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ENSA/DOE Multi Modal Transportation Tests Preliminary Results BAM/SNL Collaboration Meeting

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- 54 Days Data Collection (101,857 ASCII Files) •
- 8 Terabytes of Data • 4 Transport Modes •
- 9458 Miles • 7 Countries • 12 States •

The ENSA/DOE Multi-Modal Transportation Test using the ENSA ENUN 32P Cask





Why These Tests?

Measure Strains/Accelerations on Cask System Transporting Fuel Assemblies

- Data will provide technical basis for asserting safety inherent in transporting spent fuel under normal conditions of transport.
- Could vibrations or shocks result in fatigue failure?
 - ✓ *Based on previous SNL tests, strains fuel rods experience due to vibration and shock during normal conditions of transport are far below yield strength and fatigue limits for cladding.*
- Previous tests only simulations of configuration of actual SNF transport modes.





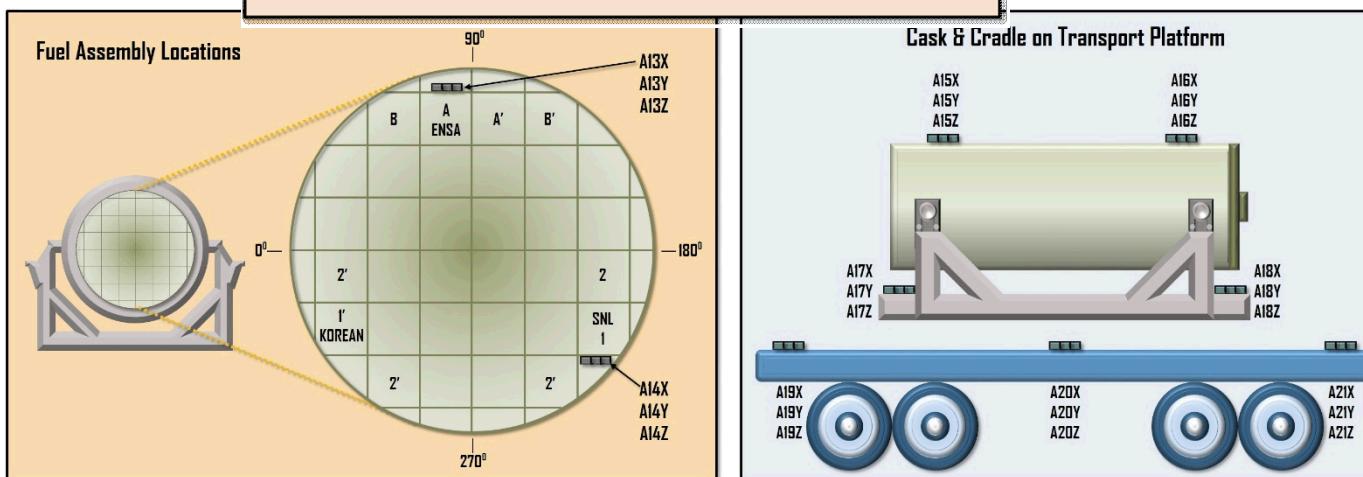
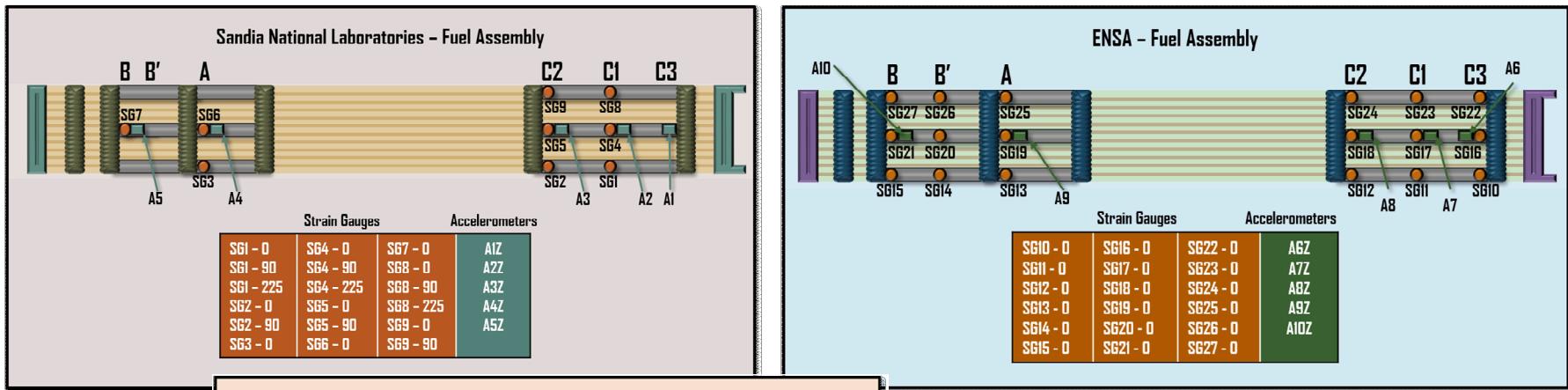
Cask Test Participants

