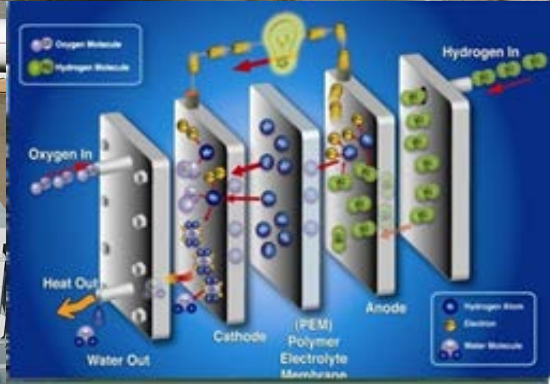


# Leveraging National Lab Capabilities

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## Fuel Cell Seminar & Energy Exposition

Los Angeles, California

November 11, 2014

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Fuel Cell Technologies Office  
U.S. Department of Energy



*“We’ve got to invest in a serious, sustained, **all-of-the-above energy strategy** that develops every resource available for the 21st century.”*

*- President Barack Obama*

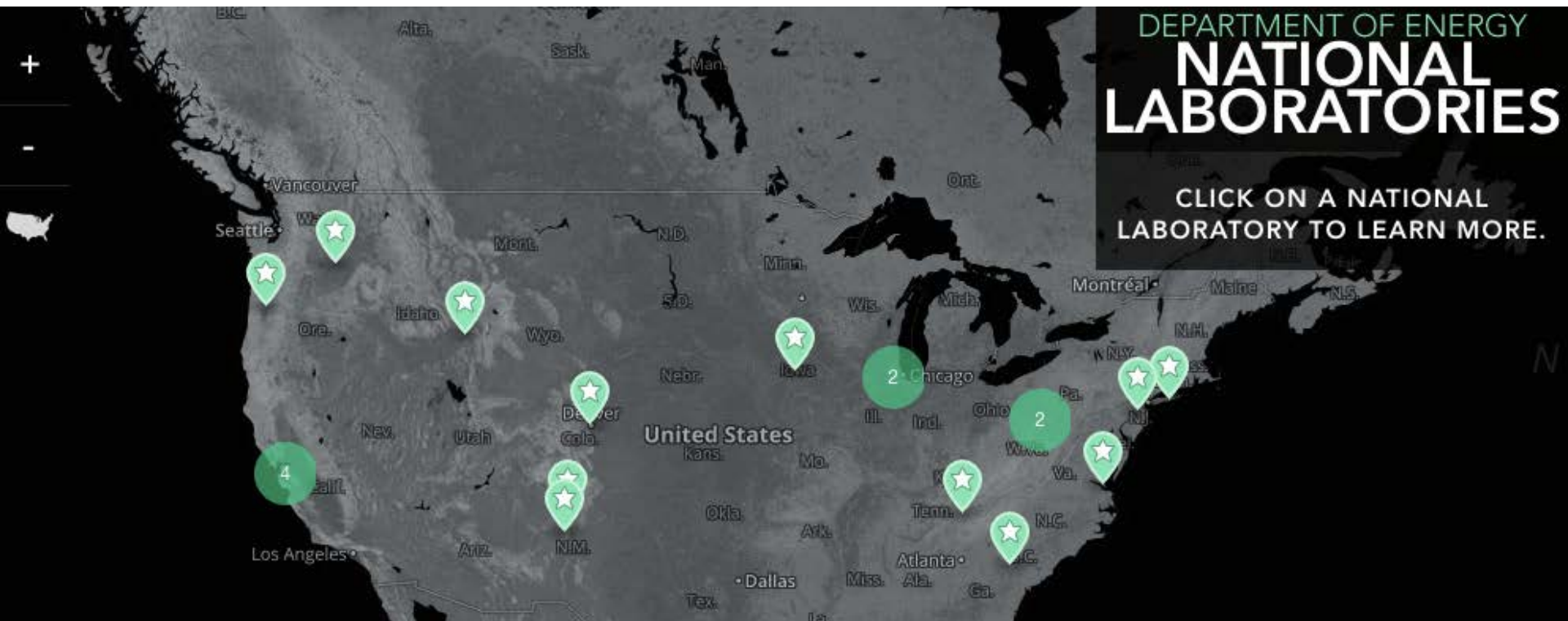
*“As part of an all-of-the-above energy approach, **fuel cell technologies** are paving the way to competitiveness in the global clean energy market and to new jobs and business creation across the country.”*

