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Ecosystems are the future!

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ASCR High Performance Computing and Networking Facilities

World leading capabilities spanning supercomputing, data analysis, data transport & testbeds



Argonne Leadership Computing Facility



Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility

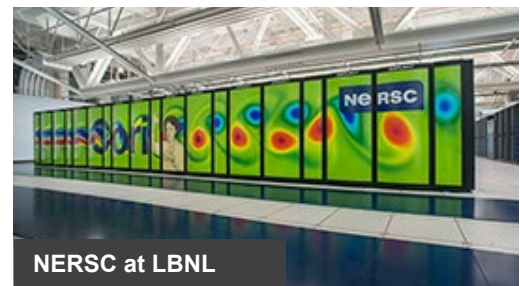
Leadership Computing: Extreme-scale resources for the nation

- ALCF and OLCF provide two HPC architectures for technological diversity
- ~3,000 users per year; multiple #1 Top500 rankings over program history
- Emphasis on science and technology applications that use full system capability
- Resources allocated predominantly by competitive merit review
- Current upgrade projects: OLCF-5 **Frontier** (2021) and ALCF-3 **Aurora** (2022)

Advancing U.S. Competitiveness

Every ASCR HPC system procurement includes R&D to drive innovation across the U.S. vendor community.

LCFs constitute a global competitive HPC advantage.



NERSC at LBNL

High Performance Production Computing: A dedicated SC resource

- NERSC's legacy of enabling DOE research with HPC stretches back to 1974
- ~8,000 users per year; NERSC also provides a 200 PB data storage archive
- Emphasis on support for the broadest set of science applications
- Resources allocated predominantly by SC Science Programs to their grantees
- Current upgrade project: NERSC-9 **Perlmutter** (2021)



ESnet, managed by LBNL

High Performance Networking: A superhighway for extreme-scale data

- Connects all DOE national laboratories and other DOE sites to global research networks, cloud providers, and the internet
- Many tens of thousands of individual users; ESnet provides DOE the ability to move massive data losslessly
- An open network with high capacity (400+ Gbps), low latency, and innovative services tuned for extreme-scale data
- Transmitted more than one Exabyte (one billion Gigabytes) in the last 12 months; ESnet Testbed enables open R&D
- Current upgrade project: **ESnet6** (2023), a Terabit-scale network with software programmable service orchestration

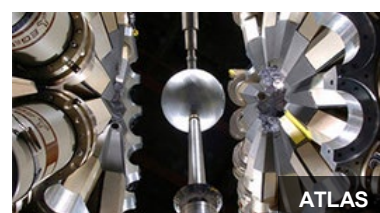
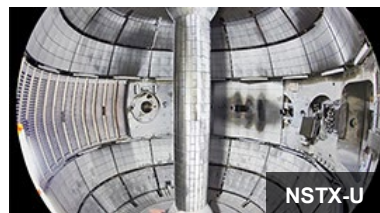
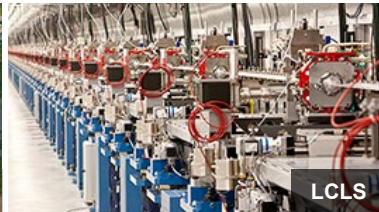
The people of the ASCR Facilities



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FY 2021
28 scientific
user facilities
36,000+ users




Acronym decoder at <https://science.osti.gov/User-Facilities>

On September 29 I presented my vision for the ASCR Facilities enterprise to the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee



The screenshot shows a YouTube video player with a presentation slide. The slide features the U.S. Department of Energy logo and the text 'Office of Science'. The title of the presentation is 'A Vision for the ASCR Facilities Enterprise', and it is for the 'Meeting of the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee' on 'September 29, 2021'. The presenter is 'Benjamin Brown, Ph.D.', from the 'Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research' and 'Office of Science'. The video player interface includes a progress bar at 1:23:33 / 3:51:06, a title 'ASCAC 2021-09-29 Full Video', 48 views, and a 'SUBSCRIBE' button for the channel 'ASCR ASCAC'.

