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ARDEC Science & Technology ... Maintaining Balance between Government and Industrial Partners



TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN. WARFIGHTER FOCUSED.

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- Program Executive Office Combat Support and Combat Service Support
- Program Executive Office Ground Combat Systems
- Program Executive Office Soldier

Engineering Lifecycle



RESEARCH



DEVELOPMENT



PRODUCTION



FIELD SUPPORT



DEMILITARIZATION

Advanced Weapons:

Line of sight/beyond line of sight fire; non line of sight fire; scalable effects; non-lethal; directed energy; autonomous weapons

Ammunition:

Small, medium, large caliber; propellants; explosives; pyrotechnics; warheads; insensitive munitions; logistics; packaging; fuzes; environmental technologies and explosive ordnance disposal

Fire Control:

Battlefield digitization; embedded system software; aero ballistics and telemetry

ARDEC provides the technology for over 90% of the Army's lethality and a significant amount of support for other services' lethality

Enduring & Future Thrusts



- High g survivable power sources
- Advanced materials for warheads, lighter structural components
- Integration of additive manufacturing technologies to enhance performance and speed timeline from gap to operational use
- Extending range and affordable precision across all calibers
- Technologies that reduce Warfighter burden
- Affordable demilitarization technologies
- Technologies that reduce weapon tube erosion

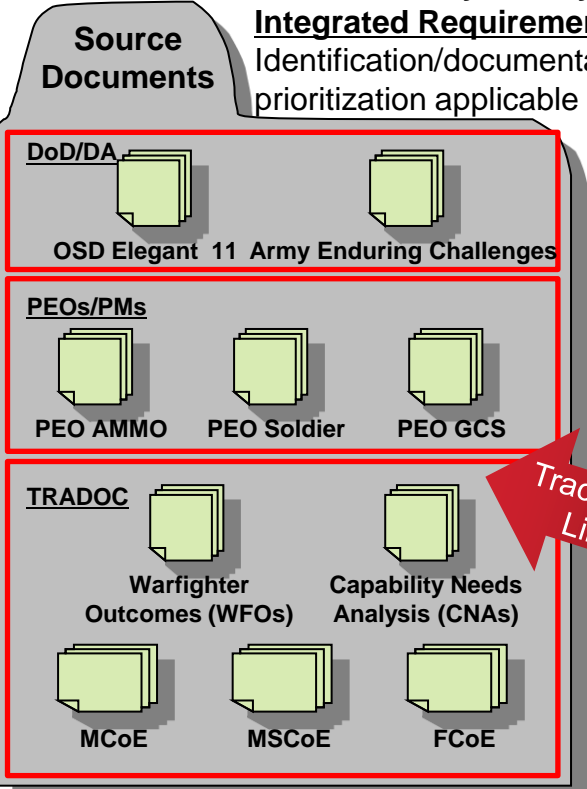


ARDEC S&T Portfolio & Needs Analysis

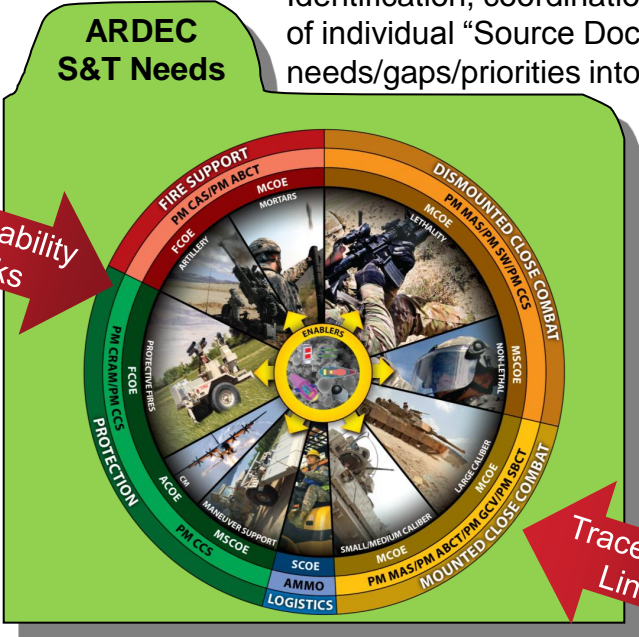


Source Library – Army Integrated Requirements Framework (IRF)
Identification/documentation of source needs and prioritization applicable to ARDEC S&T investments.

