

# Joint SECANT Meeting and ONR Program Review

July 21-23, 2014 | Phillips Technology Institute Collaboration Center  
Kirtland Air Force Base | Albuquerque, NM



## Monday, July 21, 2014

*(Light refreshments and continental breakfast available)*

8:30-8:35 Welcome—Dan Barton, Sandia National Laboratories

8:35-8:50 Opening Remarks—Duane Dimos, Sandia National Laboratories

8:50-9:00 Purpose and Charge for the Meeting—Ryan Camacho, Sandia National Laboratories

9:00-9:30 SECANT Overview—Ryan Camacho, Sandia National Laboratories

9:30-10:10 **Technical Talk**—Paul Davids, Sandia National Laboratories

10:10-10:50 **Technical Talk**— Matt Shaw, JPL and Jeff Shainline, NIST

10:50-11:00 Break

11:00-11:40 **Technical Talk**— Dirk Englund, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

11:40-12:20 Maturing continuous variable QKD— Mohan Sarovar, Sandia National Laboratories

12:20-1:30 Lunch

1:30-2:10 **Technical Talk**— Art Fischer, Sandia National Laboratories

2:10-2:50 **Technical Talk**—Edo Waks, University of Maryland

2:50-3:30 **Technical Talk**— Ray Newell, Los Alamos National Laboratory

3:30-4:10 **Technical Talk**— Junji Urayama, Sandia National Laboratories

4:10-5:00 Discussion Question:—Ryan Camacho, Sandia National Laboratories  
What are the hardest problems to solve for quantum communication?

5:00-5:15 Closing Remarks—Ryan Camacho, Sandia National Laboratories

5:15 Adjourn – Day One

# Discussion Question

What are the most important challenges for quantum communications? How should we rank the following potential bottlenecks? What are we missing?

1. Security questions (i.e. can quantum *really* be more secure?)
2. Size, weight, and power (SWAP) scalability of current hardware
3. Fundamental distance/loss constraints
4. Cost to implement
5. Existing infrastructure incompatibilities
6. Misunderstanding of potential vulnerabilities in existing communications systems (by classical and/or quantum cryptographers, policy makers, etc.)
7. Absence of immediate enthusiastic adopters (e.g. no pain or killer opportunities perceived by decision makers)

What is the smallest subset of these challenges that, if solved, would lead to an explosion in quantum communications interest?



# SECANT QKD Grand Challenge

## Sandia Enabled Communications and Authentication Network using Quantum Key Distribution



**Sandia  
National  
Laboratories**



**SECANT QKD Team**  
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**Ryan Camacho (PI)**



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# SECANT QKD

## A Grand Challenge in Quantum Communications

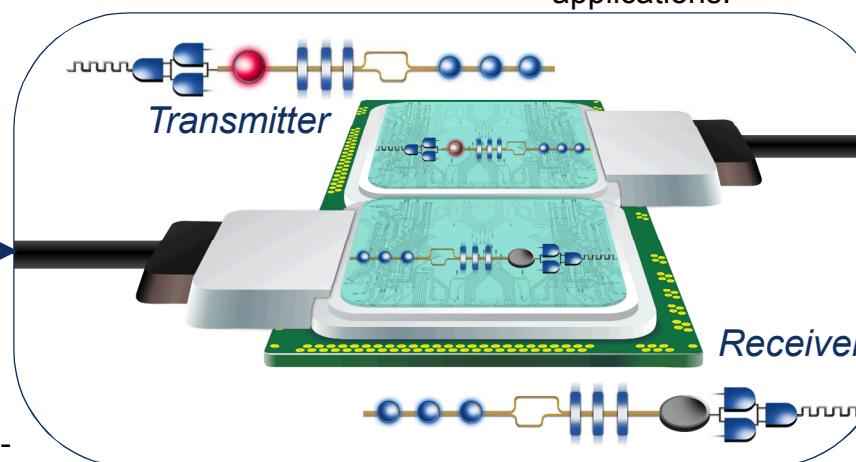


### Goals

1. Construct chip-scale, handheld **quantum transceivers** that can implement DV, CV, free-space, and fiber based QKD.
2. Demonstrate hybrid QKD network with chip-scale transceiver nodes.

### Challenges

1. Develop robust CMOS compatible room temp single-photon detectors.
2. Develop integrated quantum sources.
3. Low-loss quantum signal processing.
4. Combine all components onto one integrated chip.