PowerPoint Slide Show - [Brown ASCAC ASCR Facilities Vision 2021-09-29 v1rev.pptx] - PowerPoint

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A Vision for the ASCR Facilities Enterprise

Meeting of the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee
September 29, 2021


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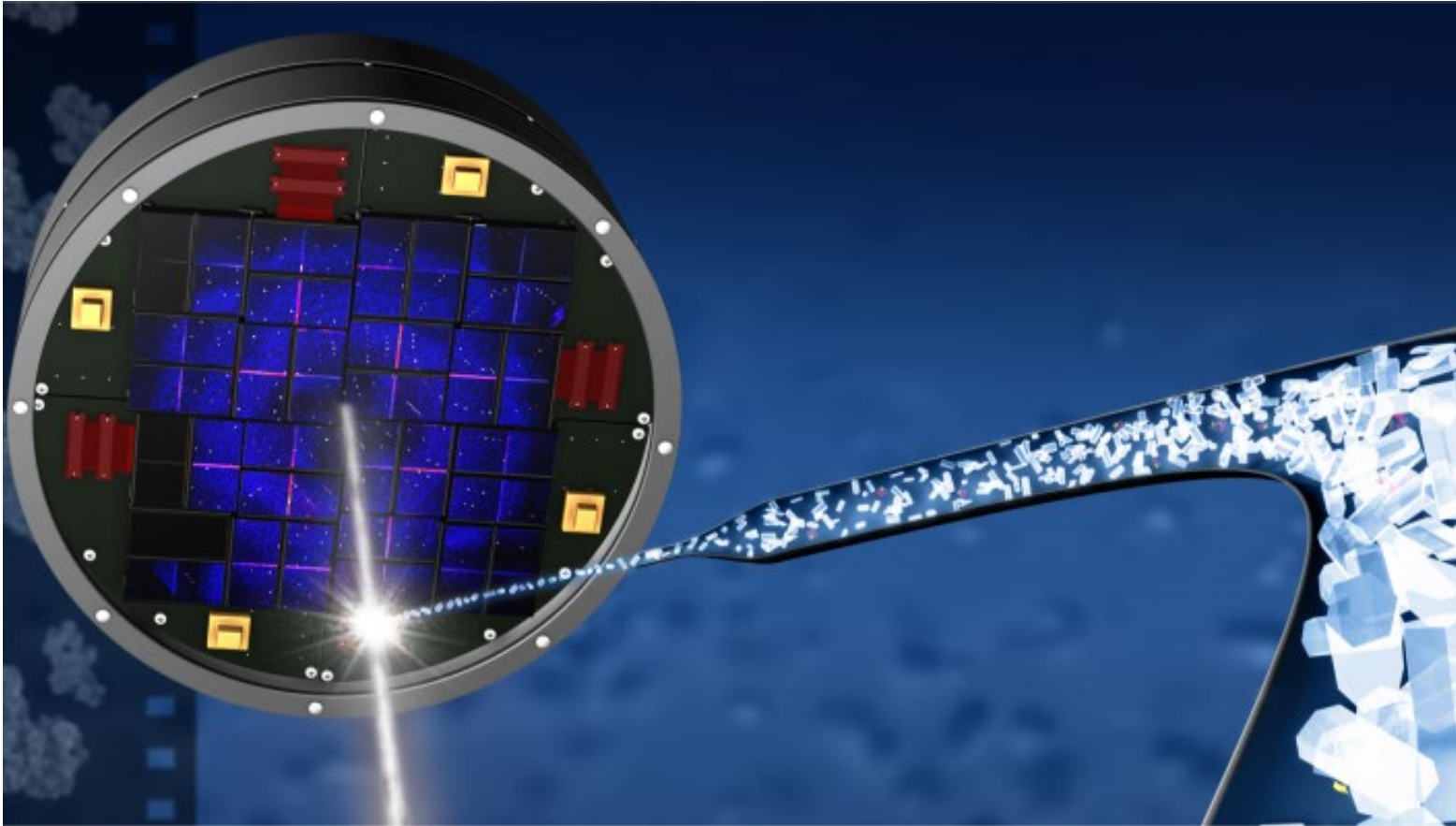
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September 2021 Meeting - day one.

