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CES 2008: Flir's Predator-Vision Security Cam Defends Conference Hall Table

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As a result of volume production, high-resolution infra-red security cameras can now be bought for about \$3,500, with the result that smaller versions are making their way into cars to act as a night-vision system to aid drivers in the dark.

Viewed with a new model by Flir, a hand is seen here to leave a telltale heat print on a tabletop. Most purchasers of the system are institutional, but with prices falling, Flir's happy to see consumers taking an interest.

Among auto makers exploring uses for its Pathfind IR system is BMW, which is working on a system to detect warm, fleshy obstacles in the road. Typically combined with a dash-mounted night vision display, future implementations could include audio warnings or more complex collision avoidance systems.

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I'd like to see a combo of IR and UV windshield display. Just a simple overlay would do wonders to help reduce accidents.

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