



CHANGING WHAT'S POSSIBLE

# Introduction to T2M

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# Sometimes Congress has really good ideas

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- ▶ Authorizing legislation:
  - “To ensure that the United States maintains a **technological lead** in developing and deploying advanced energy technologies.”
  - “ARPA-E shall...**translat[e] scientific discoveries and cutting-edge inventions into technological innovations;**”
- ▶ Success is:
  - Good for companies
  - Good for the economy
  - Good for the environment

# ARPA-E Impact Indicators

Since 2009  
ARPA-E has  
provided

**\$1.8 billion**

in R&D funding to  
more than **660 projects**



**136 Projects** have  
attracted more than

**\$2.6 billion**

in private-sector follow-on funding



**71 projects**

have formed  
**new  
companies**



**109 projects**

have **partnered  
with other  
government  
agencies**  
to further  
development



**1,724**  
peer-reviewed  
**journal articles**  
from ARPA-E  
projects



**245 patents**

issued by U.S.  
Patent and  
Trademark Office



**As of February 2018**

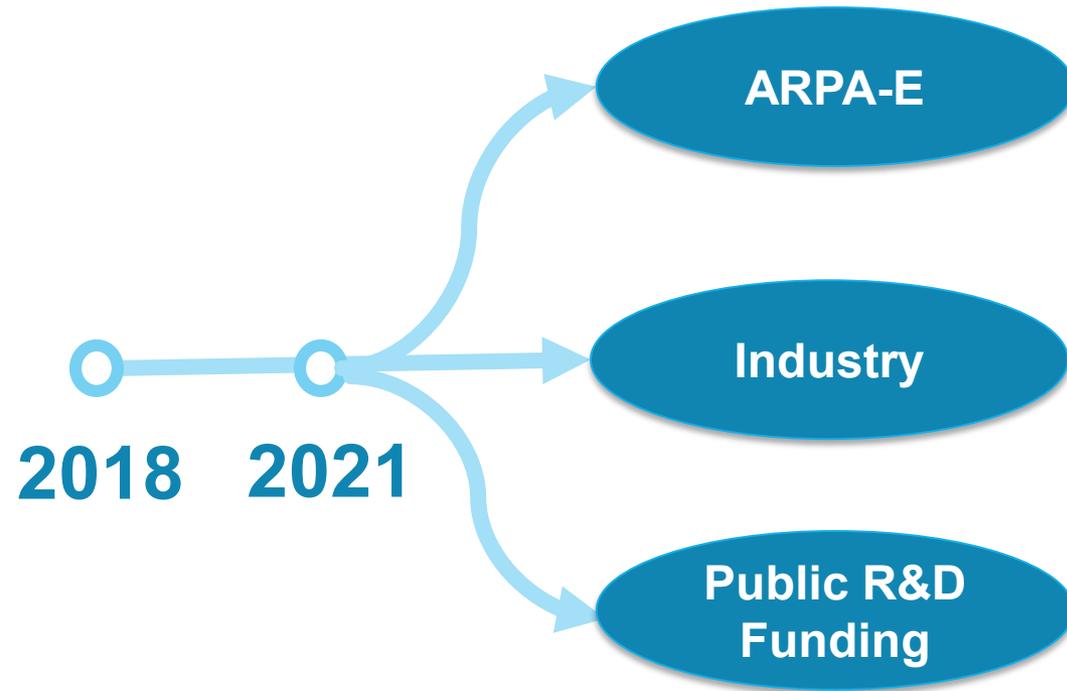
# **Succeeding at innovation is an area that even a fractious country can agree upon**

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- **ARPA-e has succeeded at winning larger budgets;**
- **This is because impact – on competitiveness, emissions reductions, jobs – are key;**
- **T2M's role is to conceive and operationalize strategies toward this end.**

# At its core, T2M focuses on the outcome of the project, why it will matter, and to whom

- ▶ Will we have succeeded in changing how the world thinks about nuclear when the funding runs out?



## Why month 37 matters so much

- **Return on the public dollar** – publishing is great, but we're here to move a market
- **Momentum** – Teams have clear view on what's required next
- **Team** – maintain institutional knowledge
- **Thought leadership** – Validate that we've hit upon an idea that really matters

