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Addressing the world's most challenging problems



VISION

INL will change the world's energy future and secure our critical infrastructure.

MISSION

Discover, demonstrate, and secure innovative nuclear energy solutions, clean energy options and critical infrastructure.

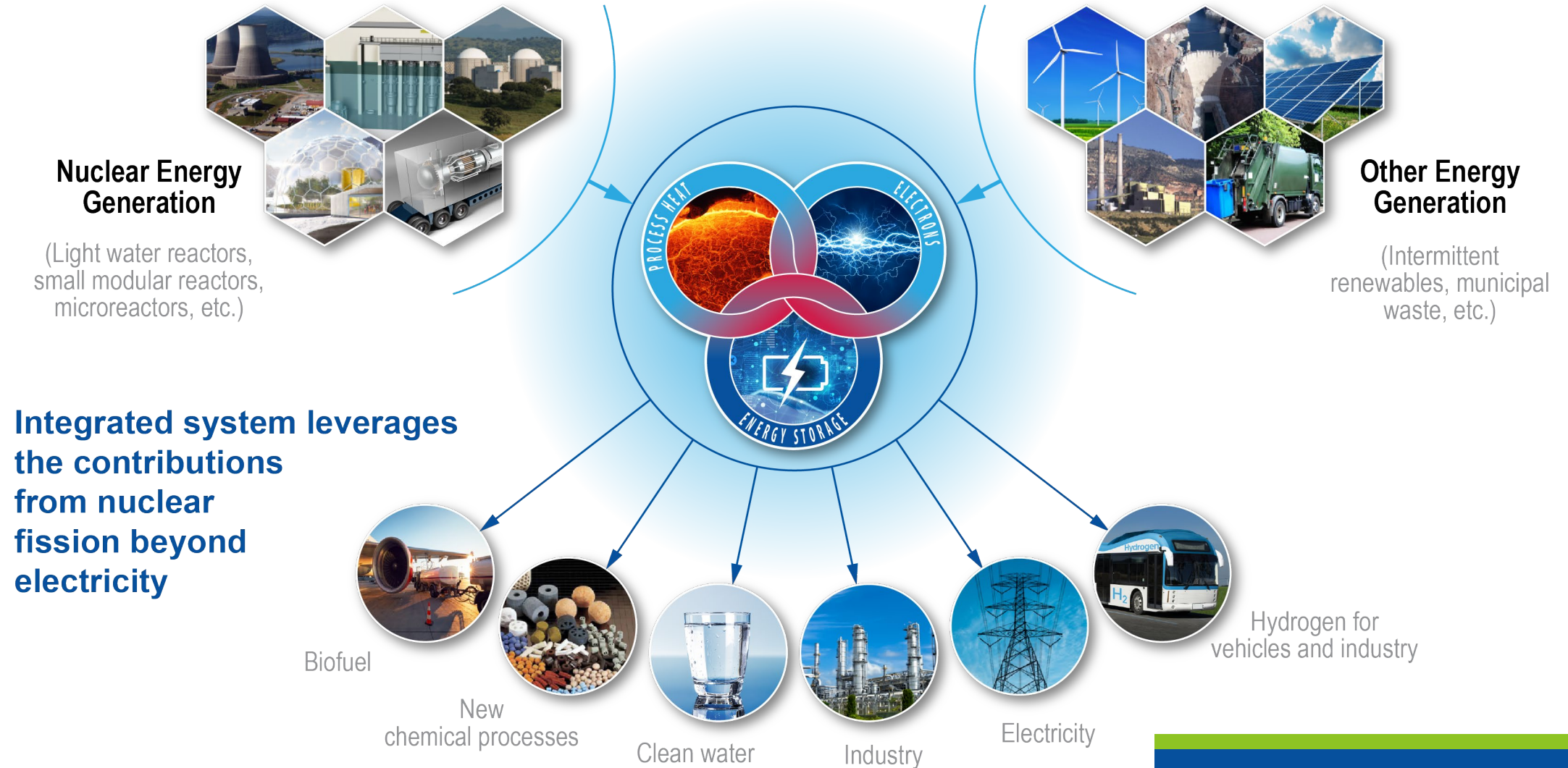
Program Overview

- Integrated Energy Systems
- Resilient Energy Systems
- Manufacturing
- Feedstocks for a Circular Economy

