# Essentials of Start-Up Law An Introduction

University of California, San Diego

Entrepreneurship Seminar Series 2017-2018





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## **WELCOME**



Presenter: Dr. Jeff Guise

## INTRODUCTION





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Dr. Jeffrey Guise is a partner in the San Diego office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. He practices in the area of intellectual property law and has extensive experience in all aspects of intellectual property acquisition, licensing, and enforcement. Jeff's intellectual property litigation experience includes pre-trial and trial experience, interference proceedings, and litigation counseling. His intellectual property counseling experience includes drafting non-infringement and validity opinions, freedom-to-operate analyses, and invention records management plans. Jeff's patent prosecution experience includes drafting and prosecuting U.S. and international patent applications for a wide range of biotechnology, pharmaceutical, immunology, medical diagnostics, genetic engineering, agricultural biotechnology, genomics, proteomics clients, bioinformatics software, and electronic hardware systems. He also has extensive experience in negotiating and drafting license agreements.

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- · Member, American Bar Association
- Member, American Intellectual Property Law Association

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- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

- Member, American Society for Microbiology
- · Member, Federal Circuit Bar Association
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- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office



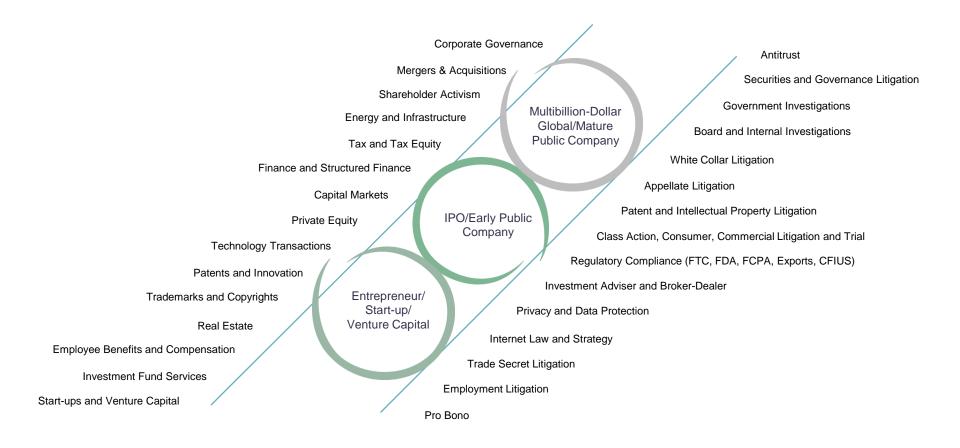
## Schedule

2:00 p.m.	Welcome (Ruben Flores)
2:15 p.m.	Introduction (Jeff Guise)
2:30 p.m.	Forming & Organizing the Start-up & Founders Stock (Rob Kornegay)
3:15 p.m.	Intellectual Property – Patents (Matt Bresnahan)
3:45 pm	Intellectual Property – Licensing (Miranda Biven)
4:15 p.m.	Break
4:30 p.m.	Business Plans & Fundraising Trends (Rob Kornegay)
5:30 p.m.	Introduction to Term Sheets (Zach Myers)
6:00 p.m.	Networking Reception



#### **Business Model**

Providing experienced representation tailored to clients' unique needs at every stage of growth





#### Who We Are & What We Do

#### Our track record:

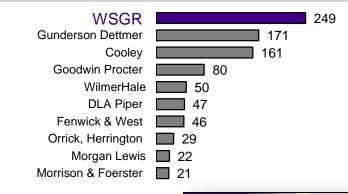
- Represent more companies that receive venture financing than any other law firm
- Advise more U.S. companies on their initial public offerings than any other law firm
- Represent more technology companies in mergers and acquisitions than any other U.S. law firm
- Advise more than 300 public and 3,000 private enterprises on issues of corporate law, securities, and corporate governance



## **Entrepreneur & Private Company Practice**

- Founded in 1961 with over 650 attorneys located across the globe
- Actively represent more than 3,000 private companies
- Deep relationships in the venture capital community
- Incorporate thousands of successful businesses (e.g., Autodesk, Coherent, Cypress Semiconductor, Google, Linear Technology, and Sun Microsystems)
- Provide value-added resources:
  - Entrepreneurs College
  - Entrepreneur's Report
  - Online Term Sheet Generator

WSGR represents more companies that receive venture financing than any other U.S. law firm\*







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#### **Life Sciences**

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## Why Are We Here?



