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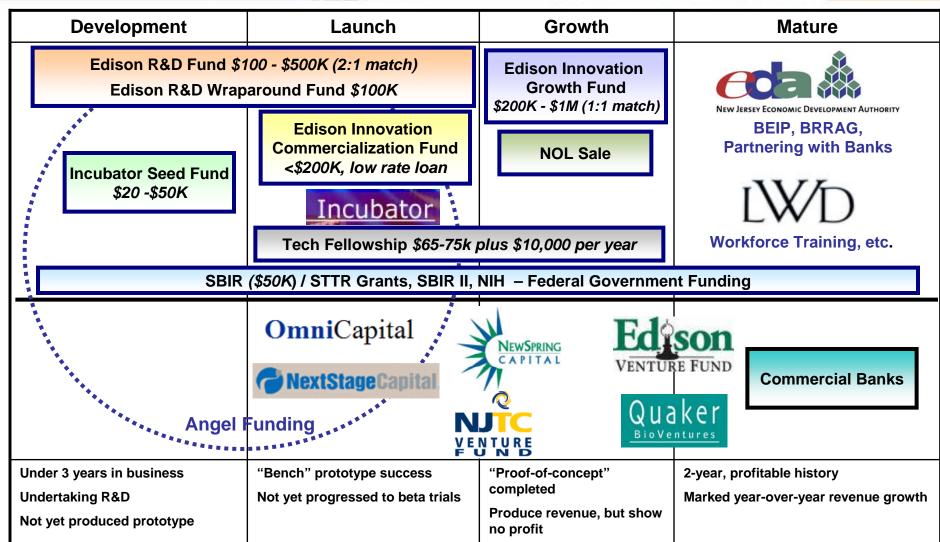
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Fame/Fortune

How committed are you to being an entrepreneur?

Ownership

How much ownership do you need?

Governance

Are you willing to share governance with outsiders?

Leadership

What are your strengths/weaknesses as a business leader?

Transparency

How much transparency are you willing to provide to investors?

Cash Flow

When your business begins to throw off cash, what will you do with the cash?

Income

How much salary do you require?

Reference: Warren Haber, Manager Partner, Crossbar Capital (10/2/2008)









Government to the Rescue?

Federal Government

- National Institute of Health Grants, Cooperative Agreements, and Contracts for medical research and research-related activities
- Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR) Competitive, three-phase program that encourages R&D and High-Tech innovation.
- -Phase I: Up to \$100,000
- -Phase II: Up to \$750,000 for as many as 2 years
- -Phase III: Innovation moves from the lab to the marketplace (no SBIR funds)

State Government - New Jersey

- NJ Commission on Science
 & Technology
 Grants, Fellowships, Incubator Support
- NJ Economic Development Authority

Facilities, Tax Incentives, Subordinated Convertible Debt with Warrants









Who Are They? Where are They?

- Founders, Friends, Family and Fools
- Angels All Different Kinds
 - Passive Money Only
 - Value Added
 Operational and/or Entrepreneurial Experience
 - Ideal Money, Time and Talent



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The Hidden Financing Sources



Service Providers

i.e. accountant, attorney

Vendors

Employees/Advisors









Investment Structure Different Groups- Different Security Structure

Grants & Incentives

Free Money

Senior Debt

Senior in the capital structure, often require cash flow and generally have interest payment required or accrued.

Sub Debt

Lenders have subordinate status in relationship to the normal debt.

Convertible Debt

Sits in between Debt and Preferred equity and is oftentimes convertible upon a specific event

Preferred Equity

Sandwiched between Debt and Common Stock, oftentimes has a number of features and protections associated with institutional capital – general features include Board rights, anti-dilution provisions and information rights.

Common Equity

Most junior capital which oftentimes is the first capital but lacks features of Preferred Equity - generally used for management and employees.









Do Your Homework!!!!

Four Basic Documents Should be Prepared

- Executive Summary
 - No more than two pages
 - Be sure to include contact information often missed email, phone and address
 - Answer key questions: What is unique about your business? Is there a market/customer pull? How and when will you make money? Successes to date?
- Business Plan (Dr. Cook's Presentation)
- Pitch Deck
- Financial Model







Pitch Deck

1. Vision What are you trying to do and why are you doing it?	6. Deals What are you major partnerships, relationships, etc.?	
2. Market What is the market you are addressing and the estimated value of this market over the next five to ten years?	7. Differentiation How are you different from your three main competitors? Include a simple SWOT chart.	
3. Team Who are the key three to five executives (vision, operations, tech, sales, marketing) and what are their specific qualifications?	8. Stats What are the basic stats of your company (last round and valuation – if any), employees, location?	
4. Offering What is your exact offering? If possible, include a three to five minute demo.	9. Financials High level projected P&L for next two years, plus historical.	
5. Roadmap Where are you in your offering release cycle and with respect to getting traction?	10. Capital How much are you raising and what is its use?	

Reference: The Funded, "Mr. Smith" (posted 10/27/2008)









- Should be built from the bottom up
- Include all assumptions
- Include historical year to date actuals and project forward
- Include Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Cash Flow
- Provide monthly financials for first two years at a minimum
- Be very clear on capital needs and time to break even
- Make assumptions and stick to them don't make excuses
- Keep model current









Surround Yourself With Great Stakeholders

Management

Industry Advisors



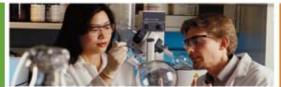
Board Members

Lawyers

Accountants









Investors Are Always Doing Due Diligence

- Six Degrees of Separation
- Elevator and Restaurant Meeting
- Are you following up?
- Have you done your homework?
 - Know investors interest and terms
 - Is this the right match?
 - Is there a "matchmaker"?









Q & A

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