

Reactor Technology Program Overview

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NE Mission Priorities

Existing Fleet

**Advanced
Reactor
Pipeline**

**Fuel Cycle
Infrastructure**

Existing Fleet

- Competitively-award joint, cost-shared research projects through *Light Water Reactor Sustainability* program to solve significant highest priority cost and technical problems threatening existing plants
- Fund primary and secondary candidate *Accident Tolerant Fuel* designs to enhance the number of candidate fuels for commercial reactor irradiations and accelerate commercial irradiations by 2 years from the 2022 Congressional mandate
- Conduct *cyber research* to develop intrusion-resistant systems and practices in support of US nuclear plants

Advanced Reactor Pipeline

- Via the *Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear (GAIN)* initiative, NE is providing U.S. nuclear technology developers access to the DOE National Laboratory complex:
 - ✓ Technical staff across
 - ✓ Advanced computational methods and machines
 - ✓ Specialized R&D infrastructure
 - ✓ Nuclear Technology R&D data from historic DOE demonstration programs
- Executing First of a Kind (FOAK) **Advanced Small Modular Reactor (SMR)** competitive private-public partnerships to ensure SMRs commence powering the grid by 2026-2028
- Executing competitively-awarded private-public **Advanced Reactor Technology** development projects for High Temperature Gas and Molten-Salt Reactors
- Supporting **Industry-identified R&D** originating from the NEI/GAIN Technology Working Groups: High Temperature Gas, Molten-Salt, and Fast Reactors

Industry-Focused Funding Opportunity Announcement

- Total FY 2018 funding available of about \$110 Million
- Total of 39 proposals received during first-two Cycles (2018-1 and 2018-2) of Inaugural Year
- About \$318 Million in DOE-funded work scope has been proposed
 - Tier 1 FOAK Nuclear Demonstration projects
 - 10 proposals; \$215 million
 - Tier 2 Advanced Reactor Development projects
 - 23 proposals; \$101 million
 - Tier 3 Regulatory Assistance grants
 - 6 proposals; \$2 million
- 3rd Cycle (2018-3) application window closes July 31st

Nuclear Energy Research & Development

	<i>FY 2017 Enacted</i>	<i>FY 2018 Omnibus</i>	<i>FY 2019 Request</i>
SMR Licensing Technical Support	95,000	-	0
STEP R&D	5,000	5,000	0
Reactor Concepts RD&D			
Advanced SMR R&D	-	-	54,000
<i>Light Water Reactor Sustainability</i>	40,000	47,000	20,000
<i>Advanced Reactor Technology</i>	87,000	155,000	74,000
<i>Versatile Advanced Test Reactor</i>	5,000	35,000	15,000
Reactor Concepts RD&D	132,000	237,000	163,000
Fuel Cycle Research and Development			
<i>Mtls Recovery and Waste Form Dvlpmnt</i>	33,400	30,000	5,000
<i>Advanced Fuels</i>	68,000	125,000	40,000
<i>Systems Analysis and Integration</i>	12,000	8,641	0
<i>MPACT (Mtls Prot'n, Accnt'g & Cntrl Techy)</i>	5,400	10,000	5,000
<i>UNFD R&D</i>	62,500	63,915	10,000
<i>Integrated Waste Management System</i>	22,500	22,500	0
<i>Fuel Resources</i>	3,700	-	0
Fuel Cycle R&D	207,500	260,056	60,000
Nuclear Energy Enabling Technologies			
<i>Modeling and Simulation Hub</i>	24,300	30,000	0
<i>Crosscutting Technology Development</i>	27,000	50,000	47,400
<i>NEAMS</i>	28,300	28,200	34,000
<i>Nuclear Science User Facilities</i>	35,500	50,800	34,600
Nuclear Energy Enabling Technologies	115,100	159,000	116,000

Nuclear Energy FY 2018 R&D Budget Highlights

**\$155M for Advanced Reactor Development,
including SMRs**

\$35M for Versatile Advanced Test Reactor R&D

\$40M for Accident Tolerant Fuels

\$50M for Crosscutting competitive R&D

\$58M for Advanced Modeling & Simulation

Nuclear Energy FY 2019 R&D Budget Highlights

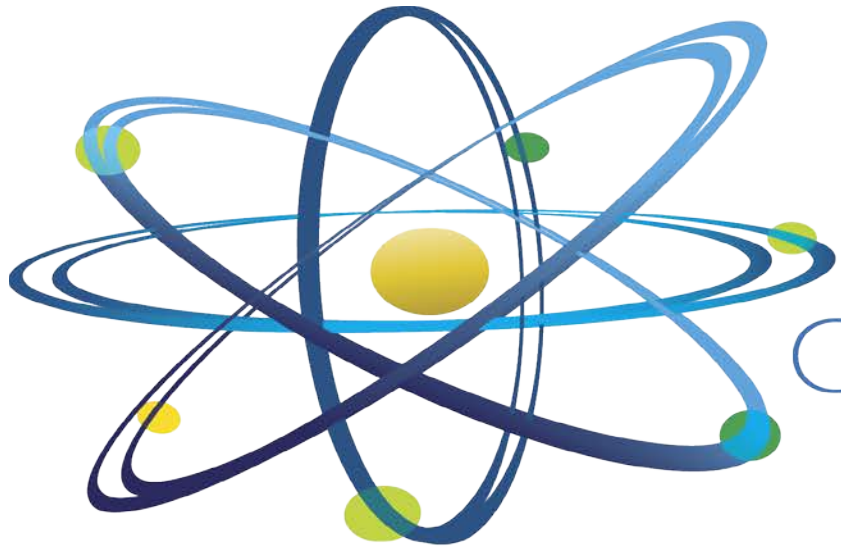
\$54M for Advanced SMR R&D

\$15M for Versatile Advanced Test Reactor R&D

\$40M for Accident Tolerant Fuels

\$47M for Crosscutting competitive R&D

\$34M for Advanced Modeling & Simulation



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