

Perspectives from DOE Nuclear Physics

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Discovering, exploring, and understanding all forms of nuclear matter

The Scientific Challenges

- The existence and properties of nuclear matter under extreme conditions, including that which existed at the beginning of the universe
- The exotic and excited bound states of quarks and gluons, including new tests of the Standard Model
- The ultimate limits of existence of bound systems of protons and neutrons
- Nuclear processes that power stars and supernovae, and synthesize the elements
- The nature and fundamental properties of neutrons and the neutrino and their role in the evolution of the early universe



Nuclear Physics Program in the U.S.





NP National User Facilities

"Microscopes" pursuing groundbreaking research **Relativistic Heavy** Ion Collider **Continuous Electron Beam** Argonne Tandem Linac Accelerator Facility Accelerator System



Nuclear Physics – Research

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	FY16 vs. FY15
Medium Energy	35,646	38,402	+2,756
Heavy lons	33,894	36,431	+2,537
Low Energy	48,377	52,125	+3,748
Theory	43,096	46,220	+3,124
Isotope Program	4,815	6,133	+1,318
Total	165,828	179,311	+13,483

- Funding for Research has been constrained as NP has pursued construction of two major facilities.
- The FY 2016 Request reflects a strong commitment to Research within the overall NP budget.

Research is increased for high priority research in all five NP subprograms

- Medium Energy: research focuses on the 12 GeV era scientific program and analysis of RHIC polarized proton beam data.
- Heavy lons: research at RHIC focuses on heavy quark propagation in the quark-gluon plasma discovered at RHIC; commitments in LHC computing; and research activities on current and future experimental capabilities of the heavy ion LHC ALICE detector.
- Low Energy: research to develop and implement instrumentation in nuclear structure and astrophysics at ATLAS and FRIB, and research in fundamental symmetries in neutrinos and neutrons.
- Theory: a second round of targeted theory topical collaborations following competitive peer review; the final year of SciDAC-3 awards; and support for the U.S. Nuclear Data Program to enable provision of the highest quality nuclear data for basic science and users' needs.
- Isotope Program: enhanced research capabilities at national laboratories and universities to address high priorities identified by NSAC, particularly with regard to the research effort to produce alpha-emitters for cancer treatment, such as Ac-225.



Nuclear Physics – Facility Operations

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	FY16 vs. FY15	
Medium Energy: TJNAF Operations	97,050	100,170	+3,120	
Heavy Ions: RHIC Operations	166,072	174,935	+8,863	
Low Energy Operations	26,819	27,663	+844	
Isotope Program	15,035	15,531	+496	
Total	304,976	318,299	+13,323	

- Increased funding in FY 2016 supports NP's national scientific user facilities (CEBAF, RHIC, ATLAS), the isotope production facilities, and other NP facility commitments.
- Medium Energy: Increased funding for commissioning the upgraded CEBAF accelerator is provided for operations and experimental support staff, incremental power costs, and experimental equipment for Halls B, C, and D in support of initiating the 12 GeV CEBAF experimental program in FY 2017.
- Heavy lons: RHIC operates for 22 weeks, the same as FY 2015. Increased funding is needed for experimental equipment, accelerator R&D, and materials and supplies to reduce risk and provide reliable operations (all were reduced in the FY 2015 Request to optimize data taking within available resources). The FY 2016 run is essential to interpret the data acquired from the last two years and understand results on heavy quark propagation in the quark-gluon plasma.
- Low Energy: Funding increases primarily to optimize new capabilities of the ATLAS scientific user facility and support the increasing demand for beam time. 5,900 hours of research beam time (95% of optimal operations) is supported. Funding also supports continued equipment disposition at HRIBF and operations of the 88-Inch Cyclotron at LBNL jointly with the NRO.
- **Isotope Program**: Funding maintains mission readiness at constant effort for safe and reliable operations of IPF, BLIP and Hot Cell facilities at LANL,ORNL and BNL.



