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## Smart City Sensing by Connected Innovative Vehicles

R&D partnership in the Smart Cities sector

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# Who we are **GINGER**

#### Sector: Shared micro e-transport

**Specialty:** Service provision of shared, small and micro electric vehicles, an emerging and key part of future city transport

#### **Size:** 10

**Team's experience:** Large operations, local government, shared transport, branding, new companies

#### Established: 2018, London





Sector: Smart digital systems and applications. Specialty: Electronics, embedded SW, algorithms, signal processing R&D.

Size: 5 (core team)

**Team's experience:** 120+ years of engineering

Established: 2017, Ankara



## Why? Smart City Sensing by Connected Innovative Vehicles

- Clean, shared small/micro vehicle transportation: Emerging as a key element to replacing car journeys in our towns and cities; the answer to urban air/noise pollution; smart vehicles with powerful batteries.
- Measuring the pollution is the **first step towards preventing** it.
- As <u>Ginger and Signalton</u>, we have a solution to measure pollution in each and every street of a city.
- Valuable data for **local authorities** as well as **citizens**.

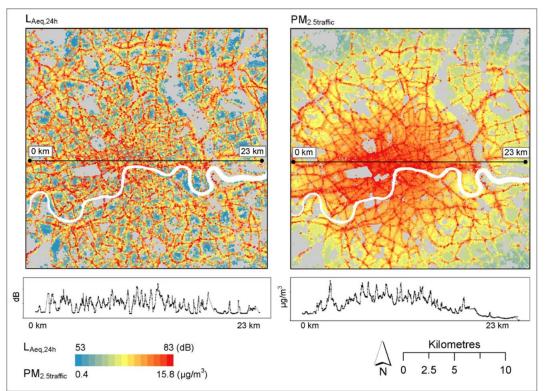




## The problem: Air / Noise Pollution and Its Monitoring

- Major problem in metropolitan cities mostly due to traffic.
- Conventional monitoring via sensor stations at **fixed locations**.
- Such sensor stations deployed only far apart due to high cost.
- Resulting in scarce data.



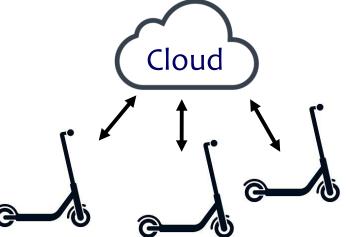


Fecht et al, "Spatial and temporal associations of road traffic noise and air pollution in London: Implications for epidemiological studies", Environment Intl. 88, pp. 235-242, 2016.

## The solution:

### Smart sensing using connected vehicles

- Connected vehicles act as a mobile sensor network throughout a city.
- Traversing **each and every street** of a city. Impossible with fixed sensor stations.
- Air quality and noise sensing on top of location tracking and motion detection of the vehicles.
- Traffic status can be deduced from pollution data.



Shared electric vehicles + smart IoT





## The technology

SigMote: Edge-computing sensor platform for

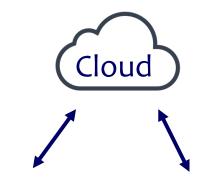
- sensor data collection,
- real-time embedded signal processing,
- wireless connectivity.
- **40x** the computing power of a usual IoT device.

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SigMote to be used as IoT device for **PoC**.

Bespoke HW design ongoing for final product.





**SigMote** by Signalton ( Electronics, Algorithms, Embedded SW )



## Competitors / Competitor analysis

#### **Sensor Manufacturers**

- Static air and noise quality monitors.
- No mobile use case adapted on micro evehicles.

#### **Shared fleet operators**

- Lime, Bird, and Uber developing their own vehicles in-house.
- Could add additional sensors, none yet.
- Focused on minimising e-vehicle cost.

#### Vehicle Manufacturers

- Segway, Acton, Okai: own IoT devices.
- Could add additional sensors, **none yet**.
- Could ultimately be customers.

#### **HOW WE ARE DIFFERENT**

- First implementers of mobile pollution monitors on an emerging vehicle type.
- Already have a **fleet provider**.
- Have an **advocate** with local authorities and commercial partners.
- Ultimately other fleet operators will be customers. The potential market is huge (many millions of vehicles).



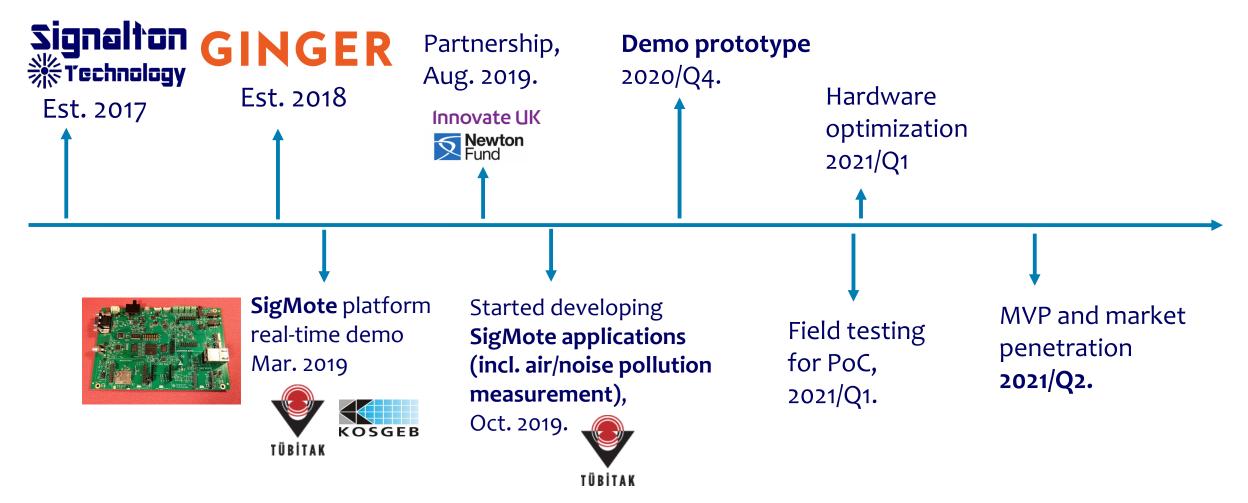


## Traction or market opportunity

- The potential market for IoT devices on shared e-vehicles: Millions of vehicles/sensors in Europe alone.
- Early benchmarks: 20k micro e-vehicles in Paris, 13k shared bikes in central London.
- Paris + London: 2 million cars. A huge scale of **trip and vehicle replacement** is coming.
- Number of shared e-scooters, e-bikes, e-mopeds, e-cargo bikes to **grow exponentially**. We are right at the beginning of the market.
- We already have a **dedicated customer** in Ginger who will also help create the market.
- As local authorities, app developers, and others **see the value** in the data the demand will grow further.
- We are **highly scalable** as we are able to outsource production; we will then need to grow product development, customer service, and sales.



## Timeline







TÜBİTAK: Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey

## What we need

- Signalton is being funded partly by a TÜBİTAK grant and has started development already.
- We need
  - Funds to help accelerate the development £250k
  - Funds for the first phase of production later stage
  - Funds for deployment and marketing later stage



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## Thank you!

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