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AIR FORCE RESEARCH LABORATORY OVERVIEW

INFORMATION DIRECTORATE





Air Force Research Laboratory Mission & Vision



AFRL MISSION:

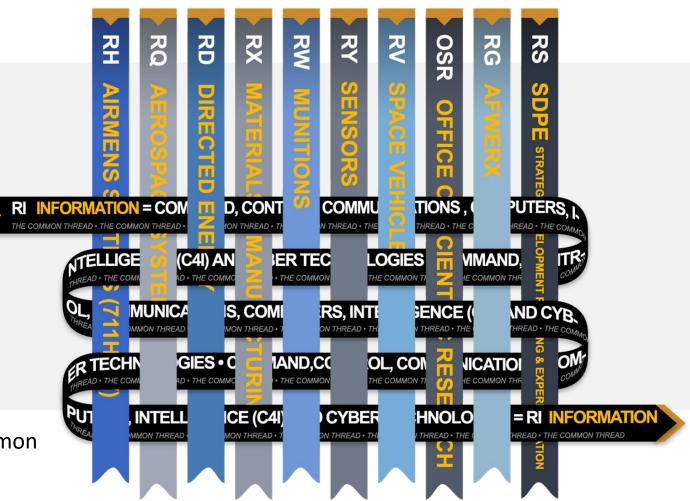
We lead, discover, develop and deliver science, technology and innovation for Warfighters.



AFRL VISION:

To arm Warfighters that dominate in time, space and complexity across all operating domains.

The Information Directorate is the common thread between all Air Force Research Laboratory directorates and locations

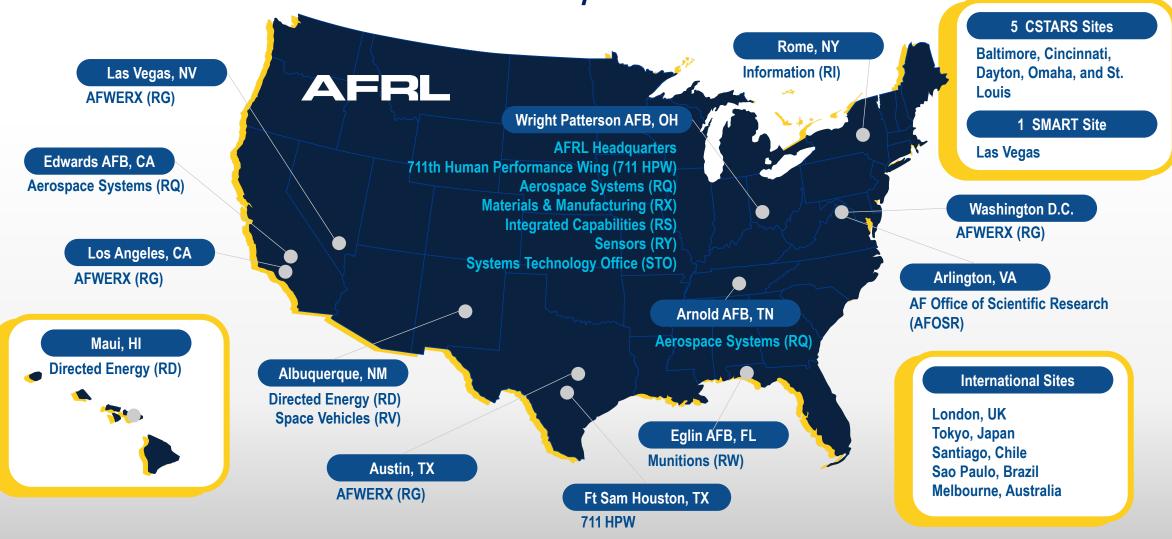






Air Force Research Laboratory Locations

*C-STARS: Center for the Sustainment of Trauma and Readiness Skills
*SMART: Sustained Medical and Readiness Trained







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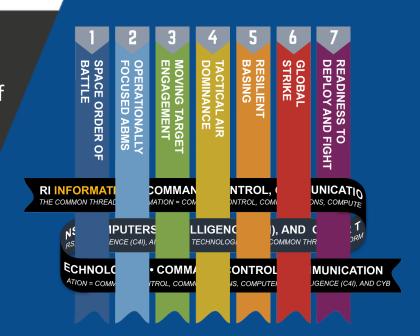
To explore, prototype, and demonstrate high-impact, game changing technologies that enable the Department of Air Force and Nation to maintain its superior technical advantage.







