

*Exceptional service in the national interest*



# Sandia National Laboratories

## *Sandia National Laboratories' Overview*

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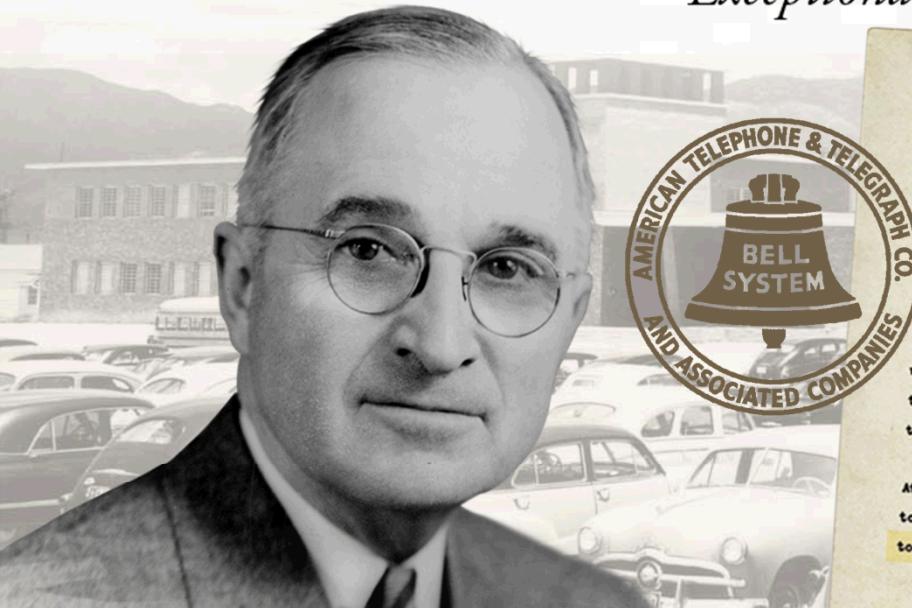
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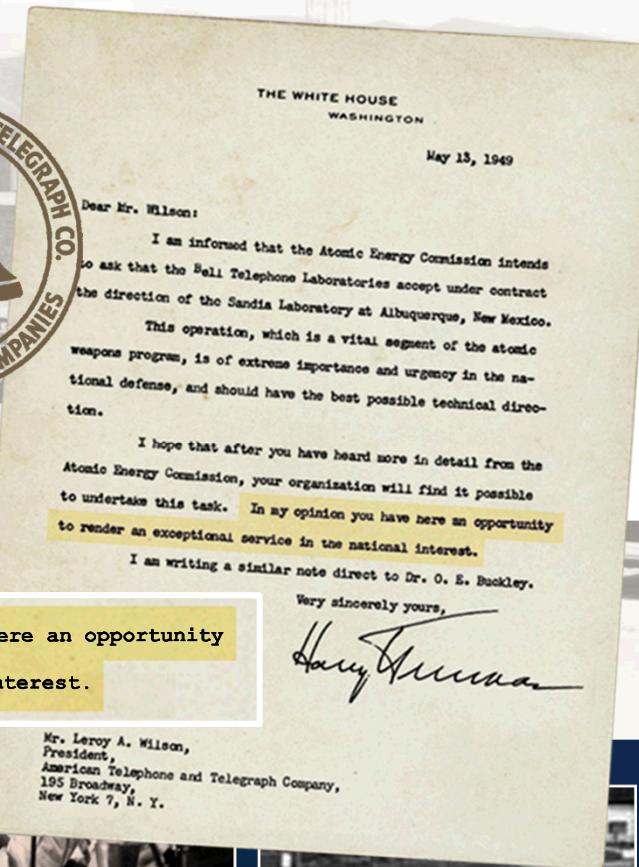
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# Sandia's history

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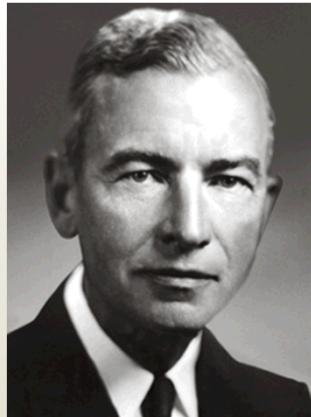


to undertake this task. In my opinion you have here an opportunity to render an exceptional service in the national interest.



