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Neuromorphic Computing

-Beyond CMOS Emerging Computing Architectures-
-Future Computing-

Advanced Scientific Computing Research (ASCR)

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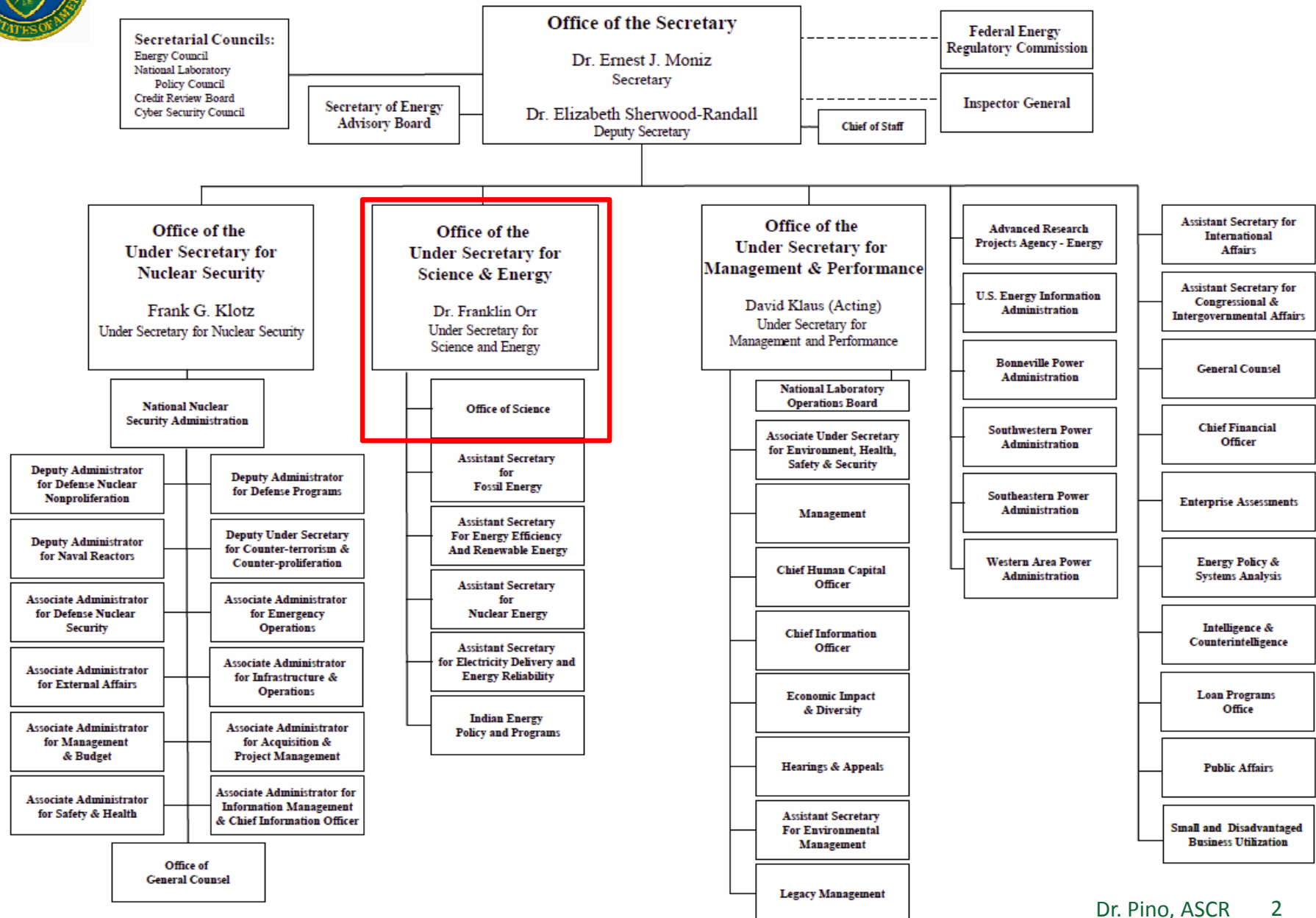
