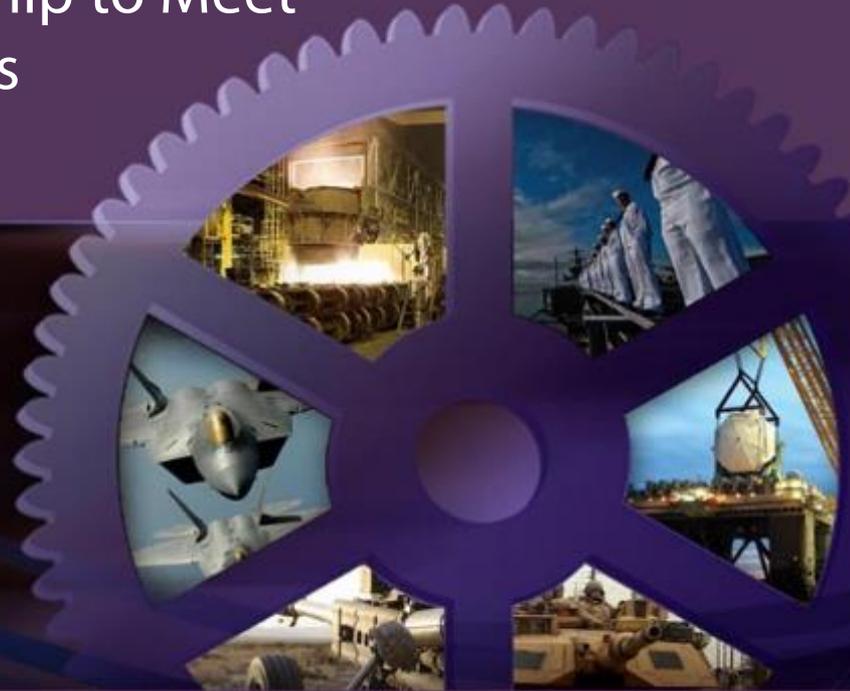


RFT Manufacturing Innovation Institute – A New Industry/Government Partnership to Meet Future Defense and Commercial Needs

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Defense-Wide Manufacturing Science & Technology (DMS&T) Program

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AFFOA Mission

The AFFOA logo features the word "affoa" in a bold, lowercase, sans-serif font. The letter "o" is replaced by a circular icon containing a grid pattern.

THE FABRIC REVOLUTION FROM FIBER DEVICES TO FABRIC SYSTEMS

MOORE'S LAW FOR FIBERS - Fibers that have the functionality of semiconductor devices yet are produced at fiber lengths, uniformity and cost.

FABRICS AS A SERVICE - Fabrics that see, hear, sense, communicate, store and convert energy, regulate temperature, monitor health and change color.





AFFOA At-A-Glance



The Fabric Revolution: From Fiber Devices to Fabric Systems

MOORE'S LAW FOR FIBERS

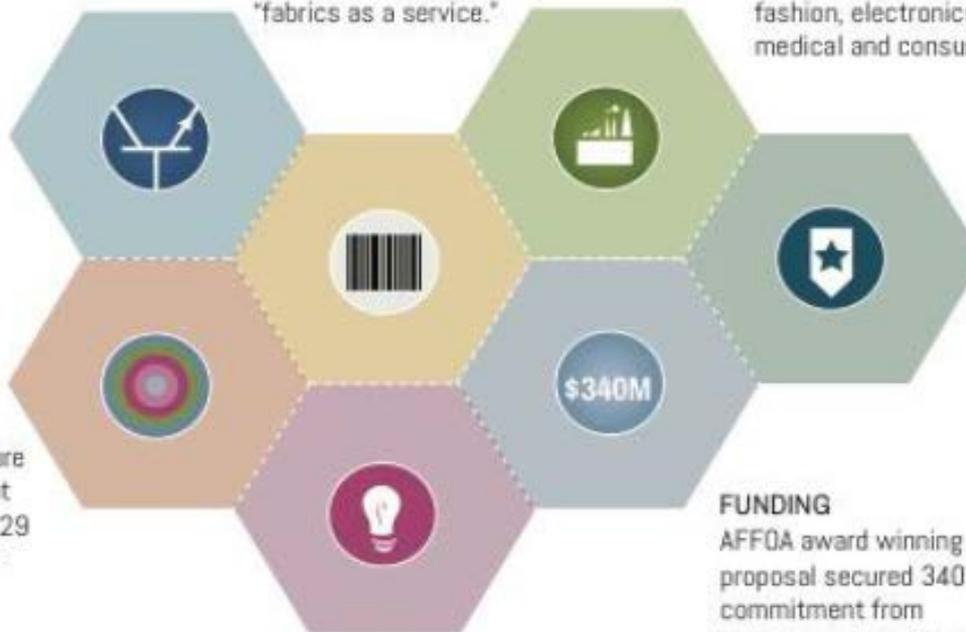
The world's largest cache of fiber device intellectual property enabling the first technology and manufacturing roadmap for advanced fabrics.

