**WEBINAR:** 

## **MASTERING BRAND**

**EFFECTIVENESS** 

THROUGH MEASUREMENT,

**CREATIVE & EXPERIMENTATION** 



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# For many, when we hear 'brand' we think:

Visual identity

**Awareness** 

Top of the funnel

**Expensive** 

Our 'Why'

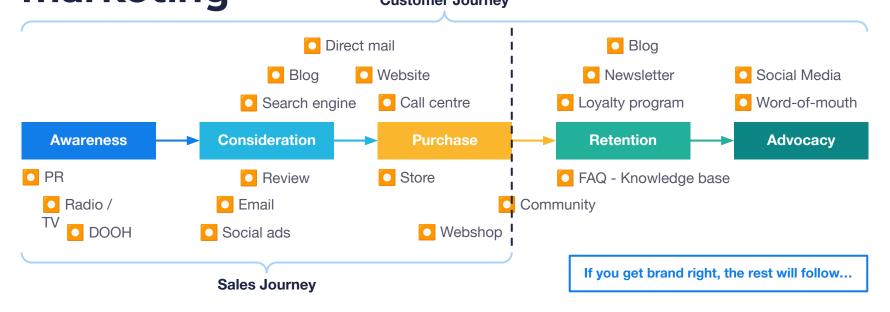
Hard to measure



But, what does 'brand effectiveness' actually mean?

How well a brand achieves its intended goals , such as increasing awareness, customer engagement, loyalty, and revenue. It measures the brand's ability to resonate with its target audience, differentiate itself from competitors, and drive desired consumer behaviors.

# Ultimately, brand effectiveness is about the effectiveness of all marketing



## Airbnb drove brand effectiveness by rebalancing **budget** across the funnel...

90%

of traffic was organic or direct

24%

increase in revenue Year over Year

Source: CBNC, MarketingWeek, Statista



Spend

**Case Study** 

airbnb.com

# Dove's bold repositioning underpinned their increase in brand effectiveness

**x30** 

More value from free media exposure

60%

increase in annual Sales (within a decade)

Dove KANTAR BRANDZ **TOP 75** MOST VALUABLE **UK BRANDS 2024** 20 years of Real **Beauty** JOHNNIE WALKER TESCO 8 SKY DOVE

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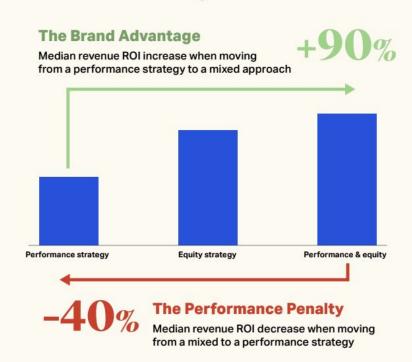
Source: Entri, Kantar

**Case Study** 

dove.com

## The evidence shows that advertising effectiveness is at its highest when the two worlds collide

#### The benefits of doing both



Source: Analytic Partners ROI Genome

# The fundamental barriers to mastering brand effectiveness:

## Demystifying measurement:

Performance era

vs

Long term results

# Cutting through with creative excellence

Knowing how to speak to your customers & problem solve

# Evolving your strategy with experimentation

Having a clear measurement framework & testing plan

Today you will learn how to overcome three core challenges:

1

How to **measure** brand **effectiveness** 

2

How to work towards **creative excellence** to support overall
effectiveness

3

How to use experimentation to **drive brand effectiveness** 

## Measurement

How do we measure brand effectiveness?



# It's important to be clear on strategic vs performance KPIs

#### **Strategic**

- → Track progress on long-term business goals
- → Quarterly / Annual timeframe
- → Used to report to senior stakeholders
- → Eg: Market share, CLTV, NPS, YoY Revenue growth

#### **Performance**

- → Monitor the short term efficiency and effectiveness
- → Daily / Weekly / Monthly
- → Used amongst teams and managers
- → Eg: Leads, sales, donations, on-site CVR, ROAS, CPA, clicks



Performance metrics feed strategic indicators

## Six key indicators of brand effectiveness:

1

#### **Brand Awareness**

How well do people recognise and recall your brand?

4

#### **Revenue Growth**

The financial impact of branding efforts

2

#### **Brand Perception**

Consumer attitudes and associations

5

#### **Market Share**

The % of sales in the market owned by a specific brand

3

#### **Loyalty & Retention**

Frequency of advocacy & repeat purchases

6

### Engagement & Interaction

Consumer participation across digital & physical touchpoints

Long-term strategic metrics

# Start with creating a robust objective framework

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

What is the primary objective of the business?

### MARKETING OBJECTIVES

How does this breakdown into marketing objectives?