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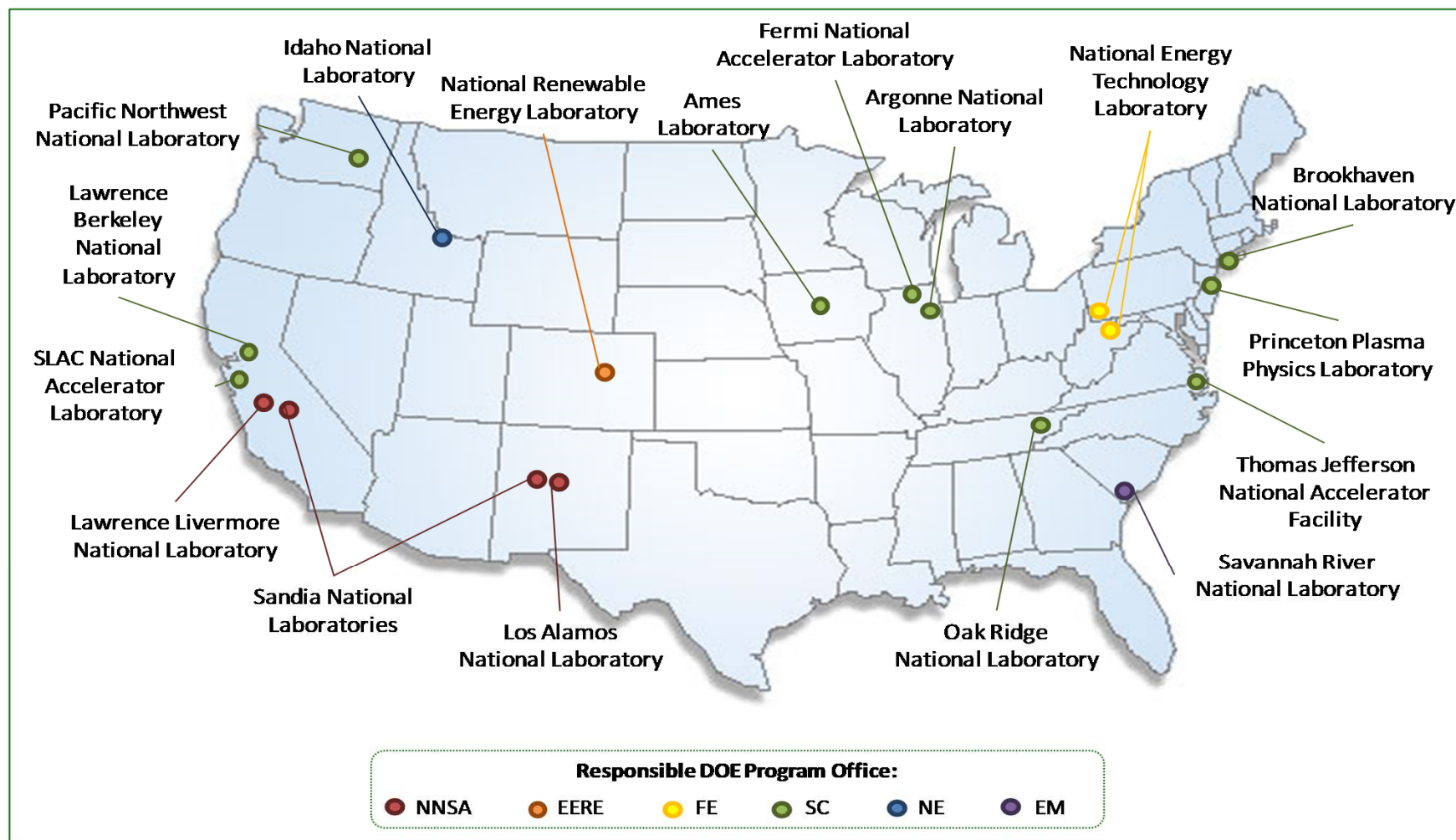
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Quick-Facts about the DOE Office of Science



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**Biological and Environmental
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Nuclear Physics (NP)