PRODUCT

AFFOA is a product oriented manufacturing institute delivering "fabrics as a service."

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT

AFFOA is funded by industry to accelerate introduction of revolutionary fabric products across industries from materials to apparel, fashion, electronics, transportation, defense, medical and consumer good sectors.



FABRIC INNOVATION NETWORK (FIN)

A collaborative infrastructure of 100 prototyping and pilot manufacturing facilities in 29 states spanning the entire connected fabric manufacturing: CAD, fiber devices, textiles, system integration.

GOVERNMENT

AFFOA works closely with government partners, specifically the DoD to deliver revolutionary fabric products to the benefit of our men and women in uniform.

FABRIC DISCOVERY CENTERS (FDCs)

A national network of centers combining advanced fabric start-up incubators with end-to-end prototype facilities with education and work force development.

FUNDING

AFFOA award winning proposal secured 340M in commitment from industry, universities and state governments to fuel the AFFOA manufacturing innovation engine.





AFFOA Leadership: Industry, Academia, and Government

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Govt PM

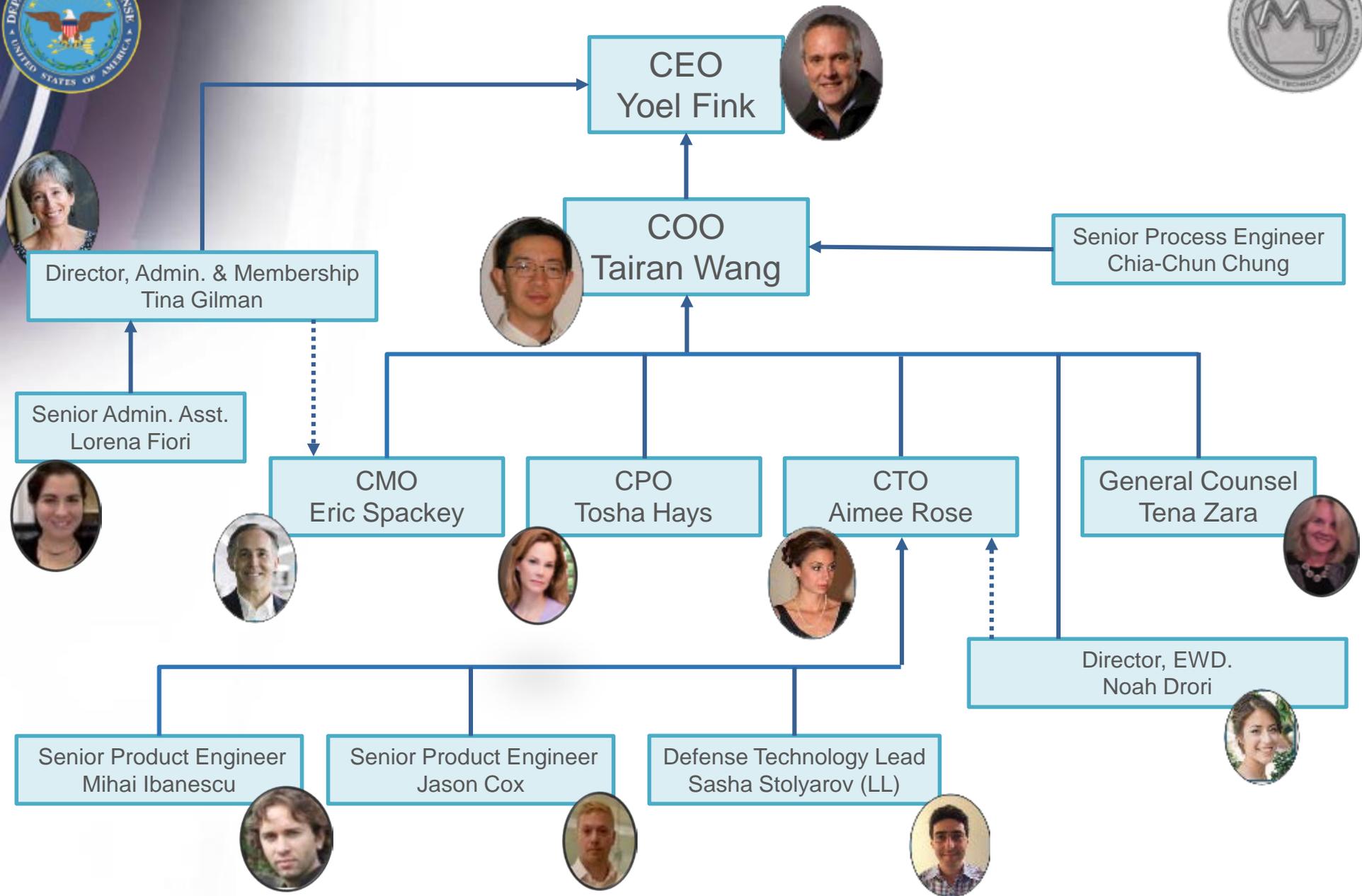


Tracy Frost
Director, DoD
MfgUSA Institutes



Phil Singerman
Assoc Director,
NIST

AFFOA Team: Institute HQ



AFFOA Membership



Membership Accrual 110 SIGNED AGREEMENTS

Startup/NPO (43)



AAFA
AFMA
American Boronite
APJet
ATACAMA
Ben Franklin Tech Partners
Bioteotix
Biowear
BK Accelerator
Blue Export Group
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Brrr!
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Force Fibers
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Glocal Network
IFAI
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Loomia
Ministry of Supply
Nanocomp Technologies
Nanowear
Nashville Fashion Alliance
NCTO
Parent Technology Group
Principled Design
Protect the Force
Rebel
Reserved Studio
SEAMS Association
Solielle Design Studio
