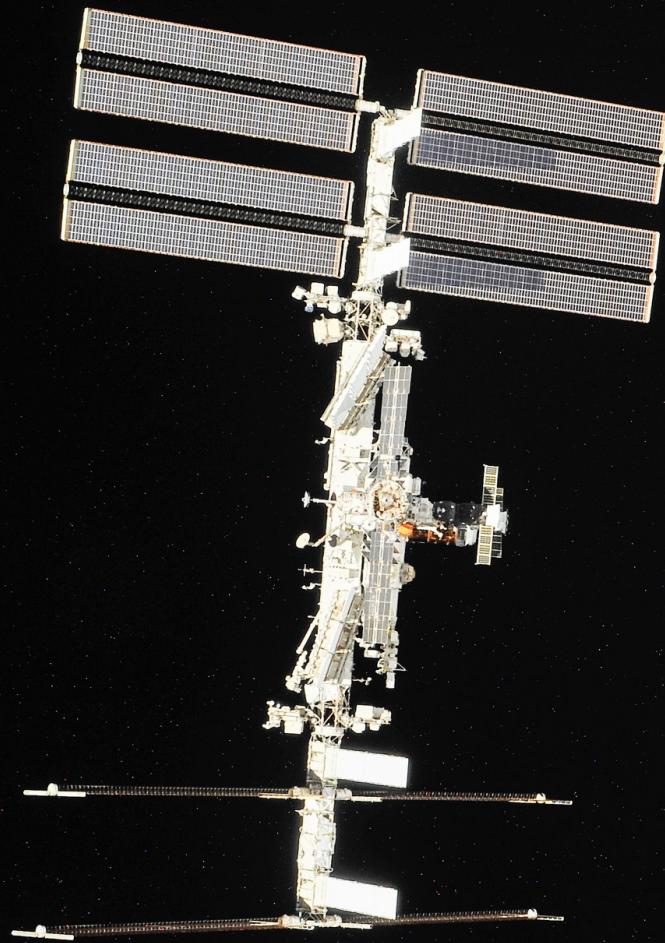


BUILDING THE BUSINESS CASE FOR INDUSTRIALIZATION IN LOW EARTH ORBIT

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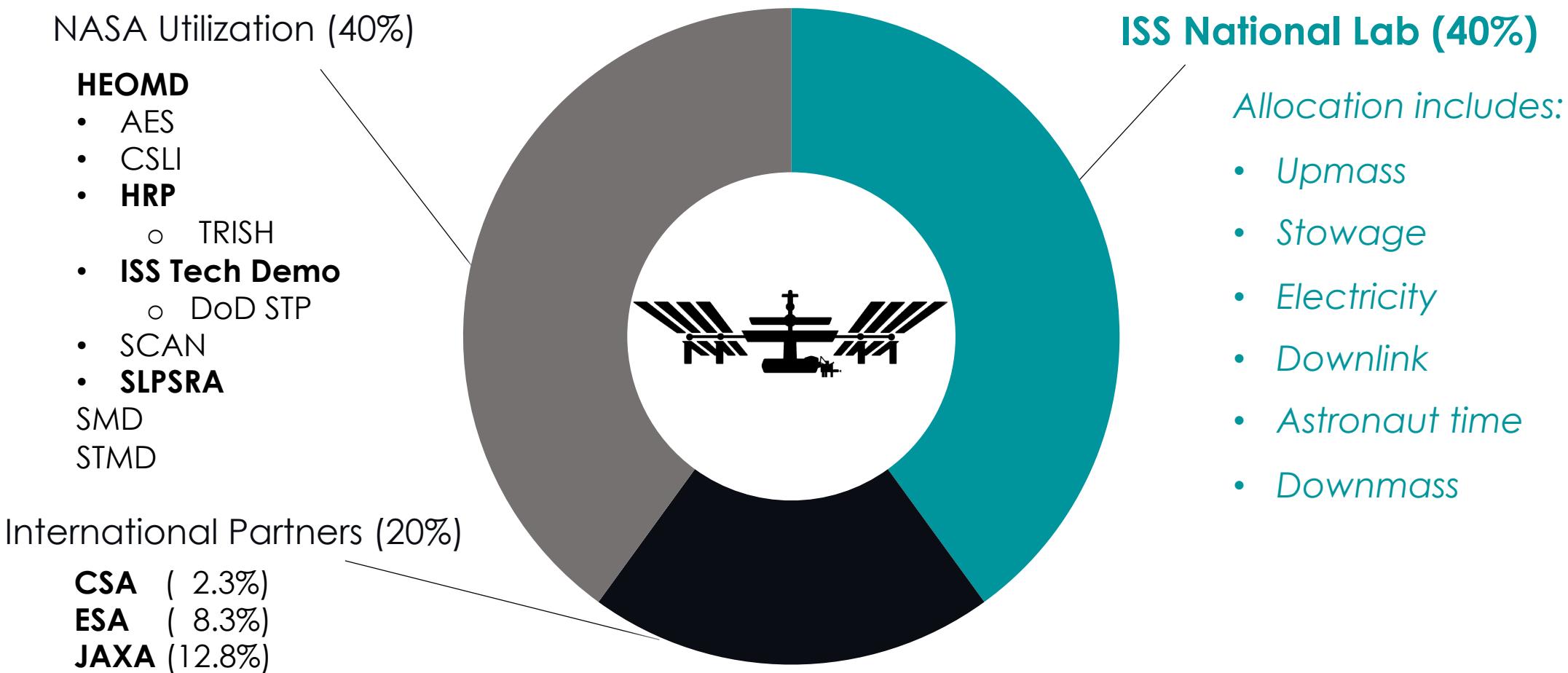
