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**Atlantic Universities Post Strong Research Income Gains, Beat National Trend
Memorial, New Brunswick, Moncton, Acadia Improve in National Rankings**

Toronto ON, 8 December 2020. Eight Atlantic universities on *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities* list, released by Research Infosource Inc. posted combined research income \$408.9 million in Fiscal 2019, with growth of 19.7%, far surpassing the national increase of 5.7%. Seven of the 8 institutions expanded their research income in Fiscal 2019.

Gains were strongest at Memorial University of Newfoundland (up 37.5% to \$160.6 million), University of New Brunswick (up 25.3% to \$48.4 million), and Saint Mary's University (up 18.1% to \$10.0 million), With Université de Moncton (up 15.8% to \$12.9 million) and Acadia University (up 15.1% to \$7.3 million) in the mix, that means that 5 of 8 institutions posted double-digit research income gains. Dalhousie University ranked #19 nationally with \$151.3 million, up 7.1%. In Fiscal 2019, Atlantic universities accounted for 5% of the national research income total, up from 4% in Fiscal 2018. Memorial University captured 1st place among its Atlantic peers and jumped 2 positions to 18th place nationally. Among the Top 50, University of New Brunswick rose to 27th place nationally from 28th last year, Université de Moncton jumped 3 spots to 41st and Acadia University moved up 1 spot to #49 in Fiscal 2019.

"Fiscal 2019 was an outstanding year for Atlantic universities", said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource. The region's universities made gains across-the-board, with several of them improving their national rankings. What is impressive is that improvements were wide-spread and not limited to a few universities."

Nationally, Canada's Top 50 Research Universities posted combined research income of \$8.0 billion in Fiscal 2019, a gain of 5.7% over Fiscal 2018. Research income expanded at 37 universities and declined at 13 others. Average research intensity - research income per faculty position - was \$198,700, a solid increase of 5.0%. Graduate student intensity - research income per graduate student - was \$39,300 in Fiscal 2019. Combined Corporate research income grew by 4.0% and Not-for-profit research income grew by 1.5%.

Research Infosource has designated 3 institutions as *Research Universities of the Year 2020* in their respective categories: University of Toronto (Medical), University of Waterloo (Comprehensive) and University of Regina (Undergraduate). These institutions demonstrated superior performance on key measures of research success.

For complete information: <https://researchinfosource.com/top-50-research-universities/2020>

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