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Storage Program Overview

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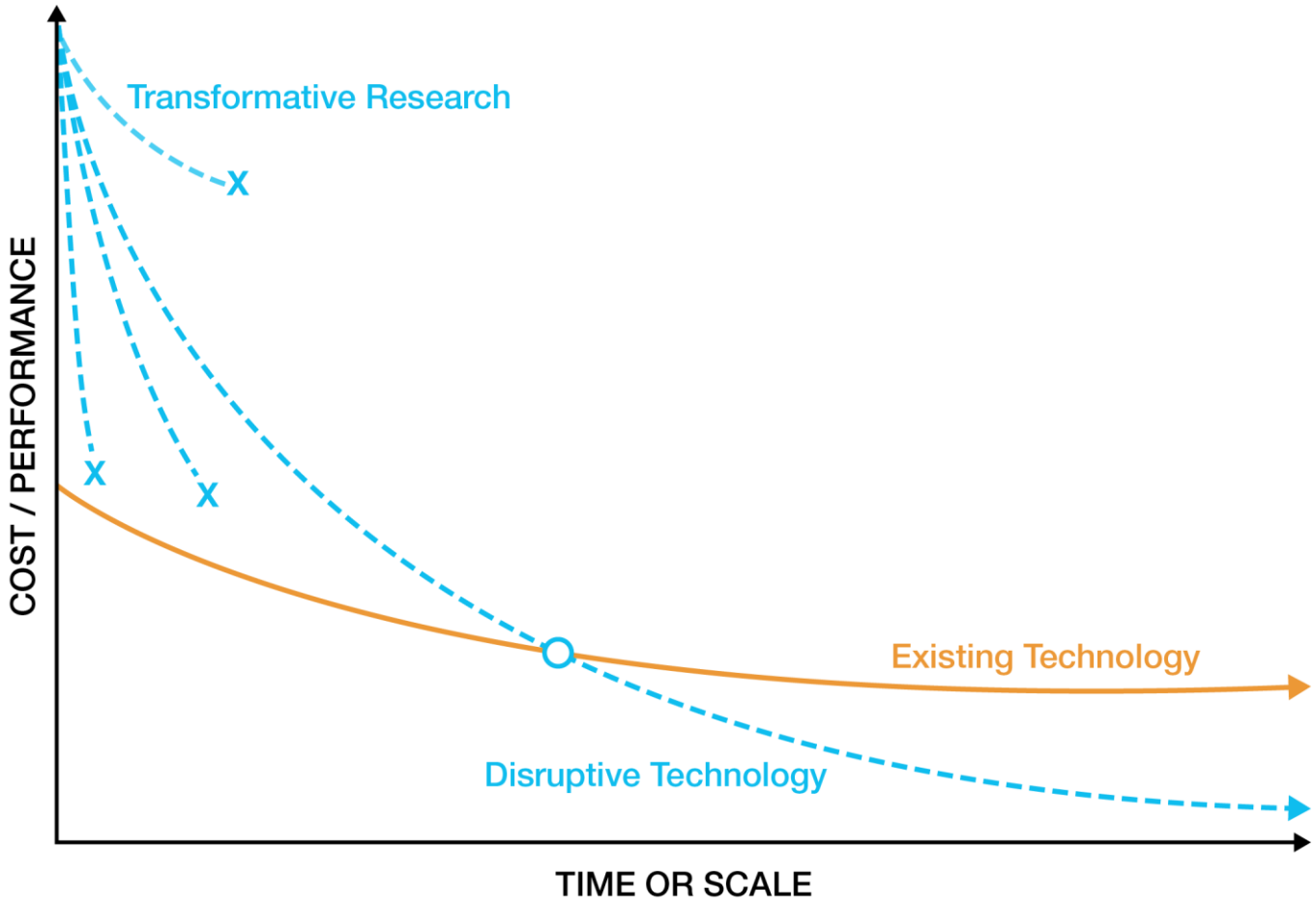
What Makes ARPA-E's Mission Unique:
Focus on High-Risk, Transformational Technologies



