

Advanced Methods for Manufacturing Program Overview

NRC Public Workshop on Advanced
Manufacturing
December 7-10, 2020

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Office of Nuclear Energy: Mission Pillars

- Advance nuclear power to meet the nation's energy, environmental, and national security needs.
- Resolve technical, cost, safety, security and regulatory issues through research, development and demonstration.

Existing Fleet



Advanced
Reactor Pipeline



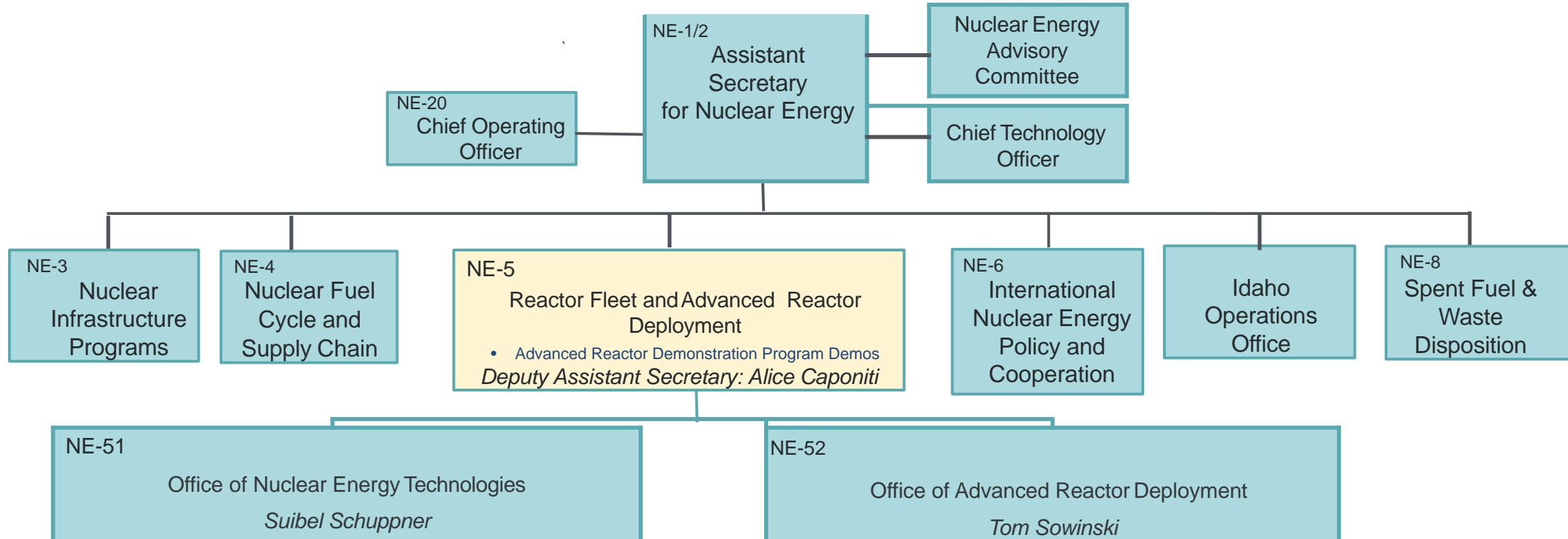
Fuel Cycle
Infrastructure



Global
Competitiveness



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Enabling Technologies Team

- Advanced Sensors and Instrumentation (ASI)
- **Advanced Methods for Manufacturing (AMM)**
- Nuclear Energy Advanced Modeling and Simulation (NEAMS)
- Nuclear Science User Facilities (NSUF)
- Transformational Challenge Reactor (TCR)

University and Competitive Research Team

- Nuclear Energy University Program (NEUP)
- Integrated University Program (IUP)
- Research Reactor Infrastructure (RRI)
- Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR)
- Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear (GAIN) Advanced Nuclear Industry Funding Opportunity (Industry FOA)
- Technology Commercialization Fund (TCF)

Reactor Optimization and Modernization Team

- Light Water Reactor Sustainability
- Advanced Small Modular Reactor R&D
- Integrated Energy Systems (IES)
- Nuclear Cyber Security (NCS)
- Advanced Reactors Safeguards (ARS)

Advanced Reactor Development Team

- Sodium-Cooled Fast Reactor
- Gas-Cooled High-Temperature Reactors
- Molten Salt Reactors
- Microreactors
- National Reactor Innovation Center (NRIC)
- Risk Reduction
- Advanced Reactor Regulatory Development

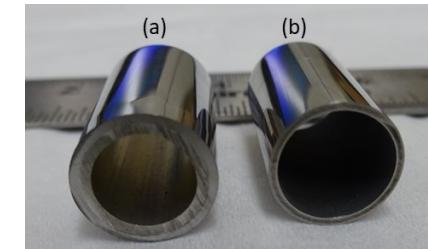
Office of Reactor Fleet and Advanced Reactor Deployment Mission (NE-5)

- **Vision** – Be a catalyst for the commercialization of NE-sponsored research, development and demonstration products
- **Mission** – Integrate NE's research investments to achieve a productive and balanced portfolio of competitive and crosscutting research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) and research infrastructure to enable expansion of the U.S. commercial nuclear industry
- **Objectives**
 - Full and effective integration of NE RD&D planning, execution and oversight
 - Systematic management of NE investments in research capabilities
 - Alignment of NE's RD&D programs with industry-identified technical and regulatory needs
 - Accelerate the introduction of innovative technologies into the marketplace through multiple mechanisms

Advanced Methods for Manufacturing (AMM)

Vision

- To improve and demonstrate the methods by which nuclear equipment, components, and plants are manufactured, fabricated, and assembled by utilizing 'state of the art' methods