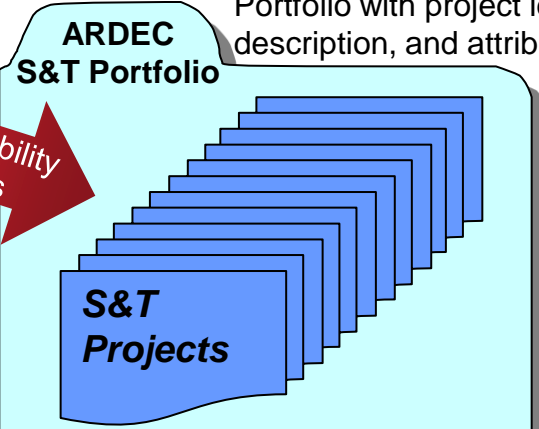
DOORS Architecture/Modules



ARDEC S&T Needs/Opportunities
Identification, coordination, organization of individual “Source Documents” needs/gaps/priorities into one list.



ARDEC S&T Portfolio
Maintaining complete S&T Portfolio with project id, description, and attributes.



Facilitate

- >> Communication
- >> Information
- >> Planning
- >> Priorities

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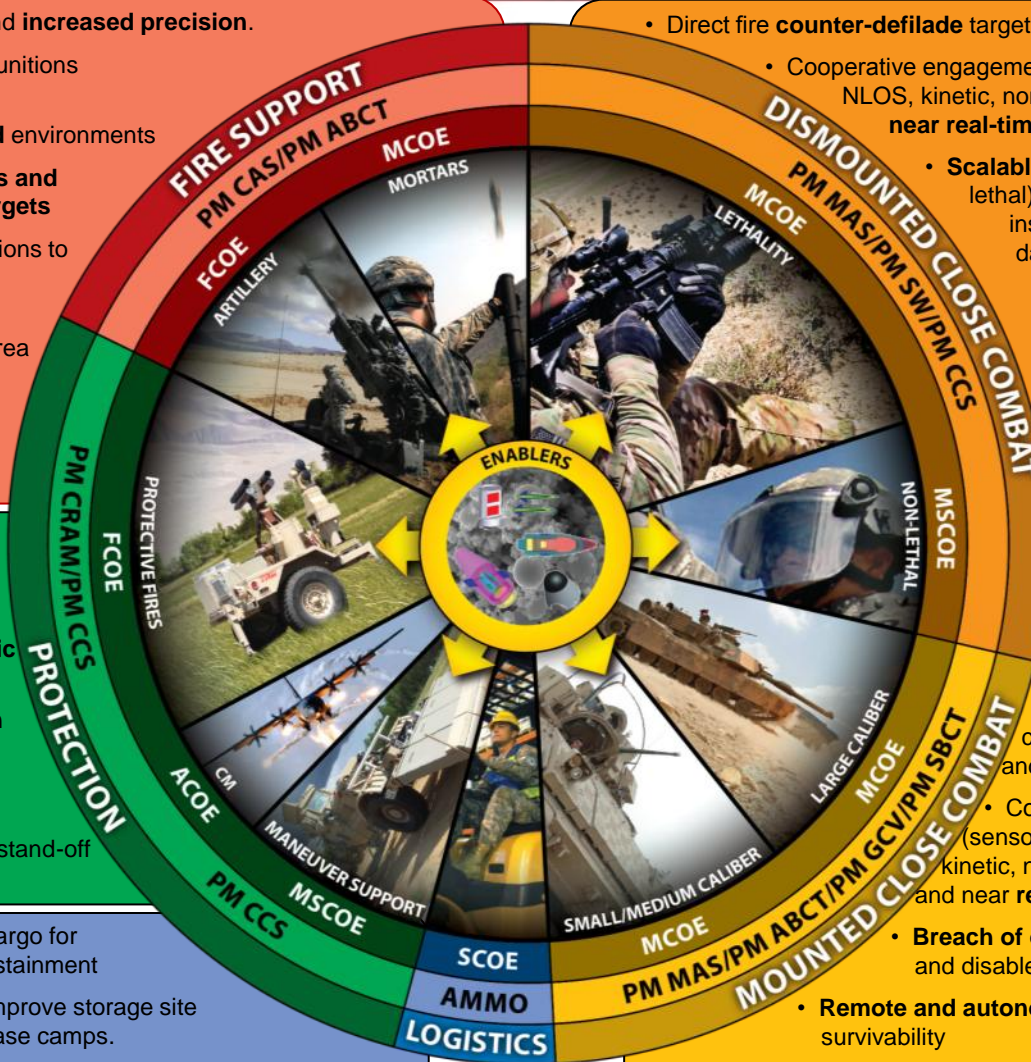
ARDEC S&T User Gaps



