

Session 15:

Understanding the activities of a TTO

Venturing and spinouts

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Who's Speaking



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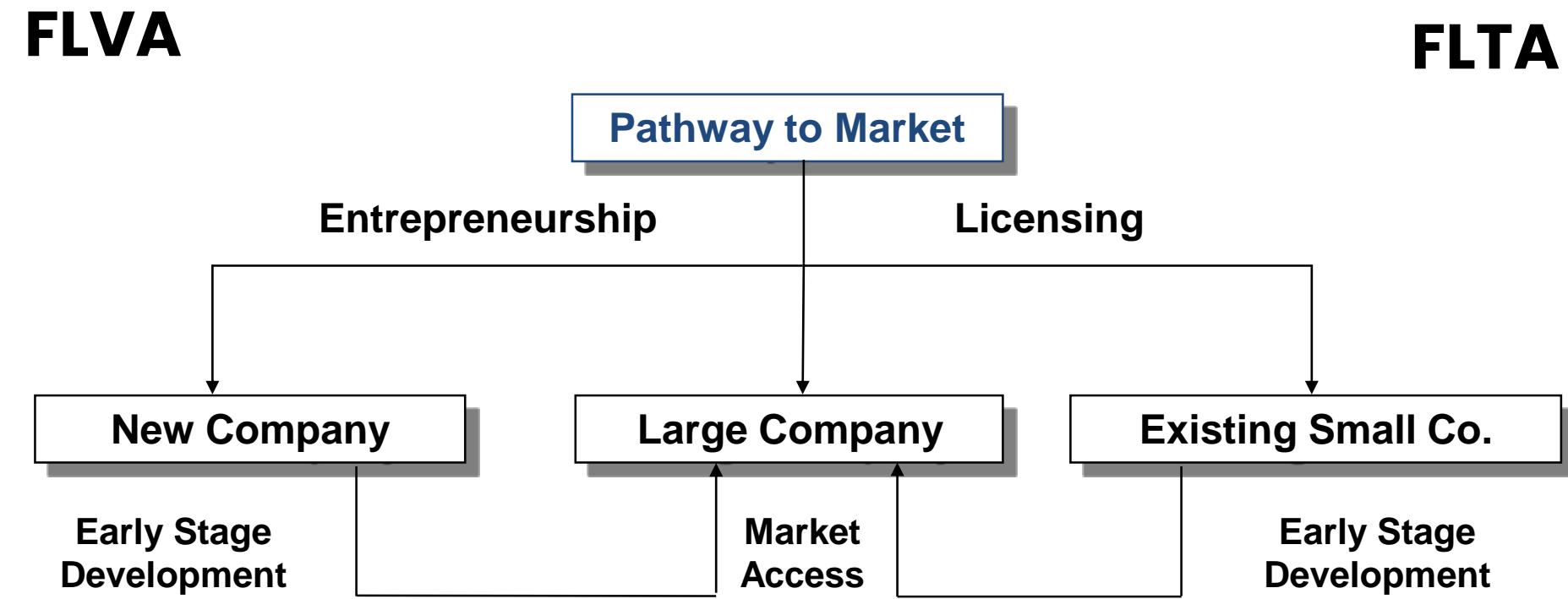
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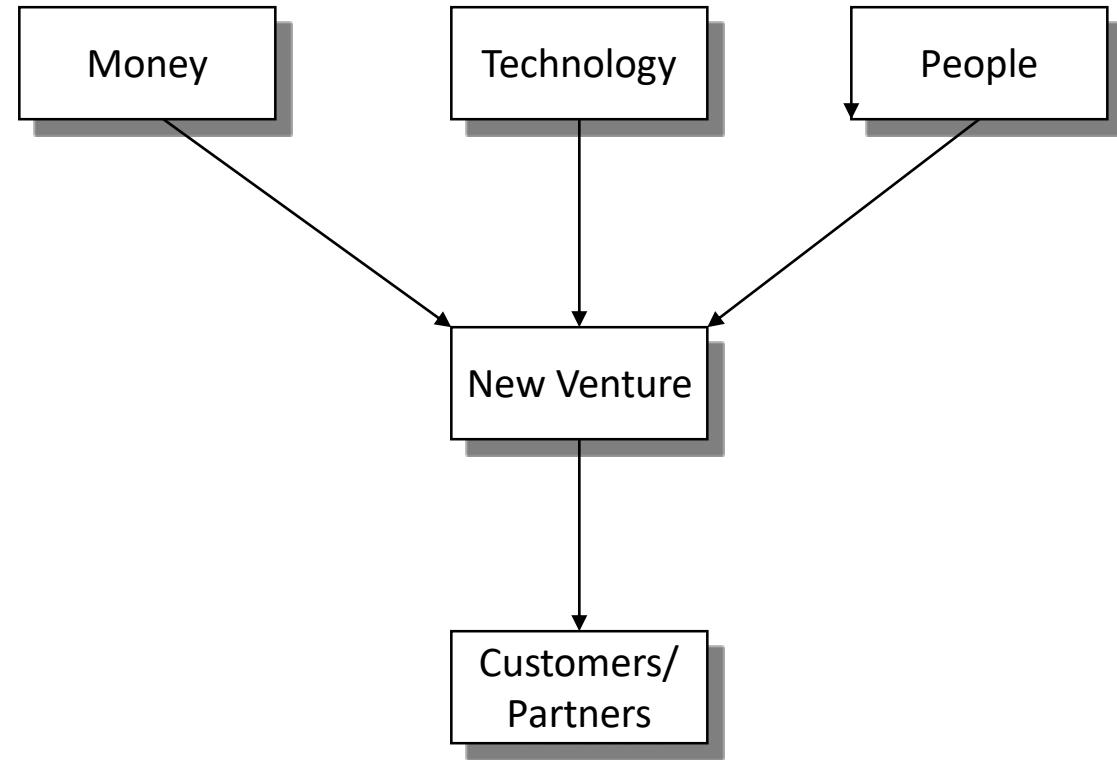


When Do You Start A Company?

- Incremental inventions generally get licensed to existing companies
 - Small
 - Medium
 - Large
- Revolutionary inventions generally need a startup
 - Existing players don't believe their technology will become obsolete
 - All that invested capital
- In US:
 - SME's 55-60%
 - Large 20-25%
 - Startups 20%



What do you need to launch your venture?



University Spin-Out Companies

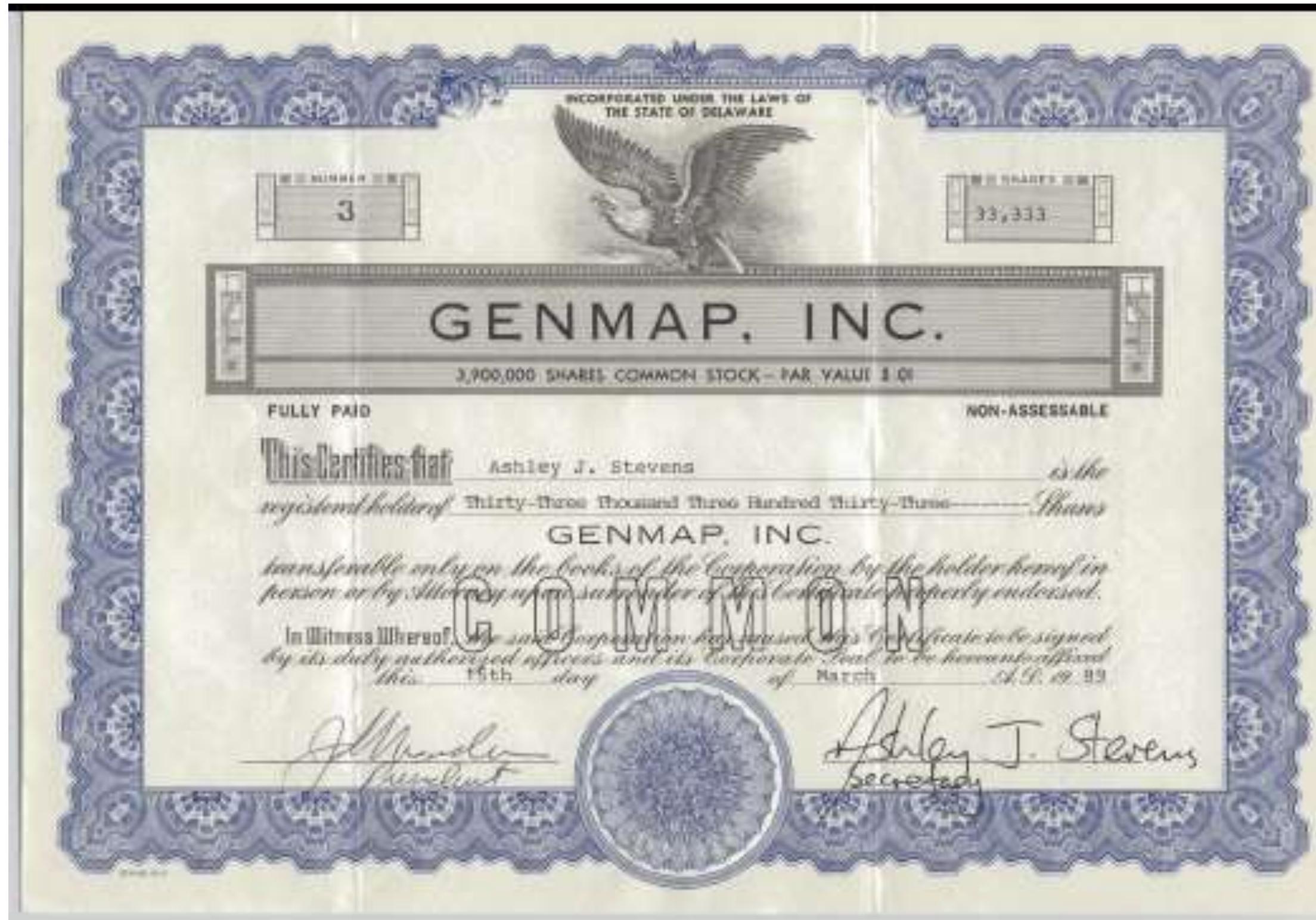
- Typically enabled by the University rather than organized by the University
- Driving force generally the faculty inventor, a post-doc or graduate student and an entrepreneur
 - Negotiate a license or option to the patents
 - Write business plan
 - Raise start-up funding
- License intended to ensure that
 - The technology is developed or the license terminated
 - The University is fairly compensated for success
 - Equity stake – spreads risk
 - Technology specific payments
 - Normal licensing terms

“Equity is just cash that hasn’t turned green yet”

