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NE-43 Program Stewardship (I) Materials Recovery & Waste Form Development (MRWFD)

Mission – Develop advanced fuel recycle technologies to improve resource utilization, reduce repository burden, limit proliferation risk and improve economics.

Implementation Strategies:

- Demonstrate recycling technologies to produce HALEU materials for advanced reactor fuel-fabrication R&D needs;
- Address nuclear materials separation and recovery challenges for various advanced reactor designs;
- Develop efficient and economical technologies for commercially viable future industrial deployment;
- Steward and expand the capabilities and knowledge in nuclear chemistry for a broad range of nuclear applications.

NE-43 Program Stewardship (II) Materials Protection, Accounting & Control Technologies (MPACT)

Mission – Supports the U.S. advanced fuel cycles technology developers to effectively and economically address nuclear materials control and accounting (MC&A) requirements.

Implementation Strategies:

- Develop innovative real (or near-real) time technologies, analysis tools, and advanced integration methods to improve to enable U.S. domestic nuclear materials management and safeguards for emerging nuclear fuel cycles;
- Engage with government and industry stakeholders early in the technology development process to enable a cost-effective implementation of safeguards by design for both front end and back- end stages of the fuel cycle.

NE-43 Program Stewardship (III) Innovative Nuclear Materials

Missions – **(1)** Develop next generation fuel cladding and in-core materials and (2) address nuclear materials recycling and reuse with emphasis on maintaining long-term nuclear materials sustainability.

Implementation Strategies:

- Establish robust nuclear materials core competencies and R&D capabilities at national labs and universities;
- Support nuclear materials research community to train broad-based next generation expertise;
- Capitalize on recent breakthroughs in computational modeling, simulation, data science, advanced characterization, instrumentation, radiation methods, manufacturing and processing capabilities to accelerate new cladding materials discovery and to enhance nuclear materials recycling / reuse capabilities;
- Provide a technical basis for supporting the U.S. industries' goal for commercialization of advanced nuclear technologies.





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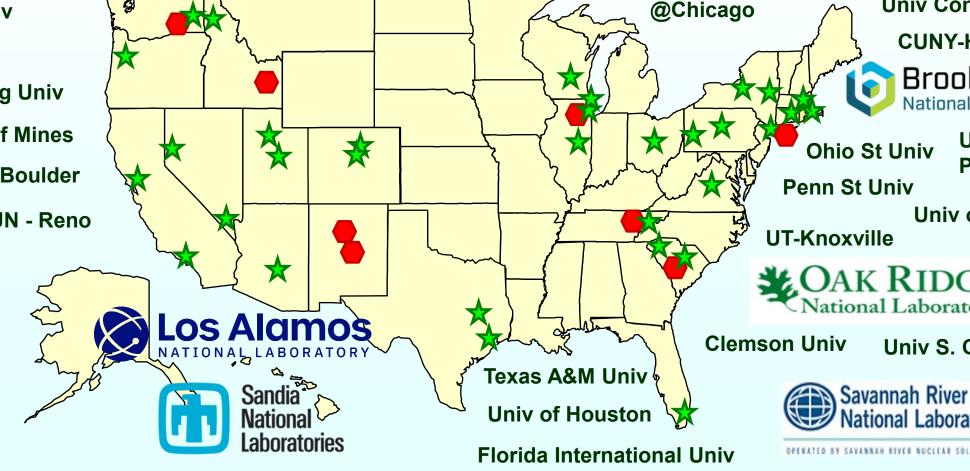
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FY24 CINR FOA Topics Under NE-43 Program Areas

- **Topic Area 4 Nuclear Fuel Recycle Technologies** Develop advanced fuel recycling technologies and address fundamental materials separations and recovery challenges:
 - Innovative Aqueous Separation (Bill Del Cul)
 - Advanced Vol-oxidation and Vapor Phase Separations (Bill Del Cul)
 - Molten Salt Processes and Salt Chemistry (Jim Willit)

Topic Area 5 — Fuels

Molten Salt Fuels (Jim Willit)

Topic Area 10 — Licensing, Safety, and Security

MC&A Methods and Tools for Fuel Recycling Processes (Tansel Selekler)

Topic Area 11 — Advanced Nuclear Materials

- Innovative Cladding Materials (Ming Tang)
- New Materials for Off-gas Capture and Waste Form Materials (Kim Gray)