



# ***Strengthening America's Infrastructure in Cyber and Energy Security***

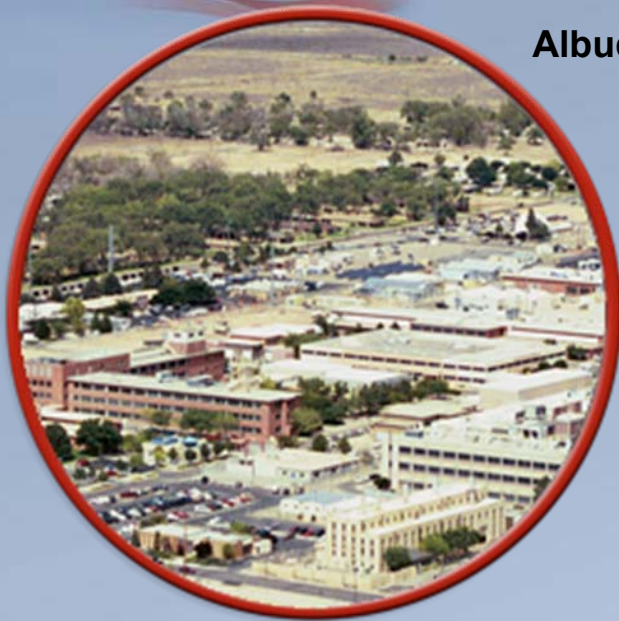
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# Sandia National Laboratories is a Multi-Program National Security Laboratory

Albuquerque, NM



Livermore, CA



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 13, 1949

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I am informed that the Atomic Energy Commission intends to ask that the Bell Telephone Laboratories accept under contract the direction of the Sandia Laboratory at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

This operation, which is a vital segment of the atomic weapons program, is of extreme importance and urgency in the national defense, and should have the best possible technical direction.

I hope that after you have heard more in detail from the Atomic Energy Commission, your organization will find it possible to undertake this task. In my opinion you have here an opportunity to render an exceptional service in the national interest.

I am writing a similar note direct to Mr. C. E. Buckley.

Very sincerely yours,

*Harry Truman*

Mr. Leroy A. Wilson,  
President,  
American Telephone and Telegraph Company,  
195 Broadway,  
New York 7, N. Y.





# Six Strategic Management Units are Aligned with National Security Missions

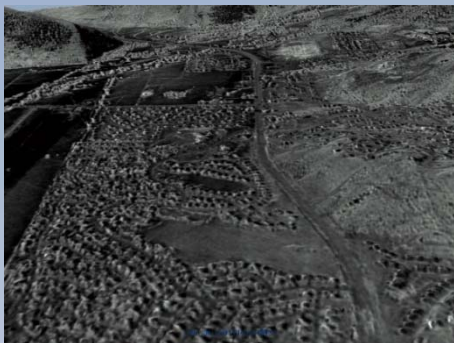
## Integrated Technologies and Systems

*Three Management Units*

***Energy, Resources, & Nonproliferation***

***Homeland Security & Defense***

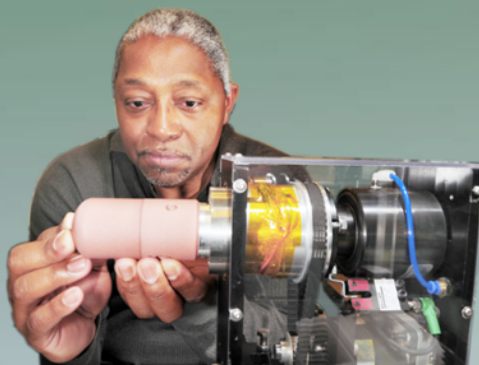
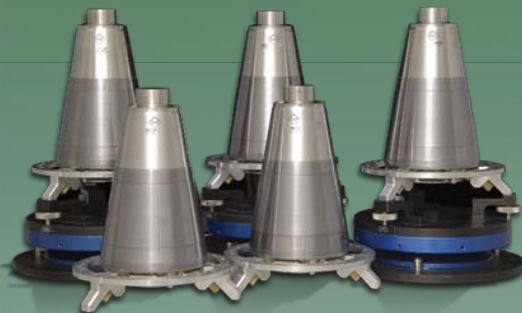
***Defense Systems & Assessments***



