

# Local Impact, National Influence, Global Reach

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**UC San Diego's  
Leadership in  
Microgrids**

**DOE-CPUC High  
Penetration Solar  
Forum**

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Engineering

# Our Story

UCSD was established in 1960 on a mesa overlooking the Pacific. Its roots go back to the 1903 birth of Scripps Institution of Oceanography. UCSD's founder, Scripps scientist Roger Revelle, had one criterion for the new UC campus:

*"It must be distinctive."*

UCSD achieved Revelle's goal in record time, rising meteorically in academic rankings, and making San Diego a global hub of scientific innovation.



# Campus Quick Facts

With a **daily population of over 45,000**, UC San Diego is the size and complexity of a small city.

As a **research and medical institution**, we have **FOUR** times the energy density of commercial buildings

**12 million sq. ft.** of buildings, \$200M/yr of building growth

**Self generate 82%** of annual demand

- 30 MW natural gas Cogen plant
- 2.8 MW of Fuel Cells contracted
- 1.2 MW of Solar PV installed, additional 2 MW planned

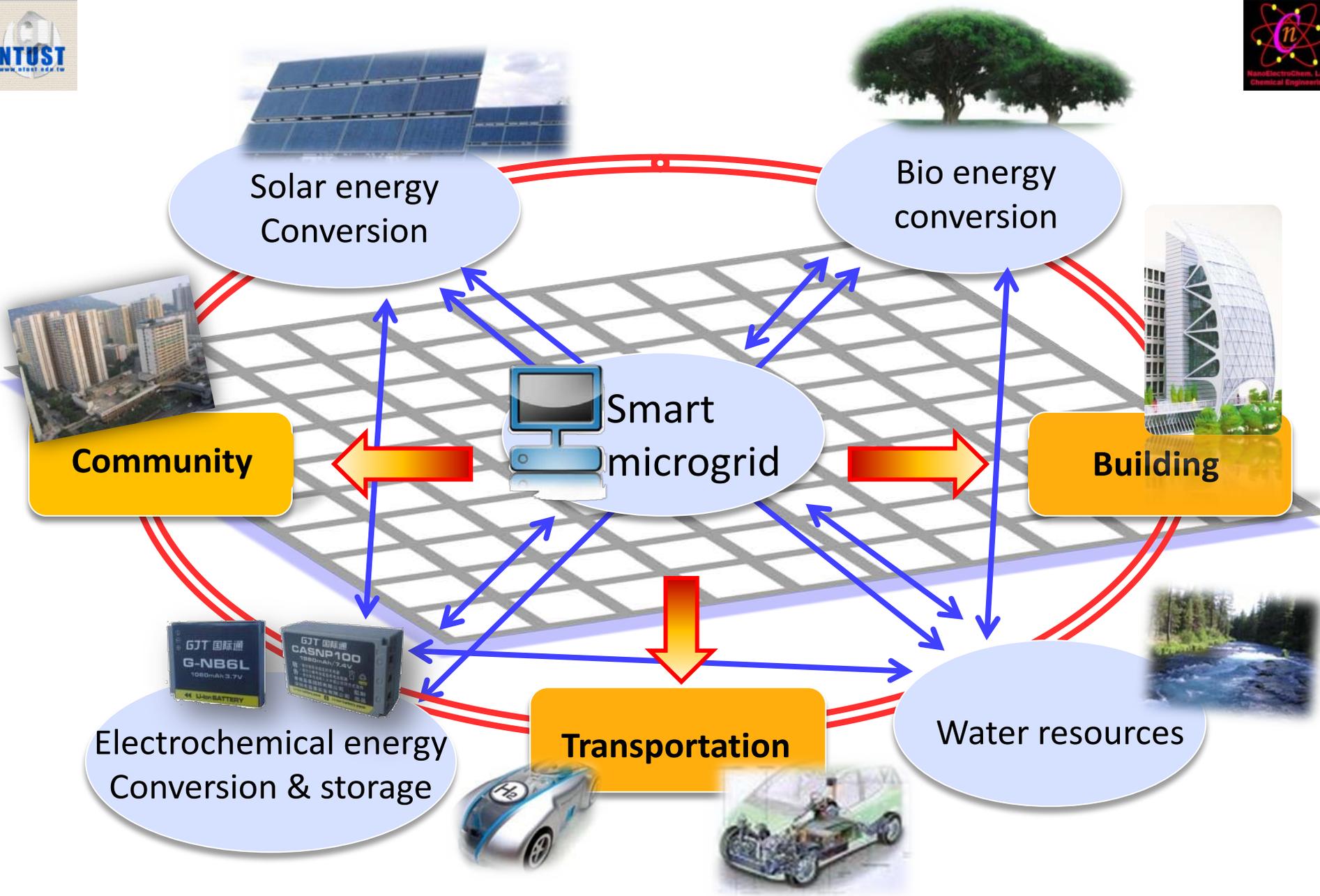
## UC San Diego Operates a 42 MW<sub>peak</sub> Microgrid