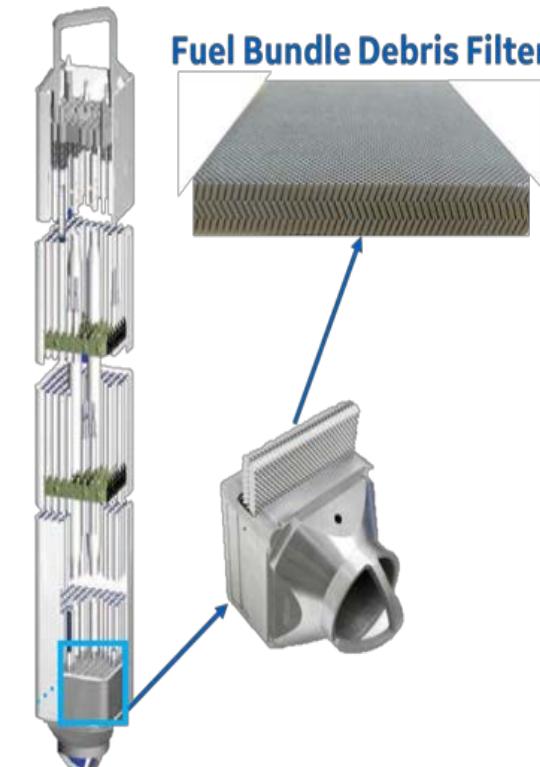


Fuel tubes produced by cold spray

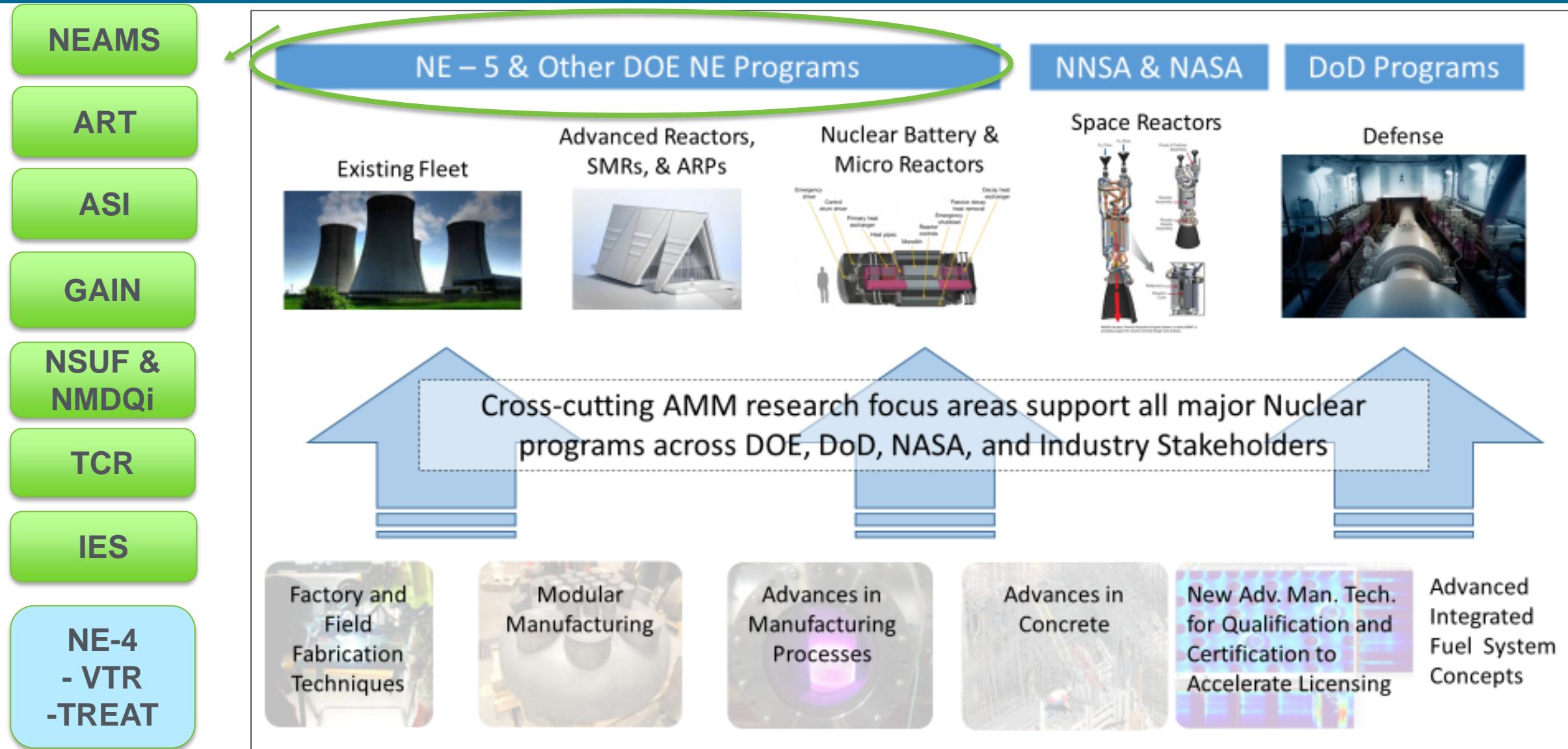
Goal

- To reduce cost and schedule for new nuclear plant construction
- To make fabrication of nuclear power plant (NPP) components faster, less expensive, and more reliable

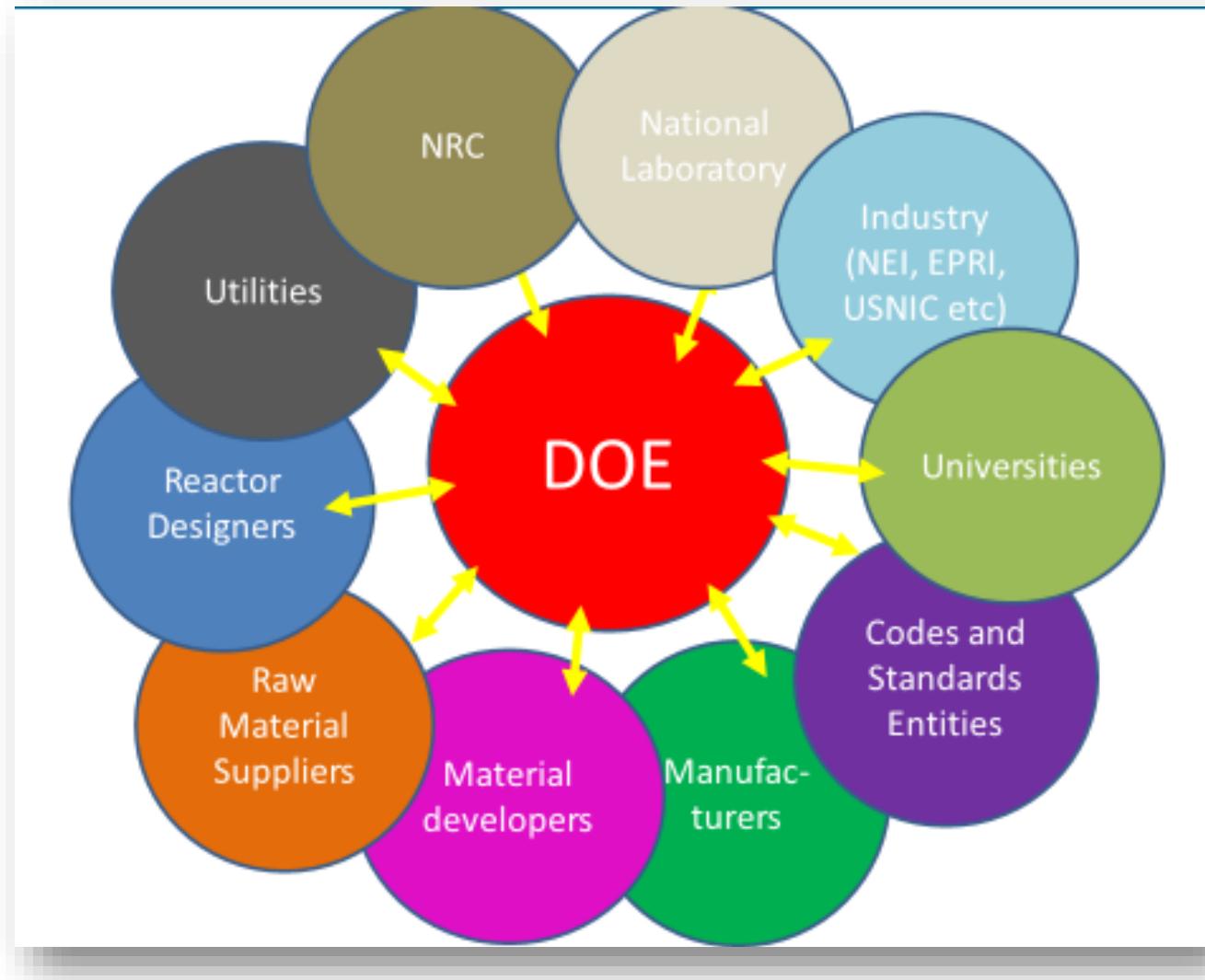
GEH BWR fuel bundle w/debris filter insert



Connections of AMM program to other R&D programs, NRC, Industry



Stakeholder Engagement (“Customers”)



