

ANNOUNCEMENT

UBC TREAD Robotics Receives Funding from the AMS Innovative Projects Fund

27 January 2008 – Vancouver, BC – UBC TREAD Robotics received notice today that it has been awarded funding through the UBC AMS Innovative Projects Fund. The IPF was designed to provide a funding for a broad range of visible and innovative projects of direct benefit to students.

“I am proud that the AMS has recognized the potential of our team and the valuable training it provides to students in engineering and computer science. I hope that our successes at the 2008 Regolith Excavation Challenge will demonstrate that UBC is indeed a top-tier university,” says team co-leader Jun Wei Fu.

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UBC TREAD Robotics is a student team based in Vancouver, BC. The team is building a robotic excavator that will compete in the 2008 NASA Regolith Excavator Challenge. The robot will be capable of autonomously mining 150kg of regolith, a fine type of sand, in less than 30 minutes, while using only 150 Watts of power. The 20 members of UBC TREAD Robotics are students in computer science and various engineering disciplines, including Engineering Physics, Mechanical Engineering and Electrical Engineering

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