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Exhibit R-2, RDT&E Budget Item Justification: PB 2023 Air Force **Date:** April 2022

Appropriation/Budget Activity 3600: <i>Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Air Force / BA 1: Basic Research</i>	R-1 Program Element (Number/Name) PE 0601102F / <i>Defense Research Sciences</i>
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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023 Base	FY 2023 OCO	FY 2023 Total	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
Total Program Element	-	303.718	353.303	375.325	0.000	375.325	376.916	345.580	351.805	335.237	Continuing	Continuing
613001: <i>Physics and Electronics</i>	-	86.991	95.387	110.359	0.000	110.359	115.022	111.959	114.323	108.962	Continuing	Continuing
613002: <i>Aerospace, Chemical and Material Sciences</i>	-	91.572	100.415	115.618	0.000	115.618	110.021	100.357	102.480	105.076	Continuing	Continuing
613003: <i>Mathematics, Information and Life Sciences</i>	-	86.399	96.060	111.035	0.000	111.035	112.699	103.862	104.981	90.514	Continuing	Continuing
613004: <i>Education and Outreach</i>	-	38.756	61.441	38.313	0.000	38.313	39.174	29.402	30.021	30.685	Continuing	Continuing

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

Defense Research Sciences consists of extramural research activities in academia and industry along with in-house research performed in the Air Force Research Laboratory. This program supports basic broad-based scientific and engineering research in areas critical to Department of the Air Force weapon, sensor, and support systems. All research areas are subject to long-range planning and technical review by both DAF and tri-Service scientific planning groups. Efforts in this program have been coordinated through the Department of Defense (DoD) Science and Technology (S&T) Executive Committee process to harmonize efforts and eliminate duplication.

This program element may include necessary civilian pay expenses required to manage, execute, and deliver science & technology capabilities. The use of program funds in this program element would be in addition to the civilian pay expenses budgeted in program elements 0602102F, 0602201F, 0602202F, 0602203F, 0602204F, 0602602F, 0602605F, 0602788F, 0602298F, and 1206601SF.

Funds in this program element may be used to investigate specified science advancements in air, space and/or cyber domains.

This program is in Budget Activity 1, Basic Research because this budget activity includes scientific study and experimentation directed toward increasing fundamental knowledge and understanding in those fields of the physical, engineering, environmental, and life sciences related to long-term national security needs.

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B. Program Change Summary (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023 Base	FY 2023 OCO	FY 2023 Total
Previous President's Budget	324.755	328.303	0.000	0.000	0.000
Current President's Budget	303.718	353.303	375.325	0.000	375.325
Total Adjustments	-21.037	25.000	375.325	0.000	375.325
• Congressional General Reductions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Directed Reductions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Rescissions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Adds	0.000	25.000			
• Congressional Directed Transfers	0.000	0.000			
• Reprogrammings	-0.101	0.000			
• SBIR/STTR Transfer	-8.322	0.000			
• Other Adjustments	-12.614	0.000	375.325	0.000	375.325

Congressional Add Details (\$ in Millions, and Includes General Reductions)

Project: 613004: *Education and Outreach*

Congressional Add: *Program Increase - defense research sciences*

Congressional Add: *Program increase: Basic Research*

Congressional Add Subtotals for Project: 613004

Congressional Add Totals for all Projects

	FY 2021	FY 2022
	9.743	-
	0.000	25.000
Congressional Add Subtotals for Project: 613004	9.743	25.000
Congressional Add Totals for all Projects	9.743	25.000

Change Summary Explanation

Decrease in FY 2021 reflects reprogramming to support Research and Development Projects, 10 U.S.C. Section 2363, an amendment to PL 110-417, 10 U.S.C. Section 2358 and 10 U.S.C. 2805(d)(1)(B).

The FY 2022 President's Budget submittal did not reflect FY 2023 through FY 2026 funding. Therefore, an explanation of the change between the two budget positions for FY2023 cannot be made in a relevant manner.

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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023 Base	FY 2023 OCO	FY 2023 Total	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
613001: <i>Physics and Electronics</i>	-	86.991	95.387	110.359	0.000	110.359	115.022	111.959	114.323	108.962	Continuing	Continuing

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

Basic research in the Physics and Electronics Project seeks to enable revolutionary advances and expand the fundamental knowledge supporting technologies critical to the future of the Department of the Air Force. Research stresses high-risk, high-reward, game-changing capability breakthroughs essential for future leaps in warfighter system performance, functionality, reliability, and survivability while simultaneously reducing component and system power, size, mass, and life cycle costs. Major areas being investigated in this project are complex electronics and fundamental quantum processes; plasma physics and high energy density non-equilibrium processes; and lasers and optics, electromagnetics, communication, and signal processing. While the following specific sub-areas are the focus of the project, there is interest in exploring novel ideas that may bridge these major efforts as well as those in the other projects within this program.

