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WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN

Funding Trends and Opportunities in the Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental, and Transport Systems Division of NSF

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ENG/CBET**



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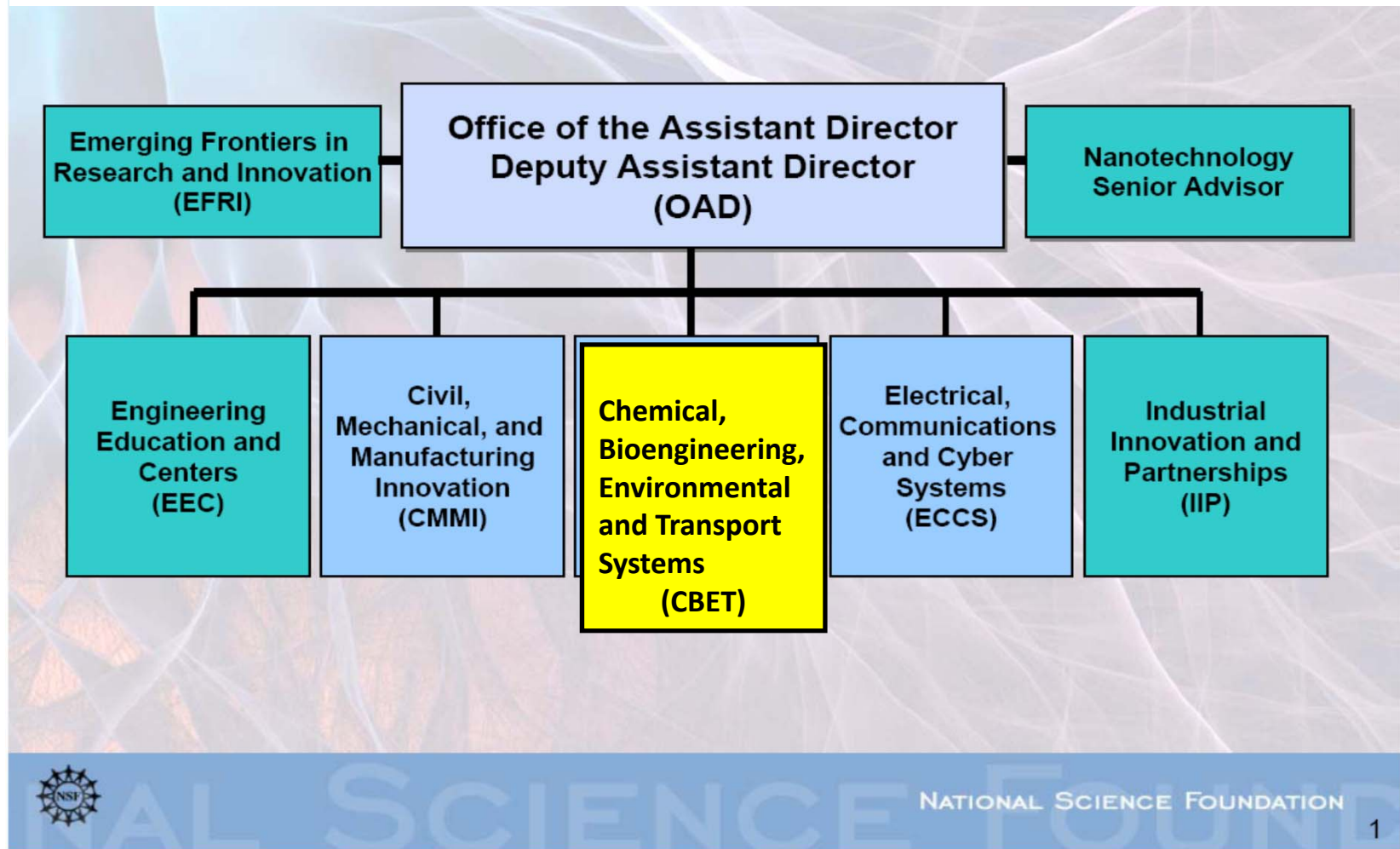
“to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense; and for other purposes.”

- **\$7.5B budget (FY2017)**
- **24% of federally funded basic research at U.S. Universities**
- **Directorates:**
 - **Mathematical & Physical Sciences (MPS)**
 - **Engineering (ENG)**
 - **Biological Sciences (BIO)**
 - **Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE)**
 - **Geosciences (GEO)**
 - **Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (SBE)**
 - **Education & Human Resources (EHR)**



