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INFORMATION

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QUALIFICATIONS

Accomplished researcher with extensive experience in designing, conducting, and analyzing experiments to study radiation damage effects in neutron irradiated and ion irradiated materials, primarily using transmission electron microscopy and associated techniques. Established record of being an effective communicator with national conference presentations and publications in peer-reviewed journals. U. S. citizen with international research experience and collaborations.

EDUCATION

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor, MI 2013 to 2020
Ph.D. (2020), M.S. (2015), Nuclear Engineering,
– Graduate Advisor: Prof. Gary S. Was
– Concentration: Nuclear Materials
– Thesis Title: *The Role of Damage Rate on Cavity Nucleation with Co-Injected Helium in Dual Ion Irradiated T91 Steel*

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 2009 to 2013
B.S. (2013), Nuclear Engineering,
– Honors: *Distinction*
– Concentrations: Nuclear Materials and Plasmas
– Minors: Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics

RESEARCH

EXPERIENCE

Alvin M. Weinberg Distinguished Staff Fellow, R&D Staff Scientist April 2025 to present
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee
– Performing research on radiation effects in additive and advanced manufactured alloys for advanced reactor applications.
– Examining the roles of processing and precipitates to mitigate life limiting degradation in austenitic steel, ferritic-martensitic steels, vanadium alloys and nickel alloys.
– Investigating the role of ion irradiation and micromechanical techniques in advanced reactor materials qualification as lead of multi-laboratory team with INL and ANL.
– Leader of ORNL work package for Environmental Effects in the DOE NE AMMT program for FY24 and FY25.
– Primary contact for SBIR Phase 1 and Phase 2 projects with KVA Stainless Inc. for FY24-FY26.
– Co-Lead for Fission and Fusion Energy Sciences Directorate (FFESD) Laboratory Directed Research & Development (LDRD) core initiative FY26-FY27.

Alvin M. Weinberg Distinguished Staff Fellow, R&D Associate July 2020 to March 2025
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee
– Performed research on radiation effects in additive and advanced manufactured alloys for advanced reactor applications.
– Examined the roles of processing and precipitates to mitigate life limiting degradation in austenitic steel, ferritic-martensitic steels, vanadium alloys and nickel alloys.
– Investigated the role of ion irradiation and micromechanical techniques in advanced reactor materials qualification.
– Developed techniques for high throughput STEM characterization using machine learning.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Jan. 2020 to June 2020

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Performed research on radiation effects in prospective structural materials for GEN IV reactors.
- Examined the role of radiation damage rate on solute segregation and precipitation in a ferritic-martensitic steel, T91, primarily using S/TEM.
- Mentored several graduate students on using ion irradiation to study radiation damage.

Graduate Student Research Assistant

July 2016 to Jan. 2020

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Performed research on radiation effects in prospective structural materials for GEN IV reactors.
- Developed procedures and protocols to simulate the microstructure of fast reactor irradiated ferritic-martensitic steels with dual ion irradiations.
- Examined the roles of radiation damage rate, helium injection rate, and temperature on the evolution of the microstructure of a ferritic-martensitic steel, T91, primarily using S/TEM.
- Coordinated sample inventory and exchange for two large multi-disciplinary, multi-laboratory programs by DOE NE IRP and IAEA CRP.

Intern, Institute for Nuclear Materials Science

Jan. 2018 to Feb. 2018

Studiecentrum voor Kernenergie - Centre d'Étude de l'énergie Nucléaire (SCK-CEN), Belgium

- Performed research on neutron-ion correlations through extensive literature search of SiC/SiC composites, FeCrAl alloys, and MAX phase materials.
- Produced assessments of MAX phases, SiC, SiC/SiC, and ZrC for LWR ATF applications.
- Designed ion irradiations to assess irradiation effects under LWR conditions.
- Compiled results into a milestone report.

NEUP Graduate Intern, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

May 2016 to Aug. 2016

Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN

- Examined the microstructure of fast reactor irradiated materials including alpha iron, model iron-chromium alloys, and a commercial ferritic-martensitic alloy T91 using transmission electron microscopy.

