U.S. manufacturers are becoming more competitive and energy-efficient through Industries of the Future partnerships.
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“There are basic industries that a vigilant government does not neglect….The Industries of the Future program is government at its best.” Senator Robert Byrd, West Virginia
Developing and deploying advanced, energy-efficient technologies for continued economic growth

Industry consumes 36 percent of all energy used in the United States. By developing and adopting more energy-efficient technologies, U.S. industry can boost its productivity and competitiveness while strengthening national energy security, improving the environment, and reducing emissions linked to global climate change.

The U.S. Department of Energy’s Office of Industrial Technologies (OIT) works in partnership with U.S. industry to increase the efficiency of energy and materials use, both now and in the future. Through an innovative, industry-driven strategy known as Industries of the Future, OIT helps industry develop and apply advanced, energy-efficient technologies. The strategy maximizes the energy and environmental benefits of OIT’s technology investments by leveraging resources through the formation of public-private partnerships focusing on nine energy-intensive industries:

- Agriculture
- Aluminum
- Chemicals
- Forest Products
- Glass
- Metal Casting
- Mining
- Petroleum
- Steel

Collectively, these streamlined, technology-intensive industries produce $1 trillion in annual shipments, account for 5 percent of the GDP, and supply more than 90 percent of the materials used in our finished products. The materials they produce are vital to our growing high-tech economy.

A Role for Government

Manufacturing firms within the same industry face common technological hurdles to improving efficiency. Many of these hurdles involve basic, energy-intensive processes integral to the industry. Due to the complex technologies involved, meaningful advances in these processes require costly research and development (R&D) efforts that are now beyond the reach of many individual firms.

The Office of Industrial Technologies brings such firms together in a neutral environment, facilitates consensus building, and supports collaborative R&D to address priority needs. By concentrating on high-risk, high-payoff research in precompetitive areas, U.S. firms are finding that they can collaborate effectively to accelerate the pace of technology development.
Accelerating technology advances

Companies collaborate to get more R&D from their available resources. By spreading the costs and combining expertise, partners are able to tackle projects that would be too complex, costly, or time-consuming to undertake on their own. At the same time, the quantity, quality, efficiency, and speed of technology development and deployment are markedly increased.

Collaborative partnerships help to focus resources on vital, higher-risk research and ensure that the resulting technologies will become successfully commercialized and put to use—cleaning the air, conserving resources, strengthening our economy, and improving quality of life.

"From its inception, Agenda 2020 [Forest Products industry vision] has been a real catalyst for our industry. It has helped the industry for the first time in its 300 years come together with a real consensus on its long-term research priorities.”

W. Henson Moore, President and CEO
American Forest and Paper Association

Energy-intensive Industries

OIT’s energy-intensive partner industries account for about two-thirds of all energy used in U.S. industry.

Total industrial energy use = 34.1 quadrillion Btu
Source: EIA, OIT estimates

Industries under pressure

While OIT’s partner industries run streamlined, technologically sophisticated operations, they still face tough economic, technological, and environmental challenges, including:

- Low profit margins, limiting availability of R&D funds
- Direct price competition with foreign firms that employ cheap labor or receive heavy government support or dispensations
- Rising costs of R&D as processes and products become more complex and sophisticated
- Dependence on capital-intensive equipment
- Increased need to distinguish products to gain market edge
- Growing pressure to restrict emissions and effluents

Employment Impact

The nine Industries of the Future directly employ over 3 million people. The Economic Policy Institute estimates that each of these jobs generates 4 additional jobs in supporting industries and downstream economic activities.
The Industries of the Future strategy

OIT’s innovative Industries of the Future strategy helps industries define their long-term goals and identify their most critical needs for the future. Manufacturers, suppliers, and customers are encouraged to develop collaborative partnerships with academia, national laboratories, government, and other organizations to share the costs and risks of R&D and solve precompetitive problems.

The approach takes full advantage of the unique insight and resources that industry itself can bring to the R&D process. Industry leadership of the process engenders strong industry commitment to the R&D and helps promote widespread adoption of the resulting energy-efficient technologies.

The Industries of the Future model is simple and flexible. OIT facilitates the process, but the industries themselves take the lead.

Vision
Setting Broad Goals
Leaders from each industry come together to anticipate the likely economic, regulatory, and market pressures on their industry over the next 20 years. On the basis of these projections, they jointly develop a unified vision of their desired future. They define their long-term goals and the capabilities they will need to survive and prosper.

Roadmap
Defining Priorities
Based on the broad goals identified in the vision, each industry develops a detailed R&D agenda, or roadmap, that specifies the steps needed to achieve the vision. The roadmaps lay out a logical, prioritized sequence of activities and R&D for the long term. They identify discrete areas of technology research, provide performance targets and milestones, and, in some cases, suggest appropriate roles for government and other research partners.

Implementation
Enabling Partnerships
Completed roadmaps catalyze collaborative partnerships that may include private companies, suppliers, trade associations, national laboratories, private research institutions, government agencies, and other organizations. These partnerships can investigate promising, complex technologies that would be too costly for individual firms to undertake. OIT facilitates the planning, serves as a clearinghouse for potential partners, and cost-shares projects that help achieve its energy and environmental goals.

New Technology Strategy
Adapting to a Dynamic Environment
Industries review and update their roadmaps periodically to reflect new trends and developments. OIT also constantly adapts and refreshes its activities to further leverage R&D funds and serve emerging industry needs and interests. Examples include inter-industry workshops, showcases, topic-focused roadmaps, and challenges to promote development of revolutionary new technologies.

Technology for today

U.S. manufacturers can also take advantage of OIT assistance to make their operations more efficient and productive using today’s technologies and practices. As the near-term component of the Industries of the Future strategy, OIT’s BestPractices program emphasizes continuous improvement and a plant-wide, systems approach. The program provides plant assessments of energy use, waste, and productivity; delivers information on emerging technologies available for plant trials; and offers publications, software decision tools, and training to assist plant personnel in identifying the best opportunities for energy and cost savings.

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Through the Industries of the Future partnerships, OIT provides about $150 million annually to support roughly 600 active projects. These projects involve over 2,000 partners engaged in R&D, technology demonstrations, and Best Practices activities.

