

## Pushing optics and photonic ideas into innovation through crowdfunding

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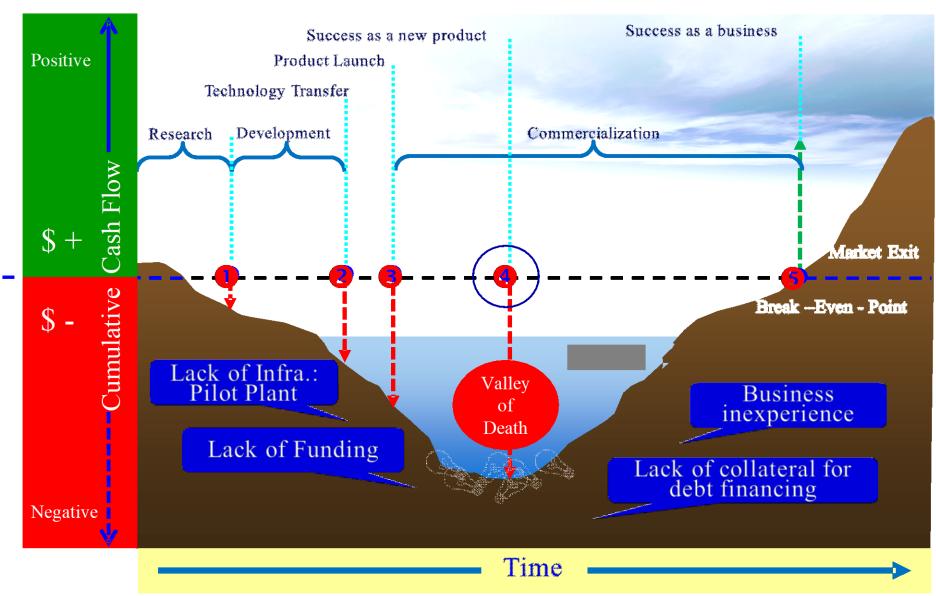
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## Crossing the "Valley of Death"



Adapted from source: Osawa and Miyazaki, 2006



No Tool

No Equipment

No Help

No...

No...

No...

Ask yourself "do you want to do it or not?" See your environment on what it can give you...

Electronic Shops, Machine Shops, Internet, Stationary, National S&T Infrastructure, MATLAB [OCTAVE, KNIME (AI)],...

No Funding











# Power of Crowd





of money...

#### A Lot of People







..from groups of people who share common interests...

...everyone has the power to achieve financial goals!

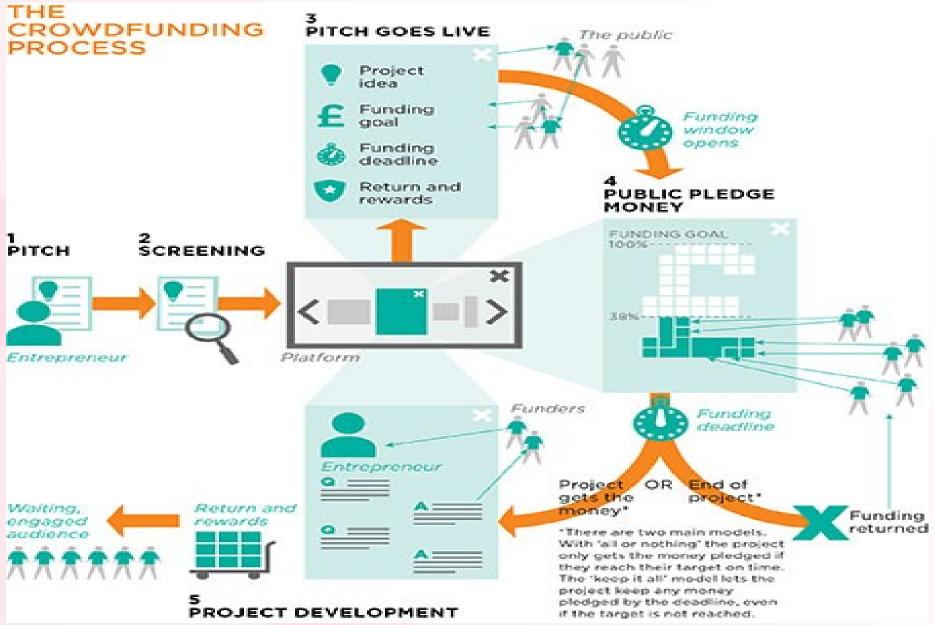
**Omnichannel Communications** (online + offline)

Source: "Crowdfunding: Globally Financing Small Business One Person at a Time," Testify Communications Blog, July 31, 2011, http://testifycomm.wordpress.com/2011/07/31/crowdfunding globally-financing-small-business-one-person-at-a-time/. [Retrieved on March 12, 2014].

