

# Process Intensification: Workshop to Identify Technology Opportunities

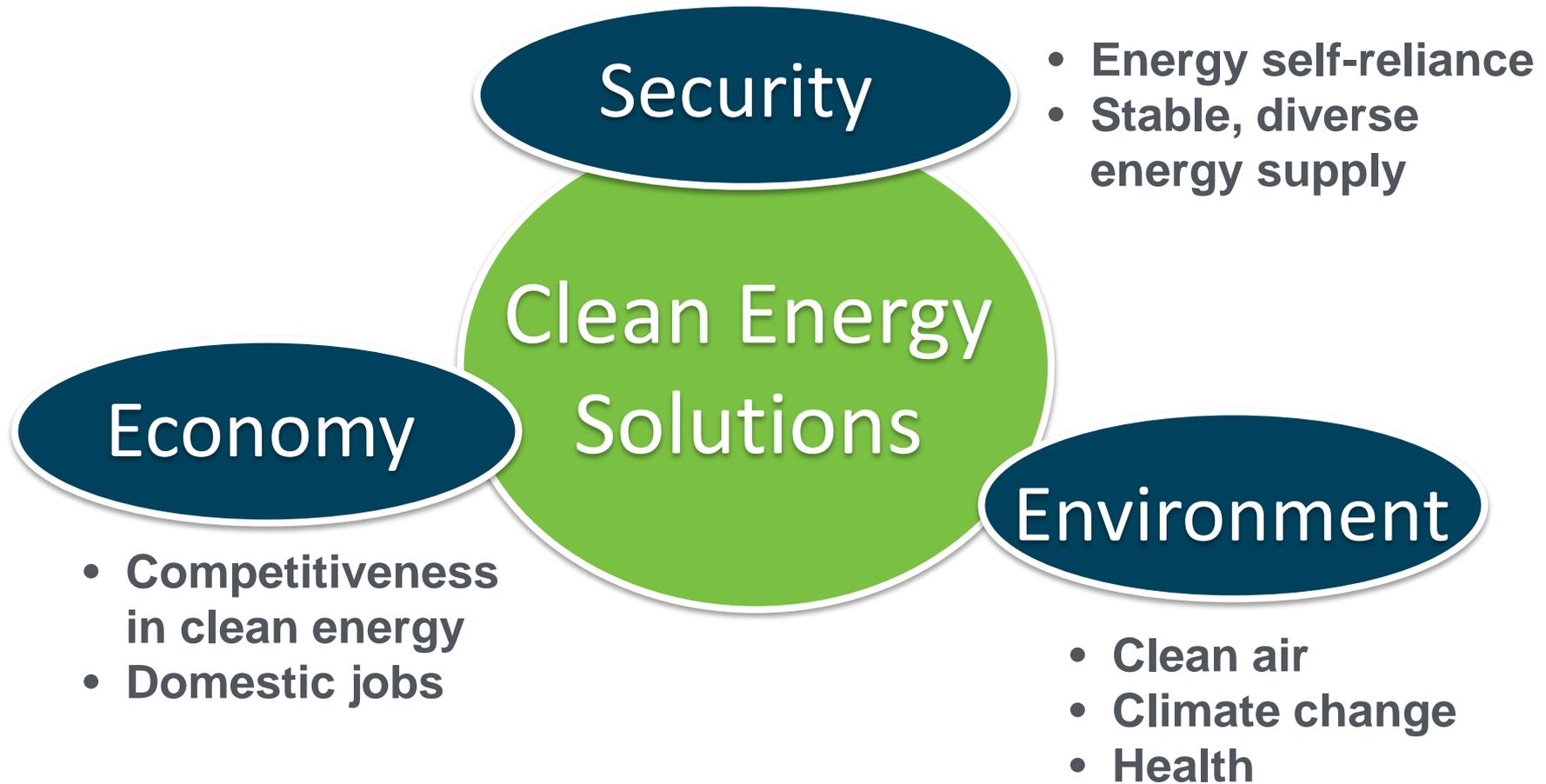
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# Former Status Quo: Clean Energy Products invented here, and made elsewhere



# Clean Energy and Manufacturing: Nexus of Opportunities



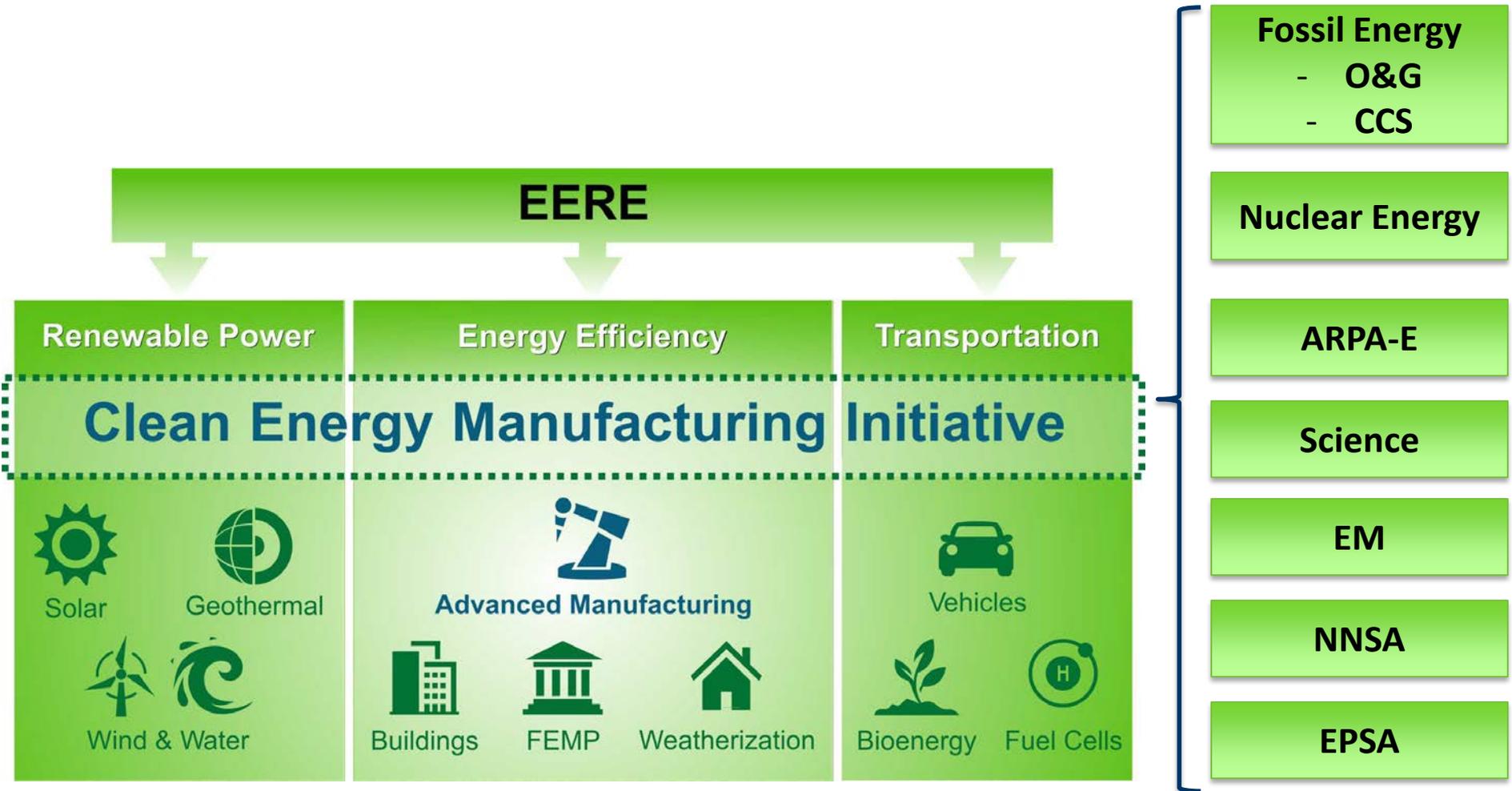
## Clean Energy Manufacturing

Making Products which Reduce Impact on Environment

## Advanced Manufacturing

Making Products with Technology as Competitive Difference

# Clean Energy Manufacturing Initiative – Across DOE



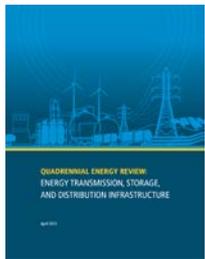
# Advanced Manufacturing – Strategic Inputs



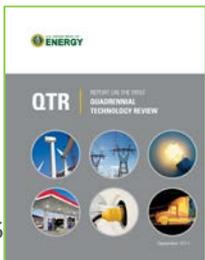
Climate Action Plan  
(EOP / CEQ / OSTP 2014)



Advanced Manufacturing Partnership (AMP2.0)  
(NEC / PCAST / OSTP 2014)



Quadrennial Energy Review  
(DOE / EPSA 2015)



Quadrennial Technology Review  
(DOE / Science and Technology 2015)

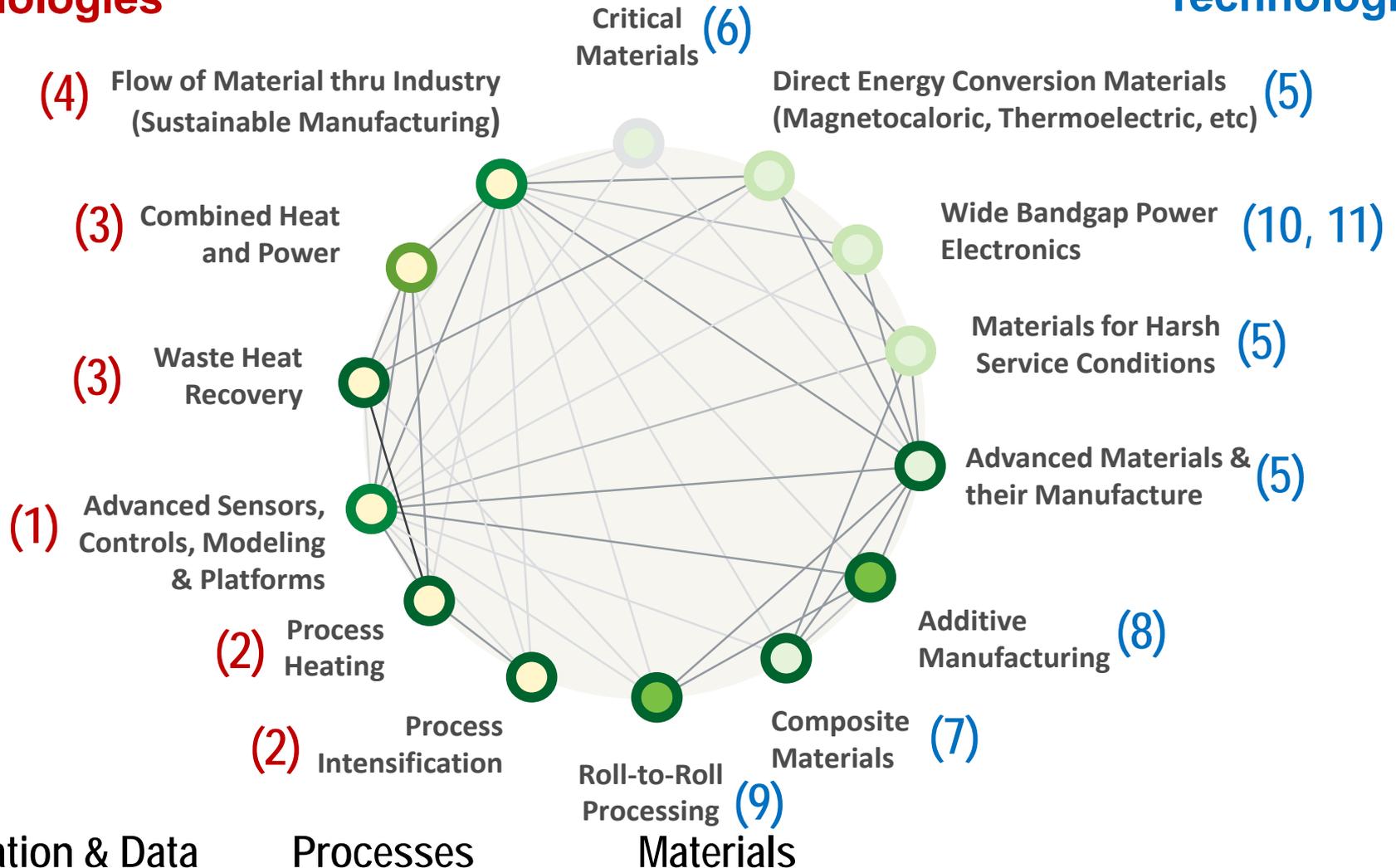
1) **Broadly Applicable**  
**Efficiency Technologies** for  
**Energy Intensive and Energy**  
**Dependent Manufacturing**

