

Roberts Reporting Made Easy



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- Structures in place to support early career researchers
- Allocation mechanisms for Roberts funding
- Monitoring
- Challenges
- Sharing Good practice

Structure of the University



- Central services
 - Research Office, Careers Service, Staff Training and Development Unit, Information Management, Information Technology
- 4 Faculties
 - Engineering and Physical Sciences
 - Humanities
 - Life Sciences
 - Medical and Human Sciences
 - Doctoral Training Centres and Research Institutes

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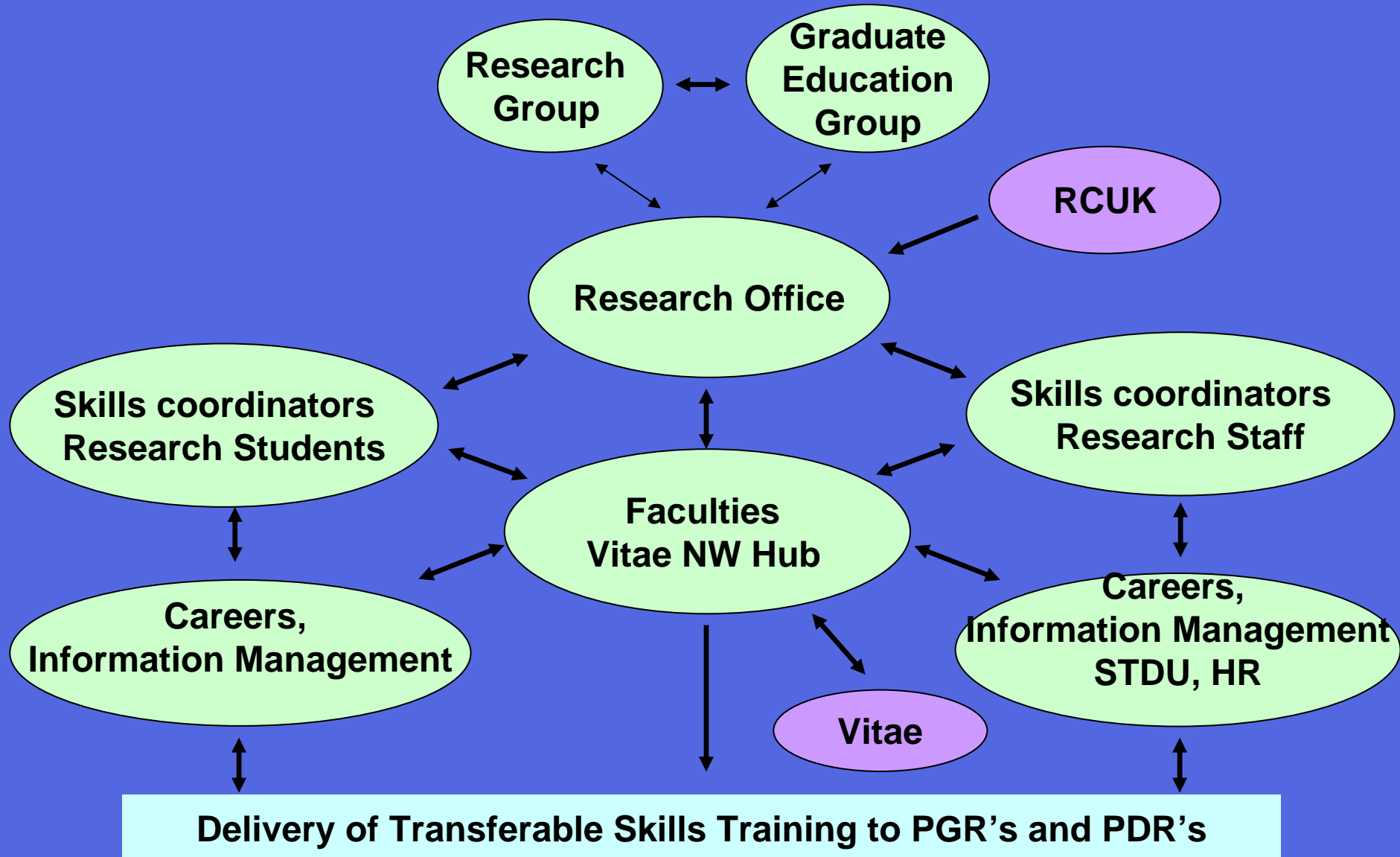
Total number of Early Career Researchers

