

Advanced Research Projects Agency - Energy

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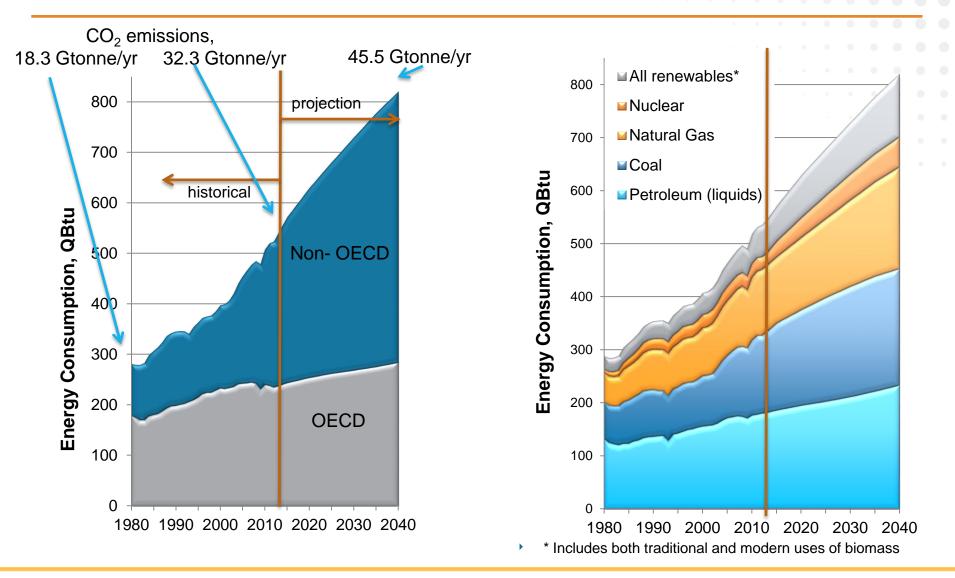






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Energy and Emissions - World





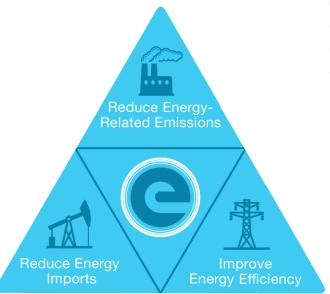
Adapted from: U.S. Energy Information Administration International Energy Outlook 2013, Table A2, and country data, http://www.eia.gov/cfapps/ipdbproject/IEDIndex3.cfm

ARPA-E Mission

Mission: To overcome long-term and high-risk technological barriers in the development of energy technologies

Goals: Ensure America's

- Economic Security
- Energy Security
- Technological Lead in Advanced Energy Technologies

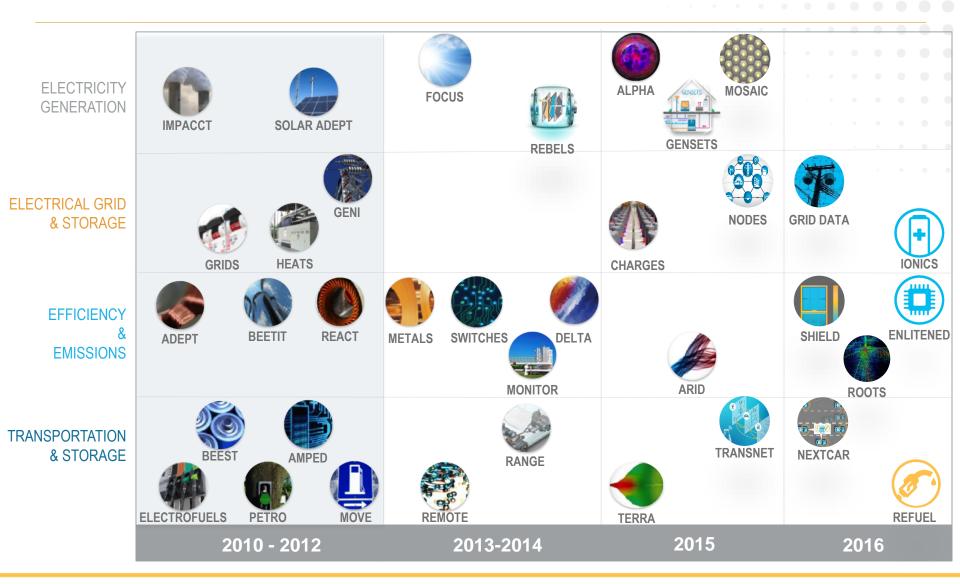


Means:

- Identify and promote revolutionary advances in fundamental and applied sciences
- Translate scientific discoveries and cutting-edge inventions into technological innovations
- Accelerate transformational technological advances in areas that industry by itself is not likely to undertake because of technical and financial uncertainty



Focused Program Portfolio





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If it works...

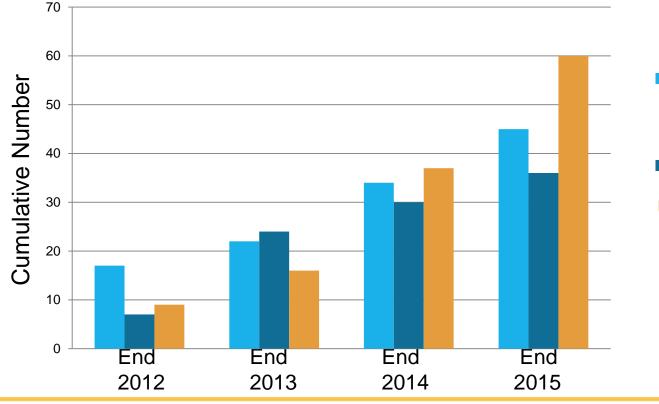
will it matter?



Metrics of Transition Toward Market*

Since 2009 ARPA-E has invested approximately \$1.3 billion across more than 475 projects. Of those, 206 are alumni projects.

45 ARPA-E projects have attracted more than \$1.25 billion in private-sector followon funding*

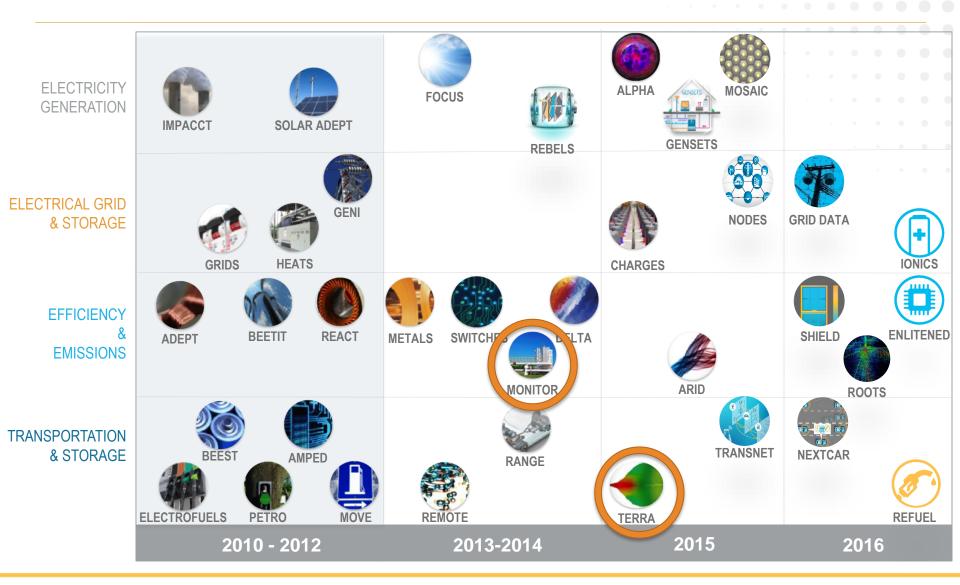


Cumulative number of projects that have:

- Received Follow on Funding from the Private Sector
- Formed New Companies
- Continued development with Funding from Government Programs



Focused Program Portfolio





MONITOR

Methane Observation Networks with Innovative Technology to Obtain Reductions



Mission

Develop innovative, costeffective technologies that can accurately detect and measure methane emissions associated with natural gas production and distribution.

