

# **International Maritime and Border Security Technologies & Capabilities at Sandia National Laboratories**

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# Sandia was created in 1948 to perform non-nuclear engineering, qualification, and test & evaluation for the U.S. nuclear weapons complex



# Sandia National Laboratories Today

- **Six locations**

- New Mexico
- California
- Hawaii
- Nevada
- Texas
- Washington, D.C.

- **Workforce profile – 10,000 people**

- 8600 permanent staff
  - 65% Science and Engineering
  - 50% PhDs/ Masters
- 1300 sabbaticals, post docs, students, interns
- 2200 contractors

- **500+ university collaborations**

- **Annual budget (2006) \$2.3B**

**Nuclear Weapons**



**Defense Systems and Assessments**



**Energy and Nonproliferation**

**Homeland Security & Defense**

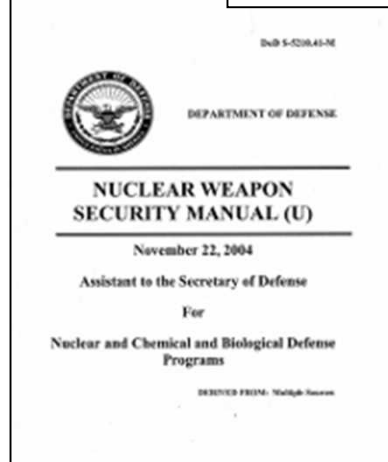
**Supported by a science, technology, & engineering base.**



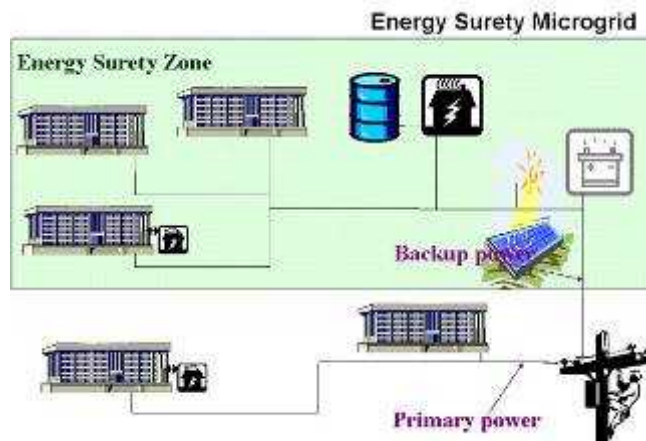


# Homeland Security & Defense Programs

## Physical Security



## Chemical and Biological Defense



## Base Infrastructure Protection



## Force Protection



## Borders Security



## Radiological and Nuclear Defense



# Sandia National Laboratories

## Borders Security Capabilities & Expertise

### Field Testing

- Outdoor Test Facility (OTF)
- Intrusion Detection Sensor Field
- TEAMS Site



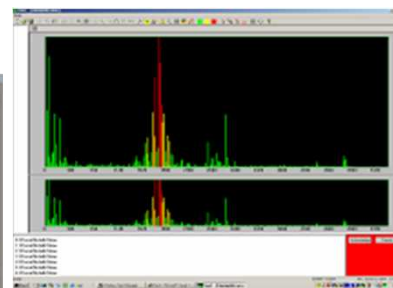
### Specialized Facilities

- Environmental Testing Complex
- Port of Albuquerque/Livermore Container Terminal



### Relevant capabilities and expertise

- Systems analysis
- Systems modeling
- Red teaming
- Tunnel detection
- Synthetic Aperture Radar
- UAVs
- Underwater monitoring





# Field Testing: Outdoor Test Facility

## OTF provides flexible operational test capabilities

- Integrated test site
- Command center
- Sensor testing
- Camera testing
- Radar testing
- Communications systems testing



