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Results from the PSI-Center Interfacing Group B.A. NELSON, C.C. KIM, A.I.D. MACNAB, R.D. MILROY, T.R. JARBOE, University of Washington, J. KESNER, M.I.T., D.T. GARNIER, Columbia University, C.R. SOVINEC, University of Wisconsin-Madison, P.M. BELLAN, Caltech, M.R. BROWN, Swarthmore College — The Interfacing Group of the Plasma Science and Innovation Center (PSI-Center — <http://www.psicenter.org>) facilitates simulations of collaborating Innovative Confinement Concept (ICC) experiments. Present collaborating experiments include the Bellan Plasma Group (Caltech), FRX-L (Los Alamos National Laboratory), HIT-SI (Univ of Wash — UW), LDX (M.I.T.), MBX (Univ of Texas-Austin), MST, Pegasus (Univ of Wisc-Madison), PHD (UW), SSPX (Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory), SSX (Swarthmore College), TCS (UW), and ZaP (UW). NIMROD code meshes have been created and/or modified for the Caltech, SSX, and LDX experiments. Simulations of the Caltech and SSX experiments study formation and buildup of electrode-driven helicity injection. LDX simulations study stability of marginally-stable equilibria as additional heating increases pressure gradients. NIMROD output files are interfaced to the powerful 3-D viewer, VisIt (<http://www.llnl.gov/visit>), which will be demonstrated. Results from these simulations, as well as an overview of the Interfacing Group status will be presented.

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