NEUP Graduate Fellow, University of Michigan

July 2013 to July 2016

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Performed research on irradiation effects in prospective structural materials for GEN IV reactors.
- Designed and performed the first dual ion irradiation experiments at the Michigan Ion Beam Laboratory.
- Examined the effects of helium on cavity formation with pre-implantation and co-injection of helium in the ferritic-martensitic alloy T91.

Undergraduate Research Associate, Radiation Surface Science and Engineering Laboratory

Oct. 2012 to May 2013

Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

- Performed molecular dynamics simulations to model ion bombardment and surface structure changes in silicon for surface patterning applications.

Modeling and Simulation SULI Intern, Idaho National Laboratory

May 2012 to July 2012

Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, Idaho

- Performed molecular statics and dynamics simulations to investigate point defect binding energies in uranium oxide for several interatomic potentials.

Awarded

- [1] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Mechanical Properties Characterization and Atom Probe Tomography Preparation of BOR60 Neutron Irradiated T91 Steel Samples for Surrogate Ion-Irradiation Comparison*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF-RTE), PI: Hannah Jones, co-PIs: Anna Kareer, Paul Bagot, Steven Zinkle, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2025. The objective of the research that this RTE proposal would facilitate is to predict the observed irradiation-induced hardening with the microstructural changes using an advanced and novel dispersed barrier hardening model (DBHM), and compare this to measured nanoindentation data, for a full set of equivalently ion- and neutron-irradiated sample pairs of T91 steel.
- [2] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Mechanical and microstructure properties of an optimized ODS alloy under neutron irradiation*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF-RTE), PI: Elizabeth Getto, co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Caleb Massey, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2025. The objective of this work is to evaluate the effectiveness of impurity sequestration under neutron irradiation conditions relevant to current and advanced reactors using detailed post irradiation examination.
- [3] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Determination of Swelling Across Temperatures in Vanadium Alloys Without Transmutation*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF-RTE), PI: Matthew Weinstein, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2025. The objective of this study is to determine the temperature dependence of swelling in vanadium and its alloys as a function of impurity content.
- [4] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *High Performance Nuclear Materials Additive Manufacturing with Integrated Thermal Processing*, STTR Phase 2, PI: Daniel Codd, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Peeyush Nandwana, Andrzej Nycz, U. S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, \$1,150,000. 2024-2026. This project will develop innovative integrated additive manufacturing and thermal processing methods which can enhance material performance and properties.
- [5] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *The Role of Helium on Microstructure Evolution in A709*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Super Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF Super RTE), Project 24-5012, PI: Claeb Massey, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Grace Burke, Timothy Lach, Steven Frankowski, U. S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, 2024-2025. The project will provide a quantitative analysis of the irradiation microstructure of HFIR irradiated alloy 709 or dual ion irradiated alloy 709, with an emphasis on the cavity/He bubble distribution at low displacement damage levels (2 dpa) anticipated for A709s structural use case.
- [6] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Irradiation Damage Rate Effect on the Dislocation Cell Structure of Additively Manufactured 316L*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF-RTE), Project 24-4964, PI: Wei-Ying Chen, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Andrea Jokisaari, Yiren Chen, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2024. The objective of this study is to examine how dislocation cell walls evolve under irradiation at multiple damage rates to separate the contributions of thermal diffusion and irradiation enhanced diffusion.
- [7] **Principal Investigator**, *The Role of Dislocation Cell Walls on Cavity Nucleation in Additively Manufactured 316H Steel*, Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment (NSUF-RTE), Project 24-4838, Co-PIs: Caleb Massey, Steven Zinkle, Maegan Lenertz, Kai Sun, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2024. The objective of this work is to evaluate the effectiveness of thermal processing on swelling resistance of additively manufactured 316H steel.

