# Jack Rabbit II

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# **Jack Rabbit II Program Sponsors**

DHS S&T Chemical Security Analysis Center (CSAC)



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Transport Canada / DRDC





# **Additional Performers, Participants** and Contributors

- Dugway Proving Ground: Primary performer for test execution
- DHS S&T CSAC
- DTRA: Direct funding and support for field experiments. Over 20 staff directly participating in planning, field trials, and analysis
- Transport Canada and DRDC: Direct funding and staff directly participating in planning, field trials, and analysis
- Chlorine Institute and Member Companies: CHLOREP team conducting all chlorine handling operations. Contribution of chlorine, equipment.
- Department of Transportation PHMSA: Sponsoring indoor studies
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Indoor building and vehicle infiltration experiment
- Utah Valley University: Along with FEMA, U.S. Fire Administration, IAFC, IAB - Led team of partners fielding emergency response vehicles and several important experiments relevant to first responders

### **Additional Contributors**

 TSA: Jack Rabbit I Sponsor, JR II partner and sponsor of Scientific Advisory Group

#### Singapore – DSO National Laboratories

- UV Camera image capture in ultraviolet spectrum
- VNIR Camera Image capture within the visible, near infra-red spectrum
- IR Camera Image capture within the infra-red spectrum
- Doppler LIDAR Wind profile measurement
- France ARIA
- UK Dstl, HSL
- Spectral Sensor Solutions (S<sup>3</sup>) LIDAR
- Aberdeen Test Center
- Naval Surface Warfare Center
  - Carderock
  - Dahlgren

- University of Arkansas
- Texas A&M University
- Clarkson University
- Signature Science

#### **Jack Rabbit Program**

- Problem: DHS and its partners and stakeholders in the HSE must better understand behavior and consequences of large-scale chlorine releases.
  - Millions of tons of chlorine, a potent toxic inhalation hazard (TIH), are shipped annually through highly-populated areas
  - Transported in bulk as a pressurized, liquefied gas via road, water, rail
  - An accidental or intentional release can rapidly generate a lethal vapor cloud



- Hazard prediction models are not consistent with the evidence, data, and observations from previous fatal chlorine disasters
- Rapid Cl<sub>2</sub> releases have never been tested at operationally-relevant scales
- Critical knowledge and data gaps exist for source terms and other phenomena relevant to modeling and emergency response
- There is insufficient understanding, knowledge, and documentation of large-scale chlorine releases to properly inform, train and prepare emergency responders
- 2010 Jack Rabbit 1-2 ton chlorine trials identified phenomena and scaling factors that required additional testing.

#### Highest Priority TIHs – 2009 Gap Analysis

The most widely-shipped toxic inhalation hazard (TIH) chemicals in US, by route.

Chemical	Road	Rail	Water	Total	% of Total	
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	5,793,000	3,470,592	1,718,974	10,982,566	52.8%	
Chlorine (Cl <sub>2</sub> )	724,000	3,750,372	137,202	4,611,574	22.2%	~75%
Sulfuric Acid (H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> )	257,000	207,560	2,057,721	2,522,281	12.1%	
Acrylonitrile (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N)	29,000	277,200	671,474	977,674	4.7%	
Ethylene Oxide (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O)	106,000	671,260	1,132	778,392	3.7%	~ <b>95</b> %
Hydrogen Fluoride (HF)	29,000	264,560		293,560	1.4%	
Sulfur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	72,000	172,480	361	244,841	1.2%	
Hydrogen Chloride (HCl)	2,000	8,400	166,027	176,427	0.8%	
Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN)	33,000	31,600		64,600	0.3%	~ <b>99%</b>
Bromine (Br2)	61,000			61,000	0.3%	
Nitric Acid (HNO <sub>3</sub> )	3,000	35,800	44	38,844	0.2%	



Ammonia and chlorine dominate volume shipped

 Consideration of chlorine's much greater toxicity: <u>Chlorine is TIH of greatest concern</u> in transport

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#### **Recent Chlorine Releases**

- Festus, MO, 2002
  - Ruptured 1-inch Cl<sub>2</sub> fill line
- Macdona, TX, 2004
- Graniteville, SC, 2005
- Iraq Chlorine Attacks, 2007-2008
  - Chlorine 1-ton containers and cylinders
  - Approximately 15 attacks
- Syria, N. Iraq Conflicts 2014-2015
  - Chlorine 1-ton containers
  - Chlorine "Barrel Bombs"







