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## **SMC Corporation Becomes Certified UR+ Developer**

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SMC Corporation of America, a leading global pneumatics and industrial automation components manufacturer located in Noblesville, Indiana, is proud to announce its partnership with Universal Robots by becoming a certified UR+ Developer in the End-Effectors category.

SMC's MHM Series Magnetic Gripper was certified UR+ and bundled into an easy plug and play kit that integrates to a unique solution for picking, transferring, and placing ferromagnetic workpieces of uneven surfaces, porous, or that are susceptible to damage when traditional methods of vacuum systems or mechanical grippers are not viable. (<https://www.universal-robots.com/plus/end-effectors/mhm-magnetic-gripper-kit/>)

A working demonstration of the MHM Magnetic Gripper kit installed on the arm of a Universal Robots collaborative robot or cobot can be seen at SMC's Booth 8139 and UR's Booth 7154 at the Automate Show in Chicago's McCormick Place from April 8-11.

"SMC is very excited to announce its launch of UR+ certification of the MHM Magnetic Gripper at Automate 2019.

As SMC is a global leader of manufacturing in pneumatics and controls, I reached out to Universal Robots to become a UR+ Developer as it felt like a natural fit to join the global leader in industrial collaborative robots.

The Universal Robots + platform is an incredible opportunity for SMC to provide a plug and play solution that helps lower the barriers to automation for customers of all sizes.

This is just the starting point of our relationship with Universal Robots and their UR+ program. We look forward to the future and the opportunities to expand with the UR+ program from our vast catalog of over 10,000 standard products." said Amanda Wease, Product Manager at SMC Corporation of America.

In 2018, SMC USA broke ground at its North American headquarters in Noblesville, Indiana and is near completion on a 1.0 million square-foot warehouse expansion to boost the total corporate, production and warehouse facility space to 2.6 million square feet.

### **About SMC Corporation of America**

SMC Corporation of America is headquartered at 10100 SMC Boulevard, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, and is a subsidiary of SMC Corporation in Japan. SMC Corporation is the world's largest pneumatics company dedicated to factory automation with technical development centers in Japan, the U.S., Europe and China.

There are 26 sales offices in the United States and 4 sales offices in Canada supported by domestic engineering, manufacturing and inventory located in Noblesville, Indiana.