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#### **Ground Maneuver Portfolio Overview**



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## **Army Enduring Challenges**

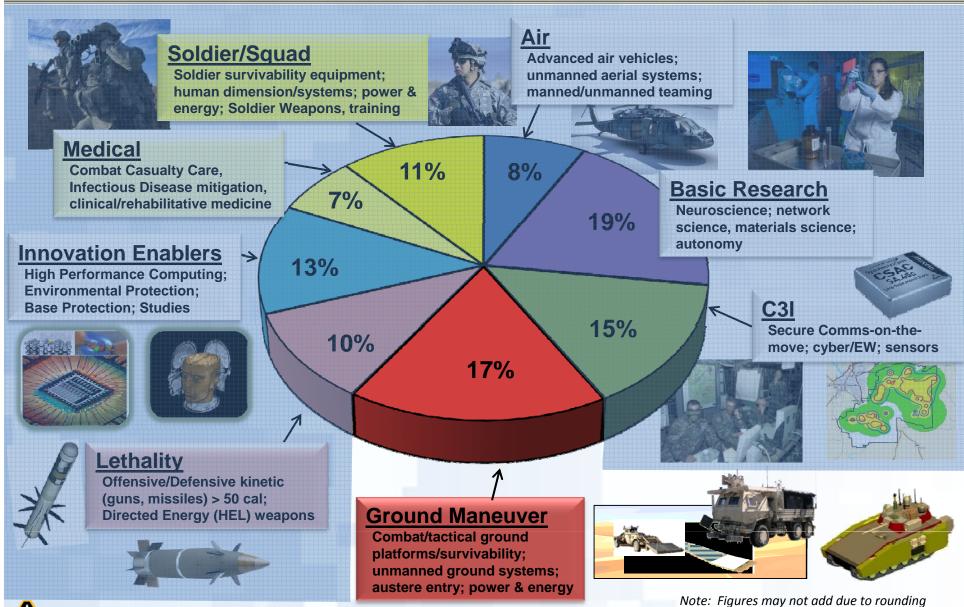


- ➤ Greater force protection (Soldier, vehicle, base) to ensure survivability across all operations
- Ease overburdened Soldiers in Small Units
- Timely mission command & tactical intelligence to provide situation awareness and communications in all environments
- Reduce logistic burden of storing, transporting, distributing and retrograde of materials
- Create operational overmatch (enhanced lethality and accuracy)
- ➤ Achieve operational *maneuverability* in all environments and at *high operational tempo*
- Enable ability to operate in CBRNE environment
- Enable early detection and improved outcomes for Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
- ► Improve operational energy
- Improve individual & team training
- > Reduce lifecycle cost of future Army capabilities



## **Army S&T Investments by Portfolio**





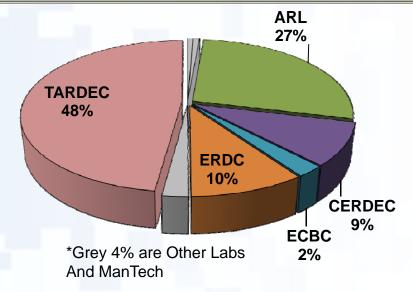
## **Ground Maneuver Portfolio**



# **Ground Maneuver Portfolio**

6.2 and 6.3 Funding

\$383M



#### Survivability

\$203M

#### **Investment Areas**

- Vehicle Protection
  - Armor
  - Active Protection
  - Underbody Blast
- Base Protection

#### **Ground Platforms**

\$119M

#### **Investment Areas**

- Power & Mobility
- Ground Vehicle Robotics
- Logistics

## Mobility / Countermobility

\$61M

#### **Investment Areas**

- Counter Mine & IED
- Austere Entry & Maneuver
- Obscurants

# Ground Maneuver Portfolio Vision/Mission Statement

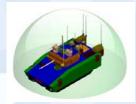


## **Vision**

U.S. Overmatch in military vehicles for offensive and defensive capabilities

### Mission Goals

- Increase Survivability
- Reduce Weight
- Improve Fuel Economy
- Increase Power Available
- Detect and Neutralize Explosive Hazards
- Austere Entry & Maneuver
- Provide Concealment



Active Protection



Advanced Armor



Ground Vehicle Robotics



Logistics Technology



Counter Explosive Hazards

Invest in Technologies which Increase Performance & Affordability of Army Ground Systems against a Capable Enemy

## **Ground Maneuver S&T Strategy**



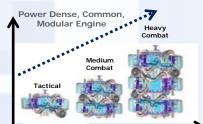
Goal: Increase combat effectiveness over time while reducing acquisition, sustainment, and logistic costs

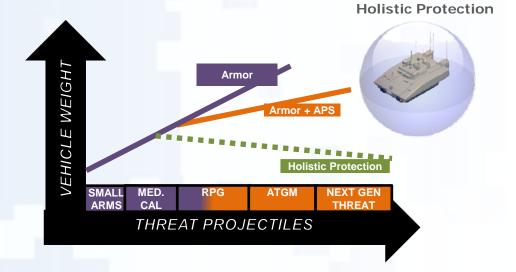
#### **Key Research Areas**

- Holistic and synergistic protection vs. unique protection via armor, underbody blast, and active protection
- Increased energy dense engines to enhance mobility and improve fuel efficiency
- Open and common, power & digital data management and distribution
- Autonomy enabled systems
- Technology to enable austere entry & maneuver

