# DTRA Research and Development

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# **Agency Mission**



The Defense Threat Reduction Agency enables DoD and the U.S. Government to prepare for and combat weapons of mass destruction and improvised threats and to ensure nuclear deterrence







# **Agency Evolution**



2016

Joint Improvised-Threat **Defeat Organization** Integrated

1998

**DTRA Established** 

Sustain nuclear deterrent Growing nonproliferation and counterproliferation mission

Increased Arms Control Implem/Verif

Rapid capability delivery

WMD Terrorism, Counter Improvised Threats

1996-1998 **Defense Special** Weapons Agency



Post-Cold War environment o Joint Science Programs,

munitions effects, hard targets

Nuclear Stockpile Stewardship

Non-nuclear development, WMD Nonproliferation

1971-1996 **Defense Nuclear** Agency



**Operational Safety** 

- Cooperative Threat Reduction Initiated
- End of Nuclear Testing

Counter-proliferation, Arms Control Implementation/Verification

1959-1971 **Defense Atomic Support Agency** 



 Nuclear effects research and testing

- Force modernization
- Limited Test Ban Treaty

1947-1959 **Armed Forces** Special Weapons **Project** 



Weapon custody

Operational Storage

Research, Modeling

Weapons Effects

Deterrence, Survivability

1941-1947 Manhattan **Engineering District** 



Initial atomic weapons program

Weapons Development

The Agency evolved over 76 years to incorporate additional missions and complexity that directly impact U.S. national security and combat support to the warfighter



## **Agency Strategic Approach**



- Information Sharing
- Develop Capability
- Attack the Network
- Build Partner Capacity

- o Counter-WMD
- Counter-Improvised Threats
- Nuclear Deterrence
- Engage with partners
- Innovate capability
- Respond to warfighters
- Empower the workforce

Presidential Policy

Security Strategy

Secretary CWMD Priorities

Global Campaign Plans

Combatant Commander Campaigns

**DTRA Mission** 

**DTRA** Priorities

**DTRA Functions** 

- Anticipate & understand future threat networks
- Provide understanding of current & emerging threats & defeat options
- Enable a safe, secure, & effective nuclear deterrent
- Counter proliferation & facilitation
- Innovate capability solutions
- Prepare for & respond to crisis

### Over 2,500 Global Engagements in the Past Year

2943 Site Locations | 2637 Missions | 110 Countries | 48 US States

DTRA GLOBAL REACH

DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY



(U) Dismantling FSU WMD infrastructure, preventing WMD smuggling, and building WMD response capacity



(U) Reducing biological threats in sub-Saharan Africa



(U) Development in technology, tools and equipment advances DTRA in the IED fight





(U) Seeking additional Senior Leader engagements in Afghanistan to build on OIR/RSM lessons learned



(U) USFK/CFC WMD OPS Exercise Support



**USCENTCOM** 

(U) Targeting and technical reachback for OIR/RSM, and border security cooperation in Jordan



(U) Counter-Improvised Threat rapid acquisition and embedded "Counter Threat Networks" support

