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Guided Projectiles for an Enhanced Expeditionary Engagement Capability

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Enhanced Expeditionary Engagement Capability (E3C)

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- Sponsor:
 - ONR 30 Fires
- Objective:
 - Demonstrate the "Art of the Possible" in fire support technologies for USMC weapons, through an ongoing series of integrated system firing demonstrations
- Structure:
 - Demonstrate systems to TRL 5-6
 - Transition Systems and/or Technologies to Acquisition or FNC programs
 - One new caliber every 3-4 years
 - Flexible to meet future stakeholder needs

Today's Briefing Covers Product Portfolio and Recent 81mm Guided Mortar Testing

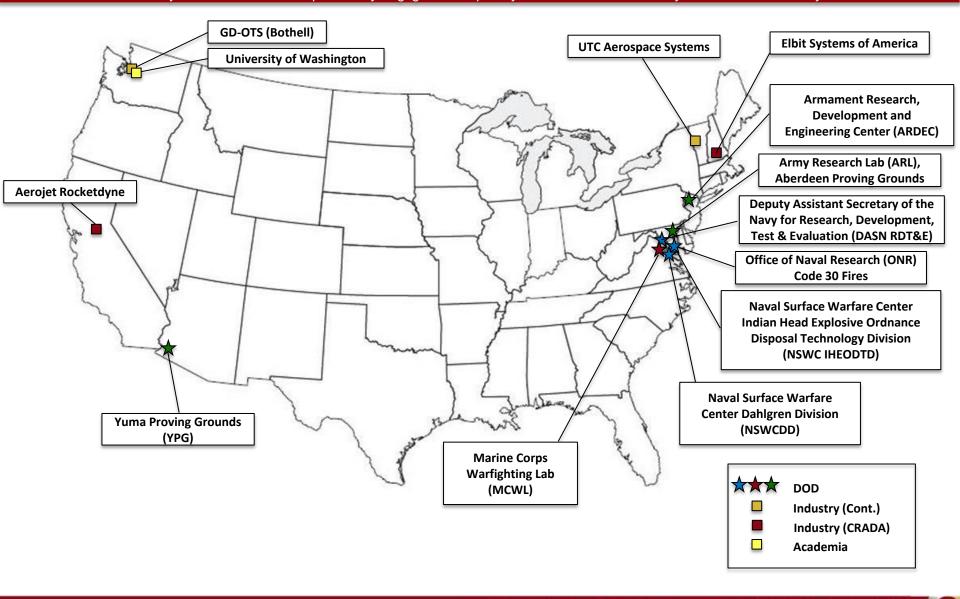




E3C Development Team (Current)



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Distribution Statement A E3C Portfolio



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Leap Ahead Capabilities Across the Spectrum of Calibers

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Supporting Technology Products



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Miniature Mission Setter (MMS)

- <4lb replacement EPIAFS capability
- Direct Connect programming interface
- Common computing system with Target Handoff System (THS)
- Hosts LHMBC/MBK software
- Two-Wire/Tac-Link Modem for Digital Communications
- Backwards compatible with M982, M1156 with future Inductive Setter Kit

First Fielding in FY20 with M327 Expeditionary Fire Support System (EFSS)

Low-Cost Semi-Active Laser (SAL) Seeker (LCSS)

- STANAG 3733 SAL Targeting Sensor
- Compatible with low power laser markers (10mJ/pulse)
- NSWCDD Developed for ONR
- Small form factor 6.3 in³, 4.0 in³
- Estimated \$1k/unit in production (2k unit/yr)
- Precision HOB add-on (1-20m selectable, 3.5% error)
- Flight tested on 81mm, 120mm precision mortar cartridges
- Upgrading to 155mm capability → 20,000g survivability, 2x Acquisition Range, Embedded GEU functionality



