

Sandia Water Treatment & Desalination Research, Development & Demonstration

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Sandia Sites

Albuquerque, New Mexico



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*Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,
Carlsbad, New Mexico*



*Pantex Plant,
Amarillo, Texas*

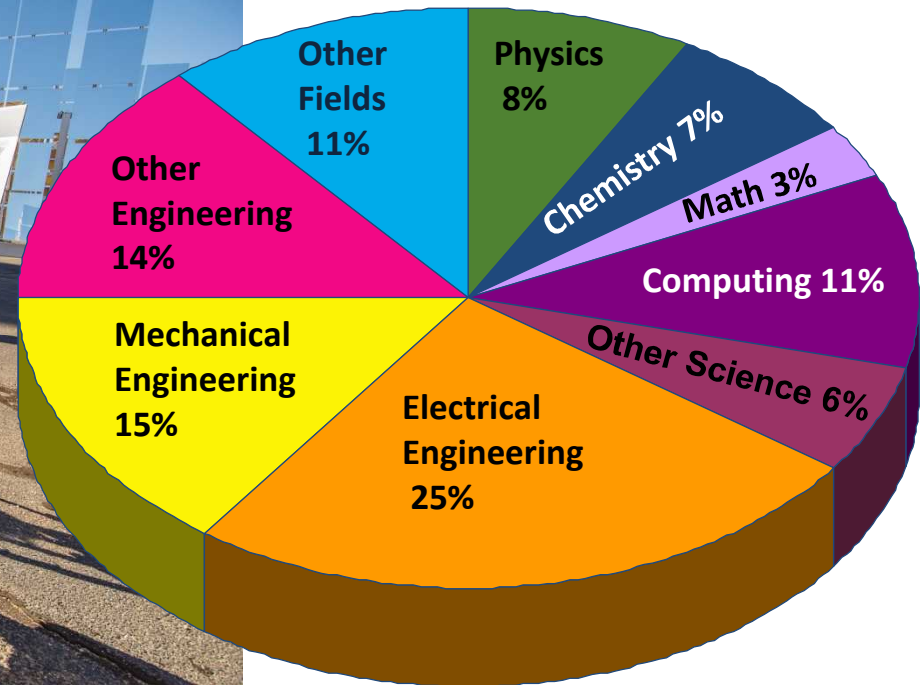


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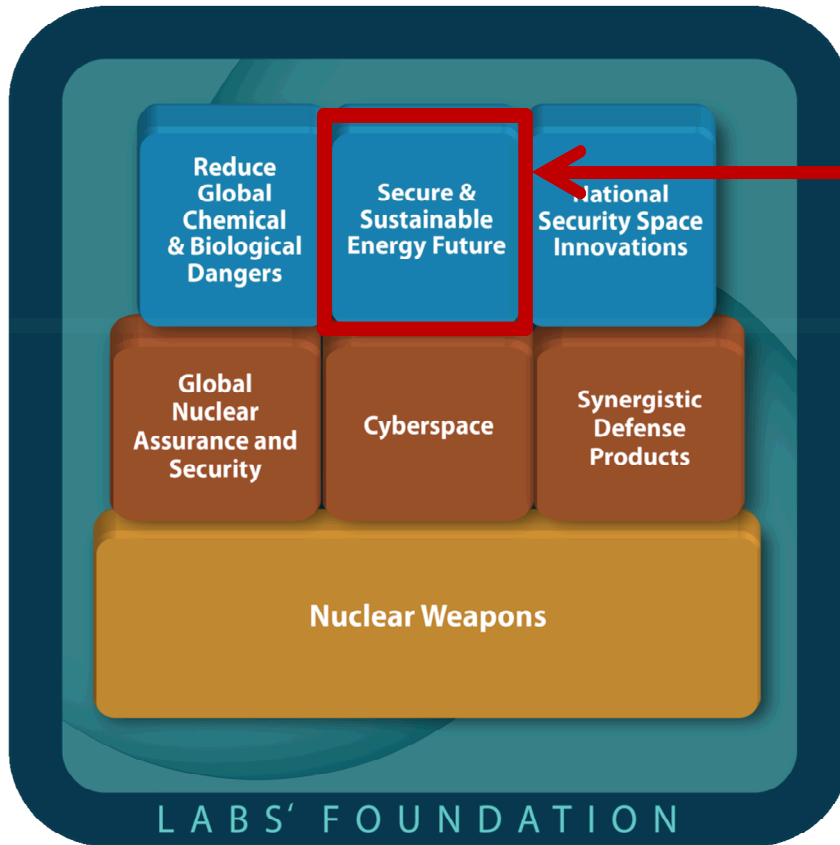
Our Workforce