ARPA-E's Project Portfolio

Three-year Programs with Focused Performance Targets


BEEST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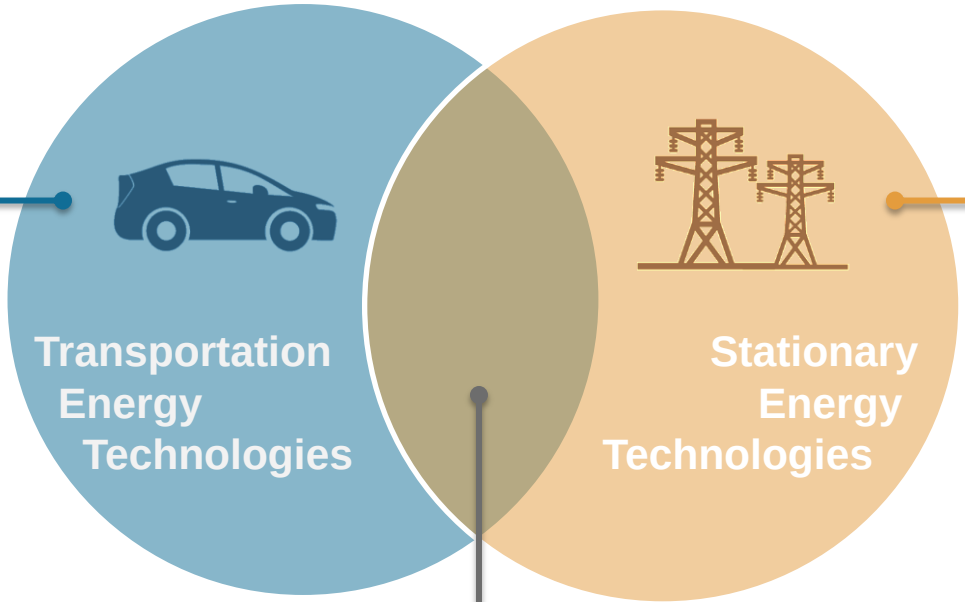
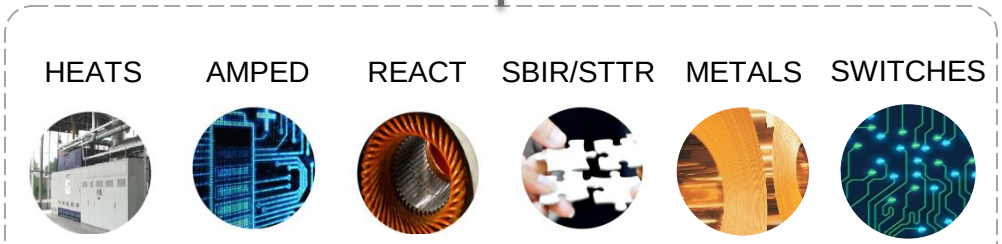
Electrofuels


MOVE


RANGE


REMOTE





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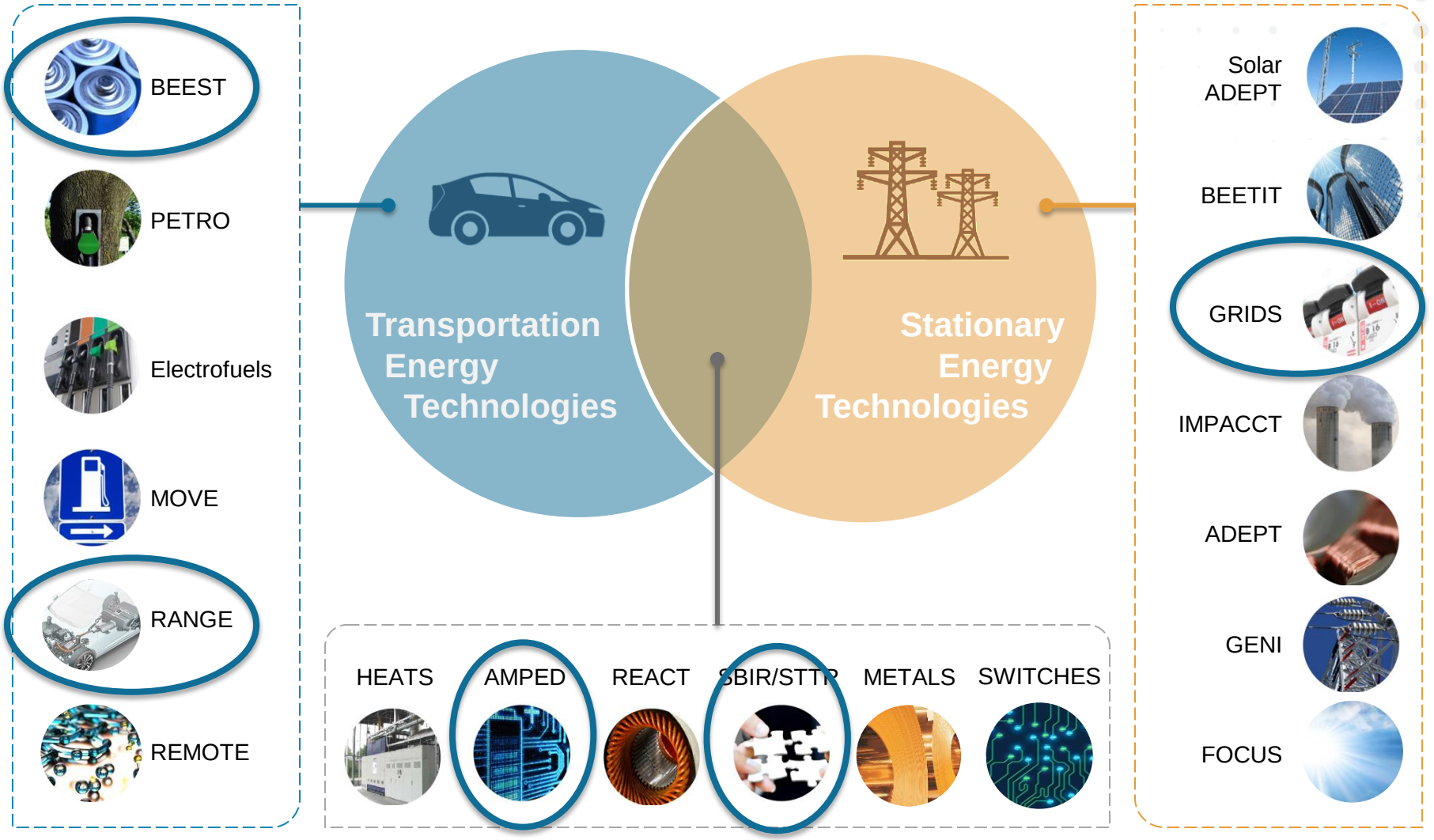
Projects are Across 5 Programs, Plus 2 Open Solicitations