- U.S. Department of Energy
- Equipos Nucleares Sociedad Anónima (ENSA)
- Empresa Nacional de Residuos Radiactivos S.A. (ENRESA)
- ENUSA Industrias Avanzandas S.A.
- Coordinadora Internacional de Cargas, S.A.
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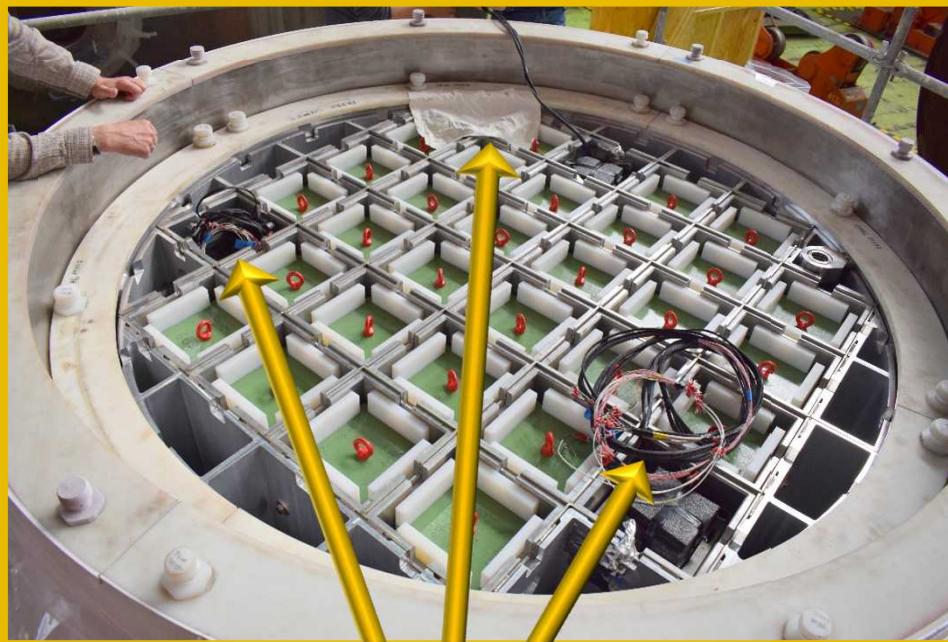
Accelerometer and Strain Gauge Locations



Assemblies & Cask System Instrumented with 77 Accelerometers & Strain Gauges



32P Cask Basket



Lid being placed on cask

**Locations of the 3 PWR assemblies plus
29 dummy assemblies
(Informed by PNNL Modeling)**



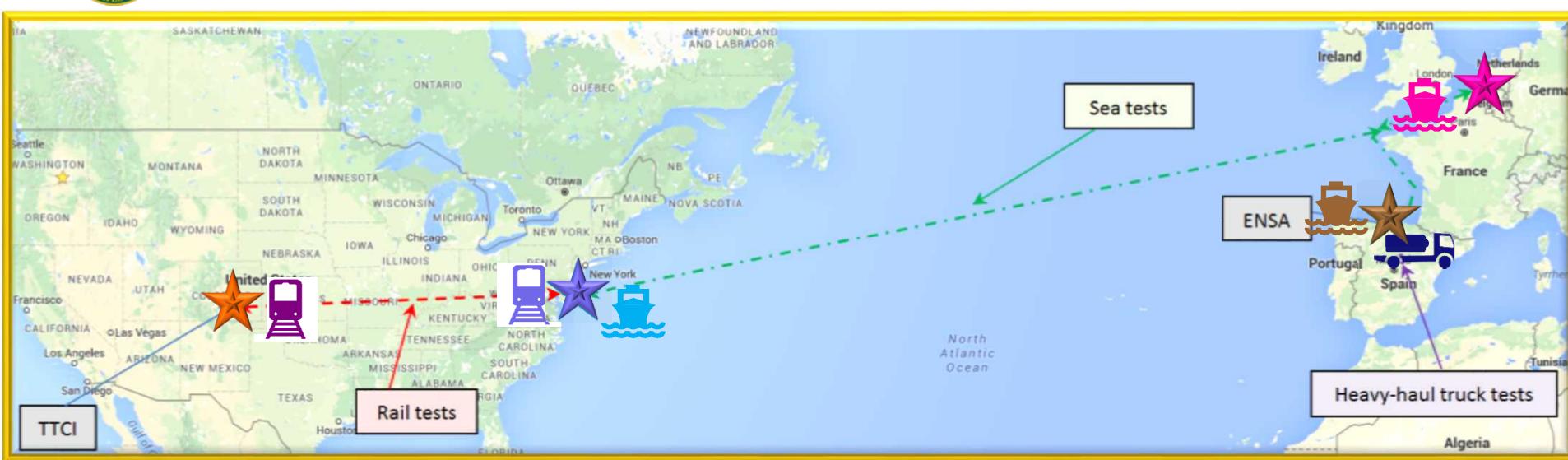
Instrumentation & Battery Box

*Two 40-channel Data Acquisition Systems,
4000 lbs. of Batteries, 1.17 Miles of Cable*





Cask Test Route



★ Cask handling tests at ENSA, Santander/Spain (JUN 2017, 1 day)

truck Heavy-haul truck tests in northern Spain (JUN 2017, 2 days, 245 miles)

boat star Ocean transport from Spain to Belgium (JUN 2017, 4 days, 939 miles)

boat star Ocean transport from Belgium to Baltimore (JUL 2017, 14 days, 4222 miles.)

train Rail shipment from Baltimore to Pueblo (AUG 2017, 6 days, 2000 miles)

star Testing at Transportation Technology Center, Inc., Pueblo (AUG 2017, 9 test days; 8 types of tests; 125 tests)

train Rail shipment from Pueblo to Baltimore (OCT 2017, 43 travel days, 18 test days, 1125 test miles)

boat Ocean transport from Baltimore to Spain (DEC 2017, no data collected)

Cask handling tests performed in Spain by three different crane operators experienced in dry cask movement.

Each operator performed three tests.