### Potential Impact

1. Quantum-based key generation for hybrid networks of mobile devices without central hub.
2. First step towards micro-fabricated low cost QKD for ground-to-plane, plane-to-plane, metro, satellite etc. applications.
3. Toolbox for other applications in photonic QIP.



### Capabilities

1. World class teams in integrated photonics, quantum theory, and systems.
2. MESA/CINT microfabrication facilities.

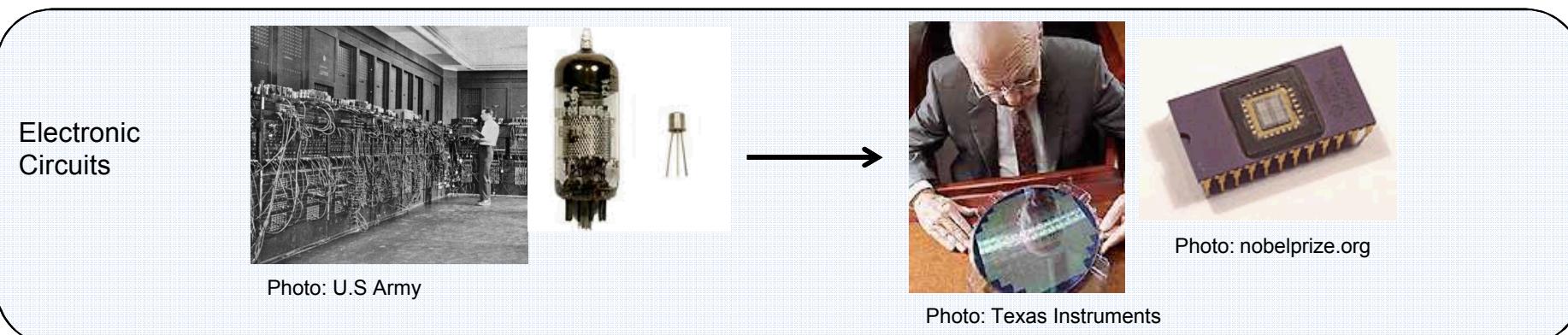
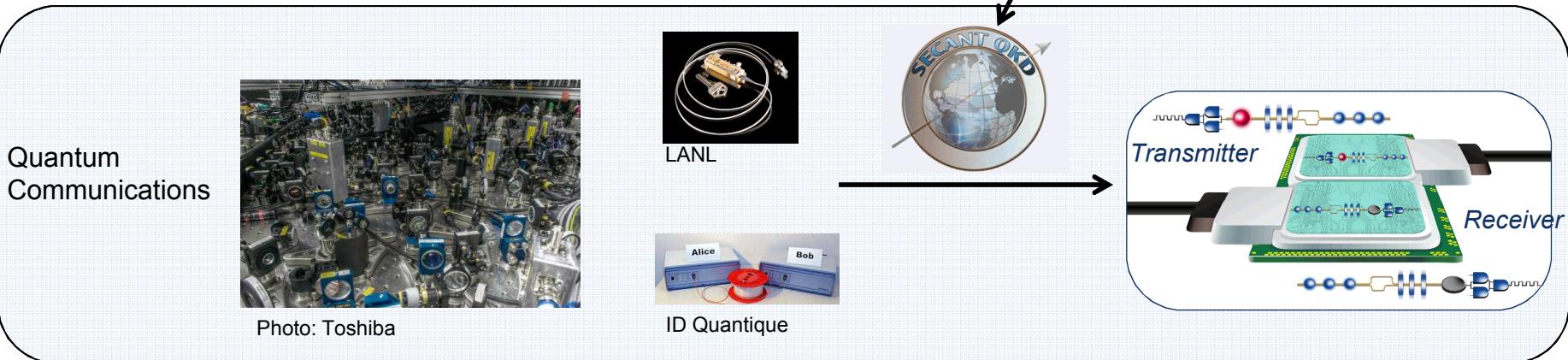
3 yr program, 10 months in...  
(FY 2014 – FY 2016)



