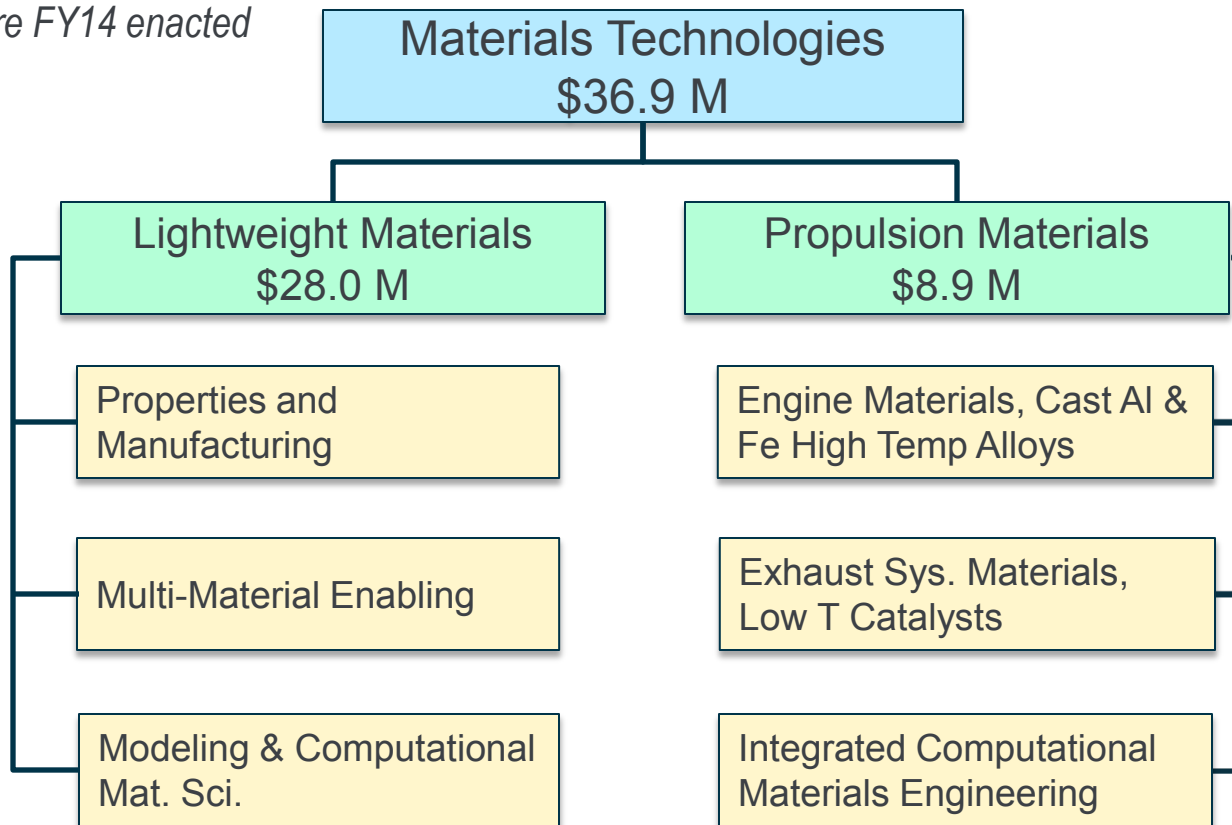




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# Materials Technology Gap Priorities

Material	Mg	Carbon Fiber	CF composites	GF composites	AHSS	Al	Advanced Metals – (Ti, Ni)
Lack of Predictive Models	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Optimized Manuf. (lower cost)		X	X	X	X	X	X
Optimized Performance (lower cost, higher strengths, etc)	X	X		X	X		X
Design Tools		X		X			X
Raw material supply	X						X
Multi-material Joining			X			X	
Damage Detection			X				
Corrosion	X						

# Workshop Propulsion Materials R&D Gaps and Targets

Metric	2013	2050	Material Gaps
Powertrain Weight Reduction (ICE/HEV)	Baseline - LDV Baseline – HDV	40% lighter- LDV 20% lighter- HDV	Structure and Volumetric Efficiency (block, head, transmission; AL ,CF)
Power density	LDVs -2.7L 196 HP (73.4 HP/L)  HD15L 475HP (32 HP/L)	LD 1.3L 196 HP (150 HP/L) LW-LD 0.7L 98 HP  HD 9L 475HP (53 HP/L)	Structure and rotating components (crankshaft, pistons, connecting rods, gears; Steels + )
Energy Recovery	LDV <5% Turbocharged  HD ~99% Turbocharged	LDV ~50% Turbo/ TEs/ Turbo-compounding HD~ 99% Turbo/TEs/ Rankine Cycle/Turbo-compounding	Turbochargers, Superchargers, Turbo-compounding, Rankine Cycle components, seals, fluid interactions
Exhaust Temperatures (Exhaust Valve to Turbo Inlet)	LDV - 800 °C HDV - 700 °C	1000 °C - LDV 900 °C - HDV	Valves (super alloys & Ceramics) E Manifolds, Turbochargers
Cylinder Peak Pressures	LDV ~ 50 bar HDV 190 bar	>103 bar - LDV gasoline >150 bar ATP-DI gasoline >260 bar – HDV	Structure and rotating components , gaskets, valves, friction
Engine Thermal Efficiency	LDV 30% e HDV 42% e	LDV 45% e, Stretch 55+% e HDV 55% e, Stretch 60% e	Control Heat Losses (Pistons, Cylinder wall, Cylinder head, exhaust manifold)

# Vehicle Weight Reduction



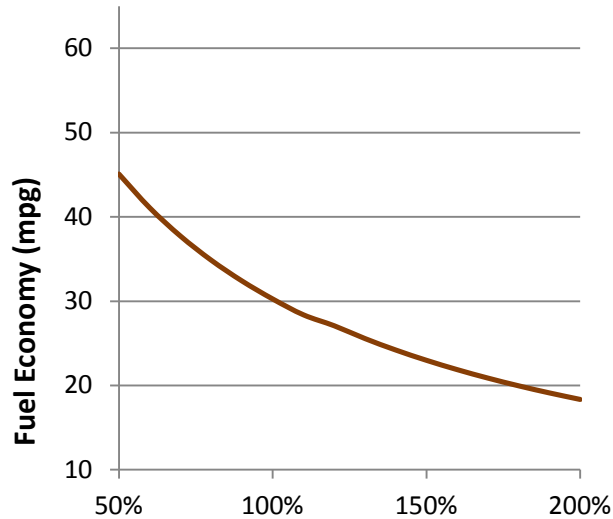
*Conventional ICE*



*Hybrid/Electric Vehicles*



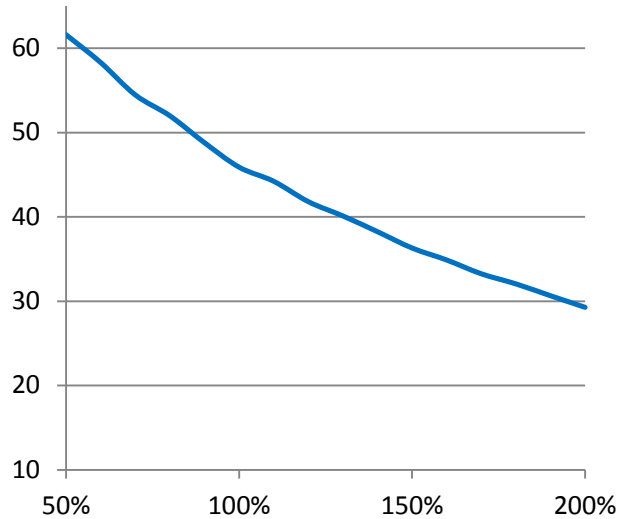
*Commercial/Heavy Duty*



Percent of Baseline Vehicle Mass

*NREL 2011*

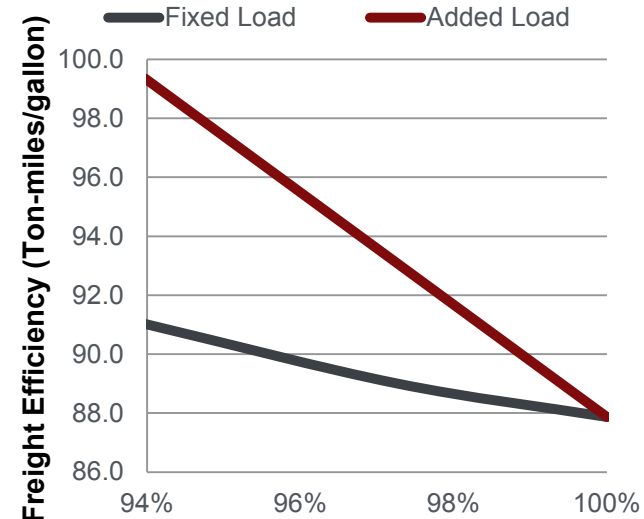
**6%-8% improvement in fuel economy for 10% reduction in weight**



