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JSA Awards \$412K for FY13 Initiatives Fund Program

Washington, DC – Jefferson Sciences Associates (JSA) announced the award of \$412,000 to support projects related to education, outreach and career development to staff and users at the U.S. Department of Energy's Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab).

Since 2006, JSA, which operates and manages Jefferson Lab for the Department of Energy, has provided over \$3 million to support 140 projects under its JSA Initiatives Fund Program. The Initiatives Fund supports programs, initiatives and activities that further the scientific outreach, and promote the science, education and technology missions of Jefferson Lab in ways that complement its basic and applied research focus.

The Program is managed and administered by the Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA), a consortium of more than 60 leading universities, for the JSA Programs Committee. SURA and the Applied Technology Division of Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC/ATD) jointly own JSA.

“Over the years, these diverse projects and initiatives have added value to the Lab’s programs and helped to cultivate the support of the science and user communities,” said Hugh Montgomery, JSA president and Jefferson Lab director.

The FY13 Initiatives Fund Program includes new awards for 29 projects. More than 45 percent of the award funds support the education and outreach programs at the Jefferson Lab. The remaining awards support post doc career development, other Lab programs, Jefferson Lab users initiatives and activities, and several topical science meetings. A complete listing of the FY13 awards can be found at <http://www.jsallc.org/IF/IFProjects.html>.

The 2013 evaluation committee was chaired by Elizabeth Beise from the University of Maryland. Other committee members included: JSA Programs Committee Chair June Matthews from MIT; David Armstrong from the College of William & Mary; William Briscoe from The George Washington University; Paul Eugenio from Florida State University; Daniel Sober from The Catholic University of America; Robert McKeown representing Jefferson Lab; and, Elizabeth Lawson, representing SURA/JSA.

“One of the important features of the Initiatives Fund Program is that its funds are often matched with other source funding. This year, more than \$400,000 in matching and contributing funds have been committed to the new awards, making it possible to stretch Initiatives Fund dollars to support more proposals,” said Beise, who also commended the JSA owners for their continued support of the Program.



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SURA President & CEO Jerry Draayer and CSC/ATD Vice President & General Manager Paul Branske noted that the investment in the Initiatives Fund Program enables Jefferson Lab and its users to engage more effectively in many educational, scientific, technical, and outreach activities that contribute to the Lab's overall ability to accomplish its mission.

Jefferson Lab, located in Newport News, VA, is a world-leading nuclear physics research facility. More than 1,300 scientists from around the world use the lab's unique particle accelerator to conduct experiments to expand our understanding of the visible universe.

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