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REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Ref No.	Title
RD01	Electronic Compatibility Regulations 2016 – Electromagnetic compatibility Directive
RD02	Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 – Low Voltage Directive
RD03	BS EN IEC 63000 – Technical documentation for the assessment of electrical and electronic products with respect to the restrictions of hazardous substances
RD04	ISO 9001-2008 – Quality Management Systems. Requirements
RD05	BS EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 – General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.
RD06	BS EN 61000-6-2 – Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-2: Generic Standards – Immunity for Industrial Environments
RD07	BS EN 60068-1:1995 – Environmental testing. General and guidance.
RD08	BS EN 60068-2-30:2005 - Environmental testing. Tests. Test Db and guidance: Damp Heat, Cyclic (12h + 12h cycle)
RD09	BS EN 60068-2-27:2009 - Environmental Testing. Tests. Test Ea and guidance. Shock
RD10	BS EN 60068-2-6:2008 - Environmental Testing. Tests. Test Fc - Vibration
RD11	BS EN 60068-2-18:2001, IEC 60068-2-18:2000 - Environmental testing. Test methods. Tests R and guidance. Water
RD12	2004-108-EC - DIRECTIVE 2004-108-EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 15 December 2004 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility and repealing Directive 89/336/EEC
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RD15	OIML Doc 11 Edition 2004 (E), General requirements for electronic measuring instruments
RD16	OIML R126 Edition 2012 (E), Evidential breath analysers

ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS

Acronym	Definition
NPD	New Product Development
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
OIML	International Organisation of Legal Metrology
BS	British Standards
EEC	European Economic Community
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
FOD	Foreign Object Debris
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
OS	Operating System
UI	User Interface

1 SYNOPSIS

In an era marked by unprecedented global health challenges, the development of a handheld virus detection system emerges as a critical requirement. This synopsis outlines the journey of conceiving, designing, and implementing such a system, while highlighting its immense potential as a New Product Development (NPD) project.

The world has witnessed the devastating impact of viral outbreaks, from seasonal influenza to the COVID-19 pandemic. Traditional methods of virus detection often involve time-consuming laboratory processes, which can hinder timely responses to emerging threats. A handheld virus detection system represents a huge shift in this regard, offering portability, speed, and accessibility.

The primary objective of this NPD project is to create a handheld virus detection system capable of quickly and accurately identifying a wide range of viruses, including novel and emerging strains. The system should be user-friendly, reliable, and cost-effective, making it accessible to healthcare professionals, first responders, and even the public.

Project Phases:

- **Market Research and Feasibility Study:** The project kicks off with an in-depth market analysis to identify potential users and their needs. A feasibility study assesses the technical, financial, and regulatory aspects of the project, determining its viability.
- **Conceptualization and Design:** The project team conceptualizes the handheld virus detection system, defining its core functionalities, specifications, and form factor. Engineers and designers collaborate to create a prototype that meets the project's objectives.
- **Prototype Development:** With a clear design in hand, the team develops a working prototype of the handheld device. This phase involves iterative testing and refinement to ensure the system's accuracy and usability.
- **Testing and Validation:** Rigorous testing and validation processes are essential to ensure the system's accuracy in virus detection. Real-world scenarios and various virus strains are used to evaluate its performance.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** To bring the product to market, the team must navigate regulatory requirements, obtaining necessary approvals and certifications to ensure the device's safety and efficacy.
- **Manufacturing and Scaling:** Once regulatory compliance is achieved, the project shifts its focus to mass manufacturing and scaling production to meet market demand.
- **Market Launch:** The handheld virus detection system is introduced to the market through strategic marketing and distribution channels. Partnerships with healthcare institutions, government agencies, and distributors are established.

Potential as an NPD Project:

- **Market Demand:** The global demand for rapid virus detection systems is immense, with applications in healthcare, biosecurity, and public health. This project addresses a pressing need.
- **Innovation:** Developing a handheld virus detection system represents a leap forward in diagnostics technology, positioning it as an innovative solution with significant market potential.
- **Economic Impact:** Successful development and commercialization of the system can have a substantial economic impact, creating jobs and generating revenue for the organization.
- **Public Health Benefits:** The project aligns with the broader goal of improving public health by enabling faster and more accessible virus detection, ultimately saving lives and reducing healthcare costs.
- **Competitive Advantage:** Being an early mover in this space provides a competitive advantage, allowing the organization to establish itself as a leader in handheld virus detection technology.

