



Aftermarket Child Detection for Car Seats

Virtual Design Review 1

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Project Summary

- Organization: Student Entrepreneurship
- Liaison Engineers: Dr. Shayne McConomy and Dr. Michael Devine
- Problem Posed: Infant fatalities in parked cars due to heatstroke shows no sign of decreasing
- Primary Project Objective: Design and create a working prototype



Project Summary

- **Prototype Expectations:** Create a working prototype that is simplistic and robust in design, while keeping cost as low as possible.
- **Funds Available:** \$1000
- **Project Expectations:**
 - Implement Device
 - Compete in InNOLEvation Challenge
 - Submit conference paper to SAE world congress

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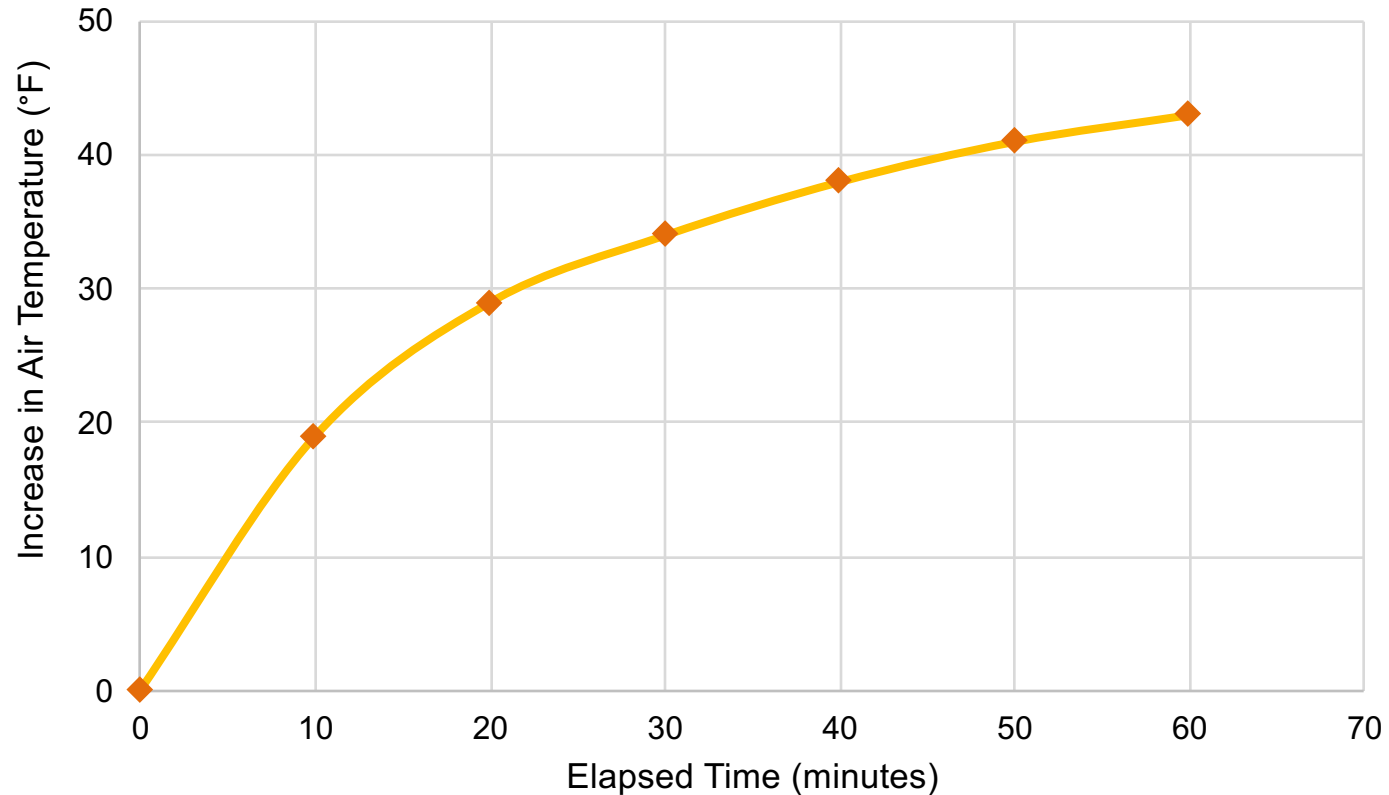
Background

