

Southwest Research: Powertrain Engineering

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Southwest Research Institute - Background

*Benefiting government,
industry and the public
through innovative science
and technology*

- 73 years of operation (1947)
- 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporation
- 2700+ employees
- 1,200-acre facility in San Antonio, TX
- 2.2 M sq-ft of laboratories & offices
- Over 1180 patents
- 38 R&D 100 awards



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Southwest Research Institute

Nine Technical Divisions

Chemistry and Chemical Engineering

Powertrain Engineering

Fuels & Lubricants Research

Intelligent Systems

Applied Power

Applied Physics

Space Science & Engineering

Defense & Intelligence Solutions

Mechanical Engineering



*From Deep Sea To Deep Space
And Many Applications In
Between*



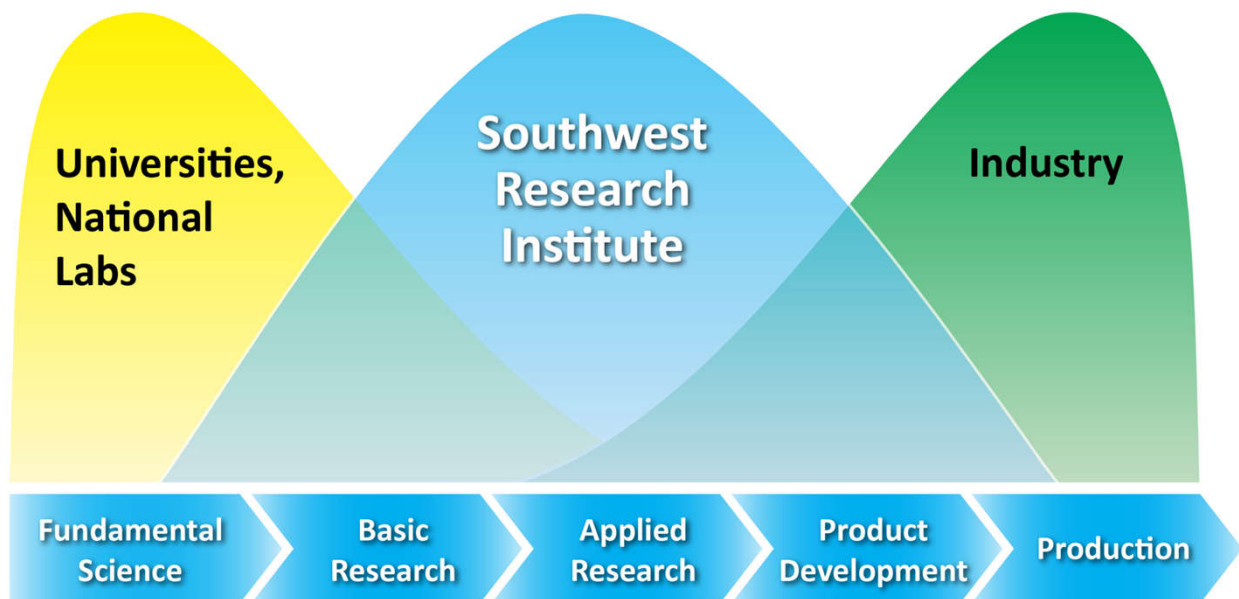
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SwRI in the Technology Spectrum



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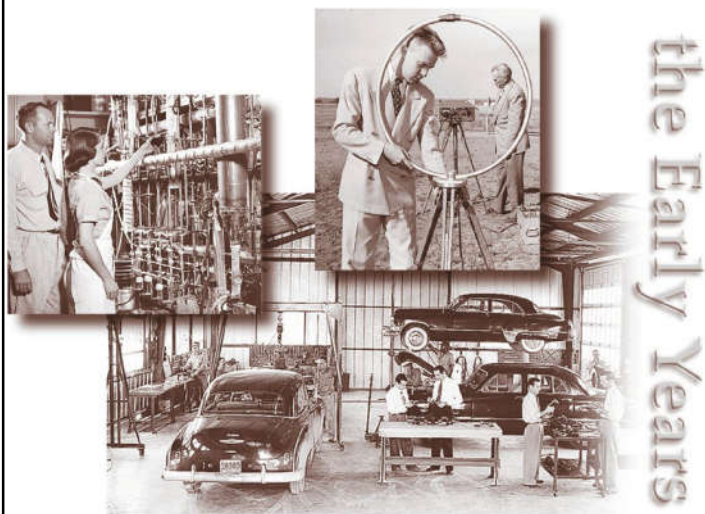
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Automotive Business Started in 1949

Conducted projects on diesel smoke and odor in late 1960's, before formation of US EPA