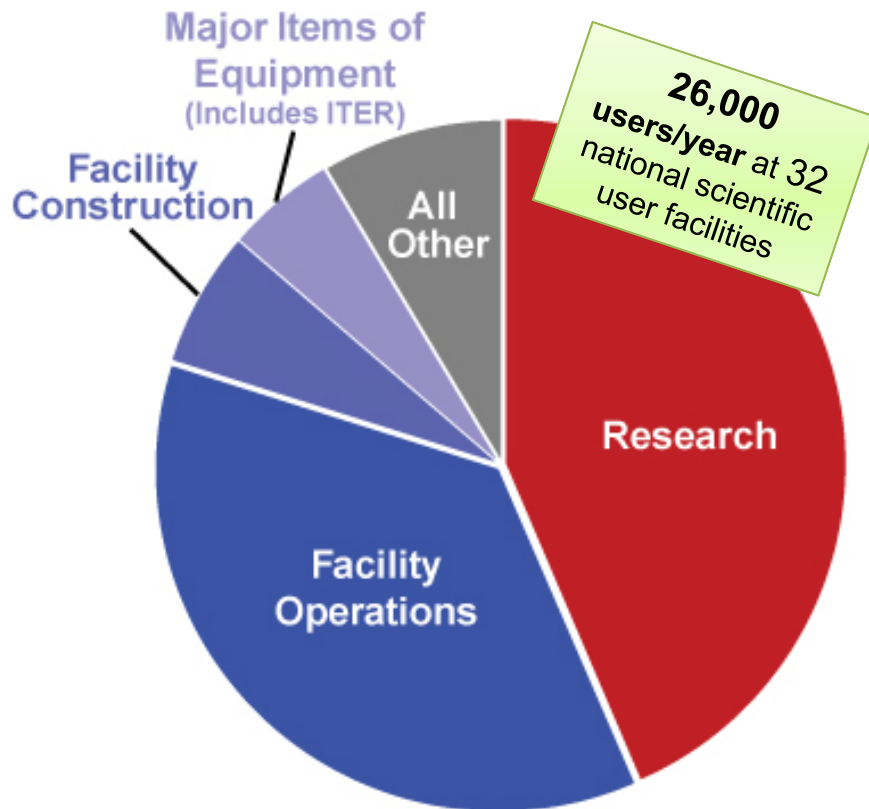


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DOE Office of Science – At a Glance

FY 2015 Funding
Total = \$5.140 billion

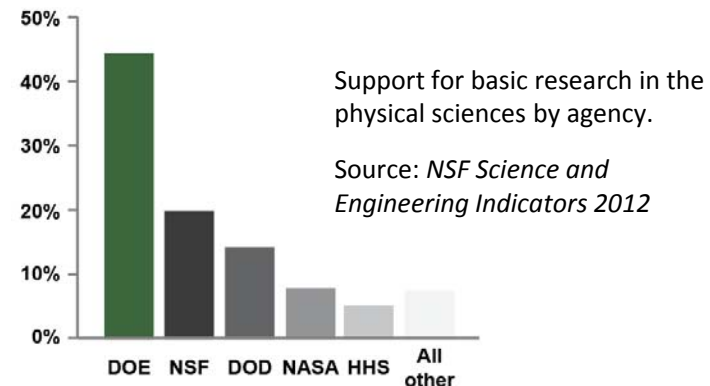


Source: <http://science.energy.gov/about/>

Mission: SC delivers scientific discoveries and tools to transform our understanding of nature and advance the energy, economic, and national security of the U.S.

Research

- Support for 47% of the U.S. Federal support of basic research in the physical sciences;
- ~22,000 Ph.D. scientists, grad students, engineers, and support staff at >300 institutions, including all 17 DOE labs;
- U.S. and world leadership in high-performance computing and computational sciences;
- Major U.S. supporter of physics, chemistry, materials sciences, and biology for discovery and for energy sciences.



Scientific User Facilities

- The world's largest collection of scientific user facilities (aka research infrastructure) operated by a single organization in the world, used by 31,000 researchers each year.



