2025 ANS Annual Meeting
ANS THD PC Report

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A total of 76 submissions have been accepted for sessions sponsored and organized by the Thermal Hydraulics Division (THD) at the ANS 2025 Annual Meeting. This represents a 41% increase (an additional 31 papers) compared to the ANS Annual Meeting 2024, and aligns with the upward trend in THD submissions observed since 2022.

At the upcoming meeting, we will host 18 standard sessions and 5 panel sessions. Standard presentations are allotted 15 minutes, followed by a 5-minute Q&A period. Some afternoon sessions will include up to six presentations.

Figures 1 and 2 illustrate the historical submission trends: Figure 1 provides the raw 10-year submission data for all divisions at the ANS Annual Meeting, while Figure 2 shows the normalized submission statistics specific to the Thermal Hydraulics Division.

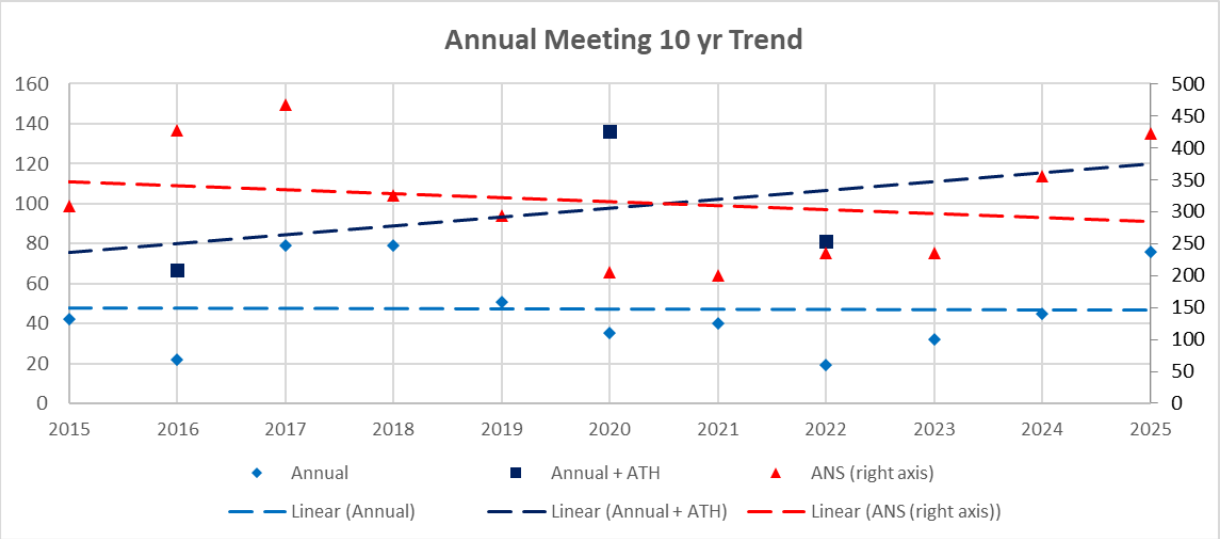

Fig. 1: Raw submission statistics for THD and ANS overall

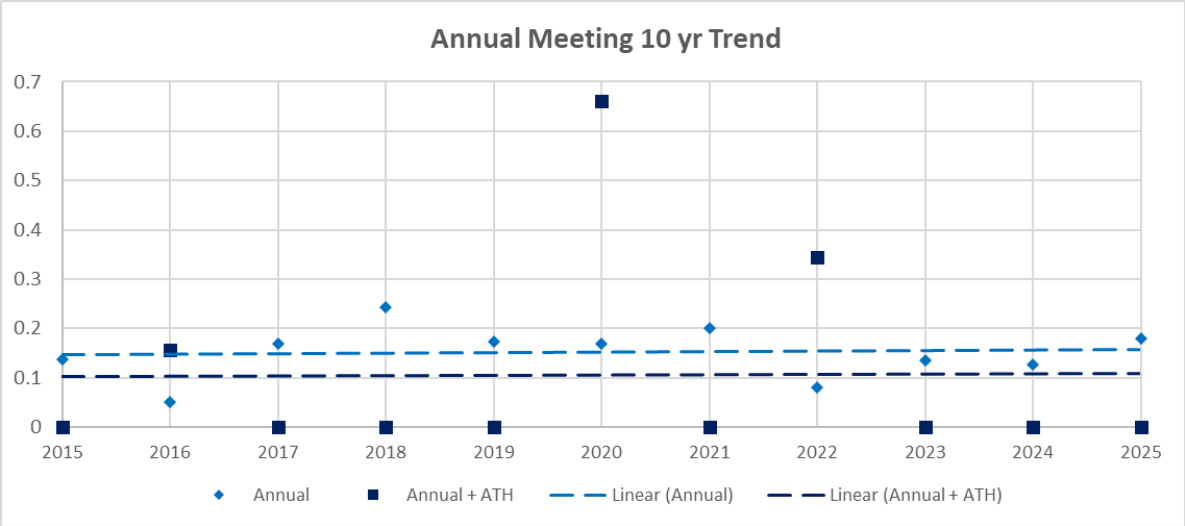

Fig. 2: Submission statistics for THD normalized to the total number of ANS summary submissions

In terms of raw numbers, the upward trend continues (with 76 accepted submissions compared to 45 last year). We also observe an increase in total ANS submissions, with 422 this year compared to 356 in 2024. When looking at normalized statistics, there is a slight upward trend, suggesting that the proportion of submissions from THD has remained relatively stable.

Reconciled review recommendations for the submissions are as follows:

	76	Accept
	2	Reject
Total	78	

Two submissions were declined following two rounds of peer review, which is consistent with expectations. Historically, the rejection rate (calculated as R / (A + R)) has been approximately 15%, although in recent years it has trended lower. For this cycle, the rejection rate stands at 1.0%. We continue to encourage authors to respect the peer review process and the time and effort contributed by reviewers. It is essential that all submissions adhere strictly to the ANS summary template and include all required sections.