2 MARKET POTENTIAL

A handheld virus detection device would likely have a broad range of potential target markets, depending on its specific features and capabilities. Here are some potential target markets for such a device:

- **Healthcare Professionals:** Healthcare workers, including doctors, nurses, and laboratory technicians, could use handheld virus detection devices for rapid on-site testing of patients and quick diagnosis. This can help with early detection and timely treatment.
 - **Hospitals and Clinics:** Medical facilities may use these devices to enhance their infectious disease control protocols. Rapid virus detection can help with isolation and containment measures.
 - **Travel and Transportation Industry:** Airlines, cruise lines, and other travel-related businesses could benefit from using these devices to screen passengers and crew members for contagious viruses before travel, helping to prevent the spread of diseases.
 - **Border Control and Customs:** Government agencies responsible for border control may use handheld virus detection devices to screen travellers and cargo for infectious diseases at entry points.
 - **Public Health Agencies:** Public health organizations may deploy these devices during disease outbreaks to quickly assess the prevalence of a virus in a community and make informed decisions about containment measures.
 - **Educational Institutions:** Schools and universities may use these devices for screening students and staff, especially during flu season or outbreaks of contagious diseases.
 - **Manufacturing and Food Processing:** Industries involved in the production of essential goods may use virus detection devices to ensure the safety of their products and workforce.
 - **Emergency Services:** First responders, such as paramedics and firefighters, could use these devices to identify potential virus carriers during emergency situations.
 - **Sporting Events and Entertainment Venues:** Large gatherings like sports events, concerts, and festivals may require attendees to be screened for viruses using handheld devices to ensure public safety.
 - **Business and Corporate Settings:** Companies may use these devices to screen employees and visitors entering their premises to reduce the risk of outbreaks within the workplace.
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- **Individuals:** Some consumers may be interested in having their own handheld virus detection devices for personal use, especially during flu seasons or when traveling.
- **Cruise Lines and Tourism:** The tourism industry may adopt these devices to assure travellers of safety on cruises, tours, and other leisure activities.

The success of a handheld virus detection device in any of these markets would depend on factors such as its accuracy, ease of use, speed of results, cost, and regulatory approval. Target markets may also evolve based on the specific viruses the device can detect and the prevalence of infectious diseases at any given time.

3 PRODUCT OPERATION

- **Initialization:** The user powers on the handheld electronic virus breathalyser, and the device goes through a self-check process to ensure it's functioning correctly. This may include checking the battery level, sensor functionality, and system integrity.
 - **Sample Collection:** The user is instructed to breathe into a designated area on the device. This could be a mouthpiece or a sensor array where the user's breath is collected.
 - **Sample Analysis:**
 - **Virus Detection Sensors:** Inside the device, there are specialized sensors designed to detect viral particles in the breath. These sensors may use various technologies like nanotechnology, molecular recognition, or biochemical reactions to identify viral components.
 - **Data Processing:** The device processes the collected breath sample data. This may involve converting sensor measurements into a digital format and performing initial data analysis.
 - **Virus Identification:** The device analyses the breath sample to identify the presence of specific viral markers or genetic material associated with the targeted virus, such as SARS-CoV-2 for COVID-19. This step typically involves comparing the sensor data with known virus profiles stored in the device's database.
 - **Result Display:**
 - **Positive Result:** If the device detects viral particles in the breath sample, it displays a positive result, indicating that the user may be infected with the virus.
 - **Negative Result:** If no viral particles are detected or if the levels are below a certain threshold, the device displays a negative result, suggesting the user is not infected.
 - **Data Storage and Connectivity:** Some devices may offer data storage capabilities to keep a record of test results, allowing users to track their health over time. Additionally, connectivity options like Bluetooth or USB may be available to transmit data to a smartphone app or healthcare provider for further analysis.
 - **Alert and Guidance:**
 - **Positive Result:** In the case of a positive result, the device may provide instructions on what to do next, such as self-isolation, contacting a healthcare professional, or getting a confirmatory PCR test.
 - **Negative Result:** For a negative result, the device may offer guidance on continued preventive measures, such as mask-wearing and social distancing, as well as the importance of regular testing.
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- **Cleaning and Maintenance:** The user is typically advised on how to clean and maintain the device to ensure accurate results and prevent contamination between tests