# Students Focus on the Future

UC San Diego: A Living Laboratory  
for Real-World Solutions

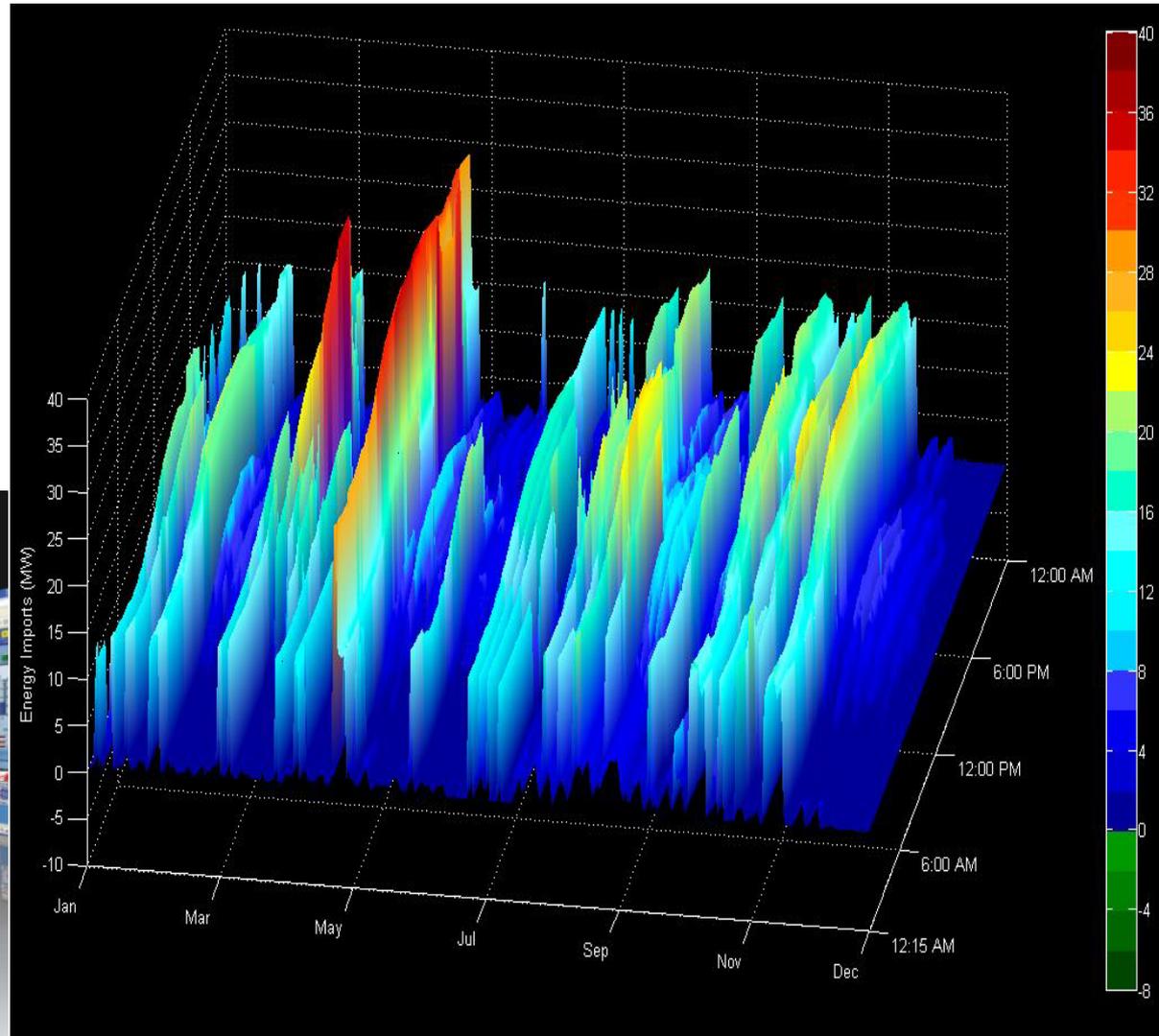
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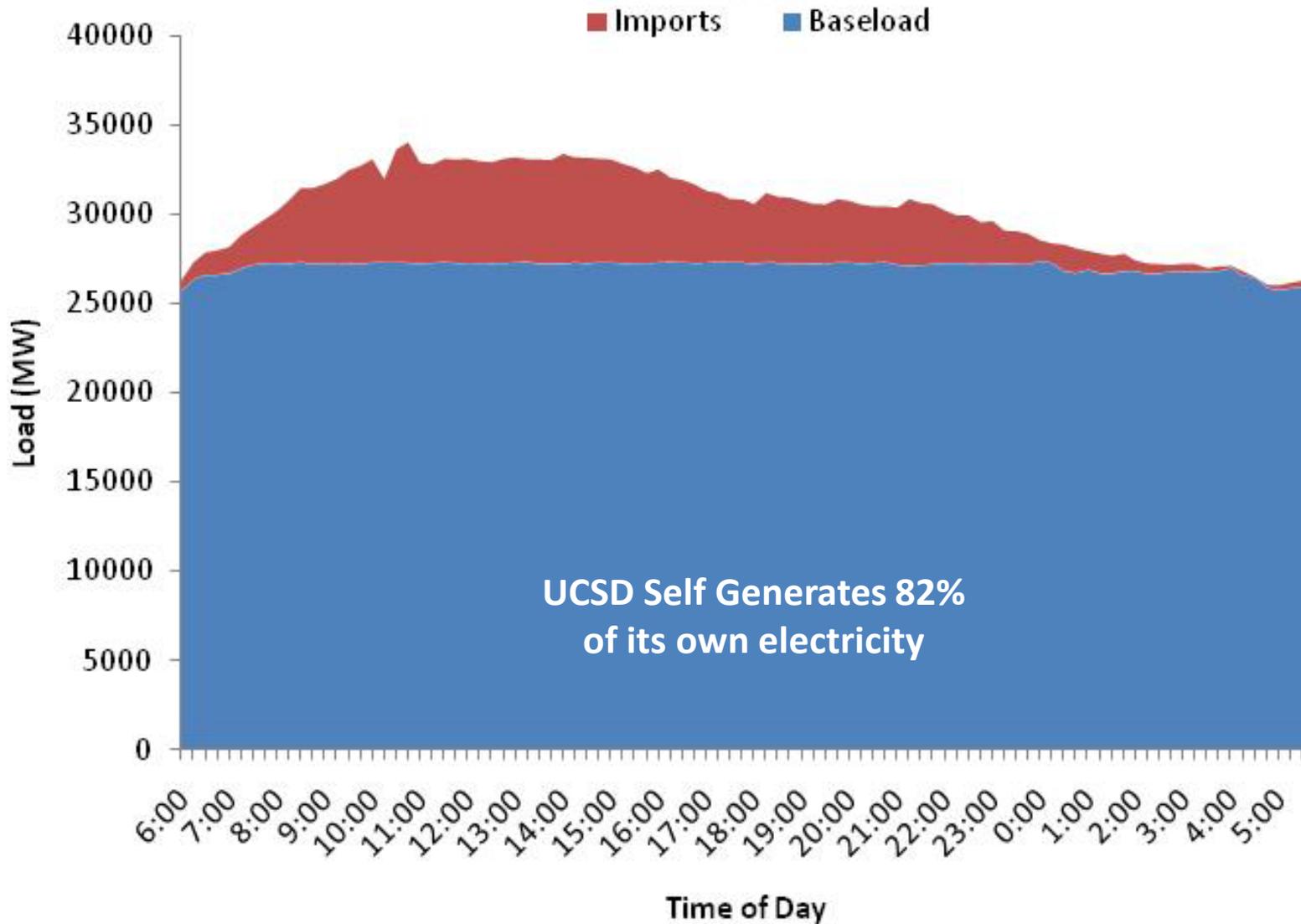
# Creating a *Green* Smart Microgrid

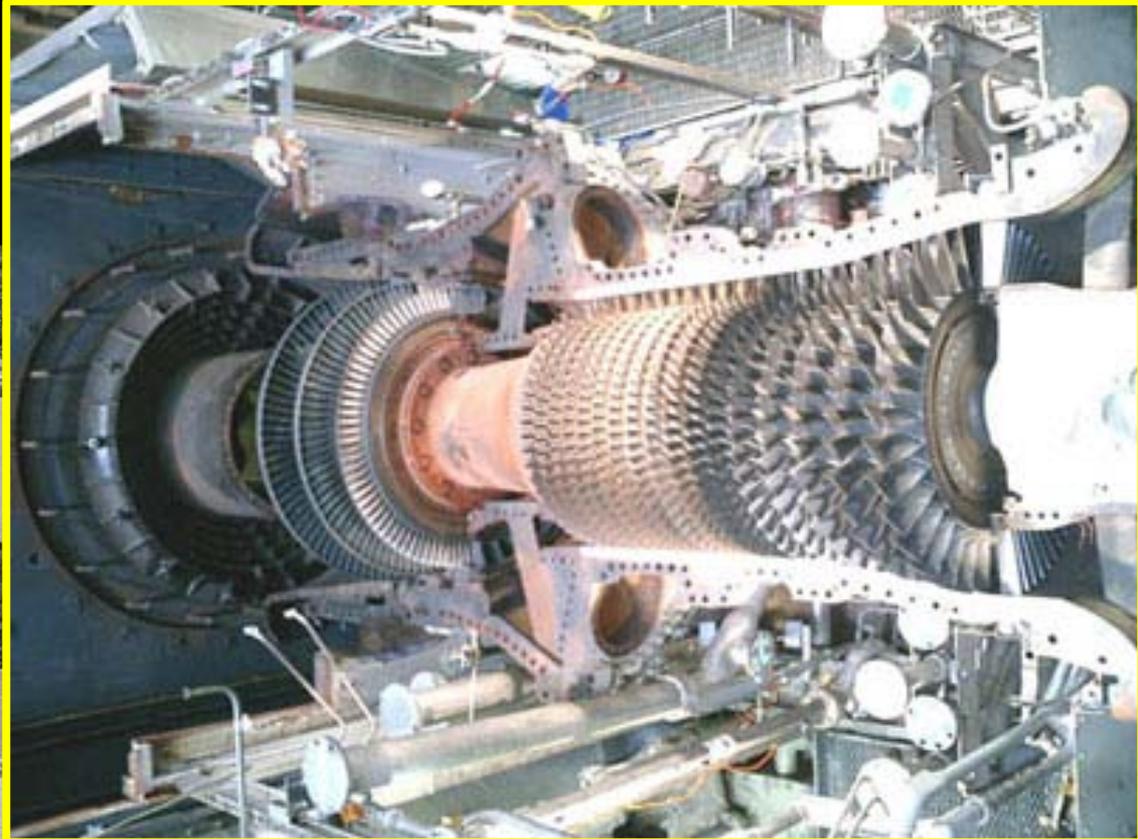
Goal is to create an **Unparalleled Granularity of Knowledge** for dynamic and efficient operations

The use of **San Diego Super Computer** will provide an unprecedented real time data computing, analysis, and visualization.

