



# IEDO Cross-Sector Technologies (CST) Subprogram Overview

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# Why A Cross-Sector Approach Is Needed

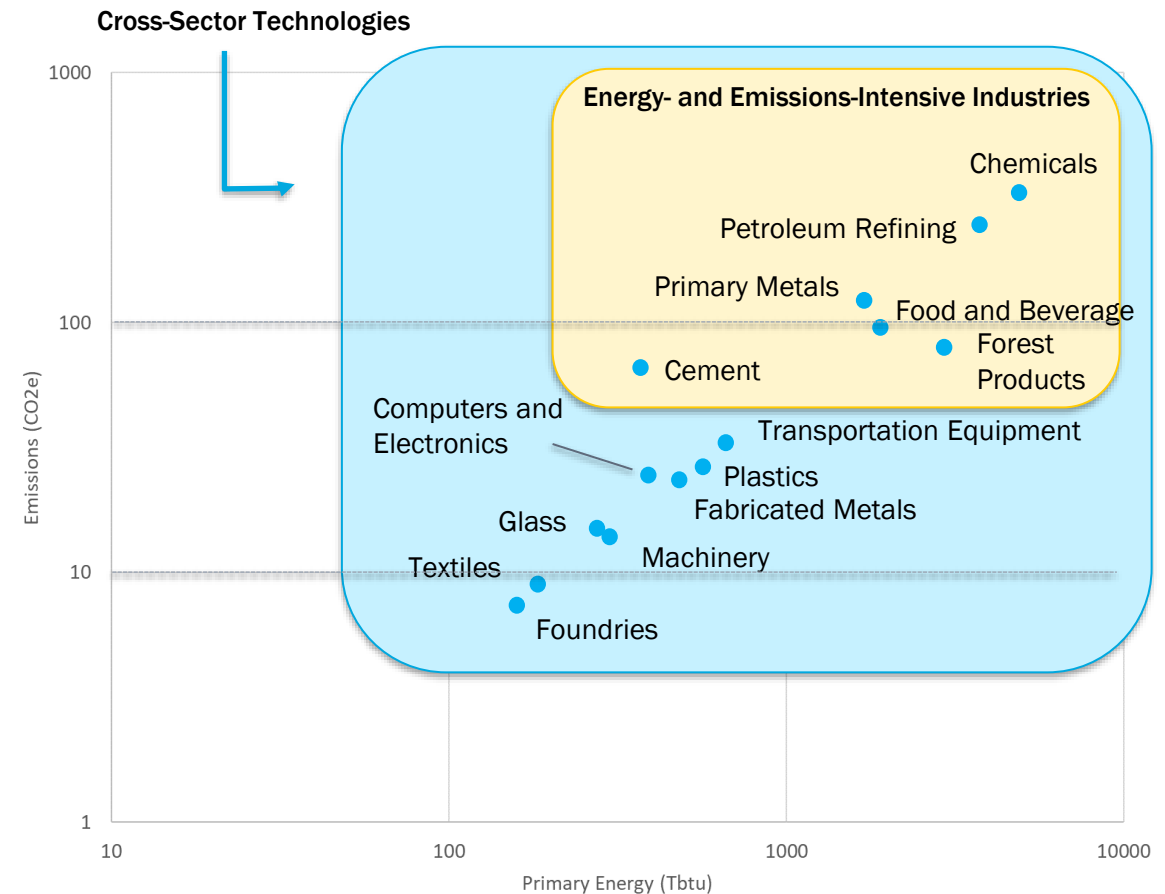
Diversity of products, processes, energy inputs, and complex supply chains make the industrial sector “difficult-to-decarbonize.”

But common end-uses underpin the diversity of processes and products found within the industrial sector. For example:

- Process heat (>90% supplied by fossil fuel combustion)
- Auxiliary energy systems, waste heat recovery and utilization, CHP
- Production and process control
- Water use and wastewater treatment

Enormous challenge to address diverse technological needs and sources of GHG emissions across the industrial sector.

## IEDO RD&D Landscape



Manufacturing Energy and Carbon Footprints, DOE AMO, 2022.