*- Secretary Moniz,  
U.S. Department of Energy*



Secretary Moniz at DC Auto Show



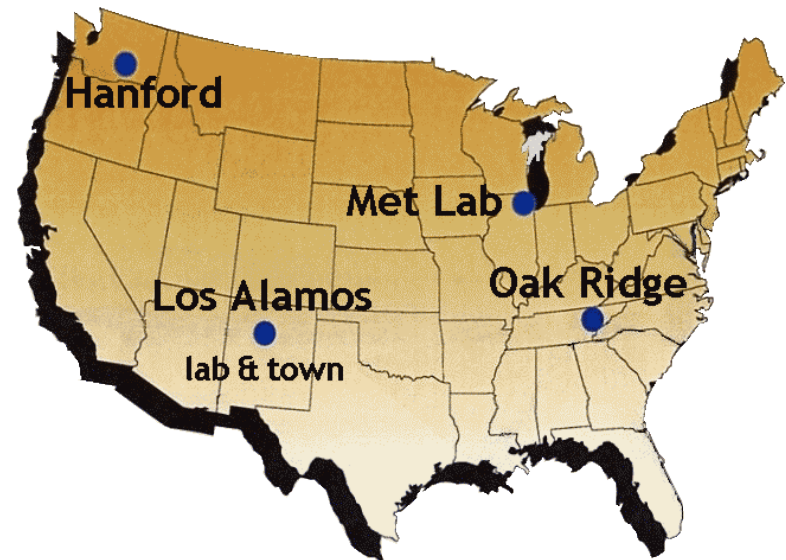


**All 11 labs that work in the fuel cell industry are here today.**

Argonne (ANL)  
Brookhaven (BNL)  
Idaho (INL)  
Los Alamos (LANL)  
Lawrence Berkeley (LBNL)  
Lawrence Livermore (LLNL)

National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)  
Oak Ridge (ORNL)  
Pacific Northwest (PNNL)  
Sandia (SNL)  
Savannah River (SRNL)

- DOE founded the National Laboratory system in the 1940s.
- The war effort motivated breakthrough scientific work
  - Manhattan Project
  - Development of Radar



Places of the Manhattan Project

**From... in early 1940s**

- **A few million \$**

**To... in 2012**

- **~\$5 billion**

(~\$10-billion including other federal agencies)