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Directorate for Engineering

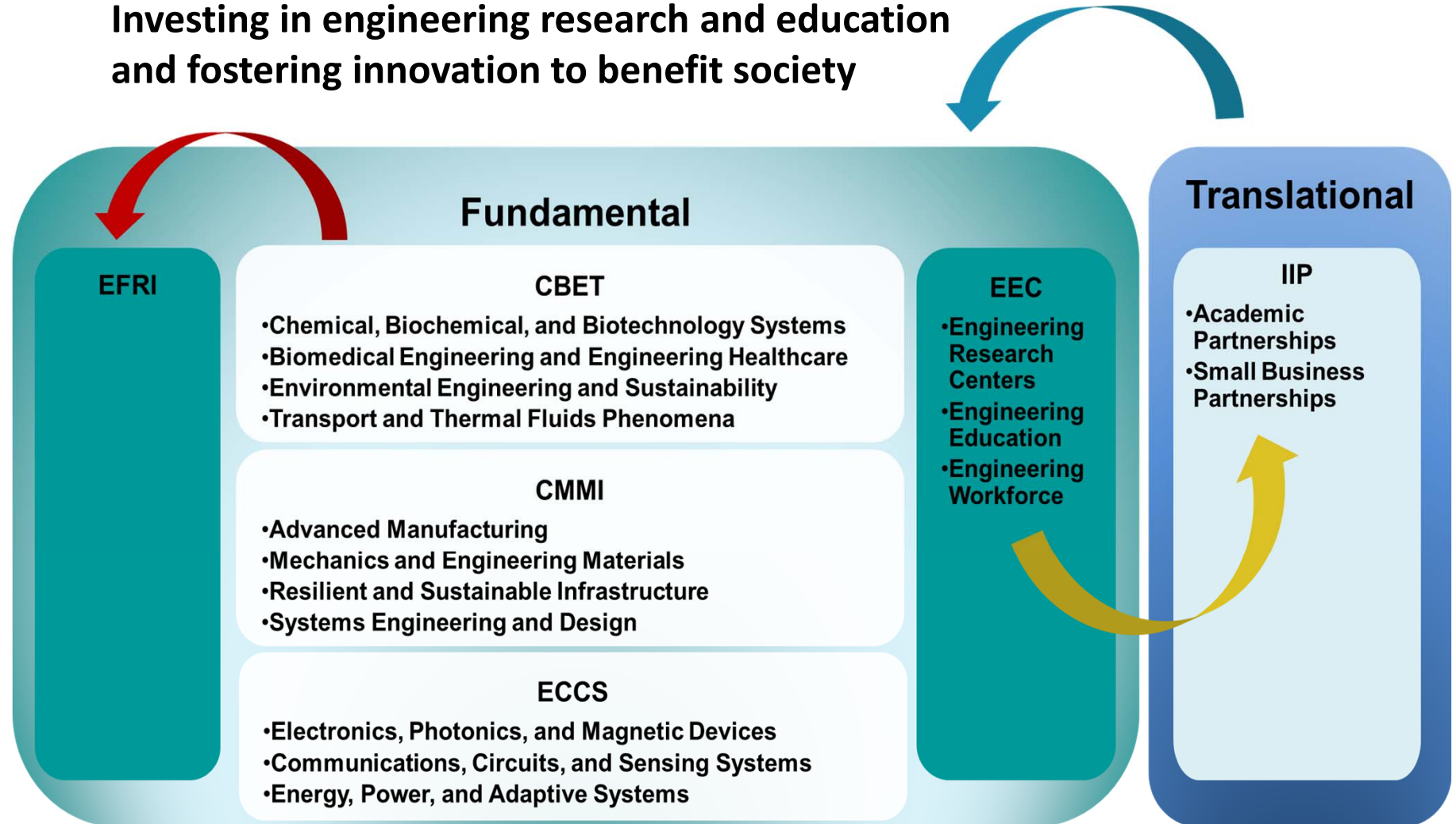




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ENGINEERING

Investing in engineering research and education
and fostering innovation to benefit society

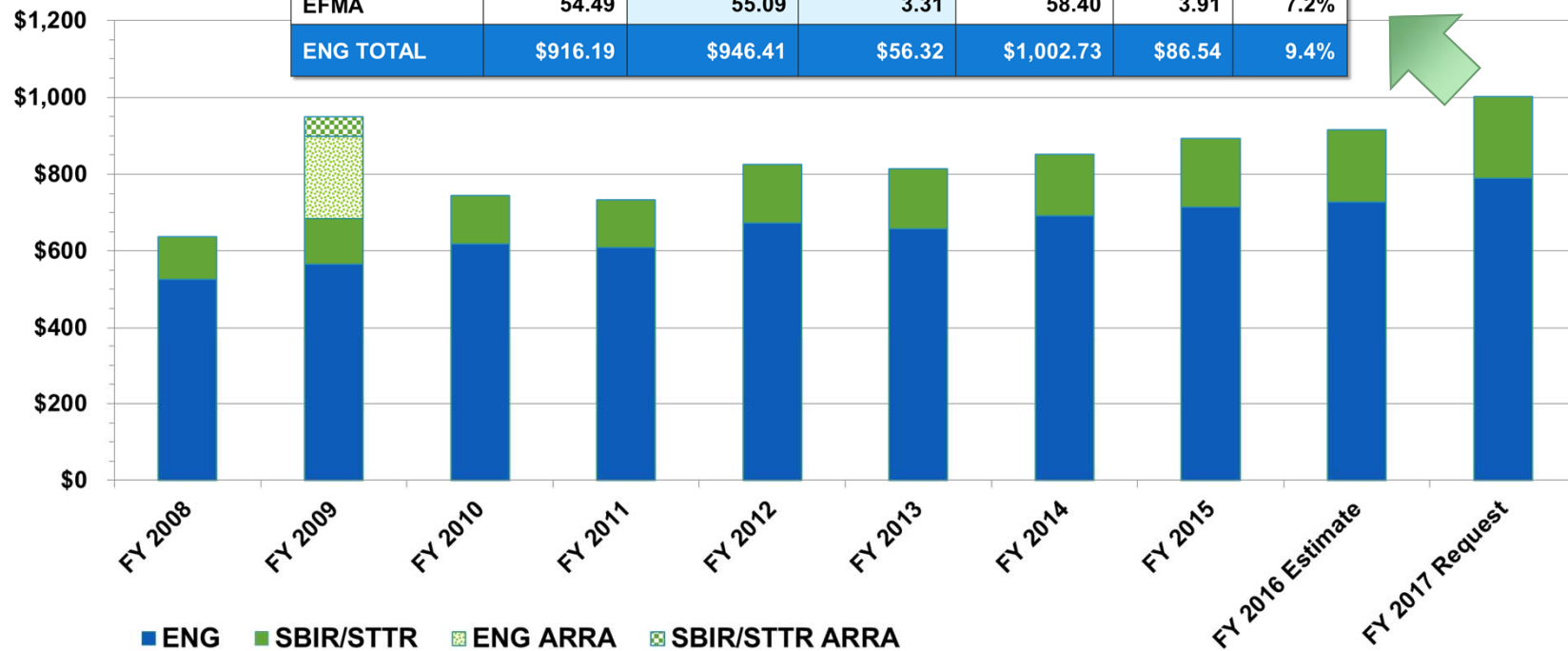




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ENGINEERING BUDGET

	FY 2016 Estimate	FY 2017 Request, Discretionary	FY 2017 Request, Mandatory	FY 2017 Request, Total	FY 2017 Request Total change over FY 2016 Estimate	
					Amount	Percent
CBET	\$183.82	\$187.18	\$11.24	\$198.42	\$14.60	7.9%
CMMI	216.39	220.67	13.25	233.92	17.53	8.1%
ECCS	113.95	115.80	6.97	122.77	8.82	7.7%
EEC	107.61	113.50	6.82	120.32	12.71	11.8%
IIP	239.93	254.17	14.73	268.90	28.97	12.1%
<i>SBIR/STTR</i>	<i>188.56</i>	<i>201.67</i>	<i>11.59</i>	<i>213.26</i>	<i>24.70</i>	<i>13.1%</i>
EFMA	54.49	55.09	3.31	58.40	3.91	7.2%
ENG TOTAL	\$916.19	\$946.41	\$56.32	\$1,002.73	\$86.54	9.4%





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Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental, and Transport Systems Division (CBET)



Richard Dickinson
Division Director

Timothy Patten
Deputy Division Director (Acting)

Chemical Process Systems	Bioengineering and Engineering Healthcare	Environmental Engineering and Sustainability	Transport, Thermal, and Fluid Phenomena
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 1401 Catalysis Bob McCabe	 1491 Biotechnology and Biochemical Engineering Steven Peretti	 1440 Environmental Engineering Karl Rockne	 1407 Combustion and Fire Systems Song-Charng Kong
 1417 Separations Angela Lueking	 5345 Biomedical Engineering Michele Grimm	 1179 Biological & Enviro Interactions of Nanoscale Materials Nora Savage	 1443 Fluid Dynamics Ronald Joslin
 1403 – Process Systems, Reaction Engineering and Molecular Thermodynamics Triantafillos (Lakis) Mountziaris	 7236 Biophotonics Leon Esterowitz	 7643 Environmental Sustainability Bruce Hamilton	 1415 Particulate and Multiphase Processes Susan Muller
 7644 Energy for Sustainability Carole Read	 7909 Nano-Biosensing Chenzhong Li	 022Y INFEWS Jim Jones	 1406 Thermal Transport Processes José Lage
	 5342 – General and Age-Related Disabilities Engineering Michele Grimm		
		 Biomedical Engineering Carol Lucas EXPERT	 Multiple Programs Geoff Prentice EXPERT



