

The State Committee only has two to three percent of the science budget to allocate to promising lines of research.

- *USSR Academy of Sciences*

The Academy is the country's highest scientific establishment. It is responsible for promoting basic research in both the natural and social sciences and for implementing research in promising spheres of industrial development. The Academy has 332 full and 597 corresponding members. The Academy is comprised of 17 scientific divisions and three regional divisions. The research within this framework is carried out by more than 300 institutions.

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CONDITIONS OF ACCESS

The sale and purchase of patents, licenses and "know how" falls within the purview of the Licensintorg of the Ministry of Foreign Trade. This agency acts as a broker in arranging technology transfer agreements.

Economic restructuring is now stressing joint ventures between foreign and Soviet companies.

TECHNOLOGICAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CANADIANS

Opportunities exist principally in the areas of space technology, nuclear, and resource development. However, there are also major opportunities to sell technology to assist the current economic restructuring.