

**PARTICLE MAN, PARTICLE MAN, NO ONE CAN DO WHAT THE PARTICLE CAN:** From diapers to heart valves, find out how particle physics has shaped our lives: <http://bit.ly/14QBplr>



**BEFORE IRON MAN - IRON BACTERIA:** Understanding how certain bacteria breathe iron, similar to how humans breathe oxygen, could help scientists clean up soil contaminants, trap carbon dioxide, or make batteries out of bacteria. <http://go.usa.gov/2Jyw>



**SOURCE CODE:** Researchers at Brookhaven National Laboratory recently discovered surprising similarities between the properties of genetic code and computer code. <http://go.usa.gov/2JyQ>

**PEEPSTORY:** If you are a fan of the Washington Post's annual [Peep diorama contest](#), then you might enjoy the history of Los Alamos told by the sweet spongy treats. <http://on.fb.me/XrOmQm>



**SEAQUEST:** Scientists from LBNL have taken to the high seas to track carbon accumulation in the world's oceans. Unfortunately, they haven't reported any breakthrough cures for seasickness. <http://go.usa.gov/2JyY>



**LET'S HANGOUT:** To celebrate Earth Day, the Department is hosting a Google+ Hangout on April 22 to discuss ways you can save energy and money at home. <http://go.usa.gov/2JwY>

**X-FILES NEVADA:** Staff at the Nevada Field Office recently came across a historic rocket on the Tonopah Test Range. The origin of the rocket is unknown, but extraterrestrial involvement is not suspected. <http://on.fb.me/16zaR6n>



**BECOMING K.I.T.T.:** This week the Department announced the Apps for Vehicles Challenge Winners. The winning submission from New York based Dash turns any vehicle into a “[smart car](#)” by providing diagnostics that enable the driver to maximize engine performance, minimize carbon emissions, and save money. <http://go.usa.gov/2jm>



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