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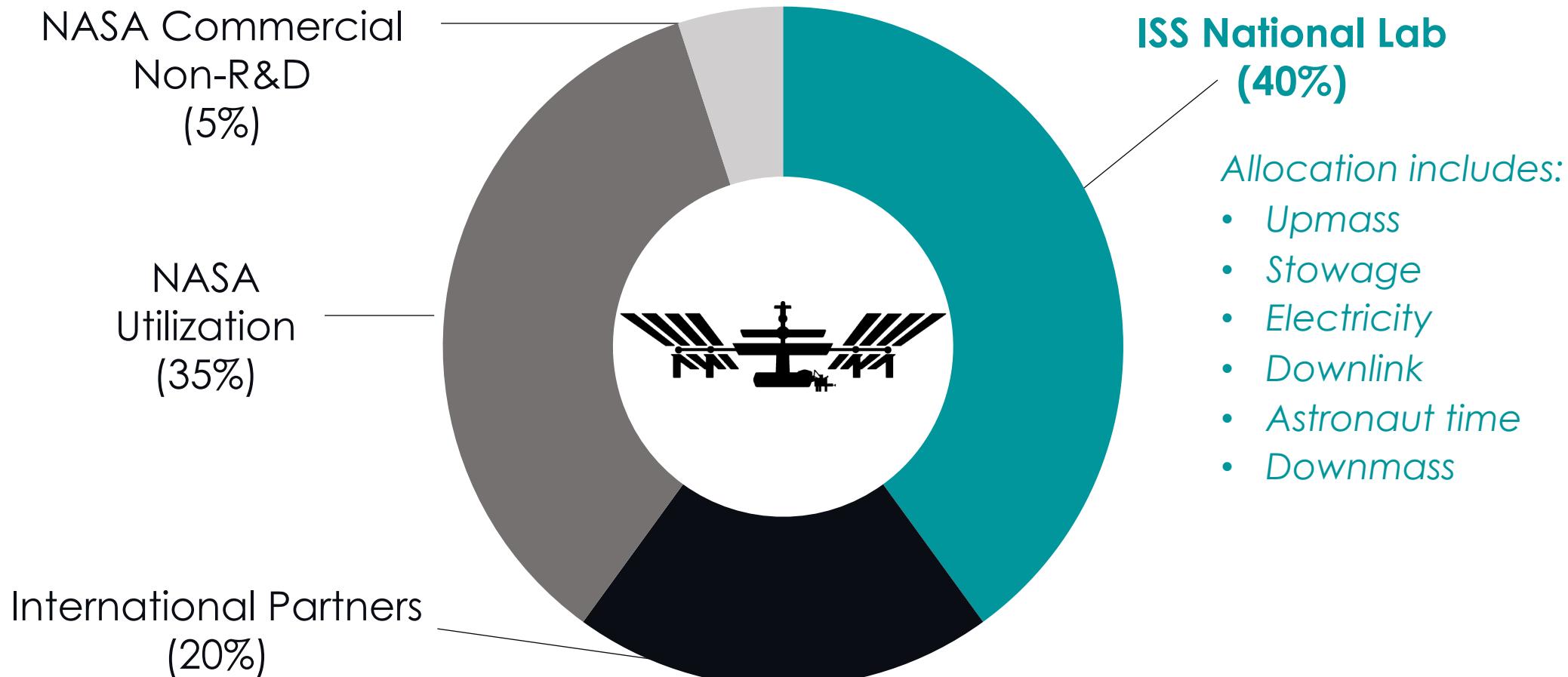
The ISS National Lab is maximizing ISS capabilities to stimulate utilization and to catalyze the development of new markets.

