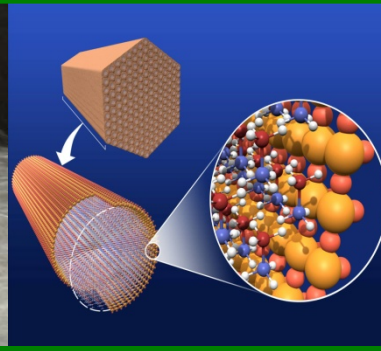
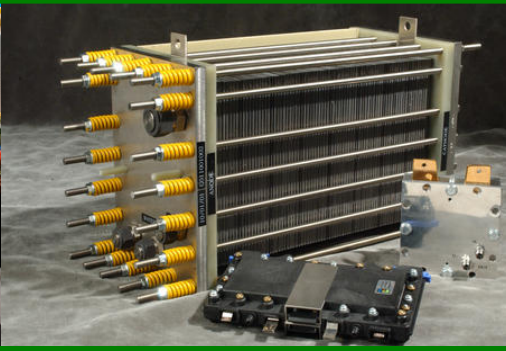




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Hydrogen Production & Delivery Program - Plenary Presentation -

Eric L. Miller

*2017 Annual Merit Review and Peer Evaluation Meeting
5 June, 2017*

DOE Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program

Program Focus

Applied research, development and innovation of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies that enable energy security, resiliency, and a strong domestic economy in emerging markets.

2020 Targets by Application

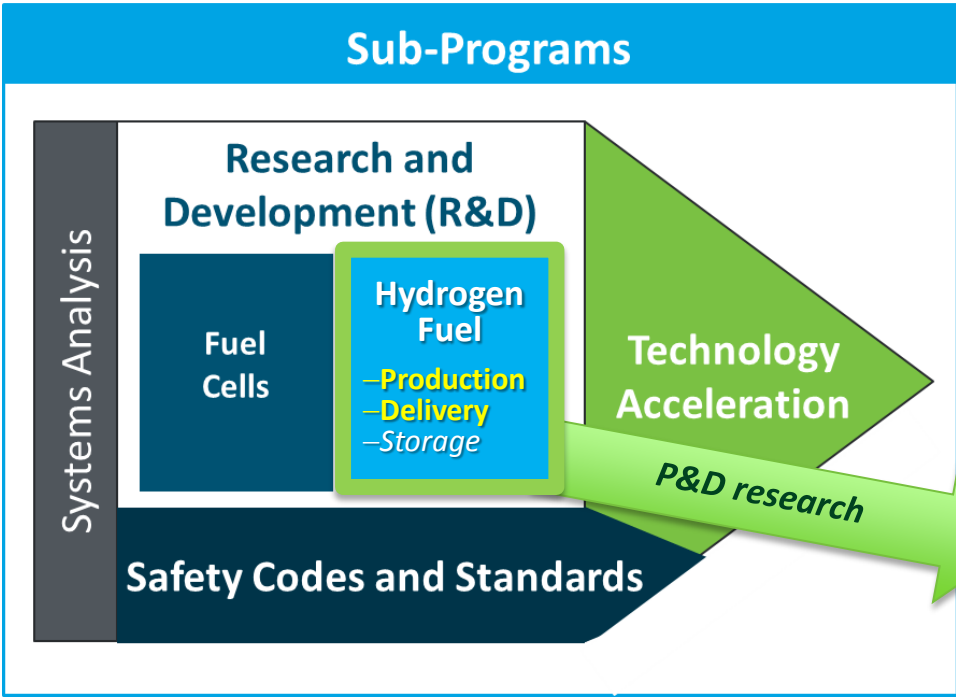


Fuel Cell Cost	\$40/kW	\$1,000/kW* \$1,500/kW**
Durability	5,000 hrs	80,000 hrs

H ₂ Storage Cost (On-Board)	\$10/kWh 1.8 kWh/L, 1.3 kWh/kg
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H ₂ Cost at Pump	<\$4/gge <\$7/gge (early market)
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*For Natural Gas **For Biogas

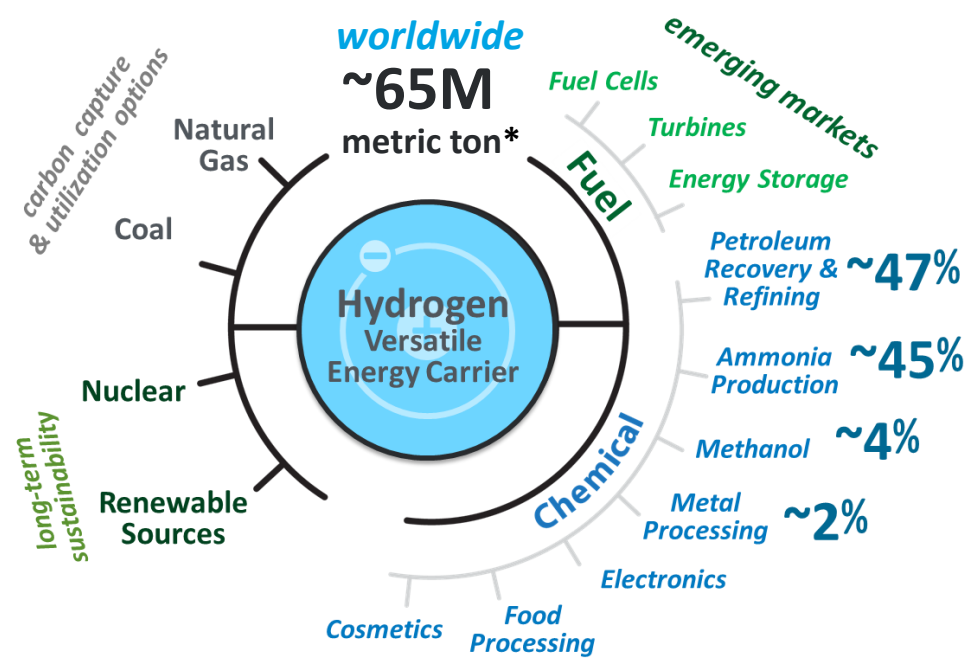


Strengthening U.S. energy security and the economy through R&D on hydrogen & fuel cells

Goal: Widespread H₂ Production & Delivery

Diverse Sources

Diverse Applications

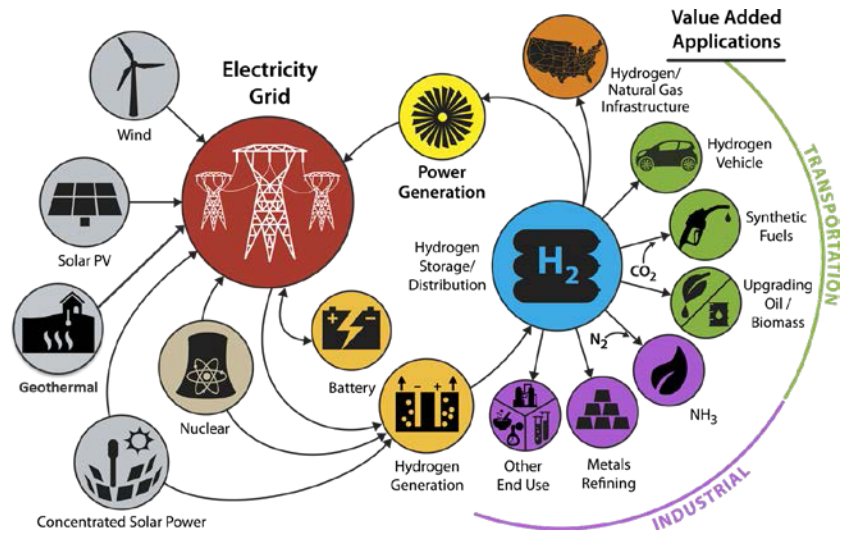


“H₂ @ Scale” Initiative

- Complementing today’s electric & natural gas grids with H₂ to enhance flexibility in energy & other major industrial sectors
- Developing diverse low-cost domestic H₂ production & delivery options opens significant market opportunities while offering environmental benefits

