# Update on Neutron Sciences at ORNL

Presented to

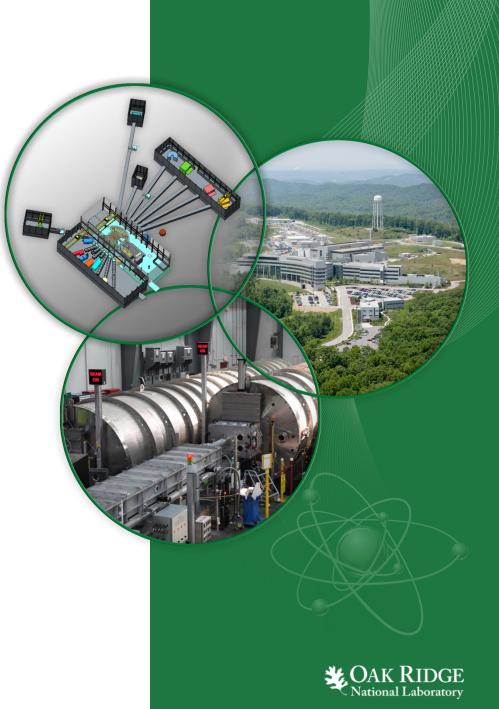
**Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC)** 

Presented by

Paul Langan Associate Laboratory Director Neutron Sciences

February 27, 2015 North Bethesda, Maryland

ORNL is managed by UT-Battelle for the US Department of Energy



## **BES investment has created 2 advanced neutron scattering user facilities**

High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR)

Intense steady-state neutron flux and a high-brightness cold neutron source



**Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)** World's most powerful accelerator-based neutron source



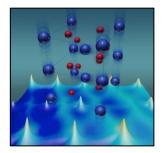
U.S. Department of Energy user facilities: Unique capabilities available through peer review



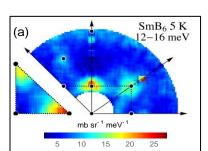
## **SNS and HFIR met all goals in Fiscal Year** 2014

HFIR	SNS	Science program
<ul> <li>Delivered 3682 production hrs for users over 6 cycles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Delivered 4424 production hrs for users at 94.1% availability against</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supported 893 unique users at SNS and 453 unique users at HFIR</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>100% predictability</li> <li>Operated at 85 MW</li> <li>Completed 50 cycles with cold source</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>planned hrs</li> <li>Operated at ~1.0 MW and 60 Hz</li> <li>World record 1.4 MW for pulsed lines</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Over 900 proposals received during last proposal call setting a new facility record</li> <li>HFIR is also an</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>pulsed linac</li> <li>Developed plan to extend target life-time</li> </ul>	exceptional resource for materials irradiation and neutron activation analysis and continuing mission in isotope
	Inflatable metal seal to core vessel Mercury vessel Water-cooled shrout Center flow baffle Bulk mercury return / spellation region	production

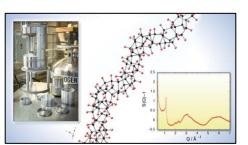
# The HFIR and SNS user program is delivering high impact science



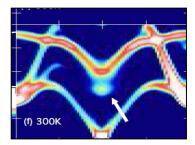
Budai *et al. Nature* (2014)



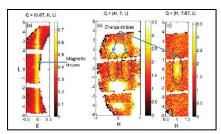
Fuhrman *et al.* **Phys. Rev. Letters** (2015)



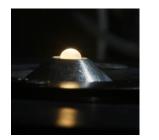
Fitzgibbons *et al.* **Nature Materials** (2015)



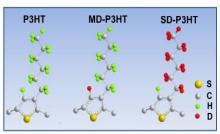
Li *et al.* Phys. Rev. Letters (2014)



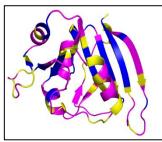
Anissimova *et al. Nature Comm.* (2014)



Santodonato *et al. Nature Comm*. (2015)



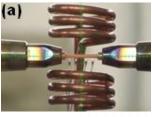
Shao *et al.* **Nature Comm.** (2014)



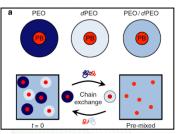
Wan et al. Proc. Nat. Acad of Sci. (2014)



Liu *et al.* Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. (2014)



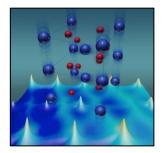
Stoica *et al.* Nature Comm. (2014)



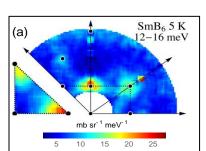
Kelley *et al.* Nature Comm. (2014)



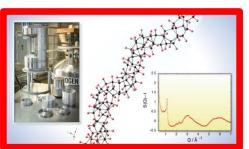
# The HFIR and SNS user program is delivering high impact science



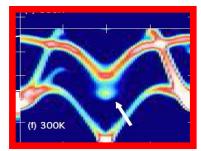
Budai *et al. Nature* (2014)



