Conceptualizing 2040 & Beyond

Innovation that Provides the Army Required Capabilities

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What I Want to Leave You With

- **<u>Thank you</u>** for what you do in support of our Army and Nation!
- RDECOM is <u>Technology Driven</u> <u>Warfighter Focused</u>
- The Army Operating Concept is our foundation and will drive our S&T strategy
- The Army does not buy "things" to fight . . . we build "capabilities" to win for our Nation
- We have aligned our programs to requirements ... we must operationalize what we do
- Partnerships with industry, academia, DoD labs, and our Allies are essential

<u>Innovation</u> is key to our success!





What Our Army's Leaders are Saying



Mr. John McHugh, Secretary of Army

"We want to ensure that we <u>invest in innovations</u> that continue to give us the <u>technological</u> <u>edge</u> that our forces need to take on whatever <u>tomorrow's mission</u> might be."



General Raymond T. Odierno, Chief of Staff of the Army

"We must maximize Army capabilities, align Army goals and objectives for R&D and S&T and link them to Army 2025 and beyond."



Ms. Heidi Shyu, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology

"The Army has by and large <u>protected</u> its <u>S&T budget</u>. The <u>American Soldier</u> is the <u>best</u> <u>equipped</u> in the world – thanks to our materiel enterprise. We must continue to <u>invest in S&T</u> <u>in order to equip our Soldier of the future."</u>



General Dennis L. Via, Commanding General, Army Materiel Command

"If the US armed forces don't continue to <u>invest in science and technology research</u> in order to <u>push capabilities forward</u>, the ability of US forces to overwhelm competitors will dissipate."

Continued investment in S&T enables our decisive overmatch



Synchronizing programs with requirements

Army S&T Performing Organizations



RDECOM is a critical component of the Army S&T enterprise

Our Organization



Integrating leading-edge research, development and engineering

Our Organization



Preeminent technical leadership in research development and engineering

What We Do

Armaments

Research, Development and Engineering Center (ARDEC)

- Munitions Systems & Technologies
- Integrated Weapon Systems
- Energetics & Warheads
- Guidance, Navigation & Control
- Fuzing System
- Remote Weapon Stations/Weapon Pods
- Fire Control Systems
- Grenades/Demolitions
- Non-Lethal Weapons & Target Effects
- Ammunition Logistics

Aviation and Missile

Research, Development and Engineering Center (AMRDEC)

- Airframe Structures
- Rotors & Rotor Systems
- Sensors and Seekers
- Guidance, Navigation, and Control
- Propulsion
- Warhead & Fuze Integration
- Fire Control

Tank Automotive

Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC)

- Advanced ground system technologies.
- Survivability
- Autonomy
- Vehicle Electronic Architecture
- Power & Mobility
- Fuels & Lubricants
- Ground system technology integration.
- Virtual and physical ground system analysis

Army Research Laboratory (ARL)

- Extramural Basic Research
- Computational Sciences
- Materials Research
- Sciences-for-Maneuver
- Information Sciences
- Science-for-Lethality and Protection
- Human Sciences
- Assessment and Analysis



Communications-Electronics

Research, Development and Engineering Center (CERDEC)

- Night Vision Technology
- EO/IR & Multi /Hyperspectral Sensors
- Antennas Technologies
- C-IED & Counter Mine Technology
- Cyber Security
- Networks and Communications
- Electronic Warfare
- Mobile Power / Advanced Battery Tech.
- Surveillance Systems

Edgewood, Chemical Biological Center (ECBC)

- Chemistry and Biological Sciences
- CB Agent Handling and Surety
- CBRNE Materiel Acquisition
- CBRNE Analysis and Testing
- CBRNE Munitions and Field Operations
- Science and Technology for Emerging Threats

Natick Soldier

Research, Development and Engineering Center (NSRDEC)

- Textiles and Uniforms
- Shelters
- Joint Combat Feeding
- Cognition
- Soldier Performance/Assessment
- Body Armor

Delivering capabilities for the Army, joint warfighters, and our Nation

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Support to The Nation and Allied Partners