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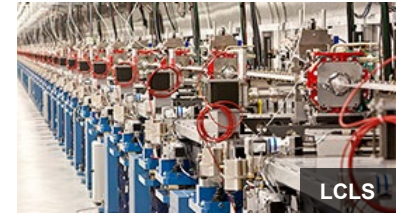
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A complex workflow addressing extraordinary national need

This artist's rendering depicts x-ray crystallography at SLAC's Linac Coherent Light Source. LCLS partnered with NERSC and ESnet to perform real-time image analysis for research of the SARS-CoV-2 virus structure.



SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory



Don't miss Bronson Messer's
COVID-19 HPC Consortium talk,
Thursday at 11:05am ET.



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Today we are entering not only the exascale era,
but also a new era of complexity in
advanced scientific computing.

Today the ASCR Facilities enterprise is contending with new complexity. We are entering a new era of advanced scientific computing.

The practice of science is evolving. Couplings between modeling/simulation, experimental/observational data, advanced algorithms, and AI/ML tools have the power to accelerate discovery and innovation.

Where we once focused on batch jobs and bulk data transfer, we now have [complex workflows](#).

Computing technology is evolving along multiple trajectories. General purpose computing is but one market segment. **Managing risk and opportunity in our hardware choices is increasingly complex.**

The [people](#) of the ASCR Facilities enterprise are making extraordinary impacts today; their expertise and efforts are sought by many. And yet many talented individuals do not participate.

Our workforce challenges are significant.

Institutions, programs, and researchers are under pressure to provide/obtain computing and data resources.

Our users, our partners, and we ourselves crave shared clarity of insight and intent.

Our challenge today is to confront this complexity and arrive at a strategy that maximizes the impact of ASCR, Office of Science, and DOE investments—to be greater than the sum of the parts.

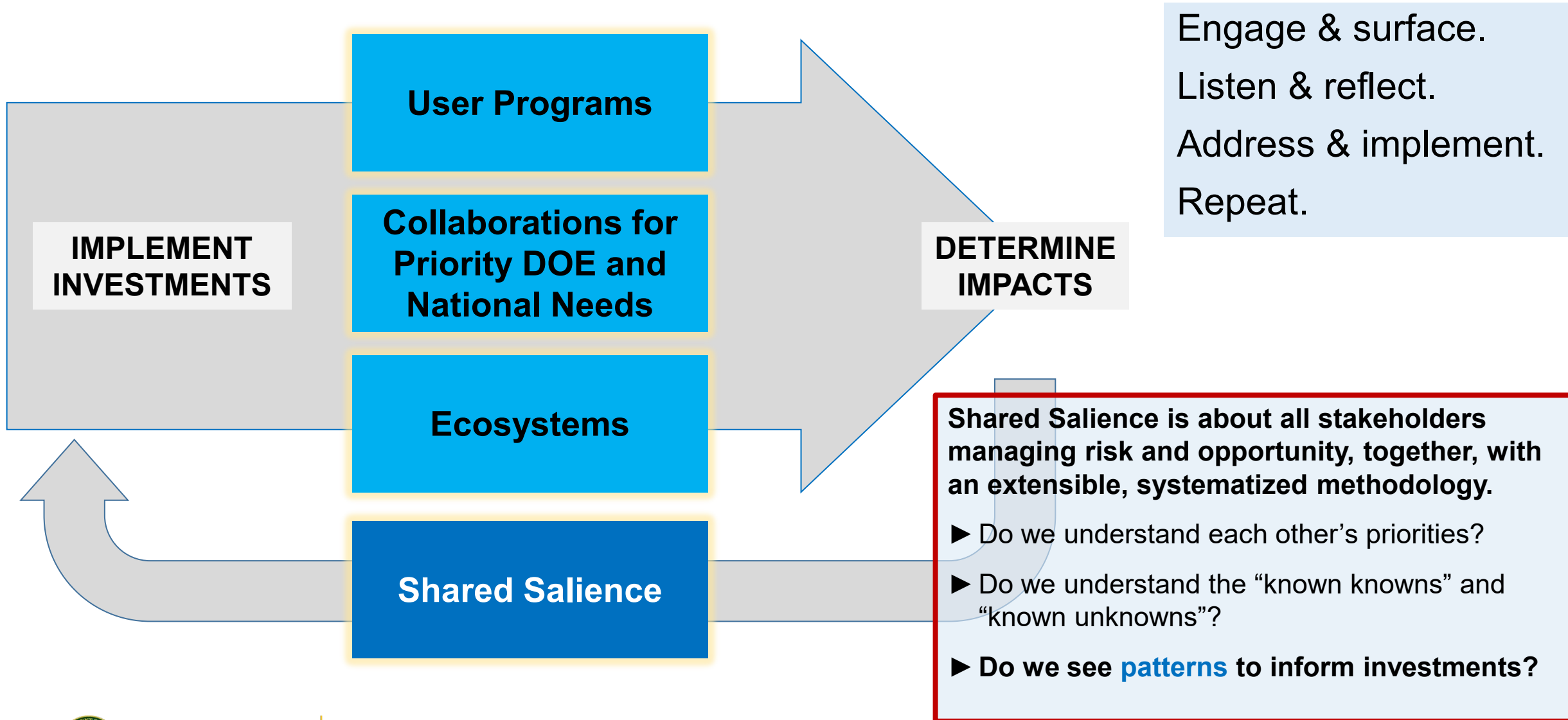
Vision for the ASCR Facilities: Thriving together