*Modern water-purification techniques*

*Resilient passenger jets*

*Supercomputers*

*Fluorescent lights*

*Satellite technology*

*Advanced batteries*

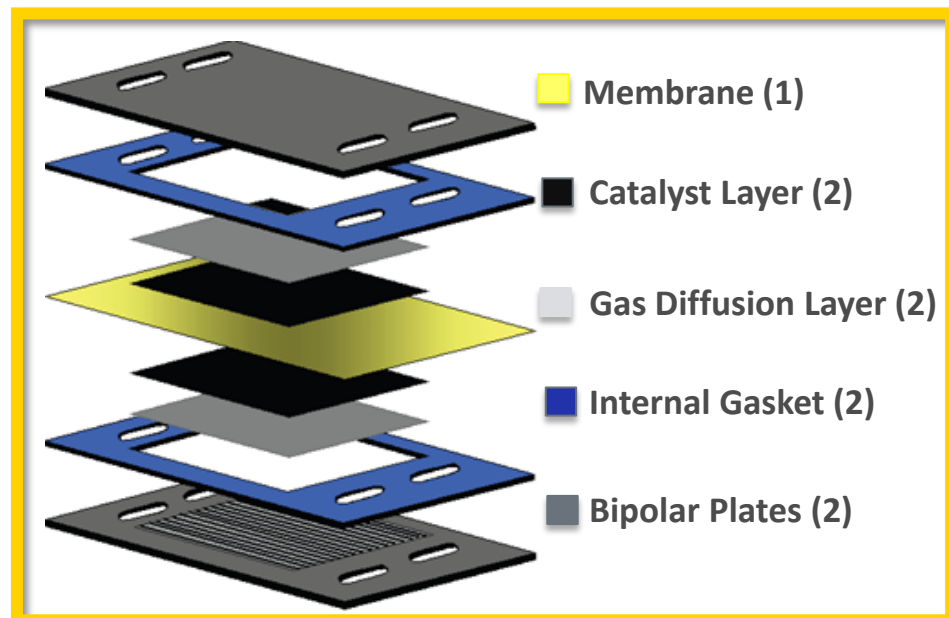
*Better cancer therapies*

*Optical digital recording technology*

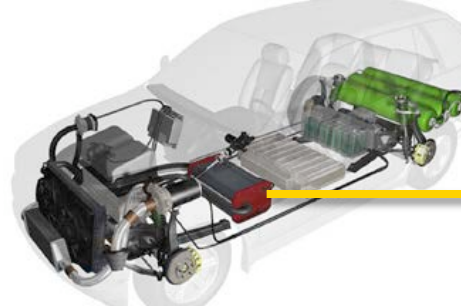
*Innovation from LANL can be found in most fuel cells today*

## Examples of DOE-Led Fuel Cell Technology Breakthroughs

- **Ionomer-Impregnated Catalyzed Gas Diffusion Electrodes-** *US Pat 4,876,115 (1989)*  
“ELAT” – Electrode, Los Alamos Type
- **Catalyst-Coated Membranes-**  
*US Pats 5,211,984 and 5,234,777 (1993)*
- **Microporous Film on Gas Diffusion Layers-** *US Pat 5,641,586 (1997)*
- **Thermoset Composite Bipolar Plates-**  
*US Pat 6,248,467 (2001)*



