

University of Toronto

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT - RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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Memorandum to:

AP&P

From:

Professor Heather Munroe-Blum

For:

Meeting of December 5, 2001

Agenda Item:

Item Identification:

Report and Plans of the Research and International

Relations Portfolio 2001-02

Sponsor:

Professor Heather Munroe-Blum

Vice-President

Research and International Relations

Jurisdictional Information:

Policy matters within the Committee's purview include such matters as admissions, awards, grading practices, research and the products of research, and academic services. The Vice-President Research and International Relations is committed to reporting regularly on progress and future prospects.

Previous Action Taken: earlier reports have been received and accepted.

Action Sought:

Report for Information

Highlights:

- The University of Toronto continues to rank #1 in granting council awards, major prizes and honours, and support from the federal and provincial research and infrastructure programs.
- Overall support for sponsored research at the University and the hospitals which whom we are affiliated, has risen dramatically. Research funds awarded continue to set higher goals and objectives, in concert with the President's goal that the University achieve a place among the top rated public research intensive universities in the world.
- Research funds awarded to the University of Toronto and the affiliated hospitals has risen dramatically. Research funds awarded to the University and the hospitals the for the current reporting period (99-00) were up 26% from last year, to \$424M over the previous year, and were by far the largest total among Canadian institutions. Research overhead income also continues to grow. In 1995 that number stood at \$4.9M, and now totals \$9.75M, in addition to the \$8.8M of support derived from the Ontario Research Performance Fund.



• Substantive new goals are set for 2001-02, including: Increasing federal and provincial research support and investments, including payment of indirect costs, and renewal of provincial investment programs; expanding increasing research services to the University community, particularly expanded 24/7 on-line service offerings, and enhanced intellectual property management and technology transfer, through the Innovations Foundation, the Exceler@tor, the MARS inititiative, and other projects.