#### **KPIS**

Which KPIs drive the Marketing Objectives?

#### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

The overall goal that the business is trying to achieve

### MARKETING OBJECTIVES

The long term goal we are aiming to achieve with all marketing activity

#### **KPIS**

In channel KPIs which will be reported on, which drive the marketing objectives

# Ensure they ladder + be clear on your data source and KPIs

Strategic objective:
Brand awareness

Source: Brand Tracking Tool

Marketing objective: Branded search uplift

Source: Google Trends

Holistic performance indicator: Incremental revenue

Source: Incrementality testing

**Tactical metrics:** 

Reach

Freq

CPM

**Views** 

VTR

Source: platforms, GA4

Long term effects

**Short term KPIs** 

## KPIs that support the key indicators

1

#### **Brand Awareness**

KPIs: Brand awareness, brand search uplift, SOV

Sources: In-platform, Brand tracking platforms, Brand Surveys

2

#### **Brand Perception**

KPIs: Consideration uplift, NPS, mentions

Sources: In-platform, Brand tracking platforms, Brand Survey, social listening tools

3

#### **Loyalty & Retention**

KPIs: CLTV, Retention rate, Repeat purchases, NPS, Loyalty scheme sign ups

Sources: GA4, CRM/Internal data

(4)

#### **Revenue Growth**

KPIs: Revenue, Revenue growth rate

Sources: CRM / Internal data

5

#### **Market Share**

KPIs: Overall Market Share, Share of Search, Share of Voice

Sources: Google, industry reports, public data, ad monitoring tools

6

### Engagement & Interaction

KPIs: Engagement rate, mentions

Sources: In Platform, GA4, UX tools, social listening tools

## Takeaways for successful measurement:



Strategic KPIs measure long-term growth



Performance KPIs measure short-term growth



Build a clear objective framework to outline the ladder



Be clear on your KPIs, their data sources and reporting frequency

# Creative

Achieving creative excellence and driving brand effectiveness

# 70% of advertising effectiveness depends on creative

- Google -

# Creative must be performance & customer centric:



Tailored to customer needs and behaviours



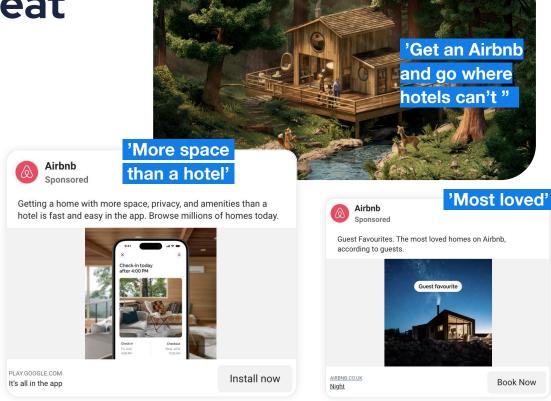
Must align with the funnel stage & platform



Balances diversification & consistency

# Airbnb are a great example...

- → Speak to common challenges faced by consumer using hotels etc.
- Consistent messaging and style
- → Diversified formats,
   platforms and content type
   that suit the channels



## Tailoring your creative to customer needs

1

#### **Know your audience**

- → Build & use personas
- → Gather insights using surveys, interviews, analytics, social listening
- → Be clear on pain points, desires, values and language

2

#### Set out to solve a problem

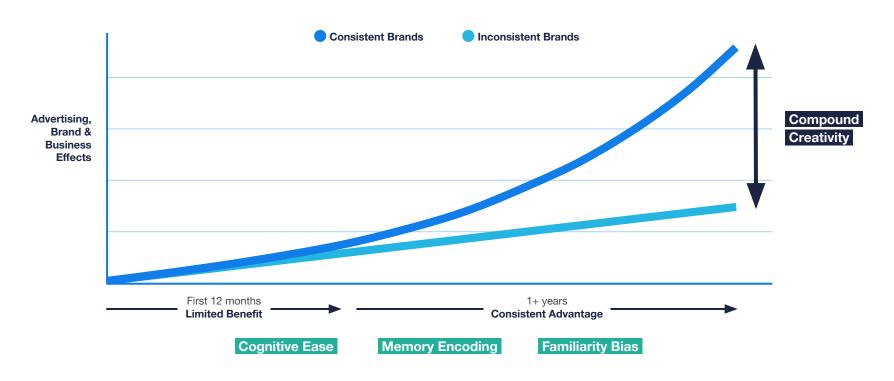
- → Creative should solve a problem, not look pretty
- What are your customers trying to achieve, how are you helping?
- → What is the marketing goal?