Percent of Baseline Vehicle Mass

*NREL 2011*

**Improvement in range, battery cost, and/or efficiency**

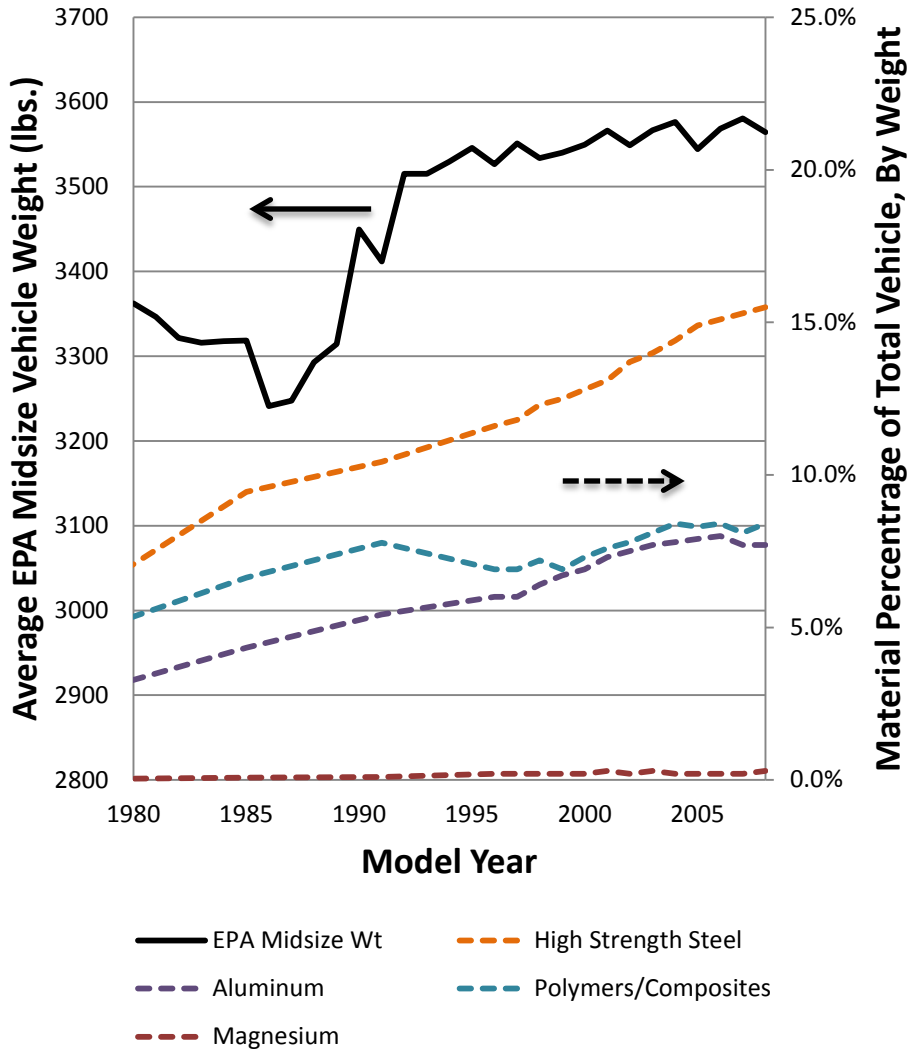


Percent of Baseline Vehicle Mass Without Cargo

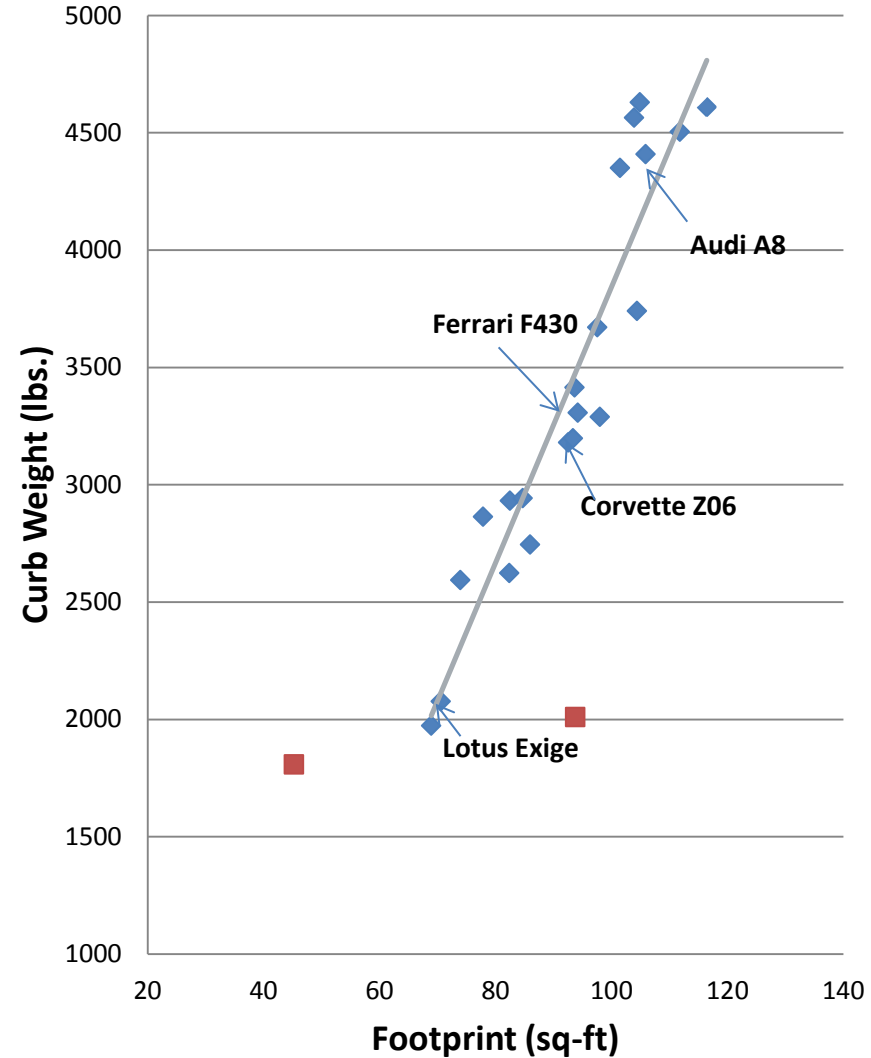
*Ricardo Inc., 2009*

**13% improvement in freight efficiency for 6% reduction in weight**

## Average Vehicle Weight and Material Content

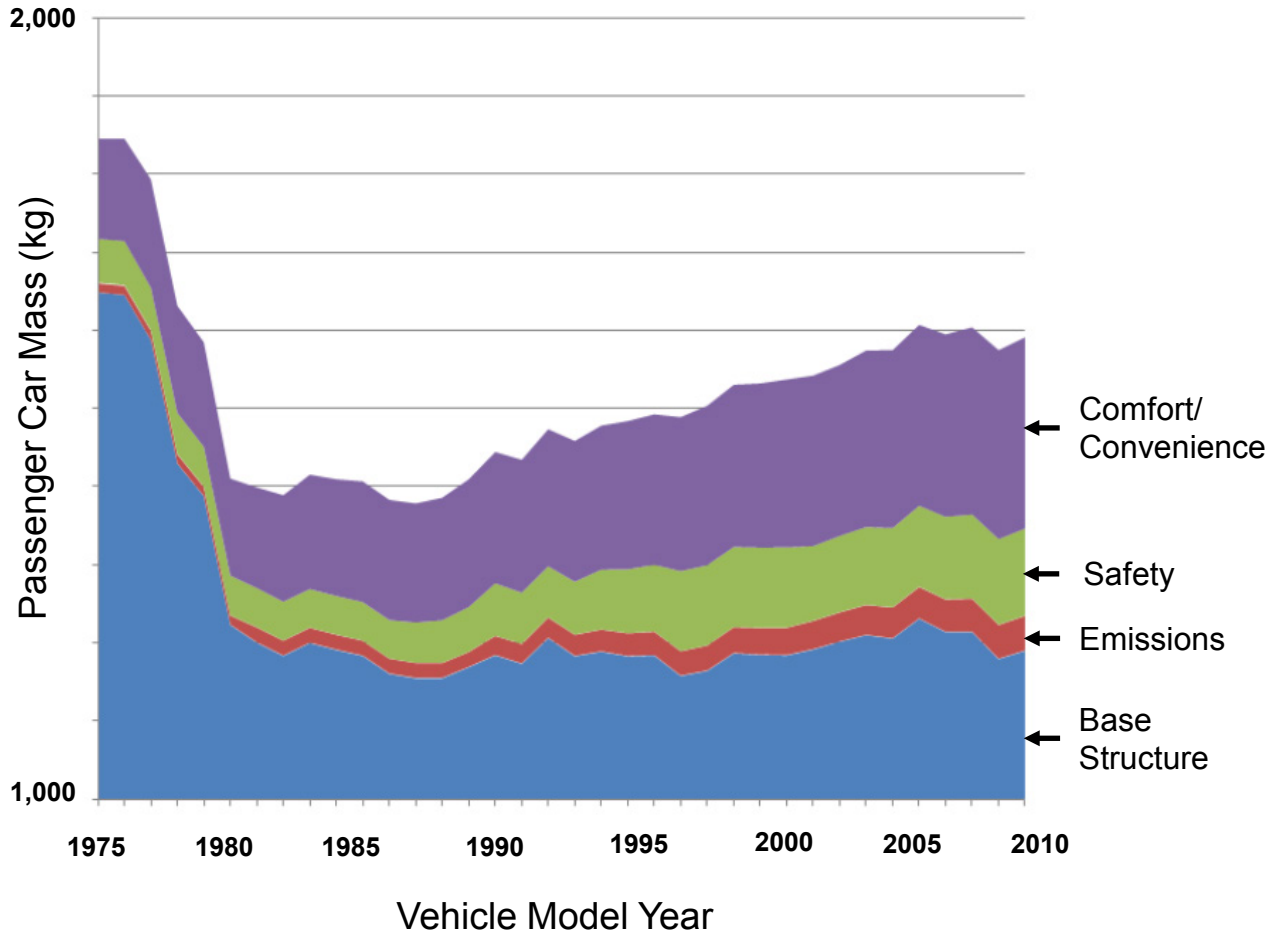


## Vehicle Curb Weight vs. Footprint



# Where's the Weight Reduction?

**Vehicle Weight Breakdown vs. Model Year**



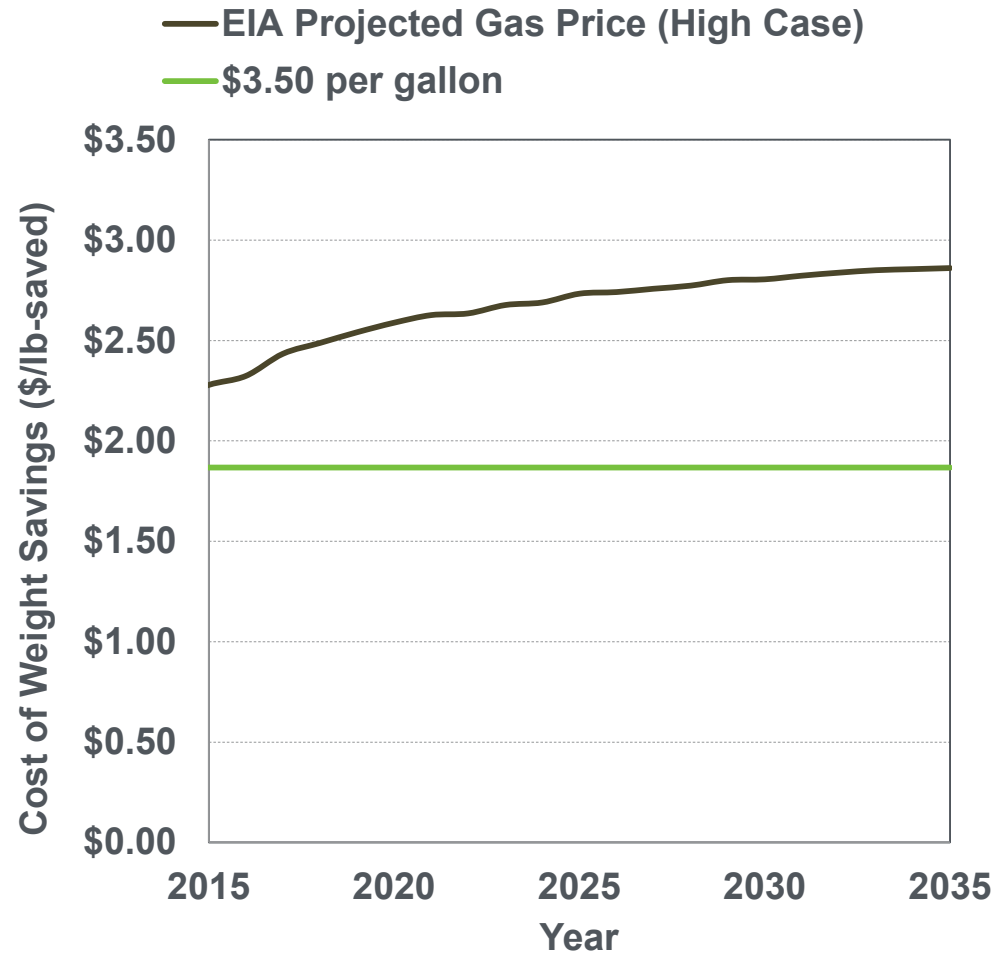
- Comfort, safety, and emissions control have all improved
- Base structure weight has decreased
- *System and component weight reduction has been applied to performance and comfort rather than total vehicle weight reduction*

Stephen M. Zoepf "Automotive Features: Mass Impact and Deployment Characterization"  
MS Thesis, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, June 2011, page 36.

**Societal view:** Fuel efficiency improvement must pay back lightweighting cost over vehicle lifetime

- Model Input
  - Baseline weight: **3500 lbs.**
  - Baseline FE: **28.4 mpg**
  - VMT per year: **12,000 mi.**
  - Vehicle life: **15 yr.**