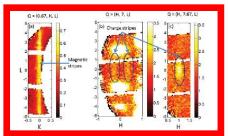
Fuhrman *et al.* **Phys. Rev. Letters** (2015)



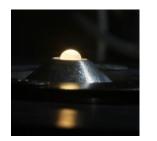
Fitzgibbons *et al.* **Nature Materials** (2015)



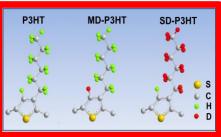
Li et al. Phys. Rev. Letters (2014)



Anissimova *et al.* Nature Comm. (2014)



Santodonato *et al. Nature Comm*. (2015)



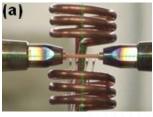
Shao *et al.* Nature Comm. (2014)



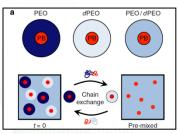
Wan *et al.* Proc. Nat. Acad of Sci. (2014)



Liu *et al.* Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. (2014)



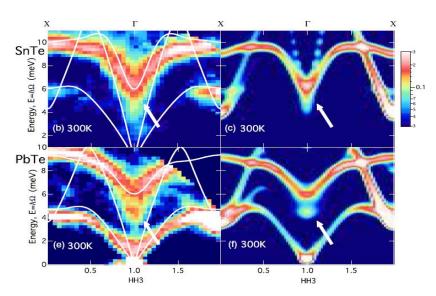
Stoica *et al. Nature Comm.* (2014)



Kelley *et al.* Nature Comm. (2014)

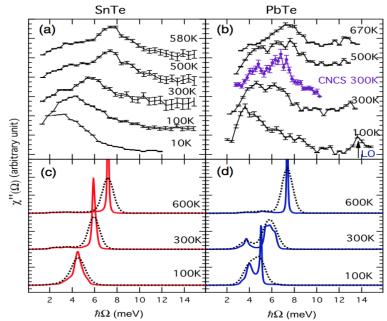


#### How thermal conductivity is suppressed in SnTe and PbTe SnTe PbTe



#### Significance and Impact

PbTe and SnTe are amongst most efficient thermoelectric materials known. Understanding phonon anharmonicity is important for both fundamental reasons and practical applications, such as improving the efficiency of thermoelectric materials by suppressing their lattice thermal conductivity. This new understanding suggests design of new materials with nested phonon dispersion through doping.

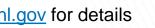


#### **Research Details**

The Center for Accelerated Materials Modeling (CAMM) enabled integration of materials modeling/simulation (MD/DFT) directly into the chain for inelastic neutron scattering data analysis (CNCS at SNS and HB3 at HFIR), offline.

C.W. Li, O. Hellman, J. Ma, A.F. May, H.B. Cao, X. Chen, A.D. Christianson, G. Ehlers, D.J. Singh. Physical Review Letters, 175501 (2014)...

National Laboratory

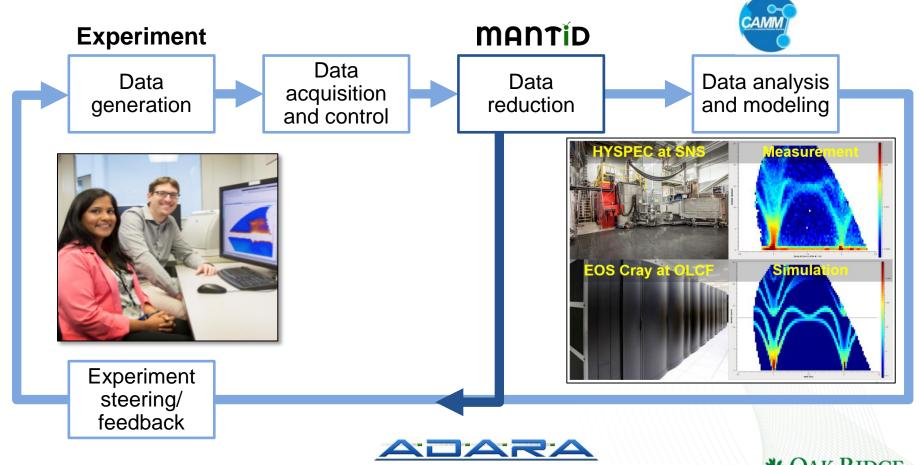




http://camm.ornl.gov for details

# Moving data analysis, modeling and simulation closer to the experiment

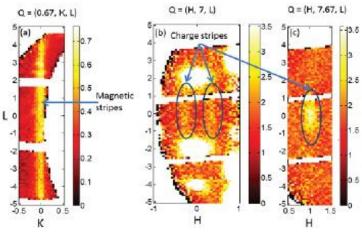
**Research Details:** Ferroelectric instabilities in  $SrTiO_3$  (HYSPEC at SNS) using live data streaming. Full scale AIMD simulations (Cray XC30 EOS cluster at OLCF with 11,000 cores) on experiment timescale allowing real time decisions.