4 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Virus Detection Capability:** The device must be capable of detecting the target virus(es) with a high degree of accuracy and specificity. The sensitivity and specificity should be defined based on the intended application.
 - **Rapid Detection:** The device should provide results quickly, ideally within minutes, to facilitate timely decision-making, especially in clinical, healthcare, and screening scenarios.
 - **Sample Handling:** Define how samples will be collected, prepared, and loaded into the device. Ensure ease of use for operators and consider the need for minimal sample volume.
 - **User-Friendly Interface:** Design an intuitive user interface that guides users through the testing process and displays results in a clear and understandable manner. This may include visual or audio indicators.
 - **Portability:** The device should be lightweight, compact, and easy to carry, making it suitable for use in various settings, including remote or field locations.
 - **Power Source:** Specify the type of power source (e.g., rechargeable batteries, disposable batteries) and ensure it provides sufficient power for the device's operation over an extended period.
 - **Data Output:** Determine how test results will be outputted, whether through a digital display, mobile app, or data transfer to a computer. Ensure data can be stored and shared as needed.
 - **Calibration and Maintenance:** Define the calibration process and schedule for the device to maintain accuracy over time. Consider how maintenance will be handled.
 - **Temperature Control:** If necessary for accurate detection, incorporate a temperature control system to maintain a stable operating environment for sensors or assays.
 - **Sample Containment:** Ensure that the device effectively contains and disposes of potentially infectious samples to prevent contamination and exposure.
 - **Multiplexing:** If applicable, specify whether the device can detect multiple viruses simultaneously, which can be crucial for screening and surveillance in certain scenarios.
 - **Connectivity:** Determine if the device needs connectivity options (e.g., Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, USB) for data transfer, remote monitoring, or updates.
 - **Quality Control:** Implement quality control mechanisms to verify the device's performance and accuracy, including internal and external controls.
 - **Safety Features:** Incorporate safety features to protect users from potential hazards, such as electrical shocks, biohazard exposure, or misuse.
 - **Regulatory Compliance:** Ensure that the device complies with relevant regulatory requirements and standards for medical devices or diagnostic equipment.
 - **Cost-Effective Design:** Strive for a cost-effective design that balances performance and affordability, making the device accessible to its intended users.
 - **Scalability:** Consider the scalability of the device's production process to meet potential high demand, especially during outbreaks or pandemics.
 - **Data Security:** Implement security measures to protect sensitive patient data if the device stores or transmits this information.
 - **Environmental Considerations:** Assess the environmental impact of the device and incorporate eco-friendly design elements where possible.
 - **Feedback and Reporting:** Define how users can provide feedback or report issues with the device to support ongoing improvement and maintenance.
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5 MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

Ergonomics: Design the device with user comfort in mind. Consider the size and shape of the device to ensure it fits comfortably in the user's hand and can be operated without causing discomfort during extended use.

