



Summer Robotics Raises Series A

Pioneer in machine vision for robotics

Connected Vision Advisors (CVA) acted as financial advisor to Summer Robotics

September 30, 2025 – Connected Vision Advisors (CVA) is pleased to announce that Summer Robotics, a pioneer in machine vision for vision-guided robotics, today announced it has raised Series A funding led by Applied Ventures LLC, the venture capital arm of Applied Materials, Inc., with participation from Solasta Ventures, Naver, and other investors. The funding will accelerate the company's Kortex machine vision platform, which enables robots to operate in dynamic, unstructured environments — unlocking new automation capabilities in manufacturing, logistics, and other industries.

"Our Kortex platform is enabling robotics applications that were not feasible with existing solutions," said Schuyler Cullen, CEO of Summer Robotics. "This investment from Applied Ventures validates our vision and allows us to scale faster. Rick's leadership will be pivotal as we expand our commercial footprint."

"After nearly three decades in this field, I believe Summer Robotics is building something truly transformative," said Rick Van Valkenburg. "I'm excited to help bring this technology to market."

The company has already launched pilot programs with automotive manufacturers and is expanding into additional industries seeking advanced automation.

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About Summer Robotics

Summer Robotics develops next-generation automation solutions powered by its Kortx machine vision platform, combining AI, computer vision, and high-speed imaging to enable robots to perform in unstructured environments. Founded in 2020, the company is headquartered in Campbell, CA.

About Applied Ventures

Applied Ventures is the venture capital arm of Applied Materials, based in Santa Clara, California. The firm seeks to invest in companies operating in the advanced material, display technologies, energy conservation and storage, artificial intelligence & big data, life science, semiconductors technology, data storage, medical diagnostic, technology, software, sustainability, and conservation sectors.

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