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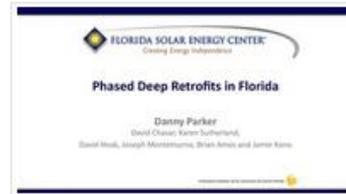
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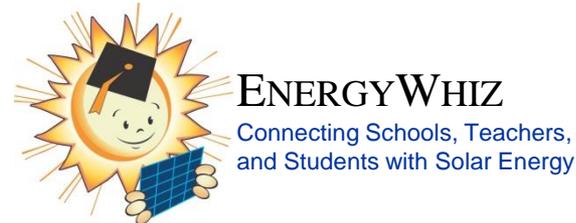
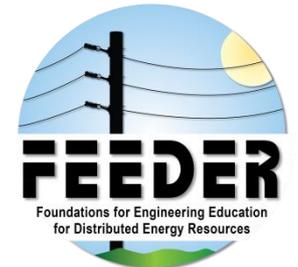
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UCF's FSEC Leads in Energy



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Strengths

- Unique, differentiated building energy science, PV testing and characterization (e.g. hot humid microclimate), and electric vehicle systems integration capabilities
- Personnel with specific expertise and credibility in energy-related fields
- Partnership development and coordination, key relationships with industry
- Familiarity with program goals and funding opportunities in DOE and other select federally-funded programs

Challenges and Opportunities

- Lack of well articulated, integrated strategic plan and communications (both internal and external stakeholders)
- Decreasing and changing funding opportunities from traditional sources
 - Shift in energy space to understanding impact of wide-scale deployment of distributed energy generation and building efficiency, systems integration may provide an opportunity for FSEC to expand beyond traditional funding sources.
- Lack of fundamental research, and institutional / enterprise-level coordination across UCF
 - Cluster hire represents unique opportunity to better integrate FSEC and UCF academic programs through hiring complimentary capabilities to drive fundamental research versus FSEC's applications research



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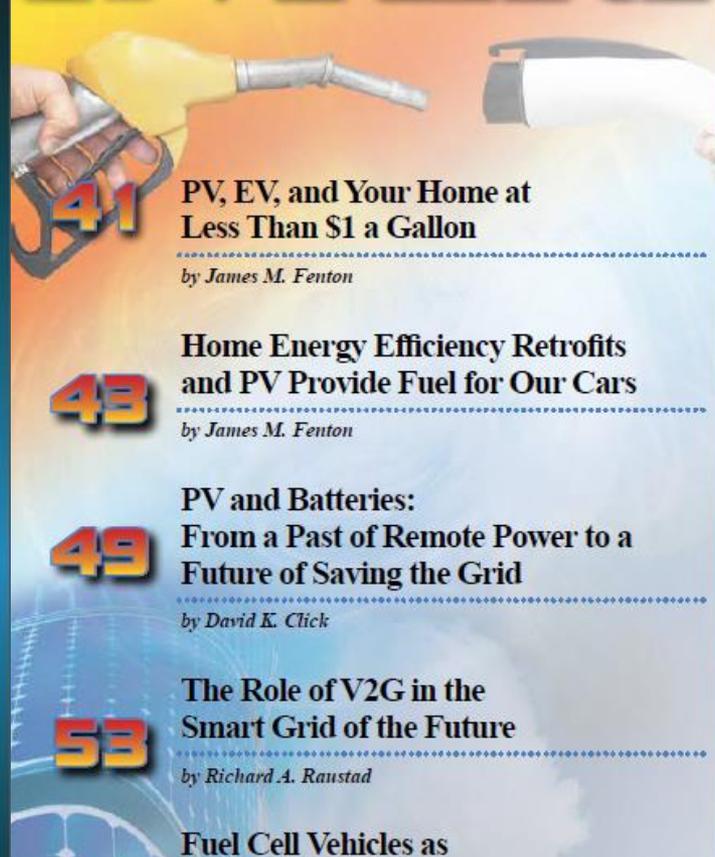


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Creating and retrofitting homes that are twice as energy efficient as standard homes through research and industry partnerships

- Recipient of 8 Building America “Top Innovations” awards
- Awarded \$14 M DOE funds and \$1.3 M in cost share since 2006.



