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## Current Venture: Embino

embino.com — Founder & Inventor

Stealth mode

Natural-language programming for embedded devices. A grammar-constrained small language model generates verified bytecode that runs on ESP32, Arduino, RP2040, and any \$1 microcontroller. No hallucinations, no cloud dependency, deterministic execution.

**Status:** Patent filed, website live, seeking seed investment to build production toolchain.

## Embedded ML & Real-Time Experience

ML RESEARCHER — APPLE INC.

2016 – 2019

Developed embedded ML algorithms for depth sensing and signal processing in hardware products. Focused on real-time inference, power-constrained optimization, and ASIC-compatible implementations. Cross-disciplinary work spanning sensors, ML, and hardware/software co-design.

ALGORITHM ENGINEER — INTEL CORPORATION (REALSENSE)

2013 – 2016

Computer vision algorithm engineer in the RealSense depth sensing group. Developed solutions from theoretical R&D to ASIC-compatible implementations with strict real-time constraints. Work on coded light systems, edge detection, and range reconstruction for consumer hardware.

## Startup Leadership

CO-FOUNDER & CTO — EMBRYONICS (ACQUIRED BY RHEA LABS 2023)

2019 – 2023

Led fertility-tech startup. Built ML pipeline from vision to geometric networks, from research to clinical deployment.

HEAD OF AI/ML — AKA FOODS

2021 – 2023

Led AI R&D for plant-based food development. Built generative AI system for recipe optimization integrated with food lab processes.

## Patents (15 granted/pending)

**Embino:** US 63/927,859 — Grammar-Constrained Code Generation for Embedded Devices (2025). **Intel:** US09800795B2 — Active Illumination Depth Camera; US09792671B2 — Coded Light Depth; US20170178305A1 — Edge Filters; US10775501B2 — Range Reconstruction; US10540784B2 — Texture Camera Calibration. **Apple:** US11914078B2 — Depth Calibration; US12153140B2 — Visual Inertial Odometry.

**Embryonics:** WO2022009186A1 — Embryo Implantation Prediction; US20220284542A1 — Semantic Medical Imaging; US20220375069A1 — Oocyte Quality Estimation. **AKA Foods:** US20230288392A1 — Food Processing, Mixture Modeling, Molecular Embedding, Virtual Tasting.

## Publications (12 peer-reviewed)

*Nature* (2016): Mid-Developmental Transition and Animal Body Plans. *PNAS* (2012), *PNAS* (2018): Cyanobacteria Viruses; Gene Regulatory Programs. *IEEE TPAMI* (2019): Intel RealSense SR300 Coded Light Depth Camera. *MIDL* (2020, first author): Data-Driven Prediction of Embryo Implantation. *Human Reproduction* (2022): Embryologist Agreement on Blastocyst Implantation. *LNCS/AIiH* (2024): Bonna Algorithm for Embryo Implantation. *PLOS ONE* (2025, sole author): Taskmaster UK Format Analysis. *Molecular BioSystems* (2012, first author): Evolutionary Transcriptomics. *Bioinformatics* (2013, first author): ELOPER Genome Assembly.

## Education & Academic Foundation

**Microsoft Research PhD Fellowship** — Cambridge, UK (2011–2013). Computational biology and high-throughput data analysis in collaboration with Technion and MSR Cambridge.

**Technion — Israel Institute of Technology** — Rothschild Scholars Program for Excellence. Research assistantships: Computational Evolution & Development Lab under Prof. Itai Yanai (2010–2013, led to Nature and PNAS publications); Evoked Potentials Laboratory under Prof. Hillel Pratt (2008–2010, neural signal processing); VR & Neurocognition Lab under Prof. Miriam Reiner (2009–2010, brain-computer interfaces); Intelligent Systems Lab under Prof. Michael Lindenbaum (2007–2009, computer vision and ML).

## Current Roles

**Head of AI/ML — Rhea Labs** (2023–present): AI-powered diagnostics & patient journey management following Embryonics acquisition.