OIT recognizes the importance of accurate technology follow-up and assesses the progress of all technologies supported by its R&D programs. OIT rigorously tracks technology adoption, estimates the associated energy savings, and publishes the results in its IMPACTS annual report (available through the OIT Clearinghouse). Recent tracking results indicate R&D projects have achieved cumulative energy savings in excess of 1.6 of quadrillion (10^{15}) Btu.

“Our goal is to take the technology developed by OIT and its many partners and adapt it to the day-to-day operations of our companies so we can provide better and higher-quality products to our customers.”

Joseph Ponteri, President and CEO
Global Metal Technologies, Inc.
(parent company of Lester Precision Die Casting)
Using BestPractices

Industrial firms across the country are taking advantage of OIT’s portfolio of BestPractices tools and assistance to improve energy efficiency and environmental performance right away.

Since OIT began plant-wide assessments in large plants last year, over 32 plants have submitted proposals, and 13 assessments have been competitively awarded. Independent third parties have already documented potential energy and related cost savings of $18 million in the five assessments completed. OIT’s Industrial Assessment Centers have conducted over 9,600 site visits to small and mid-sized plants since 1981 and have identified about 68,000 energy-saving measures that can save the plants up to $740 million. So far, these plants have implemented about half of all recommendations.

Over 10,000 individuals have attended BestPractices training sessions to learn how to use energy-saving software and tools or to receive instruction on energy systems management. The OIT Clearinghouse (800-862-2086) provides technical advice, publications, and other support, annually handling about 5,000 calls.

Showcasing success

Showcases are public events that highlight the best energy-management practices and latest energy-efficient technologies emerging from OIT-sponsored R&D. These popular events afford members of an industry the opportunity to attend briefings, watch demonstrations, and tour plants to see advanced processes and practices in use.

Burns Harbor Steel Showcase (1998). Bethlehem Steel’s flagship mill in Burns Harbor, Indiana, hosted the first showcase, at which participants learned about advanced sensing technologies, advanced materials, efficient motor and steam systems, low-NOx combustion, solid waste reduction, and pollution reduction techniques.

Lester Precision Die Casting Showcase (1999). Over 200 members of industry attended the Lester Precision Diecasting Showcase in Twinsburg, Ohio, where they learned about energy-saving practices and emerging technologies that can save energy, reduce costs, and boost productivity in the metal casting industry. Projects implemented at the Lester facility have the potential to save that plant 30 billion Btu per year.

Pittsburgh Regional Steel Showcase (2000). U.S. Steel’s Edgar Thomson Plant (division of USX) and Weirton Steel hosted this two-day event, which incorporated technical presentations, technology-focused plant tours, and a Congressional field hearing on issues of importance to U.S. steelmakers. Other event organizers included Bethlehem Steel, Timken Company, the American Iron and Steel Institute, the Steel Manufacturers Association, the Pennsylvania Departments of Environmental Protection and Economic Development, the National Energy Technology Laboratory, and Koppel Steel.
Intermetallic Alloys—a crosscutting technology benefitting many industries

Many energy-intensive industries have identified a priority need for materials that resist corrosion and fatigue in harsh, high-temperature environments. With the support of OIT’s Industrial Materials program, investigators at Oak Ridge National Laboratory have developed an array of intermetallic alloys, including a variety of aluminide and silicide materials, that address these needs.

Steel. Nickel-aluminides are increasing tenfold the service life of furnace trays and fixtures. Furnace transfer rolls made from these alloys are increasing productivity and product quality in steel plate mills.

Metal Casting. Nickel aluminide dies that last 20 times longer than conventional materials are now fully commercialized.

Chemicals. Ethylene furnace tubes with interior coatings of iron and nickel aluminide promise greater resistance to carburization and coking problems.

Other. Intermetallic alloys are being tested by more than 20 companies for applications in the metal casting, steel, chemical, glass, refining, forest products, forging, and heat treating industries.

Collaborative, integrated approach has far-reaching impacts

Industry leadership of the Industries of the Future process has helped to extend the reach of partnership activities and speed roadmap implementation. Broader industry involvement, the formation of new organizations, and new educational initiatives are all helping to accelerate progress.

Supporting industries. Industries that traditionally support the nine Industries of the Future have recognized the far-reaching benefits of the process and have conducted their own vision and roadmapping efforts. These industries include forging, heat treating, welding, powdered metals, ceramics, and carbon products.

New industry organizations. As companies came together to work on their industry vision and roadmap, they discovered many common needs. As a result, some companies formed new, industry-wide associations to coordinate and facilitate collaborative R&D. Examples include the Glass Manufacturing Industry Council and the Cast Metals Coalition.
### Industries of the Future Partnerships

**Educational initiatives.** Many Industries of the Future roadmaps identified the need to attract talented college graduates. OIT has pursued several initiatives to expand learning and work experience opportunities for qualified students.

**Agriculture: Biobased Products.** The U.S. Department of Energy’s 1999 Biobased Products Educational Initiative promotes multidisciplinary, graduate-level education and research programs to support the emerging biobased products industry. The initiative fosters curriculum development and provides stipends for deserving graduate students.

**Steel.** OIT and the Steel Manufacturers Association are offering fellowships to attract talented undergraduate students in engineering and applied sciences to the steel industry. Selected students gain insight and useful work experience by working with industry mentors on roadmap-related projects.

**Metal Casting.** The Metal Casting Industry of the Future works with over 20 universities nationwide, training dozens of students in the latest advances in metal casting.

**Industrial Assessment Centers.** Engineering students at 26 universities across the country work with their professors in conducting energy, environmental, and waste audits in manufacturing plants.

### Computational Fluid Dynamics—an exemplary partnership

Chemical, petroleum, and other industries use multi-phase (gas-solid or gas-liquid-solid) flows to transport fine solids, but such flows are complex, difficult to predict, and often lead to costly inefficiencies. Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) simulates the movement of particles in gas flows, offering a solution to the leading cause of downtime in many plants.