To achieve this goal, the ISS National Lab seeks out and pursues opportunities that drive sustainable demand and benefit humankind.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION RESOURCE ALLOCATION



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ISS NATIONAL LAB: SPACE INTEGRATOR

DEMAND

ACADEMIC, NONPROFIT, & OGA PROJECTS (144)

MIT, MJFF, ORNL, Emory, etc.

INDUSTRY PROJECTS (159)

AstraZeneca, Delta, Goodyear, Merck, etc.

SUPPLY

AEROSPACE ASSOCIATES

NASA, Airbus, Bigelow, Sierra Nevada, etc.

IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS (38)

Teledyne, NanoRacks, Space Tango, MIS, etc.

INVESTMENT

MEMBER INVESTOR NETWORK (157)

GOVERNMENT FUNDING PARTNERS

NIH, NSF, NASA, MLSC, DoD, etc.

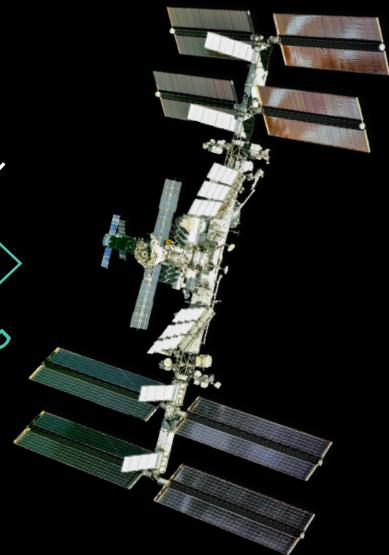
COMMERCIAL FUNDING PARTNERS

Boeing, Apple, Target, etc.