Growing industrial demand for H₂
>\$100B global market and expanding

** 10M metric ton domestically*



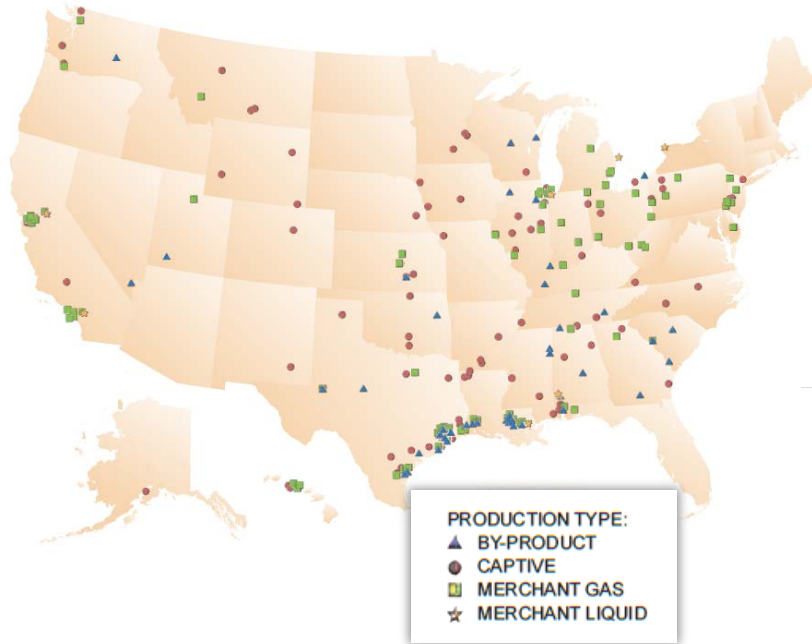
Hydrogen enables domestic energy & environmental security, with large-scale market potential, job creation and economic growth opportunities

Goal: Sustainable Domestic H₂ Production

Hydrogen production from domestic fossil resources

Current: ~10 MMT/y

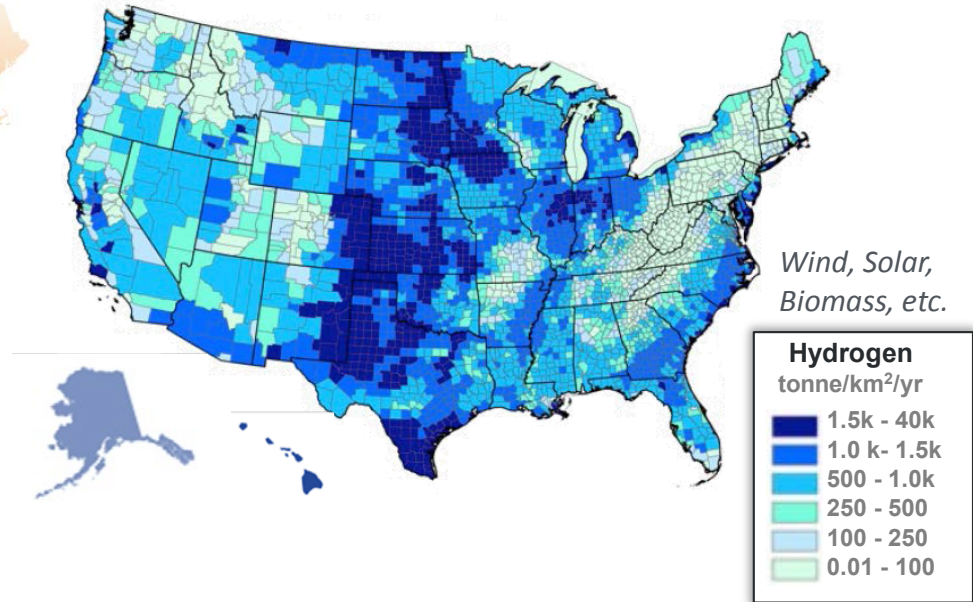
Future: ~10 - 150 MMT/y for 10 -100 y



Hydrogen production from diverse sustainable resources

Current: < 1 MMT/y

Future: >150* MMT/y SUSTAINABLY

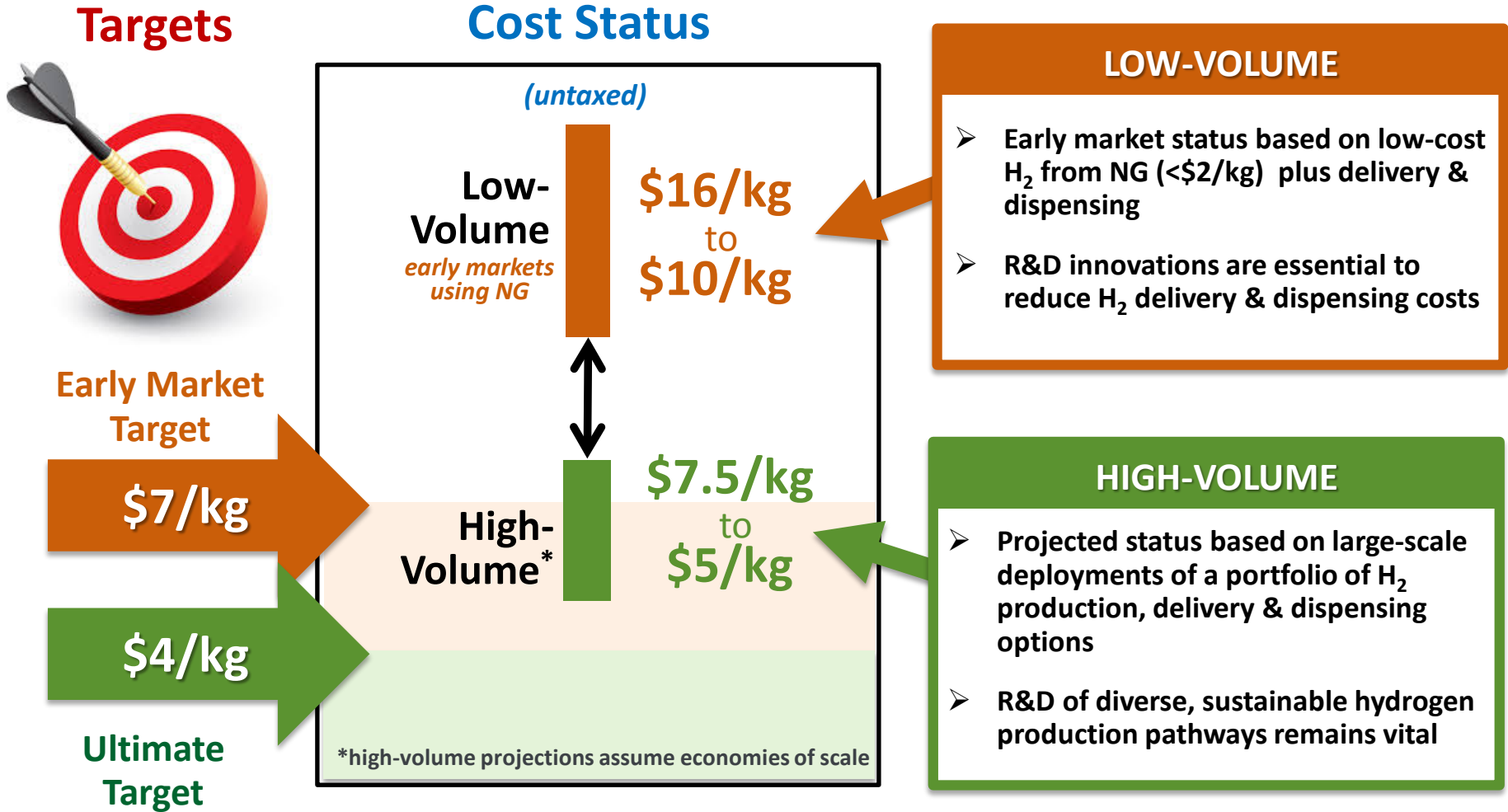


Every state has substantial resources to produce hydrogen

**U.S. demand could grow to >50 MMT/y, including 20 MMT/y for 100M FCEV*

The diversity of domestic H₂ options can enable long-term US energy independence with export opportunities & regional job creation