With OIT support, top petrochemical companies, national labs, and universities have joined forces to develop effective modeling tools for materials handling. The Multi-Phase Fluid Dynamics Research Consortium (MFDRC) is working to generate more accurate, reliable, and cost-effective CFD tools for industry applications. It undertakes a balanced program of fundamental research and technology development.
In response to the needs of its industrial partners, OIT has developed new ways to work with industry and has implemented innovative approaches to R&D management and procurement. In addition to facilitating the development of new technologies that address the needs of specific Industries of the Future, OIT cost-shares the development of crosscutting technologies that enable more efficient energy use across many industries. For the near term, OIT’s Best Practices program provides a host of industry programs and services that can deliver immediate benefits. Finally, OIT’s Financial Assistance programs provide a needed boost to help launch innovative concepts and demonstrate emerging technologies.

Focus on cost-shared R&D funding

OIT’s primary mission is to stimulate the development of industrial technologies and processes that will help U.S. industry save energy and improve environmental performance. OIT contributes about $150 million annually to support promising technologies that address priority needs identified in industry roadmaps. OIT’s support is matched almost equally by funding from industry.

Industry challenges. To encourage “stretch” R&D efforts on leapfrog technologies, OIT is seeking proposals for conceptual designs that will revolutionize industrial processes in some of the Industries of the Future. Cost-shared funding for concept development will be awarded to collaborative, industry-led partnerships.

Streamlined solicitations. OIT understands industry’s need to seize opportunities and move quickly in today’s competitive global markets. OIT recently streamlined its solicitation process so that partners submitting successful R&D proposals can get funds faster and initiate work sooner. Although processes vary slightly to fit existing industry structures, most solicitations entail a sequence of activities similar to the one outlined below.

RFP

Requests for Proposals (RFPs) are announced on the OIT Web site and in the Commerce Business Daily newsletter. Cooperative partnerships among industry, academia, and national labs are encouraged to submit proposals for the precompetitive R&D described in the RFPs.

Industry Review

A panel of industry experts generally reviews the proposals received from prospective R&D teams. Selection criteria are based on priorities established in the technology roadmaps and the broader OIT and DOE missions to promote energy efficiency and a clean environment. OIT makes the final award decision, taking into account industry’s recommendations.

Funding

Selected projects are eligible to receive financial support from the government, with OIT providing about 50 percent of the required funding.
BestPractices brings technical solutions for today’s challenges

While many promising technologies are in the R&D pipeline for the future, BestPractices offers a wide range of near-term technology solutions for industrial processes and plant-wide operations. BestPractices tools and assistance can help plants improve their motor, steam, compressed air, combined heat and power, and process heating systems. Through a comprehensive systems approach, energy use can often be reduced by up to 30 percent in just three years.

BestPractices’ plant assessments help manufacturers identify the best opportunities for saving energy and cutting costs. **Plant-wide assessments** assist large manufacturers in developing a comprehensive strategy for increasing efficiency, reducing emissions, and boosting productivity. Grants of up to $100,000 in matching funds are awarded through a competitive solicitation process, and a case study helps spread the word on attainable benefits. Small and mid-sized plants may be eligible to take advantage of OIT’s **Industrial Assessment Centers**, which provide no-cost energy, waste, and environmental assessments through a network of engineering universities.

Also integral to the program is the network of **Allied Partners**—national industrial associations, private companies, state agencies, and public organizations that have voluntarily agreed to help deliver OIT’s energy efficiency products and services as part of their regular service to industry. Partners provide training and technical assistance and distribute publications, software, and decision-support tools. Efforts led by Allied Partners have achieved an estimated $8.7 million in annual industrial energy savings in motor systems alone.

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Access to national laboratories

The Laboratory Coordinating Council (LCC) helps Industries of the Future partners identify and use the unique resources of DOE’s national laboratory system. The LCC provides a single point of contact for initiating work with any of the 17 laboratories and their specialized research facilities, including:

- Combustion Research Facility
- High-Temperature Materials Laboratory
- Metals Processing Laboratory User Center
- Surface Modification and Characterization Research Center
- Bioprocessing Research Facility
- National Center for Electron Microscopy
- Acoustic/Ultrasonic Laboratory
- Slurry Heat Transfer Facility
- Reactor Simulation Facility
- Advanced Materials Fabrication Facility
- National Bioenergy Center
States Industries of the Future

States can play an important role in encouraging industrial innovation and adoption of energy-efficient technologies. Since energy-intensive industries are key to the economies of most states, there is a natural basis for partnerships between state governments and the industries within their borders. This relationship has been widely recognized and has given rise to an extensive network of partnerships among state agencies, industry associations, and regional agencies. The Industries of the Future strategy capitalizes on these networks and seeks to expand them to

- Broaden the reach of national technology investments
- Increase results (energy efficiency, resource productivity, pollution prevention)
- Foster new partnerships
- Coordinate national and state industrial activities
- Enhance state economic development
- Reach smaller companies

Crosscutting R&D enables improvements in multiple industries

The Industries of the Future strategy embraces efficiency enhancements to technologies that are widely used in a broad cross-section of U.S. industry. Given the breadth of use of these technologies, even a small improvement in their efficiency can mean substantial energy and cost savings. OIT’s Industrial Materials of the Future program works with the national laboratories and collaborative industry partnerships to develop and commercialize new and improved materials to provide superior strength and corrosion resistance in high-temperature industrial environments. The Combustion program seeks to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions, enhance fuel flexibility, and otherwise meet industry’s future combustion needs by working with the combustion community to develop cost-effective technologies. The Sensors and Controls program is working to provide integrated measurement systems for operator-independent control of plant processes. Research is extending sensor reach and accuracy in harsh environments and improving the integration and processing of sensor data to enable on-line, automated assessment and adjustment of system parameters.

Facilitating innovation and demonstration

OIT’s Financial Assistance programs accelerate innovative technology development and application. Its Inventions and Innovation program awards grants of up to $200,000 to help individuals or small businesses establish technical performance, conduct early development activities, and initiate commercialization plans for innovative, energy-saving ideas and inventions. OIT’s NICE3 (National Industrial Competitiveness through Energy, Environment, and Economics) program provides cost-shared grants of up to $500,000 to small businesses in industry-state partnerships for demonstrations of clean and energy-efficient technologies.
Easy access to information

The Industries of the Future strategy has produced a wealth of information of use to our most energy-intensive industries. OIT plays a unique and pivotal role in providing unbiased technical data, training materials, networking opportunities, and coordination with other federal agencies. To facilitate all of these functions, OIT operates the OIT Clearinghouse, which provides an on-call staff of engineers, energy specialists, and information technicians (800-862-2086). OIT further creates networking opportunities for cross-industry pollination of ideas and matching of potential partners by sponsoring an Industrial Energy Efficiency Expo. This biennial event attracts steadily growing numbers of exhibitors and participants. Further information on OIT’s information resources is provided at the back of this document.

