



# Army Science & Technology



## *Vectoring Army Basic Research*

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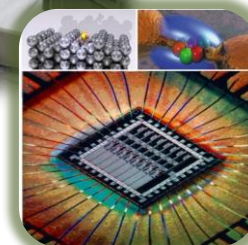
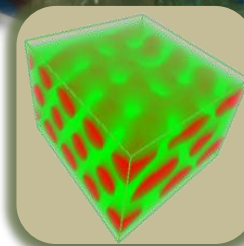
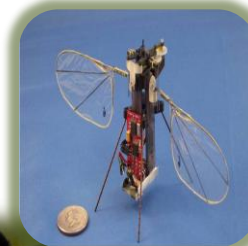
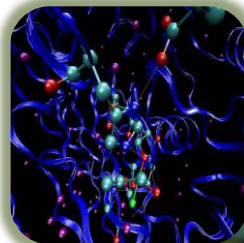
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# Army Basic Research – Vision

## Vision

Advance the frontiers of fundamental science and technology and drive long-term, game-changing capabilities for the Army through a multi-disciplinary portfolio that teams our technically skilled and agile in-house researchers with the global academic community



**Fundamental Research Underpinning Army Capability Development**



# S&T Investment Strategy Balanced Portfolio



Studies, Tech Planning Activities

Competitive prototyping;  
Greater than TRL6

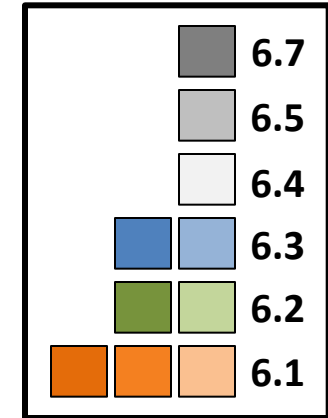
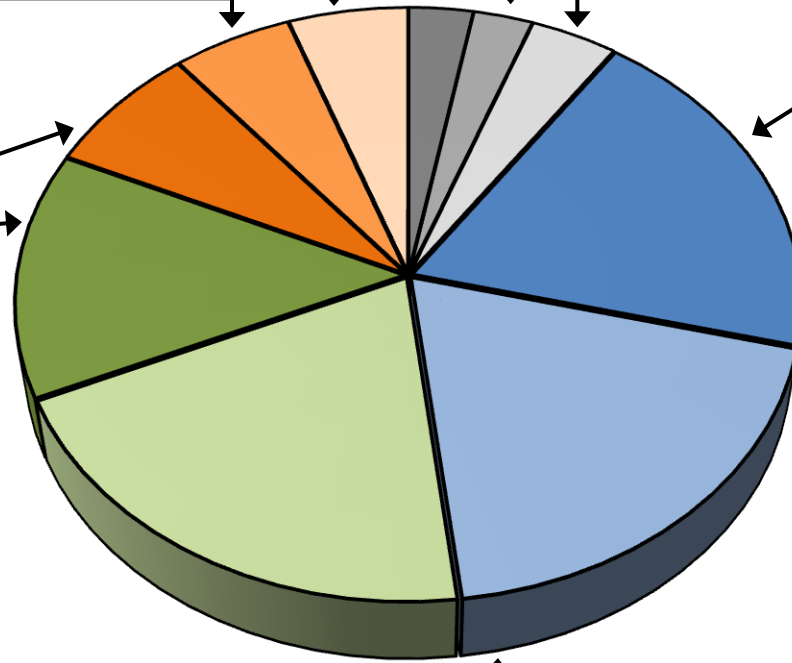
Manufacturing Technology

Long Term Exploration; Invention,  
discovery, future gazing, technology trends

Long-term Game-  
Changing (Disruptive)  
Technology

TECDs—Near-term  
integrated capability  
demonstrations—  
predominately 6.3,  
may have some 6.2

Long-term Enabling  
Technology  
Development—  
Innovation, invention,  
technology exploitation  
to create sub-system  
opportunities

