



# Precision Universal Mortar Attack (PUMA)

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### What is PUMA?





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- ONR Future Naval Capabilities (FNC) Program
  - Demonstrate critical technologies to support a system capability for enhanced mortar engagements
    - Precision Guidance
    - Trajectory Shaping
    - Range Extension
  - Lighten the Load for the Warfighter
    - More Stowed Kills
    - Lighter/Smaller Support Equipment
  - Cost Effective Solution
    - Utilization of Novel technologies & COTS products
  - Joint Services, Gov't Lab Partnership Development Team

#### **TRL 6 Demonstrations & Transition to Acquisition Program in FY14**



### **Guided Flight Testing**





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- Successful Demonstration of Guided 81mm Mortar Airframes
  - 22 Jun 2011 @ YPG, AZ
  - 6 Test Rounds: 2 Ballistic, 4 Guided
  - Pre-Programmed Maneuvers
  - Divert authority well in excess of ballistic delivery accuracy



#### **GPS Guide-to-Hit Demonstration in FY12**



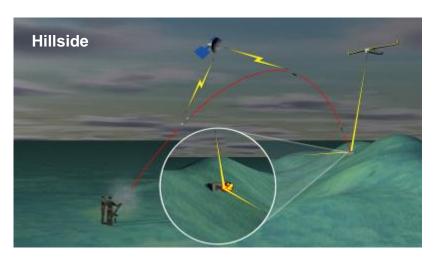
### 81mm Future Engagement Capability

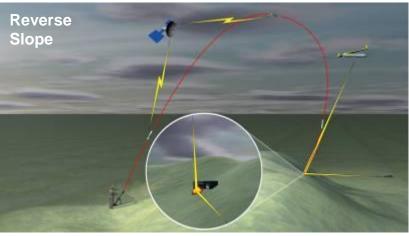


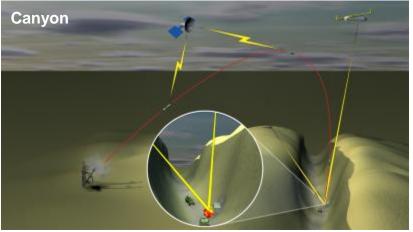


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### **Ability to Address Targets Masked by Terrain Topology**

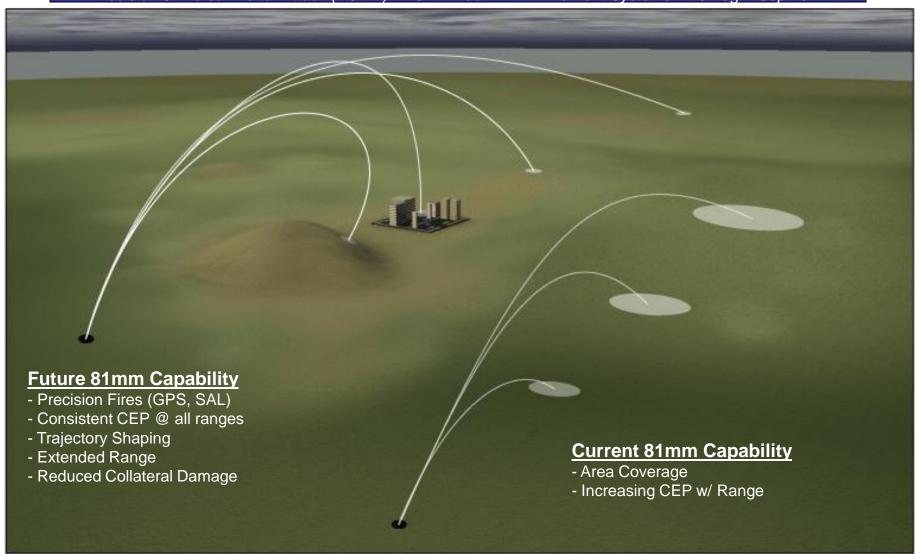


## Current vs. Future 81mm Mortar





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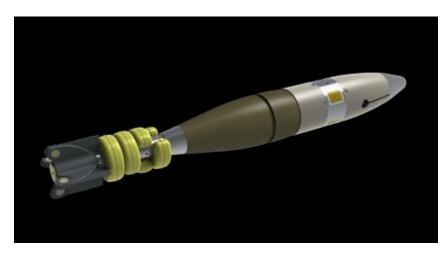


# **Enabling Products**





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# Flight Controlled Mortar (FCMortar) – (NSWCDD, ARL)

- Guidance Kit for Mortar Ammunition
  - Depot/Factory level conversion kit for HE projectiles
  - Reuses existing Primer/Igniter assembly
- Global Positioning System (GPS) Guidance
  - Fire & Forget Precision
- Semi-Active Laser (SAL) Guidance
  - TLE Elimination
  - GPS, Setter denied operations
- Non-ballistic flight path capable Airframe & GNC
  - Vectored approach guidance
  - Range extension
  - Proven pedigree (VAPP)
- Modular Design
  - "Plug & Play" modules allow for easy upgrade to alternate configurations
  - Sub-systems portable to other systems

### **Precision Compliment to Existing HE Inventory**



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# Extended Range Mortar Ammunition (ERMA) Propellant (NSWCIHD)

- Advanced artillery propellant adapted for mortar use
- Increased muzzle velocity
  - Extends FCMortar operational range
- Improved cook-off & IM performance
- Lower barrel erosion & fouling
- Already demonstrated on ballistic mortar ammo

#### Miniaturized SAL Seeker - (NSWCDD)

- · Strap-Down, Body Fixed Architecture
  - No mirrors, gimbals, or gyros
- STANAG 3733 compliant
  - Compatible with all fielded designators
  - Works with proposed lower pulse energy (20-30 mJ) designators
- Form factor units ready for flight testing in FY 12



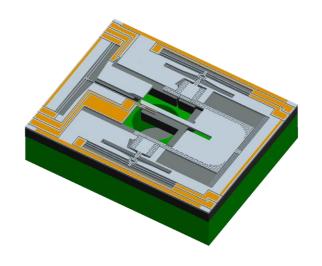


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#### MEMS S&A Based Fuze (NSWCIHD)

- Reduces size of PD/PDD Fuze to that of conventional mortar Fuze S&A device
- Based on silicon MEMS chip with integrated micro-detonator
- Connector for external HOB sensor
- Successful fabrication of first S&A chips complete

#### Mission Setter (NSWCDD, ARDEC)

- Small Form Factor precision weapon pre-flight initialization device (hand-held)
- Provides trajectory, guidance, and fuze mode data prior to launch
- Miniaturization of EPIAFS system starting FY12
  - New Non-Inductive link to be developed
- Backwards compatible w/ current EPAIFS interface (inductive & direct connect) based systems through add-on kit





### Conclusions





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- Guidance Capability Demonstrated on 81mm
  - Successful controlled divert testing in July '11
  - GPS Guide to Hit Demonstration in FY12
- Modular Guidance Kit Solution
  - Easily upgraded
  - Enabling technologies portable to other systems
- Government Lab Partnership developed/owned design
  - Maximum flexibility in meeting acquisition sponsor requirements
- TRL 6 Solution Demonstration in FY14 to support transition to USMC Acqusition POR