



State of the Lab

Presentation to the Community Advisory Group

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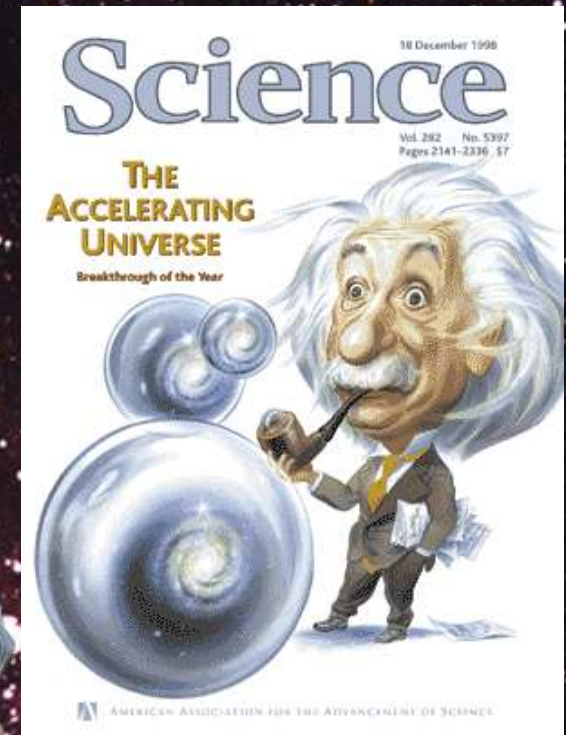
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Berkeley Lab Turns 80!