Bringing it all together to meet industry needs

The full portfolio of OIT products and services is designed to help Industries of the Future participants identify steps to reduce energy use and increase productivity. Tools, technologies, training, and technical guidance can be selectively applied according to the needs of each plant or industry customer.

A steel mill, for example, might request an audit to identify its biggest opportunities to save energy. Based on audit results, the mill might use BestPractices software to explore its options, request specialized training, or apply for a grant to demonstrate an emerging technology. The solution to a long-standing processing problem at the mill may have emerged from a Steel R&D partnership, but might just as easily come from Chemicals or Mining R&D partnerships, or from OIT’s Combustion or Sensors and Controls programs. As shown in the diagram below, the Steel Industry of the Future strategy has produced a robust portfolio to assist interested steel mills in improving the efficiency of their energy and materials use (process inputs at left) as well as its processing operations (center). Improvements in these areas also often affect processing outputs (right), including products, type and volume of emissions, effluents, and waste. Frequently, advanced processes help facilitate recycling (bottom) to close the loop on energy and materials use.

Steel Industry: How it benefits from multiple OIT programs and resources

Look in the back pocket of this document to discover the portfolio of technologies and other products available to assist each of the Industries of the Future. (OIT source programs are identified in parentheses.)
Partnerships that bring value to companies, industries, and the nation

Making a difference for a company

OIT partnerships are developing advanced technologies for the future and increasing the efficiency of industrial energy use today. Manufacturers, suppliers, and vendors can benefit by:
- Reducing the cost and risk of precompetitive R&D
- Acquiring a stronger voice in directing R&D
- Staying at the forefront of technology and expanding their technical knowledge base
- Leveraging available funds and information resources
- Protecting proprietary technologies and capabilities
- Gaining access to complementary technical expertise and facilities that can help today, as well as in the future
- Acquiring new patents or licensing agreements
- Potentially launching new products or spin-off companies

Advancements that help an entire industry

Through the Industries of the Future strategy, partners are able to maximize and leverage their resources to tackle projects that would otherwise be beyond their reach. Once commercialized, the resulting technologies benefit all members of industry by:
- Saving energy and materials
- Facilitating cost-effective compliance with environmental regulations
- Increasing productivity and reducing waste
- Enhancing product quality
- Reducing production costs (and creating a ripple effect throughout the U.S. economy)
- Boosting competitiveness in the global marketplace

Impact on local communities and the nation

As industry adopts more efficient industrial technologies, all U.S. citizens benefit through:
- More reliable and affordable products for home and work
- Creation of new jobs
- A cleaner, healthier environment
- Increased national energy security
- A more robust economy
How to move forward

There are many ways your company can get involved in or learn more about OIT programs and services.

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**Brochures, Project Fact Sheets, and Case Studies**
Learn about specific Industries of the Future teams as well as various projects through brochures, fact sheets, and case studies available from the OIT Clearinghouse and Web site.

**Industrial Projects Locator (IPLocator)**
Request this electronic database that provides useful information on more than 8,000 current and recent RD&D and technical assistance projects throughout the federal government.
OIT’s Agriculture Partnership Portfolio

**Plant Science & Production**
- Pine Gene Discovery Project
- Molecular Physiology of Nitrogen Allocation in Poplar Trees
- Energy Efficient Irrigation
- Precision Farming For Agriculture
- Diagnosis of Soil Limitations to Productivity
- Nutrient Limitations in Southern Pine
- Growth Traits in Pinus Taeda L
- Genes to Accelerate Pine Development
- Negative Mutations of Floral Genes
- Genetic Variation of Fiber Components
- Regulation of Crown Architecture

**Processing**
- Catalytic Upgrading of Glucose
- Products from Wheat-milling Byproducts
- Chemicals from Lignocellulose
- Industrial Chemicals from Levulinic Acid
- Separator for Ethanol From Cellulosics
- Novel Membrane Process for Lactate Esters
- Production of Succinic Acid from Biomass
- Lactic Acid From Renewable Resources
- Corn Fiber to Polyols
- Clean Fractionation for Cellulose Plastics
- Hydrolysis of Lignocellulose
- Industrial Membrane Filtration
- Yeast for Fermentation of Biomass to Chemicals
- Propanediol From Fermentation-Derived Malonic Acid
- Isosorbide Production Using Solid Acid Catalysts
- Separation Process for Bio-Based Succinic Acid
- Butyric Acid and Butanol From Biomass
- Reversible Chemical Association Separation
- Continuous Saccharification of Ligno-Cellulose
- Membrane Reactor for Fischer Tropsch Synthesis
- Novel Catalyst for CH₄ to CO Conversion

**Utilization**
- Improved Catalytic Enzymes
- Utilization of Corn-based Polymers
- Soy-based 2-Cycle Engine Oils
- Plastics and Fibers from Biobased Succinic Acid
- Vegetable Oils as Polymer Building Blocks
- Renewable Fine Chemicals
- High Value Products From Wheat

**Energy**
- Efficient Steam Systems
- Advanced, Efficient Motor Systems
- Efficient Compressed Air Systems
- Black Liquor Gasification
- Energy and Waste Audits
- Anaerobic Pump
- Irrigation Valve Energy Saver
- DSP Power Electronics Systems for Renewable Energy Systems

**Environment**
- Paper Mill Sludge and Agriculture Waste Utilization
- Low Temperature Catalytic Gasification of Aqueous Streams

**Recycling**
- Electrodeionization for Recovery and Recycling of Waste and Water
- Use of Residual Solids for Concrete
- Ceramic Membranes with CO₂ Transport Channel

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OIT Cost: $32 million
Cost Share: $26 million
Total Cost: $58 million

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OIT’s Aluminum Partnership Portfolio

