

Canadian Facilities
ARDC FACT SHEET

University of Windsor / FCA Canada
Automotive Research and Development Centre (ARDC)

Location	3939 Rhodes Drive Rhodes Industrial Park Windsor, Ontario
Site	93,000 square metres
Buildings	19,000 square metres
Employment	180 positions
History	Opened in May, 1996 with a \$30 million (CDN) investment. It was the first partnership of its kind in Canada. With a total investment now exceeding \$600 million, the ARDC benefits all partners. It is equipped with six road-test simulators and a range of research and development support facilities, including the Automotive Coatings Research Facility and the Automotive Lighting Research Facility.
Research Areas	Vehicle Durability Emissions and Fuel Economy Automotive Lighting Research Steering Column and Component Development Steering System Durability Testing Design Engineering including Computer Aided Engineering (CAE) Automotive Recycling Research Automotive Coatings Research Vehicle Safety Advanced Digital Tools Automotive Corrosion Research

**Engineering Research
Laboratories**

Vehicle Structural Development Lab
Automotive Lighting Research Facility
Steering Column and Component Lab
Automotive Recycling Research Facility
Automotive Coatings Research Facility
Automotive Corrosion Research Lab
Steering System Durability Test lab

