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One last time, I am pleased to introduce this special issue of *Fusion Science and Technology (FST)* that continues the tradition of publishing selected full-length papers from the Target Fabrication Specialists Meeting (TFM). This twenty-second TFM was organized by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and was held March 12–16, 2017, at National Security Technologies, LLC (NSTech), in Nevada. There were 132 presentations at the meeting, and after peer review, 49 full-length papers were chosen for inclusion in this two-part *FST* special issue.

The TFM series provides an important international forum for scientists and engineers engaged in the development and fabrication of targets for experiments on high-power, high-energy laser and ion facilities. Drs. Michael Stadermann and Abbas Nikroo (LLNL) served as the organizers of this TFM.

Once again, Dr. Robert C. Cook (LLNL, retired) served as the guest editor and has done an outstanding job interfacing with the authors and reviewers of the

papers to put this collection together. This was Dr. Cook's perfect ten and last guest editorship with the TFM series published in *FST*. The TFM community and *FST* are deeply indebted to him for his tireless expert help and professional dedication to this important field.

Also, our congratulations go to the winner of the 2017 Larry Foreman Award, which was presented at the meeting to none other than Dr. Robert C. Cook of LLNL, for his body of work in capsule and coating developments for inertial confinement fusion (ICF) targets.

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