Market Analysis

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Executive Summary

1. Selecting a successful product

2. Defining the market

3. Market analysis: leveraging primary and secondary research to quantify value addition

4. Due diligence: market and industry, path to mass production, substitutes, barriers to entry
Successful Product

**PRODUCT**
- **Proprietary** (Jack Daniels vs. whiskey)
- **Substitutes** (coke vs. sequencers)
- **IP** (patent)
- Us vs. them (Tesla vs. Ford)
- Can be **re-used** widely (wheel)
- Improve **user experience** (heated car seats)

**MARKET**
- **Size** (vanilla vs. garlic ice-cream)
- **Growth** (iTunes vs. CDs)
- **Segment** (beer vs. cognac drinkers)
- **Competition** (space stations vs. mobile phones)
- **Barriers** to entry (FDA)
- **Industry** (high tech vs. woodwork)
- **Drivers** (technology vs. rare disease)
Successful Product

**CUSTOMERS**
- **Who** (researcher? clinician?)
- **Need** (analytical assay vs. diagnostic tool?)
- **Want** (convenience? price?)
- **Now vs. future** (tattoos)
- **Reach** them (ads, shows, conferences, papers...)
- **Keep** them (customer service, improvements, consumables, barriers to move)

**OTHER**
- **Costs to launch** (R&D, regulations, infrastructure, marketing...)
- ... vs. abilities (grant vs. cost)
- **Profit** (luxury car vs. pen)
- **Infrastructure**? (lab space? machinery?)
- **Management**? (researchers vs. MBAs?)
- **Suppliers**? (uranium vs. NaCl)
- **Channels**? (CVS vs. hospitals only)
Product: SWOT analysis

Device, technology, piece of software etc. E.g. **medical device**

**STRENGTHS**
- Margins
- Access to incubators/innovation
- Hard to replicate
- New/best in class

**WEAKNESSES**
- Regulatory structure (FDA)
- Costs
- Customer pushback
- Price

**OPPORTUNITIES**
- Superconsumers (information-hungry)
- Mobile device compatible
- Fads

**THREATS**
- Device tax (may be removed)
- Tough to get funding
- Healthcare reform puts admins in charge (costs)
Market

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Estimating Market Size

• Quantifies the financial potential of your business

• Helps you refine business model hypotheses:
  – Very small market size may not be worth pursuing
  – May be difficult to gain traction in a gigantic market

• Two measurements:
  – Money (usually USD)
  – Units
    • People
    • Consumption (e.g. washloads, room nights, kilowatt hours, etc.)
**Total Addressable Market (TAM):**
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PRODUCT: Oral insulin formulation

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Identify Market Niche (Market Segmentation)

1. Key to understanding target market size and needs, as well as product fit.

2. Help identify point of entry.

Teletubbies  
Vampire Diaries  
Sex in the City  
The Big Bang Theory  

Children  
Teenagers  
Housewives  
Grad students
Market Valuation


- US Bureau of Economic Analysis
- US Census
- Hoovers
- Trade Associations
- Non-Profit Groups

- What percentage will use your product?

- Final number x price
Market Profitability: Porter’s Five Forces

- Threat of substitutes
- Competition within a market
- Bargaining power of customers
- Bargaining power of suppliers
- Threat of new entrants

Resources:
Market analysis: Research Product/Market and Ensure Value Addition

1. Primary research (interviews and surveys): expert opinion, KOLs, inventors, customers

2. Secondary research: internet, printed documents;
   • Benchmark against existing products and companies
   • Look at companies who have recently failed
   • Sources: Frost and Sullivan, ISIS, data monitor reports, SEC filings/10k/annual reports
Market Analysis: Primary Research

SURVEYS AND QUESTIONNAIRES

• Use Google Survey or Survey Monkey
  • https://www.google.com/insights/consumersurveys/home
  • https://www.surveymonkey.com

• Decide on questions and response matrix
• Should be specific, not for general information gathering
• Distribute in many ways (social media, emails, word of mouth) to potential users – avoid bias!
Market Analysis: Primary Research

INTERVIEWS
Provide in-depth expert information
In-person, emails, phone calls
Key opinion leaders: internet, personal connections, conferences, published literature
Identify pain points! Ask why questions!

OUR ADVANTAGES
Typical response rate: 5-10%
Use academic email, network and reputation: ~15-17%
Silicon Valley Culture helps (but avoid BIAS!)

TO OBTAIN A REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE: START ON DAY 1!!!
Due Diligence


2. **Path to mass production** – Cost? Technical concerns?

3. **Substitutes**

4. **Barriers to entry**
Due Diligence: Market and Industry

1. **Need**: Common sense, primary and secondary research.

2. **Target Market Value**: Calculate – important for investors VCs, business angels - ~$ 1bln)

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**Product Adoption Curve**

- **Innovators**: 2.5%
- **Early adopters**: 13.5%
- **Early majority**: 34%
- **Late majority**: 34%
- **Laggards**: 16%
Due Diligence: Market and Industry

3. **Growth**: secondary research, common sense
   - a. Drivers: population data, sales in similar sectors, technology
   - b. Extrapolating historical data (imperfect)

4. **Competitive response**: Players - consolidated, fragmented? What will they do? Pre-emptive measures?
   - [http://www.mckinsey.com/insights/strategy/beating_the_odds_in_market_entry](http://www.mckinsey.com/insights/strategy/beating_the_odds_in_market_entry)
   - [http://businomics.typepad.com/businomics_blog/2008/01/starbucks-strat.html](http://businomics.typepad.com/businomics_blog/2008/01/starbucks-strat.html)
Due Diligence: Path to Mass Production

1. Total **cost of development** – must be a fraction of target market size (less than 10% ideal)
   a. Financing

2. **Technical concerns:**
   a. Testing (6 months? 5 years?)
   b. Suppliers (location, availability, price)
   c. Technology – proprietary? Regulated?
   d. Scaling up from prototype (automation, cost structure)
   e. Design (convenience?)
Due Diligence: Substitutes

1. What are they – barriers?
   • Coke vs. sequencers

2. What drives customer choice
   a. Product quality and price
   b. Brand loyalty
   c. Switching costs (e.g. Apple and Google)
   d. Marketing campaigns
   e. Long-term commitment (customer service, contracts)
Due diligence: Barriers to entry

1. Many possible!
   • Examples
     http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barriers_to_entry#Barriers_to_entry_for_firms_into_a_market

2. Key for us:
   1. Government regulations (FDA)
   2. Intellectual Property (Freedom to Operate analysis)
Summary

Pick a killer product

Understand and Size the Market

Address Risk

Develop a Business Plan

Have Fun!