# The National Laboratories and their Role in National Security

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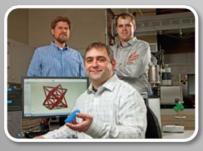
### Parney Albright, Director Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory



# Who are we?







### We are multi-sponsor FFRDCs, managed by NNSA

- Responding to the needs of the Nation
- Anticipating the future
- Delivering solutions

### To do this we...

- Are trusted partners with our sponsors
  - Free of conflicts of interest, real or perceived
  - Objective
  - Technically excellent
- Provide enduring focus on enduring issues in national security
- Leverage our multidisciplinary capabilities across all of science and engineering to deliver innovative solutions
- Invest in the future

### Our goal is to turn *transformative ideas* into *solutions* for the nation



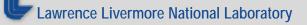
# Our Mission

### Lawrence Livermore's Mission Statement:

Our mission is to strengthen the United States' security through the development and application of world-class science and technology to: enhance the nation's defense; reduce the global threat from terrorism and weapons of mass destruction; and, more broadly, respond with vision, quality, integrity, and technical excellence to scientific issues of national importance.

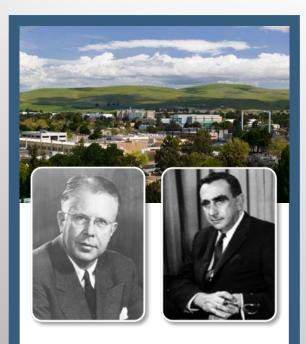


"Your mission is to make the Nation safer." — George <u>P. Shultz</u>





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### FY12 \$1.6 billion



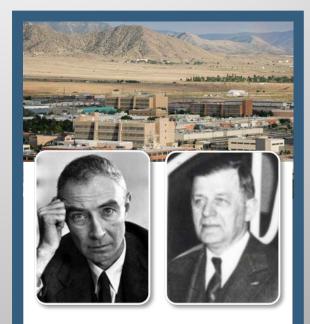






### FY12 \$2.2 billion





FY12 \$2.4 billion (all sites combined)





### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Livermore, California



- Established in 1952
- Approximately 7,300 employees
- 7.4 million gsf, 677 facilities
- Annual federal budget: ~ \$1.6B (~\$160M IR&D)
  \*as of 10/01/12

Experimental Test Site (11 miles<sup>2</sup> near Tracy, CA)





## LLNL has broad, multidisciplinary teams



### Our diverse staff allows us to tackle a myriad of complex challenges



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## Stockpile Stewardship Program

## Our core mission



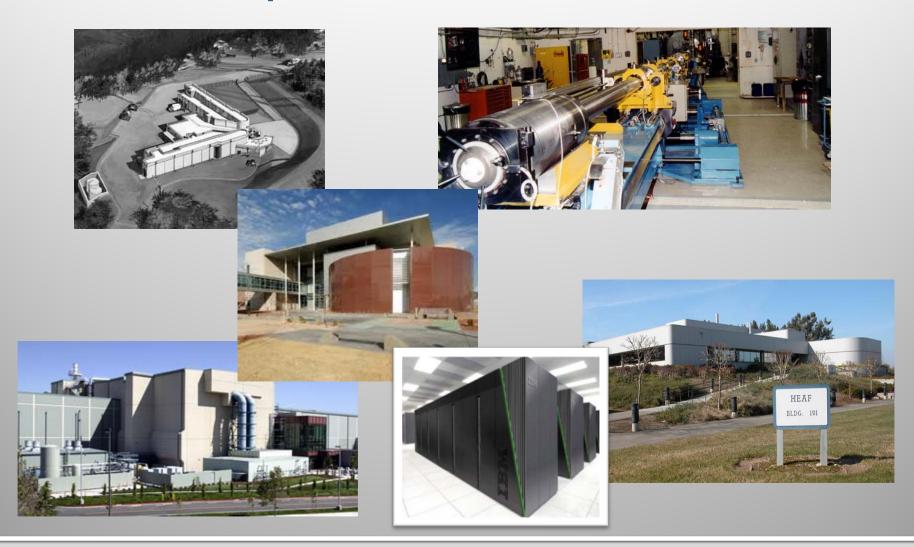




- Each year the Lab Directors assess the safety, security, and reliability of the stockpile
- The Stockpile Stewardship Program has successfully maintained the nuclear deterrent in the absence of nuclear testing since 1992
- High level objectives include:
  - Meet the immediate needs of the stockpile continually assess the stockpile to ensure design intent is maintained
  - Transform the stockpile consistent with U.S. policy – maintain confidence, improve warhead safety and security, and enable hedge stockpile size reduction
  - Strengthen ST&E to support the stockpile and broader nuclear security needs



# Scientific Stockpile Stewardship implies a broad set of scientific capabilities



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NIF explores regions of energy, temperature, and material science that occur in an operating nuclear weapon





523 terawatts – 1,000 times more than the United States uses at any instant in time.