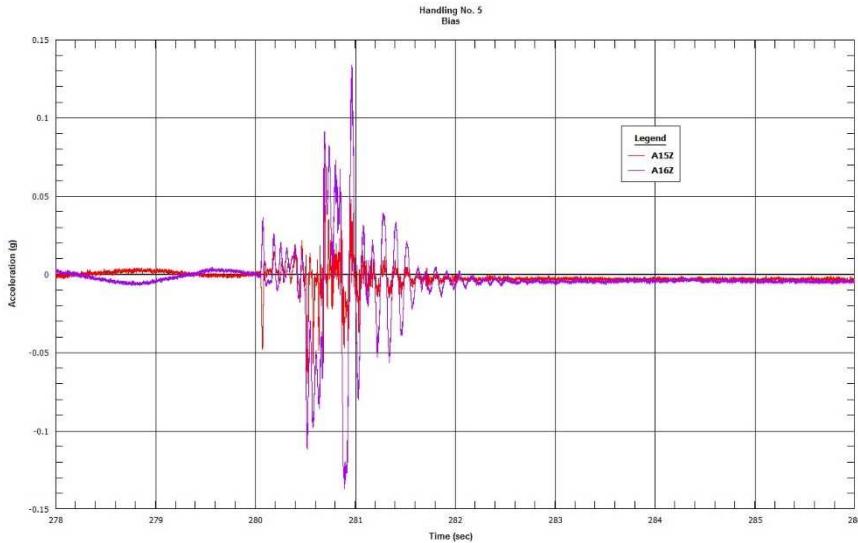
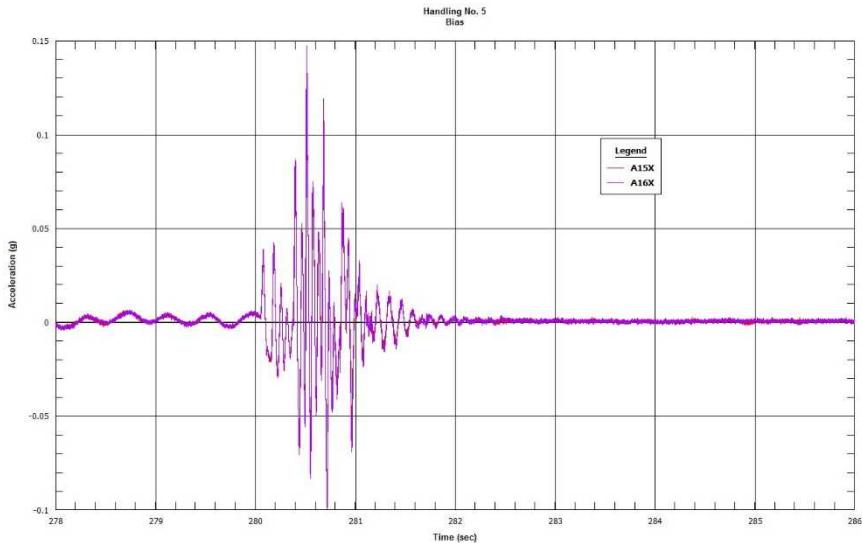
Cask placed onto concrete pad with varying degrees of force.



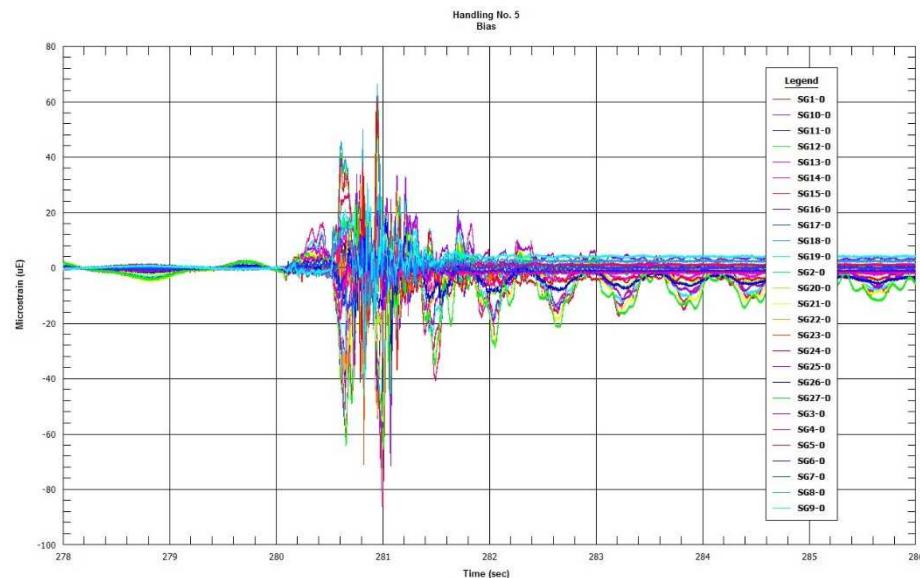


Preliminary Cask Handling Test Accelerometer & Strain Gauge Data

Maximum Cask Acceleration = 0.15 g
Maximum Assembly Strain = 87 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$



