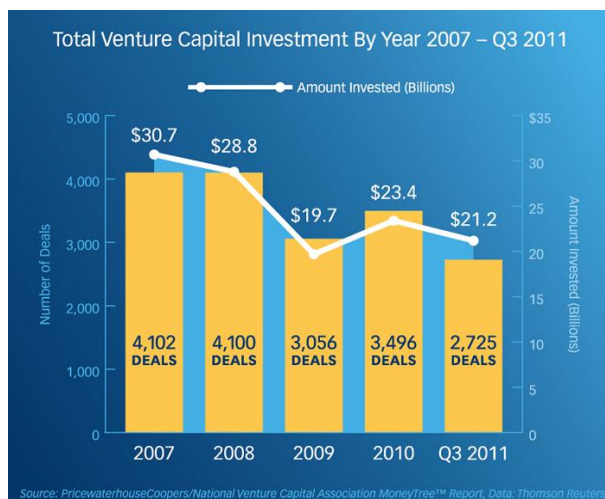


Δευτέρα, 21 Νοεμβρίου 2011

Αγαπητοί αναγνώστες καλημέρα σας,

Το τρίτο τρίμηνο του 2011 τα top venture capital deals ήταν στους τομείς τις βιοτεχνολογίας (1 deal 300 εκατ. δολάρια), του λογισμικού (3 deals 273 εκατ. δολάρια συνολικά), των μέσων (2 deals 196 εκατ. δολάρια συνολικά), της ενέργειας (2 deals 158 εκατ. δολάρια συνολικά), και τα ιατρικά μηχανήματα (2 deals 151 εκατ. δολάρια συνολικά). Ένα δισ. επενδύσεις σε δέκα deals.



Αν και σε σχέση με τα προηγούμενα τέσσερα χρόνια οι επενδύσεις του τρίτου τριμήνου (Q3) έχουν παρουσιάσει κάμψη, είναι σίγουρο ότι υπάρχει εγρήγορση στην Κοιλάδα της Σιλικόνης και γίνονται πολλά, αν προλάβει κανείς να τα βιώσει, να δει και πολύ περισσότερο να καταλάβει πως αυτά συντελούν στο χτίσιμο πραγματικά αιεφόρου επιχειρηματικότητας, με στόχο την παγκόσμια αγορά.

Τον περασμένο μήνα πραγματοποιήθηκαν 10 επενδύσεις στον τομέα των ημιαγωγών, σύμφωνα με τις πηγές που παρακολουθούμε, από 52 συνολικά επενδύσεις που πραγματοποιήθηκαν στο χώρο της τεχνολογίας.

Σε αυτό το Newsletter θα βρείτε τα ακόλουθα:

1. Λίστα επενδύσεων του Σεπτεμβρίου 2011 στον ευρύτερο χώρο της τεχνολογίας
2. Άρθρα σχετικά με το Venture Capital και γενικού ενδιαφέροντος
3. Δελτία Τύπου και ανακοινώσεις σχετικά με τις εταιρείες του κλάδου
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1. Επενδύσεις Οκτωβρίου 2011

Company Name	Url	Field	Business Activity	Funds Raised	Funding Round	Investors
Contour Energy Systems	http://www.contourenrgy.com/	Portable Power, Batteries	Contour Energy Systems is an innovative portable power company commercializing customizable battery technologies for a wide range of cross-industry applications.	\$20M	Series C	EDBI, CMEA Capital, Harris & Harris Group, Schlumberger, U.S. Venture Partners
enLighted	http://www.enlightedinc.com/	Lighting, Control Systems	enLighted, a company that develops advanced lighting control systems.	\$14M		Intel Capital, Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, Draper Fisher Jurvetson
Bridge Energy Group	http://www.bridgeenergygroup.com/	Smart Grid, Energy, Software	BRIDGE Energy Group, Inc., is the “Trusted Advisor and Implementation Partner” in Smart Grid IT integration services and software solutions for clients in the Utility industry.	\$11M		not disclosed
SCL Elements	http://www.can2go.com/	Wireless, Controller, Networking	SCL Elements Inc. provides multi-protocol CAN2GO™ wireless and wired controllers for building automation. These flexible controllers/gateways provide the missing link in building automation, allowing facility managers, contractors and OEM manufacturers to deploy integrated solutions for HVAC, VAV, lighting, security and more.	\$2.15M	Series A	The Westly Group, Navitas Capital