- [8] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Co-Location of Solute Clusters and Dislocations in Additively Manufactured 316L Stainless Steels*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 24-4841, PI: Timothy Lach, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Caleb Massey, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2024. The objective of this work is to evaluate the effectiveness of thermal processing on the co-location of solute clusters and dislocations in neutron irradiated additively manufactured 316L stainless steel.
- [9] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Evolution of Heterogeneous 316LSS Microstructures Under Neutron Irradiation*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 24-4862, PI: Geeta Kumari, Co-PIs: Timothy Lach, Stephen Taller, Caleb Massey, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2024. This project aims to quantify the impact of as-printed heterogeneity in laser powder bed fusion (LPBF) 316LSS on spatially dependent post-irradiation segregation and precipitation behavior.
- [10] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Swelling Resistance of Additively Manufactured Grade 91 Steel Produced with Integrated Thermal Processing*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 23-4743, PI: Daniel Codd, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Evaluate the effectiveness of integrated thermal processing on swelling resistance of Wire-Arc AM DED produced Grade 91 steel.
- [11] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *High Performance Nuclear Materials Additive Manufacturing with Integrated Thermal Processing*, [DOE SC Office of Science STTR Phase 1](#), PI: Daniel Codd, KVA Stainless, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, U.S. Department of Energy, \$206,500, 2023-2024. This project will develop and demonstrate novel integrated AM thermal processing methods relevant to high performance nuclear energy alloys.
- [12] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Mechanism Driven Evaluations of Sequential and Simultaneous Irradiation-Creep-Fatigue Testing*, [Nuclear Energy University Programs \(NEUP\) CINR Workscope NM-2](#), Project CFA-23-29058, PI: Kevin Field, Co-PIs: Eric Lang, Khalid Hattar, Caleb Massey, Stephen Taller, Collaborator: Charles Hirst, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$1,000,000, 2023-2026. The goal of the proposed research is to develop a fundamental understanding of the interplay between creep and fatigue mechanisms using ion irradiation during in situ creep, fatigue, and creep-fatigue testing to emulate in-core advanced reactor mechanical loading conditions.
- [13] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Grand Challenge to Accelerated Deployment of Advanced Reactors A Predictive Pathway for Rapid Qualification of Core Structural Materials*, [Integrated Research Project \(IRP\)](#), Project 23-29881, PI: Gary Was, co-PIs: Brian Wirth, Steven Zinkle, Arthur Motta, Kevin Field, Emmanuelle Marquis, Lijun Qian, Xiaoning Qian, Muhammet Ayanoglu, Benjamin Eftink, Andrea Jokisaari, Stuart Maloy, Mychailo Toloczko, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$3,000,000, 2023-2026, Provide a predictive tool that incorporates ion irradiation and computational materials modeling to determine the microstructure and mechanical properties of core structural materials that are benchmarked against reactor data on the same alloys, and codified in ASTM standards.
- [14] **Principal Investigator**, *Increasing the Sensitivity of Passive SiC Thermometry Through Nanocalorimetry Experiments*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 23-4676, Co-PIs: Charles Hirst, Michael Short, Peng Wang, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Evaluate the use of flash differential scanning calorimetry to assess thermal and defect properties of neutron or ion-irradiated SiC in a highly localized volume.

- [15] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Quantifying the effect of simultaneous vs. sequential irradiation on creep performance of additively manufactured austenitic stainless steel*, PI: Caleb Massey, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Charles Hirst, Kevin Field, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Quantify differences in strain rate during high temperature creep experiments with and without simultaneous ion bombardment.
- [16] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Assessing Deformation Mechanisms in Irradiated Superalloy 718 using Ultra-Miniature Specimens*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), PI: Janelle Wharry, Co-PIs: Maxim Gushev, Stephen Taller, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Investigate differences in deformation mechanisms between 300 °C and 600 °C irradiated wrought superalloy 718 specimens to produce a multi-length scale comprehension linking deformation and irradiation induced defects.
- [17] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *The Role of Nb and Impurities on Nano-oxide Retention under Neutron Irradiation*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), PI: Elizabeth Getto, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Evaluate the effectiveness of impurity sequestration in ODS steels under irradiation conditions relevant to current and advanced reactors using detailed post irradiation examination.
- [18] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Critical database development of high dose microstructure evolution in irradiated advanced steels*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), PI: Arthur Motta, Co-PIs: Gary Was, Kevin Field, Stephen Taller, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. This RTE focuses on the generation of data on high dose neutron irradiation in reactor for the purpose of benchmarking ion irradiation as a viable technique for rapidly advancing the development of materials for advanced reactor concepts and core structural components in life-extended LWRs.
- [19] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Microstructural Origin of Irradiation Hardening and Embrittlement in Irradiated Second Generation FeCrAl Alloys*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 23-1890, PI: Nathan Almirall, Co-PIs: Stephen Taller, Xiang Chen, Caleb Massey, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2023. Investigate the relationship between the irradiated microstructure and irradiation hardening and embrittlement using nanoindentation and detailed post irradiation electron microscopy to produce the first ever neutron irradiated structure-hardness-fracture property data.
- [20] **Co-Principal Investigator**, *Hydrogen-Retention of Yttrium Hydride under High Temperature Proton Irradiation*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 22-4396, PI: Timothy Lach, Co-PIs: Takaaki Koyanagi, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2022. The correlation between irradiation induced phase transition and hydrogen retention is being investigated in yttrium hydride using ion irradiation, ion beam analysis, and post irradiation thermal desorption spectroscopy and electron microscopy.
- [21] **Principal Investigator**, *The Role of Precipitate Coherency on Helium Trapping in Additively Manufactured Alloy 718*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 21-4272, Co-PI: Tim Lach, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2021. Helium cavity formation on precipitates is being investigated using a combination of in-situ ion irradiation, in-situ annealing, and post-irradiation examination using STEM-EDS.