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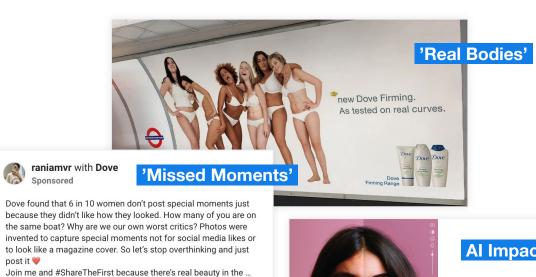
#### Use their language

- → Make them feel this was made for me
- Change your language based on the audience group

## The Power of Creative Consistency



## Consistency requires integration across paid, owned and earned channels





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Learn more

#### Al Impact

Instant face apps, lasting damage.



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# 4 steps to integrate across channels:



Audit your current creatives and find your **messaging gaps** and **weaknesses** across the custom journey



Lock in your **creative brief** & **guidelines** outline positioning, TOV, visual identity



**Tailor to the channel**, not the message: tweak the format to do the job eg. TikTok needs UGC, while TV may be more polished



Map out your new customer journey, check for tone, look, and message alignment.

# Once you've mastered this - it's time to bring in experimentation

# Experimentation

How to use experimentation to drive brand and creative effectiveness



# Turning evidence into action

"without **evidence**, marketing decisions are just guesses"

"the most impactful evidence comes from experimental action"

# Two key areas for experimentation:

#### **Creative Experimentation**

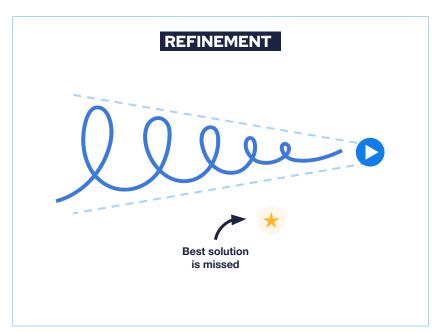
Testing should be carried our pre and post going live to find out what resonates and performs best

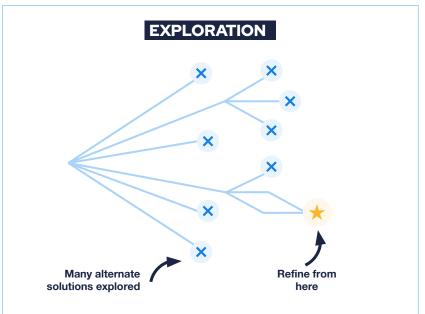
#### **Channel Experimentation**

Testing to see what has the greatest impact on the bottom line and can bring incremental improvements.



## **Experimentation drives** creative effectiveness



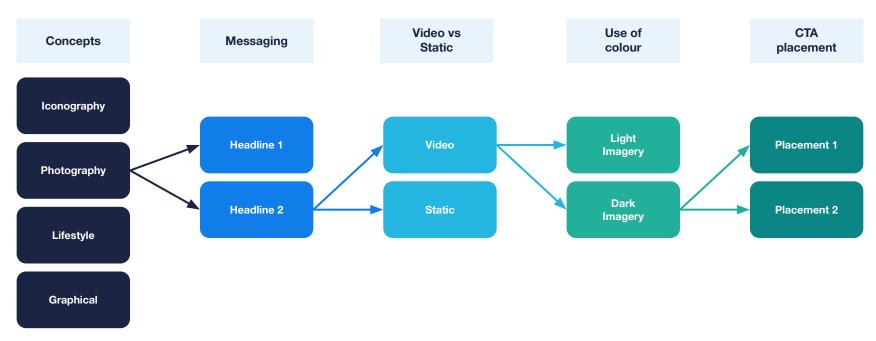


Removes subjectivity

Driven by your consumers

Balances consistency & diversification

## Evidence will show us the way



The blueprint will help inform requirements for shoot production content.

## Pre-launch vs Live testing ideas:

Pre		Live	
Concepts	Attention	Format	Ad Copy
Messaging	Sentiment	Landing page	Messaging
Conducted using surveys, panels, focus groups		Conducted in-platform	

Case Study

# Pre-Launch: Emotional testing

#### Study aim:

To identify the campaign creative direction that resonates most deeply with customers and evaluate its effectiveness.

#### Method:

Fast Response Test (FRT), explicit surveys, and Neurons AI to evaluate the creatives' emotional impact, consumer motivation, and message comprehension

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Non-character creatives

**Character creatives** 

**Existing Brand creatives** 

**Competitor creatives** 

Strongest
emotional connection
to non-character
creatives and easier to
resonate

✓ All creatives more positively perceived than competitors

Paid Media

# Price-led creative boost CTR by 30% in airline campaign



In a fiercely competitive market, Wizz Air needed to stand out to attract new customers. We knew we had leverage strong messaging that would resonate most and use A/B testing to find exactly what messaging worked best to drive traffic.