- Southern California is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest Venture Capital Ecosystem in the U.S.
- Many factors have led to growth spike in investment interest & investor communities
  - Talent pool from surrounding universities
  - Technology infrastructure services make building companies cheaper
  - Strong exit activity

## Sessions Schedule – All are from Noon – 2 pm

#### 2017

April 12	Forming & Organizing the Start-up & Founders Stock (Dan Koeppen)
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May 11	Intellectual Property – Patent Strategy (Matt Bresnahan)
June 8	Hiring and Compensating Employees & Conflicts of Interest (Rob Kornegay)
October 12	Intellectual Property – Licensing (Miranda Biven)
November 9	Angel and Bridge Financing/Trends (Rob Kornegay)

#### 2018

January 11	Venture Capital Financing/Trends (Dan Koeppen)
February 8	Term Sheet Workshop (Zach Myers)

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Presenter: Rob Kornegay

# FORMING & ORGANIZING THE STARTUP ENTITY





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- Public and private companies in merger and acquisition transactions;
- Issuers, investors, and underwriters in public and private financings; and
- Public and private companies with respect to corporate governance matters related to strategic transactions and special situations, as well as in ongoing corporate and securities law matters.

#### Representative recent clients and engagements include:

- Corporate, securities, and governance representation of numerous public and private issuers, including Occam Networks, MaxLinear, Mindspeed, Fluidigm, Copart, 3Par, DisplayLink, ClairMail, and Real Networks
- Issuer-side public offerings by various issuers, including MaxLinear, 3Par, Occam Networks, Copart, Turnstone Systems, Inktomi, and Oncothyreon
- Financing transactions on behalf of numerous venture-capital-backed issuers, including Fluidigm, MaxLinear, Occam Networks, Silicon Optix, DisplayLink, ClairMail, and Bloom Energy
- Acquisitions, dispositions, and other strategic transactions by numerous public and private companies, including Mindspeed, Transcept Pharmaceuticals, PC-Tel, Copart, Occam Networks, and Silicon Optix

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## Choosing the Form of Business Entity

- Common legal organizations
  - Limited liability company
  - S corporation
  - C corporation



### **Limited Liability Company**

- Limited liability corporation (LLC)
  - LLC members can operate as managers; all owners have limited liability (i.e., only the amount of their investment)
  - No entity-level tax taxes pass through to LLC members
  - Ownership interests of the "members" are defined and established in the LLC operating agreement

Why doesn't an LLC work for a VC-backed start-up?



#### S Corporation

- S corporation has board members/shareholders, etc.; but—
  - Tax benefits and losses passed through to the individual shareholders (i.e., a single level of taxation)
  - Early stage start-ups will sometimes take advantage of "S Corporation" status: losses get passed through to the owners
- Requirements for S corporation status:
  - no more than 100 shareholders
  - all individuals (family trusts are OK in general)
  - no "foreign" shareholders
  - only one class of stock (i.e., no preferred stock)
- Simple conversion to C corporation

Why doesn't an S corporation structure work for a VC-backed startup?



### C Corporation

- Attributes of a C corporation
  - Corporate governance
    - Stockholders elect board of directors
    - Board appoints officers, oversees strategic direction
    - Officers manage day to day affairs of the company
  - No pass through of tax benefits
    - C corporation is taxed as a separate legal entity (unlike the LLC and the S Corporation).
  - VCs can invest in it; employees can understand stock incentives



## Where to Incorporate

- Delaware or some other state?
  - Cost
  - Filing services
  - Beneficial corporate law
  - IPO objectives & reincorporation



## Start-up Documents: 4 Buckets

- Incorporation documents
- Founder documents
- Employee documents
- Basic third party agreements



## **Incorporation Documents**

- Certificate of Incorporation
- By-laws
- Organizational minutes and resolutions
  - Establish Board
  - Appoint Officers
  - Issue stock
  - Other Administrative matters



#### Founder Documents

- Invention Assignment Agreement
  - IP assignment
  - Confidentiality
  - Non-compete?
- Founders' Stock
  - Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement
  - Basic Tax Principles (Sweat Equity Issues)
  - Vesting
  - Acceleration Terms (Single Trigger v. Double Trigger)
  - 83(b) Elections



## Employee Documents: Options – What is an option?

- Right to buy Stock at a set price
- Typically granted to employees, board members, advisors and consultants
- Issued through an "option plan"



## Employee Documents: Options – Issuing Options

- How boards have traditionally priced common stock in connection with option grants/stock grants
  - Objective is to price the common stock at <u>fair market value</u>
  - Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code in many cases requires pricing based on an independent valuation
- Every option grant/restricted stock grant has to be approved by the board, and the board has to establish the stock price (i.e., FMV)
  - Result: changes in stock price are determined at board meetings, when the board approves option grants/stock grants



## Employee Documents: Options – Section 409A

- Discount stock options are treated as a deferral of compensation under Section 409A
- Stock options covering other than "service recipient stock" provide for a deferral of compensation
  - Only includes common stock (i.e., does not include preferred stock)
  - Options in subsidiary stock potentially problematic



## Employee Documents: Options – Section 409A (cont.)

- Tax at time of vesting, not date of exercise
- Potential interest penalty
- Employers have reporting and withholding requirements



#### Capitalization: Practical Tips

- #1 Get the founders' stock arrangements right!
  - Make sure the founders are ok with their allocation
  - Establish vesting schedule although the VCs may reverse it later
  - "Buy/sell" arrangements are generally not necessary
- #2: Anticipate up to 50% dilution for first/second rounds
  - Set aside approximately 20% for future employees in the early stage