October 4, 2011 – Nobel Prize in Physics



Saul Perlmutter Berkeley Lab's 13th Nobel Laureate

Looking to the Future of Berkeley Lab



Carbon Cycle 2.0 Initiative

New dynamic window coatings



Efficiency

Arsenic removal from drinking water



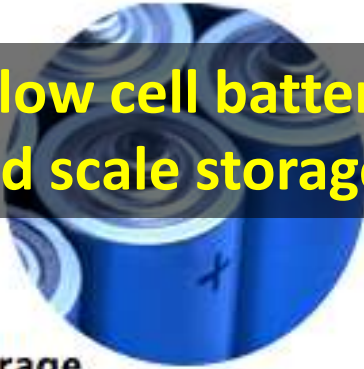
Developing World

New industry consortium



Solar PV

New flow cell battery design for grid scale storage



Energy Storage

Low-swirl burner



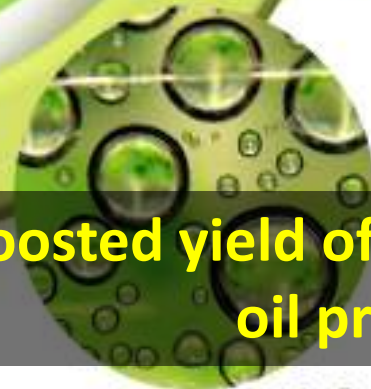
Combustion

Materials for CO₂ Capture at 3x lower cost



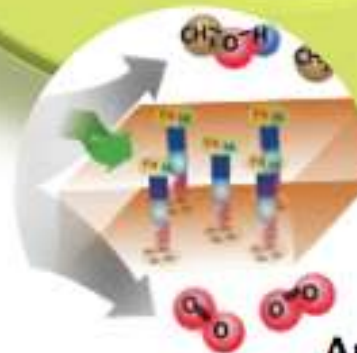
Carbon Capture & Storage

Boosted yield of microbe oil production



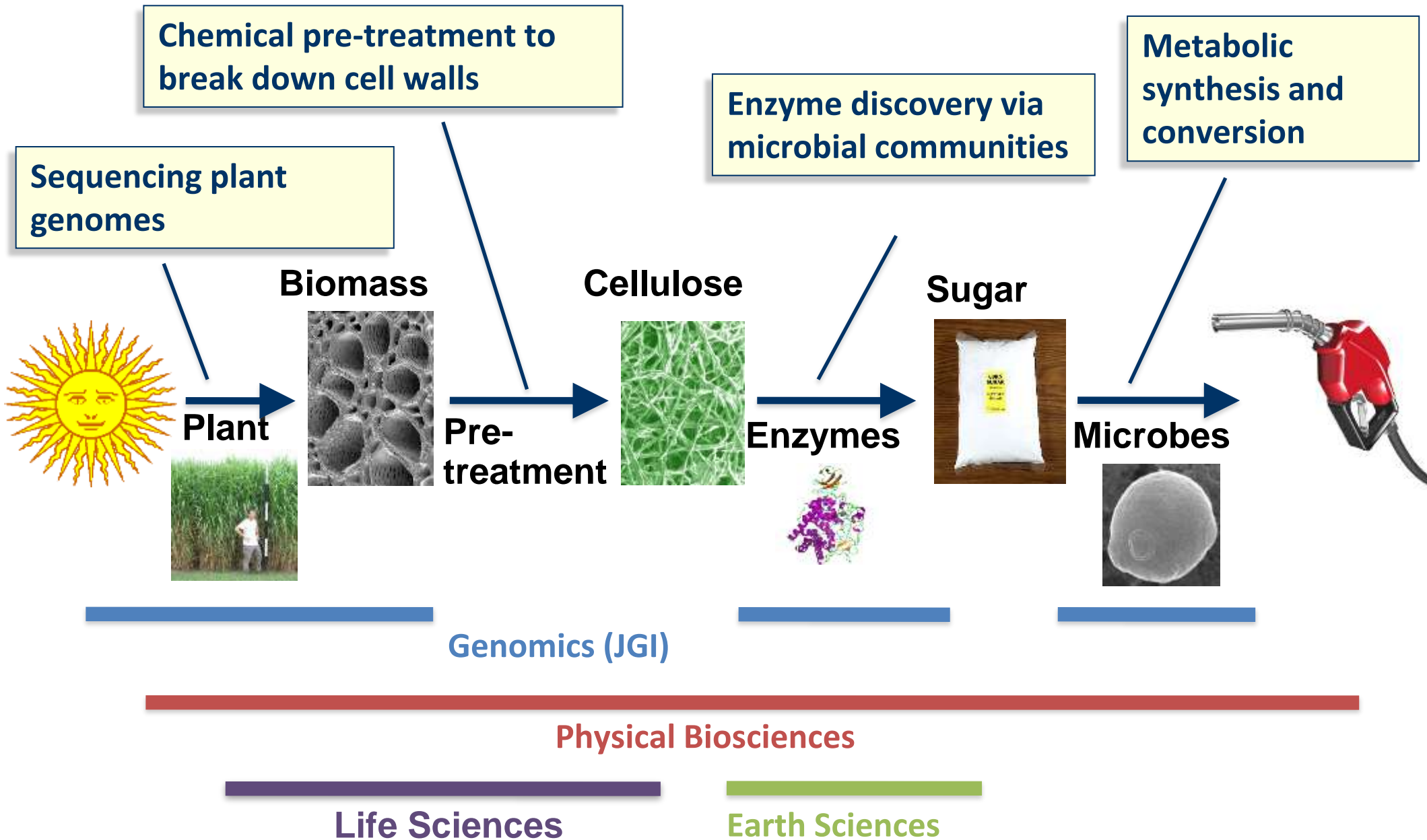
Biofuels

Artificial Photosynthesis

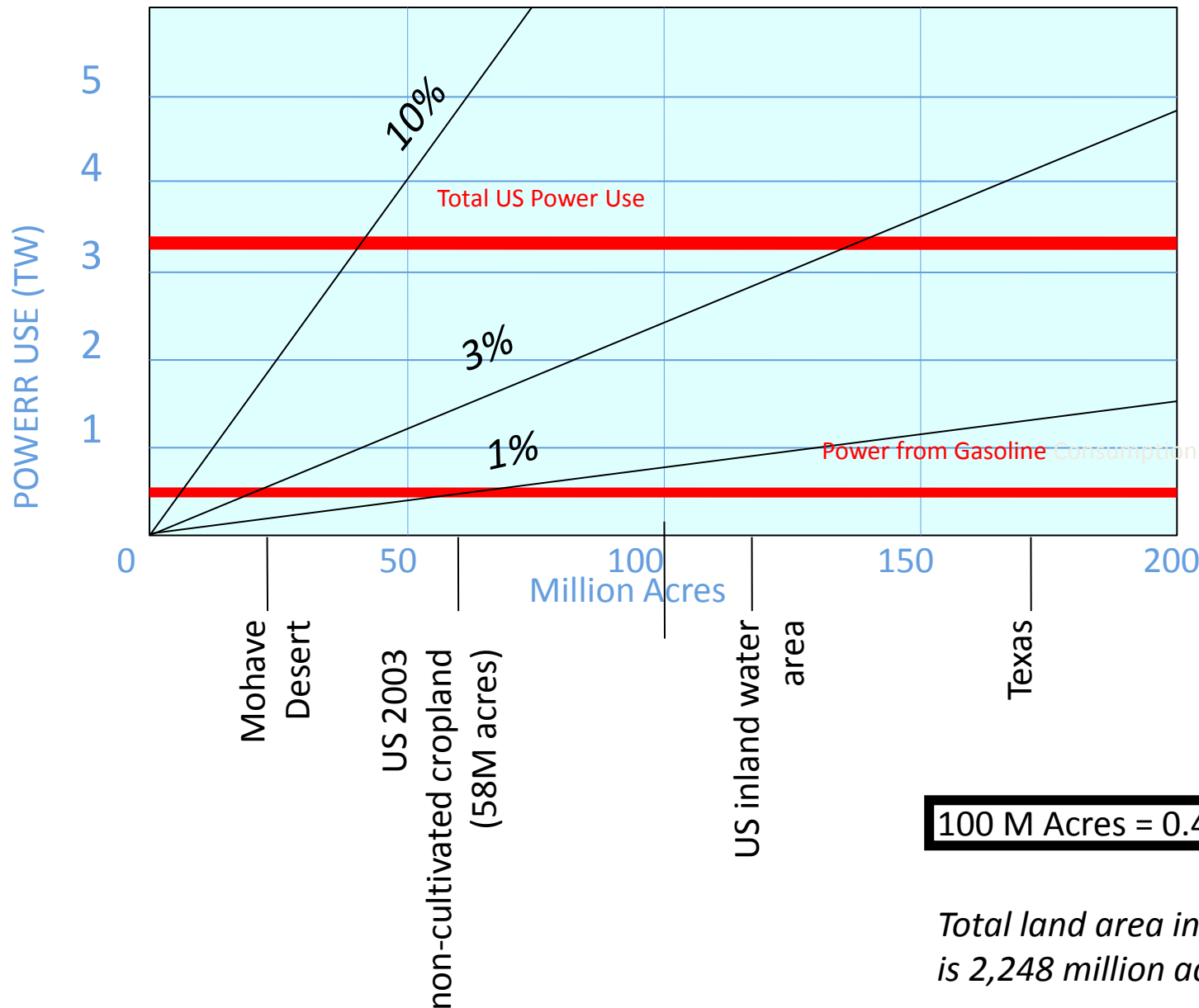


Team science to address most difficult challenges

– Biofuels



Solar Efficiency & Land Usage



- Create fuels from sunlight with > 1% energy conversion efficiency using abundant low-cost materials, and scalable processes, with 10 year target for demonstration

100 M Acres = 0.4 M Sq Km

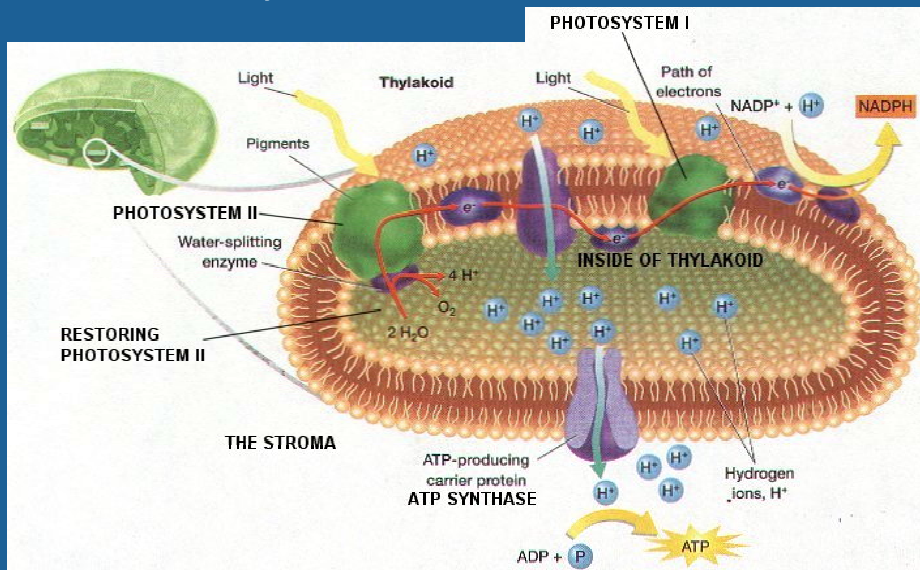
Total land area in contiguous US is 2,248 million acres

Joint Center for Artificial Photosynthesis

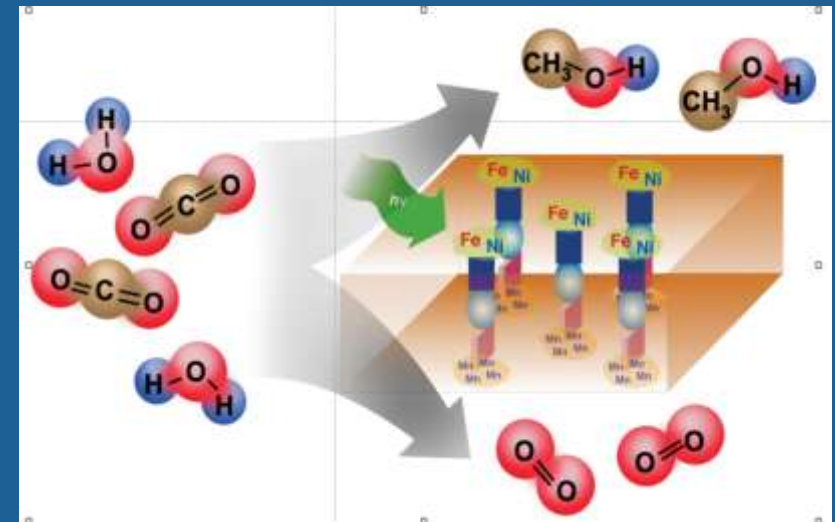


- **Melvin Calvin, 1982:** It is time to build an actual artificial photosynthetic system, to learn what works and what doesn't work, and thereby set the stage for making it work better
- **10-year JCAP Goal, 2010:** To demonstrate a manufacturably scalable solar fuel generator, using earth-abundant elements, that, with no wires, robustly produces fuel from the sun, 10 times more efficiently than (current) crops