## What will you learn?

- Fundraising
- Market Survey
- Technology/idea Survey
- Project Management







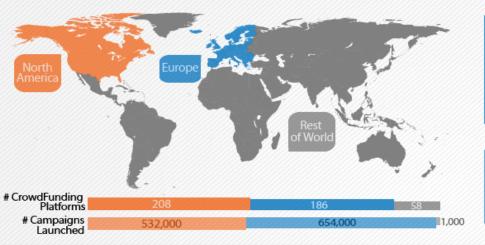
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## MONEY FROM THE CROWD

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sources (sept 2012) crowdsourcing.org kickstarter.com

#### CrowdFunding activity in the world



\$1,5 B

+90%
expected
growth in 2012

# Castle Story Video game \$700K Story Video game Alpha Watch

#### JOBS Act overview

#### Timeline

April 2012: Signed by Obama

January 2013: Goes into effect

#### Rules for Start-up

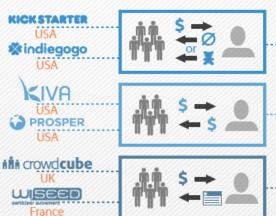
Can sell up to \$1 M of stocks a year to unlimited investors.

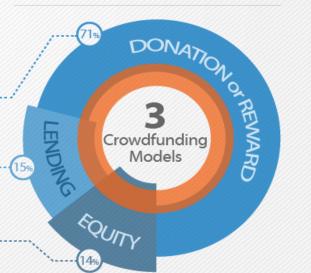
#### Rules for Investors

<\$100K: max \$2000/year

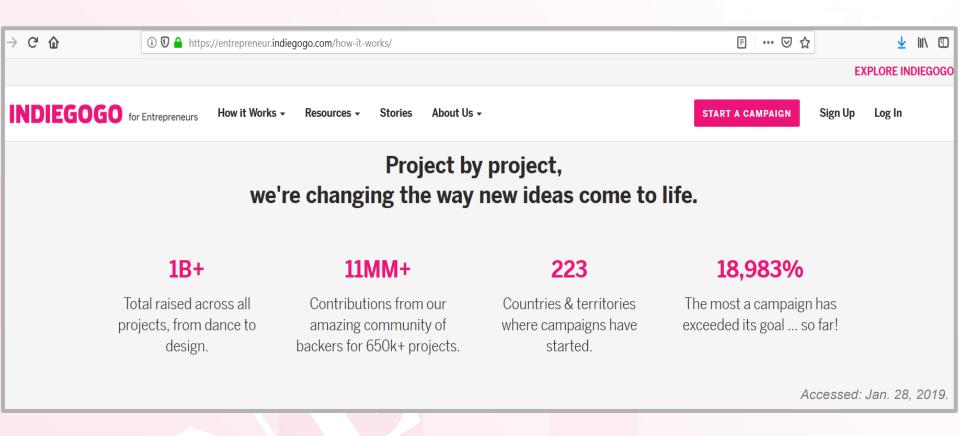
>\$100K: max 10% of income













\$4,089,586,411

157,124

**Projects and Dollars** 

Successfully funded projects

total dollars pledged to Kickstarter projects

15,705,926

Total backers

5,121,430

50,641,755

Repeat backers

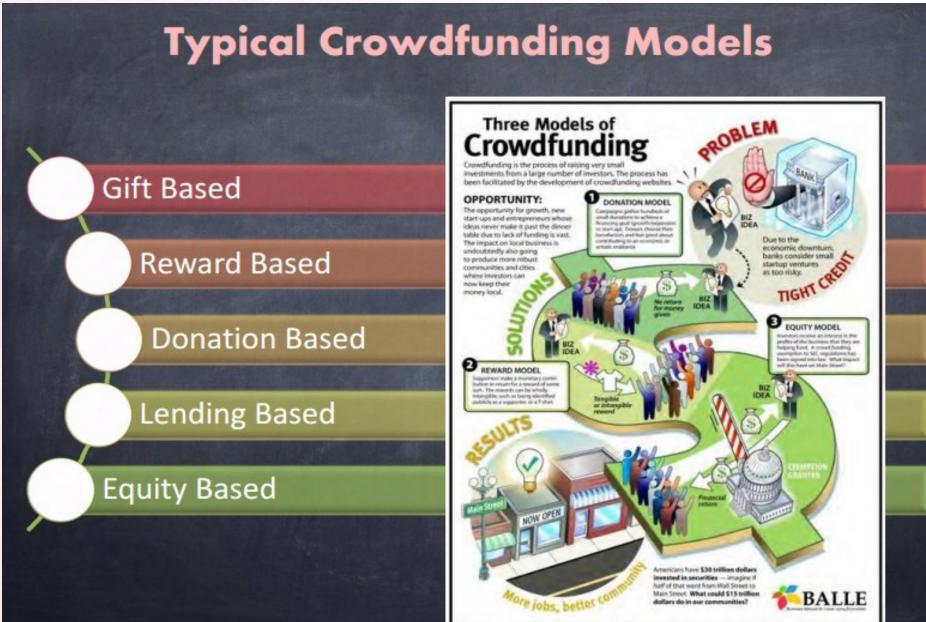
Total pledges



Category	Launched Projects	▼ Total Dollara	Successful Dollara	Unauccesaful Dollara	Live Dollara	Live Projecta	Success Rate
All	431,821	\$4.09 B	\$3.65 B	\$422 M	\$18 M	2,938	36.64%
Games	42,713	\$953.84 M	\$876.92 M	\$71.01 M	\$5.92 M	373	37.83%
Design	35,545	\$896.74 M	\$815.04 M	\$77.73 M	\$3.97 M	275	36.73%
Technology	37,389	\$794.13 M	\$694.80 M	\$95.83 M	\$3.50 M	268	20.21%
