grants page (a database of past awarded grants).
- PIVOT’s results page.
- You have here the results list, which you can sort by relevance, title, funder, deadline, amount, and last edited.
- You can also see the deadline, and the amount.
In the left side, you can see the different categories by which the results are organized. You can select to see the results by, for example, Deadline certainty, or Funding types.
FOA’s details page.

Here you find the full information of the FOA.

You can see the website link, the funder, the country of funder, the amount, the applicant type, the application locations, the citizenship, the activity location, the abstract, the eligibility, the keywords, and the upcoming deadlines.
3. How to use PIVOT: create an account
Creating an account allows you to track the FOA, to create a Profile, and to create groups to share FOA.

Select: Create an account.
How to use PIVOT: create an account

- Select: Use Institutional Login Credentials

Create your Pivot-RP Account

You must be affiliated with an institution that subscribes to Pivot-RP in order to create an account.

There are two ways to create an account and access Pivot-RP. Some institutions allow you to use your institutional login credentials, or you may use your institutional email address as your user ID and create a password of your choosing.

Choose an option below. Once your account is created, you will receive a verification email.

- Use Institutional Login Credentials
- Use Email Address/Create Password

Already have an account? Sign in here
How to use PIVOT: create an account

- BC is not listed, so you need to select *If your institution is not listed sign up using your institution email.*
- Follow then the steps to create the account.
4. How to use PIVOT: basic search
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- This is the main page of PIVOT after you sign-in.
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- In the Search tab, you can select to search by Funder or by Keyword.
- Then write the name of the Funder or a Keyword related to your research interests.
How to use PIVOT: basic search

- Results page by using a Keyword.
If you go to the left you will find different sections in which the results are categorized.

Under Funding types, you can find, for example, Dissertation-Thesis Funding.
How to use PIVOT: basic search

- Under Applicant types, you can find, for example, Individuals: Graduate Student or Pre-doc.
How to use PIVOT: basic search

- This is other form to find Funding Opportunities.
- Go back to Funding page, and scroll down.
How to use PIVOT: basic search

- When you go down, you find this round representation of the amount of funding available, divided by disciplines.
In the circle, you can select a portion related to your research area. This will lead you to FOA.
How to use PIVOT: basic search

- Results page. Here if you go to the left, you can also select to categorize the results by Funding types, or Funder types, by Applicant types, etc.
5. How to use PIVOT: tracking FOA
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- Remember: You have to sign-in to be able to track the FOA.
- Select one opportunity from the results list.
Go to the right section, and select Track.

As you can see, you can also share the FOA, see more opps like this, and look for potential collaborators within your institution or outside of it.
When you select to track, the flag turns orange, and you can also add tags to organize the opportunities you are tracking.
6. PIVOT’s resources
- Go back to PIVOT’s main page. You can do it selecting the house icon.
- When you are in the main page, go to the right bottom section Tips and Resources. There you will find more information and tips to use PIVOT.
Thank you!