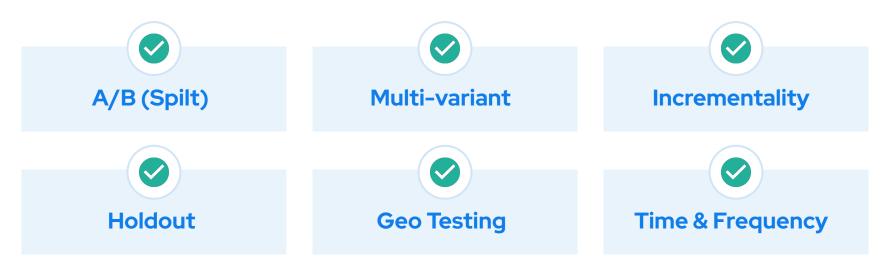
- → Started with two insights '37% of IT travellers say price is an important factor when choosing an airline' and 'Brands with higher trust & reputation resulted in higher purchases'.
- → Designed an A/B test that involved two different creatives; one price-led, the other brand-led.
- → Test ran for two months, with budgets, targeting and pacing mirrored
- $\,\rightarrow\,\,$  Campaign optimised towards Clicks and CTR.

#### RESULTS

30%

Higher CTR for price-led creatives

## Key test types to improve performance:



Incrementality Test Case Study

# Proving the value of paid social advertising

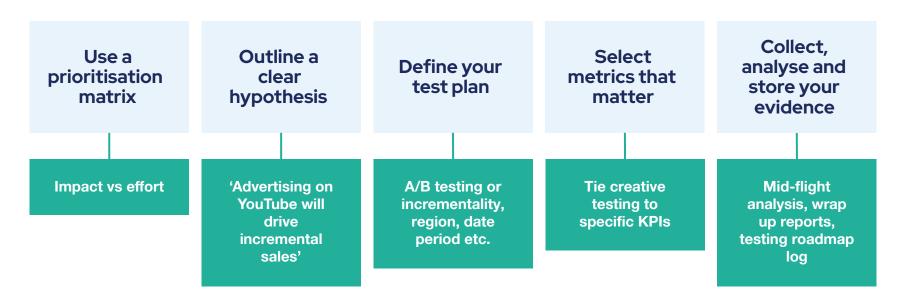


The team at a Norse wanted evidence of the value driven by paid social media advertising, particularly on Meta and TikTok.

- → Rather than blanket pausing of activity, we proposed a ~50% spend reduction in a primary market (Norway) to establish the true incrementality of the channel.
- → A synthetic control was created based on past performance, to measure against our actual treatment.
   Other primary markets advertising remained on to ensure we could observe and account for wider externalities.



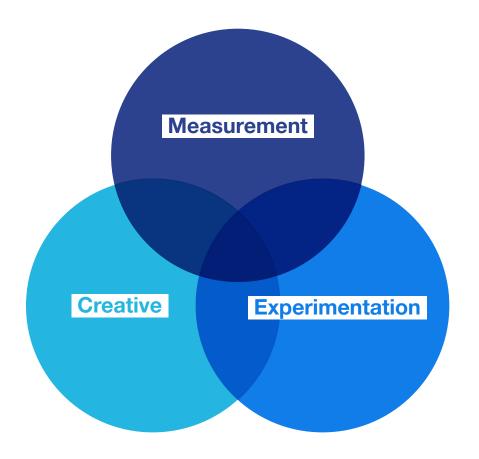
## How to experiment effectively:



Measurement, creative and experimentation



Mastering brand effectiveness



## Takeaways to master brand effectiveness:



Brand effectiveness is the effectiveness of all marketing



Have a clear measurement framework; know your goals and KPIs



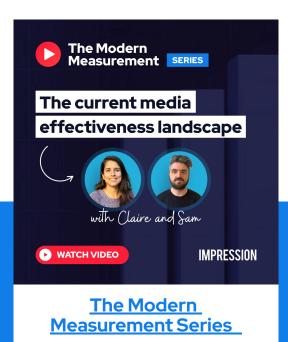
Invest in making your creative work harder

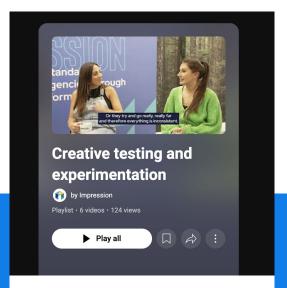


Build an experimentation roadmap to fuel your strategic decisioning making and creative excellence

## More resources around this topic...







<u>Creative Testing and</u> <u>Experimentation Series</u>

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