### Basic Research to Enable a Safer Nation

Laboratory Utilization, Construction and Operations

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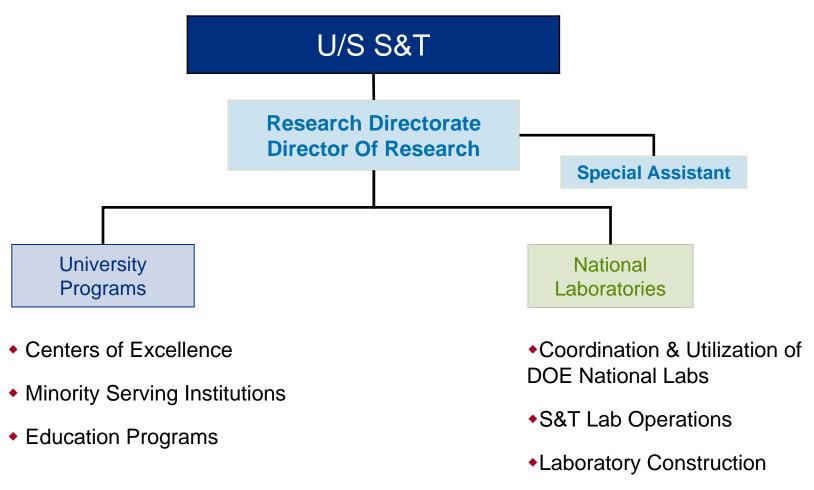








# The Office Of National Laboratories Coordinates the Utilization of DHS and DOE Laboratory R&D Capabilities for the S&T Research Directorate





## The Office Of National Laboratories (ONL) Was Created By The Homeland Security Act And Has Clearly Defined Objectives Within DHS S&T



•Coordinate Lab alignment with, and support of, S&T Division needs to provide the new knowledge and technology required to respond to natural and man-made threats to the Homeland





•Identify and harvest innovation from DOE Laboratory Directed Research and Development to support S&T customer requirements





•Facilitate S&T Division utilization of the DOE and DHS laboratory infrastructure, technical expertise and capabilities





## The integrated S&T & DOE National Laboratory Complex conducts both Applied R&D and Basic Research.



# ONL also manages specialized labs, which allow S&T R&D Divisions to satisfy specific DHS Customer needs

**Environmental Measurements Laboratory (EML)** 



**Transportation Security Laboratory (TSL)** 



Homeland Security

**Plum Island Animal Disease Center** 



National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) (Transition Labs Ft. Dietrich, MD)



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# ONL manages Laboratory construction aimed at supporting future Homeland Security customer requirements



National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (Illustration)

(Construction)



