

# About MistyWest

We're a product development firm that helps our clients develop market-ready solutions in half the time compared to ramping up an equivalent internal team.

WHO WE'VE WORKED WITH















FATIGUE SCIENCE

Professional Grade Handheld Devices

Off-Grid

Sensor Systems

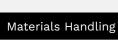








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# Disciplines

Our tightly integrated multidisciplinary team has the capability to go beyond what's typically possible for boutique product development.



# **Electrical Engineering**

- PCB Design, Circuit Simulation
   & Embedded Systems
- Analog, Digital, Mixed-Signal & RF Design
- High-Speed, Low-Noise, Flex & SOM Design
- Power Electronics & Signal Integrity

# Mechanical Engineering

- Electro-Mechanical Integration & Sensor Design
- Enclosure, Mechanism & Assembly Design
- Ruggedization: Ingress Protection, Thermal Management, Shock & Vibration Mitigation
- Design for Manufacturing & Assembly (DFM/DFA)

# Firmware & Software Engineering

- Wireless Comms: BLE, WiFi, Cellular
- Embedded Systems: OS, Drivers, and App Development (C, C++, Python)
- UI/UX: Frontend Development (Flask, React, Android)
- Signal & ML Processing: Image Processing and Embedded AI

# Industrial Design

- Market Research, Competitor Analysis,
   Qualitative & Quantitative User Research
- Concept Ideation, Visualization, Prototyping, and Validation
- User-Centered Design: Ergonomics & Usability
- UX/UI Design for Seamless Interaction

# Solutions



# MistySOM

A power-efficient system-on-module with built-in AI accelerator.



# MistyVision

A ruggedized off-grid Edge Al camera system.

MistyWest already has key building blocks developed for Edge AI, computer vision, IoT back-ends and wearables, enabling you to cut down time to market and development costs.

Get in touch to learn more about our custom solutions.



# MistyConnect

A templated Azure IoT solution with no middleware.

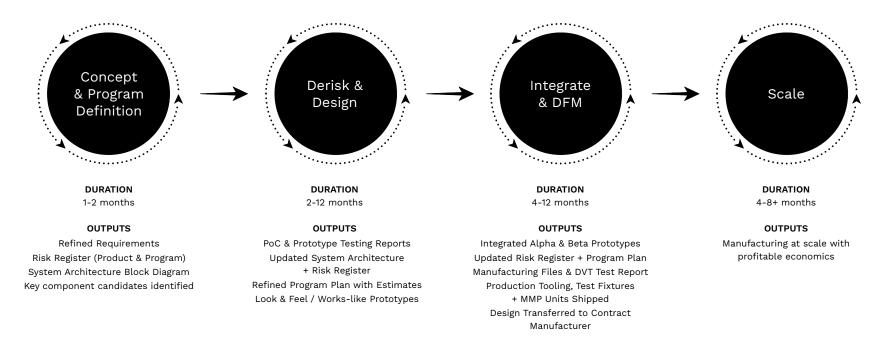


# MistyWearable

A customizable platform for wearables.

# How We Work

We take your ideas from napkin sketch to reality.

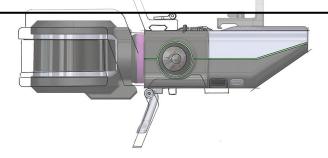


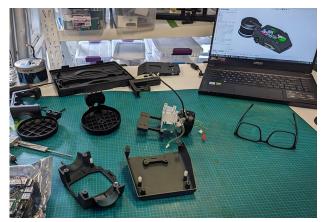
# Bridge Manufacturing

# We can shorten your time to revenue.

MistyWest helps you build and test the first batches of 20 to 100 sellable units while we work to transfer the design to a scalable contract manufacturer or your internal team.

Our bridge manufacturing services enable a seamless transition from the lab to the field, cutting 2-6 months off of your time to a product launch and resulting in higher manufacturing yields.







# Case Studies

The following case studies demonstrating how we've delivered real results for our clients represent just a few of MistyWest's 400+ projects over the past 15 years.

If you don't see your specific use case here, reach out—there's a good chance we've tackled something similar or can connect you with the right partner.