ISS NATIONAL LAB INTEGRATION

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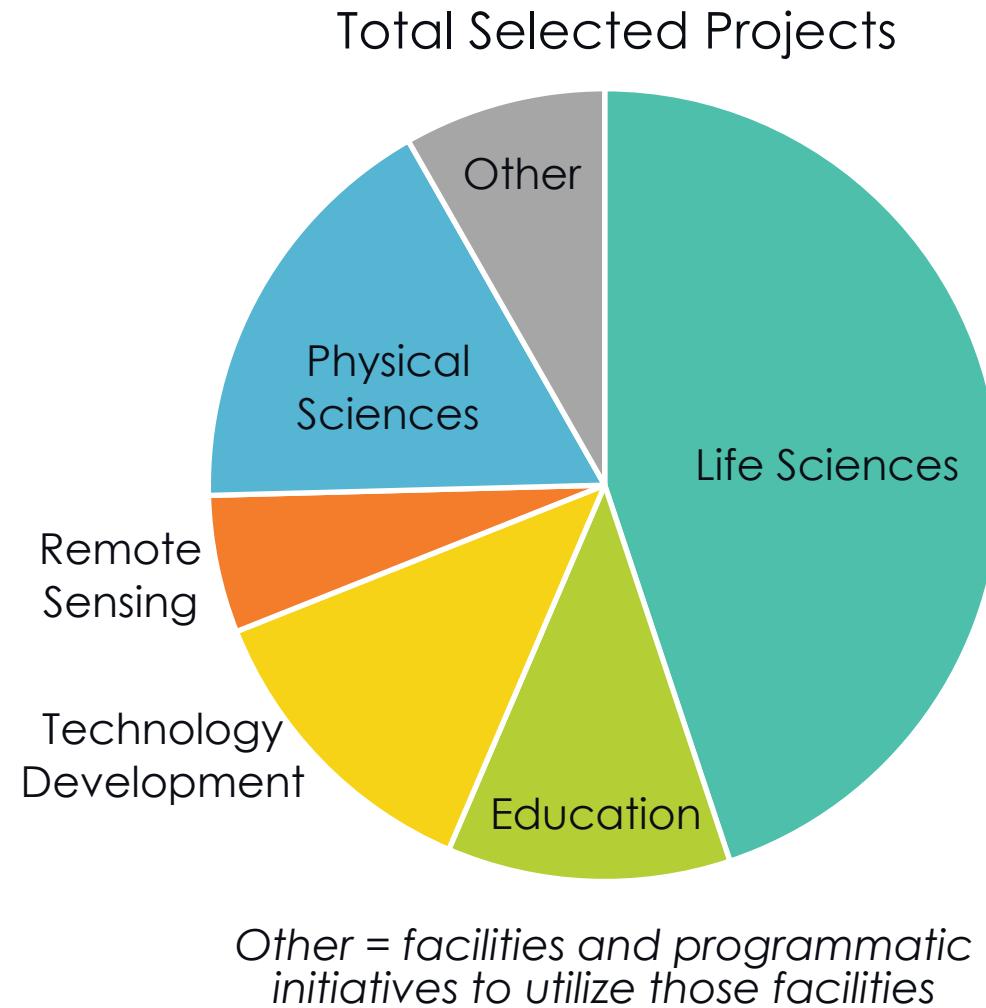
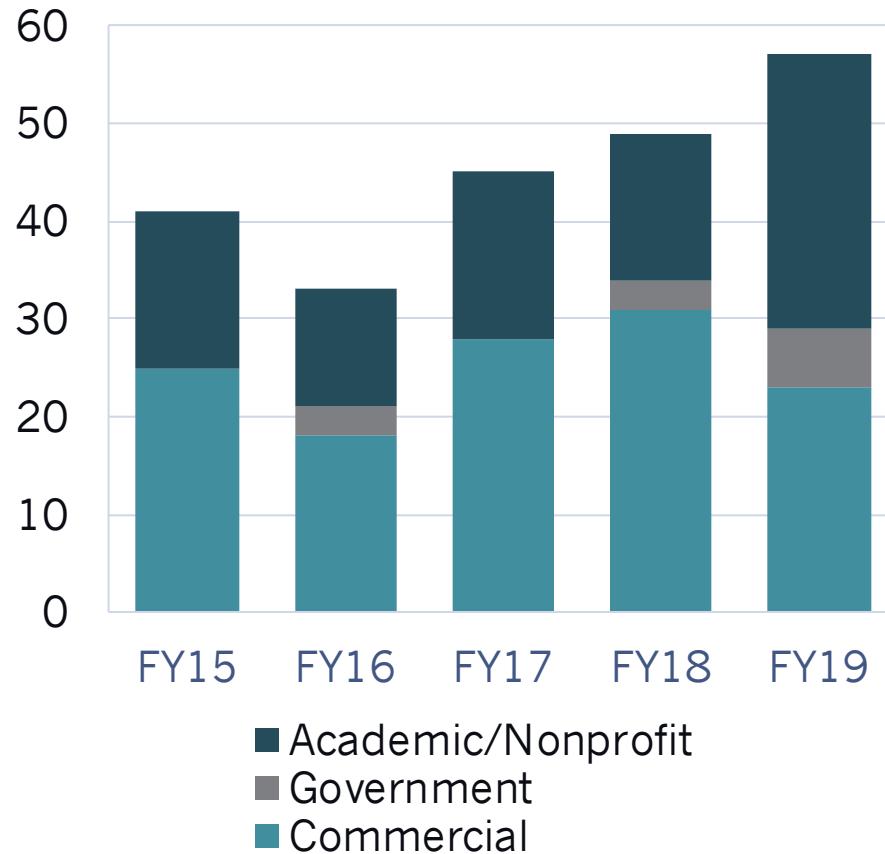
ISS NATIONAL LAB FUNDING



