LANNS: Laboratory for Advanced Nuclear Nonproliferation and Safety

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Snapshot of Experience

BS, Nuclear Engineering, Oregon State U. Visiting scientist and intern, **Argonne National** Lab

Intern, Lawrence Livermore National

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Leader of the Program in Multimodal Imaging (DHS) **US Frontiers of Engineering**

Symposium, National Academy of Engineering

Assistant Professor, Nuclear and Radiological Engineering, Georgia Tech

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Director of the Consortium for Enabling Technologies and Innovation, a \$25M award by DOE NNSA 2019 ANS Mary Jane Oestmann Professional

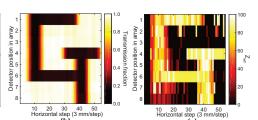
Women's Achievement **Award**

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Member, External **Advisory Board** of Nuclear Technology Journal

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Georgia Tech

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SM, NSE @ MIT **NNSA Stewardship** Science Graduate Fellow **NSE ANS President**

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PhD, NSE @ MIT **Postdoctoral** researcher. Lawrence Livermore National Lab

Founder and leader of LANNS laboratory, Georgia Tech

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Associate Professor with tenure

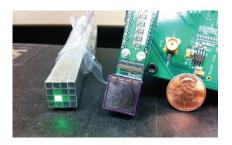
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Active Interrogation in **Nuclear Security:** Science, Technology, and Systems

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Member, Board of Directors of the American **Nuclear Society**

Member-at-large, IEEE Radiation Instrumentation Steering Committee (RISC)







Select Experience at GT

Institute

- Provost's Emerging Leaders Program (2020–2021)
- Executive Vice President for Research Commission on Research Next, member (2021)
- iMat Director Search Committee member (2020)
- Radiation Safety Committee, Georgia Tech (2015–2020)

College

- School of Mechanical Engineering Chair search Committee, (2017—2018, 2021)
- COE RPT I (2021–2022)

School

- Research Council, Co-Chair (2019—present)
- Assistant Director Financial Ops in ME search committee (2022)
- Future of Work in ME committee, member (2022—present)
- Nuclear and Radiological Engineering Program Chair search Committee, 2016
- Faculty Development and Mentoring Committee (2015–2017)
- Graduate Student Development Committee (2015–2017)





Select Experience Outside of GT

Shaping calls for proposals:

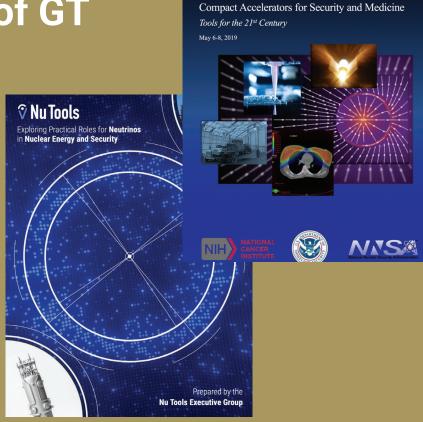
- DOE HEP BRN Workshop on Compact Accelerators for Security and Medicine (2019)
- DOE NNSA DNN R&D Workshop and report on Exploring Practical Roles for Neutrinos in Nuclear Energy and Security (2021)

National Laboratory R&D reviewer:

DOE NNSA DNN R&D portfolio:
 12 reviews in the past few years

Workshops and Conferences

- Conference Chair, International Conference on Applications of Nuclear Techniques, Crete, Greece (2015—present)
- Topic Convener and Session Chair IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium (2014, 2017, 2020, 2021)



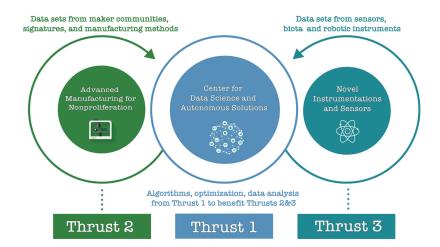
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF Science

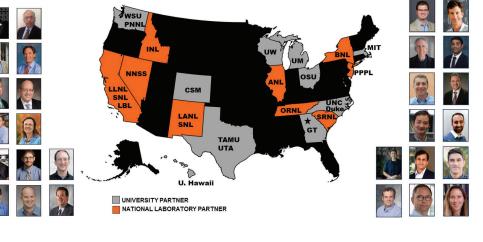
Basic Research Needs Workshop on



NNSA DNN ETI: Consortium for Enabling Technologies and Innovation

Awarded in 2019, currently in Year 4







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A consortium of 12 universities and 10 national laboratories led by the Georgia Institute of Technology has been awarded \$25 million from the U.S. Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) to develop new technologies and educational programs to support the agency's nuclear science, security and nonproliferation goals.



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What is DNN's Role?

DNN FOCUS AND CAPABILITIES

The Office of Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation strengthens U.S. security by reducing global dangers posed by nuclear weapons, material, and technology.

and Verify Compliance

- ► Nuclear Explosions
- Materials and Warheads
- ► Material Production
- ► Weapons Development
- ► Pu/U Verification teams

Detect Proliferation

Materials No Longer In Use

NON-STATE

ACTORS

Eliminate/Minimize **Nuclear and Radiological**

► Convert

NUCLEAR

ARMED

STATES

► Remove

► Dispose



DNN is organized to be flexible

and responsive to an enduring

and dynamic threat environment.