Homeland Security

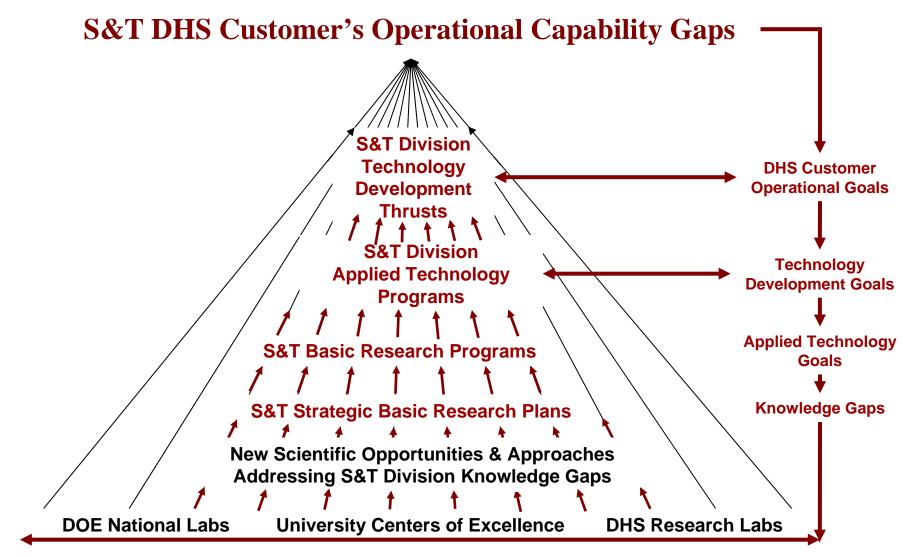


Chemical Security Analysis Center (CSAC)/ Sample Receipt Facility Illustration





### In the DHS/S&T technology development process, <u>both</u> Applied R&D and Basic Research must serve customers



S&T's Broad Basic Research Capability Supports DHS Customers Goals

# In addition to Research, National Laboratories Also Provide Technical Expertise to Address Near Term Threats

### **Liquid Explosives Threat: London, August 11, 2006**

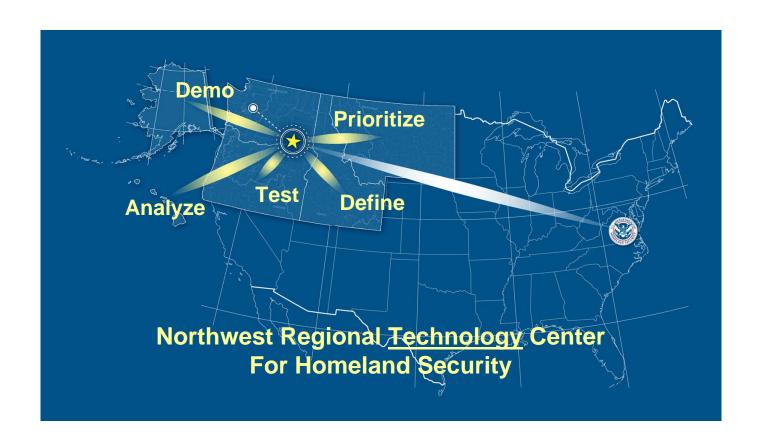
- S&T U/S Cohen challenged the National Laboratories to address the liquid explosives threat to aviation with a Rapid Response Team. Outcomes included:
  - Adoption of the current 3-1-1 rule for liquids on aircraft,
  - Identification of promising technologies for screening explosives and
  - Improved alignment of basic and applied research for DHS S&T Explosives Division.

### Wildfire Threat: Southern California, October 2007

- S&T U/S Cohen launched the "Secure Against Fires and Embers" (S.A.F.E) initiative explore and identify technologies that could save lives and property in the wildland-urban interface fires.
  - 147 technology possibilities have been identified by DOE, DHS and Forest Service Laboratories and NIST



# Finally, National Laboratories within the S&T Complex Constitute Virtual Resource Centers for Regional HS Technology Partnerships







# Homeland Security

### National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) Facility



## National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) Facility

- Under construction at Ft. Detrick, Maryland as part of the National Interagency Biodefense Campus (NIBC).
- NBACC will be the first research facility space designed and constructed by DHS.
  - 158,000 total sq. ft.
  - Designed to highest biocontainment standards
  - Flexible to support emerging research needs
- Will be operated by Battelle National Biodefense Institute -FFRDC

#### **Project Milestones**

Complete Design
Start of Construction
Complete Building Concrete Structure
Begin Building Occupancy
Final BSL3 and BSL4 Commissioning

July 2006 September 2006 October 2007 July 2008 FY 2009

#### **Enabling Homeland Capabilities:**

NBACC will support two of the seven Biosecurity program areas of the Chemical and Biological Countermeasures Division, S&T Directorate. The NBACC facility will be comprised of the National Bioforensic Analysis Center (NBFAC) and the Biological Threat Characterization Center (BTCC). The NBFAC is the lead Federal agency to conduct and facilitate technical forensic analyses and interpretation of material recovered following a bioterrorist attack. The BTCC will conduct laboratory experiments and studies to fill important gaps in our knowledge of current and future threats





### **National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility**



## National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility (NBAF)

- Proposed replacement for the Plum Island (PIADC) facility
  - Building 50 years old and beyond its design life
  - Transferred to DHS from USDA in 2003
- Provides needed BSL3/4 large animal research capability
  - Unique critical National Asset for Agro-Defense
  - Continues integrated DHS and USDA mission objectives
  - Fulfills critical national biodefense research gaps
  - Provides research for countermeasure and vaccines development
- Currently undergoing environmental assessment process for remaining sites

#### **Project Milestones**

Complete Conceptual Design Begin EIS on Six Sites Complete EIS/Issue ROD Begin Detailed Design Start Construction Facility Operational July 2007 July 2007 October 2008 November 2008 2010 2014

### **Enabling Homeland Capabilities:**

NBAF is a next-generation biological and agricultural defense facility proposed to enhance and protect the country's agriculture and public health and support complimentary missions of DHS and USDA. NBAF will offer safe, secure, state-of-the-art biocontainment laboratories of sufficient capacity to work on high- consequence foreign animal and zoonotic diseases in livestock, and to address a current gap in our national strategy for bio-countermeasure vaccine licensure.