B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<p>Title: Complex Electronics and Fundamental Quantum Processes</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are atomic and molecular physics, photonics, quantum electronic solids, gigahertz-terahertz electronics and material, semiconductor and electromagnetic materials, and optoelectronics.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Explore a wide range of complex materials and devices, including non-linear optical materials, photonics, optoelectronics, metamaterials, cathodes, dielectric and magnetic materials, memristive systems, new classes of high-temperature superconductors, quantum dots, quantum wells and graphene. Includes generating and controlling quantum states, such as superposition and entanglement, in photonic systems, quantum dots and defects in solids, and ultracold atoms and molecules.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to explore a wide range of complex materials and devices, including non-linear optical materials, photonics, optoelectronics, metamaterials, cathodes, dielectric and magnetic materials, memristive systems, new classes of high-temperature superconductors, quantum dots, quantum wells and graphene. Includes generating and controlling quantum states, such as superposition and entanglement, in photonic systems, quantum dots and defects in solids, and ultracold atoms and molecules.</p> <p>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$5.989 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Complex Electronics and Fundamental Quantum Processes research.</p>	34.796	38.155	44.144
<p>Title: Plasma Physics and High Energy Density Non-Equilibrium Processes</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are plasma, electro-energetic physics and space sciences.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans:</p>	17.398	19.077	23.175

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
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<p>Explore a wide range of activities characterized by processes sufficiently energetic to require understanding and managing plasma phenomenology and the non-linear response of materials to high electric and magnetic fields. Includes space weather, plasma discharges, radio frequency propagation, radio frequency-plasma interaction, and high-power, beam-driven microwave devices.</p>			
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FY 2023 Plans:

Continue to explore a wide range of activities characterized by processes sufficiently energetic to require understanding and managing plasma phenomenology and the non-linear response of materials to high electric and magnetic fields. Includes space weather, plasma discharges, radio frequency propagation, radio frequency-plasma interaction, and high-power, beam-driven microwave devices.

FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement:

FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$4.168 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Plasma Physics and High Energy Density Non-Equilibrium Processes research.

<i>Title:</i> Lasers and Optics, Electromagnetics, Communication and Signal Processing	34.797	38.155	43.040
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Description: Scientific focus areas are physical mathematics and applied analysis, novel computational methods, electromagnetics and wave propagation in complex media, ultra-fast dynamics, for revolutionary approaches to remote sensing and imaging physics, and surveillance and navigation, including both air and the space environment from near Earth to cis-lunar trajectories.

FY 2022 Plans:

Explore all aspects of producing and receiving electromagnetic and electro-optical signals, as well as their propagation through complex media, including adaptive optics and optical imaging. Investigate aspects of the phenomenology of lasers including high energy lasers, non-linear optics, and ultra-short pulse laser science. Includes the development of sophisticated mathematics and algorithm development for extracting information from complex and/or sparse signals as well as calculating astrodynamical spacecraft orbits.

FY 2023 Plans:

Continue to explore all aspects of producing and receiving electromagnetic and electro-optical signals, as well as their propagation through complex media, including adaptive optics and optical imaging. Continue to investigate aspects of the phenomenology of lasers including high energy lasers, non-linear optics, and ultra-short pulse laser science. Includes the development of sophisticated mathematics and algorithm development for extracting information from complex and/or sparse signals as well as calculating astrodynamical spacecraft orbits.

FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement:

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$4.885 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Lasers and Optics, Electromagnetics, Communication and Signal Processing research.			
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	86.991	95.387	110.359

C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)

N/A

Remarks

D. Acquisition Strategy

Not Applicable

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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023 Base	FY 2023 OCO	FY 2023 Total	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
613002: <i>Aerospace, Chemical and Material Sciences</i>	-	91.572	100.415	115.618	0.000	115.618	110.021	100.357	102.480	105.076	Continuing	Continuing

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

Basic research in the Aerospace, Chemical, and Materials Sciences Project seeks to enable revolutionary advances and expand the fundamental knowledge supporting technologies critical to the future of the Department of the Air Force. Research stresses high-risk, high-reward, game-changing capability breakthroughs essential for future leaps in warfighter system performance, functionality, reliability, and survivability while simultaneously reducing component and system power, size, mass, and life cycle costs. Research topics include: aero-structure interactions and control; energy, power, and propulsion; complex materials and structures; and cross-disciplinary research reflecting the highly integrated nature of future weapon systems.