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CBET DIVISION

Transport

Fluid Dynamics

Joslin

Particulate & Multiphase

Muller

Thermal Transport

Lage

Combustion

Kong

\$38 M

+1 M CDSE

Microgravity

Catalysis

McCabe

Process & Reaction Eng

Mountziaris

Separations

Lueking

Energy for Sustainability

Read

\$39 M

+3 M DMREF

Modular Manufacturing, Clean Energy

Chemical Process Systems

Environmental

Environmental Eng

Rockne + Prentice

Environmental Sustainability

Hamilton

NanoBio Interactions

Savage

INFEWS

Jones

\$43 M

+1 M CRISP

+1 M Citizen Sci

INFEWS, Water Quality

Biotechnology/Biochem

Peretti

Biomedical Eng + GARDE

Grimm + Lucas

NanoBio Sensing

Li

Biophotonics

Esterowitz

\$44 M

+5 M STC

+1 M NRI: Robotics

Advanced Manufacturing, Cellular Therapeutics, Engineering Biology

Biotech and Biomed



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CHEMICAL PROCESS SYSTEMS

Robert
McCabe



Catalysis

- Heterogeneous catalysis related to sustainability and the environment
- Heterogeneous catalyst design and synthesis
- Basic understanding of catalytic reactions

Angela
Lueking



Process Separations

- Methods and mechanisms for purification of gases, chemicals, or water
- Mass separation agents or processes
- Field (flow, magnetic, electrical) induced separations

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Process Systems, Reaction Eng & Molecular Thermodynamics

- Chemical Reaction Engineering
- Process Design, Optimization and Control
- Reactive Polymer Processing
- Molecular Thermodynamics for Chemical Processing and Materials

Carole
Read



Energy for Sustainability

- Electrochemical Energy Systems
- Organic Photovoltaics



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ENGINEERING BIOLOGY & HEALTH

Steve
Peretti



Cellular & Biochemical Engineering

- Biomanufacturing: Metabolic eng, “omics”, single cell dynamics and synthetic biology
- Quantitative systems biotechnology
- Cell culture technologies
- Protein and enzyme engineering

Michele
Grimm



Engineering Biomedical Systems

- Models for tissues and organ systems
- Advanced biomanufacturing of 3-D tissues and organs
- New tools to study physiological processes

Disability and Rehabilitation Engineering

- Neuroengineering
- Rehabilitation robotics

Leon
Esterowitz



Biophotonics

- Macromolecule Markers
- Micro- & Nano-photonics; Low-Coherence Sensing @ Nanoscale
- Neurophotonics and Optogenetics

Chenzhong
Li



Nano-biosensing

- Multi-purpose sensor platforms
- Novel transduction principles, mechanisms and sensor designs
- Nano-biosensors for biomolecular interactions
- Intracellular biosensing



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ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING & SUSTAINABILITY

Karl
Rockne



Environmental Engineering

- Enhancing availability of high quality water supplies
- Fate and transport of contaminants in air, water, soil, solid waste

Nora
Savage



Biological & Environmental Interactions with Nanoscale Materials

- Characterization and prediction of interactions
- Transport, interaction, and impact on biological systems

Bruce
Hamilton



Environmental Sustainability

- Industrial Ecology
- Green Engineering
- Ecological Engineering
- Earth Systems Engineering

Jim
Jones



Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems (INFEWS)

- Computational modeling
- Real-time, cyber-enabled interfaces
- System and technological solutions
- FEW scientific workforce development



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TRANSPORT PHENOMENA

Ron
Joslin



Fluid Dynamics

- Turbulence
- Bio-inspired fluid dynamics
- Complex Fluids
- Micro- and Nano-fluidics
- Interfacial Interactions and Instabilities
- Wind and Ocean Energy Harvesting

Susan
Muller



Particulate & Multiphase Systems

- Multiphase flow
- Particle science and technology
- Multiphase transport in biological systems
- Interfacial transport

José
Lago



Thermal Transport Processes

- Convection/Diffusion/Radiation
- Thermodynamics
- Bio- Heat and Mass Transport
- Nano-, Micro- and Meso-thermics

