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## Army S&T Strategy

58<sup>th</sup> Annual Fuze Conference

*Fuzing in a Challenging Environment*

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# ARDEC Organization Chain of Command



**Army Materiel Command  
AMC Commanding General**  
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**Research, Development &  
Engineering Command  
RDECOM Commanding General**  
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**AMRDEC**  
Aviation & Missile  
Research, Development  
& Engineering Center

**CERDEC**  
Communications- Electronics  
Research, Development &  
Engineering Center

**ARL**  
Army Research Laboratory



**ARDEC**  
Armament Research  
Development &  
Engineering Center

**NSRDEC**  
Natick Soldier Research, Development &  
Engineering Center



**ECBC**  
Edgewood Chemical  
Biological Center

**TARDEC**  
Tank Automotive Research,  
Development & Engineering  
Center



**Munitions  
Engineering  
Technology  
Center**

**Weapons &  
Software  
Engineering  
Center**

**Enterprise &  
System  
Integration  
Center**



# Team Picatinny



Highest Caliber

- Gov't Population 3,865
- 6,493 Acres
- 909 Structures
- 64 Laboratories



PEO Soldier  
PM Soldier  
Weapons



PEO Ground Combat Systems  
PM Ground Combat Vehicle



Defense Contracting  
Management Agency  
Springfield



Civilian Human Resources  
Agency

Naval Surface Warfare Center



Marine Corps  
G Company 2-25



Army Contracting  
Center - NJ



Army Recruiting  
Northern NJ HQ (Company)



7245th Installation  
Medical Support Unit



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CG/PEO Ammunition



Joint Munition &  
Lethality LCMC



Garrison  
Commander



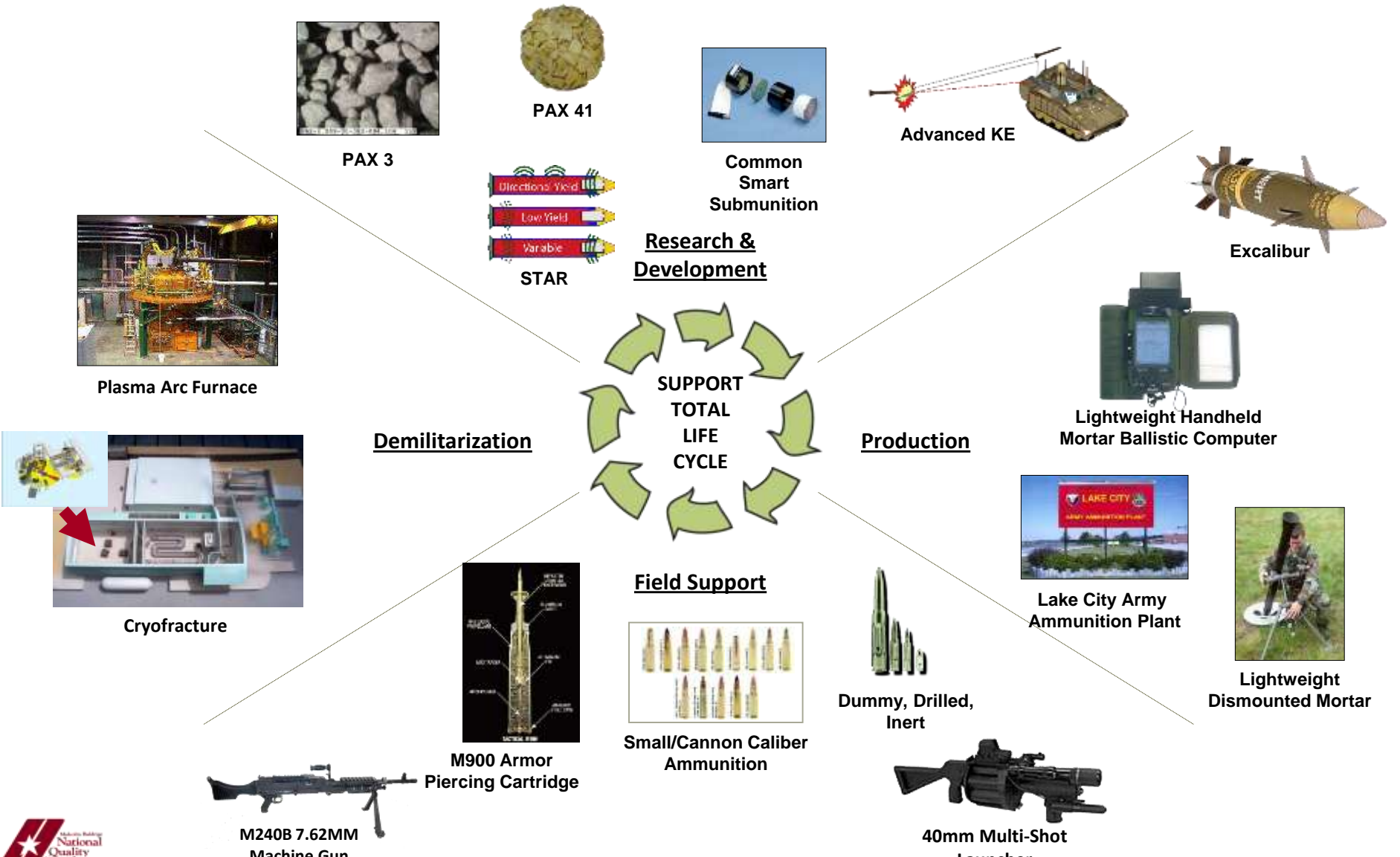
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# ARDEC Mission Life Cycle Engineering & Support