ISS NATIONAL LAB FUNDAMENTAL OPERATING OBJECTIVES

1. Make ISS R&D platform available to the U.S. taxpayer
2. Support emerging low Earth orbit (LEO) economy by building the business case
3. Improve the natural R&D iteration cycle time
4. Focus on promising R&D areas
5. Support high-quality fundamental science
6. Optimize & improve microgravity platform utilization

ISS NATIONAL LAB CUSTOMERS



SPACE COMMERCIALIZATION VS. LEO INDUSTRIALIZATION

The ISS National Lab does not commercialize anything.

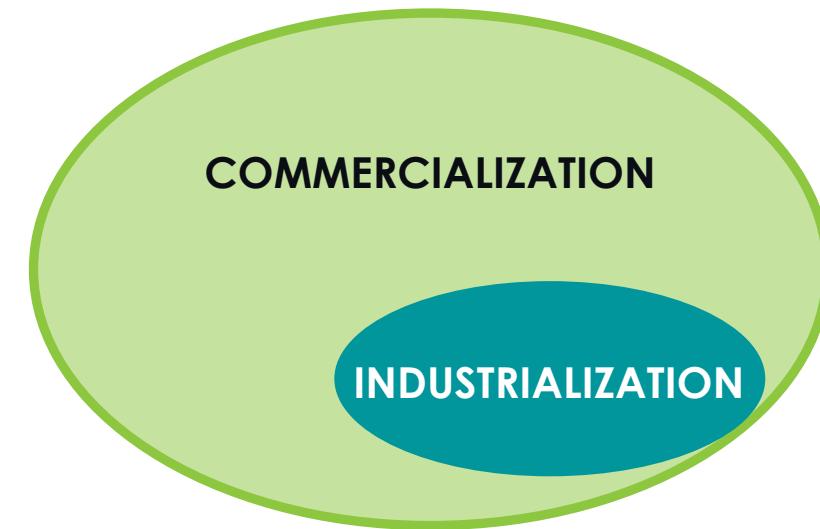
Examples:

- Advanced communications
- Engineering & Prototyping Services
- Equipment
- Flight Operations Services
- Industrial Biomedicine
- Manufacturing Advanced Materials
- Navigation
- Novelty
- Remote Sensing (earth & space-facing)
- Resource Extraction
- Satellite
- Space Equipment
- Telecommunication Service
- Tourism & Entertainment
- Transportation (ground & space)

The ISS National Lab builds the LEO business case.

Persistent space R&D conditions needed

- Advanced Communications
- Engineering & Prototyping Services
- Industrial Biomedicine
- Manufacturing Advanced Materials
- Remote Sensing (Earth & space-facing)