Song-Charng
Kong



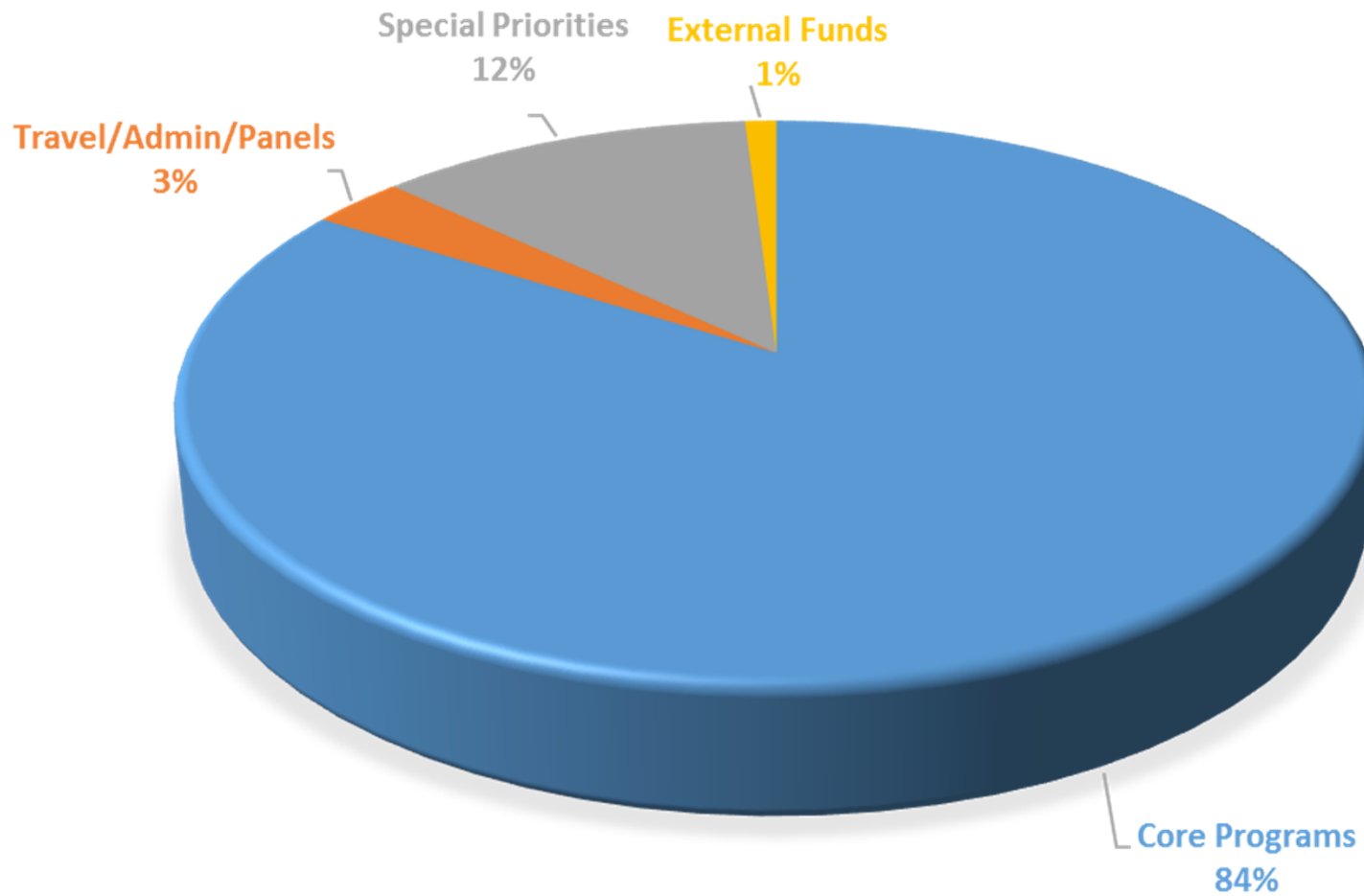
Combustion & Fire Systems

- Basic Combustion Science
- Combustion Science related to Clean Energy
- Fire Prevention



