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# NSSC THIS WEEK



## Natick Soldier Systems Center



### TESTING FEMALE BODY ARMOR

Female Soldiers at Fort Campbell, Ky., preparing for an upcoming deployment to Afghanistan, are getting a chance to weigh in on the latest innovation in personal protective equipment: body armor designed specifically to fit them.

<http://1.usa.gov/UjhSAI>



### WIDOW SHARES MARINE'S STORY

Kim Ruocco regularly relives her darkest days -- her husband's suicide and the downward spiral that led to it -- to save other military families from the same heartbreak.

<http://1.usa.gov/VD6NMO>



### TASTIER MEATS FOR FIELD RATIONS

The Army is teaming up with industry to develop a tastier, healthier meat product that uses an innovative dehydrating process. The Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center is helping to develop the product.

<http://1.usa.gov/PHnYIV>



### LIGHTENING THE SOLDIER'S LOAD

Lightening Soldiers' loads has always weighed heavily on Rich Landry's mind. As an individual equipment designer with the Load Carriage Prototype Lab, Product Manager Soldier Clothing and Individual Equipment, at Natick Soldier Systems Center, that's his job.

<http://1.usa.gov/OS8GWR>



### REDUCING FIREFIGHTER INJURIES

Researchers at Natick's U. S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine have teamed up with the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy in Stow, Mass., in an effort to reduce injuries in recruits.

<http://1.usa.gov/PDAV8v>

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