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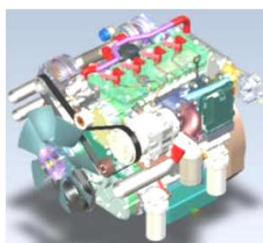
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Powertrain Engineering Division

Core Strengths:

- Developing innovative technologies to meet future emissions and fuel economy regulations
- Multi-client pre-competitive research programs
- Engine performance & emissions development
- Engine design & production development
- Engine & vehicle emissions certification
- World-class engine & vehicle testing facilities



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SwRI Partners With Industry, Regulators, and R&D Labs



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SwRI, as an independent expert in the field, acts as a partner to the commercial market as well as the regulatory system

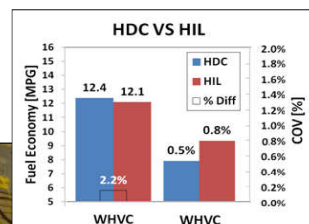


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SwRI Support to Government Programs Today

- 2013-20
 - EPA HD GHG support program
- 2013-16
 - NHTSA HD technology analysis
- 2014-20
 - CARB low NO_x demonstration program (NO_x = 0.02 g/hp-hr)



Hardware in the loop Powertrain Testing



High accuracy
HD Chassis
Dyno testing



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Powertrain Engineering Division

- SwRI has a team of over 250 development engineers, mechanics and operators who are experienced in powertrain performance development and calibration. We have extensive laboratory facilities, including on-site access to complete chemistry and metallurgy laboratories and non-destructive analysis facilities
- **65 test cells** for development and certification work
 - 36 → 5000 kW
 - Low and high-speed data acquisition (DAQ)
 - Gaseous, PM, and PN emissions
 - Many cells are Part 1065 compliant
 - Several cells automated for 24/7 operation
 - Altitude and cold start capabilities
 - NVH test cells
- Chemistry lab
 - Used / new oil analysis
 - GC / MS
 - FTIR
 - Non-regulated emissions and exhaust toxins
- Extensive mechanical development facilities
- Energy storage and electrification facilities



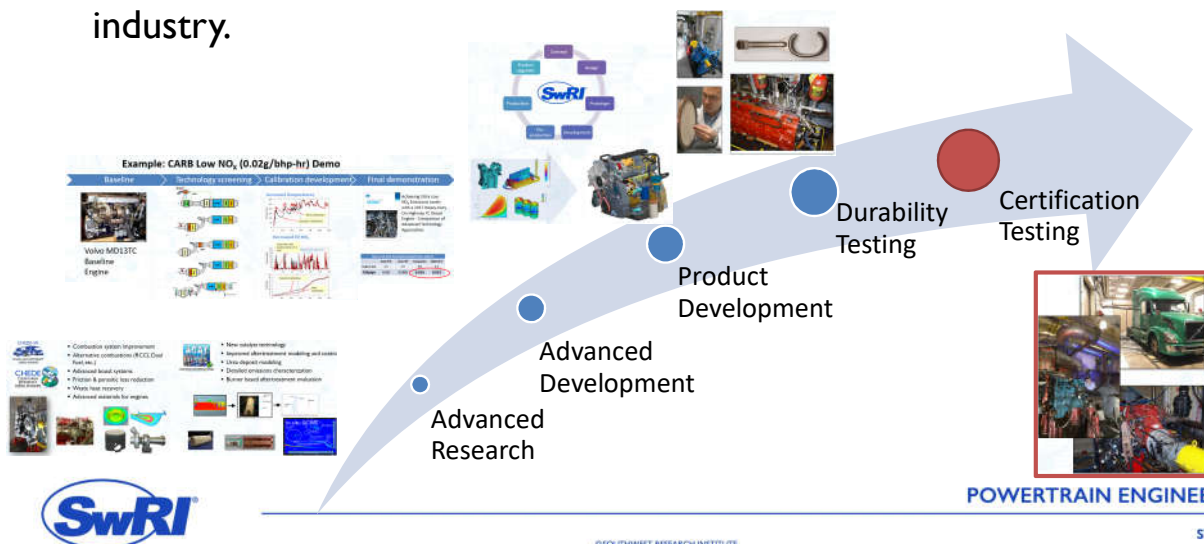
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Powertrain Engineering Division

- Powertrain Engineering activities address advanced research needs as well as production development for OEM's, suppliers, and the oil industry.