Internal DOE Supported Programs

- Advanced Reactors
- LWRS
- Other elements of NEET

Industry Connections

- NEI
- USNIC
- EPRI
- IFOA
- Fuel Vendors

External Governmental Programmatic Synergies/Overlaps

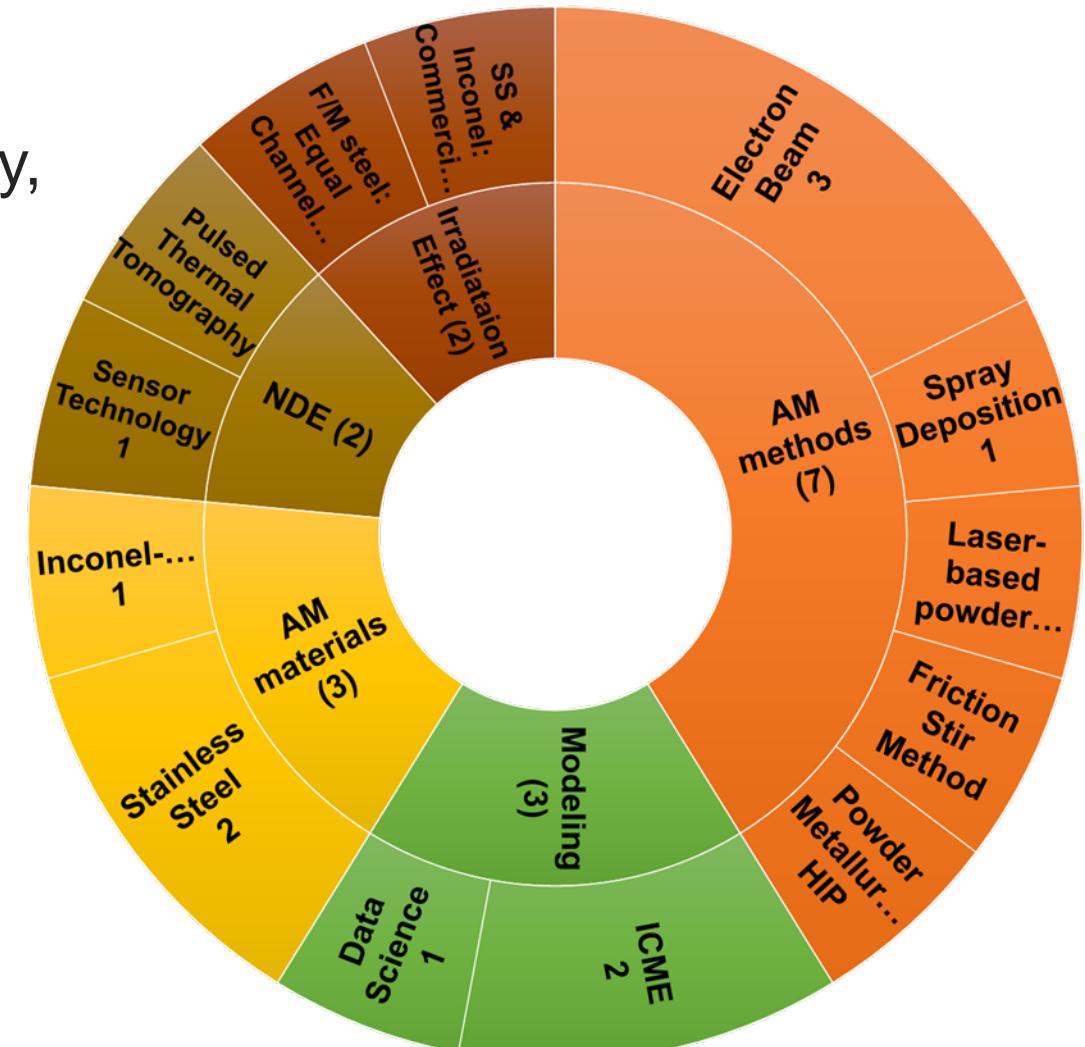
- **NRC**
- EERE
- NIST
- DoD

The Goal is for DOE-NE to be the nexus for AMM development and leadership

FY21 Objectives and Priorities

The Goal is for DOE-NE to be the nexus for AMM development and leadership

- Increase **stakeholder participation** (Industry, DOE offices, Standards, NRC, National laboratories etc.)
- Leverage the **impact of research work** and understand how the technology can potentially be adopted & commercialized
- Continue to reevaluate strategic intent and **identify gaps, needs**
- Increase **collaboration** with DOE programs (identify cross cutting similar needs)
- Establish **direct funded** project(s)
- Re-evaluate Strategy



Communication



AMM Newsletter
Advanced Methods for Manufacturing

Dirk Cairns-Gillamore Joins AMM Program

Dirk Cairns-Gillamore
DOE-NE program manager

AMM program: ball milling, powder metallurgy, hot isostatic pressing, and welding processes, including thermogravimetric analysis, laser and e-beam welding, and others. This background is crucial to the expansion of research and development towards commercial deployment of advanced manufacturing, in accordance with ASME NQA-1 standards.

Mr. Cairns-Gillamore is an ardent supporter of deploying AMM processes for use by the nuclear industry. He believes that it will be critical for the continued success of both the current reactor fleet and future investment in advanced reactors. His time at the Coast Guard reemphasized the power of teamwork and showed that the focus of a determined group of people can create success despite a challenging environment. One of his main goals for the program is to establish priorities for materials and processes so that AMM can be deployed for first-of-a-kind uses. The ability of the AMM community to come together and push toward this goal will determine its success.

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AMM Technical Review Meeting

Objectives: 1) Provide Principal Investigators (PIs) and researchers the opportunity to deliver a summary of their project achievements to DOE, and 2) Highlight to industry and other researchers the AMM project accomplishments and advantages, leading to potential collaborations and adoption of AMM technologies.



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GAIN-EPRI-NEI Advanced Methods for Manufacturing QUALIFICATION WORKSHOP

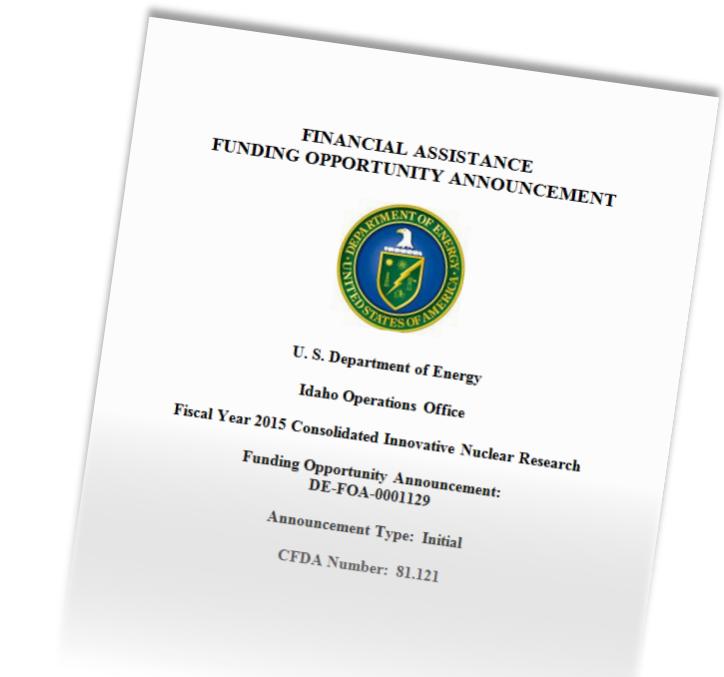
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Advanced Methods for Manufacturing

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INL Meeting Center, 775 MK Simpson Blvd, Idaho Falls, ID 83401

Addressing Challenges

- **Competitively selected projects via Consolidated Innovative Nuclear Research (CINR) & Industry FOA**

- Open to universities, national laboratories and Industry
- R&D and irradiation/PIE projects funded
- FY 21 work scopes
 - MODULAR ADVANCED MANUFACTURING APPROACHES
 - NEW ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES FOR QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION TO ACCELERATE LICENSING
 - IRRADIATION TESTING OF MATERIALS PRODUCED BY INNOVATIVE MANUFACTURING TECHNIQUES
- AMM Qualification Workshop
 - GAIN-EPRI-NEI
 - Develop an integrated approach to the AMM qualification process for materials and components