- Total Sandia workforce: 12,001
 - New Mexico: 10,715
 - California: 1,286
- Advanced degrees: 5,859 (55%)
- Total FY16 budget: \$3B



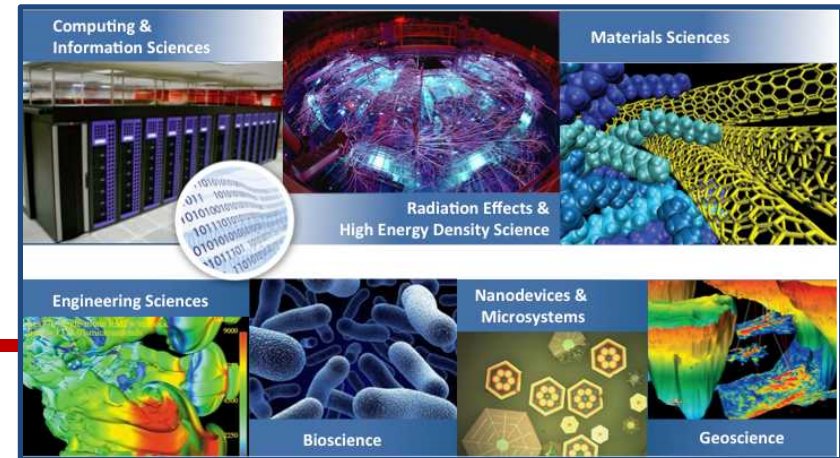
Sandia Mission Framework

Seven Mission Areas draw from and contribute to Lab's Foundation

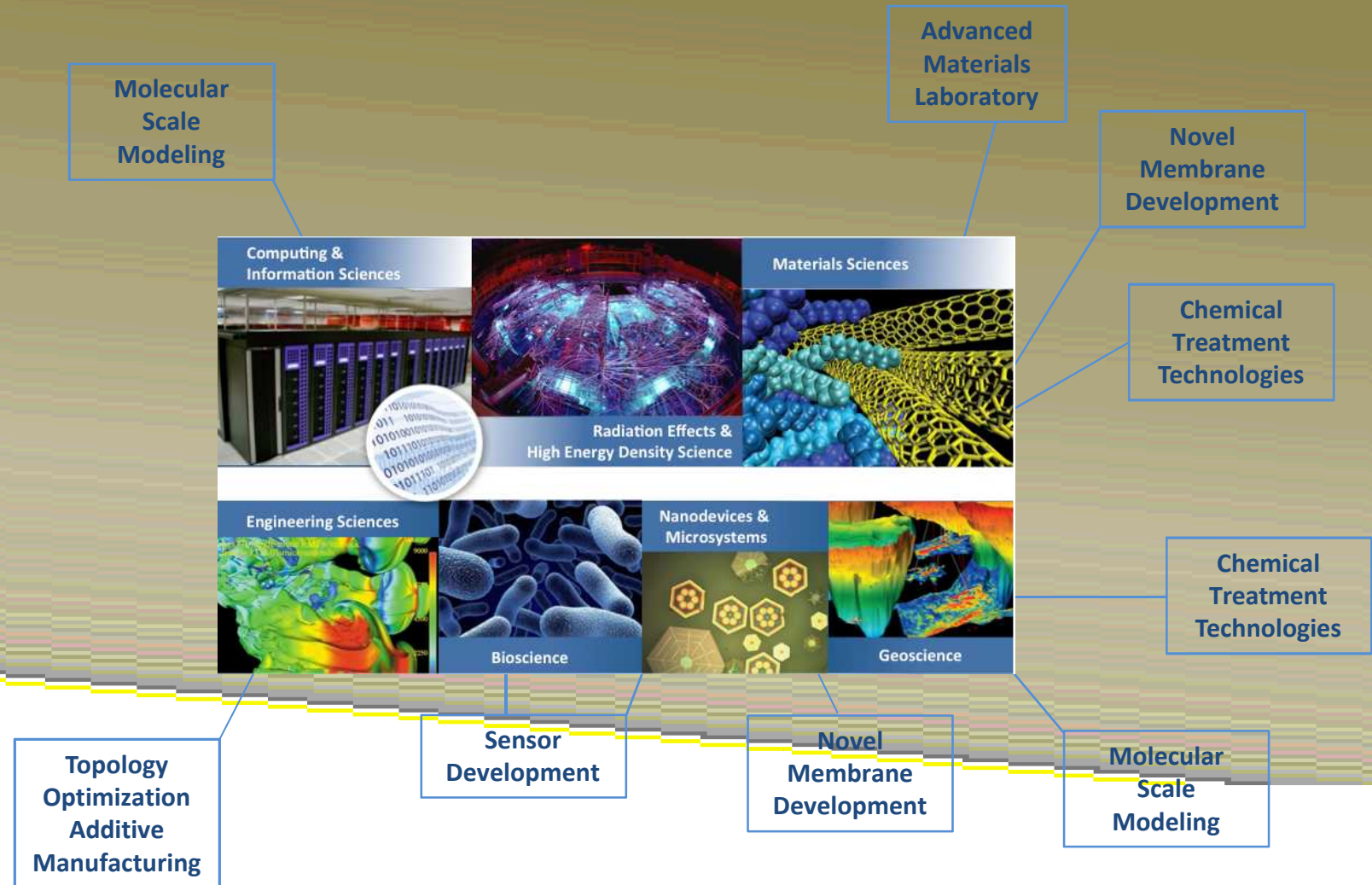


Secure & Sustainable Energy Future -
science-based understanding of the
complex interdependencies between
energy and climate

Lab's Foundation includes LDRD, Office of Science Research and major computational and experimental capabilities

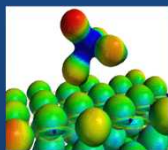
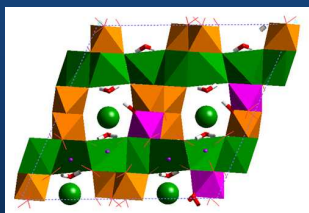


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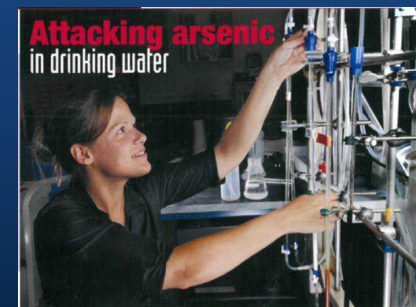