Accelerating Data Acquisition, Reduction, and Analysis

National Laboratory

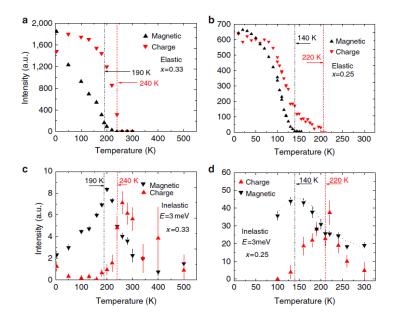
# First experimental evidence for fluctuating charge-stripes



L-dependence of spin and charge-stripe fluctuations at T = 240K and  $E = 5.5 \pm 1.5$  meV. (a) Magnetic scattering at Q = (0.67, 0, L). (b) Charge stripe fluctuations at Q = (1, 7.67, L), as indicated by ovals.

#### **Significance and Impact**

Although there have been theoretic proposals of dynamically fluctuating stripes, evidence has been lacking. The results here open the way towards the quantitative theory of dynamic stripes. Charge-stripe fluctuations may also be present in superconducting cuprates



#### **Research Details**

NATIONAL LABORATORY

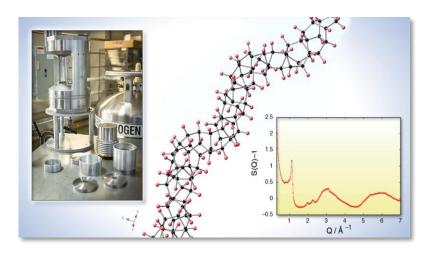
Inelastic neutron scattering (ARCS at SNS) was used to detect critical lattice fluctuations, driven by charge-stripe correlations in  $La_{2-x}Sr_xNiO_4$ .

S. Anissimova, D. Parshall, G. D. Gu, K. Marty, M. D. Lumsden, S. Chi, J. A. Fernandez-Baca, D. L. Abernathy, D. Lamago, J. M. Tranquada, and D. Reznik. *Nature Communications*. 5 (2014): 3467.





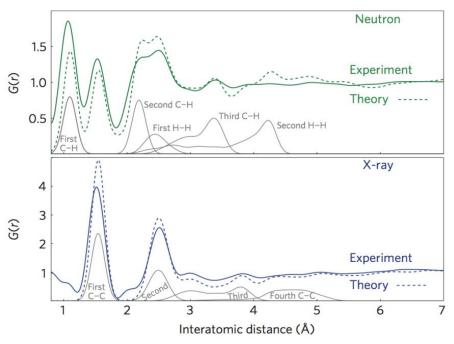
# Nanothreads synthesized from benzene are revealed to be diamond-like



#### Significance and Impact

One of the strongest, stiffest carbon-based nanomaterials with properties that suggest it could have important industrial application in transportation or aerospace manufacturing. This could by the first member of a whole new class of tuneable nanomaterials.

T. C. Fitzgibbons, M. Guthrie, E. Xu, V. H. Crespi, S. K. Davidowski, G. D. Cody, N. Alem, and J. V. Badding, *Nature Materials*. 43, (2015).



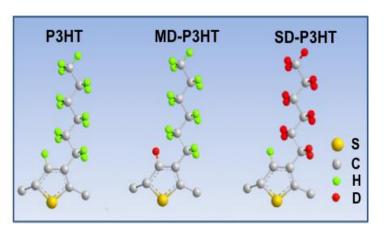
#### **Research Details**

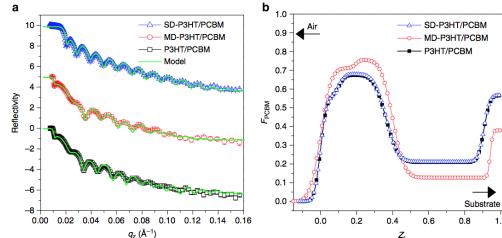
20 GPa polymerized benzene at RT (Paris-Edinburgh cell at the SNAP at SNS). X-ray (16IDB and 11IDC at APS) and neutron (NOMAD at SNS) diffraction; Raman spectroscopy; NMR;TEM; DFT for structure optimization. Benzene assembles into  $sp^3$ -bonded, diamond-like chains unlike  $sp^2$ bonded graphene in conventional high-strength polymers.





## **Developing a new method for tuning** polymers for photovoltaic devices





#### Significance and Impact

P3HT is an important semiconductor polymer that is mixed with PCBM to fabricate organic photovoltaic devices. Isotopic substitution provides a new means to tune the optoelectronic properties of conducting polymers used for solar cells by affecting their intra- and inter-polymer chain interactions.