- [22] **Principal Investigator**, *Improving Nuclear Materials Development Cycles with High Throughput Microscopy and Machine Learning*, Oak Ridge National Laboratory - Laboratory Directed Research and Development (LDRD), 2020-2023, Precipitate evolution and helium trapping are being investigated in Ni-based alloys by developing and utilizing high throughput STEM imaging and machine learning to enhance radiation induced defect identification, characterization, and understanding.
- [23] **Principal Investigator**, *Critical Evaluation of Solute Segregation and Precipitation Across Damage Rates in Dual Ion Irradiated T91 Steel*, [Nuclear Science User Facilities - Rapid Turnaround Experiment \(NSUF-RTE\)](#), Project 19-1624, Co-PIs: Gary S. Was, Zhijie Jiao, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, \$50,000, 2019. Radiation induced segregation and precipitation of Ni/Si clusters are being investigated across nearly two orders of magnitude in ion irradiation damage rate using STEM-EDS.
- [24] [Rackham Graduate School Conference Travel Grant](#), University of Michigan, \$800, September 2019
- [25] [Rackham Graduate School Conference Travel Grant](#), University of Michigan, \$800, March 2018
- [26] [Rackham Graduate School Conference Travel Grant](#), University of Michigan, \$800, Feb. 2017

COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- [The Minerals, Metals, and Materials Society \(TMS\)](#), Structural Materials Division, Nuclear Materials Committee, Member, 2021 - Present
- [ASTM International](#), Committee E10 on Nuclear Technology and Applications, Participating Member, Technical contact for ASTM E521, E942, 2022 - Present, Secretary for E10.02 subcommittee 2025
- [ORNL PRISM Employee Resource Group](#), Co-chair 2023-present, Secretary 2021 - 2023, Strong contributor to organizational charter and bylaws
- [NSUF Users Organization](#), Vice Chair, 2024 - Present, Strong contributor to organizational bylaws
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Fusion and Fission Energy Sciences Directorate Intern Committee, 2024
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Nuclear Energy and Fuel Cycle Division - Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Committee, 2024 - 2025
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Nuclear Energy and Fuel Cycle Division - Employee Development Committee, 2025 - Present

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

- [Top 100 Most Downloaded Article in Materials Science in Scientific Reports](#) for 2021, out of 23000+ articles published in Scientific Reports in 2021.
- [ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award - Honorable Mention](#), University of Michigan, Recognizes highly accomplished graduate students who produced exceptional dissertations of outstanding scholarly quality in any field of study. Selected from over 800 dissertations submitted in calendar year 2020.
- [Alvin M. Weinberg Distinguished Staff Fellowship](#), Oak Ridge National Laboratory, 2020-2023
- [Innovations in Nuclear Technology R&D](#), 2018 Nuclear Technology Student Innovator, First Place, Advanced Fuels, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, Office of Nuclear Technology R&D, \$3000, 2018
- [Richard and Eleanor Towner Prize for Outstanding Ph.D. Research](#), University of Michigan, College of Engineering, \$2500, Oct. 2018
- Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing, *Journal of Nuclear Materials*, Elsevier, 2017
- [Nuclear Energy University Programs Graduate Fellowship](#), \$155,000 / 3 yr., 2013-2016