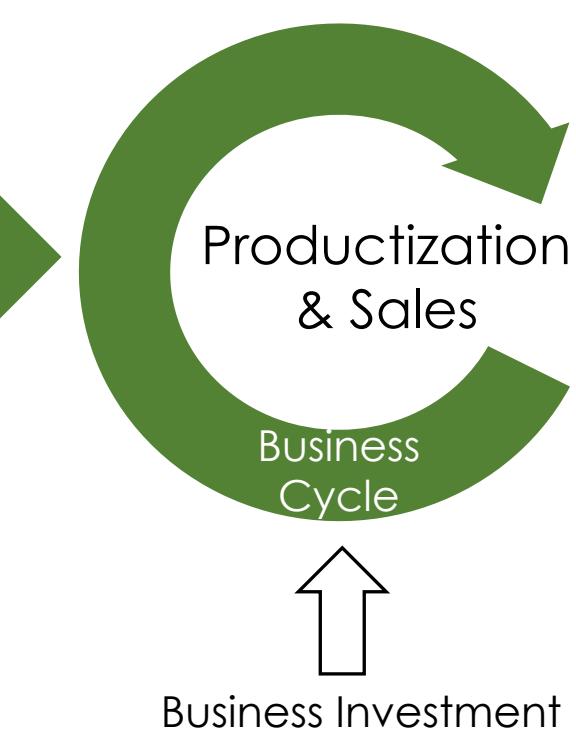
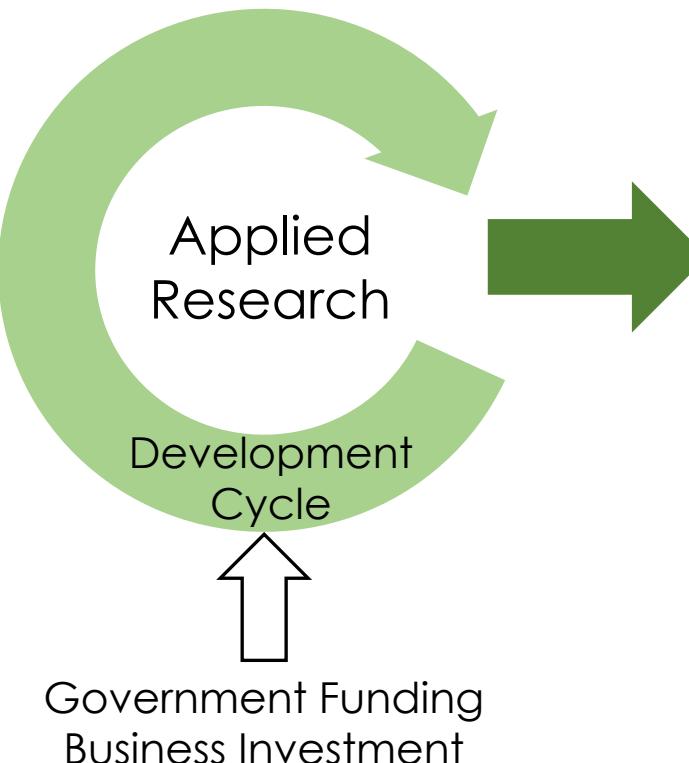
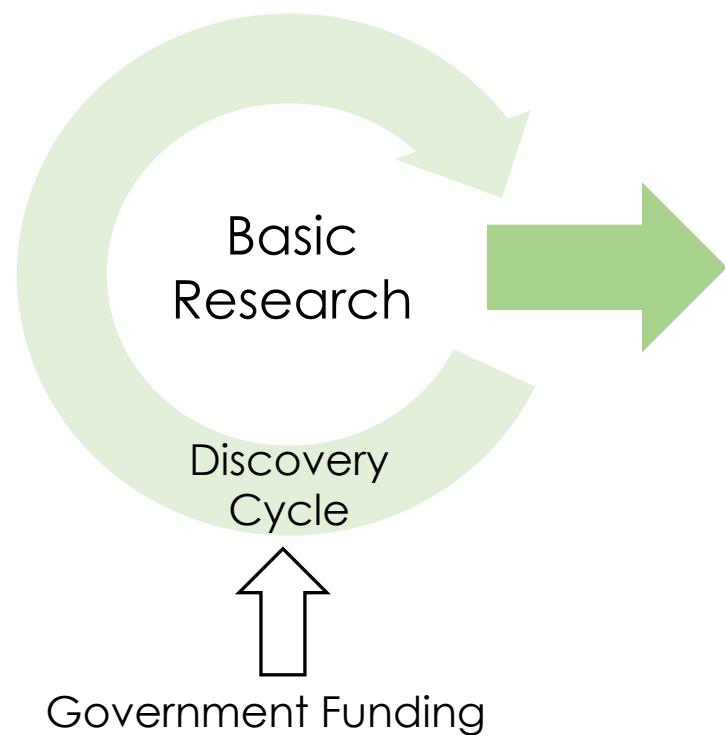
R&D: THE INDUSTRIALIZATION CONTINUUM

