

# DAVID VAN STORY

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EXPERIENCE:    

## INTUITIVE SURGICAL

### Sr. Clinical Development Engineer

Sunnyvale, CA  
2021 – May 2025

- Led 10+ customer studies, engaging with 100+ surgeons. Presented clinical data to leadership, securing \$20M funding.
- Co-invented and patented imaging software tool for blood perfusion checks, to be used in 25% of global robotic surgeries.
- Developed digital tool from wireframes with single SW engineer to complex functioning tool. Priming for '26 global launch.
- Completed Intuitive's in-house "Surgical Residency", a 1-yr intensive robotic surgery training in Gen, Uro, and Colorectal.

## MIT

### Sr. Mechanical Engineer, Therapy Technology Lab

Cambridge, MA  
2020-2021

- Developed cardiac robot device for single ventricle patients and custom-built and validated *in vitro* model to test device.
- Led an IRB-approved 20-patient study, partnered with Chief of Cardiac Surgery at Boston Childrens Hospital. [Report](#).
- Managed 4 engineers in design and testing of device for Sleep Apnea. Patented technology which secured \$200k in funding.

## HARVARD / BOSTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

### Research Engineer

Boston, MA  
2016 - 2018

- Engineering lead on 4-person team building device for heart failure. Led 30+ animal trials. Publ. in [Science Robotics](#).
- Fabricated a stent and catheter for children with malformed windpipes (effects 1M kids). Publ. in [Advanced Materials](#).
- Created a computational model to design the stent and catheter. Successfully deployed the built device in 3 pig cadavers.

## BOSTON SCIENTIFIC

### Quality Engineer, Intern

Galway, Ireland  
2015

- Interviewed 15+ manufacturing technicians to identify inefficiencies in build process. Granted 3x Leadership awards.

## EDUCATION:

## MIT / ETH ZURICH

### MSc in Mechanical Engineering

Cambridge, MA  
2018-2020

- *Masters Thesis (MIT)*: Cardiac Simulator: Designed cardiac soft robot and heart-lung model testbed. Publ. in [IEEE Biorob](#).
- *Project Work (ETH)*: Implemented ML software to detect XRAY images from eye-tracking video. Publ. in [Radiology](#).
- Speaker at BioRob 2020 Conference presenting cardiac robotics research.

## NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, GALWAY

### B.Eng in Biomedical Engineering

Galway, Ireland  
2012 - 2016

- Proposed own thesis and partnered with company based in the US - first undergraduate to have earned permission to do so.

## AI DEV WORK

- **AI Voice Agent for Patients**: Built agent to support patients in between doctor visits. Demo [here](#).
- **AI Voice Agent for Doctors**: Built agent for clinicians to track patient's infection after they leave the hospital. Demo [here](#).

## AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

**Out Of Pocket AI x Healthcare Hackathon (2025)**: Led team of 3, built inbox management SW for clinicians. Demo [here](#).

**AGI-House AI x Bio Hackathon (2024)**: Team of 4, built AI tool to detect academic paper fraud.

### 1st Place [\$10k Prize], Nucleate Start-Up Competition (2021):

- Developed GTM strategy to spinout medical adhesive company, Limax Bio, from Harvard research lab into startup.

**Sacramento Gravel Triathlon (2024)**: 3rd in 25-30 age group.