TexDel
Textile Instruments
Uwila Warrior
Veil Intimates
Vorbeck
WETESO
WiseWear

Academic (26)



Carnegie Mellon
Clemson University
Drexel University
FIT
Indiana University Bloomington
Iowa State University
MassMEP
MIT
Manufacturing Solutions Center
NC State University
Ohio State University
Pennsylvania State University
Philadelphia University
RISD
TCC at Gaston
Thomas Jefferson University
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UMass Lowell
University of Central Florida
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University of Maine
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University of Texas at Austin
Virginia Tech

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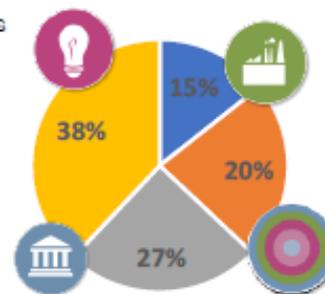


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Renfro Corporation
RTI International
Saab Barracuda
Sage Automotive
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Triton Systems
Warwick Mills

Industry (16)



ADS
Analog Devices
Cintas
Corning
DuPont
Gap
Highland Industries
Lear
Lubrizol Advanced Materials
New Balance Athletics
Nike
PVH
Saint-Gobain
Steelcase/DesignTex
VFC
Sumitomo Chemical





Institute Membership, cont.



The Model Member

AFFOA members have one thing in common, they understand the need to innovate, leveraging the access and connectivity of a robust ecosystem...

- Effective POC, actively engaged, forward thinking
 - Management support
 - Committed to manufacturing in US
 - Recognizes market is changing
- Understands growth will come through collaboration



Industry

Accelerating product
Access to IP
Domestic supply chain



FIN

Business dev.
Access to new tech
Job creation
Workforce dev.



Startup

Access to market
Strategic investors
Rapid prototyping



Academia

Transitioning IP to product
Education
Job creation
Leadership

Low “barrier to entry” model

Basic membership principles:

Simple 1-2 page agreement

“No more tiers”

AFFOA developed a profile of a “model member” for each member category which is being used in recruitment efforts.



