Engineering Newswire 27: Hovering Hummingbirds Lead to New UAVs

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Doctors and engineers at a research facility in Switzerland have crafted a bionic prosthesis that could introduce a new generation of artificial limbs with sensory perception.

Nick Mastandrea, founder of Innovative Developments, has shaken up the mouse design with his Mycestro wearable mouse.

Researchers at the University of California, Riverside have discovered that the hovering hummingbird produces two trails of vortices in its wake that help generate the aerodynamic forces required to power and control flight.

Researchers from the Georgia Tech Research Institute are studying remoras – the smaller fish that hitch rides on sharks by sucking onto them – in hopes of developing next-generation adhesives.

Todd Coleman, an electrical engineer at the University of California at San Diego is devising noninvasive means of controlling machines using your mind.

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