



# **ARL Penn State Capabilities in Surface Engineering**

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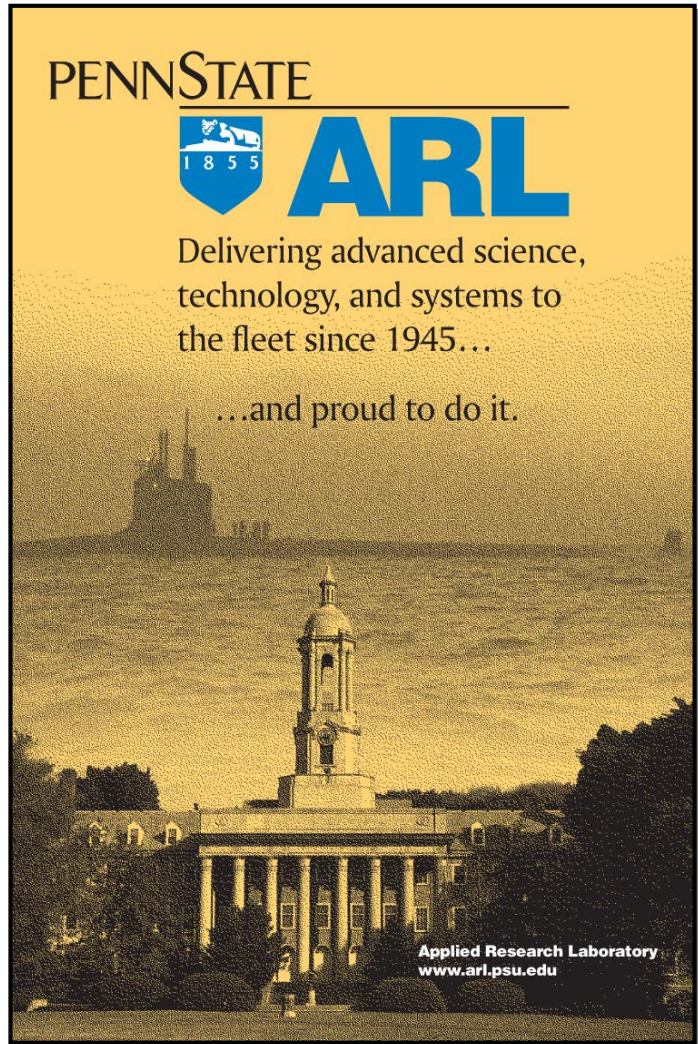
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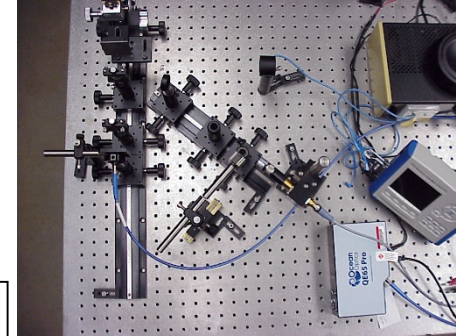
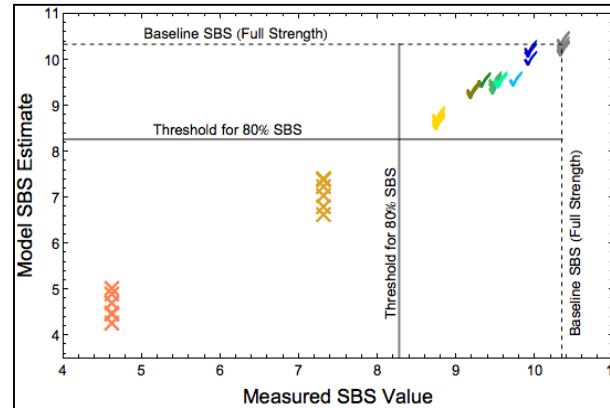
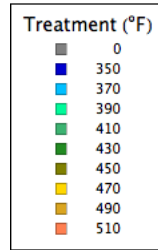
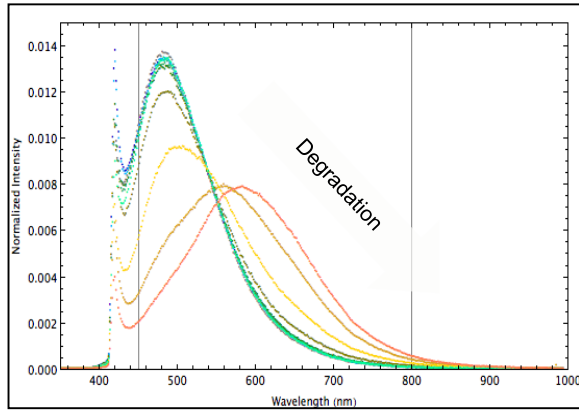