UNDER REVIEW

- [1] R. Howard, D. Chandler, A. Le Coq, **S. Taller**, K. Linton, N. Cinbiz, The state of the art for neutron irradiation experiments from the perspective of the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR), *Submitted to Nuclear Engineering and Design*
- [2] W.-Y. Chen, **S. Taller**, A. M. Jokisaari, Y. Chen, R. Song, X. Zhang, L. Gao, P. M. Baldo, D. Habaruk, M. Li, Characterization of in-situ and ex-situ Ion-Irradiated Additively Manufactured 316L and 316H Stainless Steels, *Submitted to Journal of Nuclear Materials*
- [3] C. Massey, **S. Taller**, M. Gussev, K. Smith, C. Havrilak, A. Nelson, Mechanical Properties, Strain Hardening, and Fracture Behavior of Ultrasonic Additively Manufactured Zircaloy-4 after Low-Temperature Neutron Irradiation, *Submitted to Journal of Nuclear Materials*
- [4] G. Kumari, T. Graening, P. Nandwana, S. Nayir, **S. Taller**, C. Joslin, A. L. Musgrove, A. Godfrey, C. Massey, Post-Build Stress-Relief Optimization for Laser Powder Bed Fusion 316H Stainless Steel, *Submitted to Acta Materialia*

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- [2] **S. Taller**, F. Naab, T. Koyanagi, T. Lach, Characterization of the Microstructure of Yttrium Hydride under Proton Irradiation, *Journal of Nuclear Materials*, Volume 606, February 2025, 155586, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnucmat.2024.155586>
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- [5] Y. Yan, C. Massey, B. E. Garrison, **S. Taller**, S. Kang, A. T. Nelson, Hydrogen Embrittlement of Zircaloy-4 Fabricated by Ultrasonic Additive Manufacturing, *Materials Science and Engineering: A*, Volume 914, November 2024, 147126, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.msea.2024.147126>
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- [7] **S. Taller**, L. Scime, T. Austin, A New Paradigm in Electron Microscopy: Automated Characterization using a Dynamic Segmentation Convolutional Neural Network, *Materials Today Advances*, Volume 21, March 2024, 100468, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mtadv.2024.100468>
- [8] **S. Taller**, T. Austin, Using Post-Processing Heat Treatments to Elucidate Precipitate Strengthening of Additively Manufactured Superalloy 718, *Additive Manufacturing*, Volume 60, Part A, December 2022, 103280, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addma.2022.103280>

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- [10] E. Getto, N. Nathan, J. McMahan, **S. Taller**, B. Baker, Understanding Radiation Effects in Friction Stir Welded MA956 using Ion Irradiation and a Rate Theory Model, *Journal of Nuclear Materials*, 153530, April 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnucmat.2022.153530>
- [11] P. Xiu, C. Massey, T. M. K. Green, **S. Taller**, D. Isheim, N. Sridharan, K. G. Field, Microchemical Evolution of Irradiated Additive Manufactured HT9, *Journal of Nuclear Materials*, 153410, February 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnucmat.2021.153410>
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- [2] **S. Taller**, Improving the Nuclear Materials Development Cycle with High Throughput Microscopy and Machine Learning, invited presentation for *Deep Learning for Microscopy Image Analysis in Materials Science: Advancing Research and Education Workshop*, University of Tennessee-Knoxville, Knoxville, TN, June 2023
- [3] **S. Taller**, C. Massey, Examining Microstructural Effects on Tensile Properties in Irradiated Inconel 718 Using Miniaturized Tensile Specimens, invited presentation for *TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2023* in the Mechanical Behavior of Nuclear Reactor Materials and Components III symposium, San Diego, CA, Mar. 2023

