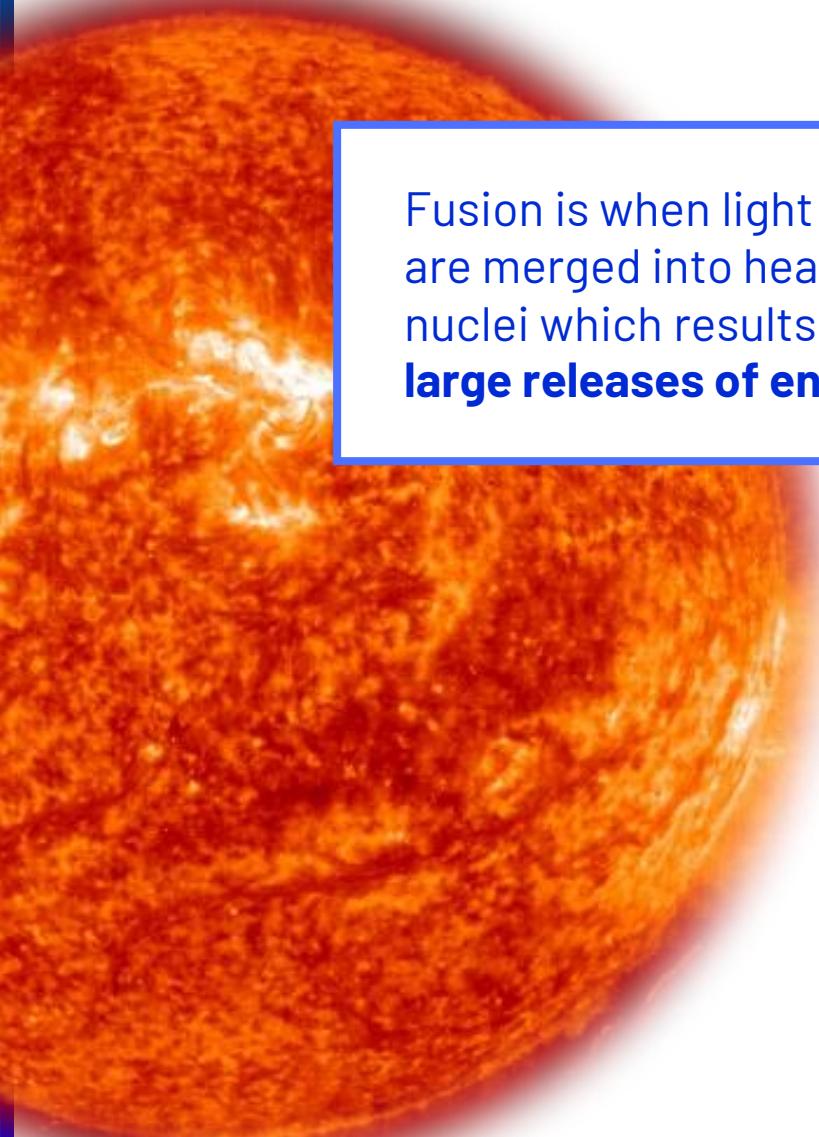


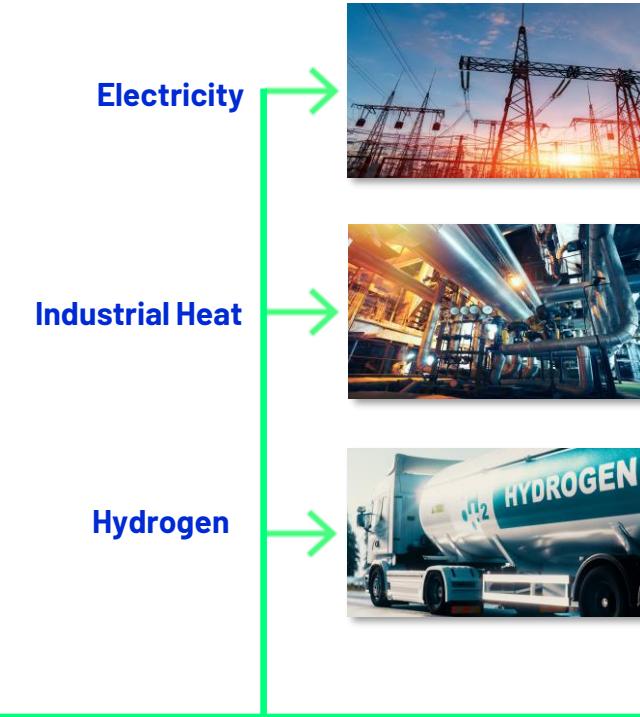
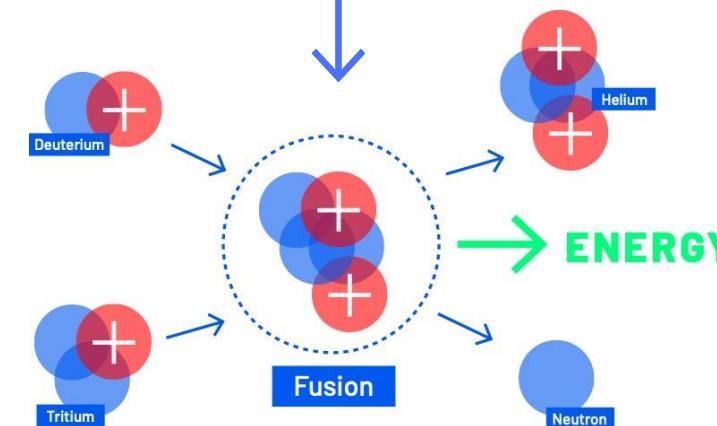
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ENERGY

# We create affordable, clean energy on demand

Focused Energy harnesses the power of the stars



Fusion is when light nuclei are merged into heavier nuclei which results in **large releases of energy**.



This clean energy can then be used in a variety of **commercial applications**.

# Fusion vs. Fission - NOT the same

## FUSION

- Combines two light atoms to a heavier one
- Hard to start the reaction, but terminates automatically if conditions change
- No nuclear waste from fuel; small, short-lived amount of waste from reactor
- Energy production able to load-follow
