



KS&R's DIGITAL DISPATCH

Week Ending: August 30, 2019

Top Stories This Week

[5G Could Make Self-Driving Cars Smarter And Commutes Safer](#)

Self-driving cars can already see and think for themselves. ([cnet.com](#))

[Hello, This Is Artificial Intelligence. How Can I Help You? Eye On A.I.](#)

People who call companies to ask questions about their cable bills or complain about their Internet service being out are increasingly talking to artificial intelligence. ([fortune.com](#))

Products & Services

[Actian Launches Industry-Leading Embedded Database For Mobile And IoT To Advance Data Management At The Edge](#)

Actian, a leader in hybrid data management, cloud data warehouse, and data integration technology, today announced the availability of the new Actian Zen™ embedded database for mobile and IoT. ([finance.yahoo.com](#))

[The Voice-Controlled Standing Desk Will Soon Be A Thing You Can Buy](#)

Standing desks were a popular idea, motors made them more convenient, and programmable presets to raise and lower them to your preferred height — with a button — are the most convenient yet. ([theverge.com](#))

Emerging Technology

[Lucid's Drone Is Built To Clean The Outside Of Your House Or Office](#)

Building exteriors tend to get gross. Dirt clings to the walls. Windows get filmy. Spiderwebs amass. ([techcrunch.com](#))

[A Novel Gene-Editing Tool Could Treat Diseases Caused By Mutations](#)

SALK scientists have developed a gene-editing tool that could treat a wide range of diseases caused by mutations. ([interestingengineering.com](#))

Mergers, Acquisitions, & Partnerships

[FDA, IBM, Merck, Walmart And KPMG Collaborate On Blockchain Pilot Project To Track Pharmaceuticals](#)

Four companies were selected by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to participate in a pilot program that will utilize blockchain technology to create a real-time monitoring network for pharmaceutical products. ([darkdaily.com](#))

Industry Reports

[Microsoft: Using Multi-Factor Authentication Blocks 99.9% Of Account Hacks](#)

Microsoft says that users who enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) for their accounts will end up blocking 99.9% of automated attacks. ([zdnet.com](#))

[Netflix Has Shipped 5 Billion Discs](#)

Streaming dominates Netflix's universe, but don't think its disc-based service is dead yet -- in fact, it just marked a big milestone. ([engadget.com](#))