## Foundational Research for H2@Scale: Energy Materials Network Consortia





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## The DOE Energy Materials Network (EMN)



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#### **ENERGY MATERIALS NETWORK**





#### ElectroCat

The Electrocatalysis Consortium (ElectroCat) is using national lab resources and capabilities such as Argonne's High-Throughput Research facility (pictured) and Los Alamos' ability to design and synthesize catalysts to speed the development process of PGM-free electrocatalysts for fuel cells. *Photo credit: Argonne National Laboratory* 

➤ EMN creates a nexus of industry, government, & laboratory stakeholders with resources focused on accelerating materials innovation into clean-energy products

#### A Platform for Accelerated R&D



The Energy Materials Network (EMN) aims to dramatically decrease time-to-market for advanced materials that are critical to many clean energy technologies.

#### **WORLD-CLASS INNOVATION**

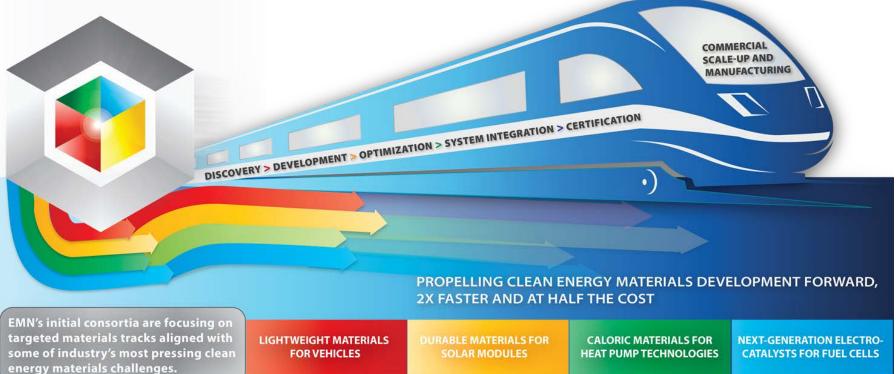
EMN is fueling U.S. industry with leading scientific and technical capabilities, data, and tools, and helping deliver innovative clean energy products to the world marketplace through its network of national lab-led consortia.

#### CLEAR POINTS OF ENGAGEMENT

In building an enduring, accessible network, EMN offers industry clear points of engagement and streamlined access to national lab resources by providing technical support, collaboration tools, and data platforms.

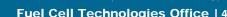
#### RAPID SCALE-UP

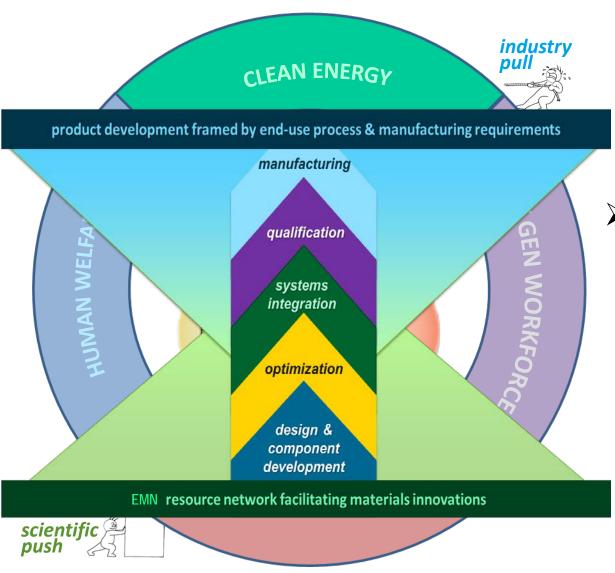
EMN is addressing market deployment barriers and getting new technologies to market faster by better integrating all phases of the materials development cycle, from discovery through deployment.