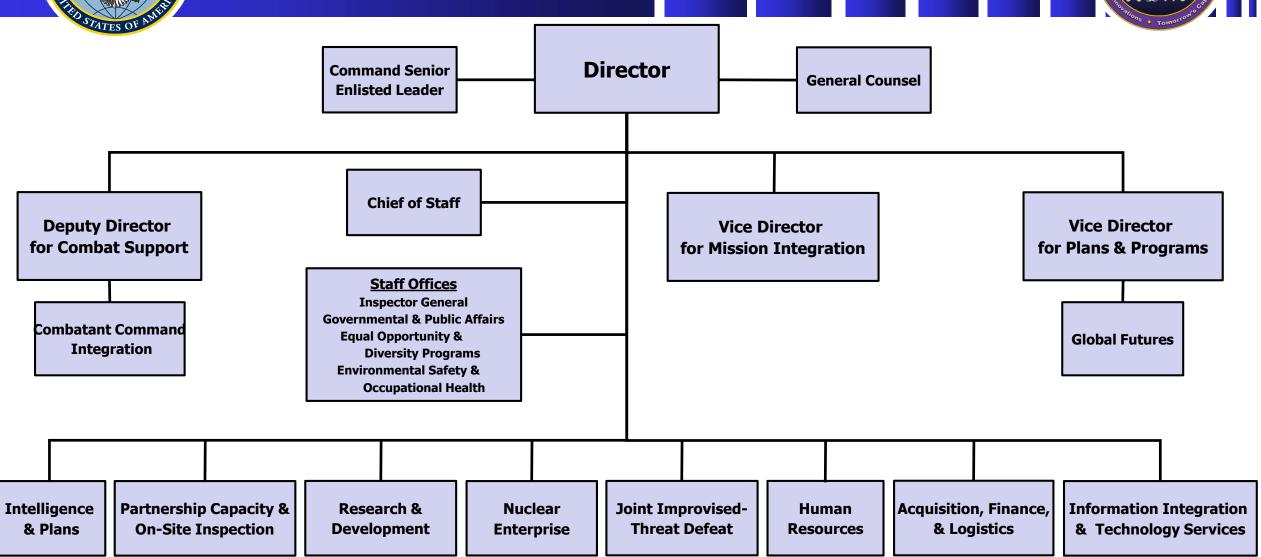


(U) Building CBRN defense and response capacity in Southeast Asia



# **DTRA Organization Chart**







## **Mission and Vision**



### **Our R&D Mission**

Provide research, development, test and evaluation (RDT&E) investments that focus on maintaining the U.S. military's CWMD technological superiority, supporting current readiness, and mitigating the risks of technical surprise for the CWMD mission.

### **Our R&D Vision**

Be the recognized leader for CWMD technical innovation – responding to urgent warfighter needs while investing in R&D to shape the Nation's CWMD capabilities.



# **Research and Development Organization**









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# DTRA S&T Portfolio Aligns with DTRA Missions, DoD CWMD Strategy, and SecDef LOEs



Understand the	Control, Defeat,	Safeguard the Force	ons o Tomorfo
Environment, Threats,	Disable and/or	and Manage	
and Vulnerabilities	Dispose WMD Threats	Consequences	
Nuclear Detection			
Nuclear Survivability		Nuclear Survivability	
Nuclear Effects		Nuclear Effects	DTRA S&T Project Category
Nuclear Forensics			DTRA Sat 1 Toject Category
Special Programs			Contributes to Enhancing
Target Assessment Technologies			the Strategic Deterrent
	WMD Counterforce Technologies		Focused on Countering
	CWMD Weapons and Capabilities	1	WMD
	Counter-Terrorism Technologies		Chem-Bio Defense Program
Chem-Bio Defense Program		Chem-Bio Defense Program	Onem Bio Berense i rogram
Sense / Shape		Sense / Shape Shield / Sustain	Enabling Technology
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24/7 Reach Back • CWMD Testing Capabilities • Advanced Analytics • Basic Research • Interagency & International Leverage			
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LOE 1 – Build a More Lethal Force			
LOE 2 – Strengthen Alliances and Attract New Partners			
LOE 3 – Reform the Department			

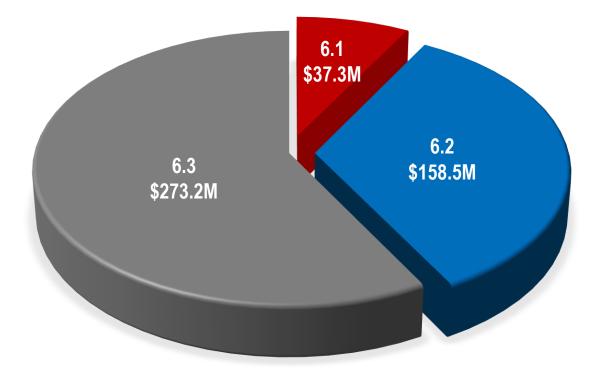


# FY 2019 DTRA S&T Funding

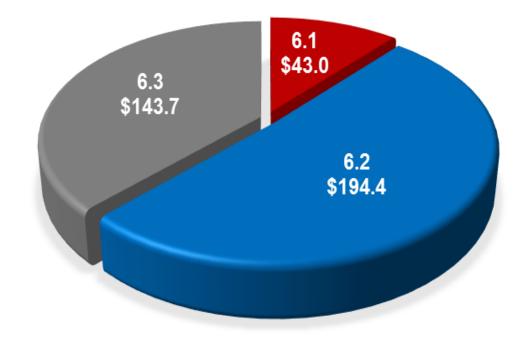


**Total S&T Portfolio: \$850.2M** 

DTRA S&T PORTFOLIO: \$469.0M



**CBDP S&T PORTFOLIO: \$381.2M** 



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# Capability Development in Support of Warfighter Requirements



- Enhance the nuclear enterprise and maintain nuclear competencies
- Global Situational Awareness and Surveillance
  - Dissemination of timely sensor warning and reporting with automated, networked monitoring and near real-time integration of surveillance information
  - Radiological and biological detection and medical diagnostic capabilities for expeditionary missions, detect-to-warn, and rapid field identification of hazards
  - Rapidly deployable, enhanced low-visibility ISR capabilities that exploit alternative signals and compress attribution, warning, and response timelines
- Holding WMD programs, facilities, and materials at risk in all environments
  - Delay, disrupt and defeat adversaries' acquisition paths for materials or expertise, via kinetic or non-kinetic means
  - Ability to locate, characterize, secure, and destroy (or render safe) all weapons on a large scale and in complex operational environments
- Application of emerging technologies and data analytics to WMD
  - Technology forecasting capabilities to anticipate mid-term, emergent threats and relevant technologies
- Medical and physical (material) protection from CBRN threats, including conventional, non-traditional, and emerging CBRN threats



