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Micro-History:
An Examination of the Brief but Successful Life of a Silicon Valley Start-up

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Follow the history of a Silicon Valley start-up – from its founding, to its funding, to its brief life as a company with a growing base of employees, customers, and revenues, and to its eventual successful sale to a large public company – all within the space of 18 months.

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