Ideon Technologies

#### INDUSTRIES

Mining Clean Tech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

FPGA Development AWS lot Framework Power Electronics DFMA Miniaturization



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MistyWest Blog: Client Showcase Ideon Technologies is a pioneer in cosmic-ray muon tomography, enabling x-ray-like imaging up to 1 km underground. In an accelerated development schedule of 12 months, MistyWest helped Ideon develop the next generation of their muon detector, miniaturizing a benchtop system from 1x1x1m to a rugged, manufacturable Ø10cm by 3m form factor. 10 field-deployable prototypes were delivered that can operate reliably for months without failure.



MistyWest reduced time to market by 1-2 years, and has since assisted Ideon with building their own internal engineering team, as well as significantly contributed to a successful \$13M CAD Digital Supercluster Application. The electronics developed by our team enabled Ideon's successful \$16M USD Series A lead by Playground Global.

# LiDAR-based 3D mapping device concept and MVP

Case Studies

# CLIENT

Exyn Technologies

#### INDUSTRIES

Mining

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Concept Development
User Research & Insights
DFMA
CAD & Prototyping
Low-Volume Production
Ruggedization



Exyn Technologies is commercializing LiDAR-based 3D mapping and autonomous navigation. They approached MistyWest for conceptual designs of a new commercial device that combined their existing handheld product ExynPak with their drone-mounted ExynAero product line.



In less than one year from the start of the initial research phase, MistyWest completed the engineering work necessary to reach low volume manufacturing for the commercial release of their new product line called *Nexys*. The resulting product will enable smooth operation at end-client facilities by combining the previous separate hand-held and drone mounted units into a single modular package.

Case Studies

# 99.999% Accurate Localization Sensor

**CLIENT**Attabotics

MistyWest designed and assembled 150 photometric sensor boards and shipped a total of 128 units, which integrated neatly with the Attabotics system and required minimal redesigns.

The project was completed within 9 months to meet certification and testing schedules; all amid global manufacturing and supply chain crises. The sensor suite is currently being A-B tested in real-world scenarios, with on-going support.

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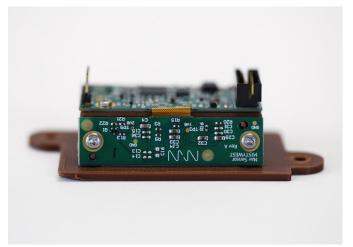
#### **KEY SKILLS**

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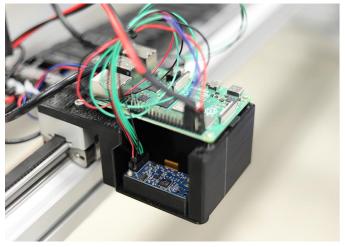
Optical Design Data Science Digital Signal Processing DFM

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other media (if applicable)



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**Guide Robotics** 

#### INDUSTRIES

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#### **KEY SKILLS**

Thermal Design Ruggedization Power Electronics Low-Volume Production DFMA



Guide Robotics develops SLAM-based navigation and robot autonomy technology for optimizing industrial operations. MistyWest was asked to redesign a rugged, compact, thermally managed device for mounting to forklift overhead racks, while eliminating the 10% failure rate of their existing device's power converter.



MistyWest enabled Guide Robotics to procure critical systems otherwise inaccessible in Japan, ensuring successful deployment of the solution. The redesigned device supports a wider range of battery voltages, offering more flexibility across forklift platforms. By eliminating the 10% failure rate, MistyWest enhanced Guide Robotics' ability to deliver scalable, effective solutions, boosting customer satisfaction and strengthening their market position.

# Handheld Sonar and Scanning Device

**CLIENT** VodaSafe

MistyWest developed a Minimum Viable Product (MVP) of a first-of-its-kind device named the AquaEye®: a handheld sweeping sonar technology intended to quickly scan underwater for drowning victims. The prototypes from MistyWest were successfully demonstrated at a conference, resulting in Vodasafe securing pre-seed funding.