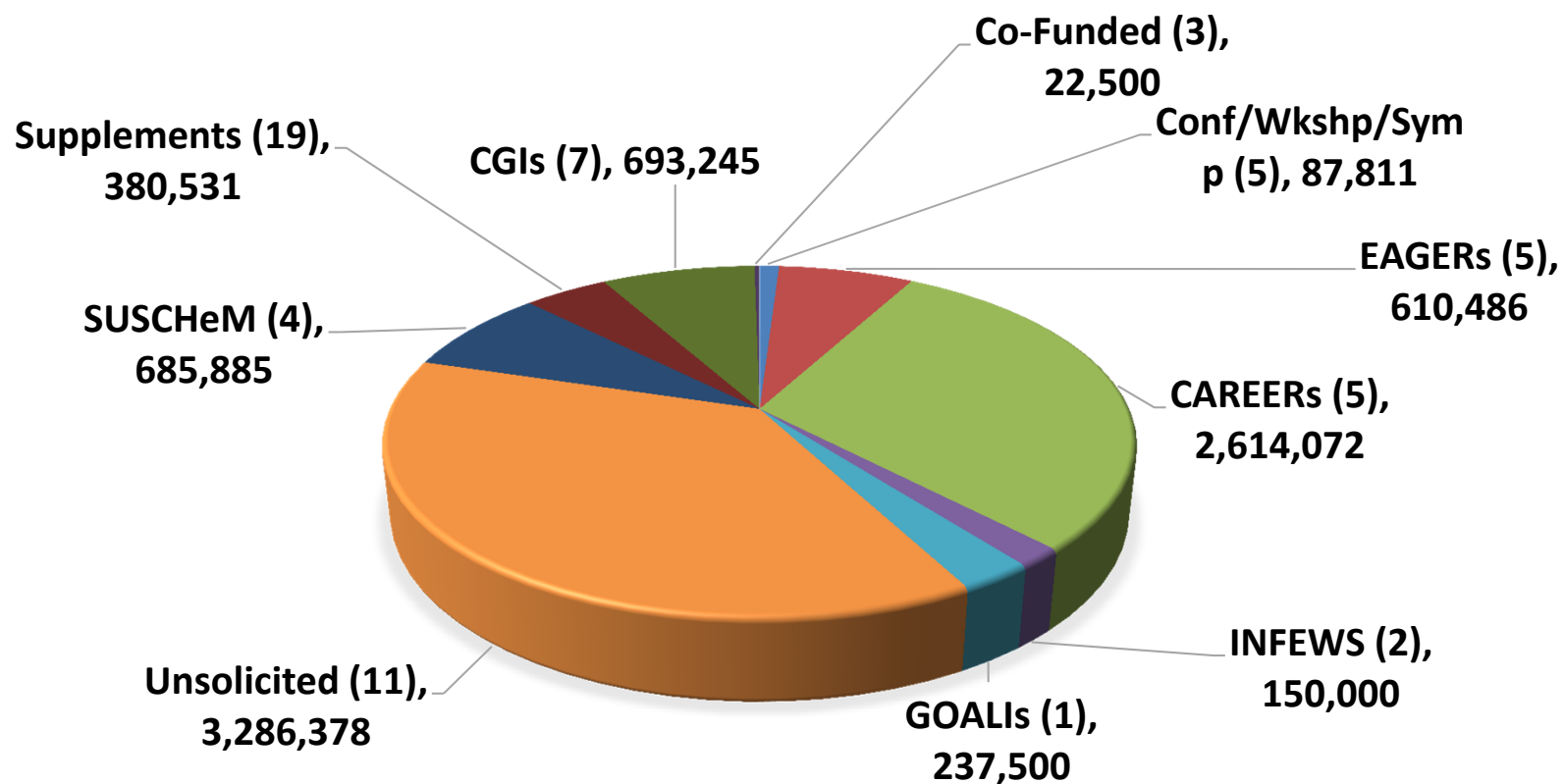
CBET BUDGET

FY2017 BUDGET: \$184.5M



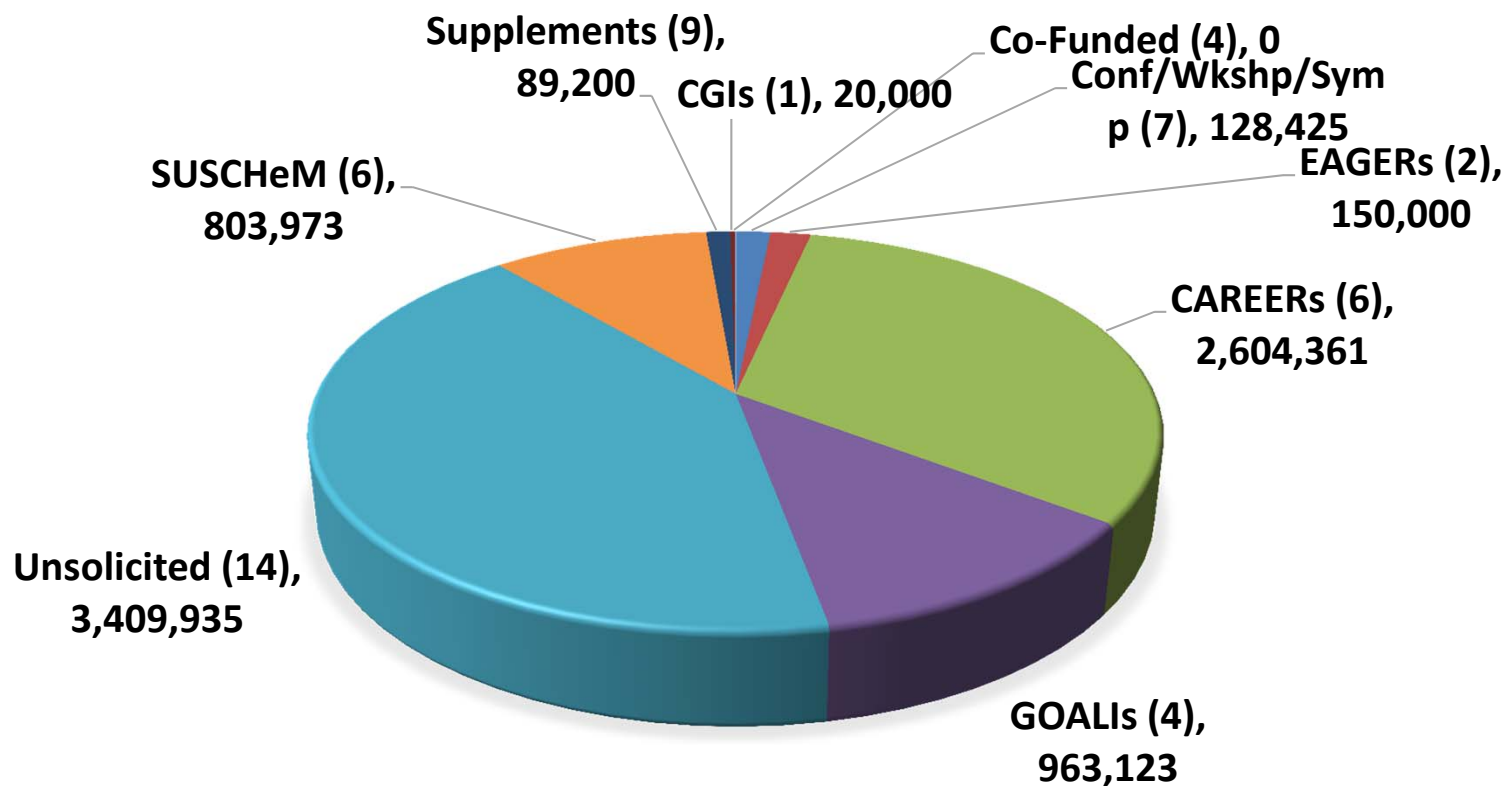


CATALYSIS FY17 (\$8.7M)



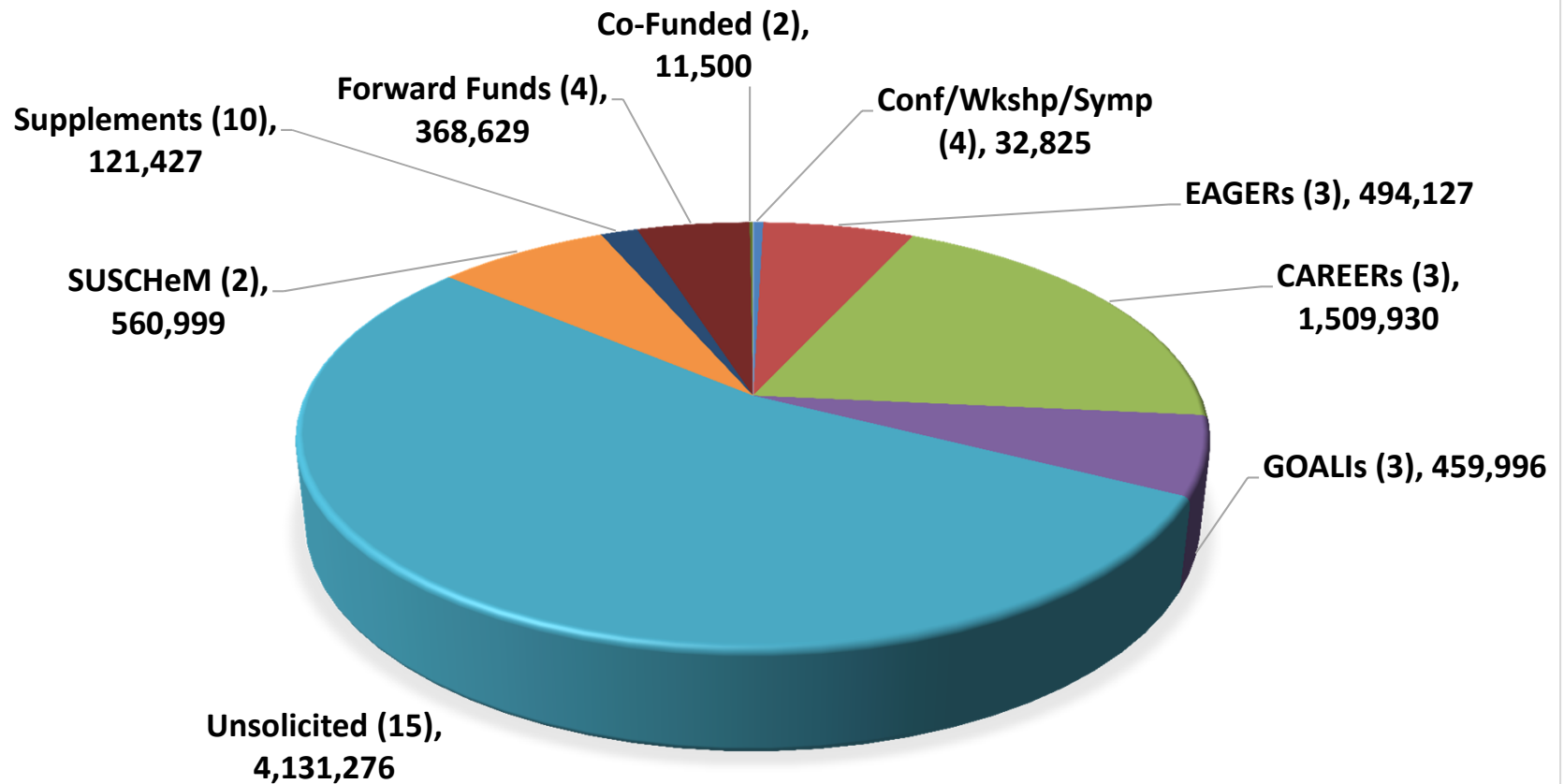


PROCESS SYSTEMS, REACTION ENGINEERING AND MOLECULAR THERMODYNAMICS FY17 (\$8.2M)