## Nuclear Weapons

*One Management Unit*

***Nuclear Weapons***

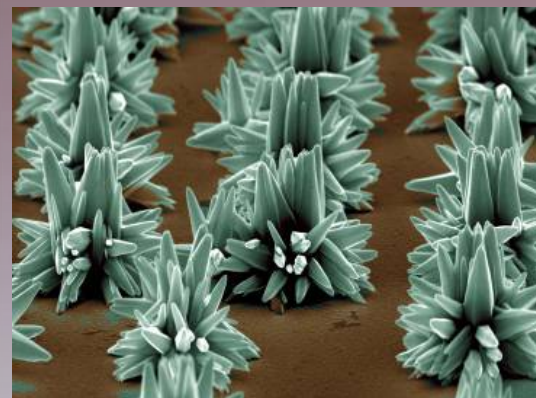


## Laboratory Transformation

*Two Management Units*

***Science, Technology, and Engineering***

***Integrated Enabling Services***







# Laboratory Directed Research and Development

## LDRD Objectives (DOE Order 413.2b)

- *Enhance the laboratories' ability to address future DOE/NNSA missions*
- *Serve as a proving ground for new concepts in research and development*
- *Support high-risk, potentially high-value research and development.*

## LDRD Cyber and Energy Security Portfolio

**Informatics**

**Security**

**Computer science**

**Systems analysis**

**Batteries**

**Alternate energy storage**

**Renewable fuels**

**Nuclear and renewable sources**



# A Resilient, Trusted and Secure Cyber System is Central to America's Security and Economic Vitality

***“ ... our digital infrastructure — the networks and computers we depend on every day — will be treated as they should be: as a strategic national asset. Protecting this infrastructure will be a national security priority. We will ensure that these networks are secure, trustworthy and resilient. ”*** ***President Obama (5/29/09)***

**Cyber system threats affect private, commercial and government computer systems and databases:**

- Virus
- Trojan Horse
- Phishing
- Spam
- Spyware

**U.S. eyes N. Korea for ‘massive’ cyber attacks**  
(MSNBC News, 7/9/09)



**Millions of machines in US are infected by botnets and other malware.**  
(Kaspersky Security Network, 9/08)



# Advancing Informatics for Attack Network Monitoring and Data Extraction

## Approach

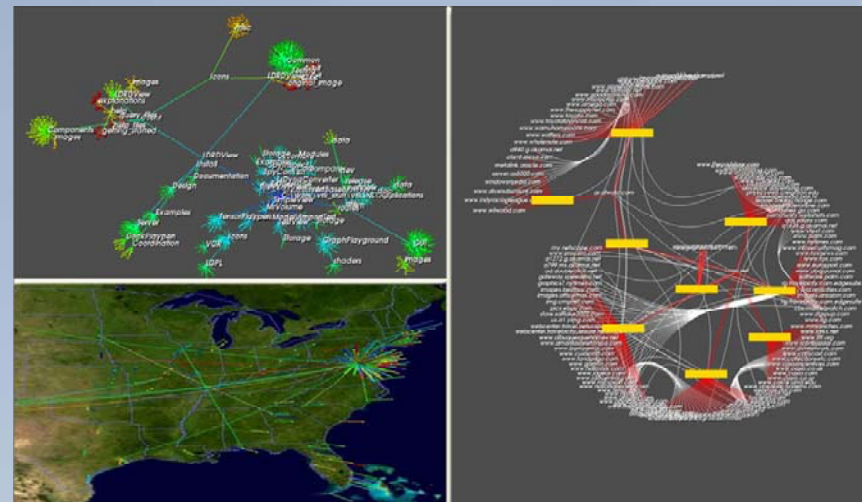
- Interactive informatics on massive data sets
- Scalable simulation of botnet attacks
- Trusted hardware and software design