M. Shao, J. Keum, J. Chen, Y. He, W. Chen, J.F. Browning, J. Jakowski, B.G. Sumpter, I.N. Ivanov, Y.Z. Ma, C.M. Rouleau, S.C. Smith, D.B. Geohegan, K. Hong and K. Xiao, Nature Communications, 5 3180 (2014)

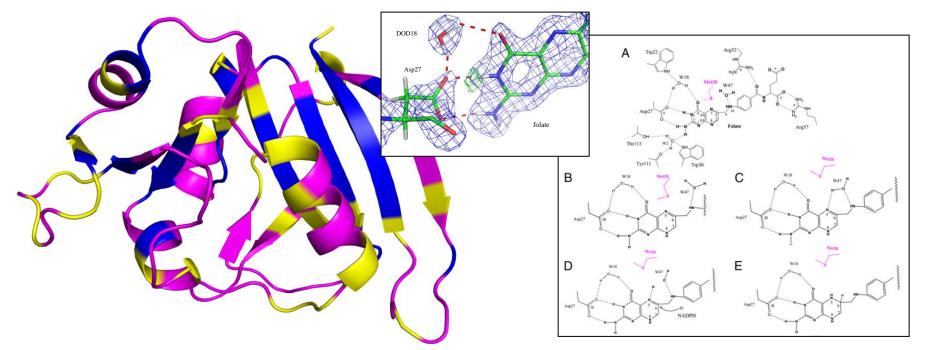
#### **Research Details**

Center for Nanophase Materials Science (CNMS) researchers used neutron reflectometry (LR at SNS), GIWAXS and GISAXS (8IDE at APS) x-ray scattering, TEM and theoretical modeling were used to show that substitutions D on the backbone or sidechains of conducting polymer poly(3hexylthiophene)s (P3HT) significantly change their optoelectronic response in P3HT/PCBM ([6,6]-phenyl-C61-butyric acid methyl ester) photovoltaics.



1.0

# Seeing the chemistry in biology



#### Significance and Impact

Neutrons can complement X-ray studies with information about the location of H, and therefore reveal the chemistry in biology. DHFR is necessary for nucleotide biosynthesis and a classical drug target. Locatigng H atoms allowed the details of the chemical reaction catalyzed by DHFR to be understood.

#### **Research Details**

First user publication from IMAGINE at HFIR provides the complete details of an enzyme's mechanism (dihydrofolate reductase; DHFR). Neutrons (2.0 Å resolution data) allowed the direct localization of H atoms that were invisible using high resolution X-rays.

Q. Wan, B. C. Bennett, M. A. Wilson, A. Kovalevsky, P. Langan, E. E. Howell, and C. Dealwis. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.* (2014).