  - FE improvement per weight saved: **7%/10%**
  - Fuel Price
    - \$3.50/gal
    - EIA projection
  - Discount rate: **7%**

## Acceptable Cost Per Pound of Weight Saved





# Total Vehicle Weight Reduction Potential

Sources of weight are from three categories:

## Direct weight savings with lightweight materials

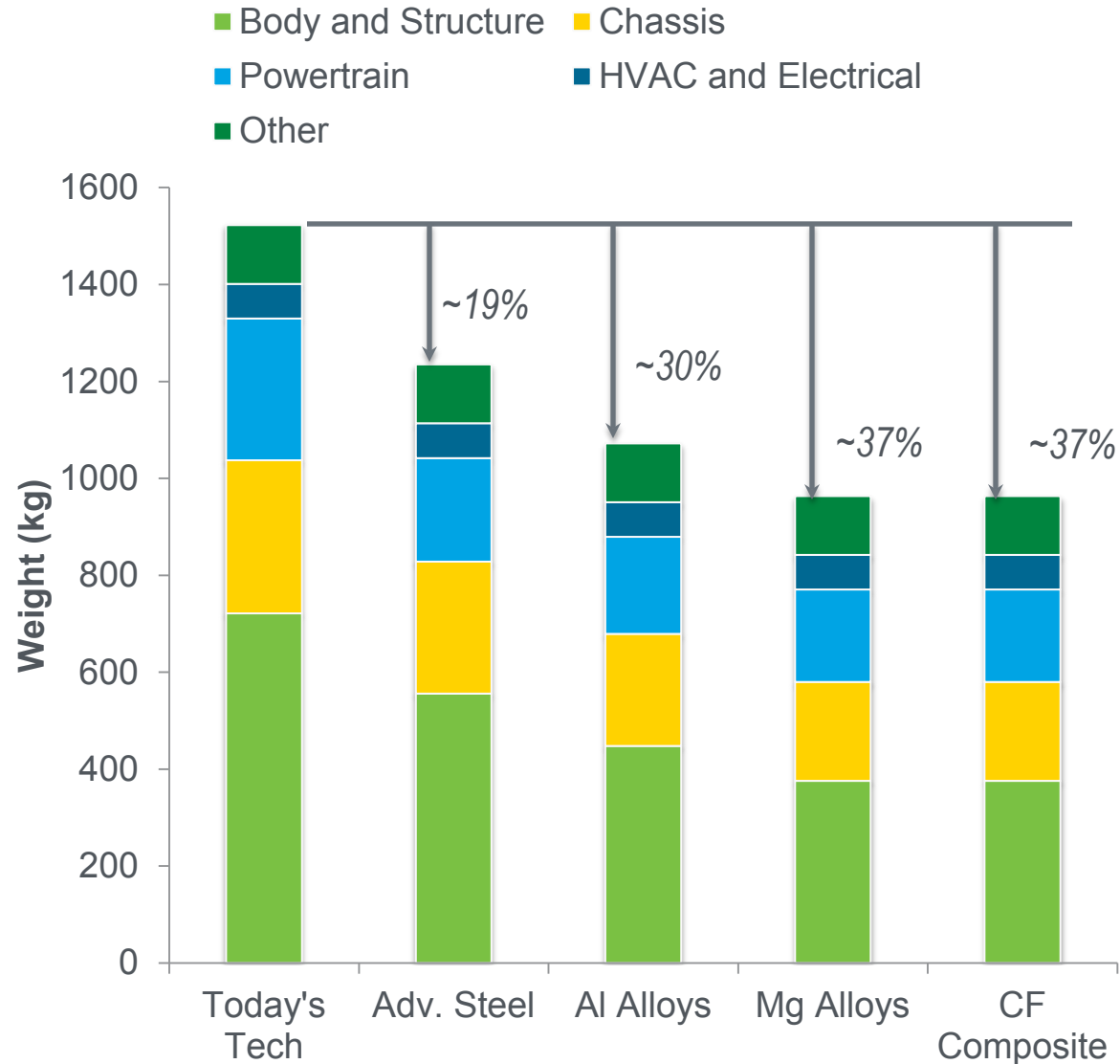
- *Body & Structure, parts of Chassis and Powertrain*

## Indirect weight savings by reducing requirements

- *Lighter vehicle can use lighter brakes, lighter suspension, etc.*
- *“Mass Decomponding”*
- *Powertrain and Chassis*

## No significant savings through lightweighting

- *Many systems are essentially a function of vehicle volume*
- *Windshield, wiring, head lights, HVAC, etc.*



## Light- and Heavy-Duty Roadmaps

### Properties and Manufacturing

- Reduce cost
  - raw materials
  - processing
- Improve
  - performance
  - manufacturability

### Multi-material Enabling

- Enable structural joints between dissimilar materials
- Prevent corrosion in complex material systems
- Develop NDE techniques

### Modeling and Simulation

- Accurately predict behavior
- Tools to optimize complex processes efficiently
- ICME: Developing new materials and processes

