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# NIRPS Skills & Capabilities Tool

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- NIRPS Portal Recap
- Skills & Capabilities Tool
- Small Team Collaboration Sites
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- Feedback & Summary

1. The NIRPS Portal is being designed to enable collaboration on technology and system development; to foster sharing of experiences and lessons learned.
2. To streamline access to facilities & expertise across Government, industry, and academic members of the propulsion community.

## Security Requirement for Access:

- Use JANNAF conference & CPIAC online database model:
  - ◆ Ability to receive DoD Distribution Statement C level of information (U.S. Government and their U.S. contractors)
    - Academics, Retirees, Small Businesses without current contract may be signed for by U.S. Government civil servant
  - ◆ ITAR restriction. DLIS certification required.
  - ◆ Verified by CPIAC Security Officer

## Multiple Levels of User Rights:

- Administrator (resides at CPIAC)
- Partner (resides within NIRPS partner community)
  - ◆ Acts as top authority for specific communities of interest
  - ◆ Reviews & accepts posts for acceptability
  - ◆ Can elevate Participants to Moderators for their workspace
- Moderator (resides within portal user community)
  - ◆ Acts as authorities for specific communities of interest
  - ◆ Reviews & accepts posts for acceptability
- Participant (all portal users)
  - ◆ Meets security requirements, given account to portal
  - ◆ Create entries within community spaces
    - Posting of new entries is subject to approval by moderators/partners
- Public
  - ◆ Content outside of portal, no account

- A tool for propulsion community members to identify skills & capabilities across organizational boundaries.
- Advertise skills & capabilities that reside within your organization.
- **Goal:** Increase collaboration by streamlining access to expertise.

## Operation:

- Portal Participants can search by category and keyword
- NIRPS Partners to establish POCs for creating and managing entries for their organization
- Skills & Capabilities categorized by the 20 taxonomy tech areas
- Expansion into other contributors possible

- Spaces within the NIRPS Portal allocated to small team collaboration
- **Goals:**
  - ◆ Suitable for use by small groups working on a specific project or tasks.
  - ◆ Collaborate on projects and deliverables through file sharing, editing, and communication tools.

## Operation:

- Initially setup for each of the NIRPS Teams
  - ◆ Additional small team sites can be setup as requested
- Access to team sites is controlled by a team leader
- All users can view, generate, and edit content belonging to the team

- Spaces within the NIRPS Portal allocated to collaboration on technologies, needs, and expertise.
- **Goals:**
  - ◆ Share technical information across organizations to benefit all
  - ◆ Announce / Identify areas of needed collaboration – create opportunities
  - ◆ Share lessons learned and establish community wide best practices

## Operation:

- One Community of Interest for each of the 20 taxonomy tech areas.
- Each community has a Partner level authority to manage content and user rights.
- All users can view, generate, and edit content
  - ◆ Posting of new/edited content subject to review by the Partner or Moderators

3 main features of the NIRPS Portal:

## ➤ **Skills & Capabilities Tool**

- ◆ Currently under development
- ◆ Lays foundation for NIRPS Portal
- ◆ **Beta test completed by NIRPS SFT April 17<sup>th</sup>**
- ◆ Final functionality implemented by AIAA JPC (mid-July)

## ➤ **Small Team Collaboration Sites**

- ◆ Build off of features implemented for Skills & Capabilities Tool
- ◆ Implementation completed by September 2013

## ➤ **Communities of Interest Sites**

- ◆ Final planned product of NIRPS Portal
- ◆ Opens collaboration to broad community, managed by moderators
- ◆ Implementation completed by December 2013

➤ **Currently on-schedule to meet these targets**

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**NIRPS Collaboration portal** The location to access and interact with Government, industry and academic members of the United States Propulsion Community

**NIRPS Portal Access**

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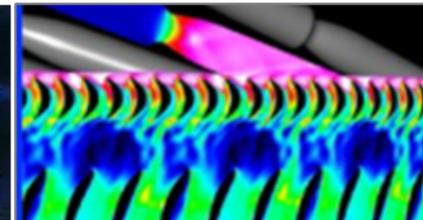
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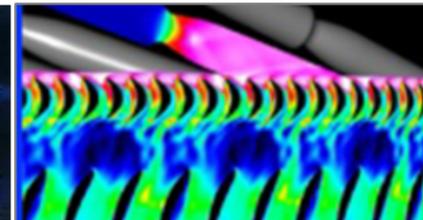
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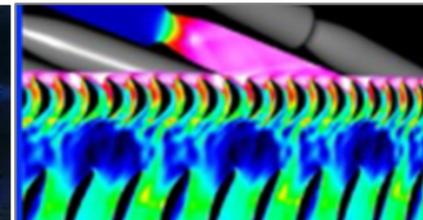
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## Top-level Community of Interest Navigation