## Accomplishments

- Analyst-focused, interactive graph analysis
- Internet network emulation at  $10^7$  node scale
- Tested resilience of Exascale architectures

## Significance

- Advanced computational and analyst tools for threat awareness and protection
- Fundamental changes in system resilience, reliability and productivity



**Real-time monitoring of network traffic  
via new streaming algorithms**



# Building the Foundation for Quantum Computing With Si Quantum Dots

## Challenges

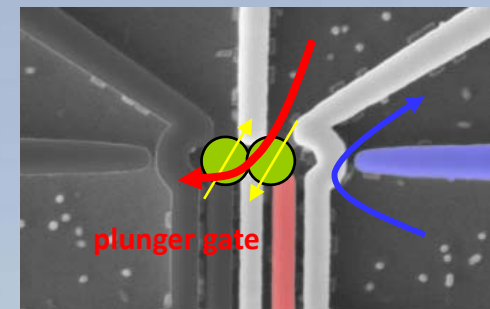
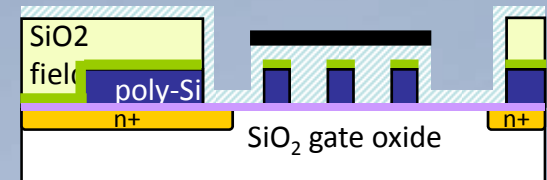
- Quantum dot and circuit fabrication for logical Qbit
- Low temperature Electronics
- Theory
- Modeling & error correction algorithms

## Accomplishments

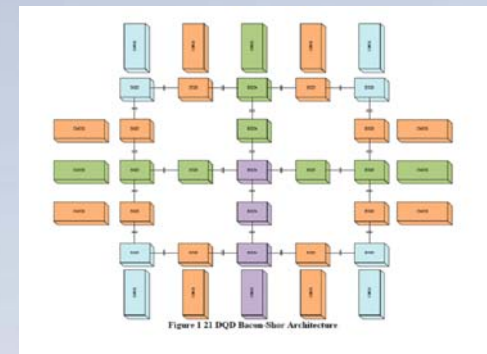
- Achieved first disorder free Si quantum dot
- Tested cryogenic circuit elements at 4K
- Developed initial designs for logical qubit

## Significance

- Leading the way to High-Performance Quantum Computing through Si nanoelectronics & modeling



