

# New Products

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- ▶ Challenging to measure innovation in a systematic way
- ▶ R&D expenditures quantify innovation inputs and patents capture intermediate innovation output
  - ▶ More difficult to value final innovation output
  - ▶ Yes, scanner data in the retail sector or FDA data for pharmaceuticals
  - ▶ Any way to capture aggregate new product creation and have cross-industry comparisons?
- ▶ We propose a method to value product innovation based on machine learning on news articles combined with the stock price data

# Our Approach

- ▶ Covers all industries in a systematic way, including new economy firms
- ▶ Forward-looking: (Rational and efficient) financial markets value the expected profitability of new products or services
- ▶ Our earlier work (Mukherjee, Singh, and Žaldokas (2017)) uses a bag of words approach and shows that state corporate taxes reduce new product introductions

# Plan

- ▶ Measure and general trends
- ▶ Innovation process
- ▶ Stylized facts
  - ▶ Competitive environment
  - ▶ Productivity

# Methodology and General Trends

# Methodology

- ▶ Extract all media articles from the Dow Jones Factiva database that involve firms listed on the US stock exchanges
- ▶ Focus on articles that Factiva has filed under New Products/Services category over 1989-2015
  - ▶ Starting sample: 660,958 articles
  - ▶ After filtering out the days with major events and restricting the firm to be mentioned within the first 50 words or title: 326,398 articles / 16,278 distinct firms
  - ▶ However, these articles might include references to earlier product launches, minor updates, repeated presentations at a trade show, etc.
- ▶ Apply convolutional neural network (machine-learning)

# Methodology

- ▶ Build training sample by asking 31 undergraduate students to classify 2,000 articles each in a binary fashion:
  - ▶ Indicate whether the article discusses a major new product introduction
- ▶ Only keep the articles where both students agree on their classifications (76% of cases)
  - ▶ Training sample: 15,160 labeled articles
- ▶ Classify remaining articles using Google's pre-trained word2vec word embeddings
  - ▶ The final k-fold out-of-sample results' precision (ratio of true positives) of 93%
  - ▶ A recall (ratio of positive articles found) of 86%
- ▶ Still we might have some noise

# New Product

## NVIDIA unveils GeForce 5500 handheld GPU

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The NVIDIA GeForce 5500 handheld [graphics processing](#) unit (GPU) has been unveiled by NVIDIA Corporation (Nasdaq:NVDA), a programmable graphics processor technologies company.

According to NVIDIA the GeForce 5500 is the industry's first handheld GPU to enable true, fluid digital TV, rapid multi-shot photography, high-fidelity surround sound and console-class 3D graphics.

NVIDIA said its GeForce 5500 offers ultra-low power consumption and is the first handheld GPU to playback H.264, WMV9 and MPEG-4 video up to D1 resolution at 30f/s. It is compatible with the main mobile TV standards such as DVB-H, ISDB-T and DMB networks and NVIDIA claims it enables play of console-class 3D games such as Quake III Arena at unrivalled speeds on a handheld device.

The GeForce 5500 offers crossfade and multistream technologies to stop music [cut-out](#) and breaks between songs and enables sharp digital photography with support for up to 10 megapixel resolution and rapid multi-shot capabilities.

NVIDIA said that phones based on the NVIDIA GeForce 5500 handheld GPU are expected to be available before this year's holiday season, from the main handset manufacturers.



# Not a New Product

## **Kosan Biosciences to Present at the Leerink Swann Solid Tumors Roundtable Conference**

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HAYWARD, Calif., May 6 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Kosan Biosciences Incorporated (Nasdaq: KOSN) announced today that Jane Green, Kosan's Vice President, Corporate Communications, will present at the Leerink Swann Solid Tumors Roundtable Conference in New York at the Grand Hyatt Hotel on Friday, May 9, 2008 at 11:10 a.m. EDT. A live webcast of the presentation can be accessed through <http://www.wsw.com/webcast/leerink15/kosn/>.

Interested parties may also access a live webcast of the presentation by visiting the "Events Calendar" page under the "Investors/Press" tab on Kosan's website at <http://www.kosan.com>. A recorded replay of the presentations will be available for two weeks.

