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Reduction in funding not a concern —Buriak

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Babiuk believes that as long as the numbers continue to generally increase, even with the dips that sometimes occur, the University should be happy with the amount of funding that it receives.

"The quality of the faculty is directly related to the amount of funding that they are going to receive."

DR LORNE BABIUK
U OF A VICE-PRESIDENT (RESEARCH)

"The quality of the faculty is directly related to the amount of funding that they are going to receive," Babiuk explained. "We are always looking at hiring the best quality of faculty we can."

"As our older faculty retires, we are trying to replace them with the best-quality competitive faculty that we can internationally, and that is going to move us upwards in the level of funding and the international rankings."

NEWS BRIEF

ROCKY MOUNTAIN MOSS DISCOVERY REKINDLES RESEARCH

A government conservation team conducting an intensive search across the Rocky Mountains for the past three summers finally ended their hunt when a rare species of moss was found among the cliffs of western Jasper.

U of A researcher Dr René Belland is part of the Parks Canada recovery team that discovered the largest known population of Haller's apple moss in the world—relatively speaking, that is.

"When I say that this is the biggest population, we're not talking acres. The total amount that we found was 1.3 square meters," said Belland, the assistant director of research at the University of Alberta's Devonian Botanic Garden.

Since 2004, Belland and the recovery team have spent time over the western slopes of the Rockies searching for probable locations of the moss by helicopter and only just discovered the large apple moss population this past summer.

The colonies they found are spread out among a number of forested ledges along a cliff face about 0.5 km across. Belland said next year's plan is to go out and do further surveying at that particular site, as he believes there could be more moss there.

The species, which was first discovered in British Columbia in 1825, is listed as threatened by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada, an organization of which Belland is co-chair.

"People ask this question all the time: 'Why is it important?' As people, we always look at the natural environment



TARASTIEGLITZ

MISSION: MOSS A rare moss has researchers excited about future discoveries.

and we ask that question; what we're actually thinking is, 'What benefit is it to me? Can I make any money from it?'"

Belland stressed that every species is important for biodiversity, and that the discovery of this amount of moss boosts opportunity for research as smaller populations can "blink out."

"The whole thing is really, 'What is our attitude towards this?'" he said. "If my attitude is 'this is just another species,'

and I get rid of it, then that's one less. It's very likely [that when] the next one that comes along, I will say, 'Oh, that's just another moss,' and I turf it out too."

"Well, there is a limited number of these species, not just mosses, but also insects and all other kinds of plants and animals. So if you have that attitude about all of them, you end up with nothing."

—Jonathan Taves, News Writer

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As you may be aware, yesterday was the fifth of November, or Guy Fawkes Day. What's your perfect Guy Fawkes Day?

"A perfect Guy Fawkes Day would be one where I complain about University policies and discuss them with my fellow General Faculties Council Executive Committee member."

"The real issue here is affordability. It's about what affordable tuition is for students. It's about rolling it back and making sure that all students have access to post-secondary education. That's what Guy Fawkes Day is all about." [Absent a roll-back, would you be in favour of blowing up the legislature?] "On a case-by-case basis. Depends which November 5th." [What about this one?] "We'll see."

"You'll need to explain to me what that is." [Explanation ensues.] "Alright, so I think my perfect Guy Fawkes Day would be one in which a computer program just plays the same video of something exciting."

"My perfect Guy Fawkes Day would be seeing Mike Hudema's face as the Parliament buildings collapsed around him."

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