# NIST Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT)

Dr. Laurie Locascio
Under Secretary of Commerce
for Standards and Technology
and Director of NIST



## Meeting Agenda



- Call to Order and Roll Call
- Session I: Special Session
- Session II: Programmatic and Operational Updates
  - NIST Update and Agenda Review
  - Safety Update
  - Budget Overview

#### Extended Break (60 min.)

Session III: CHIPS Session

**Session IV: Subcommittee Session** 

# II. Programmatic Updates – continued progress on our priorities

## Grateful Recognition





Dr. Gail Folena-Wasserman

Senior Vice President
Biopharmaceutical Development
Emeritus, AstraZeneca/MedImmune

Term ends January 29, 2023



Mr. David A. Vasko

Director of Advanced Technology Strategic Development Rockwell Automation

Term ends February 1, 2023

#### Welcome New VCAT Member





Mr. Jason Matusow

General Manager Corporate Standards Group Microsoft Corporation

Term began September 14, 2022

## NIST Leadership Changes





#### Dr. Heather Evans

Director (acting)
Program Coordination Office

## NIST Leadership Changes





Dr. Eric K. Lin
Interim Director
CHIPS Research and
Development Program



Dr. Stephanie Hooker

Acting Director

Material Measurement Laboratory

#### NIST Priorities





Critical & **Emerging Technology** Leadership Standards NIST Leadership Community NST Mission Manufacturing Delivery Leadership Enhancement

#### CHIPS and Science Act of 2022







#### CHIPS Act at A Glance



## Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors for America Act

## CHIPS for America Fund \$50 billion allocated over 5 years

#### Financial Incentives Programs

\$39 billion

#### Research and Development

\$11 billion

NSTC • APMP • MFG USA Institute(s)
NIST Metrology program

**Workforce Development** 

#### MEP Update





#### MEP National Network™ Strategic Plan for FY 2023-2028 in development

- Supply chain
- Workforce
- Innovation and Technology Adoption

#### **Expanding MEP Advisory Board**

Seeking nominations

#### **MEP Reorganization underway**

 Prepare to support new programs and services with anticipated growth in funding

#### MEP National Network™ Supplier Scouting

- 259 items scouted from 12+ states and 25 industries
- MEP Centers from 30 states have identified 400+ viable U.S. suppliers
- \$168 M in new business opportunities for U.S. manufactures

Key provisions of the CHIPS and Science Act

## MFG USA Update







**Annual Report** July 2022

Biomanufacturing Readiness Level (BRL)

**Quality Readiness** 

**Operational Readiness** 

Design for QMS Workforce Fit **BRL** report BRL 9 BRL4 BRL5 BRL6 BRL7 BRL 8 Concept Development **Concept Demonstration Concept Realization** 

**Technology Readiness** 

MANUFACTURING USA @ IMTS



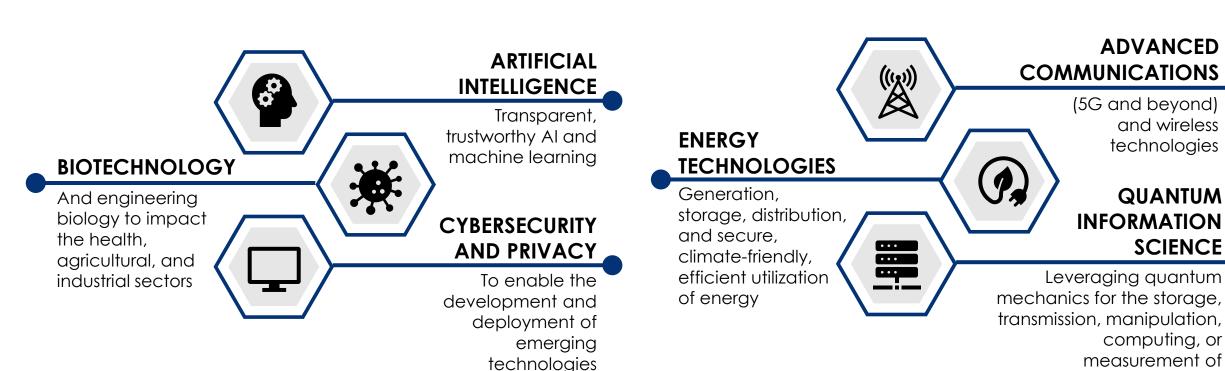
- MFG USA exhibited at the International Manufacturing Technology Show (IMTS)
- Largest and longest-running industry trade show with over 86,000 attendees
- Advanced Manufacturing National Program Office and 9 manufacturing innovation institutes attended