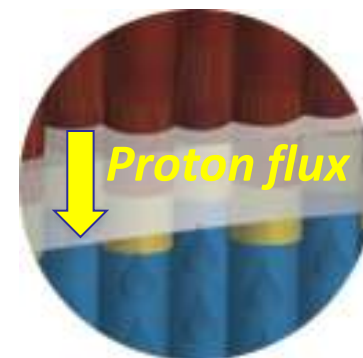
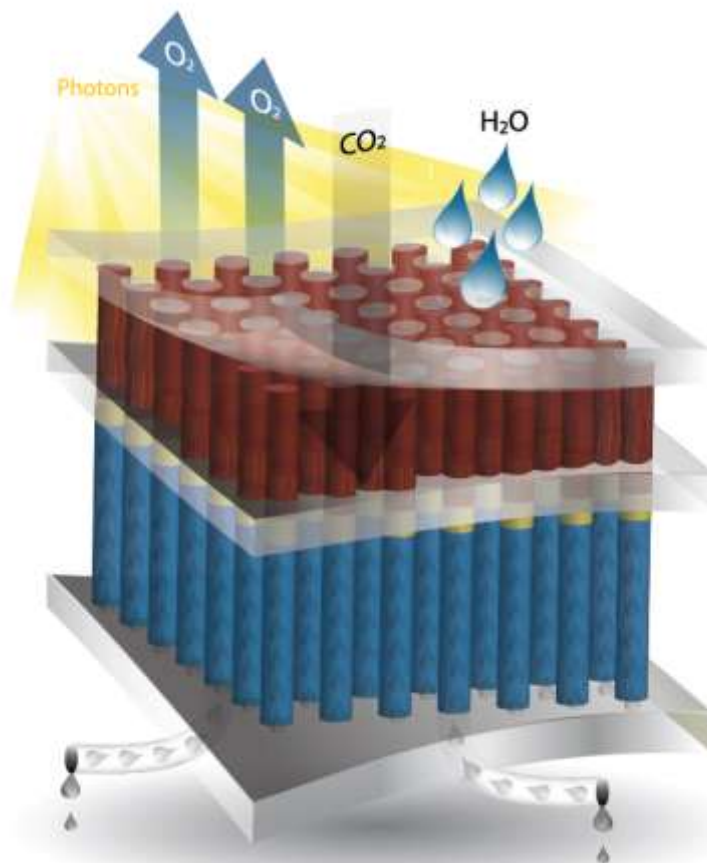
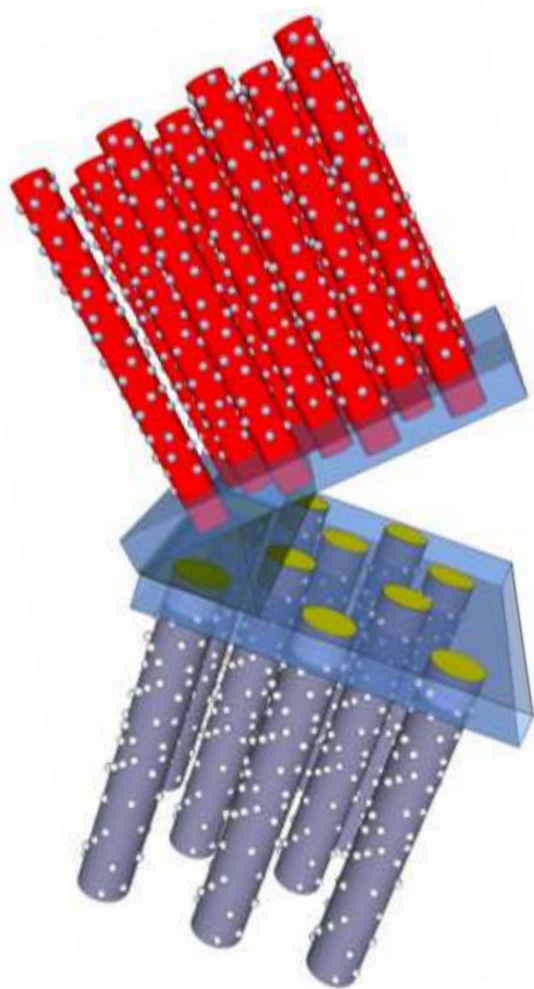
Photosynthesis



Artificial Photosynthesis



JCAP Activity



Nanostructured Light Absorbers
Earth-abundant materials
Novel Catalysts
New proton transport membranes

First prototypes Spring 2012

Societal needs for technical solutions to energy and environment problems will intensify