Cost Status and Targets: Dispensed H₂




Continued R&D is needed to reduce H₂ production & delivery costs

H₂ Production from Diverse Domestic Resources

Continued Innovation is Needed across the Spectrum of Options

Applied & Foundational Research


Natural Gas Reforming



SMR

Coal Processing

Waste to Energy



ADG


Biomass Processing

Grid H₂O Splitting




ELECTROLYSIS

Nuclear-Based



PEC

Solar-Based



STCH

Widespread Adoption Timeline

FOSSIL RESOURCES

- Low-cost, large scale H₂ production with CCUS options
- New options offer scalability and byproduct benefits (e.g. CHHP)

WASTE/BIOMASS

- Options included biogas reforming & fermentation of waste streams
- Byproduct benefits include clean water, electricity & chemicals

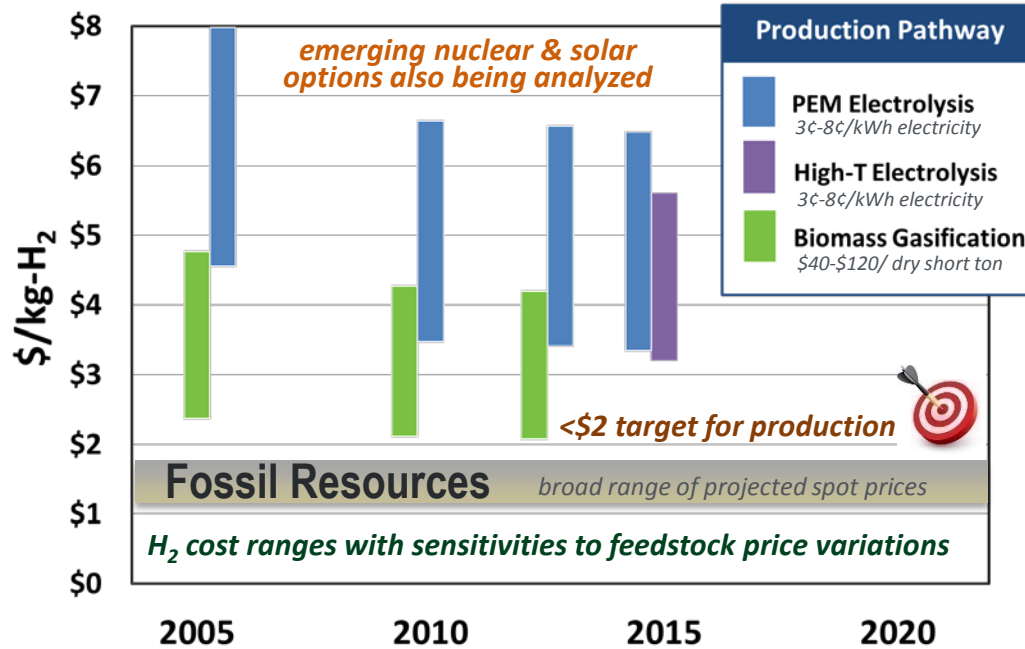
WATER SPLITTING

- Grid electrolysis is proven process being improved with innovation
- Emerging nuclear/solar options offer long-term sustainable H₂

A broad portfolio of near- to longer-term H₂ production technology options is being addressed through early-stage R&D

R&D Impact on H₂ Production Costs

Continued R&D needed to enable a broad portfolio of competitive options

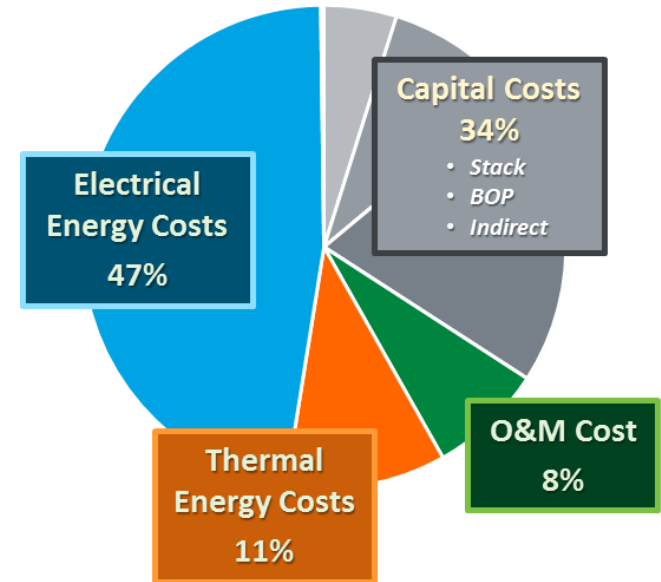


Early-Stage Applied R&D:

- Innovative Reactor Concepts
- Novel Devices & Components
- Materials Compatibility

Techno-economic analysis identifies key levers for reducing costs

High-T electrolysis example



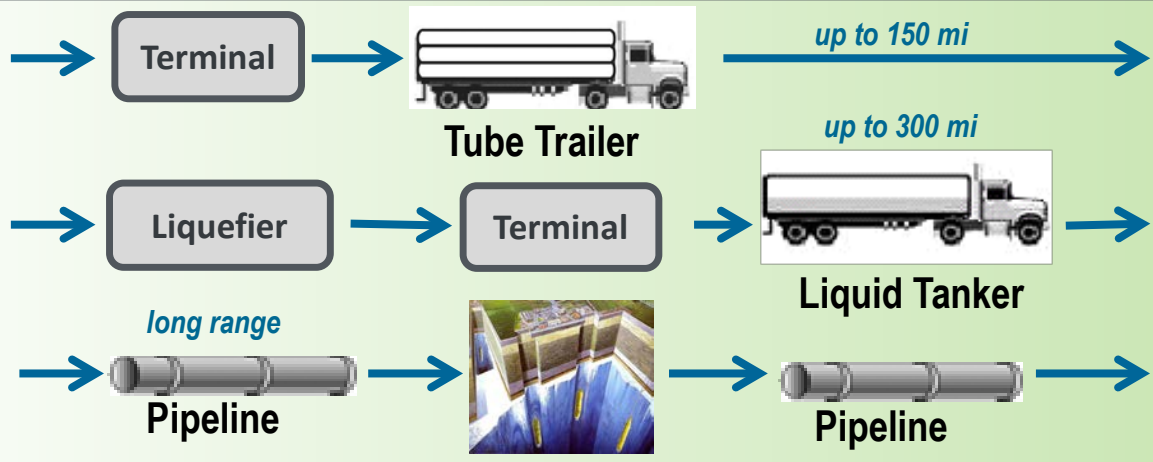
Foundational Research:

- Breakthrough Materials: catalysts, separators, thermal & optical materials...


Innovative applied & foundational R&D is addressing the cost-competitiveness of H₂ production from diverse, sustainable domestic resources