October 2022

Critical & **Emerging** Technology Leadership Standards NIST Leadership Community NST Mission Manufacturing Delivery Leadership **Enhancement** 

## Critical & Emerging Technologies





information

## Artificial Intelligence (AI) Update









NIST AI Risk Management Framework (AI RMF) 1.0 and AI RMF Playbook 1.0

Workshop #3 October 18-19

Testimony before House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology

Trustworthy AI: Managing the Risks of Artificial Intelligence

2nd Meeting of the National Al Advisory Committee (NAIAC)

www.ai.gov/naiac

Version 1.0 coming January 2023

September 29, 2022

October 12 – 13, 2022

## Bioeconomy Update





A new Executive Order on Advancing Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing Innovation for a Sustainable, Safe, and Secure American Economy was signed September 12, 2022

In July, NIST released a Research Grade Test Material (RGTM) for Monkeypox within 30 days in response to public health need, a record for NIST

## Cybersecurity & Privacy Update



- Cybersecurity Framework 2.0
- Cybersecurity for IoT
- Software Supply Chain





#### 50 years of Cybersecurity at NIST

https://csrc.nist.gov/nist-cyber-history

#### Advanced Communications Update



#### Advanced Comms Standards

NIST IR 8433: interagency report on advanced communications technology standards (August 2022)

Authored by the Advanced Communications Technology Working Group of Interagency Committee on Standards Policy (NIST chair)



https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/ir/2022/NIST.IR.8433.pdf



## Open Radio Access Network (O-RAN) for 5G Spectrum Sharing Test Bed

Deployed on PSCR Demonstration Network and commissioned in August 2022

New opportunities for equipment vendors

Greatly expands research capacity, together with NIST's 5G Spectrum Sharing Testbed & National Broadband Interoperability Test Bed



## Climate and Energy Technologies





#### **Laboratory Highlights**

- Launch of the NIST Climate Community of Interest and White Paper
- Training for Improving Plastics Circularity Grant Program: awards to five universities
- New interoperability profile addresses the complexity in energy standards for modern technologies



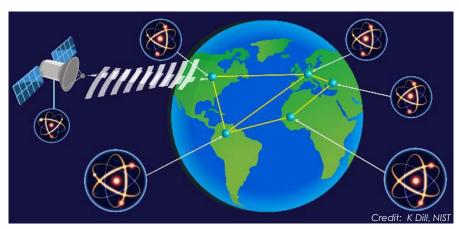


#### **Q** External Recognition

- Samuel J. Heyman "Sammies" Service to America Medal finalists
- Sustainability, Energy, and Environmental (SEE) Ambassadors
- Department of Commerce Energy and Environmental Stewardship Awards

#### Quantum Information Sciences Update



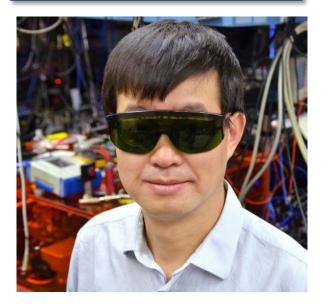


DC-QNet Announced June 27, 2022

Advanced quantum sensor: entangled matter-wave interferometer



Jun Ye - 2022 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics



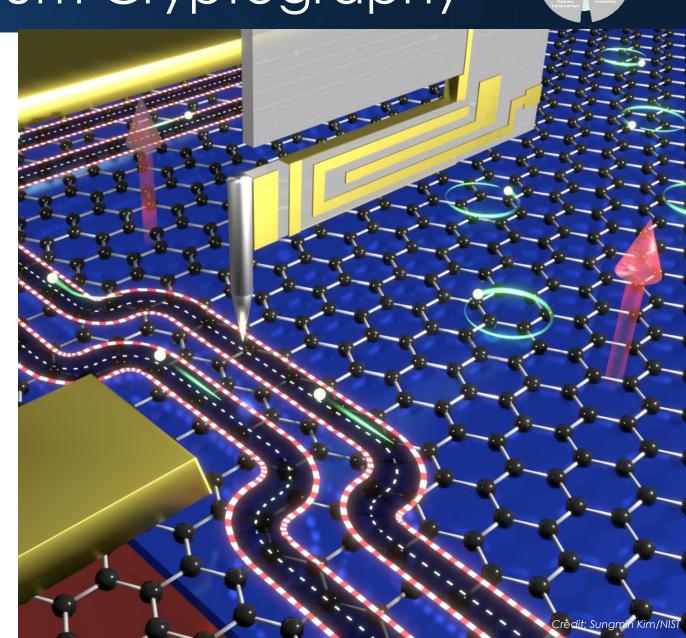


Adam Kaufman - New Horizons in Physics Prize from Breakthrough Foundation

#### NIST and Post-Quantum Cryptography



- NIST is developing post-quantum cryptography (PQC) encryption schemes that resist quantum and classical computers
- NIST's PQC challenge started in 2016, four selected algorithms announced July 5, 2022
- The four winning PQC algorithms will become part of new encryption standards
- 4th NIST PQC Standardization
   Conference: November 29 December
   1, 2022