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Computational and networking capabilities to extend the frontiers of science and technology

- **Mathematics research** to address challenges of increasing complexity within DOE's mission areas from a mathematical perspective. This requires integrated, iterative processes across multiple mathematical disciplines.
- **Computer science research** to increase the productivity and integrity of HPC systems and simulations, and support data management, analysis, and visualization techniques.
- **SciDAC partnerships** to dramatically accelerate progress in scientific computing that delivers breakthrough scientific results.
- **Exascale computing** research and development of capable exascale hardware architectures and system software, including the deployment of programming environments for energy-efficient, data-intensive applications, and engagement with HPC vendors to deliver systems that address the exascale challenges.
- **Facilities** operate with at least 90% availability while continuing planned upgrades – begin deployment of 10-40 petaflop upgrade at NERSC and continue preparations for 75-200 petaflop upgrades at each LCF.
- **CSGF** - Continue a postdoctoral program at the ASCR facilities and provide funding for the Computational Science Graduate Fellowship to address DOE workforce needs.

Leadership Computing for Scientific Discovery



OLCF Titan System Specifications:

- Peak performance of 27.1 Petaflops
 - 24.5 GPU + 2.6 CPU
- 18,688 Hybrid Compute Nodes with:
 - 16-Core AMD Opteron CPU
 - NVIDIA Tesla “K20x” GPU
 - 32 + 6 GB memory
- 200 Cabinets; 710 TB total system memory; 8.9 MW peak power

- Peer reviewed projects are chosen to advance science, promote innovation, and strengthen industrial competitiveness.
- Demand for these machines has grown each year, requiring recent upgrades of both.

ALCF Mira System Specifications:

- Peak performance of 10 Petaflops
- 49,152 Compute Nodes each with:
 - 16-Core Power PC A2 CPU with 64 Hardware Threads and 16 Quad FPU's
 - 16 GB memory
- 56 Cabinets; 786 TB total system memory; 4.8 MW peak power

FY 2013 research projects include; advancing materials for lithium air batteries, solar cells, and superconductors ; improving combustion in fuel-efficient, near-zero-emissions systems; understanding how turbulence affects the efficiency of aircraft and other transportation systems; designing next-generation nuclear reactors and fuels ; developing fusion energy systems



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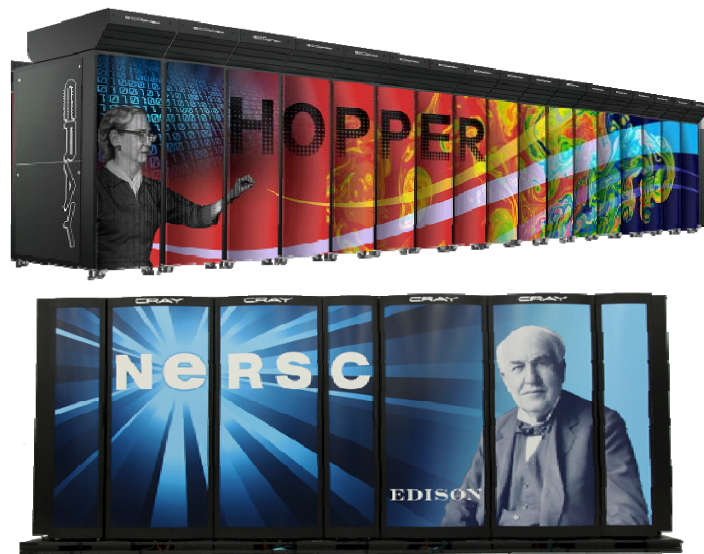
NERSC: 40 years of High Performance Computing for DOE

System Specifications:

- *Hopper XT5 (2010)*
 - 1.3PF, 212TB, 2.9 MW peak power
- *Edison XC30 (in acc)*
 - Based on DARPA/DOE HPCS system
 - 2.4PF, 333TB, 2.1 MW peak power
- *400TF mixed use clusters*
 - NERSC, JGI, HEP/NP, Materials, Kbase