To lead the Department of Air Force and Nation in command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence (C4I) and cyber science, technology, research and development.



The Information Directorate focus is







Information Directorate Leadership

Acting Chief Engineer

Associate Director/Tech. Advisor



Deputy Director



Chief

Director/Commander





Deputy CC

First Sergeant



Technical Divisions

Intelligence Systems



Computing & Communications



Information Systems



Brichacek

InformationWarfare



Shyne

Special Programs

Hayduk



Mr. Brent

Senior Scientists

Processing & Exploitation

Superiority

Information

Control

Dr. Mark

Command &



Quantum Science &

Core Technical Competency Leads

Processing & Exploitation



Connectivity & Dissemination



Autonomy, C2 & **Decision Support**



Cyber Science & Technology



Dr. Erich D.

Senior Planner



Vergis

Mission Support

Contracting

Comptroller



Mr. Gary Tarantino



Strategic Planning

Mr. John Grieco



Mr. Robert Stadelmaie

Integration & Operations



Mr. Gabriel

Lt Col Dean Korsak

Judge Advocate





Historic Moments from the Labs



Minicard
Intelligence
Data Handling
System



ARPA Network RADC



First
Communication
Satellite Echo 1



Cognitive
Assistant That
Learns and
Organizes
(CALO)



John F. Dove Laser Disc Technology Creator



Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MEMS)







A rich heritage of research innovation



Surveillance Radar



ECHO-I SATCOM (1st SAT Comm)



PAVE Mover



Russian to English machine translation



Airborne Digital Map System



| 3D | Memory



IR Camera for B-52



Advanced Planning System



Moving Target Indicators Experiment



Multi-Level Security



Single Pass AirDrop



Cyber Situational Awareness



Selective Cyber Operations Technology Integration



NSDC



Rome Air Development Center Established 1951 – 1991



Rome Laboratory
Established 1991 – 1997



AF Research Lab Information Directorate
Established 1997 – Present



Intelligence Data Handling Systems



DARPA's agent for ARPANET



Skylab Tracking



Research Facility
Newport & Stockbridge



SEM-E Modules For the F-22



Track & ID Fusion Algorithms for AWACS



Software Programmable Radio (forerunner of JTRS)



Off-Board Data On J-STARS



CONDOR Supercomputer



DCGS

WebTAS





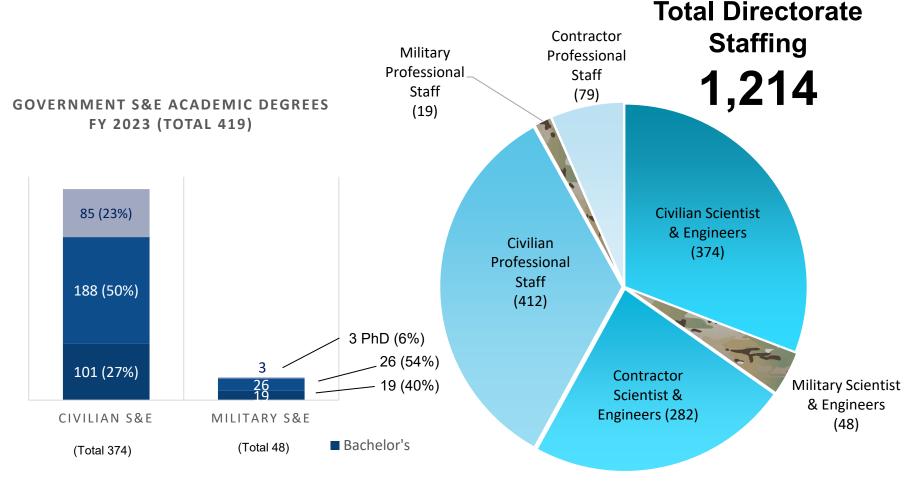
Talent at the Information Directorate

AN EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, & DIVERSE CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM: S&E - Program Management - Operations - Finance - Legal - Contracting GOVERNMENT CAREER CLASSIFICATIONS