#### Jack Rabbit II – Objectives and Impact

- Primary Objective: Conduct a series of unprecedented large-scale chlorine release field trials to fill critical data and knowledge gaps for improved modeling and emergency response.
  - Execute multiple chlorine release trials greater than 1 to 20 tons.
  - Track and quantify downwind plume movement and concentration to at least 7 mi.
  - Measure key source term parameters for each trial, including mass flux, tank pressure and temperature dynamics, and phase distribution.
  - Measure dynamic cloud chlorine concentrations up to 100,000 ppm near-source.
  - Determine effects of obstacles and structures on cloud movement and behavior.
  - Examine effect of chlorine exposure on emergency response equipment and vehicles.
  - Examine chlorine reactivity with soil, vegetation, and common urban materials.
- Impact: Knowledge products that are required for improved capabilities and efficiencies in planning, response and mitigation
  - Experimentally-validated source terms, dispersion data, and modeling
  - Resiliency better informed planning, emergency response, and policy
  - Vulnerability and impact reduction hazard and risk mitigation

#### Jack Rabbit II – 2015 Trials

- 5 successful trials in 2015: 5-9 tons Cl<sub>2</sub>
- Tracking downwind cloud and concentration to 7+ miles
- Quantifying source term parameters
- Simulated urban test grid to study effect of buildings
- Building infiltration and shelter-in-place studies
- Emergency vehicles and equipment exposure testing
- Studies of Cl<sub>2</sub> reactions with environment and surfaces









### **Test Site – Dugway Proving Ground**

- U.S. Army's Dugway Proving Ground, UT selected as test site and performer
- Extremely remote, unpopulated test range in barren desert salt-flats
- Unique and well-understood reproducible weather in July-September – 2yr study
- Successfully secured multiple levels of Federal and State approval:
  - Utah Title V Permit >10 tons Cl<sub>2</sub>
  - Environmental Assessment / NEPA
  - CWC Treaty Compliance
  - Clean Air Act
  - Migratory Bird Act
  - UXO and Cultural **Public Hearings**





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# **Urban Test Grid (UTG)**

- "UTG" constructed with over 80 Conex containers and mobile structures to simulate buildings and obstacles
- Release tank positioned in the middle of UTG on circular concrete pad
- Instrumentation deployed at stations throughout UTG to capture key data:
  - UV Jaz, Canary, MiniRAE Concentration
  - Thermocouples, IR Cameras -Temperature
  - Guided Wave Radar (GWR) Liquid Depth
  - PWIDS, SODAR, SAMS Towers - Meteorology







#### **Urban Test Grid (UTG)**

- JR II Cloud, Trial 5, looking toward south (upwind) 0.5 sec after release starts





## **Chlorine Handling Operations**

- Chlorine Institute's CHLOREP team performed all chlorine handling operations
  - Delivery of Cl<sub>2</sub> to Dugway
  - Transfer of Cl<sub>2</sub> delivery to 20-ton tanker truck
  - Transfer of Cl<sub>2</sub> from truck to dissemination tank
  - Resealing the dissemination tank after release attaching new flange to 6-inch exit port
  - Reconditioning the tank after each release trial in preparation for next test







#### Dissemination

5 successful  $Cl_2$  release trials in 2015: 

	Date	Time (MDT)	Mass Cl <sub>2</sub>
1	24-AUG-15	7:35:45 AM	5.0 Tons
2	28-AUG-15	9:24:21 AM	9.0 Tons
3	29-AUG-15	7:56:55 AM	5.0 Tons
4	01-SEP-15	8:38:50 AM	7.5 Tons
5	03-SEP-15	7:28:19 AM	9.5 Tons

- Time of day and year precisely selected in order to achieve required "go" criteria:
  - 2-6 m/s wind
    Temp. Inversion
  - 90° wedge NNW
    Atmos. Stability
- Reengineered 10-ton propane tank
- Explosive bolts released blind flange to expose 6-inch hole in bottom of tank
- Tank instruments measured key source-terms:
  - Temperature

- Vapor Void Space

- PressureLiquid VolumeMass FluxLiquid Depth







#### 2015 Phase I Trials - Source Term and Near Field Experiments

- Upwind Drift
- Liquid pooling
- Secondary evaporation
- Some (but not much) movement over 1 story structures (no cloud movement over 2 and 3 story structures)
- Channeling around structures
- Initial release concentrations over 100,000 ppm
- Concentration decreases rapidly with height
- Rapid Phase Transitions not observed