Advanced Research

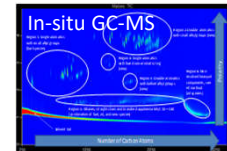
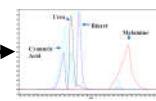
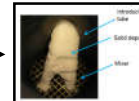
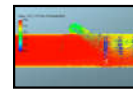
- SwRI leads several industry consortium focused on advanced research to support future powertrain solutions



- Combustion system improvement
- Alternative combustions (RCCI, Dual Fuel, etc.)
- Advanced boost systems
- Friction & parasitic loss reduction
- Waste heat recovery
- Advanced materials for engines



- New catalyst technology
- Improved aftertreatment modeling and controls
- Urea deposit modeling
- Detailed emissions characterization
- Burner based aftertreatment evaluation



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Advanced Development

- Experience performing advanced technology demonstration programs for industry and government

Example: CARB Low NO_x (0.02g/bhp-hr) Demo

Baseline

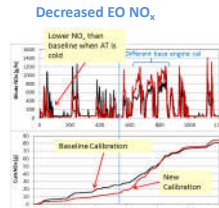
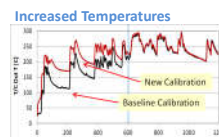
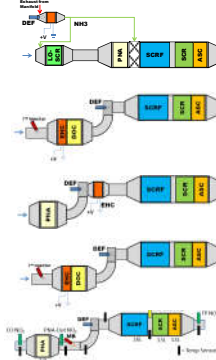
Technology screening

Calibration development

Final demonstration



Volvo MD13TC
Baseline
Engine



Achieving Ultra Low NO_x Emissions Levels with a 2017 Heavy-Duty On-Highway TC Diesel Engine - Comparison of Advanced Technology Approaches

NO _x Levels with Development Aged Parts, g/hp-hr				
	Cold-FTP	Hot-FTP	Composite	RMC-SET
Engine-Out	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.1
Tailpipe	0.06	0.008	0.016	0.015



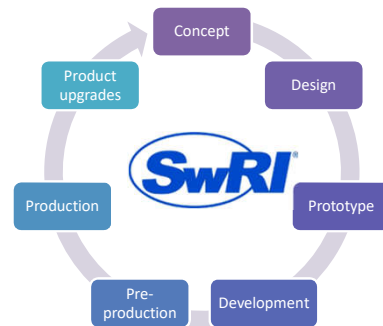
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Product Development

- Experience supporting all aspects of product life cycle
 - Concept development
 - Clean sheet engine design
 - Prototype generation
 - Performance development
 - Cycle simulation
 - Hardware selection
 - Steady-state & transient calibration
 - Mechanical development
 - Engine testing
 - Rig testing
 - Current production support
 - New ratings development programs



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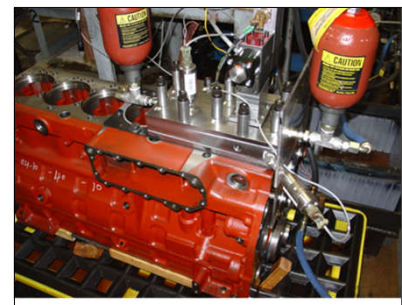
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Durability Testing

- Performance evaluation with specialization in engine and aftertreatment survivability and durability
 - Test cells capable of 24/7 operation
- Experienced in developing accelerated engine durability test plans
- Developed precise test methods for accelerated DPF ash loading and evaluation
- Supports engine certification with deterioration factor (DF) testing
- Experience with component level durability evaluations and test cycle development



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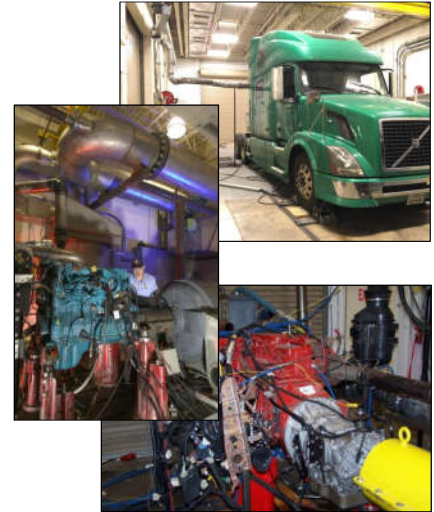
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SwRI Certification Capabilities

- Recognized expertise in certification testing of engines for worldwide markets
- Thirteen Part 1065 transient certification cells
 - **Part 1065 required for US Certification**
https://ecfr.io/Title-40/cfr1065_main
- Part 1065 high altitude simulation test cell for not-to-exceed testing
 - Up to 4800 meters above sea level
- Powertrain test cells (engine and transmission) with Hardware-In-the-Loop capability are available (up to 19,000 Nm from zero RPM)
- Twin roll HD chassis dynamometer with high precision CO₂ and emissions measurements
- End of line audit and compliance testing and support
- Long working relationship with regulators in US and other regional markets
 - Have assisted US EPA in data collection and interpretation in support of cycle development