INNOVATE, COLLABORATE, DELIVER,



Control Further Spread of **Nuclear Materials/**

- - ► Treaties, Agreements, Policy

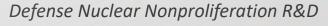
Safeguard Nuclear Materials and Secure Nuclear Facilities and Radiological

- **Materials In Use**
- ► Safeguards tools/training/expertise
- ► Secure sites/materials

tise NUCLEAR WEAPONS Technology/Expertise ► Export Controls ► Counter Nuclear Smuggling

STATES SEEKING





DNN R&D At a Glance

Our Purpose DNN R&D is the leading USG organization for the development of advanced technology in support of the USG's nuclear nonproliferation and nuclear security goals

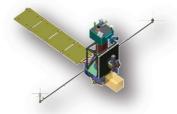




Applications in cooperative and noncooperative environments that address horizontal and vertical proliferation

Our Environment

Our Mission Develop technical capability resident at the DOE National Labs, to be leveraged by mission partners for specific applications







Detect, locate & characterize foreign nuclear weapons development activities



2. Increase Nuclear Security

Detect presence, movement & diversion of SNM, including for interdiction, emergency response, safeguard; nuclear forensics; monitor and verify nuclear arms control treaties



3. Detect Nuclear Explosions

Detect and characterize underground, atmospheric, and space-based nuclear detonations



4. Sustain Nonproliferation Capabilities Enabling infrastructure, S&T, and expert workforce to meet future nonproliferation challenges

Office of Proliferation Detection (PD)

Develop U.S. technical capabilities to detect, prevent, counter, and respond to nuclear security threats by investing in research and development at the DOE National Laboratories



Collaboration with Interagency





Collaboration with Integrated University Program



Uranium Production Detection
Plutonium Production Detection
Weapons Development Detection
Other Nuclear Processes



International Safeguards

Emergency Response

Warhead Verification and Monitoring

Near-field Detection

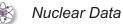
Radiological Source Replacement



Remote Detection

Data Science/Artificial Intelligence
Innovation

Laboratory Enhancement



Office of Nuclear Detonation Detection (NDD)

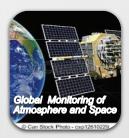
INNOVATE, COLLABORATE, DELIVER,

Advance U.S. technical capabilities by delivering nuclear detonation detection sensors to the USAF for global monitoring and by improving the means to detect, identify, locate, and characterize any nuclear test or explosion



Collaboration with Interagency





Space-based Nuclear Detonation Detection



Nuclear Forensics



Ground-based Nuclear Detonation Detection



Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&D

Georgia Tech: preparing next generation of

leaders, thinkers and achievers

2016:

Chris Stewart: U. Berkeley (postdoc)

Jessica Saunders: US Navy (physicist)

2017:

Paul Rose: ORNL staff scientist – multiple awards by Sam Nunn/ARCS

Evan Redd: US DoD

 Abdalla Abou Jaoude: INL (first de Boisblanc distinguished postdoctoral appointee), currently staff scientist

2018:

 Joseph Harms: U. Alabama (Assistant Professor) 2019;

Andrew Conant: ORNL (postdoc)

2020:

Luke Maloney: U. Florida (resident)

 Wesley Gillis: U. Massachusetts Amherst (postdoc) 2021:

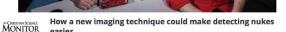
 Arith Rajapakse: GT (postdoc till June 2022), MIT (resident, starting in July 2022)



Woodruff Weekly Digest



NRE Graduate Student Awarded Distinguished
Postdoctoral Appointment



easier
Christian Science Monitor, 19 Apr 2016

A new imaging technique that relies on neutrons and high-energy photons can detect the presence of "special nuclear materials...



FRONTOFFICE

Detecting Nuclear Stowaways

Imaging Method May Enhance Nuclear-Material Detection R&D Mag, 18 Apr 2016

Security at U.S. ports could strengthen with a new proof-of-concept technique invented by a consortium of scientists.



Research Next: Prioritization and Strategic Analysis

Challenges

Climate, Sustainability, Energy
Personalized Medicine, Smart Health Devices
National & Global Security (Food, Resources, Cybersecurity)
Shared Reality (Communication, Education)

From EVPR (only a subset of the initiatives and priorities)

				Our li	nitiatives					
Frugal Innovation	Energy	Hyperconnectivity and Ethics	Dealing with Inequalities	Sustainability	Center for Policy and Data	Linking Companies and Universities	Center for Brilliancy	Center for Research Personnel	<u></u>	
			Our To	ools ar	nd Techn	ologies				
The second secon	ciences/ chnology	Hypersonics	sonics Autonomy		Supply Chain	Materials Science	Manufacturing		Data Sciences	
			Our Peo	ple Ar	e Our Fo	undation				Georgia
		Data			Materials					Tech.

Emerging Research Areas

Collaborate across campus

- · Human-centric medicine
 - Drug delivery (fluids)
 - Radiation diagnostics and treatment (MP)
 - Wearables and robotics
- Climate solutions
 - Energy, transportation, design
- Energy needs
 - Generation, storage, distribution
- Threat reduction
 - Nuclear/chem/bio, climate and migration, cyber
- Space