Primary Concept Research

Fully Actualized Business

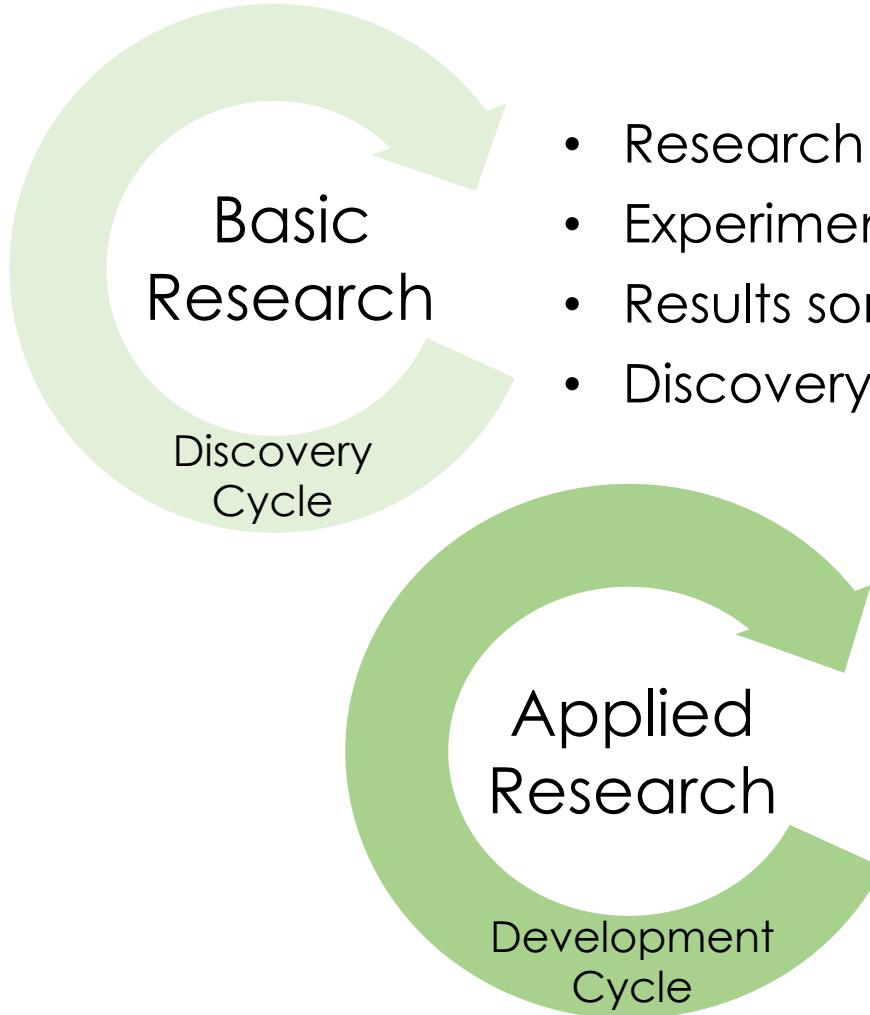
ISS National Lab – Space Integrator

NASA Commercial Allocation



ISS National Lab success = vibrant LEO economy

STRATEGY: MORE APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECTS



- Research mostly academic in nature
- Experimental designs geared toward discovery
- Results sometimes produce more basic research questions
- Discovery cycle driven by scientific pressure

- Chaperone basic research to applied research
- **Select greater proportion of projects that have line of sight to commercial endpoint**
- Make investor introductions
- Development cycle driven by business pressure

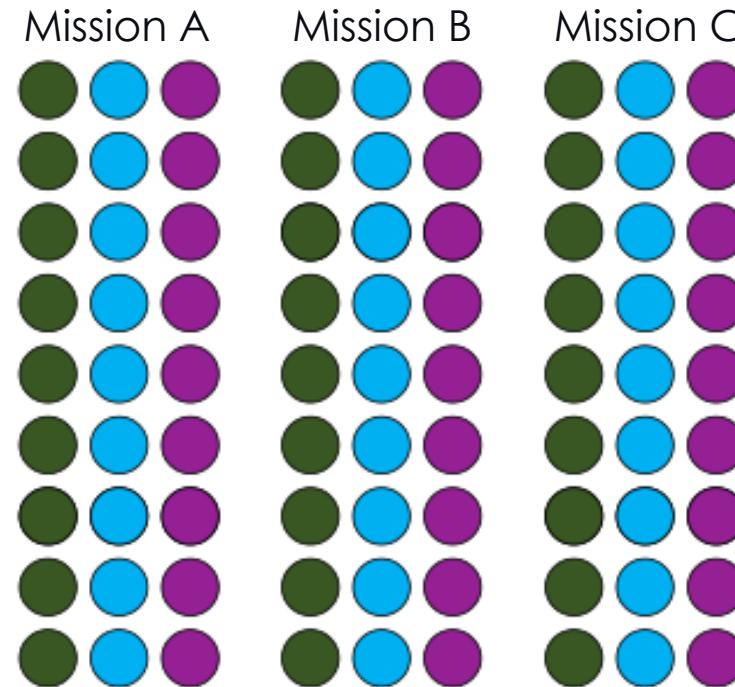
ISS NATIONAL LAB STRATEGY: R&D PROGRAM APPROACH