MEA in Fuel Cell Unit



Fuel Cell Car



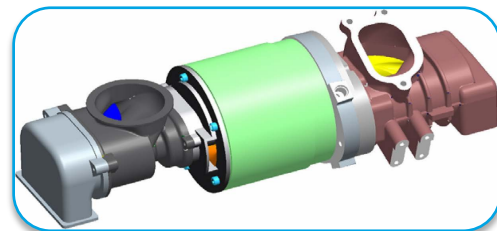
Fuel Cell Stack



*DOE funded R&D has advanced the state of technology for FCEV systems*

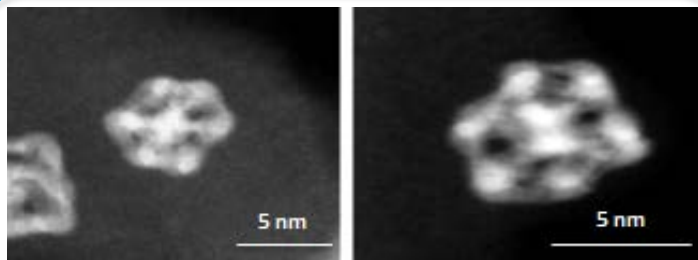


700 bar composite overwrapped pressure vessels



Compressor  
Expander Motor  
Module for Air  
Compression  
System

ORNL microscopy imaging