**Integrated Test Site**



**Data Fusion & Communications System Testing**



**Sensor Testing**



**Camera Testing**



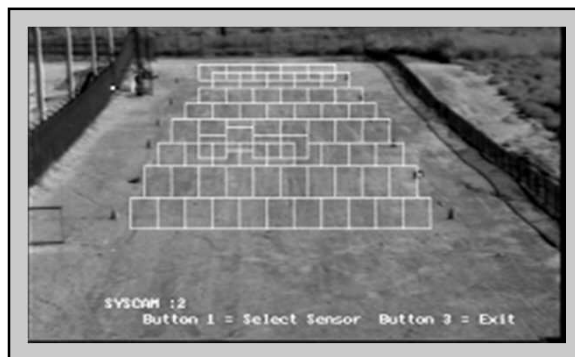
# Field Testing: Intrusion Detection Sensor Field

**IDSF is a multi-purpose area for testing performance and concepts applicable to physical security sensors**

- Exterior security sensors
- Interior security sensors
- Assessment capabilities

## Capabilities

Facility Characterization  
On-site test beds  
System Design  
Installation Oversight  
Alignment and Calibration  
Acceptance Testing  
Maintenance Training



Intrusion Detection Sensor Field

# Field Testing: Technical Evaluation Assessment Monitor Site (TEAMS)

**TEAMS provides a stable, flexible, multi-purpose area to test concepts applicable, but not limited to, radiation, biological, chemical, and explosive sensors**

- Cooperative SNL/DTRA facility
- CONOPs development
- Background measurements
- Performance measurements
- Calibration, testing
- Radiation sources





# Specialized Facilities: Container Security Evaluation

## Port of Albuquerque

PoA provides a multi-purpose area to conduct functional, performance, and defeat testing for maritime security devices.

- Cargo Containers
  - 20-ft, 40-ft, 40-ft Hi-Cube,
  - Steel & Aluminum
- Infrastructure
  - Communication
  - Lighting



TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES		
Objective	Goal	Threshold
Detect a hole in the container	9 sq in	36 sq in
Time to detect hole in the container	1 sec	3 sec
Time to detect door open status	1 sec	1 sec
Linear distance to detect door open	1 inch	1 inch
Time to detect person(s) [> 50lbs/110 lbs]	2 hrs	2 hrs
Probability of Detection (Pd) of an alarm event	0.9	0.75
Probability of False Alarm (Pfa)	0.0001	0.001
False Alarm Rate (Rfa)	1 fa per 10k trips	1 fa per 1k trips
Operational Availability (Ao)	0.99	0.95
Power Source Duration	10 Years	30K Hrs
Cost/Trip	<\$50	<\$175

## Livermore Container Terminal

**OT&E of Container Security Devices**  
**Advanced Container Security Device R&D**  
**Partnership with Port of Oakland**

- Deploying systems
- Est. baseline conditions & OT&E in CA- HI trade lanes

# Specialized Facilities: Environmental Test

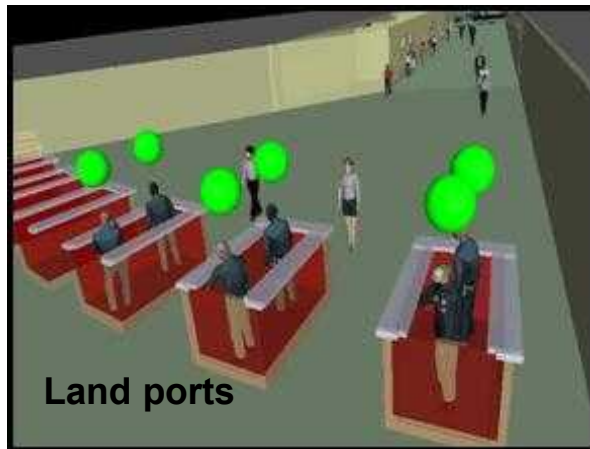
## Environmental testing of component-level assets to full systems

- Mechanical shock
- Temperature testing
- Vibration testing
- Radiation testing
- Salt fog