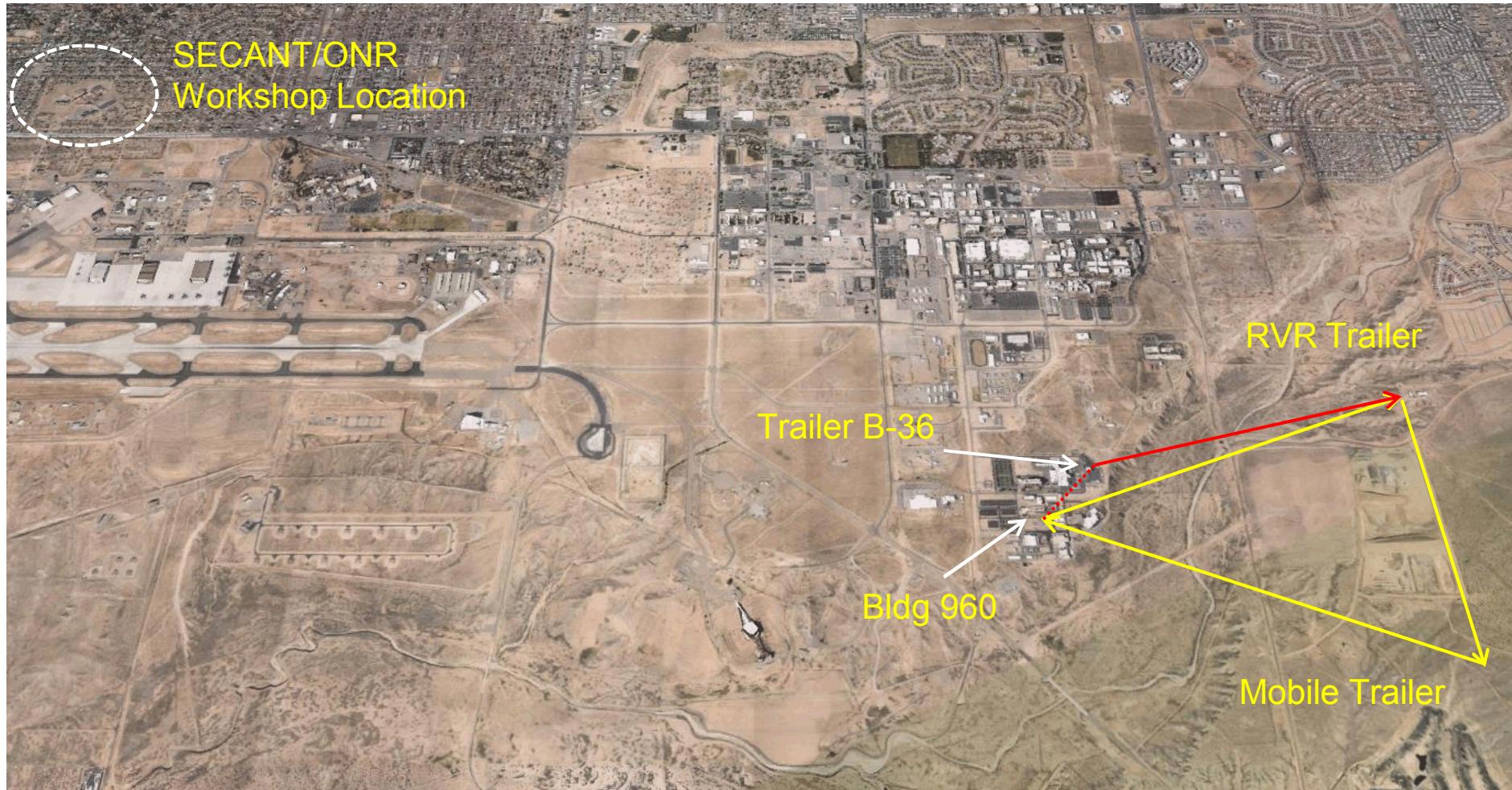
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# The Current State of Quantum Communications Hardware

- Bulk Optics Based (>10g / component)
- Expensive (> \$50k per system)
- Slow or Short distance (Mbt/s or 10's of km)
- Secure?



