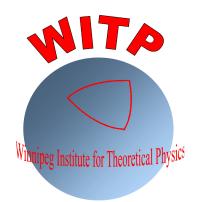
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Expectation of centre/institute	page number
Have clearly identified goals and objectives	5
Have some degree of permanence, transcending collaboration on a particular, limited	3, 5
project	
Bring together scholars from different disciplines and/or areas of specialization within a	3, 5, 11-13, 20-46
particular discipline	
Maintain high levels of research productivity	6, 9-10, 20-46
Foster the training of future researchers, especially in regard to research skills	5-6, 8, 14-18, 47-
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Attract post-doctoral fellows, visiting professors, and other scholars	5-7, 9, 14-18, 47-
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Cooperate with scholars at other universities and/or institutions	5-7, 9-10, 14-18,
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Seek external funding in order to operate on a cost recovery basis	6, 14-18, 56, 57

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1 General Background

1.1 History

The Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics (WITP) is a type III research Institute and is a joint Institute between the University of Manitoba (UM) and the University of Winnipeg (UW). The past year was the 22th year of the Institute's existence. The community of theoretical physicists in Manitoba was growing in the late 1980s, and the Institute was created in 1990 to support theoretical physics research in Manitoba. The purpose of the Institute was to increase the cooperation and collaboration between the theoretical physicists in Manitoba, thereby strengthening the community, and to initiate and sustain research collaborations between members of the Institute and first class researchers from all over the world. The activities of the Institute help to expose the graduate students of its Members to different people and ideas, through seminars and lecture series, thereby increasing the quality of training provided, and in the long term also attracting further high quality students from Canada and abroad. The long-term success of the WITP in achieving these goals as well as a strong community of theoretical physicists in the province provide a strong reason for its continued existence as a research institute. The Institute is located in the physics departments of UM and UW but has no physical facilities independent of those departments. Secretarial services, such as sending out notices of seminars, meetings, letters of invitation to visitors, applications for funding, etc., are shared by the secretaries of the physics departments at both Universities. The physics departments of the two Universities have agreed to provide office space for visitors.

1.2 Membership and Administrative Structure

The Members of the Institute fall into four categories:

- Permanent Members (referred to as Members) include all theoretical physicists on the faculty of either UM or UW as well as Brandon University. These include Senior Scholars.
- Associate Members include all postdoctoral fellows, research associates, and long term visitors (12 months or longer) to the Institute.
- Student Members include all graduate students supervised by Permanent Members as well as summer undergraduate research students.
- Visitors include all short term visitors (less than 12 months) for the duration of their stay.

Executive The Executive consists of a Past-Director, a Director and a Director-Elect. The Director-Elect is elected from the Permanent Members by the Policy Committee. There is at least one representative from each of the two Universities (UM and UW) on the Executive at all times. The Executive spends less than 5% of their time with the administrative aspects of the Institute. The duties of the executive are as follows:

- Director (term is typically two years)
 - chair Policy Committee meetings
 - budget preparation and control
 - report to and interact with administrators at both Universities
 - receive applications in writing for funding
 - approve (in consultation with the Executive) applications of \$1,000 or less

- assist Past-Director with preparation of Annual Report
- submit applications for funding on behalf of the Institute to the Universities and external funding agencies, as required
- assume office as Past-Director in the following term
- Past-Director
 - prepare Annual Report
 - advise Director
 - assume responsibilities of Director if required
- Director-Elect
 - organize seminar series
 - assist Director in budget preparation
 - fill in as Director if Director and Past-Director unavailable
 - assume office as Director in the following term

Policy Committee This committee consists of all Permanent Members. Its duties include:

- election of Director-elect
- approve expenditure of more than \$1,000
- elect new Permanent Members as appropriate
- decide on direction and policy of Institute
- plan and approve future programs, workshops, long-term visitors

Funding Sources The purpose and the activities of the Institute are designed to ensure that virtually all funds go directly towards research, in the form of visitors, seminars, workshops, etc. The structure of the Institute is such that it does not incur or depend on any fixed annual cost. Since the Institute is a collection of theorists, we have no expensive equipment to maintain or technicians to employ. There are virtually no direct infrastructure costs. This allows the Institute to tailor its operations to match the level of funding it receives. Funding for the Institute originally came from seed money from both the University of Manitoba (\$40,000) and the University of Winnipeg (\$25,000) as well as a grant of \$1,000 from Brandon University. The most recent funding received was from the Deans of Science at all three Universities: \$5000 (UM), \$2500 (UW), and \$1500 (Brandon) in 2008. The Faculties of Science at UM and UW have each committed \$8000 to the WITP for 2013-2017. In addition to the supporting funds indicated above, it should be pointed out that the members of the Institute use their individual NSERC discovery grants to subsidize Institute activities. This substantial commitment of funds is typically greater than the sum of other WITP expenditures in a given fiscal year.

2 Mission and Objectives

2.1 Objectives

In the proposal for the creation of WITP, the objectives were listed as:

- 1. Enhance research output
- 2. Increase visibility nationally and internationally
- 3. Increase cooperation and collaboration amongst researchers
- 4. Enhance capability for training of highly qualified research personnel, such as graduate students and postdoctoral fellows
- 5. Enhance the ability of Members to attract external research support

Also in the proposal, the specific activities and functions of the Institute designed to achieve the above objectives were defined as follows:

- Facilitate long-term scientific visitors
- Bring in seminar speakers on a variety of hot topics
- Organize workshops, conferences of topics on interest to members

The wording of point 4 has been edited for clarity. While the original document used the formal "facilities," the WITP as a collection of theorists has no independent physical facilities.

2.2 Achievement of Objectives

The WITP has carried out the above mandate by encouraging collaboration between members of the Institute and by financially supporting workshops, visiting colloquium speakers, as well as short- and long-term visits by research collaborators of international standing.

The Institute has produced annual reports summarizing the activities, which are available at http: //www.physics.umanitoba.ca/WITP/reports.html Details of how these objectives have been achieved are given in the sections listed below (objectives are identified in order as given above):

- 1. See sections 3.1, 3.4, 5.1, and appendix I.1.
- 2. See sections 3.4, 5.2, and appendices I.2, I.3, and I.5.
- 3. See sections 3.3, 3.4, and appendices I.2 and I.3.
- 4. See sections 3.3, 3.4, 4.1, 4.2, 5.2, 6.1, and appendix I.4.
- 5. See section 3.2 and appendix II.

The WITP's strategies to achieve its objectives over the next five years are given in sections 7.1 and 7.2.

2.3 Changes to Objectives

The WITP objectives have not changed.

