



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**



# Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL)

*An Enduring DOE Mission*

Savannah River Site

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# SRNL at a Glance



## Savannah River National Laboratory Lab-at-a-Glance

**Location:** Aiken, SC

**Type:** Multi-program Laboratory

**Contractor:** Battelle Savannah River Alliance, LLC

**Responsible Site Office:** Savannah River Site

**Website:** [srnl.doe.gov](http://srnl.doe.gov)

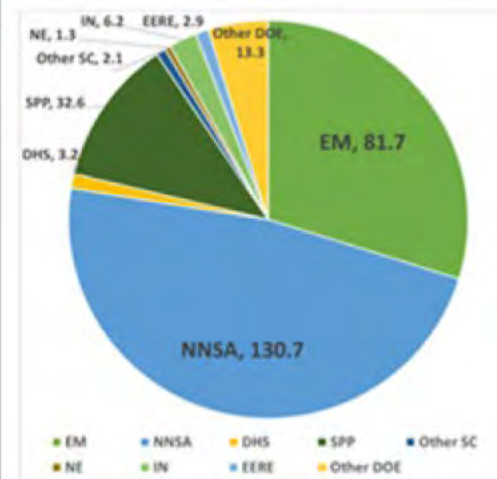
### Physical Assets:

- 750,000 sq. ft., 59 buildings
- Replacement Plant Value: \$2B
- 63,000 sq. ft. in Leased Facilities

### Human Capital:

- ~1060 Full Time Equivalent Employees (FTEs)
- ~5 Joint Appointments
- ~45 Postdoctoral Researchers
- ~50 Undergraduate Students

### FY 2021 Costs by Funding Source: *(Cost Data in \$M):*



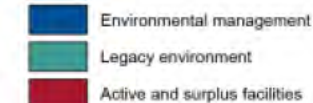
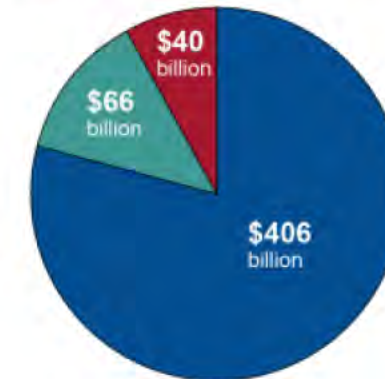
SRNL executed \$348M in FY21 - \$274M in Program execution and \$74M for facility operations and maintenance costs



The Laboratory mission is to conduct basic and applied research and development (R&D) to advance scientific knowledge, to protect the Nation's energy resources, national security, environmental quality and human health, and to strengthen educational foundations and national economic competitiveness.

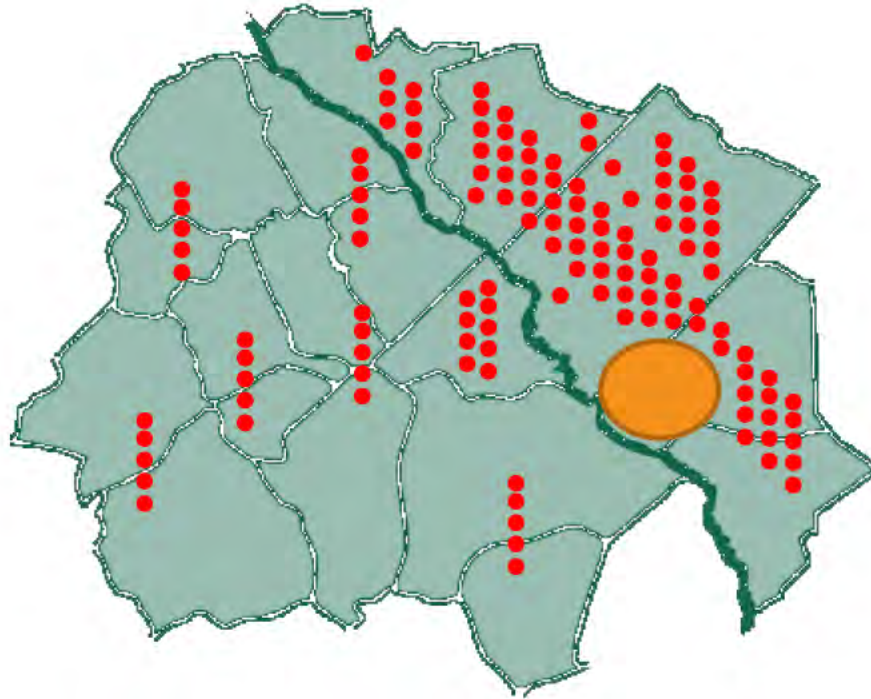
- DOE programs are carried out in partnership with other DOE National Laboratories, academia, government agencies, the international scientific community, and the private sector.
- The Laboratory's Contractor will seek to advance the frontiers of science and technology through broad interdisciplinary R&D programs that answer fundamental questions, solve technical problems (locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally), and support the development and application of technologies to address societal needs.