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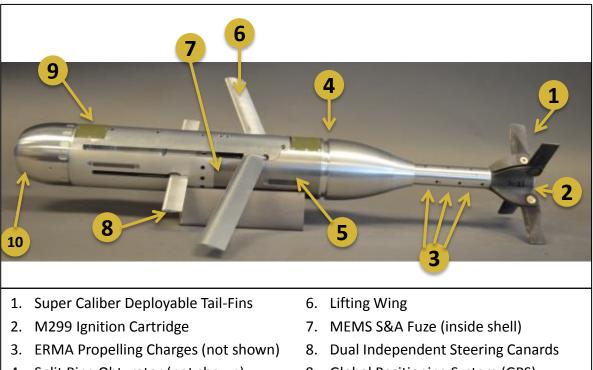


ACERM Cartridge



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- 81mm Precision Cartridge
 - 3 Firing Tests to Date, 19 Cartridges
 - Currently TRL5/6
- >20km Maximum Range
 - Demonstrated 22.6km
- GPS+SAL Precision
 - <10m CEP (GPS), 1m CEP (SAL)</p>
 - <u>Demonstrated <10m CEP w/ GPS @ 16.7km</u>
- Advanced Trajectory Shaping
 - Urban, Defilade, & Moving Targets
 - Counter Battery Radar Spoofing (novel trajectories)
 - Demonstrated Vertical at Impact
- GPS Denied Precision to 10km
- Multi-Platform Capable (M252, LAV-M)
- Convertible for UAS Air Drop
 - Requires minimal upgrades
- Est. \$15k AUPC @ 2k units/yr



- 4. Split Ring Obturator (not shown)
- 5. Enhanced Lethality Warhead

- 9. Global Positioning System (GPS)
- 10. Low-Cost SAL Seeker (LCSS)

SAL Guidance vs. Static and Moving Targets Demonstration by End of FY17

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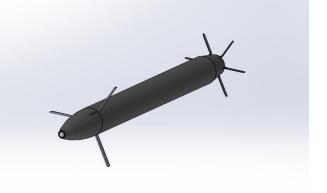
Moving Target Artillery Round (MTAR)



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- New 155mm Guided Projectile for M777
 - Howitzer Artillery Fires to 70 100 km
 - Moving targets afloat/ashore
 - Operations in Satellite/Network Denied Environment
 - Fully mission capability w/o GPS
 - Modular Architecture
- Interest in 5-Inch Projectile Saboted to 155mm
 - Potential for Joint USMC, USN, US Army capability
- New Start FNC Program in FY19
 - Request for Information (RFI) → May '17 via FedBizOpps
 - Request for Proposal (RFP) \rightarrow Mar '18 via DOTC
 - Seeking Full System Solutions
 - May use Gov't solution for GPS Denied Navigation

Transitions to MARCORSYSCOM for Acquisition in FY22





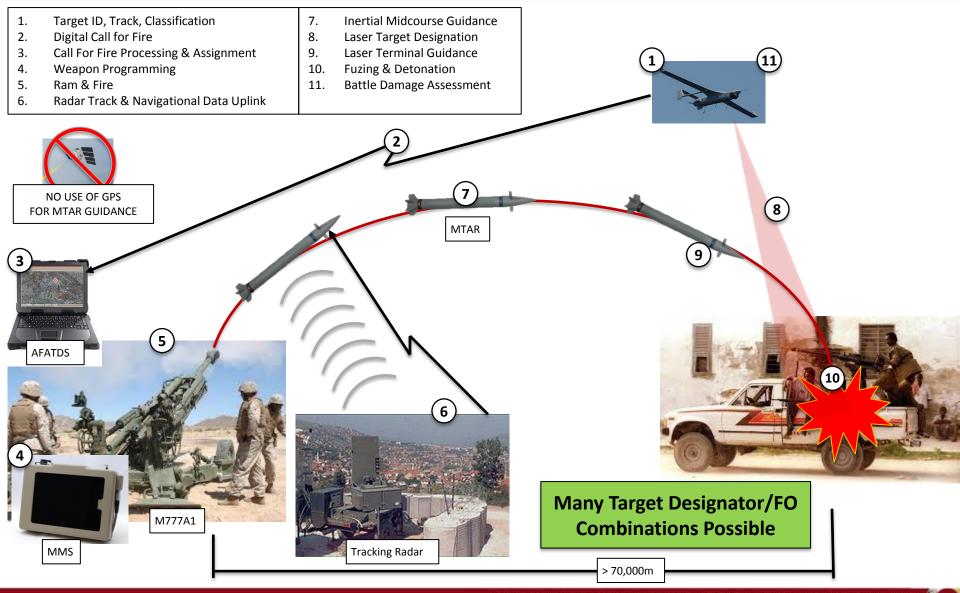
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Conceptual MTAR System vs. Land Target