## **Interagency and International S&T Partners**





#### Safeguard the Force and Manage Consequences









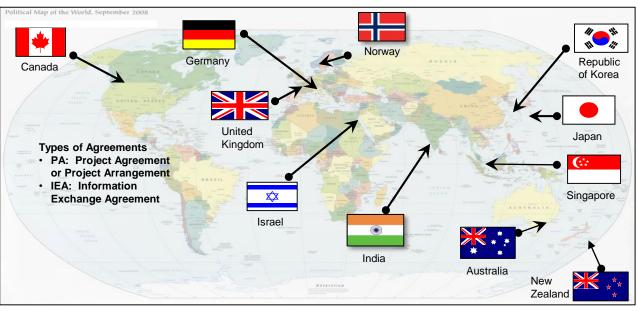












#### Enhancing Capability and Interoperability through International Partnerships

- Accelerate development of U.S. C-CBRNE capabilities by accessing unique foreign S&T resources and sharing costs
- S&T Areas Include
  - Nuclear Effects and Survivability
  - Enhanced Explosives and Conventional Weapons Effects
  - CBR Detection

- Protection
- Medical Countermeasures
- Modeling and Simulation
- Decision Support

trategic objectives. In the <u>DoD Strategy for Countering Wild.</u>, June 201



# CBDP S&T - Sustains Unique and World-class DoD Capabilities



**Sustaining Critical CBDP Laboratory Core Competencies** provides unparalleled R&D capabilities and the Ability to Surge in a Crisis

CB S&T investments fund hundreds of CBRN scientists and engineers with unique expertise or experience not readily available in the private sector





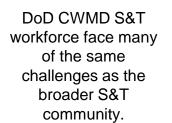














experiences of the warfighter





















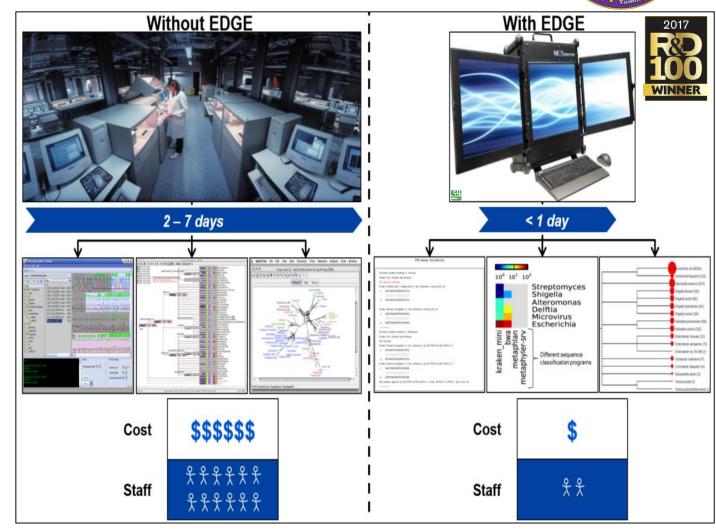
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# **Empowering the Development of Genomics Expertise (EDGE) Bioinformatics**



- Genomics: DNA provides the template for all animate things on Earth and codes for various building blocks such as amino acids, proteins, and genes
- comprehensive, intuitive, and user-friendly genomic analysis solution that addresses complex big data challenge for genomics





## **JIDO Focus Areas**





Standoff Detection



Miniaturization & integration of sensors



Vehicle attached IEDs



Situational Understanding in Anti-Access/Area Denial (A2AD) environments



Identifying explosive threats within structures



Person-Borne IEDs (PBIEDs)



Counter VBIED



Electronic countermeasures (ECM) for advanced wireless signals & techniques



Virtual Advise & Assist



Remote neutralization of HME and precursors



Counter-UAS methods



Anti-armor IED detect & defeat



Subterranean Void Detection & Defeat



Processing, Exploitation and Dissemination (PED) for integrated sensors



Data Analytics



Pre-detonation capabilities



Safeguarding GPS functionality



Mounted detection that enables rate of advance

Future capabilities must be:

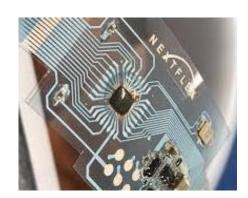
Scalable – Affordable – Adaptable – Expeditionary – Domestic Application – Whole-of-Government Approach



