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Wired Magazine: FORGET ROBO-CARS AND HIT THE WATER ON AN AUTONOMOUS BOAT

May 28, 2018

DESPITE MANY DEVELOPERS' efforts to teach cars to steer themselves around roads filled with human drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists, the first great wave of autonomous vehicles may not arrive on land. Instead, it might follow the time-honored tradition of running away from tricky problems by heading for the open seas.

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Autonomous Boats Will Be On the Market Sooner Driving Cars

April 18, 2018

<u>Buffalo Automation</u>, a startup in upstate New York that began at the University at <u>Buffalo</u>, <u>ust raised</u> \$900,000 to help commercialize its AutoMate system—essentially a collection of sensors and cameras to help boats operate semi-automously. CEO Thiru Vikram said the company is working with three pilot partners, and intends to target cargo ships and recreational vessels first.

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UB-affiliated artificial intelligence startup raises \$900,000 in seed round to advance driverless boat technology

April 10, 2018

Buffalo Automation, an artificial intelligence (AI) startup that is developing technology for self-navigating boats, has secured \$900,000 in seed funding from investors — significantly more than the \$700,000 the company set out to raise early this year.

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Buffalo Automation raises \$900,000 seed round led by Ja family April 10, 2018

Buffalo Automation has closed on \$900,000 in seed funding led by the Jacobs family and backed by various other well-known business executives in Buffalo.

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Buffalo company leading the way in self-driving boat technology

The race to develop driverless cars has captured a lot of attention around the world, but one company in Buffalo is working to bring that technology to the water.

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Al Startup Receives \$900k for Self-Driving Boats April 12, 2018

Buffalo Automation, an artificial intelligence startup developing technology for self-navigating boats, has secured \$900,000 in seed funding from investors which exceeds their target of \$700,000.

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### Are self-navigating boats on the horizon? October 16, 2017

We have this saying, anything that's not inherently creative can be automated...think of goods and cargo, and the world's supply chain, just moving itself. You know, we spend our time doing creative, exciting, great things. And we don't have to worry. The world just lakes care of itself basically...

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Launch NY, Z80 back self-piloting ship startup

December 19, 2016

Bulfalo Automation "is at a key point in their development," said Launch CEO Marnie LaVigne. "Our mission is to help companies at a point when they need some extra steps completed to get to a true smaller seed-stage investment."

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No Captain, No Problem: Self-Driving Boats July 07, 2016

The driverless boat—a vessel navigating on its own, independent of any order one aptain—has existed in folklore for hundreds of years. Ghost ships, like the infamous Flying Dutchman, have been part of nautical legend...

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Judges vote Buffalo Automation as top Information Technology and Software startup of New York State

April 29, 2016

Buffalo Automation is the top Information Technology and Software company at the statewide New York Business Plan Competition finals! Thanks to an excellent team and great mentors!

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Buffalo Automation wins the Panasci Prize

Buffalo Automation Group continued to pick up prestigious accolades in Buffalo's startup community this week, winning the University at Buffalo's top entrepreneurship event.

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**Innovation Award** 

## **SHORTLISTED**

Lloyd's List of London shortlists us for Innovation Award April 01, 2016

A panel of highly respected judges spent hours pouring over the entries for the Lloyd's List North American Awards. The awards are to recognise the best in shipping during the last year in the North American region and the winners of each category will be announced during a gala evening on May 19th at Pier Sixty, New York.

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# STUDENT2BIZ challenge

Judges vote Buffalo Automation as top company in Student 2 Biz

We are excited to be chosen to represent WNY at the New York State Business Plan Competition.

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The world should take care of itself, while humans dream, think & create

March 04, 2016

CEO Thiru Vikram and Dan Miner of Buffalo Business First chat about the future with autonomous navigation.

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Harbinger of a new maritime era?

December 30, 2015

UB undergrads building boat tech that can 'see an obstacle in the water and avoid it.'

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Watch how boats will drive themselves
October 15, 2015

Driverless technology is making inroads in maritime shipping, search-and-rescue operations and security work. But it has been conspicuously absent from recreational boating.

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Autonomous boats win inaugural Buffalo Student Sandbox July 31, 2015

Hard work pays off as our team wins Buffalo Student Sandbox accelerator program.

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