- **Weight Distribution:** Distribute the weight of the device evenly to prevent strain on the user's hand or wrist. Consider factors like the location of batteries, sensors, and other components that may affect weight distribution.
- **Grip and Texture:** Incorporate textured surfaces, grips, or ergonomic contours to enhance the device's handling and prevent accidental slips.
- **Button Placement:** Position buttons, switches, and controls intuitively to ensure easy access and operation without requiring the user to change their grip frequently.
- **User Interface:** Integrate user interface elements, such as screens, buttons, and indicators, in a way that provides clear visibility and usability. Ensure that the screen is easily readable under various lighting conditions.
- **Housings and Enclosures:** Choose durable materials for the device's housing or enclosure, such as impact-resistant plastics or metals, to protect internal components from damage. Ensure that the housing is easy to clean and resistant to chemicals commonly used for disinfection.
- **Sealing and Waterproofing:** If applicable, ensure that the device is sealed to prevent moisture or liquid ingress. Consider IP (Ingress Protection) ratings for water and dust resistance, especially in healthcare or laboratory settings.
- **Drop and Impact Resistance:** Design the device to withstand accidental drops and impacts from typical handling heights. Incorporate shock-absorbing features or materials if necessary.
- **Battery Compartment:** Design a secure and easily accessible battery compartment to simplify battery replacement or recharging. Consider mechanisms for preventing accidental dislodging or damage to the battery.
- **Sample Handling:** If the device requires sample handling, design user-friendly sample collection and loading mechanisms. Ensure that samples can be easily inserted and removed without spillage or contamination.
- **Port Covers and Accessibility:** If the device has ports, such as USB or charging ports, include protective covers to shield them from dust, liquids, or physical damage. Make sure these covers are easy to open and close.
- **Durability:** Select materials and components that are robust and can withstand the rigors of frequent use. Conduct durability testing to ensure the device can withstand a specified number of cycles or usage hours.
- **Heat Dissipation:** If the device generates heat, incorporate heat sinks or ventilation to prevent overheating and maintain safe operating temperatures.
- **Attachment Points:** Include attachment points or provisions for accessories, such as straps, lanyards, or mounting brackets, to enhance portability and convenience.
- **Modularity:** Consider designing the device with modular components that can be easily replaced or upgraded to extend its operational life and adapt to evolving technology.
- **Cleaning and Sterilization:** Ensure that the device can be cleaned and sterilized effectively, especially in healthcare or clinical settings where hygiene is critical.
- **Accessibility Features:** If relevant, incorporate accessibility features to accommodate users with disabilities, such as larger buttons, tactile markings, or compatibility with assistive technologies.
- **Compliance with Regulations:** Adhere to relevant regulatory standards and guidelines for mechanical design, particularly in healthcare and medical device applications.
- **Prototyping and Testing:** Create prototypes for physical testing to assess the device's ergonomics, durability, and usability before finalizing the design.

- **User Feedback:** Solicit feedback from potential users and incorporate their input into the mechanical design to ensure it meets their needs and preferences.

6 ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Sensitivity and Specificity:** The electrical components and sensors used in the device should be highly sensitive and specific to the target virus or viruses. This ensures accurate detection and minimizes false positives and false negatives.
- **Power Supply:** The device should have a reliable and efficient power supply system. Consider the use of rechargeable batteries or long-lasting power sources to ensure uninterrupted operation. Additionally, low-power components and sleep modes can help extend battery life.
- **Signal Processing:** Implement signal processing algorithms to analyse data from sensors and enhance the accuracy of virus detection. Digital signal processing techniques can filter noise and extract relevant information from sensor outputs.
- **Data Communication:** Depending on the device's purpose, it may need the capability to transmit data. This could involve wired or wireless communication interfaces, such as USB, Bluetooth, or Wi-Fi, for data transfer to a computer or mobile device.
- **User Interface:** Design an intuitive user interface that displays results clearly and provides feedback to the user. This may include LED indicators, LCD screens, or touchscreen displays.
- **Temperature Control:** Temperature can affect the performance of some sensors and biological assays. Ensure proper temperature control mechanisms to maintain a stable operating environment for the sensors.
- **Safety Measures:** Incorporate safety features to protect users from potential electrical hazards. This includes proper grounding, insulation, and electrical shielding to prevent electrical shocks or interference with the device's operation.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Ensure that the device complies with relevant electrical safety and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) standards and regulations in the target market. This may require testing and certification.