DOE's Environmental Liability, by Category (Fiscal Year 2020)



Source: GAO analysis of DOE financial data. | GAO-21-585R

Note: "Legacy environment" liability includes long-term management of sites after cleanup is complete. "Active and surplus facilities" liability includes future deactivation and decommissioning of DOE facilities.

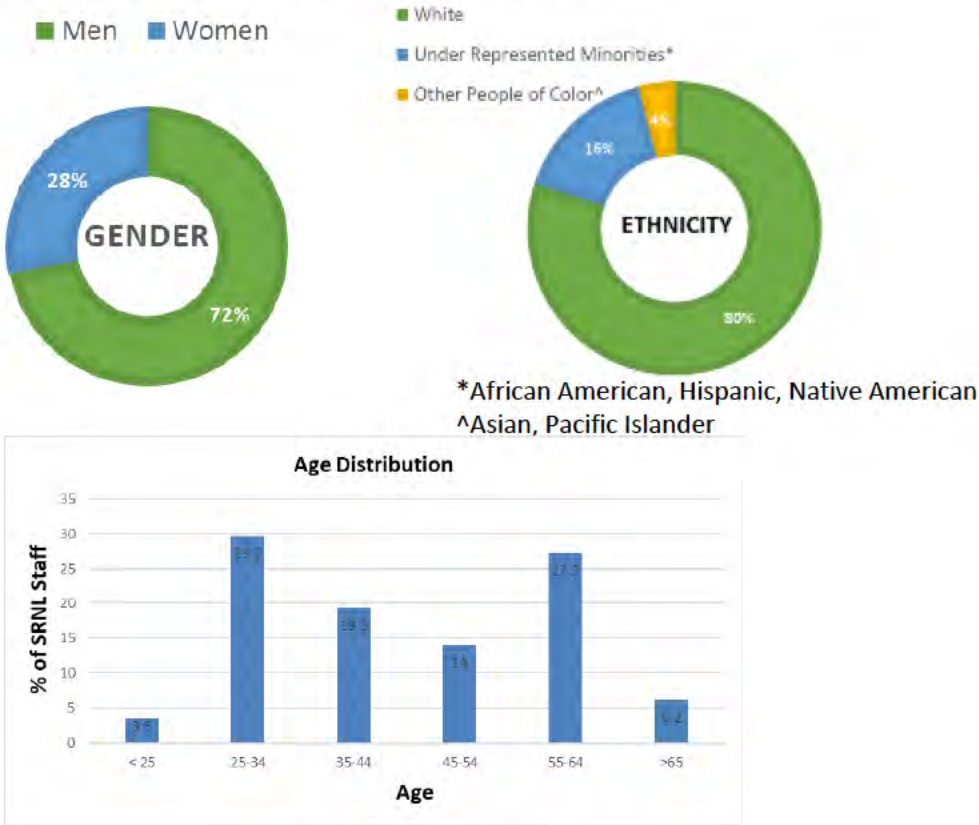


Central Savannah River Area (CSRA)