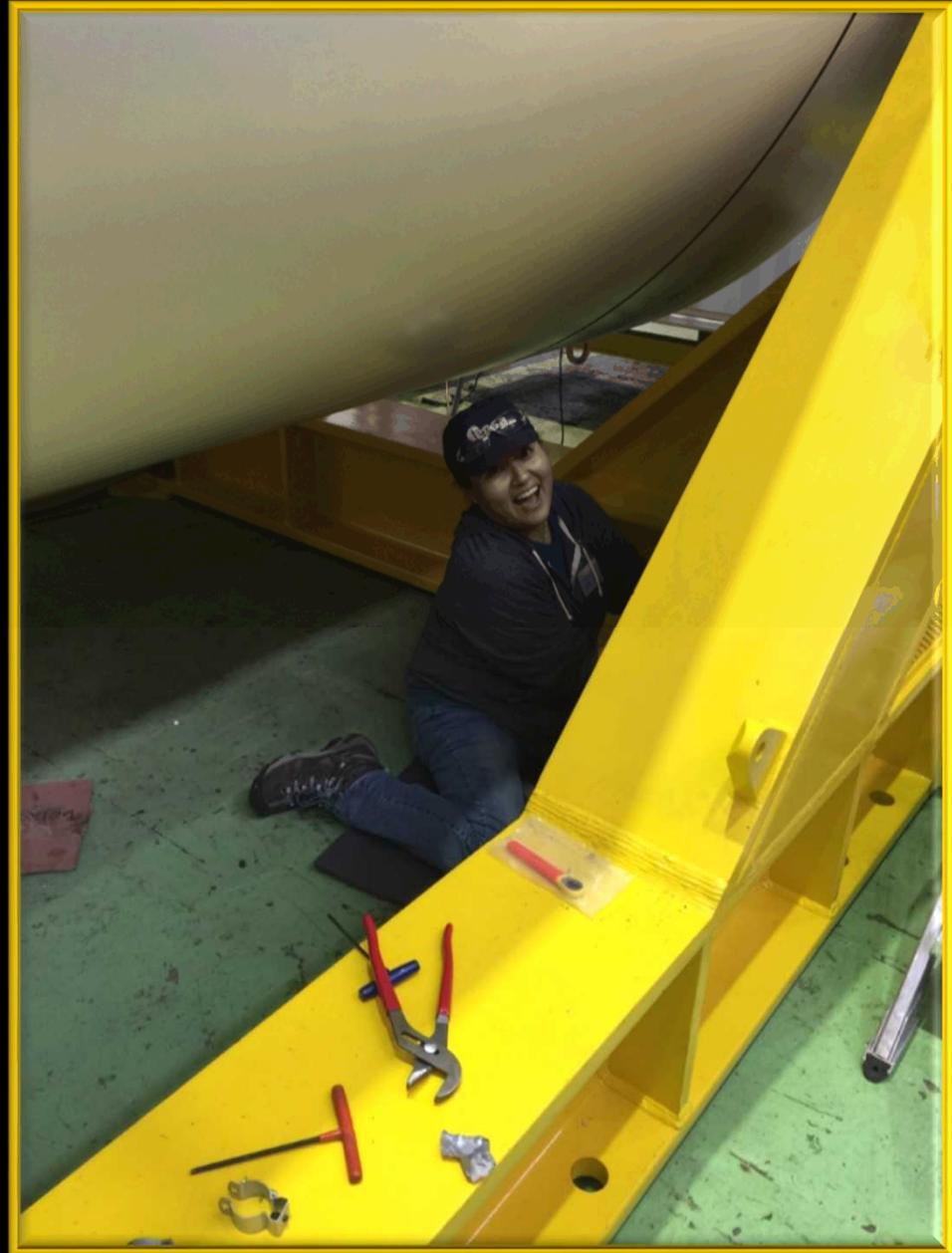
*FY18 will examine
frequency
transmission,
instantaneous
loading v. gross
loading, etc.*



After the handling tests, the cask was connected to the battery and data acquisition box on a cradle extension.



Accelerometers placed on basket, cask, cradle, and transport platforms as well as on surrogate fuel assemblies

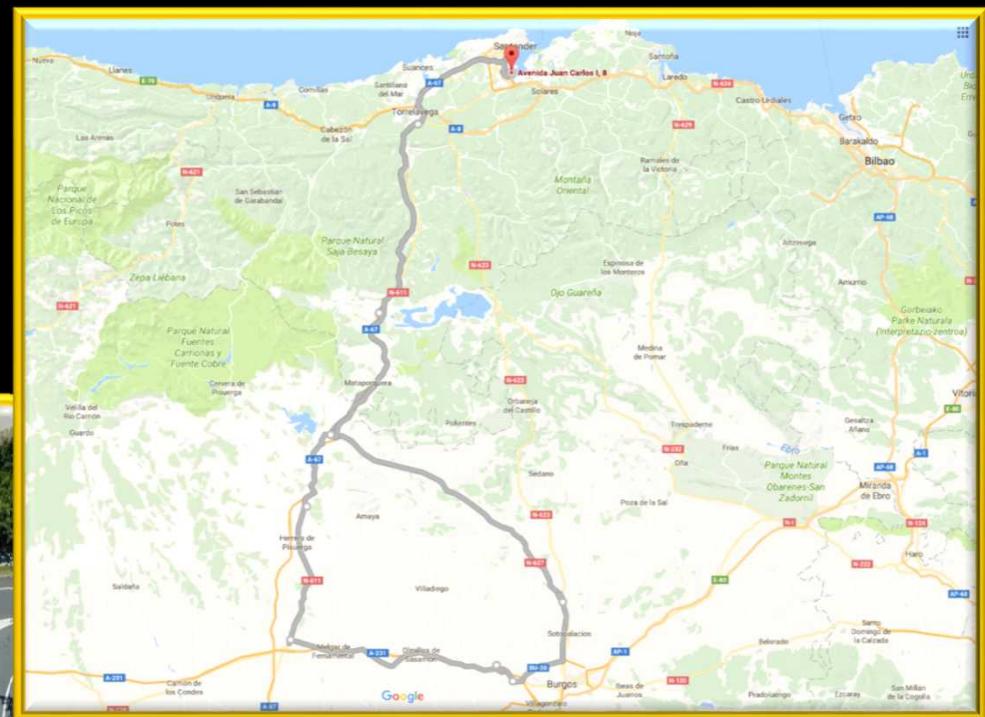




***Loading on 16-axle, 110 foot-long heavy-haul truck.
The truck trailer had 3 sets of triaxial accelerometers on the
bed.***

Heavy-haul truck route through northern Spain – Burgos to Maliaño and back.

Many *rotondas*...



... and tiny villages negotiated.