# Cross-Sector Technologies in IEDO

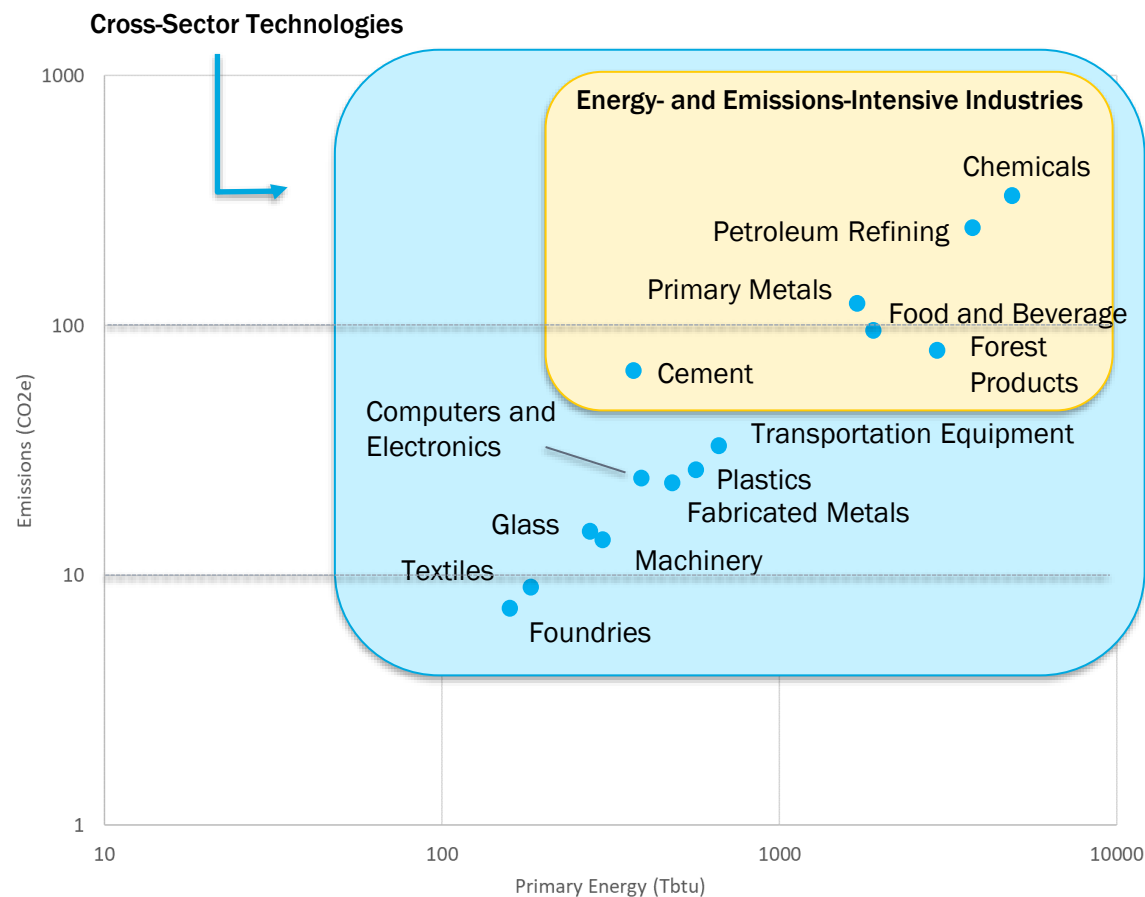
Accelerates the readiness of energy- and emissions-reducing components, systems, and operational technologies, across a broad range of industries.

## Key program themes:

- Industrialize low carbon processing equipment and enabling component technologies that can be integrated with existing facilities and processes.
- Advance energy systems and auxiliary control and component technologies, e.g., waste heat recovery, CHP, sensors and controls, smart manufacturing, thermal energy storage.
- Develop next-generation production and processing technologies, e.g., low thermal budget processes.
- Reduce energy and emissions from water and wastewater treatment.


Enabling technologies developed under CST (mid-TRL) can be further advanced under EEI for specific applications.

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# CST Priorities Support the Industrial Heat Shot







**85% Reduction**



**2035**

## Industrial Heat Shot Pathway

	Generate Heat from Clean Electricity
	Integrate Clean Heat from Alternative Sources
	Innovative Low- or No-Heat Process Technologies
	Enabling Technologies and Systems

## CST Technology Priorities

Electrotechnologies, industrial heat pumps, and hybrid systems to electrify industrial heat
Combustion of low-carbon fuels and integration of renewable thermal energy sources
Low thermal budget processes, advanced separations, non-thermal drying
Thermal energy storage, industrial load flexibility, sensors and controls



# CST Approach to Energy and Environmental Justice

## Prioritize Cross-Sector RD&D Areas with EEJ Impact

- Develop alternatives to on-site combustion of fossil fuels to address disproportionate exposure to particulate matter and other criteria pollutants from industrial sources
- Develop technologies to increase access to safe drinking water in disadvantaged communities