# Proposed Quantum Links



# Sandia's History of Microfabrication

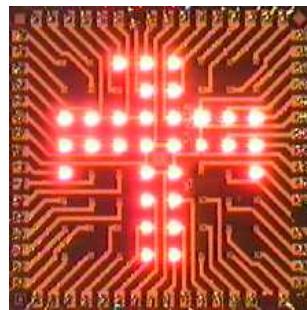
*Laminar Flow  
Clean Room*



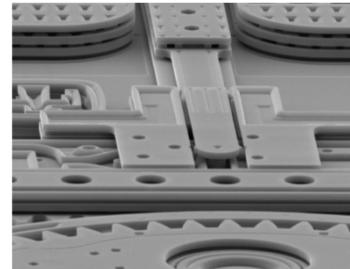
*Design/Build  
Galileo ICs*



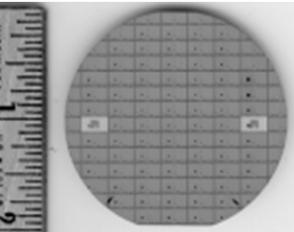
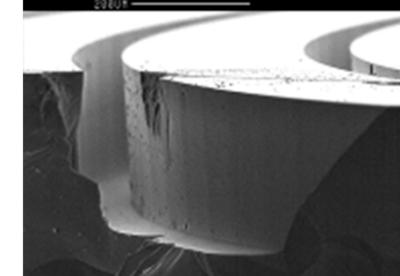
*High Efficiency  
VCSEL*



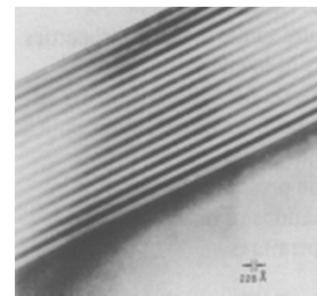
*5-Level Surface  
Micromachining*



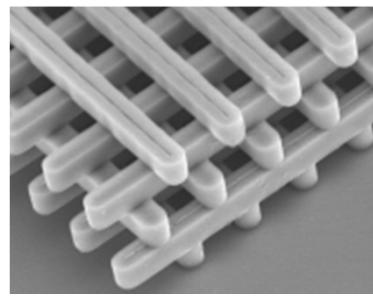
*Chem Lab  
on a Chip*



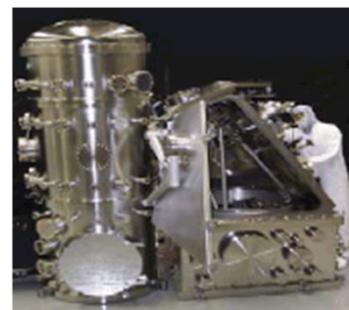
*Radiation  
Hardened  
CMOS*



*Strained-layer  
Superlattices*



*Photonic  
Lattice*



*Extreme  
Ultra Violet  
Lithography*



*3-D  
Microsystems  
Integration*

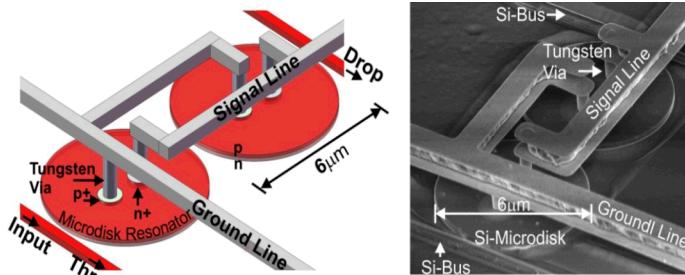
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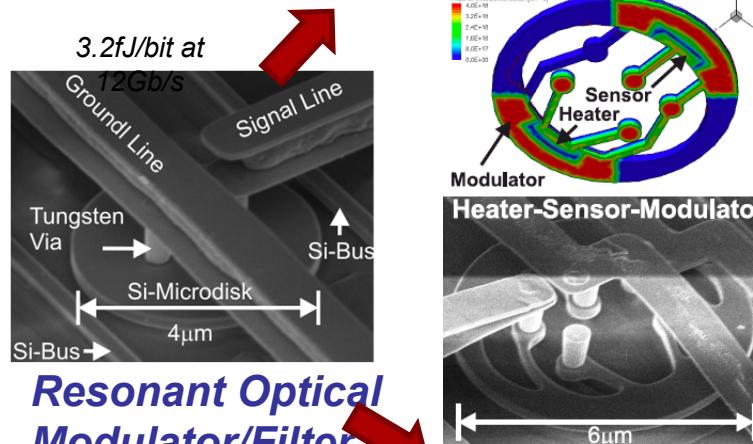
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# Silicon Photonics At Sandia

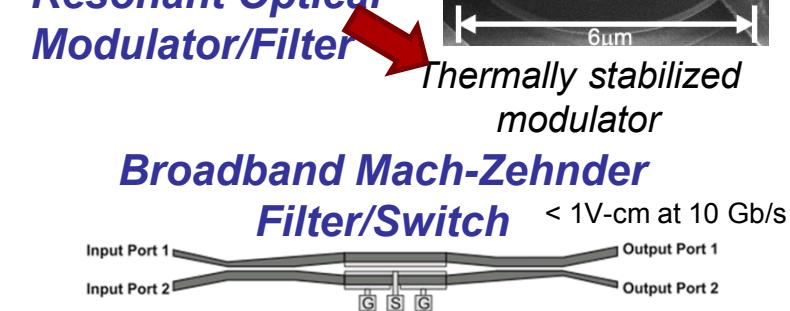
## Free-carrier Effect (high-speed)