Joyce Brinton
Harvard University
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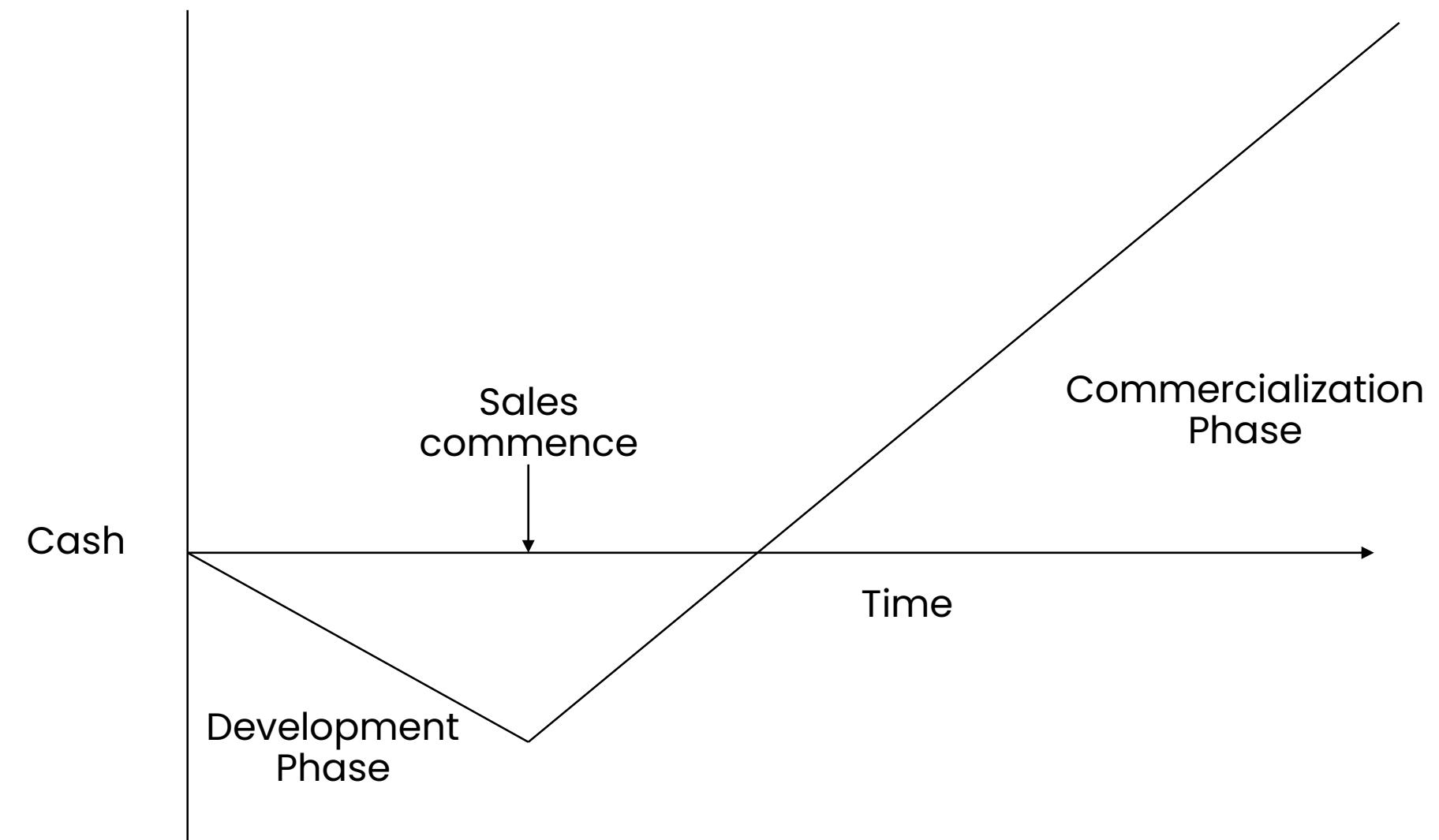


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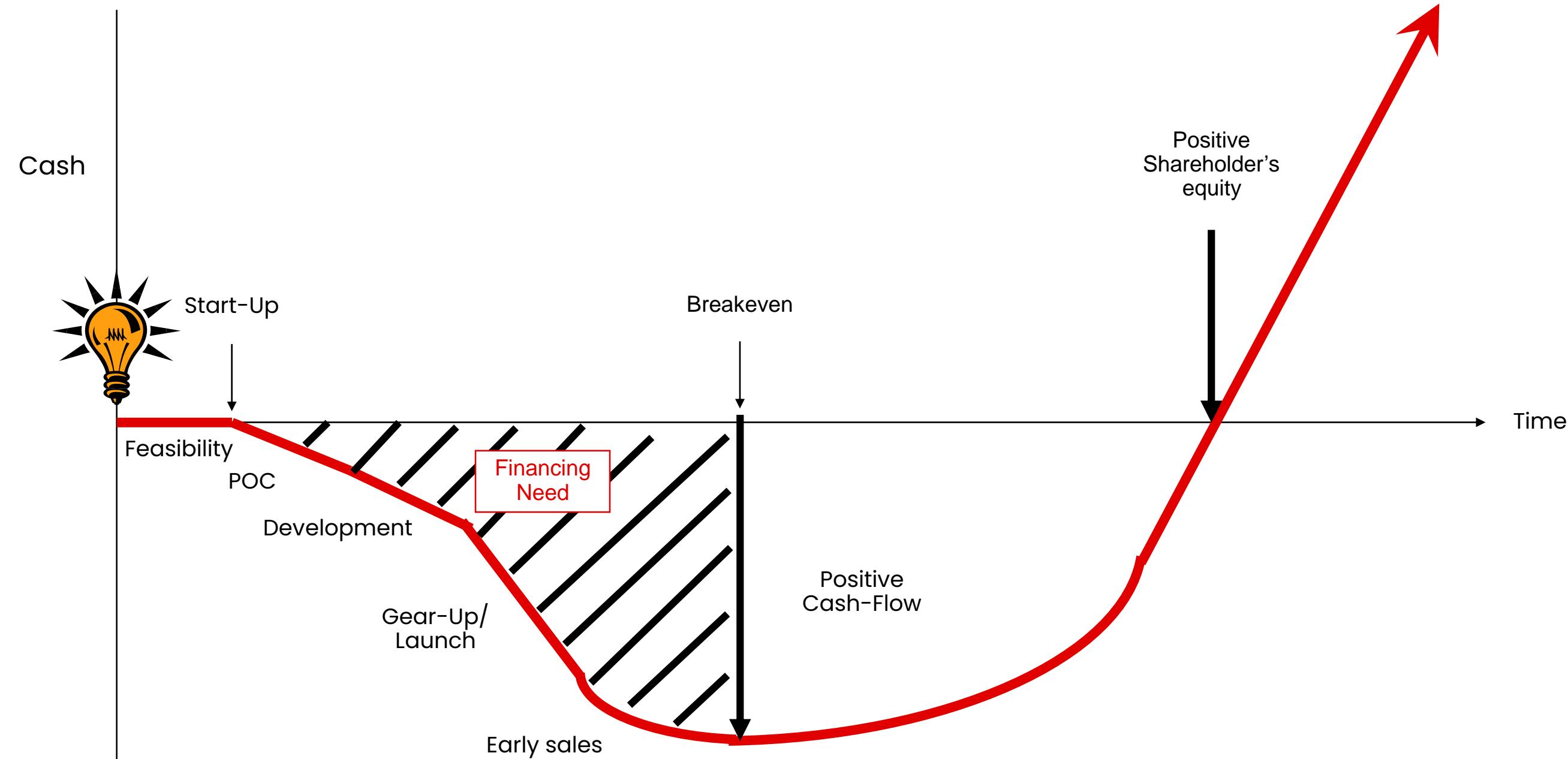
- The Financing Cycle of a Start-Up Company
- What is Equity?
- Ideal Cycle of Funding
- The Dark Side
- Exit Mechanisms
 - IPO
 - Acquisition

The Financial Life Cycle of a Company

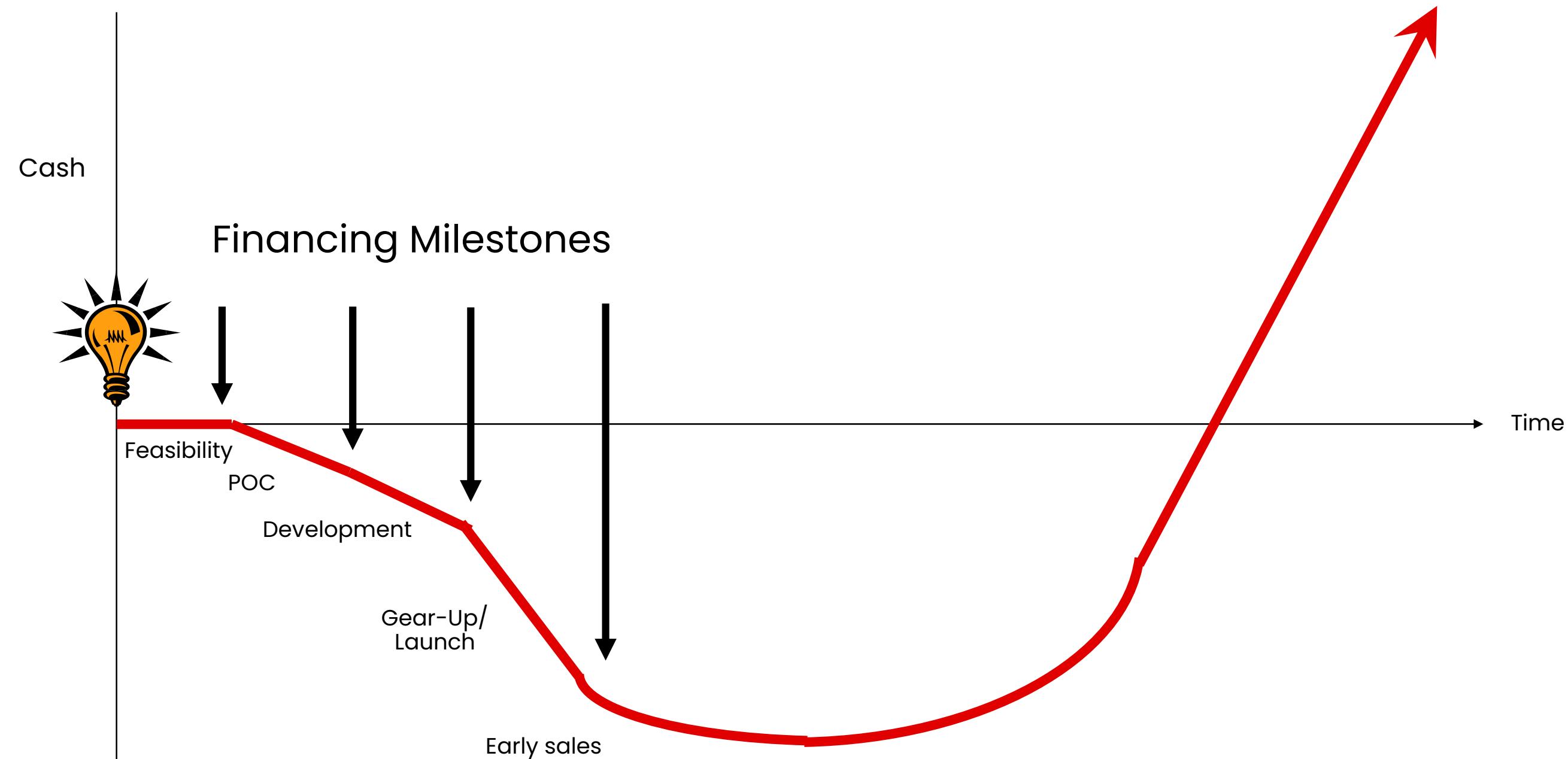
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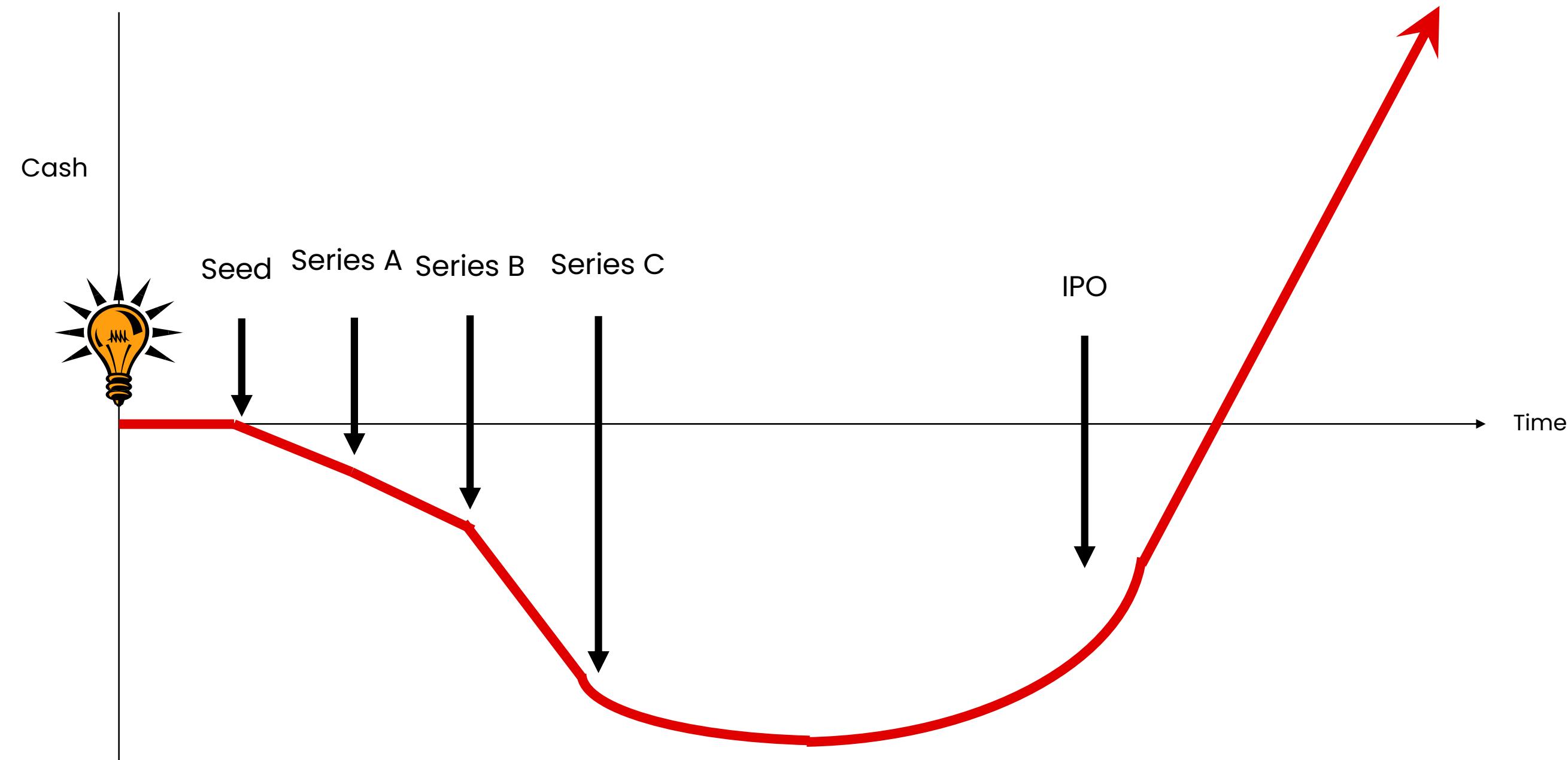
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How Does a University Get Equity in a Company?