## Address EEJ Concerns for Cross-Sector Industrial Decarbonization Technologies

- *Hydrogen Combustion:* Develop component technologies to mitigate NO<sub>x</sub> generation and require Safety Plan for H<sub>2</sub> projects
- *Workforce Development:* Build a more diverse and skilled workforce to electrify process heating through EPICX

## Leverage Community Benefits Plan to Select RD&D Projects that Advance DEIA, Energy Equity, and Workforce Development

- Incorporate CBP milestones into project workplans
- CBP criterion accounts for 15% of Full Application score

## Engage with EEJ Communities and Stakeholders

- Explore non-GHG impact factors in Industrial Heat Shot Summit and other workshops to understand how transformation of industrial heat can support EEJ



# CST Program Areas



**Thermal Processes and Systems**



**Low-Carbon Fuels, Feedstocks, and Energy Sources**



**Emerging Efficiency and Decarbonization Technologies**



**Water and Wastewater Treatment**



# Thermal Processes and Systems

**Portfolio Objective:** Advance innovative and cost-effective technologies for process heating with applications in multiple sectors.

Current Portfolio
RD&D: 24 projects worth over \$65M.
Institute: EPIXC, \$70M over 5 years.

## Technology Development Priorities

- Electro-technologies and hybrid heating systems.
- High temperature industrial heat pumps.
- Innovative low- and no-heat processes, e.g., electromagnetic heating.
- Advanced furnace equipment and process control technologies.

## Challenges Addressed

- Diversity of industrial processes with different operational and thermal demands.
- Cost competitiveness of emerging technologies.
- Quantification of non-energy/non-emissions benefits.
- Scale-up towards industry-readiness.

## Targets

1. Replace existing fuel-based technologies that are cost competitive, reduce emissions, improve flexibility, and more efficient.
2. Reduce energy intensity by at least 50% compared to typical technology.
3. Improve properties, quality, and/or product value at cost parity to conventional techniques.

