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The Petroleum Recovery Institute (PRI) is a private research and technology development company whose role is to assist participating companies improve petroleum recovery through member-directed research and technology transfer. A group of twenty-eight companies from around the world participate in PRI as members.

PRI offers consultation, laboratory services, technical training, specialized laboratory equipment and software for the evaluation of oil recovery processes. These include enhanced oil recovery (EOR); well work-over and stimulation strategies; methods to improve reservoir conformance; and design and implementation of horizontal wells. PRI uses specialized laboratory equipment to investigate petroleum recovery processes and visualize fluid flow in porous media at the microscopic level. This proprietary equipment is offered to participating companies. Technical training is offered in laboratory aspects of phase behaviour, core flooding and evaluation of reservoirs for EOR and can be provided either in PRI or client facilities.

PRI operates Canada's only magnetic resonance imaging system dedicated to petrophysical and materials analysis applications. Core imaging services are provided with this facility.

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