2) Platform **Materials &**  
**Processes Technologies** for  
**Manufacturing Clean Energy**  
**Technologies**

# DOE QTR: Manufacturing Technology

## Efficiency Technologies

## Enabling Platform Technologies



Energy & Resource Management

Advanced Manufacturing Processes

Materials Development

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**

Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

# Advanced Manufacturing Topical Priorities

## Efficiency Technologies for Manufacturing Processes (Energy, CO<sub>2</sub>)

- (1) Advanced Sensors, Controls, Modeling and Platforms (HPC, Smart Manf.)
- (2) Advanced Process Intensification
- (3) Grid Integration of Manufacturing (CHP and DR)
- (4) Sustainable Manufacturing (Water-Energy, New Fuels & Feedstocks)

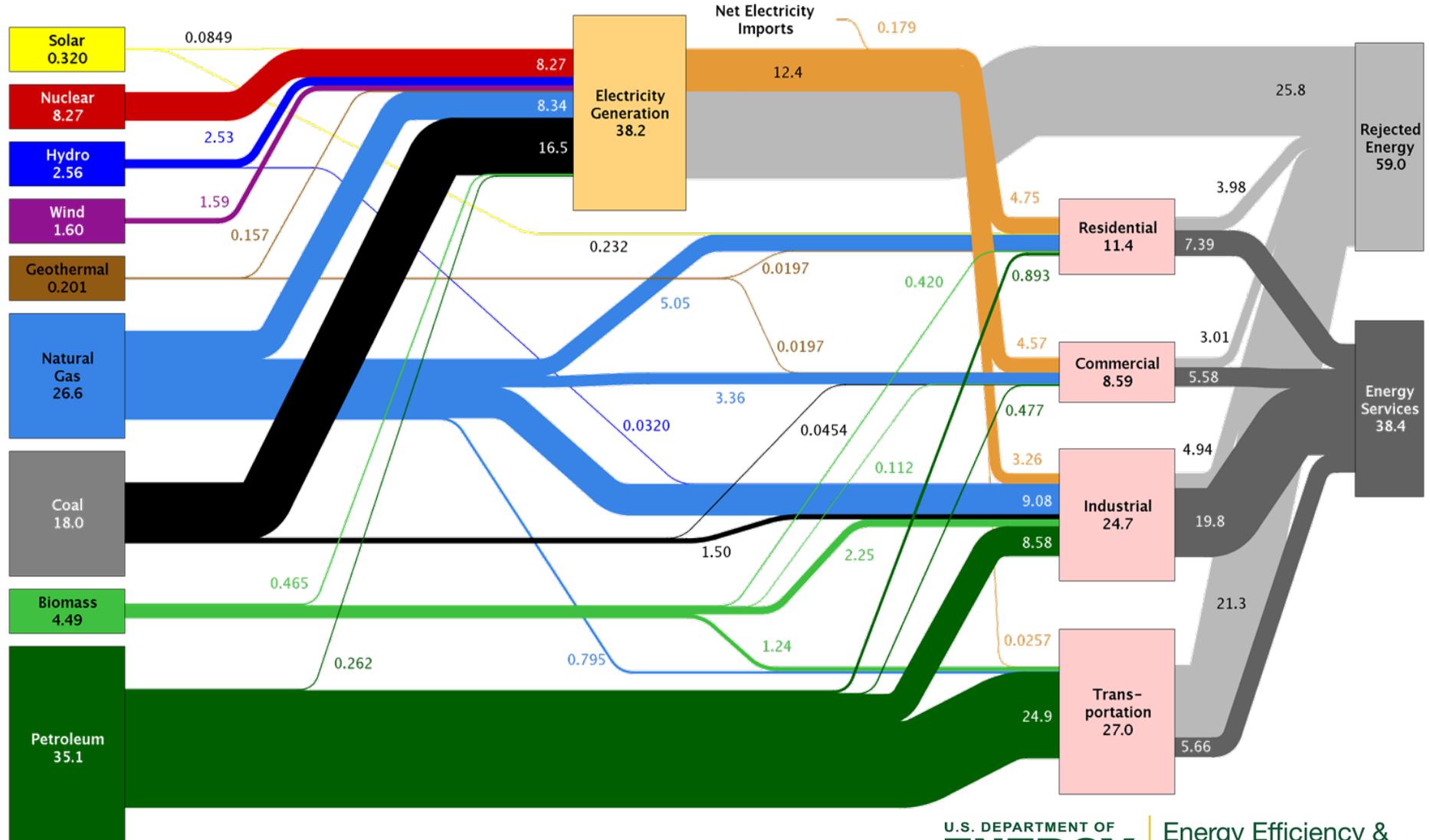
## Platform Materials & Technologies for Clean Energy Applications

- (5) Advanced Materials Manufacturing  
(incl: Extreme Mat'l., Conversion Mat'l., etc.)
- (6) Critical Materials
- (7) Advanced Composites & Lightweight Materials
- (8) 3D Printing / Additive Manufacturing
- (9) 2D Manufacturing / Roll-to-Roll Processes
- (10) Wide Bandgap Power Electronics
- (11) Next Generation Electric Machines (NGEM)

QTR Manufacturing Focus Areas Mapped to Advanced Manufacturing  
Topical Areas for Technology Development

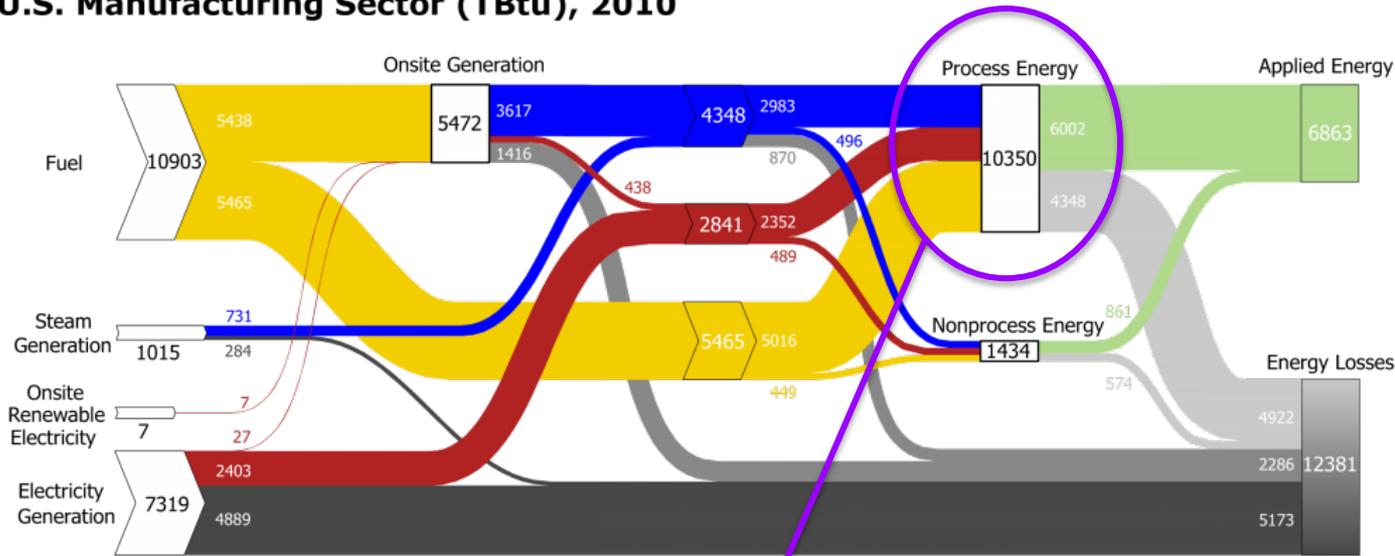
# Energy Consumption by Sector

Estimated U.S. Energy Use in 2013: ~97.4 Quads



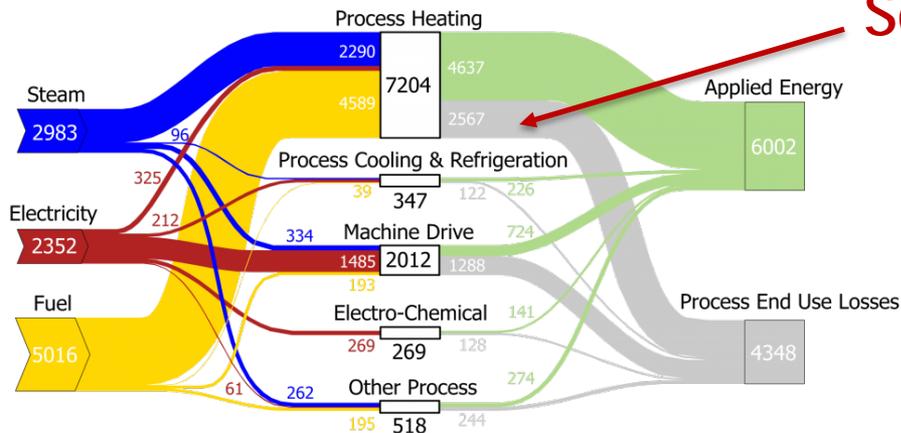
# Energy Use in the Manufacturing Sector

## U.S. Manufacturing Sector (TBtu), 2010



**LEGEND:** Fuel Steam Electricity Applied Energy Offsite Generation and Transmission Losses  
 Onsite Generation and Distribution Losses End Use Losses