- Generates even more energy than fission; 0.6t hydrogen matches 30t of Uranium

## FISSION

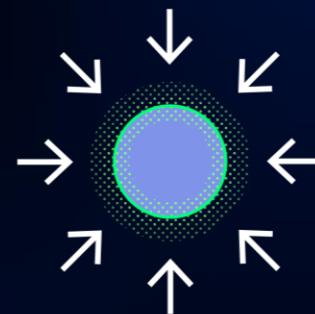
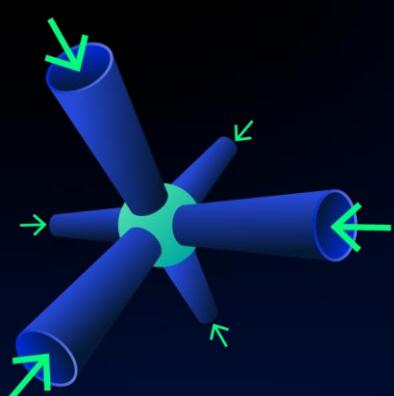
- Splits a heavy atom into smaller ones
- Chain reaction easy to start, but difficult to control
- Highly radioactive waste from fuel; long lifetime requires repository
- Plants need to operate on a base load; little load-follow capability
- 30 tons of uranium matches 2 Mio. tons of coal



# The INERTIAL FUSION energy concept

is a promising, clean, safe and independent energy solution

## DIRECT DRIVE



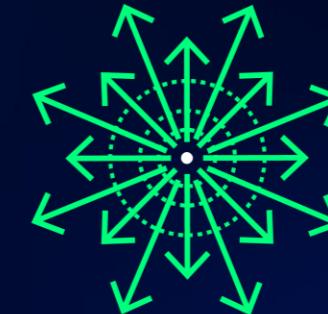
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Absorption and heat transport



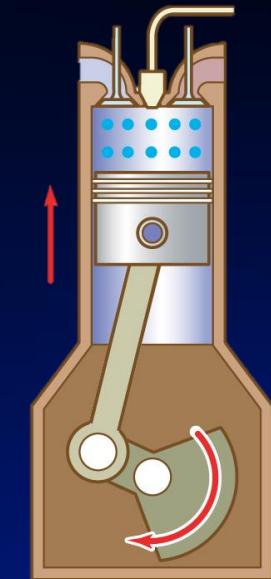
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Acceleration and rocket effect