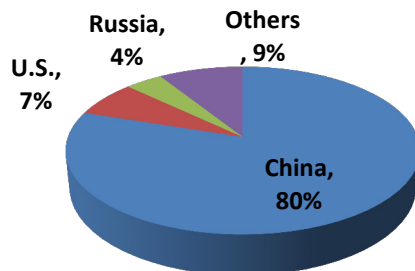
## Demonstration, Validation, and Analysis

## Magnesium Alloys

When it “works” → 40-70% weight reduction

Otherwise → *Cost (~\$3-10/lb-saved)*

- Lack of domestic supply, unstable pricing
- Challenging corrosion behavior
- Inadequate strength, stiffness, and ductility
- Difficult to model deformation behavior



## Aluminum Alloys

When it “works” → 25-55% weight reduction

Otherwise → *Cost (~\$2-8/lb-saved)*

Otherwise →

- Insufficient strength in conventional automotive alloys
- Limited room temperature formability in conventional automotive alloys
- Difficult to join/integrate to incumbent steel structures

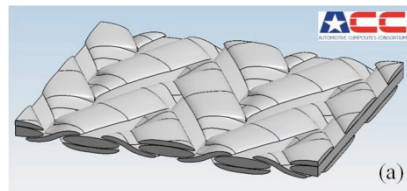


## Carbon Fiber Composites

When it “works” → 30-65% weight reduction

Otherwise → *Cost (~\$5-15/lb-saved)*

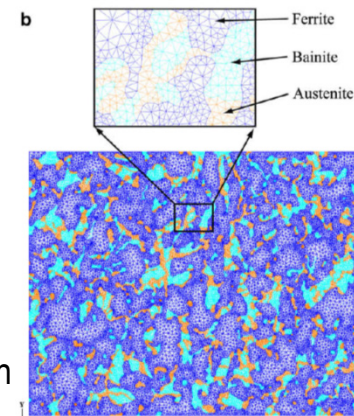
- High cost of carbon fiber (processing, input material)
- Joining techniques not easily implemented for vehicles
- Difficult to efficiently model across many relevant length scales



## Advanced High Strength Steel

15-25% weight reduction →

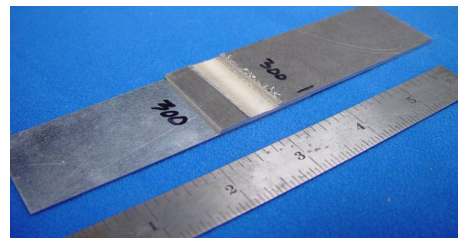
- Inadequate structure/properties understanding to propose steels with 3GAHSS properties
- Insufficient post-processing technology/understanding
- What other relevant properties should be considered? Hydrogen embrittlement, local fracture, etc.



Choi et. al., Acta Mat. 57 (2009)  
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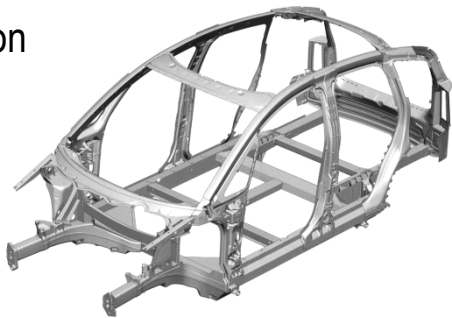
## Magnesium Alloys

- Corrosion (galvanic and general)
- Difficulty Joining
  - Mg-Mg
  - Mg-X
  - Riveted Joints
- Questionable compatibility with existing paint/coating systems



## Aluminum Alloys

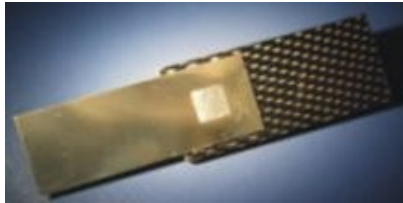
- HAZ property deterioration
- Difficulty joining mixed grades
  - Joint integrity
  - Joint formability
- Difficulty recycling mixed grades



	Mg	Si	Cu	Zn
5182	4.0 - 5.0	< 0.2	< 0.15	< 0.25
6111	0.5 - 1.0	0.6 - 1.1	0.5 - 0.9	< 0.15
7075	2.1 - 2.9	< 0.4	1.2 - 2.0	5.1 - 6.1

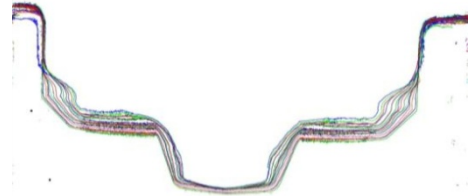
## Carbon Fiber Composites

- Corrosion and environmental degradation
- Some difficulty joining
- Questions regarding non-destructive evaluation



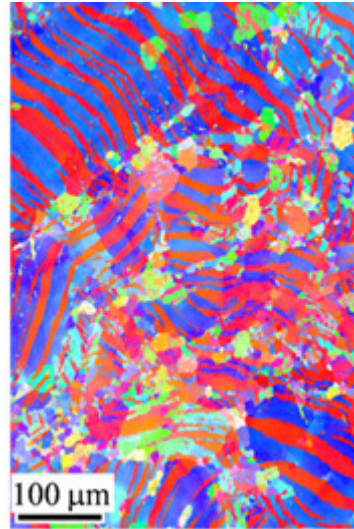
## AHSS

- HAZ property deterioration
- Limited weld fatigue strength
- Tool wear, tool load, infrastructure



## Magnesium Alloys

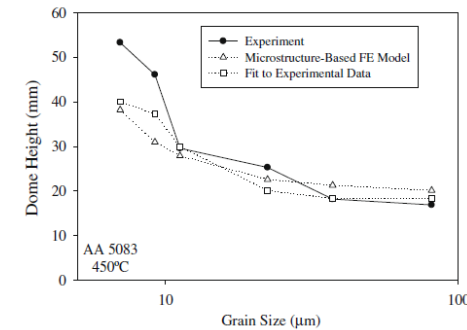
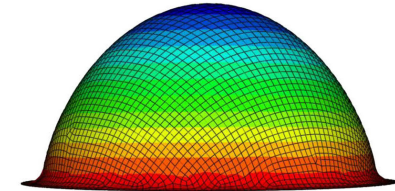
- Complicated deformation in HCP Mg alloys
  - Highly anisotropic plastic response
  - Profuse twinning
- Few established design rules for anisotropy
- Substantial gaps in basic metallurgical data



Q. Ma et al. *Scripta Mat.* **64** (2011) 813–816

## Aluminum Alloys

- Basic metallurgical models are well established
- Substantial fundamental data is available
- Useful predictive models established for some conditions
- Truly predictive, multi-scale models are still lacking



P.E. Krajewski et al. *Acta Mat.* **58** (2010) 1074–1086

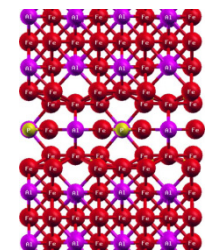
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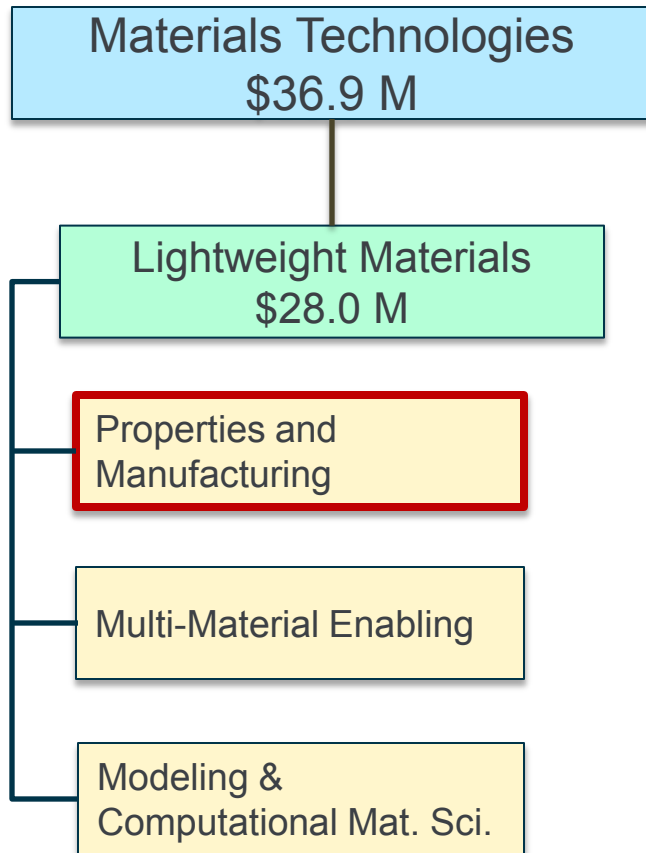
- Insufficient capability in modeling relationships between physical properties, mechanical properties, and ultimately behavior
- Lack of validated, public databases of CFC material properties
- Inadequate processing-structure predictive tools