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## Skills & Capabilities Tool Demo

<http://www.cpiac.jhu.edu/nirps>

- The NIRPS SFT tested the Skills & Capabilities Tool beta April 10-17<sup>th</sup>
- Comments from the testers:
  - ◆ User interface intuitive
  - ◆ Includes relevant filtering and search mechanisms
  - ◆ Minor modifications requested
- Additional functionality current under development
  - ◆ User registration & account management
  - ◆ User access control
    - Moderator to allow specific users to add content to tool

- The NIRPS SFT and CPIAC are developing the NIRPS Portal
- **Initial release of NIRPS Portal to community in July**
  - ◆ Skills & Capabilities Tool is first product
- Additional functionality released
  - ◆ September 2013 – Small Team Collaboration Sites
  - ◆ December 2013 – Communities of Interest Sites
- Beta release set for April 2013
- Final release set for December 2013
- **Currently on-schedule to meet these targets**

# Thank you.

# Questions?

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# Backup Slides

## 1. Security

1. Individual user accounts verified by CPIAC
2. Access based upon JANNAF attendance & CPIAC online database requirements
3. Multiple levels of user rights

## 2. Accessible through NIRPS website

## 3. Method of allowing users to identify skills & capabilities currently existing within the propulsion community

1. Self identification of organizational skills & capabilities
2. Users can search & filter by category & keyword

## 4. Areas for collaboration

1. Organized into distinct communities
2. Capture information including: Activities, Needs, Opportunities, Technologies, Experiences, Lessons Learned, and Best Practices
3. Users can search & filter by category & keyword

## Communities of Interest Collaborative Spaces



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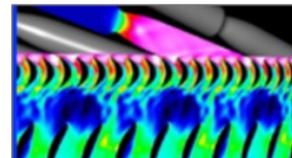
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#### Chemical Propulsion Communities of Interest:



#### Liquid

Monopropellant, Bi-Propellant, Pressure Fed, Pump Fed, Cryogenic, Storable, Systems, Propellants, Components.



#### Solid

Technologies of interest to the solid propulsion community of interest include...



#### Hybrid

Technologies of interest to the hybrid propulsion community of interest include...



#### Gel

Technologies of interest to the gel propulsion community of interest include...

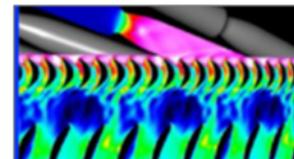


#### Airbreathing

Technologies of interest to the gel propulsion community of interest include...



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Click on a specific Community to Collaborate...



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Skills & Capabilities

Team Leader: George Schmidt, NASA-GRC, Cleveland

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### Needs:

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### Opportunities:

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Content Categories, organize collaboration

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Organize entries by community members based on:

- Activities
- Technologies
- Needs
- Opportunities
- Experiences (Whitepapers)
- Lessons Learned
- Best Practices

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Entry Title:

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- Applications:
- Launch & Strategic Propulsion
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  - Tactical Propulsion
  - Abort Systems
  - Pyro & Separation Systems
  - Other

- Disciplines:
- Design & Development
  - Analysis, Modeling & Simulation
  - Manufacturing
  - Test
  - Safety
  - Environmental

Community Tags:

- Systems
- Propellants
- Components
- Community Generated Tag 1
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Notional approach for capturing community content



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This handbook was prepared by the Scramjet Engine Test Standard Working Group (SETSWG) under the direction of the JANNAF Airbreathing Propulsion Subcommittee, Engine Testing and Validation Panel. It was produced through the efforts of many practitioners in the greater scramjet community. The long-term goal of this effort is to establish a more systematic and uniform set of standards for the test and evaluation of scramjet engines in the development process. It is intended to be a living document that will provide recommended practices for testing in the near term that will evolve into a full set of standards in subsequent editions.

Pub 710 is an evolving document, which by necessity will remain a mixture of guidelines, recommended practices, and standards for quite some time. The reality is that many standards remain beyond our reach at this time due to the absence of documented testing practices and guidelines, from which standards can be developed by consensus among the testing community. The SETSWG is organized to support the ongoing process of maturing testing guidelines into recommended practices and subsequently into standards. The process encourages representation by all US agencies, facilities or laboratories engaged in testing scramjet engines. Individuals interested in participating in future ongoing work of the SETSWG, to include establishing future scramjet test standards, are encouraged to contact the SETSWG Secretary, Mr. Jeff Pearce ([jeffrey.pearce@wpafb.af.mil](mailto:jeffrey.pearce@wpafb.af.mil)), or JANNAF Airbreathing Propulsion Subcommittee Technical representative

#### Attachments:

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