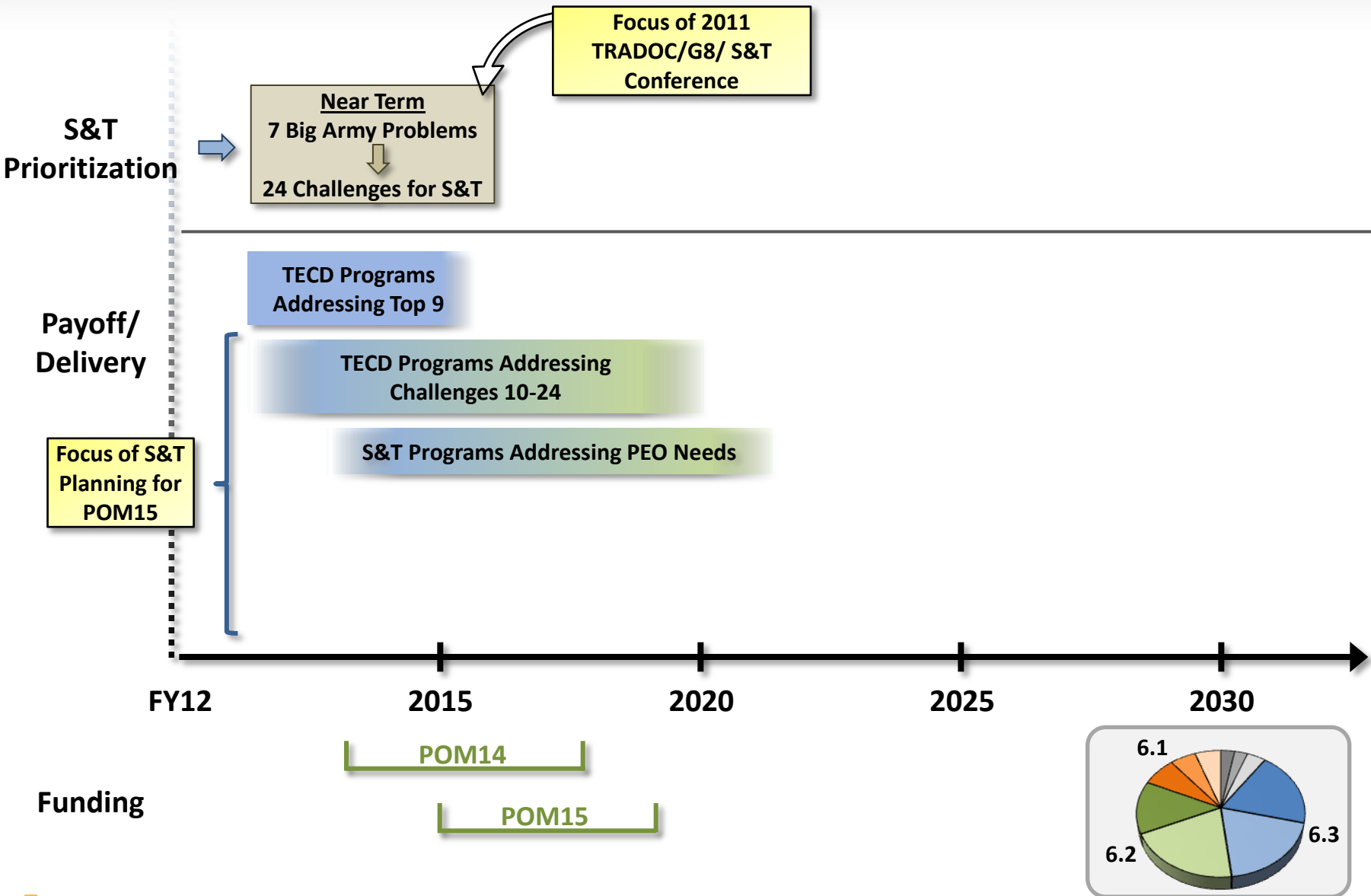


Mid-term—Innovation\*, maturation, technology demonstration; reducing technological risk; predominately supporting planned Programs of Record