TEM- Karen Morre, ORNL

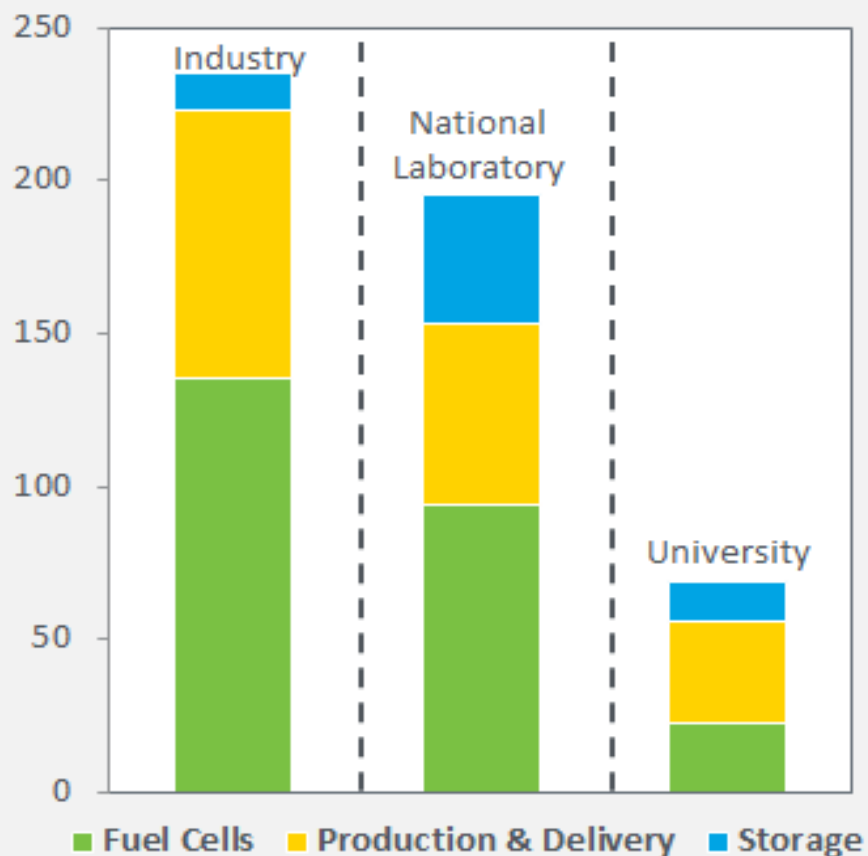
Module for  
Humidifier



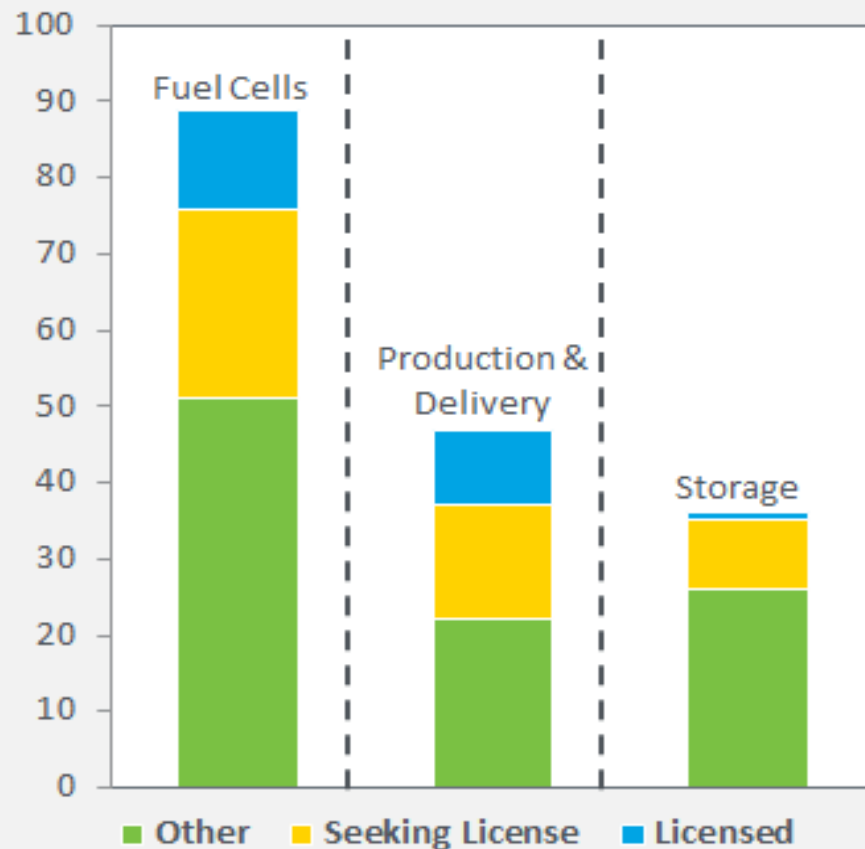


*DOE has enabled nearly 500 patents, ~200 from labs*

**Patents by Organization**  
(499 Total Patents)



**Breakdown of Lab Patents**  
(195 Total Patents)



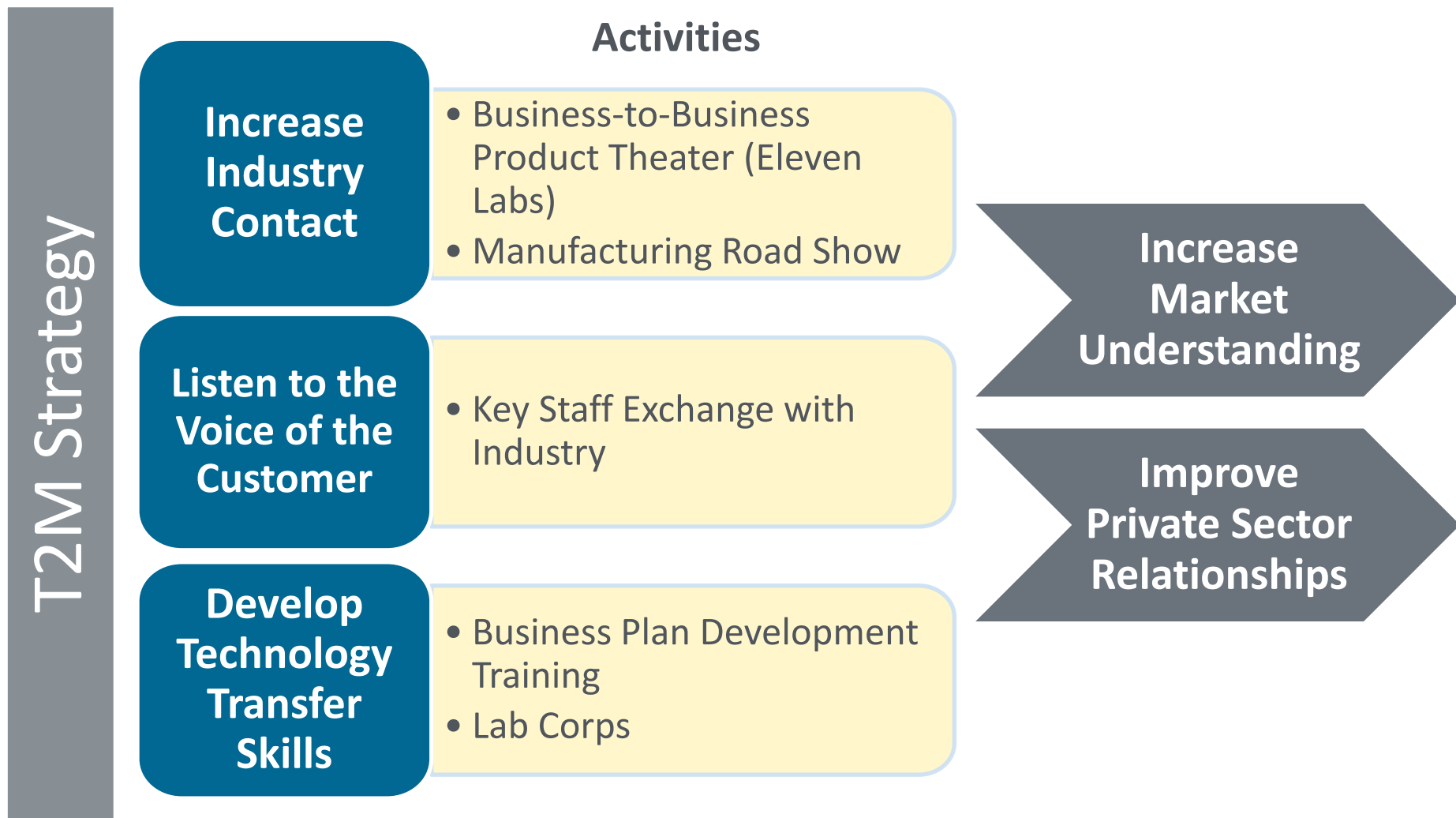
## Committed to...