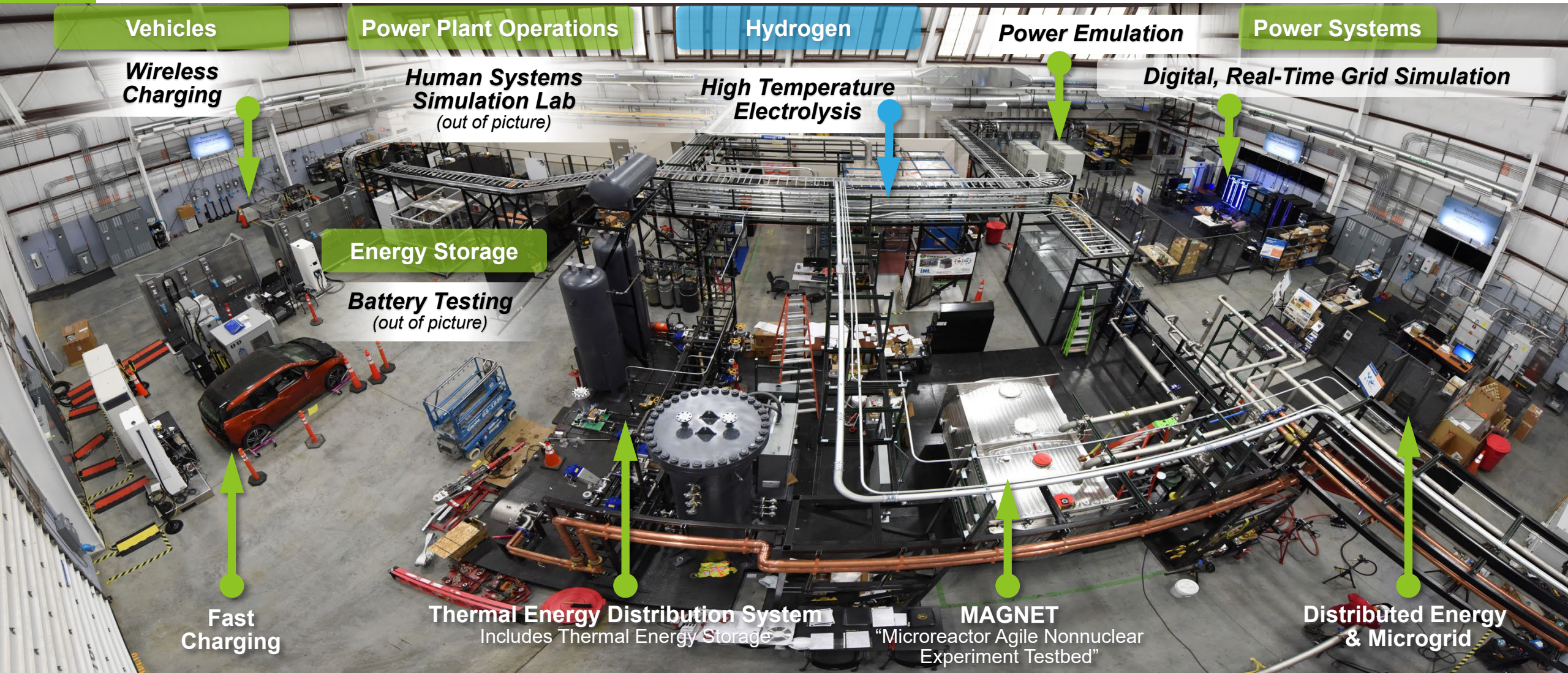


Integrated Energy Systems

Future Energy System – transforming the energy paradigm



INL's Integrated Energy Systems Laboratory



Vehicles

Wireless Charging

Power Plant Operations

Human Systems Simulation Lab
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Hydrogen

High Temperature Electrolysis

Power Emulation

Digital, Real-Time Grid Simulation

Power Systems

Energy Storage

Battery Testing
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Fast Charging