\* Includes Rapid Innovation Funding



# S&T Program Development



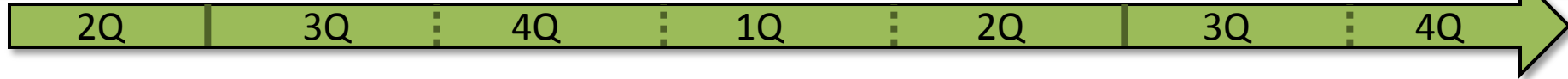


# DASA(R&T) Reinventing Army S&T Year 2

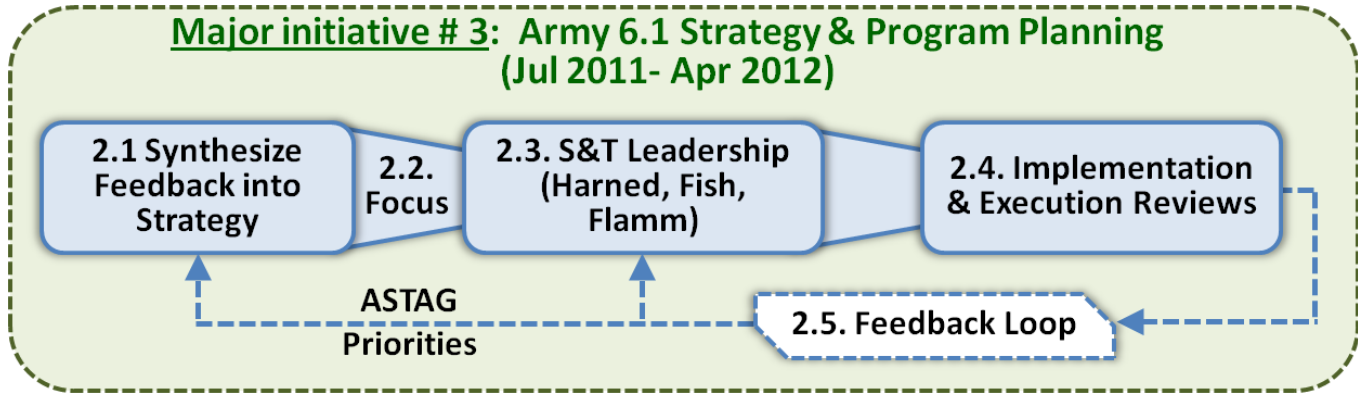


FY 2011

FY 2012



Year 2  
Already in  
motion !



- Perform comprehensive review of 6.1 portfolio with focus on results of current programs
- Scrub and align 6.1 investments with Army S&T portfolio strategy
- Complete site survey of Laboratories and Centers to determine the state of their resources and facilities to better determine revitalization needs
- Identify pervasive Army problems for the long-term and identify associated Basic Research challenges and opportunities
- Have ASTAG validate and prioritize Army Basic Research challenges
- Kick off program planning to better align investments with Army Basic Research challenges



# Portfolio Structure

FY13\*  
FY13-17\*



\*PresBud Request FY13

## Basic Research Portfolio

\$444M  
\$2341M

### 6.1 Funding

#### Human Centric

\$70M  
\$364M

##### Investment Areas

- Life Sciences
- Behavioral
- Training
- Neuroscience
- Medical

#### Information Centric

\$53M  
\$298M

##### Investment Areas

- Computing
- Cyber
- Decision Making
- Network Sciences

#### Material Centric

\$155M  
\$816M

##### Investment Areas

- Classical Sciences
- Materials Modeling
- Biotechnology
- Nanotechnology
- Environment

#### Platform Centric

\$47M  
\$253M

##### Investment Areas

- Simulation
- Autonomy
- Vehicles

#### Enrichment Initiatives

\$118M  
\$611M

##### Investment Areas

- University Research Initiatives
- Innovative Lab Research
- Educational Outreach
- Foreign Technology

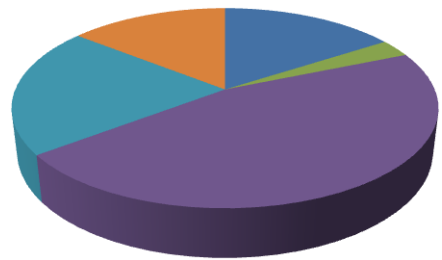


# Human Centric Subportfolio FY 13-17

- **Life Sciences**
  - Basic Research in Life Science
- **Behavioral and Cultural**
  - Human Behavior and Social Sciences
- **Training**
  - Graphics and Animation
  - Immersive Environments
  - Human/Virtual Interaction
- **Neuroscience**
  - Neuroscience in operationally relevant environments
- **Medical**
  - Prevention/Treatment of Parasitic Diseases
  - Clinical and Rehabilitative Medicine