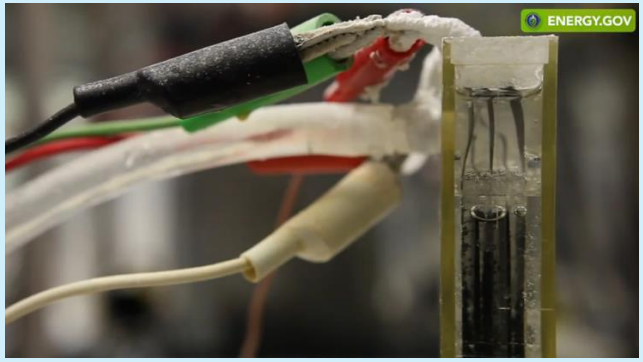
ARPA-E's Storage Portfolio Has Grown Rapidly

>$200M of Funding for Storage Technology Since 2009

PROGRAM	TECHNOLOGY AREA	FUNDING ($M)	# PROJECTS
OPEN 2009	Transportation & Stationary: Metal Air; Flow cells, capacitors, solid state	36	7
BEEST	Transportation: High Energy Density	32	10
GRIDS	Stationary: Flow cells, conventional cells, SMES, reversible fuel cell, flywheels	38	13
OPEN 2012	Transportation & Stationary: New flow Cell Chemistries; solid state	40	19
AMPED	Transportation & Stationary: Improved BMS algorithms and sensors	30	14
SBIR 2012	Transportation & Stationary: Flow cells, advanced membranes, high-temp cells	13	7
RANGE	Transportation: Robust Lower Energy Density Incorporated into Vehicle Design	36	22

Sample ARPA-E Project: CUNY

From High-Risk R&D to Storage Start-up in 48 Months



CUNY Energy Institute R&D Zn-Anode Cell

2010

- $3M ARPA-E award with aggressive life target (2000 cycles) for non-rechargable Zn-MnO_2 alkaline cell
- Technical focus was developing new cathode materials (MnO_2), electrode design, and cycling protocol
- Distinguished academic team with industry partners and T2M experience

CUNY The City University of New York

Urban Electric Power (UEP) Prototype

2014

- >2000 cycles on Zn-MnO_2, now optimizing electrode composition and electrolyte to attain >3000
- UEP founded in 2012; secured additional R&D funding from NYSERDA, BPA, and ConEd
- Closed seed round in 2012; nearing close of Series A funding