Nuclear Physics – Projects

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	FY16 vs. FY15
12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade	16,500	7,500	-9,000
Facility for Rare Isotope Beams	90,000	100,000	+10,000
Total	106,500	107,500	+1,000

- Funding is requested according to the project baselines for the 12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade at TJNAF and for FRIB at MSU
- 12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade: FY 2016 is the final year of TEC funding. The project received Critical Decision-4A (Approve Accelerator Project Completion and Start of Operations) in July, 5 months ahead of schedule, and is continuing to work towards completion (CD-4B) by the end of FY 2017.
- FRIB: Civil construction began in March, 4 weeks earlier than planned. CD-3B (Approve Start of Construction of the Accelerator and Experimental Systems) was approved in August. DOE TPC=\$635.5M; MSU Cost Share=\$94.5M; Total project cost=\$730M. Completion (CD-4) by 3Q FY 2022.





Nuclear Physics FY 2016 President's Request – Summary

(\$ in 000s)	FY 2014 Enacted	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	FY 2016 vs. FY 2015
Research	170,668	165,828	179,311	+13,483
User Facility Operations	276,887	280,663	293,304	+12,641
Other Operations	24,120	24,313	24,995	+682
Projects	80,500	106,500	107,500	+1,000
Other	16,963	18,196	19,490	+1,294
TOTAL NP	569,138	595,500	624,600	+29,100

Explanation of Requested Increases

- Research Support for university and lab research increases across the program to address important opportunities identified by the research community, and to enhance high priority research that will foster significant advances in nuclear structure, nuclear astrophysics, the study of matter at extreme conditions, hadronic physics, fundamental properties of the neutron, and neutrinoless double beta decay.
- User Facility Operations Operations of RHIC are maintained at the FY 2015 level with increases provided for critical staff, equipment, and materials required for reliable operations and support research focused on characterizing the perfect quark-gluon liquid discovered in collisions of relativistic heavy nuclei. Beam development and commissioning activities continue at CEBAF as the 12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade project approaches completion, and scientific instrumentation is implemented in the experimental halls in preparation for the full start of the physics program in FY 2017. Operations of ATLAS are optimized, exploiting the new capabilities of CARIBU and completing the campaign with the GRETINA gamma ray spectrometer.
- Other Operations Requested funding for the Isotope Program maintains mission readiness for the production of radioisotopes.
- Projects –12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade and FRIB construction are supported according to baselined profiles.
- **Other** Increased funding is provided for the SBIR/STTR programs consistent with the legislative mandate.



RHIC Machine Performance Sets New Records in FY 2014





Main Remaining RHIC Questions

- What do we need to know about the initial state? Is it a weakly coupled color glass condensate? How does it thermalize?
- What do the data tell us about the initial conditions for the hydrodynamic expansion? Can we determine it unambiguously?
- What is the smallest collision system that behaves collectively?
- What does the QCD phase diagram look like? Does it contain a critical point in the HG-QGP transition region? Does the HG-QGP transition become a first-order phase transition for large μ_B ?
- What can jets and heavy flavors tell us about the structure of the strongly coupled QGP?
- What do the quarkonium (and other) data tell us about quark deconfinement and hadronization?
- Can we find unambiguous proof for chiral symmetry restoration?



The Other Scientific Frontier at RHIC



After almost two decades of focused study, RHIC results indicate the contribution to the proton spin is significant and within uncertainties, accounts for $\sim 60\%$ of the proton spin.





JLab: Medium Energy Nuclear Science and Its Broader Impacts



Measurement of the Parity-Violating Asymmetry in eD Deep Inelastic Scattering



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quarks' spin preference in the weak interaction. The result provides a mass exclusion limit on the electron and quark compositeness and contact interactions of ~5 TeV.

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Measurement of the Parity-Violating Asymmetry in eD Deep Inelastic Scattering



- The present result leads to a determination of the effective electron-quark weak coupling combination $2C_{2u} C_{2d}$ that is five times more precise than previously determined.
- It is the first experiment to isolate, when combined with previous experiments like Qweak, a non-zero C_{2q} (at 95% confidence level).
- This coupling describes how much of the mirror-symmetry breaking in the electron-quark interaction originates from the quarks' spin preference in the weak interaction. The result provides a mass exclusion limit on the electron and quark compositeness and contact interactions of ~5 TeV.



