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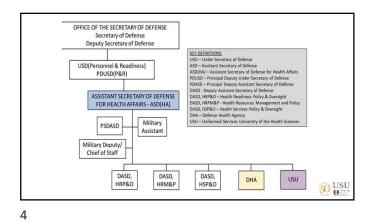
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## **USU's Mission is Unique**



The mission of USU is to support the readiness of America's Warfighter and the health and well-being of the military community by educating and developing uniformed health professionals, scientists, and leaders; by conducting cuttingedge, military-relevant research, and by providing operational support to units around the world.

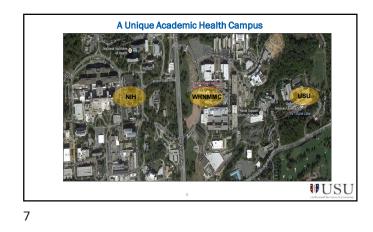
Three Mission Domains:

1. Education

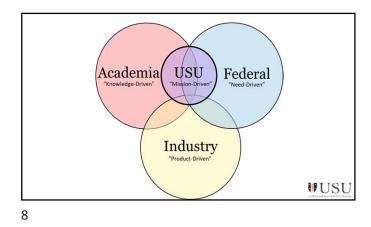
2. Research and Scholarship 3. Leadership and Leader Development









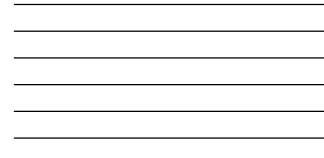




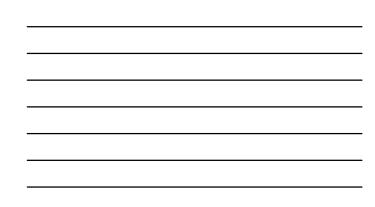






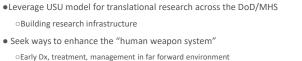








# **Priorities**



oImproved rehabilitation, rapid return to duty

Pain control, evidenced based injury prevention and treatment

•Leverage unique and large DoD data sets

Smaller, faster, ruggedized

Data science/analysis of risk factors, patient management, optimizing readiness

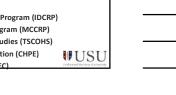
• Forward-thinking, anticipating, adapting new biotechnologies

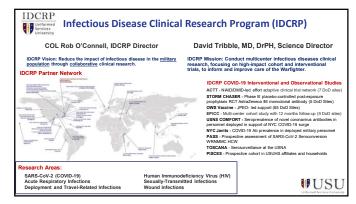
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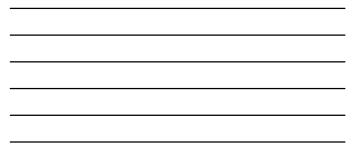
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	1. Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP)
	2. Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress (CSTS)
	3. Center for Rehabilitation Sciences Research (CRSR)
	4. Center for Neuroscience and Regenerative Medicine (CNRM)
	5. Consortium for Health and Military Performance (CHAMP)
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	7. Center for Global Health Engagement (CGHE)
Centers	8. Defense Veterans Center for Integrative Pain Management (DVCIPM)
	9. National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health (NCDM&PH)
	10. Infectious Disease Clinical Research Program (IDCRP)
	11. Murtha Cancer Center Research Program (MCCRP)
	12. Tri-Service Center for Oral Health Studies (TSCOHS)
	13. Center for Health Professions Education (CHPE)
	14. Defense Medical Ethics Center (DMEC)







# **IDCRP Studies in INDOPACOM**

1. EPICC - ongoing

- 2. P2 study: RCT for diarrhea prophylaxis (Travelan product)
  - Bovine colostrum-based against ETEC
  - MIDRP funded
  - Enrolling with the Defense Pow MIA Activity (DPAA) and Schofield
- 3. Marine surveillance for deployment related Infx Dz dnbi
  - 3rd MEF, Okinawa; enrolling
  - Anonymous and exempt human subjects research
- 4. Leptospirosis study
   Jungle warfare center
   Schofield concept
  - Jungle warfare center in Okinawa and "lightening academy,"