- ElectronicsEngineering
- Computer Science
- Engineering (General, Computer, Mechanical, Materials, Civil, Environmental, Industrial)
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Operations Research
- Telecommunications
- Human Resources Management
- Logistics Management
- Public Affairs
- Architecture
- BusinessAdministration
- Financial Management
- Contracting
- Patent Attorney & Legal Services
- Police



Total Govt Staffing **853**

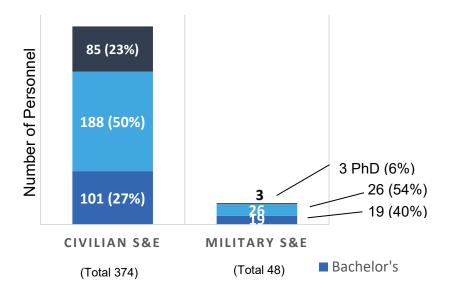


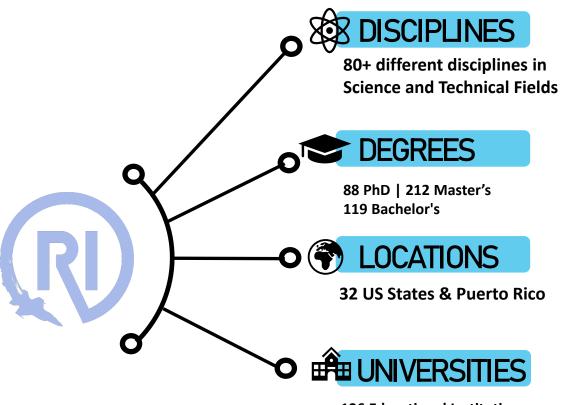




Academic Talent

GOVERNMENT S&E ACADEMIC DEGREES FY 2023 (TOTAL 419)





136 Educational Institutions including HBCU's, Tribal Colleges and Hispanic serving institutions.



Table 1: Personnet

Classification	Total	Multiplier	Impact Area Total
Appropriated Fund Military* .	57	98.2%	56
Appropriated Fund Civilians*.	786	93.9%	738
On-Site Contractors**	399	93.9%	375
Total Personnel	1,242		1,169

Table 2: Annual Payroll

Impact

Classification	Total	Multiplier	Area Total
Appropriated Fund	0.000	00.00/	40.000.00
Military\$	Ქ ,Ს4Ს,ᲧᲐᲜ	98.2%	\$8,878,199
Appropriated Fund			
Civilians\$10	5,305,456	%93.9%	\$98,881,823
On-Site			
Contractors\$0	61,852,182	%93.9%	\$58,079,199
Total Annual			

Table 1: *SOURCE: WebEIS, 30Sep2022

** SOURCE: AFRL/RI Comm-Computers System, 30Sep2022

Payroll......\$176,198,574.....\$165,839,221

Table 2: SOURCE: WebEIS, 30Sep2022

The Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management (SAF/FM) specified the methodology for compiling the economic impact of an Air Force installation. This methodology is consistent with the methodology of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission. The economic impact area of the Information Directorate consists of the counties of Herkimer, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, and Oswego. 98.2% of the military personnel and 93.9% of the civilian personnel and on-site contractors reside in these five counties.

Total annual payroll is a summation of total gross wages, payroll taxes and fringe benefits.

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Table 3: Expenditures within the Impact Area

Annual Expenditures

Facility Modernization/Sustainment	\$3,355,688
Service Contracts ¹	\$7,715,597
Research and Development ²	\$254,301,578
Materials, Equipment, and Supplies	\$3,468,115
Education ³	\$39,875
Travel ⁴	\$3,357,546
Total Annual Expenditures	\$272,238,399

- Includes only contracts in the economic impact area or contracts requiring the use of locally supplied goods and services.
- Includes only Research and Development contracts granted to contractors in the economic impact area for scientific and technical work not elsewhere included.
- 3 Includes cost of registered classes in the economic impact area.
- Includes travel expenditures of military and civilian personnel on temporary duty at the Information Directorate and local travel expenditures of AFRL/RI personnel on travel.