- Children lack efficient thermoregulatory systems
 - Body temp increases 3-5x faster than adults
 - Heatstroke begins at 104 °F
 - 50% of children with heatstroke do not sweat



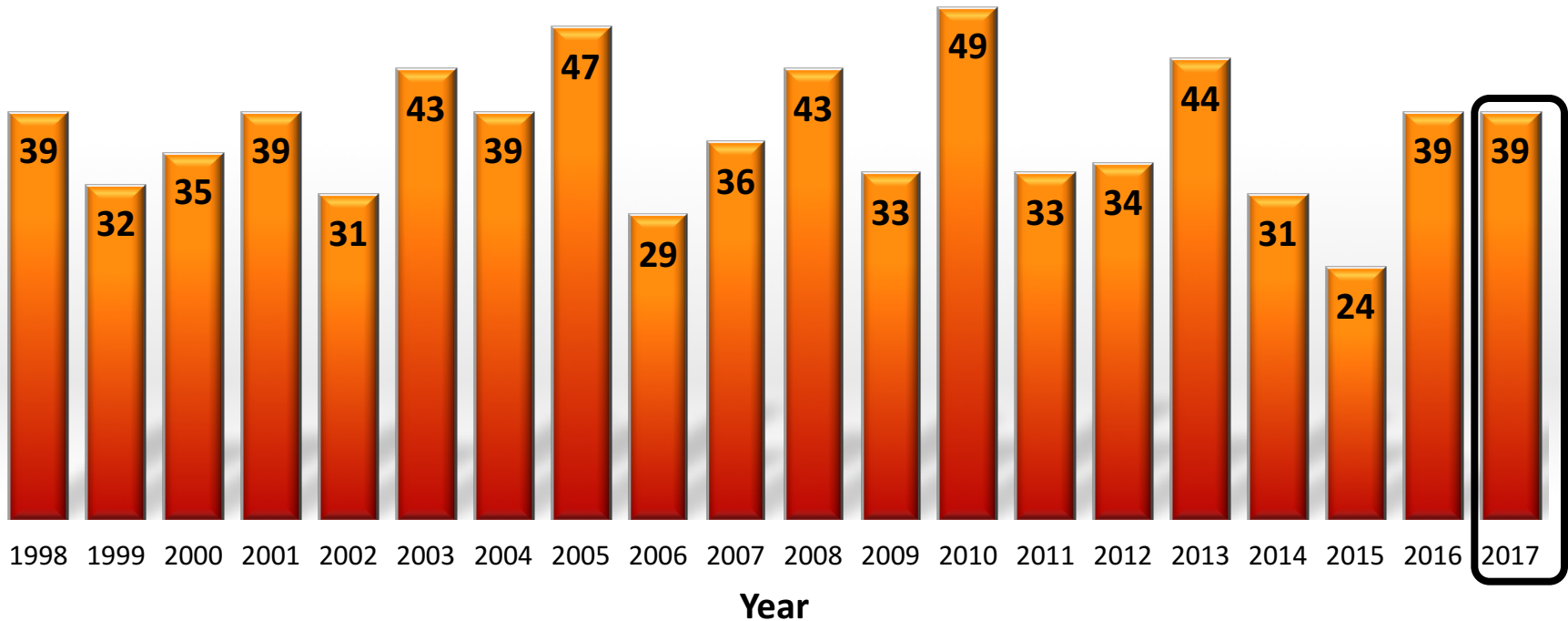
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Average Vehicle Interior Air Temperature Rise
(Ambient temp. 72-96 °F)



