

# Fall 2007 AMTAS Brainstorming Session: Multifunctionality & Nanotechnology

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- Increased Safety
- Environmentally Friendly
- Risk/Variability Reduction
- Reduced Emissions/Noise
- Higher Performance/Robustness
- Increased Payload/Range/Speed
- Maintenance-Free/Ease of Repair
- Lower Operating/Maintenance Costs







### **Multifunctional Materials & Structures**

#### **MF** - Getting more from the material:

Replacing a multitude of materials with multifunctional materials in engineered applications can reduce costs of qualifications, certifications and inventory.



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Multifunctional design, optimization, and analysis tools Multifunctional manufacturing and assembly Multifunctional repair, maintenance Multifunctional certification







# Multifunctional Materials & Structures – TIG Examples

#### Electrically Conductive Glass Fiber Composites

- Reduced metallics inside the fuselage for CRN purposes
- Corrosion isolators plies can also serve as sensing layers
- Anti-static (ESD)

#### Structural Energy Sources

Batteries, fuel cells, capacitors..

#### Multifunctional Coatings

- Electrical & thermal conductivity, corrosion protection, adhesive bonding, self-cleaning, ice-phobic, antimicrobial, ...

#### Multifunctional Sensors

- Detect moisture, impact, temperature...
- Electrically, Thermally Conductive, and Acoustic Damping Structure
  - Eliminate auxiliary systems
- Multifunctional Foam to reduce density and perform other functions
- Multifunctional layered film for impact, conductivity, transparency







#### Increasing Emphasis on Multifunctional Materials for the Future

- Structural integration of electronic devices
- Combination of load-carrying capabilities with functional requirements (e.g. thermal, power)
- Adaptive, sensory and active materials
- Revolutionary concept of "autonomic" structures which sense, diagnose and respond for adjustment
- Hybridization of materials and lay-up for complex requirements

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#### **Other Nanotechnologies**

- Nano enhanced high temp materials allow engines to run hotter, improve efficiency, increase thrust-to-weight ratio
- Ice-phobic coatings using POSS
- CNT repair patches for aluminum corrosion (updated version of old Boron composite repairs for metal
- More durable paint
- Sensors for fire, biological, chemical threats
- NIST Nanocable project plastic electrical wire
- Nano film damping of turbulent flow induced vibrations

- Nano energized fuel catalysts for greater efficiency/reduced pollution
- Thermoelectric technology have a large range of applications to capitalize on waste heat and thermal gradients (MURI conference).
- Nanoscale piezoelectric material technology for vibration energy harvesting.
- Non-electrically conductive thermal interface material improvements for electronic cooling
- Non-thermally conductive, but electrically conductive interface material for TE applications.



The Key to success will be in choosing the right team members