Thermal Energy Distribution System
Includes Thermal Energy Storage

MAGNET
"Microreactor Agile Nonnuclear Experiment Testbed"

Distributed Energy & Microgrid

Joint EERE-NE H₂ Production Demonstration Projects

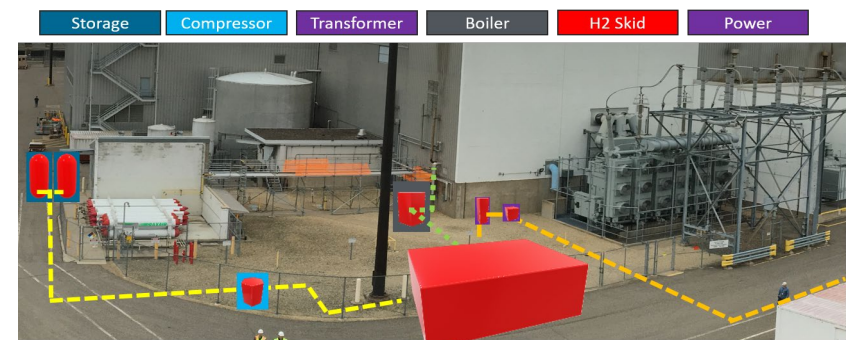
Four projects have been announced for demonstration of hydrogen production at nuclear power plants

- Demonstrate hydrogen production using direct electrical power offtake from a nuclear power plant for a commercial, 1-3 MWe, low-temperature (PEM) and high temperature steam electrolysis modules
- Acquaint NPP operators with monitoring and controls procedures and methods for scaleup to large commercial-scale hydrogen plants
- Evaluate power offtake dynamics on NPP power transmission stations to avoid NPP flexible operations
- Evaluate power inverter control response to provide grid contingency (inertia and frequency stability), ramping reserves, and volt/reactive control reserve
- Produce hydrogen for captive use by NPPs and first movers of clean hydrogen



Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant

Thermal & Electrical Integration at Xcel Energy Nuclear Plant



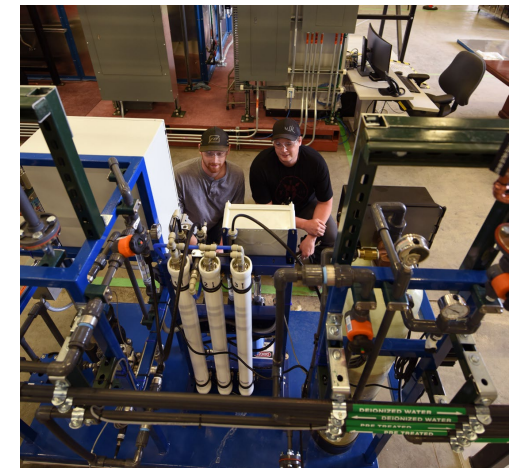
High Temperature Electrolysis – Hydrogen Production

Program Overview

- High temperature electrolysis (HTE) systems produce hydrogen using heat and electricity with ultra-high efficiency.
- INL's 25 kW HTE Station (pictured right) verifies durability and performance of solid oxide cells that are used to produce hydrogen with high efficiency.

Example Projects

- High Temperature Steam Electrolysis modules testing: Bloom Energy, FuelCell Energy, OxEon



Energy Storage

Program Overview

- INL's battery facilities provide 20,000 square feet and can test hundreds of batteries at the same time.

Example Projects

- Battery500: The team has developed long life batteries with two times the energy of previous state of the art commercial batteries.
- Machine Learning: INL is reducing time needed to validate technologies.
 - From 18 months to 2 weeks, the team can now predict performance and cell failure 36 x's faster.



Transportation Electrification

Program Overview

- Provide data, tools and expertise to help the public and private sectors plan the fueling/charging infrastructure necessary to support widespread electric and fuel-cell vehicle adoption.

Example Projects

- White House national EV charging network planning team
- INL Net-zero
- Technical assistance to Idaho OEMR, DEQ for EV charging infrastructure program using Volkswagen settlement funds
- INL motorcoach fleet electrification will provide a blueprint for other Idaho fleets.