Background

Child Vehicular Heatstroke Deaths in U.S.
Total: 739 since 1998



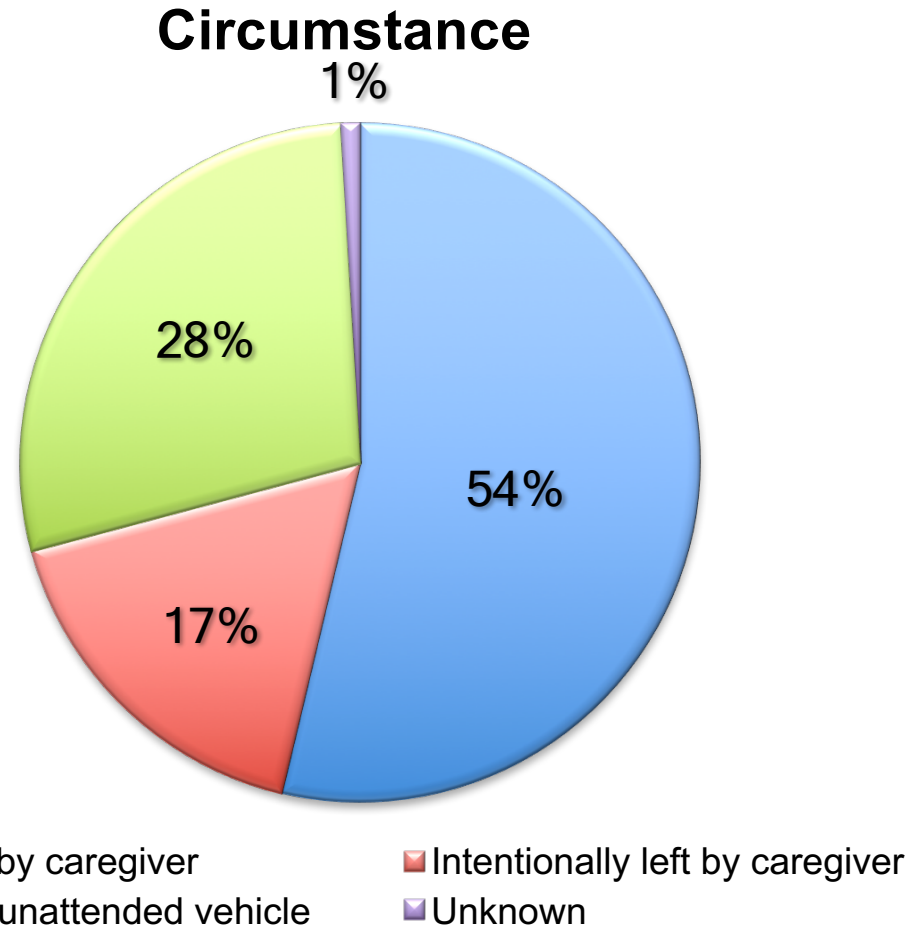
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Focusing on:

“Forgotten by caregiver”

“Intentionally left by caregiver”

71% of all cases



Project Scope

- Develop a device that detects a child left in an unattended vehicle that is subject to dangerous conditions
- Primary goals:
 - Reduce infant fatalities
 - Develop prototype
 - Device needs to have Universal Adaptability
 - Must be suitable for given environment



Project Scope

- **Primary Market:**
 - Parents who have children that are newborns up into the age of five.
- **Secondary Market:**
 - Car seat manufactures, potentially cars manufactures, and other baby device manufacturing companies