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Science & Technology

Future 60mm Precision Mortar



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- Investigating enabling technologies for smaller form factor (60mm & below) caliber precision ordnance
 - Architecture Compaction Research
 - Topological Data Visualization Tools
 - Hybrid GN&C/Terminal Seeker Electronics Systems
 - Piezo-Electric based Control Actuation Systems



- Guided Projectile Development Timeline
 Reduction
 - CFD Alternatives for Exterior Flow Analysis
 - Artificial Intelligence GN&C Software
 - Additive Manufacturing

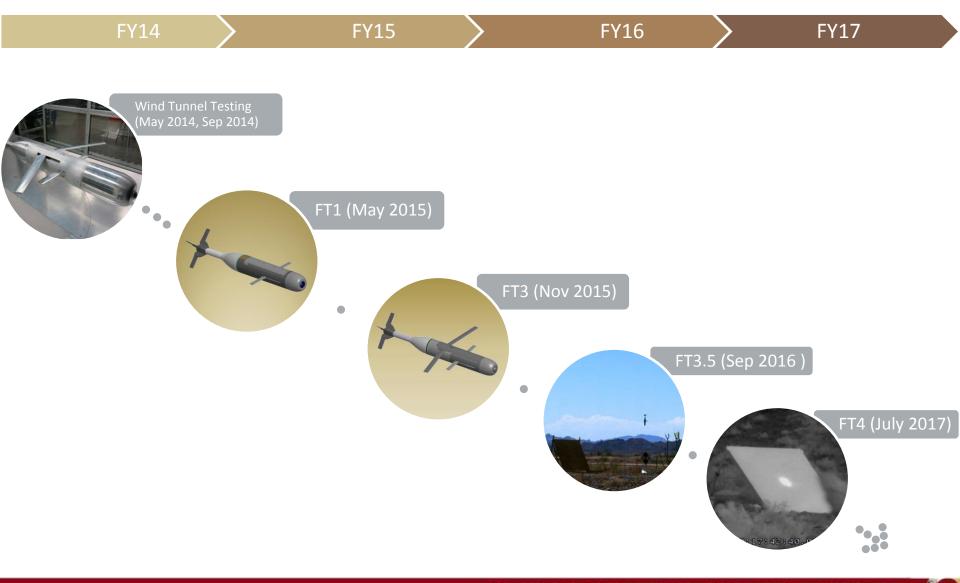
Technology Leap Aheads Will Need to Be Cost Effective to Maintain Caliber Affordability

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81mm ACERM Development Timeline

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Flight Test #1 (FT1)



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- ACERM Survivability & Roll Control (6 Rounds)
 - Survivability of Key Sub-Systems
 - Validation of Wind Tunnel Aerodynamic Data
 - Active Roll Control Demonstrated
 - Validated IMU Capabilities
 - LCSS Track on Designated Target (Ride-Along)
 - Using GLTD II
 - Precision Delivery 3,200m Target
 - 10-20m Miss Distances using C/A GPS
- ERMA Propellant (10 Rounds)
 - ACERM Ballistic Slugs
 - Charge weight assessment & validation
 - Achieved 292.5m/s on 13.5lbm fly away mass

Groundwork Laid for Extended Range 81mm Flight Testing



ACERM FT1 Test Projectile

- No Wing
- Diagnostic Telemetry Module (DTM) Warhead Surrogate
- No Tactical GPS, C/A Code GPS in DTM
- M38 Propellant (Zone 3)



