



National Science Foundation

Technology, Innovation, and Partnerships

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A pivotal moment for our Nation and society



Climate change

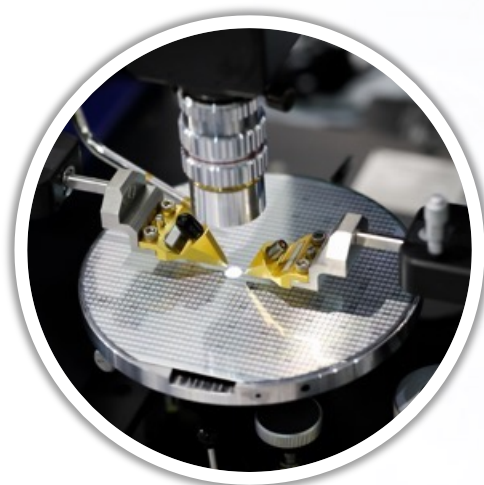


Equitable access to
education, health care



Critical and resilient
infrastructure

Meeting this moment with science & engineering



Pace of discovery accelerated by data, emerging technologies

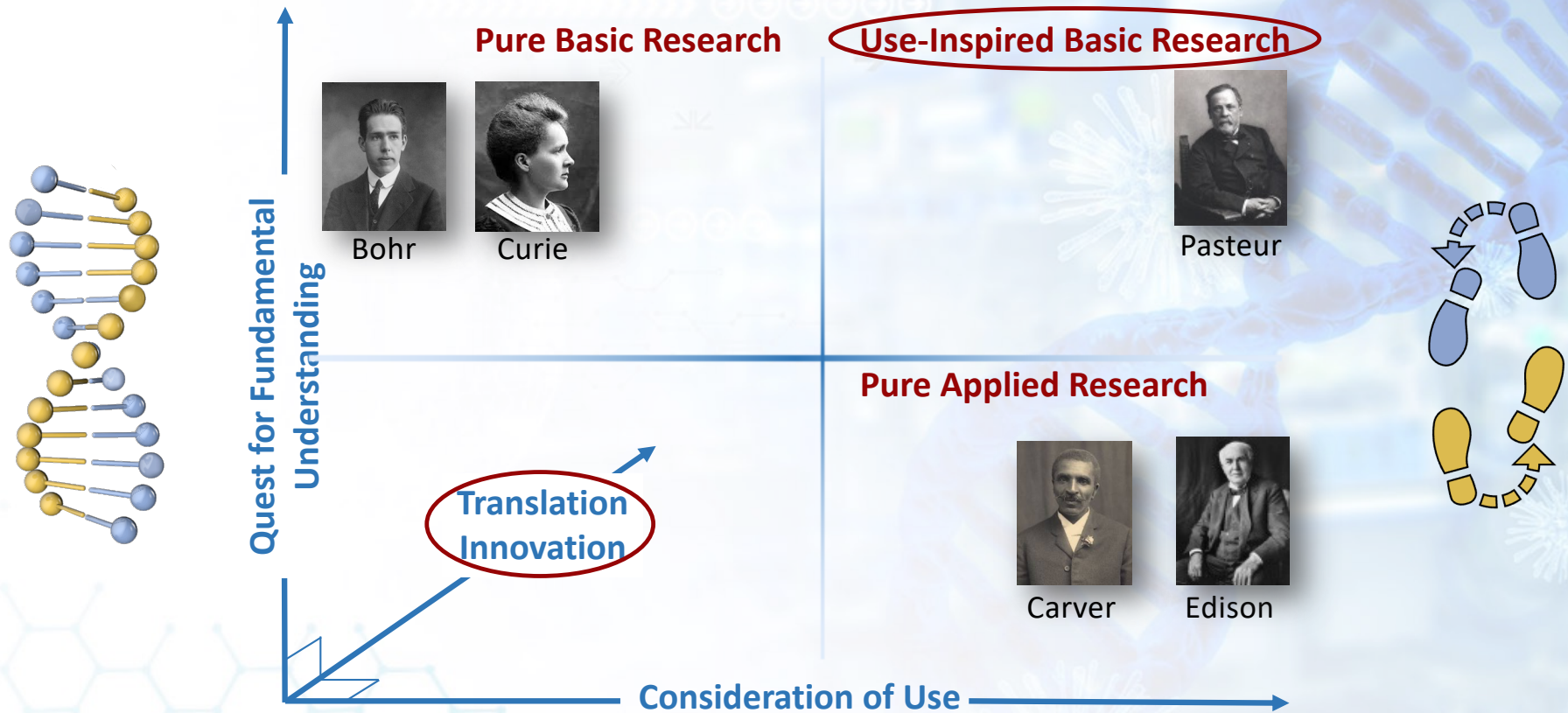


Demand for societal impact



Opportunity to leverage partnerships

Meeting this moment with an intentional focus




Existing NSF research directorates and offices



A new “horizontal” to enhance use-inspired and translational research



Engineering



Computer & Engineering



Geosciences
(including Polar Programs)



Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences

DIRECTORATE FOR TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND PARTNERSHIPS (TIP)



Mathematical & Physical Sciences



Integrative Activities



International Science & Engineering

TIP FY 2022 funding (\$M)

	FY 2022 Request
Innovation Ecosystems (IE)	\$335.00
Partnerships Office (PO)	50.00
Technology Frontiers (TF)	150.00
Translational Impact (TI)	329.87
Total	\$864.87

Realigned investments: \$364.87M

New investments: \$500M

Partnerships as a Foundation: \$50M

Accelerate Partnerships

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EHR

ENG

GEO

MPS

SBE

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Technology & Innovation Ecosystem: \$485M

Convergence Accelerator

I-Corps

Regional Innovation

Industries of Tomorrow
co-investment

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SBIR/STTR

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FY 2022 NSF priorities

- **Enhance Fundamental Research and Development**

- Support research across the spectrum of science, engineering, technology, and education

- **Strengthen U.S. Leadership in Emerging Technologies**

- Includes the establishment of a new directorate for technology, innovation, and partnerships within NSF to advance science and engineering research and innovation

- **Advance Equity in Science and Engineering**

- Increase participation in science and engineering of individuals from racial and ethnic groups underrepresented in these fields

- **Advance Climate Science and Sustainability Research**

- Advance use-inspired, solution-oriented research and innovation in climate and clean energy-related research

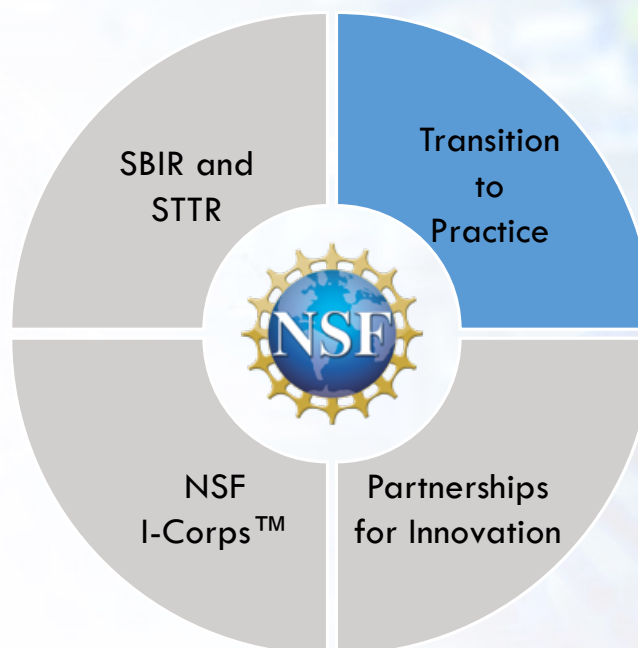
- **Continue construction of forefront infrastructure**

- Continue construction of major NSF research facilities

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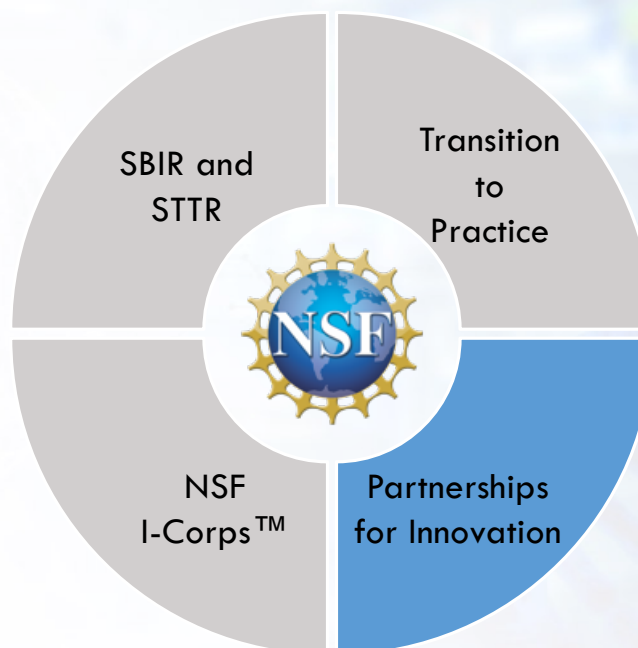