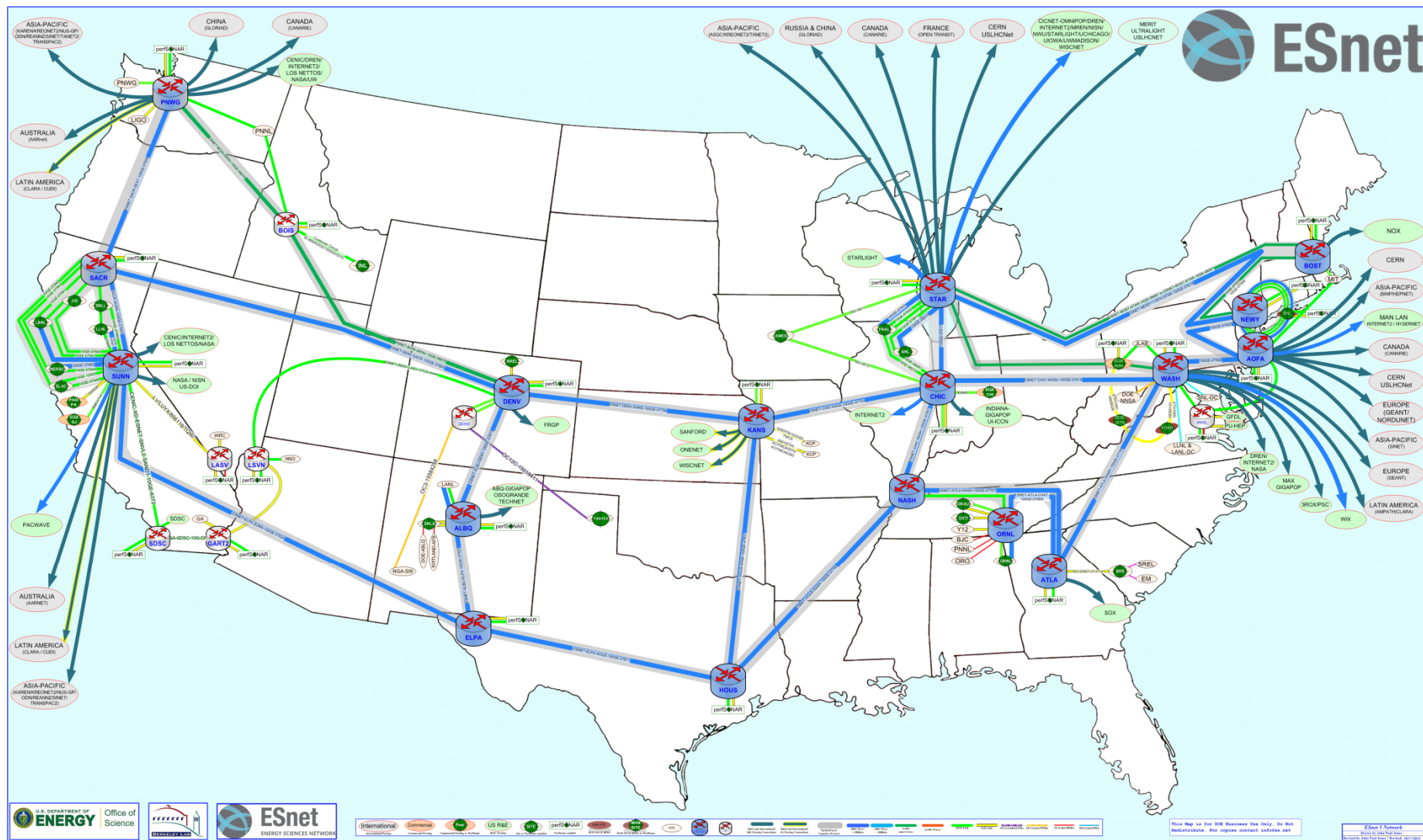
Computational Research and Theory Building will provide 12 MW power and cooling for future NERSC computing resources



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A Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenge for Future Computing

OCTOBER 20, 2015 AT 6:00 AM ET BY LLOYD WHITMAN, RANDY BRYANT, AND TOM KALIL



Summary: Today, the White House is announcing a grand challenge to develop transformational computing capabilities by combining innovations in multiple scientific disciplines.