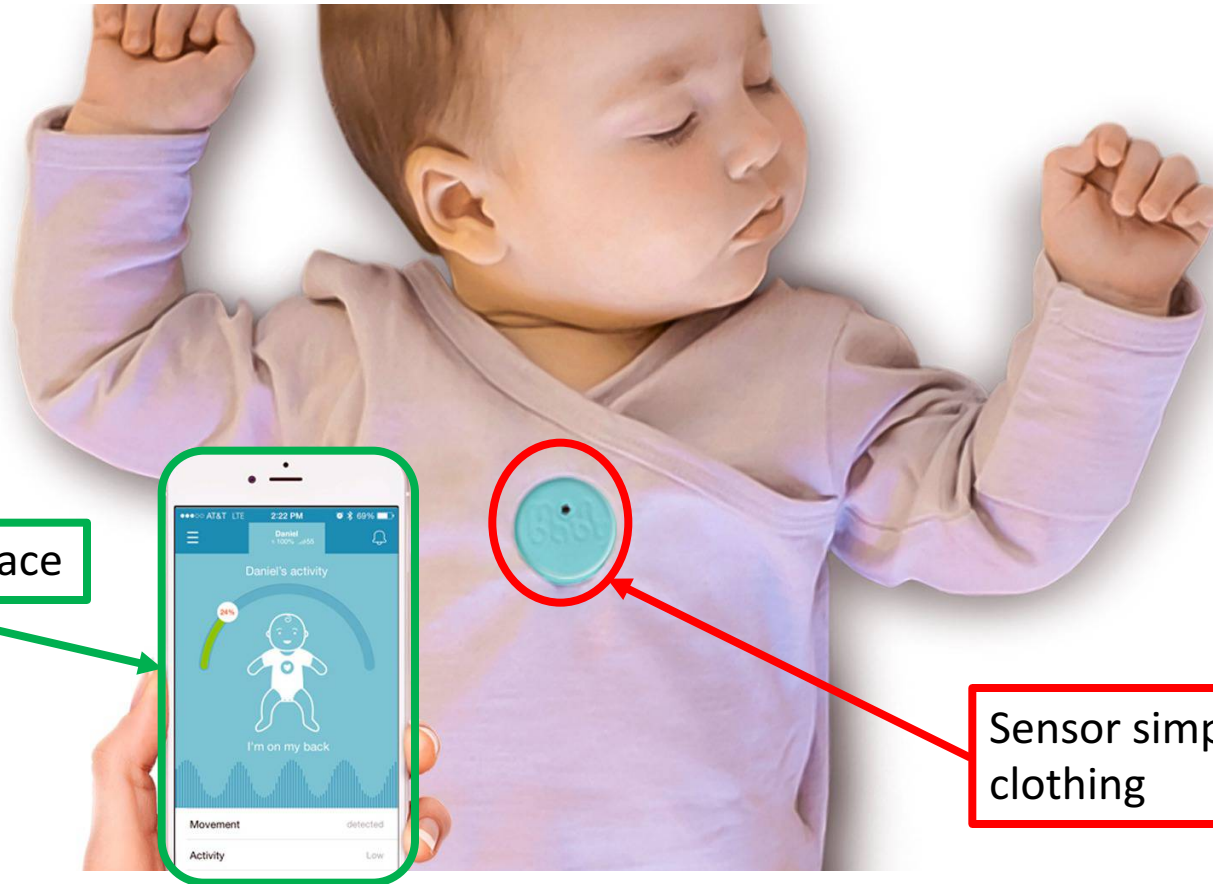


Customer Needs

- Developed after researching best-selling SIDS detection devices and baby monitors
- Recurring needs across multiple products included intuitive user interface, reliability, and adaptability
- Personas considered during the development of the needs



Customer Needs



Easy to use interface

Sensor simply snaps onto clothing

MonBaby Smart Button Baby Monitors

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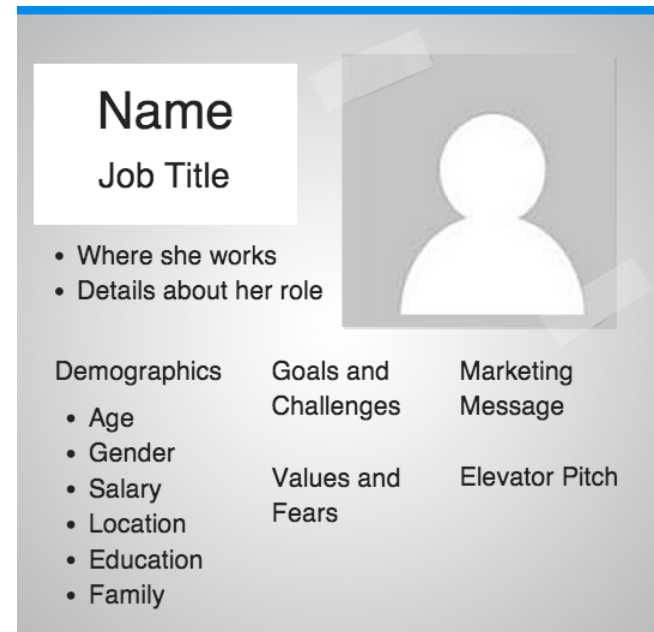
Customer Needs