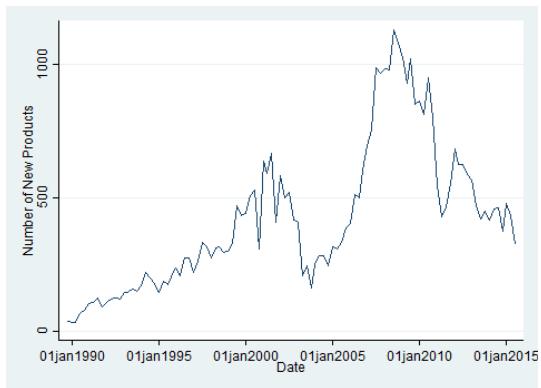
# Methodology

- ▶ Estimate cumulative abnormal returns on the mentioned firm's stock over the two days after the release of the article
- ▶ Keep only those announcements where the firm mentioned in the article had a positive  $CAR(0,1)$
- ▶ Final sample: 40,099 articles / 5,224 distinct firms
- ▶ Two measures:
  - ▶ Count number of announcements
  - ▶ Sum of  $CAR(0,1) > 0$  over the year/month

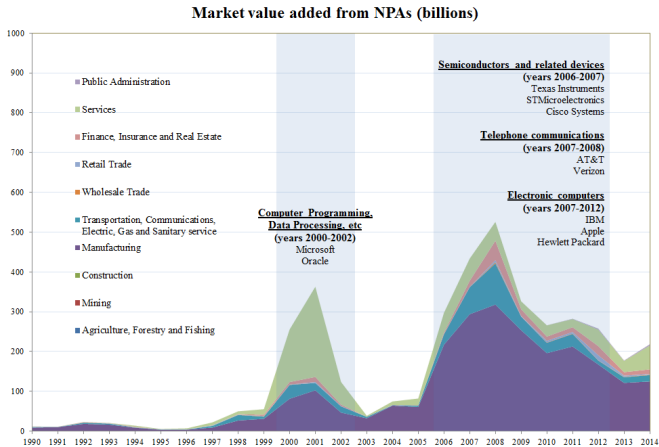
# Summary Statistics

- ▶ Mean  $CAR(0,1) > 0$ : 3%; \$ market value added: \$187m
- ▶ Aggregated annually: total mean  $CAR(0,1) > 0$ : 5.1%; \$ market value added: \$310m
- ▶ Average innovating firm: 1.82 new products per year
- ▶ Every sixth public firm in the economy introduces a new product in a particular year

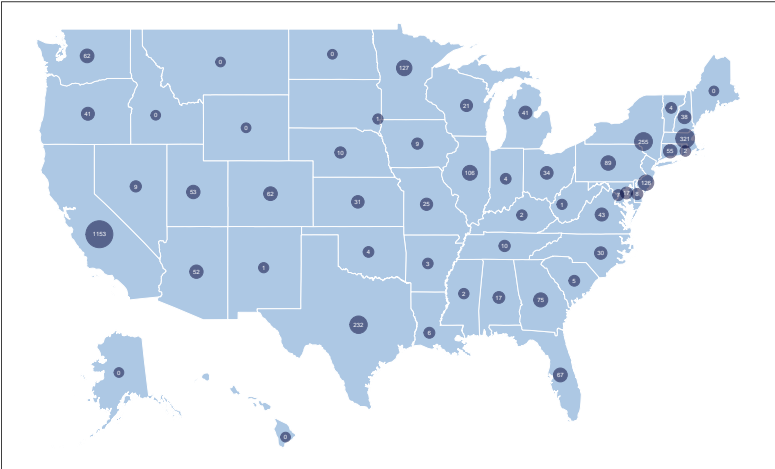
## Trends Over Time: Number of New Products



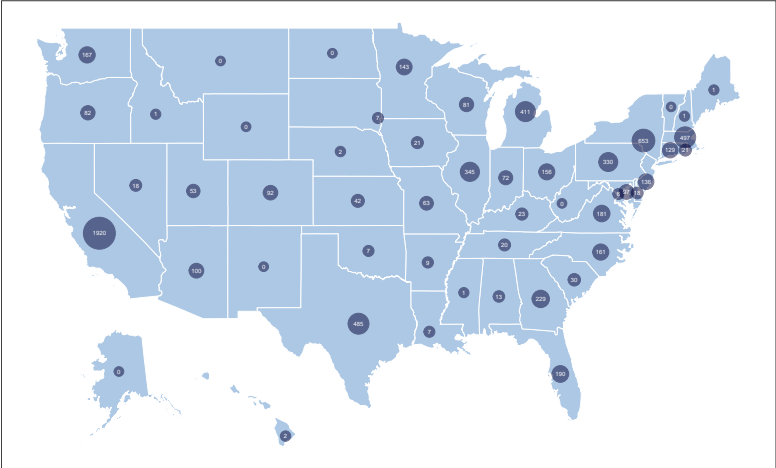
# By Sectors and Firms



# Geography (1989-1995): Number of New Products



# Geography (2011-2015): Number of New Products



# Characteristics of New Product Introductions



# Persistence

- ▶ Innovation is persistent in general
  - ▶ Probability that a firm ranked in the top quintile is also ranked in the top quintile in the following year is 52.1%
  - ▶ New products are less persistent than R&D and patents—  
Respective figures for patents and R&D are 81.6% and 93.3%
- ▶ Larger firms have more new products

