

S1 & S2 to OAK RIDGE: Last week, Secretary Moniz and Deputy Secretary Poneman toured some of the facilities at Oak Ridge National Lab and the Y-12 National Security Complex. Check out photos from the visit here: <http://go.usa.gov/b9w4>

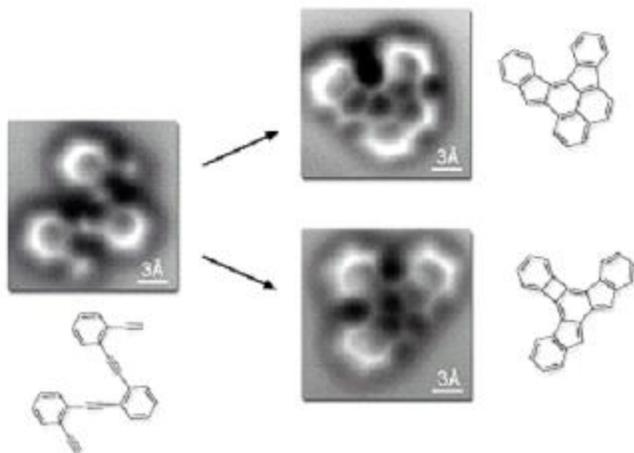


A HIGHER STANDARD: DOE has announced new energy efficiency guidelines for microwave ovens. The new standards are expected to save consumers nearly \$3 billion on their energy bills through 2030. <http://go.usa.gov/bZs4>

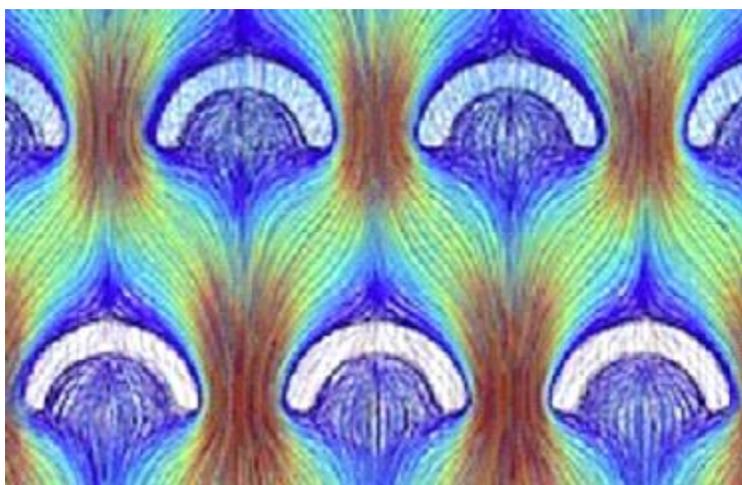


THE APPRENTICE: As we count down to the 2013 DOE National Clean Energy Business Plan Competition tomorrow, public voting for the "People's Choice" award has been launched on Energy.gov. Take a look at a short video about each competitor, and cast your vote online. Voting closes tomorrow at 4 p.m. EDT and the winner will be announced later in the day. <http://go.usa.gov/b5MT>

BREAKING UP IS HARD TO SEE: Researchers at LBNL recently released the first-ever high-resolution images of a molecule as it breaks and reforms chemical bonds. <http://go.usa.gov/bZsk>



PRINTABLE ELECTRONICS: Researchers at SLAC are using printing technology to create new lightweight, low-cost solar cells, flexible electronic displays, and tiny sensors. <http://goo.gl/locQj>



SMART GRID WEEK: Last week, Energy.gov highlighted efforts to build a more reliable, resilient, and secure electric grid. Check out the series here: <http://go.usa.gov/bZAh>



THE NEXT GENERATION: The first class to participate in the new Global Threat Reduction Initiative graduate program hosted by MIT, Penn State, Texas A&M, and NNSA has graduated. The curriculum covers a range of topics, including threat assessment, radiation detection, global nuclear security policy, and analysis of nuclear facility security. <http://go.usa.gov/bZsP>

KEEP THEM COMING: Got a story idea for *Plugged In!*? Birthstones or milestones? Shoot an email to PublicAffairs@hq.doe.gov.

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