Measurement tools
will open new realms of
inquiry



The biology revolution
will deepen and impact other
disciplines



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data sets will challenge

Physics

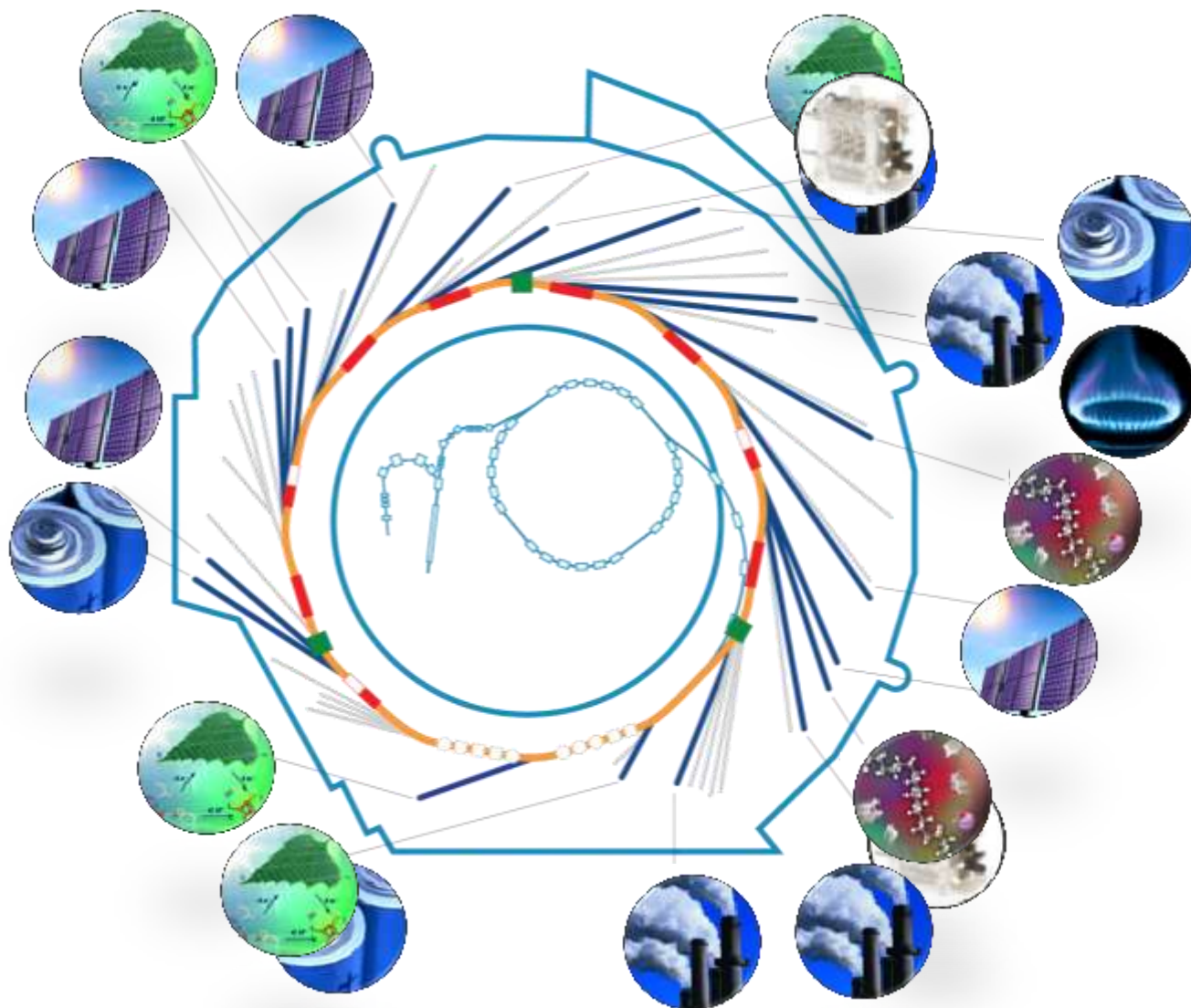
Chemical Sciences

Materials Science

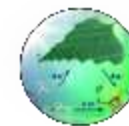
Mathematics

A Foundation of Basic Science

Today: The Advanced Light Source Microscopes enable our science



Sunlight to electricity



Sunlight to fuel



Batteries



Fuel Cells



CO₂ Capture and Seq.

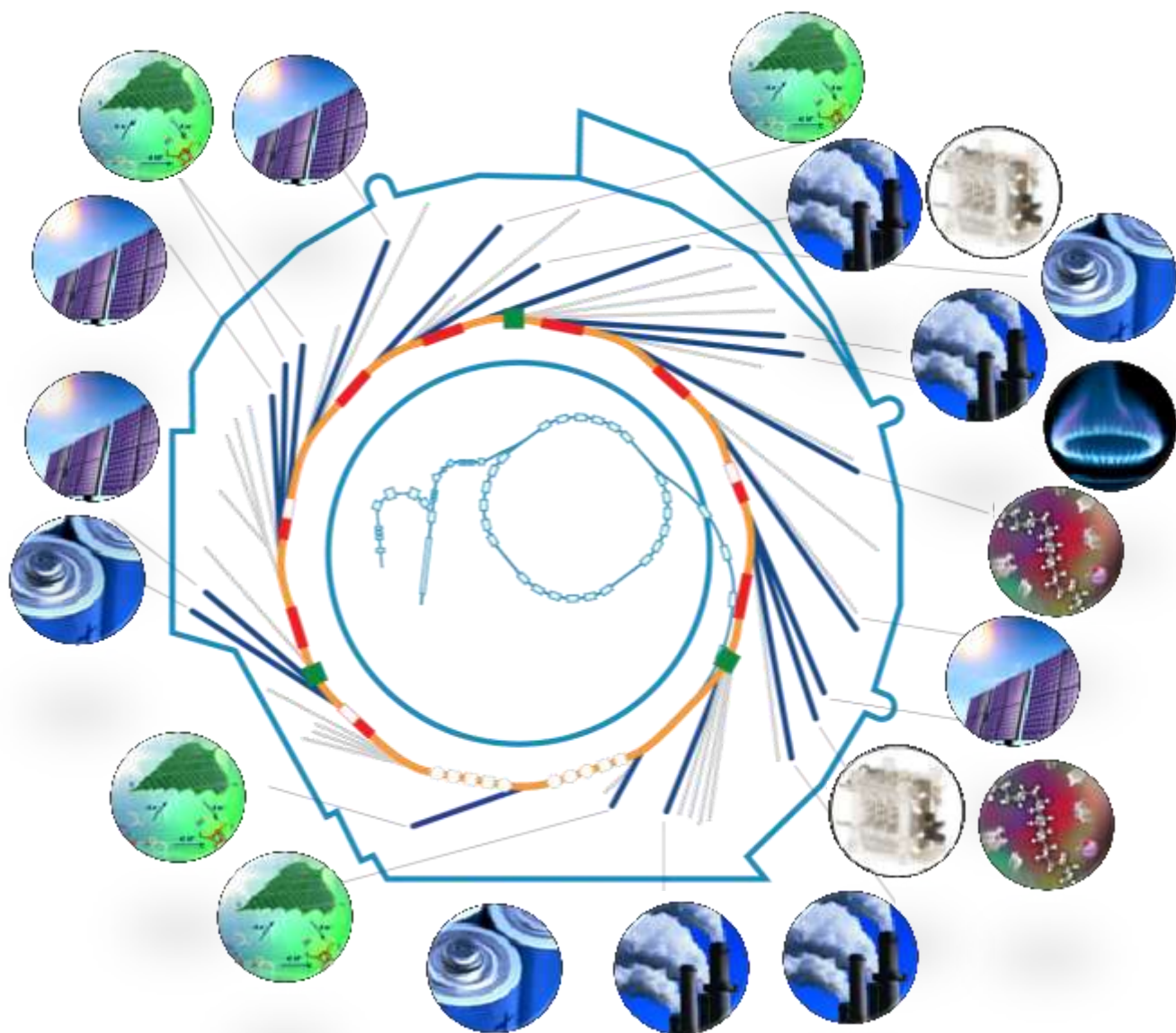


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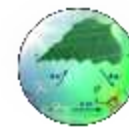