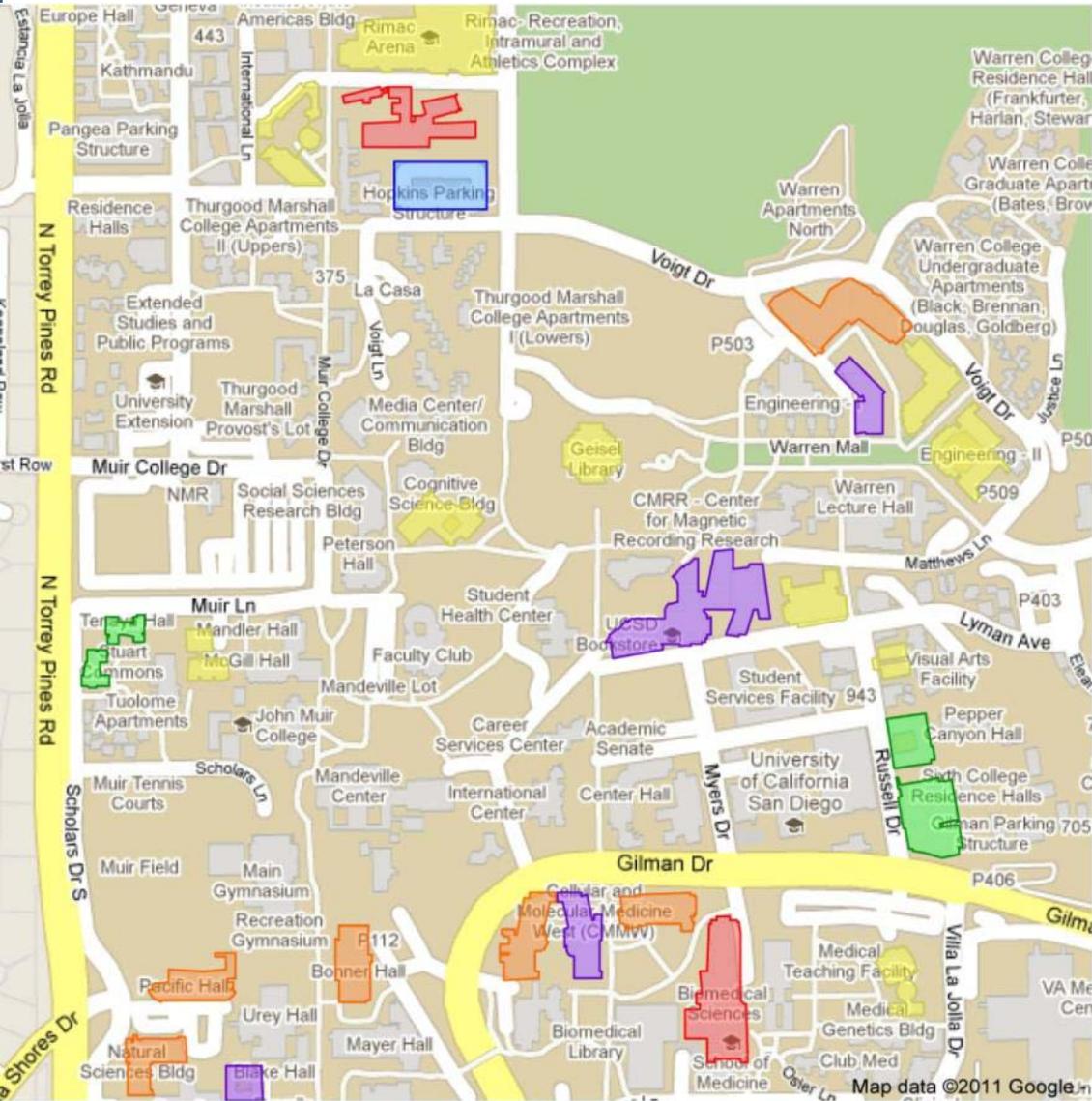


# UC San Diego Typical Load Profile





# Campus Energy Dashboard Map



Colors for the buildings correspond to their individual power usage (on average):

- Red:** 1000+ kW
- Orange:** 500-1000 kW
- Yellow:** 100-500 kW
- Green:** 50-100 kW
- Blue:** 50- kW
- Purple:** Meter is currently out of service

# Energy Dashboard Sample

## Computer Sciences Engineering Dept

- Overall Energy Usage Meters
  - [Main Power Meter](#)
  - [Breakdown of Power Usage](#)
  
  - CSE Building Sub-Meters
  - [Building Machine Room](#)
  - [Building Overall Lighting](#)
  - [Building Mechanical Load](#)
  - [Building Plug Loads](#)
- Individual Circuit Meters
  - [EBU3B Server Room Monitor Panel T1203B](#)
  - [EBU3B 4th Floor Lighting](#)
  - [EBU3B 3rd Floor Lighting](#)
  - [EBU3B 2nd Floor Lighting](#)
  - [EBU3B Server Room UPS Monitoring Panel](#)
  - [EBU3B Emergency Lighting Monitoring Panel E0222A](#)
  - [Monitoring Main Mechanical Sub Station MP0102](#)
  - [Monitoring Panel T1203C in Server Room](#)
  - [EBU3B 1st Floor Lighting](#)
  - [Monitoring Panel T1203A in Server Room](#)
  - [Monitoring Panel M Server Room Equipment](#)
  - [EBU3B Basement Lighting](#)
  - [EBU3B Main Building Power Sub Station A](#)
  - [EBU3B Main Building Power Sub Station B](#)
  - [EBU3B Elevator Load](#)
  - [Chilled Water Loop Flow](#)

# Energy

## Energy Efficient Computing



### NSF Project GreenLight: New Ways to Measure Energy Efficiency of Computers

As part of research project, UC San Diego is consolidating Computer servers in energy-efficient mobile facilities.



# Goal: Towards the Net-Zero Energy Building



- The CSE building at UCSD is an ideal research test bed.
- Currently the CSE building consumes 80 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>.

## Increased energy efficiency

Deploy SleepServer

- Machine room: 142 kW → 71 kW
- Plug loads: 130 kW → 70 kW

Occupancy Driven HVAC and Lighting

- Intelligent Lighting: 50 kW → 11 kW
- Occupancy HVAC: 65 kW → 40 kW

- End goal is to reduce energy usage down to 42 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>!

## Solar PV energy generation

Install solar cells on roof top of CSE

- Generates energy during peak times
- Can feed back to grid during emergencies

Use large-capacity battery systems

- Stores energy from grid during off-times

CSE Solar energy: 2700 m<sup>2</sup> roof      111 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>

Solar PhotoVoltaic: 20% efficient      22 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>

- End goal is to achieve energy production of 42 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>!