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# Handheld Sonar and Scanning Device

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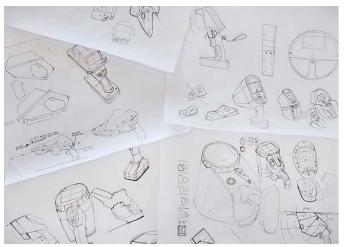
VodaSafe

# INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

UX/UI Design Waterproofing PCB Design & Integration Sensor Integration Power Optimization



VodaSafe is a BC startup dedicated to creating life-saving products that enhance public safety in aquatic activities. With core technology already proven, VodaSafe contracted MistyWest to develop a Minimum Viable Product (MVP) of a first-of-its-kind device named the AquaEye®: a handheld sweeping sonar technology intended to quickly scan underwater for drowning victims.



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# INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness MedTech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

RF Engineering App Development Ruggedization Optical Design



A Menlo Park-based nonprofit research institute developed a smart toilet camera to support bowel-based health monitoring for seniors, aiming to reduce medical interventions. MistyWest conducted a feasibility assessment, designed, and manufactured the device, developing an AI-powered system to automate monitoring and detect anomalous health trends.

In just eight months, MistyWest delivered a self-contained, multi-sensor toilet insert capable of automated visual data collection. The client deployed 15 smart toilet cameras in senior care facilities, where they have been successfully operating for since 2019. These devices enhance residents' quality of life by helping doctors monitor medication and diet effects, enabling early detection of gastrointestinal issues and reducing medical intervention costs.

# Sensor Suite for Hydradermabrasion Handpiece

Case Studies

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#### INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness MedTech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Concept Generation CAD & Prototyping DFMA User Testing



A leading medtech company approached MistyWest to research and develop a new facial hydradermabrasion handpiece with electronic control and a suite of sensors for data gathering and ensuring a seamless customer experience.

Through ideation sessions with client stakeholders and rapid prototyping, MistyWest engineered key components—including force and flow sensors, heat exchangers, and an NFC-based counterfeit detection system—enabling early user testing by estheticians. The resulting insights informed the client's IP portfolio and shaped future product development.

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# INDUSTRIES

Agriculture Clean Tech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

RTK GPS ROS Sensor Development High-Speed Image Processing



The exploratory R&D division of a major US tech company is developing novel solutions for more scalable and sustainable food systems. They hired MistyWest to build an early-stage prototype and control interface for an agricultural data collection robot for monitoring soil health.

MistyWest delivered a functioning prototype on schedule that was used in initial field trials for data collection Following successful deployment, additional internal funding was allocated, eventually resulting in the launch of a spin-out company around the data collection robot, with a mission to use data to cultivate sustainable agriculture.

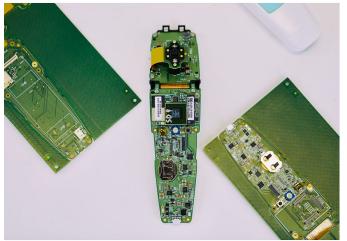
Light AI

# INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Hardware Quality Assurance Optical Design Medical Device Redesign IRB & Clinical Compliance



Light AI is an emerging Artificial Intelligence company with a novel solution to diagnosing streptococcal pharyngitis (strep throat) approached MistyWest with a pre-existing prototype of a handheld spectroscopic device. The device required a complete redesign, as it was deemed unsafe for clinical trials by the Internal Review Board (IRB) of key clinical partners, due to requiring direct patient contact.



MistyWest prepared a full documentation package for hospital IRB submission, and the updated spectroscopic device met the requirements for usability and deployment in a clinical setting, achieving a critical milestone for our client. Light AI ran successful clinical studies at UCLA involving hundreds of patients. They later raised \$5 million in funding from major venture partners, allowing them to further develop and improve the device for wider use.