Eric Martin, PI, presents overview

Danny Parker, presents Phased Deep Retrofit project





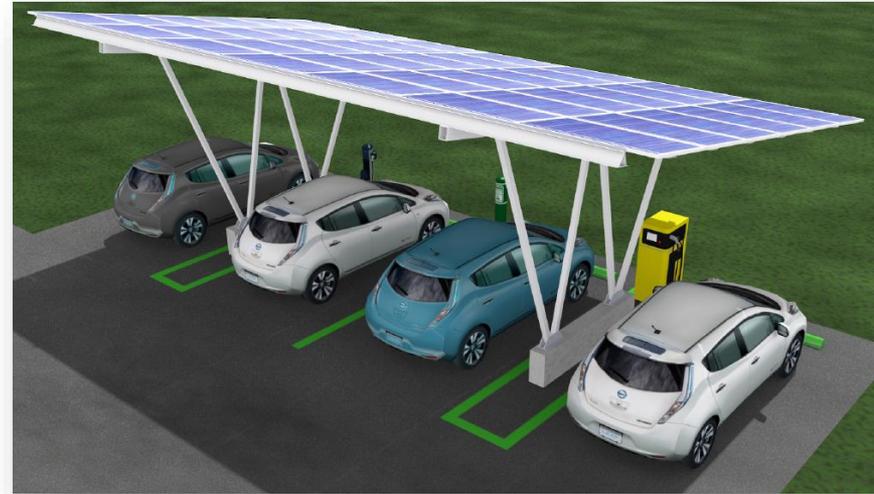
Electric Vehicle Transportation Center

EVs for sustainable transportation and a framework for more solar to be integrated into the “Smart Grid”

- Only U.S. DOT University Transportation Center on Electric Vehicles
- Awarded \$5.6 M DOT funds and \$2.8 M in cost share from 2013 to 2017

Dave Block, PI

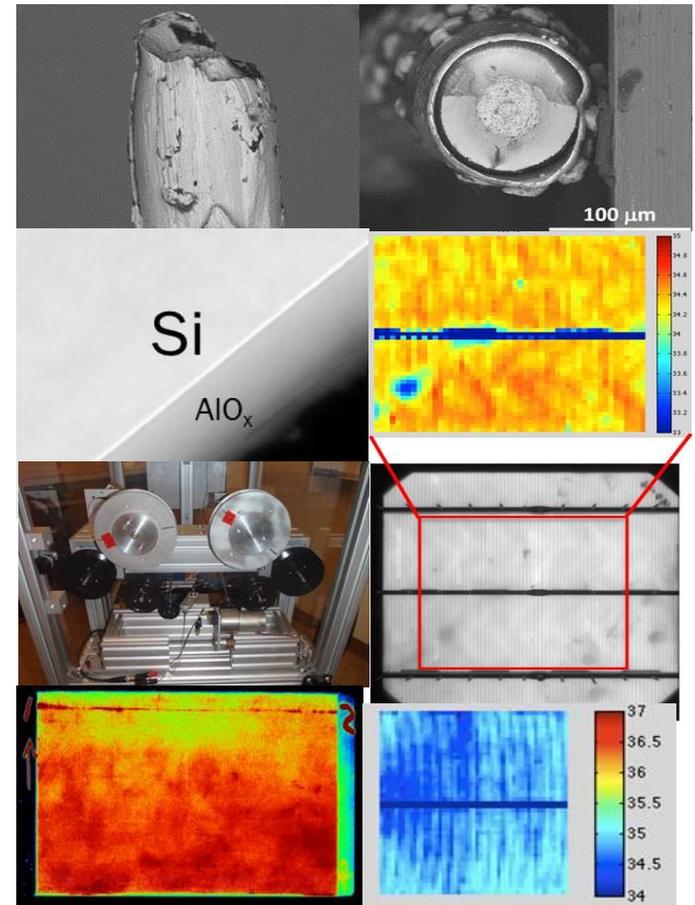
Rich Raustad, Technical Lead, presents overview



An Industry-led consortium driving collaborative projects in c-Si PV

- U.S. DOE SunShot Program funded at \$10M
- Currently 14 active collaborative projects in metrology and feedstock/wafering
 - Diamond Wire Failure Mode Analysis
 - Multi-functional Oxide Passivating Films
 - Predictive Metrology
 - Prototype Diamond Wire Metrology System
 - Casting/Wafering Impact on Cell Performance

Winston Schoenfeld, PI, presents overview



Addressing challenges in the commercialization of PV

- Provides independent validation of performance and durability of modules, inverters, and components
- The hot and humid climate at FSEC provides critical data for existing and new PV technologies
- Awarded \$1.07 M DOE funds since 2011 through the concept, development and implementation of the RTC program since 2011

