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**Quebec College Research Income Advances by 15.9%, Better National Trend  
Cégep de Saint-Hyacinthe 1<sup>st</sup> in Quebec, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in National Ranking**

TORONTO, Oct. 22, 2015 – Cégep de Saint-Hyacinthe captured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Quebec and 2<sup>nd</sup> position nationally in Fiscal 2014 total sponsored research income by attracting \$9.4 million of funding, an increase of \$4.7% from Fiscal 2013, according to Research Infosource Inc., which today released its annual list of *Canada's Top 50 Research Colleges*. Second in the province was Cégep de la Gaspésie et des Îles (4<sup>th</sup> overall, \$7.1 million), followed by Cégep Édouard-Montpetit (6<sup>th</sup> overall, \$6.2 million), Cégep de La Pocatière (7<sup>th</sup> overall, \$5.6 million), Cégep de Trois-Rivières (13<sup>th</sup> overall, \$4.3 million). George Brown College led its counterparts across Canada in total sponsored research income by attracting \$14.2 million of funding in Fiscal 2014, a gain of 53.5% from Fiscal.

Funding rose at 14 Quebec institutions and fell at 3 others. Strong gains took place at Cégep de La Pocatière (up 271.6%), Cégep régional de Lanaudière (up 44.8%), Collège Shawinigan (up 26.9%), Cégep de Sainte-Foy (up 24.3%), Cégep de Thetford (up 17.9%), and Cégep Édouard-Montpetit (up 14.1%). In total, Quebec cégeps captured 36.3% of all Canadian college research funding.

“Quebec cégeps performed very well in Fiscal 2014”, said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource Inc. “Their combined 15.9% income growth exceeded the 4.8% Canadian average. Quebec cégeps also expanded the number of researchers by 11% and the number of formal research partnerships by 6.9%.”

On the national scene, Canada's 50 leading research colleges posted a total of \$158.0 million of research income in Fiscal 2014, a gain of 4.7% and a smaller increase than the 38.8% expansion in Fiscal 2013. National college research activity and output continued to expand this year. Researcher numbers grew by 14.3%, active research partnerships rose by 15.6%, and completed research projects increased by 13.4%.

“The slowdown in growth of Top 50 college research income in Fiscal 2014 after two years of rapid 30%+ increases does raise some questions”, said Mr. Freedman. “It is not clear whether the slowdown comes from a decline in available research funds from governments, corporations and the community sector, or from limitations of the college research paradigm; for example, their ability to absorb additional funding with current faculty, student and infrastructure resources.”

For complete information: [http://www.researchinfosource.com/top50\\_col.php](http://www.researchinfosource.com/top50_col.php)

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