- **July 1945:** Los Alamos creates Z Division
- Nonnuclear component engineering
- **November 1, 1949:** Sandia Laboratory established

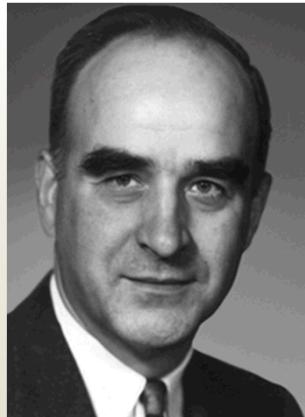
# Bell Labs heritage—A cultural imprint



**Donald A. Quarles**  
(March 1952–  
August 1953)



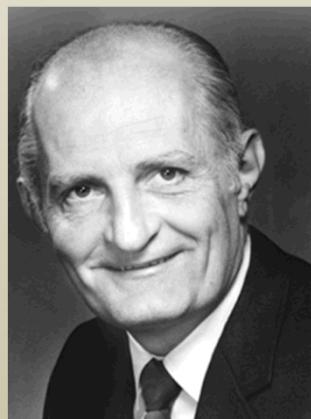
**James W. McRae**  
(September 1953–  
September 1958)



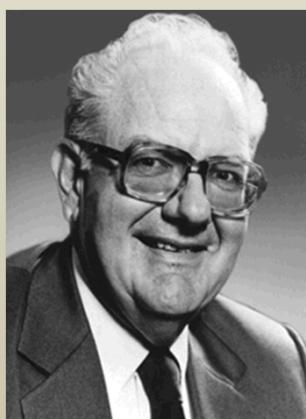
**Julius P. Molnar**  
(October 1958–  
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**John A. Hornbeck**  
(October 1966–  
September 1972)



**Morgan Sparks**  
(October 1972–  
July 1981)



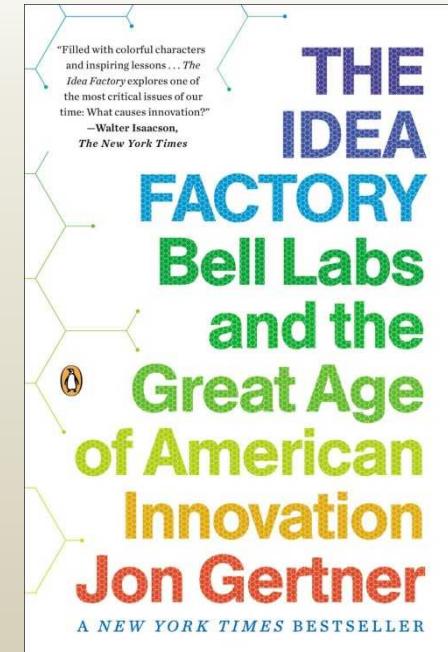
**George C. Dacey**  
(August 1981–  
January 1986)