A complementary system of facilities, each thriving, each possessing agency, collectively driving innovation in advanced scientific computing across DOE and beyond.

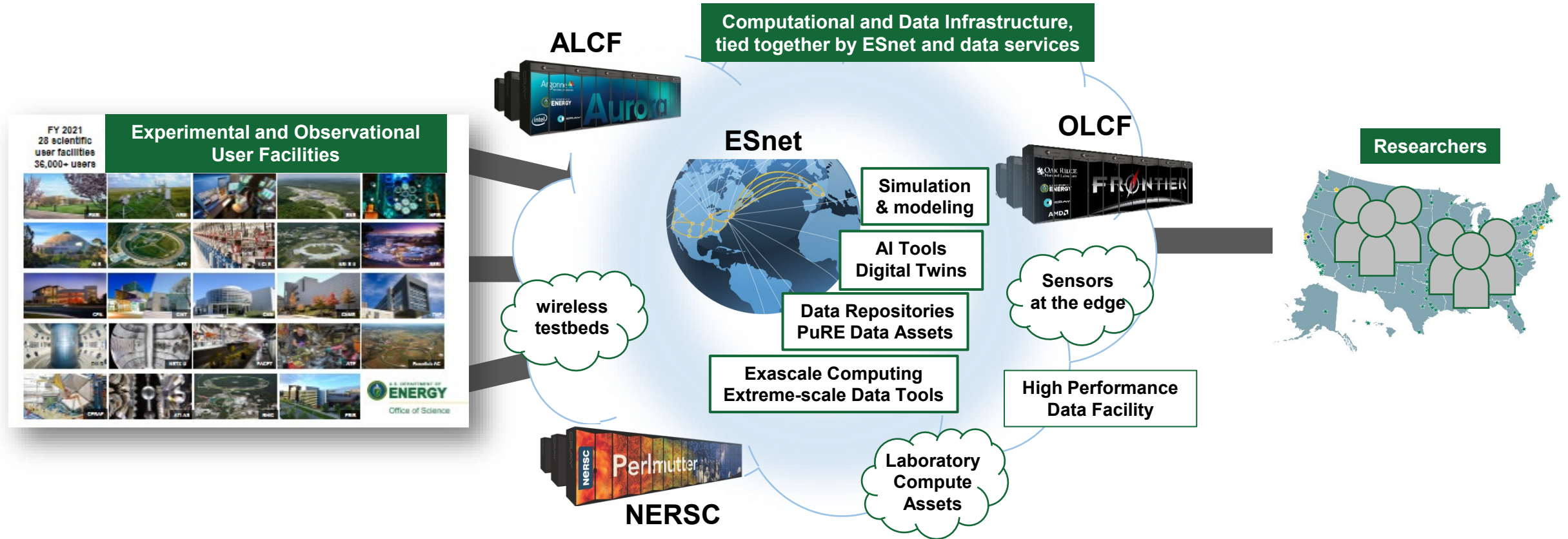
- ▶ Driving the state-of-the-art with the ASCR research and vendor communities
- ▶ Catalyzing discovery and innovation
- ▶ Responding to national needs
- ▶ Delivering on stakeholder priorities, with balance and equity
- ▶ Fostering scientific ecosystems
- ▶ Broadening the diversity of individual, institutional, and domain participation
- ▶ Demonstrating excellence in project management and operations

... a system in which we (HQ & Facilities) manage enterprise risk and opportunity together and facilitate our stakeholders' abilities to do so effectively.