CS Publications

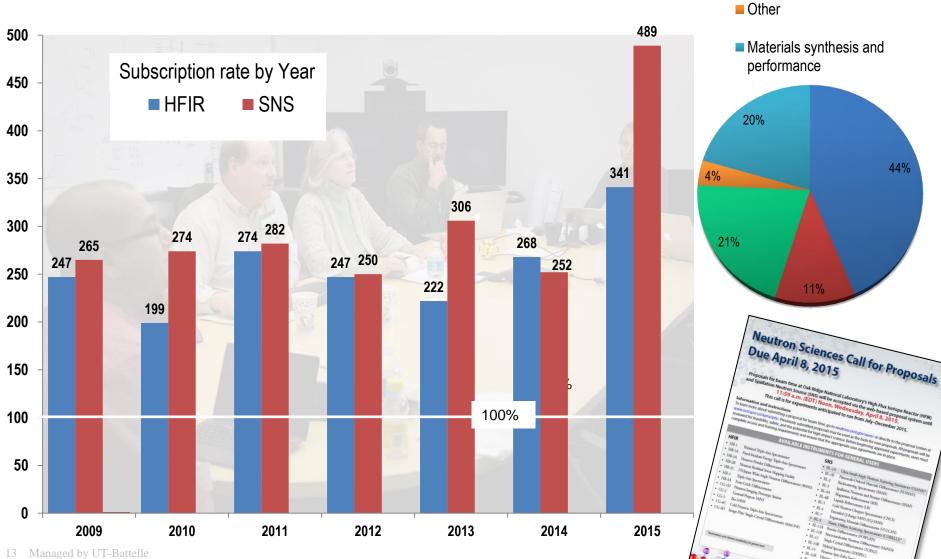
a Anal Anal

# All instruments are oversubscribed

Quantum Materials

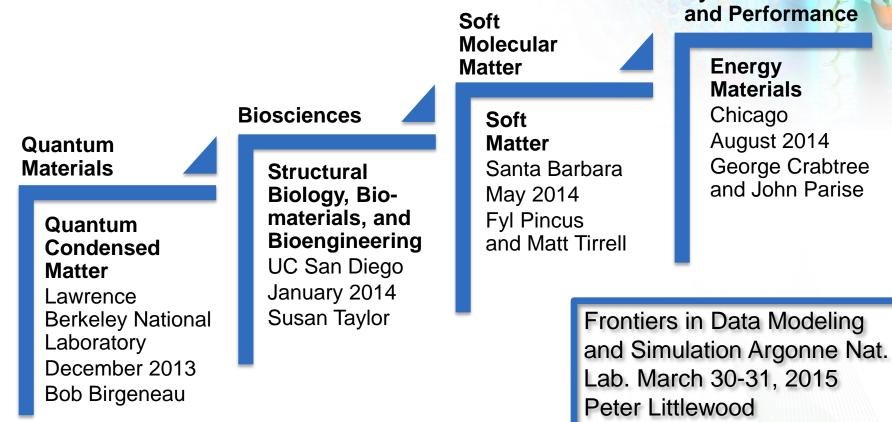
Soft Molecular matter

Bioscience



for the U.S. Department of Energy

#### Engaging the scientific community to identify emerging science challenges that neutrons can address



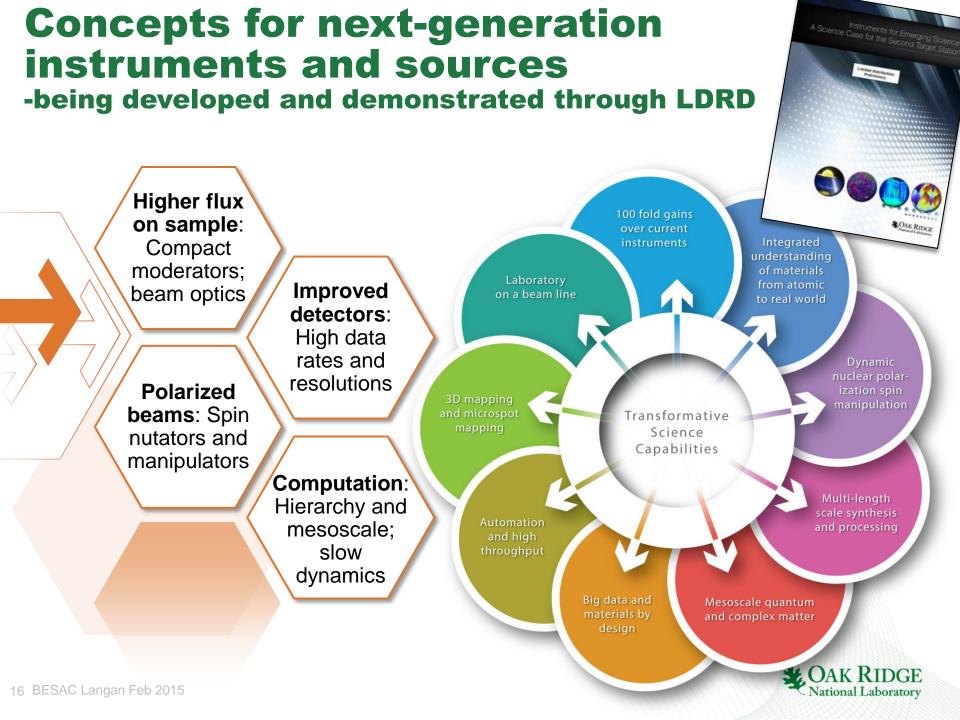


Materials

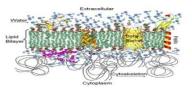
**Synthesis** 

# **Next Generation Science**

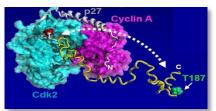




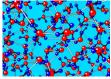
# **STS can deliver transformative capabilities for complex systems**



Biological membranes and associated complexes



Disorder and flexibility



Reactions, catalysis, and kinetics



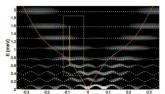


Dynamic functional assemblies



Topological materials and excitations

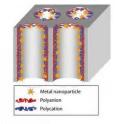




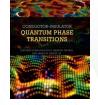
Artificial crystals and heterostructures