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- [2] F. Pellemoine, C. Barbier, Y. Sun, K. Ammigan, S. Bidhar, B. Zwaska, D. McClintock, **S. Taller**, D. Winder, C.S. Cutler, D. Kim, Y. Chiu, M. Freer, C. Wheldon, A. Gottberg, F. Boix Pamies, M. Calviani, N. Moncoffre, S. Meigo, T. Ishida, Y. Dai, A. Couet, K. Kriewaldt, M. Moorhead, G.S. Was, O. Toader, F. Naab, P. Wang, D. Woodley, E. Getto, S. Raiman, C. Grygiel, I. Monnet, A. Alessi, Irradiation Facilities and Irradiation Methods for High Power Target, Snowmass 2021, <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2203.08239>
- [3] B.T. Clay, A. Bakaev, L. Buongiorno, **S. A. Taller**, M. Verwerft, K. Lambrinou, MS4 Mining of Existing Irradiation Data, 2nd Ed., Innovative Cladding Materials for Advanced Accident-Tolerant Energy Systems, K. Lambrinou, Principal Investigator for NFRP-2016-2017, Grant Agreement Number: 740415
- [4] A. Bakaev, **S. A. Taller**, M. Verwerft, K. Lambrinou, MS4 Mining of Existing Irradiation Data, Innovative Cladding Materials for Advanced Accident-Tolerant Energy Systems, K. Lambrinou, Principal Investigator for NFRP-2016-2017, Grant Agreement Number: 740415

PROFESSIONAL
WORKSHOPS

- [1] **S. Taller**, *Why push materials to their breaking point?*, Nuclear News, American Nuclear Society, <https://www.ans.org/news/2025-02-10/article-6711/why-push-materials-to-their-breaking-point/>

Foundations of Irradiation Testing: A Workshop for Researchers, gave an invited presentation on the fundamentals of radiation damage in nuclear fuels and materials, Idaho Falls, Idaho, ID, USA, remote, July 2025

Seventh International Workshop on Structural Materials for Innovative Nuclear Systems (SMINS-7), presented on the DOE NE AMMT's Licensing Approach with Ions and Neutrons (LAIN) framework for accelerated materials qualification, Madrid, Spain, April 2025

SiC Passive Thermometry Workshop, participated in discussions of SiC as a passive thermometry device in neutron radiation environments, Oak Ridge, TN, USA, May 2024

Oppenheimer Science and Energy Leadership Program, invited participation in a panel discussion of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility efforts with OSELP Cohort 6, Oak Ridge, TN, USA, August 2023

SRS Observance Program - LGBTQ+ Pride Month: Peace, Love, Revolution, invited participation in a panel discussion for the Savannah River Site with representatives across the DOE complex, Virtual, Aiken, SC, USA, June 2023

American Nuclear Society - Student Conference, ORNL Lunch and Learn: Working with ORNL Internships, Postdocs, and Early Careers, Presented on experiences as an intern, graduate student, and early career scientist at ORNL to undergraduate and graduate students, Knoxville, TN, USA, April 2023

Sixth International Workshop on Structural Materials for Innovative Nuclear Systems (SMINS-6), Presented on Microstructural Evolution of Alloy 718 Under High Temperature In-situ Ion Irradiation, hosted by the Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA) at Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, ID, USA, September 2022

Material Challenges for Nuclear Fusion and Fission Energy, ORNL Workshop, Oak Ridge, TN, USA, August 2022

Workshop on Advanced Characterization on Nuclear Fuel and Materials. Attended presentations remotely, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, January 2021

Workshop on Accelerated Irradiations for Reactor Structural Materials, Invited speaker on Understanding Physical Processes Through Isolation of Single Parameters, Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, ID, September 2020

High Fidelity Ion Beam Simulation of High Dose Neutron Irradiation Ferritic-Martensitic Steel Characterization Workshop, Organized and led practical demonstrations for the characterization of irradiation induced defects in ferritic-martensitic steels using SEM/FIB, STEM/TEM, Michigan Center for Materials Characterization, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 2018

Workshop on Ion Irradiation For the Study of Radiation Damage in Materials, Contributed to *Best Practices for Conducting Ion Irradiation to Study Radiation Damage in Materials*, G. S. Was editor, The Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania, June 2015

Workshop on The Characterization of Radiation Damage in Metals Using Transmission Electron Microscopy, Contributed to *Report on the Best Practices for Transmission Electron Microscopy Characterization of Irradiation Induced Defects*, A.T. Motta and M.A. Kirk, editors, Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois, September 2014

Workshop on Ion Beam Simulation of High Dose Neutron Irradiation, Attended plenary talks and participated in discussion sections, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, March 2014

LABORATORY SKILLS

Analytical Microscopy:

- Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM), Scanning TEM (STEM), Energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS), Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (EELS) on JEOL and FEI suite of transmission electron microscopes
- Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM), Focused Ion Beam (FIB) on FEI suite of scanning electron microscopes
- Digital Micrograph, ImageJ, FIJI

Ion Beam Techniques and Software:

- Particle Induced X-ray Emission (PIXE) Analysis, Nuclear Reaction Analysis (NRA), Rutherford Backscattering (RBS) Analysis
- [Stopping and Range of Ions in Matter \(SRIM\)](#), [GEANT4](#) (beginner), [SimNRA](#), [IRADINA](#) (beginner)

Proton, Heavy Ion, and Multiple Ion Beam Irradiations of Metals and Ceramics

Numerical Analysis:
 – MATLAB, NumPy, SciPy (beginner)
 Desktop Editing and Productivity Software:
 – Microsoft Office, L^AT_EX (beginner), Google Docs
 Programming Languages:
 – MATLAB, Python, C++ (beginner)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee Service

- *Journal of Nuclear Materials*
- *Nuclear Materials and Energy*
- *Materials Letters*
- *Vacuum*
- *The Journal of Visualized Experiments*
- *The Journal of Materials Science and Technology*
- *Scripta Materialia*
- *Scientific Reports*
- *Nuclear Science and Engineering*
- *Materials & Design*
- *Materialia*

MENTORING AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN

Ryan Thier

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Tennessee - Knoxville. Radiation damage effects in nickel alloys. Served on Ph.D. dissertation committee. Primary advisor: Prof. Steven Zinkle. Winter 2025- Present.

Guest Lecture Fall 2024

University of Tennessee - Knoxville, NE544 "Ion Beam Analysis of Materials" on An Investigation of Carbon Contamination using Ion Beam Analysis

July Reyes-Zacharias

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Tennessee - Knoxville, Ion-neutron radiation damage correlations using nanoindentation. Primary Advisor: Prof. Steven Zinkle. Fall 2023 to present.

Alec Pfundheller

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, Texas A&M University. Radiation effects in additively manufactured 316L stainless steels using Transmission Electron Microscopy. Primary advisor: Prof. Lin Shao. Summer 2024.

Guest Lecture Spring 2024

University of Tennessee - Knoxville, NE540 "Fundamentals of Irradiation Effects in Nuclear Materials" on Radiation Hardening and Embrittlement, Void Swelling

Matthew Lynch

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Michigan. Machine learning for microstructure identification using Transmission Electron Microscopy. Primary advisor: Prof. Kevin Field. Summer 2022.

Lukas Metzger

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Molecular dynamics simulation of defect interactions with Ni-Nb precipitates in FCC Nickel. Primary advisor: Prof. Jinsuo Zhang. Summer 2022.

Ty Austin

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Tennessee - Knoxville. Machine learning for microstructure defect identification and data processing techniques. Served on Ph.D. dissertation committee. Primary advisor: Prof. Steven Zinkle. Summer 2021.

Andrew Kupferberg

Graduate student in Materials Science Engineering, Rutgers University. Molecular dynamics simulation of defects in FCC Nickel and helium effects on cavities. Summer 2021. Now: Corning Incorporated.

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor, MI**Valentin Pauly**

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor. Simulation of high dose neutron damage using dual ion beam irradiations. Serving on Ph.D. dissertation committee. Primary advisor: Prof. Gary Was. Fall 2019 and Winter 2020.

Logan Clowers

Graduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor. Simulation of radiation damage in fusion reaction materials using multiple ion beam irradiations. Primary advisor: Prof. Gary Was. Fall 2019 and Winter 2020.

Course Assistant for NERS 521: "Radiation Materials Science I"

Fall 2017

– Responsibilities: Prepared homework solutions and graded homework. Provided assistance at weekly office hours.

Sunming Qin

Undergraduate student in Nuclear Engineering, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor. Design and programming for a rotating thin foil energy degrader. Primary advisor: Prof. Gary Was. Winter 2015 and Spring 2015.

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS**

American Nuclear Society (ANS), Member, 2015 - Present

Material Advantage (ACerS, AIST, ASM, TMS), Member, 2013 - Present

ASTM International, 2022 - Present

Tau Beta Pi

Phi Beta Kappa

Alpha Nu Sigma