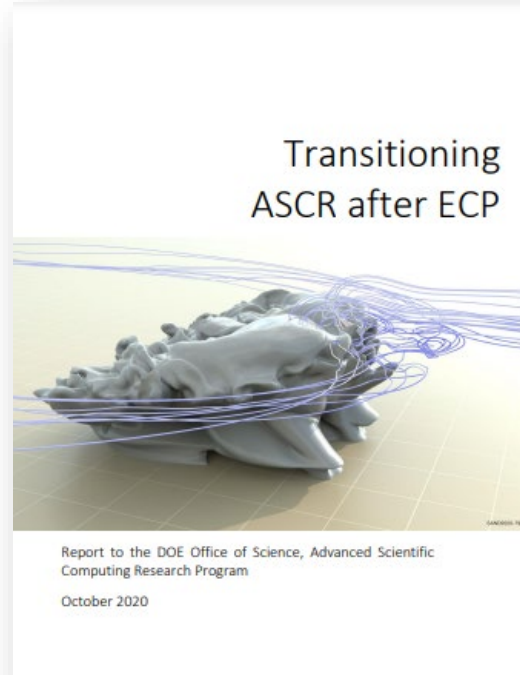
Vision for the ASCR Facilities: How we will thrive together



Incipient ecosystem: Office of Science User Facilities



Incipient ecosystem: Scientific software



“ECP has created a well-designed software ecosystem for development, curation, and distribution of exascale systems and application software. This ecosystem integrates the fruits of years of basic research in: mathematics, computer science, applications, and systems software.

In particular, the ecosystem greatly reduces barriers for ASCR fundamental research maturation and impactful delivery at the facilities and with users. Several of our recommendations focus on realizing the potential of this new ecosystem.”

The Importance of Stewardship and Sustainability of Research Software in the Office of Science

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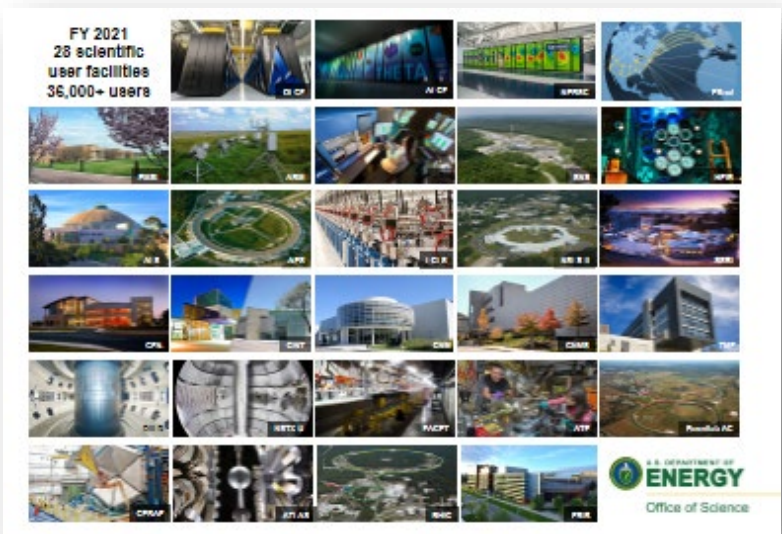
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The arc of DOE history
bends towards ecosystems.