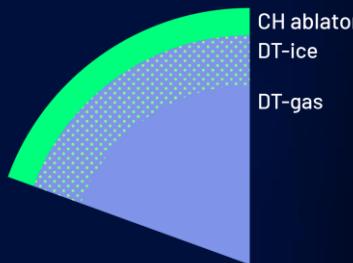
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Deceleration and compression



4  
Ignition and fusion burn



## CROSS-SECTIONAL TARGET

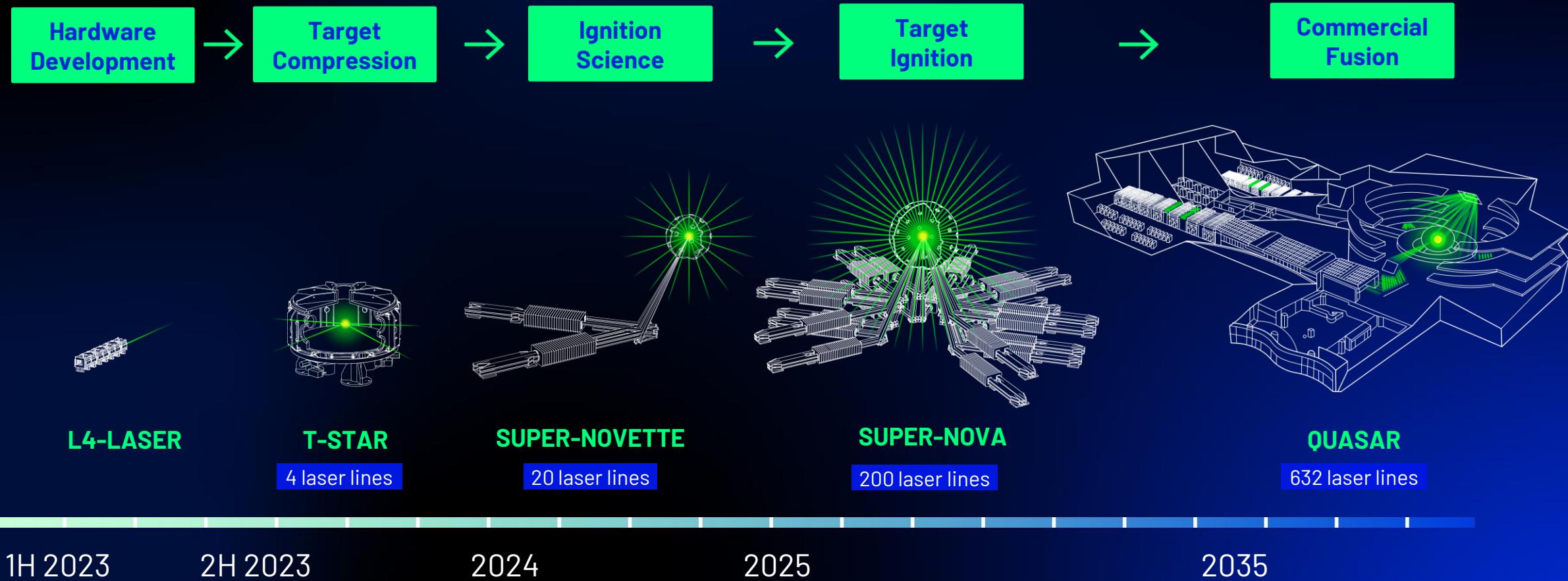


As the name implies in direct drive the laser hits the target directly. But when the target is not homogeneously covered by it or if the surface has imperfections the target isn't uniformly compressed but rather bulges like a balloon that you try to compress between your fingers.

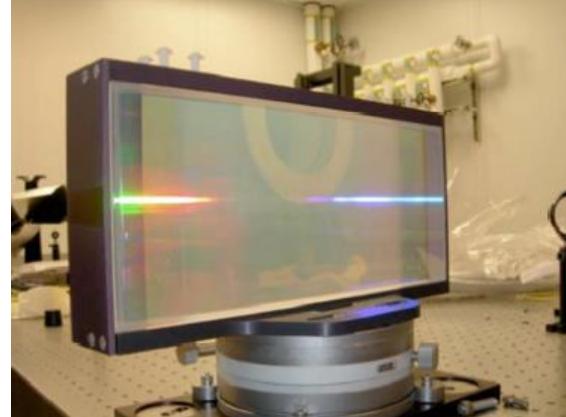
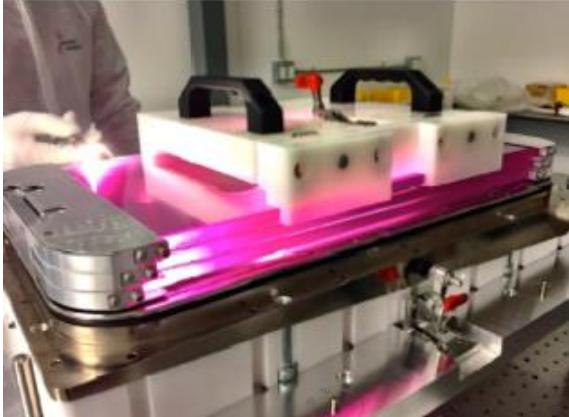
## DIESEL ENGINE COMPRESSION PRINCIPLE