Novel manufacturing and processing

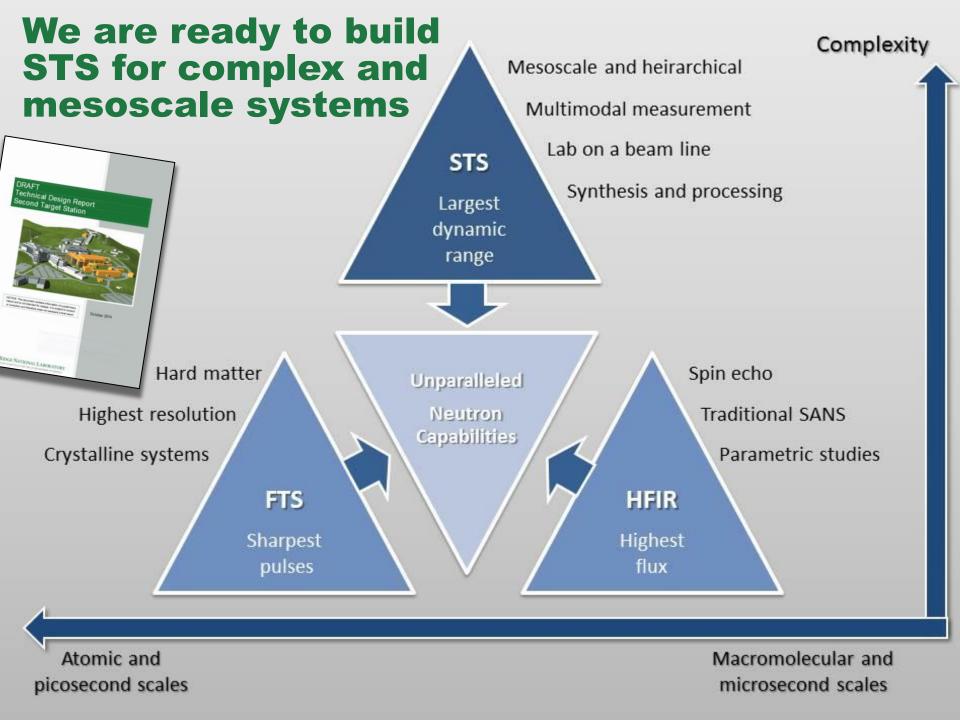


Hierarchical materials



Extreme conditions and new phases of matter





# Best neutron capabilities for researchers to address the most important emerging challenges

#### **Science priorities**

Defined through broad community engagement

- Soft molecular matter
- Quantum materials
- Materials synthesis
   and performance
- Biosciences

#### **Near-term focus**

Maximize scientific impact at SNS and HFIR

- Facility improvement
- New technologies and methods for next generation science
- Integration with computational methods and other exp. techniques

Second target station at SNS to double neutron science capacity and expand capabilities by 2-3 orders of magnitude, new capabilities for complexity

plan

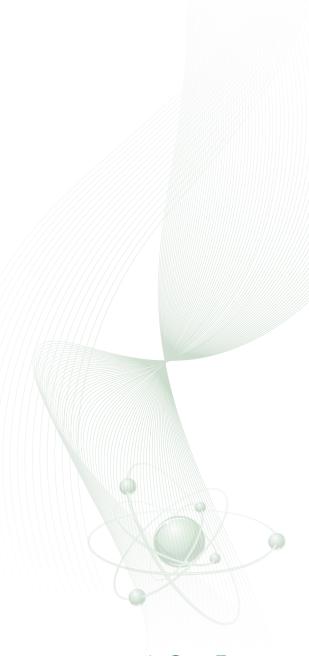
- Optimize science across complementary sources
- Positioning to address the emerging grand challenges of our sponsors and research community



Strategic Plan

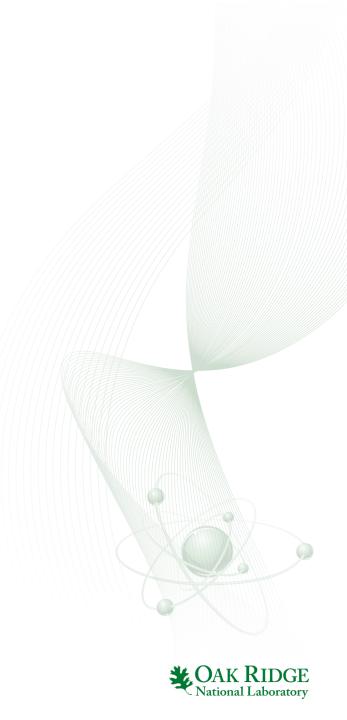
# Summary

- HFIR and SNS are producing high impact science
- Scientific productivity is on a strong upward trend
- The user community is being engaged to look to the future and define the emerging grand challenges
- We are responding to those challenges by developing new concepts and technologies for next generation instruments and sources.
- Our short term focus is on maximizing the capabilities of the SNS and HFIR
- Our long term focus is on building a second target station at the SNS
- We aim to provide the best possible neutron capabilities for researchers to use to address the biggest and most important problems

