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## A REMARKABLE RETURN ON INVESTMENT IN FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH

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## **BES pioneered fission and spallation neutron sources and now operates the world's highest flux facilities**

#### High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR)

World's highest continuous neutron flux



Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)

World's highest peak neutron brightness

DOE's Oak Ridge National Laboratory is the cradle of neutron scattering. Today, SNS and HFIR form a world-leading center for neutron scattering studies of materials.

## **SNS & HFIR enable progress in forefront fields of research**



Neutrons reveal Majorana fermions in a Kitaev quantum spin liquid (α-RuCl<sub>3</sub> honey-comb lattice) Banerjee et al., *Science* 2017 Neutrons expose lipid nanodomains in a living bacterium (Bacillus *subtilis*) Nickels et al., *PLoS Biology* 2017 Neutrons validate novel proton conducting solid state battery materials Kobayashi et al., *Science* 2016 Neutrons relate ultrahigh piezoelectricity and multiscale structure in relaxor ferroelectrics Krogstad et al., *Nature Mat.* 2018

## **Emerging science requires enhanced neutron scattering**



More long-wavelength neutrons at the STS will provide access to lower energy (μeV) excitations and slower dynamic time-scales (μs) with high resolution

e.g. probing visons in Kitaev quantum spin liquids

Beams of pulsed neutrons with **higher peak brightness** at the STS will provide access to single-pulse experiments, microsecond dynamics, and 100 millisecond time-resolutions

e.g. *in vivo* dynamic self-assembly of membrane-less organelles linked to neurodegenerative disease The **broad wavelength range** between short pulses of neutrons at the STS will allow simultaneous access to larger length and time scales

e.g. *in operando* catalytic reactions such as dehydrogenation of liquid organic carriers

# **SNS upgrades to accelerate scientific and technological progress**

#### PPU project is an upgrade to the existing accelerator structure

- Doubles accelerator power capability
- Increases FTS neutron flux and provides new science capabilities
- Provides a platform for STS



STS project is a second target station with an initial suite of beam lines

- More longwavelength neutrons
- Higher peak brightness
- Broader wavelength range

## **SNS Upgrade Plans**

24 instrument positions 19 instruments built

SNS First Target Station (FTS)

1.4 MW

Accelerator

Now



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## **European investment in spallation sources**

- Consortium of 16 European Countries
- \$2B investment in European neutron science to serve 6000 users
- 15 Instruments in the construction budget – can host up to 35 instruments
- 5 MW proton power
- Long pulse source (~3ms@14Hz)
- Solid-W/He-cooled rotating target
- Brightness optimized (Flat) moderators
- Time-averaged flux~ ILL-reactor



# As international capabilities expand, the SNS upgrades will sustain U.S. leadership in neutrons 10<sup>16</sup>

Instrument performance gains of 100 – 1000 make STS a next generation source enabling new science



CSNS: China Spallation Neutron Source, China J-PARC: Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex, Japan ESS: European Spallation Source, Sweden ILL: Institut Laue Langevin, France FRM-II: Forchungsreaktor Munchen II, Germany ISIS: UK



## Performance Gains via Development of Detectors, Optics and Software

 Impactful neutron science is becoming as reliant on sample environment, data analysis, and computing as on raw neutron flux





Detector Array at LET Spectrometer TS2@ISIS

- Major gains in source performance will continue to come from innovations in moderator design, neutron optics, and detector technology in the medium term. Continual investment in these areas is essential.
  - Prudent to invest in new approaches for the cost effective generation of brilliant neutron beams (next generation of proton accelerators, laser driven sources etc).