Delivering capabilities to meet National and joint requirements

Today's Investments Enable Tomorrow's Capabilities



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Basic Research Investigation &	Applied Research Application of	Advanced Technology Development	Adv. Component Development and Prototypes	RDTE Management Support	Operational System Development
analysis of basic law of nature, phenomenon to increase scientific knowledge 64% Universities/ Industry 33% In-House 3% OGA, Other	knowledge to develop useful materials, devices and systems or methods 33% Industry 53% In-House 14% OGA, Other	Development of subsystems & components to integrate into system prototypes 60% Industry 28% In-House 12% OGA, Other	Maturation of systems/sub-systems through competitive prototyping and experimentation 90% Industry 10% In-House	RDT&E Management Support 90% Industry 10% In-House	Manufacturing technologies and pre-planned product improvements 84% Industry 16% In-House

Why Innovate?





Focus on modernization, innovation and developing new capabilities

The Army's Operating Concept

- Describes how the Army of the *future* will fight
- Capabilities <u>overmatch</u>
- **Optimized** Soldier and team performance
- Joint / inter-organization / interoperable
- <u>Scalable</u> and <u>tailorable</u> joint combined arms forces
- <u>Adaptive</u> professionals and institutions to operate in complex environments
- Calls for the Army to innovate!





S&T priorities form RDECOM's intellectual underpinnings





Synchronizing Army S&T priorities

Aligning S&T Priorities to Army Warfighting Challenges



Representative Sample of Technology Groups/Integrated Programs

AWFCs

- 1 Develop situational understanding
- 2 Shape the security environment
- 3 Provide security force assistance
- 4 Adapt the institutional Army
- 5 Counter WMD
- 6 Conduct Homeland Operations

- AWFCs
- Conduct Space and Cyber Electromagnetic Operations and Maintain Communications
- 8 Enhance Training
- 9 Improve Soldier, Leader, and Team Performance
- 10 Develop Agile and Adaptive Leaders 11 – Conduct air-ground reconnaissance
- 11 Conduct air-ground recon 12 – Conduct entry operations
- 12 Conduct entry operations 13 – Conduct wide area security

- WFCs
- 14 Ensure interoperability and operate in a JIM environment
- 15 Conduct combined arms maneuver
- 16 Set the theater, sustain operations, and maintain freedom of movement
- 17 Integrate fires
- 18 Deliver fires
- 19 Exercise Mission Command
- 20 Develop capable formations



RDECOM aligned S&T investments to support TRADOC requirements



RDECOM DVE Mitigation Ground Test, YPG, FEB 2015. Sensors colocated on an 80' tower. Dust generated by a UH-60.



Fused Image



94GHz Radar



Scanning LADAR



Modified LWIR



Ensuring the Decisive Edge – Mid Term and Deep Future



Capabilities aligned with TRADOC Key Technology Imperatives

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The Science Behind Ensuring Future Overmatch



Innovative discoveries pushing beyond requirements

Future Soldier 2040 ... Some Thoughts



Ensuring our Soldiers are the best equipped in the World

Infantry Fighting Vehicles of the Future ... Some Thoughts



Weight	40 ton class	60 ton class	23.9 ton Early Entry (EE) - 37.1 ton Campaign
Crew/ Dismounts	3 crew / 7 dismounts	3 crew / 9 dismounts	<mark>2</mark> crew / <mark>6</mark> dismounts per vehicle
Transportability	<mark>2</mark> per C-17 (RORO - Reduced range)	1 per C-17	<mark>2</mark> per C-17 (RORO - Full Range air drop)

Combat vehicle prototyping will inform design

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Win in a Complex World Conceptualizing 2040 & Beyond: Materiel Solutions









Potential S&T Collaboration Areas

- Ultra Reliable Designs
- Biotechnology
- Cyber Warfare
- Soldier Portable Power
- Electronic Warfare
- Advanced Prototyping

- Nanotechnology
- Quantum Physics
- Textile Technologies
- Neural Networks
- Autonomous Systems

Partnerships promote innovation and interoperability

Army Research Laboratory Open Campus Initiative

Innovative partnerships to support the Nation