#### Capitalization: Practical Tips

- #3: Establish an overall financing strategy
  - Create an incentive matrix for all positions in the organization
  - Determine when you need to raise financing and how much
    - Establish milestones that demonstrate viability/progress
    - Expect 4-6 months process from beginning to receipt of funds
- #4: Address employment issues up front
  - Noncompetition/Nonsolicitation Agreements
  - Confidentiality/Inventions Assignment Agreements



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# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: IP STRATEGY & PATENTS





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Matt has assisted in founding and establishing the IP strategy for more than 25 funded life sciences companies in the past two years. He prosecutes patent applications before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and manages and oversees national and international patent portfolios for his clients. Matt has analyzed intellectual property portfolios and performed IP due diligence for both venture capital firms and businesses in a variety of investment environments, including financings, mergers and acquisitions, and initial public offerings (IPOs). He writes opinion letters of counsel, negotiates and drafts transactional agreements, performs IP audits, and formulates and implements IP strategies for both established and emerging growth companies.

Matt draws upon his strong patent litigation background when advising and counseling clients on intellectual property and related business matters on a day-to-day basis. He has litigated patent, trademark, trade-secret theft, and trade-dress IP disputes in a diverse range of technical areas. He successfully tried a three-week patent case in federal court concerning a small molecule therapeutic treatment that was settled favorably for his client after closing arguments and prior to verdict. Matt has successfully obtained favorable institution orders and final written decisions of unpatentability in *inter partes* review proceedings before the USPTO with respect to patents protecting therapeutic products having billions of dollars in sales per year that would have otherwise blocked commercial launch of his client's products.

Matt is an adjunct professor of law at the University of San Diego School of Law, where he has taught patent law for the past five years.

Prior to joining the firm in 2007, Matt assisted the Honorable Rudi M. Brewster, a patent specialist judge, in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California. Matt assisted Judge Brewster with resolving several high-profile and precedent setting patent trials and other intellectual property proceedings, including patent, copyright, and trademark actions.

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### The Leader – WSGR is 2016 Life Sciences Group of the Year

#### Select Recognition



Silicon Valley heavyweight Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati was at the forefront of one of the largest IPOs in the history of the life sciences industry last year, guiding cancer treatment developer NantKwest Inc. to a \$207 million debut and placing the firm's life science practitioners squarely on Law360's Life Sciences Groups of the Year.

Best Life Sciences	Law	Firm	Ranking	2016
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LIFE SCIENCES LAW FIRM INDEX 2016

Firm	Score
Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati	89.1
WilmerHale	86.1
Cooley	83.3
Jones Day	82.2
McDermott Will & Emery	80.5

Wilson Sonsini advises an impressive array of life sciences companies on both public and private equity and debt financings, M&A, securities and corporate governance matters. In July 2015, the firm represented NantKwest in the largest biotech IPO ever, based on market capitalization.



## Advise Leading Life Sciences Companies on Their Most Important M&A Transactions



Acquired by **Genentech (Roche** Group)

August 27, 2014 \$1.7 billion

Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, has acquired Seragon Pharmaceuticals, a privately held biotechnology company spun out of the 2013 sale of Aragon Pharmaceuticals to Johnson & Johnson. With this acquisition, Genentech obtained rights to Seragon's entire portfolio of investigational next-generation oral selective estrogen receptor degraders (SERDs), for the potential treatment of hormone receptor-positive breast cancer.



Acquired by Janssen Research & Development, LLC

\$1 billion

August 19, 2013

- Johnson & Johnson has acquired Aragon Pharmaceuticals, a privatelyheld pharmaceutical discovery and development company focused on drugs to treat hormonally-driven cancers. Development of compounds from Aragon's androgen receptor antagonist program, including its lead androgen receptor signaling inhibitor, ARN-509, will be managed by Janssen Research & Development, LLC.
- "The acquisition strengthens our prostate cancer pipeline with a secondgeneration, potentially best-in-class compound," said Peter F. Lebowitz, M.D., Ph.D., Global Therapeutic Area Head, Oncology. "It builds on our existing leadership position with ZYTIGA® (abiraterone acetate), and, if approved, we are hopeful ARN-509 will allow us to meet the needs of an even broader range of prostate cancer patients."\*



## Select University and Institutional Spin-outs

#### Stanford























#### Other Universities





































#### **University of Chicago**





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UCSan Diego, UCLA, & other UCs































#### Other institutions















## **Current Startup Financing Market**

- Financing is possible, and a key to obtaining it is to protect your inventions – VCs have become increasingly risk intolerant...
- In an innovator company (e.g., a life science, clean tech company, certain electronic companies), in essence, a large part or even all of the value in the early stage is found in the IP
- You <u>must</u> have this part right



#### Forms of Protection Used

- Most companies use ALL forms of IP protection, to some degree
  - Patents
  - Trade Secrets
  - Copyrights
  - Trademark
  - FDA exclusivity
- Patents are without doubt the most important form of IP for innovator companies
  - For example, a life science company will register its name, make efforts to keep day to day things secret, but rely (roughly) entirely on its patents



