

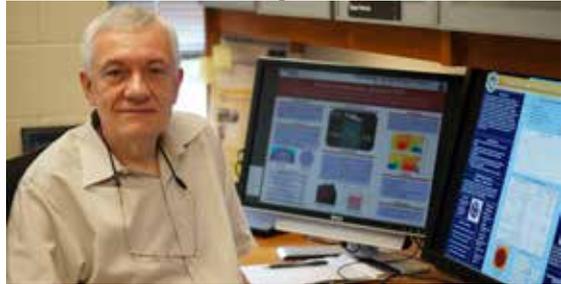
Integrated Research Projects

Introduced in FY11, the Integrated Research Projects (IRP) initiative is the newest element of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Nuclear Energy University Programs (NEUP).

These projects are designed to address technical issues and research priorities identified by the DOE's Office of Nuclear Energy. IRP's focus on specific topics of direct interest have included the development of advanced reactor concepts, accelerated aging of used nuclear fuel in storage, and advanced fuel forms.

These highly collaborative, university-led projects span 3 years and involve multiple colleges, and industrial and national laboratory partners.

Since FY11, through NEUP, DOE has funded more than \$25 million in IRPs lead by five U.S. colleges and universities.



In FY 2012, the following universities will lead collaborative IRP projects:

- Georgia Institute of Technology
- University of Illinois,
Urbana-Champaign
- University of Tennessee