## **Neutron Instrumentation Evolving to Enable New Insights**

- Instruments and new source designs continue to evolve to address modern science problems
- Next generation of moderators will be optimized on brilliance as opposed to flux.
  - Reduced dimensionality moderator promise relief from the  $4\pi$  problem
  - Focus beams in small sample volumes
- Next generation neutron instruments focus on:
  - Deep integration with complex sample environments
  - Small sample geometries
  - High throughput/ kinetic studies
  - Increase deployment of polarized neutrons over a variety of techniques
  - Rapid mapping of S(Q,  $\omega$ ) at higher resolutions



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## **How Neutron Scattering Facilities Work**

- Facilities as innovation hubs
  - Science driven by user community
  - Instrumentation advances driven by facilities
  - multi-disciplinary innovative environments
- Output driven by the quality of
  - Materials and ideas from users
  - Neutron Source
  - Neutron instrumentation
  - Sample environment
  - Instrument scientists
  - Primary data analysis
  - Theory and modelling





## **Scientific opportunities at the STS**



Community workshops 2015-2016

- Emergent Quantum Materials
- Soft Condensed Matter
- Life Sciences
- Materials Discovery, Characterization, and Application
- Neutronic technologies for the STS
- Proposed instrument Concepts



## **Exotic Quasi-particles in Quantum Magnets**





## Spinons, visons, and majoranas in quantum magnets



Bright cold neutrons @ STS:

- High efficiency Polarized INS
- Ultra high field scattering
- High pressure INS
- Time evolution beyond equilibrium
- Deep integration with theory and simulation

## Soft matter: Beyond equilibrium and in extreme conditions



#### **STS capabilities:**

dynamic time-scales up to ~1  $\mu$ s, timeresolutions down to ~10 – 100 ms, single-pulse experiments, simultaneous access to broader length-scales, S/N gains for experiments *in operando* and under extreme conditions Dynamic assembly and function of hierarchical systems – flow and shear – transport across films and membranes - soft matter under extreme conditions



### **Materials and Chemistry:** *In-situ,* real-time imaging of synthesis, catalysis, and performance

#### **SNS** capabilities:

Highly penetrating, sensitivity to light elements, and elements with neighboring Z, vibration spectra from >5 to <400 meV, dynamic time scales ~ ps to ns, diffraction and total scattering, imaging, timeresolutions ~ 1min.







#### Monitor hierarchical materials across under their extreme operating conditions

#### **STS capabilities:**

Large gains in signal-to-noise enable access to extreme environments and time-resolutions ~ 50 ms, simultaneous measurements over broader dynamic range to characterize evolution of structure and chemistry in hierarchical materials



Batteries while discharging

Engines while operating

Hot crystalline turbines

## **Biological Materials:** Directly following key processes within living systems

#### **SNS capabilities**:

Sensitivity to H/D, non destructive and highly penetrating, dynamic time-scales ~100 ns, time-resolutions ~15 mins, direct visualization of H/D limited by weaksignal-to noise

#### **Complexes and Membranes**



Vandavasi et al., Plant Phys. 2016

#### Enzyme and ligand design Dynamics and disorder



Kovalevsky et al., Structure 2018



Tian et al., Phys. Rev. Letters 2018

#### **STS capabilities:**

time-scales ~1  $\mu$ s, timeresolutions 10 – 100 ms, single-pulse experiments, signal-to-noise gains enabling the study of critical process *in vitro* and within living systems, following catalytic reactions Dynamic assembly and function of complexes – disorder and flexibility – pathogenic misfolding and aggregation

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## Summary

- BES pioneered fission and spallation neutron technologies
- Operating with high reliability near their design potential, SNS and HFIR form a world-leading facility for neutron scattering studies of materials
- Advanced materials with hierarchical structures and broad band dynamics require more longwavelength neutrons, higher peak brightness, and broader wavelength ranges
- PPU and STS upgrades will
  - Provide next generation capabilities to accelerate scientific and technological progress
  - Sustain US leadership in an increasingly competitive international landscape of neutron facilities
- World leading STS performance will open new windows on advanced materials:
  - Quantum Matter: Broad band dynamics beyond equilibrium and under extreme conditions
  - Softer Matter: Image hierarchical structure during self-assembly and flow
  - Materials Chemistry: Structure of materials in operating technical systems
  - Biological Materials: Imaging the living cell from atoms to membrane proteins

## **Discussion**