# PATENT STRATEGY FOR THE NEW ENTERPRISE

Protecting the Technology



# Patent Strategy Enables Business Goals

- 1. Conduct analysis of patent landscape
  - Assess freedom to operate of competitor potential products and services
  - Spin-out university technology
- 2. Protect Your Product/Service
  - Obtain patent protection directed to product or service
  - Broad, intermediate, and specific protection
  - Life Cycle Management Strategy
- Business Goals
  - Secure Financing
  - Enable Exit Strategy



#### The Role of Patents In Business

- Companies create value by providing products and services that satisfy <u>customer needs</u>
- Products that include features that are particularly attractive to customers lower cost, increased efficiency, new capabilities have a <u>competitive advantage</u> in the market
- Patents create a "<u>zone of exclusion</u>" for a company's products, thereby securing this competitive advantage
  - "Meaningful exclusionary power" is the power to exclude competitors from the attractive product features that drive value
- Know the purpose of the patent and your <u>audience</u>: investors, partners, licensors, and litigation targets



## Key Strategic and Regulatory Questions

#### IP Strategy must be guided by Business Strategy

- What is the <u>Target Product</u> and <u>Treatment</u>?
- Who are the <u>Competitors</u> and what are they doing?
- Which group of <u>Investors</u> is the primary audience for IP diligence review?
- What is the <u>Exit Strategy</u>?



#### What is a Patent?

- A patent conveys the right to exclude others from making, using or selling the claimed invention for the term of the patent
  - Does not mean your are free of the patents of others
- Term: 20 years from filing (roughly)
- Patents are issued by individual countries
  - Enforcement is limited to within country's borders
  - It is expensive, especially outside of the United States
- A competitor can be stopped, even if they come up with the idea later, but independently (cf. trade secrets)

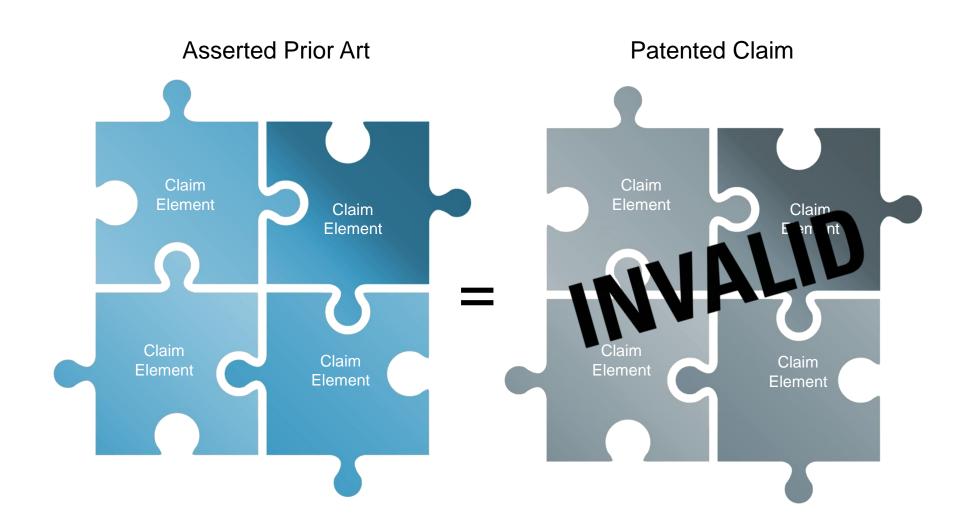


#### Requirements for Patentability

- Subject matter eligibility
- New or "<u>Novel</u>"
- Inventive or "Non-obvious"
  - Obviousness is a function of time
  - Early filing reduces the amount of prior art
- You must describe to the world how to make/use the invention

