

INSTITUTE COLLOQUIA AND SEMINARS

April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024

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| April 5 | Professor Alexander Volya,
Department of Physics
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida 32306 | <i>Order and Chaos in Mesoscopic Nuclear
Physics</i> |
| April 27 | Dr. Siegfried S. Hecker,
Professor of the Practice in Nuclear
Engineering and Distinguished
Faculty Fellow in the Center for
Nuclear Security Science and Policy
Initiatives (NSSPI), Texas A&M
University, College Station, Texas
77843 | <i>Nuclear Solutions Institute Colloquium:
North Korea's Sixty-Year Odyssey to a
Nuclear Arsenal</i> |
| June 7 | Professor Jorge A. Munoz, Jr.
Department of Physics,
The University of Texas at El Paso
(UTEP),
El Paso, Texas 79968 | <i>Computational Thinking and Close Mentoring
in Nuclear Physics Education and Training</i> |
| June 20 | Dr. Eric Aboud
Critical Engineer and Postdoctoral
Researcher,
Lawrence Livermore National
laboratory,
Livermore, California 94550-9234 | <i>Integral Experiments for Nuclear Criticality
at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory</i> |
| July 13 | Dr. Kiana Setoodehnia,
Research Staff Scientist,
Duke University/Triangle
Universities, Nuclear Laboratory
Durham, North Carolina 27708 | <i>Current Status of SECAR: A Recoil Separator
for Nuclear Astrophysics Experiments at
FRIB</i> |
| August 10 | Dr. Patrick Steinegger,
Assistant Professor of
Radiochemistry,
Laboratory of Inorganic Chemistry,
Department of Chemistry and Applied
Biosciences, ETH Zurich, Switzerland | <i>The chemical characterization of superheavy
elements ($Z > 103$)</i> |
| August 15 | Dr. Robert Eichler,
Joint professorship PSI/UniBern
University of Bern,
Bern, Switzerland | <i>Recent and future Swiss radionuclide
production for science</i> |

August 31	David Kahl,	<i>Investigation of Nuclear Reactions with Magnetic Spectrometers</i>
September 5	Dr. Sylvie Hudan,, Senior Scientist, Indian University, Bloomington, Indiana 47405	<i>Impact of neutron excess on near-barrier fusion in $^{16-20}\text{O} + ^{12}\text{C}$</i>
September 11	Michael Story, Ph.D. Vice-Chair, Department of Radiation Oncology, Chief, Division of Molecular Radiation Biology, Director, Pre-clinical Radiation Core Facility, David A. Pistenmaa, M.D., Ph.D. Distinguished Chair in Radiation Oncology, University of Texas, Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas 75390	<i>The return of carbon ion radiotherapy to the United States: Will this \$233M bet pay off?</i>
October 10	Dr. George Zimba, Post Doc, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB) Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Isospin breaking in the upper fp-shell nuclei: In-beam spectroscopy of $A = 78 T = 1$ nuclei via recoil-double-β and recoil-β tagging methods</i>
October 12	Mr. Rahul Jain, Graduate Research Assistant Facility for Rare Isotope Beams Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Heating and cooling of accreting neutron star crusts</i>
October 24	Janilee Benitez, Principal Engineering Associate, MARS-D Project Manager ECR Group, 88-Inch Cyclotron, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California 94720	<i>Development of Electron Cyclotron Resonance Ion Sources at LBNL's 88-Inch Cyclotron</i>
October 26	Deepa Thomas, Assistant Professor, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas 78767	<i>Exploring QCD in Extreme Conditions</i>

November 7	Dr. Cheuk-Yin Wong, Distinguished Senior Physicist, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830	<i>On the question of quark confinement in the QED interaction</i>
November 14	Professor Dean Lee, Department of Physics, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB) Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Nuclear Lattice Simulations for Nuclear Structure and Thermodynamics</i>
November 15	Professor Filomena Nunes, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>BAR: Bayesian Analyses of Reactions</i>
November 20	Rebecca (Becca) Hoerres, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Chemistry, The University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri 65211	<i>Development of [^{99m}Tc]Tc- and [¹⁸⁶Re]Re- tricarboxyl metal complexes with TACN- based chelators for radiopharmaceutical applications</i>
November 21	Dr. Jonathan Morrell, Post-doctoral Research Associate, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545	<i>Understanding Pre-Equilibrium Physics for Isotope Production</i>
<u>2024</u>		
January 10	Dr. Armand Bahini, Post-doctoral researcher, iThemba laboratory for Accelerator based Sciences (LABS), Somerset West 7129, South Africa	<i>Study of the isoscalar giant monopole resonance (ISGMR) at iThemba LABS</i>
January 17	Rajkumar Santra, Visiting Fellow, Variable Energy Cyclotron Center (VECC), India	<i>Nine things every faculty and staff should know about title IX (and civil rights!) at Texas A&M University</i>
January 23	S. Shahina, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556	<i>Stellar neutron sources for the s-process nucleosynthesis</i>

January 31	Tyler Wheeler, Graduate Research Assistant, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams, Michigan State University Laboratory, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Measuring the $^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$ Reaction Rate in Type I X-ray Bursts using ^{20}Mg β-decay</i>
February 6	Xinyi Wang, Graduate Student, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Locating the first $p_{1/2}$- state in ^{13}Be</i>
February 6	James DeBoer, Associate Research Faculty, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556	<i>Another (α, n) measurement from the University of Notre Dame, the $^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)^{16}\text{O}$ reaction</i>
February 27	Dr. Paul Ellison, Assistant Professor of Medical Physics, School of Medicine and Public Health, Health Sciences Learning Center, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53705	<i>Cyclotron production, radiochemical synthesis, and biological evaluation of theranostic radiopharmaceuticals</i>
February 29	Nathaniel Pogue, Accelerator Physics Group Leader, National Security Engineering Division (NSED) Lawrence Livermore National Lab (LLNL), Livermore, California 94550	<i>LIAs - The Powerful Accelerators you have never heard of, that are enabling US Science and Security</i>
March 5	Chloe Hebborn, Assistant Professor, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Ab initio prediction of $\alpha(d, \gamma)^6\text{Li}$ and impact of the ^6Li properties onto α-induced reactions of astrophysical interest</i>
March 12	Dr. Heshani Jayatissa, Postdoctoral Researcher, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545	<i>Understanding the nucleosynthesis flow in type-I x-ray bursts using a direct measurement of an α-capture reaction on ^{22}Mg</i>
March 18	Rebeka Lubna, Facility for Rare Isotope Beams, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824	<i>Probing the Evolution in Nuclear Structure around $N = 20$</i>

- March 19 Dr. Gregory Potel,
Staff Scientist,
Lawrence Livermore National
Laboratory,
Livermore, California 94550-9234 *The Optical Potential: From Structure to
Reactions and Back Again*
- March 25 Veronika Mocko,
Research Scientist,
Los Alamos National Laboratory,
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545 *From R&D to large scale production of a new
PET radionuclide Ce-134*
- March 27 Jonas Karthein,
Massachusetts Institute of
Technology
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139 *Unknown Electroweak Nuclear Properties
From Single Molecular Ions*