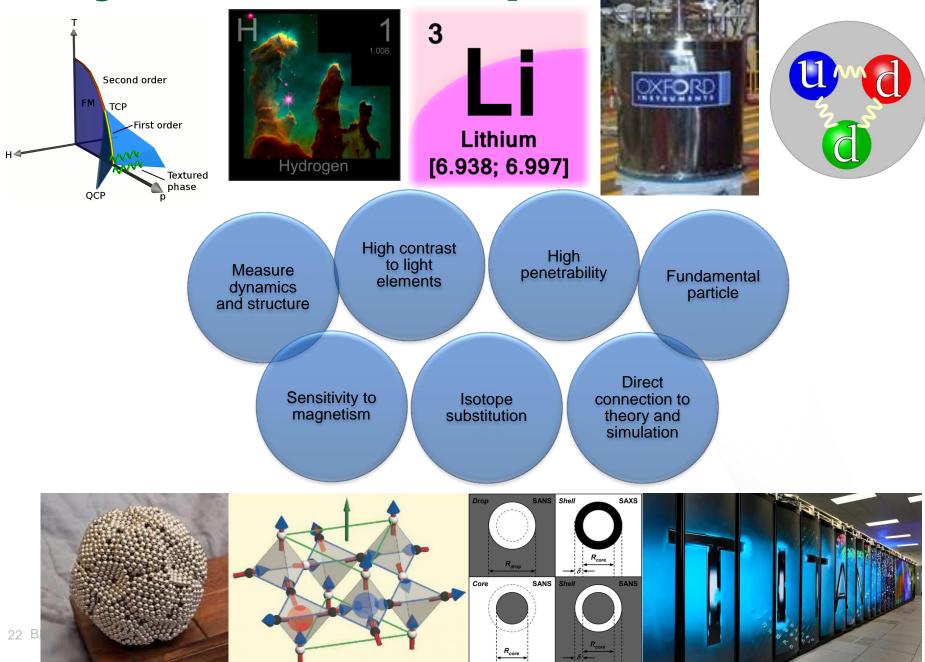




# **Additional Material**



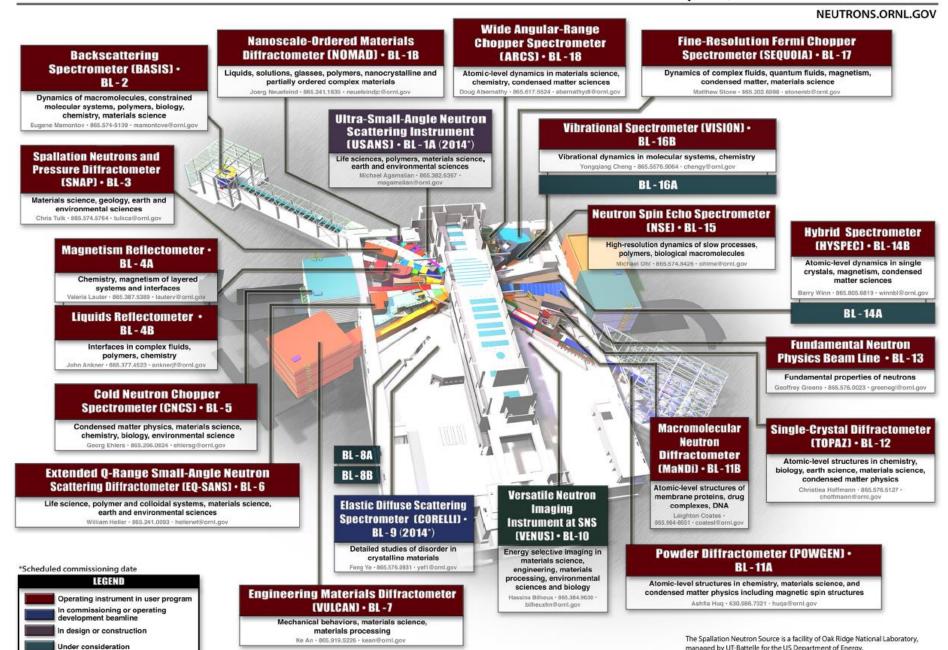
# Why neutrons are unique





#### World's most intense pulsed, accelerator-based neutron source

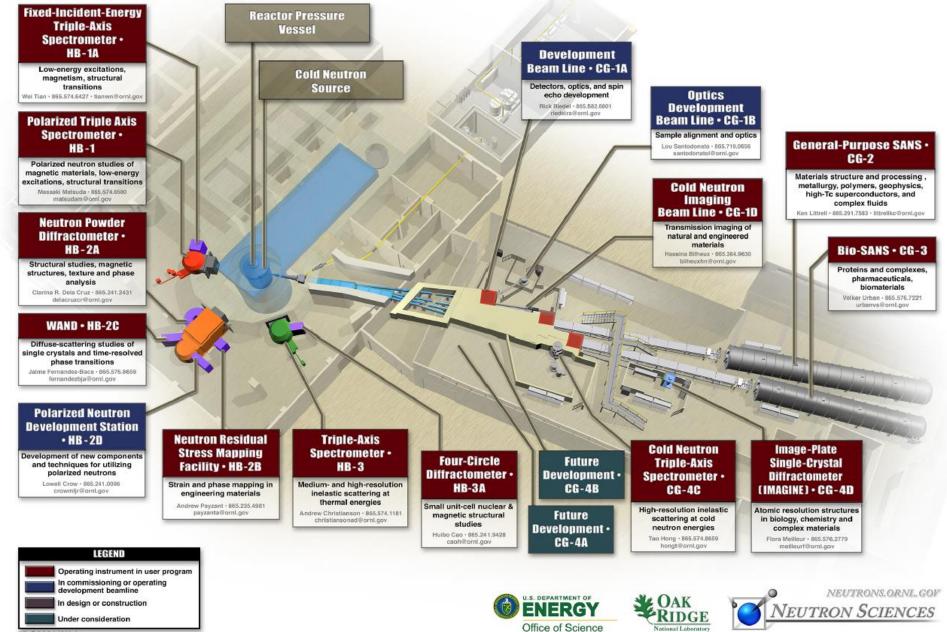
managed by UT-Battelle for the US Department of Energy.



14-G00875/gim

#### High Flux Isotope Reactor at Oak Ridge National Laboratory

#### The United States' highest flux reactor-based neutron source



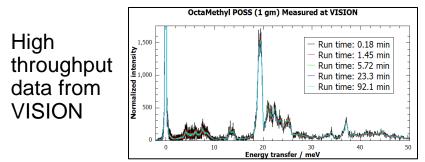
HEIR

07-G00244N/gim

# **Programmatic investments are producing new science opportunities**

#### New instruments coming on-line

VISION and MaNDi in User program. CORELLI and USANS commissioning.