## Fast Reconfigurable Interconnects



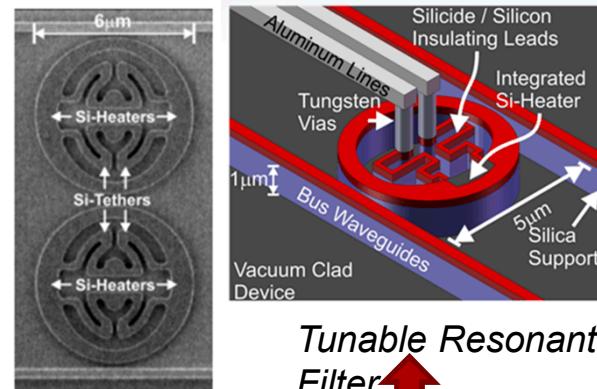
## Resonant Optical Modulator/Filter



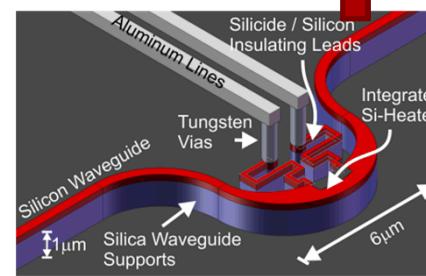
## Broadband Mach-Zehnder Filter/Switch

< 1V-cm at 10 Gb/s

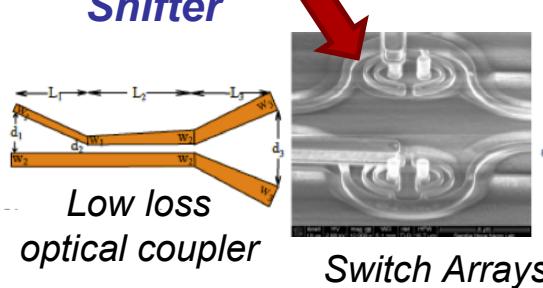
## Thermal Optic Effect (wide-band)