## Intelligent energy management

- Energy Dashboard measures and monitors energy usage
- Sanyo SES will be integrated to control energy consumers
- Implements demand-response mechanisms when needed

# Current Energy Research Efforts and Projects

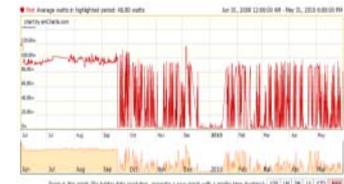
## The Energy Dashboard (<http://energy.ucsd.edu>)

- Visualizes real time energy usage across the CSE building and entire UCSD campus
- Can monitor and detect energy events



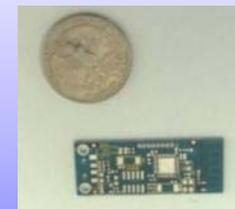
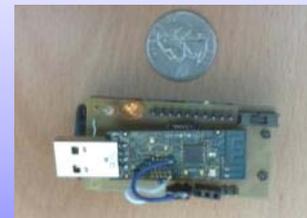
## SleepServer and Somniloquy

- Allows computers to “sleep” while mainting their network presence, 50+ **user deployment currently**
- 68% average reduction in energy consumption!



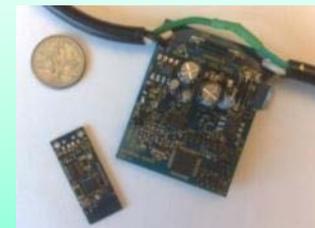
## Low-Cost Presence Sensors

- Able to detect occupancy in zones and rooms
- Mass deployable due to lost cost
- Reports to a server to drive HVAC/Lighting



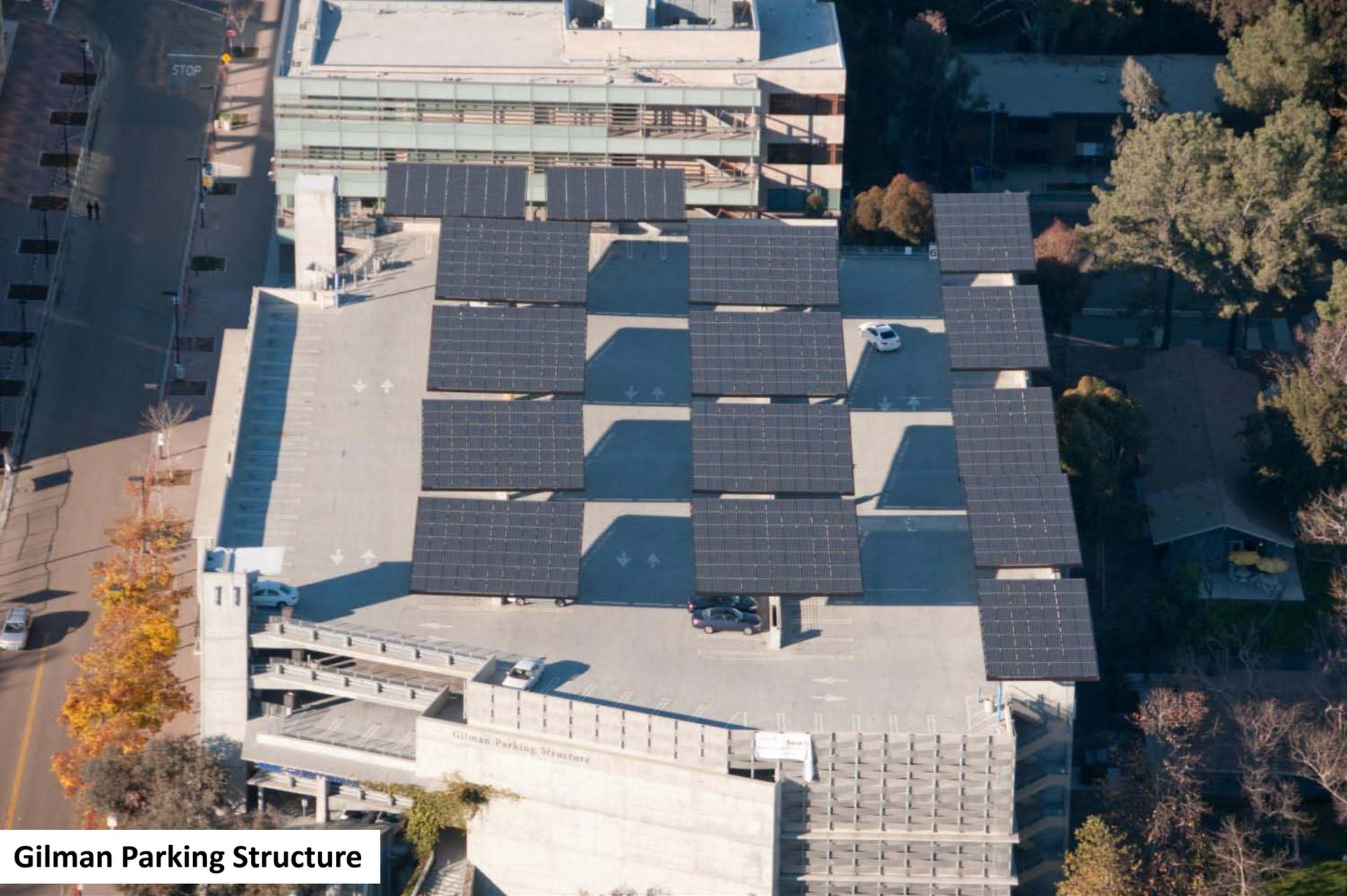
## Synergy Energy Meters with Actuation

- High accuracy energy meters for less than \$20
- Wirelessly communicates to central server
- Energy usage data used to drive demand response









**Gilman Parking Structure**



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32°52'59.00" N 117°13'46.26" W elev 330 ft