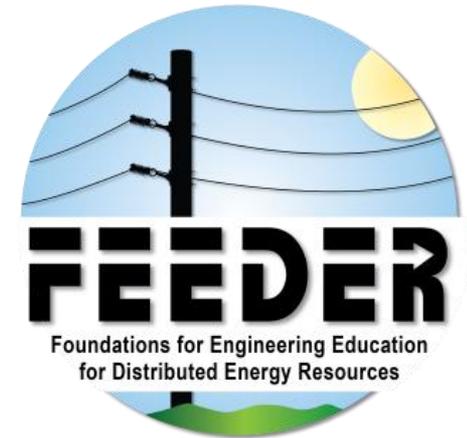


Stephen Barkaszi, PI, presents overview



Foundations for Engineering Education for Distributed Energy Resources (FEEDER)

- DOE-sponsored program to provide Grid Engineering for Accelerated Renewable Energy Deployment (GEARED)
- Aimed at educating the current and future utility industry workforce (capable of making electric energy systems sustainable, economic, reliable, and robust)
- UCF/FSEC is one of three nationwide centers
- DOE funding of \$3.2M (total award \$4.8M with industry match and other cost share) for the period 2013-2018



FSEC K-12 Education and Professional Development for Teachers

- **EnergyWhiz Event at FSEC**
 - Expecting 1000 participants
 - 2015 EnergyWhiz Expos in Tallahassee, Gainesville and Orlando
- **Student Groups**
 - 4th grade to college level
 - Over 1000 students
- **Teacher Workshops**
 - Solar Schools, Hydrogen, Solar Cookers, Photovoltaics



- **Presentations, Special Events and Other Outreach**
 - STEM focused
 - Over 30,000 students





Advancing the energy, economic, and environmental security of the state by promoting the growth of electric vehicle ownership and accompanying infrastructure

- Support and accelerate the adoption of plug-in electric vehicles by engaging and educating the public, businesses, and policy-makers; facilitating collaboration; and supporting EV-friendly policy and programs.
- Statewide organization representing electric vehicle stakeholders, including automobile manufacturers, infrastructure providers, government, academic and environmental interests.
- Provides collaboration with EVTC



Colleen Kettles, Coordinator, presents overview



- <https://www.facebook.com/driveelectricflorida/videos/vb.464504620359407/634925536650647/?type=2&theater>



The FEEDER Team





EnergyWhiz Event & Expos



Hydrogen Challenge



Energy Innovations



Junior Solar Sprint



Bright House Solar Energy Cookoff



Critter Comfort Cottage



Electrathon

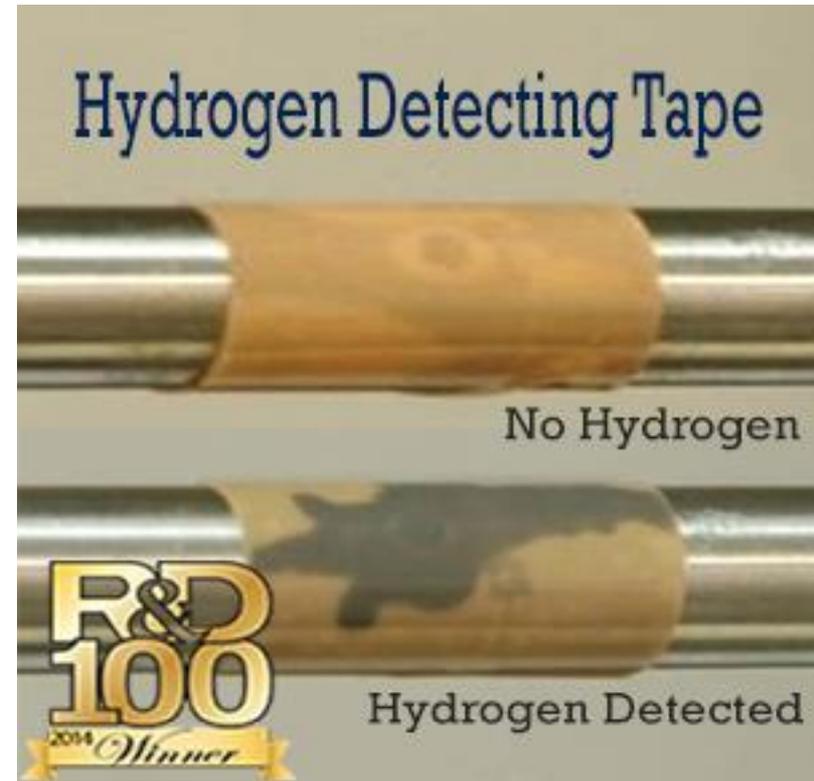
FSEC Research



Curriculum Development, Professional Development,
Student Outreach

- NASA KSC
- UCF (FSEC Advanced Energy Division)
- HySense Technology

http://www.bizjournals.com/orlando/morning_call/2014/09/ucf-recognized-with-an-oscar-of-invention.html



