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• SVP & GM, Vexos in Markham ON



- 25+ years of Operations experience including 19+ years in the EMS industry
- in progressively senior roles spanning Global Program Management, Operations Management and Site General Management.
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- Bachelors' in Mechanical Engineering, University of Ottawa.



Cyril Fernandes



- SVP Global Business Development, Vexos
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- a wealth of experience in business development, operations, manufacturing and global manufacturing strategies.



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- 12 years of experience in custom industrial automation machine integration
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- Engineering support and expertise through our Technical Centers
- 180,000 + square feet of manufacturing capability
- 700+ customer focused employees
- Strong sourcing connections and economies of scale
- Ability to scale and grow with customers demand and requirements
- Specializing in Low-to-Mid Volumes
- High-to-Low Complexity Mix
- Vexos received top honors by their customers for best in class for two categories: Manufacturing Quality and Technology

JMP Solutions - Overview





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MVM Project Structure



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MVM International / ARIA

Cristiano Galbiati

professor of physics at Princeton University professor of physics at Princeton University and Global Argon Dark Matter Collaboration (GADM)



ELEMASTER Technologies Gabriele Cogliati, President & CEO European Manufacturing & Design partner



MVM Canada - Collaboration national laboratories in Canada The McDonald Institute - leadership of Nobel laureate, Dr. Arthur McDonald of Queen's University, Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL), TRIUMF and SNOLAB



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Vexos & JMP MVM Team





Preamble



- The MVM is an innovative ventilator, conceived and designed by an international collaboration of particle physicists and developed in cooperation with other relevant scientific communities.
- Simple Mechanical design is simple, using a small number of parts to facilitate rapid production. Focused on strong and safe performance for the care and recovery of COVID-19 patients.
- In a little more than one month, from March 19 to May 1, the Mechanical Ventilator Milano (MVM) went from concept to reality
- May 1, 2020, the United States Food and Drug Administration (U.S. FDA) declared that the MVM falls within the scope of the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for ventilators.
- September 30, 2020 Vexos receives Health Canada approval under Interim Order (IO)
- Achieving this result in a such a short time was made possible thanks to the cooperation of laboratories, institutes, universities and companies mainly across Italy, Canada and the United States, maximizing the benefits that come from the sharing of skills and resources.

The MVM Challenge



- A fraction of the people infected with COVID-19 can become severely ill, needing help to breathe. This has created a world-wide demand for ventilators. To address this critical global issue, the MVM collaboration took on the challenge to design, develop, build, and certify a safe and powerful, ventilator.
- The MVM initiative originated in the framework of the GADM Global Argon Dark Matter Collaboration, an international scientific collaboration engaged in the search of dark matter with experiments labs and with worldwide partners. This research involves gas handling systems and complex control systems, the same technologies required in mechanical ventilators.
- While in lockdown for the COVID-19 pandemic in Milan, Italy, Cristiano Galbiati (Princeton University), the spokesperson for the GADM Collaboration, recognized the need for additional ventilators early in the pandemic. He launched the MVM project and started the development of a first prototype in partnership with Elemaster S.p.A of Lomagna (LC), Italy.
- The collaboration quickly expanded to include international partners including national laboratories in Canada: Art McDonald Institute for Astroparticle Physics Research Institute, Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL), TRIUMF and SNOLAB, through the leadership of 2015 Nobel laureate, Dr. Arthur McDonald of Queen's University.

The MVM Challenge



- The laboratory and hospital facilities for the development and testing of the first units was performed by a team headed by Elemaster in conjunction with local hospitals in Northern Italy.
- Clinicians and anesthesiologists located in Italy, Canada, and in the United States provided guidance to ensure medical considerations were properly integrated into the design.
- Getting the MVM ventilator to patients requires collaboration beyond nuclear and particle physicists. Government departments, regulators, manufacturers and health care providers have made valuable contributions to the project.
- Vexos Inc. will manufacture and distribute the MVM Ventilator under an exclusive license from Elemaster for the Americas and other territories partnered with JMP Solutions in London, ON.