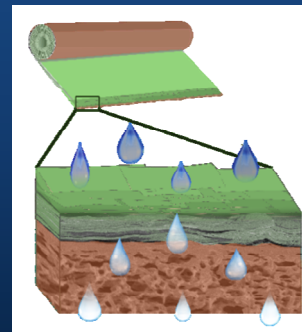


We Manage the Life-Cycle of our Technology

Research



Technology Development



Commercialization



Pilot Programs



Energy & Climate Mission

Energy Research

ARPAe, BES Chem Sciences, ASCR, CINT, Geo Bio Science, BES Material Science

Climate & Engineered Earth Systems

Climate Modeling & Measurement, **Energy & Water**, Fossil Energy Management, Biofuels

Nuclear Energy & Fuel Cycle

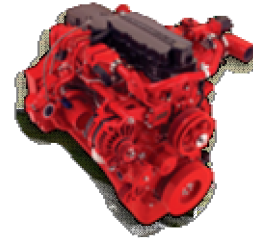
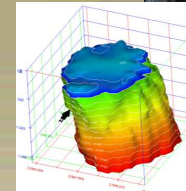
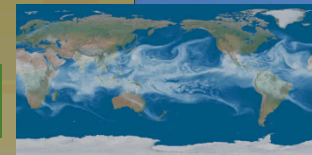
Commercial Nuclear Power & Fuel, Nuclear Energy Safety & Security, DOE Managed Nuclear Waste Disposal