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Enabling Military Relevant Research				
Combat Casualty Care     TBL and Regenerative Medicine				
<ul> <li>TBI and Regenerative Medicine</li> <li>Behavioral Health (e.g., PTSD, Suicide)</li> </ul>	Vice President For Research Enables, Supports, Oversees Research			
Acute and Chronic Pain     Acute and Chronic Pain     Infectious Diseases & Immunity     Cancer     Preventive Med & Public Health     Human Performance Optimization	Advocate for and facilitate USU research     Provide regulatory compliance oversight     IBB     IACUC     Foster partnerships     DoD, industry, academic and federal     Provide cutting edge technology resources			
<ul> <li>Precision and Personalized Medicine</li> </ul>	Bioinstrumentation Center     Animal Research Facilities     Genomic Center			
<ul> <li>Disaster and Humanitarian Assistance Medicine</li> </ul>	Manage intramural/extramural research awards			
<ul><li>Women's Health</li><li>Global Health</li></ul>	Responsive to DoD requirements			

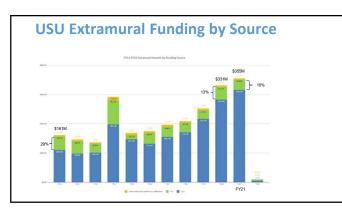


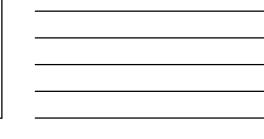
# My Role as VPR

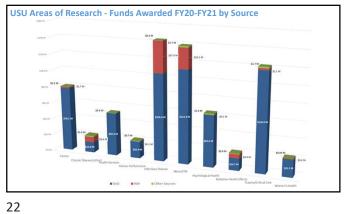
- Advocate for and facilitate USU research
  - Keep the "trains" running on time
  - Seek efficiencies in processes where feasible
- Seek funding opportunities
  - Regular interface with DHA, MRDC, other DoD agencies
  - Increase NIH funding opportunities proposal-based, cooperative agreements
- Establish partnerships for collaboration with external research
- partners
- Academia
- Industry
- Other govt (HHS, VA, etc)

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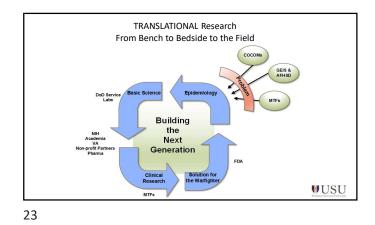
National Center for Sci NSF	ence and		NCSES Higher tion R&D Survey
Institution	Rank	Percentile	R&D Expenditures (\$M)
The University of Chicago	56	7.0	459,171
University of California, Irvine	57	7.1	448,967
Case Western Reserve University	58	7.2	438,994
Scripps Research Institute	59	7.3	427,734
Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences	60	7.4	417,300
Oregon Health and Science University	61	7.5	415,629
State University of New York, Buffalo	62	7.6	413,817
University of Kentucky	63	7.7	410,581
California Institute of Technology	64	7.8	399,931















## IPRAMM Mission, Vision, Principles

Mission: The mission of IPRAMM is to foster successful, innovative health research partnerships in support of the Warfighter by bringing together the capabilities of DoD and non-DoD partners to support research and collaboration that address the unique needs of military service members.

Vision: The vision of IPRAMM is to play an effective and influential role in shaping regional DoD health research through the development of synergistic partnerships that drive innovation and accelerate discovery and translation, while maintaining flexibility and responsiveness to the changing needs of the Warfighter and the Military Health System.

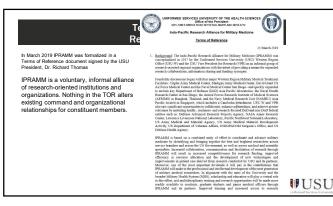
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#### Guiding Principles:

- Warfighter orientation and mission focus
- Trust and transparency, fostering open and proactive communications
- Requirements-driven efforts relevant to DoD and USG research priorities
- Uniqueness of collaborative research efforts
   Demonstrable and measurable value added
- Efficiency and quality of research processes and products

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# IPRAMM Member Organizations

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Uniformed Services University (USU)
Armed Forces Radiation and Radiobiology Research Institute (AFRRI)
Armed Forces Research Institute for Medical Sciences (AFRIMS
David Grant US Air Force Medical Center (DGMC)
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
Defense Innovation Unit (DIU)
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)
Madigan Army Medical Center (MAMC)
NASA Ames Research Laboratory (NASA ARL)
Naval Health Research Center San Diego (NHRC)
Naval Hospital Guam (NHG)
Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCSD)

