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University Research Income Treads Water in British Columbia 4 Institutions Post Combined 1.1% Gain in Research Income

Toronto ON, 16 October 2014. Four British Columbia universities posted a combined 1.1% gain in research income in Fiscal 2013 to \$804.3 million, which matched a tepid national increase of 1.1%, according to *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities List*, released today by Research Infosource Inc. The 4 BC Top 50 research universities accounted for 12% of total national university research income in Fiscal 2013, the same proportion as the year before.

University of British Columbia, which held on to 2nd place in the national ranking, saw research income decline by -3.1% to \$566.8 million. However, research income jumped by 21.1% to \$124.8 million at University of Victoria, which advanced them in the ranking to 18th place, from 19th last year. Simon Fraser University posted a 7.4% increase in research income to \$102.6 million, to retain 20th place nationally. SFU now joins 19 other institutions across Canada in Research Infosource's \$100 Million Club – an elite group of institutions with \$100 million or more of research income in Fiscal 2013. Research income fell by -14.8% at University of Northern British Columbia, to \$10.1 million, which dropped UNBC to rank #44 overall from 42nd last year.

"Fiscal 2013 saw mixed results for BC universities", said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource. "UBC experienced a rare income decline this year, but UVic and SFU out-performed the national trend. Year-on-year increases or declines are par for the course, and what matters more is long-term performance. In this respect BC institutions have a positive track record."

Research Infosource has designated 3 institutions as Research Universities of the Year 2014 in their respective categories: University of Toronto (Medical/Doctoral), University of Waterloo (Comprehensive) and Ryerson University (Undergraduate). These institutions stood out on a balanced scorecard of research input and output/impact measures.

This year, Research Infosource also included a spotlight on international research, as measured by research collaboration: the proportion of total publications at each institution during the period 2008-2012 that were co-authored with researchers outside of Canada. The top university winners in each tier group were: McGill University (49.9%), University of Regina (51.3%) and Saint Mary's University (53.8%)

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