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Technical and Product Strategy





Technical Strategy



IP Derived Roadmap

IDENTIFY

Geographically distributed IP in fibers, fabrics and textiles

CLASSIFY

Core IP Capabilities (CIC)
e.g. Antennas, Batteries, Color Change, FR, Antimicrobial, Heating/cooling

PRIORITIZE

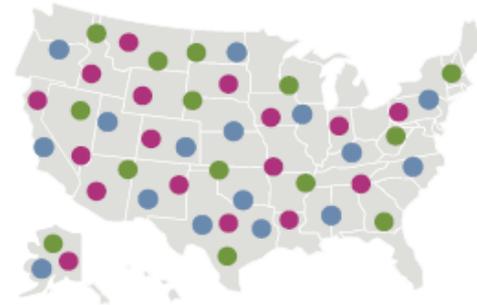
Rank by market potential, time to market, enabling/strategic

ROADMAP

Key Technology Capabilities – Tech and manufacturing roadmap

INVEST

Roadmap projects



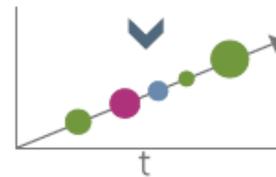
200,000 Patents and Applications - July



1,200 University RFT Patents and Applications with validation - Sept



40 Core IP Capabilities - Sept



Roadmap 1.5 - Oct



10 Roadmap Project Topics Released - Nov





Technical Strategy Development, cont.:

1-Stop Licensing Initiative



Universities

- Underserved, unencumbered IP marketed to manufacturers
- IP is bundled to make license valuable
- Follow-on roadmap funding
- Receive revenues minus fee

AFFOA

- Eliminates barrier to innovation and commercialization
- Establish platform technologies for the country
- Made in America clause
- Harnessing University R&D for the country

Industry

- One-stop shopping for IP
- Simple fee and royalty structure
- High value products
- Made in America



Technical Strategy Development, cont.:

IP Agreement Structure



Overview

- AFFOA can grant royalty bearing non-exclusive licenses to relevant RFT IP in aggregate to companies that agree to manufacture in the US
- The UNIVERSITY maintains the right to directly license on a non-exclusive basis the covered IP, subject to the requirement to manufacture in the US only
- AFFOA can bundle different pieces of IP from different universities for One Stop Licensing
- AFFOA offers simple terms to companies (*\$10k annual fee per patent, approximate 1% royalty, split among patent suite owners*) for non exclusive license
- UNIVERSITY receives licensing revenues minus 15% admin fee
- UNIVERSITY can withdraw IP that is not currently under license or AFFOA investment