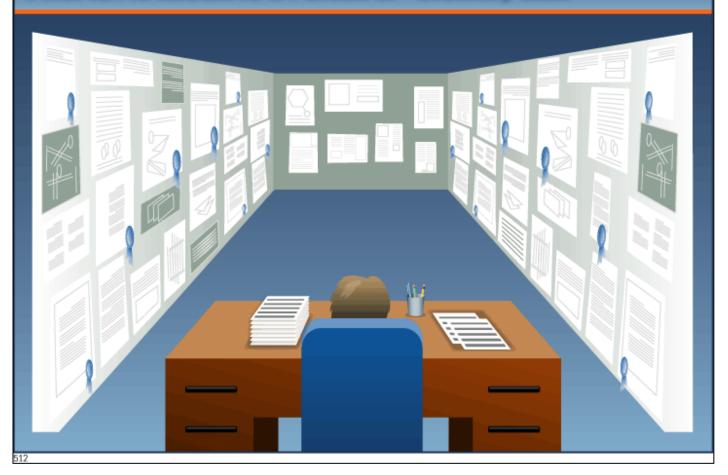


## Novelty: A single prior art reference



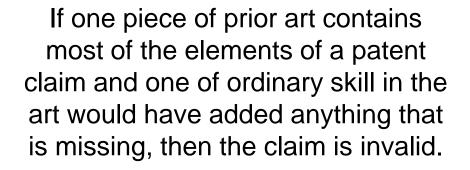


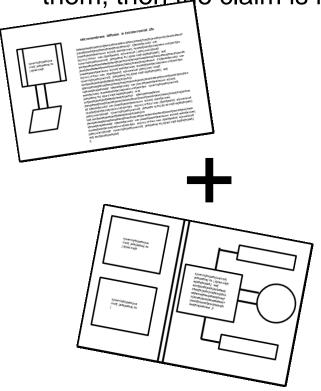
# In Determining Obviousness, Assume That All the Relevant Prior Art Is Known to a Person of "Ordinary Skill"

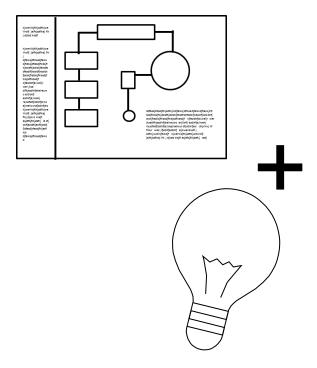


#### **How Do Examiners Show Obviousness?**

If multiple pieces of prior art have all the elements of a patent claim and one of ordinary skill in the art would have been able to combine them, then the claim is invalid.









#### The Edison Hypothetical

- If one paper teaches glass bulbs
- And another paper teaches inert gas
- And another teaches wires
- BUT there is no reasoned basis to combine them, is the incandescent light bulb patentable?

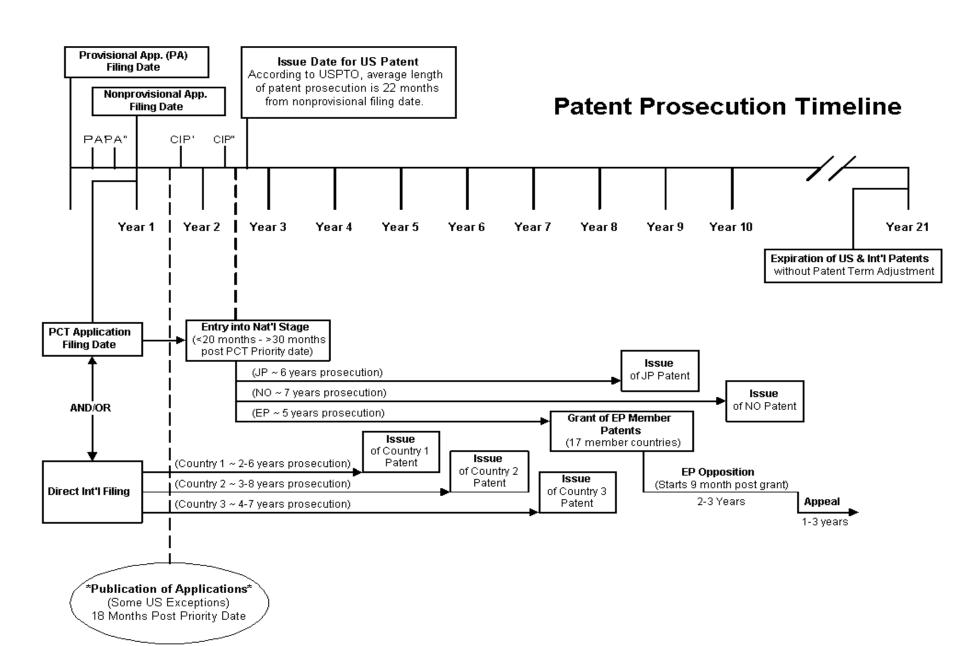


#### **Preserving Patent Rights**

- "Absolute" novelty required
  - You cannot publicly talk/publish/present about something prior to patent filing
  - Limited Exception in US → Not a strategy but a fix
- File applications before public disclosures, publications, or offers for sale
  - Do not rely solely on NDAs
  - The "currency" issue at universities



#### Patent Prosecution Timeline



#### Provisional vs. Non-provisional Patent Applications

#### **Provisional**

- Extends patent protection into the future by 1 year (does not start the 20 year of patent term)
- Inexpensive
- No formatting required
- If intervening art, support may be questioned
- Provisional is pending for 1 year
  - Best strategy is to file multiple provisionals in one year time frame
- Delays prosecution
- No claims required, but make sure inventorship is correct (anyone who contributed to novel aspects in specification)

#### Non-Provisional

- Starts the 20 year clock for patent family
- Fastest way to get issued patents
  - Track I option and Petitions
- Gets into the queue for examination
- More expensive
- Requires full spec, claims, and figures
- Typically ~2-4 years for examination, but consider:
  - Track I
  - Petitions to make special