- EERE-National Lab Guiding Principles
- Long-term and committed relationship with National Labs
- Impact on industry
- Lab brand and identity



EERE Assistant Secretary David Danielson launches one of EERE Lab Impact Initiative key component– *The Tech-To-Market (T2M) Approach*

*Improving technology transfer and targeted impact from lab to market*



## What do we want to accomplish today?

1

Demystify process of  
working with national labs

2

Identify actions to increase  
lab-industry collaboration

## Ultimate Goal

**Accelerate  
widespread  
commercialization  
of H<sub>2</sub> and fuel cell  
technologies**



## 3:00-4:00

- Richard Rankin: LLNL
- Betsy Quayle: LBNL
- Elizabeth Jordan: ANL
- Jennifer Hodas: PNNL
- Owen Lu: Ford
- Steve Szymanski: Proton Onsite

## 4:00-4:50

- Panel Discussion, Q&A and Networking

Name	Stands for...	What is the purpose?
<b>CRADA</b>	Cooperative Research and Development Agreement	Collaborate and share results of a jointly conducted R&D project
<b>WFO</b>	Work for Others	No joint IP; specific work for industry

## Other Examples...

<b>FIA</b>	Funds-In Agreement	Labs perform mission-related reimbursable national lab work
<b>TSA</b>	Technical Services Agreement	
<b>ACT</b>	Agreements for Commercializing Technology	
<b>IAG</b>	Interagency Agreement	Perform work for non-DOE federal agencies

## Myth #1

- The labs are inaccessible.

## Reality #1

- National Labs can be easily accessed and have active programs to engage and work with industry.

## Myth #2

- The labs are too expensive.

## Reality #2

- Many labs have programs where lab time can be accessed free of charge (*e.g., 1 week*) or can be cost-shared with DOE.



## Myth #3

- Lab researchers don't understand industry.

## Reality #3

- Many lab researchers have deep industry experience.

## Myth #4

- **The government will take all the IP I develop with the labs.**

## Reality #4

- **Research agreements have provisions for joint and individual IP.  
The lab/government does not commercialize technology, industry does.**

## Myth #5

- Labs aren't working on new and novel issues.

## Reality #5

- Labs have enabled cutting-edge programs with ~200 patents related to hydrogen and fuel cells.

## Myth #6

- It takes too long to set up agreements with the labs.

## Reality #6

- Some agreements can take just a **few weeks** (blanket agreements, express licensing, etc. can help)



*Transferring lab-developed technologies to industry applications*

## What:

Open TTO on NREL's  
quality control IP.

Letters of intent December 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Purpose:

Have interested companies  
commercialize technology

## Steps

1

NREL's QC IP offered to  
industry

2

Small business solicited  
to commercialize QC IP

# T2M Activities at the Fuel Cell Seminar and Exposition

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*Visit DOE-sponsored T2M events during this conference*

## • Tools

- Workshop sessions
- Business-to-business product theater

## • Key Questions

- How do I work with the National Labs?
- Why should I work with the National Labs?

## • Objective

- Collaboration and understanding between national labs and industry

### Fuel Cell Seminar & Energy Exposition

Featuring Hydrogen Fuel Sponsored by the Fuel Cell Technologies Office

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 9:00 am

Reuben Sarkar

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation  
Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy  
U.S. Department of Energy



#### DOE EERE LAB TECH TO MARKET SHOWCASE LEVERAGING NATIONAL LAB CAPABILITIES TO SOLVE INDUSTRY PROBLEMS

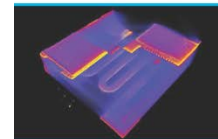
On Tuesday, November 11, join us at these two **one-day-only** events to increase collaboration between national labs and industry:

##### LEVERAGING THE LABS

The first session will demystify the process of working with national labs and discuss the mechanisms put in place to put labs to work on industry problems.

##### LAB SHOWCASE

The second session, during the Business-to-Business Product Theater, will highlight technologies developed at the national labs, their unique capabilities, and opportunities for collaboration.



3-D X-ray Tomography of a mixed-potential hydrogen sensor at LANL. Sensor response is controlled by the kinetics of the electrode reactions occurring at the gas-electrode-electrolyte interface.



NREL has received four Fuel Cell Hybrid Vehicles—Advanced (FCHV-adv) on loan from Toyota, enhancing their research capabilities related to hydrogen fueling infrastructure.



Xiaoping Wang of Argonne National Laboratory prepares a cell for testing the activity of fuel cell catalysts.