SOURCE:

- WebEIS, 30Sep2022, for Facility Modernization/Sustainment, Service Contracts, Research and Development, and Materials, Equipment, and Supplies.
- AFRL/RIOW for Education
- AFRL/RIFC and Defense Travel System for Travel

Table 4: Estimate of Number and Dollar Value of Indirect Jobs Created

The number of indirect jobs created is the mathematical product of the actual number of Information Directorate jobs (Military, Civilians, and On-site Contractors) and the DoD Indirect Job Multipliers for the respective economic area. The estimated annual dollar value of jobs created is the mathematical product of the number of indirect jobs created and the average annual pay in the economic area (as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor).

	Impacted Jobs	Indirect Jobs		
Classification	(from Table 1)	Multiplier!	Created	
Appropriated Fund Milit	ary 56	0.35	20	
Appropriated Fund Civil	lians 738	1.21	893	
On-Site Contractors	375	1.21	454	
Total	1,169		1,367	
Estimated Number of Ir	ndirect Jobs O	Created as		

Local Community².......\$53,414

Estimated Annual Dollar Value
of Jobs Created\$73,016,938

a Result of the Information Directorate1367

- ¹ Economic Impact Analysis (EIA), Indirect Job Multipliers for the Air Force Installations
- ² Bureau of Labor Statistics http://www.bls.gov/

Total Jobs Impacted

Average Annual Pay for the

Classification	Impacted Jobs			
Appropriated Fund Military	56	\$8,878,199		
Appropriated Fund Civilians				
On-Site Contractors	375	\$58,079,199		
Total Direct Jobs	1,169	. \$165,839,221		
Indirect Jobs Created as a Res of the Information Directorate.		\$73,016,938		
Total Jobs Impacted - Direct & Indirect2,536				
Total Annual Dollar value of Impacted Jobs - Direct & Indir	ect	.\$238,856,159		

NOTE: Direct jobs are the number of Military, Civilians, and On-site Contractors working at the Information Directorate in the Economic Impact Area in EY 2022.

Indirect jobs are the estimated number of jobs created as a result of the Information Directorate.













C2 Mission Area

Mission Statement: synchronize actions & accelerate decision making both at pace and scale to overwhelm our adversary

Communications Mission Area

Mission Statement: connect the force via a seamless, multi-domain, network of networks communications fabric across the enterprise

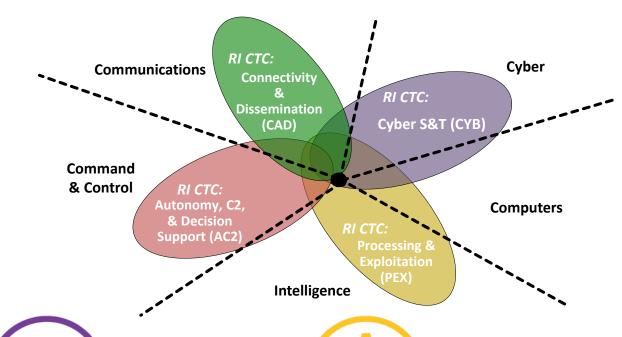
Cyber Superiority Mission Area

Mission Statement: lead the development of cyberspace science and technology necessary to ensure cyberspace superiority and support the conduct of full-spectrum cyberspace operations integrated with other domains.

Global Integrated ISR Mission Area

Mission Statement: collect and process decision-quality intelligence and act on it faster than adversaries can react. Develop and field sensing and sense-making capabilities to operate in contested environments, detect hard targets, and disseminate data.

Core Technical Competencies at RI





PUTTING THE RIGHT
INFORMATION INTO THE RIGHT
HANDS AT THE RIGHT TIME
Vision: Seamless, resilient
networked communications fabric
across the command, and control
intelligence, surveillance and
reconnaissance (C2ISR) enterprise

CYBER DOMAIN TO THE
NATION'S ADVANTAGE
Vision: An Air Force equipped
with technologies that enable our
freedom to operate in cyberspace
while denying the adversary the
same.