➤ Part of a license

- Either in lieu of upfront fee, plus normal other cash royalty terms
 - Milestones, annual minimums, running royalties, etc.
- Or, fully paid up

➤ Best practice is the first

- Equity gives some return if the license is terminated
- Cash terms give a return if product succeeds but equity is diluted to nothing

➤ Example: BioVex

- UCL spinout
- All equity, UCL and prof each got 25% of initial equity
 - Got as far as a Series F, raised \$150 million including one down round
 - Bought by Amgen for \$425 million plus \$575 million in milestones
 - Product was approved.
 - Professor and UCL made £475 (each)
 - Postdoc joined the company, kept getting options, made many £mm

How Does a University Get Equity in a Company?

- Providing services
 - Incubation space
 - Interim management
 - Writing the business plan
 - Fund raising
 - Recruiting the management team
- Investing in the company
 - Needs an investment fund

- Most university assistance to spin-outs is in-kind
 - Business plan development
 - Management team recruitment
 - Incubation
 - Pre-seed grant funding
- Some universities have their own funds
 - Saved from a “big hit”
 - From operating budget
 - Part of endowment
 - Alumni
 - Philanthropic

Capitalization Tables

What is a Cap Table & Why Are they Important?

- The Cap Table shows:
 - What the company is worth;
 - Who owns how much of the company; and
 - How much their share is worth.
- The Cap Table's changes over time shows:
 - How the company's value is changing
 - Up or down
 - Who's going to get how much when the company is sold or goes public.

The Cap Table Pre-Financing

Dividing the Pie Between the Founders

- Easy route is equal shares
 - Simplistic
 - Different people bring different things and make different commitments
- A rational analytical approach:
 - Multivariable Contribution Analysis
 - Remember: Always have a basis for your proposals

Multivariable Contribution Analysis

1. Factors and Weights

| | <u>Weight</u> | <u>Founder 1</u> | <u>Founder 2</u> | <u>Founder 3</u> | <u>Founder 4</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Idea | 7 | | | | |
| Business Plan | 2 | | | | |
| Technology -- patents | 7 | | | | |
| Technology – know-how | 4 | | | | |
| Commitment and Risk | 5 | | | | |
| Domain Expertise | 7 | | | | |
| Responsibilities | 6 | | | | |

| | <u>Weight</u> | <u>Founder 1</u> | <u>Founder 2</u> | <u>Founder 3</u> | <u>Founder 4</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Idea | 7 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Business Plan | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Technology -- patents | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Technology – know-how | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 |
| Commitment and Risk | 5 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| Domain Expertise | 7 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Responsibilities | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 |

Multivariable Contribution Analysis

3. Weighted Scores and Percentages

| | <u>Weight</u> | <u>Founder 1</u> | <u>Founder 2</u> | <u>Founder 3</u> | <u>Founder 4</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Idea | 7 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 58 |
| Business Plan | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 25 |
| Technology -- patents | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 70 |
| Technology – know-how | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| Commitment and Risk | 5 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 60 |
| Domain Expertise | 7 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 49 |
| Responsibilities | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 60 |
| | 66 | 121 | 65 | 90 | 342 | 342 |
| | 19.3% | 35.4% | 19.0% | 26.3% | | |

How Much for the University?

➤ US

- Two Models
 - Anti-dilution model
 - “Give me 5% and keep me at 5% till \$5 million in equity financing has been raised”
 - Often combined with pre-emptive rights
 - Right to invest to maintain that 5%
 - Needs an investment fund to be able to exercise
 - Co-Founder Model
 - University treated just like other founders
 - E.g., 4 founders plus university – 20% each
 - Diluted equally in subsequent financings

- Standard equity model for every start-up
 - For all sectors
 - 5% ownership
 - Maintained till company closes a Series A financing typical for that sector
 - Royalty terms vary by sector
 - Higher for software and pharmaceuticals
 - Lower for engineering, manufacturing
 - Depends on profitability
- Start-up and Columbia bring data relevant to that sector as basis for negotiations

» U.K. Model (Big 6 at least)

- University 50%
- All other founders 50%

» All equity – fully paid up

- No royalties, milestones, etc.

» Has resulted in some interesting initiatives

- Imperial Innovations plc
 - Publicly traded on AIM
- IP Group (formerly IP2IPO)
 - Funded new Oxford Chemistry building
 - Deals with a number of U.K. universities
 - Southampton, Leeds, York, Kings, Bristol, Surrey, Bath, Glasgow
- Oxford Science Enterprises
 - £850 million in 2 funds

The Cap Table During Financing

Definitions

- Stock represents a partial ownership in a company
 - “Shares” of:
 - Assets
 - Income
- Not debt
 - No obligation to repay
- Common stock generally paid for by effort
 - The original “sweat equity”
 - Founders, management, technology, consultants
 - Freely available pre-financing
 - Financial sources will tightly control creation after financing
- Generally, the stock that gets sold in a public offering or M&A
 - All other classes of stock get converted to common the night before

Founders' Stock

- The first stock sold in a company by the people who found the company
- Common stock
- Sold at par value – typically \$0.01 or \$0.001/share
 - Company has no assets at this time
 - Fair Market Value
 - Provides the initial “running around money”
 - e.g., 2 million shares @ 1¢/share = \$20,000
 - Enough to pay incorporation costs
 - Maximizes tax benefits for Founders
 - No immediate tax liability
 - All gain is taxed at Capital Gains rates



Founders Round

| Price per Share | \$0.01 | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Raised</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>Value</u> |
| Professor | 500,000 | \$5,000 | 20% | \$5,000 |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | \$2,500 | 10% | \$2,500 |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | \$2,500 | 10% | \$2,500 |
| University | 500,000 | \$5,000 | 20% | \$5,000 |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | \$10,000 | 40% | \$10,000 |
| Total | 2,500,000 | \$25,000 | 100% | \$25,000 |
| Issued and outstanding | 2,500,000 | | | |
| Fully diluted | 2,500,000 | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$25,000 | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$25,000 | | | |

The #1 Mistake of Start-Ups

- » Giving out too much Founders' equity to people who don't join the company
 - Extraordinarily demotivating to people who do
 - VC's may insist it get undone
 - See startup.com

You Need Committed People

- » What's the difference between involvement and commitment?

Think Back to the Last Time You Had Egg and Bacon for Breakfast



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It Took Two Animals to Produce that Meal

A Chicken



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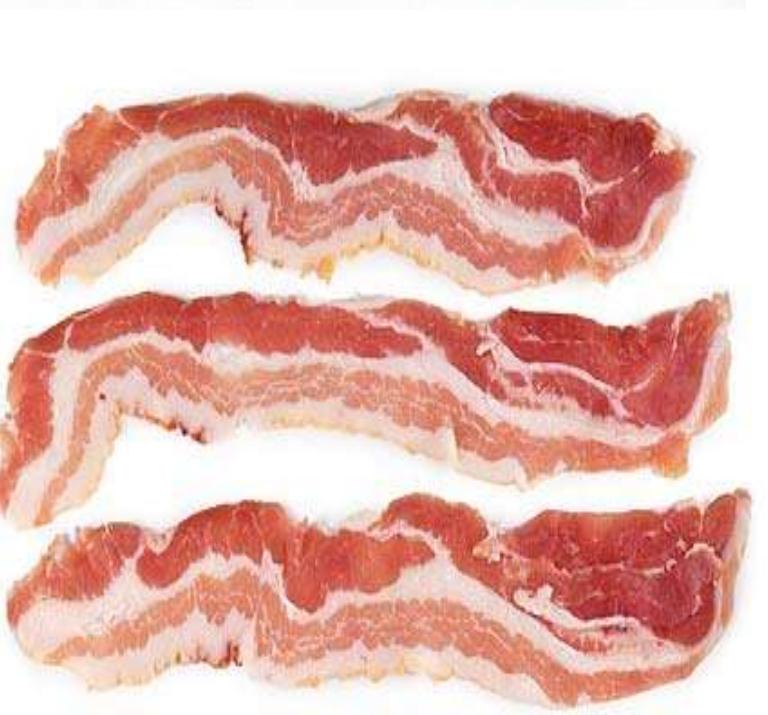
a Pig

Now the Chicken



was certainly involved

But the Pig



was definitely **COMMITTED!**

- » Have an earn-in
 - Make sure people commit
 - And stay committed!
 - 4 years is typical
 - 1 year cliff
- » Inventors of the technology
 - Vest all their Founders' stock when they assign their interest in the IP to the company

- » First “serious” money going in
 - \$150,000 - \$1,000,000
- » Fund to proof of principle stage
 - If at proof of principle stage, may be able to go straight to VC rounds
- » Sources
 - Friends and family (aka, Friends, family and fools)
 - Angels
 - Bands of Angels
 - Seed funds
 - Economic development funds
- » VC's won't invest this little
 - High transaction and due diligence costs

Issued and outstanding

Shares which have been paid for and for which a share certificate has been issued

- As opposed to shares which have been promised to someone through an option or warrant

Authorized Capital

Number of shares the Board of Directors has authorized the company to sell

- Gets increased from time to time

Pre-Money

➤ The Heart of Start-Up Valuation

- The price of the company's stock agreed by the buyer (the new investor) and seller (the company)

A NEGOTIATED FIGURE

- Not an accounting-derived figure
- Determines how much of the company the next round of investment will buy and hence the dilution to existing shareholders

Example

- Suppose \$2 million is to be raised at \$1/share
 - If Pre-Money value of company is \$1 million
 - 1,000,000 shares already exist
 - 2,000,000 shares will need to be sold
 - 2x what already exists
 - New shareholders will now own two thirds of the company
 - Dilution is by two thirds
 - If Pre-Money value of company is \$5 million
 - 5,000,000 shares already exist
 - 2,000,000 shares will need to be sold
 - Only 40% more than currently exist
 - New shareholders will own 28.6% of the company
 - Dilution is by 28.6%