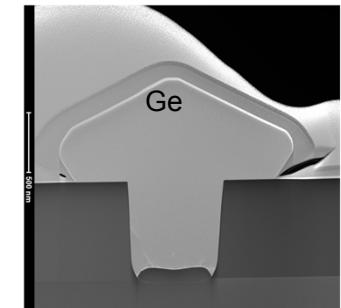
## Tunable Resonant Filter



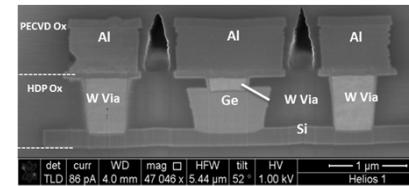
## Thermo-optic Phase Shifter



## High-speed Ge Detector

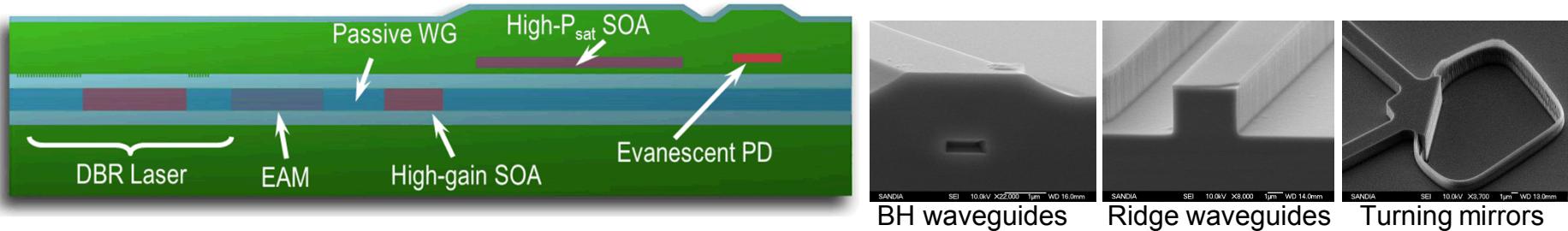


## Si Photonics-CMOS Process

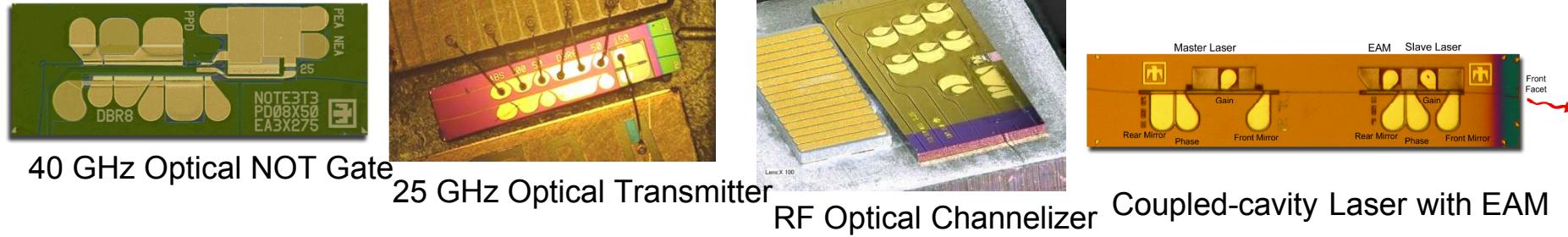


# InP Photonic Integrated Circuits at Sandia

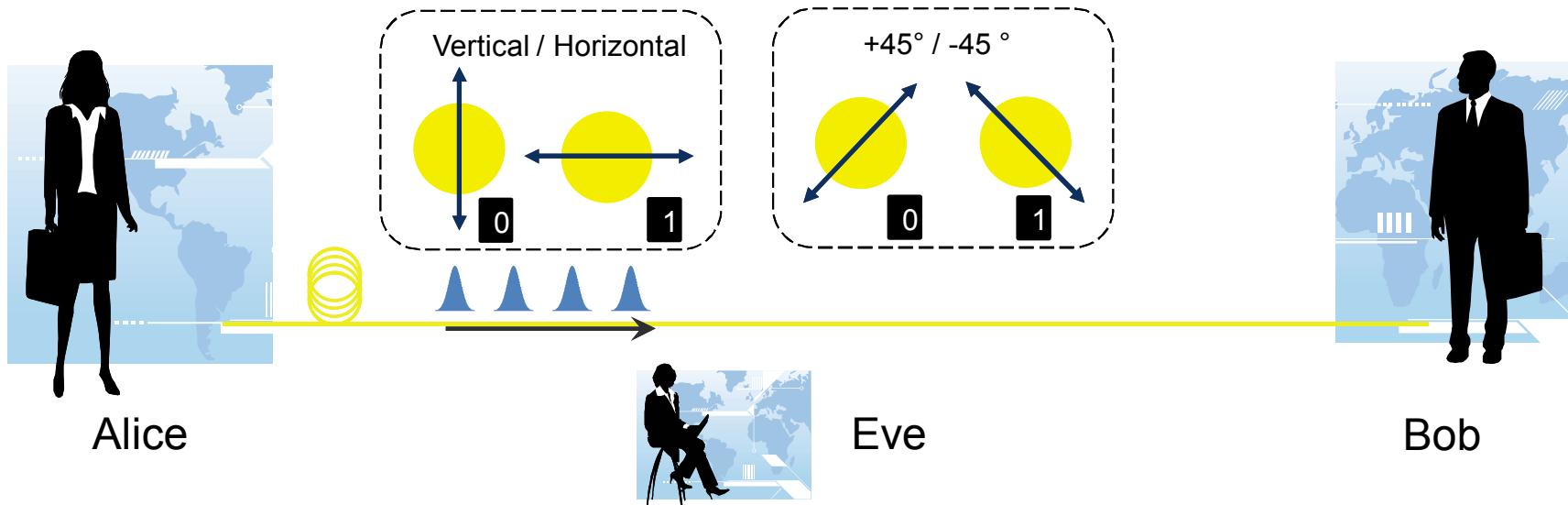
- Building Blocks: Lasers, EAMs, passive waveguides, high-gain SOAs, high-saturation power SOAs, evanescently-coupled photodetectors, quantum well photodetectors