Hydrogen Delivery & Dispensing Options


Delivery from Central Facility



H₂ End Uses



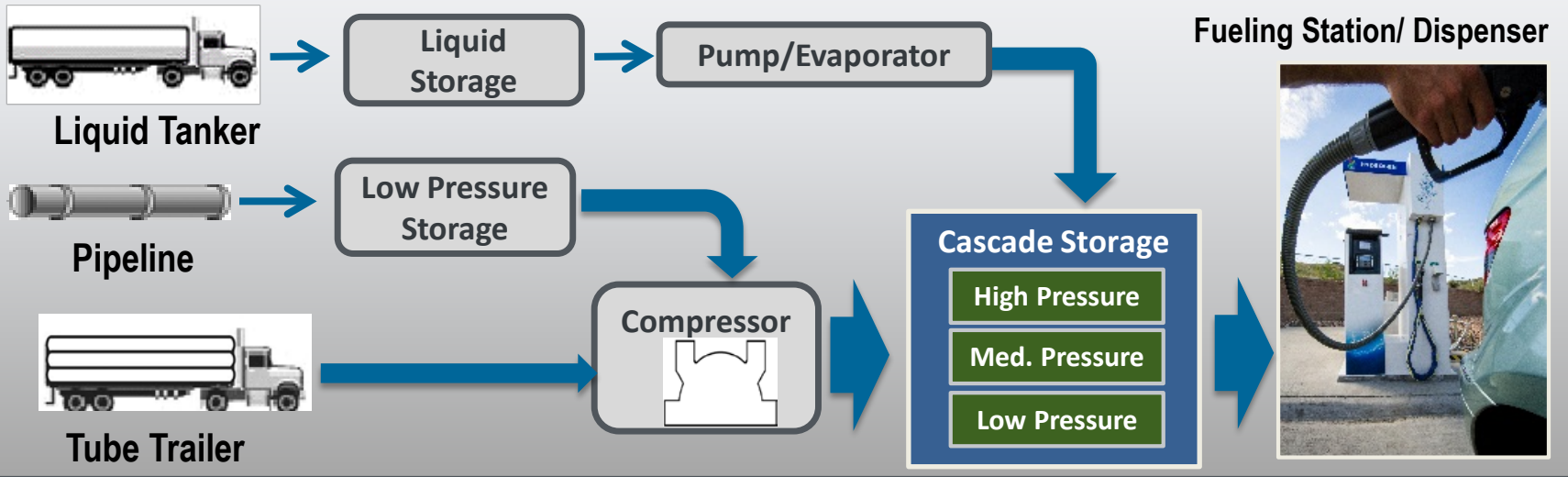
Fueling Station/Dispenser



Oil Refinery

Alternative H₂ delivery approaches (e.g. advanced liquid carriers) are longer-term options

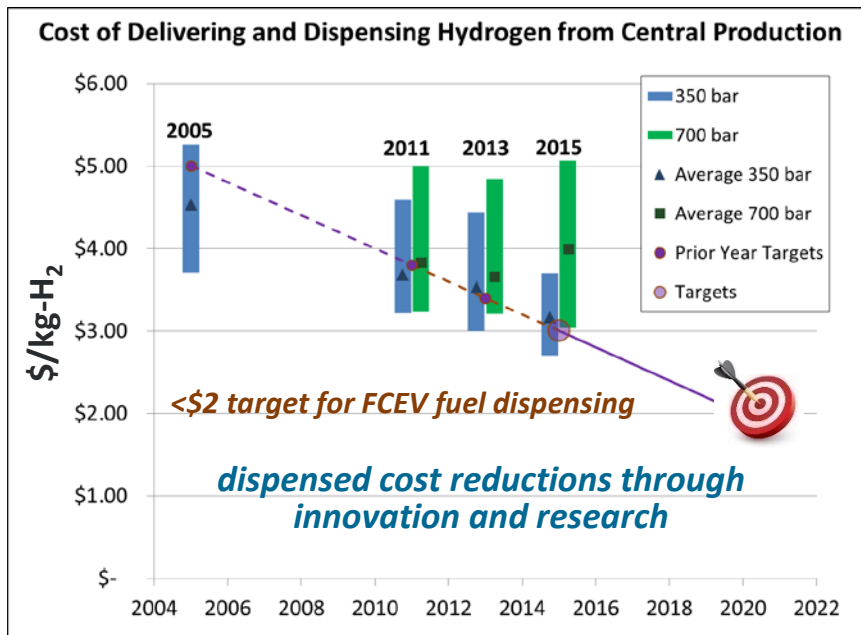
Fueling Station Dispensing



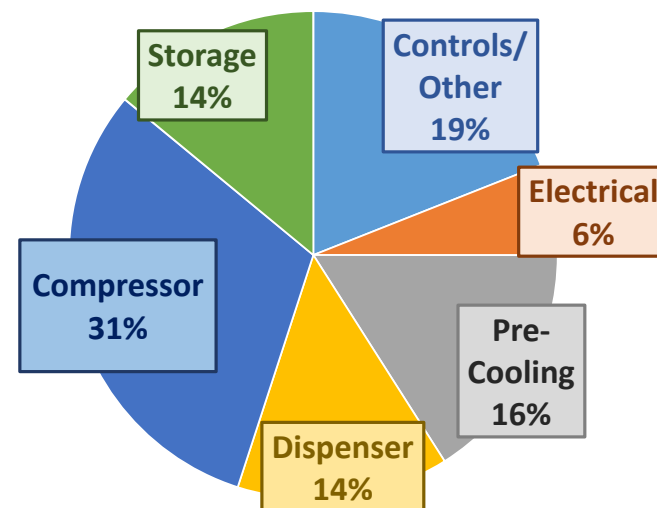
Continued research and development of affordable delivery & dispensing options are key to enabling large-scale benefits of hydrogen

R&D to enable affordable H₂ delivery and dispensing is a vital need

Techno-economic analysis quantifies delivery/dispensing cost drivers



Tube trailer delivery example



Early-Stage Applied R&D:

- *Gaseous & Liquid Delivery*
- *Compressors, Storage, Dispensers*
- *Materials Compatibility*

Foundational Research:

- *Breakthrough Materials: liquefaction, storage, pipeline & joining materials...*

Cost reductions through R&D are vital to H₂ market growth

R&D Strategies and Framework

Challenge

Sustainable Low-Cost H₂ Production & Delivery

- Materials issues
- Feedstock use
- Capital costs
- O&M costs



Strategies

Foundational and Applied Research

- Foundational R&D to enable broad hydrogen production options
- Applied R&D to enable delivery & dispensing at H₂ refueling stations

R&D Focus

Research Guided by Techno-economics

- Early-stage materials R&D addressing key challenges in energy conversion, catalysis, separations, hydrogen compatibility, etc.
- Leveraging research innovations in hybrid systems & BOP

Key Areas

Hydrogen Production

- Advanced water-splitting
- Waste & bio-conversion
- Nuclear/hybrid approaches

H₂ Delivery & Dispensing

- Non-mechanical compression
- Novel liquefaction concepts
- Liquid hydrogen carriers

R&D Support Framework:

FCTO FOA & Lab Calls

H2@Scale Ecosystem

DOE MOUs: NSF & NIST

SBIR/STTR

Crosscuts: EMN/Grid...