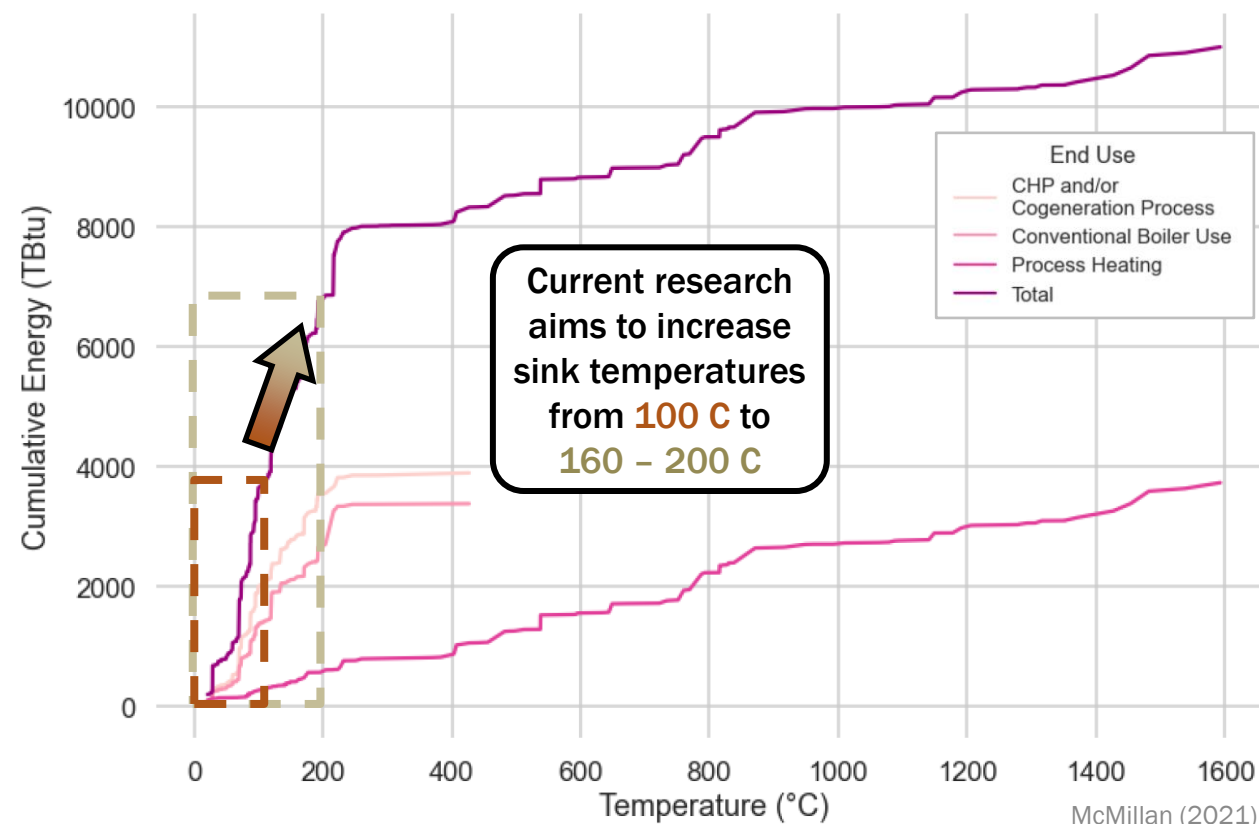
# Priority Area: Industrial Heat Pumps

## Opportunities

- Expand economic application space by increasing COP through new components (e.g., oil-free compressors), alternate cycles (e.g., multi-stage), and optimal use of waste heat streams
- Testing and application of synthetic (e.g., HFOs, HCFOs), hydrocarbon (e.g., butane, pentane), and natural (e.g., CO<sub>2</sub>, water) refrigerants
- Developing tools and modular/mass-producible technology options (e.g., steam generating heat pumps) to simplify integration

## Additional Challenges:

- Increasing sink temperature & lift range
- Scale-up to industrial scale
- Temperature-resistant components
- Heat-activated heat pumps



McMillan (2021)



# Low-Carbon Fuels, Feedstocks, and Energy Sources (LCFFES)

**Portfolio Objective:** Enable the adoption and/or use of low-carbon fuels, feedstocks, and energy sources to reduce combustion-associated GHG emissions for industrial processes.

## Current Portfolio

RD&D: 18 projects worth over \$48M.

## Technology Development Priorities

- Low-carbon fuel combustion equipment and systems.
- Approaches to mitigate adverse impacts of low-carbon fuel combustion.
- Renewable thermal energy technologies.
- Clean hydrogen for industrial applications, including for process heat and material feedstocks.
- Flexible combined heat and power (CHP) systems.

## Challenges Addressed

- Lack of process equipment to address alternative fuel specific phenomena.
- Lack of auxiliary equipment of address industrial infrastructure needs.
- Industry hesitation towards adoption new energy sources.
- Inadequate supply chain for materials and fuels.

## Targets

1. Reduce emissions by 85% for clean fuels and energy sources.
2. Validate process parameters and heating profiles as comparable with incumbent.
3. Non-GHG emissions reductions comparable to incumbent.

# Priority Area: Hydrogen Combustion

## Opportunity:

- Global low-carbon H<sub>2</sub> demand is expected to increase to 200 MMT by 2030
- High flame temperature enables decarbonization of hard-to-electrify industrial process heating applications

## Considerations:

- Hydrogen combustion characteristics are different from natural gas, which require investment to accelerate development and testing of combustion system components, while optimizing overall systems from the facility-level perspective.
- Industry needs flexibility in blending: until clean H<sub>2</sub> supply chain is secure, industry needs to be able to use NG-H<sub>2</sub> blends of 0-100%.



**Process Equipment:** Novel technologies to accommodate unique H<sub>2</sub> combustion phenomena while achieve comparable heating profiles with varying blends



**Auxiliary Equipment:** New injectors, gaskets, compressors, and valves materials required for H<sub>2</sub> volumetric density, high flame speeds, and high temperatures.



**Exhaust Mitigation:** Potentially higher NO<sub>x</sub> and moisture content in H<sub>2</sub> exhaust requires specialized process design and equipment



**Sensors and Controls:** Air/fuel flow control for variable H<sub>2</sub> supply, advanced exhaust damper controls, leak detection, and system monitoring for safety

# Emerging Efficiency & Decarbonization Technologies

**Portfolio Objective:** Explore innovative, next generation energy efficiency and decarbonization technology concepts to enable transformational decarbonization impact and improve industrial production system efficiencies, process yield, and recovery of thermal energy.

## Current Portfolio

RD&D: 4 projects worth \$16.3M.