- Over 400 new staff in past 2 years
  - Average age down to 45
  - Several strategic hires
- Revitalized Post Doc program
  - ~ 30 Post Docs
  - Established Eisenhower post doc program
  - Process for conversion to staff
- Established Laboratory Fellow program
- Mentoring, personnel development, and recognition
- Recruitment of strategic positions



## SRNL BSRA Workforce Demographics



- **Utilization of EM Minority Serving Institutions Partnership Program**
- **Director's Office Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee**

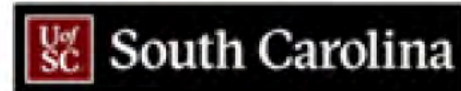


**Locations new employees moved from over past two years**

- On December 22, 2020, DOE awarded the SRNL Management and Operations (M&O) contract to Battelle Savannah River Alliance (BSRA)
- On June 21, 2021, BSRA assumed operation of the Laboratory



## SRNL Management & Operations: University Partners



### **Major Mission Roles:**

- **Environmental Management**
- **National Security**
- **Science Discovery**
- **Energy Security**
- **Legacy Management**



- Provide science and technology expertise that enables site cleanup and closure decisions to have a sound, scientific basis
  - Expand the deployment of innovative technologies and practical solutions that substantially reduce lifecycle cost, accelerate schedule, and reduce risk to achieve optimal end states with DOE environmental cleanup
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| Reduce Schedule and Lifecycle Cost of EM Cleanup                | • Partner with Sites and other National Laboratories to provide technical expertise to develop, test, and evaluate program approaches       |
| Enable Future Nuclear Materials Management                      | • Develop and deploy innovative approaches to nuclear chemical process engineering and nuclear materials management                         |
| Define Optimal and Sustainable Site End States                  | • Utilizing the lab's expertise, develop sound technical bases for end states   |
| Develop, Enhance, and Sustain the Capabilities and Competencies | • Develop strategic partnerships with academia, government agencies, and industry   |
| Develop the Next Generation of Scientists and Engineers         | • Lead EM's Minority Serving Institutions Partnership Program; partner with academia to leverage programs that support the future workforce |



- Support the nuclear deterrent, reduce global nuclear threats, and expand scientific knowledge and application to execute NNSA and DOE missions and strategic objectives

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## Defense Programs

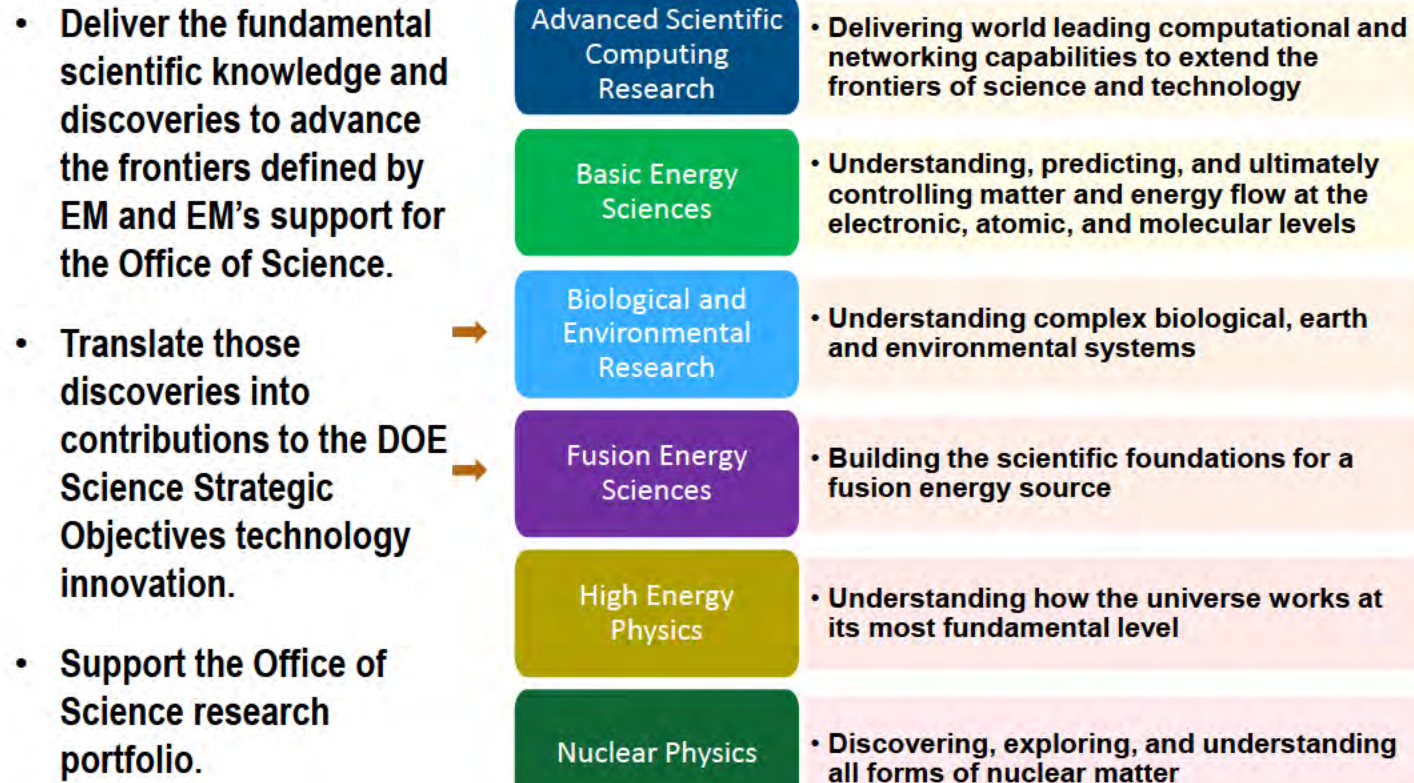
- Supports a robust nuclear weapons stockpile through support to the weapon design agencies for reservoir development and testing of components to ensure stockpile safety and reliability;
- Perform tritium R&D and provide technical support to the tritium mission

## Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation

- Develop nuclear proliferation detection and security technologies;
- Remove and support the disposal of excess weapons-usable nuclear material from both foreign and domestic stockpiles

## Production Modernization

- Provide technical support to the Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility project and the pit production mission through technology evaluation, training and workforce development, and interfacing Weapons Design Agencies on processes and product quality





- Advance the DOE goals and objectives by supporting prudent development, deployment, and efficient use of “energy strategies” that also create new jobs and industries;
- Support a more economically competitive, environmentally responsible, secure and resilient U.S. energy infrastructure.

## Advanced Manufacturing

- Incorporate discoveries in advanced manufacturing to advance EM cleanup and contribute to regional and national economic growth

## Electrical Grid Security

- Provide innovative solutions to increase electrical network security, reliability and resiliency by advancing SRNL's regional partnership with Clemson's e-Grid

## Integrated Energy Technology

- Integrate energy technology for a variety of platforms and systems, for renewable energy technologies and national security applications

**Contribute to LM science and technology needs, including:**

- **Optimizing long term monitoring and surveillance;**
- **Developing more cost effective and efficient groundwater treatment systems for completing remediation.**

## Sustainably Isolating Residual Contamination Sources

- Provide reliable segregation of residual contaminant sources from the surrounding environment to limit releases and to reduce human and environmental risks

## Sustainably Attenuating Contamination in the Environment

- Develop the technical basis for attenuation-based remedies that reduce the mobility, toxicity, mass and/or volume of DOE LM contaminants in the environment

## Developing Beneficial and Alternative End States

- Identify end state options that provide a high level of protection to humans and the environment while providing collateral benefits to stakeholders

## Advancing Long Term Monitoring Paradigms and Technologies








- Develop monitoring strategies/technologies that reduce costs and provide improved actional information, focusing on leading indicators of potential problems