Catalysis

ALS Energy Research Areas



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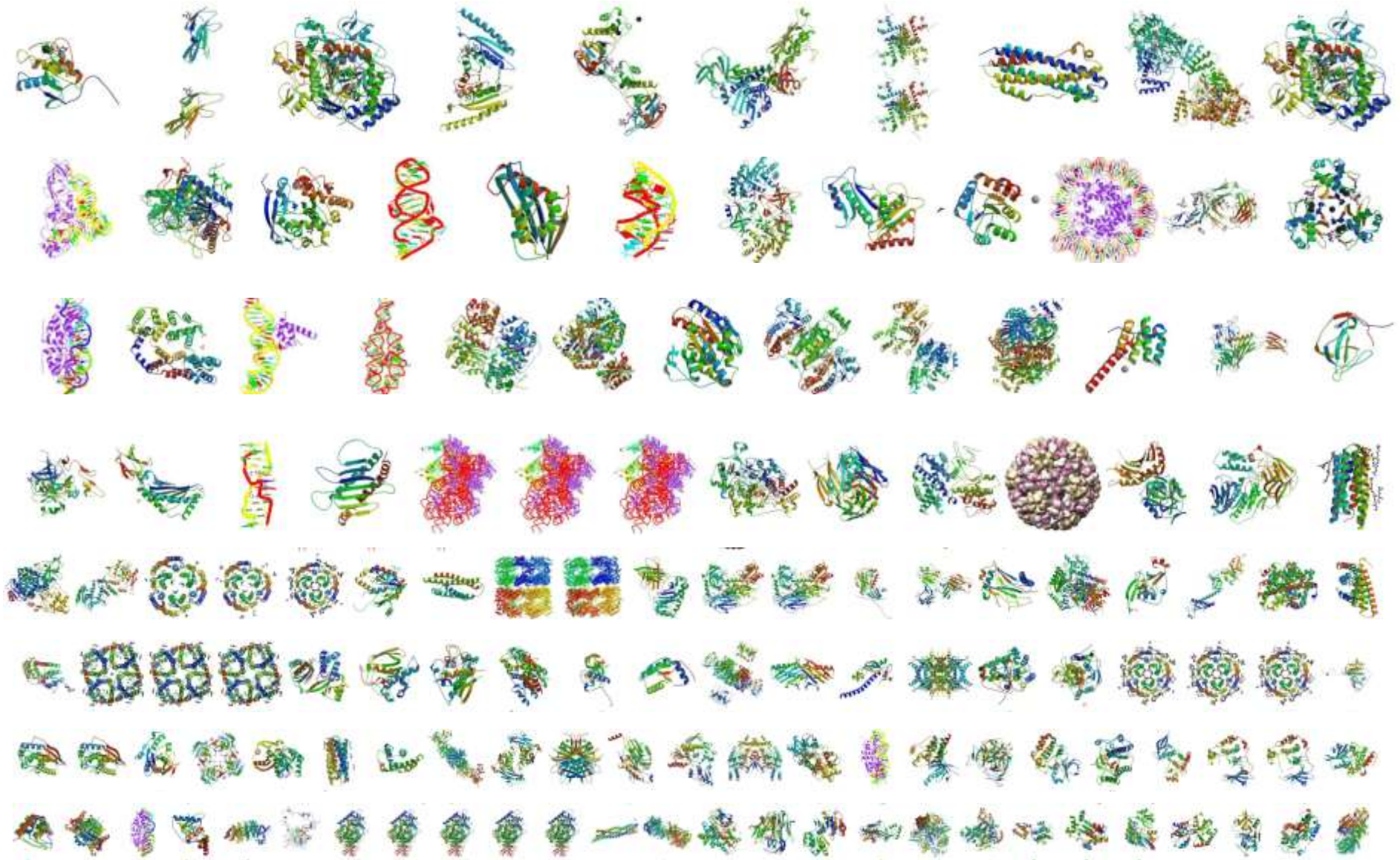


Combustion



Catalysis

3366 published biological structures solved using data collected at the ALS



Berkeley Lab Advanced Light Source Used to Develop Melanoma Drug

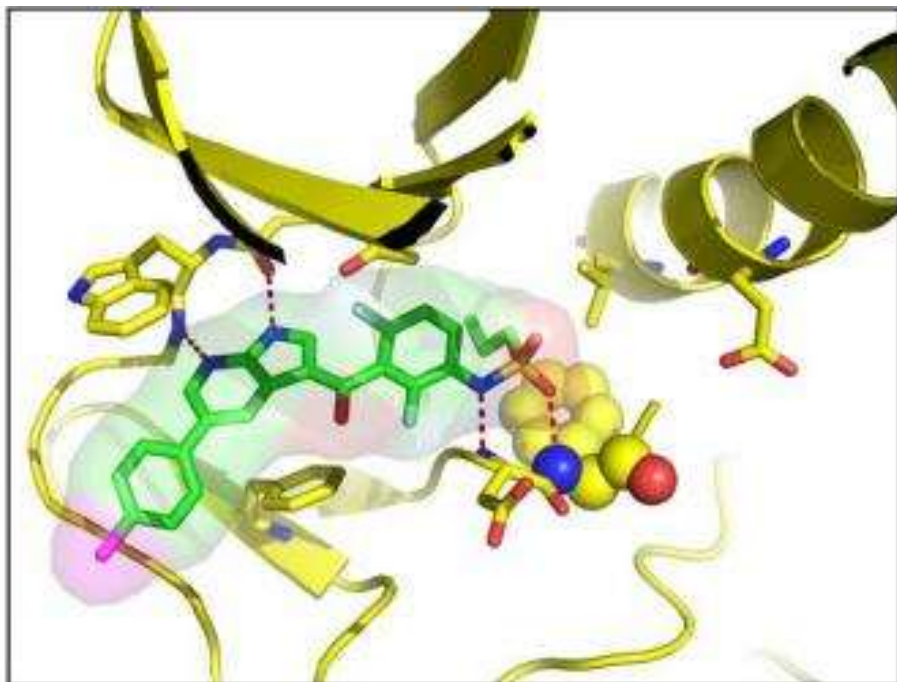


Illustration of a new anti-cancer drug at work - preventing a mutated enzyme from promoting the growth of melanoma.

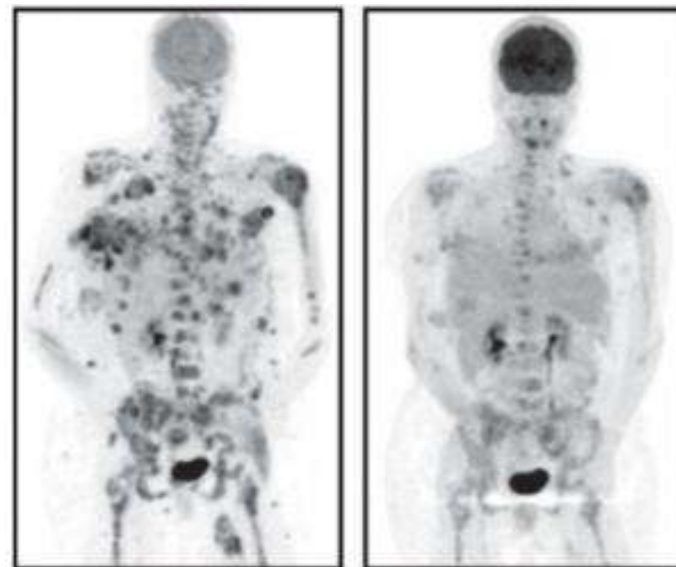
Image courtesy Plexxikon Inc.