Overall, reviewer participation was sufficient, and all submissions received timely and appropriate evaluations. We are sincerely grateful to our dedicated reviewers for their efforts.

In total, 215 review recommendations were submitted by 44 reviewers, yielding an average of 4.9 reviews per reviewer. The average number of reviews per paper was 2.75, exceeding the target of two reviews per paper. Approximately 21% of the reviewer pool participated in the process, which aligns well with our historical average of around 20%. We deeply appreciate the continued support and commitment of our reviewers.

Reviewer participation over the last decade is as follows:

Year	Location	Number of Reviews	Number of reviewers
2025	Chicago	215	44
2024	Orlando (inc. ATH)	178	57
2024	Las Vegas	121	29
2023	D.C.	133	42
2023	Indianapolis	112	34
2022	Phoenix	185	44
2022	Anaheim (inc. ATH)	217	54
2021	D.C.(Hybrid)	164	38
2021	Providence, R.I. (Online)	136	37
2020	Chicago (Online)	278	43
2020	Phoenix (Online)	85	21
2019	D.C.	258	40
2019	Minneapolis	127	24
2018	Orlando	No general sessions (ATH only)	
2018	Philadelphia	188	32
2017	D.C.	222	28
2017	San Francisco	264	39
2016	Las Vegas	337	45
2016	New Orleans	87	20
2015	San Antonio	135	28
2015	Anaheim	212	33

The review process was made possible by valuable contributions from:

Name	Reviews	Name	Reviews	Name	Reviews
Howard, Trevor Kent	24	Shaver, Dillon	16	Ryan, Drew	12
Zou, Ling	12	Wu, Xu	9	Liao, Jun	9
Sun, Xiaodong	8	Iskhakova, Anna	7	Rao, Vivek	7
Jeong, Yeongshin	6	Bolotnov, Igor	6	Delgado, Marilyn	6
Guanyi, Wang	6	Guillen, Donna	6	Roelofs, Ferry	5
Carasik, Lane	5	Yoon, Su-Jong	5	Shi, Shanbin	5
Gutowska, Izabela	5	Bajorek, Stephen	4	Watson, Justin	4
Dix, Adam	4	Mecham, Nicholas	4	Petrov, Victor	3
Revankar, Shripad	3	Sharma, Subash	3	Wang, Yu-Jou	3
Yang, Bao-Wen	3	Mui, Travis	3	Merzari, Elia	2
Sinha, Vaibhav	2	Ji, Wei	2	O'Grady, Daniel	2
Okyay, Sinan	2	Grubbs, Taylor	2	Lomperski, Stephen	2
Hu, Rui	1	Iskhakov, Arsen	1	Shirvan, Koroush	1
Cervi, Eric	1	Cheung, Fan-Bill	1	Diaconeasa, Mihai	1
Mao, Jiaxin	1	Wharry, Janelle	1		

The final technical session schedule, including panels (P), is shown below.

