Engineering Newswire 38: Lockheed Laser Shoots Down Drones

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Today on Engineering Newswire, brought to you by Interpower [1], the premier supplier of power system components for worldwide markets, we're kicking turtles to make new shapes, enhancing our senses, printing on the Afinia 3D printer, and shooting down drones, with lasers. This episode features:

- Lockheed Martin has developed the ADAM system, which stands for Area Defense Anti-Munitions. This system is designed to destroy close-in improvised rocket and unmanned aerial threats, with a lasers.
- The markets between consumer and professional 3D printing are quickly beginning to blur. Even the unique electronics distributor, Saelig, has taken to selling 3D printers, like the new Afinia.
- The Gomboc is a self-righting, convex three-dimensional homogeneous body which, when resting on a flat surface, has one stable and one unstable point of equilibrium. Using models, researchers have discovered that 1% of turtles had Gömböc-shaped shells, giving them a unique evolutionary advantage.
- Students at the Royal College of Arts in London have developed a pair of concept pieces that allows wearers to fine tune their senses of sight and hearing: Eidos Vision and Eidos Audio.

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