# Autonomous Vehicle Sensor Cleaning System

Case Studies

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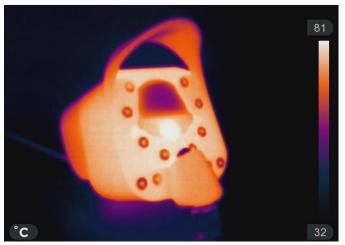
NuPort Robotics

#### INDUSTRIES

Smart Infrastructure Shipping & Logistics

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Ruggedization
Design for Ingress Protection
Thermal Design
Rapid Prototyping





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https://www.nuport.ai/blog/through-rain-or-shine

NuPort Robotics is developing an autonomous driving system for ground freight in collaboration with Canadian Tire. MistyWest enabled NuPort to demonstrate their core machine vision algorithm in real world on-truck pilot trials in a variety of weather conditions. The success of the pilot study allowed our client to secure critical funding and continue key strategic partnerships with Canadian Tire and Port of Prince Rupert.

# Optical Particle and Environmental Sensing Platform

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HAVEN

#### **INDUSTRIES**

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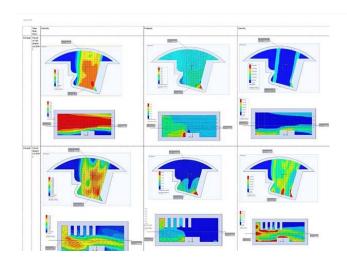
#### **KEY SKILLS**

Optical Sensor Development Low-Volume Production DFMA IP & Patent Development

Supply Chain Management

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<u>Time: Best Inventions of 2015</u> TZOA in Altium



MistyWest's novel optical particle counting technology matched the efficacy of a \$10K device in a \$100 device, and the designs were refined for volume manufacturing to fulfill HAVEN's successful IndieGoGo campaign.

Over a 5 year partnership, MistyWest leveraged HAVEN's technology into a new design that integrates with commercial HVAC systems, allowing the startup to pivot to B2B solutions.



MistyWest supported HAVEN as they grew their internal team to include electrical engineering staff and production support, and the startup is now a fully fledged company offering a central air quality monitoring system.

Thanks to high accuracy and reliability, HAVEN's smart systems have gathered support from academic and environmental research institutions, who are choosing the device over alternative particle sensor devices.

# Polar Bear Tracking Device

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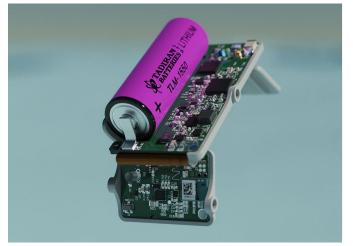
World Wildlife Fund

#### **INDUSTRIES**

Clean Tech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

BLE PCB Design Custom Antenna Design Power Optimization Ruggedization



To help WWF track polar bear migration patterns impacted by climate change, MistyWest was asked to design a compact, ear-mounted device capable of transmitting location data via satellite. We developed a waterproof enclosure—capable of withstanding the harsh environment of the arctic—with a 6 month battery, custom RF front end, and intelligent firmware algorithm.



MistyWest is one of the first engineering teams to produce an Argos-based tracking device with such compact internal antenna.

Four units were sent to the Winnipeg Zoo for field trials, and US Fish and Wildlife Services conducted fit tests in captivity in Anchorage, Alaska. The results and opensource files of this project are available on <u>Github</u>.

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Argos: Engineers and scientists collaborate to develop the first open-source Argos ear tag

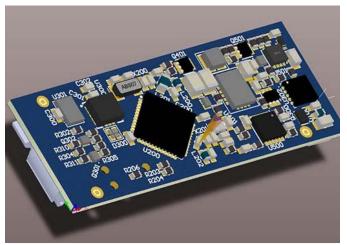
Fatigue Science

#### INDUSTRIES

Mining Tech Health & Wellness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Hardware Quality Assurance Power Optimization FCC Certification Chip-Level Design



Fatigue Science, a Vancouver-based company providing predictive fatigue analytics for industrial workers and athletes using machine learning and continuous actigraphy, partnered with MistyWest to update the hardware and firmware for their Readi wristband. MistyWest delivered a chip-level redesign, and firmware optimization that extended battery life from 7 to 45 days—well beyond the client's 30-day goal.