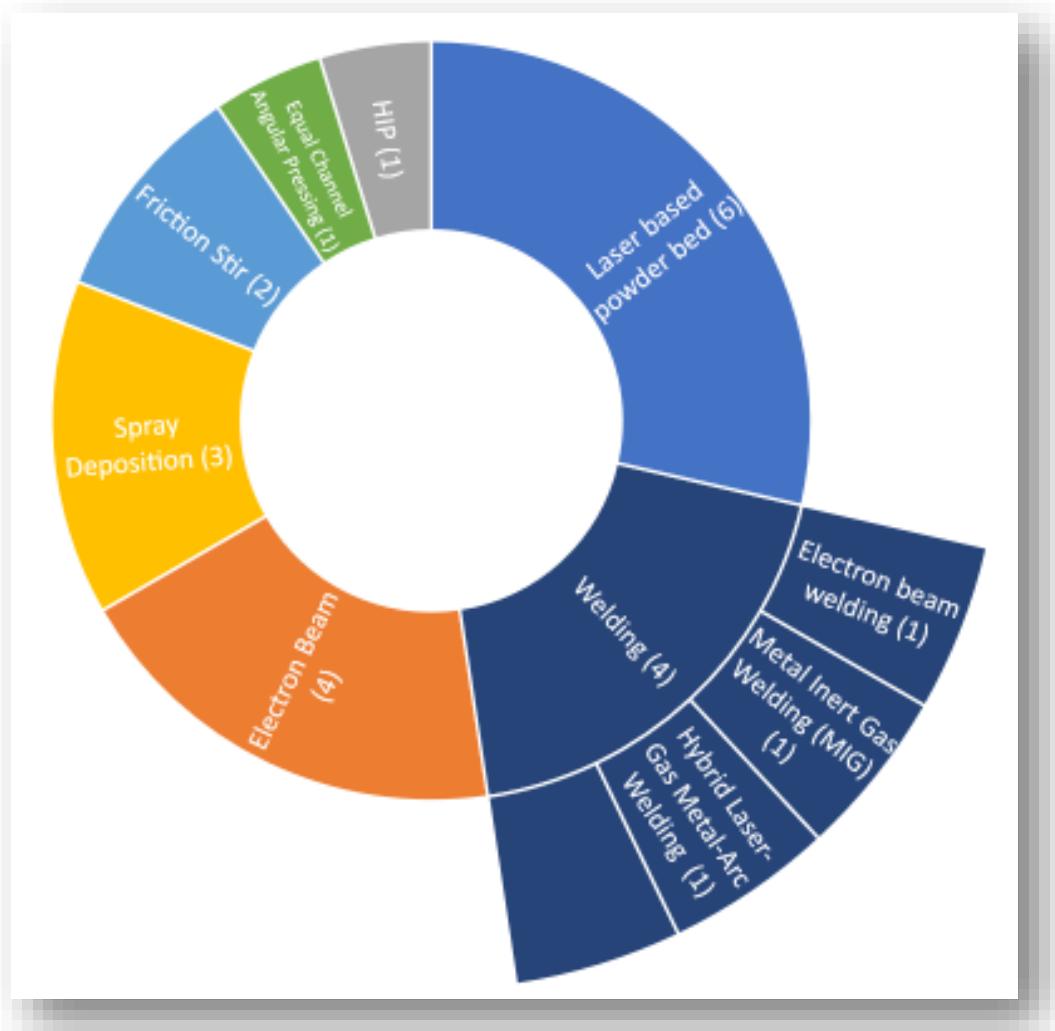
AMM Focus Areas: FY2021



Evaluate AMM Program Award Impact (NEET Awards 2011-2019)

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AMM Techniques



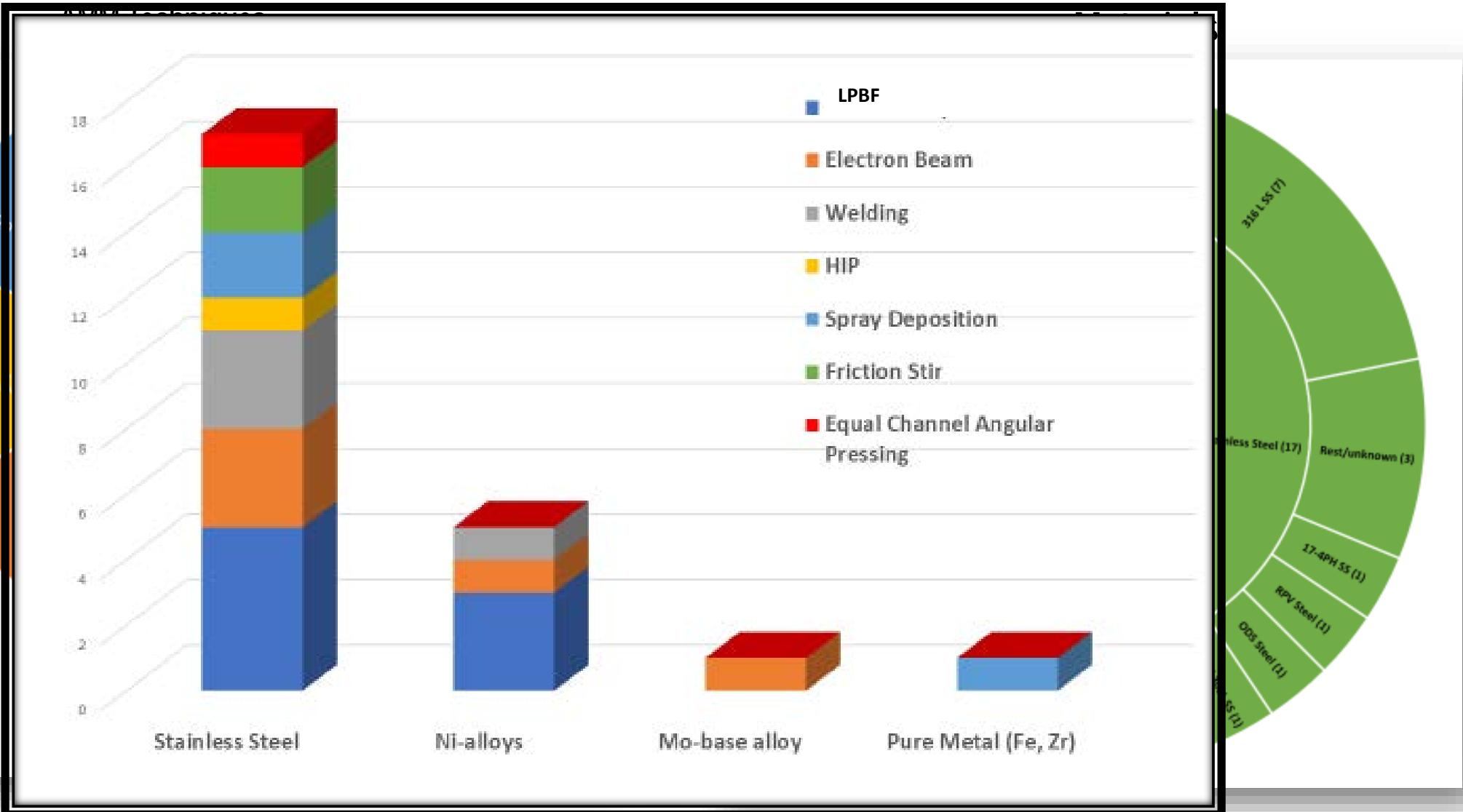
Materials



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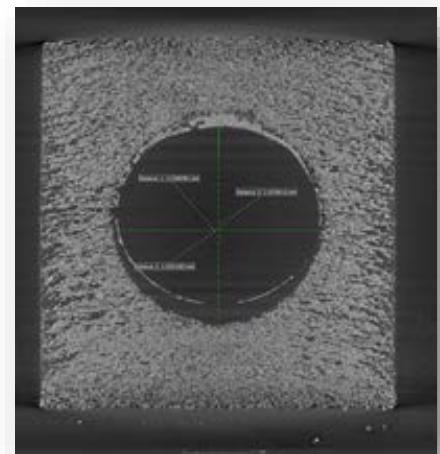


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Gaps or Technology Challenges

Prioritizing Methods and Materials
Complex set of needs
Risk reduction methods
Speed to industry deployment
Qualification Processes
Maturity Level

- Performance data in “nuclear” environments
- How do we measure or gauge applications of new advanced manufacturing methods?
 - Technology readiness level
 - Qualification routes
 - Standards/Codes
 - Risks
- Determining requirement & performance specifications for different manufacturing process domains
- How do we measure & communicate the impact of our research (especially earlier TRL)?
- Cybersecurity in:
 - Digital Engineering
 - Machine Learning approaches
 - Big Data/Artificial Intelligence Applications
 - Automated Manufacturing
 - In-situ monitoring
 - Embedded sensor



High Impact Materials & Manufacturing Technology Challenges

- Design approaches for manufacturing
 - More qualified materials are needed by reactor developers to allow for design flexibility and to meet performance targets.
 - Optimized process modeling and AI
 - Interface design
 - Residual stresses relationships to design features
 - Topology optimization
- Develop and qualify high strength, corrosion and radiation resistant materials for molten salt reactors
- Accelerate qualification (new paradigm?)
 - Verification of quality & validation of modeling tools: specific manufacturing process modeling
 - “New” material discovery (or is it adoption of lessons learned from other disciplines)
 - High-throughput testing and characterization
 - Verification of quality & validation of modeling tools: specific manufacturing process modeling
 - Acceptance protocols for high temperature reactor components fabricated by advanced manufacturing methods
 - Integrated shared databases
- Compact Heat Exchangers
 - Develop scientific understanding of processing-properties relation for enhanced diffusion bond properties
- Large component fabrication and welding, Size limitations (Scalability – size, volume)
- Sensors:
 - Radiation tolerant sensors
 - Miniaturization of sensors
 - Integrated manufacturing processes
- Thermal barrier coatings: Interface designs to prevent scaling, functional materials, isolation

CURRENT AMM NEET PROJECTS

HIP Cladding and Joining to Manufacture Large Dissimilar Metal Structures for Modular and GEN IV Reactors
(*Project awarded FY 21*)