Creating custom-designed drugs to block disease at the molecular level.

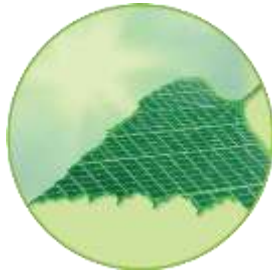
Berkeley-based drug company, Plexxikon, used the Lab's Advanced Light Source to:

- Determine the structure of a protein involved in melanoma
- Guide the development of drug candidates that could stop its spread.

PET scan showing decrease in melanoma tumors using drug developed in part at the Berkeley Lab Advanced Light Source



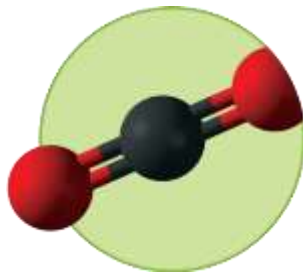
Next Generation Science & Facilities



- **Renewable Energy**
 - Enable us to observe photosynthesis at the molecular level; a key to creating a new clean, sustainable source of energy



- **Human Health**
 - Enable us to learn how enzymes work to repair DNA and to develop new antibiotics and anticancer agents with fewer side effects

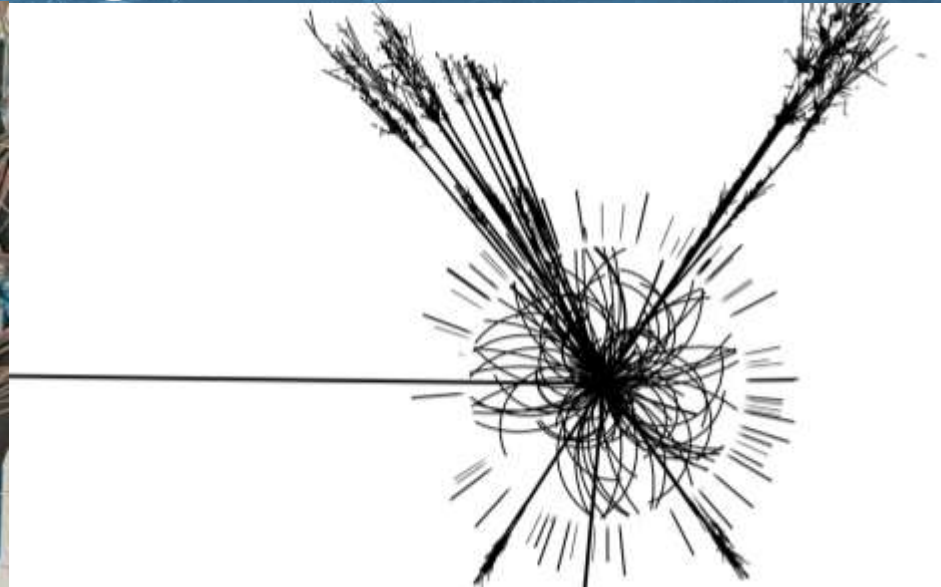
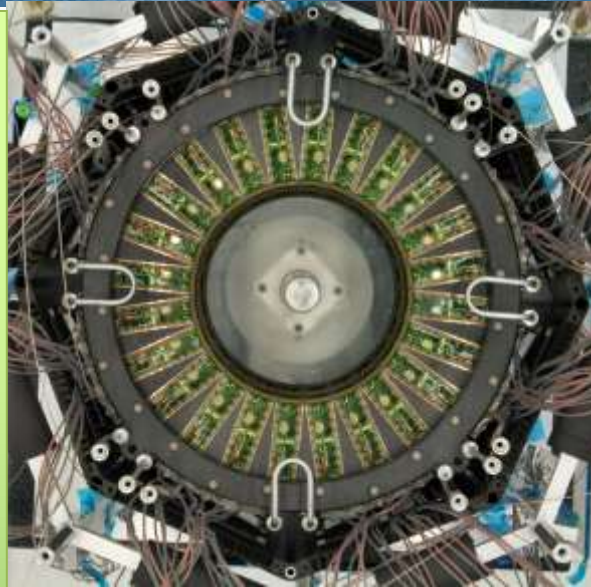


- **Environmental Quality**
 - Enable us to understand how bacteria pull greenhouse gas, CO₂, out of the soil, water, and atmosphere to fight global warming

Discovery Class Science Pushes Limits of Our Ability to Manage Data



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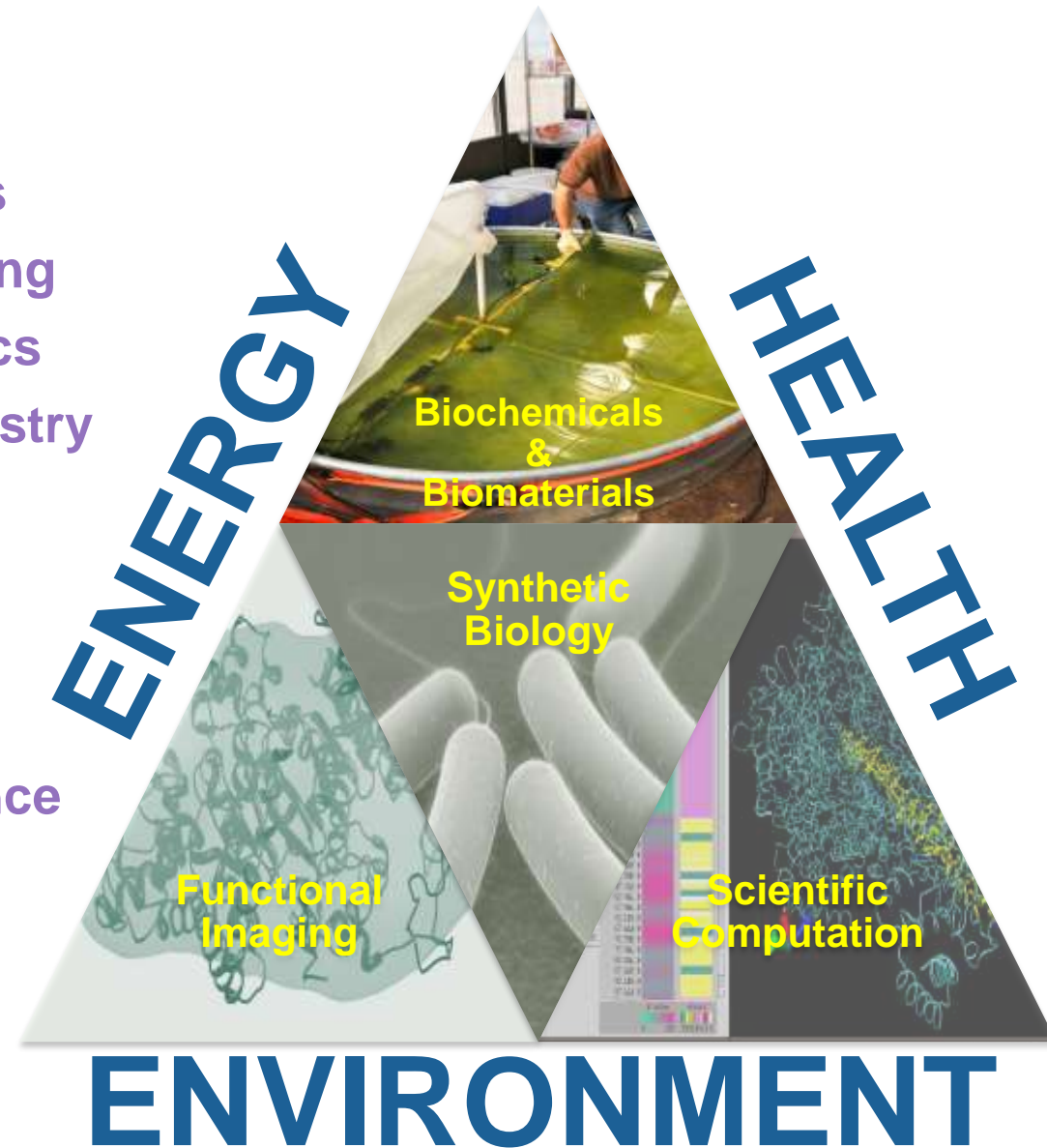
Integrated Biosciences Vision