# Applied Research Lab Background



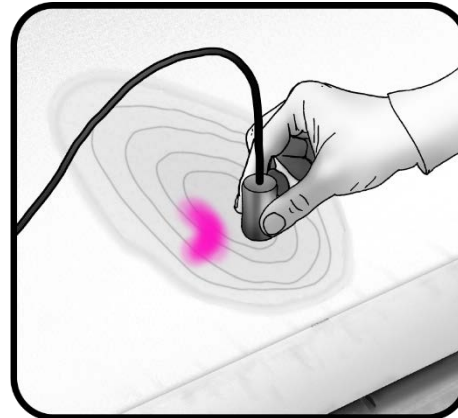
- Established in 1945 by the Navy post WW II
  - Technology Areas
    - Undersea Weapons
    - Undersea Vehicles/UUV's
    - Hydrodynamics and Structures
    - Acoustics & Quieting
    - Comms and Information
    - Power and Energy
    - Navigation
    - Materials & Manufacturing
  - Largest Interdisciplinary Research Unit at Penn State – 1140 faculty/engineers, staff, students
  - FY 17 Funding Expenditures - \$ 200+M
  - Designated an University Affiliated Research Center in 1996
- “...maintains a special long-term strategic relationship with DoD for technology development and engineering applications.”

- Polymer Matrix Composites (PMCs) can suffer strength loss exceeding 60% from exposures to high heat fluxes.
- Feasibility demonstrated to assess incipient heat damage based on changes in fluorescence spectrum.

