



Breaking Down Nuclear Waste in Frozen Pizza Time

The promise of nuclear power is enormous, but the whole conundrum of what to do with its dangerous byproducts has kept the world from fully embracing nuclear fission as a sustainable power source.

That might be on the verge of changing thanks to a recent Nobel laureate who says the right laser can bring the process of nuclear decay down from thousands of years to just 30 minutes — like popping a frozen pizza in the oven. Ding!

[Check it out here.](#)



Also in our blog this month:

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About IRD Glass

For 37+ years, IRD Glass has done things that virtually no one else has with precision glass and ceramics.

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THE AUDACIOUS PLAN TO SCAN THE ENTIRE PLANET WITH LIDAR

IRD Glass is an official BOROFLOAT® Distributor that is trusted by industry leading OEMs to process BOROFLOAT® into precision optical mirrors and other LiDAR components. If the story below is true, we're likely to get real busy around here...

The plan? Scan the entire planet with LiDAR.

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BEHIND THE GLASS DOOR

Alan Bednar



Alan joined IRD as a Machine Operator in March of 2018. He enjoys working on new incoming projects within our New Product cell.

IRD takes great pride to develop their employees by continually getting cross-function cell training, and Alan has lately added wafer dicing to his growing list of cross-training skills. What he enjoys most is the versatility of processes he touches every day and getting closer to revealing newly created finished products for our customers..

When Alan has time, he enjoys Geocaching around his hometown and has fun with friends on small road trips seeking out unique looking containers located in fun hidden locations; to date he has had 597 finds.

When time permits, he would like to travel to Australia, but for now he is content getting with friends for Dart league and hitting some local fishing spots.



Have you seen commercials for the new Impossible Burger? It's kind of silly that we've started turning plants into hamburgers. Cows have been doing it forever!.

A robber pulled a gun on the bank clerk and manager saying, "Give me all the money! I need it to set myself up in a trade or profession. You know, initial investment is needed to cover overhead until my cash flow is established." The bank manager said to the clerk, "You'd better do what he says. I think he means business."



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