#### Prioritized Examination → Use It!

- An applicant can request prioritized examination for a fee—\$4,800 (reduced by 50% for small entity).
- Limitations: no more than 4 independent claims, no more than 30 total claims, and no multiple dependent claims.
- Benefit: "Thumbs up" or Thumbs down" w/in 12 months
- Strategy: Use prioritized acceleration for all key cases, but be reasonable in claim scope for initial case and the favor will be returned



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# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: LICENSING





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# **LICENSING**

**Accessing the Technology** 



### Select University and Institutional Spin-outs

UCSan Diego, UCLA, & other UCs































Other Universities













**DMD Therapeutics** 























#### **University of Chicago**





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**Stanford** 





















MLex Machina

Other institutions















#### UC San Diego's Tech Transfer Office Overview

- UC San Diego's Office of Innovation and Commercialization executes hundreds of agreements each year, including confidentiality agreements, MTAs (for outgoing materials), and licenses
- It has received between 50-94 new US patents yearly for the past several years
- It has approximately 400 active licensees of UC San Diego's intellectual property, with around half in California and around 10% to entities outside the US
- UC San Diego's OIC recently celebrated its 20th anniversary
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#### Getting the Ball Rolling

## **Disclosure**

Processing and Review

Patenting and Marketing

- Inventors report inventions to their technology transfer offices
- Patentability, commercial potential, etc. evaluated; marketing for potential licensee begins
- Case referred to patent attorney who may file for patent; inventor assigns patent to University/Institution at filing

- Meet with the Innovation and Commercialization office to discuss your goals
- Make commercial potential clear from beginning



#### **Faculty Founders**

- When a company is formed, often the faculty member does not leave his or her post
- Faculty member may serve as a consultant and be on the Company's Scientific Advisory Board
  - Normally, a 20% limit on time
- Company may put in place a Sponsored Research Agreement with faculty member's lab
- Faculty members need to check with the relevant administrative departments to understand policies governing participation in outside activities
  - Policies generally address IP ownership, managing conflicts of interest and limitations on faculty members' outside commitments



### Licensing: Steps for Success

Get Prepared

Get an
Option /
Negotiate a
Term Sheet

Create a Schedule

Use the University's License As a Starting Point

Make it Win-Win



### Get Prepared

- Understand what you want to license
  - Patent rights/Know-how/software/other
- Evaluate the business opportunity
  - The product
  - Market size
  - Existing players
  - The technology fit
  - Pricing/margins
  - Investment requirements
- Talk to others
  - Colleagues/Friends
  - Attorneys



#### Get Prepared - IP Diligence

- Patents:
  - Patents/Applications scope
  - Prior art
- Inventorship/ownership
- Third party patents?
- Any other relevant licenses?
- Do you have all the rights you need?
- Turn a risk into an asset



#### License Negotiations: First Steps

- Letter of Intent (LOI), term sheet or both?
- LOI
  - Objective: Obtain an exclusive right to negotiate a license to the technology of interest for a defined period
  - Quid Pro Quo (usually there is one)
    - Fee (usually nominal, if at all)
    - Pay for ongoing patent costs
- Term Sheet
  - Allows you to resolve key business issues first
  - Avoids getting mired in the weeds
  - Who prepares the first draft?
  - Use the technology transfer office's form, if available
- UCSD also has a start-up license model which may be appropriate for your company



#### **Typical Key Points**

#### **Economic Terms**

- Upfront
- Royalty
- Milestones
- Sublicensing Revenue
- Patent Costs
- Equity?

#### **Non-Economic Terms**

- Scope of IP (subject matter, field of use)
- Exclusivity
- License / option to new IP?
- Diligence
- Sublicensing Restrictions
- Patent Prosecution & Enforcement
- Assignment

#### Non-Negotiable

- Retained Rights
- Indemnification
- Product Liability
- Right to Publish
- Use of Name
- Warranty
- Governing Law (California)



#### Use the University's Template

- Starting with university's form facilitates negotiations
  - Addresses University's needs/concern in a familiar way for TTO
  - Often specific language has been mandated
  - Reduces initial drafting costs
- You will get an opportunity to propose revisions appropriate for the technology being licensed and your business plans
- Things that are generally required:
  - Indemnification
  - Insurance
  - Diligence
- Things you won't get:
  - Ownership of university inventions
  - Ability to block publication
  - Extensive representations & warranties



# Make It Win-Win (It's only the beginning)

- Communication is key
- The negotiation/agreement is only the beginning of the relationship
- Stay above the fray
- Keep perspective—it's about creating a successful company, not getting a perfect agreement



Presenter: Rob Kornegay

# BUSINESS PLANS & FUNDRAISING TRENDS



#### The Business Plan

#### Purposes

- Convey to others (i.e. investors) what you (will) do with their money
- Force yourself to figure out how you will do it
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#### The Business Plan

- Executive summary
  - Elevator pitch
- PowerPoint business presentation
  - Deeper consideration
- Financial and projections
  - Include disclaimer!