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# Commodity Areas



**Artillery Fuzes**



**Mortar Fuzes**



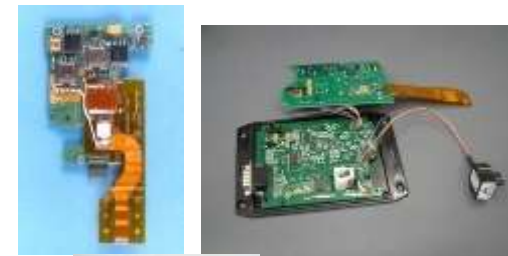
**Medium Caliber Fuzes**



**Fuze Setters**



**Rockets & Missiles**



**Safe and Arm Devices**



**Hand Grenades**



**Tank Ammo**





# ARDEC S&T Needs & Investment Analysis Process



## Needs/Source Documents

### DoD/DA



- CSA 2025
- Army Operating Concept
- ASA(ALT) POM Guidance

### PEOs



- PEO Priorities
- PEO Roadmaps
- PM Priorities

### TRADOC



- MCoE
- FCoE
- MSCoE
- ACoE
- SCoE
- TCM-ABCT
- TCM-SBCT
- TCM-IBCT
- Capability Needs Analysis (CNAs)
- Warfighter Outcomes (WFOs)
- JCIDS Docs

## ARDEC S&T Portfolio



## S&T Opportunities



- Identification, coordination, organization of individual "Source Documents" needs/gaps/priorities into one list.
- Collected from multiple lethality stakeholders

- Sets priorities for future investments (POM)
- Enables adjustments to on-going efforts
- Details/communicates opportunities to Service labs, industry, academia, international

- Utilized by ARDEC Scientists and Engineers to marry innovation to needs
- Made available to industry partners to facilitate cooperative long term planning to include IR&D investment

Analysis...Exchange Information...Communication...Planning...Prioritization



# Fuze S&T Traceability To "Stakeholder Needs"



## ARDEC S&T Portfolio

## Stakeholder Needs

## Individual Source Doc Needs/Gaps/Priorities

**Fuze S&T  
Programs**

**XX-00X: Range**

**XX-00X: Lethality**

**XX-00X: Rate of Fire**

**XX-00X: xxxxx**

**CNAs**  
Track xxxxx  
Track xxxxx

**FCoE 2015**  
MCoE-xxx  
MCoE-xxx

**WFOs**  
MMvr-xxxx  
MMvr-xxxx

**PEO AMMO**  
PEO-AMMO-xx  
PEO-AMMO-xx

**CNAs**  
Track xxxxx  
Track xxxxx

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# Fuzing in a Challenging Environment



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## Tomorrow's Challenges with Yesterday's Budget

- S&T budgets are not as prominent as they were years ago
- Availability of budgeted funds for timely execution of programs
- Most projects leverage other funding to deliver capabilities



Building on BBP 3.0 tenets:

## Emerging Threats

- Increased performance capabilities required in smaller packages
- Smaller, lighter, cheaper, more responsive systems to defeat new emerging threats
- Need for innovative & disruptive technologies to address some of these threat surges



## Next Generation of Precision Fuzing

## Supporting the Industrial Base

- Government unique requirements drives the need for unique or custom components
- Diminishing IR&D in fuzing focus areas
- Need for Government – Industry partnerships for best use of core competencies
- Engaging academia & new industry partners



Promote effective competition

## Requirements Definition

- Requirements not fully defined or fully understood
- Competing requirements with limited resources
- Requirements creep throughout program lifecycle
- Joint or common requirements for problem sets that may more Service-specific



Incentivizing Innovation in Industry and Government



# Fuze S&T Efforts



## Emerging & Maturing Technologies

### (6.2 OSD Joint Fuze Technology Program)

Target Classification Prox for Tailorable Whds  
Micro Scale Materials and Energetic Effects Characterization

### (6.3 OSD Joint Fuze Technology Program)

PGK IMX-101 Compatibility  
Next Generation Proximity Sensor for Prox Fuzing  
Command Arm Actuation for Non-Spinning S&A Architectures