The DOE National Laboratories evolve to become more open, exemplified by open-access scientific user facilities

DOE Era 2



Office of Science Laboratories

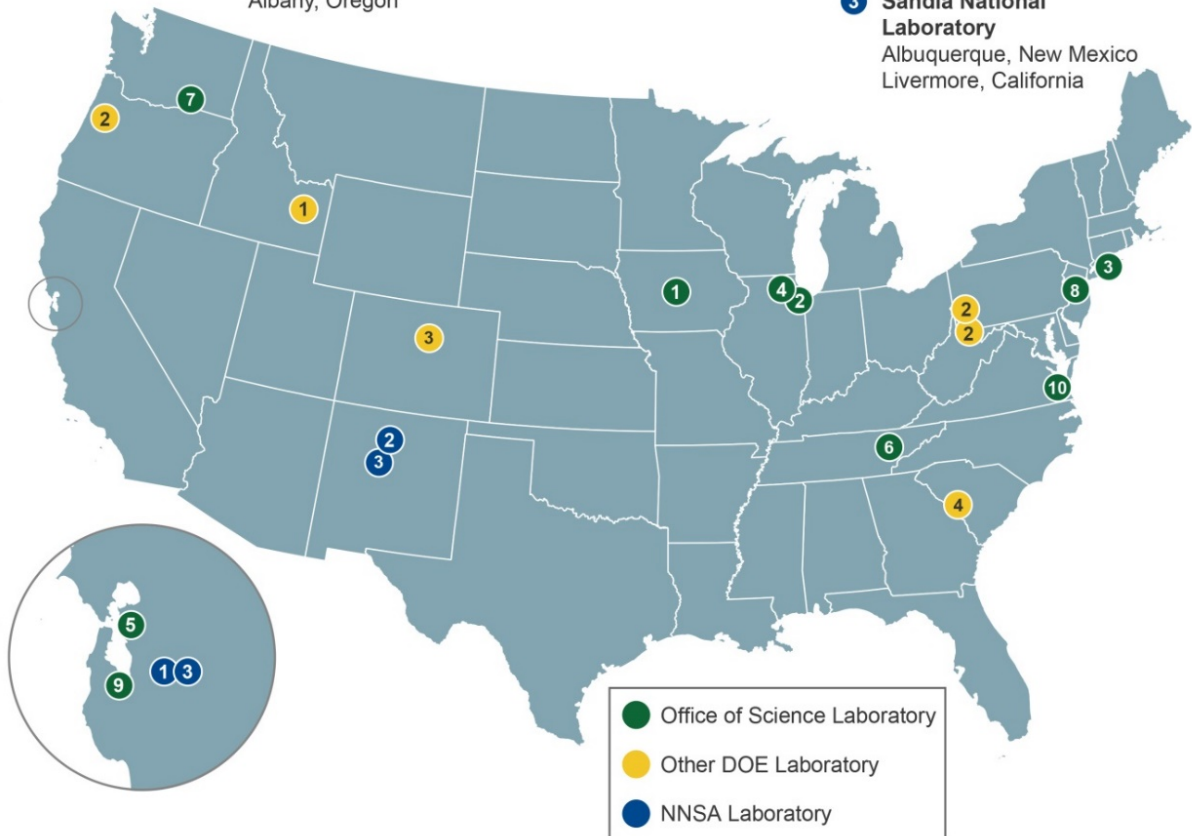
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Ames, Iowa
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Argonne, Illinois
- 3 Brookhaven National Laboratory
Upton, New York
- 4 Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
Batavia, Illinois
- 5 Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
Berkeley, California
- 6 Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
- 7 Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Richland, Washington
- 8 Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory
Princeton, New Jersey
- 9 SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
Menlo Park, California
- 10 Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility
Newport News, Virginia

Other DOE Laboratories

- 1 Idaho National Laboratory
Idaho Falls, Idaho
- 2 National Energy Technology Laboratory
Morgantown, West Virginia
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Albany, Oregon
- 3 National Renewable Energy Laboratory
Golden, Colorado
- 4 Savannah River National Laboratory
Aiken, South Carolina