3 Research Accomplishments

3.1 Publications & Presentations

According to its mandate, the WITP exists to enhance the research of its individual Members in theoretical physics. Therefore, there is no distinction between Institute research and the research of individual members. The work of WITP Members has been extremely productive, representing the high activity level of theoretical physics in Manitoba, which spans many disciplines in physics, including string theory, gravitational physics, condensed matter physics, particle physics, astrophysics, and mathematical physics. In the five year period 2008 through 2012, WITP members have published approximately **300** referred journal articles and conference proceedings. Many of these publications have involved WITP Student Members as co-authors, and many are published in prestigious journals, such as the *Physical Review* series, including *Physical Review Letters*, and the *Astrophysical Journal*.

In addition, the WITP Permanent Members have given a total of more than **75** scientific presentations, including invited and contributed conference presentations, technical seminars at university research groups, and colloquia at physics departments. These presentations at locations throughout the world have served to increase the visibility of theoretical research in Manitoba.

3.2 Funds Received

The most important source of funding for WITP events comes from its Members; the Members use their individual researc grants to subsidize WITP activities. The members from the three universities draw upon more than \$600,000 of individual NSERC Research Grants in the 2012-13 fiscal year alone (a detailed listing is given in appendix II). It is worth noting that, since theoretical physics requires only minor equipment costs (such as computing), this figure represents a very successful level of funding. These funds have a significant fortifying effect on the level of activities in which we are able to engage. The financial contribution of the members associated with the expenses of visiting guest theorists and supports the activities and goals of the Institute but does not appear in the WITP budget. Since the cost of a single visitor typically exceeds \$1000 even for a short three-day visit, the contributions of WITP members to the visitor program is generally greater than other WITP expenditures.

The WITP currently has access to approximately \$1560 in three accounts at UM and UW. Further, UW and UM have together committed to provide \$16,000 from 2013 to 2017, and Brandon University has committed to provide \$5000. A small fraction of these funds will be used for the WITP visitor program, specifically providing partial support for visits that individual Members are unable to fund entirely from their own research grants or to extend the term of a visit. This is an important means by which the WITP promotes research collaboration (see below). The majority of funds in the WITP budget will be used for activities outside the usual purview of individual research grants, such as the WITP Student Symposium (see section 4.2 and appendix I.4), conference support, and public outreach.

The Institute has neither endowment nor trust fund support. The Institute has no significant space requirements nor independent physical facilities. Since it is a collection of theorists, there is no expensive equipment or infrastructure to support. The occasional long term visitor requires a desk, but these needs have been accommodated by the space available to the physics departments at the member Universities. The host departments also supply occasional secretarial support such as that required for the preparation of seminar notices and research papers.

3.3 Initiatives Promoting Research Collaboration

Institute activities are designed to create a congenial atmosphere for discussion of topics in theoretical physics of interest to the WITP membership. As such, they have fostered collaboration in research. For example, the WITP supports short- and long-term visitors to Winnipeg. These visits generally led to or were a consequence of collaborations between the visitors and at least one member of the WITP. Being able to meet in person provided an enhanced opportunity for collaboration (as opposed to by telephone or email); examples of these visits include those by Maeda, Louko, Canton, and Plumer. More generally, WITP research seminars have helped encourage numerous undergraduate students to join research collaborations (and continue in graduate education, in some cases). At times, the seminars also enabled WITP members to learn about the research programs of the WITP members hosting the visitors, thereby fostering discussion and potential collaboration. One notable collaboration among WITP members was that of Carrington, Kobes, and Kunstatter. See appendices I.2 and I.3 for a complete list of seminars and visitors. The physics departments at both UM and UW have committed to provide office space for WITP visitors, and individual Members make a substantial contribution to visitor funding from their grants.

3.4 Research Promotion

Per its mandate, the WITP undertook three main initiatives in recent years to promote research. These are hosting visitors, conducting a research seminar series, and sponsoring conferences, both in Manitoba and elsewhere in the country. The visitor and seminar programs serve similar purposes in promoting a stimulating environment for research. For one, they provide members with insight into theoretical physics research outside their current interests and breadth to the education of our trainees, including grad students and postdocs. In addition, they help members keep abreast of current research worldwide and generate discussions needed to sustain strong research. It is very important to note that there is no other forum for technical presentations on theoretical physics in Manitoba. The WITP seminars are therefore critically important in exposing graduate student and postdoctoral trainees to current research, which in turn makes them more attractive for future employment in physics. Please see appendices I.2 and I.3 for a complete list of seminars and visitors over the 5-year period 2008-2012. The physics departments at both UM and UW have committed to provide office space for WITP visitors, and individual Members make a substantial contribution to visitor funding from their grants.

For relatively small amounts of money contributed to national conferences, we were able to broadly advertise the existence of the WITP across Canada and, through foreign conference participants, internationally as well. This increased "global presence" has been extremely beneficial to the overall research environment leading to increased interest from researchers and graduate students outside the province. The Theory Canada conferences were particularly useful in this regard since they brought together theorist in diverse fields from all over Canada to present their research. Even more significant was the impact of conferences that were held here in Manitoba, such as the 12th International Conference on p-adic Functional Analysis held here in July, 2012 and the upcoming 2014 Canadian Conference on General Relativity and Relativistic Astrophysics. Such events bring experts on various subjects to Manitoba from all over the world. This invariably leads to collaborations and raises the profile of theoretical physics at all three member Universities.

4 Training Accomplishments

4.1 Summary of Trainees

The faculty members of WITP are active in research and in the training of highly qualified personnel (research associates, postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, and undergraduate research students). The following table shows the numbers of HQP associated with WITP in the past five years; note that those numbers are the highest in the past year (2012)!

	Research Associates &	Graduate	Undergraduate
	Postdoctoral Fellows	Students	Students
2008	8	6	11
2009	9	5	10
2010	8	6	14
2011	8	9	13
2012	9	13	15

The following students associated with the WITP graduated in the past five years:

- Kenneth Adebayo (M.Sc.), graduated 2009
- Usman Chowdhry (M.Sc.), graduated 2009
- A. Mirza, (M.Sc.), graduated 2012
- Heather Champion (M.Sc.), graduated 2012
- Adam Rogers (Ph.D), graduated 2012

It is worth noting that A. Rogers is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Manitoba, and T. Taves, expected to finish his Ph.D. in 2013, will start a postdoctoral position at the CECs institute in Chile in October 2013.

4.2 Unique Training Situations

Since the WITP includes all theoretical physicists in the province of Manitoba and includes experts in a broad range of subjects, it presents a few unique opportunities for our HQP. For instance, the WITP's seminar series (see sections 3.3, 3.4) exposes HQP trainees to topics outside their own specialization and to research in the broader physics community.

In addition, the WITP is itself large enough to provide extra training opportunities for our students. The Student Symposium held in August 2012 (the first of an annual series) was a great success, giving our graduate and undergraduate students the experience of presenting technical seminars in a conference-like setting. Furthermore, it provided the students, and the WITP, an opportunity to showcase the world-class research in theoretical physics that is being done in Manitoba. More information on this meeting is found in appendix I.4.