The Newly Constructed Hall D Promises a New NP Science Watershed



The 12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade is More Than 90% Complete

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December 2013

With the completion of the 12 GeV CEBAF Upgrade, researchers will address:

- The search for exotic new quark anti-quark particles to advance our understanding of the strong force
- Evidence of new physics from sensitive searches for violations of nature's fundamental symmetries
- A detailed microscopic understanding of the internal structure of the proton, including the origin of its spin, and how this structure is modified when the proton is inside a nucleus



Mounting of the Forward Time-of-Flight detector arrays onto the forward carriage in Hall B Project was re-baselined in September 2013 with a Total Project Cost of \$338M and completion in September 2017

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JLab: 21st Century Science Questions

- What is the role of gluonic excitations in the spectroscopy of light mesons? Can these excitations elucidate the origin of quark confinement?
- Where is the missing spin in the nucleon? Is there a significant contribution from valence quark orbital angular momentum?
- Can we reveal a novel landscape of nucleon substructure through measurements of new multidimensional distribution functions?
- What is the relation between short-range N-N correlations and the partonic structure of nuclei?
- Can we discover evidence for physics beyond the standard model of particle physics?



Understanding the glue that binds us all

- Proton (and nuclei) and black holes are the only fully relativistic (high enough energy density to excite the vacuum) stable bound systems in the universe. Protons can be studied in the laboratory.
- Protons are fundamental to the visible universe (including us) and their properties are dominated by emergent phenomena of the self-coupling strong force that generates high density gluon fields:
 - o The mass of the proton (and the visible universe)
 - o The spin of the proton
 - o The dynamics of quarks and gluons in nucleons and nuclei
 - o The formation of hadrons from quarks and gluons
- The study of the high density gluon field that is at the center of it all requires a high energy, high luminosity, polarized Electron Ion Collider

The 2013 NSAC *Subcommittee on Future Facilities* identified the physics program for an Electron-Ion Collider as **absolutely central** to the nuclear science program of the next decade.



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ATLAS at ANL Uniquely Provides Low Energy SC Research Opportunities



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First Physics With CARIBU





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Facility for Rare Isotope Beams



Ground breaking ceremony with participation by DOE officials and Senate and House representatives was held on March 17, 2014.

TPC \$000s	PYs	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	TOTAL
FRIB	51,000	22,000	55,000	90,000	100,000	100,000	97,200	75,000	40,000	5,300	635,500



Progress on the Facility for Rare Isotope Beams



A lot can happen in a year



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Progress on the Facility for Rare Isotope Beams



Tunnel warm and painted



Pour for the tunnel foundation slab





View of target area from the north



First technical installation: NCU Low-level liquid waste tanks in target area

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Facility for Rare Isotope Beams

FRIB will increase the number of isotopes with known properties from ~2,000 observed over the last century to ~5,000 and will provide world-leading capabilities for research on:

Nuclear Structure

- The ultimate limits of existence for nuclei
- Nuclei which have neutron skins
- The synthesis of super heavy elements

Nuclear Astrophysics

- The origin of the heavy elements and explosive nucleo-synthesis
- Composition of neutron star crusts

Fundamental Symmetries

 Tests of fundamental symmetries, Atomic EDMs, Weak Charge

This research will provide the basis for a model of nuclei and how they interact.



 FRIB provides access to a vast unexplored terrain in the chart of nuclides



Preparations for NP Stewarded Neutrino-less Double Beta Decay Experiments

R&D on one of several approaches by U.S. scientists is ongoing at Lead, South Dakota



Recent progress on the Majorana Demonstrator 4800 feet below ground at the Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF) With techniques that use nuclear isotopes inside cryostats, often made of ultra-clean materials, scientists are "tooling up" to study whether neutrinos are their own antiparticle.

NSAC has been charged to identify the criteria for a next generation double beta decay experiment.



Inspection of copper being electroformed at the Temporary Clean Room in SURF



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Nuclear Theory

Maintaining adequate support for a robust nuclear theory effort is essential to the productivity and vitality of nuclear science

A strong Nuclear Theory effort:

- Poses scientific questions and presents new ideas that potentially lead to discoveries and the construction of facilities
- Helps make the case for, and guide the design of new facilities, their research programs, and their strategic operations plan
- Provides a framework for understanding measurements made at facilities and interprets the results

A successful new approach for NP—Theory Topical Collaborations are fixed-term, multi-institution collaborations established to investigate a specific topic

 "A new direction to enhance the research effort by bundling scientific strength and expertise located at different institutions to reach a broader scientific goal for the benefit of the entire nuclear science community... an extremely promising approach for funding programmatic and specific science goal oriented research efforts."