**Facilities in NM, CA, NV, and HI**

# Modeling and simulation tools provide systems analysis of security and operations at US borders



Land ports



Airports

Integrated SoS Models and Analysis



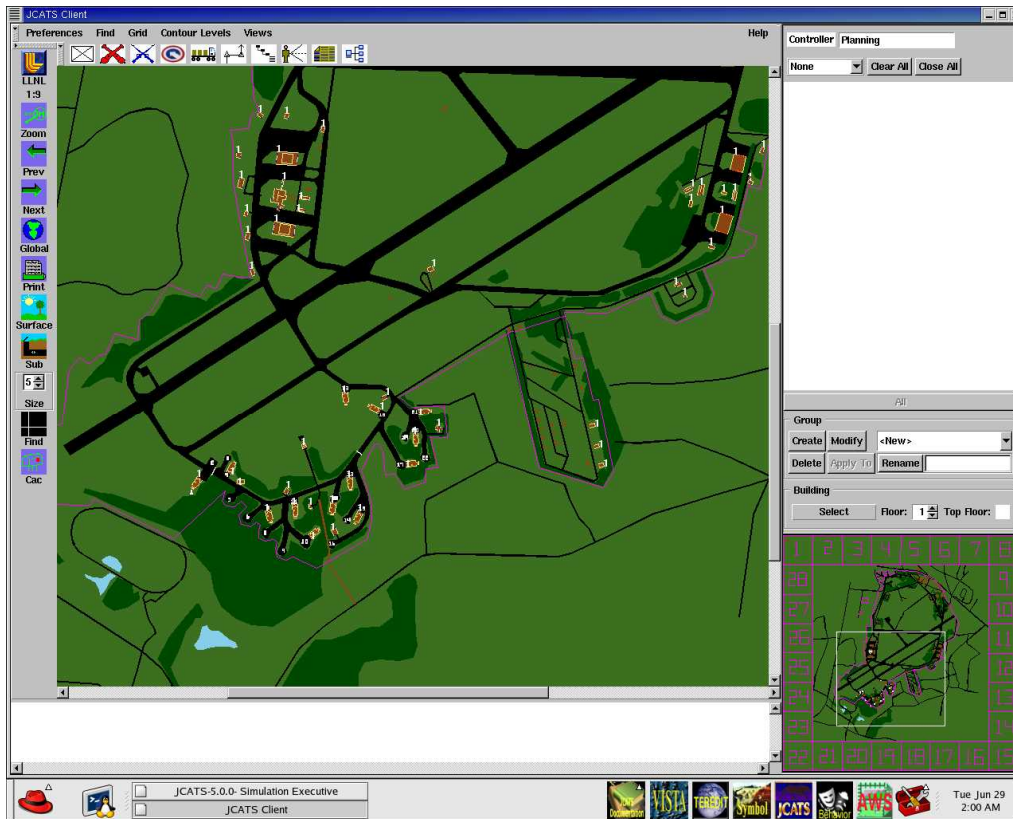
Seaports



Economic Models

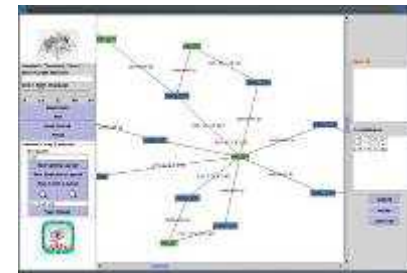


# Sandia has capabilities to assess effectiveness of protection systems and perform red team assessments



## Joint Conflict and Tactical Simulation (JCATS)

- Large-scale, theater-level simulations
- Smaller force-on-force interactions



## Red Teaming

- Flexible tool for current or dynamic threats
- Measurable, reproducible, and actionable results

# Sandia has efforts assessing current methods for tunnel detection and developing new techniques

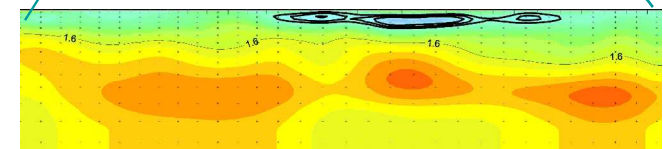
## • Current technology assessments

- Seismic and acoustic sensors for detecting people
- Active geophysical techniques such as gravity gradiometry, EM resistivity and gradiometry, seismic reflection
- Experience in underground characterization from Otay/Mesa/Calexico with NORTHCOM, DOE waste remediation and energy exploration, and DoD hard target defeat



