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NEW CHALLENGES:
NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION,
GLOBAL WARMING,
THE NEED FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY.**

**SO WHY IS LOS ALAMOS
STUCK IN THE ATOMIC AGE?**

Today Los Alamos National Laboratory is throwing a party. Some of the most brilliant scientific minds in our nation are celebrating the first production in 18 years of a plutonium “pit”—the explosive core of a nuclear weapon—certified for use in an already excessive U.S. nuclear arsenal.

Seventy percent of Los Alamos’ budget is directly focused on nuclear weapons today—and much of the rest supports nuclear programs.

Nuclear weapons are a dead end. Los Alamos’s future depends on putting its scientific excellence to work in the service of urgent new national and global challenges. That is a mission America could truly celebrate.

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