# Focused Energy will deliver scalable commercial fusion

Lower capex and abundant fuel lead to LCOE < \$40 / MWh



# We have identified some supply chain areas which will likely need investment to build capability



## **Laser amplifier glass**

- Large slabs need for amplifiers
- 6000 – 10,000 slabs needed for SUPER NOVA alone (~\$200M)
- Principal supplier is Schott (Germany) but they have reduced capacity since LLNL

## **Diffraction gratings**

- Large aperture needed to compress multi-PW pulses
- 100 – 200 gratings needed for SUPER NOVA (~\$50M)
- Principal supplier has been LLNL; some supply from PGL (USA) or Horiba (France)

## **Laser Diodes**

- 5 GW peak diode power needed to pump QUASAR
- At \$0.10/watt are huge cost in power plant (~\$500M)
- A number of suppliers in US and Germany, but none have mass production capability (with cost now ~\$0.50/watt)

## **Integrated laser mass manufacturing**

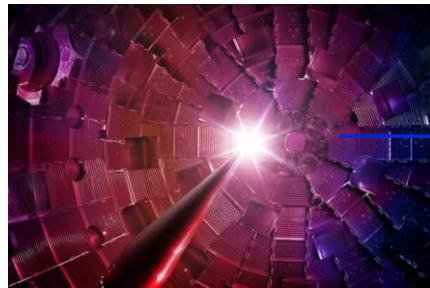
- 200 – 400 compact, rugged, manufacturable systems needed for QUASAR
- Will require manufacturing cost at <\$1M/kJ laser energy
- Custom laser companies exist in US, France and Germany

# Why now?

Progress in recent years make commercial development of laser-driven IFE timely

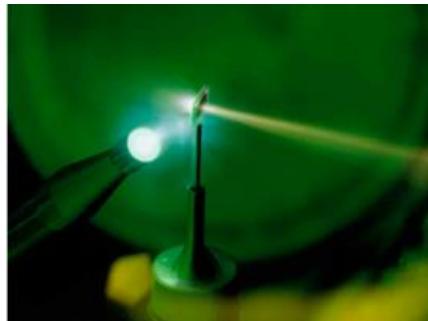
## ADVANCES IN ICF PHYSICS & TECHNOLOGY UNDERSTANDING

The National Ignition Facility has made considerable progress in understanding hot-spot ICF



NIF has produced >1.3 MJ of fusion yield on a shot – 70% conversion of laser energy to fusion energy

Very high efficiency in laser driven proton sources has been experimentally observed



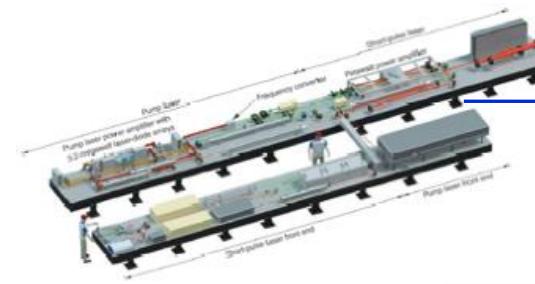
More than 10% of picosecond laser pulse energy has been converted to a proton burst



New techniques for fabricating cone-in-shell PFI targets

## ADVANCES IN HIGH ENERGY LASER TECHNOLOGY

Lasers with many hundreds of Joules of energy operating at 10 Hz can now be constructed

