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# S&T Stakeholders Conference

## CHEMICAL DETECTION PROGRAM

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# DHS S&T Chemical Detection Program

## **OBJECTIVES**

- **Develop chemical detection systems for facility monitoring, deployment to special events, and first responder usage.**

## **Goals**

- **Ability to detect and identify a wide range of chemical substances of concern for civilian defense against acts of terrorism**
- **Ultra-low false negative and false positive response rates**
- **Form partnerships with the private sector to develop detection systems that can be acquired by localities under various homeland security grants programs**

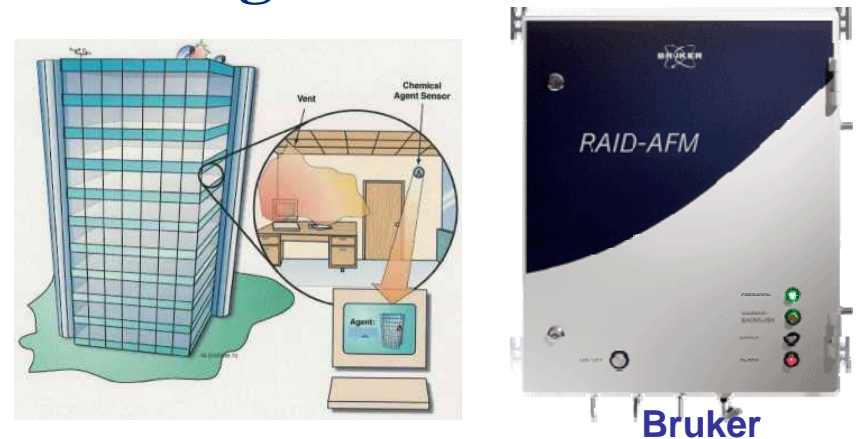


# Autonomous Rapid Facility Chemical Agent Monitor (ARFCAM)

**Objective:** Develop, demonstrate, and commercialize a networked capability to continuously and autonomously detect and identify the presence of a broad range of toxic chemical hazards for facility protection.

**Challenges:**

- Selectivity for target agents and against common backgrounds
- *Wide dynamic range:* IDLH to PEL
- Ultra-low false alarm rates
- Varying temperatures and RHs
- *Speed:* target <1 min (IDLH)/15 min (PEL)
- *System cost:* \$1,000/10k units



**Schedule:**

- FY04: Initiated program
- FY05: Down-select for lab prototype
- FY07: Down-select for “field” prototypes
- FY08: Complete “field” prototypes
- FY09: Complete test bed trials and IT&E
- FY10: Down-select prototypes for developmental field testing (DT&E)
- FY11: Complete DT&E, transition



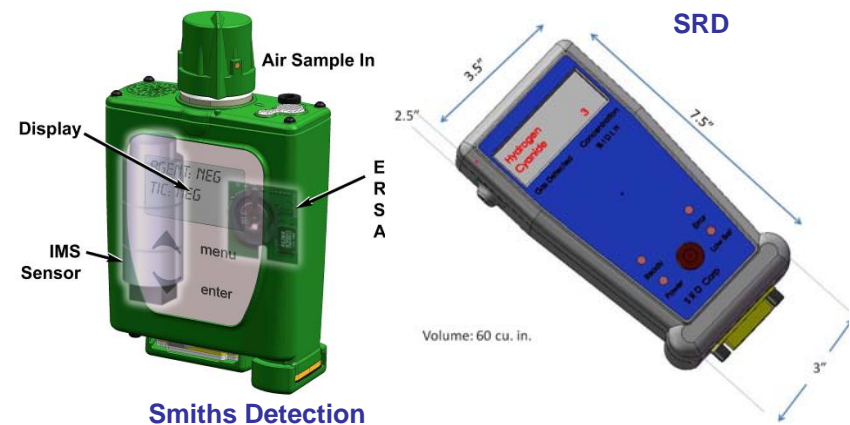
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# Lightweight Autonomous Chemical Identification System (LACIS)

**Objective:** Develop, demonstrate, and commercialize a networked responder capability to detect and identify a broad range of toxic chemical hazards to assess a scene for contamination and provide guidance on PPE use.

## **Challenges:**

- Selectivity for target agents and against common backgrounds
- Wide dynamic range: IDLH to LOD
- Speed:  $\leq 10$  min warm-up  
 $\leq 2$  min response (IDLH & LOD)
- System cost: \$2,000/10k units



## **Schedule:**

- FY04: Initiated program
- FY05: Down-select for lab prototypes
- FY07: Down-select for “field” prototypes
- FY08: Complete “field” prototypes
- FY09: Complete test bed trials and IT&E
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# Current ARFCAM and LACIS Technologies

<b>ARFCAM</b>	<b>IMS</b>	<b>DMS</b>	<b>GC</b>
Bruker Daltonics	✓		
Smiths – Watford	✓		✓
Hamilton Sundstrand	✓	✓	

<b>LACIS</b>	<b>IMS</b>	<b>Chemi-resistors</b>	<b>Metal Oxides</b>	<b>MS</b>
SRD Corp			✓	
Smiths – Edgewood	✓	✓		
Purdue University				✓

**IMS = Ion Mobility Spectrometry**  
**DMS = Differential Mobility Spectrometry**  
**GC = Gas Chromatography**  
**MS = Mass Spectrometry**