- Interpreted customer needs include:
 - Detect if a child is in the vehicle
 - Determine if air temperature is dangerous
 - Notify outside parties to respond
 - Aftermarket application
 - Compatible with mobile device
 - Incorporate with OEM technology

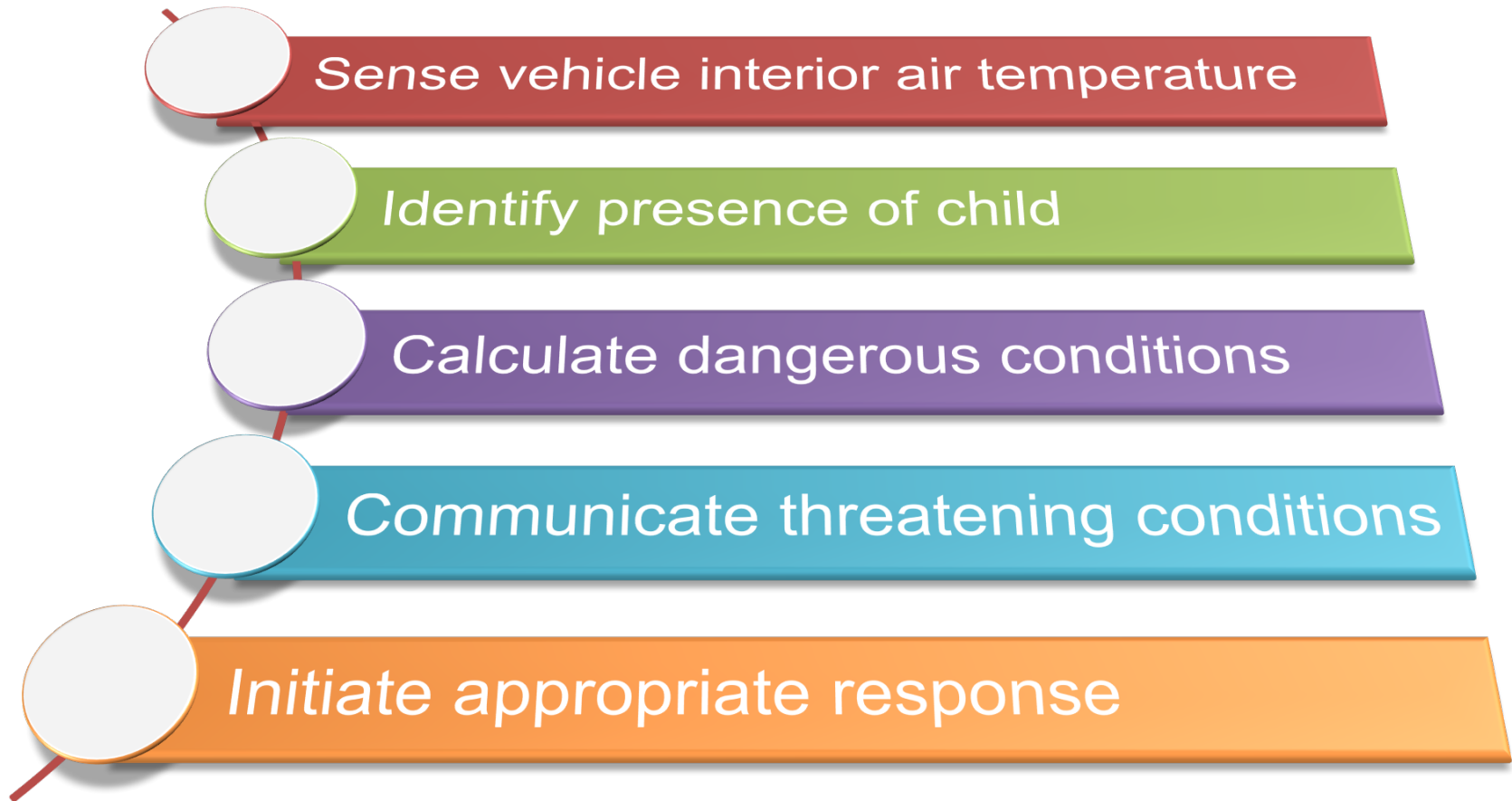


Customer Needs

- Currently in early stages of persona development
- Creating 3 primary user profiles
 - Single Mom
 - Stay-at-Home Dad
 - Soccer Mom