One year of project-based ISS National Lab missions



Multiple project disciplines
per mission = **3 projects/discipline/year**

One year of PROGRAM-based ISS National Lab missions



Program disciplines per mission =
27 projects/discipline/year

VS.

Colored dots
represent
individual project
disciplines

ISS NATIONAL LAB ACTIVE PROGRAMS

Industrial Biomedicine Program – Initiated August 2019

This program focuses on microgravity R&D with line of sight toward products and services for clinical application.

- Evergreen RFP, quarterly reviews
- Active Program Partner development effort

Advanced Materials Program – Initiated August 2019

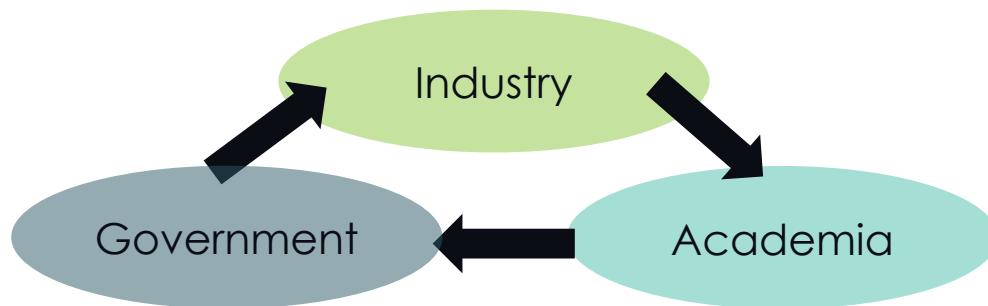
This program will use all the different aspects of the space-based environment to test material formation and proof-of-concept development, as well as enable next-generation production methods.

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- Active Program Partner development effort

From the inception of every project, the aim will be to create products & services for an industrial marketplace on Earth.

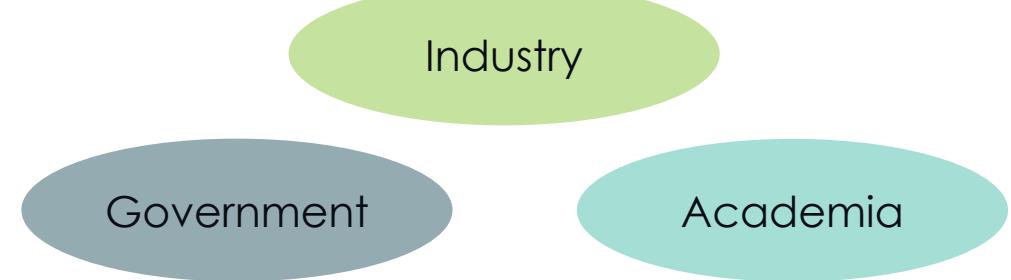
ISS SELECTION AND ALLOCATION

PROGRAM-BASED



AND

PROJECT-BASED



- Program partner contributing significantly (e.g., ground-based facilities, funding)
- Organized around centers of excellence (e.g., regenerative medicine)
- Dedicated ISS National Lab allocation (20% initial) & has skin in the game
- Projects selected & organized around program-specific goals
- ISS National Lab proposal & evaluation process
- Project governance by steering committee (members of alliance & ISS National Lab)
- More applied in nature
- Projects sourced through alliance members

- Projects organized around individualized goals
- ISS National Lab proposal & evaluation process
- Unsolicited & solicited proposals
- More basic in nature
- Project governance by ISS National Lab
- Projects sourced through ISS National Lab Business Development and/or commercial implementation partners
- Shared ISS National Lab allocation



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