

Tyndall National Institute — Industry & Technology Transfer

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Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

UCC's semiconductor/photonics research institute runs a technology-transfer pipeline that spun out InfiniLED (acquired by Facebook/Oculus, 2016) and Vivid Photonics (2025), with a 2026 government-backed plan to fund 10 more spin-outs and double its Cork footprint by 2030.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	3/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	0/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[Tyndall National Institute \(University College Cork\), with Science Foundation Ireland, IDA Ireland, Enterprise Ireland and Government of Ireland funding](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[Tyndall National Institute official site](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[Irish Times — Tyndall targets 10 new spin-outs by 2030](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[RTÉ News — Tyndall Cork investment](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[Silicon Republic — InfiniLED acquired by Oculus](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[UCC Innovation — Vivid Photonics spin-out](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

[Knowledge Transfer Ireland — Tyndall HEI profile](#) — accessed 2026-07-08

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