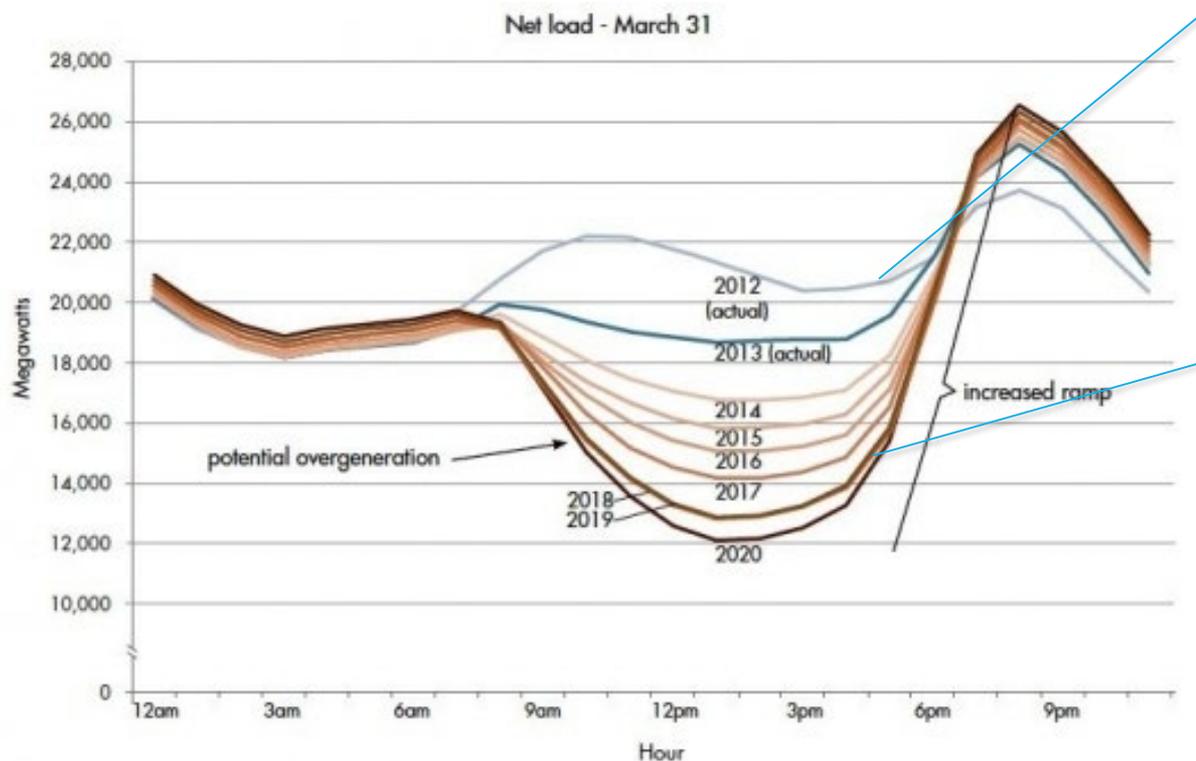
# Nuclear poses unique challenges to the T2M model that we'll adjust to

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- ▶ **Timescale to impact is long** as technology needs to be developed, scaled up, secure regulatory approval
- ▶ **Capital intensive** to develop scaled up plant designs
- ▶ **ARPA-e structure is not currently** set up to follow a long-term, structured approach to guiding our investments
  
- ▶ **Focus of T2M:** How does this program change the conversation on the viability of nuclear?

# MEITNER (and related programs) T2M strategy

1. Understand revenue opportunities for systems that will work an electricity future that will be different



## Before:

- Steady operation
- High capacity factors

## Future:

- Diurnal swings
- Large ramp rates
- Emphasis like on services, not kwh

# Revenue study for flexible reactors

## What we'll do

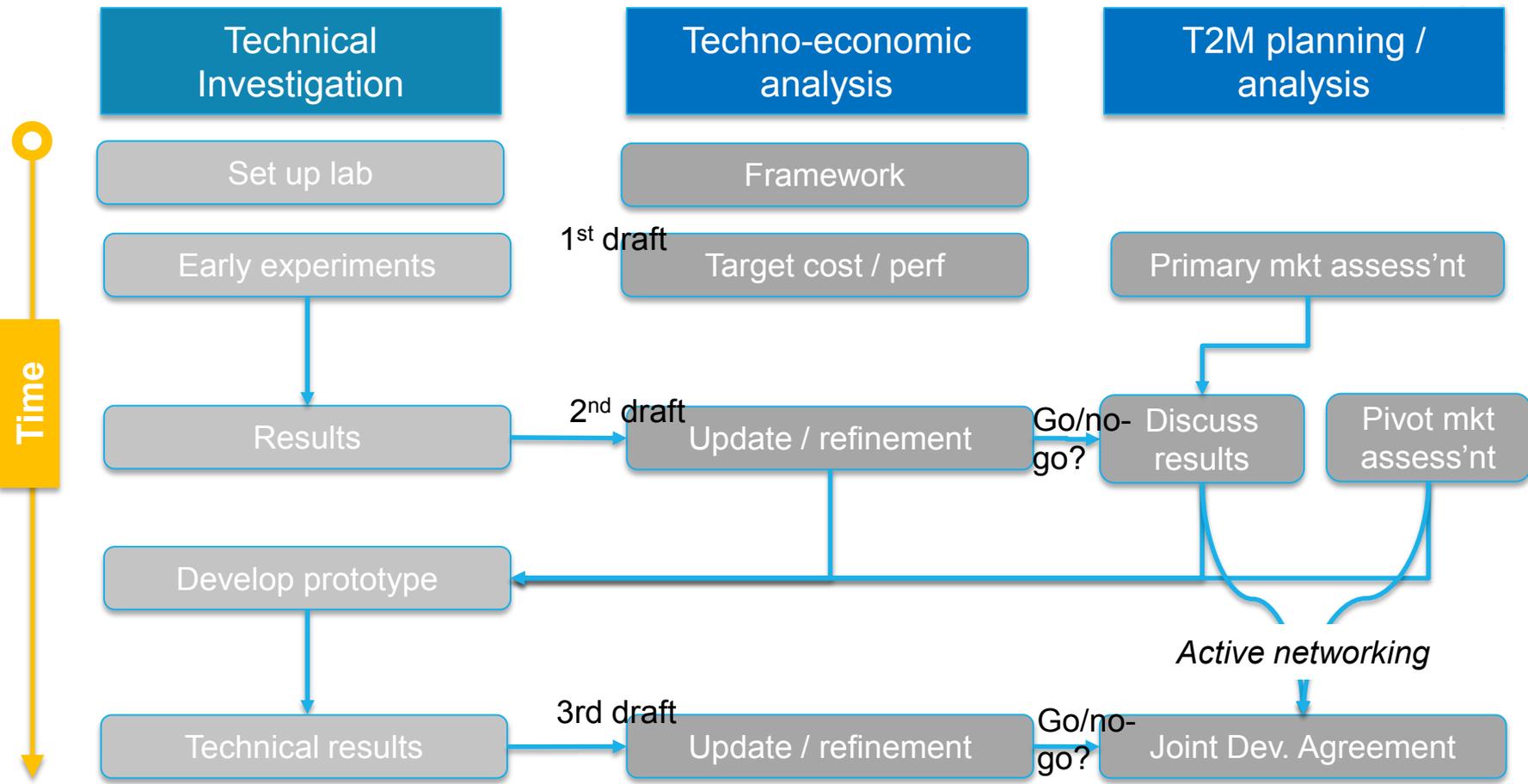
- ▶ Quantify the value that a reactor with flexible power output could earn from the market
  - \$/MW
  - \$/MWh
- ▶ Illuminate key performance requirements to be “flexible”.
- ▶ Baseline alternative forms of providing system flexibility.