Renewable Systems & Energy Infrastructure

Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, Grid and Storage Systems

Transportation Energy & Systems

Vehicle Technologies, Biomass, Fuel Cells & Hydrogen Technology





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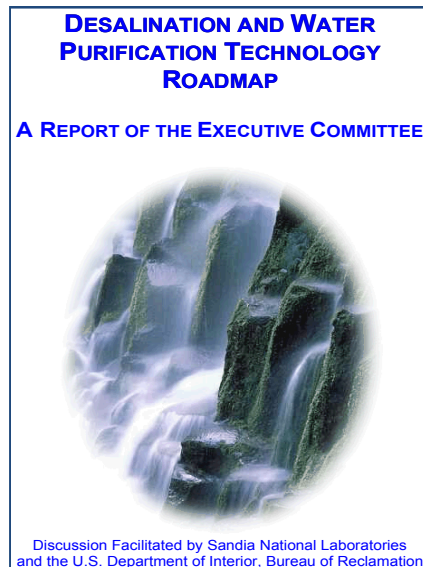


Sandia Water Treatment Partnerships: Past and Present



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Efforts in Charting the Course of National Desalination Research and Development

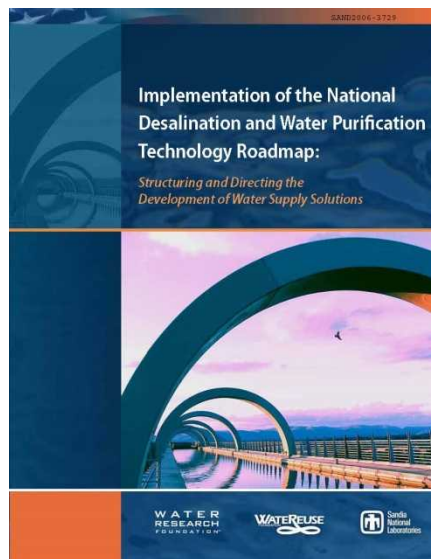


2003 – With EPA and Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)
Summarized water challenges facing US and charted the course of R&D to meet these challenges

Defined critical objectives to reduce cost and increase performance and energy efficiency

Quantified needs and five broad technology areas to meet these needs:

- Membrane Technologies
- Alternative Technologies
- Thermal Technologies
- Concentrate Management Technologies
- Recycle/Reuse Technologies



2007 – With Bureau of Reclamation and WaterReuse Foundation
Identified objectives for technology implementation

- Hasten the rate of technological advances
- Reduce the cost of new technologies

Organized into 4 broad National Research Areas with 25 Research Agendas and 58 Research Projects

- Membrane Technologies
- Alternative Technologies
- Concentrate Management Technologies
- Institutional Issues

Efforts to Accelerate Brackish Water Desalination Technology Development

Brackish Groundwater National Desalination Research Facility (BGNDRF) Alamogordo, NM



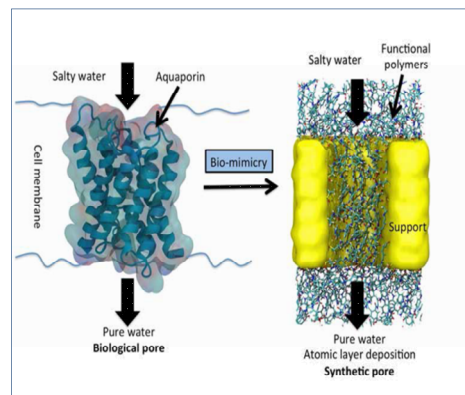
- Led effort with Bureau of Reclamation on a Report to Congress for the conceptual design of a national brackish water desalination research facility - 2003
- Supported BOR on final design, construction, and operation - 2004 - 2009

Clients:

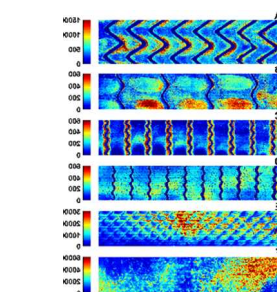


Research and Development of Next Generation Water-Treatment Membranes

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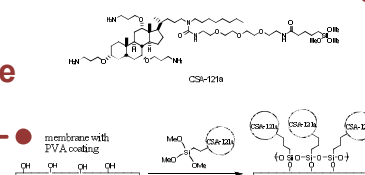


