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One company expressed this desire while describing a collaboration with an American university that has a well known reputation for insisting that it retain ownership over all sponsored research inventions – implying that while the company realized it could not obtain ownership of US university inventions, it nevertheless expected to obtain ownership of sponsored inventions from Canadian universities.

The other company had managed for many years to obtain ownership of a series of energy-related inventions by direct assignment of rights from the professor to the company. But it noted that recently it has had to comply with new Canadian Government funding agency rules limiting this practice.