Materials
- Intermetallic Alloys
- CFCC Immersion Tube
- Brazing and Spot Welding
- Numerical Methods
- Wetted Cathodes for Smelting
- Textures in Al Alloys
- Plastic Deformation
- Inert Metal Anodes
- Ceramic Anode Application
- Corrosion Resistance
- Metal Powder Products
- MPLUS

Manufacturing
- Inert Anode Life
- Wettable Cathode
- Flotation Melter
- Low-NOx Melting
- Clean Casting
- Chlorine Reduction
- Intelligent Extruder
- Selective Adsorption
- Spray Rolling Al Strip
- Semi-solids Processing
- Advanced Lost Foam
- Steel Reheating
- Furnace Fan
- Sensor for Process Control
- Potlining Additives
- Real-time Measurement of Melt Constituents
- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces & Combustors
- Coolant Characteristics of DC Casting
- Rolling Process Design Tool
- Die Casting Visualization Tool
- Die Life Extension
- Filtering Molten Metal
- Radiant Burner
- Non-consumable Anode for Electrowinning
- Explosion Prevention
- Advanced Anodes & Cathodes
- Modeling of DC Casting
- In-Line Annealed Cast AL
- Coated Recuperator
- Intelligent Potroom Operation
- Molten Salt Detection/Removal
- AL Carbothermic Technology
- Meta-Lax Stress Relief

Energy
- Oxidative Melt Loss Reduction
- Isothermal Melting
- Manufacturing of AL Extrusions
- Energy Efficient AL Melting
- Plant Energy Audits (25+)
- Motor Challenge (Alcoa)

New Products & Markets
- Laser-Based Ultrasonic System
- Microsmooth Al Wheels
- Composite Reinforced Al Conductor
- Reflective Al Chips

Environment & Recycling
- Spent Potliner to Glass Fiber Products
- Automotive Scrap Sorting
- High Efficiency, Low-Dross Combustion
- On-line Emissions Monitoring

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- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces & Combustors
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- Radiant Burner
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- Sensor for Process Control
- Potlining Additives
- Real-time Measurement of Melt Constituents
- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces & Combustors
- Coolant Characteristics of DC Casting
- Rolling Process Design Tool
- Die Casting Visualization Tool
- Die Life Extension
- Filtering Molten Metal
- Radiant Burner
- Non-consumable Anode for Electrowinning
- Explosion Prevention
- Advanced Anodes & Cathodes
- Modeling of DC Casting
- In-Line Annealed Cast AL
- Coated Recuperator
- Intelligent Potroom Operation
- Molten Salt Detection/Removal
- AL Carbothermic Technology
- Meta-Lax Stress Relief

Environment & Recycling

- Spent Potliner to Glass Fiber Products
- Automotive Scrap Sorting
- High Efficiency, Low-Dross Combustion
- On-line Emissions Monitoring

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OIT's Forest Products Partnership Portfolio

**Sustainable Forestry**
- Diagnosis of Soil Limitations to Productivity
- Regulation of Crown Architecture
- Sustainability of High Intensity Forest Mgmt.
- Molecular Physiology of Nitrogen Allocation
- Dominant Negative Mutations of Floral Genes
- Pine Gene Discovery Project
- Sustaining the Productivity of Intensively Managed Forests
- Carbon & Nutrient Allocation and Physiology in Pinus Taeda L.
- Genetic Augmentation of Syringyl Lignin
- Wood Quality under Intensive Forest Management

**Energy Performance**
- Multipor Cylinder Dryers
- Microwave Treatment for Rapid Wood Drying
- Steam Reforming BLG Demonstration
- Moisture Distribution and Flow During Drying
- Convection-Pass Deposits in Recovery Boilers
- Gas Cleanup for Combined Cycle Systems
- Methane de-NOx
- Development of Materials for Gasification
- Intermediate-Sized, Entrained Particles
- Black Liquor Gasification Kinetics
- Catalysts for the Destruction of Tars in Gasification
- Increasing Yield of Kraft Cooks Using Microwaves
- Uniform Web Drying Using Microwaves
- 3-D Characterization of the Structure of Paper
- Plantwide Assessments
  - Inland Paper, Rome, Georgia
  - Georgia-Pacific, Palatka, FL
  - Carusar Industries, multiple mills
  - Boise Cascade, International Falls, MN
  - Appleton Papers, Inc.
  - Weyerhaeuser Company

**Capital Effectiveness**
- Control of Soluble Scale Fouling in Concentrators
- Roll Surfaces and Web Transfer Systems
- Continuous Process for Displacement Dewatering
- Use of Borate Autocatastizing
- Improving Dryer and Press Efficiencies
- Directed Green Liquor Utilization (D-Glu) Pulping
- Corrosion in Kraft Digesters
- The Lateral Corrugator
- High Capacity Gas-Fired Paper Dryer
- Fast Curing of Composite Wood Products
- Composite Tubes for Kraft Recovery Boilers
- Corrosion Monitoring System
- Clean Fractionation - Cellulose for Plastics Production
- Composites and Coatings

**Sensors & Controls**
- Contactless Monitoring of Paper
- Wood Chip Moisture Content
- Linescan Camera for Moisture Measurement
- Wireless Microwave Wood Moisture Measurement
- CFD Modeling of Advanced Black Liquor Nozzles Deposition on Pendant Tubes of Kraft Chemical Boilers
- On-Line Monitoring of Carryover in Recovery Boilers
- Ultrasonic Instrument to Characterize Pulp
- Monitoring Corrosion and Erosion in Recovery Boiler Tubing
- Field Mobile NIR for Standing Wood
- On-Line Fluidics Controlled Headbox
- Soft Sensing and Diagnosis for Continuous Digesters
- Prototype ESA System
- Distributed Fiber Optic Sensor
- Non-Contact Laser Acoustic Sensor
- Advanced Sensors for Industry/Agriculture – Phase II

**Environmental Performance**
- Polyoxometalate Bleaching
- Energy Efficient Kraft Pulping
- VOC Control in Kraft Mills
- Low-VOC Drying of Lumber
- Understanding Residual Lignin for Improved Pulping and Bleaching
- Reducing Emissions of VOCs
- Reducing VOC Press Emissions from OSB
- Mill Biobleaching Technologies
- Water Recycling/Removal Using Hydrogels
- Use of Residual Solids for Concrete
- Plasma Technologies for VOCs
- High Selectivity Oxygen Delignification
- NPE Removal Using Mesoporous Supports
- Bubble Size Control for Oxygen Bleaching
- Control of Emissions from Wood Burners and Dryers