Preliminary Heavy-Haul Truck Test Data

Maximum Assembly Acceleration = 0.74 g

Maximum Assembly Strain = 86 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$



Maximum Assembly Strain, $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$	Maximum Platform Acceleration, g	Maximum Cask Acceleration, g	Maximum Cradle Acceleration, g	Maximum Basket Acceleration, g	Maximum Assembly Acceleration, g
86	4.2	≤ 0.2	≤ 0.2	≤ 0.2	0.74

After heavy-haul truck test, cask loaded onto “Autosky” at Port of Santander.





Preliminary Intercoastal Ship Test Data

Maximum Assembly Acceleration = $\leq 0.3\text{ g}$

Maximum Assembly Strain = $\leq 20\text{ }\mu\text{m/m}$



Maximum Assembly Strain, $\mu\text{m/m}$	Maximum Platform Acceleration, g	Maximum Cask Acceleration, g	Maximum Cradle Acceleration, g	Maximum Basket Acceleration, g	Maximum Assembly Acceleration, g
≤ 20	0.86	≤ 0.3	≤ 0.3	≤ 0.3	≤ 0.3

Cask system then loaded onto “Tarago” at Port of Zeebrugge for transport to Baltimore, MD, USA.

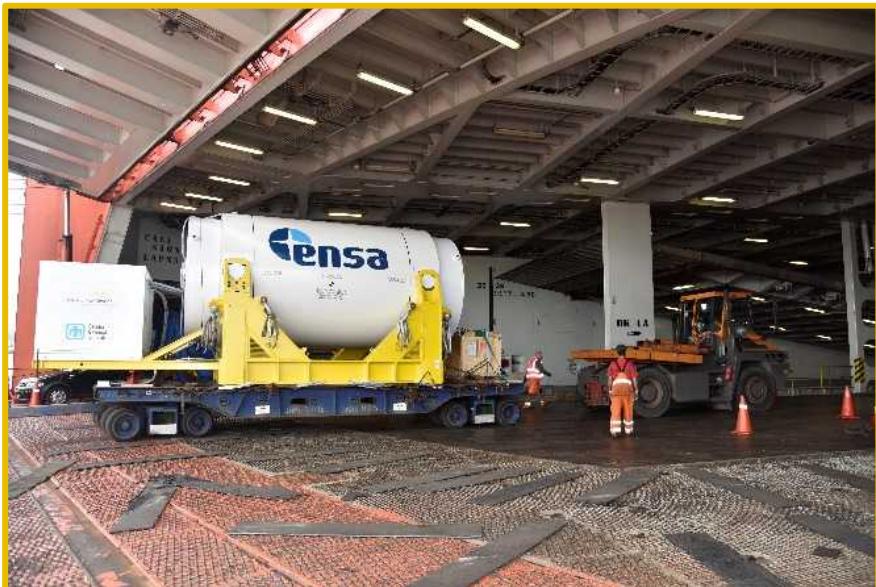




Preliminary Transoceanic Ship Test Data

Maximum Assembly Acceleration = ≤ 0.2 g

Maximum Assembly Strain = ≤ 20 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$



Maximum Assembly Strain, $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$	Maximum Platform Acceleration, g	Maximum Cask Acceleration, g	Maximum Cradle Acceleration, g	Maximum Basket Acceleration, g	Maximum Assembly Acceleration, g
≤ 20	0.38	≤ 0.2	≤ 0.2	≤ 0.2	≤ 0.2

Cask then transferred onto 12-axle Kasgro railcar at Mid-Atlantic Terminal, Baltimore.