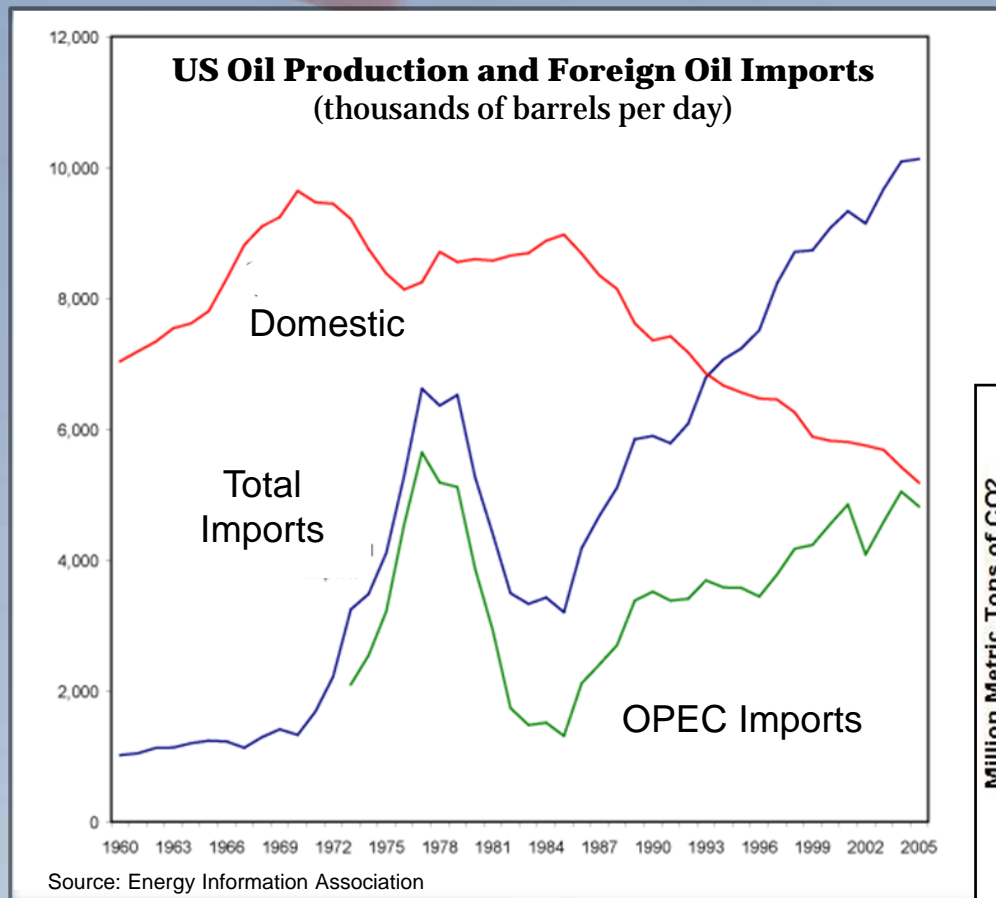
## Physical Qubit & Native Gate Set



## Logical Qubit Architecture



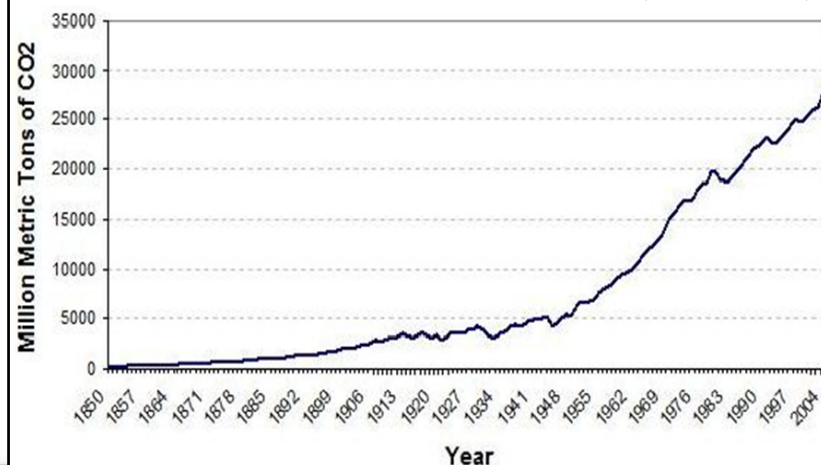
# America's Energy Challenges



**Energy Supply**

## Greenhouse Gas Emissions

### Historical Global CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions\* (1850-2004)



\*from Fuel Burning, Cement Manufacture, and Gas Flaring

Source: Marland et. al (2007) Global, Regional, and National CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions. In Trends: A Compendium of Data on Global Change. CDIAC U.S.A.





# Advancing Battery Technologies for Energy Storage and Transportation

## Approach

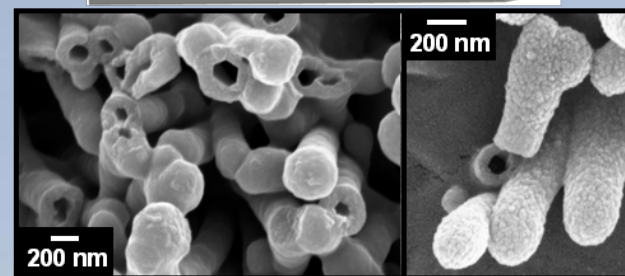
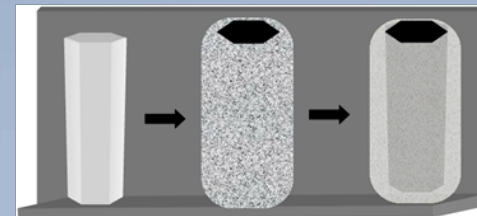
- Nanoscience and kinetics of battery materials
- Solution synthesis on nanoscale templates
- Direct printing of anode and cathode materials
- Flame retardant Li-salts and polymer separators