## • Development of advanced systems

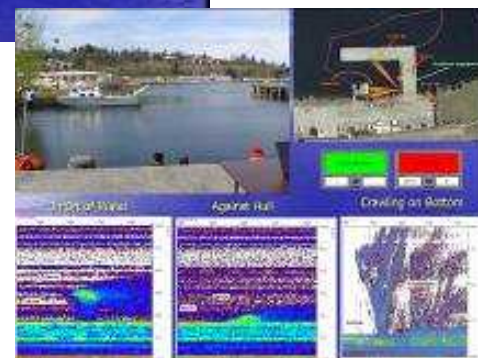
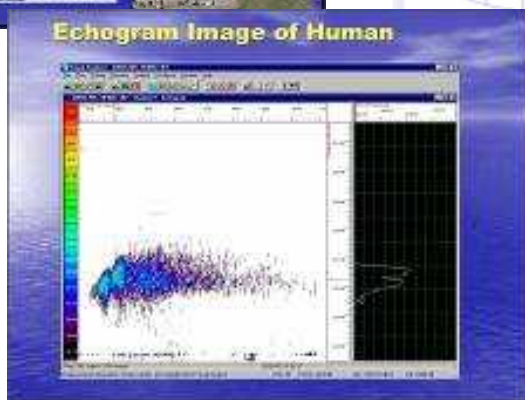
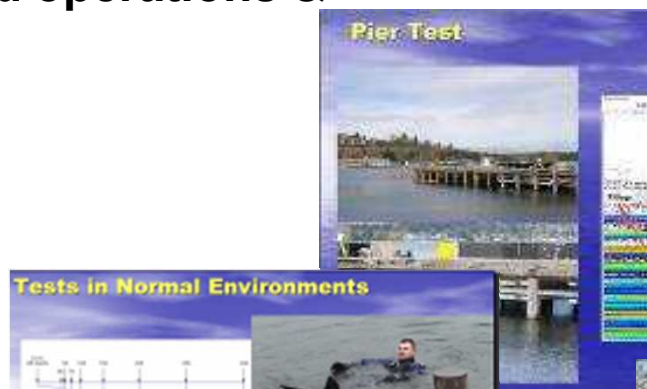
- Systems analysis of tunnel construction to identify high-risk sections of border
- Tunnel finding/monitoring system such as instrument intelligent passive seismic, acoustic and EM sensor systems
- Monitor for specific tunnel detection
  - Use complete signatures of tunnel construction activity
- Use background noise to create subsurface images
  - Direct tunnel imaging
  - Change detection





# Sandia's capabilities allowed us to quickly develop and execute a T&E program for underwater detection

- **Multi-vendor, multi-customer tests**
  - NOAA Facility, Lake Washington, WA
- **Demonstrate performance in detecting & identifying humans**
- **Evaluate heuristic deployment, automated alarming**
- **Range of real-world operations & conditions**