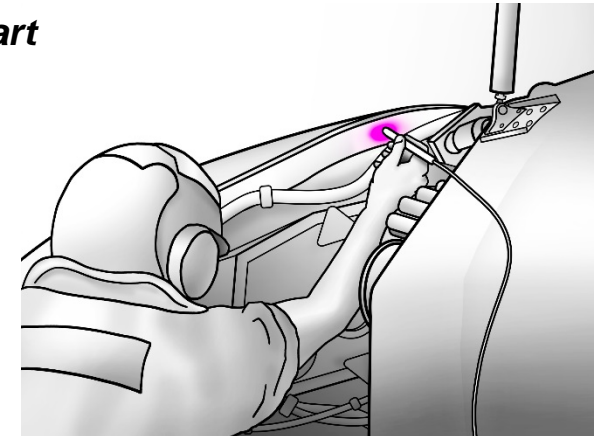


**Apparatus Developed**

**Spectral Features Change due to Heat Damage**

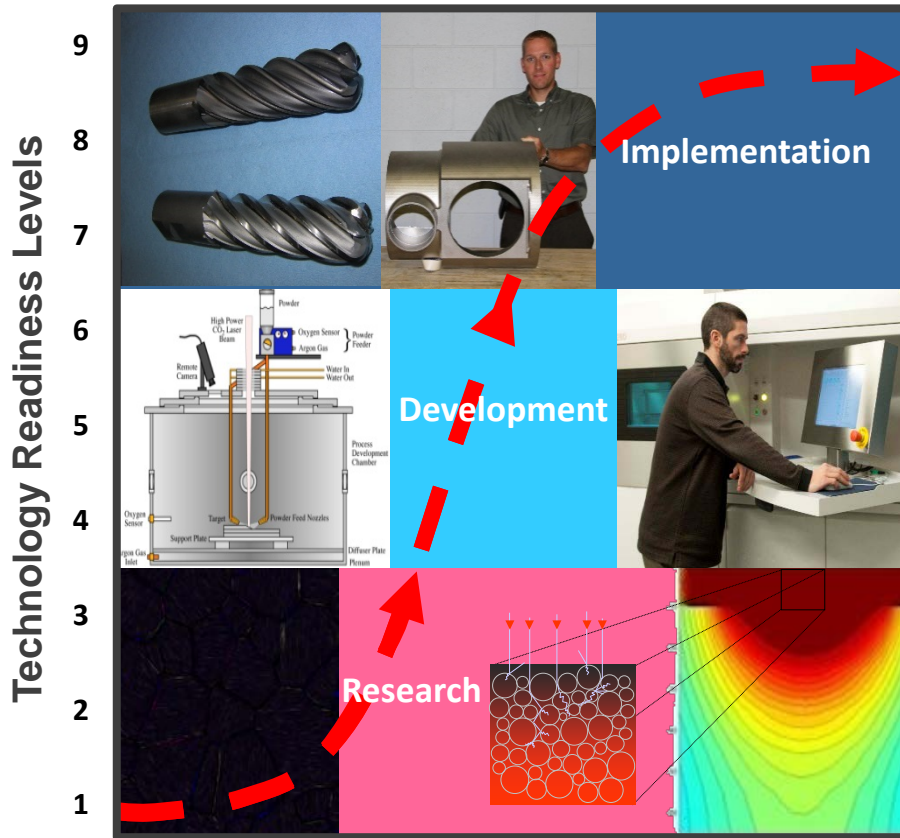


**Validation Chart**



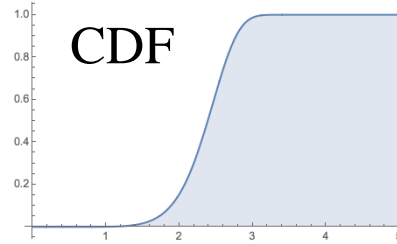
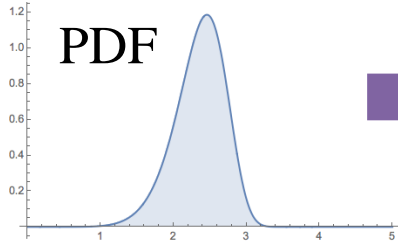
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## Center for Innovative Materials Processing through Direct Digital Deposition

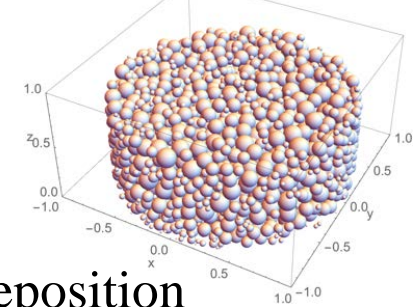


Various Enabling Technologies

- A national resource for additive manufacturing technologies:
  - university-wide initiative
  - operated by Penn State's Applied Research Laboratory, a DoD University Affiliated Research Center (UARC)
  
- An Additive Manufacturing Demonstration Center (AMDF) under the DARPA Open Manufacturing Program
  
- With a mission to:
  - advanced additive manufacturing technologies,
  - promote adoption through process and product demonstrations, and
  - promote and sustain additive manufacturing.



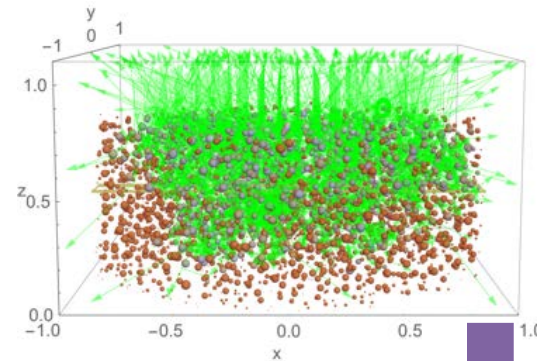
**Generated Powder Bed**



## Powder Bed Generator

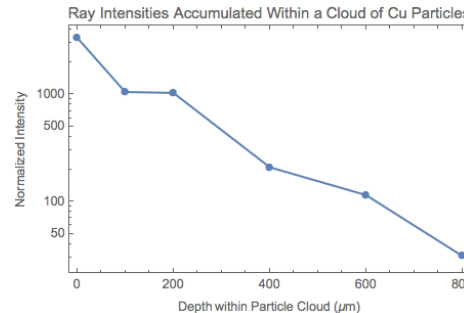
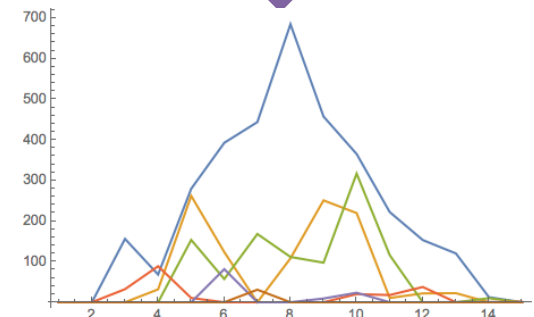
- Installed on same computer running the energy deposition model
- Configured to base generated powder bed on arbitrary cumulative distribution function (CDF)
- Used to generate powder beds based on two different distributions
  - Weibull
  - An experimentally measured distribution (selected arbitrarily)

## Energy Deposition



Powder Deposition Model successfully exercised against generated powder beds

## Energy Deposition Profile



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- Coating Technologies
  - Various techniques
    - Cold Spray
    - Evaporation
    - Sputtering
    - Cathodic Arc
  - Erosion Resistance
  - Ice Adhesion & De-Icing
  - Smart Coatings
  - Corrosion resistant coatings
- Fiber-Optic Surface Interrogation using Shear Horizontal Waves
- Drive Train Technologies
- Additive Manufacturing Technologies