#### **Executive Summary**

- 1-2 pages
- Easy to read and navigate
- Highlights:
  - Team
  - What do you do?
  - What is the addressable market?
  - What makes you different?
  - How far along are you and what's next?
- This just starts the dialogue it's not a Ph.D. thesis



#### **PowerPoint Business Presentation**

- No more words than necessary
- Don't waste time on the obvious
- 10-15 slides
- Same substantive points as Exec Summary, but now with 1-2 slides per point rather than 1-2 sentences
  - Third party market data
  - Revenue model
  - Differentiators
  - The team and key advisors (one slide)



#### Financials and Projections

- Income statement, Balance sheet, Cashflow statement
- How does funding accelerate growth?
- How long does the funding take you and how much more do you need then?
- Don't: "The market is \$50B, but we are conservative, assumed we'll get merely 6% and cut that by 60%."
- Everyone knows the projections won't come true it's the process and thinking that counts, and yes, it's a test.



#### Exercise for Working on Your Business Plan

- Identify your 4-5 top risks and uncertainties
  - What can be done to reduce key risks pre-financing?
  - What can be done to reduce key risks cost-effectively post-financing?
- Identify your use of proceeds and how a cash infusion may accelerate growth, timing, etc.
- Identify other elements beyond cash that you want investors to bring to the table (*i.e.*, partners, additional management, strategic perspective, etc.).



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# INTRODUCTION TO TERM SHEETS





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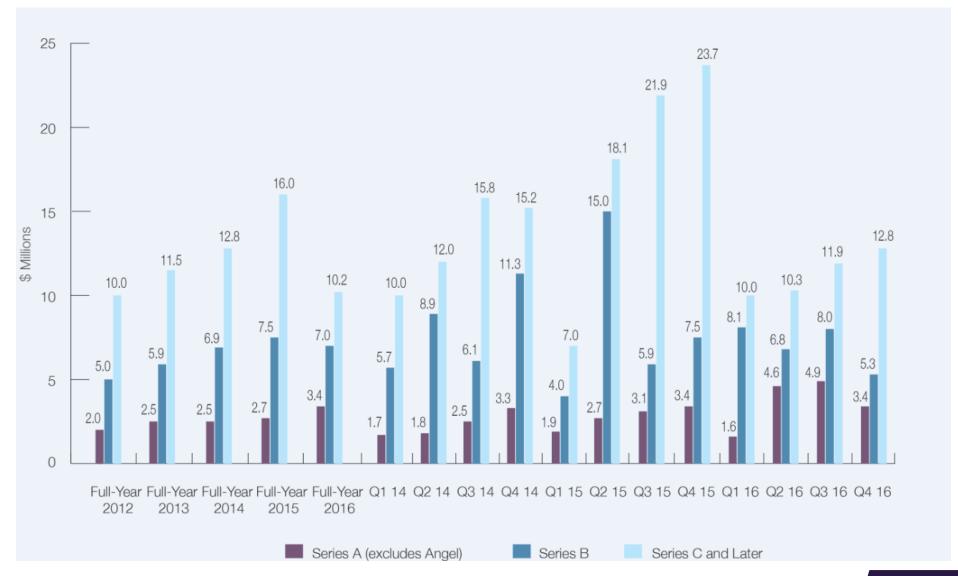
#### Preferred Stock -Term Sheet

- Preferred stock
- Valuation/option pool
- Liquidation preference
- Dividends
- Conversion features
- Antidilution protection (stock splits, pricebased)
- Voting rights
- Board composition
- Redemption

- Registration rights
- ROFR/Co-sale
- Preemptive rights
- Pay to play
- Founder/employee vesting
- Non-competes
- Exclusivity
- Expenses
- Confidentiality



#### Median Amount Raised – Equity Financings





### Private Company Financing Deal Terms (WSGR Deals)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2013	2014	2015	2016	2013	2014	2015	2016
	All	All	All	All	Up	Up	Up	Up	Down	Down	Down	Down
	Rounds2	Rounds2	Rounds2	Rounds2	Rounds3	Rounds3		Rounds3	Rounds3	Rounds3	Rounds3	Rounds3
Liquidation Preferences - Series B and Later												
Senior	41%	40%	33%	38%	38%	32%	31%	36%	47%	68%	35%	41%
Pari Passu with Other Preferred	55%	56%	62%	57%	60%	64%	66%	62%	37%	21%	53%	45%
Junior	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%
Complex	3%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%	11%	5%	12%	9%
Not Applicable	1%	3%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	5%	5%	0%	0%
Participating vs. Non-participating												
Participating - Cap	18%	12%	8%	9%	20%	14%	11%	10%	23%	13%	12%	22%
Participating - No Cap	12%	14%	11%	11%	10%	11%	12%	13%	30%	32%	35%	4%
Non-participating	70%	74%	81%	81%	69%	76%	77%	77%	48%	55%	53%	74%
Dividends												
Yes, Cumulative	12%	13%	3%	6%	12%	11%	3%	7%	13%	24%	24%	22%
Yes, Non-cumulative	74%	72%	82%	73%	79%	74%	86%	78%	79%	71%	76%	70%
None	14%	15%	15%	21%	9%	15%	11%	15%	8%	5%	0%	9%
Anti-dilution Provisions												
Weighted Average - Broad	90%	85%	80%	92%	94%	90%	86%	92%	95%	92%	75%	91%
Weighted Average - Narrow	3%	9%	13%	1%	3%	6%	12%	1%	0%	5%	19%	0%
Ratchet	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%
Other (Including Blend)	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	9%
None	5%	4%	5%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	6%	0%
Pay to Play - Series B and La	iter											
Applicable to This Financing	5%	4%	5%	5%	1%	1%	3%	3%	15%	16%	18%	9%
Applicable to Future Financings	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	12%	0%
None	95%	96%	94%	94%	98%	99%	97%	96%	85%	84%	71%	91%
Redemption												
Investor Option	19%	17%	13%	11%	20%	22%	19%	20%	33%	24%	12%	9%
Mandatory	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	0%	3%	0%	0%
None	80%	80%	85%	87%	78%	75%	78%	77%	67%	74%	88%	91%