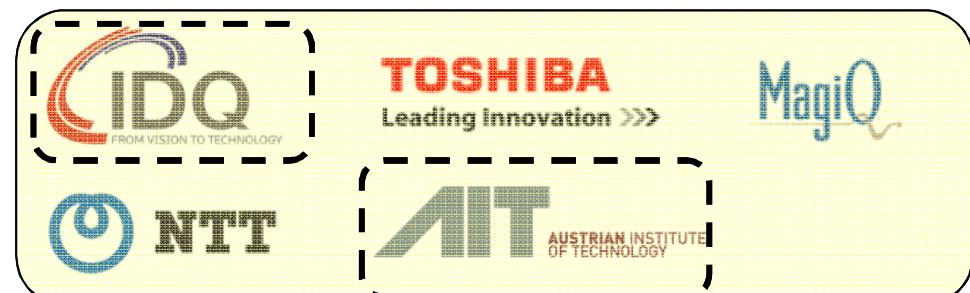
- Highly Functional PICS: optical RF channelizers, high-Q active filters, transmitters, receivers, optical logic gates, multi-section lasers



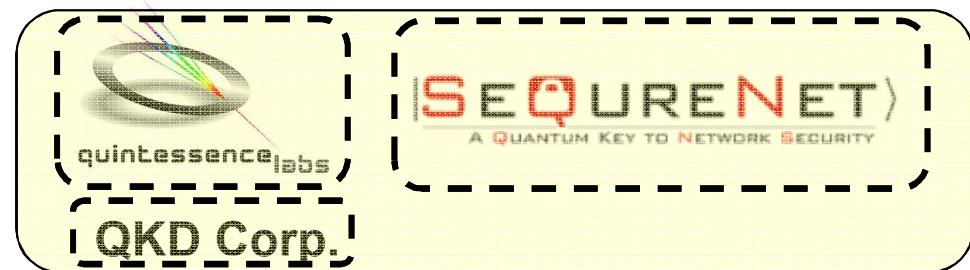
# Choices: CV/DV, Free Space/Fiber



Discrete Variable



Continuous Variable



# QKD unifies the program as a minimum viable system, but...



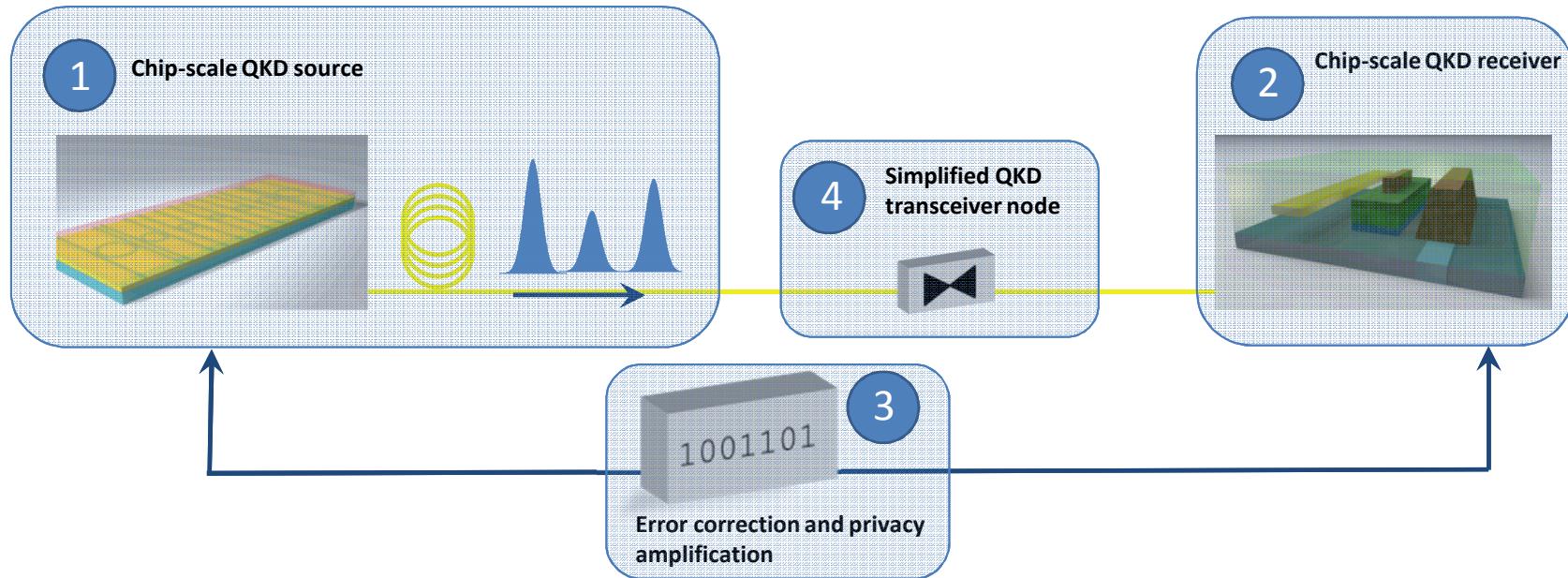
**With the components we are developing, we should also be able to implement on chip:**