Xiaoyuan Lou
Auburn University

Fiber Sensor Fused Additive Manufacturing for Smart Component Fabrication for Nuclear Energy
(*Project awarded FY 21*)

Kevin Chen
University of Pittsburgh

Diffuse Field Ultrasonics for In Situ Material Property Monitoring During Additive Manufacturing Using the SMART Platform
(*Project awarded FY 21*)

Christopher M. Kube
Pennsylvania State University

Machine Learning-based Processing of Thermal Tomography Images for Automated Quality Control of Additively Manufactured Stainless Steel and Inconel Structures

Alexander Heifetz
Argonne National Laboratory

Development of Innovative Manufacturing Approach for Oxide-Dispersion Strengthened (ODS) Steel Cladding Tubes using a Low Temperature Spray Process

Kumar Sridharan
University of Wisconsin

Integrated Computational Materials Engineering (ICME) and In-situ Process Monitoring for Rapid Qualification of Components Made by Laser-Based Powder Bed AM Processes for Nuclear Structural and Pressure Boundary Applications

David Gandy & Marc Albert
Electric Power Research Institute

Integrating Dissolvable Supports, Topology Optimization, and Microstructure Design to Drastically Reduce Costs in Developing and Post-Processing Nuclear Plant Components Produced by Laser-based Powder Bed Additive Manufacturing

Albert To
University of Pittsburgh

All-position Cladding by Friction Stir Additive Manufacturing

Zhili Feng
Oak Ridge National Lab

Laser Additive Manufacturing of Grade 91 Steel for Affordable Nuclear Reactor Components

Stuart Maloy
Los Alamos National Lab

Additive Manufacturing Projects – Code Case

Integrated Computational Materials Engineering & In-Situ Process Monitoring for Rapid Qualification of Components Made by Laser-based Powder bed Additive Manufacturing Processes for Nuclear Structural

Award Number: DE-NE0008521

Award Dates : 10/2016 to 06/2020

PI: David Gandy

Team Members: ORNL, Westinghouse, Rolls-Royce



Figure 1a. A 316L SS Pipe Tee fitting is being produced via LPB-AM.

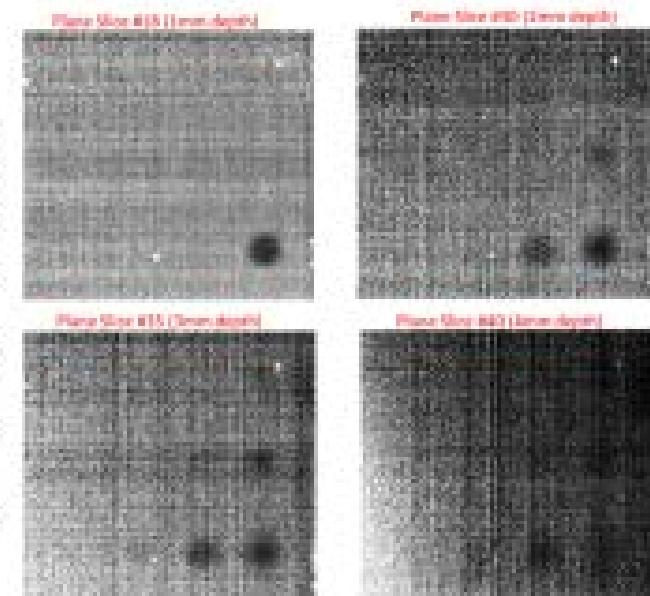
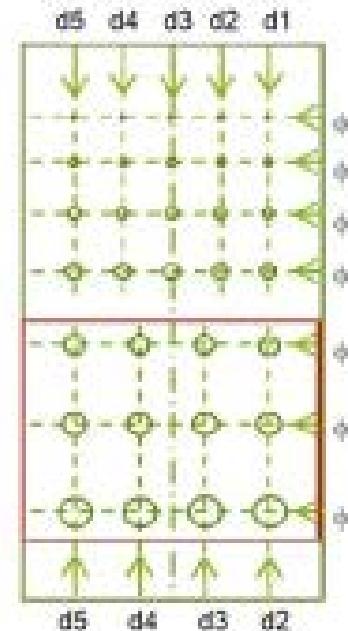


Figure 1b. A 316L SS section of a valve body was produced via LPB-AM.

- Working with ASME Special Committee on Additive Manufacturing and BPV-III to develop and submit Data Package and Code Case (with Westinghouse)
 - ASME Special Committee has drafted Guideline document for AM welding of 316L SS.
- Data Package finalized
- **Code Case submitted August 2020**

Non-Destructive Testing

PULSED THERMAL TOMOGRAPHY NONDESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION OF ADDITIVELY MANUFACTURED REACTOR MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS – ANL (18-15141)



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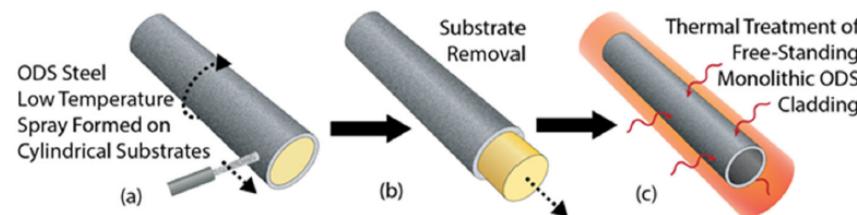
June 4, 2020



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Development of Innovative Manufacturing Approach for ODS Steel Cladding Tubes using a Low Temperature Spray Process

Concept of Manufacturing ODS tube via Cold Spray Process – Three Major Steps



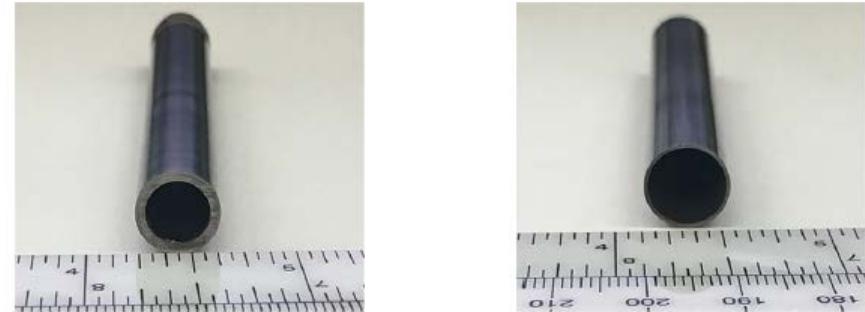
Potential Benefits:

- Eliminates multiple extrusion steps
- Eliminate ball milling step
- Faster and cheaper manufacturing process

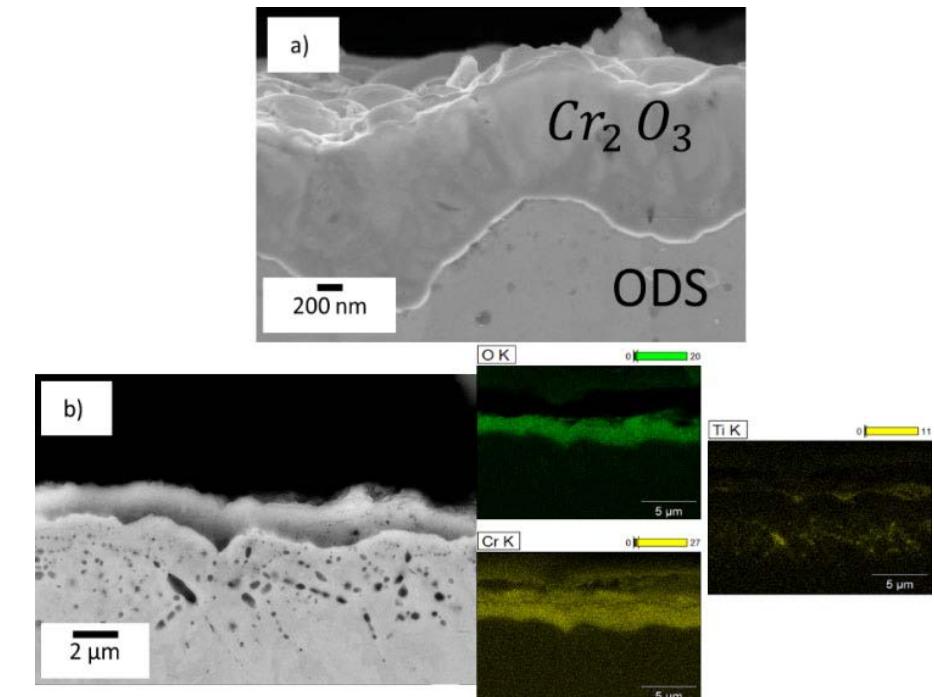
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ODS coated Al-alloy mandrel Removal of Al-alloy mandrel



