

Workshop on
**AUTONOMOUS
ENERGY GRIDS**

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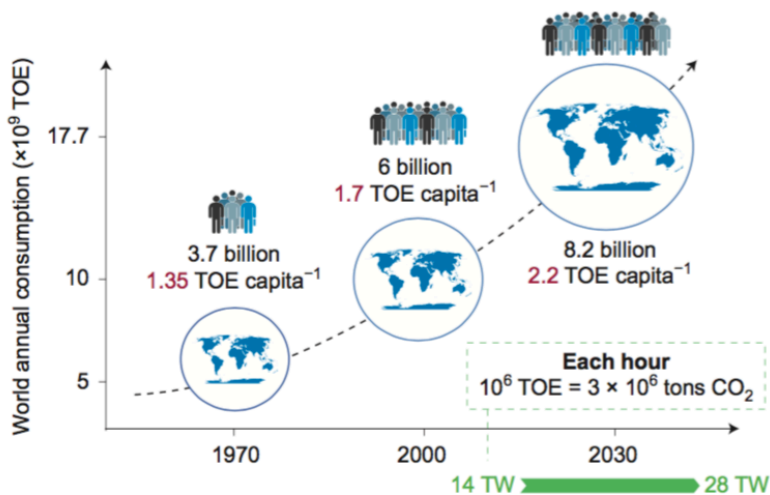
- COMPLEX SYSTEMS
- BIG-DATA ANALYTICS
- NONLINEAR CONTROLS
- OPTIMIZATION

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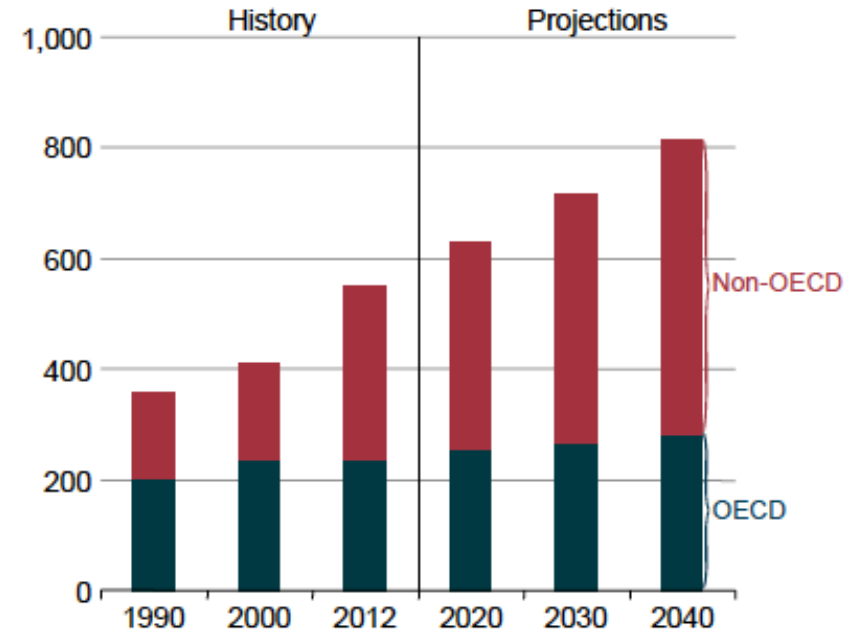
Cheap energy must be available for an increasing global population

Global Population Growth and Needs



Nature Chemistry,
Larcher and Tarascon, 2015

Figure 1-1. World energy consumption, 1990–2040 (quadrillion Btu)



The International Energy Outlook 2016 (IEO2016)