- Mature ideas or research results
- Demonstrate as usable capabilities
- For the research community or industry

\$150K-\$1M per project

\$12M per year

Enhancing the Lab-to-Market Platform



\$250K-\$550K per project

\$30M in FY 2022

- Create collaborations with industry
- License NSF-funded research outputs to third-party corporations or to start-up companies

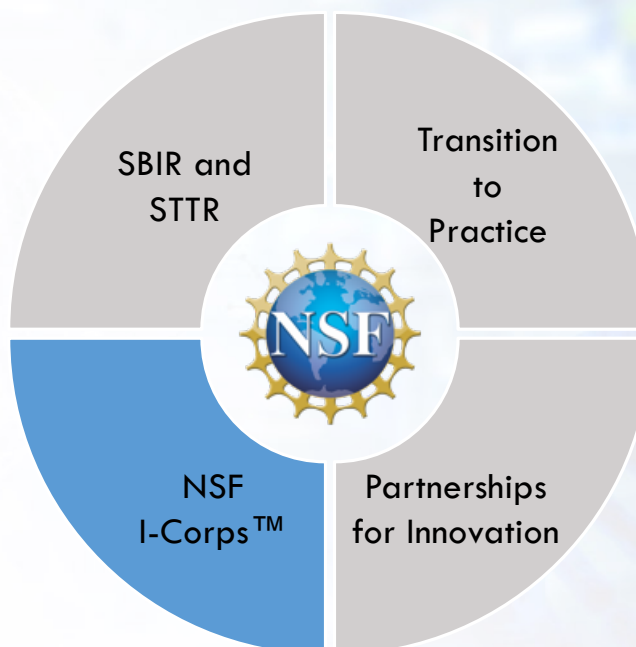
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- Train NSF-funded faculty, students in innovation, entrepreneurship to spur translation of research to market
- Product-Market Fit
- Nearly 800 startups created to date

>250 Teams per year

\$40M in FY 2022



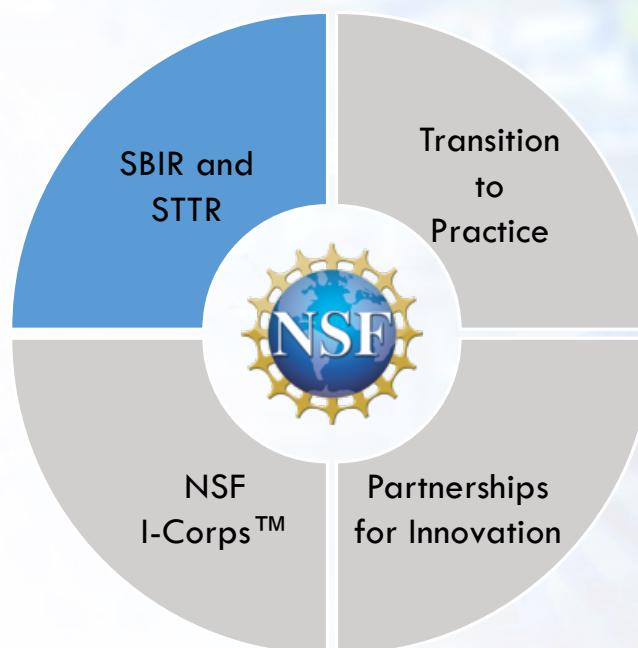
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- R&D funding to develop transformative, deep tech, high-impact technologies
- Transforms scientific discovery into products and services with commercial and societal benefit