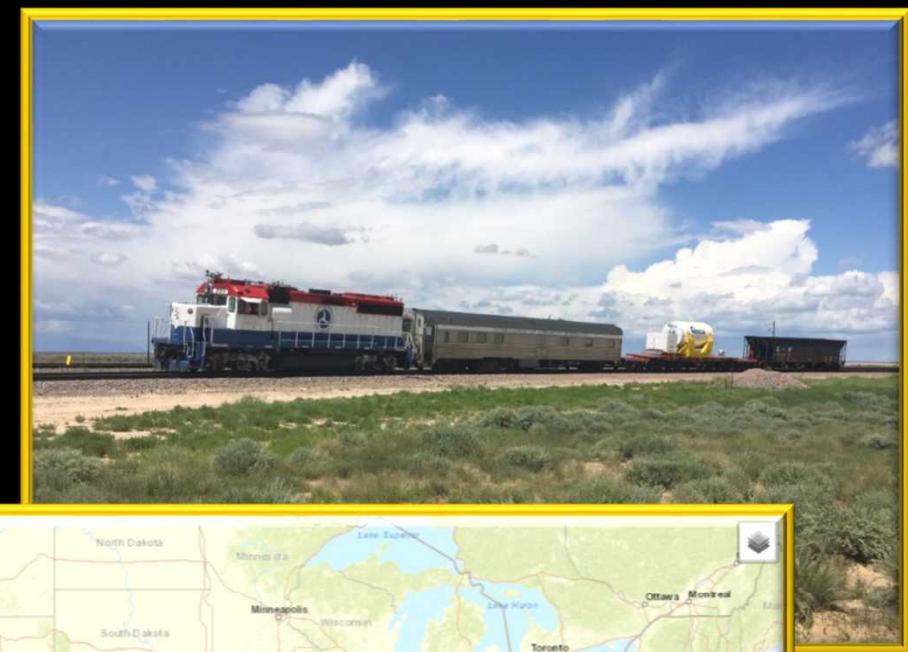


Witnessed by DOE, NRC, USCG

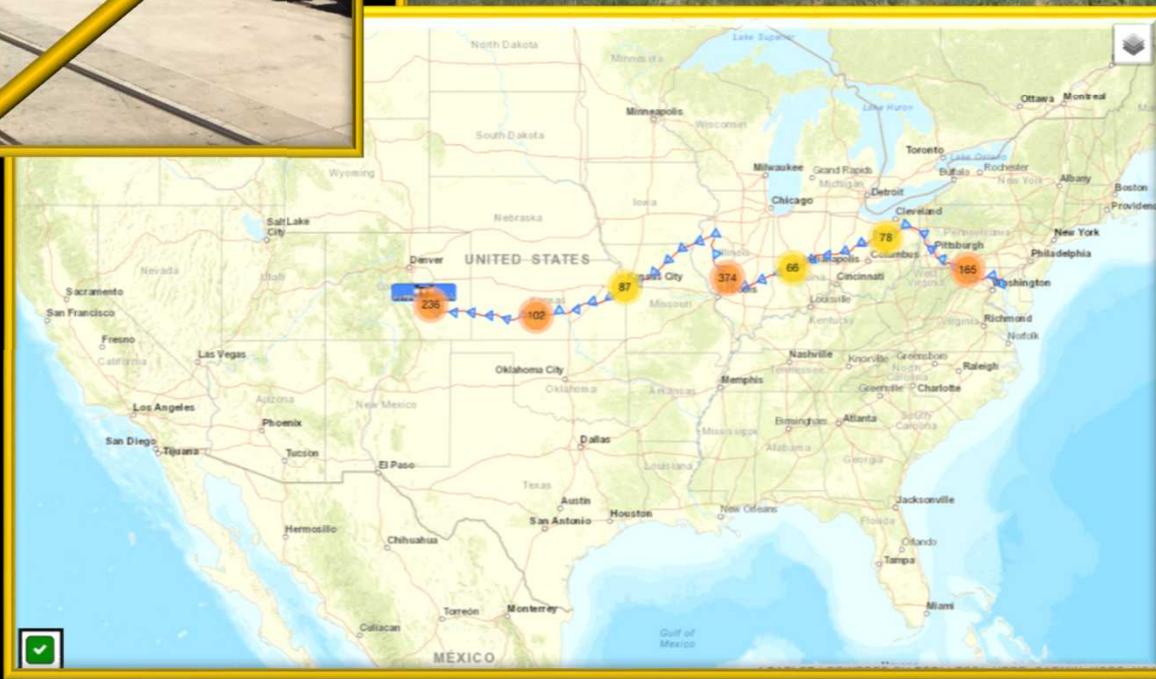


While not a 2043 railcar, the 12-axle Kasgro railcar is expected to bound the strains and accelerations seen in a 2043.

Cask transported by rail to TTCl for series of rail tests.



*Map from ANL
Traveler GPS*





Preliminary Cross-Country Rail Test Data

Maximum Assembly Acceleration = 1.3 g

Maximum Assembly Strain = 47 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$



Maximum Assembly Strain, $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$	Maximum Platform Acceleration, g	Maximum Cask Acceleration, g	Maximum Cradle acceleration, g	Maximum Basket Acceleration, g	Maximum Assembly Acceleration, g
47	8.40*	0.42	0.70	0.40	1.30

* This platform acceleration does not appear in other accelerometers. This will be investigated further, but appears to be a local, instantaneous load which does not correspond to significant structural loading.