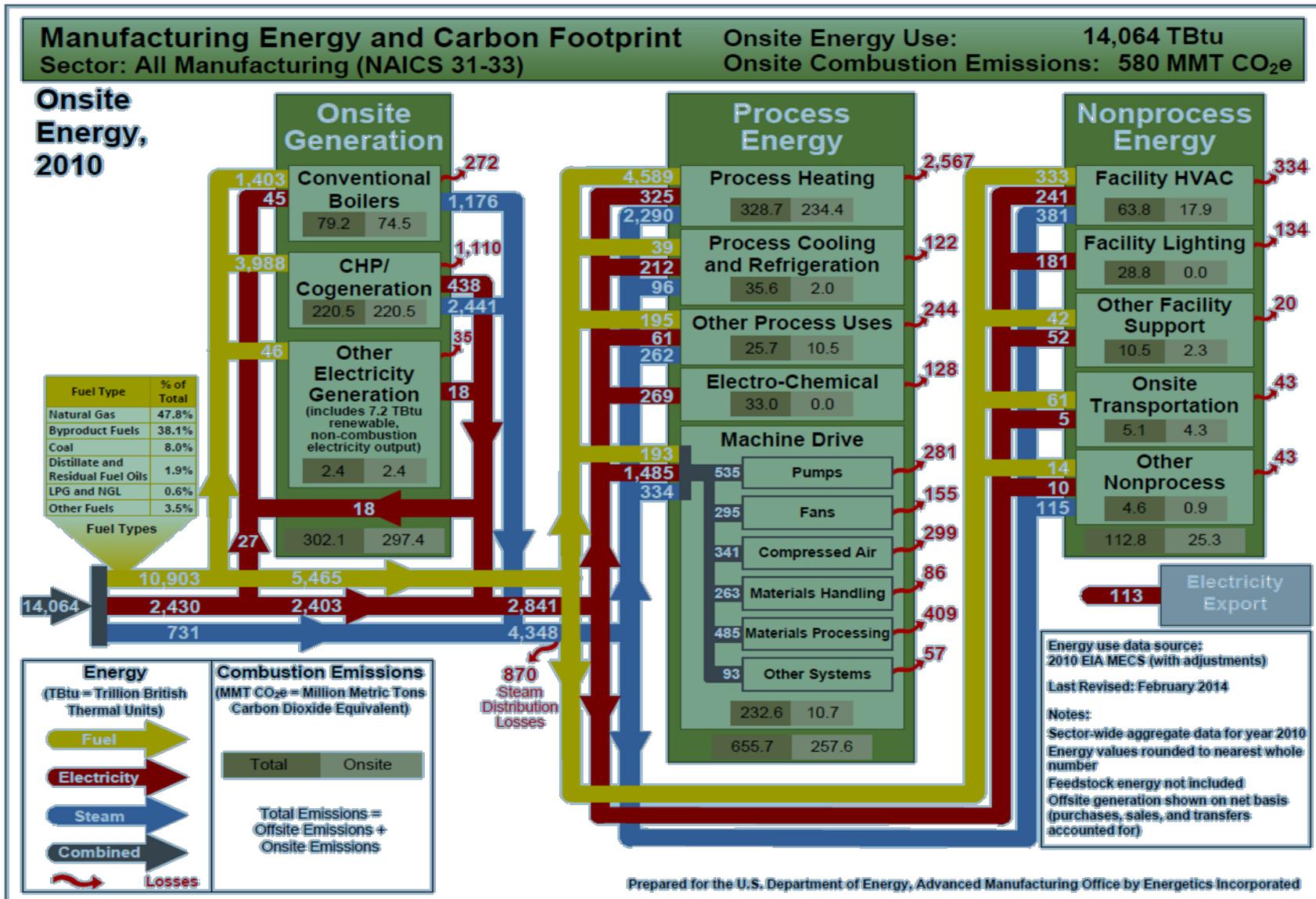
## Process Energy (TBtu), 2010



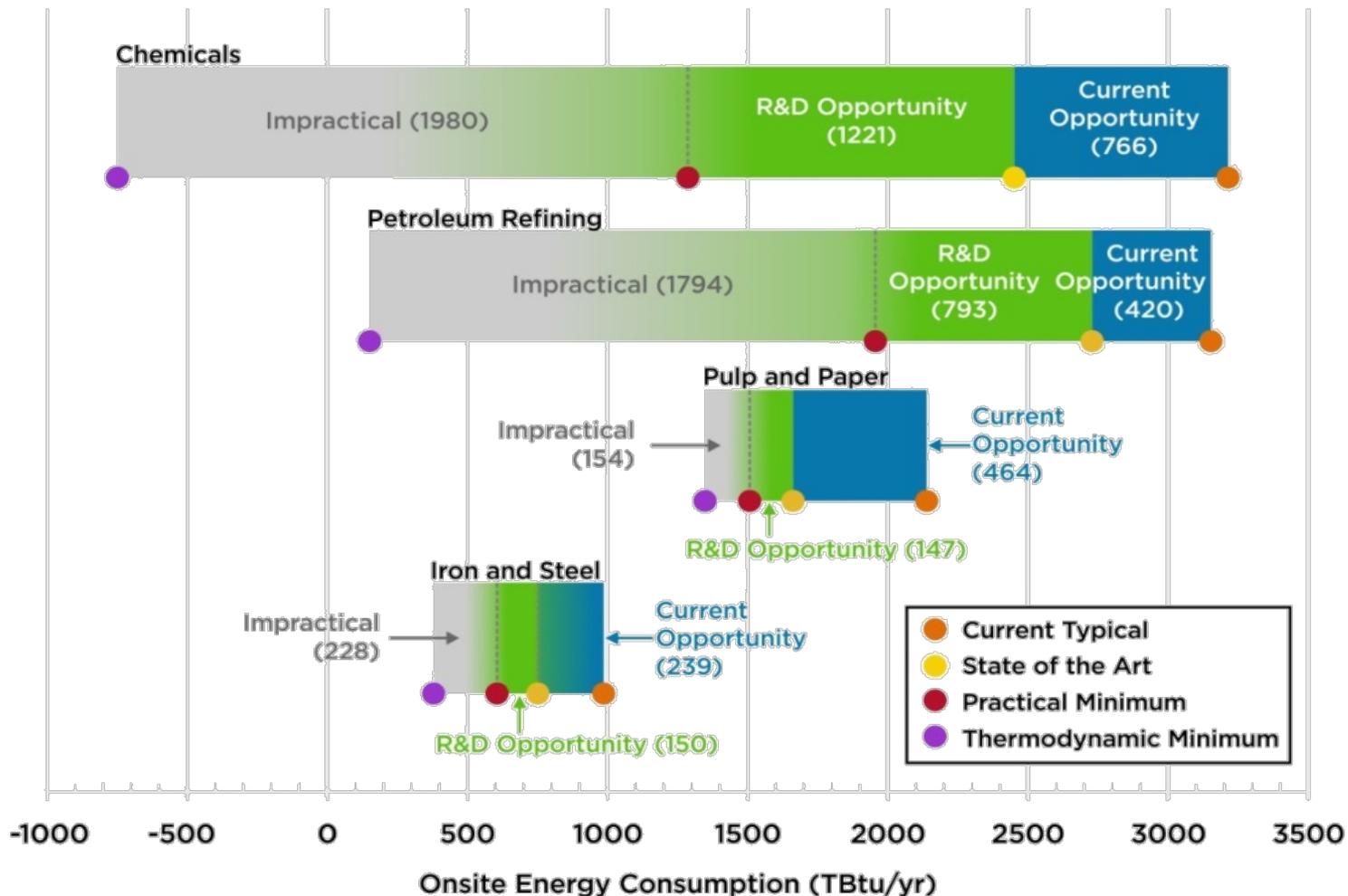
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Separations and Reactions

# Deeper Look at Energy in Manufacturing



# Bandwidth Studies: Energy Savings Potentials



Current opportunities represent energy savings that could be achieved by deploying the most energy-efficient commercial technologies available worldwide. R&D opportunities represent potential savings that could be attained through successful deployment of applied R&D technologies under development worldwide

