

# PREFACE

This book is a history of the Midwestern Universities Research Association (MURA). We much enjoyed writing it, for we all partook, to some degree, in MURA and were anxious to have the history of MURA properly recorded.

We would like to dedicate our book to the scientists, engineers, technicians, computer experts, secretaries, managers, administrators, university professors, university officials, and funding agency program managers, all of whom, collectively, made MURA what it was.

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We have written not only for particle accelerator specialists who will be interested in the story of the MURA program, but for all those with an interest in the subject or in the history of science. Thus we have tried to keep the text, as much as possible, in a form which will be intelligible even to those with no prior knowledge of accelerator science.

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