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## U.S. Strategic Commander Gen. John Hyten visits LLNL

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Gen. Hyten stands in front of the target chamber at the National Ignition Facility with LLNL Director Bill Goldstein, LLNL Deputy Director Tom Gioconda and Jeff Wisoff, principal associate director of the NIF and Photon Science Directorate. Photos by Carrie Martin/LLNL

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The Laboratory recently hosted a visit by Air Force Gen. John E. Hyten and his wife, Laura Hyten.



Laura Hyten met with the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory Women's Association to discuss diversity and outreach programs. She also got a

Gen. Hyten is the commander of the U. S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) and is responsible for the global command and control of U.S. strategic forces to meet decisive national security objectives, providing a broad range of strategic capabilities and options for the President and Secretary of Defense. He is the key combatant commander charged with providing strategic deterrence for the nation.

Upon arriving at LLNL, the Hytens were given a Laboratory overview by Director Bill Goldstein and then attended a dinner with senior staff. The following day, Gen. Hyten attended several presentations addressing the Lab's capabilities related to intelligence, space and cyber mission areas and was provided tours of



U.S. Air Force Gen. John Hyten (center left), commander of U.S. Strategic Command, his wife Laura (center right) and members of Hyten's staff meet with leaders and staff members at the Laboratory. During their visit, the Hytens toured LLNL facilities and observed demonstrations on scientific research and engineering development.

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science lesson courtesy of Nick Williams, a presenter for LLNL's Fun With Science program and concocts a chemistry experiment, called "Elephant's Toothpaste."

the National Security Weapons Vault, Advanced Conventional Weapons programs and the National Ignition Facility (NIF).

Laura Hyten also toured the Laboratory, visiting the Discovery Center, the National Atmospheric Release Advisory Center, the LLESA Children's Center and NIF. She also had an opportunity to discuss Laboratory diversity and outreach efforts during a lunch with the Lawrence Livermore Women's Association and then met with the veterans in the Energy, Technology and Science

employee resource group, comprised of military veterans who are LLNL employees.

At the end of their Laboratory visit, the Hytens expressed great appreciation for all the efforts made on their behalf to ensure a very successful visit.

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