Some Fundamental Relationships

Number of Shares Sold = Amount Raised / Price Per Share

Post-Money Value = Pre-Money Value + Amount Raised

% Dilution = Amount raised / Post-Money Value

Seed Round

- Founders want to raise \$200,000
 - Decide to price at 80¢/share
- How much of the company should they give up?
 - 10% ownership “feels” about right
 - Values the company at ~\$2,000,000 pre-money
- Professor’s stake now worth \$400,000

Seed Round

Price per Share

\$0.80

| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Raised</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>Value</u> |
|---------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Professor | 500,000 | | 18.2% | \$400,000 |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | 9.1% | \$200,000 |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | 9.1% | \$200,000 |
| University | 500,000 | | 18.2% | \$400,000 |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | 36.4% | \$800,000 |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | \$200,000 | 9.1% | \$200,000 |
| Total | 2,750,000 | \$200,000 | 100.0% | \$2,200,000 |
| Issued & outstanding | 2,750,000 | | | |
| Fully diluted | 2,750,000 | | | |
| Raised in this round | | \$200,000 | | |
| Cumulative raised | | \$225,000 | | |
| Pre-Money | | \$2,000,000 | | |
| Post-Money | | \$2,200,000 | | |

Convertible Debt (Note)

- A debt obligation of a company that is convertible into stock
 - i.e., A loan that won't be repaid
- Used when the parties don't want to set the price of the stock at the time the investment is made
- Simple document
 - Legal costs low

- A decrease in a shareholder's percentage ownership without a reduction in the number of shares they hold because additional shares are issued
 - Size of the pie increases
- Results from:
 - Hiring new employees
 - Raising money
- Founders DON'T sell their own shares when selling equity
 - Company issues new stock
- Professor A owned 20% before seed round; now (s)he owns 18.2%
 - But the value of her / his stake has gone from \$1,000 to \$400,000
 - This is good!

Good Dilution

- » Dilution is good if the new shares are sold at a price greater than previous sale
 - Percentage of ownership is less, but the total value of shares owned is greater
 - Smaller slice of a bigger pie
 - Value of ownership stake increases

Bad Dilution

- » Dilution is bad if the new shares are sold at a price less than the previous sale
 - Percentage of ownership is less, and the total value of shares owned is less
 - Smaller slice of a smaller pie
 - Value of ownership stake decreases
 - A “cram down”

Option

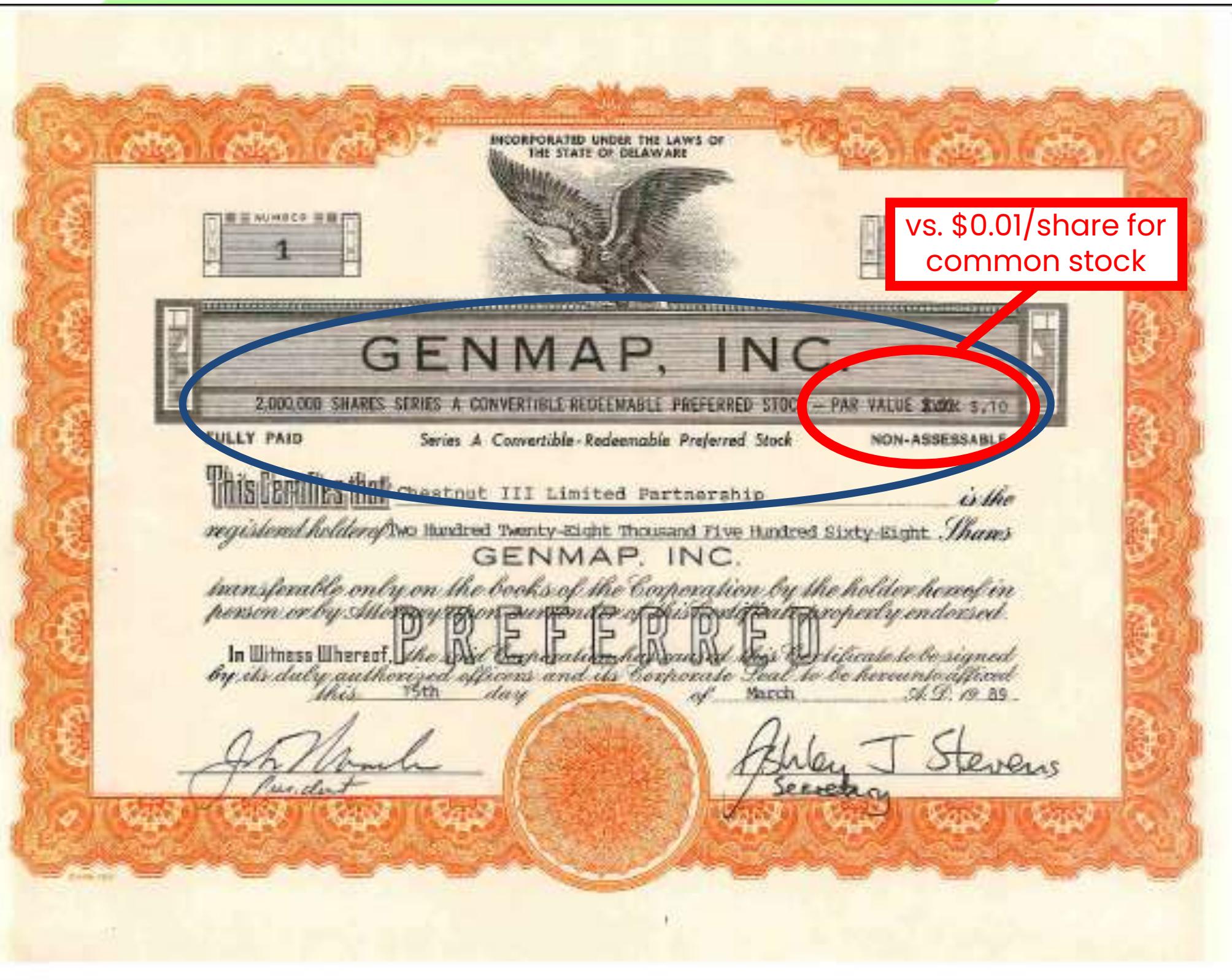
- » Right to buy stock at a fixed price for some time in the future
 - Generally personal to the holder (or their estate)
- » Two Types under US tax laws:
 - Incentive Stock Option (ISO)
 - Tax treatment much more favorable
 - Only available to employees
 - Non-Qualified Stock Options (NQSO)
- » Benefit:
 - You don't have to put out the money to buy the stock till you know it's going to be worth something
 - Or pay any taxes!

Warrant

- » Right to buy stock at a fixed price for some time in the future
 - Can be bought and sold

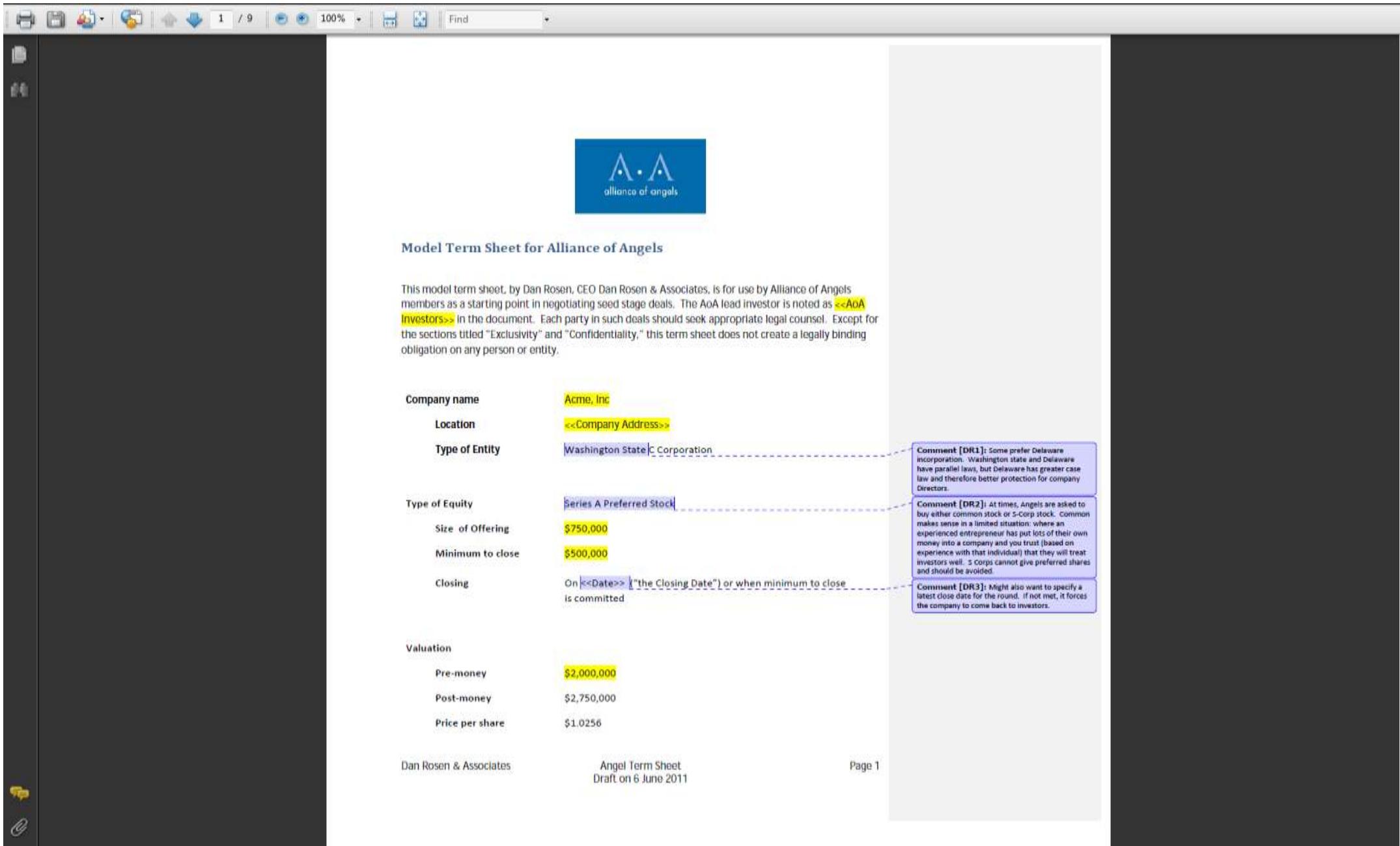
Preferred Stock

- » Stock with certain special rights over common stock
- » VC's usually invest by buying Participating Convertible Preferred Stock (convertible into Common)
 - Liquidation preference
 - Redemption
 - Optional conversion
 - Automatic conversion
 - Anti-dilution provisions
 - Pre-emptive rights
 - Registration rights
 - Board representation (usually)
 - Dividends
- » These Preferences allow the investors to control the company



Some resources to learn more

<http://www.angelcapitalassociation.org/data/Documents/Resources/1%20-%20Resources/Draft%20Term%20Sheet%20for%20Alliance%20of%20Angels.pdf>



Model Term Sheet for Alliance of Angels

This model term sheet, by Dan Rosen, CEO Dan Rosen & Associates, is for use by Alliance of Angels members as a starting point in negotiating seed stage deals. The AoA lead investor is noted as <>AoA Investors>> in the document. Each party in such deals should seek appropriate legal counsel. Except for the sections titled "Exclusivity" and "Confidentiality," this term sheet does not create a legally binding obligation on any person or entity.