Session	Time	Chair	Co-Chair
Memorial Panel – John Kelly (P)	Monday, 1pm	Bao-Wen Yang	Yassin Hassan
High Fidelity CFD	Monday, 1pm	Dillon Shaver	Carolina Dutra
Lightning Talks	Monday, 1pm	Haomin Yuan	Nadish Saini
Research Reactors with LEU Fuel: I	Monday, 1pm	Erik Wilson	Co Sponsored
TH for SMRs and LWRs	Monday, 3:15pm	Prashant Jain	Jun Liao
Thermal-hydraulic Education: Opportunities with AI (P)	Monday, 3:15pm	Elia Merzari	OPEN
Research Reactors with LEU Fuel: II	Monday, 3:15pm	Lin-Wen Hu	Co Sponsored
TH for the High Temp. Test Facility	Tuesday, 10am	Donna Guillen	Saya Lee
Thermal Hydraulics Challenges and Opportunities for LWR Initiatives (P)	Tuesday, 10am	Baris Sarikaya	OPEN
AI/ML for TH	Tuesday, 1pm	Xu Wu	Subash Sharma
TH testing for advanced reactors (P)	Tuesday, 1pm	Jon McWhirter	Bao-Wen Yang
Research Reactors with LEU Fuel: III	Tuesday, 1pm	Erik Wilson	Co Sponsored
Enabling Deployment of Fast Reactors	Tuesday, 3:15pm	Bo Fang	OPEN
Thermal-hydraulics Issues and Opportunities of Non-traditional Uses of Nuclear (P)	Tuesday, 3:15pm	Subash Sharma	Elia Merzari
Experimental TH: I	Wednesday, 8am	Saya Lee	Adam Dix
General TH	Wednesday, 8am	Yue Jin	OPEN
TH and Multiphysics	Wednesday, 8am	Yang Liu (TAMU)	OPEN
Experimental TH: II	Wednesday, 10am	Guanyi Wang	Adam Dix
Computational TH	Wednesday, 10am	Igor Bolotnov	SuJong Yoon
Advanced Reactor TH: I	Wednesday, 1pm	Subash Sharma	OPEN
Experimental Multiphase Flow: I	Wednesday, 1pm	Drew Ryan	OPEN
Advanced Reactor TH: II	Wednesday, 3:15pm	Elia Merzari	OPEN
Experimental Multiphase Flow: II	Wednesday, 3:15pm	Yue Jin	OPEN

Papers, summaries, and lightning talk abstracts are solicited for the 2025 ANS Winter Conference on November 9-12, 2025, in Washington, DC. We expect to have an exciting program with summaries and panel sessions on the following subject areas:

- Nuclear Technology 60th anniversary,
- AI/ML applications in thermal hydraulics,
- Thermal hydraulics challenges in multiphysics simulations,
- Thermal hydraulics challenges and opportunities in microreactors,
- Thermal hydraulics research and challenges in advanced fuels,
- OECD/NEA AI/ML benchmark on CHF,
- General thermal hydraulics,
- Advanced reactors thermal hydraulics,
- Experimental thermal hydraulics,
- Computational thermal hydraulics,
- Computational multiphase Flow,
- Experimental multiphase Flow,
- Young professionals competition,
- Increase enrichment, high burnup, power update (Panel),
- Thermal hydraulics of Small Modular Reactors,
- Thermal hydraulics of micro reactors.

Full papers, summaries, and abstracts are due: June 24, 2025. The full call for papers can be found here.

The program committee thanks everyone who volunteered to organize or chair a session for this meeting. As a reminder, session organizers are responsible for stimulating summary submissions, assisting with reviews, and coordinating session chairs.

Additional Notes:

- All paper presentations are **20 minutes each** (**15**-minute talk + 5-minute Q&A and transition to the next speaker). Session chairs are responsible for keeping speakers on time.
- If you are chairing a session, coordinate with your co-chair prior to the start on which speakers each will introduce and collect a brief bio for each speaker for their introduction.
- In the event of a no-show, do NOT skip to the next presenter. Try to keep attendees engaged with discussion or offer a 20 minute break in order to keep with the program schedule.