 Naval Medical Research Unit – Asia (NAMRU-2) Mike O'Callahan Military Medical Center/Nellis Air Force Base (NARB)
 Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) US Army Medical Research & Development Command (USAMRDC) US Defense Health Agency (DHA) Research & Development J-9 US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) US Indo-Pacific Command (UNDOPACDM) Waiter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR)

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## IPRAMM Collaborations

- USU SC2i + Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory: Precision medicine for Warfighter wound infections
  through microbiome profiling
- USU TAGC + Pacific Northwest National Laboratory: Sequence analysis of human fecal microbiome in fatigue
   Biomedical Resistance and Resilience in Adverse Operating Environments (BRAVE) Initiative
- Naval Hospital Guam + DHA J7 + Defense Innovation Unit + Naval Health Research Center + Navy CIO: USS
  Theodore Roosevelt COVID-19 outbreak response and management
- Naval Medical Research Unit 2 (Asia) + Pacific Northwest National Laboratory: -omics analyses of SARS-COV-2 +/- sera
- NASA Ames Research Laboratory + Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory + David Grant USAF Medical Center: Tricorder/breath analysis diagnostic device development
   Tripler Army Medical Center + Pacific Northwest National Laboratory: Microbiome analysis of combat
- training soils
- Defense Innovation Unit + Naval Medical Center San Diego + Madigan Army Medical Center + Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton + Naval Hospital Guam + VA + Brook Army Medical Center: Augmented reality microscope for Al-assisted cancer detection

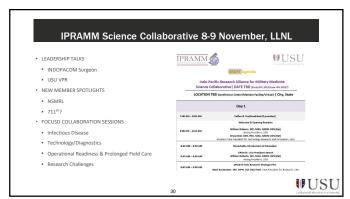
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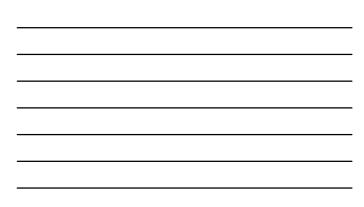
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## **IPRAMM Collaborations**

- Tripler Army Medical Center + Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory: Development of Blood Brain barrier tissue culture model, organ on a chip (OOC) technology
- David Grant USAF Medical Center + Tripler Army Medical Center: Novel extra-corporeal therapies for sepsis
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory + USU Microbiology: Development of novel antihelminthic agents (USU PI Dr. Edward Mitre)
- Naval Hospital Guam + USU IDCRP + US Forces Japan: Epidemiologic and Operations research on COVID outcomes
- USNS Mercy + Tripler Army Medical Center + Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory: Curriculum to build and train casualty receiving teams for expeditionary platforms
- USU AFRRI + Tripler Army Medical Center + Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory + NASA Ames Research Laboratory: Education & training opportunities in INDOPACOM
- IPRAMM + USU SOM: Expansion of educational opportunities for USU students among IPRAMM
   organizations
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USU Military Women's Health Research (MWHR) Program

- Conceived at the 2016 Military Women's Health Research Conference
   Added to our Program of Record (POM) FY 2020, ~\$1.6 M
- Dedicated funding has increased to \$2.2.
  Supports research covering a broad spectrum of methods: basic,
- translational, clinical, and/or population science • Focus on diseases and disorders of particular relevance to the U.S. military health
- system and address key interests of the women's health. • USU Faculty must serve as the Principal Investigator (PI)

 Formal collaborations strongly encouraged with non-USU researchers as Co-PIs or Co-Investigators

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## Active MWHR Awards

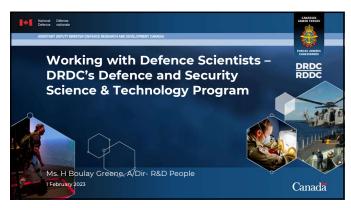
- <u>Military Readiness</u> in Active Duty Service Women: The Impact of the Availability of Water and Basic Sanitation on Hygiene Practices and <u>Urogenital Health</u> (Kostas-Polston)
- Effects of <u>Prenatal Mental Health Support</u> Intervention on Maternal and Fetal Physiologic Response (Lutgendorf)
- Evaluation of Multifaceted Multi-Systems <u>Equity and Disparities in Low</u> <u>Back Pain</u>, Treatment and Outcomes in Women Veterans (Highland)
- Overcoming <u>Racial Health Disparities</u> with Interventions for Physical and Emotional Pain in the DoD and VA due to <u>Uterine Fibroids</u> (Catherino)

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## How Can We Collaborate?