7 SOFTWARE

- **Operating System (OS):** Determine the appropriate OS for the device, whether it's a custom embedded OS, a mobile OS (e.g., Android, iOS), or a specialized real-time OS for control applications.
 - **User Interface (UI):** Define the graphical user interface (GUI) that users will interact with. Consider touchscreens, buttons, or other input methods for controlling the device and displaying results.
 - **Control Software:** Develop software to control the device's hardware components, including sensors, sample handling mechanisms, temperature control, and power management.
 - **Virus Detection Algorithms:** Implement algorithms for virus detection based on the device's sensors and assay technology. These algorithms should be highly sensitive and specific to the target viruses.
 - **Data Analysis:** Create software for analysing sensor data and generating accurate virus detection results. This may involve signal processing, data fusion, and machine learning techniques.
 - **Data Storage:** Specify how and where test results and user data will be stored. Consider the use of local storage, cloud storage, or both, depending on user needs and connectivity options.
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- **Calibration Software:** Include software for calibrating the device to maintain accuracy and reliability over time. Calibrations may need to be performed manually or automatically.
 - **Quality Control:** Implement software to conduct internal and external quality control checks to ensure the device's performance meets predefined standards.
 - **Connectivity:** If the device supports data transfer, define the software for establishing and managing connections via Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, USB, or other communication protocols.
 - **Security Measures:** Implement data encryption, user authentication, and other security features to protect sensitive user data and prevent unauthorized access.
 - **Remote Monitoring and Updates:** If applicable, enable remote monitoring and over-the-air software updates to ensure the device remains up to date and secure.
 - **Notification and Reporting:** Create software to generate notifications for users based on test results and reporting features for storing and sharing results with healthcare providers or authorities.
 - **Multilingual Support:** If the device is intended for global use, include support for multiple languages in the user interface.
 - **Diagnostic History:** Develop a feature for storing and displaying a history of past test results and user actions, which can be valuable for tracking disease trends.
 - **Environmental Sensors:** If the device includes environmental sensors (e.g., temperature, humidity), create software to monitor and record these parameters for reference.
 - **Battery Management:** Implement software to monitor and manage power consumption to optimize battery life and provide low-battery warnings to users.
 - **Regulatory Compliance:** Ensure that the software meets regulatory requirements for medical devices or diagnostic equipment in the target market.
 - **User Feedback:** Incorporate mechanisms for users to provide feedback or report issues with the device, which can inform future software updates and improvements.
 - **Documentation and User Manuals:** Develop user manuals and documentation to guide users on operating the device, interpreting results, and troubleshooting.
 - **Testing and Validation:** Rigorously test and validate the software to ensure it meets the defined requirements and performs reliably in various scenarios.
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8 LABELLING

- **Protection:** The primary purpose of packaging is to protect the device from physical damage during transit. The packaging material should be chosen based on the device's fragility and susceptibility to damage.
- **Size and Form Factor:** The packaging should be designed to snugly fit the device to prevent movement within the package. This ensures that the device stays in its intended position and minimizes the risk of damage.
- **Cushioning:** Use appropriate cushioning materials (e.g., foam inserts, bubble wrap) to absorb shocks and vibrations during shipping. The device should be securely held in place within the packaging.
- **Anti-Static Protection:** For sensitive electronic devices, consider using anti-static packaging materials to prevent electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage.
- **Environmental Considerations:** Choose environmentally friendly packaging materials and designs that minimize waste and can be easily recycled or disposed of responsibly.
- **User Accessibility:** Ensure that the packaging is easy for users to open and access the device. Consider including tear strips, pull tabs, or other features to facilitate unboxing.
- **Branding and Aesthetics:** Packaging is an extension of your brand. It should reflect the device's image and appeal to the target audience. Use consistent branding elements, colours, and logos.
- **Information and Instructions:** Include essential product information, such as setup instructions, warranty details, and user manuals, within the packaging. Make sure this information is easily accessible and well-organized.
- **Security Features:** Consider including tamper-evident seals or other security features to ensure that the device hasn't been tampered with before purchase.
- **Sustainability Messaging:** If the packaging is environmentally friendly, prominently display this information to appeal to eco-conscious consumers.
- **Multi-Layer Packaging:** If the device includes accessories, consider multi-layer packaging to separate and protect each component while ensuring an organized and visually appealing unboxing experience.
- **Labelling and Barcoding:** Use clear and legible labels and barcodes on the packaging for inventory management, tracking, and scanning during shipping and warehousing.
- **Product Display:** For retail packaging, create a design that allows the device to be visible to potential customers while maintaining security and protection.
- **Shipping Considerations:** Consider the dimensions and weight of the packaging when calculating shipping costs. Efficient packaging can lead to cost savings in shipping.
- **Customization:** Depending on your product and audience, consider offering customization options for packaging, such as personalized labels or packaging design.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Ensure that the packaging complies with relevant labelling and safety regulations in the target market, especially if the device is a medical or electronic product.
- **Ergonomics:** Consider the ergonomics of handling and carrying the packaged device. It should be easy to transport and stack, if applicable.
- **Cost Efficiency:** While packaging should meet all functional requirements, strive for cost-efficient designs that balance protection and aesthetics.
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10 MANUFACTURING AND SUPPLY CHAIN REQUIREMENTS