## AHSS

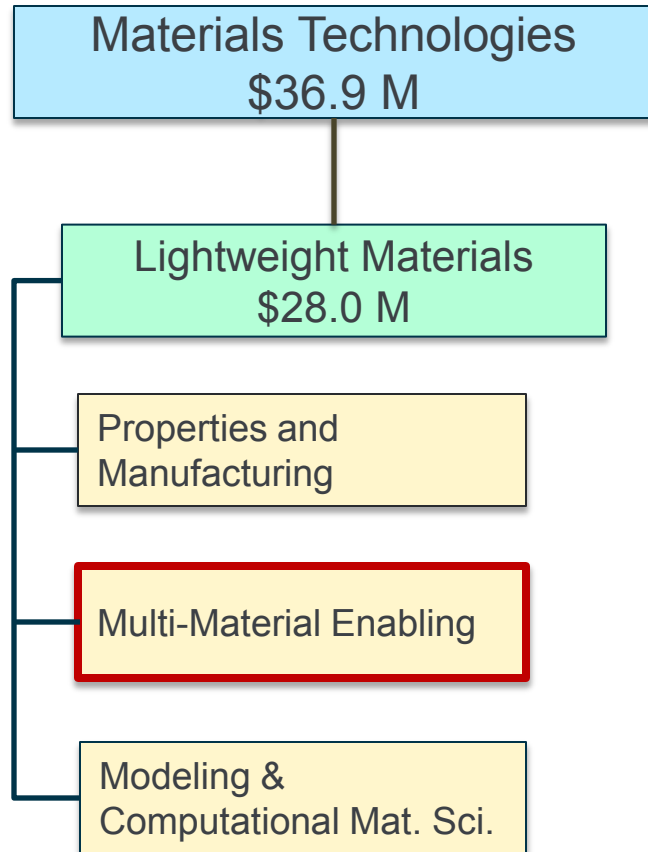
- General lack of understanding on structures, phases, and deformation mechanisms to achieve 3GAHSS properties
- Very complicated structures, phases, and deformation mechanisms likely

N.I. Medvedeva et al. *Phys. Rev. B* **81** (2010) 012105

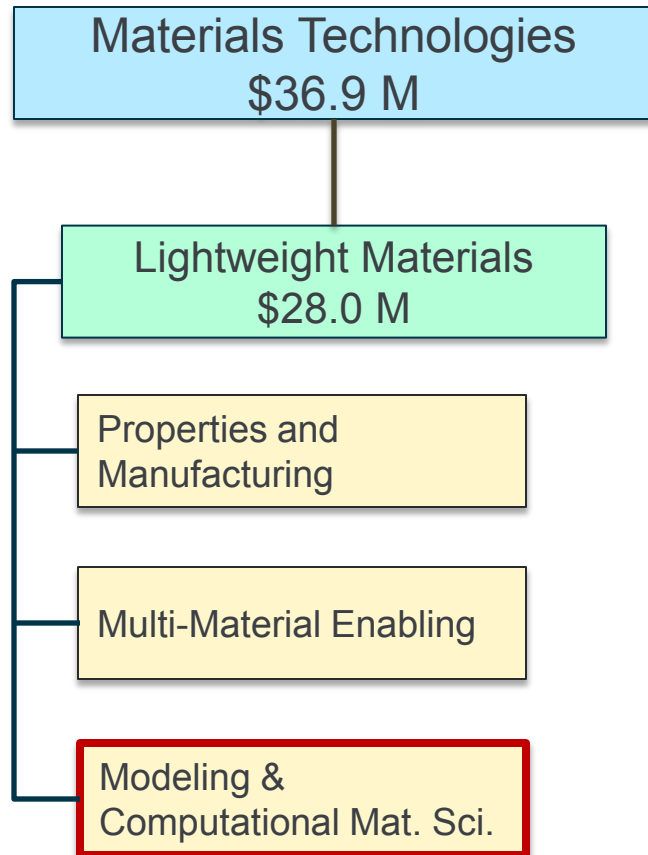




- Carbon fiber (CF)
  - **ORNL**: Carbon Fiber production process optimization using plasma oxidation
  - **ORNL**: Carbon Fiber Technology Center – prototyping and batch production facility
  - **Zoltek**: Low cost carbon fiber production using traditional and non-traditional starting materials
- Light Metals
  - **U. Michigan, PNNL, Ohio State U., Arizona State U., Mississippi State U., ORNL**: Building the Scientific Foundation for Advanced Magnesium Alloys
  - **INFINIUM**: Scale-Up of Low-Cost Zero-Emissions Magnesium by INFINIUM Electrolysis
  - **PNNL**: Processing an property improvements for aluminum and magnesium alloys, advanced steel microstructure development
  - **USAMP**: Mg Intensive Vehicle Front End R&D



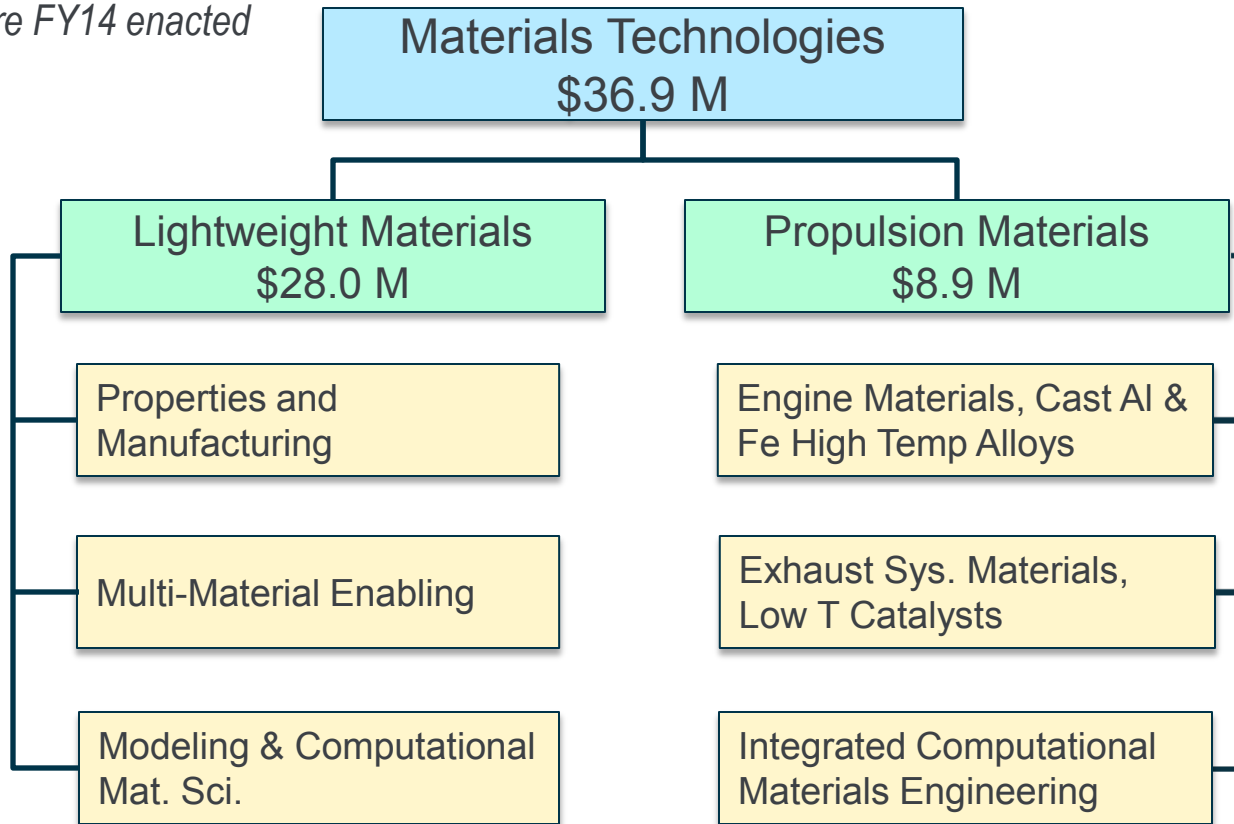
- Cross-cutting
  - **Vehma and Ford**: Multi-Materials Lightweight Vehicle
  - **IBIS** : Technical Cost Modeling of Lightweight Vehicles
  - **LBNL** : Safety Data and Analysis
- Light Metals
  - **Chrysler, Ohio State, Johns Hopkins, ORNL, Michigan State**: Breakthrough Concepts in Multi-material Joining
  - **ORNL**: Fundamentals of Mg corrosion in automotive-relevant environments
  - **ORNL**: Demonstrating techniques for AHSS and mixed material joining
  - **Ford**: Pulsed/Impact Joining of Al and Advanced Steels
  - **PNNL**: Demonstrating techniques for Al and Mg joining