Film & Video	69,874	\$426.31 M	\$360.77 M	\$64.90 M	\$638.14 K	286	37.37%
Music	58,358	\$227.25 M	\$207.54 M	\$19.02 M	\$692.17 K	252	49.65%
Fashion	27,163	\$162.42 M	\$142.37 M	\$19.40 M	<sup>\$</sup> 657.99 K	263	26.30%
Publishing	44,889	\$154.69 M	\$135.31 M	\$18.75 M	<sup>\$</sup> 623.38 K	317	31.92%
Food	27,417	\$144.92 M	\$122.10 M	\$22.35 M	\$468.41 K	165	25.06%
Art	32,749	\$106.81 M	\$95.09 M	\$11.26 M	\$459.50 K	367	42.23%
Comics	13,085	\$88.80 M	\$82.82 M	\$5.58 M	\$405.91 K	134	56.74%
Theater	11,588	\$43.33 M	\$38.71 M	\$4.53 M	\$97.29 K	49	59.79%
Photography	11,637	\$43.14 M	\$37.79 M	\$5.29 M	<sup>\$</sup> 62,655	46	31.42%
Crafts	10,093	\$17.22 M	\$14.13 M	\$2.97 M	\$117.75 K	100	24.47%
Journalism	5,274	\$15.91 M	\$13.76 M	\$2.08 M	\$64,989	35	22.05%
Dance	4,047	\$14.06 M	\$13.08 M	\$969.32 K	\$9,030	8	61.82%

Accessed: Jan. 28, 2019.





## Crowdfunding: Examples of great success







#### Jolla Tablet - world's first crowdsourced tablet

Be a part of making the world's first people powered tablet, running Sailfish OS 2.0.

\$2,162,063 USD

InDemand

#### Ritot - the first projection watch.

Inspired by future technologies we wanted to ...

with Smart Crowdfunding

\$1,610,151 USD

InDemand

## **KICKSTARTER**



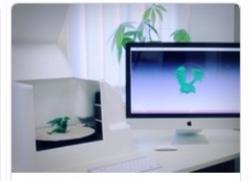
#### The Mini Mobile Robotic Printer ZUtA Labs Ltd.

Finally! Mobile printing is really here! A printer that goes where you go & prints from your phone on any size page! The future is now!

