# THE BUSINESS OF RESEARCH IS ONLY GETTING MORE COMPLEX AND CHALLENGING

In today's fiercely competitive research environment, it's increasingly difficult to maintain a world-class research enterprise — the work that moves society forward, improving health, spurring innovation and advancing knowledge.

Concurrently, federal funding is flat and state budgets are shrinking. All the while, institutions are expected to cover their research projects' administrative costs. Not only do institutions need to contribute more money to the cause, but researchers barely spend half their time doing actual research. The rest of their time is spent navigating governmental and institutional rules and struggling with disparate tools across the research enterprise, which hinder productivity. These strained resources require even more efficient practices to cut costs and improve workflows.

# HURON INTRODUCES CLICK® RESEARCH SUITE 8.0: AN INTEGRATED, STREAMLINED EXPERIENCE

Huron's Click® Research Suite 8.0 does just that — these software solutions help manage the business of research, driving efficiency and productivity. Flexible, scalable and configurable, our solution streamlines workflow and supports compliance.

Specifically, it lets principal investigators conduct research more effectively and efficiently, allowing them to quickly and easily communicate with their administrative teams while helping administrators and reviewers best support their part of the research enterprise. Plus, it reduces institutional compliance risk by managing processes in a demanding regulatory environment, allowing researchers to focus on what matters most — the research.

Our research software is already in use at leading academic medical centers, hospitals, and both government and private research organizations. Suite 8.0 features 600+ enhancements — most notably, a more user-friendly experience, consistent functionality across solutions and a unified appearance, helping to reduce training and ongoing maintenance costs.



## HURON CLICK® RESEARCH SUITE 8.0 SOLUTIONS

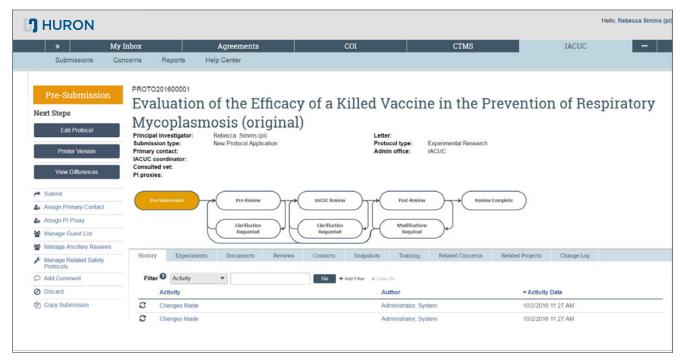
Suite 8.0 comprises seven primary solution areas, each serving a different aspect of the research enterprise, from Agreements to Clinical Trials to Grants. The hundreds of enhancements associated with the launch of Suite 8.0 vary from solution to solution — the primary updates are reflected in the table below.

| SOLUTION   | SUMMARY  | SUITE 8.0 ENHANCEMENTS   |
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| Agreements   | Streamlines the approval and management of your financial and non-financial research agreements by maintaining a single repository for all types.  | - Improved contract document<br>management<br>- Integration with Grants  |
| Clinical Trial Management<br>System (CTMS)           | Aids in the administration of clinical trials and empowers research organizations to improve overall financial management of clinical trials.  | - Footnotes  - Moving "update indirect activity" from study to budget  - Coverage analysis / budgeting flow improvements  - Performance improvements     |
| Conflict of Interest (COI)                           | Provides a solution for all types of disclosures, managing both individual and institutional conflicts. Supports three primary types of certification — transactional, annual and research specific. | - Additional settings and extensions<br>- Disclosure management improvements<br>- Management plan improvements   |
| Grants   | Facilitates collaborative online budgeting and award management through a standard institutional routing sheet and centralized eSubmission system.   | - Budget form improvements - Support for blended indirect rates for proposals/budgets - Ancillary Review - ERP integration - Integration with Agreements |
| Institutional Animal Care<br>& Use Committee (IACUC) | Supports the efficient creation and review of animal protocols, reducing non-compliance risk.  | - Procedure Library Administration Interface - Procedure versioning - Additional settings and extensions   |
| Institutional Review Board<br>(IRB)                  | Automates and streamlines the process of human protections.  | - Single IRB design<br>- HRPP Toolkit 4.0 compatibility<br>- Improved post-approval edit support<br>- Integration with Safety                            |
| Safety   | Improves collaboration between investigators,<br>Safety staff, and committee members — from new<br>protocols to amendments to continuing reviews.  | - Support for Section III NIH guidelines<br>for Biosafety - Integration with IRB   |



#### AN INTEGRATED EXPERIENCE ACROSS SOLUTIONS

Standalone tools hinder efficiency and the overall productivity of the research process. With Suite 8.0, the software is integrated and the functionality consistent across solutions, making for a more unified and user-friendly experience.



IACUC's integrated suite and workflow steps are the same for all of our Click Suite 8.0 solutions.

#### THE HURON DIFFERENCE

- Huron's Education Research practice has partnered with 550+ institutions for a total of 3,500+ engagements — including 99 of the top 100 research institutions.
- We have unmatched experience implementing enterprise software solutions for research, with a team of 250+ project managers, functional experts, business analysts and developers.
- Proven implementation methodology and extensive experience with both academic medical centers and higher education institutions.

## CLIENT FEEDBACK FOR HURON'S RESEARCH SOFTWARE

"Huron's guidance was key to our success.

This has been a great relationship and has resulted in tremendous improvements for our researchers, staff and board members. CATS IRB is appreciated by those who use it regularly and feedback from the research community has been extremely positive. We look forward to continuing to partner on other projects."

#### Candice "Candy" Yekel,

Associate Vice President for Research, Director, Office for Research Protections Pennsylvania State University



Learn more about upgrading to Suite 8.0 by visiting: www.HuronConsultingGroup.com/ResearchSoftware or contact your Huron Click® Research Suite representative today to inquire about your upgrade path.



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