## Accomplishments

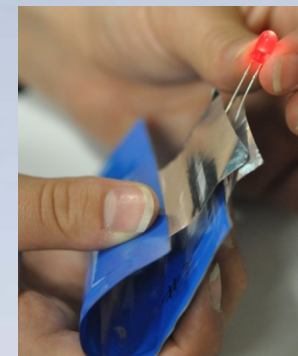
- Templating produces up to 3X capacitance improvement
- Printed battery shows good voltage performance
- Synthesis of alternate, non-precious electrode assemblies

## Significance

- Enhanced materials for ultracapacitor, battery, and fuel cells
- Direct printing allows for flexible foldable battery architecture
- Safer, cost-effective batteries for Hybrids and Plug-in Hybrids



**RuO<sub>2</sub> on Inorganic Templates**



**Flexible, foldable battery architecture**



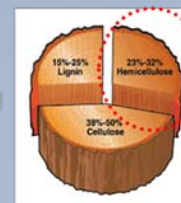
# Developing New Technologies for Plant Biomass Conversion to Biofuel

## Challenges

- Inefficiency and cost of bioethanol production
- Convert of lignocellulose into fermentable sugars
- Convert both hexose and pentose sugars into ethanol



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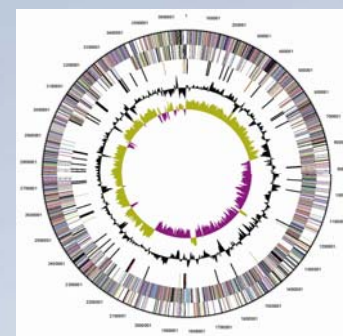
**Waste!!  
30-40%  
unutilized**

## Approach

- Integration of genome biology, chemical engineering and traditional biochemistry and microbiology to engineer biologic systems/process
- Engineer thermophilic bacteria to optimize ethanol production at 60 °C
- Metabolic and kinetic modeling to optimize ethanol production

## Accomplishments

- *G. thermoglucosidasius* M10EXG chromosomal map to engineer synthetic butanol production pathway



***G. thermoglucosidasius*  
M10EXG Chromosomal Map**

## Significance

- Leading effort in thermophilic biology for biofuels R&D
- Unique approach for biofuels production (butanol)



# Advancing Technologies for Solar Energy Utilization

## Challenge

- Create a sustainable, carbon neutral fuel supply, and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

## Approach

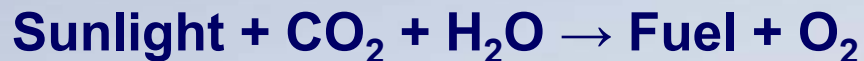
- Use solar power to convert CO<sub>2</sub> to synthetic fuels
- Develop PV cells with higher efficiencies than monolithic multi-junction cells

## Accomplishments

- Novel Fe-Ce redox materials for thermochemical CO<sub>2</sub> splitting
- Integrated reactor systems engineering and cost analysis
- New InGaN material growth & processing capabilities

## Significance

- Sustainably reenergizes thermodynamically-spent feed stocks
- New heterogeneous material integration methods for PV and other applications





# Summary

**Laboratory Directed Research and Development (LDRD) enables us to conduct high-risk, potentially high value research in areas foundational to national security**

**LDRD has a long history of providing capabilities and technological solutions that address national security challenges**

**LDRD also plays an important role in preventing technological surprise**