NREL's Science Drives Innovation and boosts economic growth



Renewable Power

Solar
Wind
Water
Geothermal



Sustainable Transportation

Bioenergy
Vehicle
Technologies
Hydrogen



Energy Efficiency

Buildings
Advanced Manufacturing
Government Energy
Management



Energy Systems Integration

High-Performance
Computing
Data and
Visualizations



NREL

at a Glance

1,700

Employees,

plus more than

400

early-career
researchers and
visiting scientists



World-class

facilities,
renowned
technology
experts

nearly
750

Partnerships

with industry,
academia, and
government



Campus

operates as a
living
laboratory

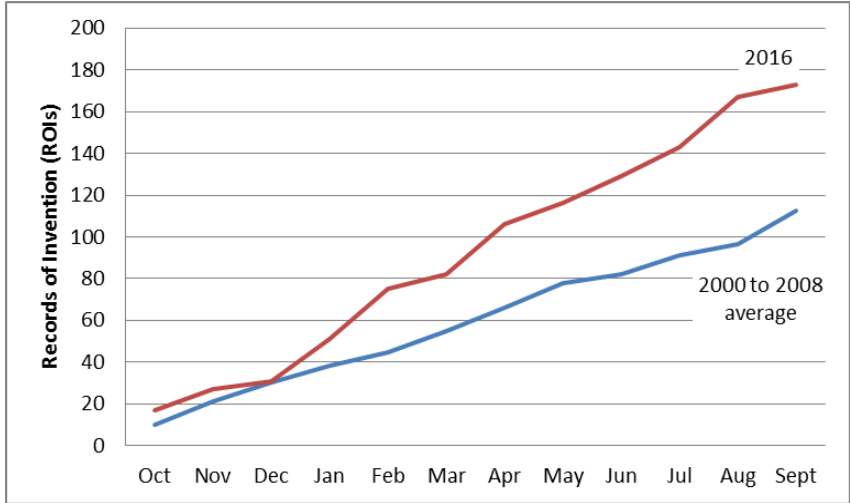
\$872M
annually

**National
economic
impact**

550 joint publications with Universities in 2016

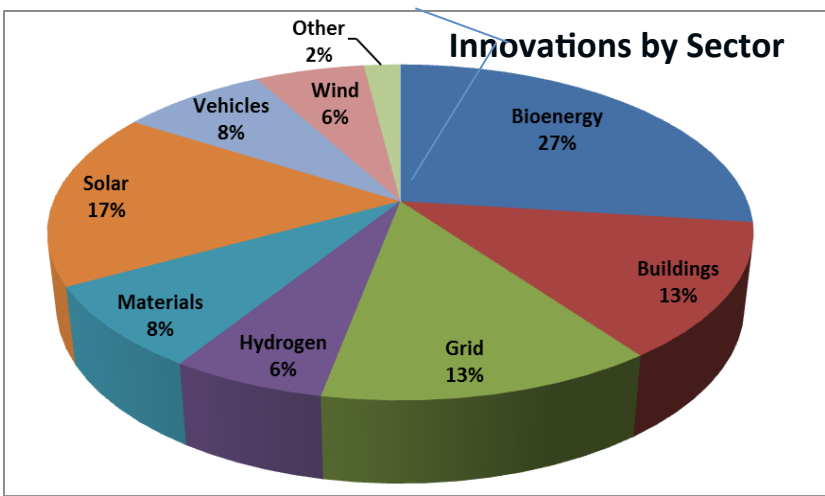
FY 2016 Baseline: Connecting Science, Innovation and Impact

Increasing Innovation



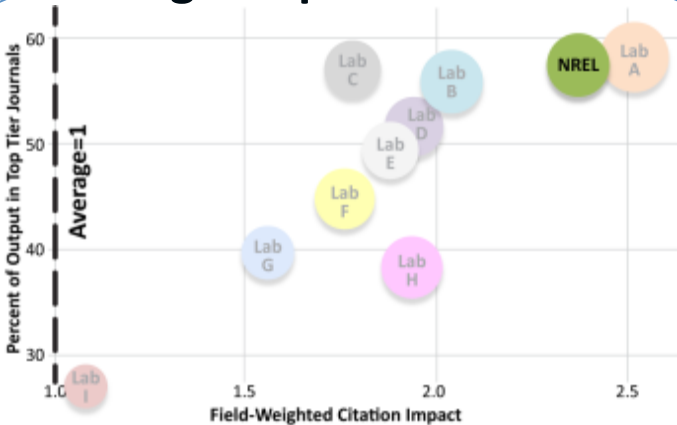
- 15.6 innovations/100 Research FTEs vs. national laboratory average of 5.6

Translating Innovations to Impact



- 147 Issued U.S Patents
- 244 Active Licenses/Option Agreements
- Most CRADAs within Lab System

High-Impact Science

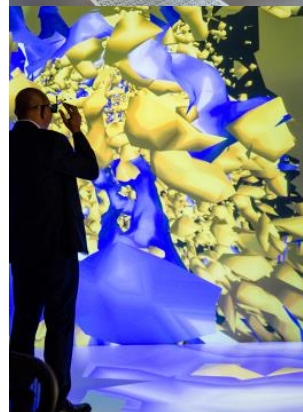


Percent of Output in Top-Tier Journals vs. Field-Weighted Citation Impact (2013-2016)