Tower Cloud	- http://www.towercloud.com/index.shtml	Telecom, Wireless, Infrastructure	Tower Cloud provides telecom backhaul services to wireless carriers. The company builds and operates fiber optic and wireless networks to connect cellular towers to the wireless carriers' mobile switching centers.	\$49M		Sutter Hill Ventures, Burton Partnership, Knology, El Dorado Ventures, Ballast Point Ventures, Kinetic Ventures, Noro-Moseley Partners, ITC Partners Fund, Florida Growth Fund
Interrad Medical	- http://www.securacath.com/	Medical Devices	Interrad Medical, Inc. is a medical device company located in Plymouth, Minnesota. The company was founded by Dr. Michael Rosenberg, a practicing interventional radiologist, in collaboration with several other highly regarded physicians.	\$10M	Series C	not disclosed
ImThera Medical	- http://www.imtheramedical.com/	Medical Devices	Through targeted tongue-muscle neurostimulation, ImThera's open-loop multi-contact device (aura6000™) based on its proprietary THN Sleep Therapy™ stimulates key tongue muscles during sleep, opening the upper airway and substantially reducing or eliminating OSA events.	\$4M		Cyberonics
CoolIT Systems	- http://www.coolitsystems.com/	Cooling Systems	CoolIT Systems works research, design, and deliver next generation cooling products that provide a comprehensive solution while exceeding high OEM standards for reliability and maintenance-free operation.	\$6.2M	Series B	iNovia Capital, Chart Venture Partners

N-able Technologies	http://www.n-able.com/	Remote Monitoring, Software	N-able Technologies, Inc. supplies remote monitoring and management technology and business support services for managed service providers (MSPs) and IT companies.	Accel-KKR
Ikon Semiconductor	http://www.ikonsemi.com/	Semiconductors, LED's	Ikon Semiconductor Limited is a fabless semiconductor company which is developing innovative LED Driver IC solutions for the offline LED lighting market.	Kernel Capital Partners, Enterprise Ireland
Microstim	http://microstim.de/	Medical Devices	Microstim GmbH develops a tissue and function maintaining implantable myostimulator designed to assist the heart. Particular strengths of Microstim GmbH are the microcontroller acquisition and processing of data, control of cardiac and muscle stimulator impulses, and wireless "in-body"-communication	Technologiefonds MV, High-Tech Gruenderfonds, Fides Finanz-Invest
Wave Systems	http://www.wavesys.com/	Electronics, Security, Semiconductors	Wave Systems Corp. develops, produces, and markets products for hardware-based digital security applications and services. It offers EMBASSY (EMBedded Application Security SYstem) Trust System, a combination of the security chip and a back-office infrastructure that manages its security functions.	not disclosed
			\$11.1M	

CoDa Therapeutics	- http://www.codatherapeutics.com/	Medical Devices	CoDa Therapeutics is a San Diego-based pharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of wound care therapeutics based on gap junction modulation.	\$6M	Debt Financing	Square 1 Bank
SolarBridge Technologies	- http://solarbridgetech.com/	Power Electronics	SolarBridge Technologies, formerly SmartSpark Energy Systems, was founded in 2004 to commercialize power electronics technologies created at the University of Illinois.	\$1.75M		U.S. Department of Energy
Dualog	- http://www.dualog.com/	Maritime, Data Communications, Wireless	Dualog is one of the Worlds leading Maritime Data Communications Providers.			Norinnova Invest
AED Rent	- http://www.aedrent.com/		AED Rent is to develop and maintain a flexible group of companies on a Pan-European base that offers a total solution for the professional in the AV industry.			not disclosed
CorTec	http://cortec-neuro.com/	Medical Devices	CorTec, a Freiburg, Germany-based developer of a neurotechnological platform for measuring and stimulating of brain activity.		Seed Financing	High-Tech Gründerfonds Management
Xtera Communications	- http://www.xtera.com/home/	Network Equipment, Infrastructure, Communications	Xtera Communications is a privately held network equipment and services company, and a leading provider of optical networks for terrestrial and subsea applications.	\$30M		not disclosed

Nginx	http://nginx.org/	Network Equipment, Infrastructure, Communications	NGINX is an advanced Internet infrastructure software. It is a high performance web server with the lowest memory footprint and it provides complete combination of the most essential features required to build modern and efficient web infrastructure.	\$3M	BV Capital, Runa Capital, MSD Capital
Heliospectra	- http://www.heliospectra.com/	LED, Electronics	Heliospectra is designing, developing, manufacturing and commercializing an intelligent High Brightness Light Emitting Diode "HB-LED" based lighting system for greenhouses and researchers. Development has been done in close cooperation with leading greenhouse producers.		Industrifonden
Aicent	http://www.aicent.net/	Data Networks, Roaming, Telecommunications, Wireless, Mobile	Aicent, Inc. provides data network, messaging, and roaming solutions to various mobile operators worldwide. It offers roaming service, which include 3G/GPRS roaming eXchange service and CDMA roaming eXchange service; application hub service, including MMS gateway service, SMS gateway service, and mobile messaging delivery; secure remote access service, which include mobile office service and client software.		TA Associates