The WITP also provides training opportunities for HQP through its support of regional and national conferences. Specifically, in addition to funding provided from the Member's grants, the WITP's contributions towards the conferences in many cases leverage significantly more travel funds for our students and postdoctoral fellows to attend these events. For example, the WITP has specified that its support for the Canadian Prairie Theoretical Physics Network be used for student travel funding, which in turn aided a number of our Student Members.

5 Research Dissemination & Service

5.1 Research Dissemination

We re-emphasize that the WITP exists to support and enhance the research programs of its Members, so there is no distinction between Institute research and the research of individual Members. As can be seen from the list of research accomplishments in this review submission and previous WITP reports, the theoretical physics community in Manitoba is extremely strong and productive. The research, which encompasses many different areas of theoretical physics, was disseminated primarily through refereed research publications in the top journals in the respective fields (while these vary somewhat from field to field, they generally include the *Physical Review* series of journals, which is well-represented in our Members' publications). As well, members have given talks, both invited and contributed, at national and international conferences. These in turn have led to published contributions in conference proceedings. Members also disseminate their research through technical seminars presented at universities and other research facilities throughout Canada and around the world. For more details, see section 3.1 above and appendix I.1.

Other WITP activities are of note with regard to research dissemination. Members from time to time present talks in the WITP's seminar series, and student members participate heavily in the WITP annual Student Symposium. These venues allow our members to disseminate their research findings throughout the provice. In addition, discussions with WITP visitors provide an opportunity for WITP Members to present their research to scientists from other regions.

5.2 Service

The WITP provides service to the physics community in Manitoba and throughout Canada. By sponsoring visitors and seminars within Manitoba, the WITP has substantially enhanced the research and learning environment of undergraduate and graduate students in the province. In addition, the WITP serves the Canadian physics community by providing (modest) financial support to several national theoretical physics conferences. Since 2008, these have included

- Graphene Canada Conference, Banff, AB, 2008 (\$500).
- Theory Canada IV, CRM, Montréal, QC, 2008 (\$480).
- Theory Canada V, UNB, Fredericton, NB, 2009 (\$517.39).
- Canadian Conference on General Relativity and Relativistic Astrophysics, Calgary, AB, 2009 (\$200).
- Canadian Prairie Theoretical Physics Network meeting, Lethbridge, AB, 2010 (\$1,000).
- Theory Canada VII, Lethbridge, AB, 2012 (\$400).

These conferences are an important means for the Canadian theoretical physics community to exchange ideas and disseminate results. By providing funding, the WITP helps stimulate theoretical physics work in Manitoba and throughout Canada. In addition, these conferences provide an opportunity for WITP students to gain experience presenting their results to an audience of peers and senior researchers in a professional setting. They are also exposed to cutting-edge research, improving their education. In light of this, the WITP often specifies that its funds support student travel to conferences. As an ancillary benefit of this service, WITP conference support increases the visibility of theoretical physics in Manitoba, which helps to attract graduate students to the province. The WITP provides more substantial financial support to major theoretical physics conferences held in Manitoba. For example, the 12th International Conference on *p*-Adic Functional Analysis was held at the University of Manitoba from July 2-6, 2012. The WITP provided financial support of \$1200 for the conference. The conference brought top researchers in non-Archimedean and *p*-adic analysis from Europe, South America, and the USA to the University of Manitoba. WITP member K.M. Shamseddine was the organizer of the conference and is the editor of the proceedings, which will be published in 2013 in the *Contemporary Mathematics* series of the American Mathematical Society. The conference program and poster are presented in appendix I.5.

The WITP also plans (if funding allows) to invite prominent physicists to provide a series of public lectures. This lecture series will serve as outreach to convey the excitement and interest of theoretical physics research to the public, and it will raise the profile of theoretical physics research in Manitoba.

5.3 Impact on Programs and Policies

The WITP's mandate is to enhance the research of its Members, raise the visibility of theoretical physics research in Manitoba, and improve the training of highly qualified personnel in theoterical physics. As such, the WITP has not attempted to change the policies of other institutions.

6 Current Membership

6.1 List of Members

Following is a list of the WITP membership as of Jan. 2013 (undergraduate student members are listed based on supervision in summer 2012). Please note that there has been a turn-over of several postdoctoral fellows and research associates in late 2012, leading to a slight reduction in numbers of Associate Members at the present. In addition, Randy Kobes (Ph.D.) was a founding member of the WITP until his passing in 2010. Members are affiliated with the physics departments (or, in rare cases, the mathematics departments) of their home universities.

Permanent Members

- M.E. Alexander², *Ph.D. (Manchester University, UK)*
- P.G. Blunden¹, *Ph.D* (Queen's) [Director, 93-94]
- M.E. Carrington³, Ph.D. (SUNY, Stony Brook)
- T. Chakraborty¹, Ph.D. (Dilbrugarh University, India)
- J. D. Fiege¹, *Ph.D. (McMaster)*
- A.R. Frey² Ph.D. (UCSB) [Director, 12-14]
- T.D. Fugleberg³, *Ph.D. (UBC)*
- J. Hopkinson³, Ph.D. (Rutgers)
- G. Kunstatter², Ph.D. (Toronto) [Director, 91-92, 09-12]
- T.A. Osborn¹, *Ph.D. (Stanford)* [Director, 92-93, 01-04]
- A. Shalchi¹, Ph.D. (Ruhr-Universitat Bochum)
- K.M. Shamseddine¹, Ph.D. (Michigan State)
- B.W. Southern¹, *Ph.D. (McMaster)* [Director, 90-91, 07-09]
- D.W. Vincent², *Ph.D. (Toronto)* [Director, 94-95]
- J.G. Williams³, *Ph.D. (Birmingham)* [Director, 96-97]
- M. Whitmore¹, *Ph.D. (McMaster)*

Senior Scholars

- B. Bhakar¹, *Ph.D. (Delhi)* [Director, Jan. June 00]
- P.D. Loly ¹, *Ph.D. (London)* [Director, Fall 99, 00-01]

¹University of Manitoba

²University of Winnipeg

³Brandon University

- J.P. Svenne¹, *Ph.D.* (*M.I.T.*) [Director, 95-96]
- G.C. Tabisz¹, Ph.D. (Toronto)
- J.M. Vail¹, Ph.D. (Brandeis) [Director, 98-99]

Associate Members

Research Associates

- J. Berashevich (Chakraborty)
- Alexander Sibirtsev (Blunden)

Postdoctoral Fellows

- Tongchuan Suo (Whitmore)
- R. Danos (Shalchi)
- Wie-jie Fu
- Mingsu Si (Vail)