**Recycling**
- Acoustic Separation Technology
- Revolutionary Screening Device for Recycling
- Cationic Pressure Sensitive Adhesives
- Replacing Chemicals in Recycle Mills
- Preventing Strength Loss of Kraft Fiber
- Surfactant Spray to Improve Flotation Deinking
- Mechatronic Control of Waste Paper Sorting
- Screenable Pressure Sensitive Adhesives
- Plastics from Cellulose
- Energy and Environmental innovations for Chemically Preserved Wood Wastes

Total direct project funding from OIT $62M
Total relevant funding from OIT $41M
OIT's Chemical Partnership Portfolio

**Materials**
- Corrosion Monitoring System
- Alloy Selection System
- Alloys for Ethylene Production
- Metal Dusting Phenomena
- Mixed Solvent Corrosion
- Membrane Module Tubesheet
- Membrane for p-Xylene Separation
- Succinic Acid from Lignocellulose
- Separation of Hydrogen/Light Hydrocarbon Gases
- Materials for Electrochemical Reactors
- Membrane Reactor Designs for Olefin Production
- Oil Refinery Pipe Hangers
- Phase Transfer Catalysis
- Selective Inorganic Thin Films
- Carbon Membranes for Light Gas Separations
- Laser-Ultrasonic Measurement of Seamless Tubes
- Evaluation of High Molybdenum Stainless Steel
- Acoustic Monitoring of Corrosion in Recovery Boilers
- Biocatalytic Processing of Lignocellulosic Feedstocks

**Chemical Processing Technology**
- Catalytic Hydrogenation Reactor Retrofit
- Integrated Workbench for Gas Phase Thermodynamics
- Separation of Hydrogen/Light Hydrocarbon Gas Mixtures
- Advanced Membrane Materials
- Nanoscale Catalysts
- Direct Production of Silicones From Sand
- Oxidative Cracking of Hydrocarbons to Ethylene
- Selective Oxidation of Aromatic Compounds
- Multi-Phase Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Instrumentation for Multi-Phase Flows
- Intelligent Extruder
- Development of Non-Aqueous Enzymes
- Sorbents for Gas Separation
- New Catalyst Oxidation of Feedstock
- Electrochemical Reactors for Chlor-Alkali
- Selective Catalytic Dehydrogenation of Alkanes to Olefins
- Clean Fractionation: Cellulose for Plastics

**Environment & Recycling**
- PSA Technology to Product Recovery
- Electrodeionization for Product Purification
- Olefin Recovery from Chemical Waste Streams Stations
- Solvent Vapor Recovery
- Thermal Swing Absorption for Producing Oxygen
- Methanol Recovery from Hydrogen Peroxide
- Coupled Physical/Chemical & Biofiltration
- Selective Surface Flow Membrane
- Nylon 6 Carpet Recycling
- VapoSep Membrane Vapor Recovery
- VOC Control in Kraft Mills

**New Products & Markets**
- Sonic-Assisted Membrane Processing
- Hydrocarbon Leak Detector
- Low-Profile Catalytic Cracking Demonstration
- Sensor System for Gaseous Nitrogen Transfer
- Separation of Aromatic Isomers
- Solid State Sensors to Monitor Hydrogen
- Supercritical Fluid Purification
- Advanced Refining Process Analysis
- Advanced Wireless Sensors
- Bubble Control in Oxygen-Based Bleaching
- Olefin Recovery from Chemical Industry Waste Streams
- Laser Ultrasonic Furnace Tube Coke Monitor
- Sensor Fusion for Intelligent Process Control
- Regenerability of Catalysts for Destruction of Tars

**Energy Efficiency**
- Practical Minimum Energy
- Plant-Wide Assessments
- Metrics of Chemical Industry Performance
- Total Cost Accounting for Chemical Manufacturing
- Industrial Assessment Centers
- Efficient Water, Steam, and Compressed Air Systems
- Low NOx Boilers and Burners
- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces

**Direct**: $145 million  
**Relevant**: $39 million
OIT’s Glass Partnership Portfolio

Materials
- Molybdenum Disilicide (MoSi2) Composites for Glass Sensors
- CFCC Burners for Heating & Drying Applications
- Intermetallic Alloy Development
- Acoustic Monitoring of Corrosion/Erosion in Recovery Boiler Tubing
- Tunable Diode Laser Sensors for Combustion
- Electrochemical Extraction of Oxygen from Air
- Corrosive Resistant Recuperator for Metals Industry
- Monolithic Refractory Material

Energy Efficiency
- Combustion & Melting Test Research Facility
- Batch/Collect Preheater
- High-Temperature Properties Measurement
- Rotary Electric Glass Furnace
- Laser Diagnostics for Oxygen Enhanced Glass Synthesis
- Vertical Floatation Melter
- Energy Conserving Tool for Combustion Dependent Industries
- Aluminum Melting Using Oxygen Enhanced Combustion
- Laser Ultrasonics for Property Measurement
- Innovative High Temperature Natural Gas Furnace
- In-Situ Real Time Measurement of Melt Constituents
- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces
- Rotary Burner
- Plant Energy Audits
- BestPractices

Production Efficiency
- Auto Glass Process Control
- Advanced Combustion Space Models
- Coupled Glass Combustion Space/Glass Bath Furnace Simulation
- Advanced Process Control for Glass Production
- Diagnostics and Modeling of Refractory Corrosion
- Measurement and Control of Glass Feedstocks
- Enhanced Cutting/Finishing of Handglass
- Online Sensor for Monitoring Cure of Coatings
- Sensor Fusion for Intelligent Process Control
- Producing Glass Fiber
- Intelligent Control of the Cupola Furnace
- Sensors for Die Casting
- Diagnostics and Control of Furnaces via Flame Image Analysis
- High Temperature Micromachined Sensor for Gas Streams
- Real Time Gas Composition Analyzers
- Wireless Telemetry

