

US ARMY ARMAMENT RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT, AND ENGINEERING CENTER (ARDEC)



ARDEC Tech Base Overview

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INNOVATIVE ARMAMENTS SOLUTIONS FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW





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ARDEC Organization Chart







Key Initiatives



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- Partnering is our strongest asset
 - Brought in key stakeholders into S&T investments
 - Joint Armament programs becoming reality

A Transitioning technology to PMs

- Executive Black Belt project
- Tough problem as we don't control requirements or funding

A Balance portfolio between current and future force needs

- 42% Current Force vs 58% Future Force (based on when we transition)
- As well as conventional and "disruptive"

A Dispel Myth that Army/DoD has "Enough Lethality"

- PBD 753 lost 10% over FY06-11 POM
- Lethality is Survivability

.....Continued Dialog to Ensure ARDEC understands Priorities



SWORDS w/Remote Armament System

Scaleable Effects

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Energetics

Technology Investment Strategy





.....Low Cost Common Components for all Joint Conventional Munitions



FY07 Non-ATO Portfolio



Non ATO Tech Base:

- •Light Weight Small Arms Technology
- •High Power Microwave, Non-Lethal
- MOUT Technologies
- •G-Hardened Sensor Tech for Munitions
- •Dual-Use Composites
- •Reliability for the Future Force
- •Nanotechnologies for the Future Force
- •Future Force Gun and Munition Technology

MTO:

MEMS/IMU for Common Guidance
MEMS S&A
Optimization of PAX-41 Formulation and Loading

ILIR:

11 Projects: •Nano-tech-3 •Sensor-tech-5 •Energetics/Lethality-3



Total: \$28,975



FY07 ATO Portfolio







FY08 Start - Scalable Technology for Adaptive Response - STAR



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Scaleable/Adaptive Lethality





Energy Management



Weapons Technology Thrusts



Accurate & Precise Low Collateral



Schedule & Cost

MILESTONES	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11
Multi-output explosive and Advanced Dynamic Propellant development	<u> </u>	3	4	>
Reactive Material development	(3		
Advanced fuze & power development	~	3		
Warhead scaleable/selectable performance against multiple targets			4	
Integrated Demos of Prototype Adaptive Munitions				
Total				

Purpose:

- Provide capability for scalable, selectable, and adaptive lethal effects against platforms and personnel to selectively destroy target function and/or neutralize attributes while limiting damage to surrounding structures/personnel Products:
- Demonstration of agile technologies for scalable, selectable & adaptive lethal effects in large, medium, and small diameter munitions & missiles
- Development of controlled lethal effects, multipurpose energetics & formulations, reactive materials and advanced fuzing and power technologies

Payoff:

- Demos: 250mm (GMLRS), 155mm (Excalibur), 30mm (M789/Mk238)
- Improved weapon effectiveness/lethality
- Reduced collateral damage
- Rapid mission execution with less ammunition expended (reduced logistics)
- Tech transition to PEOs, AMMO, M&S, Soldier: Javelin, TOW, JAGM, XM1069, MAPAM, M430

FY08 Start - Multimode HPM and Laser Induced Plasma Channel Technology





Purpose:

Demonstrate Laser Induced Plasma Channel (LIPC) guiding HPM/High Voltage/RF. Reduce the size and weight of Solid State power sources. Optimize steering and control of various HPM/High Voltage effects.

Product (s): TRL 6 :

- Multi-mode Directed Energy Weapon
 Demonstrator
 - Defeats/Neutralizes full spectrum of materiel threats at stand off
 - •Portable/mobile IED defeat system ARL will provide technical expertise in design and development of pulse power and antenna technology.

Warfighter Payoff:

- Multi-mode DE effects from one platform for anti-personnel and anti-material
- Automated and Portable Checkpoint IED neutralization system
- Sized for FCS class vehicles
- Scalable effects from non-lethal to lethal

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FY08 Start - MOUT/Urban Lethal Technologies





MOUT Target Set Advanced Warhead Designs Schedule & Cost



Purpose:

- WB) Improve the Rapid Wall Breaching Kit (RBWK) by providing a single shot demolition device to create a Soldier size entry hole in a spectrum of walls, cut all rebars when present and minimize collateral damage
- SF) Provide a single Shoulder Launched Munition for the individual Soldier capable of incapacitating / defeating personnel inside urban structures & light armored vehicles

Product:

- WB) Demonstrate state of the art warhead technologies for Rapid Wall Breaching that can create a man-sized hole in double-reinforced concrete wall in a single step, reduce time on target and enhance soldier survivability
- SF) Demonstrate a multi-purpose Shoulder Fired Munition which can incapacitate personnel within Bunkers, behind 12" Triple-Brick and 8" Double Reinforced Concrete Walls, and within light armored vehicles

Payoff:

Wall Breacher (WB)

- Improved survivability by reducing time on target
- Reduced overall system weight

Shoulder Fired (SF)

- Single shoulder-launched weapon system with increased lethality and survivability for all required targets
- Reduced logistics burden & unit training requirements
- Reduced Soldier's combat load

Transition both technologies to PM-CCS for SDD

FY08 Start - Advanced Lethal Armament Technology Small Arms







Note: Modeling & Simulations Activities are coincident with efforts



Schedule & Cost

Purpose:

To demonstrate advanced lethal armament component technology for <u>providing improved</u> <u>munition effectiveness to targets.</u>

Product:

• Demonstrate advanced lethality components spiraling to weaponization includes terminal fragmentation effectiveness trades.

•Miniaturize Proximity electronics for 40 mm application. Integration of improvement to SWAP of proximity fuze for small arms.

•Demonstration of technical material components improving durability, reliability and weight to include Recoil attenuation technical advancement components

•Modeling and Simulation assessments integrated with critical technology demonstrations

Payoff:

• Multiple critical technology demonstrations enabling maturity measurement coupled with cross integration analysis <u>fulfilling broad small</u> <u>arms capability gaps</u> for spiral transition.

FY08 Start - Advanced Fire Control Technology for Small Arms



Target Tracker &







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Milestones	FY08	FY09	FY10	ŀ
Laser Steering / Adv. Range Finding				
Concept Studies				
Component Experimentation				
Component analysis/define parameters				
Critical breadboard proof of concepts				
Selection for breadboard fabrications				
Integration of breadboard components				
Component banding/maturation				7
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Purpose:

To demonstrate advanced fire control component technology determining correct range to <u>moving targets and further power</u> <u>sharing within weapon</u> for current and future warfighters. <u>Product:</u>

• Harvest and target, for small arms, the technologies of automatic target detection, laser steering to increase the soldier's ability to accurately determine range to non cooperative moving targets. Improved lethality in direct and indirect fire situations for unsupported firing positions.

• Develop range determination overcoming man machine 1.5 hertz wobble human hold.

• Investigate weapon wireless net centric access coincident with power sharing mounting rails.

Payoff:

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•ARDEC expertise applies to emerging capability gaps.

•ARDEC is leveraging S&T for current and future threats:



.....ARDEC is Actively Seeking Investment Partners in These Areas

Issues/Concerns



Industry/Government Tech Base investment must be focused on warfighter requirements – both from Combat Developer (TRADOC) and Materiel Developer (PEO/PM)

"Best of Breed" low-cost, multipurpose munition components are needed – IP concerns must be not impede this and must be negotiated up front

Industry proposals must be timed to support Army budget process - Out-of-cycle proposals by exception only





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