- 192 pulsed laser beams
- Energy: 1.855 MJ
- Power: 523 TW
- 350,000 m<sup>3</sup> building
- 8,000 large optics
- 30,000 small optics
- 60,000 control points
- U.S. vendors: 3,241
- U.S. contracts: 12,847
- U.S. total: \$2,071,190,352



# LLNL's Sequoia supercomputer ranked as world's fastest by Top 500 Supercomputers

### sustained petaflops 🥣

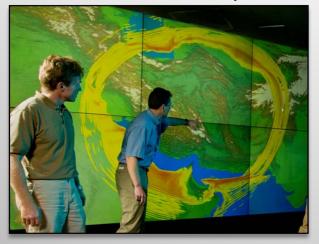






## Solving broad security challenges for the Nation

### **Nuclear Security**

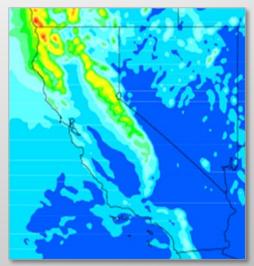


International and Domestic Security



Engineering

Energy and Environmental Security





### Computation

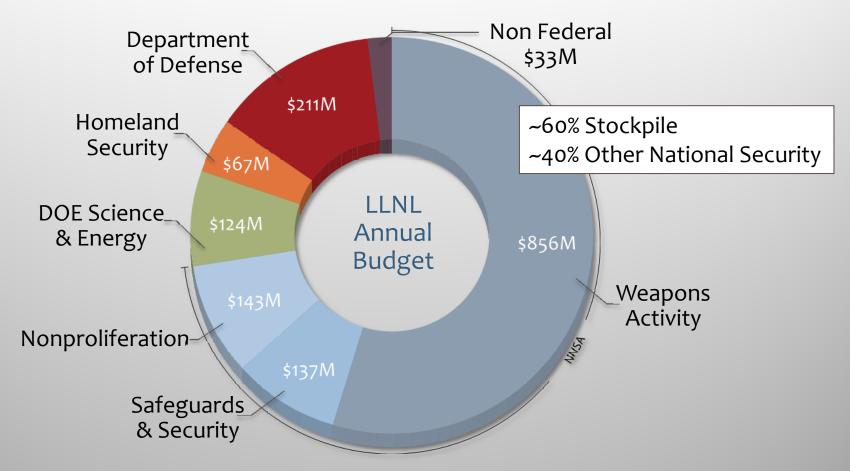


**Basic Science** 





# LLNL's annual budget reflects our national security focus



# The Laboratory's scientific and technical capability is supported principally by DOE/NNSA



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### **Defense** Directed Energy • IEDs • ISR • Munitions

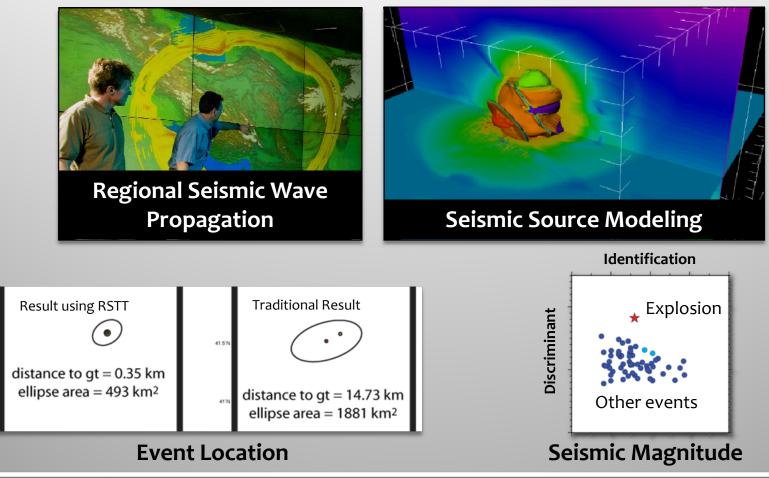






## Ground-based nuclear explosion monitoring efforts advance the capabilities to detect, locate, and identify nuclear explosions