Prizes and Other

Leveraging resources to optimize research impact

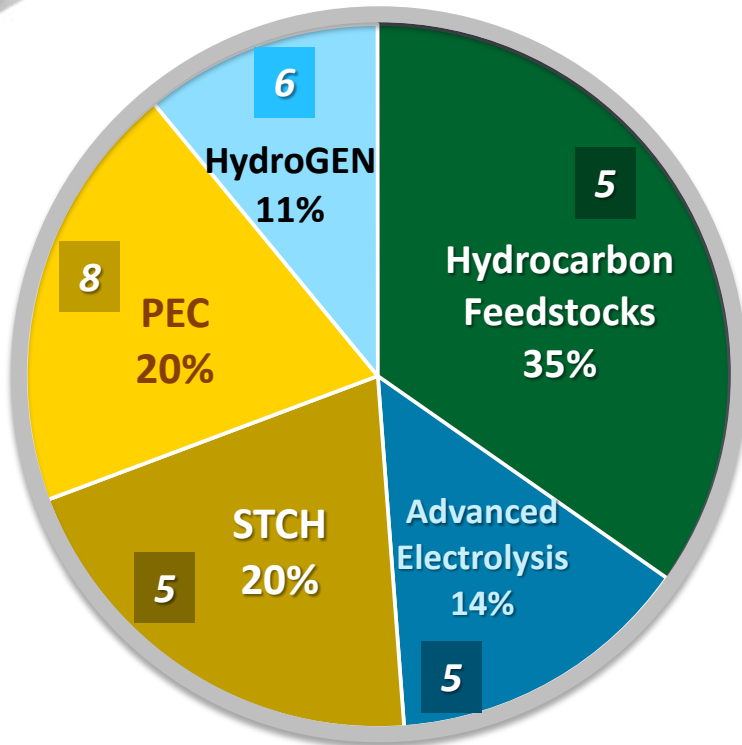
Current R&D Portfolio Distribution

funding distribution in FOA, LAB, SBIR/STTR & joint NSF projects

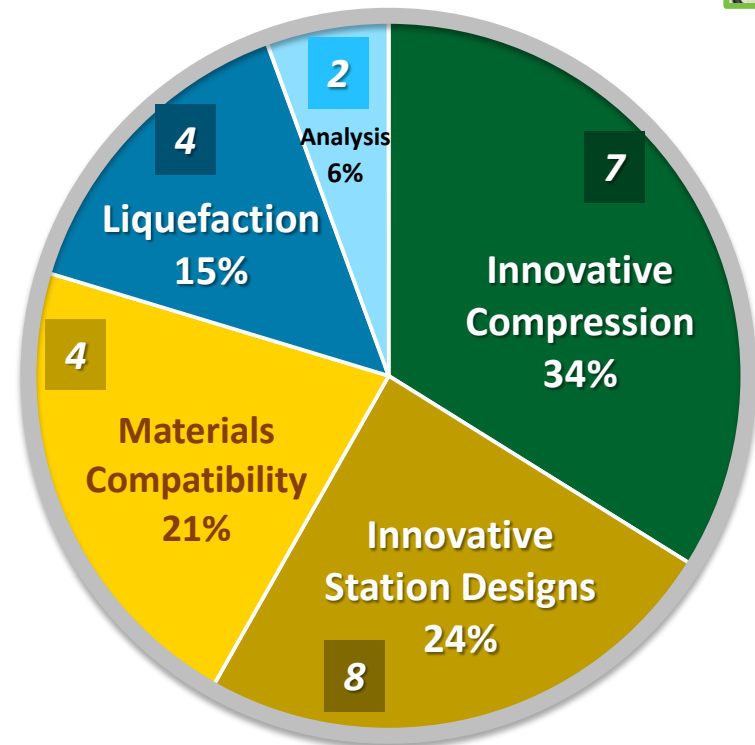
including number of projects and % of portfolio funding



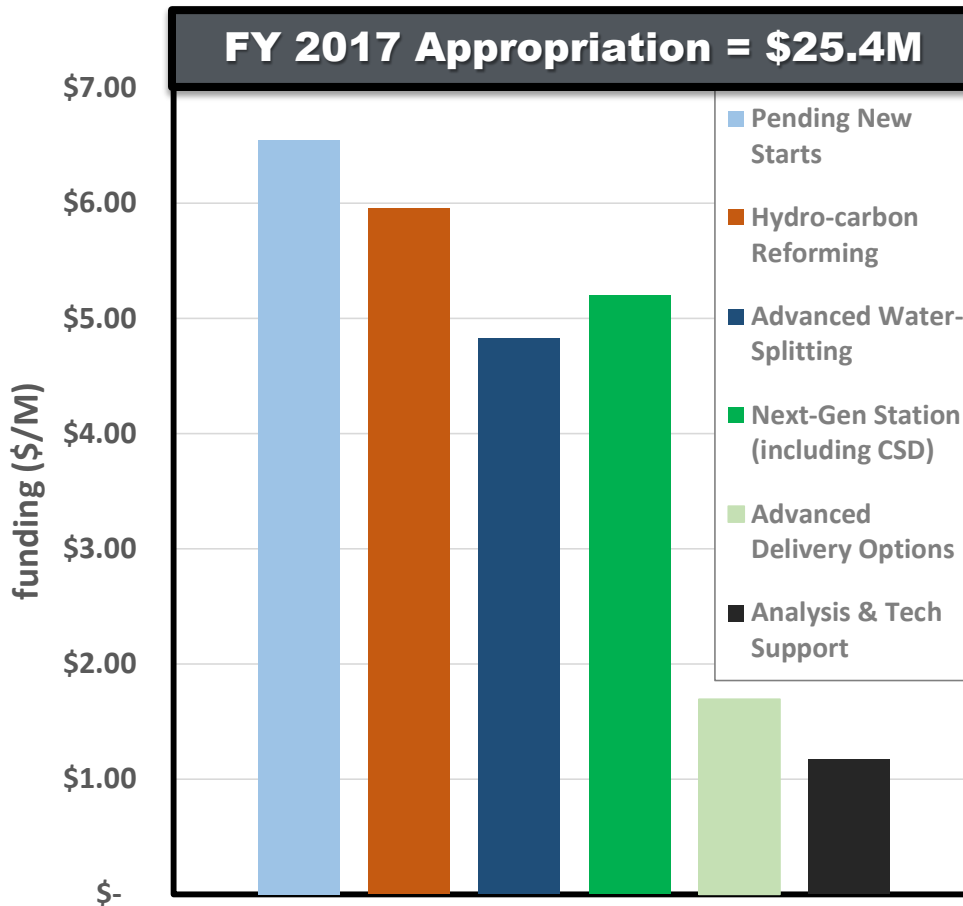
H₂ Production



H₂ Delivery



Balanced portfolio addressing early-stage research challenges

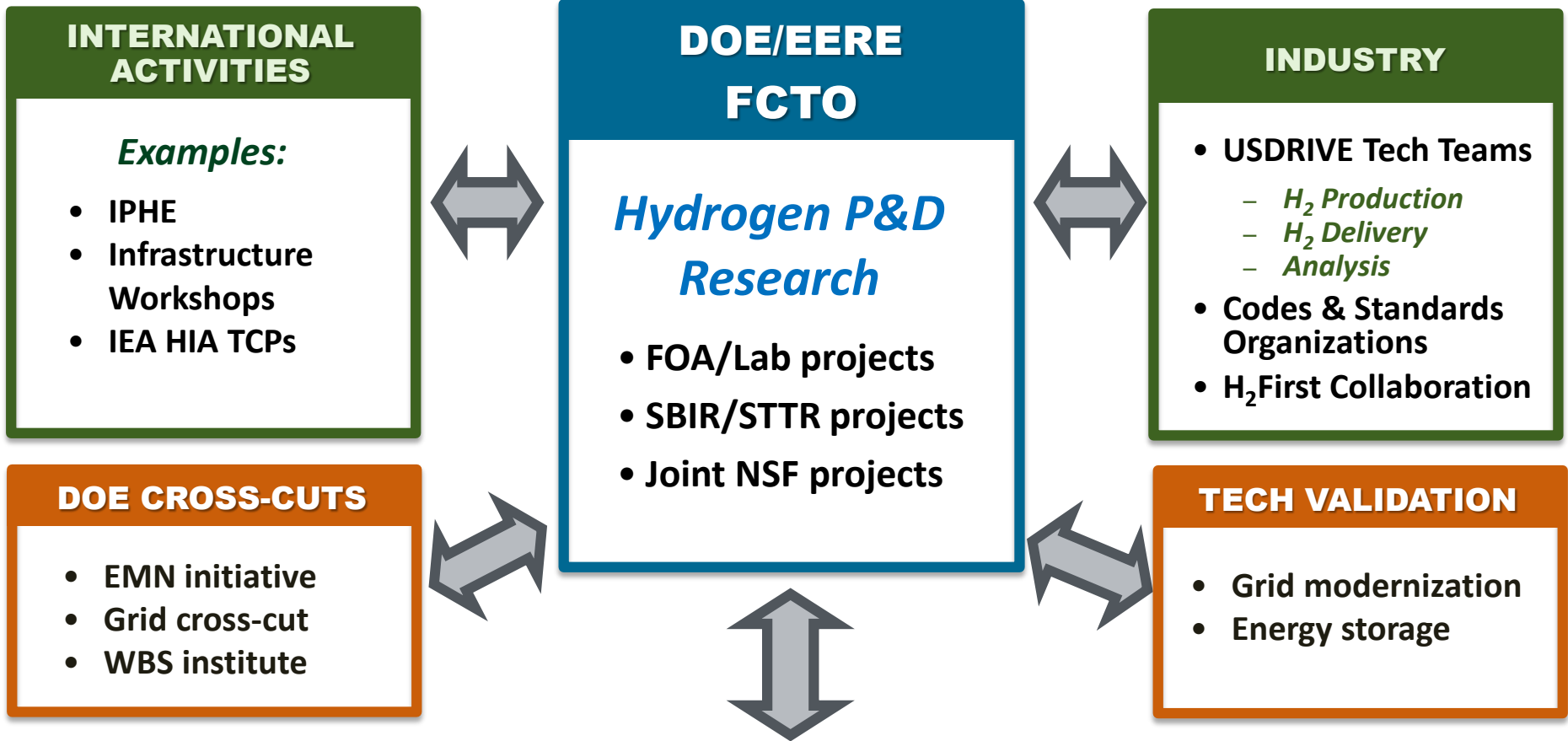


CURRENT EMPHASIS

- **Support R&D needs identified through the H₂@Scale Initiative:**
 - *Early-stage R&D through the HydroGEN Advanced Water Splitting Materials EMN Consortium*
 - *Early-stage materials R&D essential to viable hydrogen delivery and dispensing technologies, including novel H₂ carrier options*
- **Continue leveraging cross-program, cross-office and cross-agency R&D opportunities and resources**