2014 R&D 100 Awards

The 100 Most Innovative Technologies Introduced in 2013

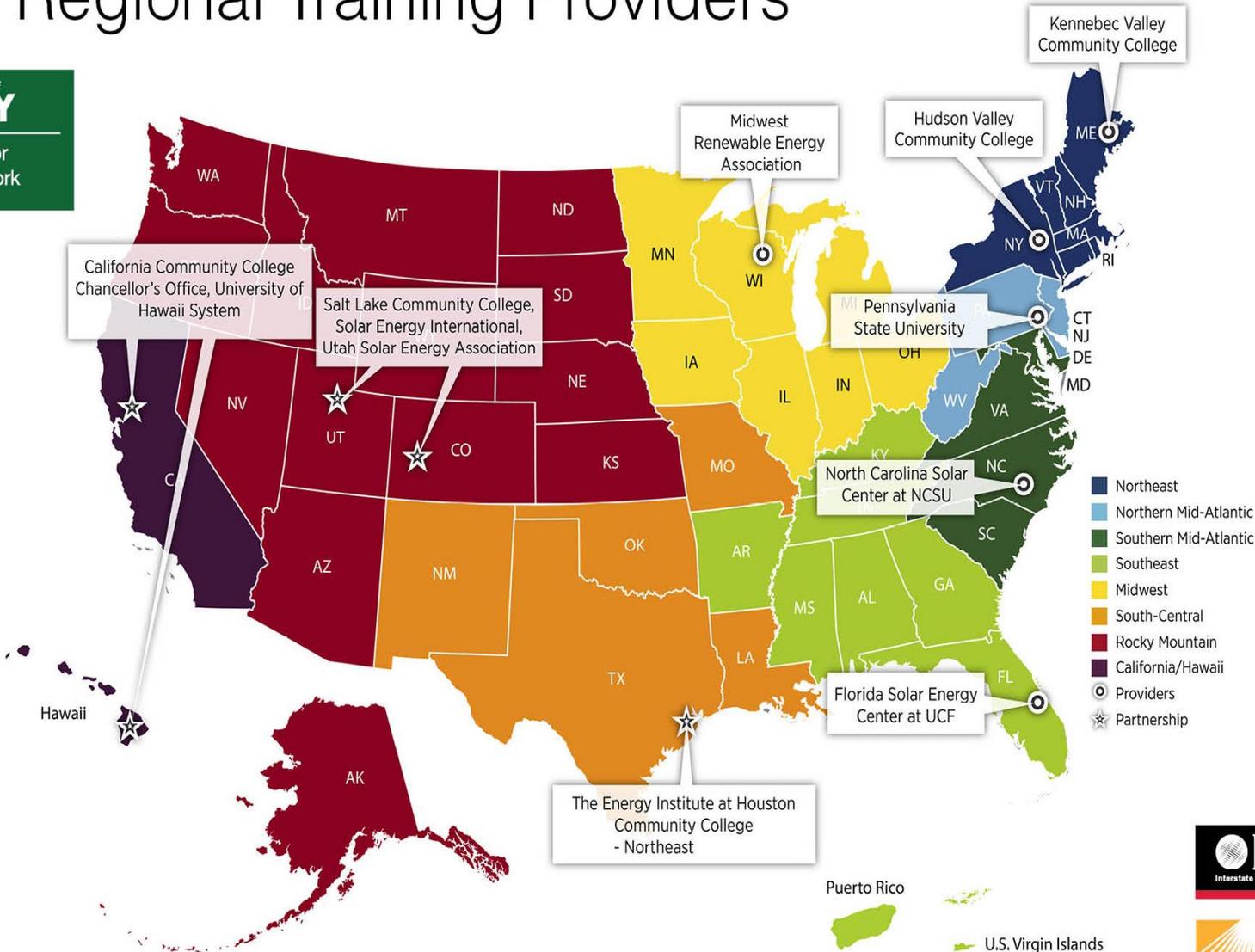
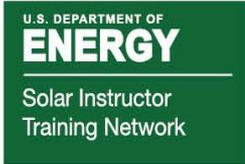


FSEC Continuing Education

- PV Systems Design and Installation
- PV Technologies and Business Opportunities
- Solar Water and Pool Heating Systems
- Residential Energy Raters
- Building Energy Codes
- ENERGY STAR New Homes
- Green Buildings
- Weatherization



SITN Regional Training Providers



SSTN Activities

- 28 workshops conducted
- PV, solar water heating, design and commissioning, code official, first responder, marketing
- 73 educational institution partners
 - 132 instructors trained
- Code Official Solar PV Workshops
 - 480 code officials trained
- First Responders and PV Workshop
 - 23 first responders trained





