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CanGeoRef is a bibliographic geoscience database that covers the Canadian geoscience literature since the early 1800's. CanGeoRef includes more than 220,000 bibliographic references on Canada. These references are drawn primarily from GeoRef, the primary bibliographic service for the geosciences. In 2010, the [American Geosciences Institute](#) (AGI) and the [Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences](#) (CFES) began a cooperative arrangement to improve the coverage of Canadian publications in the [GeoRef](#) database and to provide a less expensive alternative to GeoRef for smaller organizations, companies and individuals (consultants). AGI and CFES made this database available by subscription on September 15, 2011.

In addition to references drawn from GeoRef, the database has been enhanced with additions supplied by CFES from the various Provincial and Territorial geological agencies. CFES received some seed money for the start-up phase from the Committee of Provincial and Territorial Geologists (CPTG) and many references to publications for Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Newfoundland/Labrador, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan have been added. Nova Scotia and the Yukon Territory are in the pipeline.

The references cite the journal literature, meeting proceedings, abstracts, books, reports, theses and maps. An important addition to CanGeoRef is the Mineral Assessment Reports. Mineral assessment reports are complete for Alberta, to be followed by those of other jurisdictions in a later phase.

References contain complete bibliographic information and URLs for documents published on the web. Thorough indexing, based on the controlled vocabulary found in the [GeoRef Thesaurus](#), is included. Specific geographic locations are listed as place names, and, for principal locations, latitude and longitude are provided. The database is updated on a weekly basis.

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SUBJECT COVERAGE

Documents in CanGeoRef are primarily related to geology. The following general categories are covered:

Mineralogy

Geochemistry (isotopes, hydrochemistry)

Geochronology (includes radiometric and relative age determination)

Petrology (includes igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks)

Oceanography

Paleontology (includes invertebrates, vertebrates, plants)

Geologic Maps

Geophysics (includes geophysical surveys, well-logging, seismology)

Hydrogeology

(includes ground water and hydrologic cycle)

Environmental Science (includes soil and water pollution, reclamation)

Geomorphology

Soils

Economic Geology (includes metals, industrial minerals, petroleum, mining)

Engineering Geology

All documents are indexed using the GeoRef controlled vocabulary. The vocabulary is available in printed form in the [GeoRef Thesaurus](#) and the systematic vocabulary terms are available online as [hierarchical lists](#).

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GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Publications in CanGeoRef cover Canadian geology back to early 1800's. CFES began supplying references for CanGeoRef in 2010 and will continue to expand the database to include as many current Canadian publications as possible.

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