Initially intended for a 5,000 unit run, MistyWest's successful design scaled to 25,000 units with no changes. The Readi wristband has since been adopted by top-tier organizations like the Chicago Cubs and Toronto Raptors during their championship seasons, and deployed across 20 mine sites globally—cementing its role as a gold standard for fatigue management in both sports and heavy industry.

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# Supercritical CO2 Rock Pulverization Apparatus

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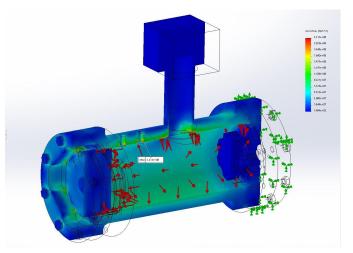
Rockburst Technologies

#### INDUSTRIES

Mining

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Concept Generation 3D CAD Modelling DFMA Prototyping and Testing



Rockburst Technologies is working to significantly reduce comminution energy consumption through their patent-pending Transcritical CO2 Pulverization (tCO2) technology. They collaborated with MistyWest to design a 'one-shot' proof-of-concept apparatus with a 200ml pressure chamber, and successful tests led to the design of a novel thermodynamic cycle that was later built into a 3m tall experimental system.



After taking over the experimental operation of the system, Rockburst Technologies and <u>UBC Mining</u> were able to successfully and safely demonstrate ~50% energy reduction. The industrial apparatus continues to demonstrate the technology of pulverizing rock with transcritical CO<sub>2</sub>, aiding Rockburst in securing investment for future development.

# Prototype Horse Wearable for Temperature Measure

Case Studies

# CLIENT

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#### **INDUSTRIES**

Health & Wearables Sports & Fitness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Bluetooth Integration Electronics Design User-Centered Design Rapid Prototyping



MistyWest was asked to develop a wearable-boot prototype for a client using predictive analytics to monitor horse leg temperature, detect inflammation, and guide injury prevention, as their existing PoC proved unusable. We visited stables to measure horse legs and meet with end-users, and designed a flexible PCB to wrap around the leg and contact over 90% of the 184 sensors—a challenge due to size, mechanical loading, and contact requirements.

MistyWest also 3D printed test fixtures for rapid iteration and developed firmware to transmit temperature data via Bluetooth, optimizing battery life and simplifying user interaction. The prototypes will be showcased to attract funding and used in pilot studies before the full product launch, enabling the client to collect data for analytics and subscription services to inform further development.

# Low Volume Production of Neural Earbuds

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# **INDUSTRIES**

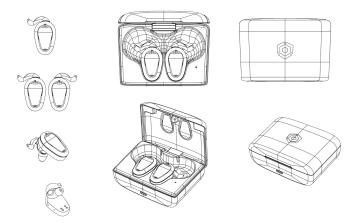
Health & Wearables

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Hardware Assembly 3D CAD Modelling DFMA Contract Manufacturer Ramp Up



Our client is a startup developing hands-free, speechless control of electronic devices with neural earbuds who partnered with MistyWest as their transition team to take their prototype from engineer-based low-volume assembly to scalable high-volume production. Our team developed jigs to standardize hardware assembly, optimized the existing neural earbud design for ease of testing, and refined the product and packaging to achieve a consumer-grade finish.



Within a year, MistyWest enabled the full transition to volume manufacturing. The reduced time to market increased revenue and secured further funding for our client. The neural earbuds have been named one of Time's Best Inventions of the year and have received an Innovation Award at CES.

# IoT Connected Outdoor Signage

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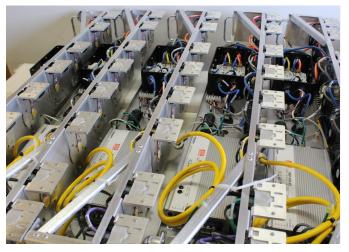
Amazon Fresh

# INDUSTRIES

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# **KEY SKILLS**

FCC Certification Miniaturization Ruggedization



MistyWest was contracted to design custom outdoor LED signage for the flagship launch of Amazon Fresh shopping locations in the US, with requirements for units rugged enough to withstand fluctuations in outdoor temperature, weather and light conditions.