Isotope Program Mission



The mission of the DOE Isotope Program is threefold

- Produce and/or distribute radioactive and stable isotopes that are in short supply, associated byproducts, surplus materials and related isotope services.
- Maintain the infrastructure required to produce and supply isotope products and related services.
- Conduct R&D on new and improved isotope production and processing techniques which can make available new isotopes for research and applications.

Produce isotopes that are in short supply only – the Isotope Program does not compete with industry



The NP Isotope Program Continues to Provide Isotopes and Radioisotopes in Short Supply

Some key isotopes and radioisotopes and the companies that use them

Strontium-82, Rubidium-82	Imaging / Diagnostic cardiology
Germanium-68, Gallium-68	Calibration / PET scan imaging
Californium-252	Oil and gas exploration and manufacturingcontrols
Selenium-75	Radiography / Quality control
Actinium-225, Yttrium-90, Rhenium 188	Cancer / Infectious disease treatment
Nickel-63	Explosives detection at airports
Gadolinium-160, Neodymium-160	Tracers and contrast agents for biological agents
Iron-57, Barium-135	Standard sources for mass spectroscopy
Sulfur-34	Environmental monitoring
Rubidium-87	Atomic frequency / GPS applications
Lithium-6, Helium-3	Detection of Special Nuclear Materials
Samarium-154	Solar energy /transportation applications





It Also Serves a Very Important Role in Coordination and Communication: The 2nd Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand (Sept 19-20, 2013)

70 attendees23 different federal institutionsOver 200 isotopes identified

- Armed Research Institute
- Defense Logistics Agency
- Defense Threat Reduction Agency
- Department of Agriculture
- DOE/National Isotope Development Center
- DOE/National Nuclear Security Administration
- DOE/New Brunswick Laboratory
- DOE/Office of Fossil Energy-Oil and Natural Gas
- DOE/Office of Intelligence
- DOE/Office of Nuclear Energy
- DOE/Office of Science
- Department of Homeland Security
- Department of State
- Department of Transportation
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Food and Drug Administration
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- National Institutes of Health
- National Institute of Standards and Technology
- National Science Foundation
- National Security Staff
- Office of Science & Technology Policy
- Office of the Director of National Intelligence





R&D Creates New Production Method for Actinium-225



- Using proton beams, LANL and BNL could match current annual worldwide production of the actinium-22 in just a few days.
- Ac-225 emits alpha radiation. Alpha particles are energetic enough to destroy cancer cells but are unlikely to move beyond a tightly controlled target region and destroy healthy cells. Alpha particles are stopped in their tracks by a layer of skin—or even an inch or two of air.





Increased Availability of Isotopes

<u>Bk-249</u>	Produced 22 mg target that led to the discovery of element 117; produced 26 mg for further super-heavy element research
<u>Cf-249</u>	Provided for actinide borate research
<u>Cf-252</u>	Re-established production in FY 2009, new six-year contract for FY 2013-2018; industrial applications
<u>Cu-67</u>	Production campaigns available starting Feb 13; cancer therapy
<u>Li-6</u>	Production of metal form for neutron detector isotope sales
<u>Np-237</u>	Established inventory for dispensing bulk quantities and capability to fabricate reactor dosimeters
<u>Se-72/As-72</u>	Developed production capability for Se-72 for use in a generator to provide the positron emitter As-72; medical diagnostic
<u>Si-32</u>	Produced in the 1990s for oceanographic and climate modeling research, inventory depleted, new production campaign has made the isotope available again
<u>Th-227/Ra-223</u>	Established Ac-227 cows for the provision of Th-227 and Ra-223 (alpha emitters for medical applications)
<u>Y-86</u>	Established production capability of the positron emitter Y-86; medical diagnostic
<u>Cm-243</u>	Acquired curium with a high Cm-243 content for research applications