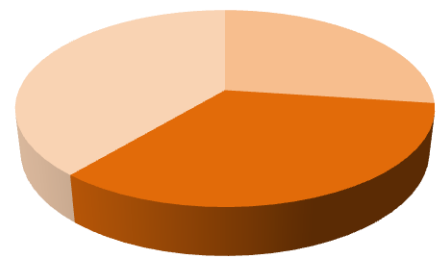
## Human Centric

- Life Sciences
- Behavioral and Cultural
- Training
- Neuroscience
- Medical



- Behavioral
- Life Science
- Medical
- Neuroscience
- Training

## Human Centric



- Disruptive
- Enabling
- Exploration

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Total
Total (\$M)	70	72	72	74	75	364

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- **Classical Information Sciences**

- Computing
- Mathematics
- Networks

- **Network Science**

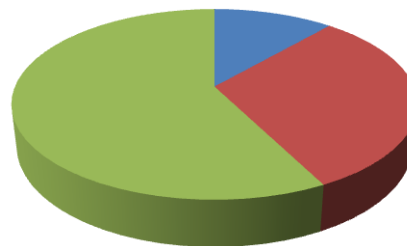
- Network Science Technology Experimentation and Emulation
- Network Science Collaboration for Social/Cognitive, Information, and Communication networks
- Networks in Coalition Warfare

- **Cyber**

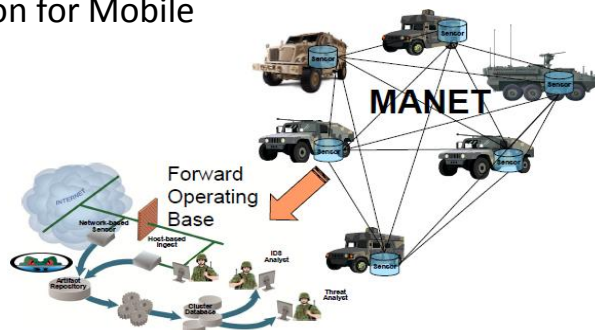
- Information Protection for Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

**Information Centric:**

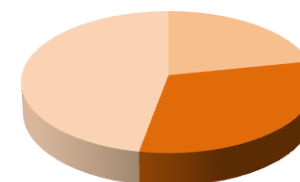
- Classical Information Sciences
- Network Science
- Cyber



■ Cyber ■ Information ■ Network



**Information Centric**



■ Disruptive  
■ Enabling  
■ Exploration

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Total
Total (\$M)	53	57	61	62	65	298

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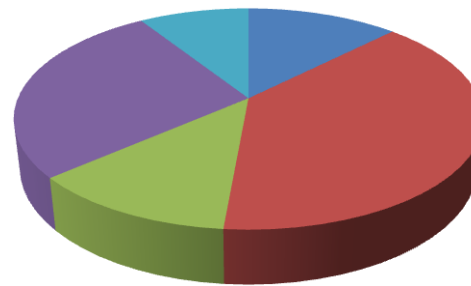
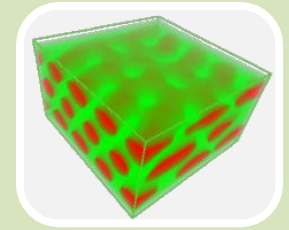
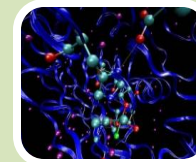




# Material Centric Subportfolio FY 13-17

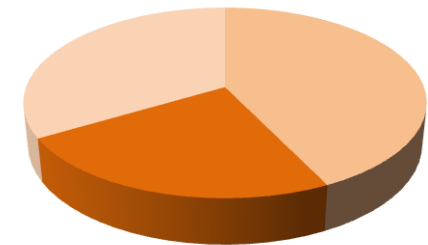
## Material Centric:

- Classical Research in Environmental, Chemical, Physical, Electronics, Photonics, Mechanical, and Materials Sciences
- Materials
- Biotechnology
- Nanotechnology
- Environmental



- Biotechnology
- Environment
- Nanotechnology
- Classical
- Materials

## Material Centric



- Disruptive
- Enabling
- Exploration

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Total
Total (\$M)	155	161	162	167	172	816

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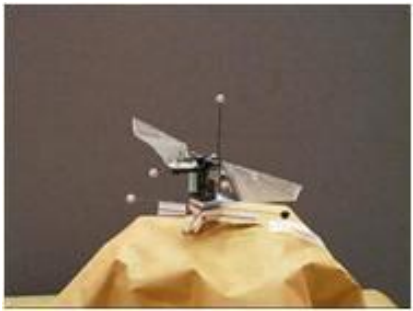
# Platform Centric Subportfolio FY 13-17



