London, 22nd March 2016: The sixth edition of the QS World University Rankings by Subject , released today on TopUniversities.com , features a record-breaking 42 disciplines, making it the largest-ever ranking of its kind. Harvard University has been ranked as the world's best university for the study of Medicine for a second consecutive year.

The expert opinion of **6,164 academics** and **1,933 employers** informed the results for this particular subject, alongside the analysis of **5,236,881** research papers sourced from the Scopus/Elsevier bibliometric database. This contributed to QS evaluating **1,938** institutions that offer courses in Medicine, provisionally ranking **861** , and finally publishing the world's **top 400** in the subject.

In second place for Medicine is the University of Oxford, followed by its perennial rival, the University of Cambridge. Stanford University and Johns Hopkins University are also in the top five.

This year's Medicine ranking features the world's top 400 places to study Medicine. The most-featured country in the ranking is the United States, which takes 12 top-20 places, and 79 places overall.

Excellence is not simply confined to the US, however. This year's ranking for Medicine features institutions from 50 different countries, with top-20 places for Sweden's Karolinska Institute (10th), Canada's University of Toronto (12th

), and Australia's Universities of Sydney and Melbourne (17th and 18th respectively). Asia's best university is the National University of Singapore, ranked 22nd, while Japan's University of Tokyo is ranked joint 23rd.

QS World University Rankings by Subject 2016 – Medicine (Top 50)

2016	2015	Institution	Country
1	1	Harvard University	

United States

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University of Oxford

United Kingdom

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3

University of Cambridge

United Kingdom

4

5

Stanford University

United States

5

4

Johns Hopkins University

United States

6

7

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

United States

7

6

University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)

United States

8

8

Yale University

United States

9

10

UCL (University College London)

United Kingdom

10
9
Karolinska Institute
Sweden
11
11=
Imperial College London
United Kingdom
12
13=
University of Toronto

Canada

13

15

Columbia University

United States

14

16

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

United States

15

11=

University of Pennsylvania

United States

16

13=

Duke University

United States

17

17

The University of Sydney

Australia

18

18

The University of Melbourne

Australia

19=

22=

University of California, San Diego (UCSD)

United States

19=

19

University of Washington

United States

21

24

King's College London (KCL)

United Kingdom

22

21

National University of Singapore (NUS)

Singapore

23=

20

The University of Tokyo

Japan

23=

25

Washington University in St. Louis

United States

25

27

University of Michigan

United States

26

31

University of Edinburgh
United Kingdom
27
22=
McGill University
Canada
28
26
University of British Columbia
Canada
29

32

London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

United Kingdom

30

28

University of Hong Kong (HKU)

Hong Kong

31

29

New York University (NYU)

United States

32
37=
University of Chicago
United States
33
33=
McMaster University
Canada
34=
30
Cornell University

United States

34=

33=

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Netherlands

34=

39=

Mayo Medical School

United States

34=

46=

University of Amsterdam

Netherlands

38

37=

University of Copenhagen

Denmark

39

36

Monash University

Australia

40

39=
Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
Germany
41
35
Baylor College of Medicine
United States
42
43=
Northwestern University
United States

43

49

The University of Queensland (UQ)

Australia

44=

41

National Taiwan University (NTU)

Taiwan

44=

45

University of Zurich

Switzerland

46=

43=

The University of New South Wales (UNSW)

Australia

46=

42

University of Pittsburgh

United States

48

48

Seoul National University (SNU)
South Korea
49=
51-100
Boston University
United States
49=
46=
Kyoto University
Japan
49=

51-100

The University of Manchester

United Kingdom

Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) continue to take the lion's share of top places, leading in 24 subjects between them. Each takes twelve leading positions.

Ben Sowter, Head of the QS Intelligence Unit, said: "Though the US and UK remain dominant, our most inclusive rankings ever show that excellence can be found in an ever-increasing number of places. Nations like Austria, South Africa, Finland, Brazil, China, and Sweden can be found in the top ten of our tables, while our new top 50 for Medicine acknowledges academic excellence in 14 different countries."

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