

Used Fuel Disposition Campaign

FY13 Focus for the Used Fuel Disposition Campaign

Storage & Transportation

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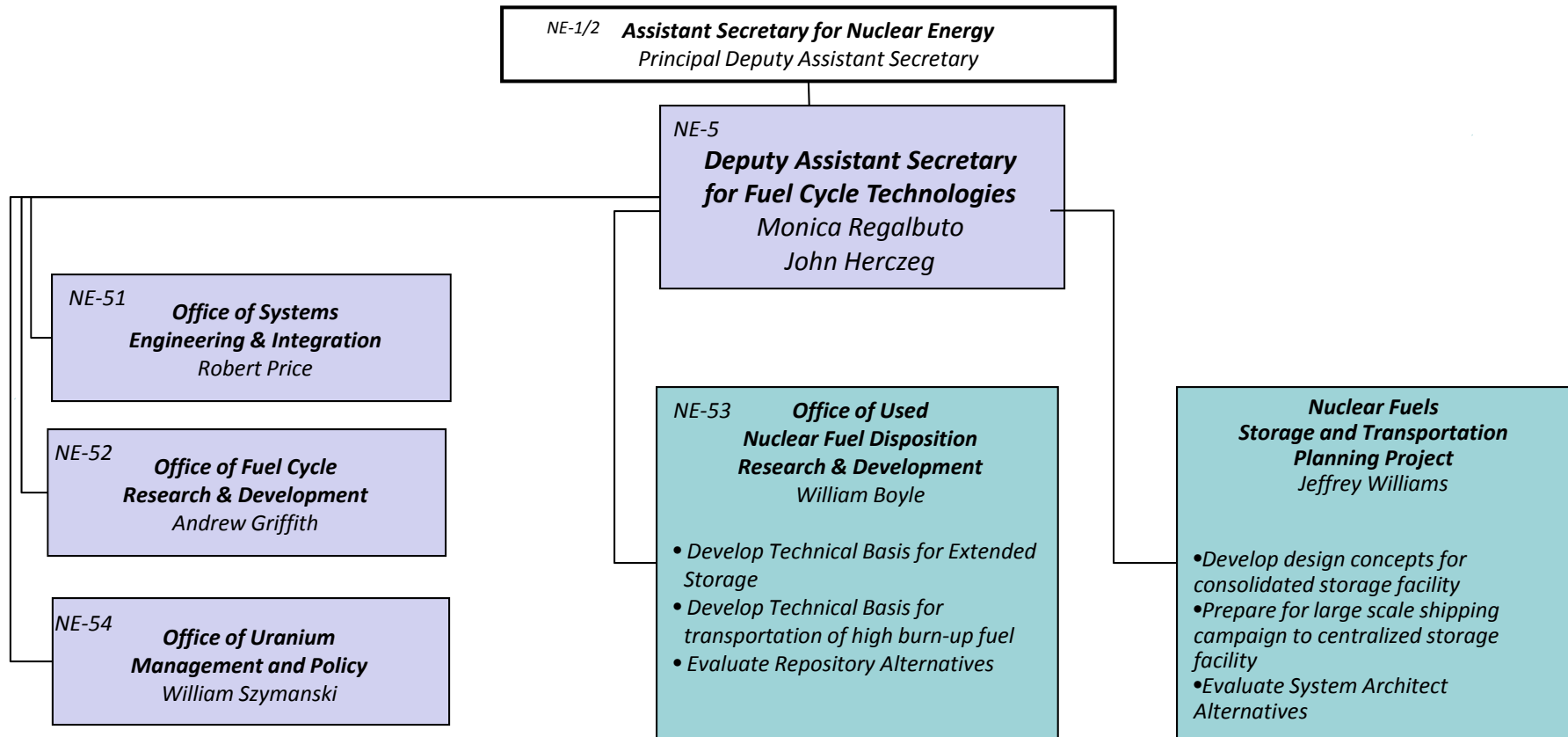
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- *DOE/NE-5 Organization*
- *UFD Storage & Transportation R&D Focus*
- *FY13 Major Thrusts*
- *Conclusions*

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NE-5 Organization



R&D Focus



Focus on BRC
Recommendations

The UFD Campaign conducts work using Control Accounts (CAs) that are related to specific technical or programmatic areas. For the FY13 S&T program, there are 5 Control Accounts:

- Experiments
- Engineering Analysis
- Transportation
- Field Demonstration
- Security

Objectives:

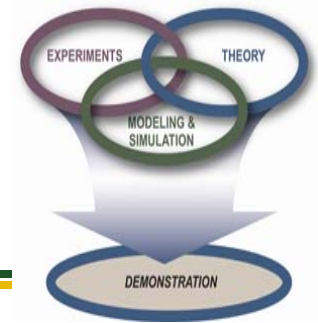
- 1. Develop the technical bases to demonstrate used fuel integrity for extended storage periods**
- 2. Develop the technical bases for fuel retrievability and transportation after long term storage**
- 3. Develop the technical basis for transportation of high burnup fuel**