**Irwin Welber**  
(February 1986–  
March 1989)



**Albert Narath**  
(April 1989–  
August 1995)



# Lockheed Martin—Industry best practices

*1993–Present*

- Leadership talent



- Sharing business practices

- Human resources
  - Finance
  - Operations

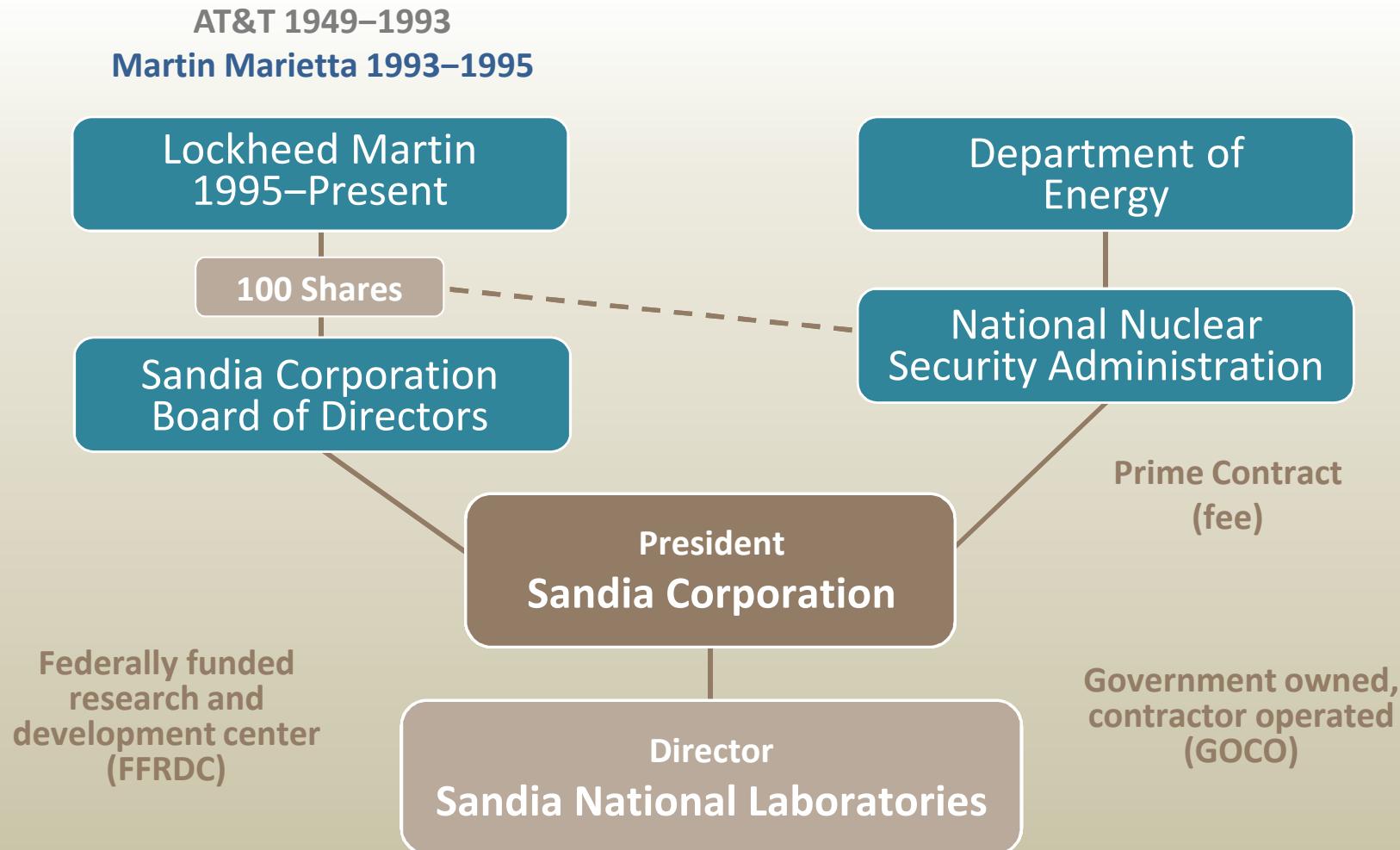
- Tools

- Training
  - Project management

- Strict separation in mission space



# Sandia's governance and management model



# Key FFRDC attributes\*

- Long-term relationships with the government afford the continuity that will *attract high-quality personnel* to the FFRDC and encourage the FFRDC to *maintain currency in its field(s)* of expertise.
- Meets *special long-term research or development needs*.
- Operates in the public interest with *objectivity and independence*, is *free from organizational conflicts of interest*, and fully discloses its affairs to the sponsoring agency.
- Is operated, *managed*, and/or administered as an *autonomous organization* or as an identifiable separate operating unit of a parent organization.
- *Does not* use privileged information to *compete with the private sector* but may work for other than the sponsoring agency when the work is not available from the private sector.

\* Abridged definition from the Federal Acquisition Regulation

# Sandia's sites

*Albuquerque, New Mexico*



*Livermore, California*



*Kauai, Hawaii*



*Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,  
Carlsbad, New Mexico*

*Pantex Plant,  
Amarillo, Texas*



*Tonopah,  
Nevada*

14,168 acres (NM & CA sites); 179,333 acres (test areas, TTR, KTF); and 754 buildings

# Vision and mission statements

- On behalf of our nation, we anticipate and solve the most challenging problems that threaten security in the 21st century.
- The synergy and interdependence between our nuclear deterrence mission and broader national security missions forge a robust capability base and empower us to solve complex national security problems.