- 120mm Mortars **extended range** and **increased precision**.
- **Extended range** w/ conventional munitions and guided munitions
- Increased **precision** in **GPS denied** environments
- Munitions against **advanced armors** and **hardened above/below ground targets**
- **Tailorable effects** that match munitions to targets (to include scalable lethal to non-lethal)
- Cluster munitions replacement for area fires or imprecisely located targets
- **Remote** and autonomous delivery of **fires** for increased survivability

- **CUAS** at close range
- **CRAM** for base protection and armored vehicles on the move
- Detect and **counter electromagnetic or directed energy** attacks
- **Explosive detection/neutralization** above/below ground, at standoff distances, and convoy speeds
- **Breach of entry points** into urban infrastructure & disable assets from stand-off

- **Efficient handling/throughput** of cargo for faster/more effective deployment/sustainment
- **Explosives safety techniques** to improve storage site planning and minimize footprint at base camps.
- Real-time, automated, **asset tracking and prognostics/diagnostics** systems to manage/maintain ammunition.
- **Automated** rapid weapon system **rearm** and **resupply** to reduce manpower requirements and soldier exposure to risk.
- Lightweight **renewable/recyclable/reusable packaging** to reduce operational energy usage during distribution and retrograde.

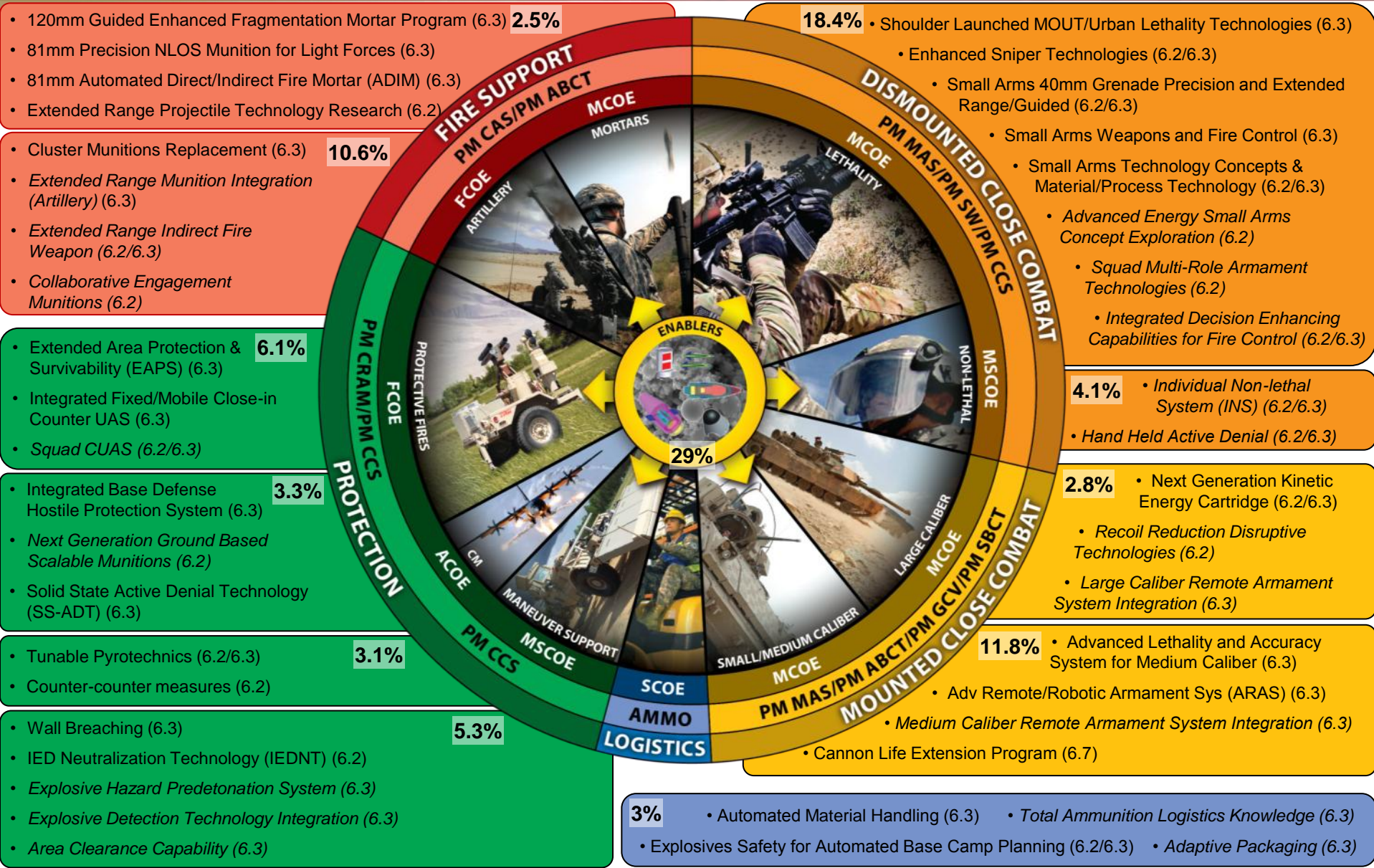


- Direct fire **counter-defilade** target engagement capability
- Cooperative engagements (sensor to shooter, LOS, NLOS, kinetic, non-kinetic lethal capabilities) and **near real-time networked fires**
- **Scalable** (non-lethal and non-lethal to lethal) force to shape the fight, defeat insurgents, reduce casualties, minimize damage
- **Multispectral obscurants and illumination** to limit enemy freedom of action
- **Imperceptible trace** to prevent enemy detection of U.S. forces

- Large Cal direct fire to defeat ATGM
- Large Cal to defeat ATGM teams with **precision airburst munitions**
- Lethal overmatch and **tactical standoff** to extend the close-combat battle against tanks and armored vehicles

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- NL anti-material weapon effective at extended ranges

ARDEC S&T Portfolio FY13-19



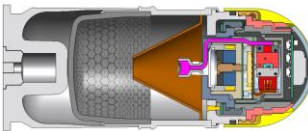


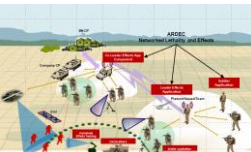
Italics = Future % represent FY13-19 funding

ARDEC S&T Portfolio Dismounted Close Combat – Lethality



EXAMPLE



NEAR (FY13-16)	MID (FY17-20)	FAR (2021+)
 <p>Improved Air Burst Accuracy 40mm LV Grenade (6.3)</p>	 <p>Extended Range/Guided 40mm LV Grenade (6.2/6.3)</p>	
 <p>MOUT/Urban Lethality Technologies (6.3)</p>	 <p>Integrated Decision Enhancing Capabilities for Fire Control (6.2/6.3)</p>	