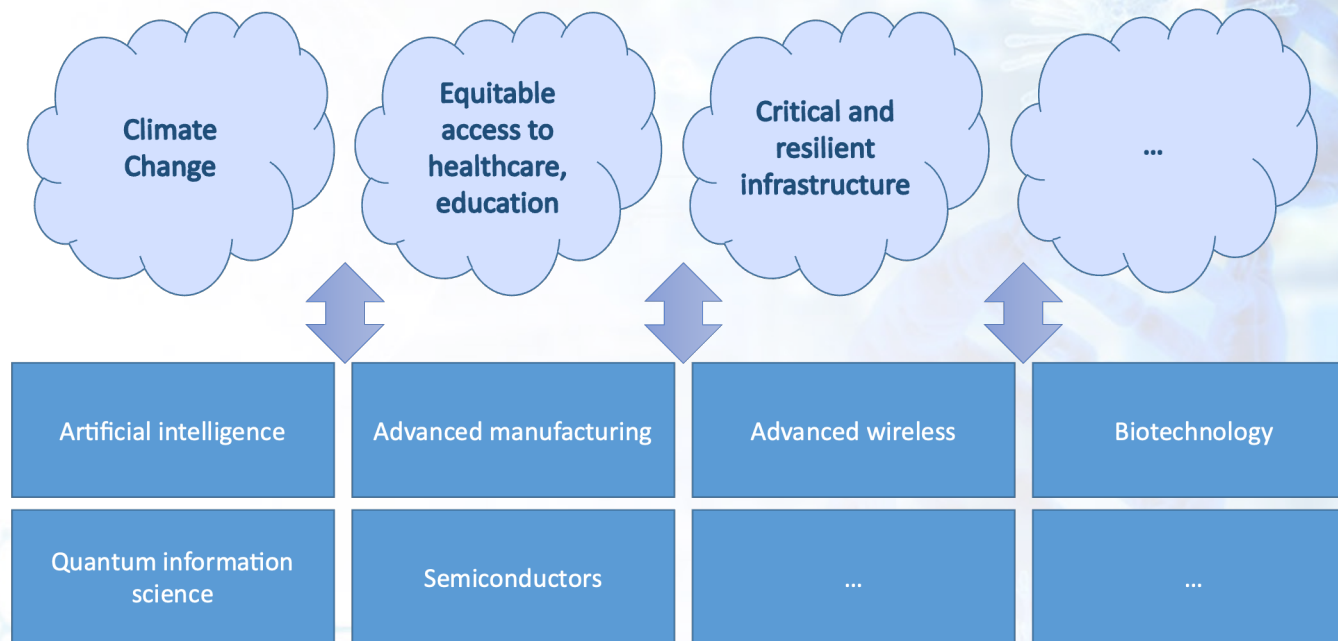
\$250K Phase I, \$1M Phase II,
\$500K Phase IIB

\$274.64M in FY 2022



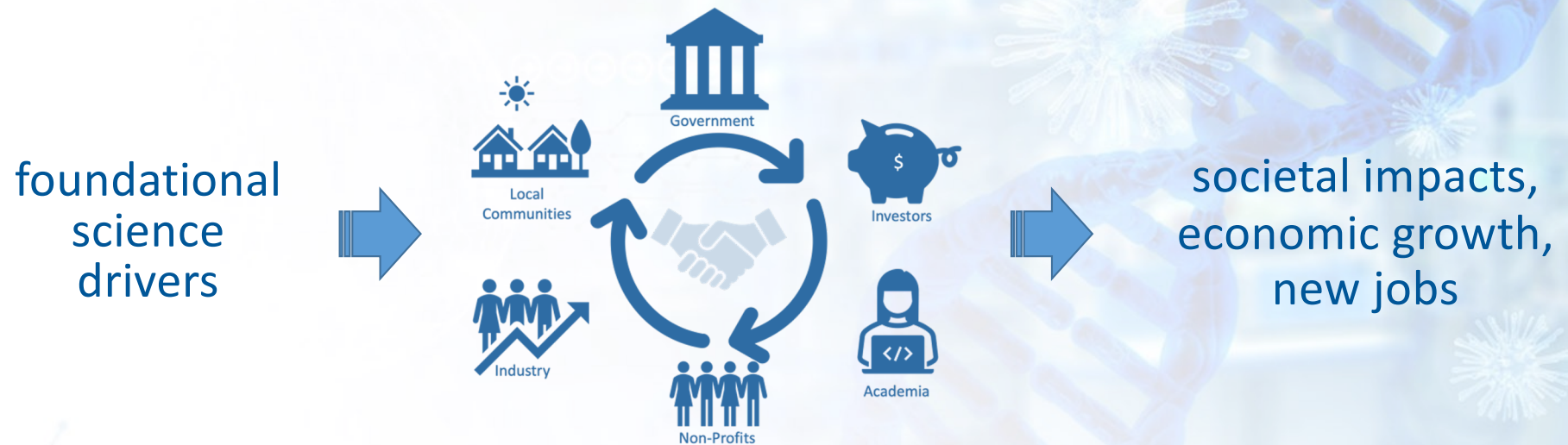
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- Iterative co-design / co-creation
- Earlier engagement of broadest set of stakeholders to motivate / shape research
- Intentional co-funding (e.g., cost-share) and access to range of resources