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Company name | Acme, Inc |
| Location | <>Company Address>> |
| Type of Entity | Washington State C Corporation |
| Type of Equity | Series A Preferred Stock |
| Size of Offering | \$750,000 |
| Minimum to close | \$500,000 |
| Closing | On <>Date>> ("the Closing Date") or when minimum to close is committed |
| Valuation | |
| Pre-money | \$2,000,000 |
| Post-money | \$2,750,000 |
| Price per share | \$1.0256 |

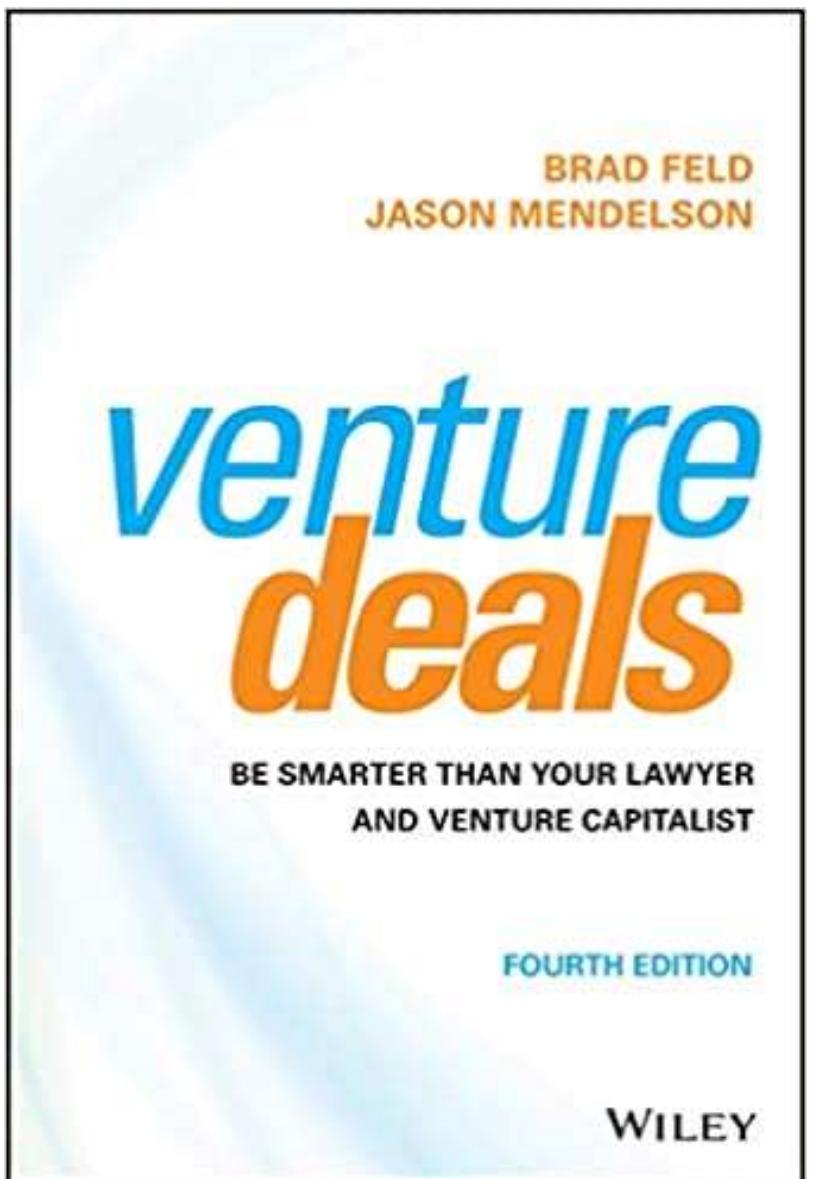
Comments:

- Comment [DR1]:** Some prefer Delaware incorporation. Washington state and Delaware have parallel laws, but Delaware has greater case law and therefore better protection for company Directors.
- Comment [DR2]:** At times, Angels are asked to buy either common stock or S-corp stock. Common makes sense in a limited situation: where an experienced entrepreneur has put lots of their own money into a company and you trust (based on experience with that individual) that they will treat investors well. S corps cannot give preferred shares and should be avoided.
- Comment [DR3]:** Might also want to specify a latest close date for the round. If not met, it forces the company to come back to investors.

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Some resources to learn more

Venture Deals: Be Smarter Than Your Lawyer and Venture Capitalist by Brad Feld and Jason Mendelson, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. August 2019; ~\$30 from Amazon.



Series A, Series B, Series C.....

- Successive rounds of Preferred Stock
- Series B usually has precedence over Series A, and so on

Fully Diluted

- Number of shares that will be issued and outstanding when all the options and warrants that have been issued are exercised

Series A Venture Round

- Need to raise \$3 million
- Two funds put in \$1.5 million each
- 1,000,000 pool of shares created for stock options for future management that will be hired with the proceeds from the financing
- Price \$1.00 per share
 - Seed investors show a 25% profit
- Professor's stake now worth \$500,000 (+25%)

Series A Venture Round

| Price per Share | \$1.00 | | Shares | Series A | Raised | % | Value |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| | Common | Options | | | I&O | FD | |
| | Shares | Options | | | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | | | 8.7% | 7.4% | \$500,000 |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.7% | \$250,000 |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.7% | \$250,000 |
| University | 500,000 | | | | 8.7% | 7.4% | \$500,000 |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | 17.4% | 14.8% | \$1,000,000 |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.7% | \$250,000 |
| Management Pool | 1,000,000 | | | | | | \$1,000,000 |
| VC Fund A | | 1,500,000 | | \$1,500,000 | 26.1% | 22.2% | \$1,500,000 |
| VC Fund B | | 1,500,000 | | \$1,500,000 | 26.1% | 22.2% | \$1,500,000 |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 1,000,000 | 3,000,000 | \$3,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$6,750,000 |
| Issued & outstanding | 5,750,000 | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 6,750,000 | | | | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$3,000,000 | | | | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$3,225,000 | | | | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$3,750,000 | | | | | | |
| Post-Money | \$6,750,000 | | | | | | |

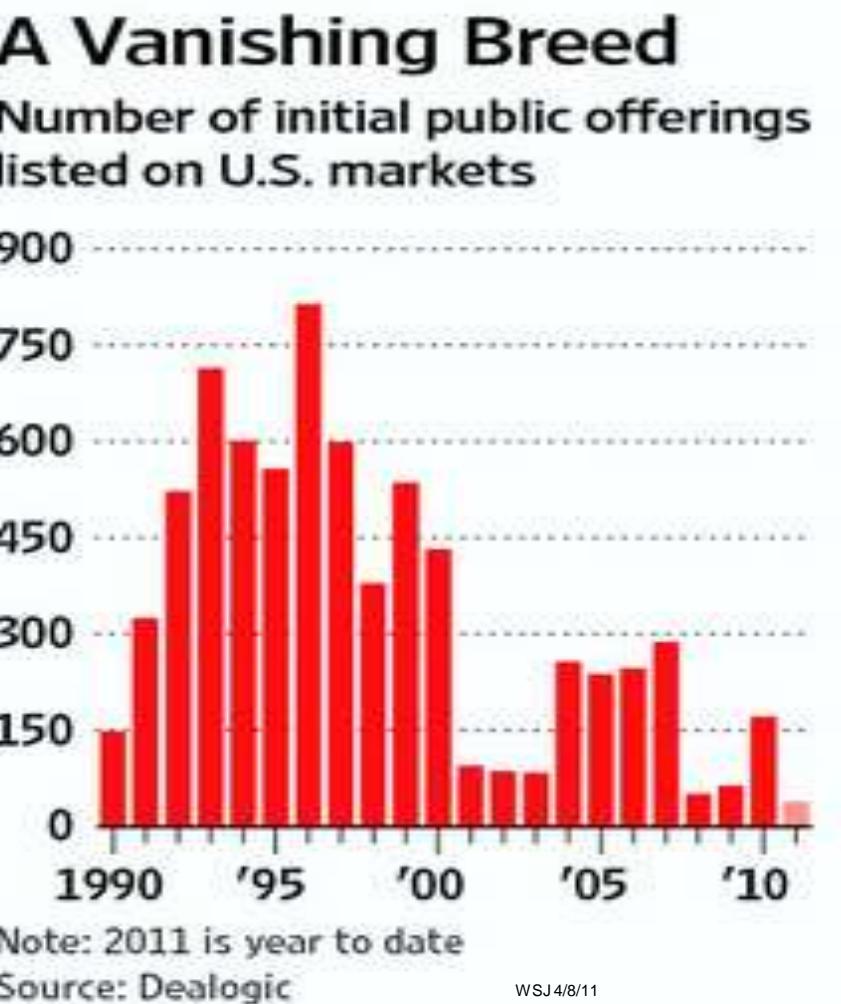
Series B Venture Round

- Need to raise \$10 million
- \$2.00 per share
 - Sell 5 million shares
- First two funds participate
- New fund leads the round
 - Under NVCA rules, the first two funds can report increased value for Series A investment
 - Helps raise the next fund
- Further increase in management option pool
 - Additional 1 million shares
- Professor's stake now worth \$1 million
 - +100%

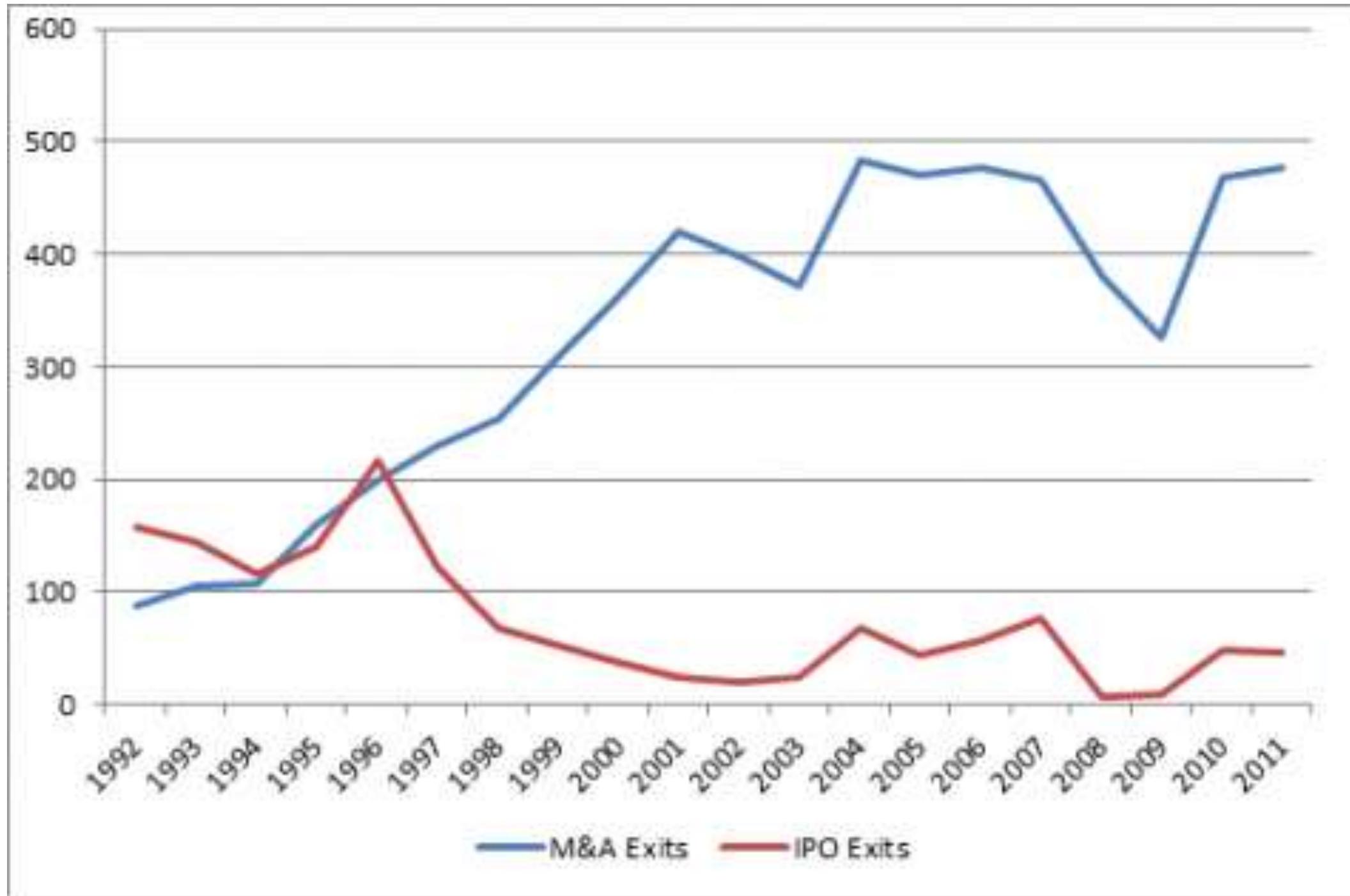
Series B Venture Round

| Price per Share | \$2.00 | | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Raised</u> | <u>I&O</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>FD</u> | <u>Value</u> | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | <u>Common</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Options</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | | | | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$1,000,000 | | | | | | |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | | | | | | |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | | | | | | |
| University | 500,000 | | | | | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$1,000,000 | | | | | | |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | | 9.3% | 7.8% | \$2,000,000 | | | | | | |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | | | | | | |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | | | | 15.7% | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | | | | | | |
| VC Fund A | | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | \$3,000,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | 23.5% | \$6,000,000 | | | | | | |
| VC Fund B | | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | \$3,000,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | 23.5% | \$6,000,000 | | | | | | |
| VC Fund C | | | 2,000,000 | \$4,000,000 | 18.6% | 15.7% | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | | | | | | |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 2,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 5,000,000 | \$10,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$25,500,000 | | | | | | |
| Issued and outstanding | 10,750,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 12,750,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$10,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$13,225,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$15,500,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Post-Money | \$25,500,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