Student Members

Graduate Students

- Heather Champion (M.Sc.) (Co-supervised by Fiege and Boyd McCurdy) graduated in 2012
- Siranush Avestiyan (M.Sc.) (Chakraborty)
- Angel Barria Comicheo (Ph.D.) (Shamseddine)
- Bradley Cownden (M.Sc.) (Frey)
- Darren Flynn (M.Sc.) (Shamseddine)
- Erica Franzmann (M.Sc) (Fiege)
- Mohammad Hussein (Ph.D) (Shalchi)
- Damodar Khatri Chhetri (M.Sc.) (Svenne)
- Paul Mikula (M.Sc.) (co-supervised Kunstatter and Carrington)
- A. Mirza (M.Sc) (Carrington) graduated in 2012
- Travis Redpath (M.Sc.) (Hopkinson)
- Adam Rogers (Ph. D) (Fiege) graduated in 2012
- Andrew Senchuk (Ph. D) (Gwinner and Shamseddine)

• Tim Taves (Ph.D.) (Kunstatter)

$Undergraduate\ Research\ Students$

- J. Beck (NSERC USRA) (Hopkinson)
- Kaitlynn Buffie (Shalchi)
- T. Chau (Frey/Kunstatter)
- D. Clement (Kunstatter)
- N. Deppe (NSERC USRA) (Kunstatter)
- W. Grafton (Shamseddine)
- P. Gregoryanz (Kunstatter)
- J. Jung (Southern)
- Javier Hernandez-Melgar (Vail)
- A. Kolly (Shalchi)
- M. Mercredi (NSERC USRA) (Alexander)
- N. Reid (Frey)
- J. Roberts (Frey)
- I. Russell (Carrington/Fugleburg)
- R. Taylor (Hopkinson)

6.2 Reporting Structure

In the past two years, the Institute's Executive Committee has consisted of G. Kunstatter (Director, Winnipeg) and B.W. Southern (Past-Director, Manitoba). For the period of December 2012–December 2014, the Executive Committee will consist of A.R. Frey (Director, Winnipeg) and K. Shamseddine (Director-Elect, Manitoba) with G. Kunstatter (Past-Director). The Executive normally spends less than 5% of its time with the administrative aspects of the Institute, and the Director reports directly to the Deans of Science at the University of Manitoba and the University of Winnipeg.

7 Five-Year Plan

7.1 Future Research Direction and Development Strategies

Rather than following a fixed research direction, the WITP's mandate is to provide a supportive and stimulating environment for its Members to pursue their own research programs within theoretical physics. In order to provide this support, the WITP will maintain and improve its core activities (discussed separately below) and begin several new initiatives.

Visitors The visitor program is one of the WITP's major activities and supports collaboration with physicists outside Manitoba. In the past five years, the WITP has had three to five visitors per year, including four that stayed for a month or longer. See appendix I.3 for a complete listing of these visitors. In addition to promoting collaboration, the visitor program provides a source of speakers for WITP seminars; having external speakers is important in maintaining a vital research community and is crucial for exposing theoretical physics students to cutting-edge research in the physics community beyond Manitoba.

These visits are primarily funded by Member grants with office space provided by the Physics Departments at UM and UW when required, and the WITP will continue to encourage Members to invite their visitors to give a technical seminar as part of the WITP seminar program. In addition, the WITP will use its funds when available to extend visitor stays and to allow Members to invite visitors when the cost is prohibitive for their own individual grant. These measures will allow the WITP to maintain and increase what is already a successful program.

Seminars WITP seminars are the primary activity by which the WITP promotes a congenial atmosphere for theoretical physics research and collaboration among Members; a lively discussion of current developments in physics is an important stimulus to theoretical physics research. The existence of an active seminar series is a helpful recruiting point for new faculty hires, and the WITP provides the only forum for technical seminars on theoretical physics in Manitoba. WITP seminars are a vital resource for increasing the breadth of education of theoretical physics students and postdoctoral fellows, especially on current topics in physics, and they represent one means of knowledge transfer within the WITP. Many WITP visitors are willing to speak in the seminar series, so there is a strong synergy between the two Institute activities. WITP seminars have virtually no associated cost; the Physics Departments at UM and UW provide both space and advertising. The seminars for the past five years are listed in appendix I.2.

In the next five years, the WITP plans multiple initiatives to improve the seminars series beyond its already strong foundation. First, the WITP will make use of local resources to increase the number of seminars, as the frequency of seminars has traditionally varied with the availability of visitors. By asking Members, including Associate and Student Members, to make seminar presentations, we plan to increase the number of seminars to at least once per month. Learning to present research findings in a formal and long-format talk (as opposed to a shorter conference presentation) is an important aspect of training for highly qualified personnel, especially at the graduate and postdoctoral level. In fact, other than journal articles, this is the main means of research dissemination in many fields of theoretical physics, so practice giving such presentations is especially important for WITP students. Furthermore, additional opportunities to share research within the WITP community will help to establish more collaborations among Institute Members.

Another way in which the WITP will try to improve the existing seminar series is to make them more convenient for our members in Brandon. Due to the distances involved, it is difficult for WITP members at Brandon University to attend WITP seminars, which are usually held at UM (and sometimes at UW). However, modern technology makes it fairly easy to broadcast meetings to either a selected group of people or openly on the web with virtually no cost. The WITP will investigate options for broadcasting seminars to Brandon and hopes to make all the seminars available to Brandon University Members within the year.

Conference Support For relatively small amounts of money contributed to national conferences in theoretical physics, the WITP is able to advertise its existence broadly across Canada and, through foreign conference participants, internationally as well. This increased visibility has been extremely beneficial to the overall research environment leading to increased interest from researchers and prospective graduate students outside the province. This promotes collaboration between WITP Members and other researchers as well as graduate student recruitment. The Theory Canada series of conferences have proven especially beneficial since they have become the main meeting of Canadian theoretical physicists and bring together theorists to present research in diverse fields. As a result, the WITP plans to provide financial support for the Theory Canada conference each year.

The Canadian Prairie Theoretical Physics Network (CPTPN) is a new (founded Feb 2010) organization with similar goals to the WITP, specifically increasing communication among theoretical physicists with ties to the Canadian Prairies in order to enhance research collaboration. One of the main activities of the CPTPN is an annual conference, which the WITP has supported in the past. These meetings are attended by undergraduates, so WITP support serves a two-fold purpose. First, it advertises theoretical physics research in Manitoba directly to prospective graduate students who have ties to the Canadian Prairies. Second, regional meetings are an excellent opportunity for undergraduate (and graduate) students to gain experience making short conference presentations on their research, and WITP support has allowed the CPTPN to provide travel funding for students. (In fact, the WITP has specified that its support should be used to provide funding for student travel.) The WITP plans to continue its annual support of the CPTPN meetings.