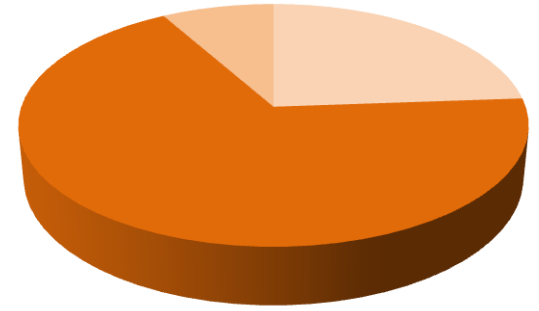
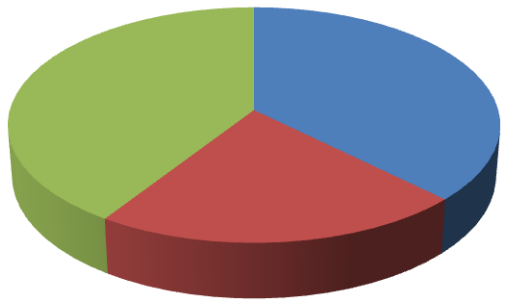
- **Simulation**
  - High performance computing research
- **Autonomy**
  - Micro Autonomous Systems
  - Robotics
- **Vehicles**
  - Automotive Research
  - Vertical Lift Technology

**Platform Centric:**

- Simulation
- Autonomy
- Vehicles



## Platform Centric



■ Autonomy ■ Simulation ■ Vehicles      ■ Disruptive ■ Enabling ■ Exploration

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Total
Total (\$M)	47	49	51	53	53	253

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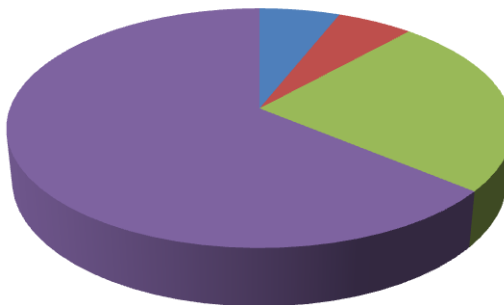
# Enrichment Initiatives Subportfolio FY 13-17



- **University Research Initiatives**
  - MURI
  - PECASE
  - DURIP
- **Innovative Lab Research**
  - Competitive ILIR
- **Educational Outreach and Diversity**
  - AEOP
  - HBCU/MI
- **International Technology Watch**
  - International Centers
  - Foreign Tech Assessment

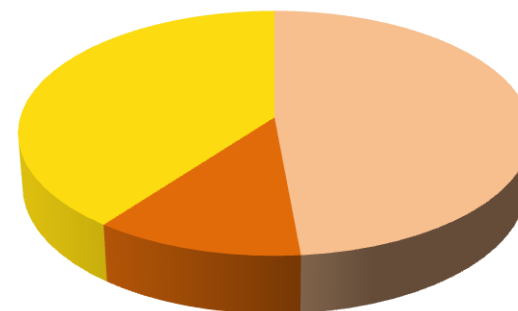
## Lab Enrichment:

- University Research Initiatives
- Innovative Lab Research
- Educational Outreach and Diversity
- International Technology Watch



- Innovative Lab Research
- International
- Outreach
- University Research Initiatives

