OVERVIEW OF U.S. FUSION SIC/SIC ACTIVITIES

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- Fiber properties
 - strength of advanced fibers
 - radiation effects on dimensional change, thermal conductivity, strength.
 - irradiation creep
- Thermal conductivity
 - in situ measurements: TRIST-TC1
 - thermal conductivity vs T: fibers
 - irradiation effects on fibers and composite

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- Materials development
 - composites with advanced fibers: Hi-NicS, tyranno SA,
 MER beta SiC fibers/crystalline matrix.
 - interface development.
 - high thermal conductivity: z stitched C fibers.
- Properties of composites
 - radiation effects on dimensional stability, thermal conductivity and strength.
 - uniaxial, 2-d and 3-d fiber orientations
- Materials Joining

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- Irradiation experiments
 - HFIR:
 - + monolithic SiC, fibers, advanced composites
 - + in-core- 12J: 500 C, 14J: 800 C, a few dpa
 - + rabbit positions: 600-1500 C, void swelling, etc
 - ATR: fiber creep with KAPL
 - HFR: with Petten
 - He implant studies: with ISPRA and JUPITER prog.

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Collaborations

- JUPITER: all aspects
- JRC-Ispra: fiber creep, He implantation
- Petten: irradiations
- IEA
 - + workshops
 - + collaborative experiments