The biology revolution will deepen and impact other disciplines

Key initiatives:

- biofuels
- biochemicals
- Bioengineering
- metagenomics
- biogeochemistry
- cancer
- imaging
- biomimetic materials
- climate science



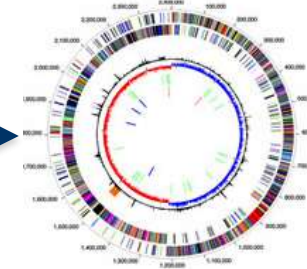
Team science to address most difficult challenges

– *Soil carbon cycling and climate change*

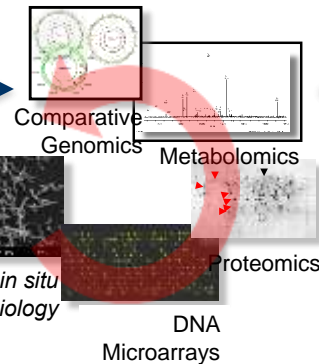


Functional genomics and structural biology of environmental microorganisms

Sequencing genomes of environmental microorganisms

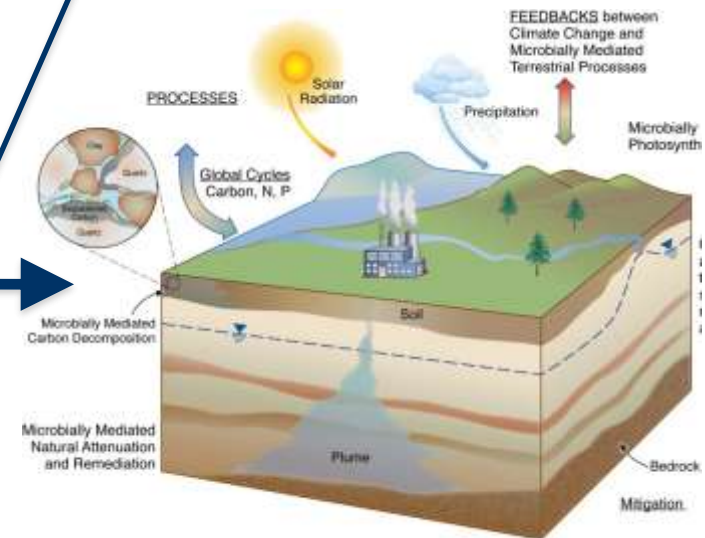


Genomics (JGI)



Physical Biosciences

Soil Carbon Biodegradation and feedbacks to climate



Life Sciences

Earth Sciences

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– *Low dose radiation and cancer*

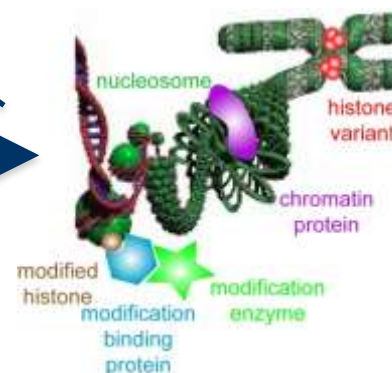
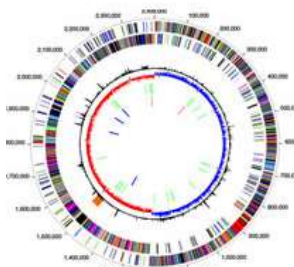