# Energy Intensive Industries

**Primary Metals**

**1608 TBTU**



**Petroleum Refining**

**6137 TBTU**



**Chemicals**

**4995 TBTU**



**Wood Pulp & Paper**

**2109 TBTU**



**Glass & Cement**

**716 TBTU**



**Food Processing**

**1162 TBTU**



# Processes for Clean Energy Materials & Technologies

## Energy Dependence: Energy Cost Considered in Competitive Manufacturing

Solar PV Cell



Carbon Fibers



Light Emitting Diodes



Electro-Chromic Coatings



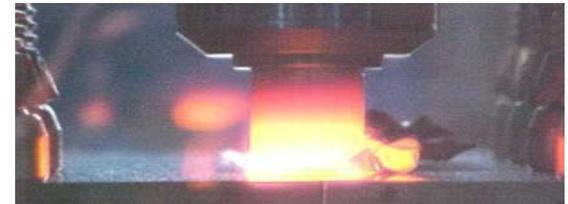
Membranes



EV Batteries



Multi-Material Joining

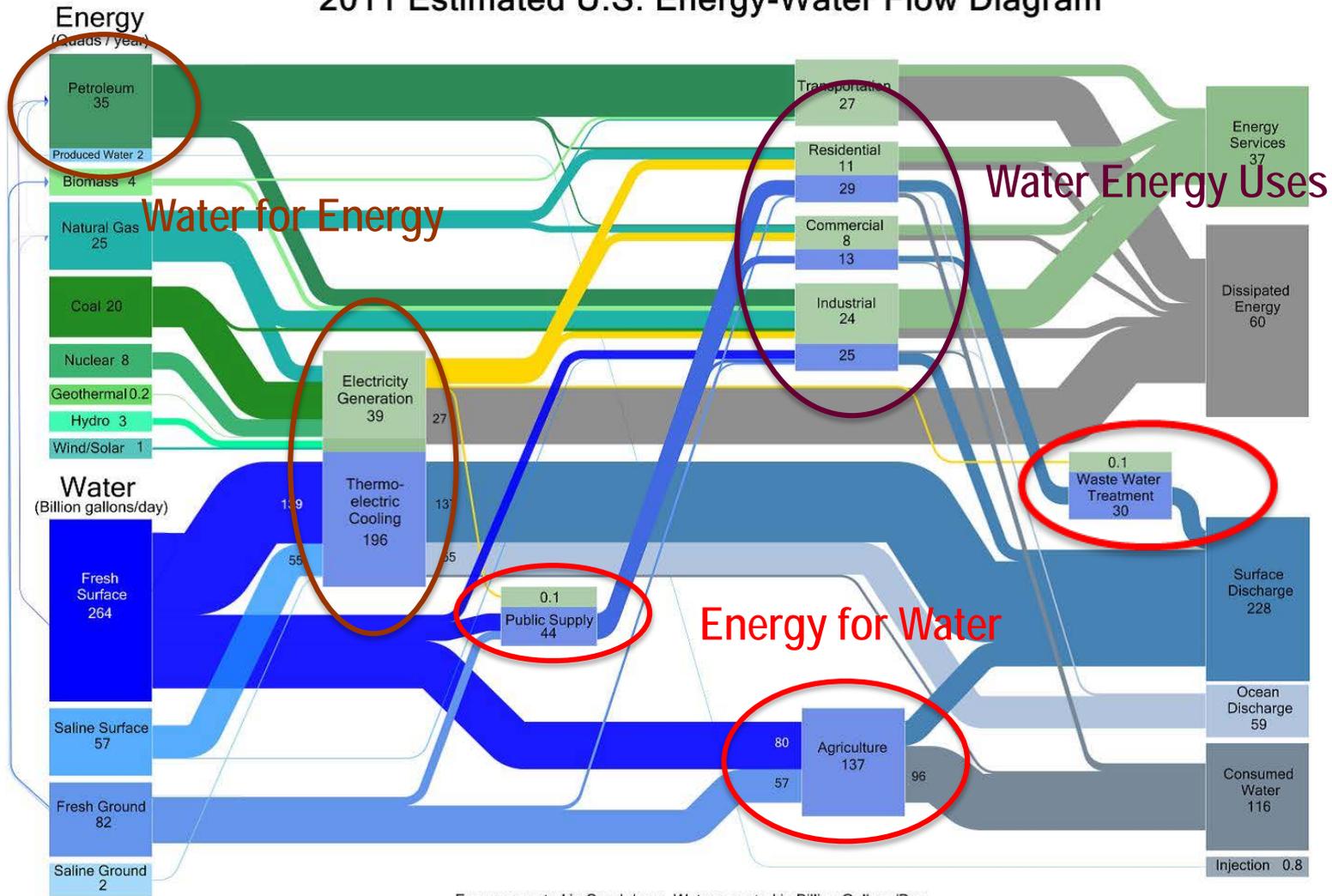


# Possible Impact Areas of Cross-Cutting Technology for Energy Intensive Industry Sectors

	Chemicals & Bio-chemicals	Petroleum Refining	Primary Metals	Forest & Food Products	Clean Water
SMART Manufacturing					
Process Intensification					
CHP & Grid Integration					
Sustainable Manufacturing					

# Water and Energy in Sustainable Manufacturing

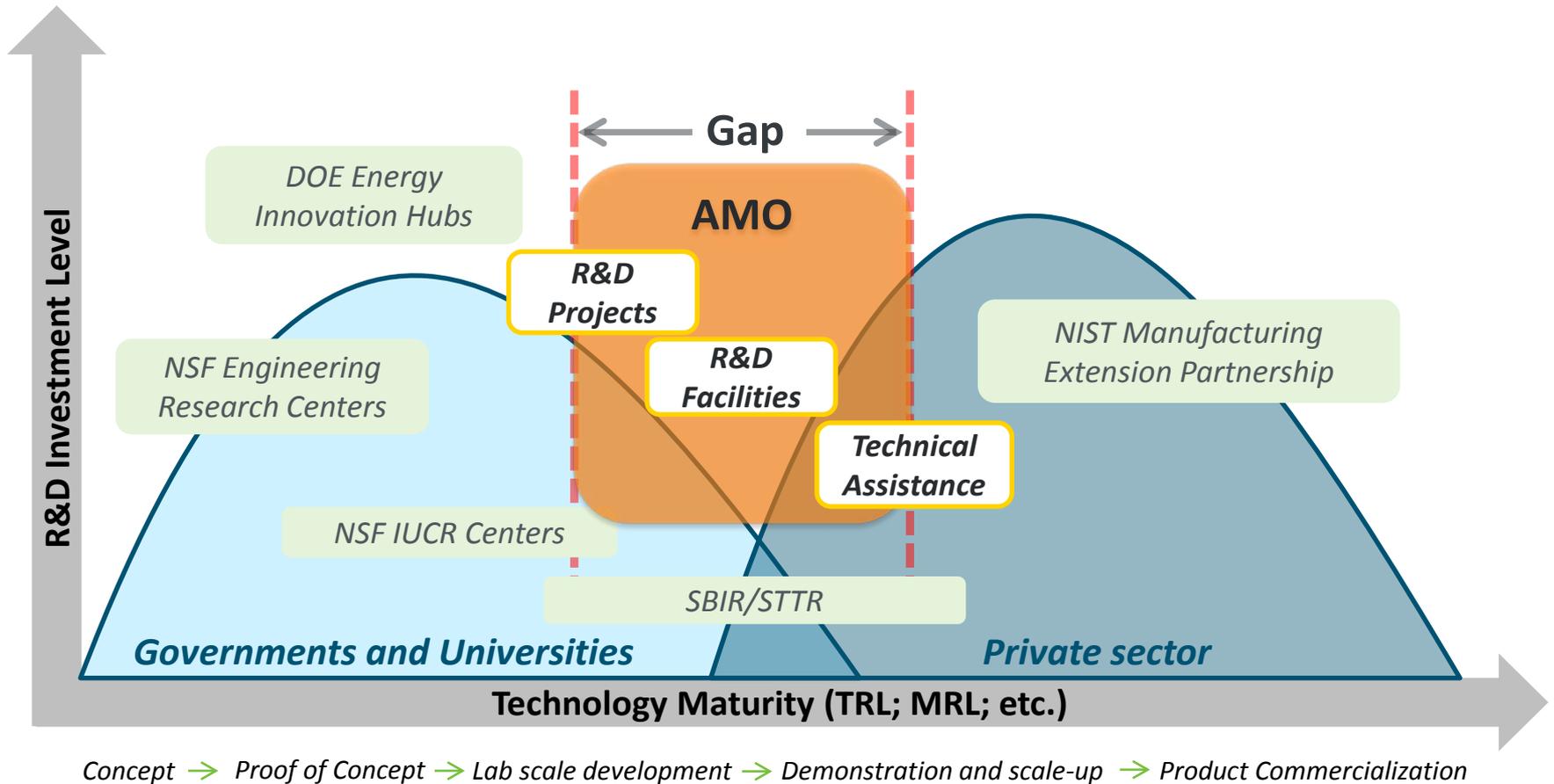
2011 Estimated U.S. Energy-Water Flow Diagram



Energy reported in Quads/year. Water reported in Billion Gallons/Day.

# Bridging the Gap to Manufacturing

## AMO: Advanced Manufacturing Office



# Modalities of Support

## Technology Assistance: (Dissemination of Knowledge)

Better Plants, ISO-50001 / SEP, Industrial Assessment Centers, Combined Heat and Power Tech Assistance Centers, Energy Management Tools & Training

## Technology Development Facilities: (Innovation Consortia)

Critical Materials Hub, Manufacturing Demonstration Facility (Additive), Power America NNMI, IACMI NNMI, CyclotronRoad, HPC4Manufacturing

## Technology Development Projects: (Individual R&D Projects)

Individual Projects Spanning AMO R&D Space - University, Small Business, Large Business and National Labs. Each a Project Partnership (Cooperative Agreement).

## AMO Elements

Three partnership-based approaches to engage industry, academia, national labs, and state & local government:

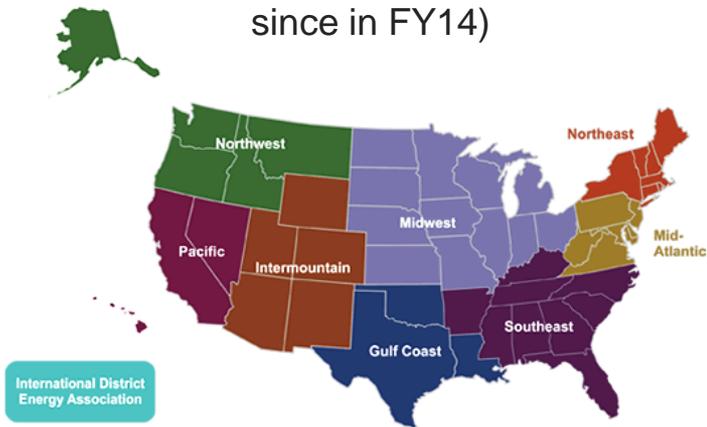
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- 1. Technical Assistance** – driving a corporate culture of continuous improvement and wide scale adoption of proven technologies, such as CHP, to reduce energy use in the industrial sector
  - 2. Research and Development Projects**
  - 3. Shared R&D Facilities**

# Industrial Technical Assistance

## Efficient On-Site Energy

Clean Energy Application Centers

(to be called Technical Assistance Partnerships since in FY14)



## Energy-Saving Partnership

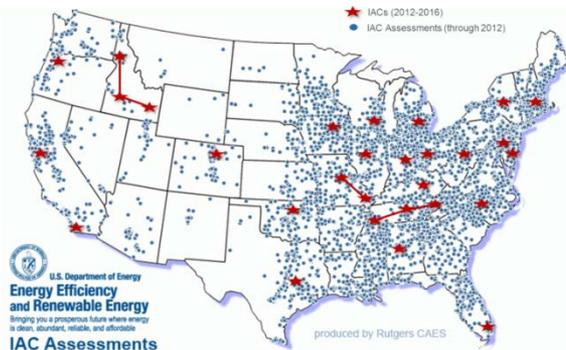


Better Buildings, Better Plants,  
Industrial Strategic Energy Management



## Student Training & Energy Assessments

University-based Industrial Assessment Centers



Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

# AMO Elements

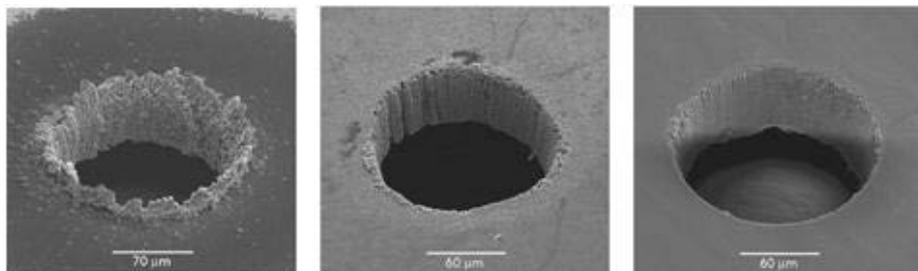
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1. Technical Assistance

 2. **Research and Development Projects** - to support innovative manufacturing processes and next-generation materials

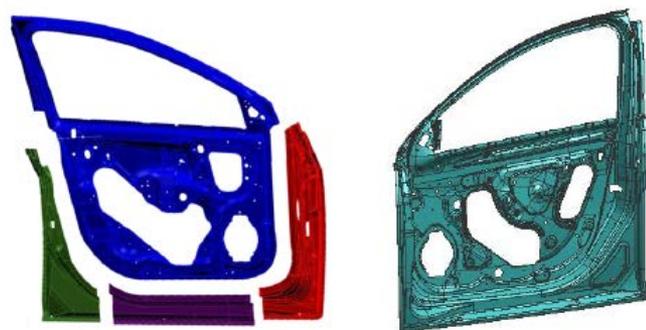
3. Shared R&D Facilities

# R&D Projects: Manufacturing Processes



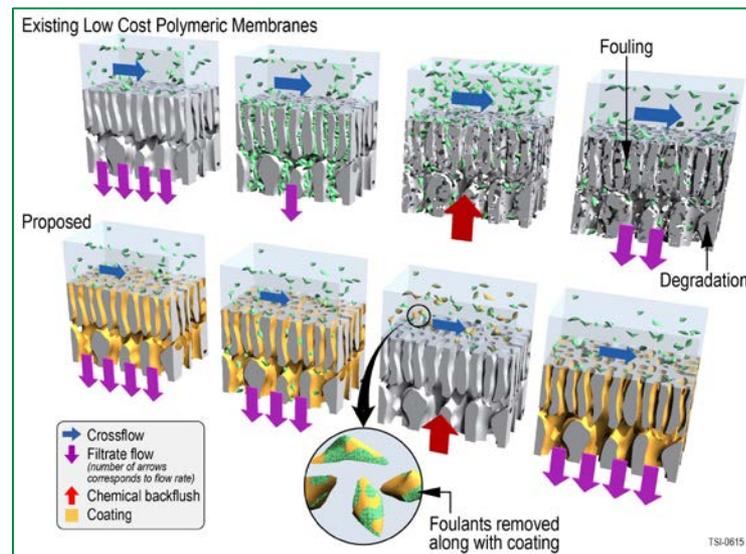
**Ultrafast, femtosecond pulse lasers (right) will eliminate machining defects in fuel injectors.**