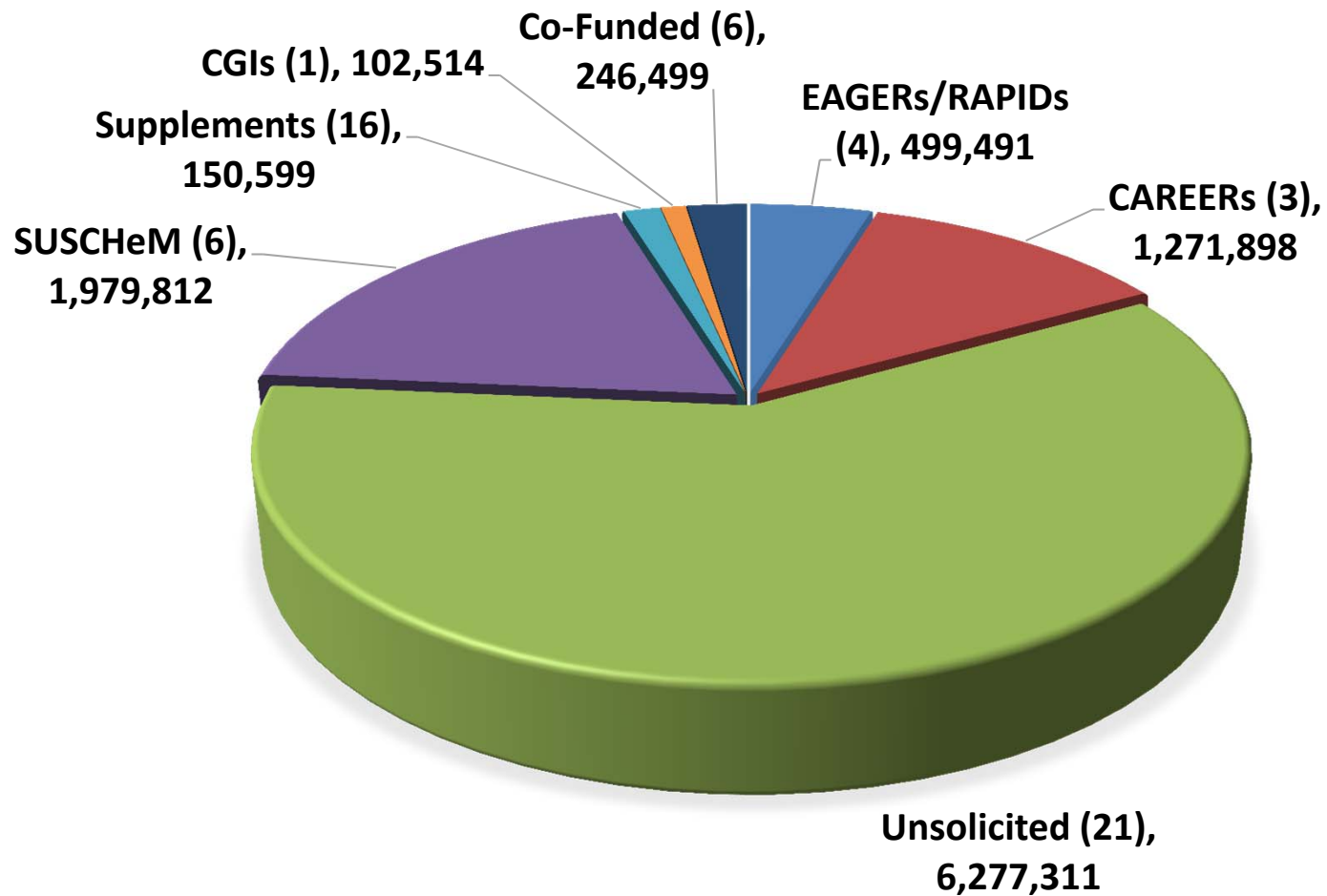


SEPARATIONS FY17 (\$7.6M)





ENERGY FOR SUSTAINABILITY FY17 (\$10.5M)





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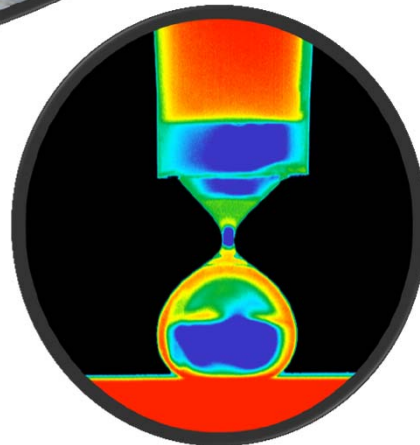
CBET COMMUNITY



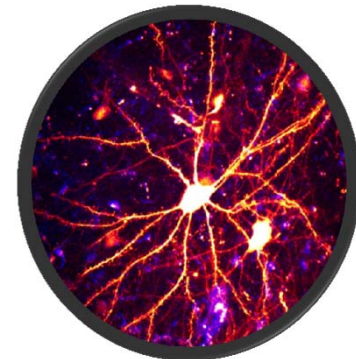
**Civil/Environmental
Engineering, 12%**



Chemical Engineering, 22%



Mechanical Engineering, 23%

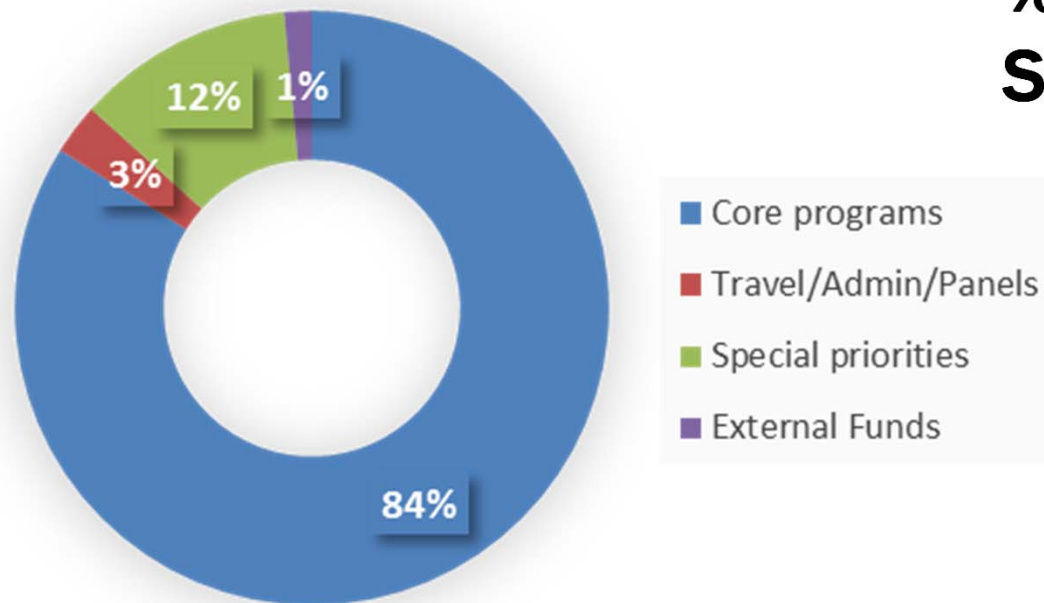


**Bioengineering/Biomed
Engineering, 16%**



FY2016 INVESTMENT CATEGORIES

CBET Total: \$184.5 M



% of Total Budget to Special Programs:

- **CAREER ~24%**
- **EAGER/RAPID ~ 5%**
- **GOALI ~ 2.5%**
- **Workshops/
Conferences/
Supplements ~ 3%**



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PRIORITY AREAS

- **Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems**
- **Risk and Resilience**
- **Clean Energy Technologies**
- **Cyber-Enabled Materials, Manufacturing, and Smart Systems**
 - **Advanced Manufacturing**
 - **Modular Manufacturing**
- **Smart and Connected Communities**
- **National Nanotechnology Initiative**
- **Understanding the Brain**
 - **BRAIN Initiative**
- **Broadening Participation**
 - **NSF INCLUDES: Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners that have been Underrepresented for Diversity in Engineering and Science**
- **National Strategic Computing Initiative**
- **Innovation Corps**