CURRENT AMM INDUSTRY PROJECTS

IFOA Scope: Advanced manufacturing, fabrication and construction techniques for nuclear parts, components, and full-scale plants, or integrated efforts that could positively impact the domestic nuclear manufacturing enterprise

Establishment of an Integrated Advanced Manufacturing and Data Science Driven Paradigm for Advanced Reactor Systems

Small Modular Reactor Pressure-vessel Manufacturing & Fabrication-technology Development (sole sourced)

EPRI: Modular In-Chamber Electron Beam Welding Capability (Large Thick Section Components)

Advancing and Commercializing Hybrid laser Arc Welding (HLAW) for Nuclear Vessel Fabrication, Including Small Modular Reactors (SMR)

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BWXT

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Electric Power Research Institute

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Brian Farnsworth
Holtec Manufacturing



Representative Model
of NuScale Power
Reactor Vessel

SMR RPV Manufacturing & Fabrication Technology Development

SMR Reactor Pressure Vessel Manufacturing & Fabrication Technology Development – EPRI
(10/01/2017 – 09/30/2021)

Overall industry goal is to produce a code-acceptable SMR Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) within 12 months

18-month schedule reduction
40% cost reduction

R&D project objective is to manufacture the major components for a 2/3 scale (44' long x 6' in diameter) NuScale RPV utilizing:

- Powder Metallurgy/ Hot Isostatic Processing (PM/HIP)
- Electron Beam Welding
- Diode Laser Cladding
- Cryogenic Machining

Partners include EPRI, the UK's Nuclear Advanced Manufacturing Research Center (NAMRC), Carpenter Powder Products, Synertech, TWI, Sheffield Forgemasters, Sperko Engineering and others



Mockup EB weld of lower head

Representative Model of NuScale Power Reactor Vessel

CURRENT AMM SBIR PROJECTS

Real Time NDE During 3D Manufacturing

Additive Manufacturing of BWR Lower Tie Plates and other Fuel Assembly Components

Additive Manufacturing of SMR Holddown Springs and Upper Nozzle Interfaces

Araz Yacoubian
LER Technologies

Lauren Gramlich
Novatech

George Pabis
Novatech



NovaTech printed Lower Tie plate concept E, Inconel & SS

Surface Void Detection in SS 316

Sample Design

Microscope Image
- 1 mm

Detected Defects

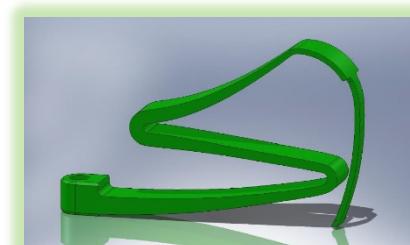
- Void depth 0.5 mm
- Smallest detected voids barely visible under a microscope.

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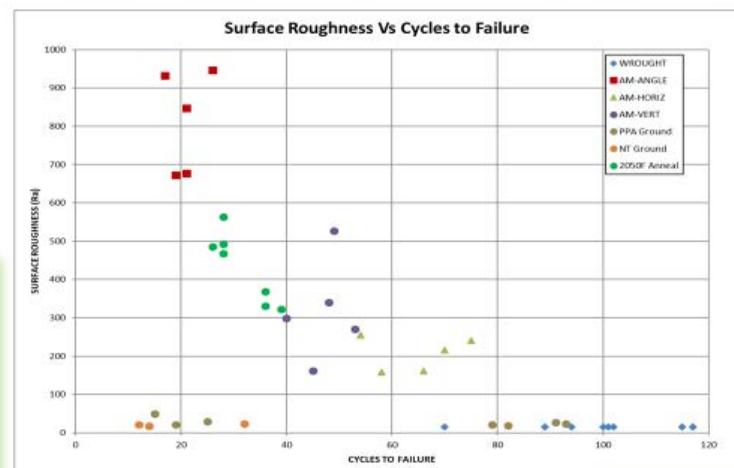
AMM Advanced Methods for Manufacturing



Low Cycle Fatigue – H/T - Grinding



NovaTech design for a hold down spring that takes advantage of the capability of AM to produce complex geometries



NOVATECH

CURRENT AMM NEET NSUF PROJECTS

Irradiation Studies on Electron Beam Welded PM-HIP Pressure Vessel

Janelle Wharry
Purdue University

Irradiation-Performance Testing of Specimens Produced by Commercially Available AM

Jeffrey King
Colorado School of Mines

Nanodispersion Strengthened Metallic Composites with Enhanced Neutron Irradiation Tolerance

Ju Li
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Enhancing Irradiation Tolerance of Steels via Nanostructuring by Innovative Manufacturing Techniques

Mary Lou Dunzik-Gougar
Idaho State University

Performance of SiC-SiC Cladding and Endplug Joints under Neutron Irradiation with a Thermal Gradient
(Recap of Project)

Haiming Wen
Missouri University of Science and Technology

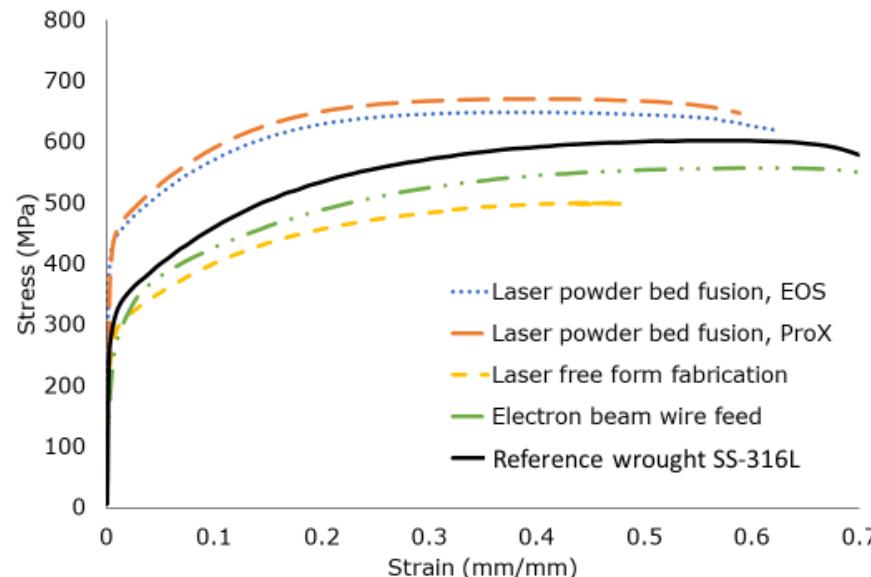
Irradiation Testing of Materials Produced by Additive Friction Stir Manufacturing (Recap of Project)

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General Atomics

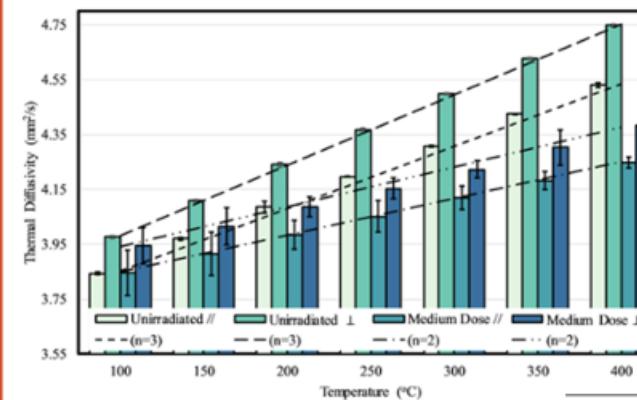
Chase Cox
Aeroprobe Corporation

Irradiation Performance Testing of Specimens Produced by Commercially Available Additive Manufacturing Techniques

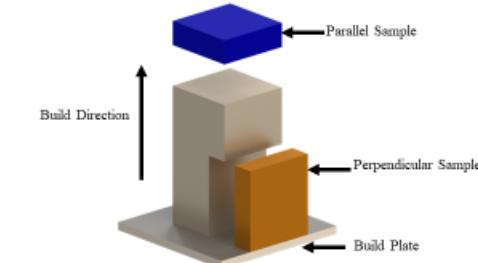
Mechanical Test Results (SS-316L)



Anisotropic Thermal Diffusivity?