# Sandia's mission work reflects national security challenges

## 1950s

NW production  
engineering &  
manufacturing  
engineering

## 1960s

Development  
engineering

Vietnam conflict

## 1970s

Multiprogram  
laboratory

Energy crisis

## 1980s

Missile defense  
work

Cold War

## 1990s

Post-Cold War  
transition

Stockpile  
stewardship

## 2000s

Expanded national  
security role  
post 9/11

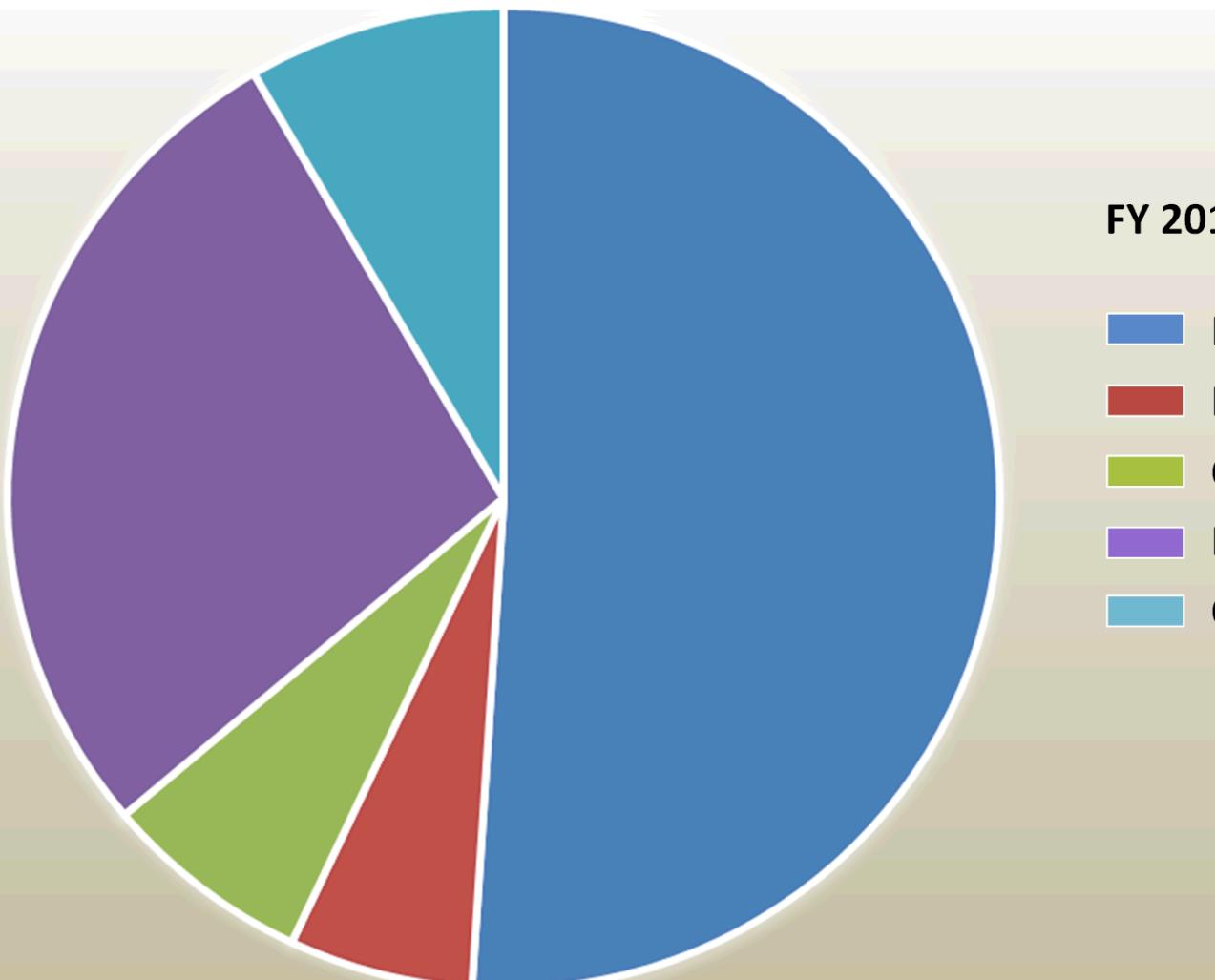
## 2010s

LEPs  
Cyber, Biosecurity  
Proliferation

Evolving national  
security challenges



# Federal funding organizations



**FY 2014 Total Budget: \$2.7B**

- NNSA Weapons