#### Standards Coordination Team Update





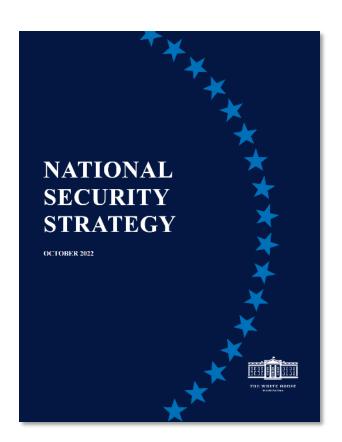
#### Dr. Jayne Morrow

Senior Advisor on Standards Policy
Office of the NIST Director

## Standards Leadership and Strategy



- National Security Strategy released on October 12, 2022
- NIST is working closely with the National Security Council on developing a more strategic approach to USG involvement in international standards



"To ensure these investments support positive technological outcomes, we will partner with industry and governments in shaping technological standards that ensure quality, consumer safety, and global interoperability, and to advance the open and transparent standards process that has enabled innovation, growth, and interconnectivity for decades."

#### International Engagement in Standards







U.S. • European Commission

#### Quad



U.S. • Australia • India • Japan

#### OECD



U.S. • Australia • Austria Canada Denmark • Finland France • Germany Hungary • Japan • Korea • Mexico Netherlands • New Zealand • Poland Russia • Singapore Slovak Republic Slovenia • Sweden Switzerland • Turkey UAE • UK • European Commission

#### **IPEF**



U.S. • Australia • Brunei • India • Indonesia • Japan Korea • Malaysia New Zealand • Philippines • Singapore Thailand • Vietnam

## Ottawa 5

U.S. • Australia • Canada New Zealand • UK

#### G7



J.S. • Canada • France • Germany • Italy • Japan • UK



## Engagements and Outreach

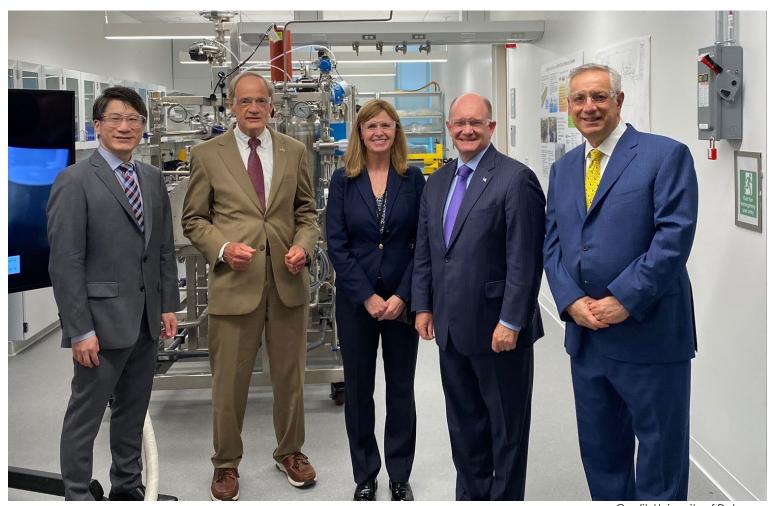


Engagements with Professional Societies

**Engagements with Industry Stakeholders** 

Engagement with Members of Congress

Visits to Manufacturing Institutes and Academic Partners



Credit: University of Delaware

## Surfside Investigation Update





#### **Background**

- Champlain Towers South Condominium in Surfside, FL collapsed on June 24, 2021
- NIST was on-site June 25, 2021
- NIST Director established a National Construction Safety Team (NCST) on June 30