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#### EERE-funded research has:

- Reduced cost of fuel cells by more than 50% since 2006 and 30% since 2008
- Achieved a more than five-fold reduction in the platinum content of fuel cells
- Led to more than 450 patents, 40 commercial technologies, and 65 emerging technologies that will be commercialized in the next 3-5 years
- <http://energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/downloads/2013-pathways-commercial-success-technologies-and-products-supported-fuel>

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FCTO's ad on T2M Showcase Activities for the FCS

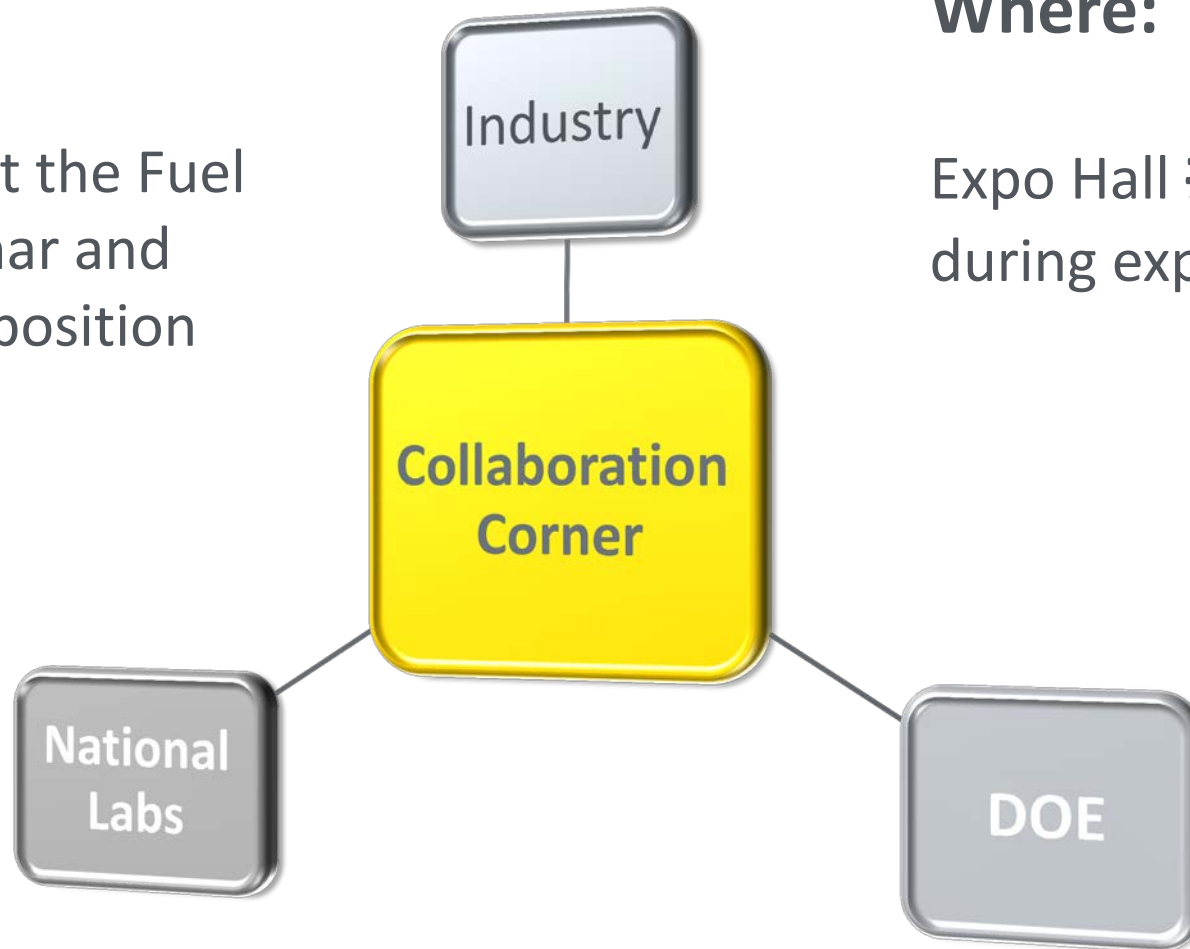
*Networking opportunity for Industry, DOE and National Labs*

## When:

All week at the Fuel Cell Seminar and Energy Exposition

## Where:

Expo Hall **#404**  
during expo hours



# Thank You

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