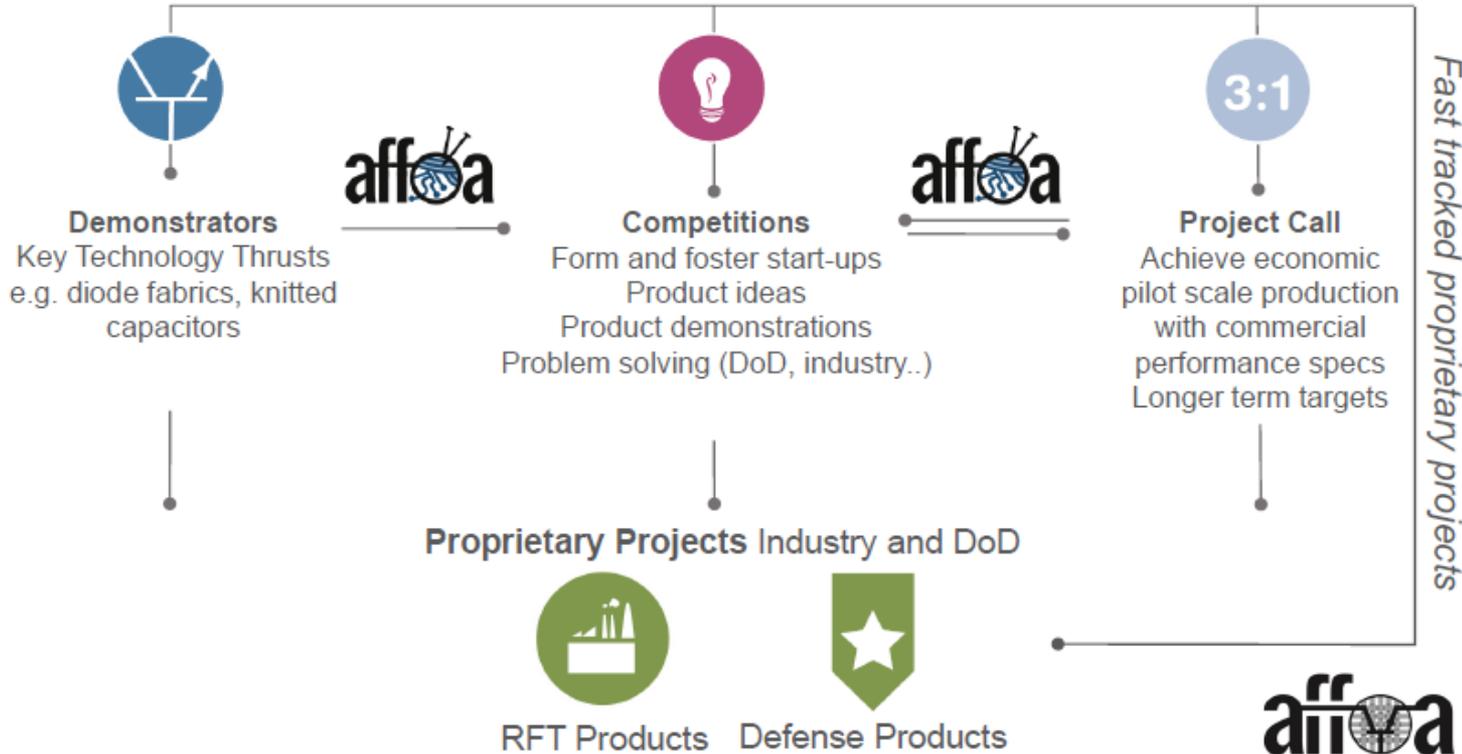
Technical Execution

3 Main Means of Execution

Accelerating Product Through FIN

How do we harness the FIN? 

Execution Vehicles





Technical Execution: First Project Call



Year 1 Project Attributes

"Moore's law" to "Apparel as a service"

Manufacturing Thrust

Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Textiles (CAD-IT)

Fiber and Yarn Devices (FYD)

Textile Systems and Assemblies (TSA)

System Integration (SI)

- Each project goes from CAD, fiber device (FYD), textiles systems and assemblies (TSA), SI
- Relies on MRL 4+ technology
- Prototype needs to demonstrate a value added service that can form the basis for a business model
- Limited size working prototype
- IP protected – subject to "made in US"
- Market (company) targeted value
- Manufacturing scalability needs to be executed in partnership with a manufacturer
- Field programmability
- Offer new and revolutionary capabilities
- Connection to the digital world
- Demonstrate a platform for additional capabilities, path towards improvement



Project Call 1.0 Topics



Climate Control

A fabric system capable of providing local climate control



Construction Fabrics and Composites

Fabric system capable of providing a new service in construction material or interior design and includes fabric-based composites



Color and Appearance

Designed color profiles to create new fabric capabilities



Monitoring and Acting

Fabric systems that can both sense and respond to external stimuli



Physiological and Medical Monitoring

Fabric systems that can monitor and report physiological and performance status



Touch/User Interfaces

Fabric systems that enable new, natural user interfaces to existing electronic devices



On-Demand Chemical Release

Fabric systems capable of releasing chemicals on demand



Fabric Optical Communications

Fabric systems that enable optical-based communications to provide overt or covert communications outside RF bands of energy



Energy

Generating, storing and/or supplying power to relevant, modern electronic systems



Engineered Properties

Self-clean, change shape, remember shape, control moisture, self-heal, react or respond based on surface properties, control and vary permeability or other properties





Technical Execution: First Project Call



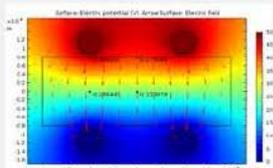
Capability	Market	Methods	Materials	Machine	Man
Conductive	5	✓	✓	✓	⊘
Capacitive	5	⊘	✓	✓	⊘
PBG	2	✓	⊘	⊘	⊘
Light Emission	3	✓	✓	✓	⊘
Battery	5	⊘	⊘	✓	⊘
OD Chemical Release	4	⊘	✓	⊘	⊘
Strain/Pressure Sensing	4	⊘	⊘	✓	⊘
Knitting		✓	⊘	✓	✓
Weaving		⊘	⊘	✓	⊘
Interconnect		✓	✓	✓	✓
		⊘	⊘	✓	✓

Color Change *Technology Roadmap*



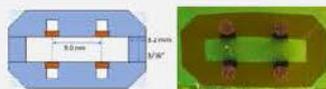
Q2 2017

- 35% Fill Factor ✓
- 10% Contrast ✓
- 1000 V Switching ✓
- 800 x 450 μm ✓



Q3 2017

- 67% Fill Factor ✓
- 25% Contrast ✓
- 500 V Switching ✓
- 240 x 440 μm ✓
- Lensing Integration ✓
- 100s m Fiber ✓
- Reliable Switching ✓