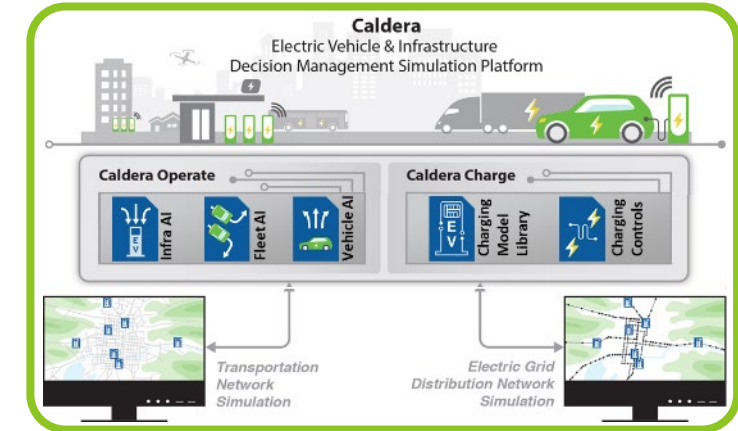
Electric Vehicles & the Grid

Program Overview

- Developing technology to integrate EV charging and hydrogen fueling into the broader energy system.
- Our research includes data collection, modeling and simulation, cybersecurity, and real-world demonstrations.

Example Projects

- Caldera: a tool for evaluating EV charging impact on the electric grid
- Cybersecurity: EV charging as critical infrastructure must be secure to protect transportation and the grid
- Studying in-road wireless charging could remove the need for large, bulky batteries.



Hydropower

Program Overview

- Advancing hydropower's ability to balance the regional grid and maximizing the value of this renewable resource for communities.

Example Projects

- Hydro+Storage: developing tools to design hydropower hybrids.
- Irrigation Modernization: decision tool for irrigation districts.
- Hydropower + Hydrogen: generating green hydrogen.
- Working with Minidoka irrigation district to investigate upgrade opportunities.
- Teamed with Idaho Falls Power to show how hydropower plants can be used to serve critical community electric loads during emergency outage.





Resilient Energy Systems

Microgrids

Program Overview

- INL's microgrid test bed system allows researchers to study and demonstrate their uses and component capabilities prior to real-world application.

Example Projects

- Net-zero microgrids R&D initiative, with potential to incorporate and integrate advanced storage, renewable energies, no/low-carbon fuels, and small modular/micro reactor technologies.
- R&D on relocatable microgrid systems with outage relief benefits for end users.





Manufacturing

Electric Field Assisted Sintering Technology (EFAST)

Program Overview

- EFAST is a system that can manufacture advanced components made of metals and ceramics that can withstand extreme conditions.

Example Projects

- The new DCS-800 EFAST in operation at INL (pictured right) is the world's largest and can manufacture materials at industrially relevant scales.