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COLLABORATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

MODULAR CHEMICAL MANUFACTURING (NSF-DOE)

- National Academies Workshop: *The Changing landscape of Feedstocks for Chemical Production – Implications for Catalysis (2016)*
- NSF-DOE Workshop in January 2017

LOW-TEMPERATURE PLASMAS (NSF-DOE)

CLEAN WATER (NSF-WRF-EPRI-WE&RF)

CBET - Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (UK)

NSF-CASIS - Combustion and Thermal Transport Processes

Research on the International Space Station

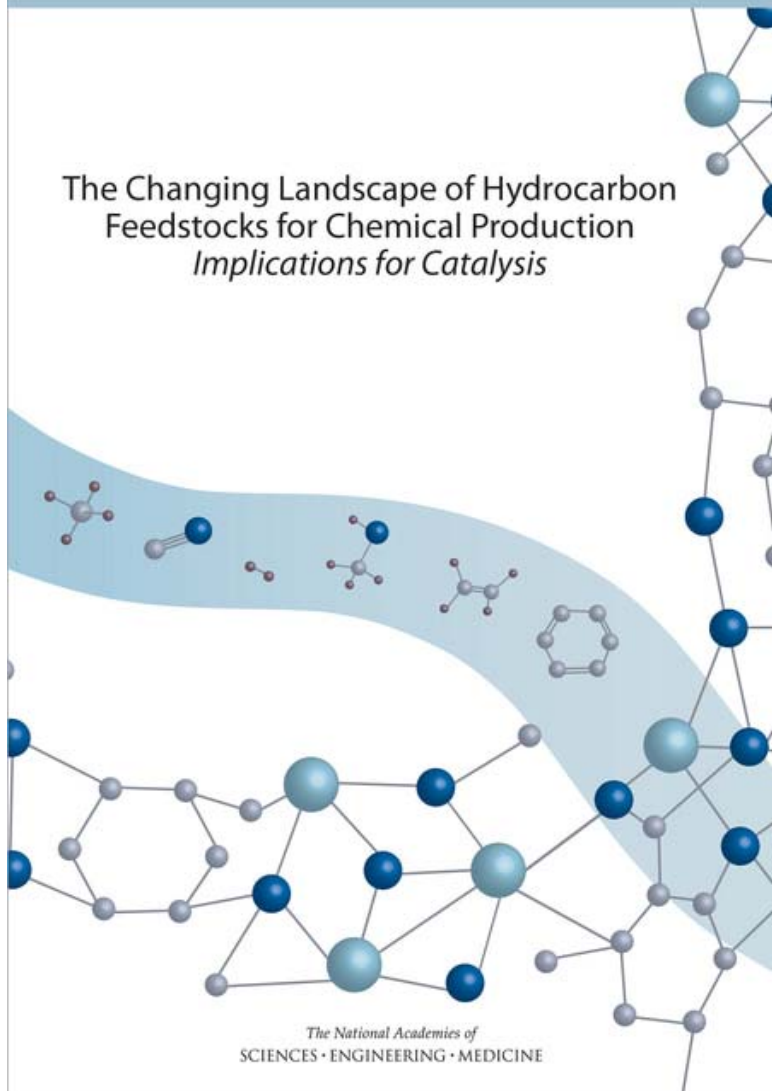


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WORKSHOPS

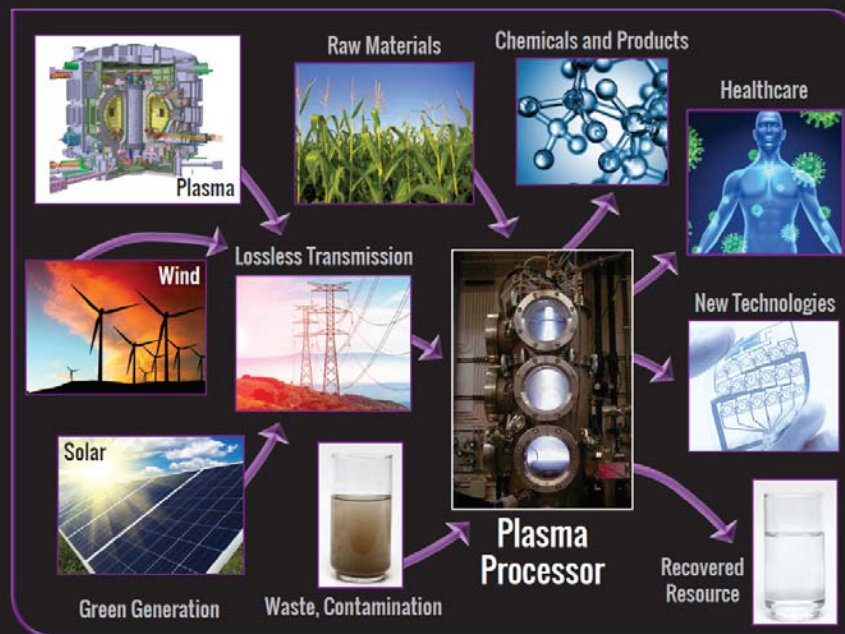
Proceedings of a Workshop

The Changing Landscape of Hydrocarbon Feedstocks for Chemical Production *Implications for Catalysis*



The National Academies of
SCIENCES • ENGINEERING • MEDICINE

Science Challenges in Low-Temperature Plasma Science and Engineering: Enabling a Future Based on Electricity Through Non-Equilibrium Plasma Chemistry



Workshop held at the National Science Foundation | Arlington, VA | 22-23 August 2016





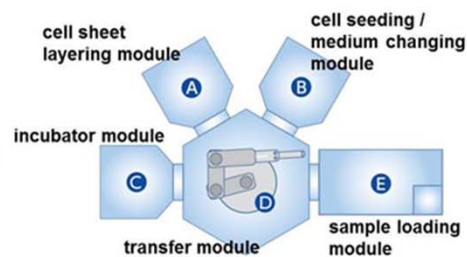
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ADVANCED BIOMANUFACTURING

Biomufacturing for Cell-Based Therapies :

- Increase efficiency of differentiation
- Rapid, non destructive cell phenotyping
- Bioreactors for reproducible cell expansion/differentiations
- Separation technologies
- Stable cell lines
- Computational models of stochastic cell variability
- Scale up and scale out

FY16 Budget: ~\$3.7M





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INNOVATION AT THE NEXUS OF FOOD ENERGY AND WATER SYSTEMS (INFEWS)



Goals

- Understand the FEW system through integrated systems modeling;
- Create methodologies for effective data integration/cyber elements;
- Research innovative solutions and technologies; and,
- Support education, workforce, and community development.