Finally, the WITP will support national and international theoretical physics conferences which are held in Manitoba. These events bring a large number of experts from around Canada and the world to Manitoba and improve the profile of theoretical physics research in the province. Informal discussions with colleagues throughout the conference leads to collaborations, the large number of visitors allows WITP students to meet leading international scientists and to gain exposure to a wide variety of research, and the formal conference activities allow local researchers an opportunity to disseminate research to a wide audience. The WITP hopes to have the opportunity to support at least one major conference in Manitoba every other year. The WITP provided funding to the 12th International Conference on *p*-Adic Functional Analysis, which was held at the University of Manitoba in July 2012 (see appendix I.5). In addition, A. Frey and G. Kunstatter have committed to holding the 15th Canadian Conference on General Relativity in Winnipeg during the spring of 2014. This biennual national conference was last held here in 1991.

Student Symposium The WITP instituted a new activity, the Summer Student Symposium, in August 2012. This was a one-day meeting of WITP Members which gave WITP Student Members, especially undergraduate students, the opportunity to present their research in a conference-style talk but a more relaxed setting. As discussed above, this is a necessary skill that requires practice. In addition to giving students the opportunity to give technical presentations, the Student Symposium allows the Permanent Members, through their students, to share their work with the rest of the WITP, promoting collaboration. More information on the inaugural symposium is given in appendix I.4. The response to this first symposium, held at UW, was uniformly enthusiastic, and the WITP plans to make this an annual event which will rotate among UW, UM, and Brandon University. The amount listed in the budget allows the WITP to provide coffee and lunch for participants; depending on attendance, it may also allow travel reimbursement between Brandon and Winnipeg.

Public Lectures If funding allows, the WITP plans to initiate a public lecture series, ideally held every other year. This would allow the WITP to become active in outreach programs to the wider community of Manitoba in areas of interest in theoretical physics. These talks would be by prominent visiting scientists and would not only increase the profile of the WITP in Winnipeg (and Brandon if funding and schedule allow) but also provide WITP members the opportunity to consult with leading minds. In addition to the budgeted amount, the WITP plans to work with existing lecture series at UM, UW, and Brandon to secure additional funding for these speakers and to find suitable venues for the public talks.

Miscellaneous Activities The WITP also plans to take a few additional steps to increase its profile within Canada. For example, the WITP prepares an annual report on activities; printing and mailing copies of this report to theoretical physics research groups in Canada will improve the WITP's visibility. In conjunction with emailed PDF copies, the hard copy report will reach a large number of physicists throughout Canada, showcasing the world-class research carried out in Manitoba. Furthermore, the WITP will develop a poster advertising opportunities for graduate study in theoretical physics in Manitoba for distribution to Canadian physics departments. This poster, with additional material, will also be used at the annual Canadian Undergraduate Physics Conference to advertise graduate study in Manitoba.

Growth The WITP membership includes all of the theoretical physicists in the province. Hence its growth relies upon the Associate and Student Members that it can attract (i.e. graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and research associates), along with occasional new faculty hires. The number and quality of these Associate and Student Members is dependent on the Institute being able to create a positive research atmosphere. This in turn depends strongly upon the level of funding that the Institute receives. In view of its overall research productivity, in terms of published papers and supervised graduate students, and the demonstrated ability to attract excellent visiting scientists, the Institute is achieving its goals, and the five-year plan presented above will continue and improve upon the WITP's ability to attract new Associate and Student Members. The Deans of Science at UM and UW have indicated their strong support of this plan, as indicated in the letters found in appendix IV.

There are two other potential areas of growth. One is identifying new Permanent Members at UM, UW, and Brandon University among current faculty members in related fields. For example, experimental physicists who work closely with theorists may be candidate members, as may mathematicians whose research is closely related to mathematical physics. The other potential avenue is at the institutional level. Specifically, the WITP has indicated its interest in formalizing its relationship with Brandon University by becoming an official institute of that university (making it an official institute of all three major universities in the province). We hope to have productive conversations with Brandon University administrators on this matter.

7.2 Budget

The WITP does not incur or depend on any fixed annual cost. Further, the purpose and the activities of the Institute are designed to ensure that virtually all funds go directly towards research, in the form of visitors, seminars, etc. Since the WITP is a collection of theorists, we have no expensive equipment to maintain or technicians to employ, and there are no direct infrastructure costs. This allows the WITP to tailor its operations to match the level of funding it receives. The WITP's ability to promote research and education in theoretical physics is therefore directly proportional to its funding level.

The following represents an optimistic and ambitious budget for WITP activities in the five-year period from 2013 to 2017. It is important to note that the most costly WITP activity, the visitor program, is primarily funded by Member research grants (over \$600,000 total for 2012-2013), and those funds are not

included in the proposed budget. The following expenditures are for activities that fall outside the usual purview of a research grant and which are more properly and efficiently organized as a collective. In addition, a small fraction of WITP funding will be used to supplement the visitor program by providing partial funding to extend the stay of some visitors or to make it possible for Members to extend an invitation.

• Conference support: \$2000

Advertises theoretical physics in Manitoba throughout Canada, promotes research collaborations and dissemination of results, provides opportunity to recruit graduate students

- Theory Canada conferences: \$500
 Main annual conference for Canadian theoretical physics
- Canadian Prairie Theoretical Physics Network conferences: \$500 Annual regional conference for theoretical physics
- National & international conferences held in Manitoba and surrounding region: \$1000 Average annual amount
- Summer Symposium for undergraduate student researchers: \$500
- Visitor Support: \$2000
 - Prominent visiting scientist for public lecture: \$2000 every other year Outreach to the public, as well as scientific discussion
 - Support for other WITP visitors: \$1000
 The WITP visitor program is primarily funded by Members; this funding is to allow visits that individual Members may not otherwise be able to afford or to increase the length of time that visitors can stay in Manitoba.
- Miscellaneous: \$500

Printing, advertising of study opportunities at Canadian Undergraduate Physics Conference and other venues

Total: \$5000 per annum

The WITP currently has approximately \$1500 available in its accounts (see section 3.2 and appendix III) and has already received commitments of \$16,000 from the Faculties of Science at UM and UW and \$5000 from Brandon University for the coming five-year period, which positions the WITP well to achieve its goals for the near future. In addition, the WITP is pursuing funding commitments from the Office of the Vice-President (Research and International) at UM. Any funding shortfalls will be made up by distributed reductions in conference support and a reduction to the number of public lectures, followed by cuts to the Institute support for visitors and miscellaneous expenses. A possible five-year budget using only currently available funds (Member support of the visitor program plus \$22,500) follows.

• Conference support: \$1700

Advertises theoretical physics in Manitoba throughout Canada, promotes research collaborations and dissemination of results, provides opportunity to recruit graduate students

Theory Canada conferences: \$500
 Main annual conference for Canadian theoretical physics

- Canadian Prairie Theoretical Physics Network conferences: \$500 Annual regional conference for theoretical physics
- National & international conferences held in Manitoba and surrounding region: \$700 Average annual amount
- Summer Symposium for undergraduate student researchers: \$500
- Visitor Support: \$1800
 - Prominent visiting scientist for public lecture: \$2000 twice in five years Outreach to the public, as well as scientific discussion
 - Support for other WITP visitors: \$1000
 The WITP visitor program is primarily funded by Members; this funding is to allow visits that individual Members may not otherwise be able to afford or to increase the length of time that visitors can stay in Manitoba.