Functional Decomposition

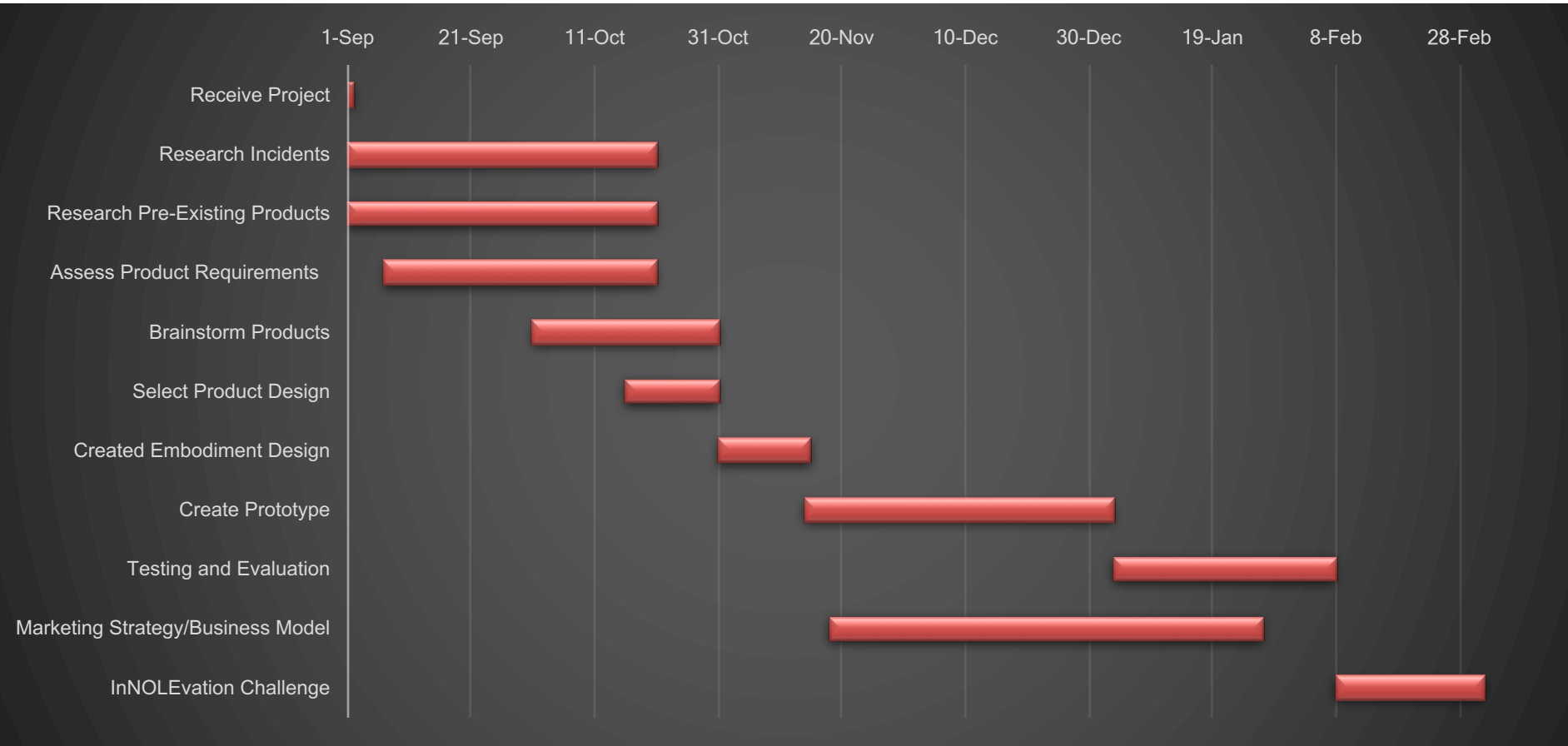


Conclusion

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