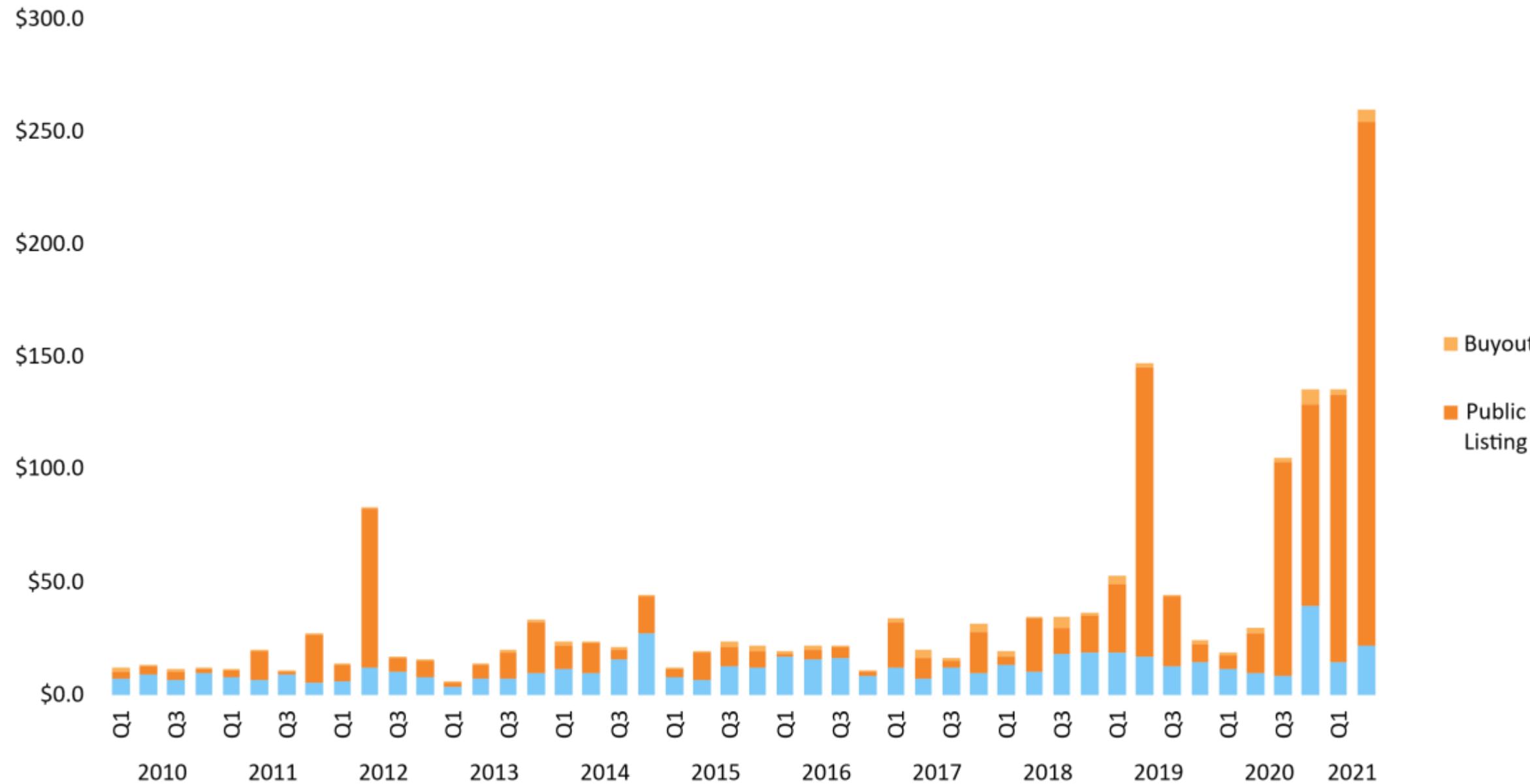
- IPO
- Acquisition
 - Cash
 - Stock
 - Publicly traded
 - Privately held



The Exit



The Exit



Initial Public Offering

- › Company is ready to sell stock to the public
- › Sells 8 million shares to the public at \$8.00 per share
- › Professor's stake now worth \$4,000,000
 - +300%

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UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

TAECRIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

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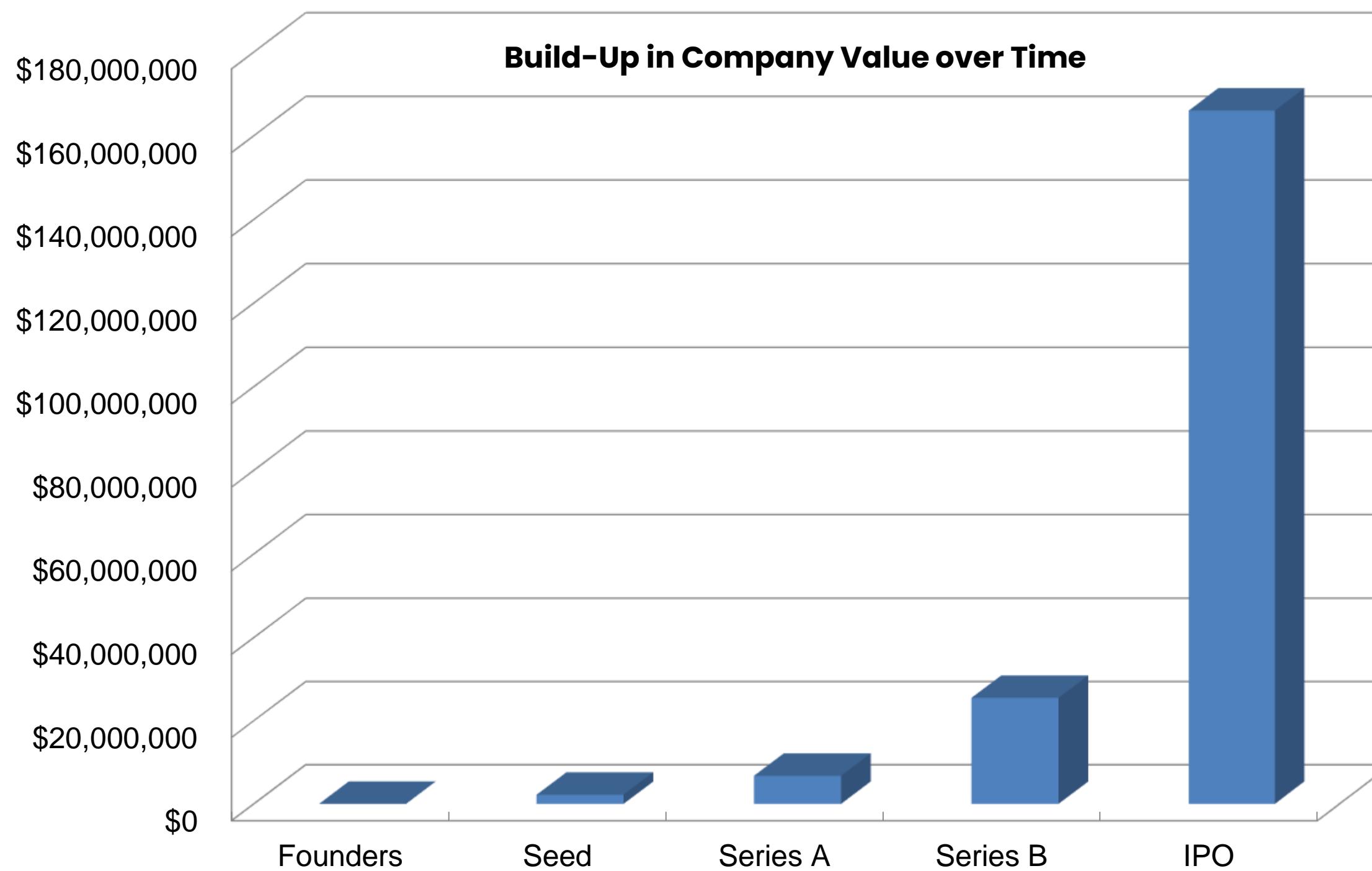
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Price per Share
\$8.00

| | <u>Shares</u> <u>Common</u> | <u>Raised</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>Value</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| | <u>Shares</u> | | <u>I&O</u> | <u>FD</u> |
| Professor | 500,000 | | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| University | 500,000 | | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | 4.8% | 4.8% |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | 9.6% | 9.6% |
| VC Fund A | 3,000,000 | | 14.5% | 14.5% |
| VC Fund B | 3,000,000 | | 14.5% | 14.5% |
| VC Fund C | 2,000,000 | | 9.6% | 9.6% |
| Public Investors | 8,000,000 | \$64,000,000 | 38.6% | \$64,000,000 |
| Total | 20,750,000 | \$64,000,000 | 100% | \$166,000,000 |
| Issued & outstanding | 20,750,000 | | | |
| Fully diluted | 20,750,000 | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$64,000,000 | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$77,225,000 | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$102,000,000 | | | |
| Post-Money | \$166,000,000 | | | |