Tunable Biomimetic Membrane for Water Desalination

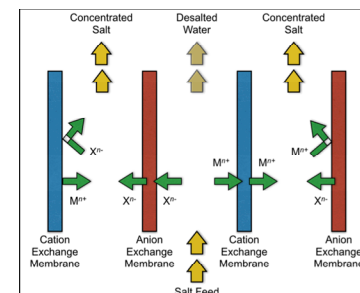


Micro-mixers for Mitigating Membrane Fouling

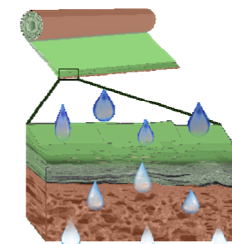
Bio-fouling Resistant Ceragenin-modified Water Treatment Membranes



Nanoporous Membranes



Bio-inspired Ion-Selective ED Membranes



Graphene Oxide/Polymer Membranes

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EXTERNAL FUNDING

DOE Building of Membrane Testing Equipment



EPRI GO/polymer Membrane Treatment of Cooling-Tower Water



Sandia solid-water interfacial projects relevant to water-treatment membrane design

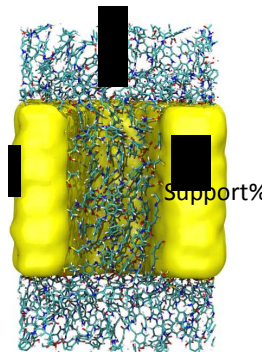
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Behavior of Water in Zeolite Nanopores



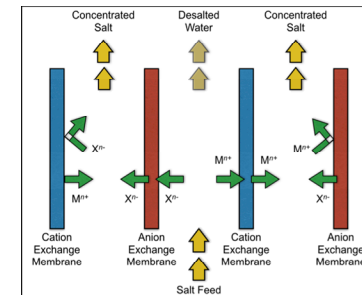
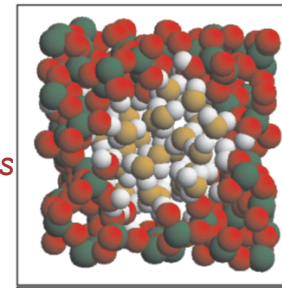
CO₂ Memzyme

Exploiting Interfacial Water Properties for Desalination and Purification Applications



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Functionalized Silica Nanopores
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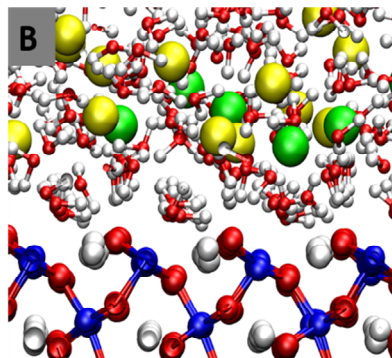
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Office of Science, Basic Energy Science
Electrolyte Adsorption to Fe-Oxyhydroxide

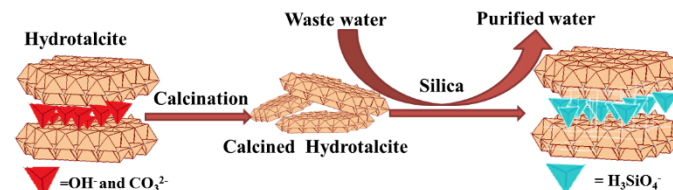
NIH Nanomedicine Design of Biomimetic Nano-conductors

Airforce Biomimetic Nanostructures

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Sandia Designer Sorbents 1993-2016

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Target	Sorbent(s)	Application	1 st Sandia paper/patent submitted
Cs^+	<u>Crystalline silico-titanate</u>	<u>Radwaste separations</u>	1993
I^-	<u>HgS</u> , <u>Cu_2S</u> , Bi-doped clays	<u>Radwaste backfills/ separations</u>	1996
TcO_4^-	<u>AlOOH</u> , Ca-phosphates	<u>Radwaste backfills/ separations</u>	1998
<u>Sr^{++}</u>	CST, Ca-phosphates, calcite	<u>Radwaste backfills/ separations</u>	1998
<u>As(V)</u>	<u>Spinels</u> , <u>MgO</u>	<u>Drinking water</u>	2004
Salts	Zeolites	Desalination	2004
Cr(VI)	<u>Spinels</u>	Drinking water	2004
ClO_4^-	Metal-doped <u>GACs</u>	Drinking water	2005
<u>Silica</u>	<u>Metal-silicates</u> , Catechol	<u>Industrial water treatment</u>	2009
Selenium	Ca-phosphates	Groundwater cleanup	2016