• Miscellaneous: \$500 Printing, advertising of study opportunities at Canadian Undergraduate Physics Conference only

Total: \$4500 per annum

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M. Whitmore

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- 8. Tongchuan Suo and M. D. Whitmore, Self-Consistent Mean Field Theory of the Flow Behaviour Inside a Cylindrical Tube with Grafted Polymers, C. A. P. Congress, St. John's, NL (2011)

J.G. Williams

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I.2 Seminars: 2008-2012

Date	Speaker	Title	
Nov. 8, 2012	K. Dasgupta	"A UV complete model of large N thermal QCD"	
Aug. 16, 2012	E. Hatefi	"Critical Collapse in the Axion-Dilaton system	
		in Diverse Dimensions"	
Aug. 15, 2012	J. Babb	"Conformal AdS Dumb Holes and Their	
		Quasinormal Mode Spectrum "	
May 25, 2012	H. Maeda	"Gauss-Bonnet Braneworld Redux: Novel Scenario	
		for the Bouncing Universe"	
Apr. 4, 2012,	J. Louko	"Probing a Quantum Field by a Nonstationary Detector"	
Feb. 16, 2012	R. Brandenberger	" New Observational Windows"	
Nov. 11 2011	A. Ghosh	"The Fluid-Gravity Correspondence and Dumb Holes"	
Jan. 17 2011	J. Whitehead	"Microdomain Formation in Ultra-Thin Magnetic Films"	
Nov. 24, 2010	J. Medved	"A Ghost in the Machinery"	
Nov. 5, 2010	A. Nielsen	"Black Holes and the Laws of Physics"	
July 20, 2009	Brian Dolan	"Equivariant Dimensional Reduction and Quiver Gauge Theory"	
May 21, 2009	Hideki Maedi	"Self-similar growth of black holes in the Friedmann universe"	
May 8, 2009	J.W. Moffat	"Redesigning Electroweak Theory: Does the Higgs Particle Exist?"	
May 7, 2009	J. W. Moffat	"Einstein's Big Ideas"	
May 7, 2009	J.W. Moffat	"Observationally Verifiable Predictions of Modified Gravity"	
Mar 26 2009	M. Plumer	"Landau Theory of the Magnetic Phase Diagram	
		of Magnetoelectric CuFe02"	
Feb 25 2009	L. Canton	"Application of the Multi-Channel Algebraic Scattering Formalism	
		to the Spectroscopy of Hypernuclei"	
Nov 19 2008	D. Abergel	"Optical properties of monolayer and bilayer graphene"	
Nov 5 2008	K. Shamseddine	"Analysis on the Levi-Civita Field and Applications"	
Oct 22 2008	K. Shameseddine	"Non-Archimedean Analysis: Introduction	
		and Motivation"	
Oct 8 2008	S. Stricker	"Tuning the light-heavy guitar: notes on holographic mesons"	

I.3 Visitors: 2008-2012

Date	Visitor	Institution	Host
Nov. 7-10, 2012	Keshav Dasgupta	McGill University	A. Frey
Aug. 15-20, 2012	Ehsan Hatefi	I.C.T.P., Trieste	G. Kunstatter/A. Frey
May 21-June 5, 2012	Hideki Maeda	C.E.C.s., Chile	G. Kunstatter
April 1-9, 2012	Jorma Louko	University of Nottingham, U.K.	G. Kunstatter
Feb. 16-18, 2012	R. Brandenberger	McGill University	G. Kunstatter/A. Frey
JanApr., 2012	R. Daghigh	Metropolitan State University	G. Kunstatter
Nov. 8-12, 2011	Archisman Ghosh	University of Kentucky	G. Kunstatter
July 1-July 15, 2011	Luciano Canton	INFN, Sezione di Padova, Italy	J. Svenne
Jan 14-18, 2011	John Whitehead	Memorial University	B. Southern
Nov 21-Nov27, 2010	Joey Medved	KIAS, South Korea	G. Kunstatter
Oct 31-Nov 6, 2010	Alex Nielsen	Max Planck Institute	G. Kunstatter
June 20-July 4, 2010	Luciano Canton	INFN, Sezione di Padova, Italy	J. Svenne
May - June 2010	Zhoufei Wang	South China Agricultural University,	
		Guangzhou, China	J. Vail
July 19-20 2009	Brian Dolan	National University of Ireland	G. Kunstatter
May 17-23 2009	Hideki Maedi	CECS, Chile	G. Kunstatter
May 7-8 2009	J. W. Moffat	Perimeter Institute	G. Kunstatter
Mar 26-28 2009	M. Plumer	Memorial University	B. Southern
Oct 6-10 2008	R. Daghigh	Metro State University	Kunstatter
Oct 6-10 2008	S. Stricker	Technical University of Vienna	G.Kunstatter
Oct-Dec 2008	Mikhail Karasev	Moscow Inst. of Electronics and Math.	T. Osborn
March 2008	Dr. Keitaro Nagata	Chung-Yuan Christian University, Taiwan	P.G. Blunden

I.4 Student Research Symposium 2012

In August 2012, the WITP held its first Student Research Symposium at the University of Winnipeg. All summer undergraduate students working with WITP members between May and August, 2012, and WITP-affiliated graduate students were invited to give a short oral presentation of their work in a somewhat formal but friendly setting. It was a one day event with coffee and lunch provided for all speakers and attendees. The symposium was a great success with about forty people attending altogether. It provided the students, and the WITP, an opportunity to showcase the world class research in theoretical physics that is being done in Manitoba. We plan to make this an annual event. The schedule of talks is given on the next page.

I.5 12th International Conference on *p*-Adic Functional Analysis

The WITP provided financial support of \$1200 for the 12th International Conference on *p*-Adic Functional Analysis, held at the University of Manitoba in July 2012. The conference brought top researchers in non-Archimedean and *p*-adic analysis from Europe, South America and the USA to the University of Manitoba. WITP member K.M. Shamseddine organized the conference and is the editor of the proceedings, which will be published in 2013 in the *Contemporary Mathematics* series of the American Mathematical Society. The conference program and poster are presented on the following pages.

First WITP Summer Symposium

30 Aug 2012, Manitoba Hall Board Room, Univ of Winnipeg

Research talks will be 30 minutes, including time for questions.

