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## Active Silicon adds support for Cognex VisionPro®

Active Silicon, a world leader in frame grabber technology, adds support for **VisionPro**, the high-end machine vision package from Cognex Corporation (NASDAQ: CGNX).

The release of the new Software Adapter, developed in-house, allows the entire range of **Phoenix** frame grabbers to be used within the **VisionPro** environment. This includes frame grabbers that support Camera Link, LVDS, HD-SDI and CoaXPress interfaces.



### Active Silicon Frame Grabbers

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The Adapter has been written to allow the frame grabber to become an integral part of VisionPro, resulting in fast and efficient integration. The CVL® (Cognex Vision Library) is also supported with the release of this new Adapter, allowing professional programmers to develop in a C++ environment with access to Cognex's advanced vision tools while acquiring video data via Active Silicon's frame grabbers.

Like all Active Silicon products, the new Adapter is backed up by highly responsive technical support and advice – with a direct connection to the R&D team.

“To date, Active Silicon’s focus has been on markets outside machine vision, in particular broadcast, defense, life sciences and medical imaging, but now with the launch of this Software Adapter providing compatibility to one of the world’s leading machine vision toolsets, we anticipate this market sector to grow and become a significant part of our business,” said Colin Pearce, CEO of Active Silicon.

“We are very pleased to see support from Active Silicon – this gives VisionPro users access to newer acquisition technologies such as CoaXPress and HD-SDI, as well as providing a greater choice in more traditional technologies such as Camera Link and LVDS,” commented John Petry, Vision Software Marketing Manager for Cognex.

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### **About Active Silicon**

Active Silicon, founded in 1988, is a leading manufacturer of frame grabbers and embedded vision systems. Frame grabbers provide the interface between high-end cameras and computers in vision systems, while embedded vision systems provide the industrial-grade computer environment on which vision systems operate. As well as being a leader in the development and application of new technologies, Active Silicon is unique in being able to support a wide range of operating systems and a diverse range of hardware formats to go beyond traditional ground fixed environments. In fact Active Silicon’s products have been used in applications from space missions to deep-sea vehicles. These products have applications in virtually all areas of science and industry, including manufacturing, life sciences, medical imaging, security and defense. All the products and technologies are developed in-house and owned by the company. For further details, visit [www.activesilicon.com](http://www.activesilicon.com)

### **About Cognex**

Cognex Corporation designs, develops, manufactures and markets machine vision and industrial ID systems, or devices that can “see”. Cognex vision and ID systems are used around the world for a wide range of inspection, identification and guidance applications throughout the manufacturing and distribution process. Cognex is the world’s leader in the machine vision and industrial ID industries, having shipped more than 700,000 systems, representing over \$3 billion in cumulative revenue, since the company’s founding in 1981. Headquartered in Natick, Massachusetts, USA, Cognex has regional offices and distributors located throughout North America, Europe, Asia, Japan and Latin America. For details, visit Cognex on-line at [www.cognex.com](http://www.cognex.com).