**Head of AI/ML — Canotera** (2023–present): Lead AI initiatives for legal dispute outcome prediction.

# embino

Tiny intelligence for tiny devices

Executive Summary • [embino.com](http://embino.com) • Patent Pending US 63/927,859

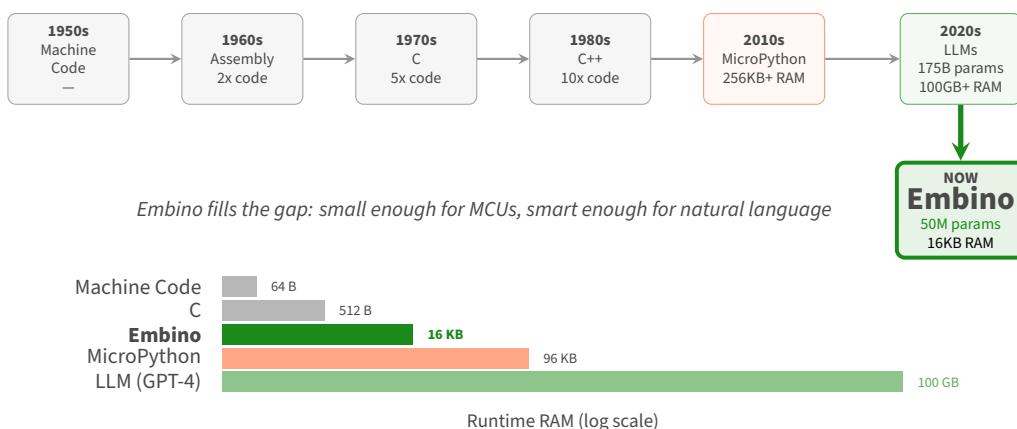
## Problem → Solution

**Problem:** 30B+ MCUs ship annually, all programmed in C/C++. LLMs can generate code but can't run on MCUs (100GB+ RAM, hallucinations, cloud dependency). No middle abstraction exists.

**Solution:** Embino is a natural-language programming stack for microcontrollers. Write rules in structured English → get deterministic bytecode on any \$1 chip. Three components: (1) rule-oriented DSL, (2) grammar-constrained LM (<50M params, 100% syntactic validity), (3) micro-interpreter (<16KB RAM, <20ms latency).

## The Abstraction Gap

Programming abstractions evolved proportionally—until LLMs broke the pattern, jumping to 175B+ parameters for tasks that run on 16KB chips.



## Why Now / Competitive Moat

**Why now:** Grammar-constrained decoding and efficient LoRA adaptation only became viable in 2023-24. Small language models (<100M params) now match GPT-3 on structured tasks. The timing is right.

**Competition:** MicroPython (too heavy, 96KB+), block-based tools (no AI, fixed templates), cloud LLMs (can't run on MCU). No one combines NL→DSL→verified bytecode→deterministic MCU execution.

**Moat:** 35-claim patent covering the full stack. First-mover in grammar-constrained embedded code generation.

## Market & Business Plan

**Market:** 30+ billion MCUs ship annually—all programmed in C/C++. Target: makers/education → robotics/automation → industrial OEMs. Even 0.1% = 30M+ units/year.

**Business model:** Toolchain licenses (freemium → pro), dev board sales, OEM licensing fees for embedded runtime.

**Three-Stage Roadmap:** **Stage 1** (12-24mo): Add-on module via UART/I<sup>2</sup>C for existing boards. Dev boards, makers, schools. **Stage 2** (24-36mo): System-on-PCB with integrated interpreter. Volume sales, robotics kits. **Stage 3** (36mo+): Custom SoC with ROM-resident runtime. OEM licensing.

## Investment Opportunity

Seeking \$500K seed round to build production toolchain and Stage 1 hardware prototype.

**Use of funds:** DSL spec + reference interpreter, GC-SLM translator, micro-VM firmware (ESP32/Arduino/RP2040), first add-on module design, partner outreach.

- **Product-first:** Real toolchain for real hardware—not a research benchmark
- **Strong IP:** 35-claim provisional patent covering the full stack
- **Massive market:** 30B+ MCUs/year still using 50-year-old programming
- **Founder fit:** 6 years embedded ML at Apple/Intel, 15 patents (depth sensing, ML, medical imaging), startup exit, Nature publication