Q4 2017

- 75% Fill Factor
- 60% Contrast
- 50 V Switching
- 500 μm Round



2018

- 80% Contrast
- 15 V Switching
- Ink in Draw
- Arbitrary Colors
- 200 μm Round



- Manual Shuttle Weaving ✓



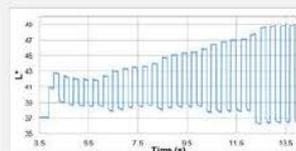
- Automated Weaving & Knitting



- Two sided B&W ✓
- Low-power (9V battery) ✓
- Miniaturized Control ✓
- IP Filed ✓



- Standardized Contrast Measurements ✓



- Colors
- Waveform Optimization
- Reliable Connections

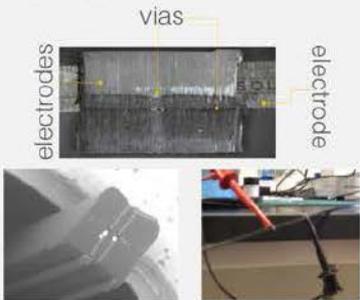
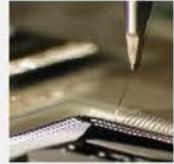


- Miniaturized & Optimized Electronics
- Product Forms



Interconnect *Technology Roadmap*

1 affera 2 flex affera 3 principled design

	Q3 2017	Q4 2017	Q1 2018	Q2-4 2018
FIBER	<p>1 • Surface Terminated Electrode (STE) Preform Fibers ✓</p> 	<p>2 • Machine Vision • Pick and Place • Laser Photoetching • Microindentation</p> 	<p>1 • Optimized STE Fibers</p>	
CONNECTOR		<p>2 • Wire Bonding • Anisotropic Adhesive • Ink-jet Solder • Encapsulation</p> 	<p>1 • STE Crimp Connectors</p> 	<p>3 • Hybrid crimp/IDC style connectors • Stamp tool for 1 electrode fibers</p> 
SCALE		<p>2 • Downselect of Semiconductor Tools for Manufacturing Integration</p> 	<p>1 • Automated Crimp Connection of Textile 2 • System Integration of Semiconductor Tools</p>	



Technical Execution: First Project Call



Fabric Comm *Technology Roadmap*

MIT BOSTON ENGINEERING ANALOG DEVICES affova IDEO David Bono & Assoc.

Q2 2017

Q3 2017

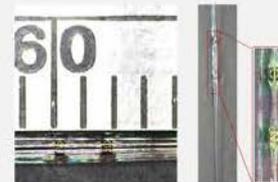
Q4 2017

2018

- Device spacing 1m ✓
- Fiber Diameter 800µm ✓
- Photosensitivity UV-near-IR (visible comm) ✓
- Yield 30% ✓

- Device spacing 2mm ✓
- Fiber Diameter 275 µm ✓
- Device photosensitivity UV through mid-IR ✓
- Device density 3x ✓
- Light Emission & Detection in Single Fiber ✓
- Yield 90% ✓

- Bussed Preform Scale and Crimp Connectors
- I2C Implemented
- Textile Quality Fibers



- Custom Aspect Chips
- Integrated Circuit Fibers
- Automated Device Placement in Draw
- High Throughput Preform Manufacturing

- Gen 1 Hat ✓



- Gen 2 Hat ✓



- Orientational Weaving
- Knitted Form Factors



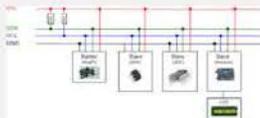
- Composites



- 1D Source ✓
- Common Mode Rejection ✓
- kB/s bit rates ✓



- 1D Indoor Tour ✓
- I2C Protocol Design ✓
- Invisible Comm testbed ✓



- Bidirectional Fabric Comm
- Multichannel Comm
- Dynamic Indoor Nav.
- MB/s Bit Rates ✓



- Physiological Monitoring Fabric
- Chemical Release
- Sensing Composites
- Light Emitting Composites