EXPLOITING COMPUTING &
ALGORITHMS TO TRANSFORM BIG
DATA INTO INFORMATION

Vision: Innovator of technologies that process and exploit data in near real time, analyze massive collections over time and employ continuous learning to deliver asymmetric decision speed to the Air Force and Intelligence Community.



MASTERING COMPLEXITY OF MULTI-DOMAIN COMMAND & CONTROL

Vision: Mastering and imposing complexity to C2 joint all-domain operations in an evolving battlespace at speed and scale





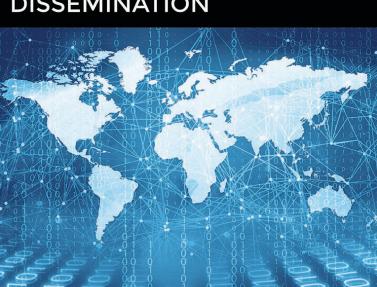
Connectivity and Dissemination (CAD)



Vision

Seamless, multi-domain, *network of networks* connectivity fabric across the command and control intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C2ISR) enterprise, assuring delivery of timely, secure, and actionable information to warfighters and systems.

CONNECTIVITY & DISSEMINATION



Mission

Provide agile and secure mission-responsive communications and information sharing globally.

Goals

- Agile and secure communications and networks
- Platform agnostic connectivity
- Autonomous link discovery, creation and utilization
- Dissemination of information at need, securely

Putting The Right Information Into The Right Hands At The Right Time





Cyber Science and Technology (CYB)



CYBER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Vision

An Air Force equipped with technologies that enable our freedom to operate in cyberspace while denying the adversary the same.

Mission

Deliver the science and technology necessary to ensure cyberspace superiority and support the conduct of full-spectrum, multi-domain, integrated cyber operations.

Goals

- Secure, composable, risk-based compute options
- Cyber operations integrated and on par with air & space
- Ability to conduct cyber operations agnostic to medium and geography

Leveraging And Shaping The Cyber Domain To The Nation's Advantage





Processing and Exploitation (PEX)



PROCESSING AND EXPLOITATION



Vision

Innovator of technologies that process and exploit data in near real time, analyze massive collections over time and employ continuous learning to deliver asymmetric decision speed to the Air Force and Intelligence Community.

Mission

Deliver fast sense-making for situational awareness and adversarial insight for the AF, DoD, and Intelligence Community.

Goals

- Multi-INT correlation and fusion of massive amounts of intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) and publicly available data
- Exploit targets in denied areas
- Adversarial and secure machine learning
- Dynamic, hybrid computing advancing neuromorphic, nanotech, and quantum systems to efficiently process ISR information

Exploiting Computing And Algorithms To Transform Big Data Into Information







Autonomy, Command & Control and Decision Support (AC2)



AUTONOMY, COMMAND & CONTROL (C2) AND DECISION SUPPORT



Vision

Mastering and imposing complexity to command & control future multidomain operations in an evolving battlespace with speed and scale.

Mission

Deliver revolutionary, trusted, affordable information technologies for agile, resilient and distributed Air Force command & control and autonomous systems.

Goals

- Master complexity through development of adaptive command & control systems-of-systems and services
- Control, impose and synchronize complex multi-domain effects chains
- Harness machine intelligence to increase command & control speed and scale of operations
- Realize large-scale multi-agent systems for autonomous planning, tasking and execution

Mastering Complexity of Multi-domain Command & Control

















- ROME, NEW YORK
- 65 Acre Campus
- 30 Laboratories & Facilities
- 882,000 Sq Ft Floor Space
- Offsite specialty locations in Newport, NY and Stockbridge, NY







AFRL/RI Labs, sites and facilities



Machine Intelligence for ISR Laboratory



Laboratory



Cyber Experimentation Environment (CEE)



Audio Processing Lab



Operational Information Management Lab



Innovation Facility (I3F)



High Performance Computing Facility



Advanced Computing Applications Laboratory



Newport Remote Research Site



Secure Embedded High Performance Computing



Experimental Capability (SUAS-EC)



Nanotechnology & Computationa



Corporate Collateral



Cyber Integration & Transition Environment



K5 Laboratory



Science Facility Laboratory



Corporate Research and Microwave and Development Server Optical Facility (CRDSF) Communication Range