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Desalination Technology Large-scale Demonstration and Evaluation



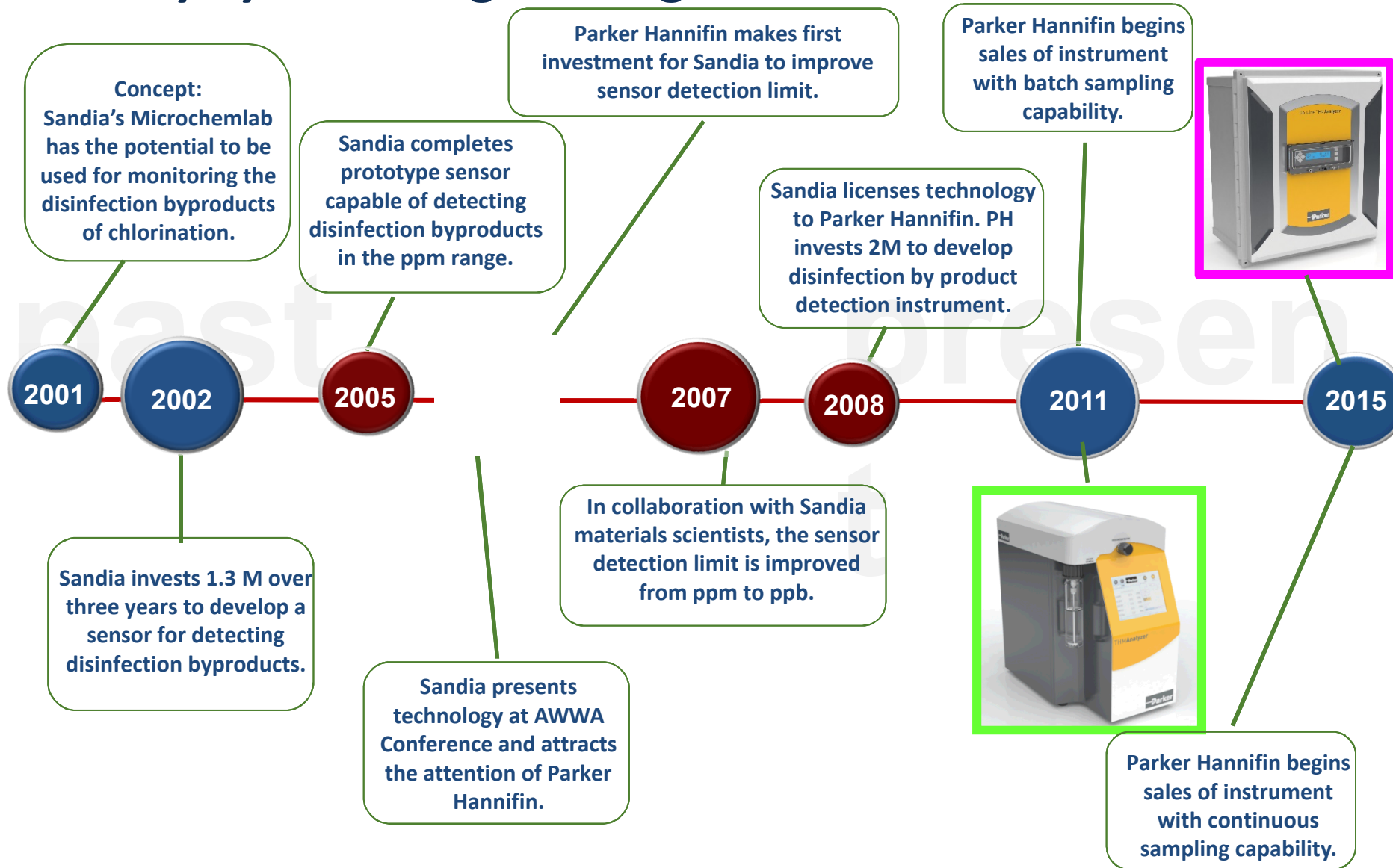
Coal Bed Methane produced water treatment for rangeland rehabilitation, Bloomfield NM
In cooperation with Bureau of Land Management, Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM
Oil Conservation Division, New Mexico Agriculture Department, and New Mexico State