## How we're doing it

- ▶ Lucid analysis using PROMOD Simulation tool which:
  - Incorporates future demand, generating unit operating characteristics, transmission grid topology and constraints
  - Produces a unit commitment and security constrained economic dispatch while optimizing bid production costs
- ▶ Results expected in the first year of programming

# 2. Support TEA to provide data-driven, cost-focused technology development

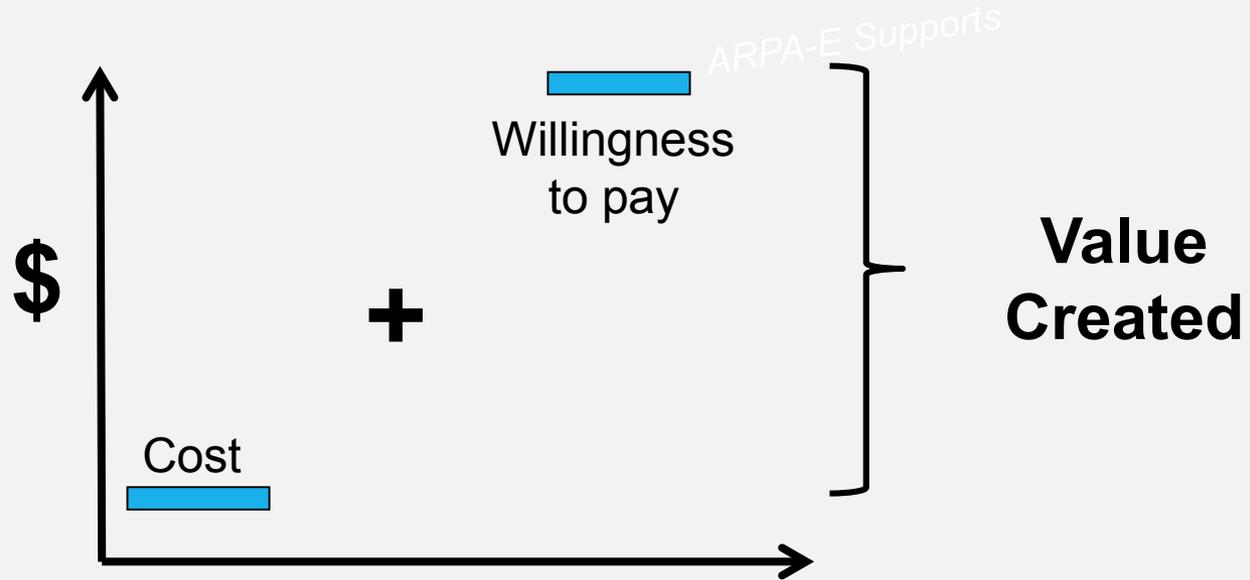
*Each milestone should be purposefully assigned to inform or build on other milestones, and they should stem from the technical investigation*



# In sum, we seek to determine why, and to whom, our work matters

## Objective:

Define where & how the product creates value



# 3. Stakeholder group – Building community to address multifaceted problems

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