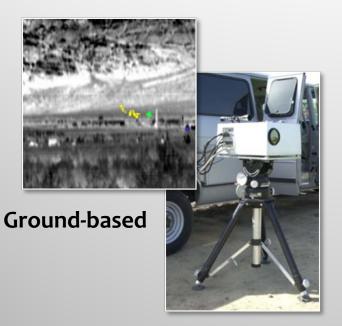
### Advanced modeling using high performance computing

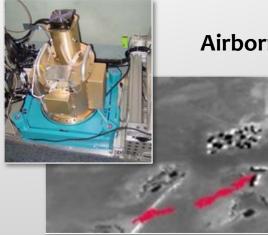


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## LLNL is developing remote sensing instruments and algorithms for proliferation detection

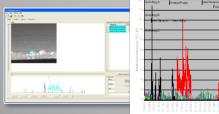


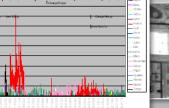


### Airborne

Wide-angle airborne video

### Data reduction and analysis tools



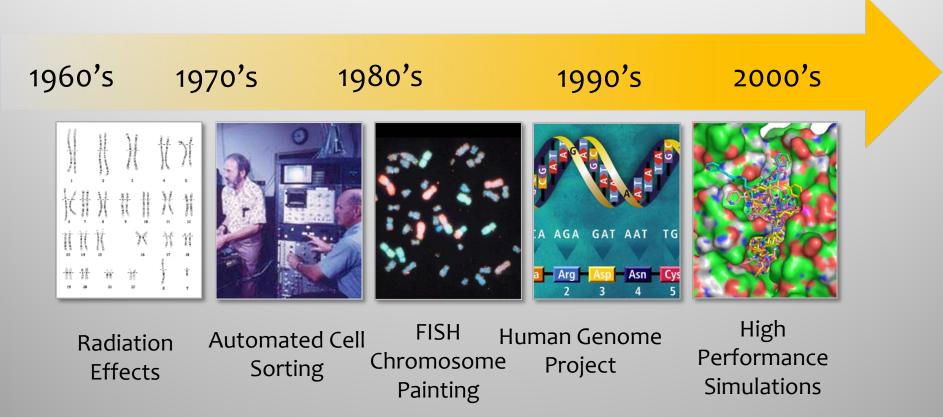








## **Biosciences at LLNL has a long history**

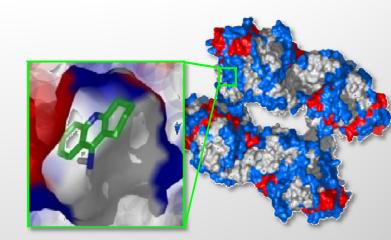


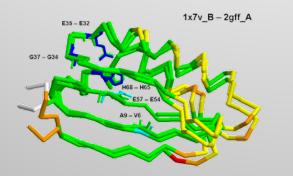




# Bioinformatics analysis and computational biology

 We compare Genomes and Proteomes to find conserved or unique regions useful for designing diagnostics and forensics





Assess countermeasure effectiveness by molecular modeling of proteinprotein and receptor-agent interactions



We augment open-source tools as needed to push the state of the art



# HPC was used to develop the 400,000 DNA probes that are on this microbial detection microarray

Microarrays allow very rapid detection of every virus, bacteria, fungus, and protozoa that has been sequenced or is closely related to something that has been sequenced

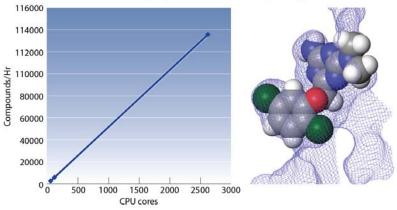
Microarray with 388K probes



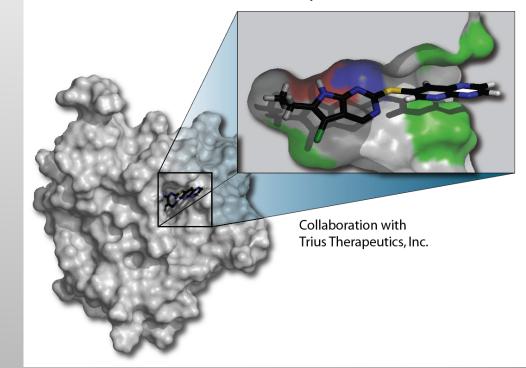


# Computational drug design is being used to make new antibacterials

One million compounds docked in eight hours on high-performance computing



We have accelerated the development of a new series from one year to three months







# The Laboratory provides 24/7 operational capabilities for the nation





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## HOMELAND-DEFENSE OPERATIONAL PLANNING SYSTEM (HOPS)





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## Anticipate, innovate and deliver solutions