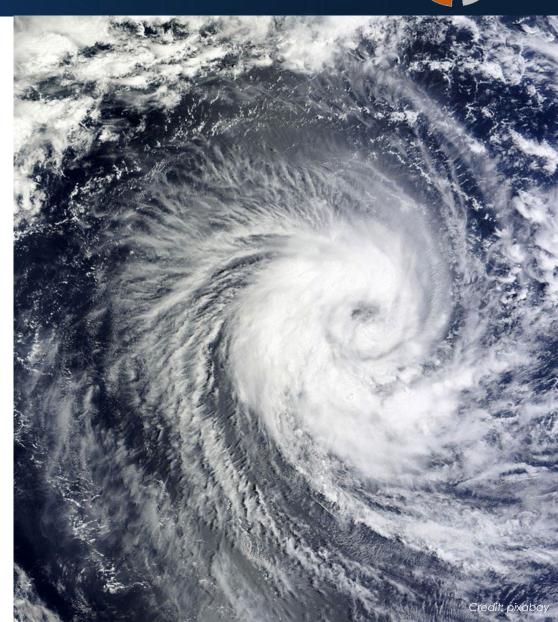
#### **Updates**

- Non-destructive site testing completed in July in advance of the sale of the property
- Laboratory analysis in progress
- NIST working with local authorities to establish safe testing conditions for evidence with additional warehouse space
- NCST Advisory Committee meeting October 19, 2022

## Hurricane Ian Response



- National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program Monitoring of Effects of Hurricane Ian
- Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Supplied \$2M in Defibrillators for Hurricane Ian Relief within 24 hours



## NCNR Update





UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C., 20555-0001

August 1, 2022

EA-21-148

Dr. Robert Dimeo, Director National Institute of Standards and Technology NIST Center for Neutron Research U.S. Department of Commerce 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8561 Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8561

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY, CENTER FOR NEUTRON RESEARCH - CONFIRMATORY ORDER

Dear Dr. Dimeo:

The enclosed Confirmatory Order is being issued to you as a result of a successful alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediation session. The commitments outlined in the Confirmatory Order were made as part of a settlement agreement between the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Center for Neutron Research (NCNR or licensee) and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). The settlement agreement concerns seven apparent violations of NRC requirements by the licensee, as discussed in our letter dated March 16, 2022 (Agencywide Documents Accession Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML22056A361).

Our March 16, 2022, letter provided you with the results of an NRC special inspection that was conducted in response to an event at NCNR. Specifically, on February 3, 2021, NCNR made an emergency declaration (Alert) in response to an automatic reactor shutdown initiated by the detection of high radiation from the confinement exhaust stack. Subsequently, NCNR determined that a damaged fuel element caused the exhaust stack radiation alarm. The NCNR reactor has not been operated since the event. NCNR is currently conducting clean-up and repair activities. In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.36(c)(1) and NCNR Technical Specifications, NCNR must obtain NRC approval prior to resuming operations. The NRC's decision to approve any restart would be informed by, but would not be solely reliant upon, the Confirmatory Order discussed below.

The NRC's special inspection for the February 3, 2021, event documented seven apparent violations, the most significant being an apparent violation of NCNR Technical Specification 2.1, "Safety Limit," which states that the reactor fuel cladding temperature shall not exceed 842°F for any operating conditions of power and flow. The NRC inspectors observed once-molten material in and around a fuel element indicating that the fuel cladding temperature safety limit had been exceeded.

#### Confirmatory Order – August 1, 2022

- No cited notice of violation or civil penalties by NRC
- New requirements become part of the NIST Reactor License, including:
  - Employee concerns program
  - Employee rewards and recognition program
  - Nuclear safety culture monitoring panel
  - Problem identification and resolution program
  - Assessments by independent consultants
- Formal project management controls implemented
- Cross-NIST team reviews progress weekly and provides NIST-wide support

#### Planning for NCNR Restart

 NRC completing Technical Evaluation Report to inform their decision to restart the reactor

## iEdison Redesign



- Redesigned online platform where organizations report their taxpayer-funded inventions
- Modernized user interface and new functionality and security features
- New site makes it easier to comply with the reporting requirements of the Bayh-Dole Act
- The legacy NIH system shut down and the new system, hosted by NIST, went live in August





Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

Safety

Return to Campus

## DEIA Strategic Plan Kickoff









#### Virtual launch event October 11, 2022

- Remarks from NIST and DOC Leadership
- DEIA Keynote Address
- Overview of the plan and an introduction to our newly developed dashboard to track progress
- Panel discussion with voluntary employee organization representatives and DEIA Executive Sponsors
- Launch of iLEAD series

## Return to Campus Update



#### **Workplace Culture**

- Gyms open in Boulder and Gaithersburg
- Food trucks on campus Tue through Thu
- Community Groups meeting in-person
  - o Tennis club turned 50
  - Celebrating heritage months

#### **Policies**

- Policies implemented within Organizational Units
- Identifying successes and challenges









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