## Enrichment



- Disruptive
- Exploration
- Health

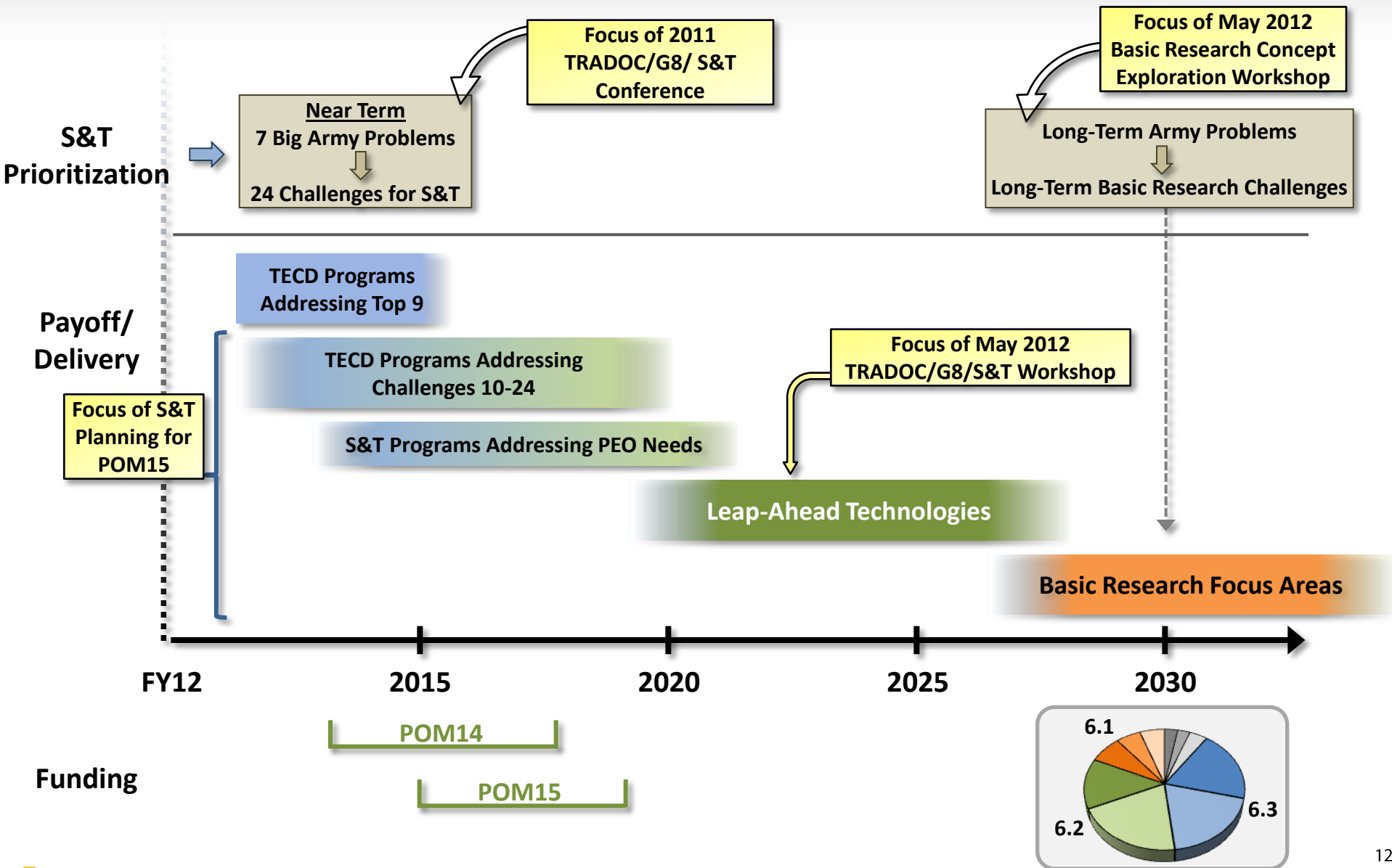
	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Total
Total (\$M)	118	121	122	124	125	611

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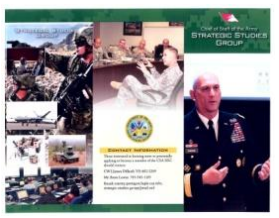
# S&T Program Development



# Notional Basic Research Strategic Model

Identified Army Problems  
 Defined Capabilities

Basic Research Workshop 2030



CSA SSG

Guidance Documents & Scenario Input

*Sources Informing S&T (6.2 & 6.3) Investment Decisions for 2014-2028*

<p><b>DoD Priorities</b></p>	<p><b>TRADOC Future Outlook</b></p>	<p><b>TRADOC Warfighter Outcomes</b></p>	<p><b>Maturation of Technologies for Acquisition Programs of Record or Planned Programs</b></p>
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- "recalibrate its [U.S.] capabilities and make selective additional investments in:"
  - Counter Terrorism & Irregular Warfare
  - Deter & Defeat Aggression
  - Project Power Despite Anti-access/Area Denial Challenges
  - Counter Weapons of Mass Destruction
  - Operate Effectively in Cyber & Space
  - Maintain a Safe, Secure & Effective Nuclear Deterrent
  - Defend Homeland & Provide Support to Civil Authorities
  - Provide Stabilizing Presence
  - Conduct Stability & Counterinsurgency Operations
  - Conduct Humanitarian, Disaster Relief, & Other Operations
- Desired Capabilities against a predicted future environment in:
  - Mission Command
  - Intelligence
  - Movement and Maneuver
  - Fires
  - Protection
  - Sustainment
  - Training and Leader Development
  - Institutional Army
  - Human Dimension

Provide trained, equipped, and ready forces to win the current fight while maintaining responsiveness for unforeseen contingencies.