5078

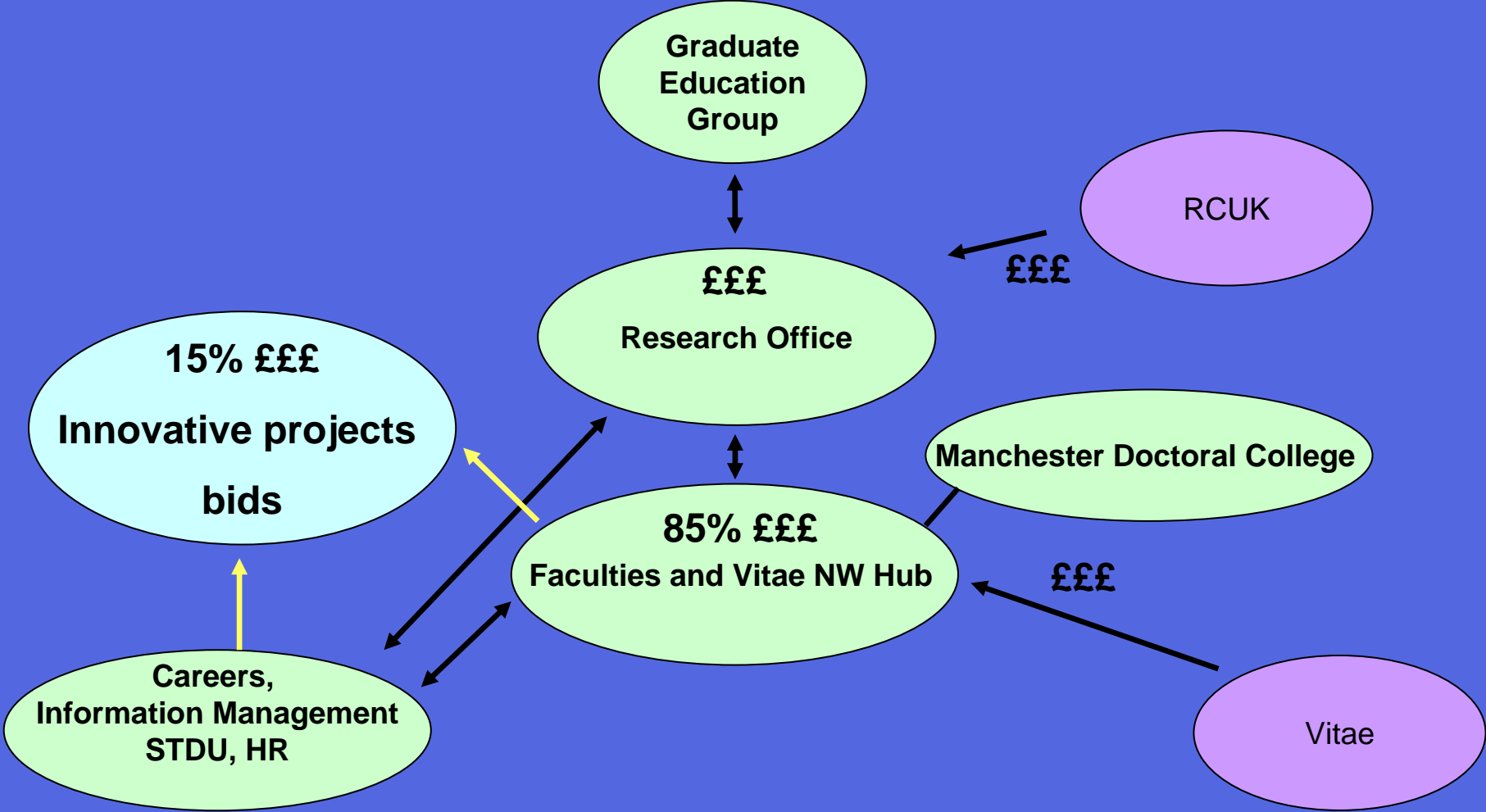
- Postgraduate Research Students 3559
- Postdoctoral Research Staff 1559



Structure and Management of Skills Training



Allocation of Roberts Funding



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Staff funded by Roberts allocation:

- 6 Trainers
- 3 E-learning developers
- 6 Administrators
- 0.5 Postdoctoral careers advisor

Monitoring and Accounting

- The Research Office complete annual report
- Faculties submit spending strategies for forthcoming year
 - report by May, funds released June
- Faculties produces annual report
 - Costs and type of courses
 - Capacity and attendance rates
 - Developments and innovations
- Feedback:
 - Postgraduate students (PGRSSS) & Postdoctoral research (CROS) surveys to GEG & Faculties
 - Feedback on courses to GEG and trainers

Challenges and Benefits

- Size and complex structure of the University
- Different approaches adopted by Faculties
- Mixed model for use of allocation
- The diversity of training needs
- Monitoring effectiveness of training

Sharing Good Practice

- Innovative bids
- Skills co-ordinators groups
- Research staff and student focus groups
- Vitae NW Hub
- Research support hub

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Associate Vice-President for Graduate Education

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