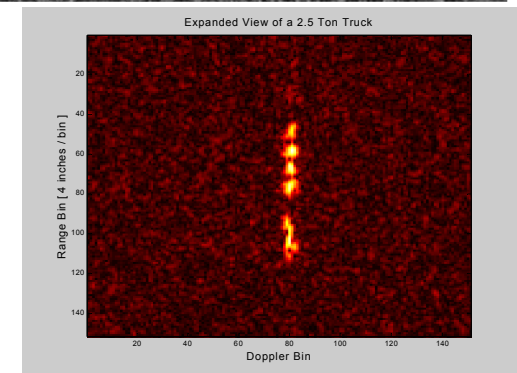
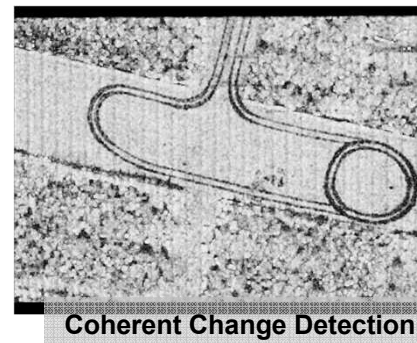
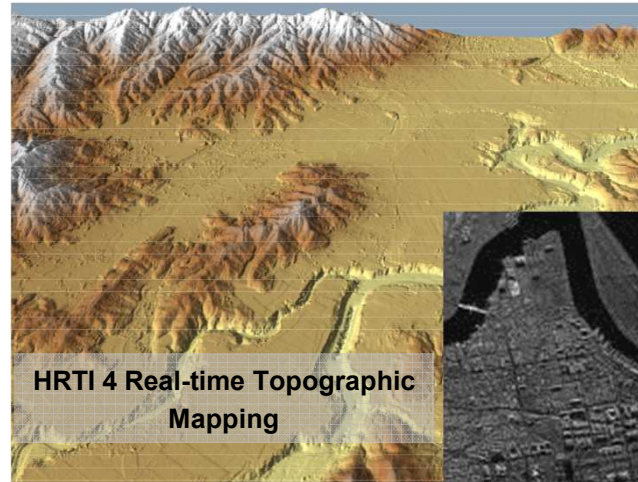




# Sandia Synthetic Aperture Radar Systems

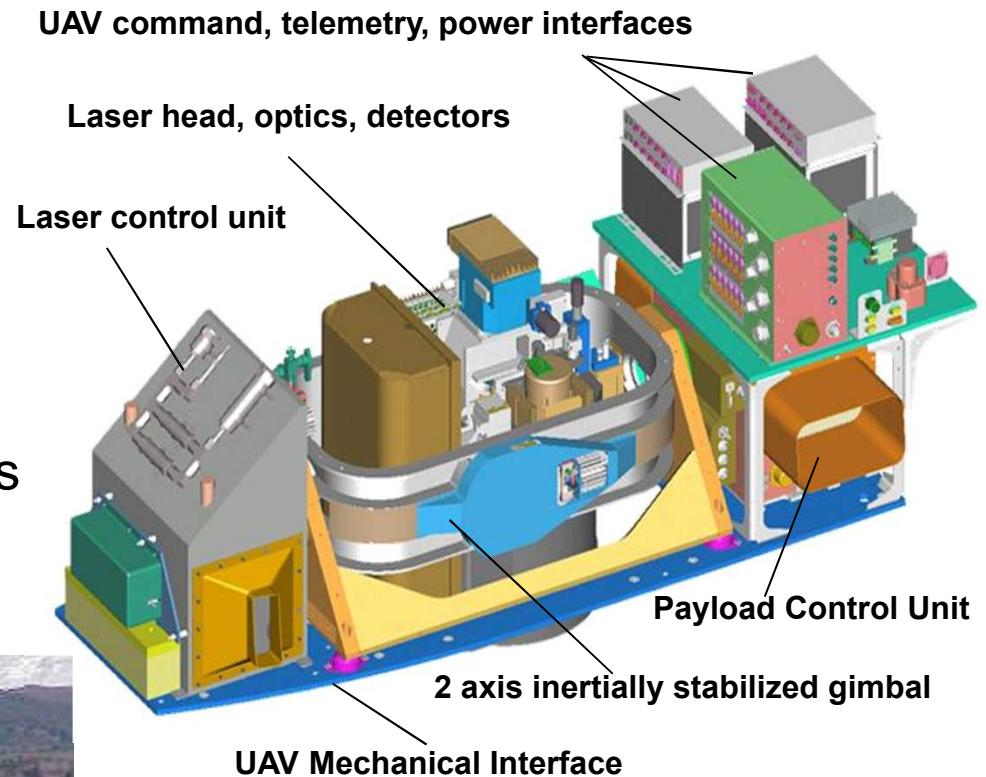
## Novel Real-time SAR and Interferometric SAR

- Two decades experience
- Multiple frequency bands (VHF, UHF, L, S, X, Ku, Ka)
- Ultra-fine resolution (4")
- Real-time Exploitation (Coherent Change Detection, Aided Target Recognition, Ground Moving Target Indication)
- Full system development
- Miniaturized systems
- Fielded operational systems