Autonomic Technologies	- http://www.autonomict echnologies.com/	Medical Devices	Autonomic Technologies develops medical devices that interface with the autonomic nervous system to improve health.	\$32M	Series C	not disclosed
RemoteReality	- http://www.remotereality.com/	Optics, Video Cameras	RemoteReality is the designer and manufacturer of ultra wide-angle computational cameras and video systems. Using their unique patented optics, the latest in image sensors, and their own advanced video processing, their solutions deliver high resolution real time, low latency video for a variety of cutting edge applications.	\$2M		not disclosed
Prudent Energy	- http://www.pdenery.com/	Energy Storage, Batteries	Prudent Energy is the designer, manufacturer, and integrator of the patented Vanadium Redox Battery Energy Storage System (VRB-ESS®), a long-life, advanced “flow battery” system.	\$29.5M		Mitsui & Co, Vango Investment Partners, IDInvest Partners, Draper Fisher Jurvetson, DT Capital Partners, Northern Light Venture Capital
Quench	http://www.quenchonline.com/	Ultraviolet Water Filtration	Quench is the largest ultraviolet water filtration company in the United States, serving more than 20,000 businesses with over 40,000 Quench bottleless systems.	\$30M	Debt Financing	Element Partners, Virgin Green Fund, ORIX Venture Finance, Advent-Morro Equity Partners
Vello Systems	- http://www.vellosystems.com/	Data Networks, Roaming, Telecommunications, Wireless, Mobile	Vello Systems, Inc. engages in engineering, manufacturing, and marketing ultra-low latency multi-terabit cloud infrastructure systems for service providers, enterprises, and government institutions in the United States and internationally	\$25M		not disclosed

P. LEMMENS COMPANY	- http://www.lemmens.com/	Energy Systems, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning	P. Lemmens Company is a Belgian company which specialized in areas related to air movement such as ventilation, heating and air conditioning.			Waterland Private Equity
Lumex Instruments	http://www.lumex.biz/	Optics	Lumex Instruments. R&D and Production Company was founded in October 1991 as a joint-stock company with limited liability by a team of research staff members of the world-famous Vavilov State Optical Institute and the Positron Corporation.			CapMan Oyj
XMS Penvision	- http://www.penvision.com/	Digital Pen, IT Hardware	XMS Penvision is an experienced digital pen & paper solutions provider working through a dedicated worldwide partner network. The main product is an enterprise digital pen & paper platform called Formidable.			Myrian Capital
TwinStrata	- http://www.twinstrata.com/	Storage Solutions	TwinStrata is a market innovator producing storage solutions for the data center enabling application data flexibility and agility for today's business needs and tomorrow's growth.	\$8M	Series B	Avalon Ventures
Sidense	- http://www.sidense.com/	Semiconductor, NVM, Memory	Leading developer of silicon-proven embedded NVM (non-volatile memory) intellectual property (IP). Sidense's patented one-time programmable OTP memory and logic NVM enables a wide range of electronic products.	\$5.6M	Series C	Ontario Emerging Technologies Fund, Tech Capital Partners, VentureLink LP, Vertex Venture Capital

Siklu	http://www.siklu.com/	Wireless, Communications, Ethernet Radio	Siklu Wireless Communications delivers carrier-grade millimetric-wave Ethernet radio solutions scalable to Gigabit capacities with paradigm-shifting price performance.	\$19M	Series B	Amiti Ventures, Qualcomm
EcoSense Lighting	http://www.ecosenselighting.com/	Lighting, Solid State Illumination	Founded by a team of long-serving industry experts with proven know-how in the development and best practices of solid-state illumination, EcoSense Lighting provides best-in-class LED lighting solutions for use in commercial and residential applications. The company offers a comprehensive line of LED fixtures that meet the technical requirements of the most demanding projects while delivering substantial benefits over traditional lighting sources.	\$13M	Series B	Bain Capital Ventures
Sunpreme	http://www.sunpreme.com/index.php?lang=en-US	Photovoltaic, Green-Tech, Solar Cells	Sunpreme is an early stage global photovoltaic (PV) solar start-up company engaged in the business of developing and commercializing its proprietary SmartSilicon™ based solar cells to satisfy growing global needs for abundant, low-cost, clean energy.	\$50M		International Finance Corporation, Capricorn Investment Group
Geo Semiconductor		Semiconductor	Geo Semiconductor Inc., a fabless semiconductor company, provides video and geometry processing solutions.	\$1.6M		not disclosed