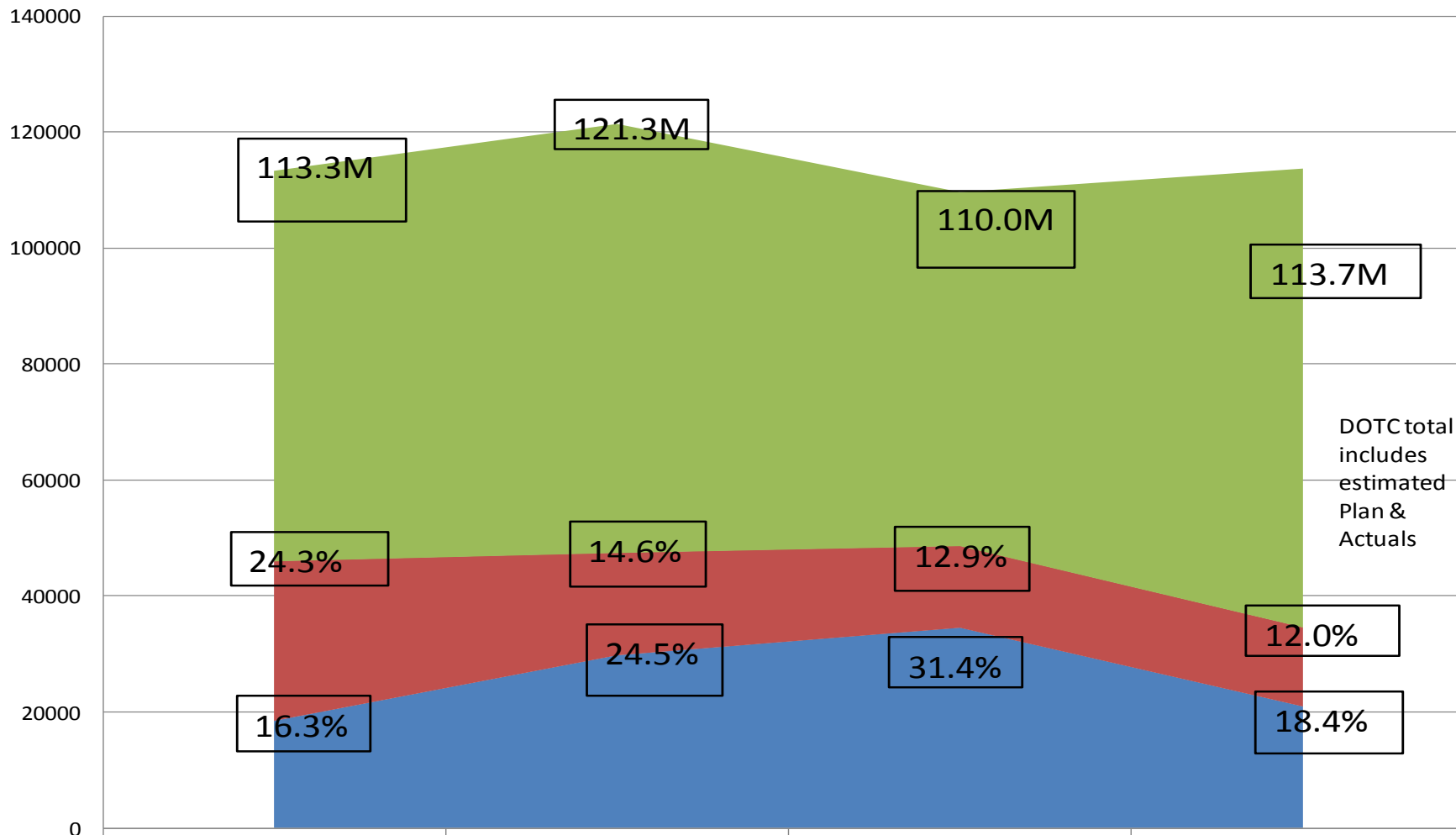
OPPORTUNITIES

- Enhancing Squad effectiveness while reducing soldier load: precision, longer range, CUAS
- Technologies that enable affordable precision engagement in 40mm low and high velocity grenades: GNC, terminal guidance, GPS Denied environment, MEMS-based components, embedded on munition sensor/signal processing
- Multi-Purpose Technologies - enable a single munition to engage variable targets and target types
- Technologies that enable the next generation, Soldier-carried weapon system that will be lightweight, multi-functional, mission-configurable, and effective against exposed and defilade targets out to extended ranges