Continued leveraging of broad research resources is needed to support the diverse H₂ production & delivery portfolio

H₂ Production & Delivery Collaborations



INTRA- AND INTER-AGENCY COLLABORATIONS

H2@Scale

DOE EERE:
BETO, AMO, SETO

DOE-Wide:
SC, NE, FE, ARPA-E

Inter-Governmental
NSF, NIST, DOD, DOT

Tailoring Hydrogen Evolution Reaction (HER) Catalysts for Operation at Specific pH Values:
Bianca Ceballos, U. of California, Irvine

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BESH2020
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Nano-bio Systems for Light-Driven Hydrogen Production: **Kara Bren, University of Rochester**

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Multiple Approaches to Photocatalytic Hydrogen Production using Photosystem I as a Light Harvesting Module: **Michael Gorka, Pennsylvania State U.**

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Mechanistic Investigations on Hydrogen Catalysis by [FeFe]-Hydrogenase: **David Mulder, National Renewable Energy Laboratory**

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BESH2024
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Hybrid Perovskites and Non-adiabatic Dynamics Simulations: Catching Realistic Aspects of the Charge Recombination Process: **Joanna Jankowska, U. of Southern California**

BESH2022
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Reversible Conversion between CO₂/H₂ and Formic Acid by Molecular Catalysts: **Etsuko Fujita, Brookhaven National Laboratory**

BESH2025
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Special thanks to our BES guest presenters!

DOE / NSF Joint Projects in Water Splitting



Engineering Directorate
Division of Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental, and Transport
Systems (CBET)

NSF 14-511: NSF/DOE Partnership On Advanced Frontiers in Renewable Hydrogen Fuel Production via Solar Water Splitting Technologies

New Metal Oxides for Efficient Hydrogen
Production via Solar Water Splitting: **Balcheng
Weng, U. of Toledo**

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Accelerated Discovery of Advanced RedOx
Materials for STWS to Produce Renewable
Hydrogen: **Charles Musgrave, U. of Colorado
Boulder**

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Engineering Surfaces, Interfaces, and Bulk
Materials for Unassisted Solar
Photoelectrochemical (PEC) Water Splitting:
Thomas Jaramillo, Stanford U.

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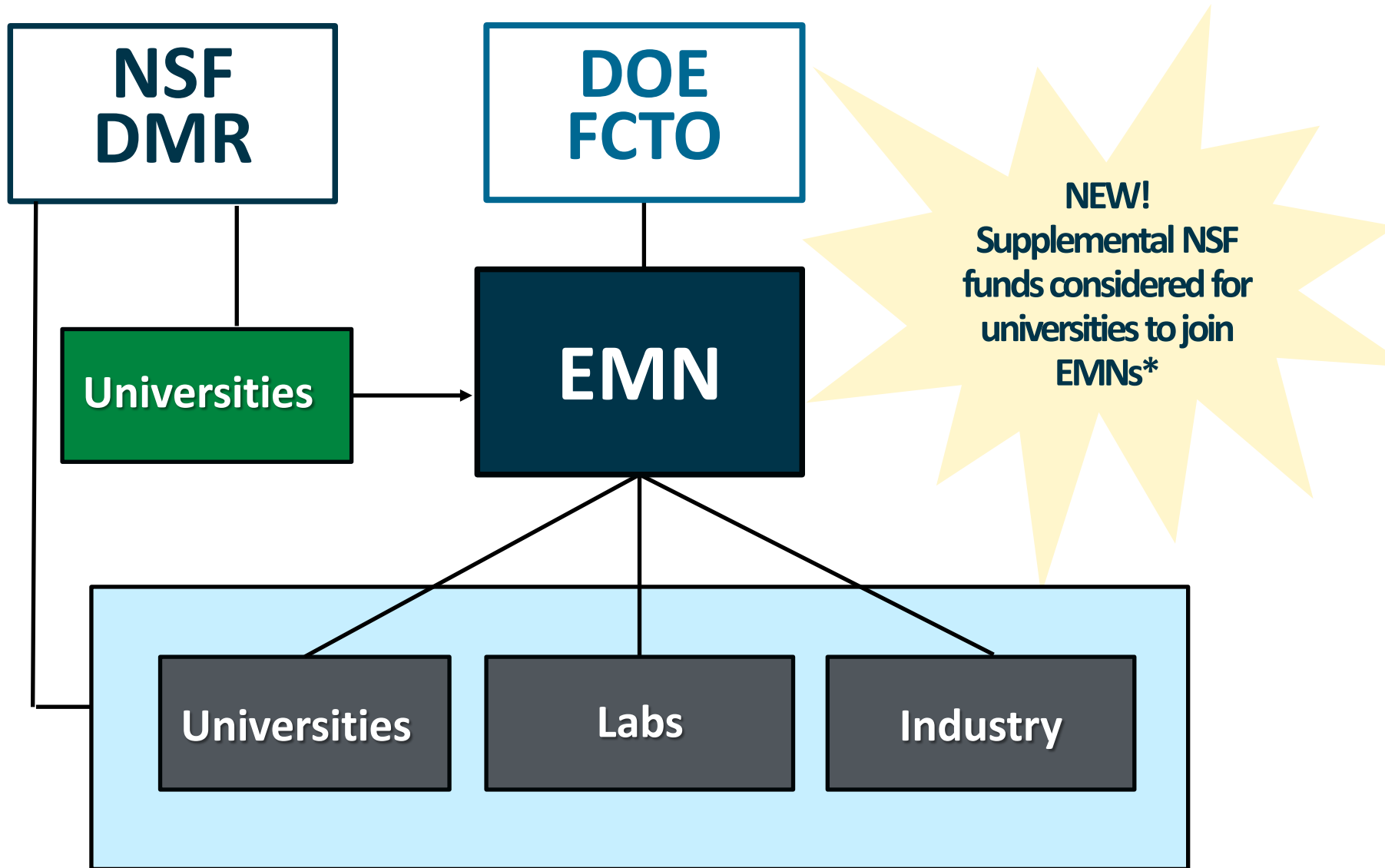
Tunable Photoanode-Photocathode-Catalyst
Interface Systems for Efficient Solar Water
Splitting: **G. Charles Dismukes, Rutgers U.**

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Exploring new avenues of collaboration through EMNs

Leveraging Funding- Example Pilot





\$1M Competition: On-site H₂ fueling

Winner Announced:
More at hydrogenprize.org

simple.fuel.™



***H-Prize Authorized in
Energy Independence
and Security Act***

System Details

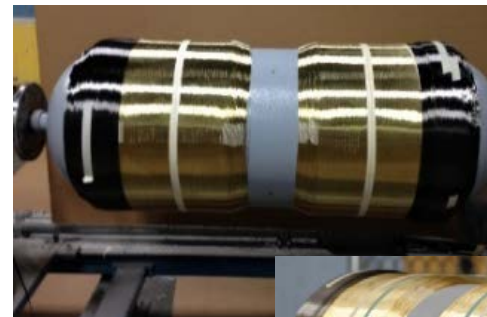
- Hydrogen produced via **electrolysis**
- Refuels **1 kg H₂ in 15 mins** or less
- Refueling at **700 bar**

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WireTough develops innovative steel-wrap approach to low-cost 875 bar H₂ storage

Major Benefits

- The 875-bar H₂ storage vessels are expected to cost 30% less than 2011 baseline and *at least 50% less than currently on the market!*
- WireTough's vessel design certified compliant with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel (BPV) Code, Division 3 (adopted in all U.S. states)
- Additional benefit through the innovative research in basic science of hydrogen embrittlement



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Continuing Efforts

- Manufacturing a full-size, 34-kg prototype to demonstrate scalability and evaluate viability of approach
- Independent 3rd party verification of projected cost savings (SA Inc.)