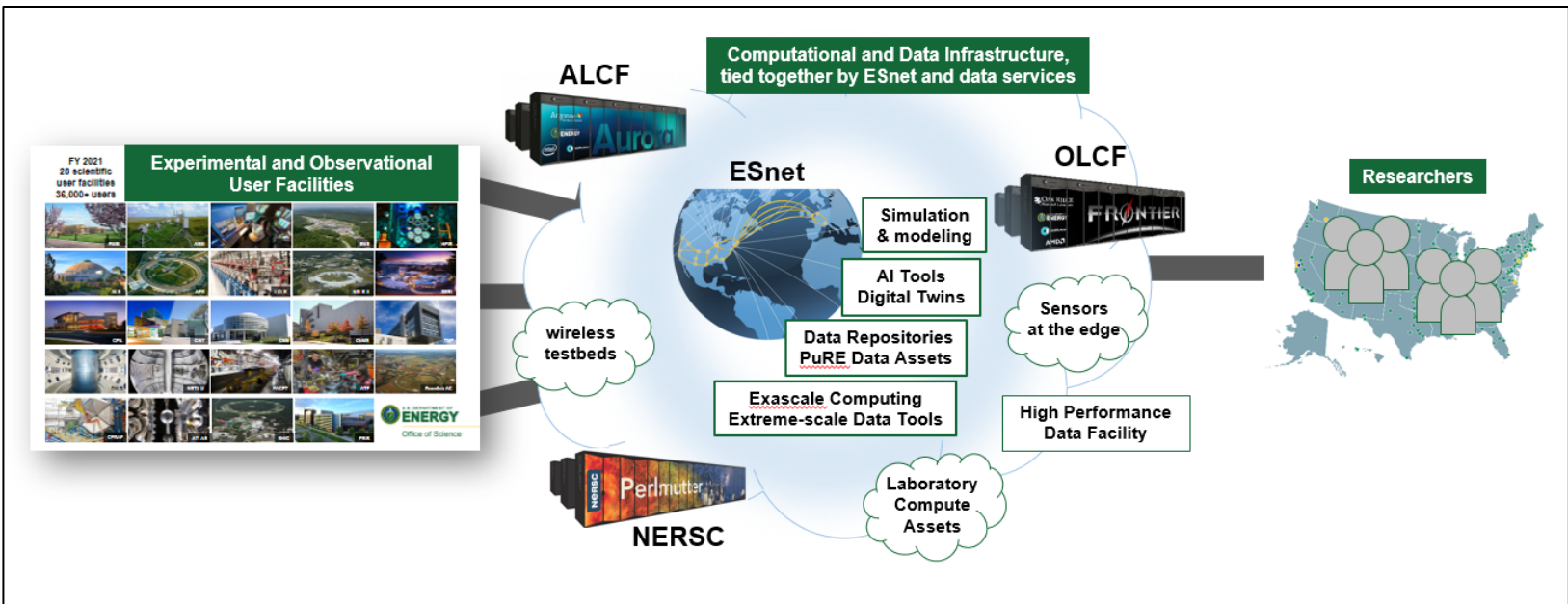
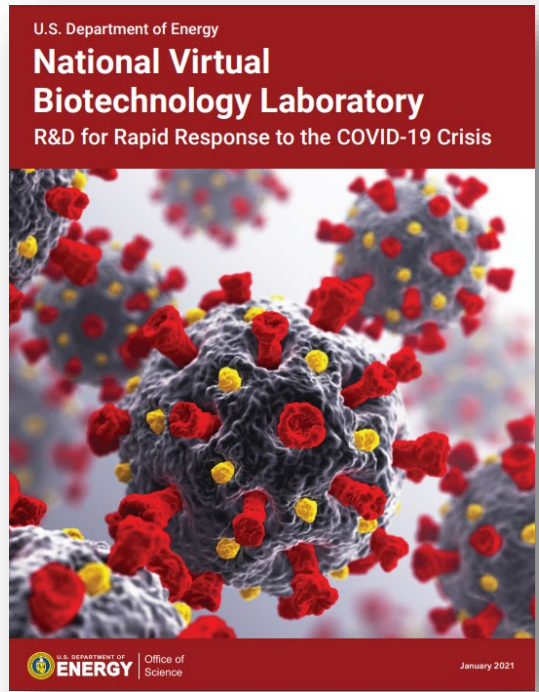
NNSA Laboratories

- 1 Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Livermore, California
- 2 Los Alamos National Laboratory
Los Alamos, New Mexico
- 3 Sandia National Laboratory
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Livermore, California



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The national laboratories will become an open innovation ecosystem of research platforms, connected together



DOE's next Era

Let's see how far we can go together.

