NIST Programs in Manufacturing Innovation

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What is AMTech?

The Advanced Manufacturing Technology Consortia (AMTech) Program

Launched by NIST in FY 2013

- To incentivize the formation of, and provide industry-driven consortia
- Supports both basic and applied research
- Focuses on long-term, pre-competitive, and enabling technology development
- For the U.S. manufacturing industry

The goal of AMTech-supported consortia will be to strengthen the capacity of U.S. industry and the nation to compete in global markets.
Once fully implemented, NIST envisions AMTech to offer funding in two broad areas: *planning awards* and *implementation awards*. The FY 2013 AMTech *planning awards* funded eligible applicants to create new, or strengthen existing, industry-led technology consortia.

AMTech-supported consortia will:

- Identify and prioritize long-term, pre-competitive industrial research needs (e.g., through roadmapping or white papers);
- Identify technology roadblocks;
- Enable technology development;
- Create the infrastructure necessary for more efficient transfer of technology;
- Represent a broad range of involved firms across all stages of the value chain.
2013 Planning Awards

- To establish and strengthen new and existing industry-led consortia that are focused on developing advanced technologies to address major technical problems that inhibit the growth of advanced manufacturing in the U.S.

- To identify and prioritize research projects supporting long-term industrial research needs and a range of eligible activities including, but not limited to, creating new or updating existing industry-led, shared-vision technology roadmaps for the development of technologies underpinning next-generation and/or transformational innovations.

- To undertake other activities designed to establish and strengthen new and existing industry-led, multi-partner consortia that catalyze technology infrastructure and American excellence in advanced manufacturing.
Nineteen Awards totaling $9 million in NIST funding

Consortia Characteristics

Status: 11 New
8 Existing

Crosscutting Technologies (# of efforts):

- 1 - Additive Manufacturing
- 2 - Advanced Forming & Joining Technologies
- 7 - Advanced Manufacturing & Testing Equipment
- 2 - Advanced Materials Design, Synthesis & Processing
- 1 - Advancing Sensing, Measurement & Process Control
- 1 - Biomanufacturing & Bioinformatics
- 1 - Flexible Electronics Manufacturing
- 2 - Sustainable Manufacturing
- 2 - Visualization, Informatics & Digital Manufacturing Technologies
## 2013 Competition Results (cont’d)

### Funded Projects

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For details visit: [www.nist.gov/amo/fundedawards.cfm](http://www.nist.gov/amo/fundedawards.cfm)
SMART Wind Consortium

**Project Objectives**

- Form a consortium of distributed wind manufacturers, suppliers, university researchers, and manufacturing centers
- Develop a roadmap to identify manufacturing gaps, prioritize actions, and foster solutions

**Project Lead:** Distributed Wind Energy Association

**Funded Collaborators:** eFormative Options  
Wind Advisors Team

**Project Event**

  [www.distributedwind.org/smart-wind-consortium](http://www.distributedwind.org/smart-wind-consortium)

**Project Deliverable**

- An advanced manufacturing roadmap for the distributed wind energy industry (May 31, 2016)

**Award Number:** 70NANB14H047  
**NIST Funding:** $488,634  
**Project Period:** June 2014 to May 2016  
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AMTech anticipates awarding a total of $5.6 million in (2-year-maximum) grants during the program's second competition. Awards will range between about $250,000 and $500,000, subject to the availability of funds.

Pre-applications were required and were due on Sept. 5, 2014. Selected pre-applicants will be invited to submit a full application, which is due on Oct. 31, 2014.

Selections will be announced during the first half of 2015.
AMTech’s goal is for funded consortia to have broad National impact, so collaboration with NIST and other Federal agencies is encouraged. NIST personnel can, and are encouraged to, participate in any of the consortia and roadmapping activities (just coordinate first with the appropriate NIST/AMTech project manager).

- The AMTech Website will list dates for all consortia meetings, workshops, and other events, as well as due dates for roadmaps and other deliverables. It will eventually link to all consortia Websites.

- AMTech has published on-line consortia maps to illustrate the National scope of participation.

- AMTech has a LinkedIn account that is available for consortia use. Recipients should use it to share information and seek input.

For further information, visit the AMTech Website at www.nist.gov/amo
National Network for Manufacturing Innovation (NNMI)

Advanced Manufacturing National Program Office
(housed at DOC - NIST)
Goal: strengthen competitiveness and job-creating power of U.S. manufacturing
  – Enable better, faster “scale-up” when innovations are presented to U.S. industry

Bridge the gap between fundamental discovery and large volume manufacturing
  – create a space where industry and academia can work together, thereby …
  – Reducing the complexity, high risk and long time horizons that prevent *individual* companies from investing in Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 4-7 research
  – Allow small and medium-sized companies and start-ups access to the best minds and equipment to develop new innovative ideas.

These institutes create that space, to “de-risk” new technologies and get them into production here in the U.S., with benefits to everyone from start-ups to large corporations.

Develop a workforce with skills needed for advanced manufacturing
  – The United States lags behind competitor nations regarding the skilled workforce needed for advanced manufacturing.
  – These Institutes provide a space with state-of-the-art equipment, where workforce training can take place, providing workers with the computer and equipment control skills necessary for modern manufacturing.
The “Scale-up” Gap or Missing Middle

Common terms
- The “valley of death”
- The “missing Bell Labs”
- The “industrial commons”

Basic R&D

Commercialization
National Network for Manufacturing Innovation

15 Institutes + Pilot
Public Comment
Full-size Institutes
Vision of 45 Institutes

Congressional Authorization - RAMI -
Formation of Network and New Institutes

March 2012
January 2013
January 2014

Next Steps

PCAST: Manufacturing Linked to Innovation
Additive Mfg Pilot
PCAST/AMP Call for NNMI
Power Electronics Pilot Inst.
Digital Mfg Pilot Inst.
Light-weight Metals Pilot Inst.

NNMI Framework
IP Guidelines
Perf. Metrics

…
The Start of a Network...

Additive Manufacturing
Power Electronics
Digital Manufacturing
Lightweight Metals

2014 Solicitation TBA
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$70M public investment over five years

Objective
Develop and demonstrate innovative technologies that will, within 10 years, make advanced fiber-reinforced polymer composites at...
Six Technical Focus Areas are currently under consideration by DoD:

- Flexible Hybrid Electronics
- Photonics
- Engineered Nanomaterials
- Fiber and Textiles
- Electronic Packaging and Reliability
- Aerospace Composites

On Oct. 3, President Obama unveiled a new competition to award more than $200 million in public and private investment to create an Integrated Photonics Manufacturing Institute.
Thank you

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