High pressure stationary H₂ storage vessel with 50% cost savings

Accomplishment: Novel Pipeline Materials Enabled

Cost Savings with FRP Pipelines

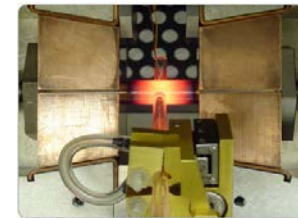
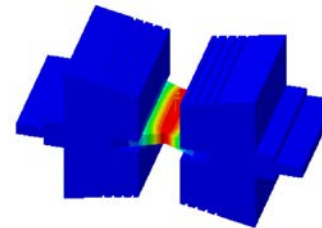
- Fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) pipelines projected to cost >25% less to install than steel
- Evaluation of mechanical properties concluded that FRP can be used for high-pressure hydrogen transmission. (SRNL, ORNL)
- ASME accepted FRP into B31.12 Hydrogen Piping and Pipelines Code
- *Ongoing work: Development of a durable joint (i.e. electrofusion coupler)*



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Reduced-Thickness Steel Pipelines

- Cost reduction estimated for X70 steel over X65 is ~20% for a 12" pipe
- Impact of steel strength on risk of embrittlement evaluated (SNL, NIST, ORNL)
- ASME B31.12 removed thickness penalties on X70 steels
- *Ongoing Work:*
 - *Evaluation of welds in modern steels*
 - *Development of strain-based, mechanistic models of H₂ embrittlement for specific steel microstructures*



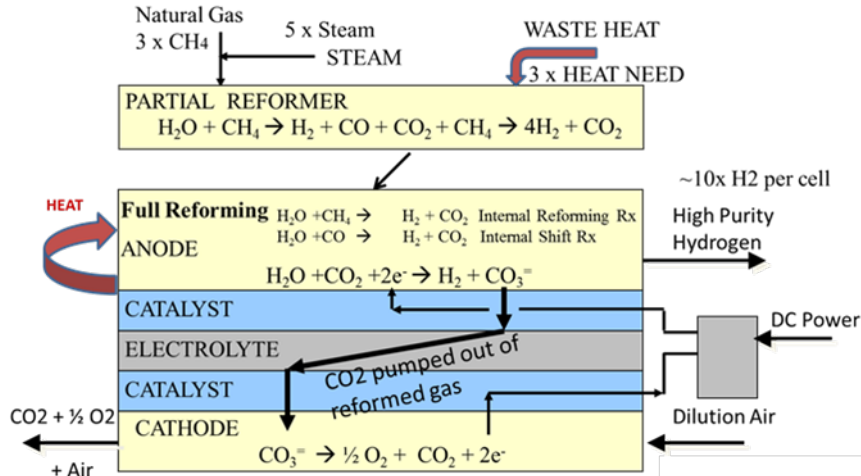
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Lab-led materials evaluation resulted in acceptance of FRP and high-strength steels by industry code committees.

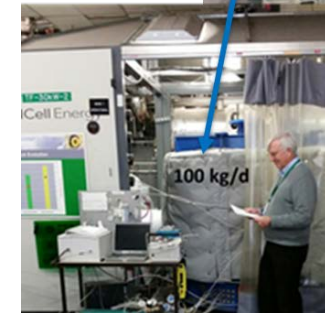
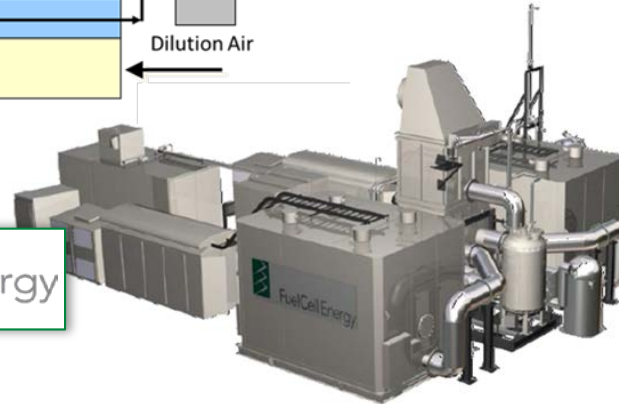
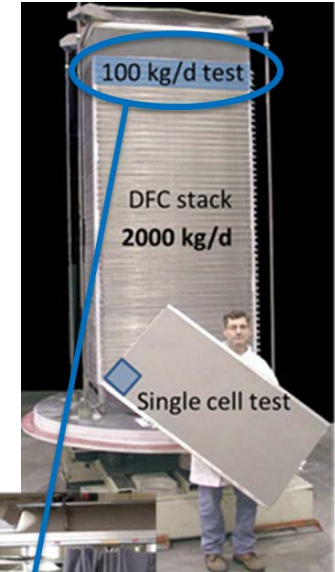
Accomplishment: Reformer-Electrolyzer-Purifier

Successful operation of molten-carbonate stack in reformer-electrolyzer-purifier (REP) mode

REP operational mode



	Target	Design	Test Results
Amps		1040	950 ✓
Volts/cell	<1.35	1.21	1.22 ✓
H ₂ Purity	>95%	97.4	97.5 ✓
Kwh/kg	<8	7.4	7.6 ✓
Kg/day	~100	123	110 ✓



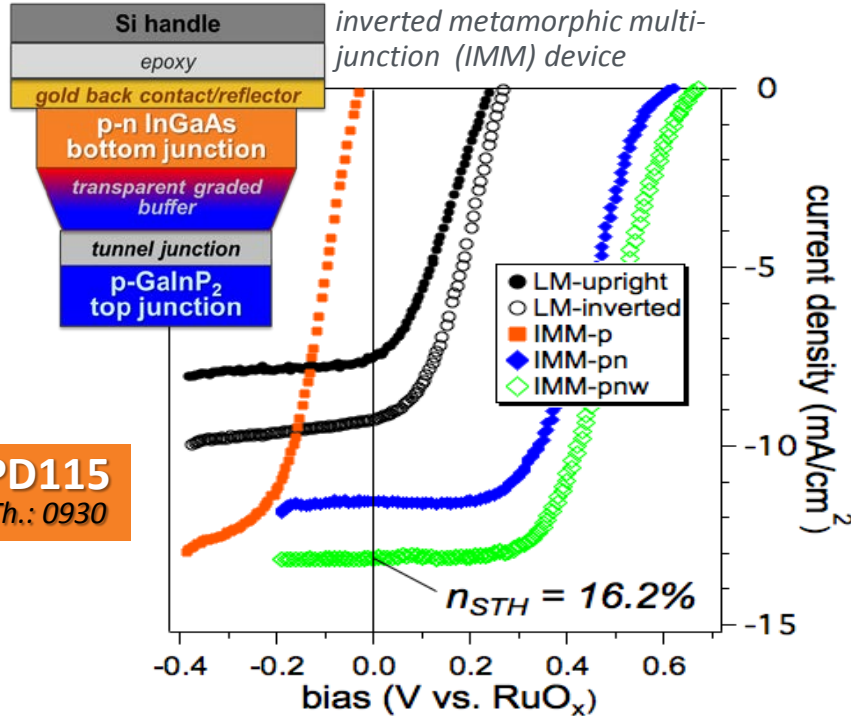
Achieved robust, cost-effective H₂ production from NG and electricity at 100 kg/ day

Potential for full scale system integration @ 2000 kg/day based on 100 kg/day results

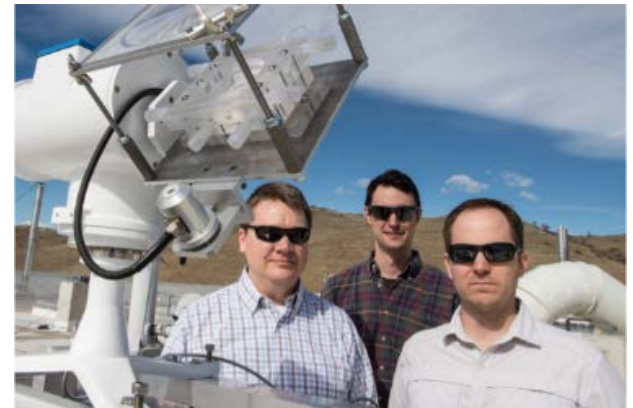
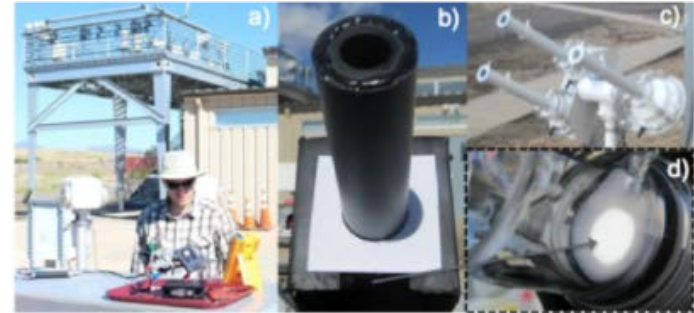
Innovative scalable reforming technology that could enable distributed/on-site hydrogen production for FCEV fueling stations

Accomplishment: New PEC World Record!