- · Understand our relative strengths
- Bring the investigators together
- USU has a variety of mechanisms to advance research and collaborations:
- Grants
- Cooperative Agreements
- Contracts
- Memorandums of Agreement
- Memorandums of Understanding
- Interagency Agreements
- Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs)
- Data Use and Materials Transfer Agreements

# THANK YOU Questions?





## The Defence and Security Science

- DND/CAF's integrated Defence and Security Science and Technology Program, led by ADM(DRDC), S&T Functional Authority and Chief Scientific Advisor to DND/CAF.
- One interface to deliver S&T solutions to fulfill emerging defence security problems and provide technological advantages to build military superiority in the everchanging defence security environment;
- Harnesses the expertise of the DND/CAF S&T ecosystem elements through a prioritization, investment and delivery mechanism to ensure maximum innovation impact for DND/CAF



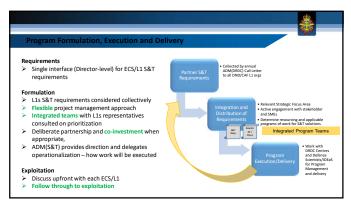


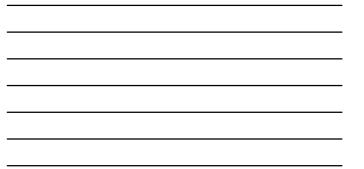


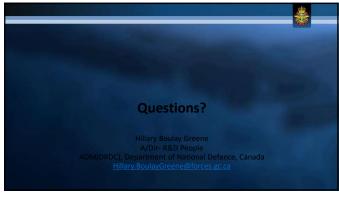
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PTOPUS (Delivered jointly web DG MPRA)	COMBAT IN THE VIRTUAL & PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT	ADVANCE PLATFORMS & WEAPONS	ACCELEBATE COMMAND, CONTROL & INTELLIGENCE	DEFEND NORTH AMERICA	DIABLE SAFETY & SECURITY	THE INSTITUTION	EVOLUTION OF SCIENC TECHNOLOGY
CULTURE CHANGE	AUGMENTED VISION	AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS	AGRE C2	AIR SURVEILIANCE OVER CANADA WITH POLAR OTHR	SURVEILANCE & INTELIGENCE AND INTERIORCEION	STRATEGIC SCIENCE POLICY ADVICE FOR DEFENCE AND SECURITY	SENSING AND POSITIC NAVIGATION & TIMIN
RECONSTITUTION (DGM/PRA)	CYBER OPERATIONS	ELECTRONIC WARFARE	JOINT TARGETING	HYPERSONIC AND MISSILE THREAT DEFENCE	BORDER SECURITY	OPERABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY	сомритны
CAF POPULATION HEALTH	SENSOR TO SHOOTER DIGITIAL OPTIMIZATION	UNDERWATER WARFARE	INTEGRATED ISR	MARITIME SENSING ARCHITECTURE	COMING SECURITY	ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE AND SECURITY	COMMUNICATION
TRAINING & EDUCATION FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS	IO AND INFO MANOEUVRE	SPACE PLATFORM RESILIENCE	INTELLIGENCE	NEXT GENERATION ISR WITH DIGITIAL HIGHT RESOLUTION SPACE- BASID RADAR	CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE RESILIENCE		QUANTUM INVALUE
FORCE DEVELOPMENT - PLOPLE (DGMPRA)		INTEGRATED PLATFORM SURVIVABILITY		SYSTEM-OF-SYSTEMS SOLUTIONS, INTEGRATION, CZ, DETERRENCE, AND FORESIGHT	FIRST RESPONDERS		
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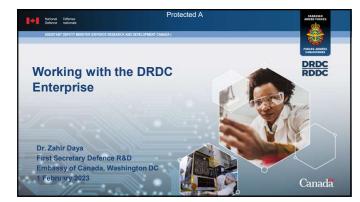