Laboratory and pilot-scale testing
of Zero Discharge Desalination
(ZDD) at BGNDRF with 97% water
recovery - technology license
purchased by Veolia



Commercialization Experience Shows Benefits of Early Systems Engineering Coordination



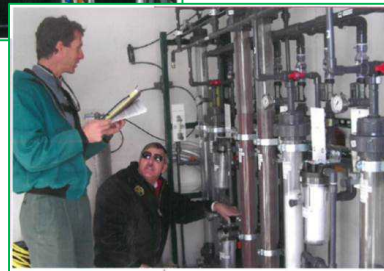
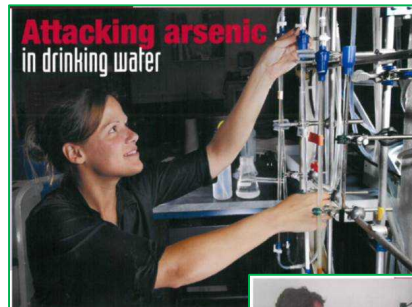
Simple Solution to Complex Water Challenge Facing Rural New Mexicans



Installation of high-tech treatment systems which will cost \$58 to \$237 per year for households already experiencing financial strain.



2001: EPA lowers maximum limit for arsenic in drinking water from 50 ppb to 10 ppb. As a result, rural New Mexico communities will be required to deploy costly, sophisticated treatment systems.



In response to request from NM Senator Pete Domenici, Sandia develops a low-cost solution, known as Hedgehog, that requires no added operation or infrastructure costs and created no added financial burden for rural New Mexicans.



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Strategy Elements



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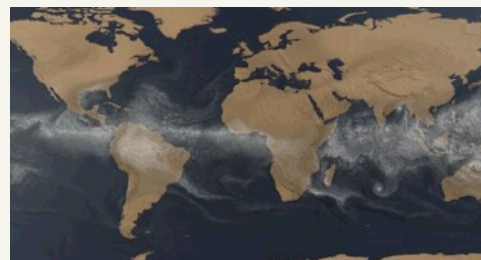
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Back End of
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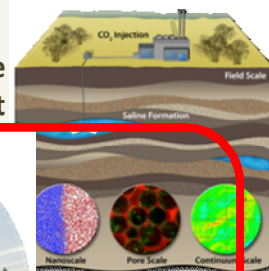


CLIMATE & EARTH SYSTEMS



Climate
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Sustainable Subsurface
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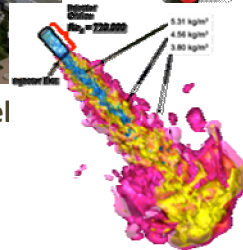
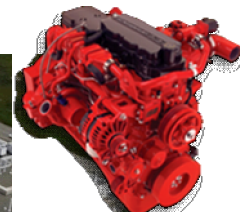
Water/Energy
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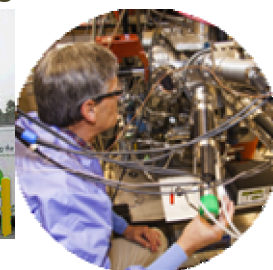
Convergence of Biofuel
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Predictive Simulation
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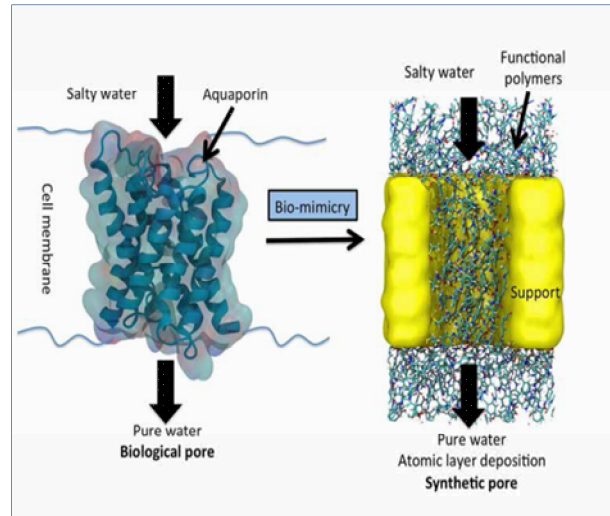