# Hopkins Parking Structure

Imagery Date: Aug 24, 2010

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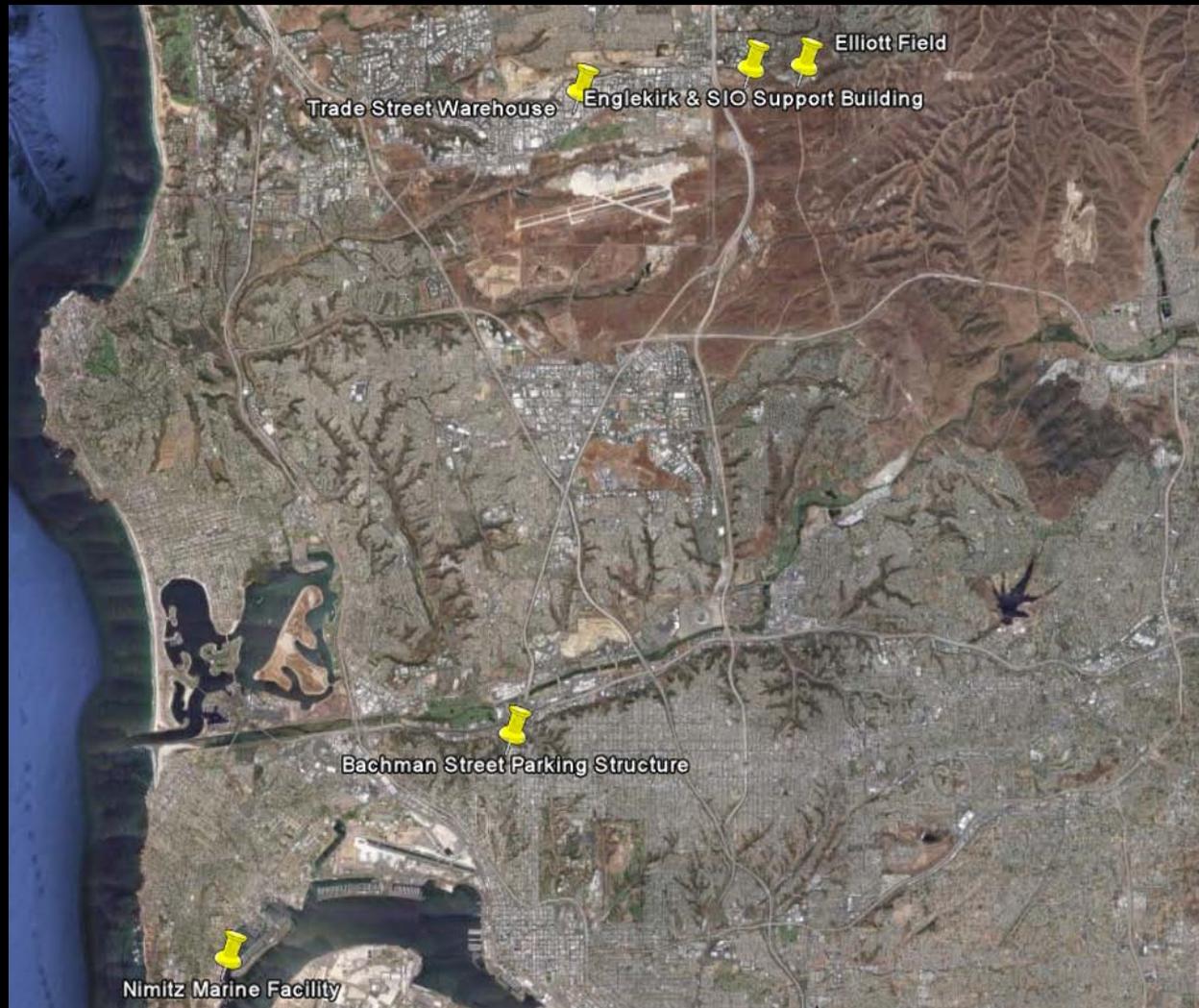
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# 900 kW Off Campus Sites with Clean Renewable Energy Bonds



# 900 kW RFP issued for 5 PV Off Campus Sites roof & ground; fixed & dual axis tracking (CPV)



# Potential for Another 2 MW of PV Integrated with Storage



# Smart City San Diego ...

A collaborative approach from strategy to execution



# UCSD-GE-SDG&E-City of San Diego-CleanTech San Diego Collaborative



# UCSD's Legacy Infrastructure Enables Zero Carbon Emissions, DC to DC On Peak Charging

- Funded \$3.5M of Solar PV
- Funded \$17M Fuel Cell



photographed by  
Jeff Park, 2009



# Governor Designated San Diego as the Latest Innovation Hub

*San Diego iHub Now Joins California's Innovation Corridor to Advance State's Economic Innovation and Global Competitiveness*

The San Diego iHub will be focused on the convergence of three clusters: mobile health, **biofuels**, and **solar energy and energy storage**

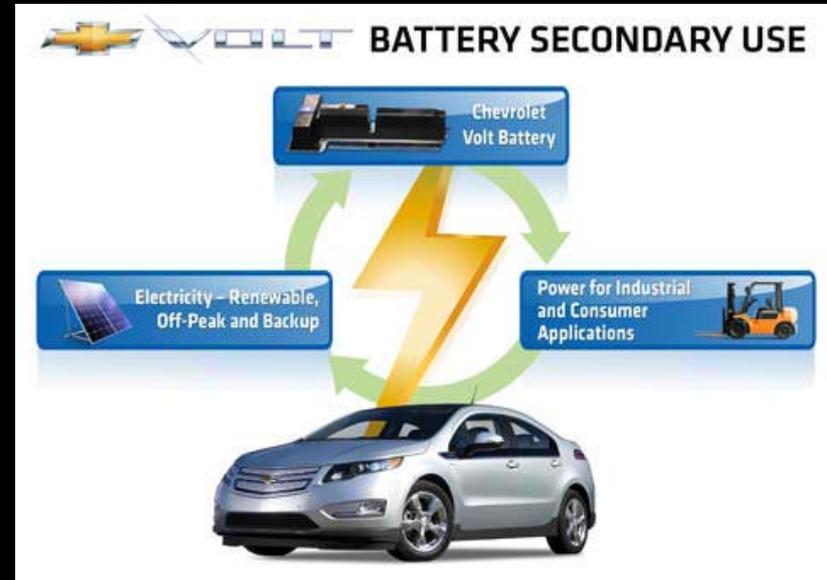
# UCSD as R&D leader of CA's iHub for solar energy and energy storage

Demonstration of Sanyo modular PV Integrated Storage System



SDG&E has a CPUC rate case filing for \$80M in energy storage

CEC/NREL/CCSE Endurance Testing of "Repurposed" EV Batteries



*All in conjunction with \$2.5M of ARRA/CEC funding for Modeling Mitigation of High PV Penetration and \$.5M of Solar Forecasting*

# Role of the Research University in "Innovation"

**Provide the  
Human Capital**



**Provide the  
Intellectual Capital**



***Partnership with Industry is Critical to Insure Impact!***

# Jacobs School of Engineering



- **194 Faculty** (10% National Academy Members)
- **5,862 Students** (Fall 2010)
- **Largest engineering school in California**

**#9** Among World's High Impact Universities.

High Impact Universities Ranking, 2010

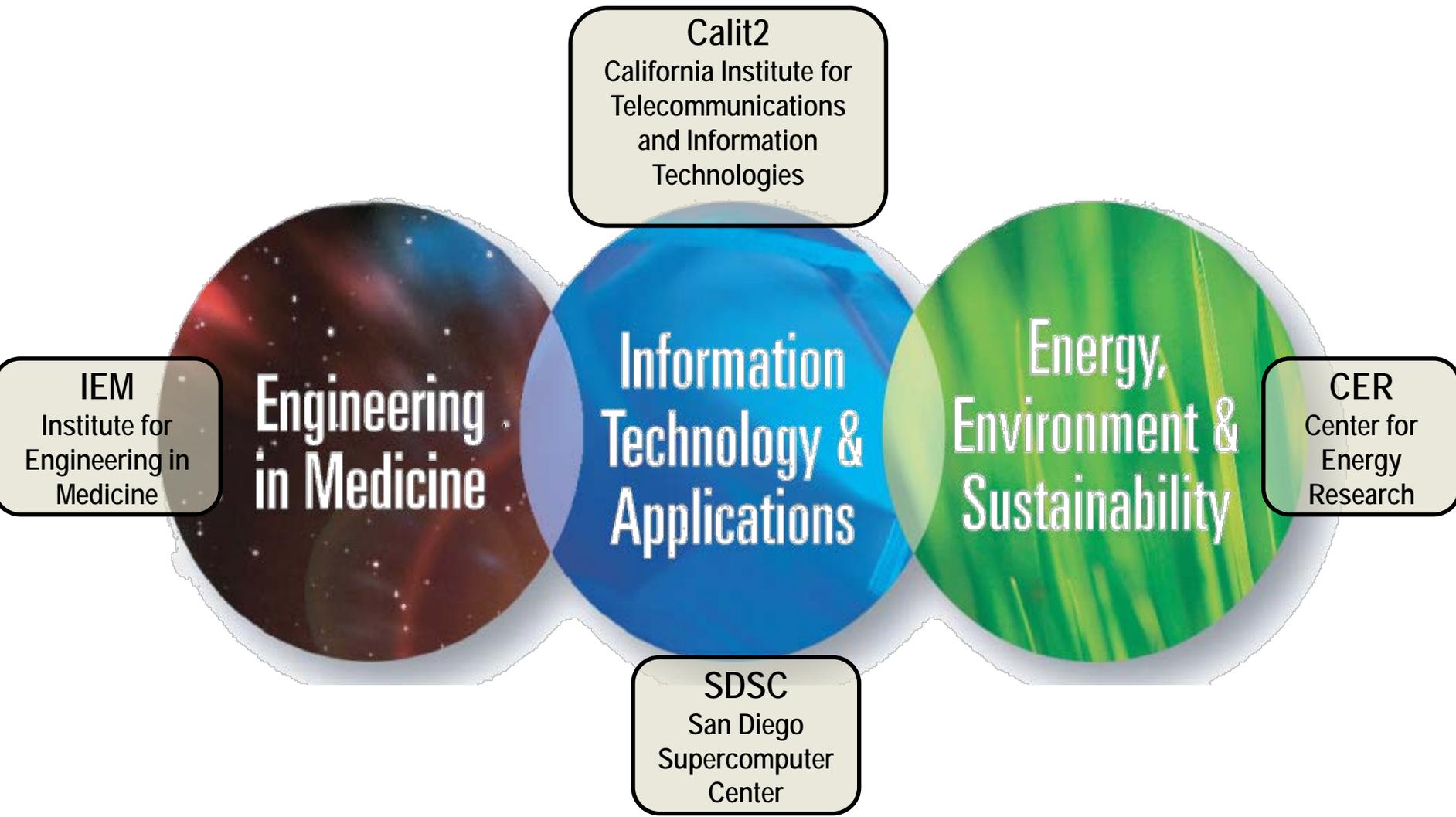
**#10** in the World for Engineering, Technology and Computer Science.