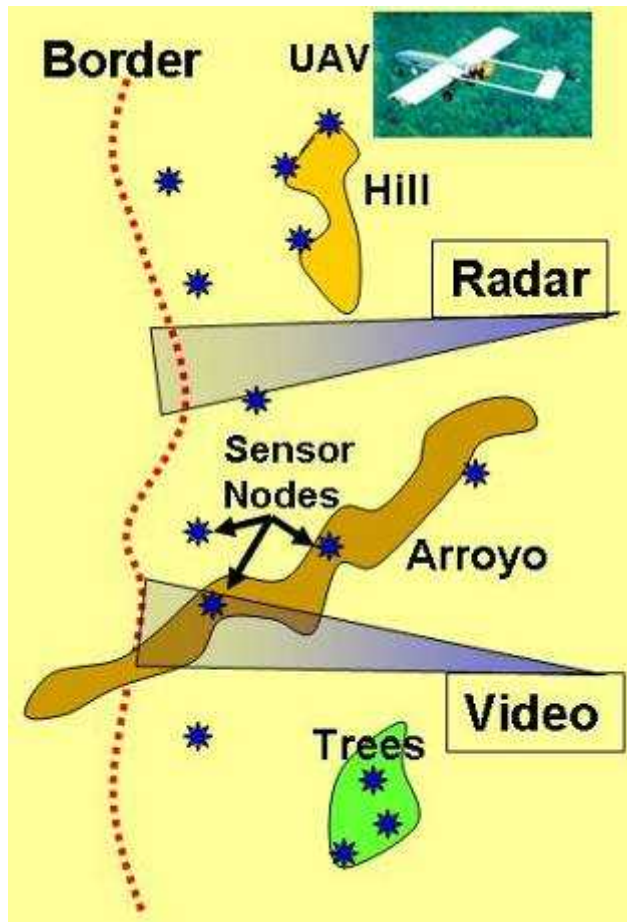


# Sandia has developed UAV-based instrumentation payloads and T&E of UAV systems and operations

- Over 20 yrs experience
- Data collection in more than 460 operational flight hours
- WMD proliferation missions
  - Chem/bio stand-off detection
- Climate prediction and climate change assessments
- Working relationship with UAV manufacturers



# Networked Detection Systems For Virtual Presence/Extended Defenses



- Sandia is performing OT&E and Field Development Evaluations for VPEDs components, and subsystems for DOE and DoD programs.
  - Radar systems
  - Thermal imaging
  - IP video
  - Wireless communications
  - Ground sensors
  - Algorithms for data processing
  - VPS architecture and systems
- Networked systems solutions

21<sup>st</sup> Century Border Solutions require 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology and Systems:  
Networked Sensors, Data Fusion, Decision Support



# Sandia is involved in field testing and cooperative T&E efforts at the borders



Border Patrol Agent  
Installing sensor



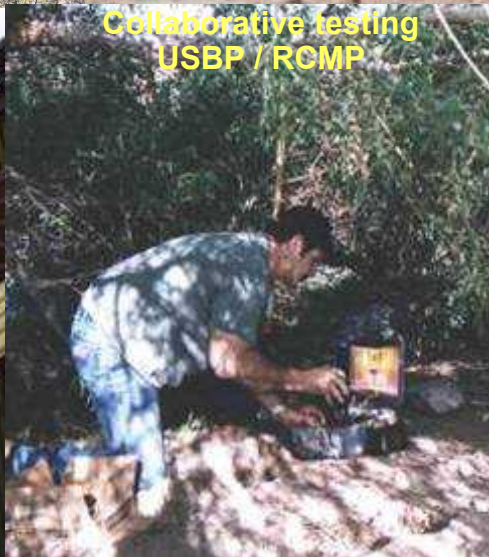
National Guard installing  
seismic sensors



Ground-based technology  
testing at SNL



Fiber optic sensor  
install Nogales, AZ



Collaborative testing  
USBP / RCMP



Fiber optic protective measures test at SNL