# Transfuron

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# Introduction





# Problem

- -Blood transportation most complicated process of transfusion
- -Transfusion definition
- -Blood bags not delivered on time.
- -Finding a solution



# **Blood Transportation Conditions**

- Blood bags temperature should be around  $\pm 4^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- Container contains Blood bags, gel ice packs.
- Different sizes of blood bags are available (Single, double, triple, quadruple).
- According to WHO specifications a container carrying 4 liters of blood weighs around 6 Kg.
- We can not use dry ice for transportation because of its temperature.



## Potential Users and Stakeholders







Women's Wellness and Research Center

## Interviews

- 1. Hamda Al-Naimi
- 2. Dr. Yasser Al-Hamid
- 3. A Medical Student



### Interview #1 Hamda Al-Naimi

- Texas A&M at Qatar Graduate, Class 2018.
  - Bachelor degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering.
- Working at Qatargas as Control Automation Engineer II.

# Emergency Drone







# Interview questions

- 1- What inspired you to make the drone?
- 2- What went wrong/ obstacles and difficulties and how did you handle them?
- 3- How was your experience?
- 4- We know that you were contacted by the Ministry of Transportation and communications regarding your medical drone. How will that help the drone delivery services in Qatar?
- 5- Future recommendations.

## Interview #2 Dr. Yasser Al-Hamidi

- We interviewed Dr. Yasser Al-Hamidi from TAMUQ's Mechanical engineering department.
- The interview was focused on the drone design and the feasibility of the project.
- Helped us narrow our scope and make an informed decision on the type of drone we are going to use in our project

#### What we learned and integrated in our project based on the interview

- General information on the different drone types that helped us consider the design.
- Aerodynamic design of the container
- Feasibility of the original project.
  - The short flight time of modern drones carrying heavy loads
  - The level of preservation needed for organs to stay in optimal condition
  - Suggested we look into alternative methods of cooling

## Interview #3 Medical Student

- We interviewed a medical students in weil cornell.
- The interview was focused on the viability and the best way to transfer blood
- Helped us narrow our scope and make an informed decision on the way we are going to transport blood and what medium it should be in.

#### What we learned from this interview

- 1. Blood has two ways of storage:
  - a) Glycerol-freezing method
  - b) Storing at 4 degrees celsius medium
- 2. All methods of storage don't vary when occurring at a short period of time. This aids our idea of having the drone delivery faster and at a short time.
- 3. It is advised for the best platelet survival to have the platelets in a plasma medium.

# Design Constraints

# Risk Factors

- Drone Models
- Flying Authorization

- Climate
- Security
- Bird Strikes
- Design

# Model Comparison



Multirotor



Fixed-Wing



Single Rotor



Fixed-Wing Hybrid

| Types                           | Pros   | Cons   | Uses  | Price    | Speed/<br>Payload      | Flight Time<br>(At full |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---|----------|------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                 |  |  |   |          |                        | charge)                 |
| Multirotor<br>(Figure.1)        | -Easily accessible -Ease of use -Good camera control -Can operate in a closed area | -Short flight<br>-Small payload<br>capacity                                | -Aerial photography and video aerial inspection               | 5k-65k   | 50 km/h / Up<br>to 4kg | ~25-30 min              |
| Fixed Wing (Figure.2)           | -Long endurance -Large area coverage -Fast flight speed                            | -Launch and recovery needs a lot of spaceNo VTOL -Harder to fly -Expensive | -Used for<br>commercial<br>purposes such as<br>aerial mapping | 25k-120k | 80 km/h /<br>2.3kg     | ~30-40 min              |
| Single Rotor<br>(Figure.3)      | -Long endurance<br>-Large payload<br>capability<br>-VTOL                           | -More dangerous<br>-Harder to fly<br>-Expensive                            | -Research,<br>surveying                                       | 25k-300k | 200 km/h /<br>NA       | ~30-50 min              |
| Fixed-Wing<br>Hybrid (Figure.4) | -VTOL and long endurance flight  | -Not perfect at either hovering or forward flight -Still in development    | -Drone delivery   | 5k-25k   | 50 km/h /<br>~6kg      | ~30-40 min              |

# Flying Authorization

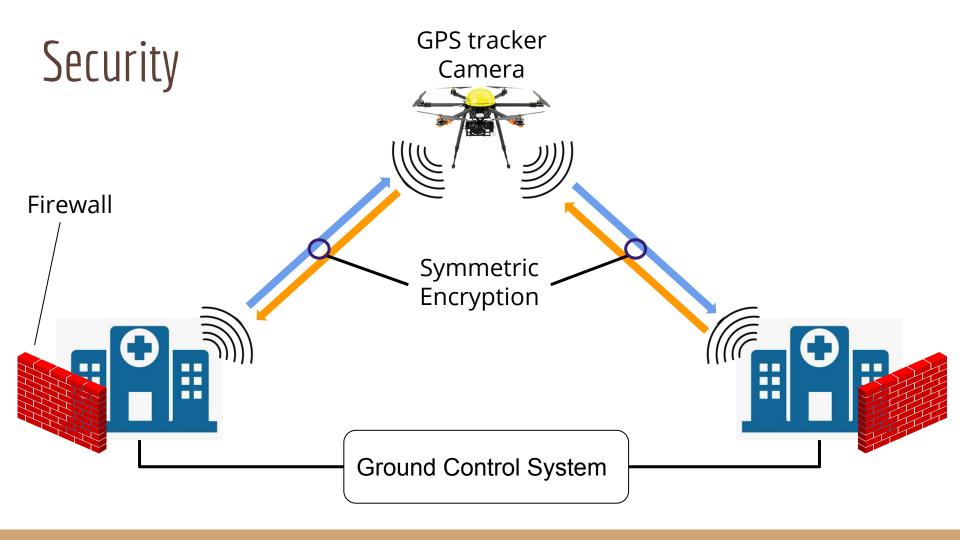
- Drones can fly only under 400 feet.
- Hold load between 2.3 Kg to 6Kg.
- Not allowed to fly over certain locations.
- Needed to be registered in CAA system.





### Climate

- Flying drones in fog, snow, or even drizzle is not advised.
- In addition to any physical effects on the aircraft, there is a danger that the electronics will be impaired and contact between the controller and the drone may be disrupted if any precipitation happens in the air.



## Bird Strikes

- Imbalancement
- Camera Sensor
- Audible Noise



# Design





### Conclusion

- The purpose of our project is to design a prototype for a drone that aims to transport blood bags from one hospital to another hospital.
- We aim to have the drone system connected to all hospital systems.
- Providing the best healthcare services is not easy.
- There are many drones in Qatar, not many are used for medical purposes.

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