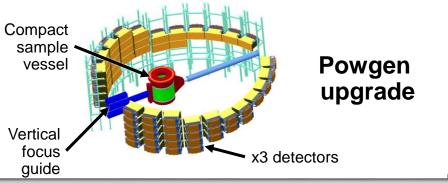


# Investments in science capabilities for studying magnetism

- Growing high magnetic field capabilities
- Polarized beam analysis on HYSPEC
- Spin-encoded methods for high resolution

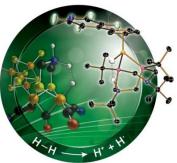
#### Planned instrument upgrades

Efficiency improvements in SNS powder diffraction instruments.



# Anger camera development delivering science on TOPAZ and MaNDi

Neutron diffraction on TOPAZ reveals the process of heterolytic cleavage of  $H_2$  in hydrogenase enzymes



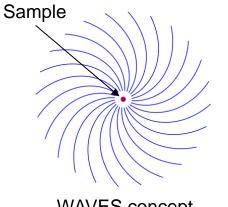
Liu et al., Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. (2014)



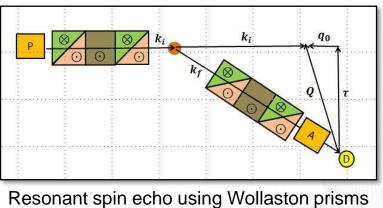
# **FY15: Directed LDRD**

**Next Generation Neutron Source and Instrumentation** 

Description		FY15 \$k
LOIS 7465	Volume-Moderator Demonstration Facility	\$475.3
LOIS 7406	High-Resolution Solid State Detectors	\$480.0
LOIS 7374	Development of Resonance Spin-Echo Techniques	\$363.4
LOIS 7331	Development of Wide Angle Velocity Selector (WAVES)	\$481.3
	Total	\$1,800.0



WAVES concept



onant spin echo using wonaston prisms



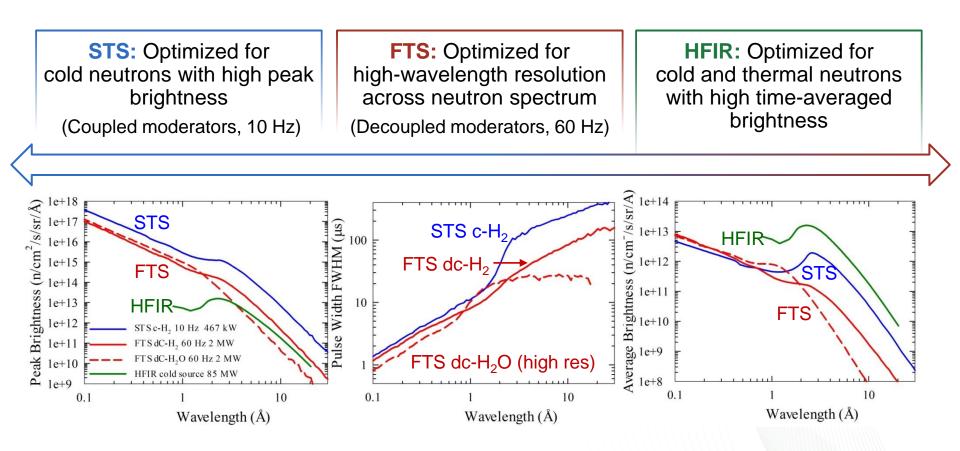
# **FY15–Establishing the STS science case**

3 "heroic" experiments/developments

	Description	Strategic Objective	Current Budget Request		uest
			FY15	FY16	FY17
LOIS 7637	Spectroscopy at Extreme High Pressures	Establish SNS as international leader in high-P neutron spectroscopy – STS instruments: CHESS, XTREME-X	\$699.2k	\$657.4k	\$140k
LOIS 7640	Dynamic Nuclear Polarization	Develop and demonstrate DNP – deliver >1000-fold gain in diffraction capability for proteins – STS instrument: DYPOL	\$992k	\$2,713k	\$89k
LOIS 7641	High-Resolution Small/Wide Angle Neutron Scattering	Develop a test instrument and demonstrate simultaneous atomic through molecular-scale structural evolution in hierarchical materials – STS instrument: HiRes-SWANS	\$472k	\$777k	\$124k
	•	Total	\$2,163.2k	\$4,147.4k	\$353k



# **Complementarity across 3 ORNL neutron sources provides opportunity for instrument optimization**





# **TDR** activities, **FY** 2014

Core team of engaged individuals								
	Establish initial design concepts	Define Work Breakdown Structure to level 3	Engage A/E for site layout and definition of conventional facilities					
	<ul> <li>Plan for instrument suite</li> <li>3 moderators (FY13 LDRD)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Major subsystems         <ul> <li>(e.g., individual instruments, accelerator RF systems)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ORNL estimators will generate initial cost estimate</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Compact tungsten target</li> </ul>	Top-down cost estimates						
	<ul> <li>Proton beamline lattice to STS</li> </ul>							