B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<p>Title: Aero-Structure Interactions and Control</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are high temperature aerospace materials, non-equilibrium aerothermodynamics and chemistry, unsteady, compressible flow turbulence, multiscale fluid-material interactions, and flow control.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Investigate the characterization, modeling, and exploitation of interactions between the unsteady aerodynamic flow field and the dynamic air vehicle structure to enable enhanced performance in next generation Department of the Air Force systems. Explore the synergy gained from an interdisciplinary look at multiple technologies and the integration of core disciplines of fluid mechanics, high-performance structures, and thermodynamics.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to investigate the characterization, modeling, and exploitation of interactions between the unsteady aerodynamic flow field and the dynamic air vehicle structure to enable enhanced performance in next generation Department of the Air Force systems. Continue to explore the synergy gained from an interdisciplinary look at multiple technologies and the integration of core disciplines of fluid mechanics, high-performance structures, and thermodynamics.</p> <p>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$4.560 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Aero-Structure Interactions and Control research.</p>	27.472	30.125	34.685
<p>Title: Energy, Power, and Propulsion</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are thermal control, theoretical chemistry, molecular dynamics, power and propulsion, and combustion and diagnostics.</p>	27.471	30.125	35.842

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<p><i>FY 2022 Plans:</i> Exploit technological innovations and develop potentially revolutionary technologies by integrating core disciplines of combustion, plasma dynamics, chemistry, hydrodynamics, structural dynamics, and multi-fidelity simulations. Investigate processes associated with the generation, storage, and utilization of energy, specifically for Department of the Air Force systems including developing novel energetic materials as well as understanding optimizing and controlling combustion processes.</p> <p><i>FY 2023 Plans:</i> Continue to exploit technological innovations and develop potentially revolutionary technologies by integrating core disciplines of combustion, plasma dynamics, chemistry, hydrodynamics, structural dynamics, and multi-fidelity simulations. Continue to investigate processes associated with the generation, storage, and utilization of energy, specifically for Department of the Air Force systems including developing novel energetic materials as well as understanding optimizing and controlling combustion processes.</p> <p><i>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement:</i> FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$5.717 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Energy, Power and Propulsion research.</p>			
<p><i>Title:</i> Complex Materials and Structures</p> <p><i>Description:</i> Scientific focus areas are design, manufacturing, and dynamics and control of multifunctional materials and microsystems, multi-scale mechanics, diagnostics and prognosis, and physico-chemistry of novel organic materials.</p> <p><i>FY 2022 Plans:</i> Investigate multifunctional materials and structures composed of different classes of materials, both organic and inorganic, that can adapt to environmental constraints or mission requirements. Explore complex materials, microsystems, and structures that incorporate hierarchical design and functionality from the nano-scale through the mesoscale, ultimately leading to controlled, well-understood material or structural behavior capable of dynamic functionality and/or performance characteristics to enhance mission versatility.</p> <p><i>FY 2023 Plans:</i> Continue to investigate multifunctional materials and structures composed of different classes of materials, both organic and inorganic, that can adapt to environmental constraints or mission requirements. Continue to explore complex materials, microsystems, and structures that incorporate hierarchical design and functionality from the nano-scale through the mesoscale, ultimately leading to controlled, well-understood material or structural behavior capable of dynamic functionality and/or performance characteristics to enhance mission versatility.</p> <p><i>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement:</i></p>	36.629	40.165	45.091

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$4.926 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Complex Materials and Structures research.			
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	91.572	100.415	115.618

C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)

N/A

Remarks

D. Acquisition Strategy

Not Applicable

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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023 Base	FY 2023 OCO	FY 2023 Total	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
613003: <i>Mathematics, Information and Life Sciences</i>	-	86.399	96.060	111.035	0.000	111.035	112.699	103.862	104.981	90.514	Continuing	Continuing

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

Basic research in the Mathematics, Information Sciences, and Life Sciences Project seeks to expand fundamental knowledge and enable revolutionary advances and supporting technologies critical to the future of the Department of the Air Force. Major areas being investigated in this project are data fusion, machine learning and artificial intelligence, information and complex networks, cyber-security, autonomous decision making, dynamical systems, optimization and control, and natural materials and systems. While the following are specific sub-areas within this project, there is a continuing interest to explore novel ideas to bridge disciplines within this program.

