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It is our pleasure to introduce what we hope will become an annual feature in the Bulletin, an issue devoted to a theme of current research interest. Industrial research in Canada was the topic for the Montréal-Toronto Project workshop in 1982. Papers by five of the participants are included here with revisions. Another paper, by Donald Phillipson, will appear in a later number. Three, quite different perspectives, the roles of the Federal government, provincial governments and private societies, are evident in the articles below, suggesting that the ultimate history of industrial research in Canada is more complex than we are often led to believe. Several dissertations are currently complete or underway on this topic, along with several research projects. We may expect this area to gain much prominence in the next few years in Canadian historiography.