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**Research Income Declines by -2.1% at Prairie Province Universities
Lagging the National Gain of 1.1%**

Toronto ON, 16 October 2014. Seven Prairie Province universities posted a combined -2.1% decline in research income in Fiscal 2013 to \$1.09 billion, compared with a national gain of 1.1%, according to *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities List*, released today by Research Infosource Inc., *Canada's Source of R&D Intelligence*.

The top-ranked Prairie institution, **University of Alberta**, held on to 5th place in the national standing even though its research income declined by -7.7% to \$417.8 million. In contrast, research income rose by 16.3% to \$328.7 million at **University of Calgary**, which jumped 3 places in the national ranking to 6th overall. **University of Saskatchewan** posted a -5.2% drop in research income, to \$158.0 million and fell one place to 14th nationally. **University of Manitoba** also dropped one spot to #16 this year from #15, with \$137.3 million from \$159.8 million, a decline of -14.1%.

"Fiscal 2013 saw very mixed results for Prairie universities", said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource. "A number of them fared well, but others suffered declining research income. Year-on-year ups and downs are par for the course. What matters more are long term trends and those have by and large been positive."

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%).

For complete information: http://www.researchinfosource.com/top50_univ.php

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