

NNSA Welcome

An Alumnus Perspective

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My experiences with NNSA Headquarters

- **As a fellow:** listening to their welcome speeches at these reviews
 - My thoughts at the time: they control a lot of funding and that was intimidating
- **Now:** Interacting with someone from NA-10, NA-20, or NA-80 about once a month.
 - My thoughts now: they strive to help us get the funding we need to do the right science to solve our biggest problems.



This realization was empowering!

Change how you think of this fellowship

Government view

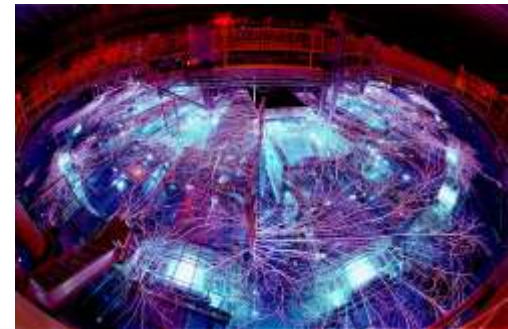
- Purpose of the fellowship is to train scientists vital to meeting US workforce needs in advanced science and engineering

Scientist view

- What that really means: you or your future students can work at the labs and solve our biggest problems



The problems we are solving
can't be studied anywhere else



I am not going to tell you how great you are... that would be oddly self congratulating

- Your skills are vital to the future of the NNSA
- You are capable of making a difference to national security
- As a part of this fellowship, you have an inside track to affecting change for the better at the labs.

Welcome to the SSGF program review
Please use it as a resource for your career!

