



Memorandum

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TO: Senate
FROM: Dr. Rose Goldstein, Vice-Principal (Research and International Relations)
SUBJECT: Annual Report on Research Performance and Innovation
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ACTION REQUIRED: INFORMATION APPROVAL/DECISION

ISSUE: This annual report to Senate presents key indicators of McGill research performance. In addition, this year’s presentation reviews highlights of McGill’s new Strategic Research Plan.

BACKGROUND & RATIONALE: The Report on Research Performance is an annual review of McGill’s success in major funding programs, its progress in areas related to commercialization, and other major achievements of University researchers.

The objective of the Report on Research Performance is to provide Senate with a high-level portrait of McGill’s competitiveness in major funding programs, as well as the University’s effectiveness in moving discoveries and inventions from the lab to the commercial market. The report identifies current trends in research funding and shares McGill’s vision for how we can build on our strengths in order to excel in today’s highly competitive environment.

More specifically, this year’s Report focuses on McGill’s performance in Tri-Council and Trois Fonds programs, including how we compare to G5 and U15 peers in terms of market share and research intensity over the last five years. The emphasis is on identifying significant trends in funding while outlining how the University’s research enterprise is becoming better suited to compete in the future.

The presentation also provides background on and presents highlights of McGill’s new Strategic Research Plan (SRP).

MOTION OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL: N/A

PRIOR CONSULTATION: Principal, Provost, and Vice-Principals

NEXT STEPS: N/A

APPENDICES: Appendix A: PowerPoint Presentation on Research Performance and Innovation

