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Company Overview

Summary: Brontes has pioneered Active Wavefront Sampling (AWS). The

AWS technique enables both high-accuracy and high-speed 3D imaging with a single device. The result is a compact, portable, and highly versatile system capable of quantifiable 3D imaging for a

multitude of imaging applications.

Focus: Quantifiable medical applications for 3D imaging.

Founded: 2003

Seed: January 2004 – Private individual investor

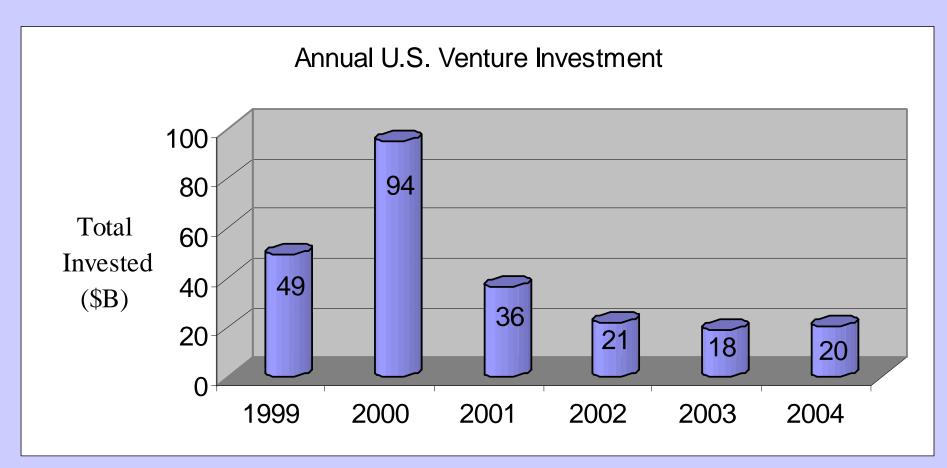
Series A: June 2004 – Bain Capital, Charles River Ventures, IDG Ventures

Initial Team: MIT Professor, MIT Research Scientist, 2 Entrepreneurs (at HBS when founded)

Today: Team of 13 located in Woburn, MA



Venture Market Overview



Source: VentureOne / Ernst & Young

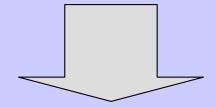


Obvious Keys To Venture Financing

Great Market

Great Product/Technology/Concept

Great Team



Rarely Black & White Necessary But Not Sufficient



Real Keys To Venture Financing

- 1. Perseverance
- 2. "You gotta believe."
- 3. Always compose yourself like a winner
- 4. Generate whirlwind of credibility
- 5. Go to the source
- 6. Create an auction No Mister-Nice-Guy
- 7. Keep it clean (cap table, legal docs, founding team)
- 8. Be open to reasonable change (it's no longer your company)
- 9. Target general partners who have a connection to your project
- 10. Work with VCs you like and trust (money isn't all the same)



Angels vs. VCs

<u>Angels</u>

What type of angel? Individual, Angel Group, Capital Gap Investor How much money do you need?

Pros:

- •May move faster
- •May offer more autonomy
- May give better valuation
- •May have strategic value

Cons:

- •Usually limited resources
- •Can muddy cap table
- •May give worse terms
- •May offer less autonomy
- •May create false confidence

<u>VCs</u>

How much money do you need?

Pros:

- •Have deeper pockets dry powder
- •Credibility
- •Future rounds
- •"Clean Cap Table"
- •Strategic value

Cons:

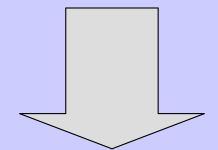
- Lack of autonomy
- •You're at their mercy

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