SS-P2 (LPBF-vacuum)



Low Dose \rightarrow 0.11-0.2 dpa
Medium Dose \rightarrow 0.47-0.67 dpa
High Dose \rightarrow 1.49-1.63 dpa

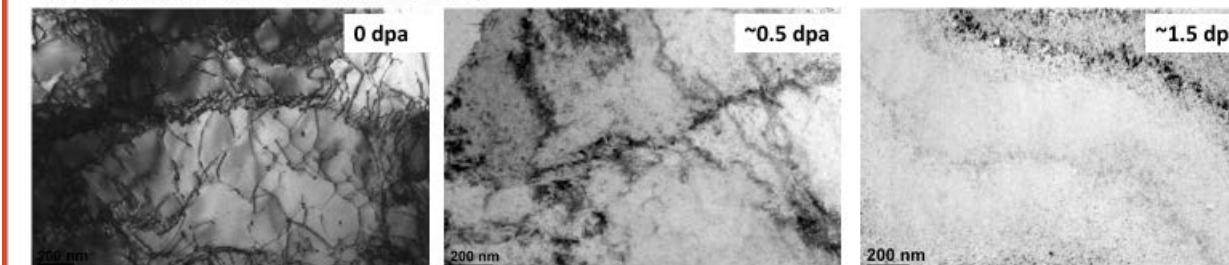
Temperature	Unirradiated SS-P1 ($n=6$)		Unirradiated SS-P2 ($n=6$)		Medium Dose SS-P2 ($n=4$)		Unirradiated SS-P3 ($n=6$)	
	p-value	t-value*	p-value	t-value*	p-value	t-value*	p-value	t-value*
100 °C	0.450	1.169	0.115	2.007	0.134	4.683	0.857	0.197
150 °C	0.453	1.161	0.115	2.009	0.029	5.754	0.323	1.126
200 °C	0.459	1.137	0.115	2.005	0.136	4.617	0.288	1.223
250 °C	0.455	1.152	0.078	2.359	0.042	4.733	0.108	2.065
300 °C	0.451	1.167	0.062	2.568	0.152	4.108	0.106	2.289
350 °C	0.453	1.162	0.061	2.581	0.016	7.776	0.087	2.508
400 °C	0.454	1.155	0.070	2.458	0.038	16.574	0.090	2.469

*T-critical=1.728 (DOF=2, $\alpha=0.159$)

+T-critical=1.833 (DOF=1, $\alpha=0.159$)

Initial Post-Irradiation TEM Results

SS-P2 (Laser Powder Bed Fusion SS-316L)



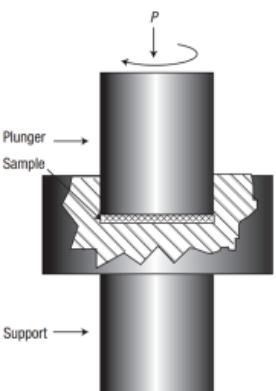
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Enhancing irradiation tolerance of steels via nanostructuring by innovative manufacturing techniques

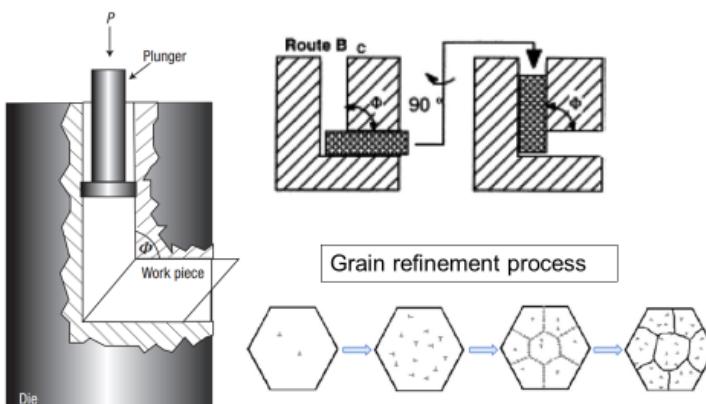
Introduction

- Nanostructuring through severe plastic deformation (SPD)

High pressure torsion (HPT)



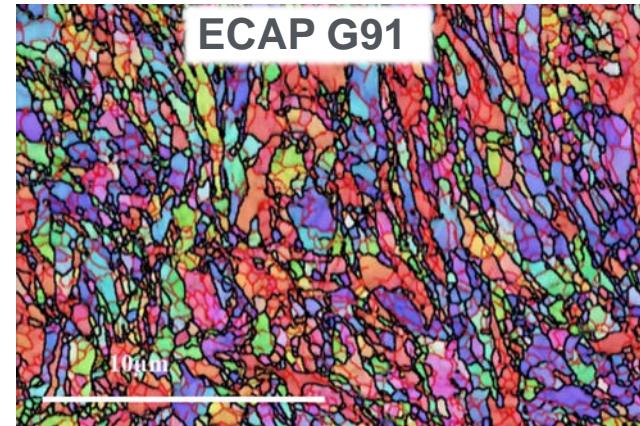
Equal Channel Angular Pressing (ECAP)



-Valiev, Ruslan. "Nanostructuring of metals by severe plastic deformation for advanced properties." *Nature materials* 3, no. 8 (2004): 511-516.