Rail Tests Conducted at TCI

8 Types of Tests

125 Separate Tests

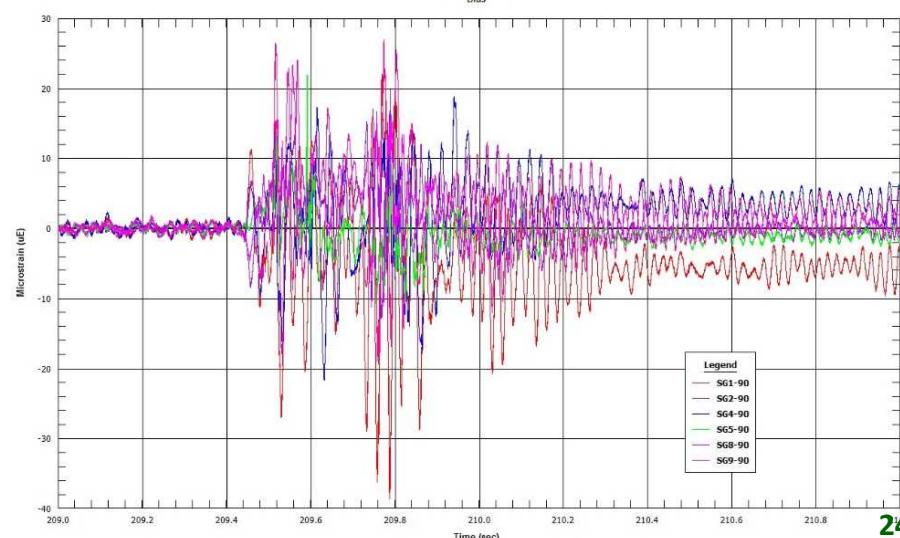
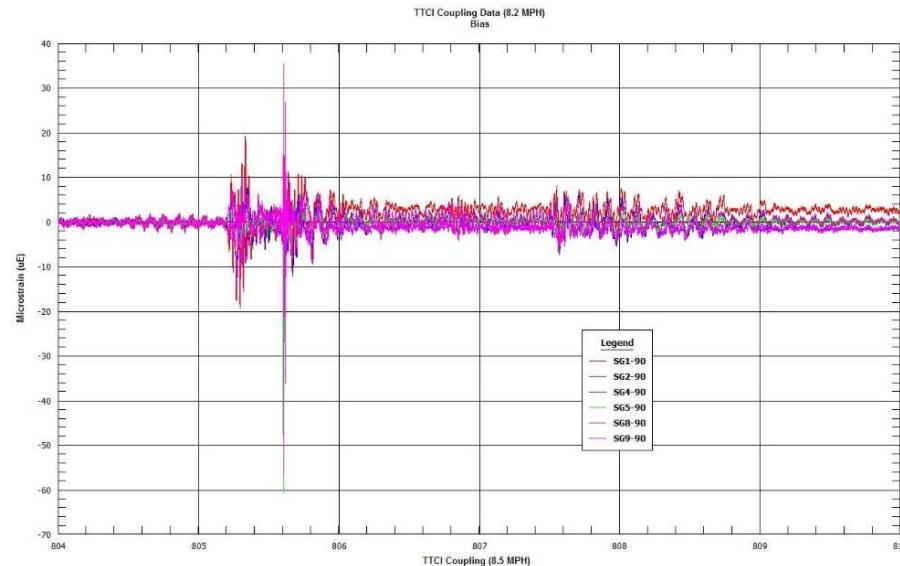
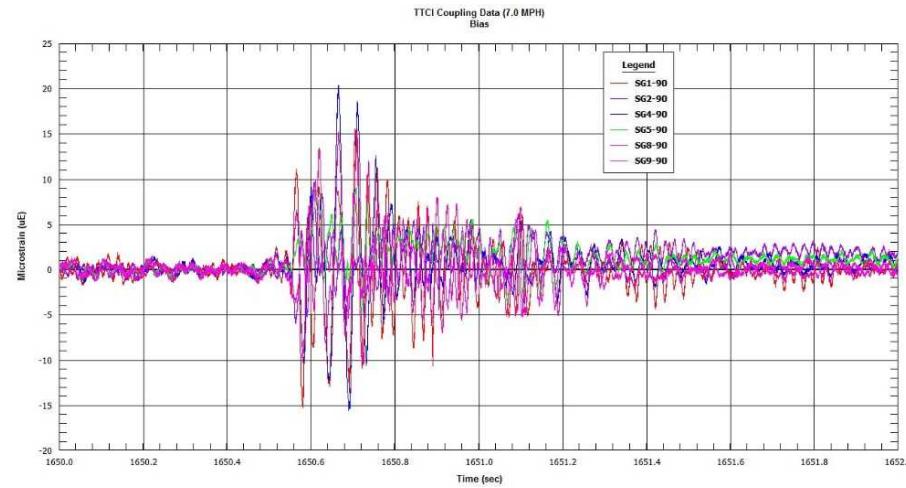
- **TWIST & ROLL TESTS (18 TESTS)**
 - Determines car's ability to negotiate oscillatory cross-level perturbations.
- **PITCH & BOUNCE TESTS (9 TESTS)**
 - Determines car's ability to negotiate parallel vertical rail perturbations.
- **DYNAMIC CURVING TESTS (25 TESTS)**
 - Determines car's ability to negotiate curving over jointed track with combination of lateral misalignment at outer rail joints and cross-level due to low joints on staggered rails.
- **TESTS AT U.S. ARMY PUEBLO CHEMICAL DEPOT (17 TESTS)**
 - Determines performance over FRA Class-2 railroad track and tests through No. 8 turnout and No. 8 crossovers.
- **SINGLE BUMP TESTS (12 TESTS)**
 - Determines performance at grade crossings.
- **CROSSING DIAMOND TESTS (6 TESTS)**
 - Determines vehicle's behavior when crossing diamonds (or "frogs"), a leading cause of derailments.
- **LOADED HUNTING ON RAILROAD TEST TRACK AND TRANSIT TEST TRACK (30 TESTS)**
 - Determines stability at 30, 40, 50-75 mph at 5 mph increments.
- **COUPLING IMPACT TESTS (10 TESTS)**
 - Determines longitudinal inputs from coupling at higher than normal speeds.