 Technology to Detect and Neutralize Explosive Hazards







#### **Drivers**

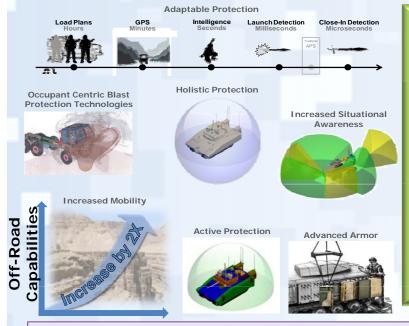
- CSA Strategic Priorities
- Army Strategic Planning Guidance
- Army Enduring Challenges
- Army Capabilities Needs Analysis (CNA 16-20)

Improve performance while reducing system weight and cost

## **Ground Maneuver Major Efforts**



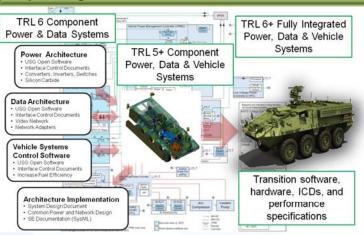
#### **Protected Mobility**



Goal: Develop, integrate and demonstrate force protection and mobility technologies to maintain the optimal balance of mobility and protection to facilitate sustained operations anywhere in the world

#### **Vehicle Electronics Architecture**

**Goal:** Mature and demonstrate next generation electrical power and data management and distribution architectures for military vehicles improving VICTORY standards



#### **Increased Energy Density and Energy Efficiency**

Installed Power Density



Electrical Power Availability



Fuel Efficiency



Goal: Design, develop & demonstrate next generation leap ahead energy density and energy efficiency technologies for combat & tactical vehicles

Develop technology to increase performance & reduce identified sustainment cost drivers.

## **Modular Active Protection System**



Modular APS will allow commonality across the vehicle fleet, tailoring of systems to meet PM needs and platform constraints, and provide growth capability to address emerging threats and facilitate transition



#### **Products:**

- Modular APS Framework (MAF) and interface standards
- Modular APS Controller (MAC) implementing the framework and designed with safety requirements
- Modular software to integrate subsystems for a specific platform capability
- MAF compliant sensor / countermeasure subsystem specifications
- End-to-End simulations of specific configurations for risk reduction analysis

#### Pavoff:

- "Best of Breed" component flexibility
- Avenue for technology insertion of Industry and S&T subsystems
- Designed for safety / shorter transition times
- Potential component commonality between vehicles
- Enable subsystem competition and associated cost savings



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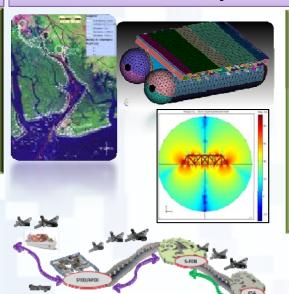
#### **Counter Explosive Hazards**

# Technical Focus Expanded Vibration Imaging

Goal: Investigate novel mine/IED detection sensors and algorithms while understanding the phenomenology behind detection of explosive hazards to enable freedom of maneuver



#### **Austere Entry & Maneuver**



Goal: Design, develop and demonstrate next generation technologies to provide proactive means to ensure Joint Forces can deploy and freely enter the theater of operations.

#### **Robotic Ground Vehicles**

**Goal:** Advance ground robotic vehicle technology to reduce logistics tail, increase unit capabilities and be more expeditionary

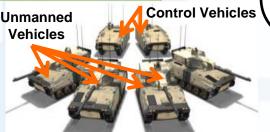


of Seismic Waves

Autonomy-Enabled Convoy



**Autonomous Materiel Handling Equipment** 



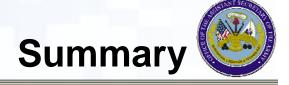
**Main Battle System Concept** 



Support Expeditionary Forces

DESIGN • DEVELOP • DELIVER • DOMINATE SOLIZERS AS THE DECISION OF THE DECISION

MAINTAINING A LEADING EDGE IN TECHNOLOGY



- Portfolio supports Army Maneuver
- Major Efforts:
  - Vehicle Protection Technologies (Armor, Underbody Blast, Active Protection)
  - Vehicle Mobility Technologies (Powertrain, Power Generation/Storage, Suspension, Track)
  - Counter Explosive Hazards (Detection and Neutralization)
  - Vehicle Electronics Architecture
  - Ground Vehicle Robotics
  - Protective Structures
  - Austere Entry & Maneuver
  - Forensic Analysis
- For Business Opportunities, see the following Organizations:
  - Tank Automotive Research Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC)
    - http://tardec.army.mil/business/default.aspx
  - Army Research Laboratory (ARL)
    - http://www.arl.army.mil/www/default.cfm?page=6
  - Communication-Electronics Research Development and Engineering Center (CERDEC)
    - (www.cerdec.army.mil/opportunities\_and\_services/business\_opportunities/)
  - Engineer Research Development Center (ERDC)
    - http://www.erdc.usace.army.mil/BusinessWithUs.aspx
  - Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC)
  - https://www.ecbc.army.mil/about/working.html

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