Cutting-edge materials research for critical energy technologies

## **Bridging Science and Application**







>The EMN relies on industry pull and scientific push to work together in the accelerated R&D of important clean energy technologies

Facilitating access to scientific innovation in materials R&D

### The EMN Pioneer Consortia



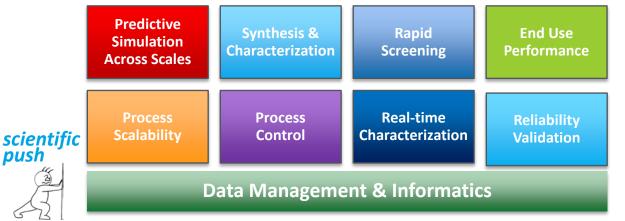
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## **Energy Materials Network**

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World Class Materials Capability Network



- 2. Data & Tools Collaboration
- 3. Clear Point of Engagement
- 4. Streamlined Access





## **Supporting H2@Scale Research Needs**



PGM-free catalysts for fuel cells are critical for cost-reductions needed for large-scale market penetration



➤ Breakthrough H<sub>2</sub> storage materials are key to large-scale H<sub>2</sub> energy & possible future on-board storage



➤ H2@Scale depends on a future portfolio of large-scale, low-cost, sustainable H<sub>2</sub>O splitting options

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Accelerating the discovery & development of innovative catalyst and electrode materials critical to advanced platinum group metal-free fuel cell technologies



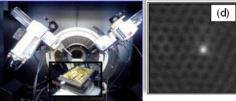


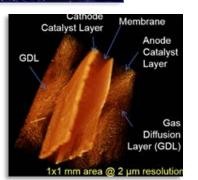
- > Comprising world-class capabilities and expertise in:
  - catalyst synthesis, characterization, processing, & manufacturing
  - high-throughput, combinatorial techniques
  - advanced computational tools

## Synthesis, processing and manufacturing

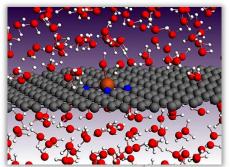




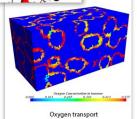




## Computation, Modeling & Data Management

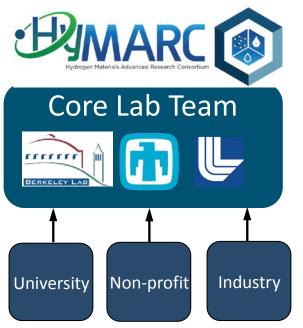






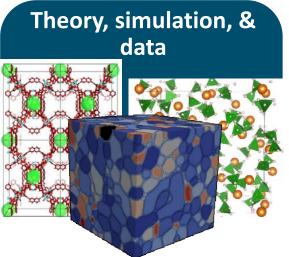
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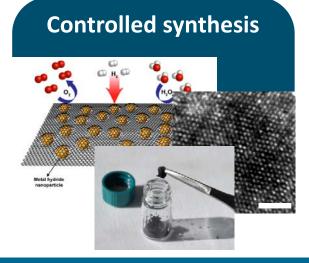
## **HyMARC:** Breakthrough H<sub>2</sub> Storage Materials

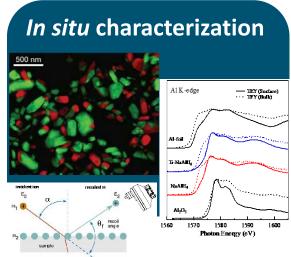


HyMARC will provide capabilities and foundational understanding of phenomena governing thermodynamics and kinetics limiting the development of solid-state hydrogen storage materials

- Delivering community tools and capabilities:
  - **Computational models and databases** for high-throughput materials screening
  - New characterization tools and methods (surface, bulk, soft X-ray, synchrotron)
  - Tailorable synthetic platforms for probing nanoscale phenomena