*Image courtesy of Raydiance.*



**Energy-efficient large thin-walled magnesium die casting, for 60% lighter car doors.**

*Graphic image provided by General Motors.*

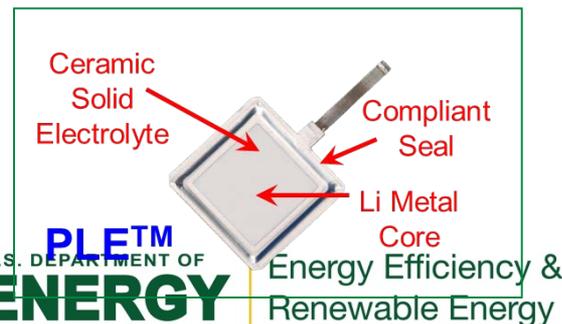


**Protective coating materials for high-performance membranes, for pulp and paper industry.**

*Image courtesy of TeledyneE*

**A water-stable protected lithium electrode.**

*Courtesy of PolyPlus*



## AMO Elements

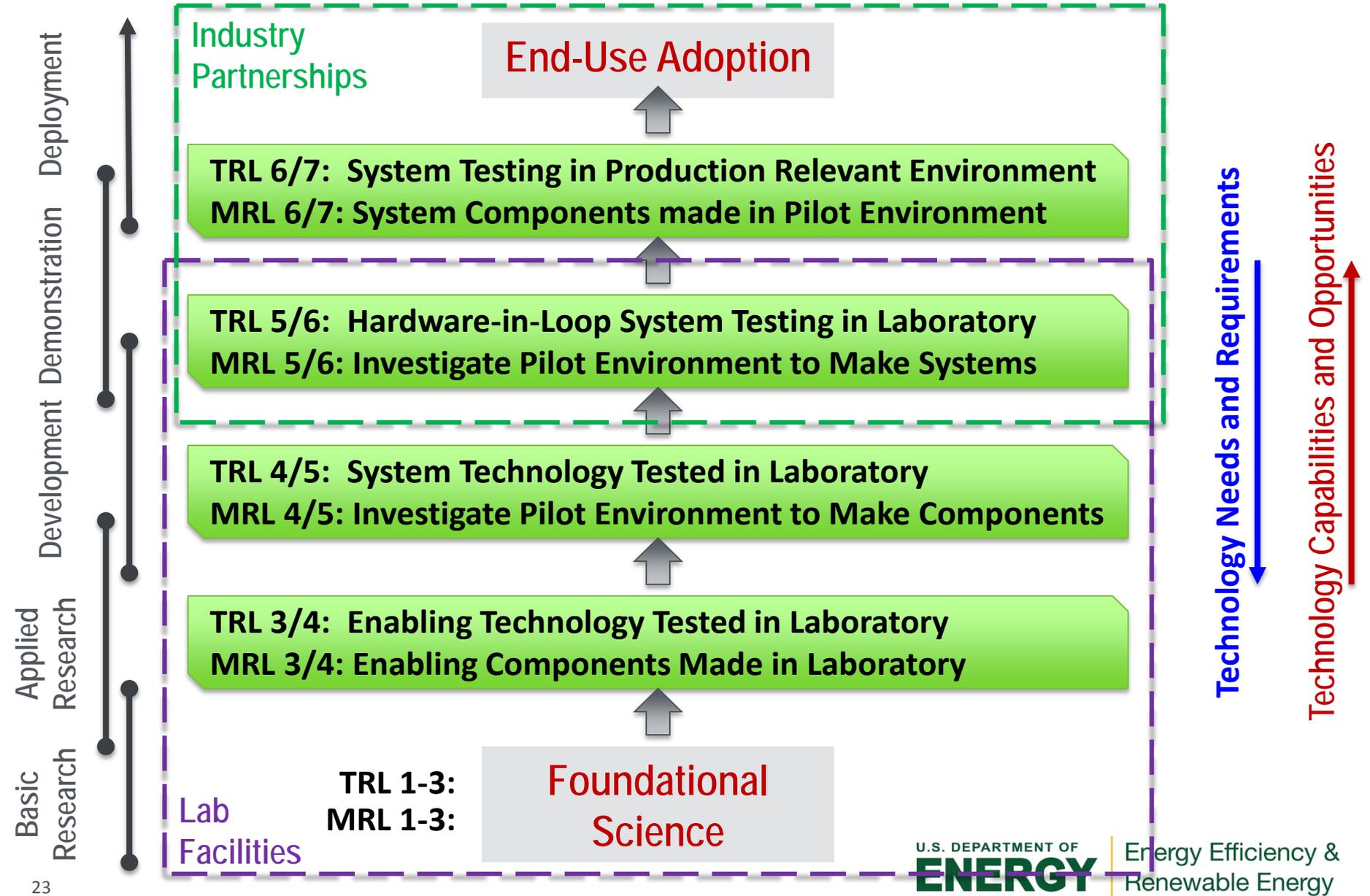
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 3. **Shared R&D Facilities** - affordable access to physical and virtual tools, and expertise, to foster innovation and adoption of promising technologies

# Manufacturing Technology Maturation



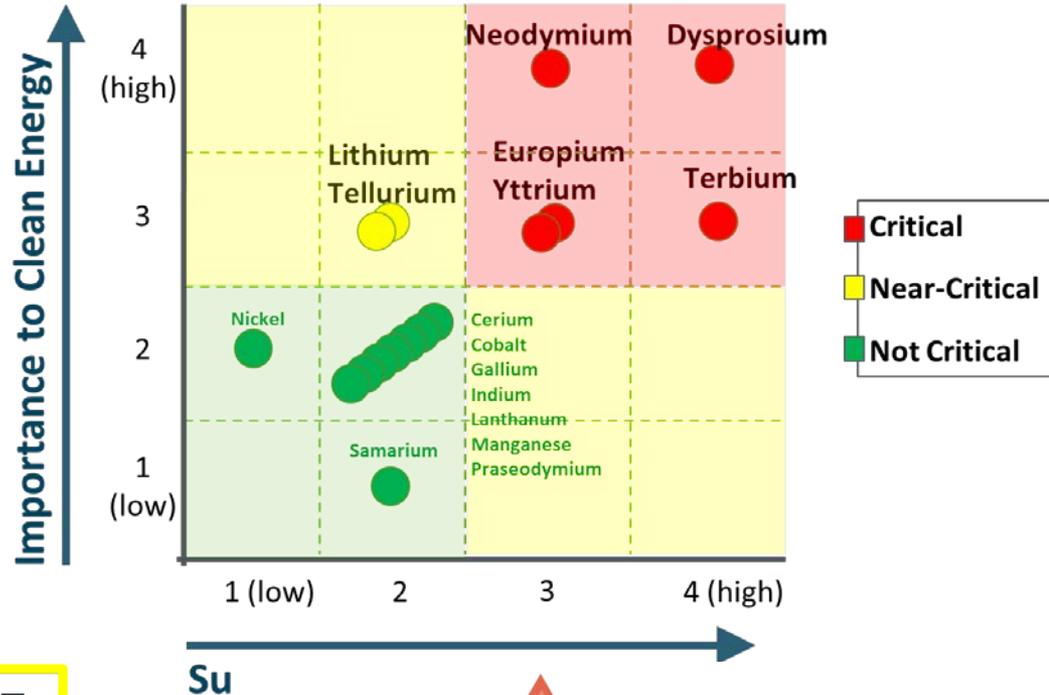


Accelerating Energy Innovations

# Critical Materials Institute

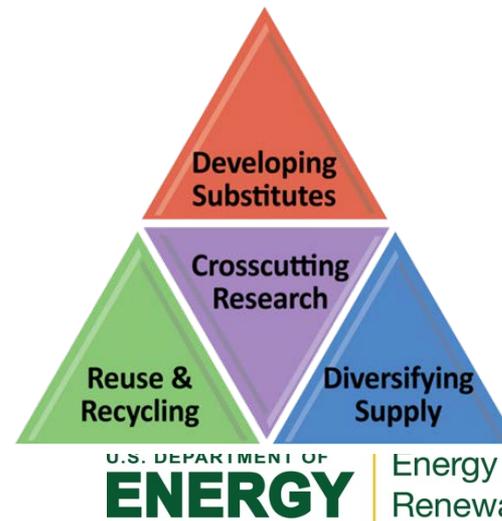
A DOE Energy Innovation Hub

- Consortium of 7 companies, 6 universities, and 4 national laboratories
- Led by Ames National Laboratory



	Dy	Eu	Nd	Tb	Y	Li	Te
Lighting		✓		✓	✓		
Vehicles	✓		✓			✓	
Solar PV							✓
Wind	✓		✓				

Critical Materials - as defined by U.S. Department of Energy, [Critical Materials Strategy](#), 2011.



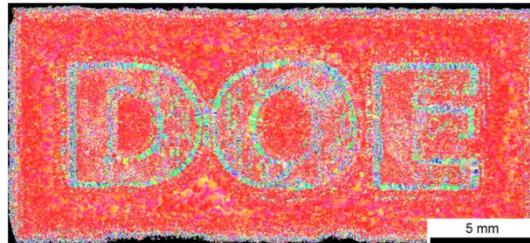
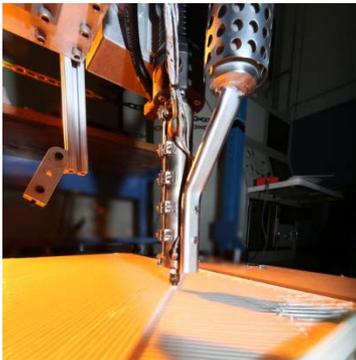
# Manufacturing Demonstration Facility

Supercomputing Capabilities

Spallation Neutron Source



America Makes



## Additive Manufacturing



Arcam electron beam processing AM equipment



POM laser processing AM equipment

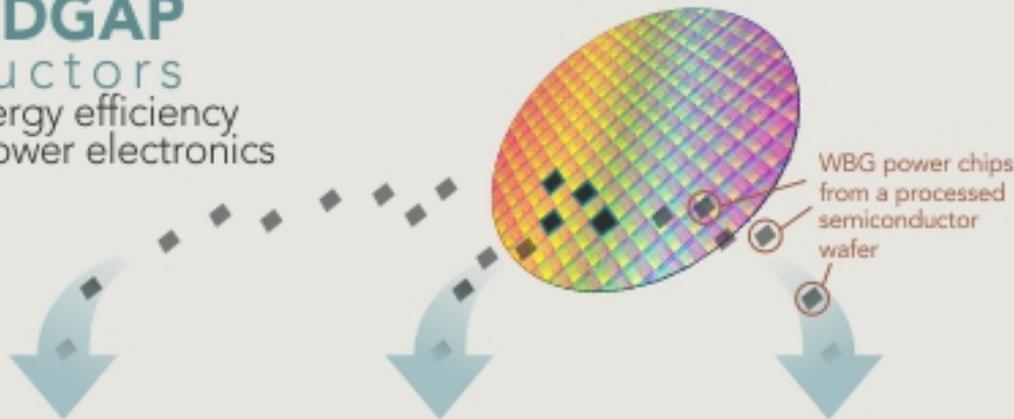


Program goal is to accelerate the manufacturing capability of a multitude of AM technologies utilizing various materials from metals to polymers to composites.

