Turning Research into Products and Products into Companies

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Turning Your Research into Products and Products into Companies

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ACCELERATING RESEARCH IMPROVING VIEW OF THE SCIENCES

Learning Objectives

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:



Derive products from existing research



Identify the right time to pursue product development



Choose the right funding strategy for your venture



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Agenda

Deriving Products from Your Research

Knowing the Right Time to Pursue Product Development

Funding Your Venture



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About Me





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What I Do

My job is to help people turn research into products and products into companies.



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How to Derive Products from Your Research

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What is needed in the field?

2021's top 10 clinical trial flops



Famous failures often highlight areas of strong interest from the clinical community and investors.



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"Byproducts" of Research

"We had to figure out a process to [fill in the blank] so that we could do our actual research."

If it was a headache for you, it's worth money to someone else!

Can you sell your process products or excess capacity on a specialty machine?





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How do you choose which idea to pursue?

Don't worry, you aren't throwing out any ideas.





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You're just deciding how to start.





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Unlike Everest, it's okay to learn and train along the way.



Criteria for the Best Place to Start – Market Need



Is there a market need?



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Criteria for the Best Place to Start - Funding



Can you get funding?

Source: OMB Historical Tables in Budget of the United States Government FY 2021. Some Energy programs shifted to General Science beginning in FY 1998.



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Criteria for the Best Place to Start - Interest



It's hard to escape your favorite idea!



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Market Potential

Don't worry about getting accurate numbers at this stage. You just need to know if the market is big enough to make it worthwhile for you and your investors.





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Reimbursement and Pricing Potential

How does the price for the product or service compare to the cost to manufacture, sell, distribute, and maintain the offering.

Is there reimbursement support for the price?



• Purple – Reimbursement for RPM



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When is the right time to pursue product development?

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When life allows....

Life stage?

Support from partner?

Cofounder relationship?





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When you have a product-worthy idea....



Listen carefully to: Potential users Potential customers

Payor must appreciate the need <u>as much as</u> the User.



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When you have investment-worthy assets....

Patents Copyrights Trade Secrets



You may spin out with 1 or 2 patents, but companies typically develop 10-20 patents to fill-in gaps around a single initial patent.



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When you have a competitive idea....

What research is going on? What products are out there? What do you have to offer? Where does your idea fit in?





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When you have demonstrated feasibility....

Repeatability

- Can you do it again?
- Process yield – Now and with proper CMC/DFM
- Cost of reagents/components e.g. Is there a chip shortage?



What seems impossible to you, can be easy for someone else. - Can you find an expert?



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How to Fund Your Venture



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Don't just jump over the edge! No, you can't "just do it!"





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What makes something fundable?



Digital health investments should:



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How much money do you need? Cost Examples - Device, Therapeutic

		Regulatory	Est. Low Cost (not	Est. High Cost (not
Product Category	Activity	Stage	incl. staff labor)	incl. staff labor)
All	Early stage intellectual property		Paid by institution	\$25k / year
Medical Device	Prototype (basic)	Pre-clinical	\$ 10,000	\$ 25,000
Medical Device	Prototype (refined)	Pre-clinical	\$ 50,000	\$ 150,000
Medical Device	Usability study	Pre-clinical	\$ 3,000	\$ 10,000
Medical Device	Regulatory filing	Pre-clinical	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,000
Medical Device	Early IRB study	Clinical	\$ 50,000	\$ 500,000
Therapeutic	Animal model identification	Pre-clinical	\$ 15,000	\$ 50,000
Therapeutic	Animal model development	Pre-clinical	\$ 50,000	\$ 250,000
Therapeutic	Small batch manufacturing	Pre-clinical	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Therapeutic	Toxicity study	Pre-clinical	\$ 40,000	\$ 60,000
Therapeutic	Dose finding study	Pre-clinical	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000
Therapeutic	Pre-IND research	Pre-clinical	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,000



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How much money do you need? Cost Examples - Mobile Health, Diagnostics

Product Category	Activity	Regulatory Stage	Est. Low Cost (not incl. staff labor)	Est. High Cost (not incl. staff labor)
Mobile Health	Human factors research	Pre-clinical	\$ 5,000	\$ 25,000
Mobile Health	Interface design	Pre-clinical	\$ 10,000	\$ 50,000
Mobile Health	Software coding	Pre-clinical	\$ 20,000	\$ 60,000 [*]
Mobile Health	Regulatory filing	Pre-clinical	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,000 [*]
Mobile Health	IRB study		\$ 5,000	\$ 25,000
Diagnostic	Assay development	Pre-clinical	\$ 40,000	\$ 90,000
Diagnostic	Reagent formulation	Pre-clinical	\$ 15,000	\$ 35,000
Diagnostic	Device / reader prototype design	Pre-clinical	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000
Diagnostic	Interface design	Pre-clinical	\$ 10,000	\$ 50,000
Diagnostic	Software coding		\$ 5,000	\$ 35,000



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Honest Self-Assessment

Are you especially good at getting large grants?

- Consider staying in the university longer and spinning out after advancing the research with big grants.

Are you comfortable with the "side-hustle" life?

- Many companies are started by post-docs and engineers. You can be a scientific advisor and guide the spin-off.

Is your specialty equipment sitting idle? Are your Research Assistants/Scientists available to work more hours?

- Consider doing contract work for academic labs and industry partners.

Can you build a collaborative team?

- Investors invest in high functioning teams. Dysfunctional teams fail catastrophically.



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What's your superpower?



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Match Strategy to Product, Environment, and YOU!

- 1. Define value inflection milestones.
- 2. Describe the staff you will need to achieve each milestone.
- 3. How much money (equipment, salaries, etc.) do you need to achieve the milestones?
- 4. How long can you afford to wait for the money?
- 5. Decide what type of funding will be right for you, right now.
 - Grants research vs. small business
 - Friends and Family
 - Angel
 - Family Office
 - Venture Capital
- 6. Generate "on-strategy" revenue as early as possible to offset the burn.





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Thank You!

Open for Questions



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