B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<p>Title: Information and Complex Networks</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are information operations and security, data and information fusion, advanced computing, artificial intelligence and complex networks.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Design and analyze techniques to enable reliable and secure exchange of information and predictable operation of networks and systems, including hardware and software interactions. Investigate traditional aspects of information assurance with an emphasis on the underlying mathematics of secure-by-design architectures of networked communications and neural information processing. Analyze, optimize and design multi-scale networks with resilient features against noise and corruption from difficult environments and adversarial operations, using rigorous mathematical models of information exchange, physical operations, and human-machine interactions. Develop new computing approaches and algorithms for network-of-network information processing at the speed of warfare and new mathematical approaches for predictive, multi-scale and multi-physics simulations of Department of the Air Force systems and systems-of-systems in realistic environments.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to design and analyze techniques to enable reliable and secure exchange of information and predictable operation of networks and systems, including hardware and software interactions. Investigate traditional aspects of information assurance with an emphasis on the underlying mathematics of secure-by-design architectures of networked communications and neural information processing. Analyze, optimize and design multi-scale networks with resilient features against noise and corruption from difficult environments and adversarial operations, using rigorous mathematical models of information exchange, physical operations, and human-machine interactions. Develop new computing approaches and algorithms for network-of-network</p>	21.600	24.015	27.759

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)		FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
information processing at the speed of warfare and new mathematical approaches for predictive, multi-scale and multi-physics simulations of Department of the Air Force systems and systems-of-systems in realistic environments. FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$3.744 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Information and Complex Networks research.				
Title: Decision Making Description: Scientific focus areas are mathematical modeling of cognition and decision making, development and testing of advanced representations and processes for higher-level artificial intelligence, trust between humans and autonomous agents, mixed human-machine decision making, and computational social science for asymmetric threat detection and predictive large-scale influence. FY 2022 Plans: Investigate new mathematical laws, scientific principles, and robust algorithms that underlie intelligent, mixed human-machine decision-making to achieve accurate real-time integration of human expertise and knowledge into a machine-based battlespace network. Develop new mathematical models for information capture; object, scene and relation identification; and multi-level reasoning and meta-learning. Advance the critical knowledge base in modeling of individual and group cognitive processing and decision making, and construct advanced methodologies for predictive, verifiable simulations of large-scale socio-cultural and human-machine hybrid networks. FY 2023 Plans: Continue to investigate new mathematical laws, scientific principles, and robust algorithms that underlie intelligent, mixed human-machine decision-making to achieve accurate real-time integration of human expertise and knowledge into a machine-based battlespace network. Continue to develop new mathematical models for information capture; object, scene and relation identification; and multi-level reasoning and meta-learning. Continue to advance the critical knowledge base in modeling of individual and group cognitive processing and decision making, and construct advanced methodologies for predictive, verifiable simulations of large-scale socio-cultural and human-machine hybrid networks. FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$2.995 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Decision Making research.		17.280	19.212	22.207
Title: Dynamical Systems, Optimization, and Control Description: Scientific focus areas are computer models of dynamical data and communication networks, data-fusion, dynamics and control theory for multi-scale and complex networks, and mathematics of distributed optimization in uncertain, variable,		21.600	24.015	28.869

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)		FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<p>continuous and discrete networked systems. Includes the development of advanced computing architectures for solving optimization and data-fusion problems in real time and by embedded processors in autonomous or semi-autonomous platforms.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Develop new scientific concepts supported by rigorous analysis for advancing the science of autonomy and promoting the understanding necessary to analyze and design complex multi-scale systems as well as provide guaranteed levels of performance. Develop novel adaptive control strategies for coordinating heterogeneous, autonomous, or semi-autonomous aerospace vehicles in uncertain, information rich, dynamically changing, adversarial, and networked environments.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to develop new scientific concepts supported by rigorous analysis for advancing the science of autonomy and promoting the understanding necessary to analyze and design complex multi-scale systems as well as provide guaranteed levels of performance. Continue to develop novel adaptive control strategies for coordinating heterogeneous, autonomous, or semi-autonomous aerospace vehicles in uncertain, information rich, dynamically changing, adversarial, and networked environments.</p> <p>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$4.854 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Dynamical Systems, Optimization, and Control research.</p>				
<p>Title: Natural Materials and Systems</p> <p>Description: Scientific focus areas are natural materials and nature inspired systems, human performance and biosystems, cognitive neuroscience and biophysics.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Investigate multi-disciplinary approaches for studying, using, mimicking, synthesizing and adapting to the ways natural systems are built, assembled and organized, and functioning to accomplish their objectives. Develop fundamental understanding of bio-chemical mechanisms and control procedures for the production and manufacture of natural materials, and develop reverse-engineering approaches to optimize the bio-chemical functionality. Develop approaches to adapt, blend and mimic existing natural sensory systems and neural systems of varying complexity, to add existing capabilities to these organisms and design in-silico replicas with similar or advanced capabilities.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to investigate multi-disciplinary approaches for studying, using, mimicking, synthesizing and adapting to the ways natural systems are built, assembled and organized, and functioning to accomplish their objectives. Continue to develop fundamental understanding of bio-chemical mechanisms and control procedures for the production and manufacture of natural materials, and develop reverse-engineering approaches to optimize the bio-chemical functionality. Continue to develop approaches to adapt,</p>		25.919	28.818	32.200