Innovative Uses
- Integrated Ion-Exchange Systems for High-Strength Glass
- Process Optimization for On-Line Coating of Float Glass
- Novel Frequency Selective Solar Glazing System
- Enabling Tool for Innovative Glass Applications
- Composites and Coatings
- Microwave and Plasma Processing
- Fiber Optic Sensor for Online Paper Weight Measurement
- Optical Sensors for Improved BOF Operations
- Fiber Optic Sensor for Industrial Process Measurement
- Optical Coupling of Infrared Analyzers
- Inventions and Innovations

Environmental
- High-Luminosity, Low NOx Burner
- GPLUS
- Monitoring/Control of Alkali Volatilization and Batch Carryover
- Oscillating Combustion
- Very Low Emissions Burner (Forced Internal Recirculation)
- Multi-Phase Fluid Dynamics Research Consortium
- Integrated Low Emission Process Heater System
- VOC Control in Kraft Mills
- Plasma Treatment for VOCs
- Novel Low NOx Burners for Steel Boilers
- Hot Oxygen Injection into Blast Furnace
- Oxy-Fuel Burners for Steel Reheating
- Reduced VOC Emissions
- Online Emissions Sensors
- Dilute Oxygen Combustion
- Miniature Oxygen Sensor

Recycling
- In-House Recovery/Recycling of Glass Manufacturing Waste
- Converting Spent Potliner to Glass Fiber Products
- New Method of Manufacturing Ceramic Products from Waste Glass

Total Project Funding
- Direct = $39 million
- Relevant = $64 million
- Total = $103 million
OIT’s Metalcasting Partnership Portfolio

**Materials**
- ZCA-9 Creep Restn. Alloy Dev.
- Clean, Machinable thin-walled gray & ductile iron
- Wave Celetivity & Quality of die cast product
- Surface Eng. Coatings for Dies
- Age Strengthening of Gray Iron
- Intermetallic alloy for ethylene reactors
- Metallic reinforcement in squeeze casting
- Porosity prevention in Fe casting
- Heat Treatment - Steel Castings
- Clean Metal Casting
- Cast, High Alloy Components Database
- Improved Grain Refinement
- Fatigue Properties of Al alloys
- Steel Macro inclusions atlas
- Die-casting copper motor rotors
- Semi-solid Aluminum alloys
- Real-time Measurement of Melt Constituents
- Grain refinement in PM copper

**Energy**
- High Efficiency, Low NOx Melting
- Energy Efficient High temperature gas furnace
- Cupola Sensing & Control
- Foundry Energy Assessments
- BestPractices Assessments
- IAC assessments
- Steel Foundry Refractory Lining Optimization

**Manufacturing**
- Die Life Extension
- Sensors for Die Casting
- Advanced Lost Foam Technology
- RSP tooling in die casting
- Modeling bead expansion in white side
- Clean Cast Steel
- Optimization of Comp. & HT of Die Steels
- Computer Modeling of Shot Sleeves
- Energy Consumption in Die Casting Operations
- Investment Shell Cracking
- Ergonomic Improvements in Foundries
- Unconventional Yield Studies
- Optical Sensor in electric arc steel making
- Semi-Solid and Squeeze Casting
- Heat transfer and casting distortion
- Removal of residual in the steel ladle
- Advanced Process Control for Steel
- Rapid Tooling using Optimized Cooling
- Sand/mold/core enhancements to improve finish
- High speed measurement of internal die cavity temperature

**Products & Markets**
- Development of a Fatigue Properties Database for Modern Design Methods
- Qualitative reasoning for die casting
- Thin section steel castings
- Evaluation of high molybdenum stainless steel cast particulate metal matrix components
- Thin-wall iron castings
- Filtering Molten metal
- Ceramic composite for metal casting
- Service performance of duplex stainless steel
- Technical data to validate performance of foundry byproducts
- Flotation melter and scrap dryer
- Novel method to process furnace dust into saleable product
- Recover and reuse sulfur dioxide

**Environment & Recycling**
- Reducing foundry emissions and green sand waste
- Recovery & Regeneration in Heat Treating
- Foundry Emissions Characterization & Modeling
- Non-incineration treatment to reduce benzene and VOC emissions

**Metal Casting R&D Investment (million dollars)**

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Energy Saving Separations Technologies
- Advanced Materials For Reducing Energy
- Refinery Process Heater System
- Flame Image Analysis and Control
- Thermal Image Control for Combustion
- Laser Sensor for Refinery Operations
- Best Practices: Motors, Pumps, Steam
- Efficient High Temperature Natural Gas Furnace
- Dilute Oxygen Combustion
- High Heat Low NOx Combustion

Advanced Sorbents for Gas Separations
- Advanced Industrial Materials
- Improved Membrane Module Tube Sheets
- BioCatalysis Under Extreme Conditions
- Ceramic Membranes for Gas Separations
- High Temperature Facilitated Membranes
- Reactive Distillation for High Octane Fuels
- Hydrogen Recovery Membrane Materials
- Improved Alklylation Reactor
- Multiphase Flow Measurement
- Gel Absorption Azeotrope Separation
- Phase Transfer Catalysis
- Aromatic Isomer Separation
- Hydrogen - Light Hydrocarbon Separation
- Catalysis Stability and Regeneration
- Thermal Swing Absorption for $O_2$

Safety & Reliability
- Mechanical Integrity Global Inspection
- Gas Imaging for Leak Detection
- Corrosion Monitoring System
- Metal Ducting Phenomena
- Intermetallc Alloy for Ethylene Reactors
- Alloy Selection for High Temperatures
- Advanced Wireless Sensors
- Controlled Processing of Tube and Pipe
- Acoustic Wave Boiler Tube Monitoring

Recycling & Recovery
- Membrane To Recover Olefins From Gaseous Streams
- Electrodeionization For Product Recycling and Recovery
- PSA Product Recovery from Residuals

Process Improvement
- Enzyme Selectivity for Desulfurization
- Micro Gas Chromatograph Controller
- Gasoline Biodesulfurization Process
- Multi-phase Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Gas Phase Thermodynamics Modeling
- Catalytic Hydrogenation Retrofit Reactor
- New Nanoscale Catalysts Based Carbides
- Selective Catalytic Oxidative Dehydrogenation
- Oxidative Cracking of Hydrocarbons To Ethylene
- Alkane Functionalization Catalysts
- Selective Surace Flow Membrane
- Catalytic Hydrogen Selective Membrane
- Advanced Process Analysis for Refining
- Low Profile Catalytic Cracking
- Laser Ultrasonic Tube Coke Monitor
- Membrane Reactor for Olefins
- Furnace Pipe Hangers in Refineries