#### **Near Field Testing Grid**



•16 UV/Vis Jaz instruments measure Cl<sub>2</sub> in the near-field

•Upwind "retrograde" cloud flow, monitored at 200-m ring

 Indoor Study areas, and effect of buildings

- -UV Canary
- -Jaz Unit

-UV Sentry Line of Sight
 -Midac OP-FTIR Line of Sight

#### **Mid-Range Test Grid**

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Instrumentation Location	Instrument (# Used)	
11-km Arc	ToxiRAE (19)	<b>1-km Arc (90°)</b>
5-km Arc	ToxiRAE (18)	
2-km Arc	MiniRAE (19)	lo o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o
1-km Arc	MiniRAE (18)	
500-m Arc	MiniRAE (19)	500-m Arc (120°)
200-m Ring	UV Canary (20)	
100-m Ring	Jaz (16)	A CONTRACT TO A CONTRACT OF A
UV Sentry	UV Sentry (3)	8°
Midac OP-FTIR	Midac OP-FTIR (1)	
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#### **Extended Test Grid**

- Beyond UTG, instrument stations positioned on arcs at 200m, 500m, 1km, 2km, 5km, and 11km
- Plume tracked to 11km and beyond via 3 LIDAR stations:
  - 2 UV Differential Absorption LIDAR (DIAL)
  - 1 Mie-Scatter LIDAR (Aerosol)







**UV-Dial LIDAR** 

#### **Emergency Responder Experiments**

- Deployed Emergency Response Vehicles, Equipment 100m from release
  - 3 fire trucks, 2 ambulances, cars (windows up, running, AC variable)
  - No vehicles stalled on any trial
  - Significant corrosion to all metal surfaces
- Exposure / Effect on Common Materials and Surfaces
  - Creosote soaked items such as poles and rail road ties
  - Asphalt Shingles, Wood, Hay, Grass
  - Rail Ballast
- Studies providing key data and findings to improve ER safety and operations:
  - Survivability in vehicles
  - Immediate and long-term operability of ER vehicles and equipment
  - Determination of vertical concentration gradient impacting vehicles
  - Validation of CP and Isolation Zones







#### **Indoor Infiltration Experiments and Studies**

- DOD DTRA-funded, led by Dr. Mike Sohn, LBL
- Total of 6 large mobile trailers configured to mimic residential and office structures
- Additional Conex containers configured and equipped with interior and exterior sensors to record concentration of cloud and ingested Cl<sub>2</sub>
- Studies are investigating and will reveal:
  - Indoor concentration profile generated by outdoor cloud
  - Effect of varying conditions including HVAC operation, windows, air exchange rates, materials
  - Examination of shelter-in-place procedures and guidance
  - Indoor exposure profiles will lead to improved consequence assessment









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### Impact: Theoretical Strategy for Sheltering in Place



#### Jack Rabbit II – Phase 2 – 2016

- 4 successful chlorine release trials from 10- and 20-ton tanks
- Release trials conducted August 29<sup>th</sup> through September 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Releases from tank using different release angles:
  - 0° (straight up)
  - <del>90° (horizontal)</del>
  - 135° (45° angle from ground)
  - 180° (downward)
- I release trial from 20-ton tank
  - 180° (downward)
  - 20-ton tanker truck vessel used as release tank
  - Explosively breached
- Structures / Conex containers removed for Phase 2 trials, except:
  - 2 mobile buildings remaining for follow-up work for LBNL indoor experiments
  - 2 Emergency Response vehicles per trial



#### JR II 2016 – Dissemination



JR II Disseminator: Purpose-Built 2,000 gal Tank



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#### JR II 2016 – Dissemination

- 20-ton tanker truck release was the final JR II release trial
- Explosive breach mechanism generated 6-inch hole on bottom of tank
- Designed and tested by Aberdeen Test Center and Naval Surface Warfare Center – Carderock





#### JR II 2016 – Phase 2: 4 Successful Trials











#### **Trial 01 – Downwind Prelim. Max Conc.**



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#### **Trial 02 – Downwind Prelim. Max Conc.**



Distance East From Center of Pad (m)

#### **Trial 03 – Downwind Prelim. Max Conc.**



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#### **Trial 04 – Downwind Prelim. Max Conc.**



#### **Data and Video Transition**

 Data Transition Portal for Jack Rabbit II is hosted on the Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) and is being used to share data with stakeholders

https://hsin.dhs.gov/Pages/Home.aspx

- To request access, send email to: <u>Jack.Rabbit@st.dhs.gov</u>
- After being nominated and approved, access will be granted to the Jack Rabbit II HSIN Site:

https://hsin.dhs.gov/ci/chm/jrwg/Pages/default.aspx

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