- Carbon fiber (CF) and carbon fiber composites (CFC)
  - **ORNL & PNNL**: CFC Predictive Engineering-Long Fiber Injection Moldings
  - **USAMP** : Validation of Front Bumper Crash Models of Polymer Composites
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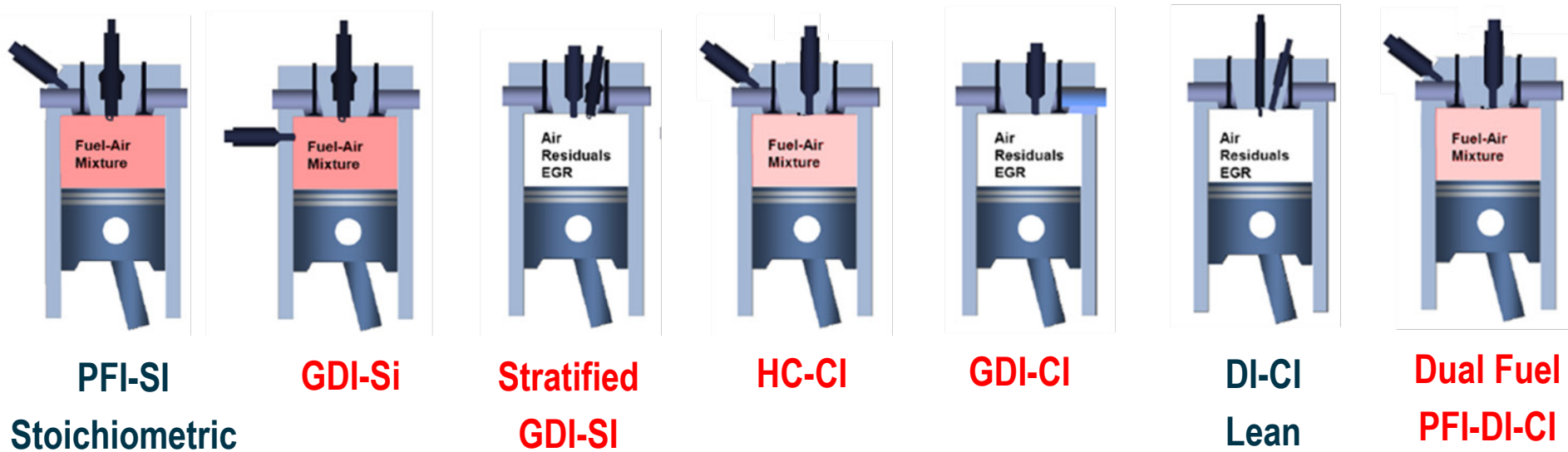


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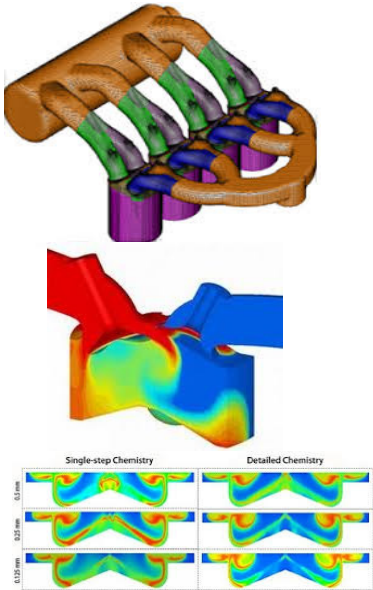
- Targets powertrain materials requirements for future automotive and heavy-duty applications: engine, transmission, exhaust components, and targeted materials for electric powertrains.
- Addresses materials for high efficiency Internal Combustion Engines, powertrain materials interactions with new fuel compositions.
- Most (85%) Propulsion Materials projects utilize Integrated Computational Materials Engineering (ICME) to set performance targets and accelerate results in materials discovery, materials formulation, and materials processing techniques.
- Identifies gaps in existing ICME tools and develops new topics to expand the use of computational methods in materials development and materials engineering

Multiple high efficiency combustion pathways, each having unique thermal, peak pressure, and pressure rise rate parameters, result in a variety of engine design and materials challenges.

What are the components and materials that will limit designers ability to build reliable engines from the outcome of this combustion research?



## Advanced Combustion Models

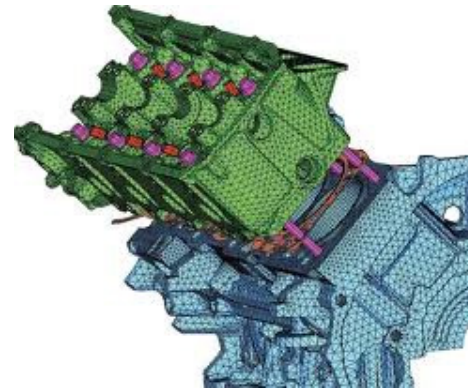


Temperature and pressure  
Boundary conditions



Efficiency  
improvement potential

## Finite Element Baseline Design Constraints



Prioritized  
Components  
and  
Material  
Property  
Targets

**Identify and prioritize the material improvements needed to enable high efficiency combustion systems, and quantify the benefits.**

## Light- and Heavy-Duty Roadmaps, US Drive Low T Catalyst Workshop Report

### Engine Materials

#### Improve Engine Efficiency

- Improved Materials
  - Strength
  - Durability
  - Operating T
  - Manufacturability
  - Lower Cost

### Exhaust System Materials

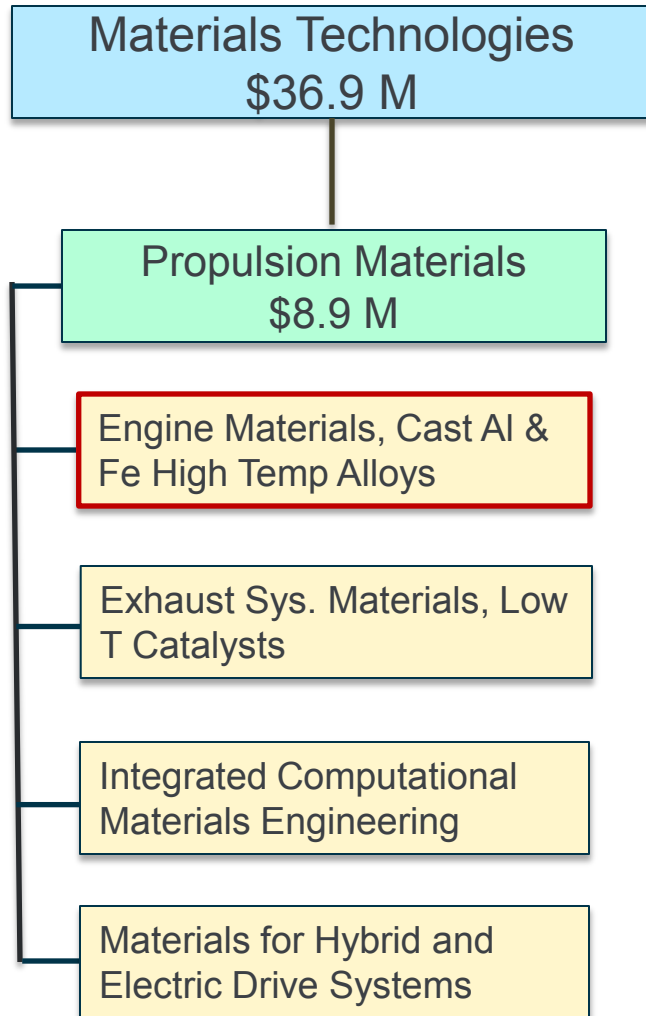
- Low Cost High Temp Alloys for Exhaust Manifolds, Turbocharger Housings and Turbines
- Low Temp Catalyst Materials and ceramic substrates

### Integrated Computational Materials Engineering

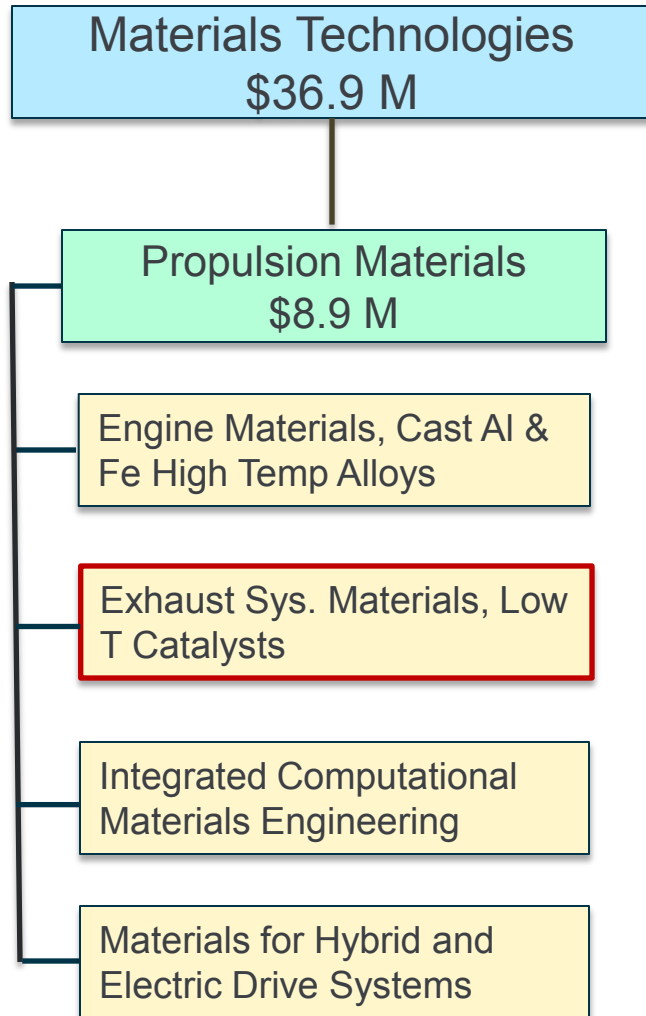
- New materials and processes using multi-scale modeling
- Modeling to create tailored materials
  - Predict behavior
  - Optimizing complex processes