The MVM Design



- The MVM ventilator is inspired by the Manley ventilator, which was developed by Roger Manley in 1961, based on "the possibility of using the pressure of the gases from the anesthetic machine as the motive power for a simple apparatus to ventilate the lungs of the patients in the operating theatre".
- The MVM is designed to meet the requirements of a ventilator as simply as possible. The MVM also incorporates advanced features directly recommended by anesthesiologists participating who provided care for COVID-19 patients.
- The MVM features electrically driven pneumatic valves rather than mechanical switches and uses a stripped-down mechanical design.
- This enables fast progress from design to quick, inexpensive mass production of safe, reliable ventilators for hospitals and patients around the world. The modular design can also be adapted to swap out parts based on their availability in different regions of the world.



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- Design Challenges
 - At times, multiple critical mechanical, electrical, and software design revisions per day
 - International design groups working in parallel
 - Regulatory compliance requirements
 - Different health care jurisdictions have unique requirements
 - North American vs. European equivalency
 - Italian design authority on project
 - Cost optimization for maximizing reach to patients in need
 - Constant evolving firmware and software
- How Vexos and JMP overcame
 - Communication, communication, communication!
 - Many daily web meetings, BOM's, filesharing services, action registers, etc.
 - Collaborating to find creative solutions via alternate components during industrialization
 - i.e. Fluidics circuit components, oxygen sensor, patient circuit components



- Supply Challenges
 - In the height of the COVID-19 lockdown, suppliers had reduced capacity to respond and support
 - Key supplier staff working remotely or not at all
 - International import/export considerations of many components
 - Trade constraints imposed for traditional ventilator components
 - Production of custom components during lockdown
 - Sourcing of directly equivalent alternates where applicable

How Vexos and JMP overcame

- Leveraging existing networks together
- Securing supply chain for equivalent alternates to align with production schedule
- Highly coordinated effort to provide supply chain feedback to the design process in order to iterate rapidly



- Health Canada (HC) Approval for MVM Ventilator
 - Multiple Regulatory body coordination
 - FDA (under EUA)
 - CE Approvals
 - Specific HC
- How Vexos and JMP overcame
 - Internal teams Worked with local (North American) regulatory bodies in lockstep with the HC Approval process with product testing. Highly iterative process
 - Engaged with Medical Device Approval experts in preparation of submission to HC
 - Worked with larger Canadian MVM team in the pre-test process and internal approvals prior to formal submissions



- Production Challenges
 - Delivery of 10,000 units in a short timeframe
- How Vexos and JMP overcame
 - Rapid creation of manufacturing (Assembly, Test, Pack) on factory floor
 - Created dedicated Lab and production space, invested in test infrastructure and labor buildup geared towards rapid completion of volume.
 - Stable, Repeatable build and test process
 - Utilized Vexos' award winning manufacturing, quality and training systems to ensure an efficient and effective production plan, process and implementation
 - Significant materials logistics
 - Partnered with local logistics partners for inbound and outbound freight



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Early Development





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Final Product





MVM Ventilator - Video





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Final Words



- The MVM Ventilator program could not have been done without the cooperation of a broad swath of organizations spanning governmental, institutional and commercial bodies
 - International MVM Consortium
 - MVM Canada
 - Government of Canada Support
 - Health Canada
 - Public Health Agency of Canada
- Canada is now self sufficient in its ventilator manufacturing (0 to full capability) with the contracts awarded to the various organizations including Vexos/JMP.

Useful Links



For more technical information about the MVM Ventilator

https://www.vexos.com/mvm-ventilator

International MVM Group

https://mvm.care/who-we-are-en/

Canadian MVM

The McDonald Institute

<u>https://mcdonaldinstitute.ca/</u>

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories

https://www.cnl.ca/en/home/default.aspx

SNOLAB

<u>https://www.snolab.ca/</u>

TRIUMF

<u>https://www.triumf.ca/</u>



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