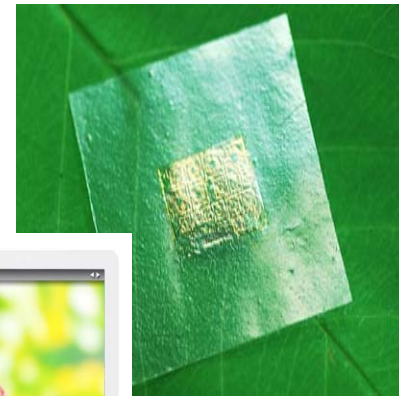
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CLEAN ENERGY

- **Investments in fundamental research including:**
 - **solar energy, wind energy, energy harvesting, and other forms of sustainable energy generation**
 - **biofuels and bioenergy**
 - **energy storage and smart grid**
 - **smart buildings and energy efficiency**
 - **systems engineering and optimization for energy**
 - **energy materials and manufacturing**
- **Focused topic areas in clean energy technology in NSF SBIR/STTR programs**

NNI Vision

A future in which the ability to understand and control matter at the nanoscale leads to *a revolution in technology and industry that benefits society.*



Nano.gov

U.S. National Nanotechnology Initiative

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DOC/NIST NIST NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH OST OM NSF DO FDA
NASA NASA
HHS/CDC/NIOSH NIOSH
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National Nanotechnology Initiative

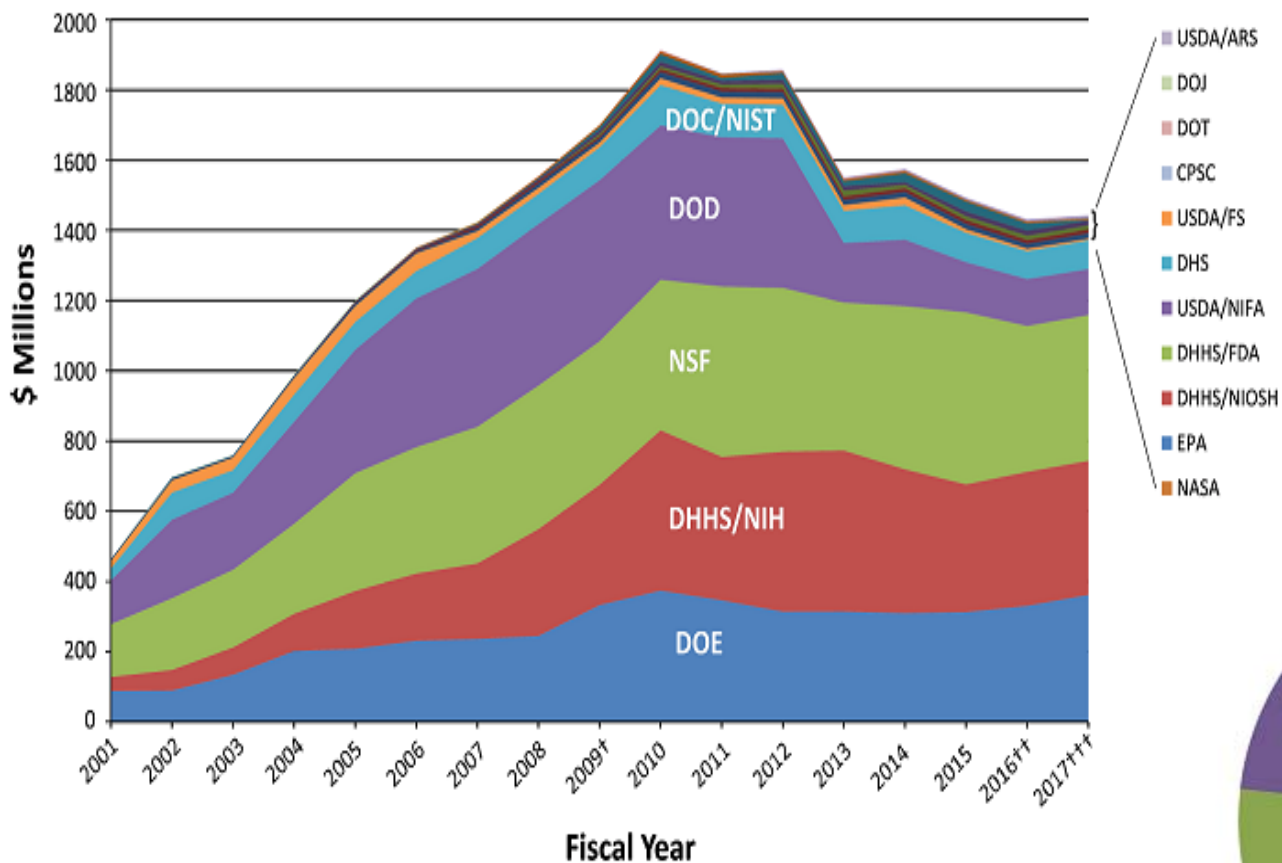
Collaborative research and development that will advance understanding and control of matter at nanoscale for:

- National economic benefit
- National security
- Improved quality of life

USDA/NIFA
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USDA/FS
EPA
NRC
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USGS
DOI/USGS
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Funding by NNI Agency, 2001-2017

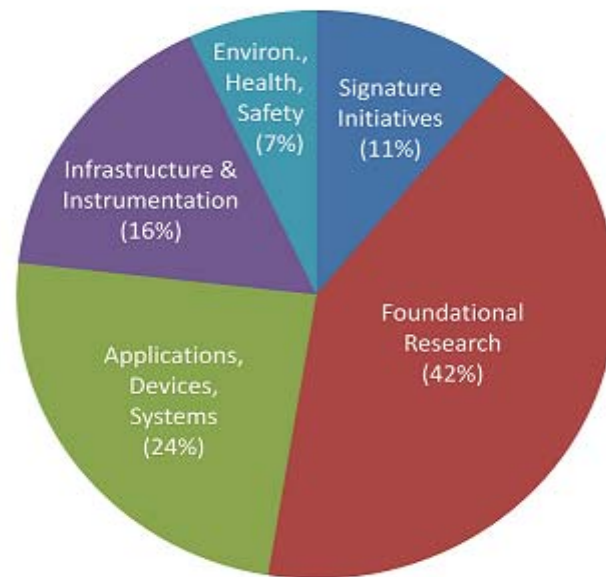


NNI Funding by Agency, 2001-2017

† 2009 figures do not include American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for DOE (\$293 million), NSF (\$101 million), NIH (\$73 million), and NIST (\$43 million)

†† 2016 estimated funding is based on 2016 enacted levels and may shift as operating plans are finalized.

††† 2017 Budget.



2017 NNI Investments by PCA



Looking Ahead: Ten Big Ideas



Navigating the New Arctic

FOUNDATIONS OF ACCESS WORKFORCE
SEMANTICS OF ANALYTICS OF DISC DATA SCIENCE
HARNESSING THE DATA REVOLUTION
FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH OF MACHINE

Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science and Engineering



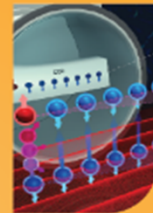
Work at the Human-Technology Frontier: Shaping the Future

RESEARCH IDEAS



Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype

The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution



Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-messenger Astrophysics

PROCESS IDEAS



Growing Convergent Research at NSF



NSF-INCLUDES: Enhancing Science and Engineering through Diversity



Mid-scale Research Infrastructure



NSF 2050: Seeding Innovation