Website: https://hymarc.org/

## **HydroGEN: Advanced H<sub>2</sub>O Splitting Materials**

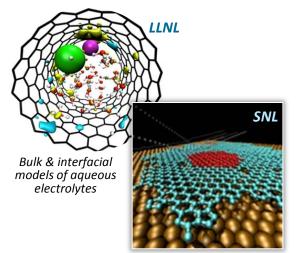


Accelerating discovery & development of innovative materials critical to advanced technologies for sustainable H<sub>2</sub> production, including:

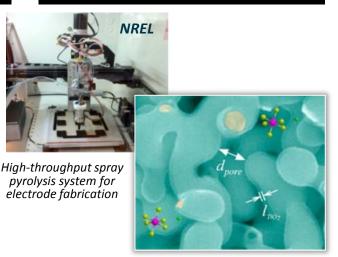
- Advanced high- and low-temperature electrochemical conversion
- Direct photoelectrochemical solar water splitting
- Direct solar thermochemical water splitting
- Comprising more that 80 unique, world-class capabilities/expertise in materials theory/computation, synthesis, characterization & analysis:

#### **Materials Theory/Computation**

#### **Advanced Materials Synthesis**



LAMMPS classic molecular dynamics modeling relevant to H<sub>2</sub>O splitting



Conformal ultrathin TiO<sub>2</sub> ALD coating on bulk nanoporous gold

#### **Characterization & Analytics**

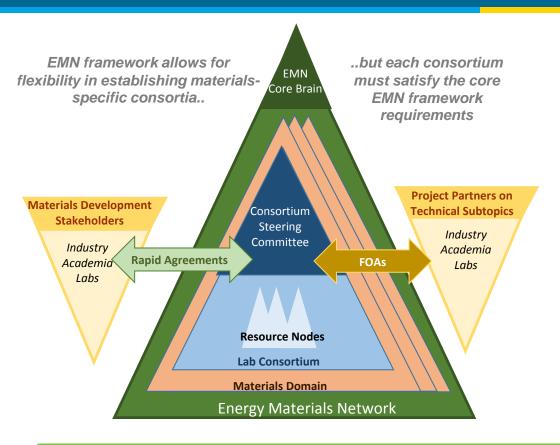


Stagnation flow reactor to evaluate kinetics of redox material at high-T



TAP reactor for extracting quantitative kinetic data

#### **Streamlined Access to Materials Innovations**



- ➤ The EMN leverages
  National Lab resources to
  foster foundational
  materials R&D for
  important clean energy
  applications
- The EMN framework facilitates streamlined access for industry and academic stakeholders



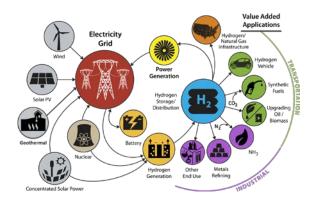
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Simplified IP
Management
Plans

Standardized NDA Forms

#### Facilitating H2@Scale Foundational R&D

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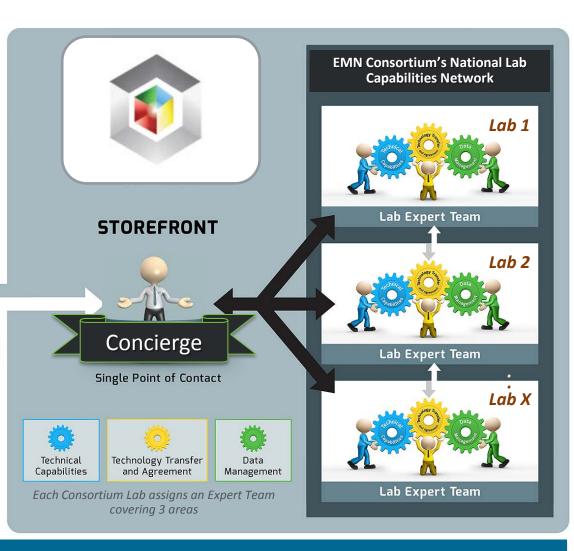












Single points of contact facilitate stakeholder/consortia interactions

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