K.K. Wopat

Professional Summary

Dynamic and innovative mechanical engineer with 9 years of experience in product design, concept development, rapid prototyping, and design for high-volume manufacture. Proven ability in creating innovative solutions and leading cross-functional teams to deliver market-ready products. Demonstrated success in securing funding, managing development timelines, and ensuring product quality.

Education

- 2019-2020 GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART, GLASGOW UK MSc with Distinction, Product Design Engineering
- 2011-2015 MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, CAMBRIDGE US BS, Mechanical Engineering, Minor in German

Professional Experience

- Feb 2024- LOTUS TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIVE, LTD LONDON UK (REMOTE) Hardware Innovation Engineer
- Aug 2024 Worked alongside industry leaders in cycling product development to understand user needs and brainstorm potential E-bike product solutions.
 - Proposed product solutions based on best fit with brand identity, consumer insights, and development constraints including budget and timeline.
- Oct 2020- NEBU~FLOW, LTD GLASGOW UK Mechanical Engineer & Product Owner
- Feb 2024 Defined functional requirements, delivery timelines, and milestones for prototype development by working closely the founder, technology leads, and user focus groups.
 - Created a working nebulizer prototype based on surface acoustic wave transducer, successfully securing £2M of seed funding.
 - Integrated and validated new product features, including microfluidic liquid delivery system, thermal management, and device feedback.
 - Established company practices for weekly engineering dashboards and tracking updates.
- Jul 2015- APPLE, INC. CUPERTINO US Haptics Product Design Lead
- Jul 2019 Led a mechanical design team of three product design engineers.
 - Designed and integrated individually owned components & sub-assemblies into overall mechanical design of haptic module shipped in iPhone 7+, iPhone X, and Apple Watch Series 4.
 - Ensured process capability by design, owned and reviewed component and assembly tolerance analysis, and interaction with suppliers in China & Japan on-site.
 - Led failure analysis investigation of assembly components, identified root cause of reliability test failures, and implemented design improvements to resolve potential product field risks.
 - Communicated critical design checkpoints to cross-functional stakeholders up to the executive level.

Skills & Certifications

PROJECT MANAGEMENT: Google Project Management Professional Certificate, cross-functional team management, stakeholder analysis, requirements gathering & traceability, product validation, communication, collaboration, strategy, leadership

PRODUCT DESIGN & MANUFACTURING: DFM & DFA, tolerance analysis, sheet metal stamping, metal injection moulding, metal casting, PCB/Flex design, rapid prototyping (3D printing, laser cutting, hand tools), CAD/FEA

SOFTWARE: Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Wrike (Project Management), Adobe Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, inDesign, XD), JMP, LabVIEW, CAD (Fusion 360, Siemens NX), PLM (TeamCenter)

SCRIPTING & PROGRAMMING: MATLAB, Arduino/C++, Python

Languages

ENGLISH Native

GERMAN Conversational

Hobbies

SPORT Cycling (road, gravel, bikepacking), Running, Wild Swimming, Wakeboarding, Kitesurfing

CREATIVITY Photography, DIY, Violin, Guitar