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Opioid-Free Pain Relief





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Awards in 2021:

\$50,000 Pain Research Challenge Winner\$75,000 Pitt Chancellor's Gap Fund Winner\$35,000 LifeX Pitch Competition – Second Place

Problem

Too Many Americans Live With Acute or Chronic Pain



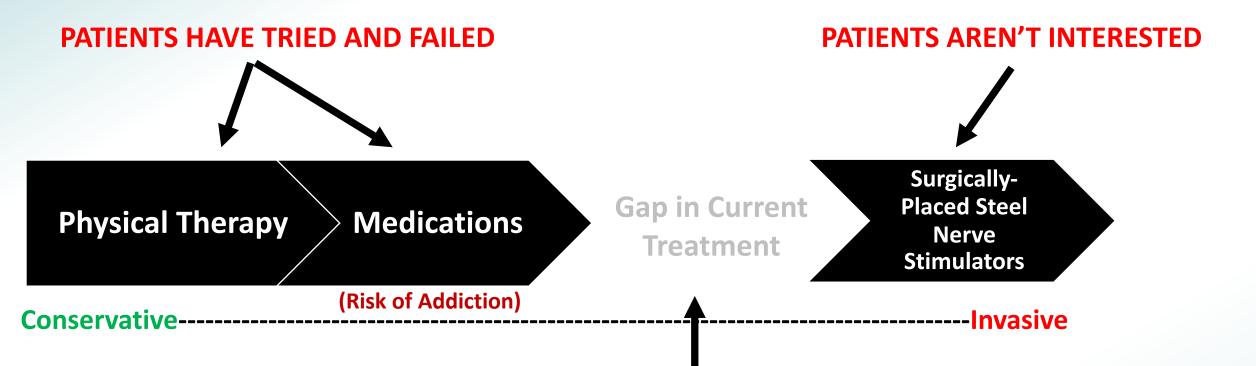
50 million Americans live with chronic pain

Only cardiovascular disease costs more to the health care system (pain costs \$300B)

100 customer interviews have been conducted



Problem: How Pain is Currently Treated



FEW MINIMALLY INVASIVE OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE



Problem

Current surgically placed nerve stimulators have an overall complication rate of 30-40%



Issues with Current Technology:

High Costs

Lead migration rate as high as 20%-22.6%

21% of patients never experienced any relief

Incompatible with MRI, Defibrillators, Pacemakers

Solution: Bioresorbable and Injectable Nerve Stimulators

Flu-Shot Needle for Size Comparison

Scaled Version of Prototype Vanish Stimulator

Benefits:

Injectable/non-surgical

Relief lasts long after device degrades



Competition

surgically implanted permanent steel stimulators

Sprint Medtronic Abbott Nevro Peripheral (Intellis) (Proclaim (Omnia) Vanish Opioids XR) Nerve System Injectable N/A (\mathbf{X}) \bigotimes \bigotimes Bioresorbable N/A \bigotimes (\mathbf{X}) (\mathbf{X}) (\mathbf{X}) Affordability **\$\$** \$ **\$\$ \$\$** \$ \$ **No Potential** \mathbf{X} for Abuse Vanish

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<\$1,500

\$5,500

cost to make each device sales price of device

Regional product release: Year 3

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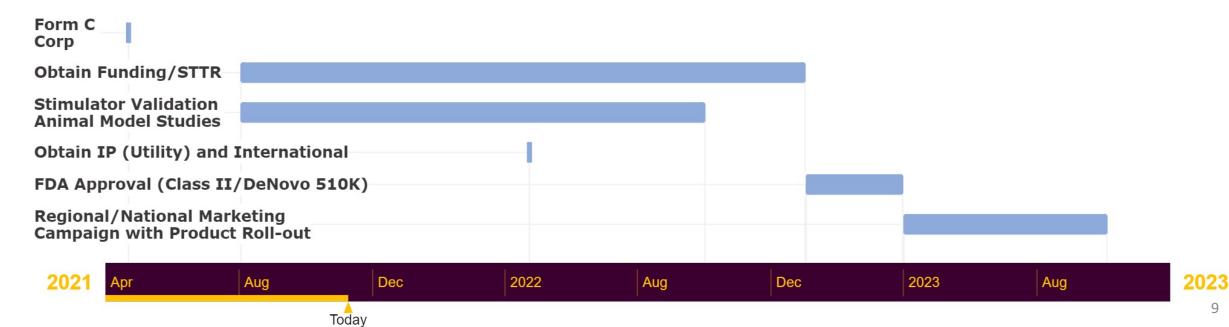
pre-existing CPT [®] code

\$6,500

insurance reimbursement (mean) National product release: Year 4

Amount Being Raised

- Currently undergoing animal model (rat) testing
 - Well's competition: preliminary animal biocompatibility testing
- Future: FDA approval via Class II device/510k pathway
- Total capital needed to move company through FDA approval: \$750,000-\$1,250,000



Vanish Therapeutics, Inc.

Opioid-free pain relief alternative

Complications don't require surgery to fix

Injectable/non-surgical

Bioresorbable



Reduced costs for third-party payers

Improve quality of life for patients

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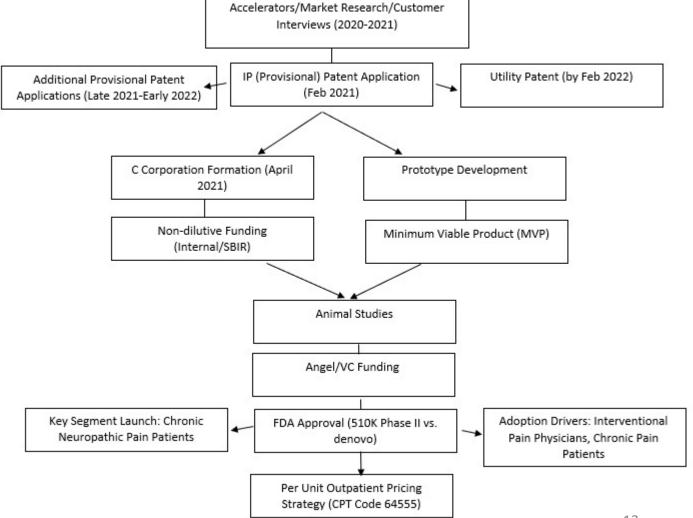
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Appendix 1: Commercialization Plan

- Milestones:
 - In vitro studies
 - Animal model study
 - FDA Pre-Q Submission Meeting
 - FDA Application (Class II/DeNovo)
 - FDA Approval

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 Post-FDA Human Studies



Appendix 2: Revenue Data

Year	Units Sold	Revenue	COGS
1	0	0	5,000
2	0	0	143,000
3	200	1,100,000	372,000
4	1000	5,500,000	1,225,000
5	3000	16,500,000	4,500,000



Appendix 3: Reimbursement

- CPT 64555: \$6,500 (Peripheral Nerve Stimulator insertion)
- CPT 64561: \$6,500 (Bladder Stimulation)
- CPT 33210: \$10,530 (Temporary Pacemaker)
- CPT 61886: \$29,000 (Deep Brain Stimulation)