NREL surpasses its own old record using a novel tandem device configuration



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Nature Energy 2, 17028 (2017)

Direct solar-to-hydrogen conversion via inverted metamorphic multi-junction semiconductor architectures, J. L. Young, M. A. Steiner, H. Döscher, R. M. France, J. A. Turner, and T. G. Deutsch



Innovations in materials synthesis & characterization led NREL researchers to a new record solar-to-hydrogen conversion efficiency of 16.2%

Accomplishment: HydroGEN Consortium Launch

From drawing-board to full consortium deployment in 6 months!



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meeting the challenge

Accelerating research, development, and deployment of advanced water splitting technologies for clean, sustainable hydrogen production

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FEATURED CAPABILITY

**Photoelectrochemical Device In Situ
and Operando Testing Using X-Rays** >

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Visit the HydroGEN website at <https://www.h2awsm.org>

HydroGEN: Advanced Water-Splitting Materials

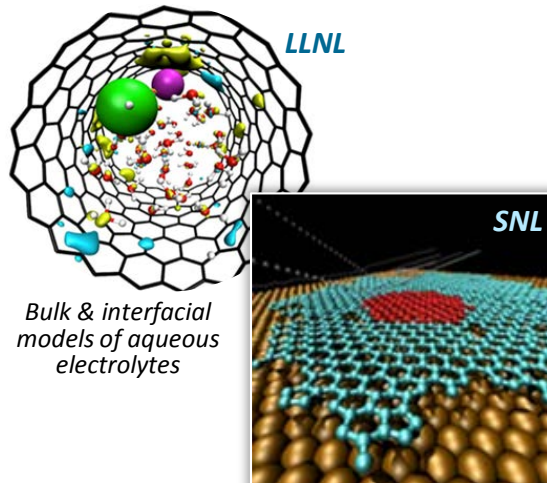


Accelerating the discovery & development of innovative materials critical to advanced technologies for sustainable H₂ production, including:

- *Advanced high- and low-temperature electrochemical conversion*
- *Direct photoelectrochemical solar water splitting*
- *Direct solar thermochemical water splitting*

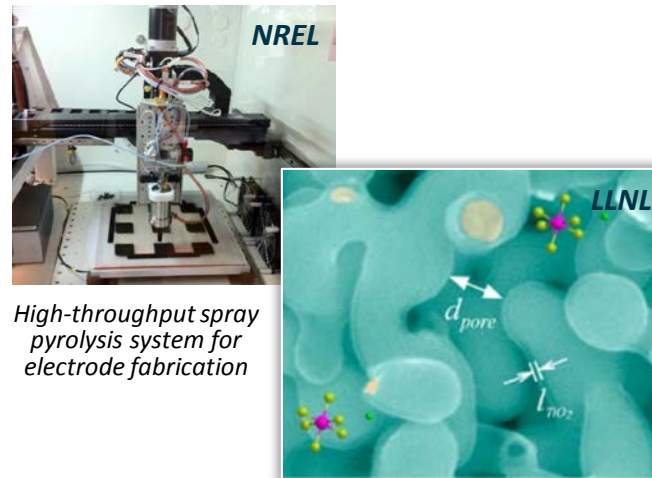
➤ **Comprising more than 80 unique, world-class capabilities/expertise in materials theory/computation, synthesis, characterization & analysis:**

Materials Theory/Computation



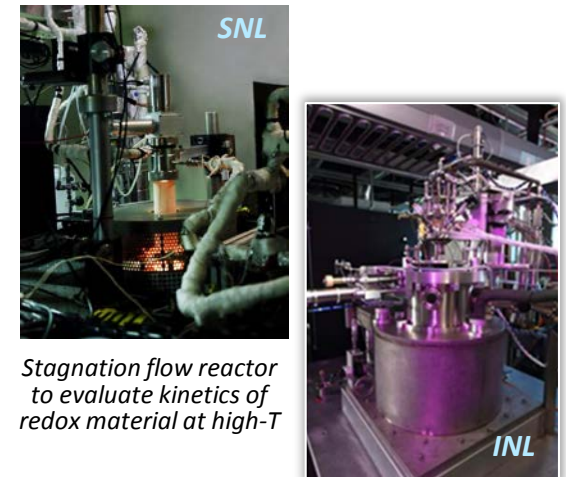
LAMMPS classic molecular dynamics modeling relevant to H₂O splitting

Advanced Materials Synthesis



Conformal ultrathin TiO₂ ALD coating on bulk nanoporous gold

Characterization & Analytics



Stagnation flow reactor to evaluate kinetics of redox material at high-T

TAP reactor for extracting quantitative kinetic data

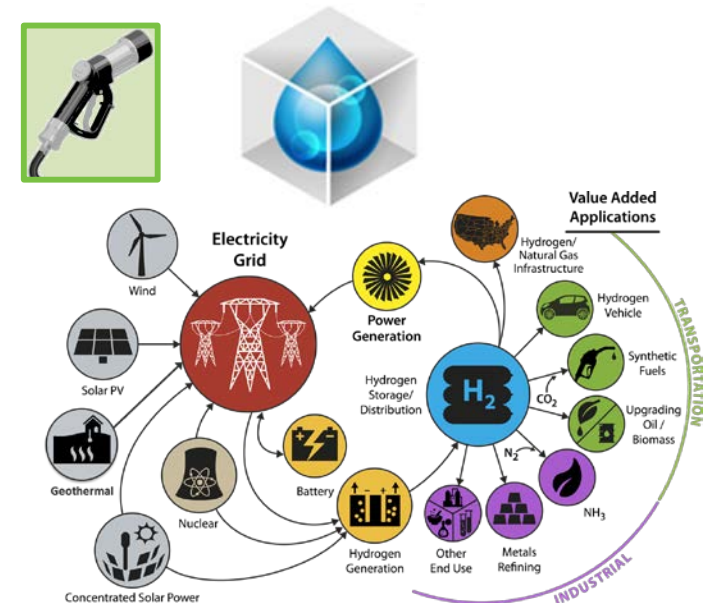
HydroGEN fosters cross-cutting innovation using theory-guided applied materials R&D to advance all emerging water-splitting pathways for hydrogen production

Recent Activities and Milestones

- HydroGen Advanced Water Splitting Materials consortium established, supporting H2@Scale
- Demonstration of 100 kg/d H₂ production in novel, scalable reforming technology
- New world record established for photoelectrochemical hydrogen production
- New projects in high-temperature electrolysis and advanced compression
- Cross-office collaborations with *EMN, PowerAmerica, Grid Integration, Solar Fuels*
- Webinars on topics including *Grid Integration of Fuel Cell and Electrolyzer Technologies*
- Workshops, including *Power Electronics for Fuel Cells and Electrolyzer Technologies*

Ongoing Focus Areas

- Foundational R&D supporting H2@Scale needs
- Early-stage R&D through the HydroGEN Advanced Water Splitting Materials Consortium
- Early-stage materials R&D essential to viable hydrogen delivery and dispensing technologies
- Continue leveraging cross-office and cross-agency R&D opportunities and resources



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