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Environment
- Rotary Burner Demonstration
- Low NOx - Low Swirl Burner
- Internal Recirculation Burner
- Novel Low NOx Burners

Energy Efficiency
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OIT’s Steel Partnership Portfolio

Production Efficiency
- BF Hot Oxygen Injection
- Diphosphorization with DRHBI
- High Productivity RHR Ironmaking
- Optical Sensors for the BOF and EAF
- Post Combustion Optimization
- Thermal Behavior of Slags
- Real-time Melt Measurement
- Galvanneal Steel Temp Measurement
- Steel Cleanliness Analysis Tool
- Inclusion Removal in the Tundish
- Molten Metal Flow Control
- Clean Cast Steel
- Strip Casting Study
- Furnace Thermal Imaging
- Steel Reheating
- Transfer Bar Edge Heating
- Intermetallics for the Steel Industry
- Enhanced Operation of Highly Varying Loads
- Cloq-Resistant Submerged Entry Nozzles
- Improved Refractories
- Controlled Tube/Pipe Processing
- Laser Ultrasound for Seamless Pipe
- Value Chain Analysis
- Intermetallic Alloy Development
- Heat Treating Furnace Fan
- Spray Rolling
- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Improved Refractories for Glass
- Industrial Assessment Center Program
- Composite Electrodes
- Extraction of Oxygen from Air
- Energy-Efficient Electric Rotary Furnace
- Miniature Oxygen Sensor
- Super-Alloy with Improved Weldability and Oxidation Resistance
- Rotary Burner
- Steel Foundry Refractory Lining Optimization — Electric Arc Furnaces
- Advanced Abrasion Resistant Materials
- Advanced Materials and New Manufacturing Techniques
- Composite Wear Resistant Components
- Communion Circuit Optimization
- Selective Processing of Fine Mineral Particles
- Software for Simulating Efficient Grinding Mills
- Advanced Wireless Sensors
- Laser for Harsh Combustion Environments

Steel Processing Efficiency
- Cold Work Embrittlement of IF Steels
- Intelligent Induction Hardening
- Making Steel Strapping/Strip
- Cost-Effective, Efficient Steel Framing
- Deformation Behavior of Lightweight Steel Structures
- Surface Quality of Automotive Sheet Steels
- Improved HSLA Sheet Steels
- Behavior of Multiphase Sheet Steels
- Resistance Spot Welding for Transformation-Hardenable Steels
- Laser-assisted Arc Welding
- Steel Foam Materials and Structures
- Lightweight Steel Containers
- SMA/D0E Education Initiative
- Fault Warning Device
- Full-Strength Pipe Connection
- Heat Treatment Procedure for Steel Casting
- Optimization of Die Steels
- Performance of Stainless Steel Castings
- Thin-Section Steel Castings
- Yield Improvement in Steel Castings
- Die Casting Die Lubricants

Environment
- Low-NOx Burners for Steel Industry Boilers
- Low-emission, Oxygen-enriched Furnace
- Dilute Oxygen Combustion
- NOx Reduction with Oscillating Combustion
- Optical Sensor for EAF Post-Combustion
- Non-Cr Passivation for Electrolytic Tin Plate
- Forced Internal Recirculation Burner
- Super Boiler
- Control of Natural Gas Fired Furnaces

Recycling
- Effect of Residuals in Carbon Steel
- Recycling Waste Oxides in Steelmaking Furnaces
- Steelmaking Using Biomass and Waste Oxides
- EAF Refractory
- Service Life/Recycling
- Particulate Briquetting
- EAF Dust to Saleable Products
- Acid Pickle Liquor Regeneration

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Materials & Equipment
- Teleoperation & Robotics
- Fluid Analysis Systems
- Crosswell System for Imaging Ahead of Mining
- Electromagnetic Wave Detection and Imaging
- Computerized Roof Bolt Design System
- Mapping with Natural-Induced Polarization
- Fuel Cell Mining Vehicles
- 24-Channel Geophone Array for Boreholes
- Fibrous Monolithic Composites
- Hybrid Pressure Casting Process and Coating Treatments
- CastCon Process
- Tough-coated Hard Powders
- Variable Wall Mining with Dual Duct Ventilation
- Ramex Tunneler
- Improving Refractory Service Life and Recycling
- Wear-Resistant Intermetallic Alloys

Production Efficiency
- Laser-Induced Spectroscopy for Ore Grading
- 3-D Grinding Mill Software
- X-ray Spectroscopy for Drilling and Blasting
- Calibration Methods for On-line Analyzers
- Dense-Medium Cyclone Design
- Real-Time Coal/Ore Sensor
- Projectile-based Excavation
- Comminution Circuit Optimization
- Filtering Molten Metal
- Density Separation in Fluidized Beds
- Advanced Blast Furnace Control
- Clog-Resistant Submerged Entry Nozzles
- On-line, Non-Destructive Measurement of Properties
- Alkane Functionalization Catalysis
- Multi-phase Computational Fluid Dynamics
- CFD for Multi-Phase Flow
- Thermal Imaging Control of Furnaces and Combustors
- Remote Automatic Material On-line Sensor

New Products & Markets
- High-Temperature Superconductors for Underground Communications
- Wireless Mine-wide Telecommunications
- Baghouse Dust to Chemicals
- Underground Telemetry Communications
- Carbon Products

Mine-Site Energy
- Plant-wide Assessments
- Process Heating
- Motor and Pump Systems
- Steam and Compressed Air Systems
- Safe and Low-Cost Hydrogen Storage for Fuel Cell Mining Vehicles

Environment
- Selective Flocculation of Fine Particles
- Dewatering Fines
- Air-Sparged Hydrocyclone Treatment of Cyanide Solutions
- Magnetic Elutriation for Iron Ore Processing
- Oscillating Combustion to Reduce NOx

Recycling
- By-product Recovery
- Briquetting Blast Furnace Feedstock
- Recycling Waste Oxides into Primary Process

Mining R&D Investment (Million dollars)

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