Program Director	Dr. Bryan Willson
Year	2014
Projects	11
Total Investment	\$31 million

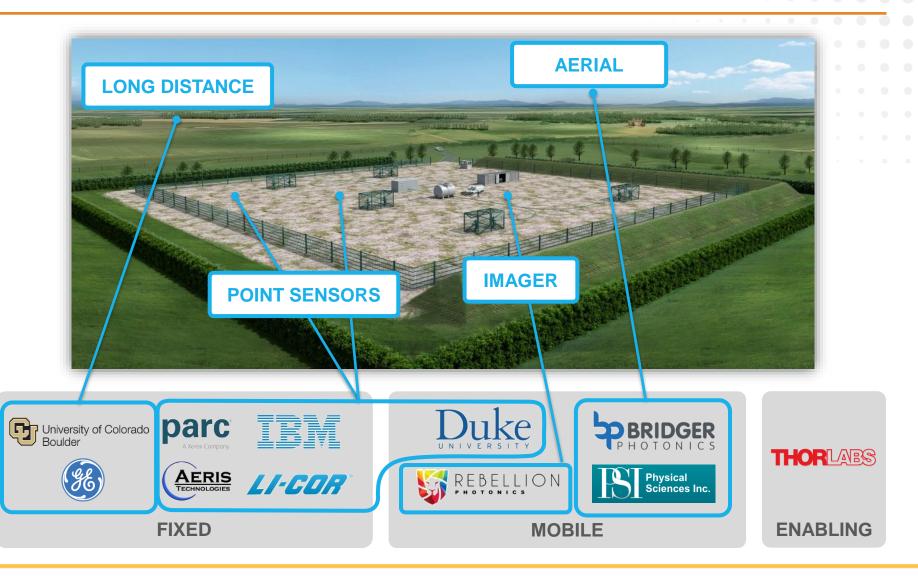
Goals

- Detect a methane leak of at least 6 SCFH, locate the leak within 1 meter, and quantify the flow rate
- Significantly decrease the cost of methane detection, yielding a system cost less than \$3,000/year/wellhead
 - Improve the sustainability of domestic natural gas production





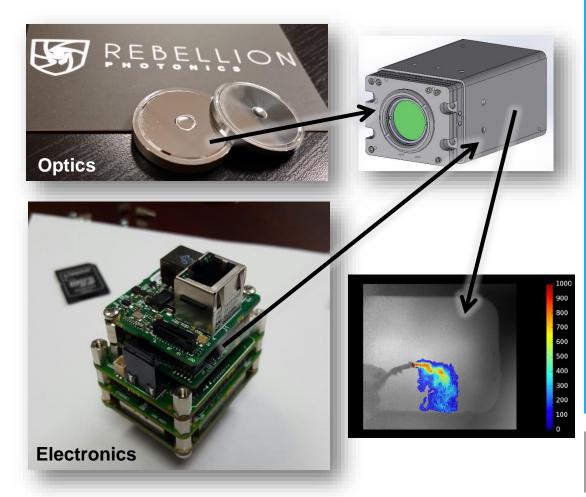
The Portfolio: 3 Technology Categories





Portable Imaging Spectrometer for Methane Leak Detection





PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Miniaturization of Rebellion's Gas Cloud Imager (GCI), a long-wave infrared imaging spectrometer
- Camera will be lightweight and portable – the size of a Red Bull can - and capable of being incorporated into personal protective equipment
- Data processing uses cloudbased computing architecture that streams results to mobile device

AWARD AMOUNT: \$4.3 million



TERRA

Transportation Energy Resources from Renewable Agriculture

Mission

Facilitate development of improved varieties of sorghum as climate resilient bioenergy feedstocks that place lower demands on land use, water use and fertilizer use.

