



Palmer Luckey

Palmer Luckey is the Founder of Anduril Industries. He is also the inventor and designer of the Oculus Rift, a virtual reality head-mounted display, and the founder of Oculus VR. Palmer founded Oculus in 2012 after experimenting with his own VR designs at the age of 16 in his parents' garage. Oculus was acquired by Facebook two years later.

His deep interest in defense technology was driven by his time at the USC ICT MxR lab, where he built hardware used to research immersive PTSD treatment for US veterans. He continued to support various military applications of VR during his time at Oculus, informing his belief that radical modernization of US military technology is a prerequisite for preserving our competitive advantage. This passion led to Palmer founding Anduril in 2017.



Anduril Industries

Anduril is a different kind of defense technology company.

Anduril builds creative cost-effective technology that aids those who serve on the front lines defending the nation and its interests. By listening to the national security community, Anduril is able to understand their most urgent problems and build sophisticated solutions. The company's approach is to innovate fast, with the best talent, funding their own product development, and only sell it when it's ready.

Anduril's core technology includes artificial intelligence, autonomous systems, sensor fusion and the application at the front lines of operations. They focus on applying their technology to defense, law enforcement, and the securing of critical infrastructure.

The team is varied in expertise and backgrounds but united in their mission: to develop the critical technology that will enable America and its allies to maintain global leadership now and into the future.

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