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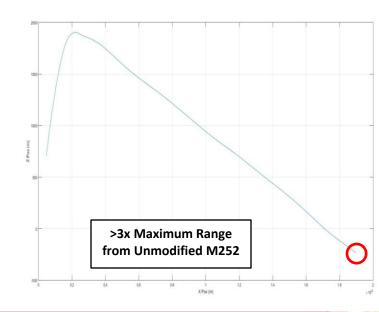
Flight Test #3 (FT3)



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- ACERM Extended Range and Closed Loop Precision Guidance (8 Rounds)
 - Full ACERM Configuration
 - Diagnostic Telemetry Module (DTM) Warhead Surrogate
 - C/A GPS in DTM, C/A GPS (L3) in GNC
 - Validation of Full Airframe Design
 - Survivability, Closed Loop Guidance
 - Combined Test Objectives with unfunded FT2
 - Open Loop Guided Flight

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Results

- 19.1km Maximum Range Glide
 - GPS Navigation to Hold Line-of-Fire, ERMA Propellant (290m/s)
 - <u>Record for 81mm Maximum Range</u>
- GPS Guide-to-Hit at 13.7km
 - 1.7m and 5.3m miss distances
 - ERMA Propellant Reduced Charge (243 m/s)
 - <u>Record for 81mm Precision Delivery</u>
- LCSS track on Designated Target (Ride-Along)
 - Using AN/PEQ15 JTAC-LTD

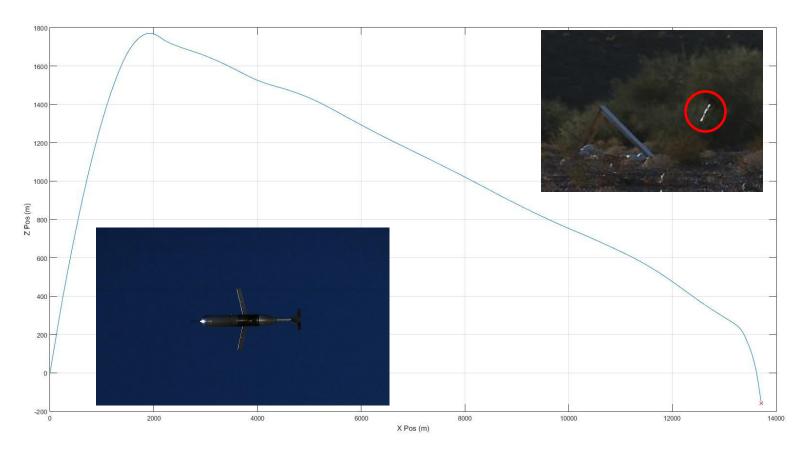


ACERM FT3 – GPS Guide-to-Hit



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Range vs. Altitude



1.7m Miss @ 13.7km target – Reduced Launching Charge (243m/s)

(Target altitude below gun position)

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Flight Test #3.5 (FT3.5)



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- ACERM Reliability Upgrade Engineering Test (5 Rounds)
 - Same Configuration at FT3 with Reliability Enhancements
- Results
 - 22.6km Maximum Range Glide
 - GPS Navigation to Hold Line-of-Fire, ERMA Propellant (290m/s)
 - NEW Record for 81mm Maximum Range
 - GPS Guide-to-Hit at 16.7km with Trajectory Shaping
 - 6.7m miss distance, 87.5 deg AOF
 - <u>NEW Record for 81mm Precision Delivery</u>





FT4 Test Scheduled for Jun/Jul '17 SAL Guidance Against Static & Moving Targets

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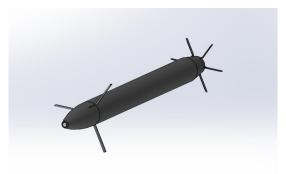




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- E3C Program Researching Next Generation of Expeditionary Guided Projectiles
 - 81mm ACERM
 - 155mm MTAR
 - Future 60mm Precision Mortar
- Supporting Technologies Key to Enabling Future Capabilities
 - Miniature Mission Setter (MMS)
 - Low-Cost SAL Seeker (LCSS)
- Flight Test Program Proves Revolutionary Capabilities of Next Generation Guided Projectile Concepts







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