The project was successfully completed and shipped on schedule. Amazon Fresh was able to launch their grocery pickup services which included this connected signage at several locations in Seattle, WA in 2017

# Lithium Wall Diagnostic Tests & Architecture

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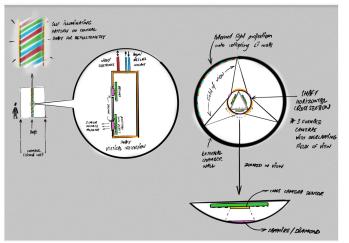
General Fusion

# **INDUSTRIES**

Clean Tech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Optics Concept Generation Brainstorming Signal Processing



General Fusion is developing a novel approach to fusion energy and partnered with MistyWest to explore ways to measure the shape of a rapidly changing liquid lithium surface. After a collaborative ideation session, MistyWest proposed and researched four measurement concepts designed for high EMI and lithium compatibility, and created a scalable system architecture to capture analog signals in General Fusion's high-voltage, high-EMI test environment.



MistyWest's work with General Fusion is helping strengthen partnerships with BC-based tech companies, aligning with their strategy to create clusters that accelerate innovation in fusion and related technologies. General Fusion has since received approval to build a plant near the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's (UKAEA) Culham Campus.

Cannabix Technologies

# INDUSTRIES

MedTech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Full-Stack Engineering User Experience Design Mobile App Development Rapid Prototyping



Cannabix Technologies Inc. partnered with MistyWest to develop a THC breathalyzer prototype for law enforcement. MistyWest engineered a Breath Collection Unit (BCU), optimizing airflow geometries, designing foam models for UX testing, and developing a companion Android app for real-time data via Bluetooth. Within a short timeline, we delivered two fully functional prototypes capable of measuring breath volume, CO2 content, temperature, and humidity.



Cannabix saw a \$17 million jump in shareholder value when the prototype completion was announced. MistyWest's prototype played an integral role in the development of future iterations of the THC Breath Analyzer. The technology is being beta tested in various cities across North America by employers and other markets who are seeking a way to quickly, easily and non-invasively test for recent use of THC.

# **Energy Enclosure Monitor**

# CLIENT

Neurio

# INDUSTRIES

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#### **KEY SKILLS**

Concept Generation 3D CAD Modelling DFMA Ruggedization Certification Compliance



Neurio (now acquired by *Generac Power Systems*) is developing groundbreaking technology in the residential energy space. MistyWest designed the W1 Enclosure for a home energy monitor kit that would allow homeowners (especially those with off-grid solar systems) to monitor their home energy usage in real-time and reduce their energy costs by up to 20%.



The results of MistyWest's work helped Neurio showcase their technology to secure additional funding from investors. Neurio built a suite of devices that demonstrated their technology and assisted in their acquisition by Generac Power Systems. Their energy monitor technology has been integrated into new fully integrated solar and battery storage systems for homeowners.

MIT University

#### **INDUSTRIES**

Smart Infrastructure Sports & Fitness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

3D Modelling Thermal System Design Cost-Reduction Engineering Material Sourcing Remote Engineering Support



MIT's SENSEable City Lab initially developed a prototype for a next-generation rear bicycle wheel that converts pedal bikes into e-bikes. MistyWest was responsible for the sourcing, part creation and design of a more cost-effective and reliable prototype, whose final technology was exclusively licensed by its co-inventor Assaf Biderman for commercial sale. Biderman founded <a href="SuperPedestrian">SuperPedestrian</a> Inc. and launched the <a href="Copenhagen Wheel">Copenhagen Wheel</a> in 2017 to overwhelming success.



SuperPedestrian raised over \$6 million in venture funding and are considered the biggest-and-best-funded next-generation bike technology company. While the company stopped distributing the Copenhagen Wheel in 2020, it is still considered a next-level achievement in enabling transition to smarter cities and urban environments.

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New York Times

Mashable

Digital Trends

Proskida

# INDUSTRIES

Sports & Fitness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Hardware Design Support Firmware Development System Architecture Bluetooth Optimization Comprehensive System



Proskida developed the world's first power meter for cross-country skiing—designed to measure force, efficiency, and technique in real time. After encountering issues with their initial smart ski grip design, Proskida turned to MistyWest for firmware and electrical design support.