## Fixed Effects (New Products)

	Number of New Products			Cumulative Abnormal Returns		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Industry f.e.	Y	N	N	Y	N	N
Industry x Year f.e.	N	Y	N	N	Y	N
Firm f.e.	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Year f.e.	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.161	0.259	0.433	0.127	0.215	0.379
N	153,993	153,993	177,443	153,993	153,993	177,443

## Fixed Effects (Patents and R&D)

	R&D			Patents		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Industry f.e.	Y	N	N	Y	N	N
Industry x Year f.e.	N	Y	N	N	Y	N
Firm f.e.	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Year f.e.	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.561	0.607	0.933	0.282	0.342	0.843
N	153,989	153,989	177,439	153,993	153,993	177,443

# Firm Characteristics

	Number of New Products					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Sales	0.000*** (0.000)					0.000*** (0.000)
Gross Margin		0.010*** (0.002)				0.013*** (0.003)
PPE			0.000** (0.000)			-0.000*** (0.000)
Intangibles				0.000*** (0.000)		0.000*** (0.000)
Employees					0.002*** (0.000)	0.000 (0.000)
Firm f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.382	0.382	0.380	0.393	0.381	0.396
N	159,965	157,247	155,806	144,869	149,905	129,163

# Innovation Process

# Our Measure Captures Innovation Beyond R&D or Patents

- ▶ Out of 5,224 firms that had at least one new product:
  - ▶ 1,978 have never filed patents during our sample period
  - ▶ 1,471 firms have not reported positive R&D expenditures
  - ▶ 981 firms (or 18.7%): neither R&D expenditures, nor patents
- ▶ Smaller firms are more likely not to have patents but larger firms are more likely not to report R&D
- ▶ Sectoral differences:
  - ▶ Firms with new products in Information Technologies and Health Care have patents or report R&D
  - ▶ Firms in Industrials, Consumer Discretionary, and Financials Sectors are likely not to have patents and report R&D but still produce new products by our measures

## For Firms that Disclose New Products, R&D and Patents

- ▶ NPI has high correlation with patents, less robust with R&D
- ▶ Longer lag from R&D to new products than from patents to new products– consistent with common notions of innovation
- ▶ Firm level analysis consistent with industry level

# Contemporaneous Correlation: Number of New Products

	Number of New Products					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Patents	0.209*** (0.020)	0.092*** (0.020)				
R&D			0.164*** (0.017)	0.035 (0.021)		
Citations					0.146*** (0.014)	-0.029*** (0.010)
Industry f.e.	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.182	0.536	0.162	0.534	0.158	0.534
N	20,925	20,925	20,925	20,925	20,925	20,925



## Dynamics with R&D

	Number of New Products	Cumulative Abnormal Returns
	(1)	(2)
R&D <sub>t-1</sub>	-0.016 (0.020)	-0.018 (0.027)
R&D <sub>t-2</sub>	-0.006 (0.019)	-0.012 (0.026)
R&D <sub>t-3</sub>	0.011 (0.020)	0.022 (0.027)
R&D <sub>t-4</sub>	0.084*** (0.021)	0.092*** (0.026)
Industry f.e.	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.560	0.529
N	17,577	17,577

# Dynamics with Patents

	Number of New Products	Cumulative Abnormal Returns
	(1)	(2)
Patents <sub>t-1</sub>	0.011 (0.016)	0.008 (0.021)
Patents <sub>t-2</sub>	0.015 (0.014)	0.014 (0.018)
Patents <sub>t-3</sub>	0.042*** (0.014)	0.043** (0.017)
Patents <sub>t-4</sub>	0.085*** (0.016)	0.090*** (0.019)
Industry f.e.	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.562	0.531
N	17,577	17,577