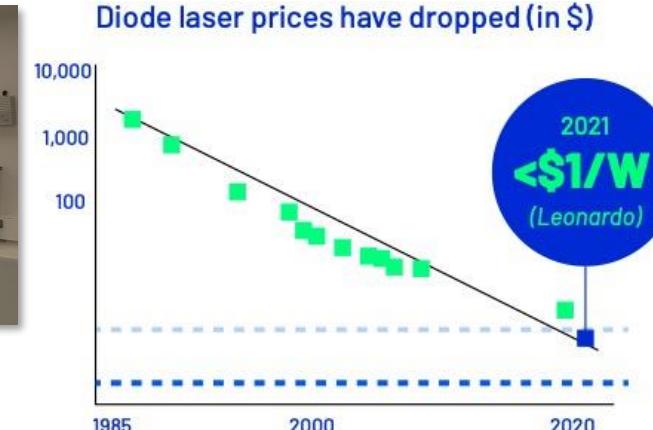


100 J pulsed laser operating at 10 Hz have been fielded

Multi-PW lasers have now been built and can be commercially obtained



Rep. rated kJ class sub-picosecond 10 PW laser has been deployed at ELI in Prague





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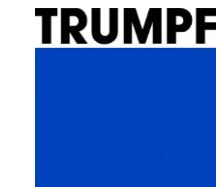
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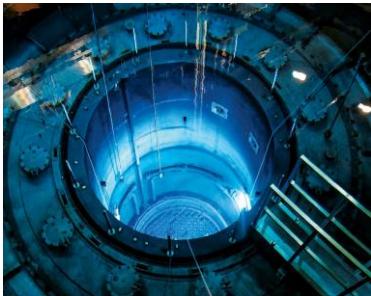


# ON OUR PATH TO FUSION ENERGY

we will deliver foundational technologies that enable additional markets to commercialize our LDRS technology and drive demand for component supply

## Lack of material detection capability limits several industries

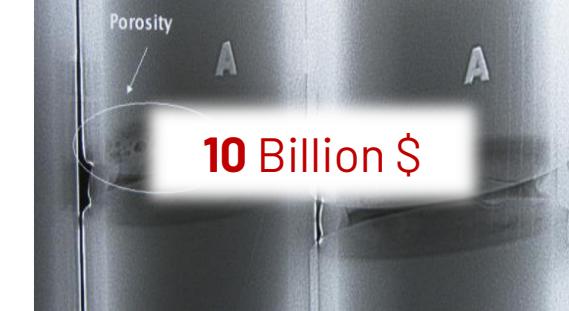
Structural integrity of old bridges, smuggling of illicit materials, landmines and bombs of past wars, proliferation of nuclear materials, storage of nuclear waste



First product in 2024 with the potential for \$5M/year and growth to over **\$100M/year by 2027**

- Safety of Gen IV reactors
- Hidden weaponry
- Smuggling of dangerous materials
- Collapsing bridges

