Pacific Northwest

PHYSICAL & COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCES

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) leads major research programs in chemistry and materials science, high performance and data-intensive computing, isotope sciences, and nuclear and particle physics. Our research is advancing the frontiers of knowledge and laying foundations for new technologies supporting the Department of Energy missions in science, energy, environment, and national security.

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- Data Analytics and Machine Reasoning
- Graph and Visual Analytics
- High-Performance Computing
- Software Engineering
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- Catalysis
- Chemical Physics
- Precision Materials by Design
- Materials in Extreme Environments
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