In June, the Office of Science and Technology Policy issued a [Request for Information](#) seeking suggestions for *Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenges for the Next Decade*. After considering over 100 responses, OSTP is excited to announce the following grand challenge that addresses three Administration priorities—the [National Nanotechnology Initiative](#), the [National Strategic Computing Initiative](#) (NSCI), and the [BRAIN initiative](#):

Create a new type of computer that can proactively interpret and learn from data, solve unfamiliar problems using what it has learned, and operate with the energy efficiency of the human brain.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2015/10/15/nanotechnology-inspired-grand-challenge-future-computing>

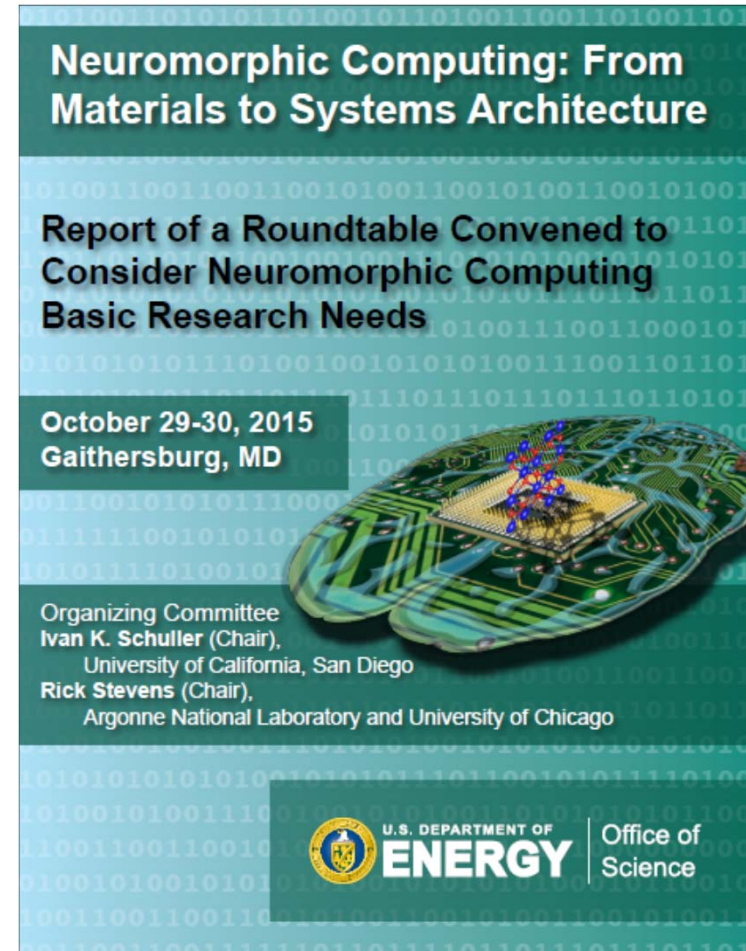


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- **Sponsored by ASCR and BES**
 - Evaluate both advanced materials and scientific computing research opportunities to support development of a new paradigm for extreme and self-reconfigurable computing architectures that go beyond Moore's Law and mimic neuro-biological computing architectures
 - Approximately 20 experts in emerging computer architectures and related materials science research topics were be invited



http://science.energy.gov/~media/ascr/pdf/programdocuments/docs/Neuromorphic-Computing-Report_FNLBLP.pdf

Summary

- High pay-off research and development
- Foundational technology for:
 - ✓ Systems able to perform autonomous operations
 - ✓ Sense-making for scientific discovery
 - ✓ Accelerated and reconfigurable in situ analysis
- Plenty of opportunity to make substantial contribution in the area of information processing and understanding
- Brain-inspired architectures in software or hardware offer a path for much needed technological evolution
- It is truly a multi- and cross-disciplinary effort in materials, physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics, engineering, computer science, neuroscience, etc., to ensure success in this field

Thank you!
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*“If we are to achieve results never before accomplished, we
must expect to employ methods never before attempted.”*

Sir Francis Bacon



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