NSF TIP Space Portfolio Examples

Communications & satellites:
Swarm
Unspace
US Air Tech
Uninet
Care Weather
TF Wireless

PNT:
Chascii
Xona Space Systems
StarNav

Sensing
Urban Sky
ARSI
Astrabeam

Space debris:
Guardiansat
Spake Rake

Transport:
Stoke Space
Vortex Space Systems
Raven Space Systems
Fenix

Engines:
Rocket Propulsion Systems

Fusion:
Avalanche
NearStar
Tibbar Plasma

Energy & efficiency:
Magma Space
Nu Planet
Torre Space & Power Systems

Resources:
Interlune
Astroforge
Off-World
TPL
Off Planet Research
Lunar Resources
Outward Tech.

CO2 Conversion
Air Company

Recycling
Ascend Elements*
Lunexus Space

Directed Energy
Epirus

Propulsion:
Howe Industries
Morningbird Corp.
Viridina Space Corp
Hoverr

In Space Manufacturing:
NDF

Semiconductors:
United Semiconductors
Direct Kinetic Solutions

Bio:
Space Tango
Rhodium Scientific
Zaiput Flow Tech.
Nu Planet
Meati*

Data/AI:
AI Acuity

Docking
Orbital Services Corp.
Innotech Systems

Equipment
Magma Space
Space Kinetic

Space Internet & Cyber:
Forward Edge AI

Gravity
Radiant Space Systems
AnyGLabs

* *Terrestrial focus with applicability to space*

NSF TIP Space portfolio across CHIPs tech

Communications
Swarm
Unspace
US Air Tech
Uninet
Care Weather
TF Wireless
Chascii
Xona Space Systems
StarNav

Advanced Materials
Interlune
Ascend Elements*
Astroforge
Off-World
TPL
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Lunar Resources
Outward Tech.

Adv. Manufacturing
Stoke Space
Vortex Space Systems
Raven Space Systems
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Rocket Propulsion Systems
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Radiant Space Labs
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Disaster Risk Resilience, Comms, Sensing
Urban Sky
ARSI
Guardiansat
Spake Rake

Artificial Intelligence
Epirus
AI Acuity

Semiconductors & Advanced Computing:
United Semiconductors
Direct Kinetic Solutions

Cybersecurity:
Forward Edge AI
NDF (National DigiFoundry)

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Conversions (H, CO_2)
Air Company*
Syzygy Plasmonics*
FC Renew

* *Terrestrial focus with applicability to space, Energy examples; NSF has funded several hundred energy start-ups; many with capabilities applicable to space; these are just a few examples. Contact PD Anna Brady-Estevez*

Convergent TIP Space portfolio across CHIPs tech

Digital Health:
Aidhar Health

Solar:
Leap Photovoltaics

Energy Storage:
Ascend Elements
Belmont Scientific

Bio, biomanufacturing and agriculture:
Meati
Allied Microbiota
Modular Genetics
Acatechol

Sensing
Max-IR Labs
Coastal Ocean Vision

Artificial Intelligence
Epirus

Cybersecurity:
NDF
Forward Edge AI

Fusion & Plasma:
Avalanche
NearStar
Tibbar Plasma
Nano-Product Engineering

Hydrogen & Conversions:
Syzygy Plasmonics
Air Company
FC Renew
Avium

Conversions (H, CO_2)
Air Company*

Accelerating Space Economy: “More Shots on Goal”

NSF, NASA, ISS and other agencies (e.g. DARPA, Air Force) have funded higher throughput approaches

Innovating a national level acceleration model in space:

- Exceptional opportunities for advantage and benefits across CHIPs and science technology (biotechnology, semiconductors, energy, communications…).
- Opportunity to prioritize highest potential impact commercially focused R&D
- Potential for more wins and impacts faster, by developing more in parallel, data sharing and information
  - Hundreds of entities interested in space commercialization and R&D
  - Need to incorporate diverse and rich skills from other terrestrial areas of expertise (AI, robotics, advanced materials, bio, energy…). Building “plug and play” ramps into space R&D (without in-depth space expertise)
- Ability to amplify through AI, data sharing and fast iteration
- Make the most of limited assets (space and time constrained)
  - LEO platforms (such as ISS) are constrained (container sized modules), so enhanced prioritization and speed of throughput enable us to make the most of the valuable microgravity environment
  - Expansion of what is possible in a given space/time expected to be even more important on Mars (& Moon potentially)
- Opportunity for enhanced capital formation and tools to facilitate build out

Launch Cadence:

Stoke Space

Building towards rocket reusability and daily access

Rocket Propulsion Systems

Lower cost engines and capsule cost that are customizable and rapidly scalable for manufacturing

Communications:

Swarm (SpaceX acquired)

Cube satellite swarms enabling higher connectivity, expanding global internet access

Flawless Photonics*

Higher throughput production of ZBLAN fiber in-space (kms), potential for repeaterless undersea cables

Biotechnology:

Rhodium Scientific

Building an in-space biobank to increase access and usability

Space Tango

Expansion of cryovial biology throughput to many hundreds per unit

Semiconductors:

United Semiconductors

Building microgravity equipment to accelerate many semiconductors in parallel

Miniaturization:

Matiq

Ability to screen orders of magnitude higher materials

AI/Data & Cyber

NDF

Consortium working group focused on high throughput in-space manufacturing

ForwardEdge AI

Cybersecurity for data sharing across in-space assets, enabling higher levels of exchange