Universities Addressing Florida's Energy Needs



A Florida multi-university program to enhance and expand the use of solar energy and other renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies in the state of Florida

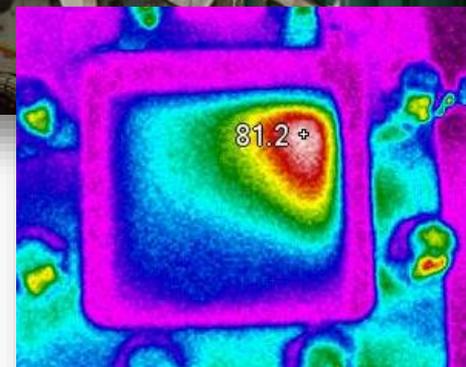
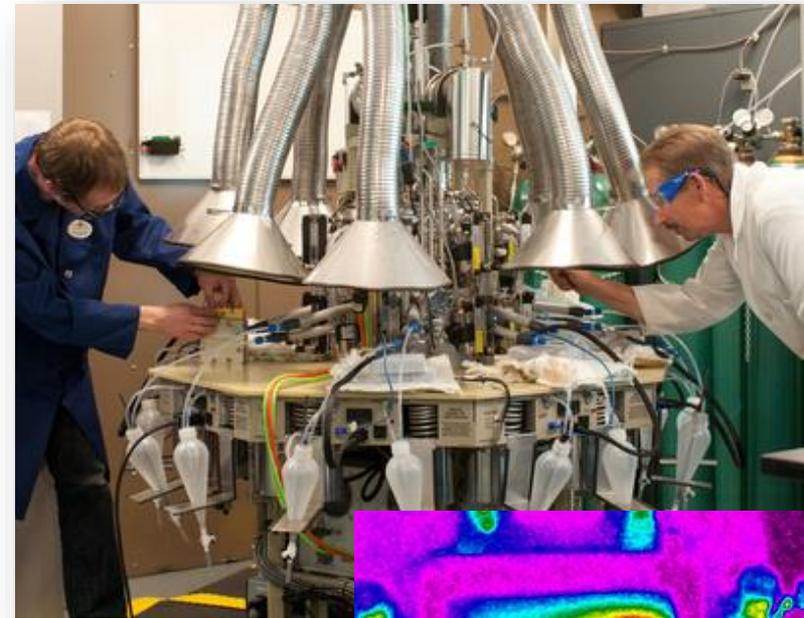
- UCF portion of project was a multi-task R&D effort that supported both FSEC and UCF Electrical Engineering
- Tasks in biomass, PV, solar thermal and building efficiency
- State funding for FSEC of \$4.1M July 2008 – December 2012



Membrane Electrode Assembly Fabrication

US DOE High Temperature Membrane Working Group

- 11 teams developed advanced membranes for 120°C
- Ex situ and in situ characterization
- Recommend most-promising materials
- Work with membrane suppliers to maximize performance
- Managed the U.S. DOE's High Temperature Membrane Working Group
- DOE funding of \$2.6 M with \$0.6 M cost share, 2006 – 2012





Solar Schools Programs

Innovation Education

The EnergyWhiz Olympics is all about clean energy and creative kids. Each year, on the first Saturday in May, hundreds of students converge at the Florida Solar Energy Center in Cocoa, Florida to participate in renewable energy themed events.

Take a look at our [EnergyWhiz videos](#) and see for yourself.



EnergyWhiz Olympics



Energy Curricula



Science Fair



Games and Activities



Sample Data

Featured Story

Energy Matters

The video at the link below provides a brief yet effective look at energy's role in making our world function. It can be used as an overview, introduction or summary lesson and is less than five minutes in length.

<http://www.energy.gov/eere/education/videos/ted-ed-video-guide-energy-earth>

About Us



The SunSmart Schools Program has worked to increase the deployment of solar energy systems to Florida schools and colleges, which has been funded through several grant awards.

The [SunSmart E-Shelter Program](#) provides 10kW photovoltaic systems with battery back-up to schools that are designated as emergency shelters.

Solar System Performance Data of Florida SunSmart E-Shelter Schools

Select A School ▼

Select A County ▼

Select A Utility ▼

Southeast Solar Training Network (SSTN)

Train the Trainer—Provide solar training to southeast states' public educational institution instructors

- Provide trainers with methods, tools, curriculum and resources to develop local training programs
- Ensure that training programs create high quality solar installations
- FSEC has been awarded \$1.1 M in DOE funds since October 2011, with a program end date of June 2015.

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