Jerusalem, Israel

#### Successfully funded!

\$511,662 Funded 127% funded pledged May 10 2014



#### Desktop 3D Scanner

CADScan

An easy-to-use, low-cost 3D scanning system that captures full colour, accurate 3D object data in minutes.

O Chester, UK

#### Successfully funded!

£97,264 Funded funded pledged Mar 19 2013



2012



Pebble: E-Paper Watch for iPhone and Android

by Pebble Technology



April 12 update - We're absolutely blown away by your support, Kickstarter. \$1M in 28 hours!

Funded!

19, 2012.

This project was successfully funded on May



### Pebble Time - Awesome Smartwatch, No Compromises



Pebble Time - Awesome Smartwatch, No Compromises

Palo Alto, CA



\$20,338,986

pledged of \$500,000 goal



## Make It Happens

Examples of Photonic Ideas on Crowdfunding

Ideas

**Prototypes** 

Products (Version xx) Tech spec, Fund needed, What to offer

## 3D Optical Scanner (good for small 8x6-inch2 object)









End: USD219,996

Concept: Sheet of light beam, Mechanical rotation, Image processing, Electronics

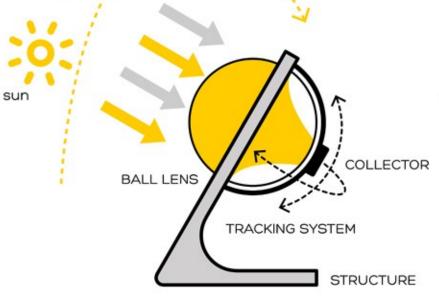


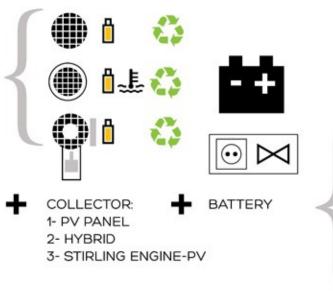
## **Solar Charger**



Concept: Concentration of Sun light on a small solar cell, Mechanical rotation, Electronics

End: USD230,668













Illumination	Wide-Band NIR , Eye Safe
Sensor	Near IR Spectroscopy
Measuring Time	1-2 sec
Measuring Distance	0-20 mm
Connectivity	Bluetooth 4.0 Low Energy
Battery	One Week Use
	Charged via micro USB

End: USD2,762,571





Spectroscopy	Raman (600 to 1600 cm <sup>-1</sup> )
Laser	Class 3A (5 mW)
Detector	512 × 12 bit at 20 Hz
Battery	Internal Lithium Battery (rechargeable via USB)
Connection	Bluetooth 4.0 LE
Physical Dimensions	$8.5 \text{ cm} \times 5.5 \text{ cm} \times 1.6 \text{ cm}$
	$3\frac{3}{8}" \times 2\frac{1}{8}" \times \frac{5}{8}"$
Weight	80 g (3 oz.)
OS Support	Android, iOS
Colors	White, Red, Green, or Turquoise Blue

End: USD386,392

Note: These specifications are subject to change during the development process.



# Dual microscope lens for mobile devices: TWI-VIS

Bangkok, Thailand
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Technology

1.2k Story Updates 0 Comments 29 Funders 100

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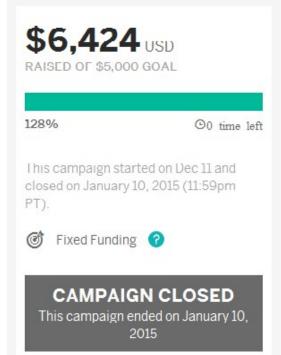
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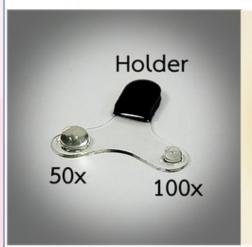
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Have you ever wondered how small creatures look like? Need a microscope? What about seeing the micro-world with your cell phone or tablet?

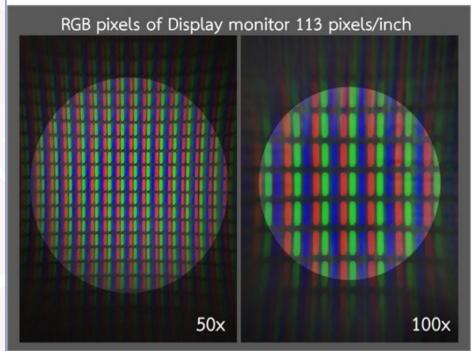








Here, we offer TWI-VIS, a dual microscope lens which has two magnifications (50x/100x) in a single piece. Then, you can enjoy both in just one order!!