URBAN ELECTRIC POWER

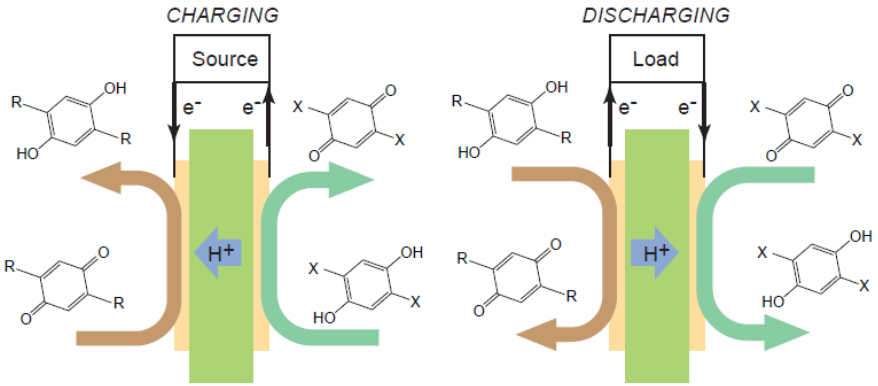
Sample ARPA-E Project: Harvard University
Novel, Low-Cost Flow Battery is Maturing Rapidly

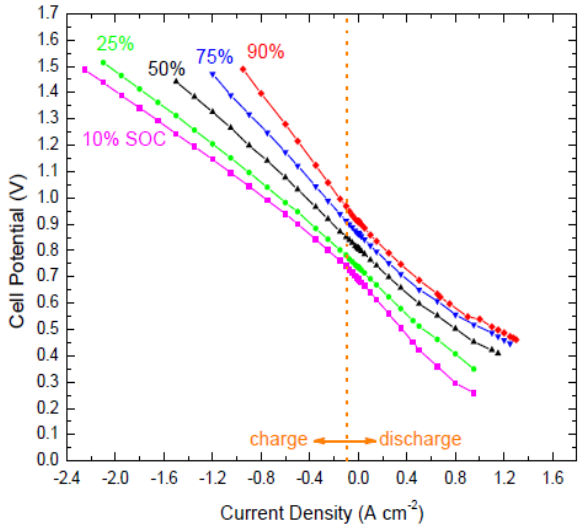
Quinone-Bromide Chemistry

- **Low Cost Electrolyte:** <$27/kWh at scale
- **Fast Kinetics:** 1000x faster than VO_2^+/VO^{2+}
- **Modest Stack Costs:** carbon paper electrodes, no catalyst
- **High Power:** > 600 mW/cm^2 (peak)
- **Durable:** > 99.8% capacity retention (700 cycles)
- **Non-Hazardous:** Aqueous, non-toxic electrolyte

Quinone-Quinone Chemistry

- Currently under development





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Sustainable Innovations

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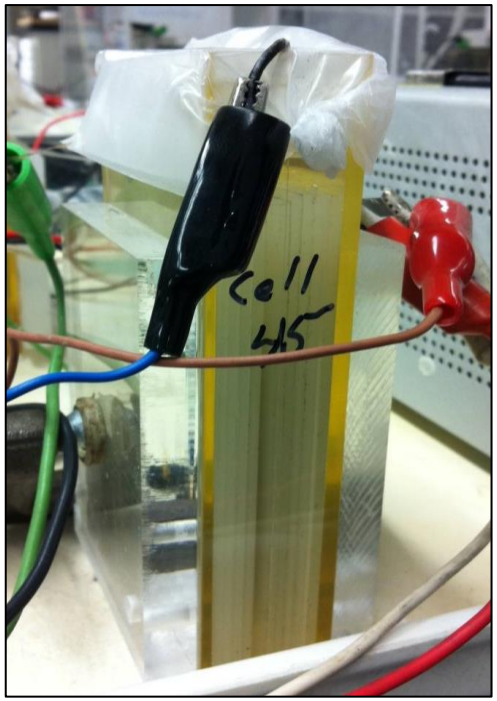
How do we create a path to scale innovation?



- Need to demonstrate performance, cycle life, cost and manufacturability of new technology at a reasonable scale
- How can we screen and optimize promising technologies before we fund costly scale up?

CHARGES: Cycling Hardware to Analyze and Ready Gridscale Electricity Storage (CHARGES)

1. Economic Valuation
2. Test Protocols
3. Battery Testing
4. Microgrid Testing
5. Commercial Deployment Pathway

- Existing ARPA-E performers provide single cell and multi-cell systems for testing
- CHARGES awardees will provide analysis and testing expertise and the facility where new storage technologies can be tested under controlled conditions as well as under “real world” microgrid operating conditions
- CHARGES awardees also will facilitate information exchange with potential buyers of stationary storage systems, including utilities and IPPs
- The objective is to resolve fundamental challenges in physics and chemistry for emerging stationary storage technologies before substantial scaling is required
- Will also generate credible performance data in the process

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