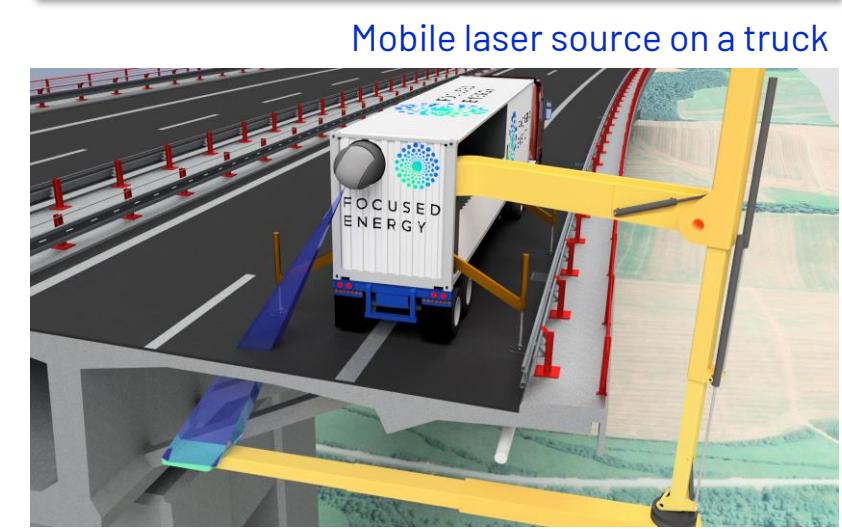
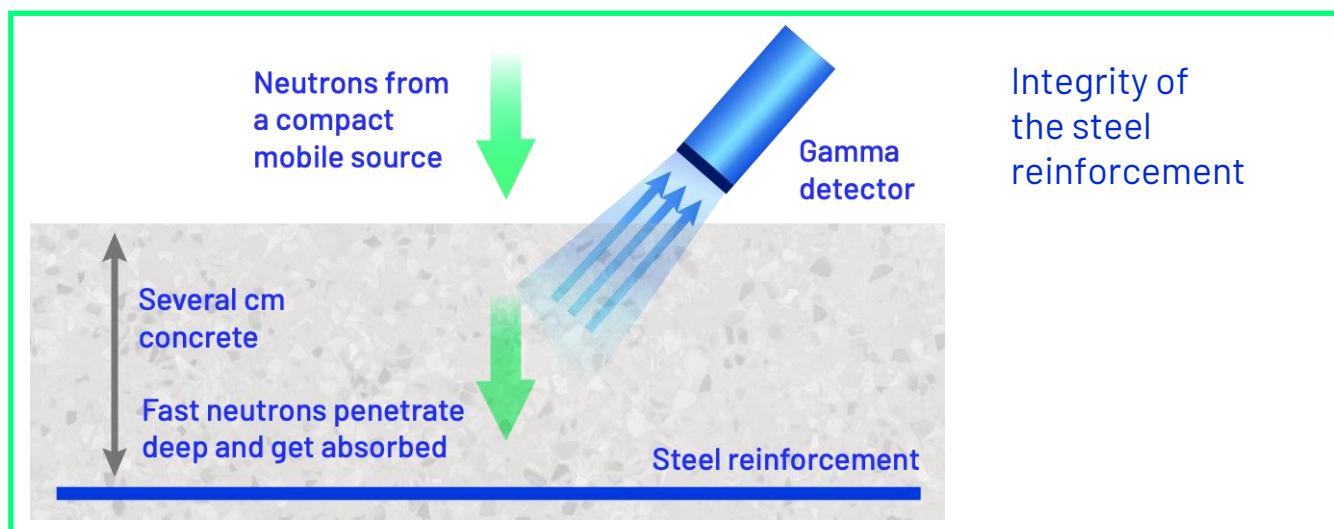
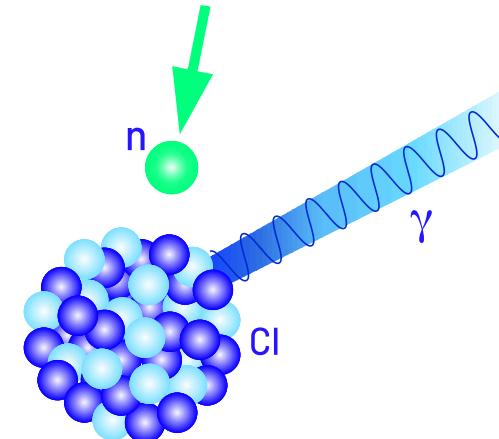
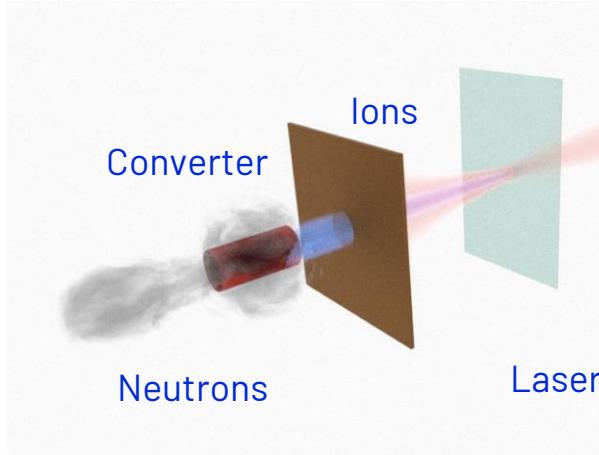
## Markets



# Focused Energy Solution



- Non-destructive testing to inspect concrete structures non-invasively.
- A new path to inspect the salt concentration in concrete (concrete cancer) without drilling holes into bridges.



# Wir haben das beste IFE-Team der Welt zusammengestellt



## Chief Executive Officer

**Thomas Forner**  
→ 20+ Jahre Erfahrung als CEO/CFO  
→ Expertise in der Entwicklung und Führung von globalen High-Tech-Unternehmen



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→ Erfinder der Protonenschallzündung



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