RF Technology Center



Cyber Operations Technology Facility (COTF)



Network-Centric Integration & Interoperability Facility (NCIIF)



Command and Control Concept Center (C2CC)



Stockbridge Remote Research Site

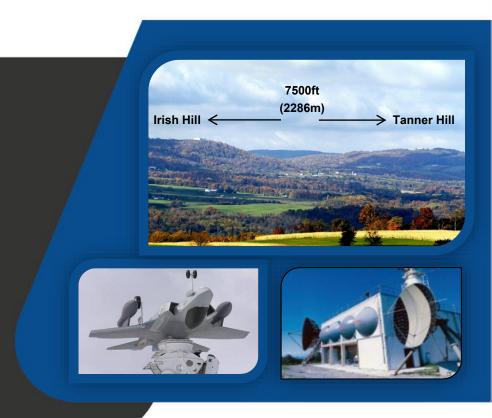




AFRL/RI Newport Site

Far Field, Elevated Outdoor Antenna Test Range

- 78 Acres
- 360° pattern measurement
- Established in 1972
- Ideal geography
- Essential measurements of the F-35 aircraft antenna patterns
- Inflatable reflector antennas for SOCOM
- 12 Commercial Test Agreements
- Aircraft and vehicle antenna performance measurements
- Critical capability for future aircraft/vehicle design and development
- Terahertz comm demonstration provides LPI/LPD/AJ air-to-air comm links







AFRL/RI Stockbridge Site

RF and Small UAS Experimental Facility

- 300 acre flexible test site, varying in relative distance, topology and foliage density
- Heavy-duty turntable with A 200' high arched measurement probe – large aircraft and vehicle capable
- 120' walkup tower for LOS and optical links
- Controllable contested environment
- All weather, full season, configurable RF capability

- C4ISR, cyber, spectrum, networking
- Flexible frequency authorizations
- SUAS airfield
- Fixed wing and VTOL platforms
- Trained flight personnel
- Experiment, management and control facility
- Flexible laboratory space
- Operations and control room







AFRL/RI Extreme Computing Facility

A Computing Challenge Space

- Foundational advances in computing architectures
- Quantum
- Neuromorphic

- Nanoelectronic
- Machine Learning
- Artificial Intelligence







AFRL/RI Neuromorphic Computing

Brain-inspired, extremely low SWaP, intelligent computing at theedge in dynamic & contested mission environments

- Neurosynaptic processors
- Nanoelectronics

AGILE CONDOR

- Real time situational awareness
- Neuromorphic architecture onboard
- Actionable intelligence with anomaly detection models, target recognition, and data fusion







Quantum Research at the AFRL Information Directorate (RI)



Superconducting Qubits (SCQs)

Status at Rome Labs (Started in 2019)

Installed multiple cryostats and DAQ instrumentation for operation of SCQs at milli-Kelvin temperatures Partnering with multiple external entities on SCQs & circuitry fabrication

Demonstrated initial measurements of high performance superconducting transmon qubits



Innovare Advancement Center Partnership Opportunities

Visiting researcher/student opportunities

Quantum Software Layer Applications & Access

Heterogeneous qubit interfaces for entanglement distribution applications

Verify and validate quantum networking components – classical or quantum on heterogeneous network



Programmable Nanophotonics Processors

Developing component dense, phase stable interferometric circuits for manipulating quantum states and processing quantum information

Developing efficient methods to calibrate nested photonic devices

Transitioning devices for uses other than quantum

Neuromorphic computing NxN optical routing

Classical signal encoding



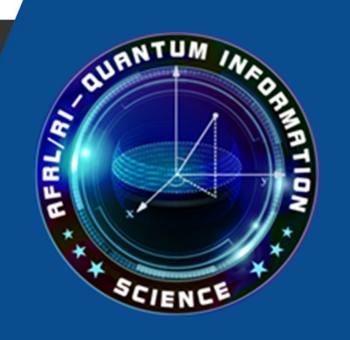
Quantum Hardware Effort

Trapped Ions
Integrated Quantum Photonics
Superconducting Qubits
Heterogeneous Quantum Interfaces