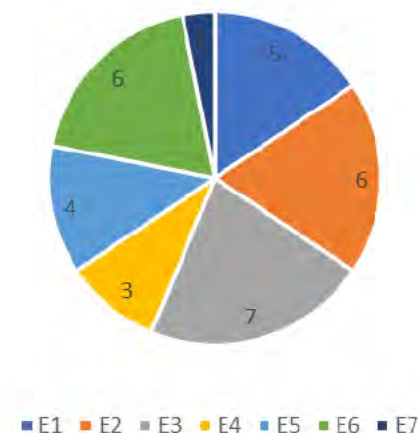
- SRNL must expand the laboratory's expertise from our current four core competencies to seven in order to meet the needs of our key sponsors including Environmental Management, Legacy Management, National Nuclear Security Administration
- This will require programmatic expansion with associated increase of personnel in areas of artificial intelligence, machine learning, modeling and simulation, geochemistry, functional biology, advanced manufacturing, functional materials, cyber security, supply chain security, sensors and advanced electronics, intelligence and policy analysis, fusion science, and neutron science.
- The BSRA university partners will play a key role in providing, students, postdocs, and faculty to enhance SRNL's workforce.
- Critical functions for SRNL (all other areas).



## Distribution of FY22 Projects: Core Competencies

	Accelerating remediation, minimizing waste, & reducing risks	\$1.748M Investment in 5 Projects
	Enabling next-generation nuclear materials processing & disposition	\$1.540M Investment in 6 Projects
	Creating manufacturing solutions for EM, NNSA, and energy security	\$2.215M Investment in 7 Projects
	Assuring production & supply of strategic materials & components	\$0.667M Investment in 3 Projects
	Sensing, characterizing, assessing and deterring nuclear proliferation	\$0.920M Investment in 4 Projects
	Engineering new materials & their applications with data-driven modeling & simulation	\$1.170M Investment in 6 Projects
	Securing connected control systems & associated data	\$0.200M Investment in 1 Projects

