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Work

SmartOne

Montréal, Canada

CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER

2024 - Present

- Product innovation and R&D, focusing on ethical AI and human-AI collaboration for operational excellence.

Acrylic Robotics, BRIDGR, XMachina, XPR Labs

ADVISOR AND INVESTOR

2020 - Present

- Empowered startups with AI-driven operational enhancements and strategic growth mentoring.
- Facilitated access to high-growth AI startups and to advancing metaverse accessibility.

Nadeau Innovations

Montréal, Canada

FOUNDER

2022 - 2024

- Strategic support for emerging technology startups and corporate innovation.

Airbotics, Citera, FemTherapeutics, Gratified, KonnectAI, NuBinary, OpAI Innovations, Osedea

FRACTIONAL CTO

2022 - 2024

- Spearheaded technology strategies and innovation across AI/ML and emerging technologies.

1X (Halodi Robotics)

Montréal, Canada & Oslo, Norway

CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER

2021 - 2023

- Spearheaded development of humanoid robots, securing a pivotal contract with ADT Commercial.
- Facilitated over \$100M in funding, with notable contributions from OpenAI.
- Drove global expansion, laying the foundation for advanced robotics and AI/ML initiatives.

AON3D

Montréal, Canada

ENGINEERING MANAGER

2018 - 2021

- Led engineering through \$11.5M Series A funding, enhancing 3D printing innovation.

Rogue Research Inc.

Montréal, Canada

R&D ENGINEER

2011 - 2018

- Led R&D in medical device innovation, including cognitive neuroscience and veterinary robotic surgery.

Education

École de technologie supérieure

Montréal, Canada

PH.D. - AI AND COLLABORATIVE ROBOTICS

2014 - 2019

- Innovated safer, intuitive collaborative robotics with a thesis on freehand ultrasound, advancing human-robot interaction.
- Developed AI/ML models for improved physical human-robot interaction, redefining controller tuning and calibration.
- Created [Pybotics](#), a popular open-source toolbox for robotics kinematics.

McGill University

Montréal, Canada

B.ENG. - MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

2010 - 2014

Skills & Certifications

Certifications	Open Water Diver (PADI), Professional Engineer (Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec)
Technical Leadership	Agile Methodologies, Strategic Innovation, Technology Roadmapping
Software & Tools	CI/CD, Cloud Platforms, Data Engineering, DevOps, Docker, Infrastructure as Code, Simulation
AI/ML Technologies	Computer Vision, Generative AI, MLOps, Natural Language Processing, Reinforcement Learning
Programming Languages	C/C++, Go, Java, JavaScript (Node.js), Python, Rust
Languages	English, French

Select Publications

	Improved Test Methods for Polymer AM Inter-Layer Weld Strength and Filament Mechanical Properties,
2020	Richard G. Cole, Kazem Fayazbakhsh, Abraham Avalos, Nicholas A. Nadeau. ASTM International Conference on Additive Manufacturing (ICAM).
2019	Towards the development of safe, collaborative robotic freehand ultrasound, Nicholas A. Nadeau. École de technologie supérieure.
2019	Pybotics: Python Toolbox for Robotics, Nicholas A. Nadeau. The Journal of Open Source Software.
2019	Impedance Control Self-Calibration of a Collaborative Robot Using Kinematic Coupling, Nicholas A. Nadeau, Ilian A. Bonev. MDPI Robotics.
2018	Evolutionary Motion Control Optimization in Physical Human-Robot Interaction, Nicholas A. Nadeau, Ilian A. Bonev. IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS).
2018	An Extrinsic Dexterity Approach to the IROS 2018 Fan Robotic Challenge Modality B, Jennifer Kwiatkowski, Jean-Philippe Roberge, Nicholas A. Nadeau, Louis L'Écuyer-Lapierre, Vincent Duchaine. IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS).
2017	Characterization of a robotic micro-surgical system for small-animal neurosurgery, Nicholas A. Nadeau, Alexandru Ciobanu, Fred Lamer, Mathieu Coursolle, Sean McBride, Stephen Frey, Roch Comeau. Society for Neuroscience.

Volunteer & Committees

2022	Startup Mentor, Next AI
2022	Startup Mentor, Creative Destruction Lab (CDL)
2021	Technical Committee ISO/TC 299 - Robotics, Standards Council of Canada Mirror Committee
2020	Mentor, Techstars Montréal AI Accelerator
2020	Mentor, FounderFuel Startup Accelerator
2018	Committee F42 on Additive Manufacturing Technologies, ASTM International