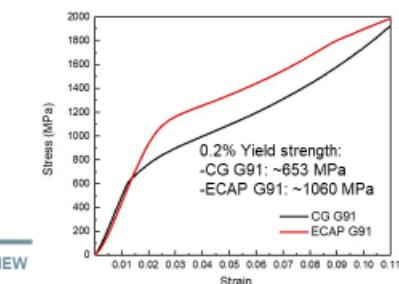
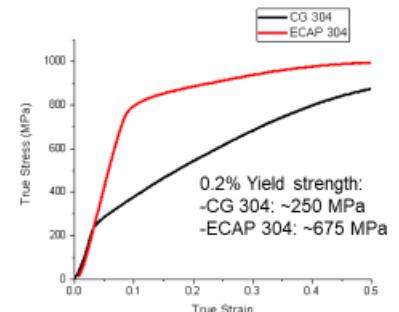
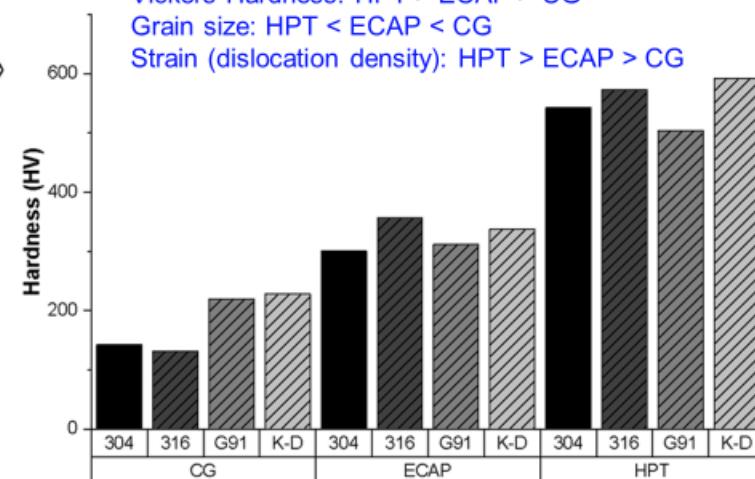
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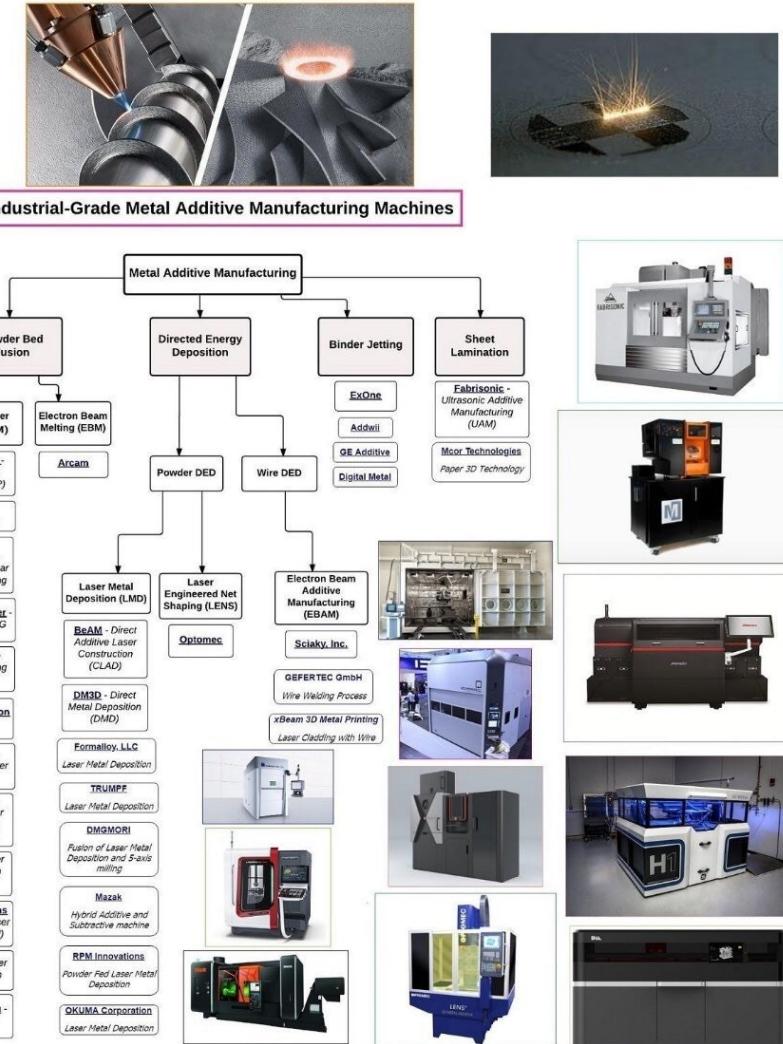
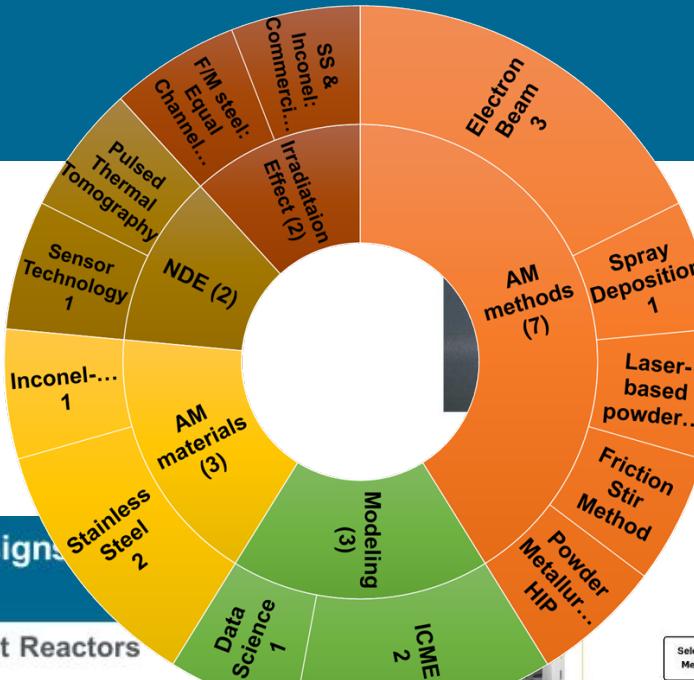
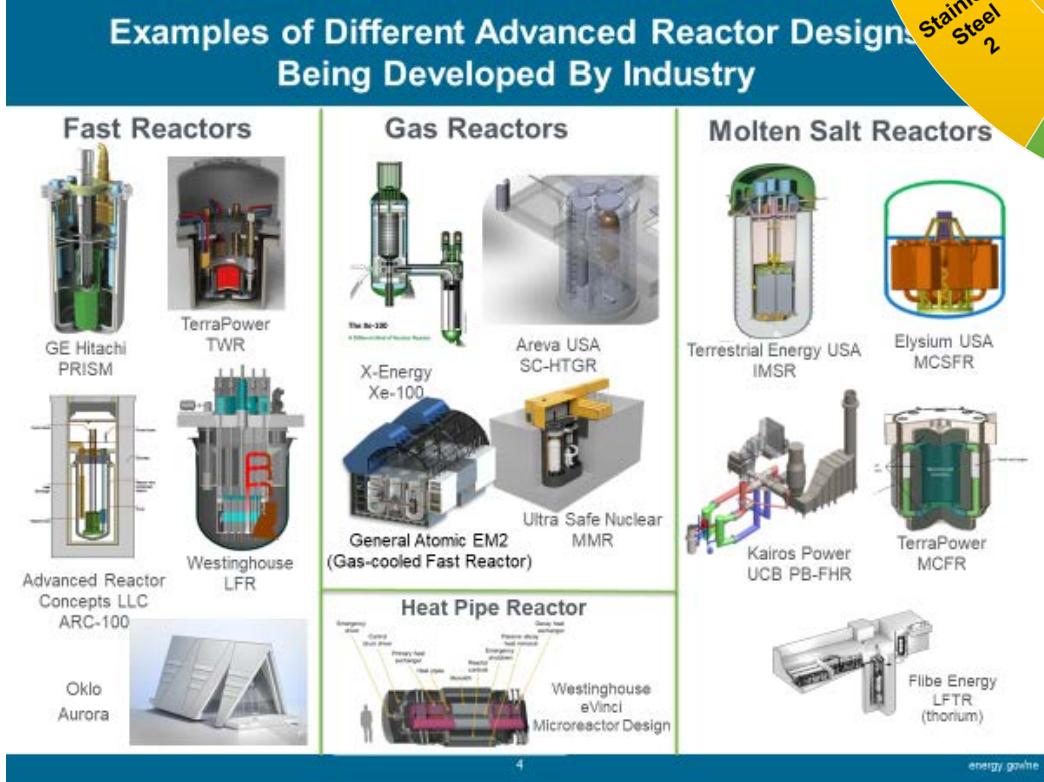
Mechanical Properties of Nanostructured Steels

Vickers Hardness: HPT > ECAP > CG
Grain size: HPT < ECAP < CG
Strain (dislocation density): HPT > ECAP > CG



What Next?

Update Strategic Plan
Mining previous awards
Implement FY21 priorities



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PURPOSE:

Develop an integrated approach to the AMM qualification process for materials and components and identify current blind spots.

OBJECTIVES:

- Understand current qualification processes
- Create novel approaches to process qualification
- Identify "what" industry needs in product, properties, and performance
- Identify areas in the AMM Supply Chain qualification that are lacking
- Identify possible synergistic qualification needs from industry through performance requirements
- Identify opportunities to shorten qualification by using AMM techniques
- Identify opportunities to reduce project cost by using AMM techniques

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Industry input on needs and qualification approaches will form the basis for the AMM Roadmap in 2021 and Implementation Plan.

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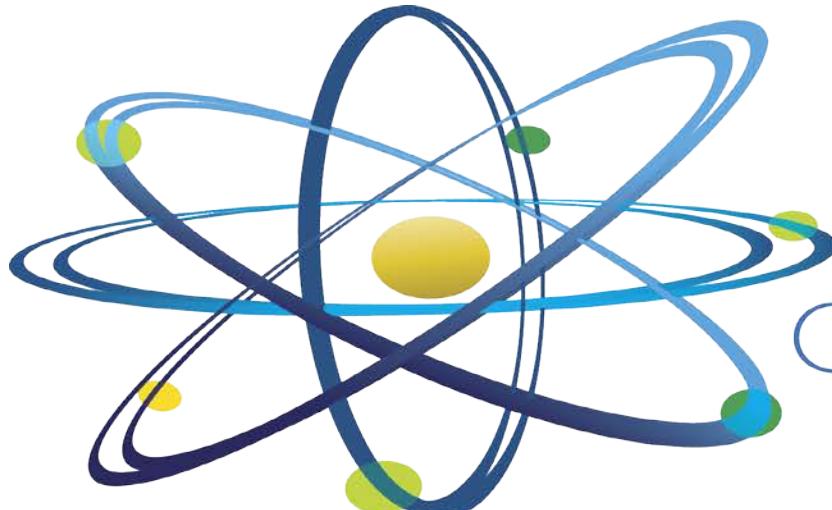
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SMR Reactor Pressure Vessel (EPRI)
One-half lower head: Forge and electron beam weld

Questions?



Clean. **Reliable. Nuclear.**