- NNSA Nonproliferation
- Other DOE
- DoD
- Other

# Sandia's nuclear weapons mission

## *Central to U.S. national security*

Sandia originated as a single-mission engineering organization for nonnuclear components of nuclear weapons

Our nuclear weapons FFRDC mission is focused on three major imperatives:

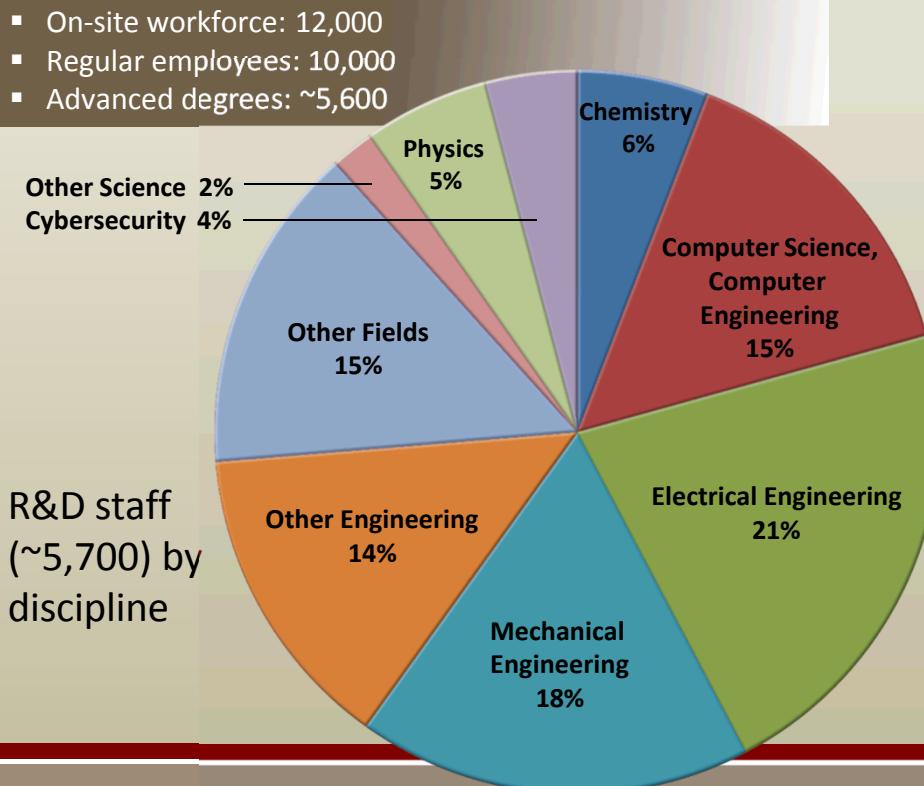
- Maintain the current U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile
- Sustain the stockpile into the future
- Steward the long-term vitality of our capabilities, infrastructure, and operations



