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### **NETL Researcher Wins R&D 100 Award**

**Morgantown, W.Va.**—The National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) is proud to announce that Paul D. Jablonski has been awarded an R&D 100 Award in Life Sciences from R&D Magazine. Dr. Jablonski collaborated with fellow employees to develop a novel platinum/chromium alloy for the manufacture of improved coronary stents. This is a highly modified stainless steel alloy developed for thinner, more flexible coronary stents allowing for increased x-ray visibility.

R&D Magazine held its 49<sup>th</sup> annual R&D 100 Awards Banquet, where the awards were presented, on Thursday, October 13, 2011 in Orlando, Fla. Several of NETL's employees took home an award. The annual event, known as the "Oscars of Innovation," recognizes the 100 most technologically significant products to enter the marketplace in the past year.

Dr. Jablonski is a Metallurgist at NETL and works at the NETL-Albany site designing, melting, working, and evaluating specialty alloys for a number of critical applications. He grew up in Michigan and earned BS and PhD degrees in Metallurgy from Michigan Technological University and the University of Wisconsin-Madison, respectively. He currently lives in Salem, Oregon.

NETL is a U.S. Department of Energy national laboratory that produces technological solutions to America's energy challenges. For more than 100 years, the laboratory has focused on developing tools and processes to provide clean, reliable, and affordable energy to the American people. Three NETL research sites—Albany, Ore., Morgantown, W.Va., and Pittsburgh, Pa.—conduct a broad range of energy and environmental research and development activities that support DOE's mission to advance the national, economic, and energy security of the United States.

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