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Medical 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 <u>all</u> 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



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Army S&T Investments by Portfolio



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Medical Vision Statement

Vision

Lead the advancement of Army medical science and technology

Responding to Threats to Service Member Health and Performance



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MAINTAINING A LEADING EDGE IN TECHNOLOGY

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Medical Major Efforts

Psychological Health & Resilience and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

Goal: Develop interventions to prevent and reduce combat-related behavioral health problems and cognitive deficits associated with PTSD and TBI, including depression, anger problems, postconcussive symptoms, and other health risk behaviors; develop faster treatments to alleviate symptoms.

Assessment, Diagnosis, and Intervention





Recovery/Return to duty

Infectious Diseases (Drugs & Vaccines)

Goal: Develop methods to prevent, treat, and/or diagnose naturally occurring viral and bacterial diseases and infections that can impact military mobilization, deployment, or force effectiveness.



Combat Casualty Care/Clinical Rehabilitative Medicine

Goal: Program is designed to meet the needs of first responders in order to reduce preventable combat deaths and reduce resultant morbidities in survivors. This includes controlling non-compressible bleeding with drugs and devices, drugs to stabilize metabolism and protect tissues after hemorrhage, and clinical practices guidelines, and rehabilitative care innovations required to reset our wounded warriors, both in terms of duty performance and quality of life.

Control of noncompressible bleeding



Fluids to sustain life and reduce morbidity of tissues



Tests and

treatments for coagulopathy of trauma

Tissue transplantation programs





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- Measures for concussion-related cognitive impairment using neuropsychological assessment tools following blast and blunt trauma injuries
- Integrated mental health training systems and interventions for resilience, reduce risk behaviors, for the prevention/treatment of suicide and PTSD
- Optimized individualized PTSD drug and psychotherapy treatments
- Screening of novel drugs and alternative therapeutic strategies, including novel stem cell strategies and selective brain cooling, to manage traumatic brain injury
- Clinical evaluation of analytical test to diagnose presence and severity of TBI at or near point of injury



Infectious Diseases (Drugs & Vaccines)



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- Suitable formulations of next generation malaria prophylaxis drugs for use in future testing in humans.
- Candidate vaccines against Shigella, Enterotoxigenic Echerichia coli (ETEC) and Campylobacter (the three most common bacterial causes of diarrheal diseases in deployed US forces)
- Polyclonal neutralizing antibodies against lethal viruses that could be used to provide "instant immunity" or postexposure treatment in unvaccinated personnel deployed to high risk areas



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- Preclinical studies on contributions of the immune system and blood products to the body's ability to properly clot blood following trauma
- Advanced patient monitoring technologies that rapidly and accurately detect earlyonset of blood loss, continuously estimate blood loss volume, and predict patient's risk for cardiovascular collapse
- New methods to control life-threatening bleeding from areas of the body where tourniquets may not be effectively used, such as within the chest and abdomen, and from injuries to the armpit or groin
- Improved blood platelet (important factor required for blood clotting) storage technologies suitable for far forward use



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