### WIDE BANDGAP

### Semiconductors

to increase the energy efficiency and reliability of power electronics



#### APPLICATION

Industrial Motor Systems

Consumer Electronics and Data Centers

Conversion of Solar and Wind Energy

### Institute Mission:

Develop advanced manufacturing processes that will enable large-scale production of wide bandgap semiconductors

- Higher temps, voltages, frequency, and power loads (compared to Silicon)
- Smaller, lighter, faster, and more reliable power electronic components
- \$3.3 B market opportunity by 2020.<sup>1</sup>
- Opportunity to maintain U.S. technological lead in WBG

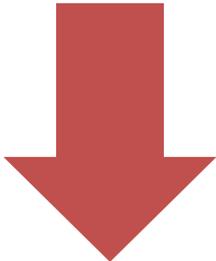
***Poised to revolutionize the energy efficiency of electric power control and conversion***

<sup>1</sup> Lux Research, 2012.

# Institute for Advanced Composite Materials Innovation (IACMI)

## Objective

Develop and demonstrate innovative technologies that will, within 10 years, make advanced fiber-reinforced polymer composites at...

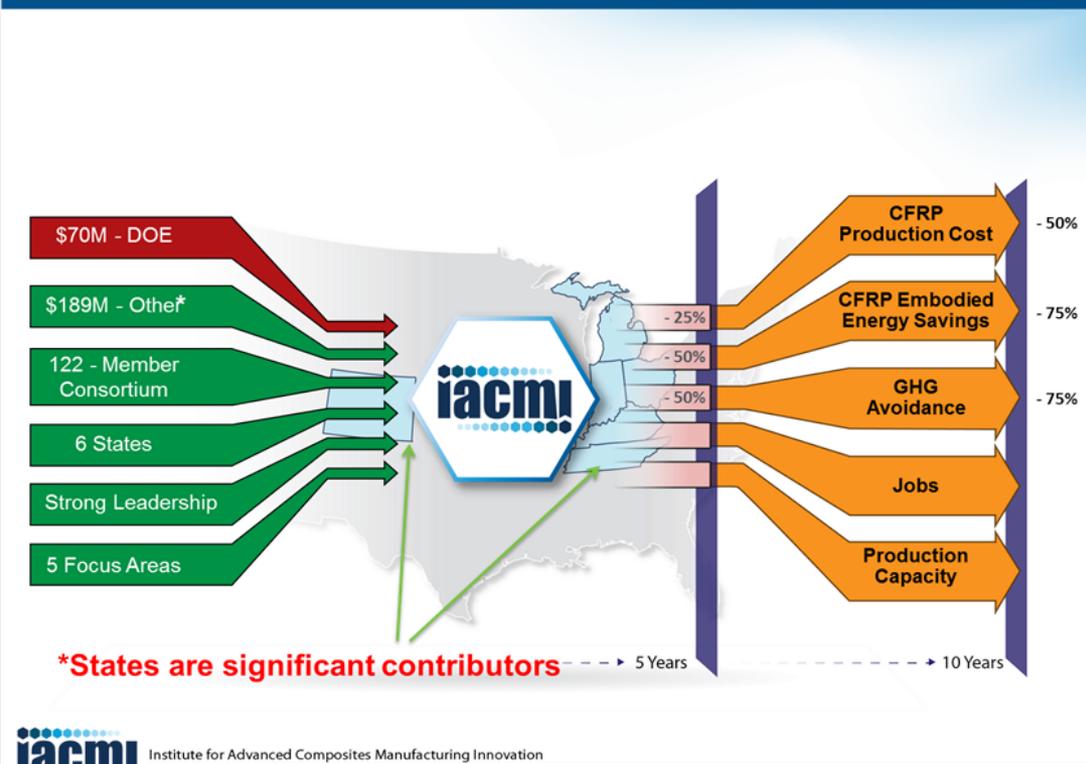


50% Lower Cost

Using 75% Less Energy

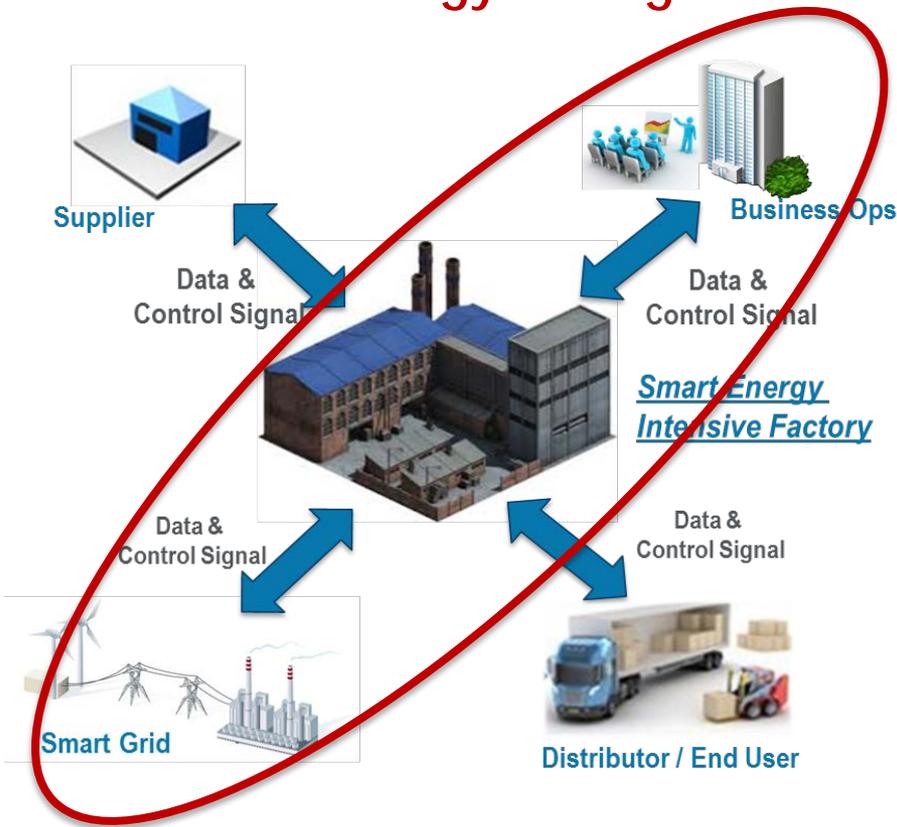


And reuse or recycle >95% of the material



# SMART Manufacturing: Advanced Controls, Sensors, Models & Platforms for Energy Applications

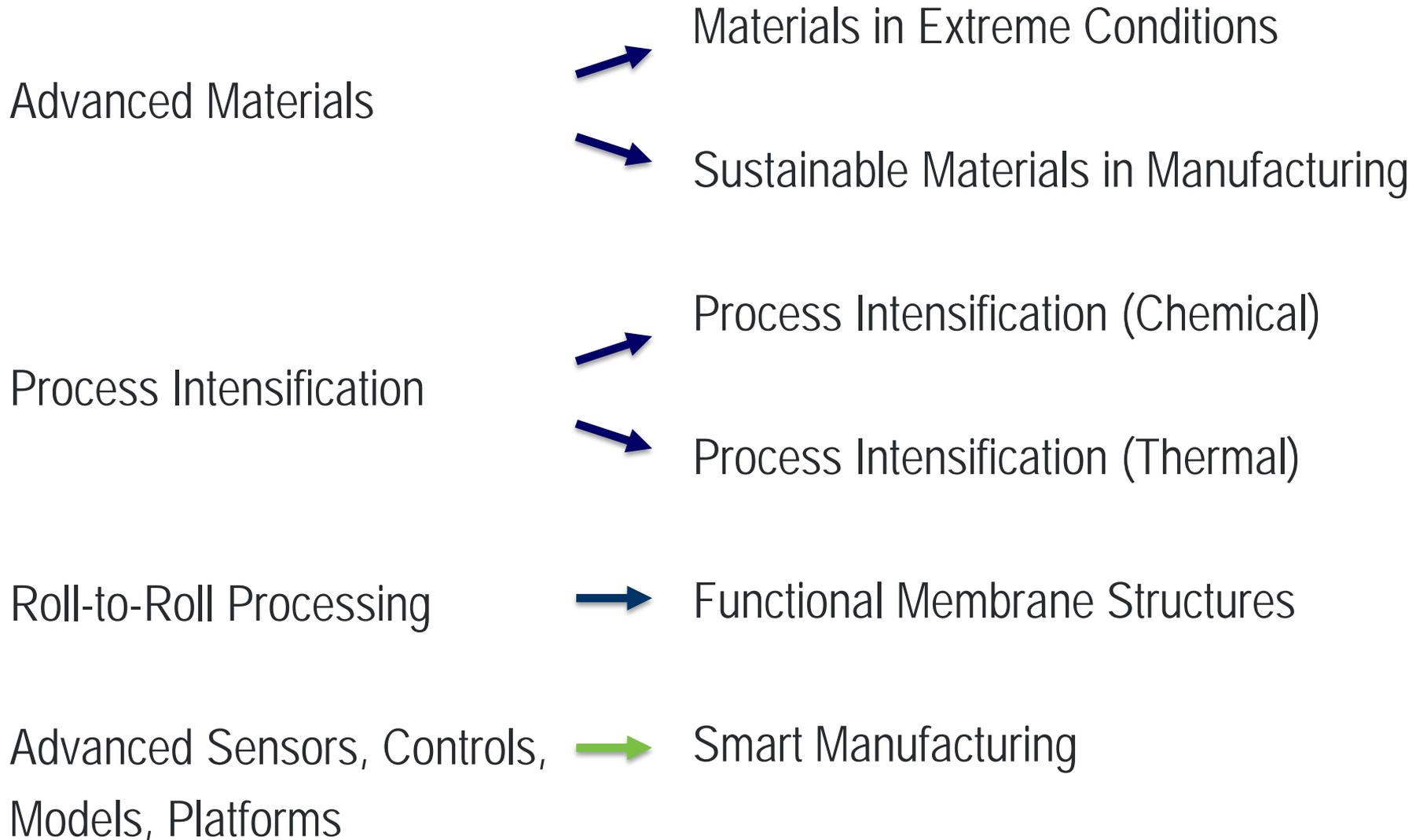
## Focus on Real-Time For Energy Management



- Encompass machine-to-plant-to-enterprise real time sensing, instrumentation, monitoring, control, and optimization of energy (>50% improvement in energy productivity)
- Enable hardware, protocols and models for advanced industrial automation: requires a holistic view of data, information and models in manufacturing at Cost Parity (>50% reduction in installation cost)
- Significantly reduce energy consumption and GHG emissions & improve operating efficiency – (15% Improvement in Energy Efficiency)
- Increase productivity and competitiveness across all manufacturing sectors:  
Special Focus on Energy Intensive & Energy Dependent Manufacturing Processes

Leverage AMP 2.0 and QTR

# Topical Engagement with Industry



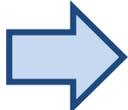


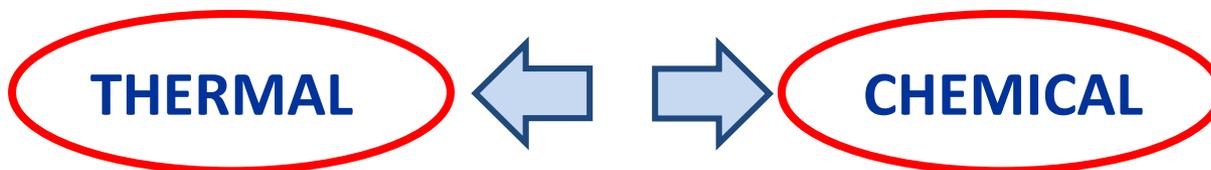
## What is Process intensification?