Preliminary Railcar Coupling at 7.0, 8.2, 8.5 mph

SNL Assembly Strain Gauge Data

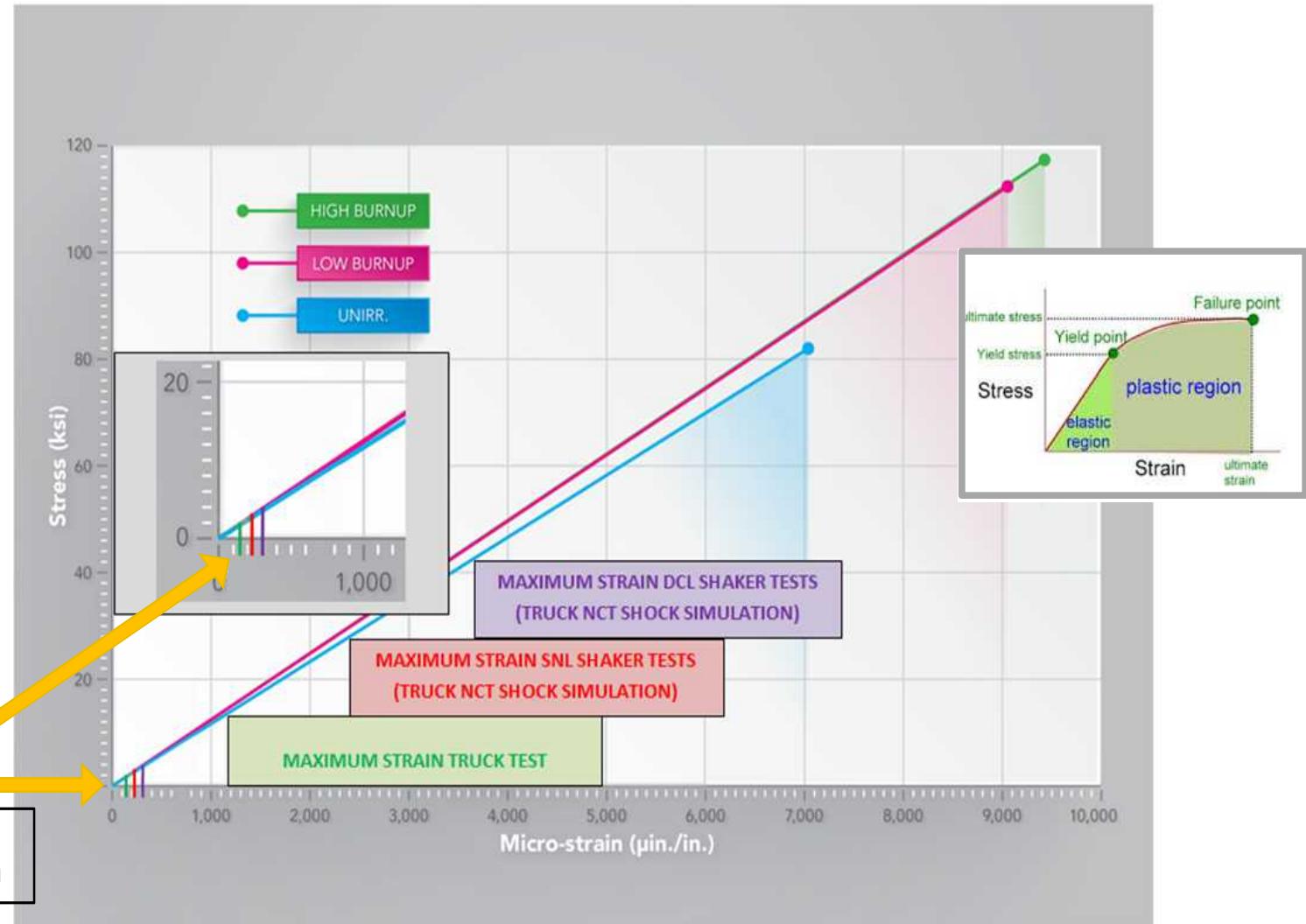
Maximum Assembly Strains = 39, 92, 77 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}$





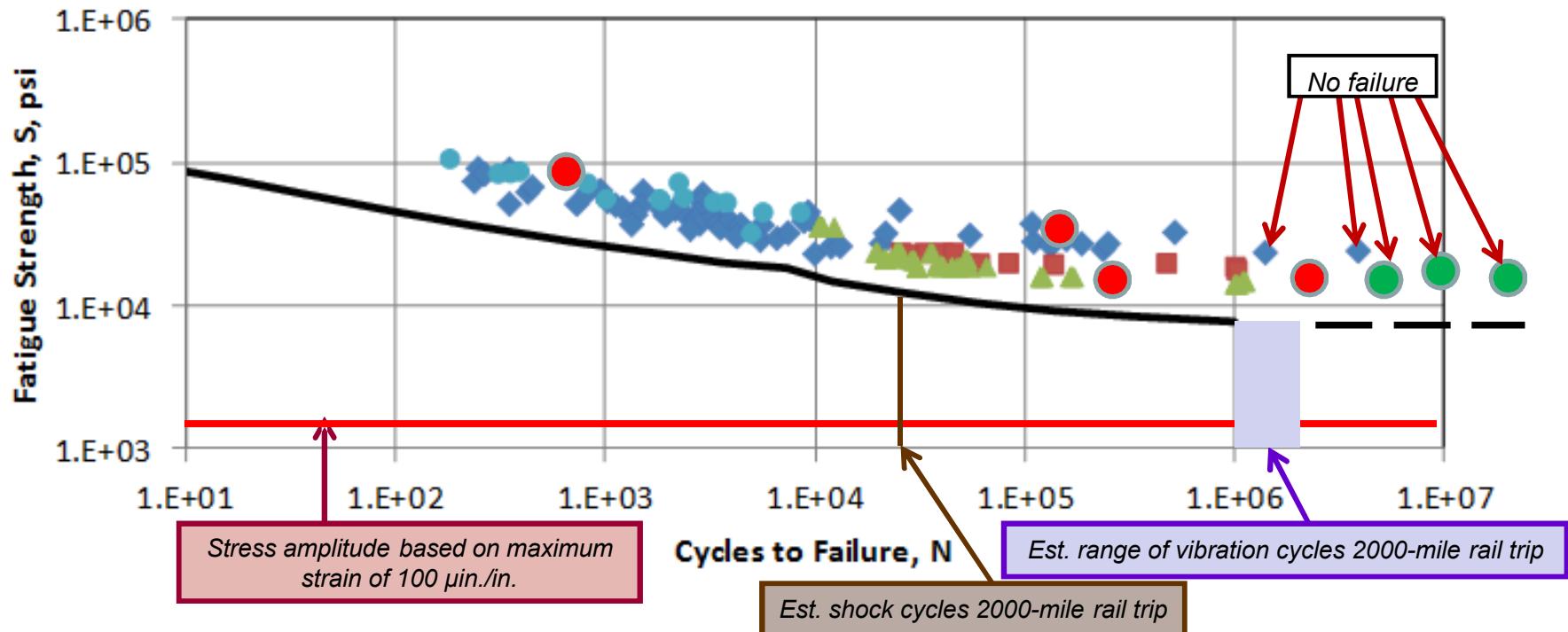
Assembly Strains in Rail-Cask Tests

Demo Sister Rod Tests will confirm post-drying high burnup cladding yield points.





Could Vibrations or Shocks Result in Fatigue Failure?



Realistic stresses fuel rods experience due to vibration and shock during normal transportation below yield and fatigue limits for cladding.

FY18 will examine frequency transmission, instantaneous v. gross loading, system behavior, and refine our modeling to allow us to relate these results to other casks/transportation systems and other fuel mechanical properties.



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