- **Component Sourcing and Availability:** Assess the availability and reliability of electronic components, sensors, and other critical parts. Ensure a stable supply of these components from reputable suppliers to avoid production delays.
 - Electronics components should be sourced from China and Malaysia.
 - Mechanical components should be sourced from UK and Europe.
 - **Quality Control:** Implement rigorous quality control measures throughout the manufacturing process to identify and address defects early. Quality assurance protocols are essential for medical and diagnostic devices.
 - **Prototyping and Testing:** Develop prototypes and conduct extensive testing before mass production. Identify and resolve design or manufacturing issues early, reducing the likelihood of costly rework.
 - **Regulatory Compliance:** Understand and adhere to regulatory requirements for medical devices or diagnostic equipment in your target markets. Compliance can significantly impact the manufacturing process and timelines.
 - **Production Scale:** Determine the expected production scale and capacity needed to meet demand. Plan for scalability to ramp up production if necessary.
 - **Cost Management:** Cost-effective manufacturing processes to be developed while ensuring product quality. Different manufacturing techniques and materials for cost efficiency to be investigated.
 - **Distribution and Logistics:** Establish a streamlined distribution and logistics network to deliver devices to end-users efficiently. This includes considerations for warehousing, order fulfilment, and transportation.
 - **Waste Management:** Develop a plan for responsible disposal of electronic waste and other materials generated during manufacturing and distribution.
 - **Lead Times:** Monitor lead times for components and materials and maintain buffer stocks if necessary to mitigate delays caused by unforeseen supply chain disruptions.
 - **Customs and Import/Export Regulations:** Understand and comply with customs and import/export regulations in different regions, as they can impact the movement of your product across borders.
 - **Sustainability:** Consider sustainability and eco-friendly practices in your manufacturing and supply chain processes to align with environmental standards and meet customer expectations.
 - **Post-Market Surveillance:** Implement procedures for monitoring the performance and safety of your devices in the field. Be prepared to address recalls or issues that may arise after distribution.
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- **Documentation and Traceability:** Maintain accurate records of manufacturing processes and materials used, enabling traceability and aiding in product recalls, if necessary.
- **Inventory Management:** Efficiently manage inventory levels to prevent overstocking or shortages, which can impact costs and customer satisfaction.
- **Local Assembly and Distribution:** Explore options for local assembly or distribution centres in key markets to reduce shipping costs and delivery times.
- **Contingency Planning:** Develop contingency plans to address unforeseen disruptions in the supply chain, ensuring business continuity.