Quantum Software Effort

Coding to commercial hardware & developing advanced algorithms for ML, optimization & materials discovery







Innovare Advancement Center

World-Class Facility for a Global Network of Researchers

Agility + Innovation + Partnerships

- Led by (AFRL/RI) and Griffiss Institute
- Driving Critical Innovations Accelerate Next-Gen Tech
- Advancing Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning,
 Cybersecurity, and Quantum Computing
- Inspiring the Next Generation, Elevating New Talent for the Future and Beyond
- 150,000 square feet
- 13,000 square feet of Open Research Area
- Located in the Heart of New York State
- Two Leading-Edge Quantum Labs
- Event Space: Training Areas, Conference, & Breakout Rooms
- Co-Located Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) Site
- Two Neuromorphic/Nanoelectronics-Focused Labs







Innovare Advancement Center | *Agility + Innovation + Partnerships*

INNOVARE WILL BOLDLY...

- Build Rome's runway to the world, engaging a global community of <u>100 diverse</u>
 <u>partners</u> to introduce game-changing capabilities built in Air Force core strengths in AI/ML, cyber and quantum.
- Advance the economy with **100 entrepreneurial ventures** and tech startups.
- Elevate by 10%, our community's intellectual leadership in AI/ML, cyber and quantum

INNOVARE ASPIRE TECHNICAL CHALLENGES

- Neurosymbolic C2
- Al-Enabled Change Detection Non-Traditional Events
- Internet of Things (IoT) Living Laboratory
- Harnessing Weird Machines
- Multi-Source Workflow for Event Detection and Evaluation

INNOVARE OPPORTUNITIES



























Technology Transfer



Created to ensure Air Force S&E activities are transferred or shared with state and local governments, academia and industry.

The exchange of knowledge, expertise, equipment, and testing facilities leverages DoD research and development investment

FY23 OPEN Agreements per AF Org per Transfer Mechanism

AF Org	CRADA	EPA	CTA
711 HPW	2	2	
711 HPW/RH	39	5	2
AFRL/SB	128	16	1
RD	5	41	
RI	91	126	13
RQ	39	36	2
RV	14	3	1
RW	24	5	
RX	71	24	
RY	27	9	



176 Active Licenses

For FY23

FY23 OPEN Agreements per AF Org per Transfer Mechanism

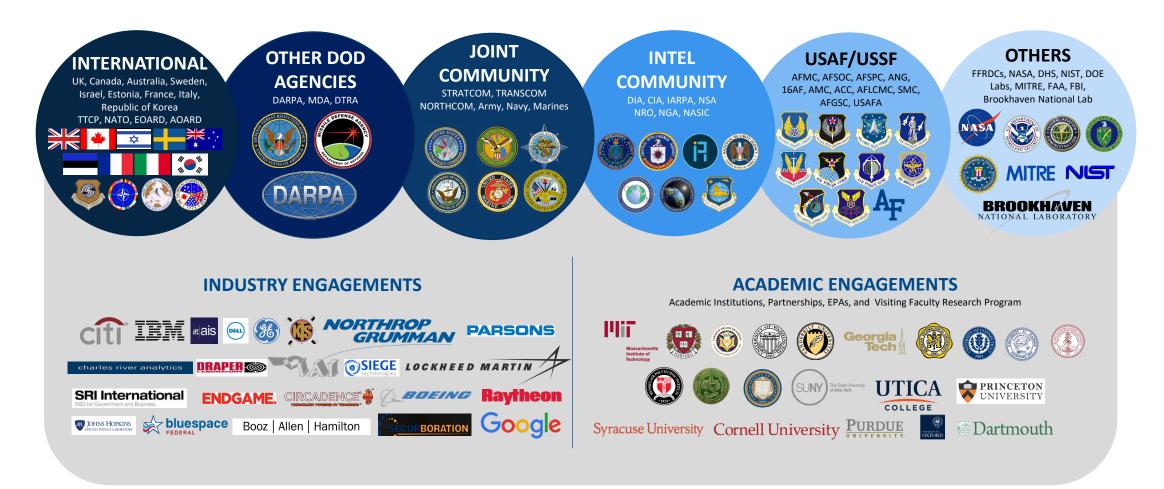


91CRADA's 126 EPA's 13 CTA's





Information Directorate Engagements









Academic Partnerships | Educational Partnership, CRADA & Visiting Researchers

Ar Force Academy **Arizona State University Auburn University Augusta University Boise State University Brescia University Brown University Carnegie Mellon University Clayton State University Colorado State University**



