It was a week full of new experiences for me: Flying for the first time (and directly to the USA), first workshop (with international participants), first time presenting the topics from out chair.

The focus of the workshop was on materials for "EXTREME" temperatures and conditions of use. From superalloys for turbine components to ceramic protective coatings and CMC to future hypersonic applications.

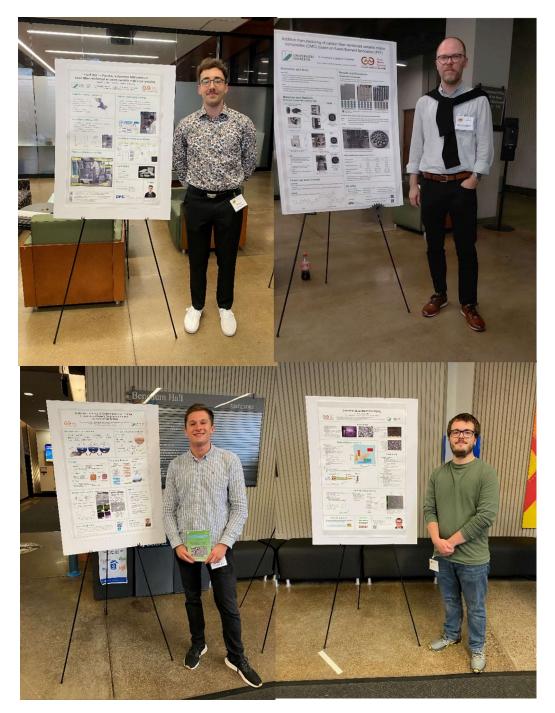


Abbildung 1: Poster Presentation from the chair

The city of Pittsburgh was a great venue for this workshop. With the possibility to visit some impressive buildings such as the Cathedral of Learning, and to enjoy an exciting baseball game from Pittsburgh Pirates!

I was able to gain a lot from various presentations, including from NASA and GE. Once again a big thank you to all those in charge.



-Florian Schwedler

Abbildung 2: Group photo in PNC Park