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)		FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
blend and mimic existing natural sensory systems and neural systems of varying complexity, to add existing capabilities to these organisms and design in-silico replicas with similar or advanced capabilities.				
FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$3.382 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Natural Materials and Systems research.				
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals		86.399	96.060	111.035
C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)				
N/A				
Remarks				
D. Acquisition Strategy				
Not Applicable				

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613004: <i>Education and Outreach</i>	-	38.756	61.441	38.313	0.000	38.313	39.174	29.402	30.021	30.685	Continuing	Continuing

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

The major efforts in the Science and Technology (S&T) Education and Outreach Project are to facilitate interactions between the international and domestic research communities and Department of the Air Force (DAF) researchers, and to support and develop scientists and engineers with an awareness of DAF basic research priorities. These professional interactions and collaborations benefit the DAF by increasing awareness of DAF basic research priorities in the research community as a whole, and attracting talented scientists and engineers to address DAF needs. International interactions facilitate future interoperability of coalition systems and foster relationships with future coalition partners. This project also seeks to enhance interactions with Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic serving institutions, and other minority institutions.

B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Title: Outreach to International S&T Community	10.155	12.754	13.410
Description: Foster international S&T cooperation by supporting direct interchanges with a broad range of key international researchers and communities. Identify and leverage international scientific advances when appropriate.			
FY 2022 Plans: Leverage international expertise and support international technology liaison missions to identify and maintain awareness of foreign science and technology developments. Explore current foreign investments and influence world-class scientific research on specific topics of interest to the Department of the Air Force. Pursue access to technical information on foreign research capabilities within our interests. Support international visits by scientists and high-level DoD science and technology delegations, and provide primary interface to coordinate international science and technology participation among DoD organizations.			
FY 2023 Plans: Continue to leverage international expertise and support international technology liaison missions to identify and maintain awareness of foreign science and technology developments. Continue to explore current foreign investments and influence world-class scientific research on specific topics of interest to the Department of the Air Force. Continue to pursue access to technical information on foreign research capabilities within our interests. Continue to support international visits by scientists and high-level DoD science and technology delegations, and provide primary interface to coordinate international science and technology participation among DoD organizations.			
FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$0.656 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Outreach to International Research Community.			
Title: Outreach to U.S. S&T Workforce	18.858	23.687	24.903

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
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<p>Description: Strengthen science, mathematics, and engineering research and infrastructure in the U.S., thereby strengthening current and future Department of the Air Force S&T capabilities.</p> <p>FY 2022 Plans: Identify, recruit, and increase opportunities for new investigators to participate in critical Department of the Air Force research. Support science, mathematics, and engineering research including Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, and other minority institutions. Support science activities that encourage elementary/middle/high school youths to develop an interest in and pursue higher education and employment in the science, mathematics, and engineering fields.</p> <p>FY 2023 Plans: Continue to identify, recruit, and increase opportunities for new investigators to participate in critical Department of the Air Force research. Continue to support science, mathematics, and engineering research including Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, and other minority institutions. Continue to support science activities that encourage elementary/middle/high school youths to develop an interest in and pursue higher education and employment in the science, mathematics, and engineering fields.</p> <p>FY 2022 to FY 2023 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2023 increased compared to FY 2022 by \$1.216 million. Funding increased due to added emphasis in Outreach to United States S&T Workforce.</p>			
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	29.013	36.441	38.313

	FY 2021	FY 2022
Congressional Add: Program Increase - defense research sciences	9.743	-
FY 2021 Accomplishments: Conduct Congressionally directed effort		
Congressional Add: Program increase: Basic Research	0.000	25.000
FY 2021 Accomplishments: Not Applicable		
FY 2022 Plans: Conducted Congressionally directed effort		
Congressional Adds Subtotals	9.743	25.000

C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)

N/A

Remarks

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Exhibit R-2A, RDT&E Project Justification: PB 2023 Air Force **Date:** April 2022

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D. Acquisition Strategy

Not Applicable