Program Director	Dr. Joe Cornelius	
Year	2015	
Projects	7	
Total Investment	\$32.7 million	

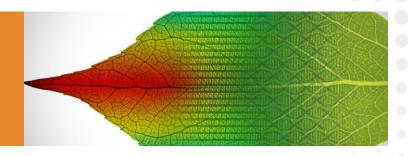
Goals

- Develop autonomous robotic sensor systems capable of high-throughput assessment of plant growth and development in the field.
- Develop advanced 'big data' algorithms to construct 3-D models that predict crop performance and response to environment.
- Create sophisticated bioinformatics tools and genomics resources for gene and trait discovery that accelerate breeding of improved crops.

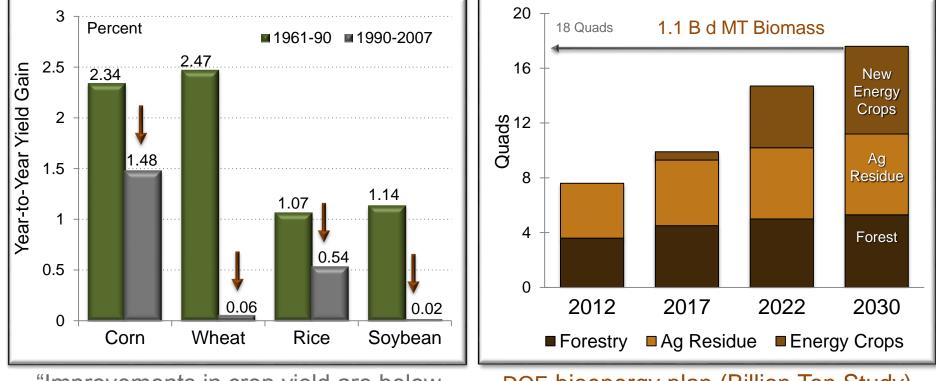
Highlights

- Program Kickoff November 15, 2015
- Public × Private Sector collaborations established





Sustainability issues Evidenced by Declining Rate of Genetic Gain in Core Crops

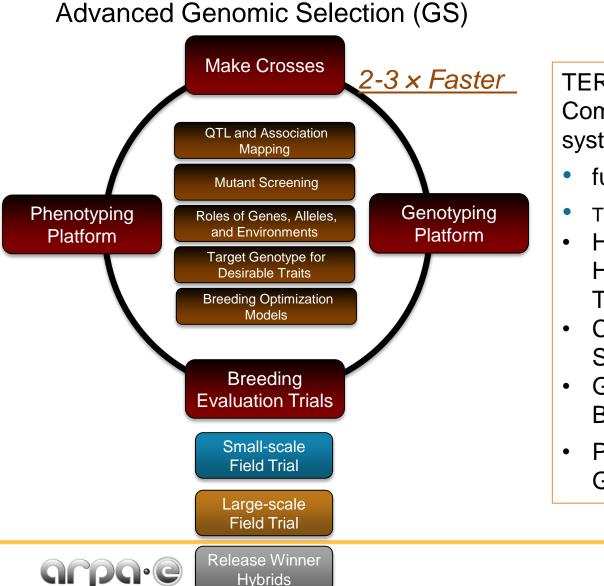


"Improvements in crop yield are below 1.16-1.31 %/y rate required to meet demand in 2050." DOE bioenergy plan (Billion Ton Study) requires a 1% /year genetic gain in dedicated energy crops.