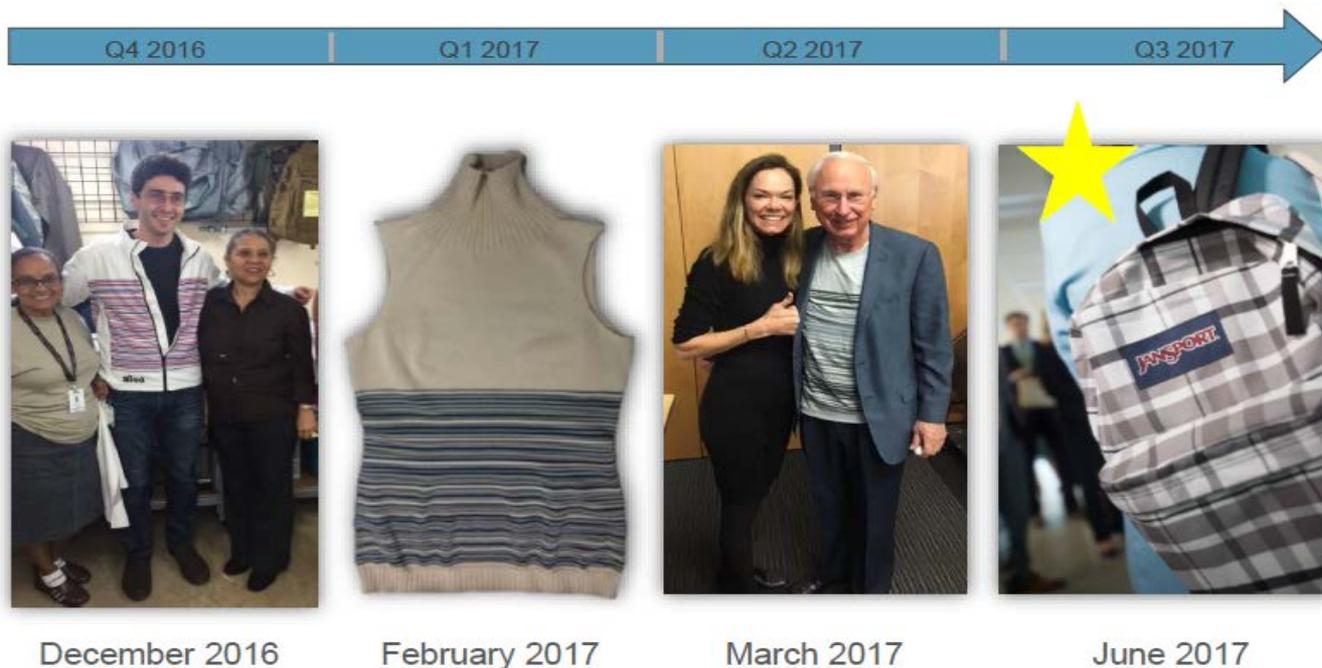
Product Overview



LOOKS™

Fabric as a service....Fabric as software

LOOKs Product Evolution





Product Overview

YouTube Search

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AFFOA LiFi Product Platform Introduction

AFFOA HQ

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LiFi Cap Design



- ✓ Updated Design
- ✓ Streamlined Interconnect and Circuitry Construction



Product Strategy



**MIT Freshman Orientation:
Class of 2021 with LOOKS backpacks**



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Fabric Discovery Centers (FDCs)





End-to-End Prototyping Facilities



Fabric Discovery Center

Technology, Product, Manufacturing, and Education



- Technology
 - Rapid prototyping
 - Immediacy
 - Low cost
 - Heart of IP-creation
- Stakeholders
 - FEN
 - NNMI
 - FIN
 - Universality
 - Cost share
- EWD
 - Light weight innovation
 - Enabling play!
 - Student centered
 - Low barrier
 - Hands-on learning





AFFOA Start-up Incubator Strategy



Fabrics Discovery Centers (FDC)

Establish near University Hub

State cost share for space & equipment

Competition for ideas

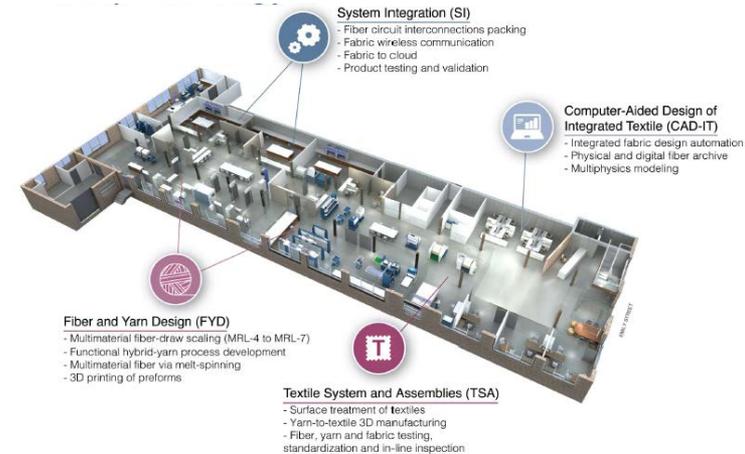
Diverse funding sources – AFFOA (federal, member), member direct, VC