FY22 Project Distribution

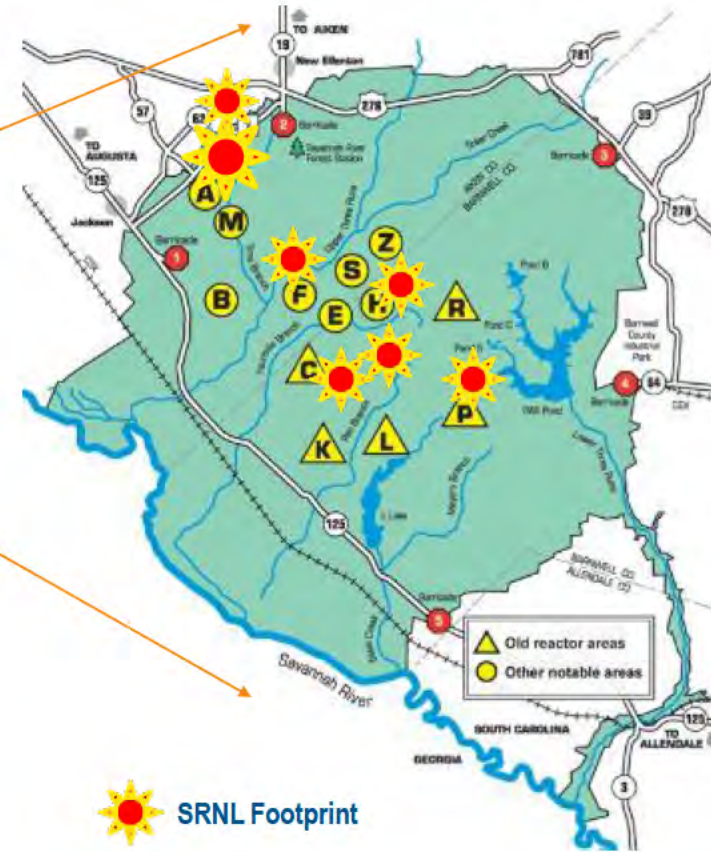


\*\*Projects may support multiple competencies.\*\*





# SRNL and Savannah River Site





## Our Safety Record

# Savannah River National Laboratory



# National and International

## Ground broken on Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative at USC Aiken campus

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SEP 17, 2021



Ground breaking for the Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative at USC Aiken. From left to right: USC Aiken President, USC Aiken Vice President for Academic Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for Operations, USC Aiken Vice President for Financial Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for Student Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for External Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for Information Technology, USC Aiken Vice President for Legal Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for Human Resources, USC Aiken Vice President for Facilities, USC Aiken Vice President for Environmental Health and Safety, USC Aiken Vice President for Compliance, USC Aiken Vice President for Quality, USC Aiken Vice President for Risk Management, USC Aiken Vice President for Sustainability, USC Aiken Vice President for Community Engagement, USC Aiken Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, USC Aiken Vice President for Global Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for International Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Public Affairs, USC Aiken Vice President for Media Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Government Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Industry Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Academic Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Student Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Alumni Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Development, USC Aiken Vice President for Foundation, USC Aiken Vice President for Advancement, USC Aiken Vice President for Marketing, USC Aiken Vice President for Communications, USC Aiken Vice President for Public Relations, USC Aiken Vice President for Social Media, USC Aiken Vice President for Digital Marketing, USC Aiken Vice President for Analytics, USC Aiken Vice President for Research, USC Aiken Vice President for Innovation, USC Aiken Vice President for Entrepreneurship, USC Aiken Vice President for Venture Capital, USC Aiken Vice President for Private Equity, USC Aiken Vice President for Real Estate, USC Aiken Vice President for Construction, USC Aiken Vice President for Infrastructure, USC Aiken Vice President for Transportation, USC Aiken Vice President for Energy, USC Aiken Vice President for Environment, USC Aiken Vice President for Natural Resources, USC Aiken Vice President for Agriculture, USC Aiken Vice President for Forestry, USC Aiken Vice President for Fisheries, USC Aiken Vice President for Wildlife, USC Aiken Vice President for Parks and Recreation, USC Aiken Vice President for Cultural Heritage, USC Aiken Vice President for Arts and Culture, USC Aiken Vice President for Sports and Recreation, USC Aiken Vice President for Health and Wellness, USC Aiken Vice President for Education, USC Aiken Vice President for Training, USC Aiken Vice President for Professional Development, USC Aiken Vice President for Leadership, USC Aiken Vice President for Management, USC Aiken Vice President for Business, USC Aiken Vice President for Industry, USC Aiken Vice President for Government, USC Aiken Vice President for Academia, USC Aiken Vice President for Society, USC Aiken Vice President for Community, USC Aiken Vice President for Humanity, USC Aiken Vice President for Planet, USC Aiken Vice President for Future.

## US affirms new interpretation for high-level nuclear waste

### By U.S. to help rid Norway of HEU

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### ACS announces fall 2022 election slate

Mary K. Carroll and Roberto Hernandez announced their 2022 ACS slate.

by ACS Board, Sept 1, 2021

The American Chemical Society (ACS) announced today its 2022 slate of officers and directors. The slate was announced at the ACS Board of Directors meeting on September 1, 2021.

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### NNSA remove plutonium from IAEA Nuclear Material Laboratory

5 April 2022

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The US Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) has announced the removal of plutonium from the International Atomic Energy Agency's (IAEA) Nuclear Material Laboratory (NML) in Seibersdorf, Austria, at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL).

The removal of this excess nuclear material from the NML will ensure that the IAEA can maintain its facilities to support nuclear verification and nonproliferation activities.

The plutonium included in this shipment represents approximately 15 years of accumulated surplus from inspection samples collected in support of the IAEA's safeguards mission.

Technical experts from the US ORNL and Savannah River National Laboratory worked with a team from the IAEA for several years to complete all activities required for the safe and secure transportation of the material to the USA.

### New Savannah River Center to focus on Secure Nuclear Energy, Nonproliferation

10 September 2021



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## Savannah River National Lab opens satellite lab at Georgia Cyber Center



- \$50M Investment by DOE
- Adds approximately 59,000 square feet to the SRNL facilities
- Located on University of South Carolina-Aiken Campus
- Enables SRNL to integrate and exploit the unique attributes of national laboratories, commercial entities and educational institutions to stimulate innovative thinking, foster modern industrial practices, adapt **advanced manufacturing** technology and train the future workforce to accomplish DOE missions.
- Provides 15,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of non-radiological laboratory space
- Occupancy in 2024