Isotopes under Development

- Ac-225: Developing accelerator production capability
- At-211: Funding production development at four institutions to establish nationwide availability
- Am-241: Initiated project to produce Am-241 in association with an industrial consortium
- <u>C-14:</u> Investigating economic feasibility of reactor production
- **Cd-109:** Working with industry to assess product specific activity
- <u>Co-57:</u> Evaluating production of Co-57 for commercial source fabricators
- **<u>Cs-137 HSA:</u>** Pursuing reactor production feasibility for research applications
- <u>Cu-64:</u> Funding production development at multiple institutions
- **Gd-153:** Pursuing feasibility of reactor production
- <u>Ho-166:</u> Establishing reactor production capability
- **<u>I-124:</u>** Funding production development at one institution
- K-40: Evaluating possibility of reactor production by irradiating K rather than electromagnetically enriching K-40
- Li-7: Working to establish reserve for nuclear power industry to mitigate potential shortage
- <u>Np-236:</u> Pursuing feasibility of accelerator-based production for security reference materials
- Pa-231: Purifying 100 mg for applications such as fuel cycle research
- <u>Sr-89:</u> Investigating economic feasibility of reactor production
- **U-233:** Acquisition of mass separated U-233 for research applications
- **U-234:** Investigating alternatives for provision of U-234 for neutron flux monitors
- Zn-62/Cu-62: Funding production development for Zn-62 for use in a generator to provide the positron emitter Cu-62
- Zr-89: Funding production development at multiple institutions



The Breadth of the Horizon for Discovery in Nuclear Science





Defining the Science – Long Range Plans



The 2016 Long Range Plan: A Tool for Evidence-Based Planning

NSAC partnership with the Division of Nuclear Physics of the APS to tap the full intellectual capital of the US nuclear science community in identifying exciting, compelling science opportunities and a strategic plan for the next 5-10 years:

Nuclear Structure & Nuclear Astrophysics meeting *Nuclear Structure Conveners:* Mark Riley (Florida State University) and Charlotte Elster (Ohio University); *Nuclear Astrophysics Conveners:* Hendrik Schatz (Michigan State University) and Michael Wiescher (University of Notre Dame), *Venue:* Mitchell Institute, Texas A&M University, Aug. 21-23, 2014 *Meeting website:* <u>http://www.lecmeeting.org/</u>

Hadron and Heavy Ion QCD meeting, QCD Heavy Ion Conveners: Paul Sorensen (Brookhaven National Laboratory) and Ulrich Heinz (Ohio State University), QCD Hadron Conveners: Haiyan Gao (Duke University) and Craig Roberts (Argonne National Laboratory), Venue: Temple University, Howard Gittis Student Center, 1743 N 13th St., Philadelphia, PA 19122, Sept. 13-15, 2014

Website: https://phys.cst.temple.edu/qcd

Fundamental symmetries, Neutrinos, Neutrons, and the relevant Nuclear Astrophysics, Conveners: Hamish Robertson (University of Washington), Michael Ramsey-Musolf (University of Massachusetts), Dates: Sept. 28-29, 2014 Venue: Crowne Plaza hotel near Chicago's O'Hare airport on 5440 North River Road, Rosemont, IL 60018 Website: http://fsnutown.phy.ornl.gov/fsnuweb/index.html

Nuclear Theory Computing:

High performance computing (Computation in nuclear physics), Washington DC, July 14-15, 2014

Education [NSF scope - Workforce Training in DOE] and Innovation... across all areas of nuclear physics *Conveners:* Michael Thoennessen (Michigan State University), Graham Peaslee (Hope College) *Venue:* NSCL, Michigan State University, Aug. 6-8, 2014; *Website:* <u>http://meetings.nscl.msu.edu/Education-Innovation-2014</u>

Resolution Meeting: spring of 2015

Long Range Plan: October 2015



Outlook

- The future of nuclear science in the United States continues to be rich with science opportunities.
- Long term, an electron-ion collider may be the optimum path towards new opportunities in QCD research.
- The United States continues to provide resources for and to expect:
 - U.S. world leadership in discovery science illuminating the properties of nuclear matter in all of its manifestations.
 - Tools necessary for scientific and technical advances which will lead to new knowledge, new competencies, and groundbreaking innovation and applications.
 - Strategic investments in tools and research to provide the U.S. with premier research capabilities in the world.

Nuclear Science will continue to be an important part of the U.S. science investment strategy to create new knowledge and technology innovation supporting U.S. security and competitiveness