# TIC LIST - LACIS/ARFCAM Prototype Testing

TIC	IDLH (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )*	PEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> **
Acrolein	4.59	0.23
Acrylonitrile	184.47	4.34
Ammonia	208.96	34.83
Arsine	9.56	0.2
Chlorine (gas)	29	2.9
Cyanogen chloride (CK)***	50	0.6
Ethylene oxide	1441.41	1.8
Formaldehyde	24.56	0.92
Hydrochloric acid	74.5	7
Hydrogen cyanide (AC)	55.27	11.05
Phosgene	8.09	0.4
Sulfur dioxide	262	13

Documentation for Concentrations:

\* NIOSH Chemical Listing and Documentation of Revised IDLH Values

\*\* NIOSH Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

\*\*\* Extrapolated and estimated from AC data



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# CWA / Interferents - LACIS/ARFCAM Prototype Testing

CWA	IDLH (mg/m <sup>2</sup> )	PEL (mg/m <sup>2</sup> )
Lewisite (L)	0.23*	0.003
Sarin (GB)	0.1	3x10 <sup>-5</sup>
Sulfur Mustard (HD)	0.7	0.0004
Tabun (GA)	0.1	3x10 <sup>-5</sup>
VX (Nerve Agent)	0.003	1x10 <sup>-6</sup>

\* AEGL 2 value at 30 min ([www.epa.gov/oppt/aegl/chemlist.htm](http://www.epa.gov/oppt/aegl/chemlist.htm))

## LACIS Phase II Interferents

Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF)

Diesel Exhaust

Gasoline (87 octane) exhaust

Second Hand Smoke

## ARFCAM Phase II Interferents

Clorox Bleach

Diesel Exhaust

Paint Fumes (Glidden America's Finest Interior Latex Flat Wall Paint - HM1224 White)

Windex

Zep Perimeter Floor Stripper



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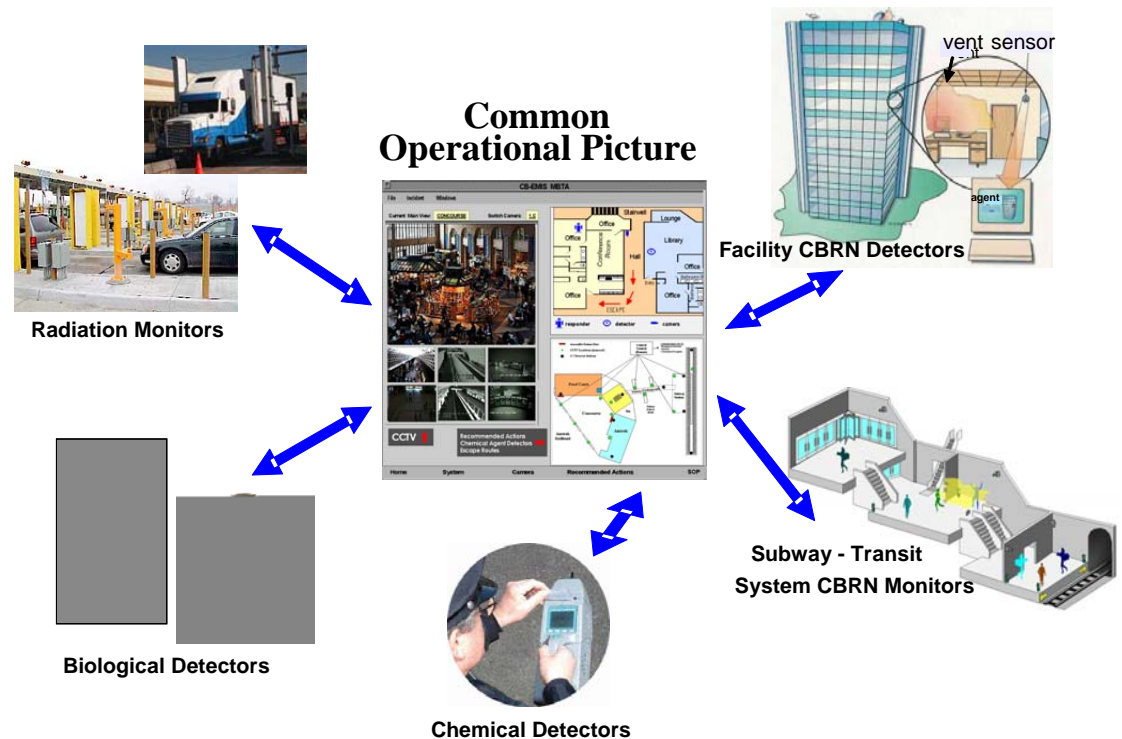
# Integrated CBRE Detection System

## Objective:

An architecture that integrates reporting from disparate chemical, biological, radiological, and explosive detection and collection systems. This 'system-of-systems' provides timely CBRN(E) detection, identification, and assessment of the threat, and enables response actions by appropriate local, state and federal officials.

## Schedule:

- FY07 - Architecture Study
- FY08 - Pilot chem / bio system in two cities
- FY09 - Integrate rad / exp systems in large-scale demo
- FY10 - Complete technical data package, commercialize



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# Low Vapor Pressure Chemical Detector

## Objective:

- Stand-off surface detection of persistent chemical threat substances having low vapor pressures ( $<10^{-4}$  Torr)

## Advantages:

- UV-Raman for stand-off detection – no need to collect/transfer analyte to spectrometer for detection and identification
- Leverages extensive DoD development
  - JCSD-ACTD (vehicle mounted)
  - LISA Inspector (cart mounted)
- No consumables



Backpack < 18 kg



**LISA Manportable: UV-Raman Sensor**

## Challenges:

- Miniaturization
- Time to scan large surface areas when contaminant location is unknown
- Fluorescent surfaces

## Schedule:

- FY06 – Project Initiation
- FY07 - Prototype developed
- FY09 – Engineering Development Model
- FY10 – DT&E



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