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## **14 Universities Were Among Top Recipients of U.S. Patents in 2010**

Fourteen universities, including one in China—Tsinghua University—were among the 300 organizations that earned the most U.S. patents in 2010, according to the latest compilation by the Intellectual Property Owners Association. The University of California system, as usual, topped the list of universities; it won 349 patents in 2010 and was ranked 83rd over all. Tsinghua, with 104 patents, ranked 228th. (The overall leader, IBM, got 5,866 patents.) The association notes that the number of patents does not necessarily indicate the merits or potential profitability of an organization's inventions.