MistyWest delivered a scalable FreeRTOS-based architecture with custom sensor drivers, optimized system performance for field testing, and added on-device data storage. The team also supported hardware improvements, boosted Bluetooth data throughput, and conducted full-system testing—delivering a robust, high-performance solution ready for real-world use.

# Novel BLE Beacon System Simulations

Case Studies

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#### **INDUSTRIES**

Smart Infrastructure Shipping & Logistics

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Python BLE RF Engineering Power Optimization



A leading innovation lab focused on solving global challenges tasked MistyWest with developing a novel BLE beacon system for inventory tracking to improve global supply chain management. MistyWest assessed feasibility with a power consumption simulation for battery optimization, prototyped an RF design, and developed firmware to evaluate BLE performance and refine algorithms.

The final Bluetooth beacons provide real-time inventory and location updates, reducing risk when shipping high-value items. By vetting ideas through cost-effective software simulations, MistyWest saved both time and money while ensuring the necessary investigations were completed in time for the silicon revision.

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#### INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Rapid Prototyping BLE Mobile App Design



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- The Late Show with Stephen Colbert
- Geekwire

An NYC-based marketing production company engaged MistyWest to provide technical design support for Procter & Gamble's Charmin exhibit at CES 2020, with just two months to bring concept art to life. MistyWest handled PID tuning, component sourcing, 3D-printed enclosures, and sensor testing, adapting to last-minute changes and coordinating with multiple subcontractors.



MistyWest successfully completed the project one schedule, delivering *SmellSense*, a bathroom odor warning system, and *Rollbot*, a two-wheeled robot that delivers toilet paper via an Android app. A Westie provided on-site support at the convention in Las Vegas, and *Rollbot* ended up being one of the most talked about demos at CES 2020.

# IoT Kitchen Appliance Connectivity

Case Studies

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#### **INDUSTRIES**

Smart Home

#### **KEY SKILLS**

AWS IoT Root Cause Analysis Concept Generation 3D CAD Modelling Prototyping and Assembly



A client developing an IoT kitchen countertop composter required MistyWest to resolve critical FreeRTOS firmware issues. Our team rebuilt the firmware to interface with onboard hardware and sensors, set up AWS IoT connectivity with provisioning and OTA updates, and implemented a modular design with a CI pipeline and test suite to ensure reliable, seamless deployment. MistyWest delivered production-ready firmware in just 8 weeks, enabling a smooth manufacturing launch.

# Technology Landscape Workshop and Report

Case Studies

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#### INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness Sports & Fitness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

User Experience Design Desktop Research Market Research Research & Development



A leading global athletic apparel and technology brand engaged MistyWest to analyze the landscape of intelligent and connected devices in their industry and benchmark key competitors. We identified, shortlisted and synthesized major emerging technologies in a report according to value proposition, current challenges, predicted adoption rate, and specific relevance to the client. The report is being used to help shape their product strategy and influence future market trends.

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# INDUSTRIES

Health & Wellness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Research & Development Electronics Miniaturization UX/UI Design Sensor Fusion



A leading technology innovation lab brought on MistyWest to explore gesture-based smart home control. Our team delivered five functional prototypes of three different wearable bands: one with Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) and Photoplethysmography (PPG), one with ultra-wideband (UWB), and one integrating gesture data. The prototypes enabled the client to advance sensor fusion research and refine gesture-driven user experiences.

# VR Headset Improvement Concept Designs

Case Studies

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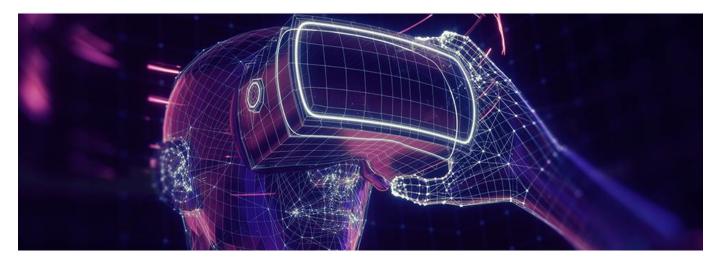
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#### INDUSTRIES

Smart Infrastructure

#### **KEY SKILLS**

UX Design Market Research Concept Generation DFMA Materials Selection



An American multinational technology company developing VR headsets with AR capabilities engaged MistyWest to improve the aesthetics, cleanability, and performance of a stretchy membrane covering the adjustable lens-module eyepieces. MistyWest researched material options, fabrication techniques, and geometry modifications to minimize wrinkling and reduce forces that could cause optical blur.

