# Research & International Relations

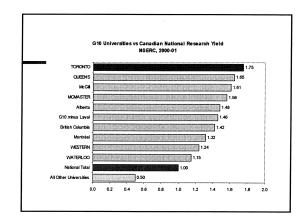
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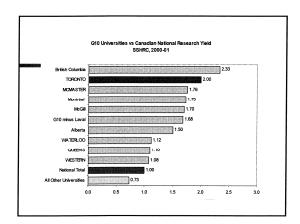
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# Aggregate Statistics & Performance Indicators

# Research Funding

- Total research revenue: \$478M
- #1 in federal granting council payments for 8th consecutive year
- #1 in GRIP awards to date
- Government funding leveraged by industrial collaboration: \$51.8M
- Industrial grants and contracts: \$64.5M





# Prizes & Honours

- Maintained a strong lead in institutional share of faculty honours compared to faculty size. Honours include:
  - Royal Society of London
  - Royal Society of Canada
  - Premier's Platinum Medals
  - Governor General's Literary Awards
  - Killam Prize
  - Steacie Prize

# Selected Accomplishments

#### Advocacy

#### Helped to realize:

- One-time indirect costs funding from federal government
- Renewal of Ontario Centres of Excellence
- Provincial reinvestment in ORDCF, OIT and RPF

#### Research Support & Investment

- Facilitated support for UofT faculty, including:
  - first two \$1M Premier's Platinum Medals
  - 149 awards across GRIP programs, for total value of \$106.5M
  - record number of new international projects totalling over \$6M

#### Services to the University

- Campus-wide implementation of *My* Research Online
- Launched faculty recruitment brochure
- Held special workshops re: GRIP programs, proposals to foundations, and SS&H research funding programs

#### Academic Health Science Centre

 Helped advance the MaRS Discovery District, including a contribution of \$20M from the provincial government

# IP Management & Technology Transfer

- Developed and obtained approval for new Copyright Policy, updated to take account of the development of new media
- Obtained \$1.3M renewal grant from Tri-Council Intellectual Property Management Program
- Assisted the Innovations Foundation in developing a new strategic plan and obtaining another \$8.5M line of credit from the University
- Opened the Excler@tor, an incubator for spin-off companies in the IT sector

#### Research & International Profile

- Earned 2nd Gold Award for *Edge* magazine from the CCAE
- Completed an impact report for CIDA
- Created and produced a new IPD newsletter, a technology transfer newsletter, and the first major technology transfer brochure

#### **Priority Plans**

#### Advocacy

- In context of federal government's Innovation Strategy, work to ensure:
  - permanent indirect cost funding
  - increased funding to federal granting councils
  - increased grad student support, including support for international students

# Advocacy

- At provincial level:
  - Establish strong working relationships with the new Ministry of Enterprise, Opportunity and Innovation
  - Preservation and enhancement of the Research Performance Fund and the Research Overhead Infrastructure Envelope
  - Growth of the PREA programs

## Advocacy

 AT both levels, work to ensure enhanced funding for faculty in Social Sciences and Humanities

#### Research Support & Investment

- Increase granting council funding at UofT on per capita as well as absolute basis
- Renew success in CFI Innovation Fund competition and increase success in ORDCF, OIT and PREA programs

# Services to the University

- Develop grants workshops to introduce faculty to range of funding opportunities
- Increase focus on foundations, especially international foundations, as sources or research support
- Streamline ethics review process
- Enhance GRIP service delivery

#### Academic Health Science Centre

 Continue to strengthen and improve university-hospital relations to harmonize planning activities

#### IP Management & Technology Transfer

- In context of federal and provincial governments' innovation strategies, work to ensure that commercialization potential of university-based research is realized, consistent with the mission of the University.
- Work with IF, MaRS and the biotech incubator to coordinate and expand tech transfer activities at the hospitals
- Advance proposal for joint U of T-NRC project in Toronto
- Assist in establishing small business incubator near UTM

# **Academic Planning**

- Support the academic planning process to ensure that RIR perspective and activities are fully integrated with and informed by the academic planning process
- Work with Planning Office to develop international benchmarks for research performance