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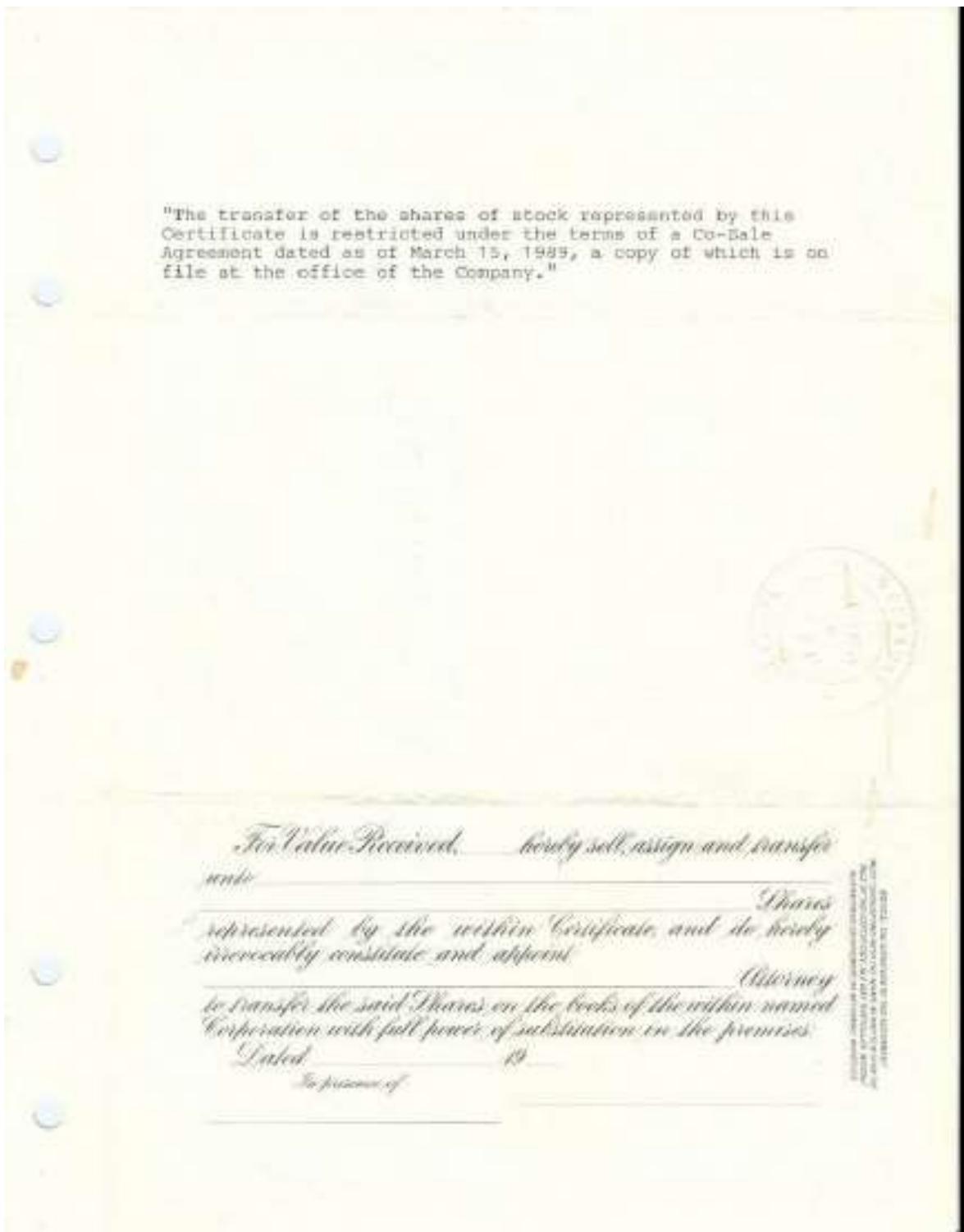
Registered Stock

Stock that has been issued under a registration statement approved by the SEC and can be freely sold to the public

Unregistered Stock

Stock that has been sold not in connection with a registration statement approved by the SEC; cannot be sold in the public markets

- Can't immediately sell stock
- Underwriters will normally impose a 180 day lock-up on all pre-IPO stock
 - Once saw a European IPO with a 1 year lock-up
- Remaining stock needs to be registered to sell
 - Can sell limited amounts under Rule 144



The Dark Side – Things Go Wrong

- Company does not meet its milestones for Series B financing
- Series B price is \$0.60 per share, not \$2.00 per share
 - A “Down Round”
 - Can’t bring in Fund C
 - Only existing investors will participate
- Now needs \$11 million to get to IPO
 - \$1 million to get back on track
 - \$10 million to go to market
- Has to sell 18,333,333 shares to raise \$11 million, not 2,000,000 shares
- Professors stake now worth \$300,000
 - Down 33% (vs up 400% in happy scenario)
- Major shift in ownership from common to preferred

Series B Venture Round

| Price per Share | \$0.60 | | Shares | Common | Series A | Series B | Raised | I&O | % | FD | Value |
|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|------|----|--------------------|
| | Shares | Options | | | | | | | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | | | | | | 2.2% | 2.0% | | \$300,000 |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | | | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$150,000 |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$150,000 |
| University | 500,000 | | | | | | | 2.2% | 2.0% | | \$300,000 |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | | | | 4.3% | 4.0% | | \$600,000 |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$150,000 |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | | | | | | 8.0% | | | \$1,200,000 |
| VC Fund A | | | 1,000,000 | | 9,166,667 | \$ 5,500,000 | 44.0% | 40.5% | | | \$6,100,000 |
| VC Fund B | | | 1,000,000 | | 9,166,667 | \$ 5,500,000 | 44.0% | 40.5% | | | \$6,100,000 |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 18,333,333 | \$ 11,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$15,050,000 | | | |
| Issued \$ outstanding | 23,083,333 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 25,083,333 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$11,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$14,225,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$4,050,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Post-Money | \$15,050,000 | | | | | | | | | | |

- Because of Cram Down, investment bankers may decide Company needs to reduce number of shares outstanding
 - 25,083,333 FD shares vs. 12,750,000
- Reverse split, 1 for 2
 - Gets back close to 13,000,000 shares
- Professor's stake now worth \$2,000,000, +667%

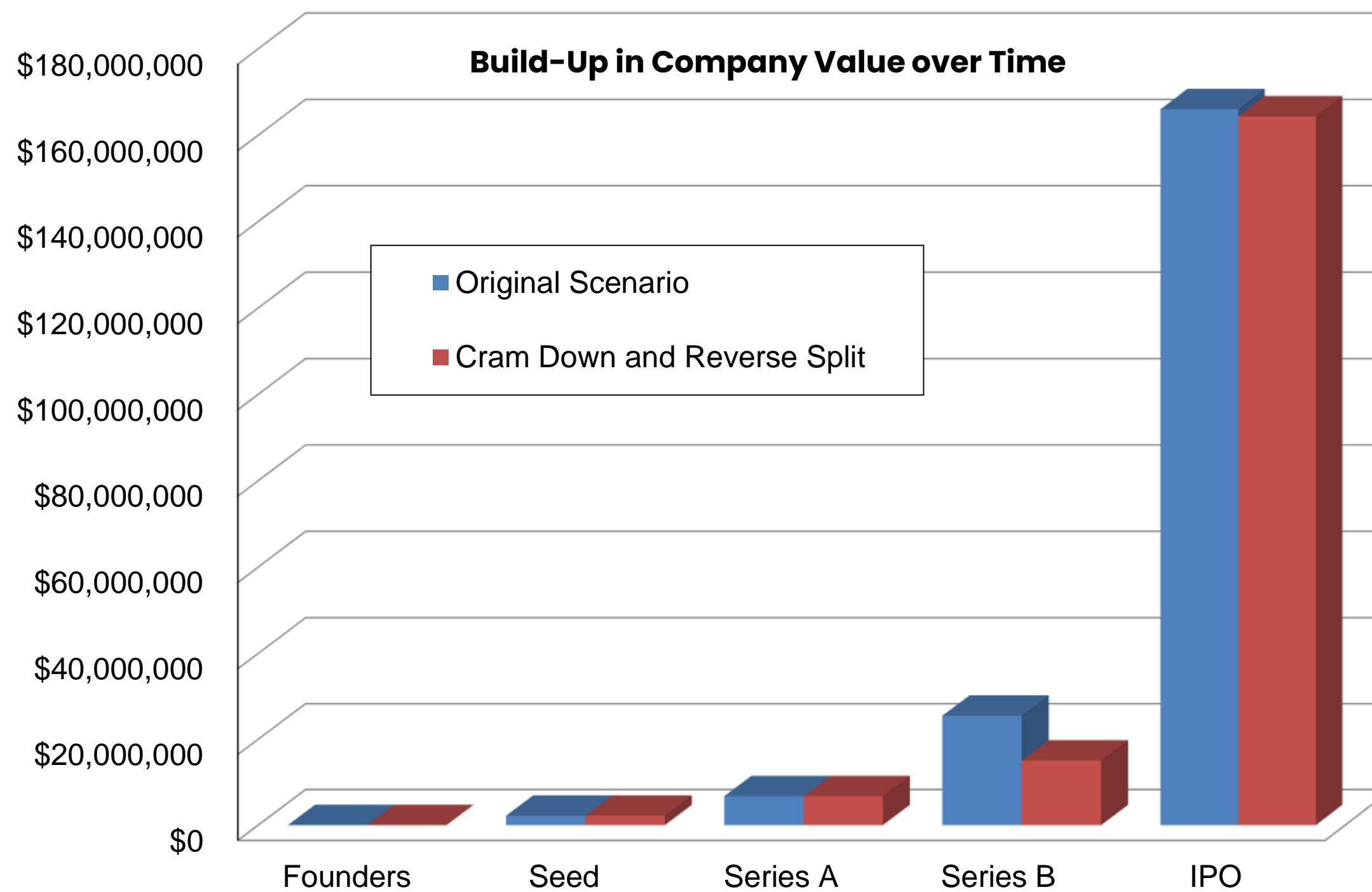
Example:

- Acusphere (MIT / Langer) did Series A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J financings!
 - Founded 1993
 - Perflubutane polymer microspheres for detection of coronary artery disease
 - Never got anything approved anywhere
- 1 for 10 reverse split prior to IPO
 - \$14/share, 2003
 - And it did **ANOTHER** 1 for 10 reverse split in 2012
 - Seems to finally have quietly died in 2012 – 19 years!

Price per Share \$8.00
Reverse Split 1 for 2

| | <u>Shares</u> <u>Common</u> | <u>Raised</u> | <u>%</u> <u>I&O</u> | <u>Original Scenario</u> | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | <u>Value</u> | <u>Value</u> | <u>Diff</u> |
| | | | | <u>Shares</u> | | |
| Professor | 250,000 | | 1.2% | \$2,000,000 | \$4,000,000 | (\$2,000,000) |
| Postdoc A | 125,000 | | 0.6% | \$1,000,000 | \$2,000,000 | (\$1,000,000) |
| Postdoc B | 125,000 | | 0.6% | \$1,000,000 | \$2,000,000 | (\$1,000,000) |
| University | 250,000 | | 1.2% | \$2,000,000 | \$4,000,000 | (\$2,000,000) |
| CEO | 500,000 | | 2.4% | \$4,000,000 | \$8,000,000 | (\$4,000,000) |
| Seed investors | 125,000 | | 0.6% | \$1,000,000 | \$2,000,000 | (\$1,000,000) |
| Management Pool | 1,000,000 | | 4.9% | \$8,000,000 | \$16,000,000 | (\$8,000,000) |
| VC Fund A | 5,083,333 | | 24.7% | \$40,666,667 | \$24,000,000 | \$16,666,667 |
| VC Fund B | 5,083,333 | | 24.7% | \$40,666,667 | \$24,000,000 | \$16,666,667 |
| VC Fund C | | | | | \$16,000,000 | (\$16,000,000) |
| Public Investors | 8,000,000 | \$64,000,000 | 38.9% | \$64,000,000 | \$64,000,000 | \$0 |
| Total | 20,541,667 | \$64,000,000 | 100% | \$164,333,333 | \$166,000,000 | (\$1,666,667) |
| Issued & outstanding | 20,541,667 | | | | \$20,750,000 | (\$208,333) |
| Fully diluted | 20,541,667 | | | | \$20,750,000 | (\$208,333) |
| Raised in this round | \$64,000,000 | | | | \$64,000,000 | \$0 |
| Cumulative raised | \$78,225,000 | | | | \$77,210,000 | \$1,000,000 |
| Pre-Money | \$100,333,333 | | | | \$102,000,000 | (\$1,666,667) |
| Post-Money | \$164,333,333 | | | | \$166,000,000 | (\$1,666,667) |

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- The alternative to IPO
- Benefit
 - Immediate liquidity
- The Dark Side
 - From the Entrepreneurs' and Managements' perspectives
 - Liquidation Preferences

Liquidation Preference

- Payment received by preferred stock holder on liquidation or acquisition of the company
 - Usually at least equal to the original investment
 - Can be multiples of the original investment

Participating Preferred Stock

- After payment of the preferences, remaining funds are distributed *pro rata* to **ALL** shareholders
 - Including preferred
 - A double dip
 - VC's love acquisitions