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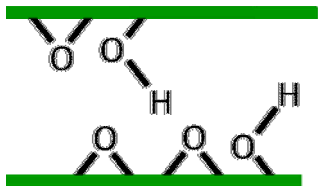
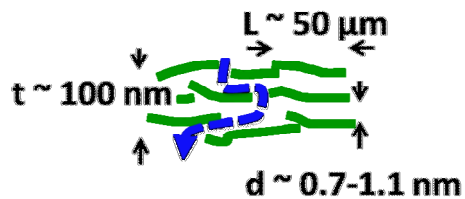
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Developed biomimetic-based (kidney-like) reverse osmosis (RO) membrane with 5 times higher permeate flow per unit of pressure than traditional RO membranes (RD100).

Also developing bio-based electro dialysis membranes.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=11RQ3N9uH1w>



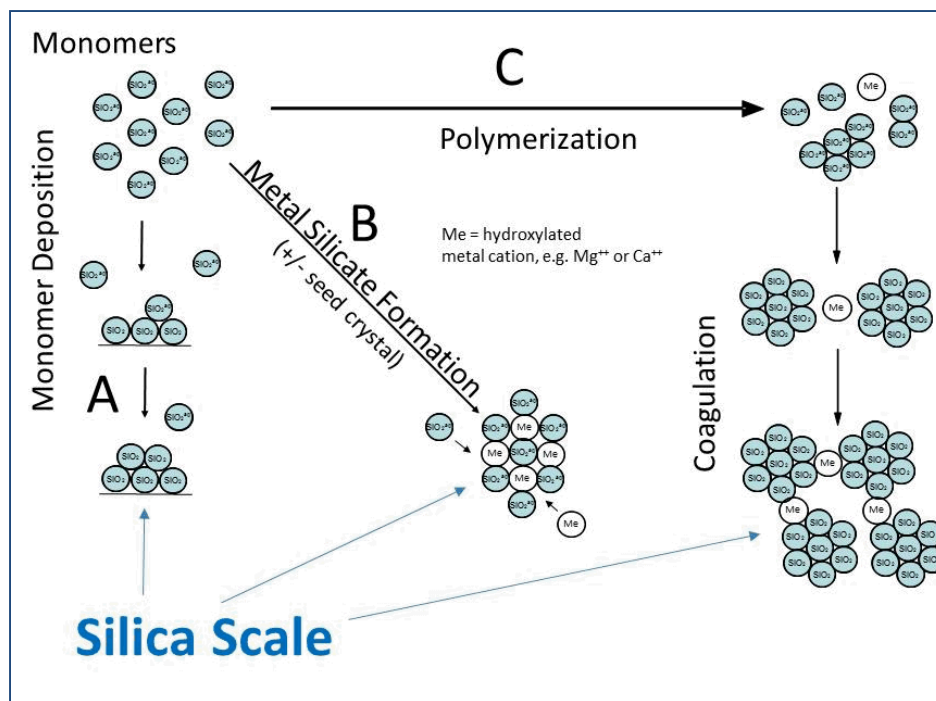
Developing laminar graphene oxide (GO) membranes, whose structure is ideal for water desalination. Structure is chemically tolerant to 1-ppm, one month, free chlorine exposure, as well as hydrocarbons (ie: toluene, oils)



Developed and tested reverse osmosis membranes with integrated biocide nanoparticles to reduce biofouling.

Selective Ion Removal to Enhance Desalination

Dissolved silica often limits water recycling in energy extraction, energy production, and CO₂ capture. New methods are also needed to prevent silica scale in cooling towers and boilers.



Recent Projects:

- **Impaired Water Reuse in Power Plant Cooling** (Nenoff LDRD)
- **pH control/scale prevention in Power Plant Cooling** (Brady and Krumhansl, US Patent 9140145)
- **Advanced coagulation for Oil Sands Water Recycling** (Brady et al., WFO)
- **Carbon Mineralization for Climate Change** (Columbia/Sandia ARPA-E).

SiO_2^{aq} concentration in some waters:

Los Alamos tap water, 88 ppm; Cooling tower, 123 ppm; El Paso desal conc. 148 ppm;
Canada Oil Sands, 239 ppm; Geothermal (Wairakei, Ohnuma), 520-560 ppm