PREFACE

We have moved to on-demand printing for *Current Research*. A limited number of books will be printed to meet the Survey's library commitments, and to provide a few in-house reference copies for staff and clients. Otherwise, clients may access the volume through our web site for free, purchase it on CD for a nominal fee, or order a laser-printed hard copy for the cost of printing. In whatever format, *Current Research* 2005 will be the usual useful summary of research activities carried out by the Geological Survey and our collaborators during the past year.

Again this year, we are supporting several MUN graduate students who are publishing results here with Survey project leaders and/or their theses supervisors (e.g., Marich *et al.*; Sparkes *et al.*). Three papers are based on projects supported in part by the Geological Survey of Canada's Targeted Geoscience Initiative (e.g., McCuaig and Smith). We also have a somewhat unusual report from an artist who spent some time landscape painting at one of our Labrador field camps (*see* Koch and James). And, of course, there are the remaining field projects in Terrain Sciences, Regional Geology and Mineral Deposits. I hope you will enjoy this volume and encourage you to pursue further information on these and other projects with Survey staff.

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