## Demonstration, Validation, and Analysis

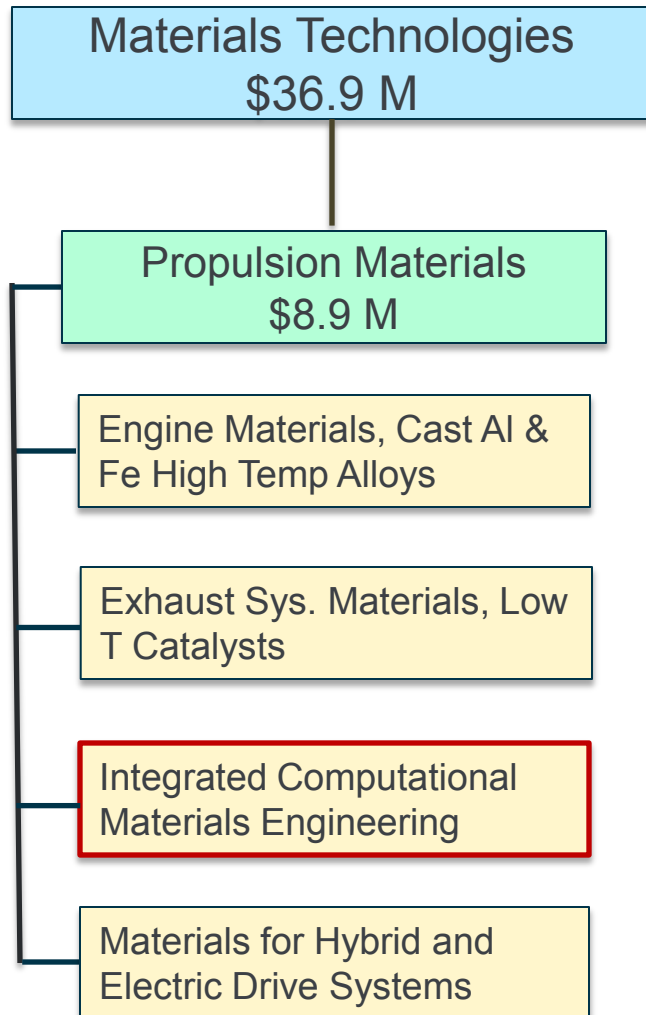
# Propulsion Materials–Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) materials



- Targets the Advanced Combustion Engine team stretch goals, 50%+ efficiency for heavy-duty and automotive engines
  - **Lightweight Cast alloys for automotive engines and transmissions:** GM; Ford; ORNL/Chrysler: Lightweight high strength aluminum alloy development to replace A356 or A319 and enable higher operating temperatures and higher efficiency combustion regimes.
  - **High performance Cast Ferrous Alloys for Heavy-duty Applications:** Caterpillar: High strength, low cost cast alloy development to provide performance superior to Compacted Graphite Iron, easily cast and machined, and at a cost similar to cast iron, enabling engines with higher peak cylinder pressures and increased efficiency.
  - **High performance Cast Steels for Crankshafts:** Caterpillar/GM: High performance low cost cast steel providing performance similar to high cost forged steel units, enabling a low cost pathway to increased engine efficiency in automotive and heavy duty applications.



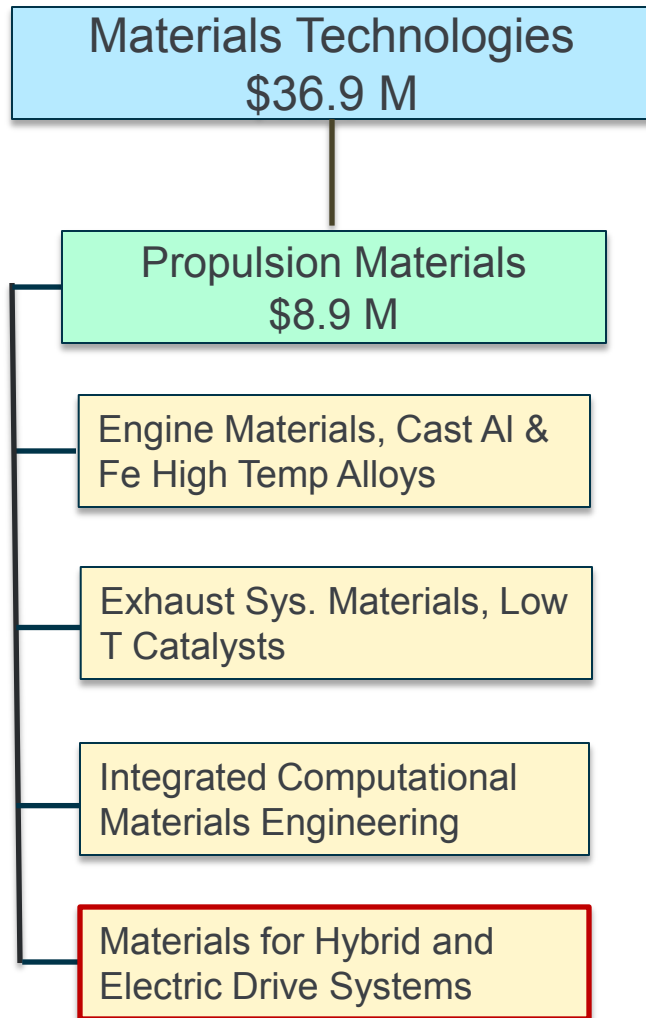
- Low Temperature Aftertreatment Catalyst Materials
  - **ORNL:** Evaluation of catalyst microstructures and
- Exhaust Aftertreatment Components
  - **ORNL/Ford:** Impacts of biofuels on component life and development of mitigation strategies
  - **ORNL:** Durability of diesel particulate filters



## – Integrated Computational Materials Engineering

- **ORNL:** Exploratory methods based on First Principals Calculations, Density Functional Theory, and Calculated Density of States to identify new materials compositions with tailored properties:
  - Thermoelectric Materials, 3 new compositions have been validated;
  - Non-rare earth magnetic materials, 2 new compositions have been validated;
  - Low Temperature Catalyst materials, 1 new low temperature catalyst have been validated for Oxides of Nitrogen
- Each Propulsion Materials FOA project includes a multi-scale ICME application, validation, and gap analysis component (two were included in the President's Materials Genome announcement).



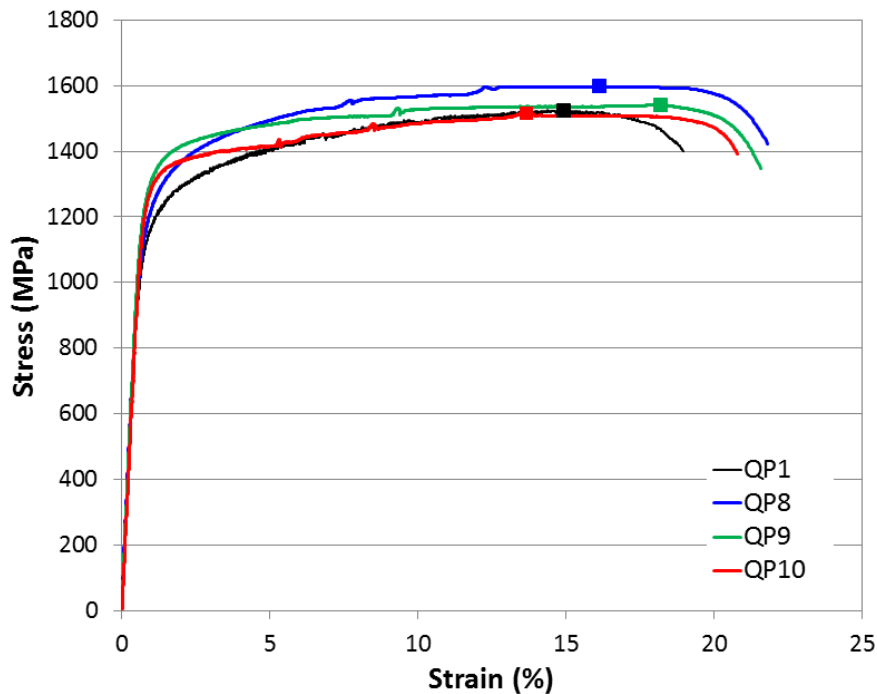


– Projects very limited in scope to address specific gaps in material properties, materials processing, or material joining

- **ORNL:** Enabling Materials for High Temperature Electronics: Organic materials not 200°C-capable
- **ORNL:** Enabling Materials for High Temperature Electronics: Solders not 200°C-capable
- **PNNL:** Novel Manufacturing Technologies for High Power Induction and Permanent Magnet Electric Motors
- Goal to rapidly transition results to the APEEM team

