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This addendum provides additional information regarding the **Facilities, Equipment, and Other Resources** section included in the ASCEND[R] Research Grant application.

X. Facilities, Equipment, and Other Resources

As part of the application process, applicants will be asked to provide brief information regarding institutional facilities, equipment, computational resources, defense-related research activities, research security capabilities, and relevant partnerships.

The purpose of this section is to provide context regarding the institutional environment in which the proposed research will be conducted, as well as the capabilities and areas of expertise represented across participating HSRU institutions. Information provided in this section may be considered as context regarding the proposed research environment but is not evaluated as a separate review criterion. Information collected may also be used to help identify research strengths, institutional capabilities, and potential opportunities for future collaboration across the Alliance and with the broader defense research enterprise.

Application Fields

Please answer the following as they relate to your institution. Enter N/A if not applicable. Responses may include institutional capabilities, resources, activities, or partnerships relevant to defense, national security, energy, or other federal research opportunities

1. **Specialized facilities and labs**
2. **Computational resources**
3. **Equipment**
4. **Defense research grants, contracts, or agreements**
5. **Research security capabilities**
6. **Defense, national laboratory, industry, or government partnerships**

Additional Information

Responses should reflect institutional capabilities, resources, activities, and partnerships that may be relevant to defense, national security, energy, or other federal research opportunities. Applicants are encouraged to provide concise, high-level information for each category.