<sup>1</sup> We based this analysis on deals having an initial closing in the period to ensure that the data clearly reflects current trends. Please note that the numbers do not always add up to 100% due to rounding.



<sup>2</sup> Includes flat rounds and, unless otherwise indicated, Series A rounds.

<sup>3</sup> Note that the All Rounds metrics include flat rounds and, in certain cases, Series A financings as well. Consequently, metrics in the All Rounds column may be outside the ranges bounded by the Up Rounds and Down Rounds columns, which will not include such transactions.

#### Bridge Loans Deal Terms (WSGR Deals)

	2013 Pre-Series	2014 Pre-Series	2015 Pre-Series	2016 Pre-Series	2013 Post-Series	2014 Post-Series	2015 Post-Series	2016 Post-Series
Bridge Loans <sup>1</sup>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Interest rate less than 8%	70%	72%	74%	76%	46%	43%	54%	52%
Interest rate at 8%	29%	22%	19%	19%	34%	42%	33%	30%
Interest rate greater than 8%	1%	6%	7%	5%	20%	15%	13%	17%
Maturity less than 12 months	3%	12%	17%	17%	29%	24%	34%	29%
Maturity 12 months	19%	16%	9%	5%	38%	39%	8%	23%
Maturity more than 12 months	78%	71%	74%	78%	33%	37%	58%	49%
Debt is subordinated to other debt	25%	22%	15%	20%	56%	48%	38%	45%
Loan includes warrants <sup>2</sup>	4%	5%	3%	8%	34%	19%	25%	17%
Warrant coverage less than 25%	0%	20%	100%	80%	50%	69%	47%	23%
Warrant coverage at 25%	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	0%	7%	15%
Warrant coverage greater than 25%	100%	80%	0%	20%	38%	31%	47%	62%
Principal is convertible into equity <sup>3</sup>	100%	98%	93%	97%	94%	94%	86%	92%
Conversion rate subject to price cap4	68%	67%	64%	79%	14%	23%	26%	29%
Conversion to equity at discounted price5	91%	81%	78%	82%	59%	73%	71%	74%
Discount on conversion less than 20%	17%	10%	11%	12%	16%	25%	25%	25%
Discount on conversion at 20%	60%	72%	73%	76%	46%	44%	47%	49%
Discount on conversion greater than 20%	22%	17%	16%	12%	38%	32%	27%	26%
Conversion to equity at same price as other investors	9%	16%	18%	13%	35%	24%	25%	19%

<sup>1</sup> We based this analysis on deals having an initial closing in the period to ensure that the data clearly reflects current trends. Please note that the numbers do not always add up to 100% due to rounding.

<sup>5</sup> Of the 2013 post-Series A bridges that had a discount on conversion into equity, 15% also had warrants. Of the 2014 post-Series A bridges that had a discount on conversion into equity, 10% also had warrants. Of the 2015 post-Series A bridges that had a discount on conversion into equity, 21% also had warrants. Of the 2016 post-Series A bridges that had a discount on conversion into equity, 8% also had warrants.



<sup>2</sup> Of the 2013 post-Series A bridges with warrants, 24% also had a discount on conversion into equity. Of the 2014 post-Series A bridges with warrants, 38% also had a discount on conversion into equity. Of the 2015 post-Series A bridges with warrants, 58% also had a discount on conversion into equity. Of the 2016 post-Series A bridges with warrants, 33% also had a discount on conversion into equity.

<sup>3</sup> Of the 2016 pre-Series A convertible bridges, 90% had automatic conversion and 10% had voluntary conversion. Of the 2016 post-Series A convertible bridges, 92% had automatic conversion and 8% had voluntary conversion. The median dollar threshold for a qualified financing in pre- and post-Series A bridges was \$1M and \$4M, respectively.

<sup>4 2016</sup> pre-Series A bridges had a median price cap of \$6M. 2016 post-Series A bridges had a median price cap of \$25M.