- Termed in 1970s by Kleemann et al. and Ramshaw<sup>[15,16]</sup>
- What does “process intensification” mean?

***Process intensification** is a chemical process with the precise environment it needs to flourish, results in better products, and processes which are **safer, cleaner, smaller, and cheaper.***

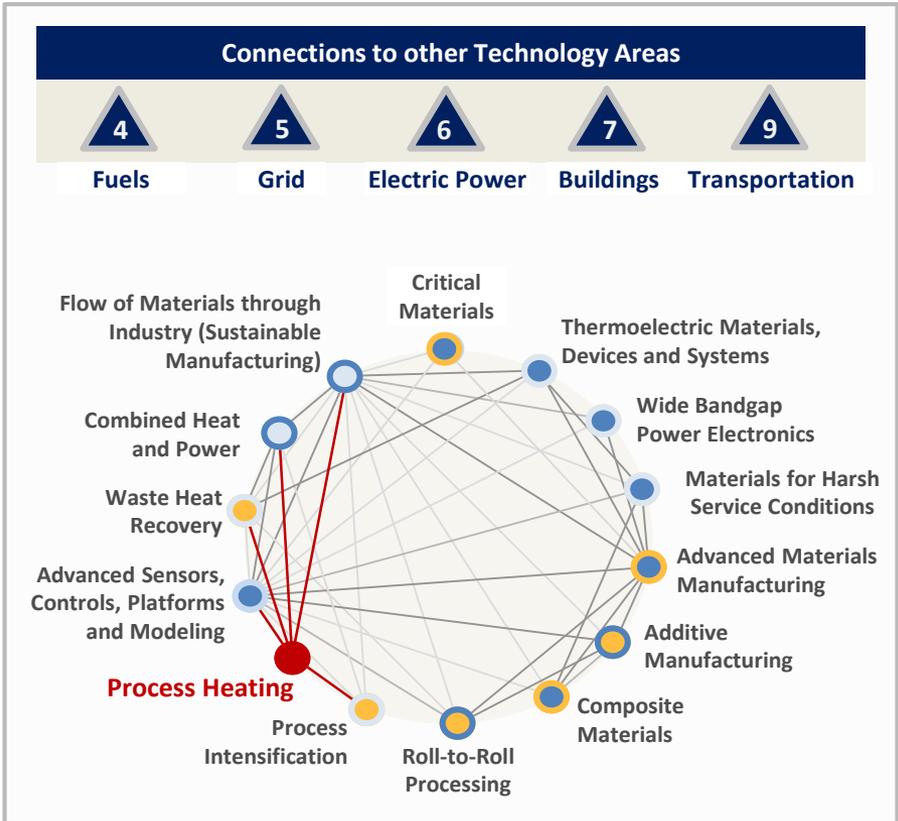
- The BHR Group<sup>[19]</sup>

Workshop in 2014  Clear need to split into two paths





# Process Heating



## Range of Applications

- Mini-mill approach to materials:
  - Glass, non-ferrous metals, cement
- Scale-able efficiency enhancements to existing processes: pulp-paper, food
- Smaller/ flexible CHP / WH utilization

### Process heating R&D opportunities and estimated energy savings\*

R&D Opportunity	Applications	Estimated Annual Energy Savings Opportunity
Non-thermal water removal	Drying and Concentration	500 TBtu
Hybrid distillation	Distillation	240 TBtu
New catalysts	Catalysis and Conversion	290 TBtu
Low-energy material processing	Cross-Cutting	150 TBtu
High-temperature materials	Cross-Cutting	150 TBtu
Ultrahigh efficiency boilers	Steam Production	350 TBtu
Waste heat recovery systems	Cross-Cutting	260 TBtu
Net and near-net-shape design and manufacturing	Casting, Rolling, Forging, and Powder Metallurgy	140 TBtu
Integrated control systems	Cross-Cutting	130 TBtu
<b>Total savings opportunity</b>		<b>2,210 TBtu</b>

**(of 7,204 TBtu consumed overall!)**

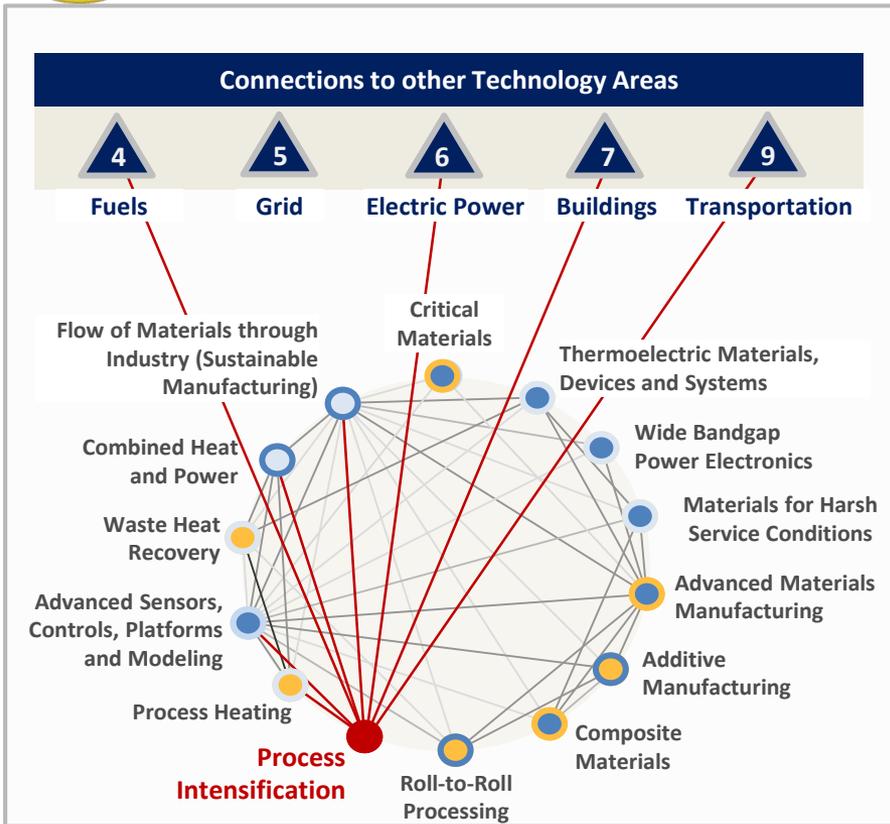
## New Scientific Opportunities

- Computational modelling of thermal processes
- low cost / high power RF, microwave sources
- High and low thermal conductivity materials
- Materials discoveries: corrosive / hot environment

\*Source: R. B. Chapas and J. A. Colwell, "Industrial Technologies Program Research Plan for Energy-Intensive Process Industries," prepared by Pacific Northwest National Laboratory for the U.S. DOE (2007)



# Process Intensification and Feedstock Conversion



## Range of Applications

- On-site upgrading of Natural Gas
- Small-Modular Chemical Processes  
(Energy Intensive and Dependent)
- Efficiency Water Separation / Processing
- Environmental Management / Clean-up

2010 production, energy consumption, and estimated energy savings potential from successful implementation of process intensification for 11 energy-intensive chemicals\*

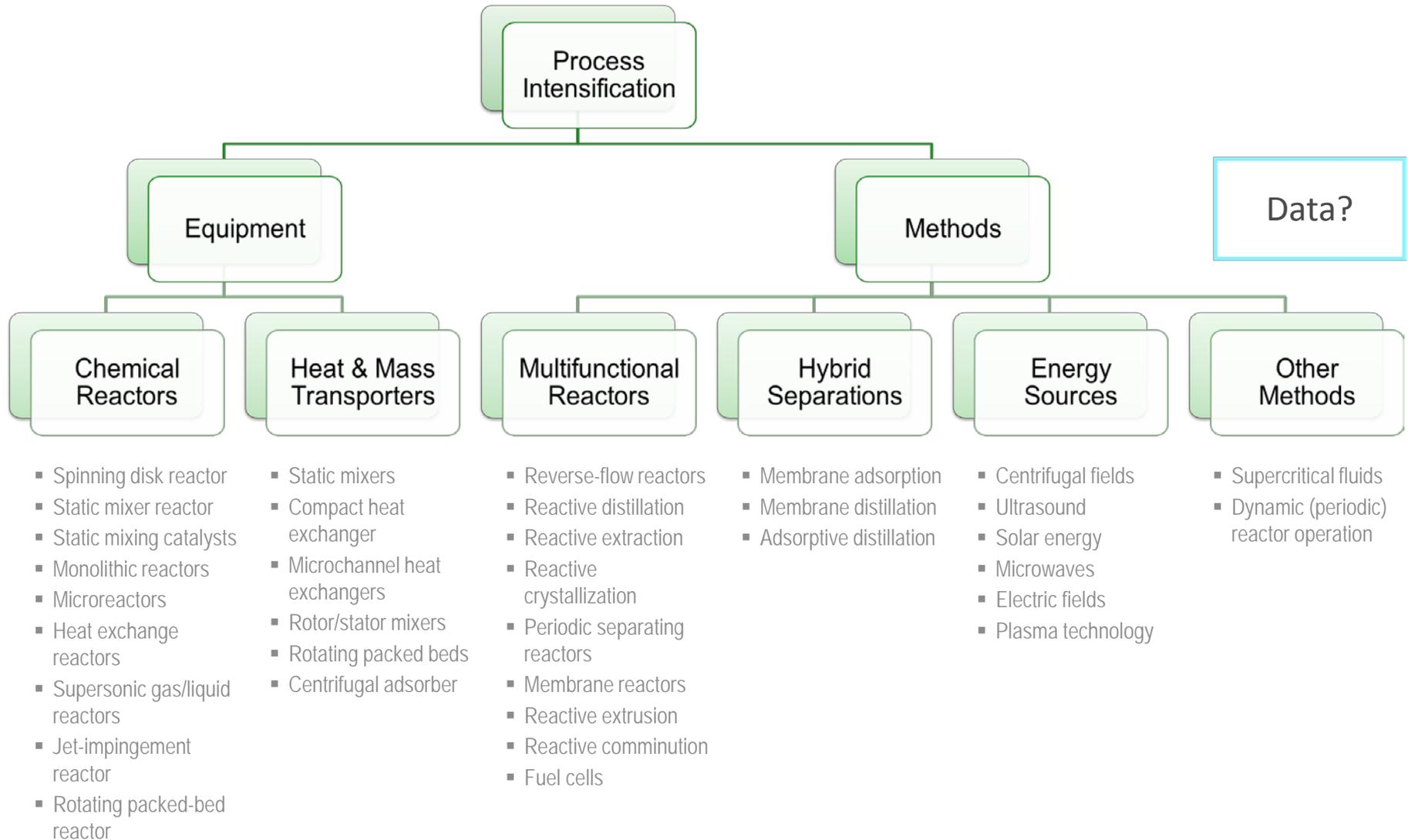
Chemical	Production (1x10 <sup>6</sup> lbs)	Calculated Site Energy (TBtu/yr)	Energy Reduction Opportunity (TBtu/yr)
Ethanol	66,080	307 TBtu	264 TBtu
Ethylene	52,864	374 TBtu	107 TBtu
Ammonia	22,691	133 TBtu	78 TBtu
Chlorine / Sodium Hydroxide	21,465 / 16,581	141 TBtu	36 TBtu
Nitrogen/Oxygen	69,609 / 58,287	99 TBtu	18 TBtu
Terephthalic Acid	2,217	16 TBtu	17 TBtu
Hydrogen	6,591	6 TBtu	17 TBtu
Propylene	31,057	42 TBtu	11 TBtu
Carbon Black	3,415	13 TBtu	7 TBtu
Ethylene Oxide	5,876	11 TBtu	4 TBtu
Methanol	2,024	10 TBtu	4 TBtu
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>358,757</b>	<b>1,152 TBtu</b>	<b>563 TBtu</b>