A dual microscope designed in a trillium-like shape can be easily sticked on both front or back camera. Also, it comes off without leaving any residues. Whatever devices you have, cell phone or tablet, the TWI-VIS works well with any smooth surface.



**\$19** USD

#### Early bird - TWI-VIS with case

Get one before it runs out!!

We do appSOLDtOUTcided to use this lens as the New Year gift. Only EMS option, it normally takes 3-4 days depending on countries. Please check with us if you need more info.

\$29 USD

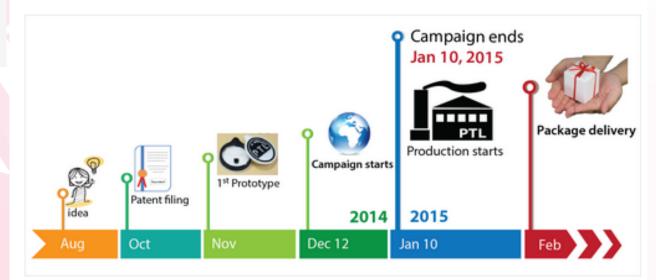
#### TWI-VIS with case

TWI-VIS 50/100x lens with case. Free economy International shipping worldwide.

Estimated delivery: February 2015

28 claimed

#### Timeline



## **Examples of Stimulation**

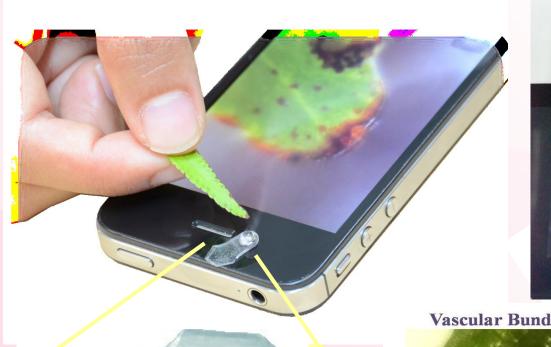












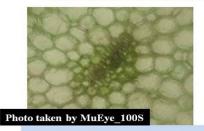


25, 50, 100 and 250x

- Patented
- R. Amarit, et.al., PLOS ONE, DOI:10.1371/journal.pone.0146414, Jan 2016.