Focus:

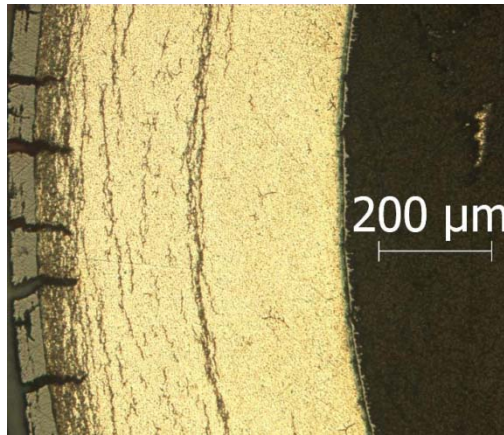
- 1. Experimental and analytical R&D**
- 2. Collaborating with industry to integrate the R&D work with the confirmatory the storage demonstration project**

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FY13 Major Thrusts



Science based,
Engineering driven



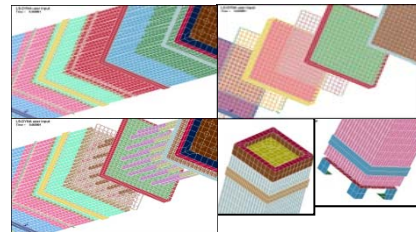
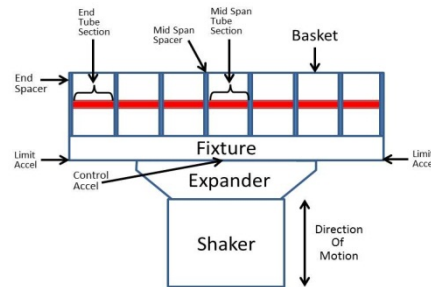
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Billone, Liu; Argonne

Experiments

- Complete PWR ring compression tests: DBTT
- Hydride doping

Analysis

- Hydride re-orientation



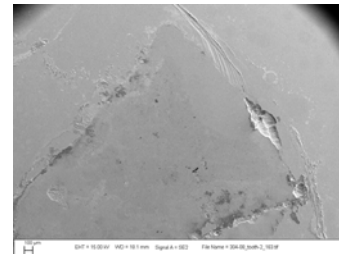
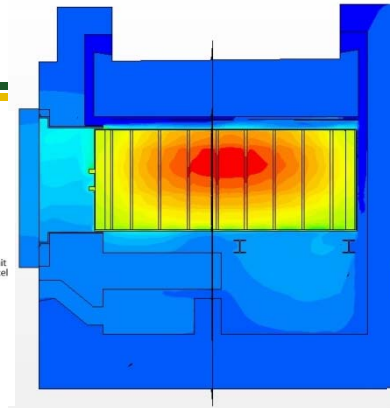
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Wagner, Adkins; ORNL

Transportation

- Shaker table test

Analysis

- Stress profiles



UFD Telecon, April 12, 2012
304 SS 100µg/cm² corrosion test
Bryan, Enos; SNL

Experiments

- Canister corrosion
- Stress corrosion cracking

Analysis

- Thermal profiles



'Jones 2010.ppt',
Calvert Cliffs Dry Fuel Storage
and Industry Lessons Learned

Experiments

- Site inspections

Field Demo

- Industry collaborations

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***FY13 Major Thrusts:
R&D informed by earlier technical gap
analyses***

Hanson, et al.; FCRD-USED-2012-000109, PNNL-21360, Used Fuel Storage and Transportation Data Gap Prioritization (Draft); April 30, 2012

Gap	Priority	Gap	Priority
Thermal Profiles	1	Neutron poisons – Thermal aging	7
Stress Profiles	1	Moderator Exclusion	8
Monitoring – External	2	Cladding – Delayed Hydride Cracking	9
Welded canister – Atmospheric corrosion	2	Examination of the fuel at the INL	10
Fuel Transfer Options	3	Cladding – Creep	11
Monitoring – Internal	4	Fuel Assembly Hardware – SCC	11
Welded canister – Aqueous corrosion	5	Neutron poisons – Embrittlement	11
Bolted casks – Fatigue of seals & bolts	5	Cladding – Annealing of radiation damage	12
Bolted casks – Atmospheric corrosion	5	Cladding – Oxidation	13
Bolted casks – Aqueous corrosion	5	Neutron poisons – Creep	13
Drying Issues	6	Neutron poisons – Corrosion	13
Burnup Credit	7	Overpack – Freeze-thaw	14
Cladding – Hydride reorientation	7	Overpack – Corrosion of embedded steel	14

Imminent need

Immediate to facilitate demonstration early start

Near-term High or Very High

Long-term High

Near-term Medium or Medium High

Long-term Medium

- **The FY13 ST R&D work is closely tied to the earlier technical data gap analysis work that identifies and prioritizes the technical gaps that need to be addressed to satisfy the ST objectives**
- **The R&D work is closely coupled with industry efforts to field a confirmatory storage demonstration project**
- **The R&D work is aligned with the Blue Ribbon Committee recommendations**