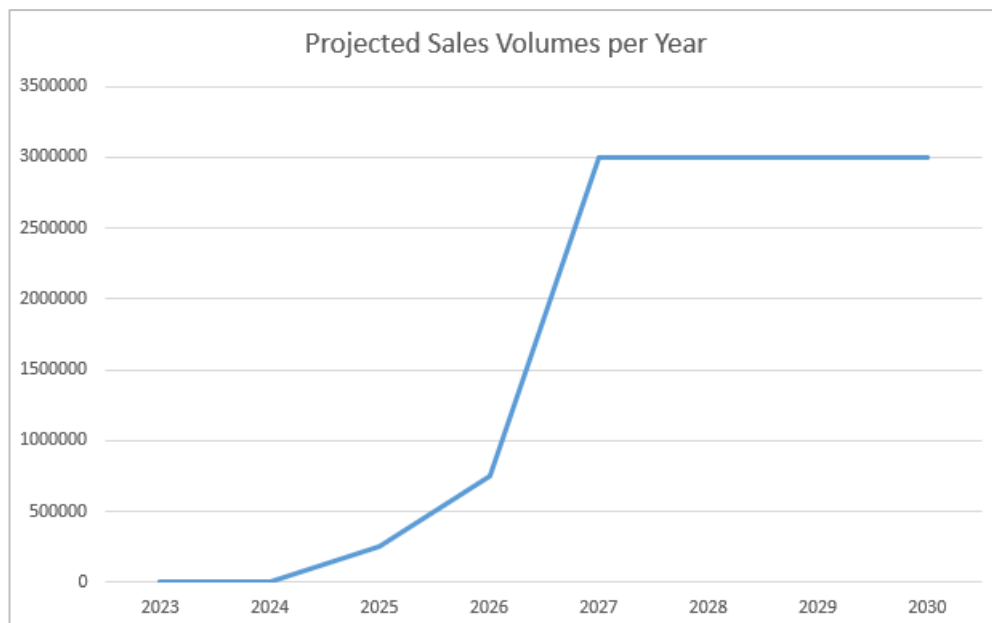
11 SYSTEM LIFE AND RELIABILITY

- **Component Selection:** Choose high-quality, reliable components that have a long operational life. Durability and robustness of sensors, electronics, and materials to withstand prolonged use.
- **Redundancy:** Incorporate redundancy in critical components or subsystems. Redundant sensors or data processing circuits can help mitigate the impact of component failures.
- **Environmental Considerations:** Account for the environmental conditions in which the device will be used. Ensure that the device can operate within specified temperature, humidity, and pressure ranges without compromising performance.
- **Stress Testing:** Subject the device to stress tests to simulate extreme conditions, including temperature extremes, vibration, and mechanical shock, to assess its resilience and reliability.
- **Battery Life:** Optimize power management to extend battery life. Use low-power components, implement efficient sleep modes, and provide users with clear guidance on maximizing battery longevity.
- **Calibration and Maintenance:** Develop calibration procedures and establish maintenance routines to ensure the device's accuracy and reliability over time. Provide users with instructions for performing regular calibrations and maintenance tasks.
- **Quality Control:** Implement rigorous quality control processes during manufacturing to detect and address defects early. This includes thorough inspection and testing of components, assemblies, and finished devices.
- **Testing and Validation:** Conduct comprehensive testing and validation throughout the device's development cycle. This includes functional testing, environmental testing, and reliability testing under various conditions.
- **User Training:** Educate users on proper device usage, maintenance, and storage through user manuals, training materials, or in-app instructions. Proper user training can extend the device's life and reliability.
- **Error Handling:** Implement robust error-handling mechanisms in the device's software to manage unexpected situations gracefully and minimize the risk of data corruption or device failure.
- **Security Features:** Incorporate security measures to protect the device from unauthorized access, tampering, or data breaches. Ensure that data integrity and confidentiality are maintained.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Comply with regulatory requirements and standards for medical devices or diagnostic equipment. Adherence to industry-specific standards is essential for both safety and reliability.
- **Post-Market Surveillance:** Develop procedures for monitoring the device's performance in the field and for addressing any issues or defects that may arise after distribution. This

includes mechanisms for collecting user feedback and implementing necessary improvements.

- **Recall Plans:** Prepare a recall plan in case a significant issue or safety concern arises. The plan should include communication strategies, procedures for retrieving faulty devices, and mechanisms for issuing replacements or repairs.
- **End-of-Life Considerations:** Plan for the device's end-of-life, including responsible disposal, recycling, and data management for devices that are no longer in use.
- **Firmware and Software Updates:** Develop a system for providing firmware and software updates to address bugs, vulnerabilities, and improve performance. Ensure that updates are user-friendly and reliable.
- **Supply Chain Management:** Maintain control over the supply chain to ensure the continued availability of critical components and materials throughout the device's operational life.

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Graph 01 – Projected Sales Volumes per Year

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