# Second Target Station Science Case

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### STS is a next generation source that will deliver highest peak brightness pulses of cold neutrons and ensure US leadership



#### **Next generation** neutron source

- Compact target/moderator technology
- Integrates revolutionary advances in theory and computing on multimodal beamlines
- Spin manipulation of electrons, nuclei, and neutrons
- Advanced concepts for optics



# **STS provides game changing performance to meet emerging BES needs**

Mastering Hierarchical Architectures and Beyond-Equilibrium Matter

Beyond Ideal Materials and Systems: Understanding the Critical Roles of Heterogeneity, Interfaces, and Disorder

Harnessing Coherence in Light and Matter

Revolutionary Advances in Models, Mathematics, Algorithms, Data, and Computing

Exploiting Transformative Advances in Imaging Capabilities across Multiple Scales





## Identifying emerging scientific challenges and technical solutions to address user needs





# Grand challenge workshops defined future neutron user community needs







# Innovative STS design enables new science to meet BES needs



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## ZEEMANS

# Exploring new frontiers in quantum materials

#### Why STS?

Matching high brightness cold neutrons with steady and pulsed field strengths now available only at a few magnet labs worldwide will bring the unrivaled capabilities of neutrons in probing magnetism and superconductivity to a host of new quantum materials and phenomena

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# Nature of the quantum critical point in high-T<sub>c</sub> superconductors

Neutron scattering uniquely measures the low energy fluctuation in the field induced normal state, identifying the underlying QCP

#### Opportunities

Quantum matter at extremely high fields (40 T)

Field alignment of materials; new methods for processing and synthesis

Access to and control of exotic phases and transitions

Strong perturbation of electronic orbits and magnetic states

Multipurpose beamline integrated with a high-field magnet: SANS, imaging, diffraction, inelastic scattering in a single instrument

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# HERTZ

# Elucidating origins of quantum coherence in materials

#### Why STS? **Opportunities** Routinely measure full dynamical The advent of routine full polarization analysis spin tensor $S_{\alpha\beta}(Q,\omega)$ in 4D space, at STS and focused neutron beams will provide giving complete information game-changing capabilities for exploring for first time entangled quantum states Provide critical data to validate theory and modeling Unique insight into electronic states **Expose relativistic** fermions with 4D polarized Spin-orbital phases: tomography **Topological materials** Weyl semimetal Mn<sub>3</sub>Sn Highly entangled shows record quantum spin liquids anomalous Hall effect Separate sensitive magnetic at room temperature signals and continua Polarization will access Weyl scattering Immediate access to materials

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when discovered

# MENUS

# **Probing next-generation materials for real-world applications**

#### Why STS?

Neutrons are highly penetrating and have excellent properties for understanding the performance of materials in operation

Transformative gains in simultaneous imaging and mapping at STS provide critical capabilities for understanding advanced materials for manufacturing, transportation, and nuclear energy

#### Improving reliability of critical engineering components

In situ combined diffraction, contrast tomography with high-resolution reciprocal space mapping, and SANS nanoscale cluster characterization to understand creep fatigue

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#### **Opportunities**

Simultaneous multiscale measurements

Advancing manufacturing of (e.g.) critical aviation structures

Reproducing real operating conditions

Exploiting sensitivity to light elements: Corrosion, aging effects

Validating multiscale models directly on beamline

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## **HiRes-SWANS**

# Transforming capabilities for studying complex and hierarchical matter

#### Why STS?

Neutrons are an indispensable probe of soft matter

STS can directly address challenges posed by the multiple length and time scales of hierarchical systems, and explore metastable and out-of-equilibrium behavior

#### Understanding hierarchical fluid structures

Coacervate hydrogel: Local water dynamics shows "partitioning" into slow coacervate "compartments" and faster PEG "matrix"

#### **Opportunities**

New classes of multiscale instrumentation

Response of mechanical deformation

Mechanical deformation and non-equilibrium stress

Soft/hard composite materials

Transport in soft matter

Polyelectrolytes

Complex structures in solution

Soft matter under processing

Quantitative measurements

Interfaces

Polar solvents other than water

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# Elucidating the crucial role of hydrogen in biosystems

#### Why STS?

STS combined with deuteration will give unprecedented access to disordered proteins and membranes through structure and dynamics

Revolutionary structure determination capabilities will bring critical information on the role of hydrogen in enzymes

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#### Multifunctional catalysts inspired by nature

Understanding the complex catalytic cycle of H<sup>+</sup> reduction and H<sub>2</sub> oxidation in hydrogenase will inspire design of novel systems and devices for H<sub>2</sub> production

# Dypol-EWALD

#### **Opportunities**

Using full structural information to design drugs

Understand structure and dynamics of biological systems and membranes

Study membranes and complexes in living cells

Build predictive understanding of complex biological systems

Understand photosynthesis and other biological processes as a basis for new biomaterials