Co-locating with prototyping capability, EWD assets

Jump start with regional competitions modeled after MIT \$100k Entrepreneur challenges

Each FDC has its own distinct capability

- Massachusetts: HQ, Defense, and Joint use (AFFOA, NextFlex)
- Pennsylvania – 3D knitting
- North Carolina – Non-wovens
- Georgia -- ??



- The FDCs' provide startup incubation space and other support to accelerate the formation of advanced functional fabric start-up companies
- The network of FDCs is expected to promote product innovation for the textile industry and thus, transition institute-developed technologies into commercial products



Operational Overview: Anticipated FDC Locations



State Fabric Discovery Center Proposals



Confidential & Proprietary





Defense Fabric Discovery Center (FDC)



Based at MIT Lincoln Laboratory (LL), the Defense FDC leverages a joint team, core competencies and existing facilities at LL, Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center (NSRDEC) and AFFOA



"Blue Teaming" Approach to Defense FDC Roadmap Projects



1 Understand Key Capability Gaps

Army Stakeholders:

- Combat Vehicle Protection
- Aviation Protection and Mobility
- Soldier survivability / protection
- Soldier load reduction
- Soldier situational awareness improvement

Navy Stakeholders:

- Low cost undersea acoustic sensor arrays
- Undersea optical comms
- Fiber antenna concept

Intelligence Community/Other Stakeholders:

- Secure communication
- Other

DASD, Emerging Capabilities & Prototyping

• Other GAs covering broad set of DoD problem space

2 Develop System Concepts Leveraging Advanced Fibers

Identification and communications fabrics

Multifunctional turret-mounted fabric:
 1. Spectrally engineered fabrics for ID.
 2. Fabrics that electrically change color.
 3. Fabrics that signal and communicate.

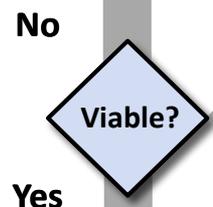
• Current technology: VS-17 panels
 • Research: Passive
 • Not covert

Advanced functional optoelectronic fibers and fabrics will provide increased level of situational awareness and improve IPF confidence.

3 Innovate on Enabling Fiber Technology

Photonic fibers

4 Perform System analysis



- Develop Technology
- Prototype System Concept

5

Raise awareness to new capabilities

Projects driven by system concepts enabled by advanced functional fiber technology



Defense FDC Benefits to DoD



- Joint team of Lincoln Laboratory, NSRDEC and AFFOA provides near-term capability and long-term mechanism for stakeholder input
- Provide immediate capability to perform work on classified DoD products
 - Reduce time and program risk compared to obtaining facility clearance for non-Federal facilities
 - Establish more refined boundaries in classification guide to help facilitate commercial manufacturing, while protecting critical data
- Transition and share unclassified manufacturing processes to other FDC's and industry partners through a central data repository
- MA provides \$6.25M of equipment capability as cost share to the Federal commitment of \$3M (for projects) to the FDC (2:1 cost share)
- Provides linkage of other Lincoln Laboratory Federal customers to fiber and textile technologies



Education and Workforce Development Process



• **STUDY:** the current and future needs of the technical textile industry utilizing quantitative data and qualitative analysis



• **PRIORITIZE:** Rank by industry pull, time to market on product, strategic fit



• **ROADMAP:** Address current needs, and future needs by aligning with technology capabilities



• **ANNOUNCE:** innovation opportunities and EWD technology deliverables



• **FUND:** product & prototype development, learning





Summary



- Participation in institute allows for project planning and leveraging Federal Investment of \$75M
 - AFFOA has secured nearly 3:1 cost share from industry, universities, and state/Federal government
- Opportunity to partner with non-traditional industry members and access supply chain
- Opportunity to develop new domestic sources and capabilities
- Access to new technology, rapid prototyping network (FIN), and start-up assistance (FDCs)
 - Provide shared assets and knowledge to help companies access cutting-edge capabilities and equipment
- Affords opportunities beyond typical government contracts