Dartmouth College Duke University Fairleigh Dickinson University Georgia Tech Hamilton College Harvard University Imperial College London Indiana University of Pennsylvania Iowa State University

Johns Hopkins University Kansas State University LaSalle University Louisiana State University Louisiana Tech University Massachusetts Institute of Technology Michigan State University Michigan Technological University **Minnesota State University Missouri University of Science** & Technology **Montana State University New Jersey Institute of Technology Northeastern University Northern Arizona University Northwestern University Norwich University Oklahoma State University**

Pennsylvania State University

Princeton University



Purdue University

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Rutgers – State University of New Jersey

Stevens Institute of Technology

Temple University

Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago (TTIC)

Universidad Ana G. Mendez **University of Arkansas University of Colorado, Denver University of Connecticut University of Illinois University of Kansas University of Maryland** University of Massachusetts, Amherst

University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

University of Michigan University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

University of Missouri, Kansas City

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University of Southern Mississippi

University of Tennessee

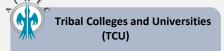
University of Tulsa University of Wisconsin - Madison

Utah State University Vanderbilt University Villanova University Washington University in St. Louis **Western Michigan University**

Wichita State University **Worcester Polytechnic Institute** York College of Pennsylvania



Central State University Dillard University Florida A&M University **Howard University Monash University Norfolk State University North Carolina Agricultural** & Tech State University Prairie View A&M Tennessee State University **Texas Southern University Tuskegee University**



Navajo Technical University



THE AIR FORCE RESEARCH LABORATORY





K-12 STEM DUTREACH

The Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate K-12 STFM Outreach Program offers a variety of programs and services that effectively engage, inspire and attract the next generation of STEM talent.

PARTNERSHIP INTERMEDIARY AGREEMENT WITH THE GRIFFISS INSTITUTE TO SUPPORT ENTIRE AIR FORCE STEM PROGRAM.

SPROUT PROGRAM (NEW) 'WISH LIST' FOR **TEACHERS**

STEM Materials w awarded to 28 teachers from the Mohawk Valley. Impacted over 8500 students locally

MID YORK LIBRARY EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT SIGNED.

\$1,083 worth of STEM materials/equipment donated

STUDENTS IMPACTED

EDUCATORS IMPACTED

SCHOOL INVOLVED

HOURS OF STEM ACTIVITIES

STEM SUMMER CAMPS

- LEGO Robotics Camp
- Cyber Summer Camp
- Arduino Camp
- Engineering Camp
- Drone Camp
- Quantum Camp
- 3-D Printer Camp (w/SUNY)
- 17 Scholarships awarded

SUPPORTED NATIONAL PROGRAMS

- FIRST LEGO League
- FIRST Tech Challenge
- FIRST Robotics Competition
- CyberPatriot

ORGANIC PROGRAMS

- Annual Challenge Competition
- Staying Safe Online Workshop

ORGANIC PROGRAMS

- Take Your Student to Work Day
- Lab Tours
- Teacher Professional Development
- DoD DimensionU Math Video Game Tournament
- Central New York Hackathon







INFORMATION DIRECTORATE

Global Persistent Awareness
Resilient Information Sharing
Rapid, Effective Decision-Making
Complexity, Unpredictability, and Mass
Speed and Reach of Disruption and Lethality

Building a more lethal force – modernizing key capabilities

Strengthening our alliances and attracting new partners

Reforming our organization for greater performance and affordability

- Innovating at speed
- Employing rapid, iterative approaches for development → fielding







INTERACTIVE SESSION

ACADEMIA

- Grants
- Partnerships

INTERNAL

- Department of the Air Force Challenge
- AFWERX Spark Program
- AFRL CC's Challenge

SMALL BUSINESS

- Open Innovation Challenges
- Tech Accelerators
- AFRL's Innovation Institutions
- IP Licensing
- Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)



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