- 9:30 Welcome
- 9:45 Tim Taves "Review of Gauss-Bonnet Gravitational Collapse"
- 10:15 Nils Deppe "Critical Phenomena in Einstein-Gauss-Bonnet Gravity in Painleve-Gullstrand Coordinates"
- 10:45 Coffee Break
- **11:00** William Grafton "Intermediate Value Theorem for Power Series on a non-Archimedean Field Extension of the Real Numbers"
- 11:30 Jarrett Beck "Antiferromagnetic Ising Model on the Sorrel Net"

12:00 Lunch

- 13:30 Nick Reid "Cosmological Constraints on New Dark Matter Models"
- 14:00 Josh Jung "Angular Dependence of FMR Measurements in Exchange Coupled NiFe/NiO Bilayers: Experiment and Theory"
- 14:30 Break
- 15:00 Dallas Clement TBA
- 15:30 Ian Russell "Feynman Integral Equations Using Mathematica"
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 James Roberts "String Theory, Warping, and You!"
- 17:00 Travis Redpath "Spin Ice on the Hyper-kagome Lattice Including Dipolar Interactions"
- 17:30 Conclusion



Program and Schedule of Talks

12th International Conference on p-Adic Functional Analysis

E3-270 (Engineering Building)

University of Manitoba, July 2-6, 2012

Sunday	Arrivals & Check-in at Arthur V. Mauro Residence Hall
July 1	Pizza dinner at Arthur V. Mauro Hall, 17:00- all evening

	8:00-9:20	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)	
	9:30-10:00	Opening remarks	
	10:00-11:00	Alain Escassut	
		Branched values for <i>p</i> -Adic meromorphic functions	
	11:00-11:20	Coffee break	
Monday	11:20-12:20	Cristina Perez-Garcia	
		The Grothendieck approximation theory in non-Archimedean	
July 2		functional analysis	
	12:20-13:20	Helge Glockner	
		Invariant manifolds for analytic dynamical systems over ultrametric fields	
	13:20-15:00	Lunch (at Degrees)	
	16:00-20:00	King's Park	
		(walking distance from campus); dinner will be provided	

	8:00-9:20	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)
	9:30-10:30	Herminia Ochsenius A Generalized Keller space over a field with a valuation of
		rank $\rho > \omega$
		Alain Escassut
	10:30-11:30	Zeros of the derivative of a <i>p</i> -Adic meromorphic function
	11:30-11:50	Coffee break
Tuesday	11:50-12:50	Nicolas Mainetti
		Maximal ideals on algebras of continuous functions
July 3	12:50-14:20	Lunch (at Degrees)
	14:20-15:20	Hans Keller
		Subfields of valued, complete fields
	15:20-15:40	Coffee break
		Jacqueline Ojeda
	15:40-16:40	<i>p</i> -Adic meromorphic functions <i>f'P'(f), g'P'(g)</i> sharing a small function

	8:00-9:20	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)
		Elena Olivos
	9:30-10:30	All proper multiplications on the Dedekind completion of a totally ordered abelian group
	10:30-11:30	Enno Nagel
Wednesday		Fractional differentiability and (locally) polynomial functions
	11:30-11:50	Coffee break
July 4	11:50-12:50	Abdelbaki Boutabaa
		Factorization of ultrametric meromorphic functions
	12:50-14:30	Lunch (at Degrees)
	14:30-15:00	Group Picture (stairs of the Administration Building)
	15:00-21:30	Trip to the Forks

	8:00-9:20	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)
		Jose Aguayo
	9:30-10:30	Characterization of Compact and self-adjoint operators on free Banach spaces of countable type over the complex Levi- Civita field
		Khodr Shamseddine
	10:30-11:30	B*-algebras of operators and study of positive operators on a free Banach space of countable type over the complex Levi- Civita field
Thursday	11:30-11:50	Coffee break
		Todd Sierens
July 5	11:50-12:50	On locally uniformly differentiable functions: the Inverse Function Theorem and the Implicit Function Theorem in a non-Archimedean setting
	12:50-14:20	Lunch (at Degrees)
		Martin Berz
	14:20-15:20	Affine Invariant Lebesgue Measures in Levi-Civita Vector Spaces and the Erdös Obtuse Angle Theorem
	15:20-15:40	Coffee Break
		Alexander Wittig
	15:40-16:40	Inverse and Implicit Function Theorems on Levi-Civita Vector Spaces
	16:40-17:00	Closing remarks

	8:00-9:20	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)
Friday	9:30-10:00	Meeting of the Scientific Committee
	12:00-13:30	Lunch (at Degrees)
July 6	13:30-21:00	Excursion (Assiniboine Park) and Farewell Dinner

	7:00-9:00	Breakfast (Pembina Hall)	
Saturday		Departure	
July 7		Please ask the staff at the front desk of Arthur V. Mauro for	
		help on how to call a taxi	

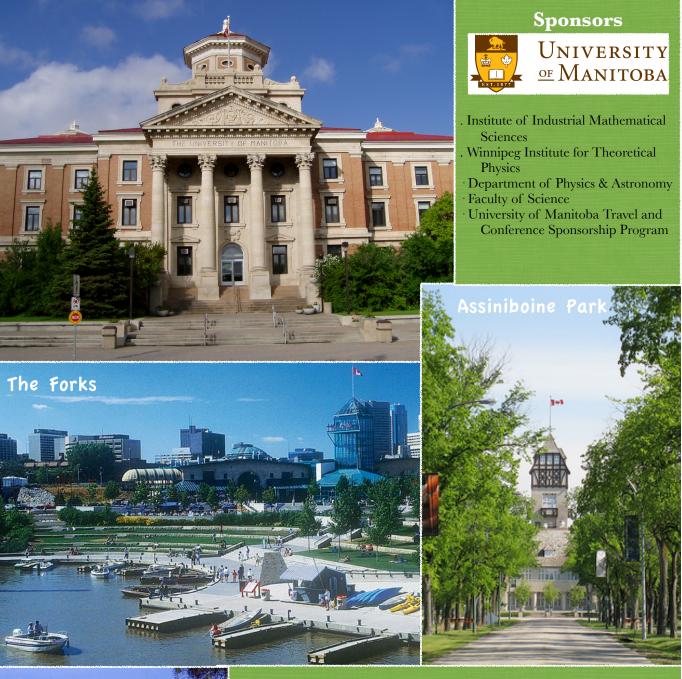
Suggestions for places to visit at the Assiniboine Park on Friday afternoon

- Conservatory (before dinner)
- Pavilion Gallery Museum (before dinner)- there will be people to take your order for the dinner (the dinner will be ~6- 7:30 in the Pavilion)
- Leo Mal Sculpture Garden
- English Gardens
- The Zoo

Please see <u>http://www.assiniboinepark.ca/attractions/</u> for more information; also see the map of the park provided in your welcome bag.