## Technology Development Priorities

- Technologies to enable advanced heat management and increased flexibility in energy use, e.g., ultra-efficient industrial heat exchangers, thermal energy storage, sensors and controls.
- Low-thermal budget operations that reduce or eliminate thermal demand, e.g., membranes and electrochemical pathways.
- Modeling, digitalization, and software to enable industrial grid interactivity and support electrification with clean electricity.

## Challenges Addressed

- Legacy process equipment not designed for transformative efficiency improvements.
- Lack of auxiliary equipment to address industrial infrastructure needs, including those around industrial flexibility and thermal management.
- Industry hesitation towards adopting new technologies.

## Targets

1. Develop and demonstrate next-generation technologies, including component technologies and data-driven approaches, that maximize efficiency and minimize waste.
2. Reduce emissions by 85% for next-generation processes.

# Priority Area: Thermal Energy Storage

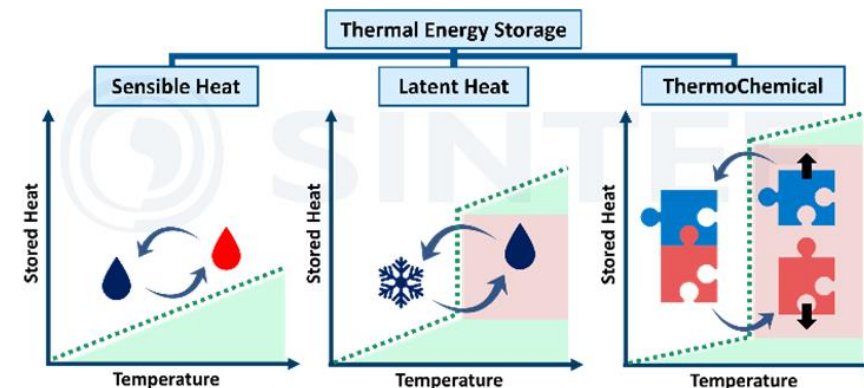
**Opportunity:** Provide economical process heat, enable renewables penetration, and improve resiliency.

## Advantages

- Lower cost than electrical storage
- Potential link to thermal-electric systems
- Strong advantage if used directly as heat

## Key Technical Challenges

- Lower efficiency when converting to power (need higher temperatures to drive efficiency)
- High temperature systems have issues with cost and corrosion
- Increasing energy density and reducing losses
- Process integration challenges
- Investments for smaller manufacturing facilities are disadvantaged due to economy of scale using current technology



SINTEFblog. "Thermochemical Energy Storage: The next generation thermal batteries?" (2022) ([link](#))

### Energy Storage Metrics

Round trip efficiency  
Exergetic efficiency  
Thermal Cycles  
Thermal Capacity, MWh  
Payback, yrs  
Discharge Time, hr  
Energy Density  
Cost \$/kWhr



# Water and Wastewater Treatment

**Portfolio Objective:** Reduce GHG emissions ( $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$ ) and recover resources from municipal wastewater treatment processes and systems and develop approaches to treat non-traditional sources of water to meet future water needs.

## Technology Development Priorities

- Decarbonization technologies for wet organic waste treatment and handling from municipal, agricultural, and industrial sources.
- Decarbonization of WRRF unit processes without increasing total WRRF operating costs.
- Reducing overall emissions from WRRF facilities with integrated unit processes, higher levels of technological readiness, and larger scales.

## Challenges Addressed

- Energy efficiency and adoption of alternative energy sources for water and wastewater treatment facilities
- Measurement and characterization of direct emissions from WRRFs on a life cycle basis.
- Enable non-traditional water sources for end-use.

## Targets

1. Reduce GHG emissions from Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) unit processes by at least 50% and plant-wide emissions by a minimum of 25% without increasing overall costs.
2. Achieve pipe parity – enabling non-traditional water sources for end-use.

# CST Investment Highlights

## Recent Investments

**\$76.5M** in FY22-FY23 FOAs to advance industrial electrification, industrial heat pumps, hydrogen combustion systems, thermal energy storage, and other cross-sector technologies.

**\$70M** over 5 years to new manufacturing institute: Electrified Processes for Industry without Carbon (EPIXC).

## FY24 Cross-Sector Technologies FOA

**\$38M** to accelerate the innovative, cross-sector technologies required to decarbonize industry. Solicitation is currently open.

## Topic Areas

1. Electrification of Industrial Heat
  - Electrotechnologies
  - Industrial Heat Pumps
2. Efficient Energy Use in Industrial Systems
  - Advanced Membrane Separations
  - Industrial Heat Exchangers
3. Decarbonizing Organic Wastewater and Wet Waste Treatment

