

FIRST CIRCULAR



May 27 – June 1, 2012
San Antonio, Texas, USA

Organized by

[Cyclotron Institute, Texas A&M University](#)



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[Department of Physics and Astronomy, Texas A&M University-Commerce](#)



Dear colleague:

The 11th International Conference on Nucleus-Nucleus Collisions (NN2012) will be held from May 27th thru June 1, 2012 in San Antonio, Texas, USA.

CONFERENCE HOST AND VENUE

The Cyclotron Institute at Texas A&M University and Department of Physics and Astronomy at Texas A&M University-Commerce will be the hosts of NN2012. The

Conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. The details about the conference venue, accommodation, etc. will be given in the 2nd circular.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

NN2012 will maintain the general spirit and intention of this conference series. The scientific subjects to be discussed at the Conference will cover a wide spectrum of topics and will include a significant emphasis on applied aspects. The Conference will consist of plenary, parallel and poster sessions. In the plenary and parallel sessions there will be 30~45 invited talks and selected oral contributions. Remaining contributions will be presented and discussed in the poster sessions. The invited talks for the plenary sessions will be determined based upon IAC recommendations, and oral presentations at parallel sessions will be selected from the submitted abstracts. A preliminary schedule is shown below.

	9:00 --10:30	11:00--12:30	14:00-15:30	16:00--17:30	19:00-21:00
Sunday May 27	Registration				
Monday May 28	Opening Session	Plenary Session I	Plenary Session II	Plenary Session III	Reception
Tuesday May 29	Plenary Session IV	Plenary Session V	Parallel Sessions 1-8	Parallel Sessions 9-16	Evening event
			Poster Session 1		
Wednesday May 30	Plenary Session VI	Plenary Session VII	Excursion		
Thursday May 31	Plenary Session VIII	Plenary Session IX	Parallel Sessions 17-24	Parallel Sessions 25-32	Banquet
			Poster Session 2		
Friday June 1	Parallel Sessions 33-40	Parallel Sessions 41-48	Plenary session VIII	Closing Session	

The Scientific Program will be structured around the following topics:

- Nucleus-nucleus collisions
- Nuclear structure – high-spin physics, unstable nuclei
- Clusters in nuclei, nuclear fragmentation & liquid-gas phase transitions
- Fusion and fission dynamics and super-heavy elements
- QCD, hadrons & EOS of nuclear matter
- Relativistic heavy ion collisions
- Nuclear astrophysics
- Accelerator facilities & nuclear detectors
- Nuclear energy & nuclear applications

Conference Language:

The conference language is English. All presentations including discussions and submitted materials must be in English.

Facilities

Electronic projectors with computers capable of reading CDs and memory devices will be available (Power Point or Adobe Acrobat recommended). If you have special requirements, please inform us in the Registration Form.

Vendor Exhibition

Nuclear related exhibitions will be arranged in the Conference site from May 27th thru June 1, 2012.

Registration

Online registration will open to all interested participants on 15 October 2011. For online registration please follow the link at <http://nn2012.tamu.edu>.

The Registration Fee is 500 USD for payment received before Feb 25, 2012, or 600 USD for payment received after that date. The registration fee for students is reduced to 350 USD before Feb 25, 2012. Limited funds are available to reduce the registration fees for some participants from abroad especially young physicists who otherwise could not participate in the conference. To receive a registration fee subsidy, please fill out the "Application for a Registration Fee Subsidy" section in the registration form.

	Payment Before Feb 25	On-site Payment
Participants	500 USD	600 USD
Accompanying Persons	200 USD	250 USD
Students	350 USD	400 USD

Social Activities

A Welcome reception followed by a public lecture will be held in the evening of May 28, 2012 (Monday). The Conference Banquet will begin at 7:00pm on May 31, 2012 (Thursday). An evening event will be organized on Tuesday May 29.

Excursion

Wednesday May 30 – To be determined

Climate (<http://www.cityrating.com/cityweather.asp?city=San+Antonio>)

The temperature of San Antonio, Texas during the latter part of May has an average low of 65 (18 °C) and an average high of 86 °F (30 °C). The average rainfall during the month of May is 4.7 in (120mm).

VISA to enter the United States

Participants and their accompanying persons who require a visa to enter the United States should submit the necessary application to the nearest US consular representative well in advance. A letter of invitation, if needed, can be requested by email from the NN2012 Scientific Secretary, Dr. Bao-An Li (Bao-An_Li@Tamu-Commerce.edu)

Access to San Antonio

San Antonio International Airport is served by all major US airlines with frequent direct flights from/to most major cities in the USA. In addition, there are major airports in Houston (approximately 3.5 hours by car), Austin (1.5 hours) and Dallas (5 hours) within driving distance to San Antonio.

Important Dates

June 30, 2011	First circular
October 15, 2011	Second circular Call for papers Early registration begins Accommodations
Jan 5, 2012	Deadline for abstract submission
Jan 15, 2012	Announcement of paper acceptance
Feb 25, 2012	Deadline for early registration
March 25, 2012	Scientific program fixed
April 25, 2012	Final circular
May 27-June 1, 2012	Conference

Conference Webpage: <http://nn2012.tamu.edu>

Conference Organization

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Joe Natowitz (Texas A&M Univ.) and Bao-An Li (Texas A&M University-Commerce)

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We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio, Texas.

Sincerely Yours

The NN2012 Local Organizing Committee