### (RDECOM/ARDEC S&T Projects & Demonstrations)

Future Initiation, Target Detection, Fuze Setting, Power  
Next Generation Prox Fuzing  
Distributed Multi-point Initiation  
Thin Film Power Sources  
MEMS Impact Switch Target Sensing  
Fuzing for Cluster Munition Replacement  
120mm Guided Mortar  
Low Volume and Low Power Prox  
Direct Fire Prox Sensor - (Joint Non Lethal Dir)  
Autonomous Target Sensing for Shoulder Fired  
Airburst/PD and PD delay for Tank Ammo  
Command Arm MEMS S&A w/ Prox for 40mm  
Enhanced Multi-Purpose Grenade  
Low cost air dropped precision guided munition  
MEMS Safe & Arm Reliability & Manufacturing

On-going 6.6 Fuze  
Technology Integration

EMD/Production support  
for PM MAS, PM CAS,  
PM CCS, PD JP



# Fuze and Power Technologies for Munitions



**High-Rate Accurate Air-Burst Fuzing**



**Advanced Munitions Power**



**Next Generation Sensors and Safety**



**Next Generation Large Caliber Setting**

**Schedule**

MILESTONES	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19
High-Rate Accurate Air-Burst Fuzing		4		5	6
Next Generation Large Caliber Setting		4		5	6
Next Generation Sensors and Safety		4		5	6
Advanced Munitions Power			4	5	6

Milestone Indicators: TRL or SRL:



Milestone Timeline:



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**Purpose:**

- Develop and advance Fuze and Power Technologies to achieve leap ahead capabilities such as high accuracy air burst, advanced setting methodologies, innovative sensing (launch and target detection), as well as next generation safety and power systems .
- Demonstrate applications of these technologies in multiple munitions across commodities in order to handoff mature concepts to Program of Record EMD efforts.

**Results/Products:**

- Research advanced launch and high accuracy target sensing/classification components & methodologies, advanced fuze communication schemes, integration of printed materials for conformal antennas, power sources and energy harvesters. Develop advanced safe and arm devices to support advanced warhead and munition requirements.
- Demonstrate advanced technologies for high accuracy air bursting, target classification and high rate fuze setting in a relevant environment.
- Surrogate sub-system integration of technologies and components, for demonstration at TRL 6.
- Develop and validate Fuze-centric analysis techniques across multiple technology efforts. Validated modeling will decrease development cycle of future fuze systems .

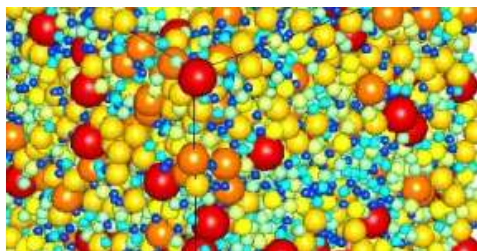
**Payoff(s):**

- Enables increased and scalable lethality in broader applications across multiple munitions.
- Maximizes lethality while minimizing collateral damage and reducing logistical burden.
- Spiral technology solutions into numerous Program of Records and other S&T efforts.

**Affordable Fuzing and Power Systems for enhanced effects and operational overmatch**



## Initiation of Insensitive Munition High Explosives



- Advanced initiation techniques for sustainment of detonation velocity in highly insensitive energetic materials
- Highly simultaneous multi-point solutions for initiation of IM fills

## Networked Munitions



- MIL-STD-1911 compliant fuzing concepts
- Fireset hardware and firmware for main munition

## Next Generation Target Detection & Sensing



- Advanced Next Generation low cost sensor technologies to provide enhanced battlefield performance & small form fit precision burst point control
- Higher-accuracy medium caliber air-bursting solutions
- Autonomous airburst for 30mm munition
- Target media classification MEMS-based impact characterization sensor capable of coarsely discerning target media types upon impact
- FMCW target classification proximity sensor



# Challenges in Fuzing



## High Reliability Fuzing (<1% UXO)



- Compliance with DoD Cluster Munition Policy
- Fuze component technologies & functional architecture(s) for a system function reliability of >99%
- Non-networked, self-contained, & independent submunition fuzing solutions

## Miniaturized Fuzing



- High volume, cost-effective manufacturing processes for MEMS scale components
- Mature the manufacturing readiness level with the elimination of touch labor and rework, establishing second sources of supply, optimizing tolerances and reducing process variation

## Improved Fuze Setting

- Smaller and lighter large caliber fuze setter for use in auto-loading cannon systems and guided mortar applications
- High rate medium caliber fuze programming & communication for enhanced airburst response





## Munitions Power Sources

- New power source technologies with a very high energy density and power density for use in extended range applications and the next generation of artillery fuzes
- Smaller in size and affordable

- Very small, reliable, & affordable power sources for use in medium caliber & hand emplaced applications
- Reliable performance throughout MIL-STD operational temperatures
- Higher energy densities

### Thermal Reserve Batteries



### Liquid Reserve Batteries



### Super Capacitors

- Higher energy storage
- Cold temperature performance
- Sources of supply



### Energy Harvesters





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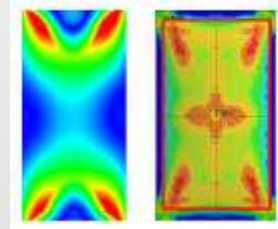
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# QUESTIONS?