Rose stem in cross section: ภาพตัดขวางของลำต้นกุหลาบ

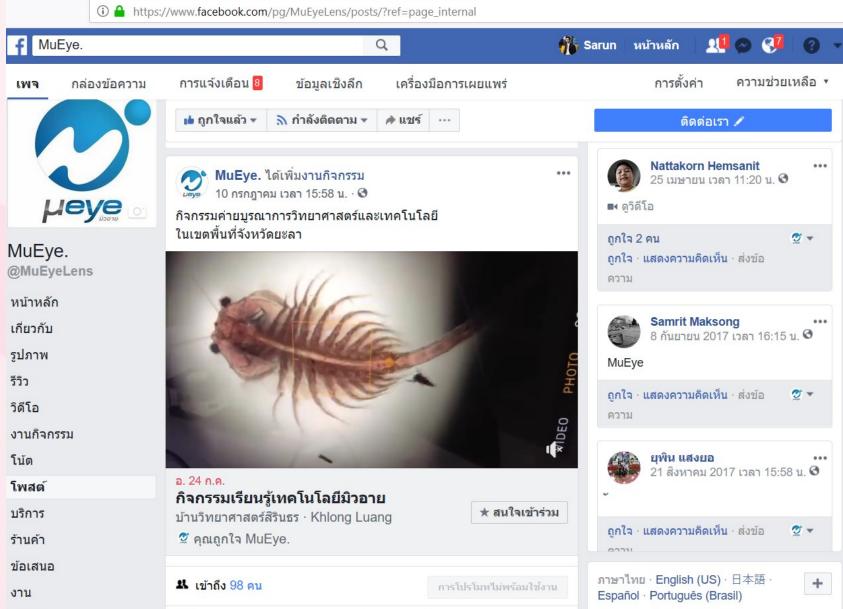




Golden Pothos stem in cross section: ภาพตัดขวางของลำตั้นพลูด่าง

## **Creating Social Media Community**





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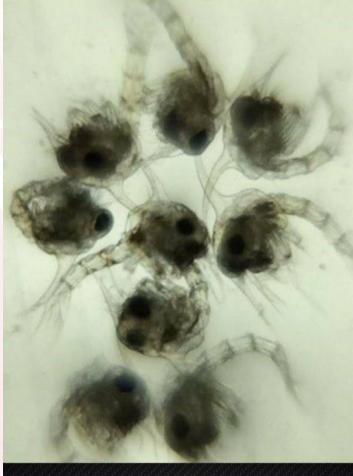












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#### 250x Human Breast Milk

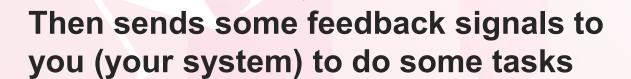


https://www.facebook.com/pg/MuEyeLens/posts/?ref=page\_internal



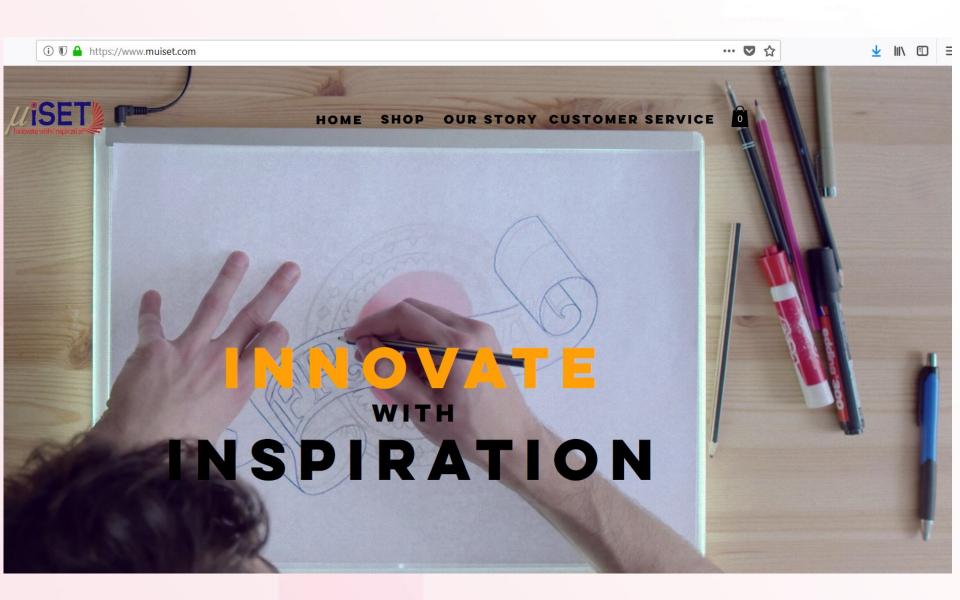
From the images or videos, you can move forward to... do (program) image/ video analytics

- Counting particles or objects
- Measuring shapes
- Checking specific image areas (objects under interest and the surrounding areas) for the desired purposes



## **Spin-off Company in 2016**





## MuSpectra: Mobile Optical Spectrometer





## We are preparing to promote it through a crowdfunding

S. Sumriddetchkajorn and Y. Intaravanne, Applied Spectroscopy, Vol. 66, No. 10, pp. 1156-1162, October 2012.

## MuSpectra: Mobile Optical Spectrometer





- Operating Wavelength: 400-700 nm
- Light sources: LED white light
- Power consumption: 3VDC, 20 mA
- Accessory magnetic attachment modules:
  - Two-channel transmission
  - Two-channel reflection
  - Fiber-optic port

Killer Apps are needed to make people realize the impact of this creative device



## Conclusion

Now, no matter where you are... it is time to motivate yourself and push your ideas into innovation

Well known typical "crowd donation" + Internet



- New platform to spread your idea
- New channel to demonstrate your prototype
- New way to do market survey
- New window to receive fund

and Move Forward



## Acknowledgement

- Photonics Technology Lab
- **Image Processing Lab**
- **Machine Vision Lab**
- **Optical Thin Film Technology Lab**
- **Business Dev and Tech Transfer Div**
- Research Support Office Div
- Int Cooperation & PR Div