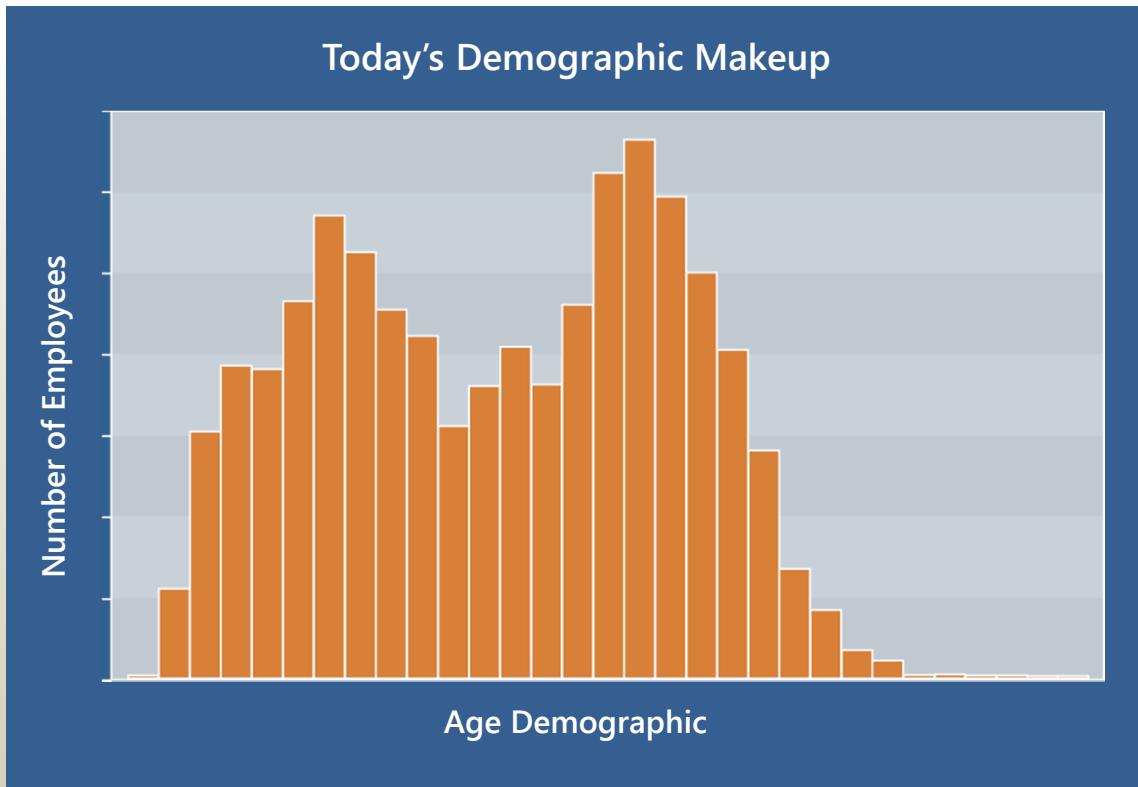
# Sandia's people

## Exceptional talent

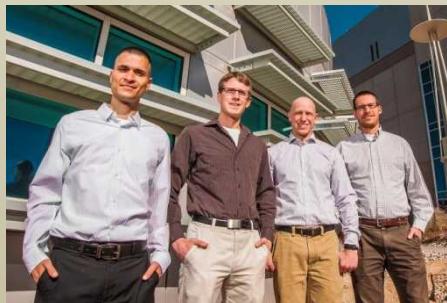
- Highly educated workforce
- Strategically managed workforce of diverse skills and competencies
- Modern business practices and operations in support of our missions



# Hiring new talent for the long term



- 33% of the R&D staff we hired since FY10 hold PhD degrees
- ~10,000 regular employees
- ~3,300 with less than 5 years of service



# Sandia's facilities and tools

*Enable differentiated scientific and engineering test and discovery*

Sandia has facilities in multiple locations:  
Albuquerque, NM; Livermore, CA;  
Carlsbad, NM; Tonopah, NV; Kauai, HI;  
Amarillo, TX.

## Key Facilities and Tools

- Major Environmental Test Facilities
- Microsystems and Engineering Sciences Applications (MESA)
- High-Performance Computing
- Explosive Components Facility
- Weapons Evaluations Test Laboratory (WETL)
- Pulsed-Power Facility
- Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT)
- Combustion Research Facility (CRF)
- Ion Beam Laboratory
- ...



# Sandia's research strategy

*Fundamental to the success of Sandia's national security missions*

- Research primarily enabled by Laboratory Directed Research and Development (LDRD)
- Discipline-based research foundations
- Interdisciplinary research challenges

Beyond Moore Computing

Data Science

Cyber Resiliency

Trusted Systems & Communications

Detection at the Limit



# Leveraging core capabilities to solve 21st century national security challenges

- High-reliability engineering
- Sensors and sensing systems
- Cyber technology
- Reverse engineering
- Pathfinders
- Modeling & simulation and experiment
- Natural and engineered materials
- Micro & nano electronics and systems
- Safety, risk, and vulnerability analysis



# Sandia's national security mission areas