Answering challenging issues on a global scale

National security – our defining mission

### Innovative applied S&T – our core contribution,



## The best and the brightest — our greatest strength













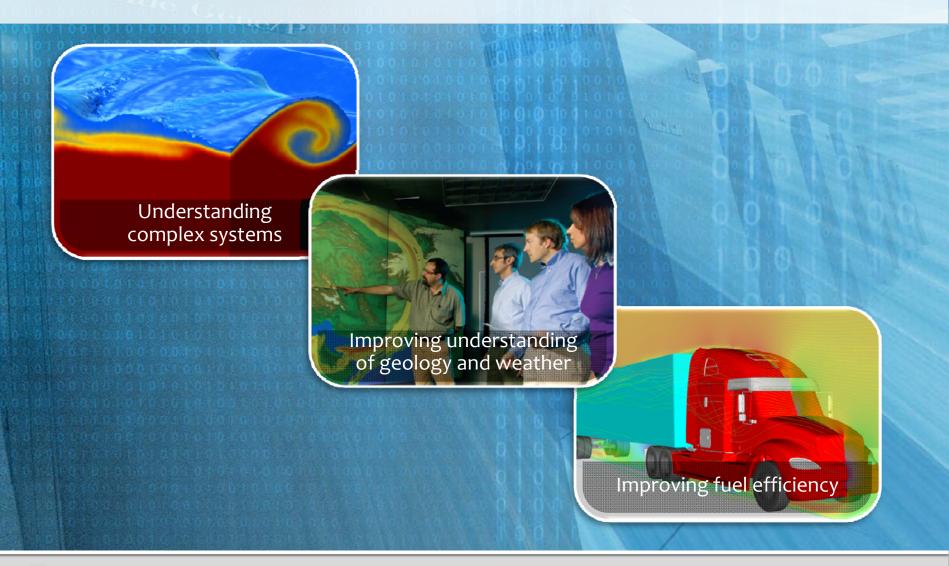
# Our Vision

- Lead the nation in stockpile science, innovation and sustainment
- Be the foremost national security laboratory, anticipating, innovating, and delivering solutions for the nation's most challenging security problems
- Be the premier destination for our nation's very best scientists and engineers who want to solve big challenges in the national interest.





## We leverage High Performance Computing for analysis and simulation to offset risk and reduce costs





## A new campus is creating a venue to better engage U.S. industry and promote collaboration

### **Open Campus Attributes**

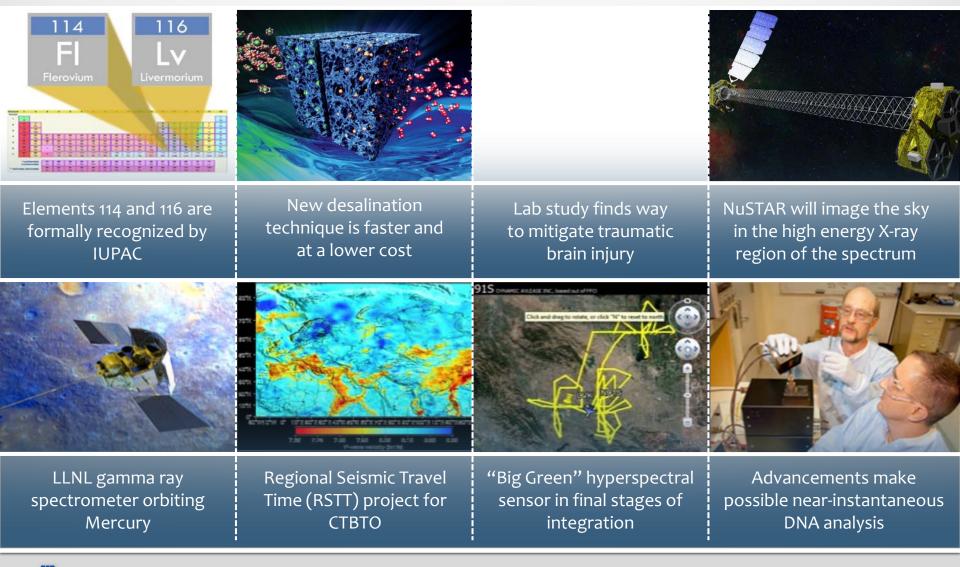
- Campus-like environment with collaborative space
- Ready access for all partners, including foreign nationals
- Expansion of academic programs
- Access to world-renown LLNL resources



2.5 million square feet of laboratory and office space to accommodate up to 3000 people



# LLNL has recently achieved several recent significant science, technology, and engineering successes



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