Academic Ranking of World Universities, 2010

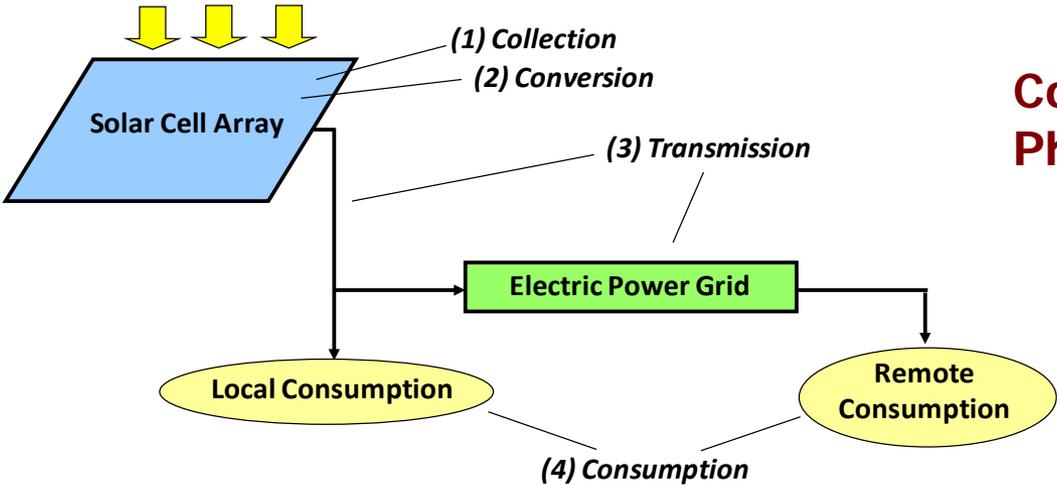
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2010 NRC Rankings

# Strategic Research Focus

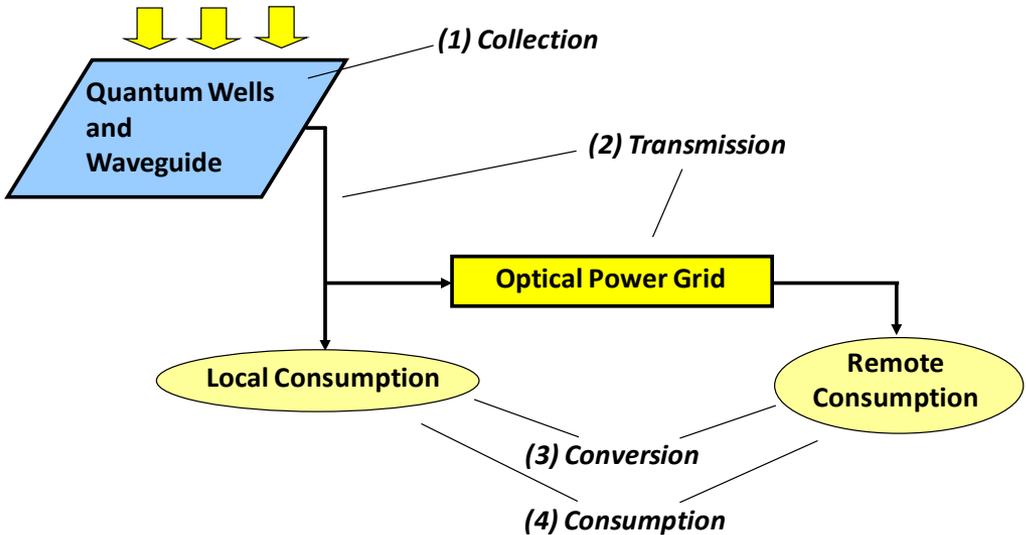


# Conventional Photovoltaic Systems

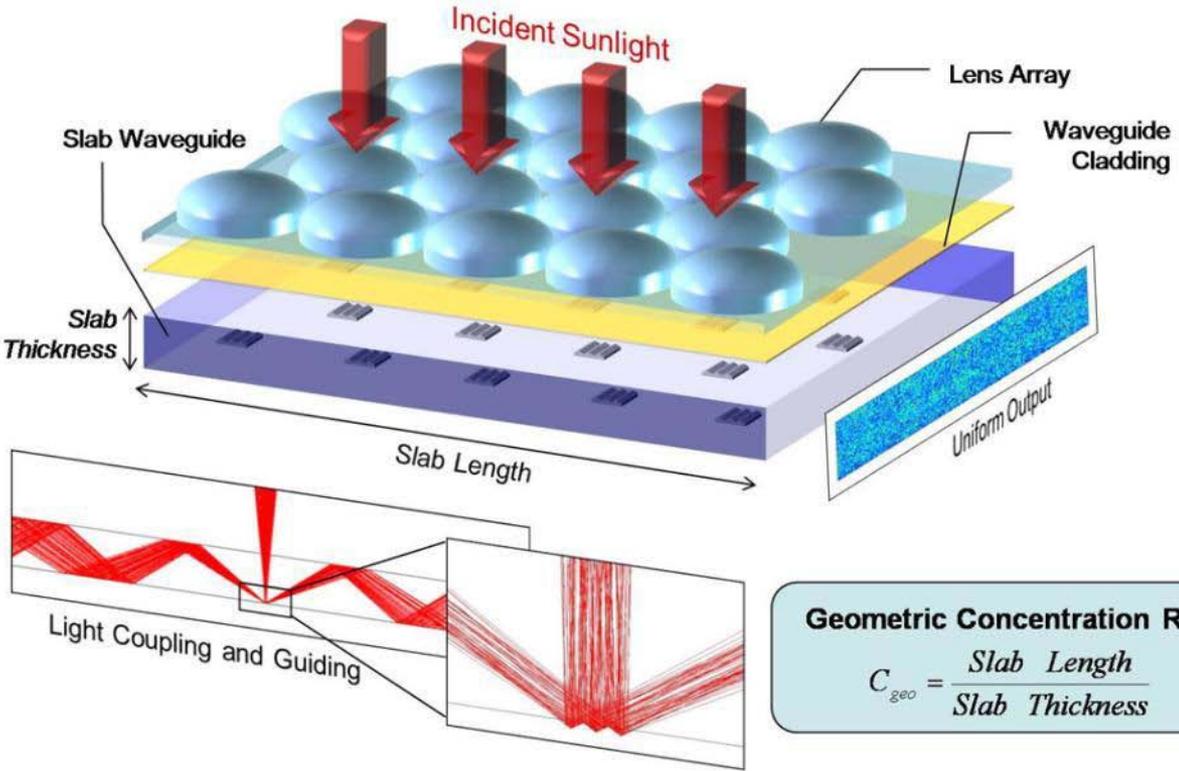
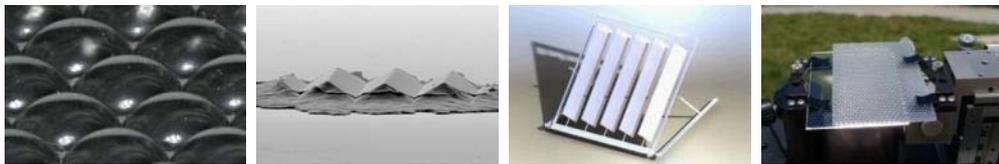