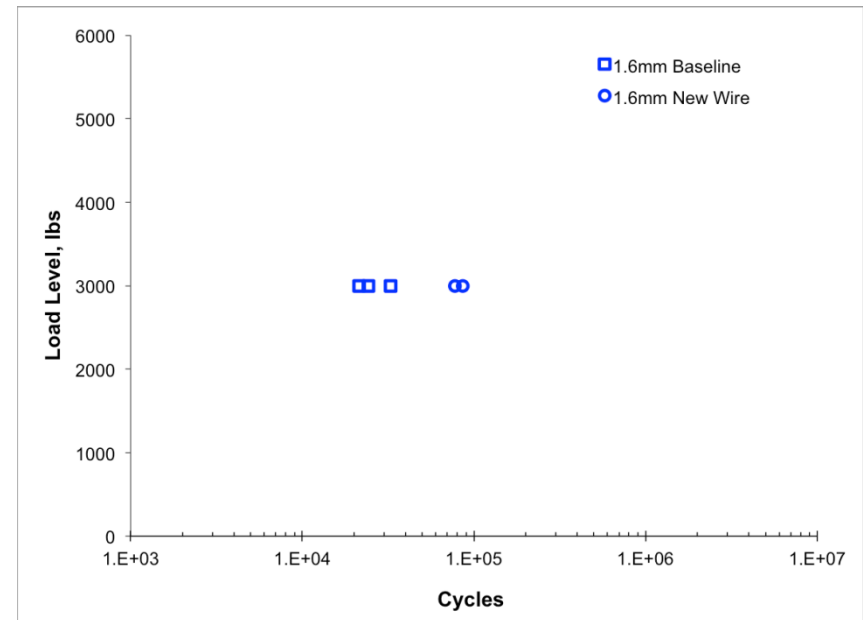
New non-rare earth magnetic materials are predicted within the ICME activity and validated by the APEEM team

*Developed a high-strength sheet steel with strength exceeding 1500 MPa while maintaining more than 20% elongation to failure*



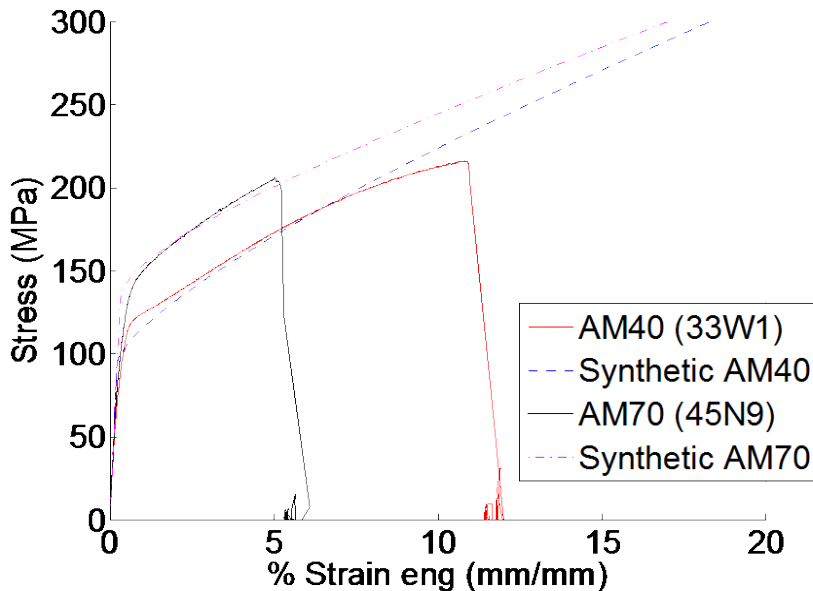
*Pacific Northwest National Lab*

*Demonstrated proof-of-concept for improving weld fatigue life of advanced steels through the use of novel weld wire chemistry and processing*



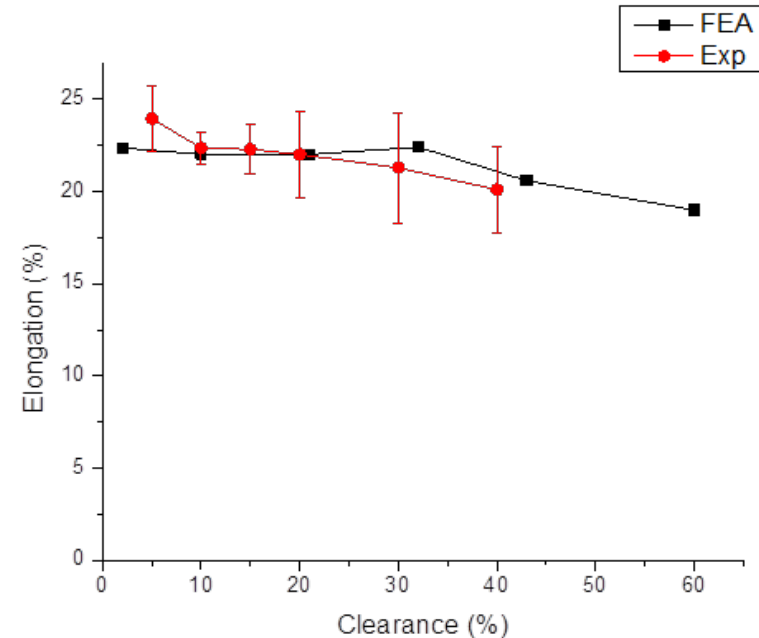
*Oak Ridge National Lab*

*Demonstrated a polycrystal finite element-based model utilizing intrinsic and extrinsic factors to predict yield and hardening in Mg die castings to greater than 90% accuracy*



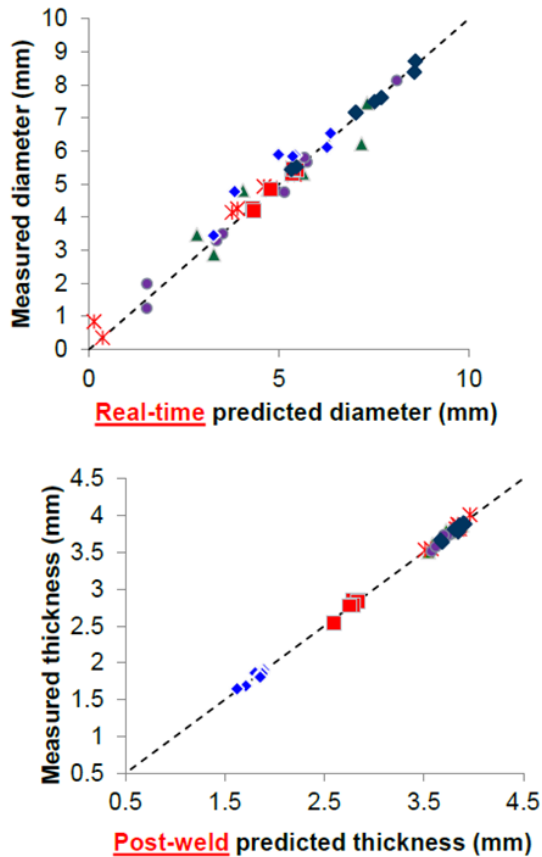
**Pacific Northwest National Lab**

*Produced and experimentally validated numerical model of formability in aluminum sheet as a function of edge condition that predicts elongation to failure with accuracy >90%*



**Pacific Northwest National Lab**

*Developed and demonstrated robust, non-contact method for weld property measurements in real-world environments*



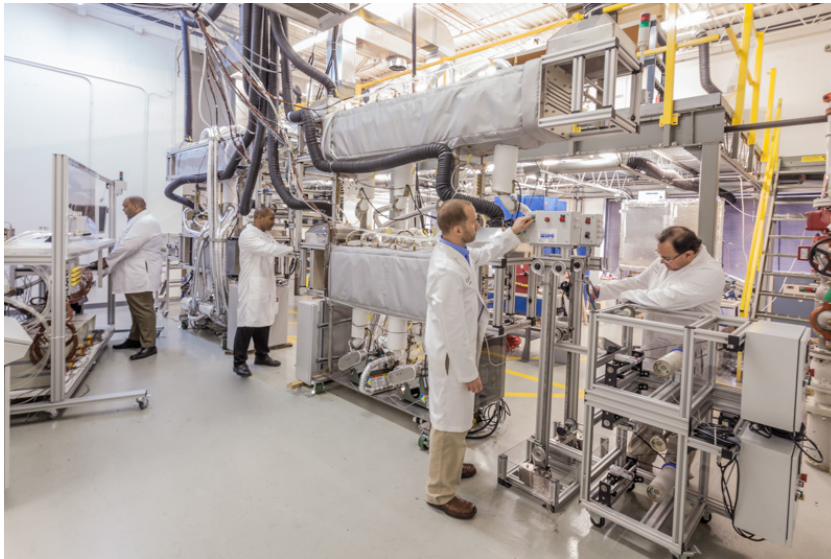
**Oak Ridge National Lab**

*Validated commercial scale process for manufacturing carbon fiber using precursors with 25% lignin*



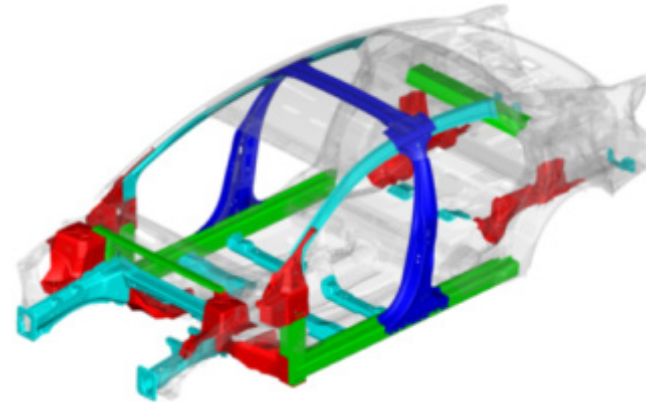
**Zoltek**

*Brought large-scale carbon fiber reactor online to support continued advancement of carbon fiber research*



*Oak Ridge National Lab*

*Completed design/CAE and significant portion of prototype construction of a multi-material, lightweight vehicle with >23% weight reduction compared to conventional vehicles*



*VEHMA, Ford Motor Company*

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