# Stylized Facts

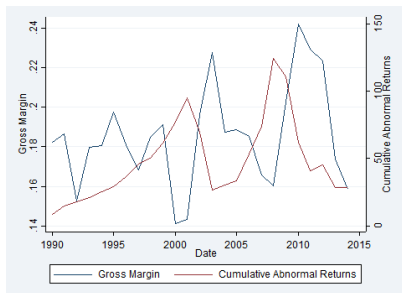
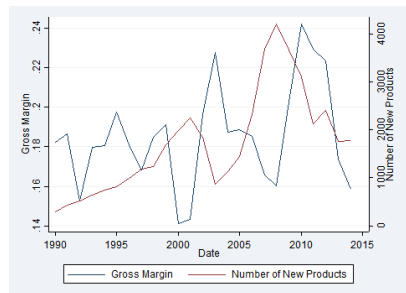
# Stylized Facts

- ▶ Competitive environment
- ▶ Productivity

# Competitive Environment

1. More new products in less concentrated industries and when firm has more direct rivals
2. New product announcements are correlated among rival peer groups
3. Competitive industries do not have concentrated new product announcements
4. Concentration of new product announcements started rising

# Gross Profit Margins



## Competitive Environment: Industry Level

	Number of New Products (1)	Cumulative Abnormal Returns (2)	Patents (Bena et al., 2017) (3)	Patents (Kogan et al., 2017) (4)	Log R&D (5)
HHI	-0.542*** (0.177)	-0.467** (0.207)	-0.114 (0.320)	-0.352 (0.353)	-0.380 (0.410)
Assets	0.077** (0.037)	0.089** (0.041)	0.531*** (0.072)	0.536*** (0.073)	0.550*** (0.088)
Industry f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.653	0.609	0.833	0.867	0.887
N	6,163	6,163	6,163	6,163	6,163

## Competitive Environment: Firm Level

	Number of New Products		Cumulative Abnormal Returns	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
TNIC3-HHI	-0.103*** (0.021)		-0.014*** (0.004)	
TNIC3-Similarity		0.002*** (0.000)		0.000*** (0.000)
Firm f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.406	0.405	0.350	0.350
N	100,921	100,921	100,921	100,921



# Rivals

	Number of New Products			Cumulative Abnormal Returns		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Rival NPA	0.117*** (0.006)	0.039*** (0.004)	0.221*** (0.011)	0.111*** (0.007)	0.040*** (0.004)	0.268*** (0.019)
Firm f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.392	0.387	0.405	0.336	0.327	0.342
N	175,755	175,755	149,262	175,755	175,755	149,262

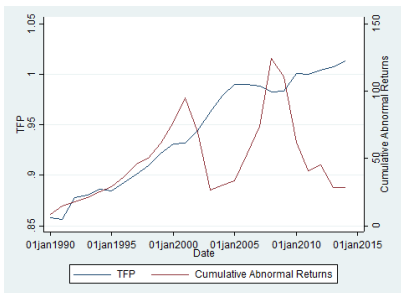
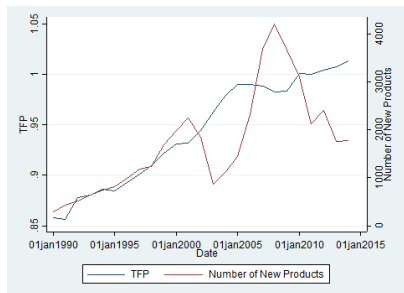
# Concentrated Industries and Concentrated Products

	Concentration of New Products	
	(1)	(2)
HHI	0.181** (0.086)	0.170** (0.082)
Number of Firms		-0.004* (0.002)
Assets		0.021 (0.014)
Industry f.e.	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.151	0.159
N	3,668	3,668

# Productivity

1. Cross-sectionally, productivity at both the industry and the firm level is correlated with new product announcements
2. Similar trends with value added and value of shipments

# Aggregate Productivity Trends



# Industry-level TFP

	Number of New Products		Cumulative Abnormal Returns	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
5-factor TFP Index	0.082*** (0.003)		0.081*** (0.004)	
4-factor TFP Index		0.082*** (0.003)		0.081*** (0.004)
Industry f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.578	0.578	0.552	0.552
N	9,084	9,084	9,084	9,084

# Firm-level TFP from Olley-Pakes Estimates

	Number of New Products		Cumulative Abnormal Returns	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Single Function	0.042*** (0.016)		0.010*** (0.003)	
Industry Function		0.032** (0.015)		0.008** (0.003)
Firm f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
Year f.e.	Y	Y	Y	Y
R <sup>2</sup>	0.413	0.413	0.389	0.390
N	40,991	41,223	40,991	41,223

# Taking Stock

- ▶ We suggest a way to measure new product launches based on media articles
- ▶ Competitive industries and industries with higher levels of productivity are associated with higher new product introduction intensity
- ▶ Product launches are typically followed by higher competition