Acquisition with Liquidation Preferences

Acquisition Price **\$91,800,000**
 Per share **\$7.2**

Liquid. Pref.
 Series A 1 x \$ 1.00
 Series B 1 x \$ 2.00

| | Shares | | % | | Proceeds | | Balance | Total | IPO | D | % | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| | Common | | Series A | Series B | I&O | FD | | | | | | |
| | Shares | Options | | | | | | | | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | | | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$3,090,196 | \$3,090,196 | \$4,000,000 | (\$909,804) | 77.3% | |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$1,545,098 | \$1,545,098 | \$2,000,000 | (\$454,902) | 77.3% | |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$1,545,098 | \$1,545,098 | \$2,000,000 | (\$454,902) | 77.3% | |
| University | 500,000 | | | | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$3,090,196 | \$3,090,196 | \$4,000,000 | (\$909,804) | 77.3% | |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | 9.3% | 7.8% | \$6,180,392 | \$6,180,392 | \$8,000,000 | (\$1,819,608) | 77.3% | |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$1,545,098 | \$1,545,098 | \$2,000,000 | (\$454,902) | 77.3% | |
| | 2,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mgmt Pool | 0 | | | | 15.7% | | \$12,360,784 | \$12,360,784 | \$16,000,000 | (\$3,639,216) | 77.3% | |
| VC Fund A | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | \$4,500,000 | | \$18,541,176 | \$23,041,176 | \$24,000,000 | (\$958,824) | 96.0% | |
| VC Fund B | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | \$4,500,000 | | \$18,541,176 | \$23,041,176 | \$24,000,000 | (\$958,824) | 96.0% | |
| | 2,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VC Fund C | | | 0 | 18.6% | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | \$12,360,784 | \$16,360,784 | \$16,000,000 | \$360,784 | 102.3% | |
| | 2,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 5,000,000 | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100% | 100% | \$13,000,000 | \$78,800,000 | \$91,800,000 | \$102,000,000 | (\$10,200,000) | 90.0% |
| Issued & Outstanding | 10,750,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully Diluted | 12,750,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |

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Acquisition with Liquidation Preferences after Cram Down

 Acquisition Price **\$91,800,000**

 Per share **\$7.2**
Liquidation Preferences

| | | | | |
|----------|---|---|----|------|
| Series A | 1 | x | \$ | 1.00 |
| Series B | 3 | x | \$ | 0.60 |

| | <u>Shares</u> | | <u>%</u> | | <u>Preference</u> | <u>Proceeds</u> | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Common</u> <u>Shares</u> | <u>Options</u> | <u>Series A</u> | <u>Series B</u> | <u>I&O</u> | <u>FD</u> | <u>s</u> | <u>Balance</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Base Case</u> | <u>D</u> | <u>%</u> | |
| Professor A | 500,000 | | | | 2.2% | 2.0% | | \$1,132,226 | \$1,132,226 | \$3,090,196 | (\$1,957,970) | 36.6% | |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$566,113 | \$566,113 | \$1,545,098 | (\$978,985) | 36.6% | |
| Postdoc C | 250,000 | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$566,113 | \$566,113 | \$1,545,098 | (\$978,985) | 36.6% | |
| University | 500,000 | | | | 2.2% | 2.0% | | \$1,132,226 | \$1,132,226 | \$3,090,196 | (\$1,957,970) | 36.6% | |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | 4.3% | 4.0% | | \$2,264,452 | \$2,264,452 | \$6,180,392 | (\$3,915,940) | 36.6% | |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | 1.1% | 1.0% | | \$566,113 | \$566,113 | \$1,545,098 | (\$978,985) | 36.6% | |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | | | 8.0% | | | \$4,528,904 | \$4,528,904 | \$12,360,784 | (\$7,831,881) | 36.6% | |
| VC Fund A | | | 1,000,000 | 9,166,667 | 44.0% | 40.5% | | \$17,500,00 | 0 | \$23,021,927 | \$40,521,927 | \$23,041,176 | \$17,480,750 175.9% |
| VC Fund B | | | 1,000,000 | 9,166,667 | 44.0% | 40.5% | | \$17,500,00 | 0 | \$23,021,927 | \$40,521,927 | \$23,041,176 | \$17,480,750 175.9% |
| VC Fund C | | | | | | | | | | | \$16,360,784 | (\$16,360,784) | |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 18,333,33 | 3 | 100% | 100% | \$35,000,00 | \$56,800,00 | 0 | \$91,800,000 | \$91,800,000 | \$0 100.0% |
| Issued and outstanding | 23,083,333 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 25,083,333 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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- There are great benefits to founders and management if grants can be used to fund early stage development
 - Instead of investment capital
- Sources:
 - SBIR's
 - Other Federal sources
 - Corporate partners
 - Philanthropies
- This is referred to as "Non-Dilutive Funding" because NewCo doesn't have to issue stock to get the money
 - No dilution to existing shareholders

- Assume that our NewCo can get grants to replace its Series A investment
- Analytical approach:
 - Eliminate Series A shares from Cap Table
 - Results in lower Pre-Money for Series B
 - But company is at same stage of development
 - Therefore it should have same pre-money valuation for Series B
 - Using Goal Seek, set Pre-Money to \$15.5 million by varying Share Price
 - Share Price increases from \$2.00 to \$3.26 / share
 - At the higher price, fewer shares have to be sold in Series B
 - 3.1 million vs 5 million
 - Even less dilution to existing shareholders
 - Founders', Managements and Seed Investors' stakes increase in value by ~63%
 - VC's make less but have invested less

Series B Round With Non-Dilutive Funding Instead of Series A

| Price per Share | With Series A | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | Shares | | | Raised | % I&O FD | | Value I&O FD | | Value Δ | | | |
| | Common Shares | Series A | Series B | | | | | | | | | |
| | Shares | Options | | | | | | | | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | | | 8.6% | 6.4% | \$1,631,579 | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$1,000,000 | \$631,579 | |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.2% | \$815,789 | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | \$315,789 | |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.2% | \$815,789 | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | \$315,789 | |
| University | 500,000 | | | | 8.6% | 6.4% | \$1,631,579 | 4.7% | 3.9% | \$1,000,000 | \$631,579 | |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | | | 17.2% | 12.8% | \$3,263,158 | 9.3% | 7.8% | \$2,000,000 | \$1,263,158 | |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | | | 4.3% | 3.2% | \$815,789 | 2.3% | 2.0% | \$500,000 | \$315,789 | |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | | | 25.6% | \$6,526,316 | | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | \$2,526,316 | | |
| VC Fund A | | | | 919,355 | \$3,000,000 | 15.8% | 11.8% | \$3,000,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | \$6,000,000 | (\$3,000,000) |
| VC Fund B | | | | 919,355 | \$3,000,000 | 15.8% | 11.8% | \$3,000,000 | 27.9% | 23.5% | \$6,000,000 | (\$3,000,000) |
| VC Fund C | | | | 1,225,806 | \$4,000,000 | 21.1% | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | 18.6% | 15.7% | \$4,000,000 | \$0 |
| Total | 2,750,000 | 2,000,000 | 0 | 3,064,516 | \$10,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$25,500,000 | | | \$25,500,000 | |
| Issued and outstanding | 5,814,516 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 7,814,516 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$10,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$13,225,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$15,500,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Post-Money | \$25,500,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |

- › Company is now ready for IPO
- › No Series A and lower number of Series B shares results in lower pre-money
 - Again, company is at the same stage and so should be worth the same
 - Using Goal Seek, set Pre-Money to \$102 million by varying the Share Price
 - Share Price increases from \$8.00 to \$13.05 / share
 - Company no longer needs to sell 8 million shares to raise \$64 million
 - Only needs to sell 4.9 million shares
 - Founders', Management's and Seed Investors' stakes increase in value by ~63%
 - VC's make less but have invested less

IPO With Non-Dilutive Funding Instead of Series A

| Price per Share | \$13.05 | | | | Value | | | With Series A | | Δ | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|---|--|
| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Raised</u> | % I&O FD | | | I&O | % I&O FD | | Value | | |
| | | | Common Shares | I&O | FD | | I&O | FD | | | |
| Professor | 500,000 | | 3.9% | 3.9% | \$6,526,316 | 2.4% | 2.4% | \$4,000,000 | \$2,526,316 | | |
| Postdoc A | 250,000 | | 2.0% | 2.0% | \$3,263,158 | 1.2% | 1.2% | \$2,000,000 | \$1,263,158 | | |
| Postdoc B | 250,000 | | 2.0% | 2.0% | \$3,263,158 | 1.2% | 1.2% | \$2,000,000 | \$1,263,158 | | |
| University | 500,000 | | 3.9% | 3.9% | \$6,526,316 | 2.4% | 2.4% | \$4,000,000 | \$2,526,316 | | |
| CEO | 1,000,000 | | 7.9% | 7.9% | \$13,052,632 | 4.8% | 4.8% | \$8,000,000 | \$5,052,632 | | |
| Seed investors | 250,000 | | 2.0% | 2.0% | \$3,263,158 | 1.2% | 1.2% | \$2,000,000 | \$1,263,158 | | |
| Management Pool | 2,000,000 | | 15.7% | 15.7% | \$26,105,263 | 9.6% | 9.6% | \$16,000,000 | \$10,105,263 | | |
| VC Fund A | 919,355 | | 7.2% | 7.2% | \$12,000,000 | 14.5% | 14.5% | \$24,000,000 | (\$12,000,000) | | |
| VC Fund B | 919,355 | | 7.2% | 7.2% | \$12,000,000 | 14.5% | 14.5% | \$24,000,000 | (\$12,000,000) | | |
| VC Fund C | 1,225,806 | | 9.6% | 9.6% | \$16,000,000 | 9.6% | 9.6% | \$16,000,000 | \$0 | | |
| Public Investors | 4,903,226 | \$64,000,000 | 38.6% | 38.6% | \$64,000,000 | 38.6% | 38.6% | \$64,000,000 | \$0 | | |
| Total | 12,717,742 | \$64,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$166,000,000 | 100% | 100% | \$166,000,000 | | | |
| Issued and outstanding | 12,717,742 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fully diluted | 12,717,742 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raised in this round | \$64,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cumulative raised | \$77,225,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pre-Money | \$102,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Post-Money | \$166,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | |

How Do You Know What to Sell a Company for?

- Two main bases for high tech companies
- If public, market cap plus a premium

- If private -- **X**
i.e., X times its sales
- Every industry has its “X”
 - Find three or four recent transactions in the same space and calculate
- Pharmaceuticals:
 - X=5
 - E.g., Genzyme's sales were \$4 billion
 - Sanofi paid \$20 billion

And if this is all too complicated.....

- Don't bother to take equity at all
 - Who cares about owning stock?
 - What we really want is to be able to sell the stock
 - So ask for an Exit Fee instead
 - Paid if:
 - Change of control (acquisition)
 - IPO
 - 1 – 3% of amount raised (acquisition) / pre-money value (IPO)
- Benefits:
 - Simpler, cleaner
 - May help with Col
 - No issues of Board representation
- Examples:
 - NIH
 - U. of Kansas Swift Startup License (kuic.ku.edu/swift-startup-license)

➤ Startup.com

- Two guys start a dot.com. Filmed in real time as it was happening
- Truly ugly buy-out of a vested founder who didn't join the company
 - Plus a whole lot of other highly emotional stuff

➤ Extraordinary Measures

- The very thinly disguised account of the real-life Harrison Ford



e's development of Lumizyme.

For More Information

- › *The Art of the Cap Table* Ashley Stevens, *Journal of Commercial Biotechnology* (2012) 18, 83–97. doi: 10.5912/jcb.522;
 - The spreadsheet that this talk and the article were based on.
- › *Intellectual Property Valuation Manual For Academic Institutions*
 - Ashley J. Stevens
 - World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland, March 2016,
 - available at: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=332588

Thank you for listening.

Questions?

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University-Linked Venture Funds – UK

- IP Group did small funds with multiple universities
- Oxford Science Enterprises
 - £600 million first fund
 - £250 million second fund
- Cambridge Innovation Capital
 - £500 million
- UCL Technology Fund
 - £54 million
 - Raising £250 million
- Northern Gritstone
 - Manchester / Leeds / Sheffield
 - Raising £500 million
- CRUK
 - Sixth Element, managed by Syncopa
 - £54 million

➤ Australia

- Tin Valley Ventures Fund – U. of Melbourne
- Uniseed – U. of Melbourne, Queensland, NSW, Sydney and CSIRO
 - Largely their own money



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