In conventional photovoltaic systems, most of the sun's energy ends up as heat loss right at the collection/conversion point.

# New Approach funded by Von- Liebig



# Micro-optic Solar Concentration: Planar CPV Design, Analysis and Prototyping

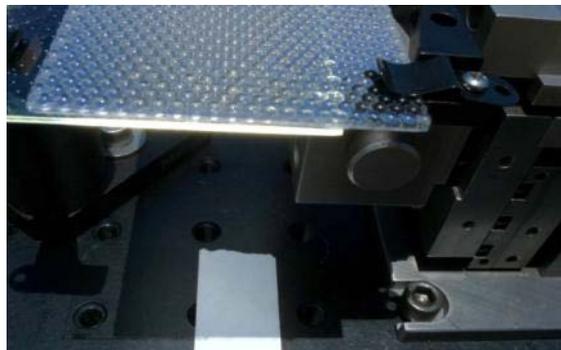


**Geometric Concentration Ratio**

$$C_{geo} = \frac{\text{Slab Length}}{\text{Slab Thickness}}$$



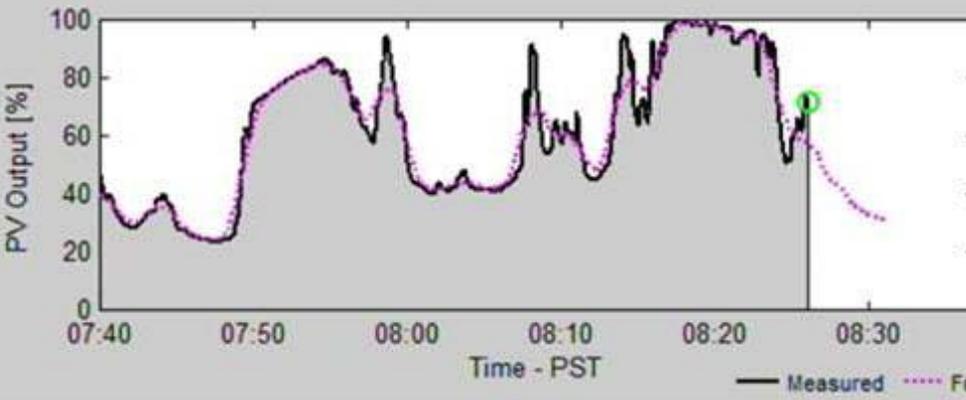
Prototype system illuminated w/sunlight



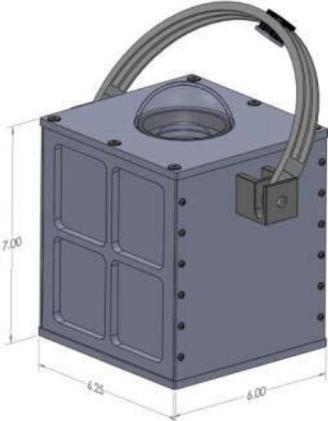
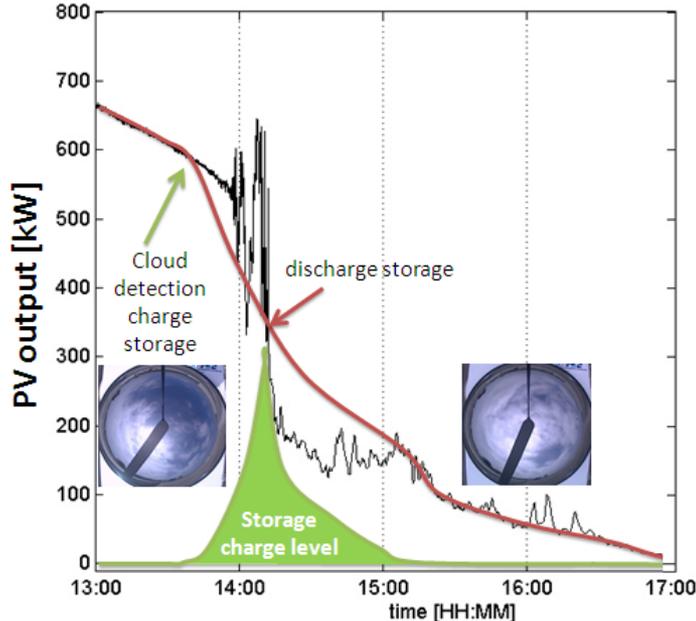
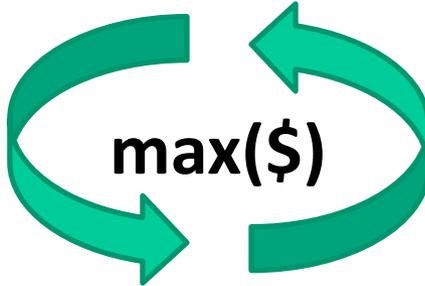
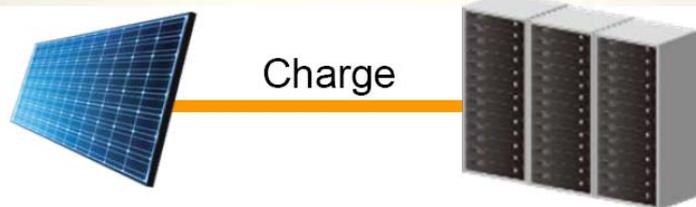
Concentrated output exits the slab edge