## New Scientific Opportunities

- Leverage High Fidelity Computational Design of Materials Chemical Processes
- Breakthroughs in Catalysis (EFRCs, etc)
- Micro-reactor / Micro-mixing Structures
- Integrated Thermal Exchange Systems

\*Source: Chemical Industry Energy Bandwidth Study. Prepared by Energetics, Inc. for U.S. Department of Energy, AMO. To be published in 2015.

# Examples of Process Intensification



- Mix, React, Separate & Manage Heat
- Materials, Processes and Information

# Questions We Asked: RFIs and Workshops

Core Questions	Application to NNMI Topic Selection
<b>High Impact:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is manufacturing challenge to be solved?</li> <li>• <u>If solved, how does this impact clean energy goals?</u></li> <li>• If solved, who will care and why specifically?</li> </ul>
<b>Additionality:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who is supporting the fundamental low-TRL research &amp; why wouldn't they support mid-TRL development?</li> <li>• Who else might fund this mid-TRL development &amp; how might EERE/AMO support catalyze this co-investment?</li> </ul>
<b>Openness:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has this mid-TRL Manufacturing Challenge been Stated Broadly?</li> <li>• Is there Fertile low-TRL Scientific Base to Address the Challenge?</li> <li>• Has a Broad Set of Stakeholders been Engaged in Dialog?</li> </ul>
<b>Enduring Economic Benefit:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Would this Manufacturing Challenge Impact More than One Clean Energy Technology Application?</u></li> <li>• Is Industry Currently Trying to Identify Solutions?</li> </ul>
<b>Proper Role of Government:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the National Interest? <u>What is the Market Failure?</u> (Why Would Industry Not Solve this By Itself?)</li> <li>• Is there a Pathway for Federal Funding to End &amp; What are the Metrics for This Transition?</li> <li>• Is there Large Potential for Follow-On Funding, &amp; What are the Stage Gates to Follow-On Support?</li> </ul>
<b>+ Appropriate Mechanism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Why is this specific mid-TRL Problem Best Addressed through a 5-Year, Multi-participant, Industry-oriented Institute (NNMI) now?</u></li> </ul>

# High Impact

## Knowns

- Chemicals are Energy Intensive
- Specific Chemicals have High Energy Intensity
- New Resources / Feedstocks for Chemicals (Nat Gas)
- Other Sectors would Benefit
- Need for Students
- Research is Expensive

## Unknowns

- What are the specific unmet technical challenges?
- What new insights might be applied to these challenges?
- How would multiple sectors work on shared issues?
- How might direct competitors interact?

LIKE QUANTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE IMPACTS

# Additionality

## Knowns

- Chemical (or other specific industry) would benefit
- Collection Radius is a critical factor in distributed resources
- Traditional scaling laws are can lead to risk aversion
- Other countries are working in on Process Intensification

## Unknowns

- Existing R&D trajectory for PI development?
- How might PI community grow if we are successful?
- What is the technical and economic white-space?
- What are Necessary Secondary Technologies (ex: Stable, Cost effective Materials; new Processes)?

# Openness

## Knowns

- Engaging with Industry will Provide New Thinking
- Open, Merit-Based Competition provides Opportunity for New Ideas

## Unknowns

- Can Different Industries find Common Areas of Interest?
- What are those Common Interests?
- Is there a Supply Chain that Needs to Be Developed?
- Who is Missing?
- What can be Learned From Prior Efforts?

# Enduring Impact

## Knowns

- Specific Industries would Greatly Benefit from Technology, if Developed
- Specific Companies & Organizations would Greatly Benefit from Technology, if Developed
- There is an Enduring Need for Products which could be Developed
- US could Benefit from Technology & Ecosystem

## Unknowns

- If it is so beneficial, why couldn't Industry or Companies just do this?
- If the Technology is Developed, why would Industry, States, etc. continue to Support this?
- Are there State / Regional or NGO groups which would Benefit if Successful?

# Role of Government

## Knowns

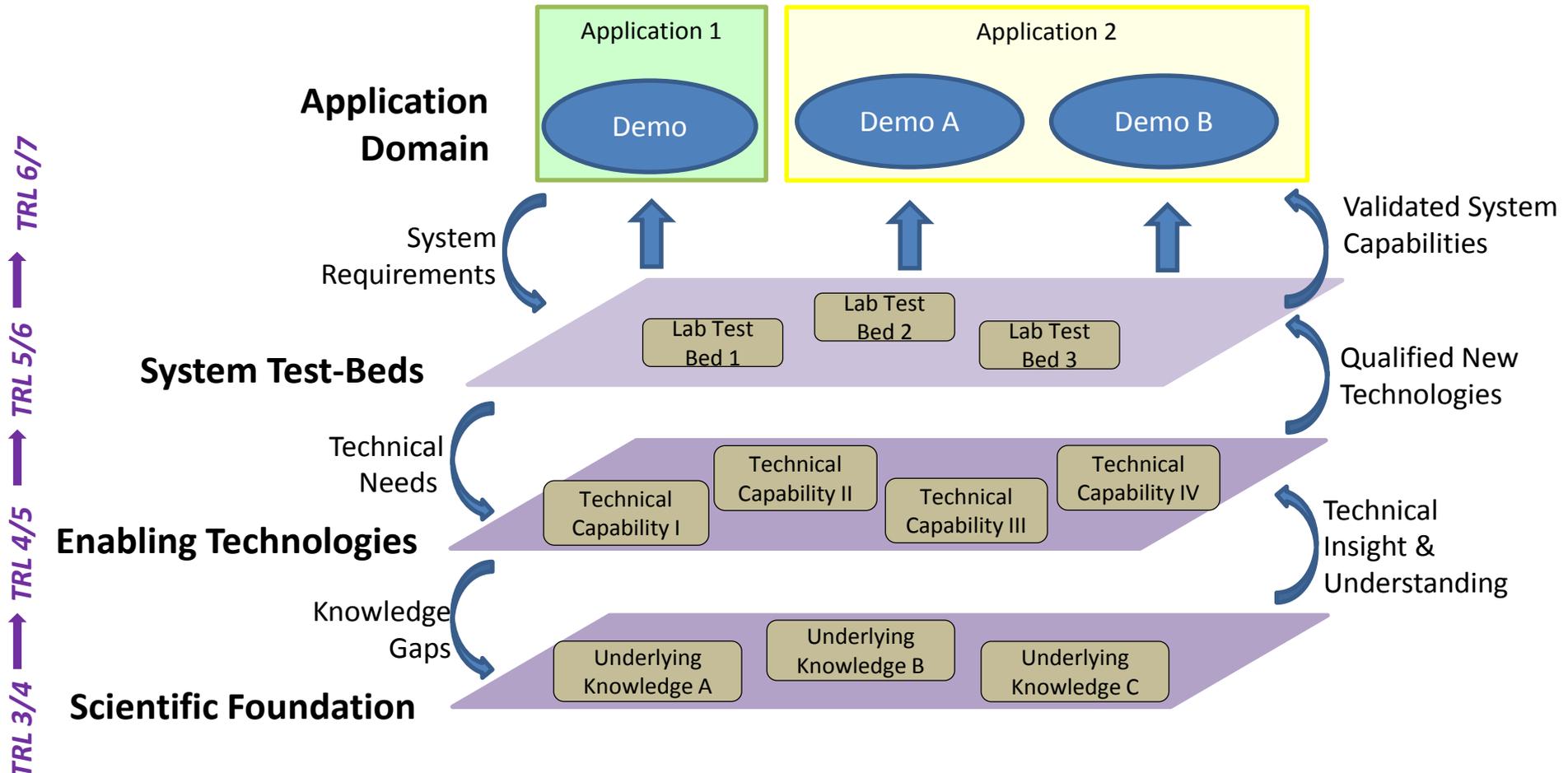
- Most Companies Unlikely to Support full Eco-System on its Own
- Your Specific Company / Organization is Not Going to Support this on its Own
- New Resources / Feedstocks Are Happening (Nat Gas)
- Need for Trained Workforce
- Research is Expensive

## Unknowns

- What are the Technical and Economic Barriers / Market Failures (these are BIG industries)?
- How Should Information be Shared / Propagated?
- If there is an Economic Driving Force, What is the Activation Barrier?

# Technical Challenge Hierarchy

## Multi-Disciplinary Technology Translation



LIKE QUANTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE REQUIREMENTS, NEEDS & GAPS

# Summary

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- Want Input from Community
- Getting Quantitative (unrealistic) “Goal” is Challenging in any emerging field
- A Quantitative (unrealistic) “Goal” is Necessary
- Don’t Over Constrain Solution with Goal:  
Define Problem, not Solution
- All of Us can find Solutions that None of Us could Alone.
- No Consensus, Please...

# What does Success Look Like?

**Energy Products  
Invented Here...**



**...And Competitively  
Made Here!**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**

Energy Efficiency &  
Renewable Energy

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# Thank You

## Questions?