- Prognosis for genetic improvement of yield potential of major grain crops. A. J.
 - Hall, R. A. Richards, Field Crops Research, 143 (2013) 18-33.
- DOE Billion Ton Biomass Study Update, 2011
- FAOSTAT 2009

TERRA Enables Better Breeding Strategies



TERRA Program approach: Complete integrated phenotyping systems with

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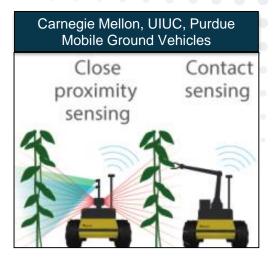
- full cost <\$20K/HA
- THREE YEAR PAYBACK
- High Throughput Automated Hardware & Sensing Technologies
- Computational Solutions for Selection and Prediction
- Genetics, Genomics and Bioinformatics
- Programmatic Reference Data Generation and Data Hosting

Robotic Platforms are Diverse and Data Rich

Sensor Hood LemnaTec FieldPho Reference **Field Gantry** (100 x 200 m) CHANGING WHAT'S POSSIBLE

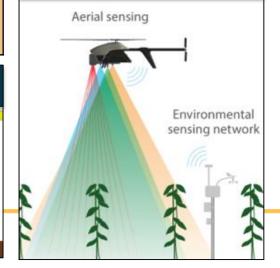
Danforth Center, USDA, Lemna Tec Stationary Reference Field Gantry

Performance Comparison	Current Breeding _{Manual}	TERRA Ground & Aerial Vehicles		
# Breeder Plots	1,000	1,000		
# Phenotypes	10's	1000's		
Resolution	1 m	1 cm		
Bandwidth (nm)	400-700	100-2500		
Data Collection	Bytes	Terabytes		
Cycle Time	8 hrs	1 min UAV 4 hrs AGV		
Reference Field Gantry Sensors:• Hyperspectral i350-2500 nm • Thermal infrared• Height Scanner • 8 MP RGB down camera • 2 side looking cameras • 2 side looking cameras • Active reflectance in-field • Fluorescence • Environmental temperature, humidity, rainfall, wind, CO2				
National Robotics Engineering Center Mobile Deployable Field Gantry				

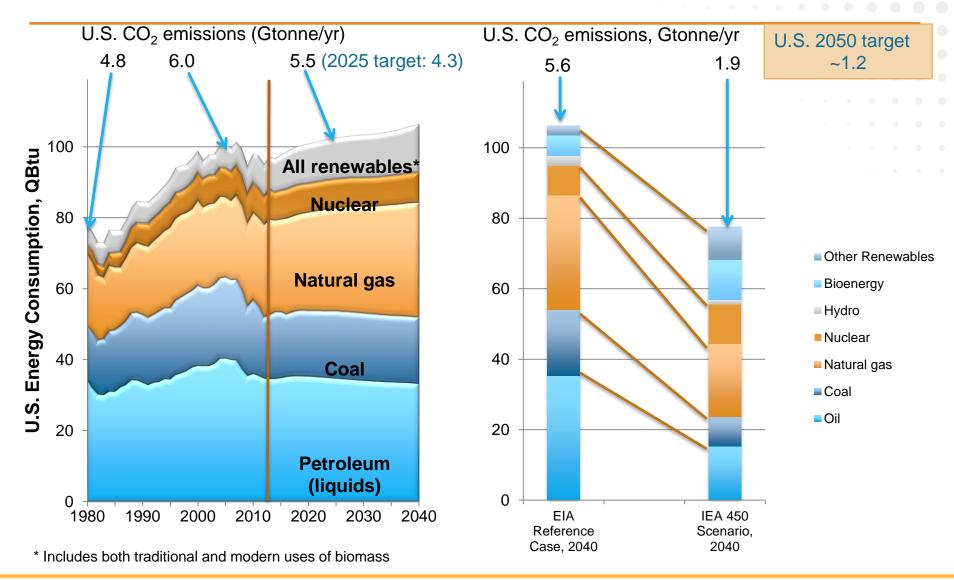


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Near Earth, Purdue, KSU, Blue River Mobile Aerial Vehicles



Energy and Emissions – Changing what's possible





Left: EIA AEO Figure MT-9 (Reference Case), 2013 updated for Actual 15 Right: EIA 2014 AEO Tables A2 and 17, and IEA World Energy Outlook 2014, Table 2.1, Note: EIA biofuels projection moved to "Bioenergy" to match IEA categorization



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