Science & Technology Funding Trends



S&T (6.2, 6.3 & ManTech) Historical Trends



DOTC total includes estimated Plan & Actuals

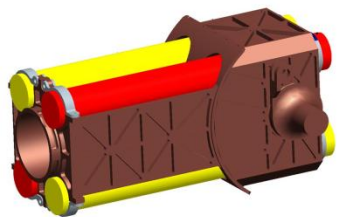
In-house/OGA	67336	73978	61036	79132
Other Contracts	27535	17687	14129	13651
DOTC	18441	29729	34475	20,918

Extended Range Cannon Artillery (ERCA): Systems Approach



Utilizing a systematic, system of systems, approach to provide range extension, weight reduction, accuracy improvement, and improved rates of fire for 155mm artillery.

Advanced Lightweight weapon system



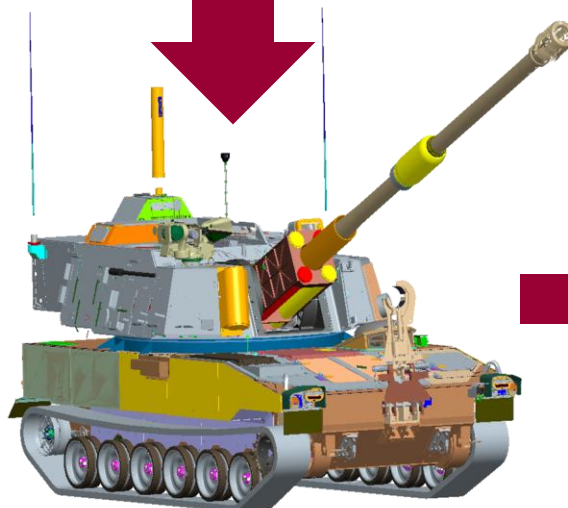
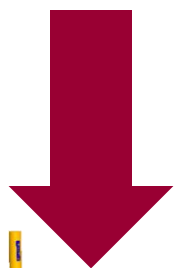
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Extended Range Projectile Family



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Novel Propellant Charges



Self-propelled



Towed

Additive Manufacturing



Purpose:

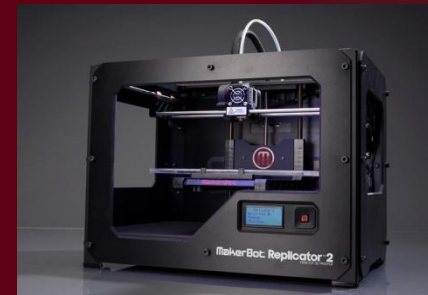
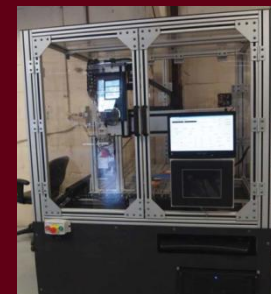
Develop and optimize additive manufacturing systems and materials to enhance Warfighter capability while reducing logistics burden

Focus Areas:

- Nano Materials
- Energetic Materials
- Munitions Optimization
- Weapon System Components
- Real Time R&D Development

Payoff:

- Immediate response to Warfighter need
- Reduce development-to-field timeline
- Reduce logistics trail



Laying the ground work to allow our Warfighter to 'print' needed equipment and capability at the front line...

Teaming with ARDEC



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Going Forward



- Budgets will remain constrained for the foreseeable future
- Senior Army leadership will continue to play a greater role in dictating RDT&E direction
 - AAE Roadmapping effort
 - Chief of Staff “Force 2025” effort
 - Sequestration & President’s Budget FY15
- Industry partners play a significant role in ARDEC’s S&T program
 - 41% of funding over last 3 years, DOTC efforts increasing
 - Working strategies to increase S&T transition in partnership with industry
- Emerging enabling technologies will play a significant role in how we produce and resource our Warfighter with capability

Questions?



“Without *lethality*
it’s just another parade”