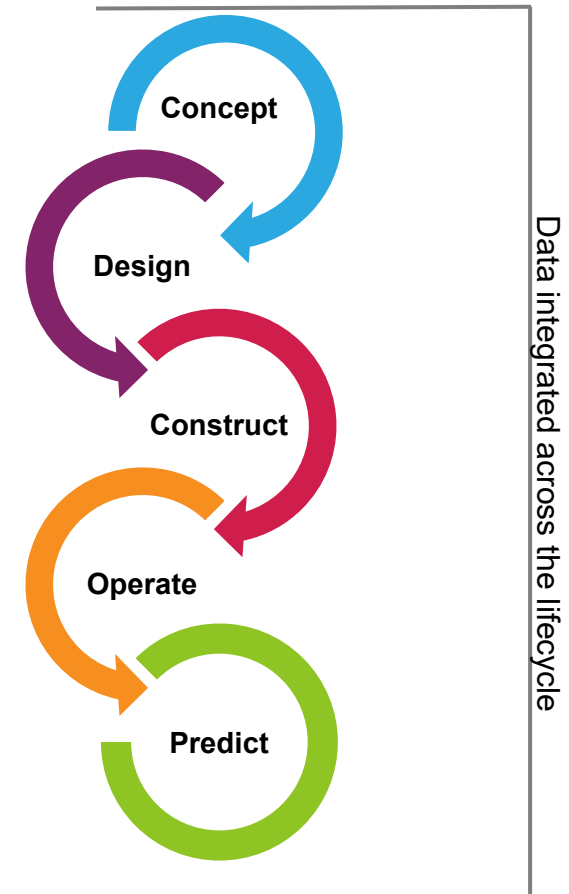
Digital Engineering

Program Overview

- Digital Engineering (DE) uses artificial intelligence and real-time integrated data to coordinate engineering, construction, procurement, and facility operations.
- DE keeps costs down through integrated design and work on track while dramatically reducing overall program risk.

Example Projects

- Digital Engineering Design Ecosystem for Nuclear Reactors.
- Digital Twins for Non-Proliferation.
- Integrated Hybrid Cloud / High Performance Computing Platforms.





Feedstocks for a circular economy

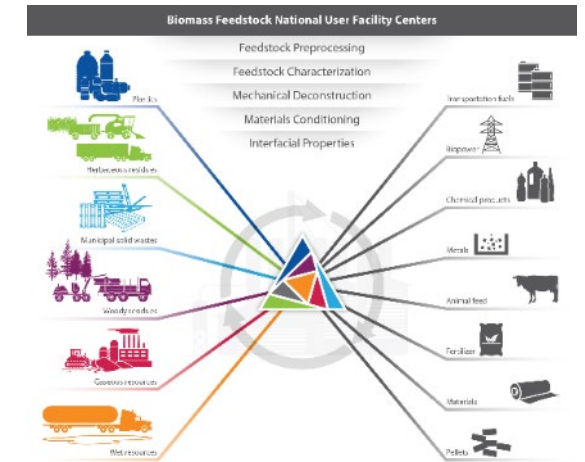
Biomass Feedstock National User Facility

Program Overview

- At the Biomass Feedstock National User Facility researchers focus on R&D associated with key technical barriers facing the U.S. bioenergy and manufacturing industry.

Example Projects

- DARPA: mobile waste processing systems for remote locations.
- Waste fractionation to produce insulation or compounds for auto parts.
- New project on improving soil health with cover crops and biochar.



E-RECOV

Program Overview

- Electrochemical Recycling Electronic Constituents of Value (E-RECOV) is a method that uses an electrochemical cell to efficiently recover valuable metals from discarded electronics.

Example Projects

- Supporting industry partner Quantum Ventura Inc., to build a demonstration plant with capacity to process over 7 kg/day of electronic waste



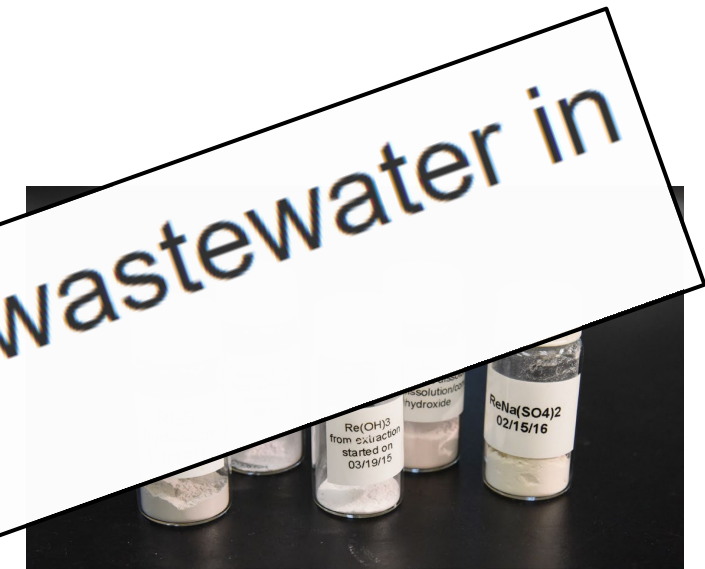
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Example B

INL research studies use of potato wastewater in reclaiming rare-earth elements

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