1. *Quantum Photonics Primitives* (sources, detectors, nonlinearities, memories, etc.)
2. *Quantum Photonic Measurement* (quantum radar, green machine, state discrimination, imaging, quantum metrology)
3. *Logic Operations / Computing Primitives* (logic gates, compiled Shor's algorithm, coherent quantum feedback)
4. *Quantum Photonic Simulations* (quantum walks, boson sampling, chemistry, condensed matter, anderson localization, relativistic particle physics)
5. *Foundations/Tests of Quantum Mechanics* (Examples here...)
6. *Communications Primitives* (entanglement distribution, teleportation, QRNG's, synchronization etc.)
7. Other Communications tasks (bit commitment, distributed measurement, etc.)

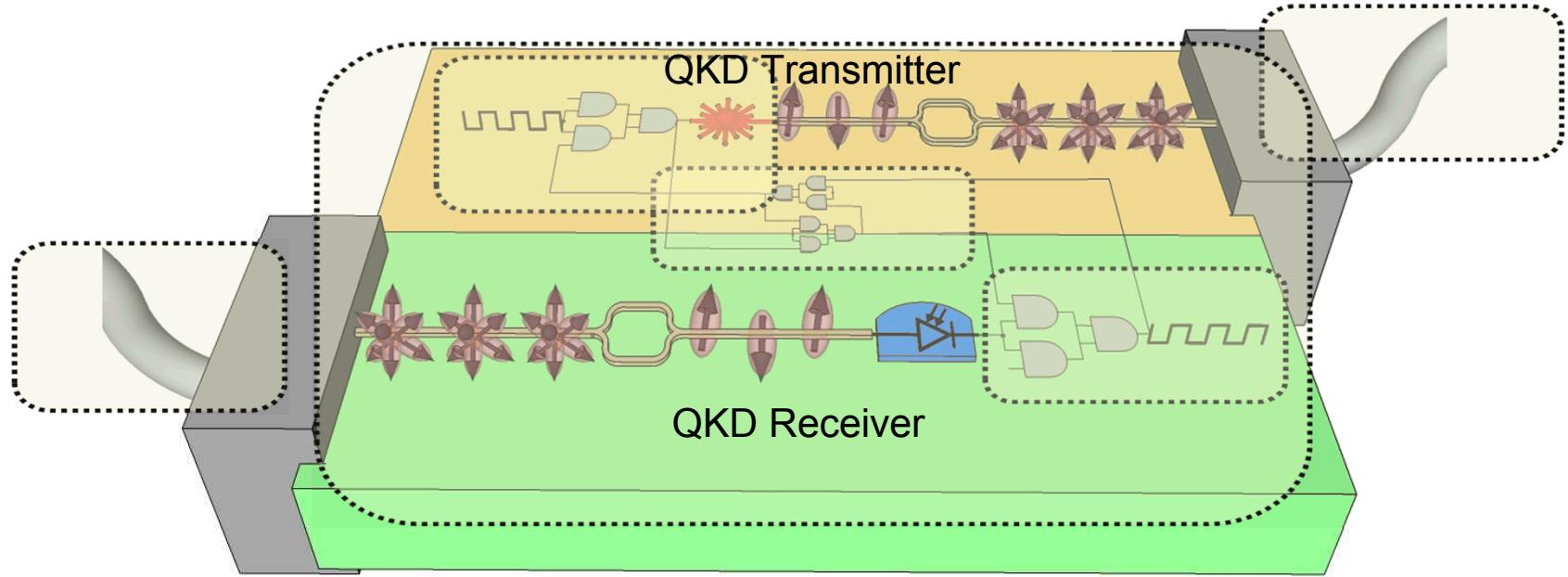
**Collaborations underway for non-QKD applications...**



# What is needed to make a complete chip-scale QKD system on a chip?



# The Vision



## Five Program Thrusts:

1. Network QKD
2. Chipscale Integration / Single Photon Detectors
3. Quantum Transmission Link
4. Continuous Variable Sources
5. Single Photon Sources

# The Team



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