VisionGate	- http://www.visiongate3d.com/	Medical Devices, Imaging	VisionGate is dedicated to saving lives through early cancer detection and prevention, utilizing its revolutionary automated 3D cell imaging platform, the Cell-CT™, that is capable of generating high-resolution 3D biosignatures from intact cells.	\$2M	not disclosed
Sphere Medical Holding	- http://www.spheremedical.com/	Medical Devices	Sphere Medical Holding PLC develops, manufactures, and commercializes monitoring products for critical care environments in the United Kingdom and internationally.	\$24M	Artemis Investment Management, Fritas
SolarEdge	- http://www.solaredge.com/	Power Harvesting Monitoring	SolarEdge Technologies provides end-to-end distributed solar power harvesting and PV monitoring solutions, allowing maximum energy production for faster return on investment.	\$37M	Norwest Venture Partners, Opus Capital, Walden International, Genesis Partners, Vertex Venture Capital, Lightspeed Venture Partners
Real Time Tomography	- http://www.realtimetomography.com/	Tomography, Medical Imaging Devices	Real Time Tomography develops state-of-the-art image processing and image reconstruction solutions for next generation 2D and 3D medical imaging systems.	\$150k	Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Southeastern Pennsylvania
Zygo Corporation	http://www.zygo.com/	Optical Systems, Metrology	ZYGO designs, manufactures, and distributes high-end optical systems and components for metrology and end-user applications. ZYGO has two divisions: Metrology Solutions Division and Optical Systems Division.	\$9M	not disclosed

SolarReserve	http://www.solar-reserve.com/	Energy Storage	SolarReserve was formed to solve two of the fundamental barriers of renewable energy: scalability and storage. Unlike hydroelectric, geothermal, biomass, and other renewable energy technologies that use limited renewable fuel sources, SolarReserve's power plants draw their heat from the sun - earth's ultimate source of clean energy.	\$27M		not disclosed
BridgeLux	- http://www.bridgelux.com/	LED, Chips, Semiconductor	Bridgelux is the first, new US-based light-emitting diode (LED) chip company in the past 20 years. The Company's focus is bringing innovation to light by providing high power, energy-efficient and cost-effective LED solutions.	\$15M		VantagePoint Capital Partners, Doll Capital Management, El Dorado Ventures, Harris & Harris Group, Craton Equity Partners, Passport Capital
Calient Technologies	- http://www.calient.net/	Photonic Switching, Optical, Networks	CALIENT Technologies is the global leader in Adaptive Photonic Switching with systems that build high performance all-optical networks for service provider, data center, cloud computing, and government applications to meet today's content explosion.	\$19.4M	Series D	not disclosed
Cervilenz	- http://www.cervilenz.com/	Medical Devices	CerviLenz is a new, disposable device that measure vaginal cervical length during a speculum exam. Cervical length is a powerful predictor of preterm birth risk and influences patient management decisions.	\$1.7M	Series A	not disclosed

Brammo	- http://www.brammo.com/home/	Electric Vehicles	Brammo, Inc. is an electric vehicle company based in Ashland, Oregon. It produces the Enertia, an electric motorcycle sold online and in some West Coast Best Buy stores.	\$28M	Series B	Polaris Industries, Alpine Energy, NorthPort Investments
iRhythm Technologies	- http://www.irhythmtech.com/	Medical Devices	iRhythm strives to ensure that cardiac rhythm monitoring becomes more accessible and available to many more patients who may be at risk for an abnormal heart rhythm, or an arrhythmia.	\$7M	Series C	not disclosed
AE Polysilicon	- http://www.aepolysilicon.com/	Process Technology	cutting edge fluidized bed reactor technology	\$8.5M	Seed	not disclosed
CALIENT Technologies Inc.	- http://www.calient.net/	Photonics	Photonic switching systems for the telecommunications industry. FKA Calient Networks.	\$19.4M	Series F	not disclosed
Nitronex	- http://www.nitronex.com/	Semiconductors	chips for wireless infrastructure	\$4.0M	Seed	not disclosed
DisplayLink	- http://www.displaylink.com/	Semiconductors	USB display hardware	\$14.5M	Seed	not disclosed
Oasys Design Systems	http://oasys-ds.com/	Semiconductors	EDA tools	\$3.0M	Seed	not disclosed
GainSpan	- http://www.gainspan.com/	Semiconductors	ultra-low power, Wi-fi networking chips. The firm is a spinout of Intel	\$16.50	Seed	not disclosed

2. Άρθρα σχετικά με το Venture Capital και γενικού ενδιαφέροντος:

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