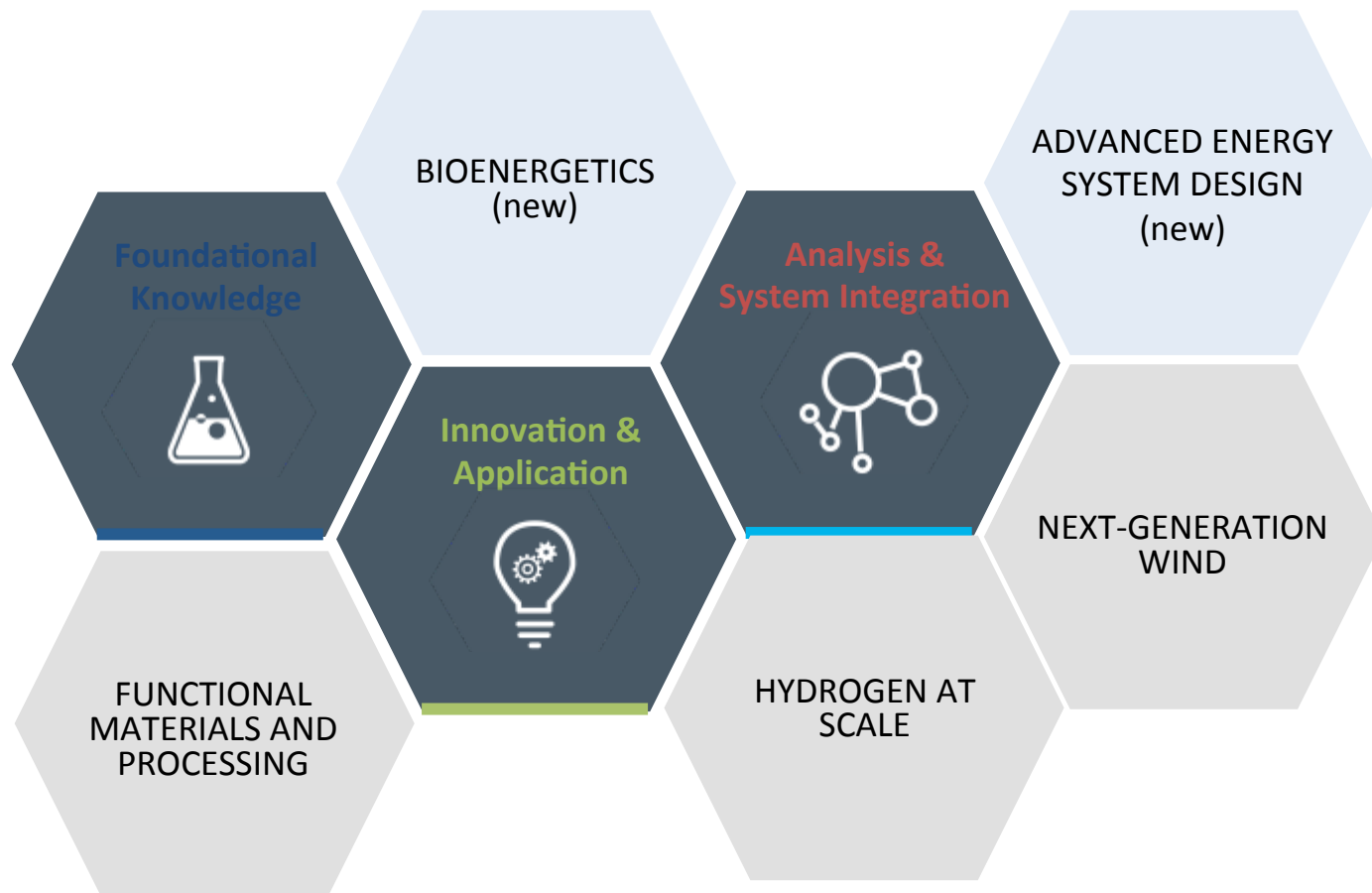


Future Prospects for Clean energy research are very compelling

- Advances in clean energy technologies are continually driven by
 - foundational scientific discoveries
 - enabling advances in other fields.
- Intellectual Property will be will be significant
 - challenge is that discoveries originate from anywhere around the world –*significant US competition*
 - need to have a scientifically engaged workforce
- Our success will be determined by our ability to make prudent investment decisions and exploit of advances/ discoveries from anywhere around the globe



Five Initiatives will Catalyze Innovation and Impact



Creating the technical foundation and innovations to advance domestic energy options that are secure and resilient – and cost-effective without subsidies

Workshops to inform investment directions

1. Electrons to Molecules
2. Energy Storage
3. H2@Scale
4. **Autonomous Energy Grids**
5. Power Electronics with Grid Integration Focus
6. Wind Manufacturing
7. Multi-scale Energy Systems Model



Thank You!