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SwRI Certification Capabilities



- Performs certification testing for various applications
 - On-road
 - Non-Road
 - Marine
 - Gen-set
 - Locomotive
- Provides other certification related testing
 - Manufacturer Self Test (MST)
 - On-board Diagnostic (OBD)
 - Conformity of production
 - Emissions audit



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SwRI Certification Experience

- SwRI performed certification testing with a host of regulatory agencies
 - **CANMET / Canadian Standards Association (CSA)**
 - **U.S. Mine and Health Administration (MSHA)**
 - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
 - California Air Resources Board (CARB)
 - United National Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE-EU)
 - Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI)
 - International Maritime Association (IMO-MARPOL)
 - China Ministry of Environmental Protection (MEP)
 - China Certification Society (CCS – Marine)



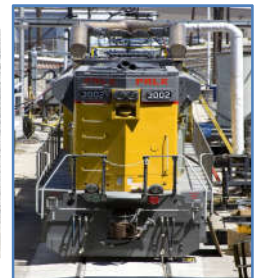
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SwRI Certification Experience

- **SwRI typically performs ~50+ HD engine certification tests per year (36-5000 kW)**
 - Excellent reputation with regulators
 - Successfully conducted numerous certification witness tests
- Multiple projects with US/European/Asian OEMs
- Able to provide a wide range of support, including:
 - Engine certification testing
 - Interaction with government regulators
 - Negotiation with regulation bodies
 - Guidance in certification application process
 - Deterioration factor (DF) testing



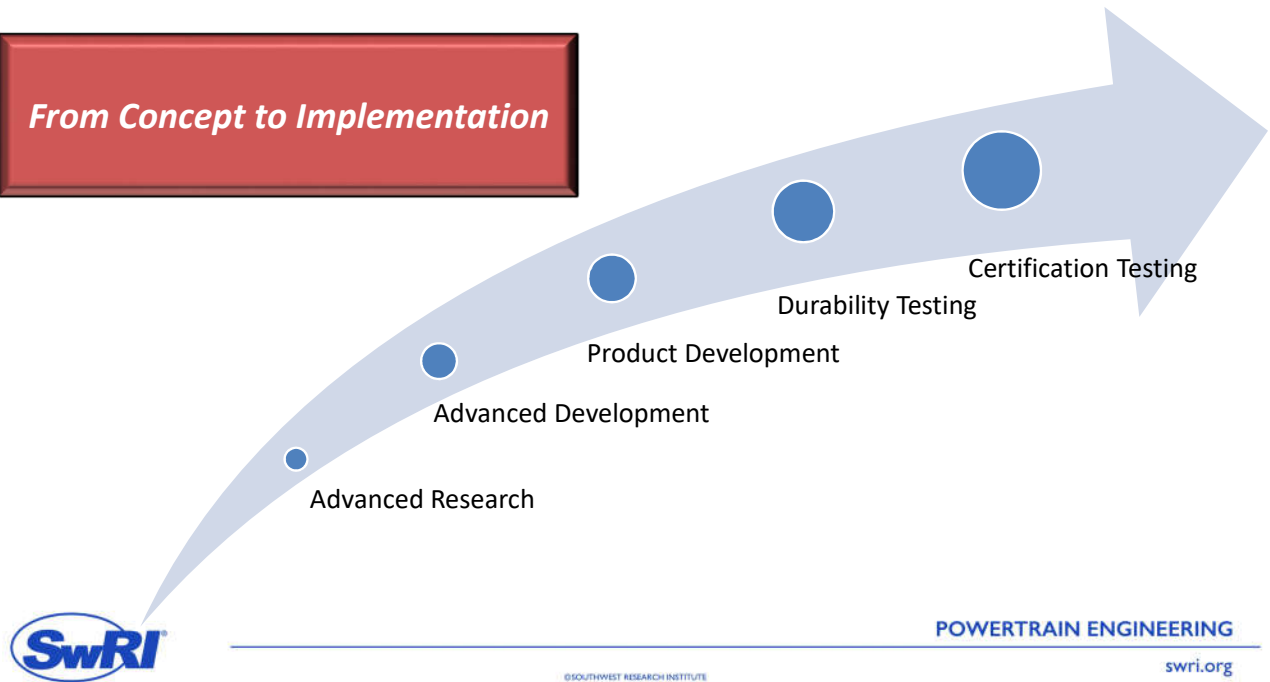
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From Concept to Implementation



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