12th International Conference on p-Adic Functional Analysis

University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada, July 2-6 (2012)





E3-270 Engineering Building University of Manitoba, Fort Garry Campus

Scientific Committee:

José Aguayo, Jesus Araujo, Gilles Christol, Bertin Diarra, Alain Escassut, Athanasios Katsaras, Herminia Ochsenius, Cristina Perez-Garcia, Wim Schikhof, Khodr Shamseddine

Local Organizing Committee:

Khodr Shamseddine (Chair), Abba Gumel

http://www.physics.umanitoba.ca/~khodr/p-Adic-2012/index.htm

II Funds Received

In addition to funds committed to the WITP by the University of Manitoba, the University of Winnipeg, and Brandon University, it should be pointed out that the members of the Institute use their individual NSERC Discovery Grants to subsidize Institute activities. The members from the three universities received more than \$600,000 of individual NSERC Research Grants in the 2012-13 fiscal year. These funds have a significant fortifying effect on the level of activities in which we are able to engage. The financial contribution of the members associated with the expenses of visiting guest theorists, supports the activities and goals of the Institute, but does not appear in the budget data shown above.

The funds received by individual members are summarized in the table below. We list both the total for the 2008-09 to 2012-13 fiscal year period as well as the amount in 2012-13. NSERC is the National Science and Engineering Resource Council of Canada, DG represents the Discovery Grant program, and CRC is the Canada Research Chairs program. SAP indicates the subatomic physics envelope of NSERC.

Member	Source & Type	5-Year Total	2012-13 Amount
M.E. Alexander	NSERC DG	\$60,000	\$12,000
P.G. Blunden	NSERC DG (SAP)	\$225,000	\$45,000
M.E. Carrington	NSERC DG (SAP)	\$220,000	\$40,000
	NSERC CRC	\$500,000	\$100,000
T. Chakraborty	NSERC DG	\$76,000	\$0
	NSERC CRC	\$1,000,000	\$200,000
J.D. Fiege	NSERC DG	\$75,956	\$20,000
A.R. Frey	NSERC DG (SAP)	\$35,000	\$35,000
T.D. Fugleberg	NSERC DG (SAP)	\$66,000	\$0
J. Hopkinson	NSERC DG	\$78,505	\$15,701
G. Kunstatter	NSERC DG (SAP)	\$275,000	\$55,000
T.A. Osborn	NSERC DG	\$20,000	\$0
A. Shalchi	NSERC DG	\$74,000	\$37,000
B.W. Southern	NSERC DG	\$61,160	\$0
M. Whitmore	NSERC DG	\$120,160	\$30,040
J.P. Svenne	NSERC DG	\$64,000	\$18,000
G.C. Tabisz	NSERC DG	\$38,220	\$0

III Financial Statements

The WITP has three financial accounts, one maintained at the University of Winnipeg and two at the University of Manitoba. Currently, the account at UW has a balance of \$86.36, and the UW (through the offices of the Dean of Science and the Vice President (Research, Recruitment, and International)) has committed to credit that account with \$1600 each year from 2013 to 2017. The WITP currently has access to \$1309 in the second account at UM. UM, through the Dean of Science, has committed to make an additional \$8000 available through that account as a contribution for 2013 to 2017. The second account at UM contains funds contributed in 2008 by Brandon University, and the current balance is \$171. The Vice-President (Academic & Provost) at Brandon University has committed to transfer \$1000 per annum from 2013 to 2017 to UM for deposit into that account.

IV Letters of Support

Letters of support from the Deans of Science from UM and UW, of which the WITP is a formal institute, are attached on the following pages. A letter of support from the Vice-President (Academic & Provost) of Brandon University is attached following those pages.

THE UIVERSITY OF MANITOBA Faculty of Science Office of the Dean 250 Machray Hall INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE:	January 22, 2013
TO:	Dr. Digvir Jayas, Vice-President (Research)
FROM:	Mark Whitmore, Dean, Faculty of Science (9. D. a. M.
SUBJECT:	Support for the Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics

I am very pleased to support the renewal of the Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics.

This Institute draws its membership from three universities in Manitoba, with (in 2011-12) 16 faculty members, five senior scholars, and approximately 10 research associates and pdf's, 12 graduate students, and 15 undergraduate research students. Its purpose is to support theoretical physics in Manitoba by encouraging collaboration between members and by financially supporting workshops and conferences, visiting speakers, and short and long term visitors. Support for conferences includes meetings of Theory Canada and, this past year, the first conference of the Canadian Prairies Theoretical Physics Network, and the 12th International Conference on p-Adic functional Analysis. This past year also saw an inaugural undergraduate research symposium, highlighting the research done by undergraduate students. This kind of activity, which greatly enhances the student experience, is an important priority of the Faculty of Science.

The membership has an excellent record of external funding at about \$500 K per year, a very impressive level for theoretical physics. The publication record is equally impressive, with approximately 300 refereed publications over the past five years. Institutional support represents an important but modest addition, all of which is spent on workshop and colloquium activities, and a small amount for travel expenses of visiting scientists. I am pleased to commit \$8,000 of Faculty of Science funding over a five-year period to this valuable and very successful Institute.



January 7, 2013

Dr. Digvir S. Jayas Vice-President (Research and International) The University of Manitoba Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada R3T 2N2

Dear Dr. Jayas,

As per the request of Dr. Andrew Frey, Director of the Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics, I am writing to confirm that The University of Winnipeg will commit \$8000.00 to the WITP over the years 2013 – 17. The institute has been doing first-rate work, and is a particularly successful example of smooth cooperation between our universities.

Sincerely,

James Cui

James Currie Dean of Science

cc: Andrew Frey, Director, WITP Neil Besner, Vice-President (Research, Recruitment and International) and Acting Provost and Vice-President (Academic), The University of Winnipeg

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From: "W. Dean Care" <CareD@BrandonU.CA>

- To: <Digvir.Jayas@ad.umanitoba.ca>, <a.frey@uwinnipeg.ca>
- CC: Phillip Goernert <goernertp@brandonu.ca>, Kerry Murkin <MurkinK@BrandonU.CA>, Erlin Zurawski <ZURAWSKI@BrandonU.CA>

Date: Wednesday - January 23, 2013 9:25 PM

Hello Dr. Frey (Andrew):

I am pleased to share with you that Brandon University will commit to supporting the Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics (WITP) for the amount of \$1000 per year for the next five years (2013-2018). The Institute's support and promotion of research and research related activities is commendable. The WITP will provide valuable opportunities for Brandon University faculty and students to engage in its many activities over the coming years.

As directed, I will have our Finance Department send the first year funds (\$1000) to Dr. Digvir Jayas, Vice President (Research and International) at the University of Manitoba.

Best wishes for many years of success.

Dr. Dean Care

Dr. W. Dean Care Acting Vice President (Academic & Provost) Brandon University Brandon, Manitoba R7A 6A9 204-727-7455 (work) 204-761-0795 (mobile) <u>cared@brandonu.ca</u>