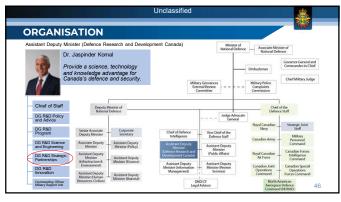


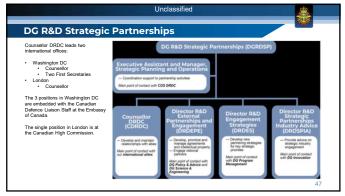


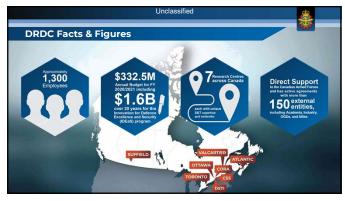












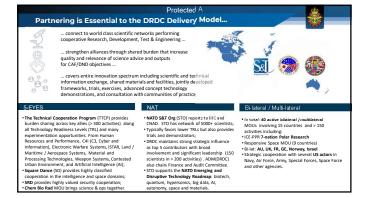


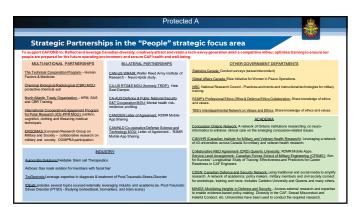


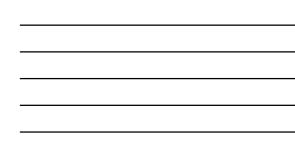
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	instrume	nts: industry & academia
NAME	TRANSFER OF FUNDS	WHEN TO USE
Collaboration Research and Development Agreement (CRD or CRDA)	No	Used to formalize a collaborative research project with an industry organization or an academic institution. An equal effort/contribution is generally expected from each partner.
Material/Data Transfer Agreement (MTA/DTA)	No	Used to transfer Crown-owned Material or Data to non-government organizations, generally for evaluation or internal research purposes. Functions as a simple non-exclusive, limited term license.
Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)	No	Used to outline the conditions attached to information exchange. Often requested by industry to protect commercial sensitive/confidential information.
Visiting Worker Agreement (VWA)	No	Used to bring a domestic or international student, member of academia, or industry expert into DRDC for a defined period.

		Unclassified				
Engagement instruments: governmental organizations						
NAME	TRANSFER OF FUNDS	WHEN TO USE				
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)	Possible (not for contracting)	An over-arching, non-legally binding arrangement outlining the provisions that allow for future collaborative projects and other activities between participants. Collaboration can include Research, Development, Test & Evaluation projects, equipment and material transfer, visite to stabilizhments and personnel exchanges. Participants' contributions to a project are means to be equal, and can include a transfer of funds when warranted. MOUs can exceptionally be used as stradone arrangements.				
Project Arrangement (PA) Master Annex Technical Arrangement (TA) Implementing Arrangement (IA) Subsidiary Arrangement (SA) Equipment/Material Transfer Arrangement (E&MTA) Personnel Exchange	Possible	These are all describing annexes to MOUs (this list is to be considered non-exhaustive), detailing the terms of a specific activity jointy agreed upon by participants. These annexes must be governed by their respective, overarching MOU.				
Task Order	Possible	Used to identify activities to be carried out with other government departments domestically, under a previously approved Master Annex. As such, task orders may not be subject to departmental reviews under DAOD 7014-1 if they contain only technical elements.				
Service Level Agreement (SLA)	Possible	SLAs are put in place only within the Department for DND (not DND to OGD). We have SLAs with RMCC, DGMPRA, and VCDS (for funding of our OUTCAN positions). DND uses MOUs for arrangement with OGDs.				
Letter of Arrangement (LOA)	Possible (not for contracting)	'One-off' type of arrangement when there is no overarching MOU between us and another GoC Partner(s).				
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ment instruments: non-government entity						
NAME	TRANSFER OF FUNDS	WHEN TO USE				
Contracts	Yes (from DRDC to the partner)	An acquisition involves a payment, and the transaction includes an exchange for; goods or services, for which the terms and conditions an laid out in a legally binding contract between the parties. Contracts are managed by the relevant contracting authority.				
Provision of Services	Yes (from partner to DRDC)	Used when non-defence agencies request the use of DND resources for a purpose not directl in support of the Defence Program, the terms of which limit defence liability and provide for reimbursement of all recoverable costs.				
Licenses	Possible (from the partner to DRDC)	A legal agreement to provide organizations with access to Crown-owned intellectual property (IP) under agreed terms. Two types of license agreements are commonly used by DRDC, En User License Agreements (EULA) and Commercial License Agreements.				