Layers Composing The Micro-optic Slab Concentrator

# Solar Forecasting



# Integrate with Sanyo SES

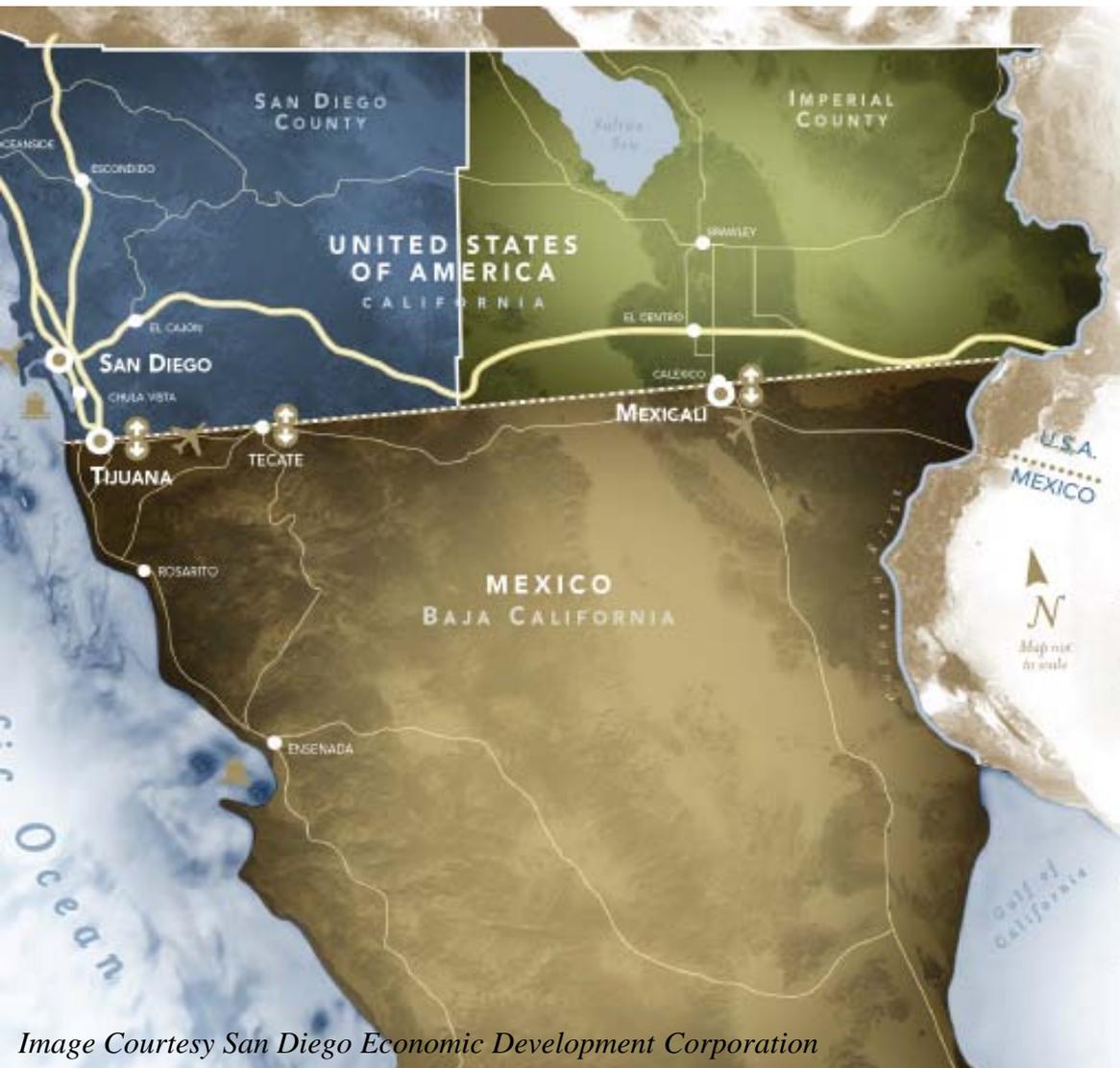


- Optimize solar forecast using sky camera
- Integrate into Sanyo SES
- Evaluate demand charge benefits



# Bi-National Mega-Region

(San Diego-Imperial, Baja California, Mexico)



## Renewable Energy Potential

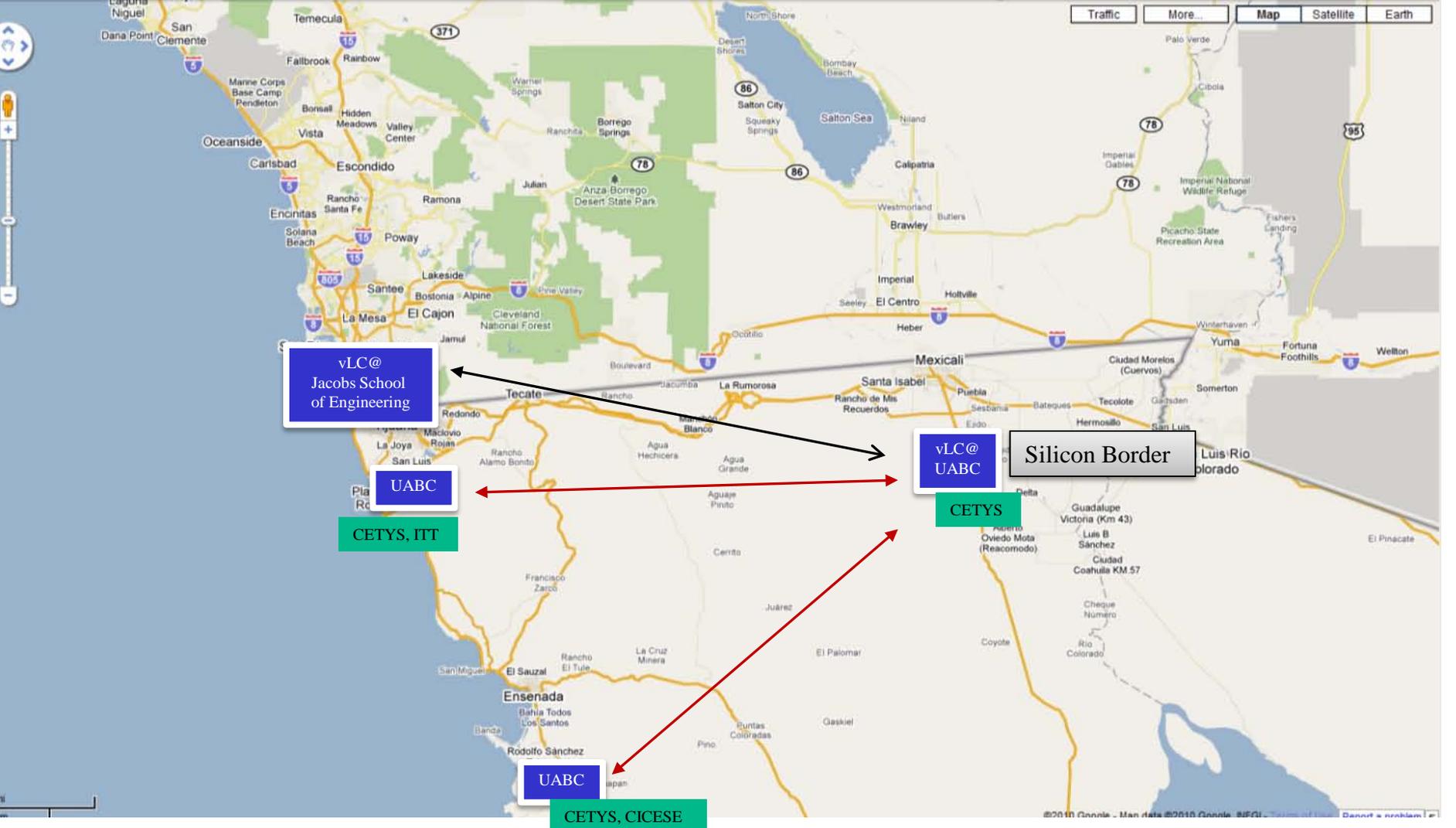
 **Solar** 6,550 megawatts

 **Wind** 3,495 megawatts

 **Geothermal** 2,000 megawatts

Image Courtesy San Diego Economic Development Corporation

# UCSD-UABC Collaboration: Catalyze Economic Growth in the Mega Region through Education and Innovation Acceleration





**UCSD East Campus Energy Park  
Conceptual Development Plan**





Thank You !