# Dismount Digital Detector Array (DDA) through Industry-Partnership



- Military and other federal X-ray portable imagers are large and fail to meet requirements
- Partner with Army & OSD to develop:
  - Man portable light-weight, rugged digital flexible x-ray imaging arrays
  - Enable fully-flexible & novel system form-factors
- Successfully developed very large flexible DDA
  - 10" diag, less than 0.25" edges, less than 3lbs
  - Flexible electronic sensors on plastic substrates



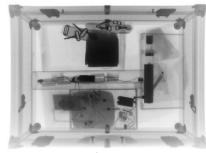


Image from DDA





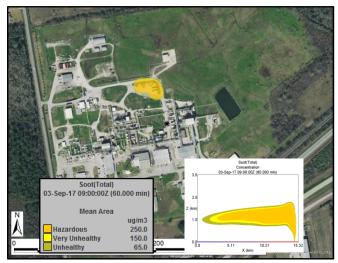
# IMAAC Activation (Aug 29-Sep 3, 2017) Arkema Chemical Plant, Crosby, TX





- Assisted TX authorities to respond to a chemical fire caused by flooding from Hurricane Harvey
- DTRA worked with with many intergovernmental parnters to coordinate evacuation areas over the 6 days
- Leveraged multiple modeling software tools to provide twice daily plume updates
- Expertise from multiple agencies ensured best science brought to First Responders!







## MERLIN/VIPER – Putting the "Nuclear" back in NBC



## Designed for armored vehicles to detect on the move

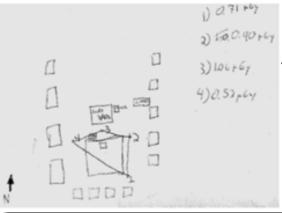






**VIPER** 

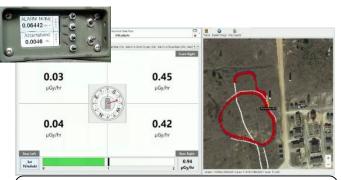
## Revolutionary ISR products for the users and leaders faster, and more accurate than current methods and equipment to enhance mission command



Using current
equipment (VDR-2)
30 minute "Best
Guess"

ISR capability after 5 minutes

#### **Enhanced Crew Dosimeter**



New MFK/TAK interface provides ease of operation by users

- Minimized radiation exposure/hazard avoidance through stand-off detection capability
- > Reduced decontamination requirements
- > Increase/maintain tactical maneuver
- > Increased R/N battlefield awareness
- ➤ Maintain formations' capabilities to continue the fight on a R/N battlefield
- New CONOPs, including: Hazard ID, pointsource detection, survey, fall-out field navigation, route clearance, etc.





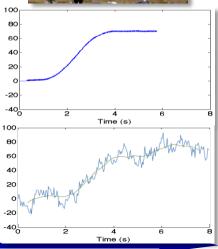
## **Aerial Digital Image Correlation (DIC)**



- Drone-based DIC capability
  - DIC: stereoscopic image analysis to generate 3D measurements of changes
- Capstone event
  - Three underground explosions, 24-26 Apr 18









### **Small Business Investment Success**



- Two Congressionally-mandated programs funding R&D Small Businesses to create and deliver cost-effective innovation
  - Small Business Innovation Research (est. 1982) FY18 \$9.1M
  - Small Business Technology Transfer (est. 1992) FY18 \$1.1M
- Examples of focus areas being addressed by SBIR/ STTR include:
  - Rapid development of weapons payloads via additive manufacturing
  - Automated approaches to identifying potential dual-use research
  - Mitigation of radiation effects in advanced electronics technology nodes
- Successes in innovation, commercial sales, and demonstrated relevance
  - Multibeam Corporation: From Phase I Proof of Concept to \$35M Phase III award to manufacture an advanced E-Beam system for Integrated Circuit production.
  - Radiation Monitoring Devices, Inc. / Proportional Technologies, Inc./ Development of non-HE-3 based neutron/gamma detectors



## **DTRA RDT&E Summary**



- DoD's R&D organization focused on CWMD
  - Executes the two primary DoD CWMD S&T programs
  - Integration of JIDO's efforts adds significant value to overall RDT&E portfolio
- Responds to national/DoD CWMD priorities and SecDef's Lines of Effort (LOE)
  - Supports the strategic deterrent
  - Provides USSOCOM primary support for CWMD capabilities
  - Develops, coordinates, and transitions CBDP S&T medical and physical sciences technologies for validated joint military capability needs
- WMD-related research into over 100 universities
- Preserves core scientific and technology capabilities within the Military Service laboratories
- Comprehensive integrated R&D investment increases agility to respond to new/changing requirements