## <u>Continuing Research on Known Submarine Health and Performance Challenges:</u>

- Mental health and resilience, especially for younger, new Sailors
- Physical fitness
- **Nutrition** (food that is good for you) and morale (food that may not be so good for you)
- Pre-deployment screening,
  - Especially given inability of the force to be as selective as in the past
- Infectious disease prevention and management (COVID lessons)
- Fatigue and daily sleep cycle / circadian rhythm
- Mixed gender crew interactions and well-being

## **New Opportunities in Submarine Health and Combat Performance:**

- Enabling the opportunity created by customized wearables
  - Day-to-day stress, health and fitness trend monitoring
  - Combat environment performance monitoring
  - Casualty and crisis (e.g., battle-stations) monitoring and response
  - Location tracking of personnel within the ship for casualty mitigation
- Better understanding how to optimize future submarine design for:
  - Mixed gender crews
  - Fitness and nutrition
  - Damage prevention and control (e.g., automated damage limitation)
  - Crew protection in combat shock environments
- Learning how to maximize future crew mental health and resiliency
  - Broad cultural trends suggest that this will likely be a bigger/different challenge in the future