Understand how damage to normal tissues leads to cancer

Systems biology approaches to cancer management

Elucidating normal and cancer genome form and function

Translating approaches to the clinic

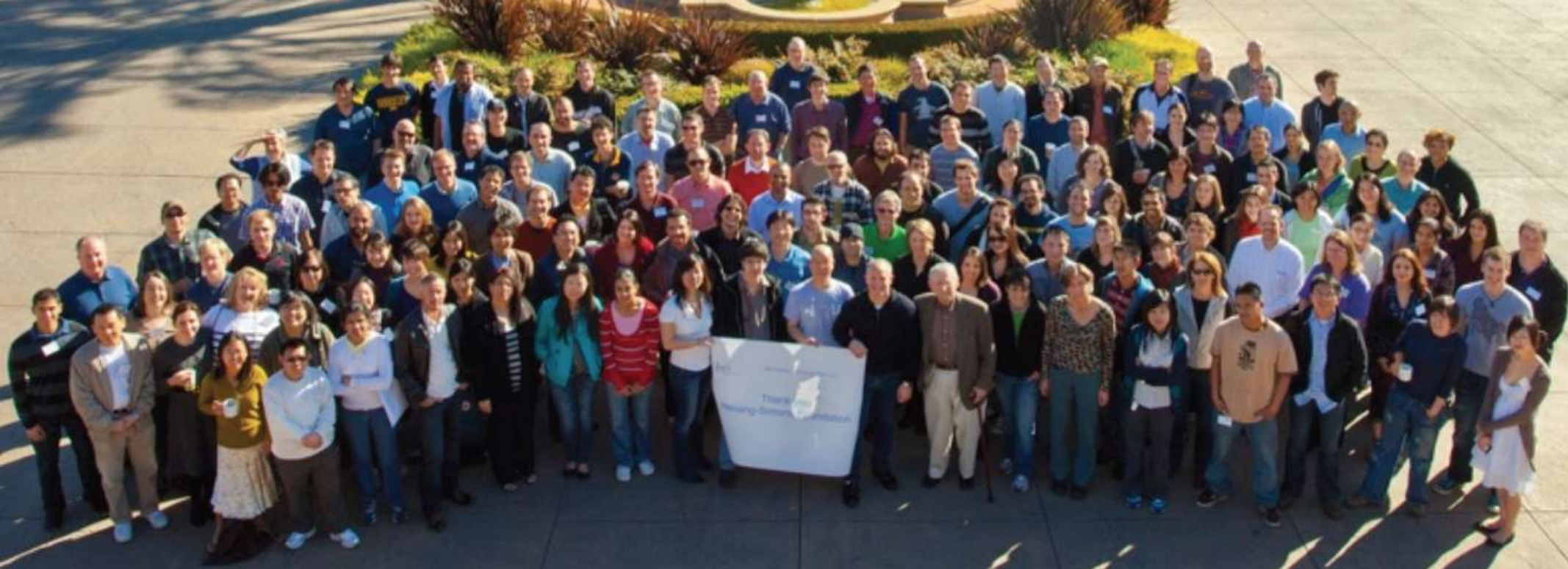
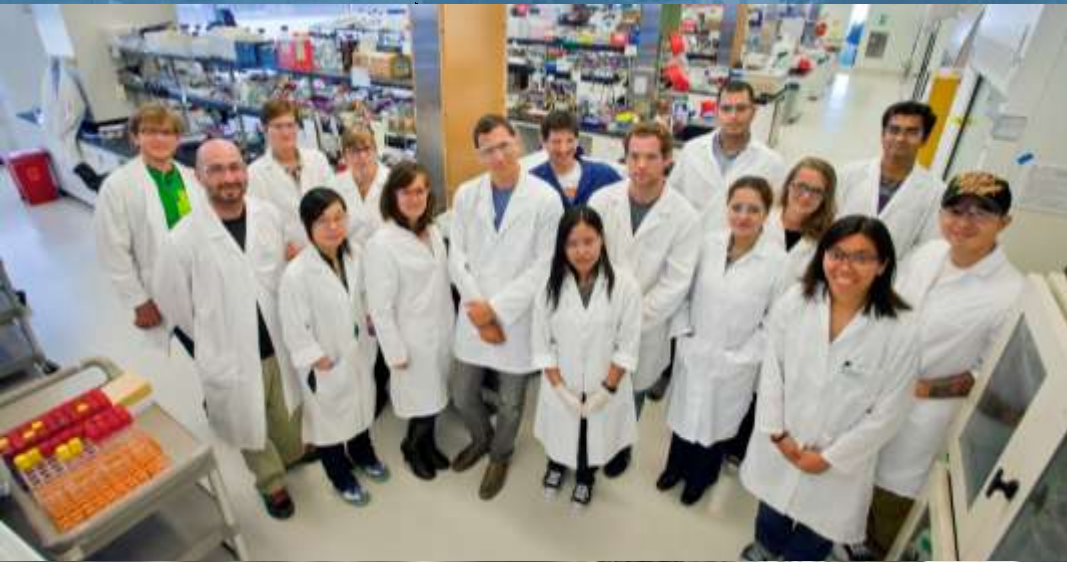


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Special People, Unique Facilities



Human Capital: Sustainability & Diversity



- **Recruiting a Chief Sustainability Officer**
- **Recruiting a new Manager of Diversity & Inclusion**
lbl.gov/Workplace/WFDO/
- **Women Scientist and Engineers group has grown, program has expanded**
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Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE)



2011: Christian Bauer, Feng Wang

2010: **Gavin Crooks**, **Trent Northen**

2009: Cecilia Aragon, Jeff Neaton, Sanjay Kumar

Congratulations to our 9 Early Career Award winners

Efficiency: Two big trends affecting cost of doing business



- **Pension and Health Benefit increases**
 - UC requires increased participation from employees and the lab
 - Cost of a person will increase above inflation in each of the next few years
 - With flat budget this will impact us
- **Modernization of business systems**
 - External peer reviews identified this as a major area for efficiency gains
 - HR recruitment and hiring system upgraded this year
 - Financial Management System modernization
 - Integration of databases

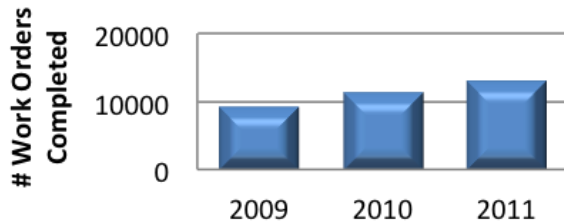
Process Improvements in Facilities



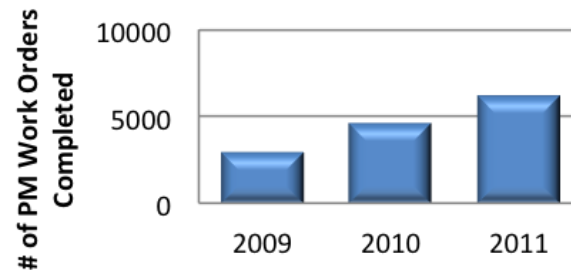
Facilities Performance Summary

- Work Output **↑** 41%
- Preventive Work **↑** 52%
- Backlog **↓** 70%
- Work Orders Completed On Time **↑** from 0% to 65%
- Work order lead time **↓** 54%
- Facilities budget **↓** \$3M

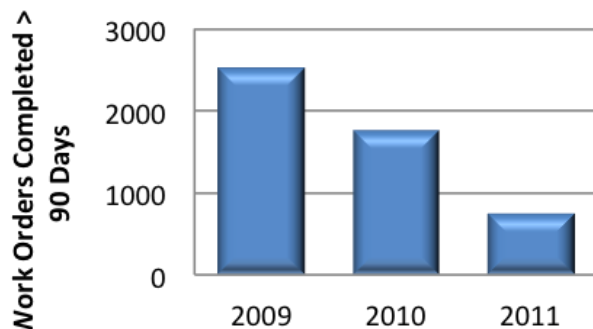
Maintenance Work Orders Completed



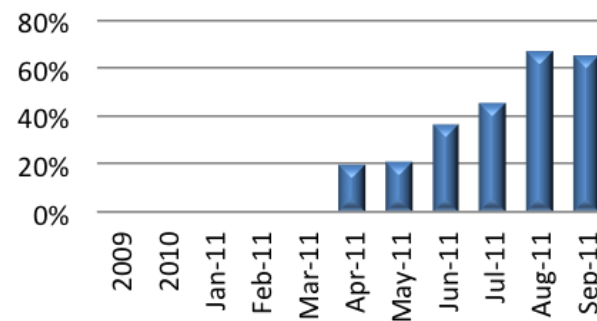
Proactive Maintenance



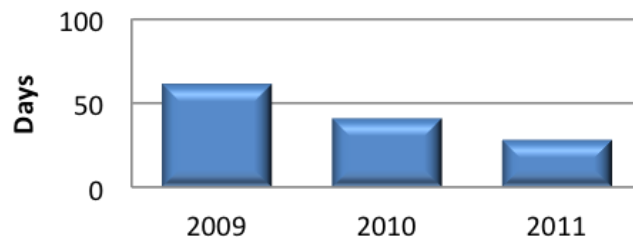
Backlog Reduction



Repair Work Completed On Time



Work Order Lead Time



Community Relations

– Receiving continued emphasis



- Community Advisory Group
- Science at The Theater
- Director's Letters to the Community
- Support for Community Projects
- East Bay Green Corridor
- Open House
- Public Tours
- “Cool Your School”

Next Step: Expanded science education program



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