Validated//Revised Army Problems  
 Validated//Revised Future Challenges

Basic Research Opportunity Identification

Leadership Validation

Approved Portfolio Build Implementation Plan ( goal is to achieve the "right" investment balance)

Program Development

Leadership Concurrence

Implementation

Define a set of priorities for Basic Research and identify challenge statements against which programs can be proposed and approved



# Workshop Intent

## Background

- The technical community is moving into an era of limited resources that will require a disciplined approach to managing science and technology (S&T) investments
- The Army's paramount commitment is to maintain a relevant portfolio focused on near, mid, and far-term advances that support Soldiers and small units
- History has shown that smart investments in basic science are vital to the future Army and the nation it protects

## Objective

- Develop a set of problems and challenges, defining vectors for basic research
- Output from workshop will be used to create a presentation to be reviewed and ultimately briefed to the ASTAG in June

## Approach

- SAAL-ZT is organizing a 2 day workshop on 1-2 May in the Washington, DC area
- Workshop will engage selected subject matter experts in a guided exercise
- Focus of exercise will be on likely Army operations in the 2030+ time frame
- Exercise will cover all Army S&T mission areas
- Exercise will provide input to SAAL-ZT in developing Basic Research Problems and Challenges





# Workshop Methodology

- Workshop **opens with briefings** by experts on future trends shaping geopolitics, military operations, science, and technology
  - Purpose of these briefings is to immerse participants in the future and provide critical background knowledge for the wargame
- Participants will then **play through vignettes** covering the spectrum of operations, including offense, defense, and stability/support
  - A full spectrum approach is necessary to ensure that all Army S&T mission areas are addressed.
- During the scenario play participants will be **assigned to BLUE, RED, and WHITE Cells**.
- Game play will **follow a seminar wargame model**
- SAAL-ZT staff will complete an **initial analysis** to synthesize data and **generate emerging insights** that will be presented in an after action review with participants following the scenarios
- The raw game data, initial analysis, and AAR discussion will fuel an exploration and **analysis of technical barriers** to enhanced capabilities and the basic research issues associated with these barriers





# Sample Vignette



## VIGNETTE

Airborne Squad defends outer perimeter of a brigade airhead established inside Redland to support arrival of follow on forces using air landings by strategic airlift such as C-130, C-17s. Our presumption is that in 2030 these defenders would be a squad supported by fire from a main base and occasional aerial resupply by air. The units may operate autonomously for several weeks.

The mission is not only to scout and sense, but also to block enemy approaches to the airhead by calling on air and artillery support. The enemy knows their value and launches repeated human wave and cyber (counter-network) assaults. This vignette would tell the story of an airborne squad of 9 men fighting / occupying hastily fortified COP. They would be reinforced by a mortar, MI team, and a medic.

A sampling of what the vignette would allow:

- Sensing movement using 2030 technologies, both airborne and ground.
- Small arms defense against overwhelming odds.
- Hasty base construction and how these squad facilities might be used for intra-base maneuver
- Resupply of small units while under fire using latest precision air delivery (parachute or unmanned).
- Carry along equipment as well as equipment needed for extended basing for small units.
- Small unit medical support by an attached medic. What level of medical care would be available for such a unit?
- Static networks. What level of emplaced comms and sensor systems would such a unit require?
- Human Dimension: Human sensing at great distances amplified by technology. Isolation and palliation when fighting far from support.
- Unplugged combat. What happens when the enemy launches cyber attacks to jam, intercept, and spoof the network?
- Fighting in reduced visibility. What changes when the small unit is fogged in for extended periods?



# *Army Science & Technology*



*Providing Soldiers Technology Enabled Capabilities*

**MAINTAINING A LEADING EDGE IN TECHNOLOGY**