Understand roles of disorder and flexibility

Determine kinetics of signaling events

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## STS is needed now to ensure US leadership in science

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#### European Spallation Source Next generation source

- Beam on target 2019
- Game changing performance in BES discovery science areas
- Will give Europe leadership unless STS is built
- 5MW power long pulse
- Integrates revolutionary advances in theory and computing on multimodal beamlines
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# **Further actions FY17-18**

- Hold regional STS science symposia
- Out of this identify ten ground breaking experiment cases
- Work through fully including simulations of experiments on STS
- Produce ground breaking experiments document

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# **Designing properties** of interfaces and devices

#### Why STS?

Measure dynamics with neutrons in previously inaccessible heterostructures and nanomaterials Access knowledge on couplings essential

for design of spin- and quantum-based devices

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#### Superconductivity with interface engineering

Measurements of dispersions of phonons and spin waves at and near interfaces in FeSe/STO composites will give vital information for boosting T<sub>c</sub>

# CHESS

#### **Opportunities**

Probing the spin and lattice dynamics of interfaces and nanostructures to reveal nature and strength of couplings

Beam intensity allows studies of (e.g., artificial crystals and heterostructures)

Neutrons are ideal to measure ionic manipulation of spin and charge states (e.g., for neuromorphic devices)

Dispersion and lifetime of measured magnetic excitations reveal magnetic transport behavior

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# CHESS

# Accessing dynamics at extreme pressure

#### Why STS?

Neutrons provide vital information on magnetic states and atomic environments through spectroscopy

Matching the development of large-volume diamond anvil technology and brightest beams at STS will transform our ability to study matter at pressures of 100 GPa and beyond

#### **Opportunities**

High-intensity beams for spin, phonon, and vibrational dynamics at 100 GPa

Pressures strong enough to break and rearrange covalent bonds

Exotic new quantum phases and transitions

Completely new materials and structures

Quantum effects in hydrogenous systems and new superconductors (e.g.,  $H_2S$ )

Visualization of essential dynamics stabilizing phases

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# Correlations and topology in SmB<sub>6</sub>

Spin dynamics and pressure give critical insight into correlations in a topological insulator

# CHESS

# Understanding out-of-equilibrium states and switching

#### Why STS?

Pulsed fields, THz radiation, and optical switching afford methods of transitioning between states

Harnessing STS brightness and pulse structure enables monitoring the evolution of states out of equilibrium (e.g., in long-lived molecular magnets)

#### Non-equilibrium quantum dynamics

Neutron probe

In molecular magnets, neutrons give spatial and temporal information on their wave functions

z pump

Observing the evolution of these states out of equilibrium will transform understanding of the relaxational mechanisms Opportunities

#### **Spintronics**

Magnon transport in antiferromagnets Skyrmions in driven conditions

#### **Quantum and molecular magnets**

THz pumping of populations Transport and decoherence in quantum states

#### **Optical switching**

Light-activated magnetic switching

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# Addressing complex energy and environmental systems

#### Why STS?

Neutrons are essential to look at light elements at interfaces, reactions, and systems under realistic conditions

Powerful multi-modal capabilities of STS promise transformative gains in understanding systems relevant to chemical synthesis, batteries, catalysis, and environmental management

# Environmental management of legacy nuclear wastes

Development and validation of predictive models of nucleation, growth, aggregation, and dissolution of solids is critical for accelerating the design of novel removal and processing strategies

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#### Opportunities

Chemical synthesis and kinetics for light elements (H, Li, C, H<sub>2</sub>O/D<sub>2</sub>O)

Unique insights from transformative neutron spectroscopy

Combining crystallography and dynamics into powerful analytical technique

Composite and porous materials, element transport, and reactivity can be followed

Electrochemistry and chemistry at interfaces (e.g., using <sup>6</sup>Li, <sup>7</sup>Li labeling)

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# Probing active materials and stimuli

#### Why STS?

STS neutrons will provide the spatially and temporally resolved maps under stimuli needed to quantitatively predict time-dependent material properties

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#### Kinetics of stimuliresponsive smart coatings

Understand kinetics/ thermodynamics of novel responsive materials, such as selective response of polymer brushes to changes in the local microenvironment

#### **Opportunities**

Simultaneous data collection over broad Q range; asynchronous sampleenvironment forcing

QIKR

Unprecedented peak cold neutron flux: Window into transient, time-dependent, and non-equilibrium processes

Fast adsorption and desorption processes (aerosols on water, surface response to mechanical shocks)

Fast reactions at surfaces (liquid/solid interface under shear, structure formation at battery electrodes)

Biological processes: Initial interactions of proteins with cell membranes, biochemistry at liquid/liquid interfaces

Polymer diffusion, gas adsorption, chemical activation in situ

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