# Light Spin Technologies, Inc.

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## **Company Profile**

**Industry Sector:** Photodetector Component for Medical Imaging (PET)

Company Overview: LightSpin Technologies, Inc. develops the world's highest performance solid-state photon detectors, achieving single photon sensitivity, wide dynamic range, large photosensitive area and low noise. LightSpin's photon detectors will supplant fragile, expensive, high voltage photomultiplier tubes with a low cost, low voltage, robust, solid-state solution. These detectors provide improved performance for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scanners, enabling improved resolution, lower false positive/false negatives rates and lower radiation dose

**Target Market(s):** The initial target market is medical PET scanners, providing a drop-in replacement for the 100-year-old vacuum tubes currently required to provide acceptable system performance. LightSpin's photon detectors are also critical components for a wide range of light starved applications, including biomedical instruments, chemical analysis instruments, and nuclear particle physics experiments.

## Management

Dick Clayton, S.M., Chairman

- 4 decades operational scar tissue building great companies:
  DEC, Thinking Machines, Adaptec
- \$B's of products from lab to demanding customers

David Salzman, Ph.D., President

- 10 years in academia and government research & management
- 15 years as entrepreneur running high tech & govt contractors
- Founded, built & sold them to Teledyne, SensIrOx, Sun, etc.

Eric Harmon, Ph.D., Vice President of Research

- 10 years manager of optoelectronics R&D for leadings firms Jerry Woodall, Ph.D., Chief Scientist
  - World's top compound semiconductor scientist
  - Invented GaAs/AlGaAs heterojunction, IR LED, HBT, pHEMT





National Institutes of Health Commercialization Assistance Program (NIH-CAP)

### **Key Value Drivers**

**Technology\*:** LightSpin's SSMCP technology is a true solid-state replacement for the 100-year-old vacuum tube photodetector. Vacuum tube photodetectors are still used in a number of applications where the highest sensitivity is needed, because all prior solid-state solutions provided substandard performance.

**Competitive Advantage:** The SSMCP technology exhibits better performance than the vacuum tube, including higher sensitivity, faster timing response, as well as the improved reliability and compact form factor expected from semiconductor solutions.

**Plan & Strategy:** Seeking \$2.5M in Venture Capitol for Manufacturing scale up and partnership with medical equipment manufacturers.

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### **Product Pipeline**

Drop-in replacement component for PET (2008)

Design-in for next generation PET: (2008 – 2009)

PET/MRI

Small animal PET (pharmaceutical research)

Head/Breast/Colon cancer probes

Non-PET markets (2009)

**Biomedical Instruments** 

Chemical Analysis instruments

Nuclear materials detectors (Homeland security)

Nuclear particle Physics experiments

Laser radar (ladar) – military and civilian (collision avoidance)