Our concepts were presented to the Lead Product Designer for evaluation and potential integration into the next-generation headset. MistyWest also delivered an overview Retrospective Report to the client which could be presented to upper management.

# Computer Vision Golf Swing Detection

Case Studies

# CLIENT

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#### INDUSTRIES

Sports & Fitness

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Optical Design
Machine Learning
Cloud Infrastructure
App Integration
Aws lot Core/Greengrass



MistyWest was engaged to develop a golf course-deployable computer vision prototype that would allow golfers to capture video and receive feedback on their swings, with key requirements to limit recordings to swing events, differentiate golfers in a group, and sync data to an iOS app.



Despite a global supply chain crisis, MistyWest delivered six field-deployable Proof-of-Concepts within seven months that were equipped with with 8-hour battery life, live preview capabilities, and tripod mounting options. Features were refined through user interviews and research, and the system underwent field trials and investor demos which received positive feedback from trial users and validating its market potential.

# Low-Cost Scanning Electron Microscope

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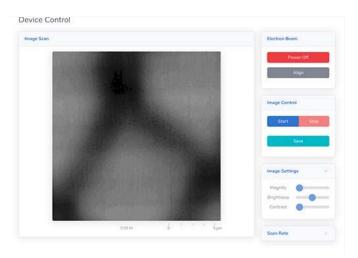
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#### INDUSTRIES

MedTech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

App Software Development Control Systems Engineering Wireless communication Scientific Instrumentation Design



A research institution developing a low-cost, portable scanning electron microscope (SEM) engaged MistyWest to modernize its control and imaging system. Using a carbon nanotube forest for electron beam generation, the design eliminates bulky vacuum pumps by sealing the electron column and scanning specimens in atmosphere via a mechanical stage.



MistyWest replaced manual controls with digital ones, developed a web application for real-time, low-latency image processing, and enabled wireless control of the device.

# Novel Spatial Mapping Helmet

# CLIENT

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#### INDUSTRIES

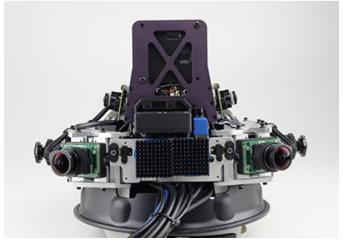
Smart Infrastructure

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Optics Engineering Physics



A startup bringing VR technology to commercial real estate engaged MistyWest to develop a novel 3D mapping camera designed to capture high-resolution spatial data, requiring integration of seven high-resolution cameras into both an existing helmet design and a custom triggering system.



MistyWest designed a rigid camera mounting frame that attached to the helmet structure, with optimized weight distribution and cable management. A second prototype was later developed, featuring the new camera bracket, seven Point Grey cameras, and a Velodyne LiDAR 3D mapping system, significantly enhancing the accuracy and efficiency of data capture.

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Health & Wellness MedTech

#### **KEY SKILLS**

Concept Generation 3D CAD Modelling DFMA Prototyping & Testing



As part of the global health initiative of a Fortune 500 Company, MistyWest was tasked with developing a field-deployable live-insect trap featuring a stasis chamber to preserve viral DNA samples, designed to monitor and predict disease spread by analyzing viruses in the blood-meals of biting insects.

Using First-Principles analysis, MistyWest developed a novel CO2-based system that enabled refrigeration, venturi-conveyor insect capture, pneumatic trap actuation, and dispersed insect lure. We engineered several subsystem prototypes before delivering two final integrated prototypes, exceeding expectations for insect capture efficacy.

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