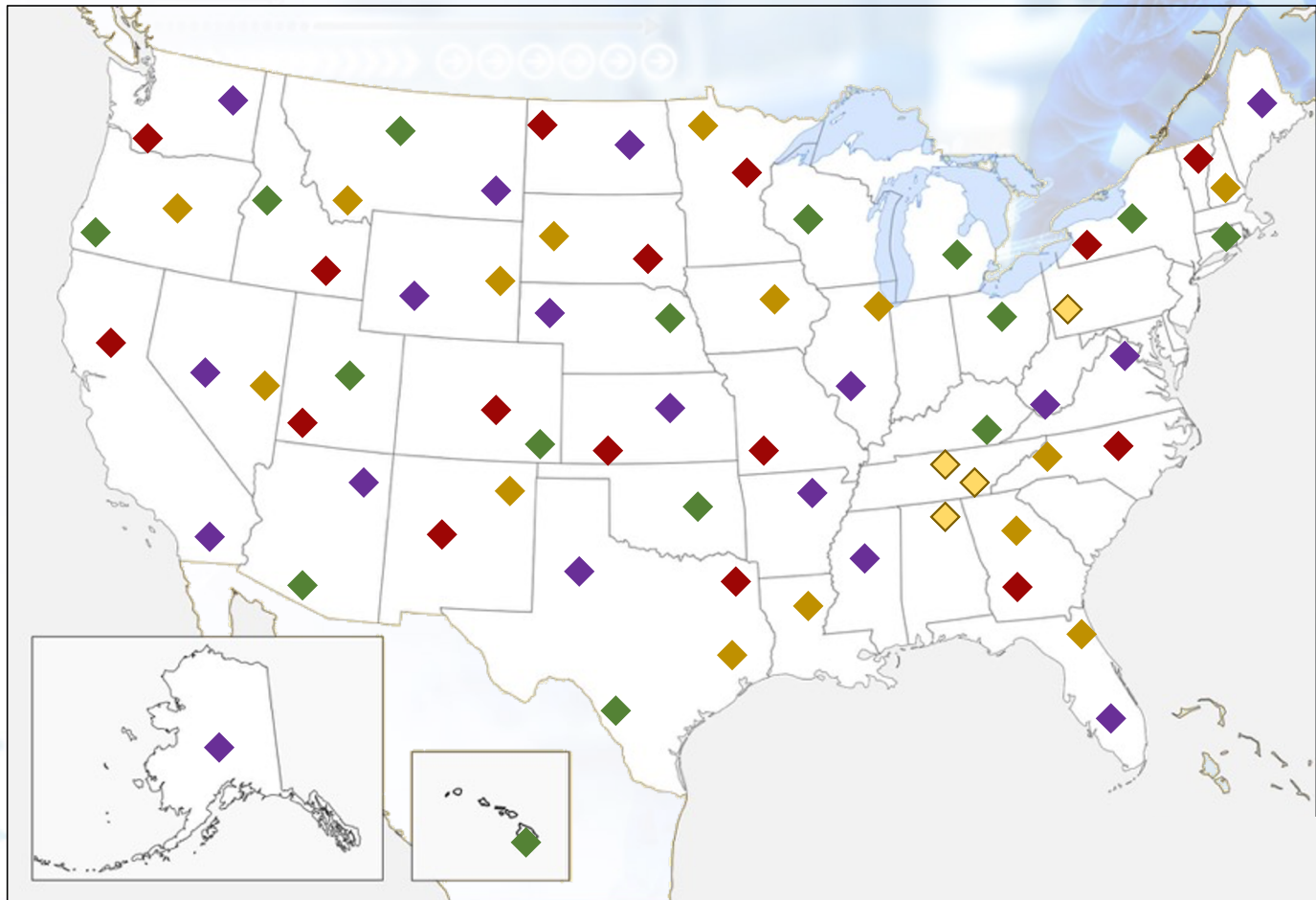
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- Creating opportunities for every community, state



NSF Entrepreneurial Fellows

- Pathways for Ph.D.-trained scientists and engineers
- Forging connections between academic research and government, industry, and investors
- Training to become leaders capable of maturing promising ideas and technologies from lab to market



TIP summarized

- Use-inspired, challenge-driven, convergent research
- Innovation and technology translation
- Leveraging the virtuous cycle of foundational and use-inspired research
- Long-term, large-scale
- Public-private partnerships
- Education, workforce, diversity





Questions?