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Dr. Martineau was born in Quebec City in May, 1915. Following matriculation, he attended Laval University where he obtained a B.Sc.A. in Chemistry in 1937. He carried out post-graduate studies at the same university and in 1940 obtained his Doctorate degree in Inorganic Chemistry.

He then joined the teaching staff of the Hull Technical School where he was employed as a chemistry teacher until 1943 when he joined the RCAF and proceeded overseas as a navigator with the rank of Flying Officer.

Following his release from the RCAF at the end of the war, Dr. Martineau became Research and Development Branch representative for the Quebec area for the Department of Reconstruction and Supply which later became the Technical Information Service of NRC.

In 1947, Dr. Martineau joined the staff of the newly-formed Defence Research Board and served for two years at the Canadian Armament Research and Development Establishment (CARDE), Valcartier, in an administrative capacity. He then moved to Headquarters where he was employed with the Operational Research Group and, in 1950, proceeded to Washington where he was employed as Deputy Defence Research Member on the Canadian Joint Staff until 1953. He returned to Ottawa and became head of a section with the then Directorate of Armament Research at Headquarters.

The following year he was appointed secretary of the Defence Research Board and in 1955, became Deputy Defence Research Member in London. Dr. Martineau returned to DRB Headquarters in August 1957 and shortly afterwards became Liaison Officer in the Directorate