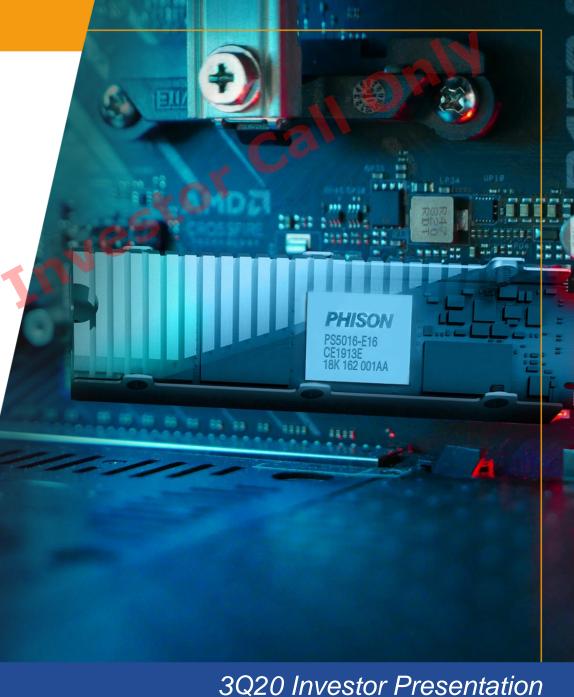
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# PCIe Gen 4 Jump Starts Our Sustainable Technology Leadership

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# **3Q20 Financial Performance and Business Update**

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| bitte and                | 2015    | 2010    | 2017    | 2010    | 2010    | 1020    | 2020   | 2020    |      |      |       | YoY (%) |       |        |       |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|------|------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| NT\$mn                   | 2015    | 2016    | 2017    | 2018    | 2019    | 1Q20    | 2Q20   | 3Q20    | 2016 | 2017 | 2018  | 2019    | 1Q20  | 2Q20   | 3Q20  |
| Revenue                  | 37,409  | 43,783  | 41,865  | 40,788  | 44,693  | 12,867  | 10,855 | 11,934  | 17.0 | -4.4 | -2.6  | 9.6     | 37.7  | 11     | -3.7  |
| Gross Profit             | 7,627   | 9,264   | 11,500  | 9,132   | 11,149  | 3,866   | 2,673  | 2,748   | 21.5 | 24.1 | -20.6 | 22.1    | 84.5  | 22.8   | -19.1 |
| Operating Expenses       | - 3,401 | - 4,421 | - 4,768 | - 4,422 | - 5,939 | - 2,083 | -1,593 | -1,,608 | 30.0 | 7.8  | -7.3  | 34.3    | 102.8 | 43.5   | -3.4  |
| Operating Profit         | 4,227   | 4,843   | 6,732   | 4,710   | 5,210   | 1,783   | 1,080  | 1,140   | 14.6 | 39.0 | -30.0 | 10.6    | 67.0  | 1.3    | -34.2 |
| Pretax Income            | 4,473   | 5,477   | 6,718   | 5,005   | 5,351   | 2,238   | 1,123  | 2,028   | 22.4 | 22.7 | -25.5 | 6.9     | 115.0 | 15.1   | 7.0   |
| Tax Expenses             | - 577   | - 675   | - 957   | - 687   | - 805   | - 340   | 62     | 188     | 17.1 | 41.7 | -28.2 | 17.2    | 113.6 | -131.6 | -28.3 |
| Net Income to Parent     | 3,896   | 4,802   | 5,761   | 4,318   | 4,546   | 1,898   | 1,185  | 1840    | 23.3 | 20.0 | 25.0  | 5.2     | 115.2 | 51.7   | 12.7  |
| Basic EPS (NT\$)         | 20.41   | 24.67   | 29.23   | 21.91   | 23.05   | 9.63    | 6.00   | 9.30    | 20.9 | 18.5 | -25.0 | 5.2     | 115.4 | 51.5   | 12.3  |
| Key Financial Ratios (%) |         |         |         |         |         |         |        |         |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |
| Gross Margin             | 20.4    | 21.2    | 27.5    | 22.4    | 24.9    | 30.4    | 24.6   | 23.0    |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |
| Operating Expense Ratio  | 9.1     | 10.1    | 11.4    | 10.8    | 13.3    | 16.2    | 14.7   | 13.4    |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |
| Operating Margin         | 11.3    | 11.1    | 16.1    | 11.5    | 11.7    | 13.9    | 10.0   | 9.6     |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |
| Effect Tax Rate          | 12.9    | 12.3    | 14.2    | 13.7    | 15.0    | 15.2    | -5.5   | 1.58    |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |
| Net Margin               | 10.4    | 11.0    | 13.8    | 10.6    | 10.2    | 14.8    | 10.9   | 15.42   |      |      |       |         |       |        |       |

# **Balance Sheet Highlight**

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| NT\$mn                     | 2015   | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2019   | 1Q20   | 2Q20   | 3Q20 - | YoY (%) |      |      |       |       |       |       |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                            |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 2016    | 2017 | 2018 | 2019  | 1Q20  | 2Q20  | 3Q20  |
| Total Assets               | 28,419 | 31,976 | 35,127 | 36,439 | 38,637 | 41,921 | 41,310 | 41,208 | 12.5    | 9.9  | 3.7  | 6.0   | 7.1   | 9.2   | 15.0  |
| Cash                       | 12,406 | 14,958 | 14,142 | 14,176 | 10,205 | 10,259 | 11,468 | 12,946 | 20.6    | -5.5 | 0.2  | -28.0 | -27.7 | -2.3  | 36.9  |
| AR & NR                    | 4,434  | 4,801  | 5,731  | 5,244  | 5,934  | 6,968  | 5,151  | 5,568  | 8.3     | 19.4 | -8.5 | 13.2  | 54.3  | 3.5   | -14.4 |
| Inventories                | 5,251  | 5,222  | 7,192  | 7,577  | 11,533 | 13,172 | 13,062 | 11.238 | -0.6    | 37.7 | 5.3  | 52.2  | 24.9  | 19.2  | 17.0  |
| Fixed Assets               | 1,637  | 2,426  | 2,823  | 2,990  | 3,283  | 3,391  | 3,714  | 4,371  | 48.2    | 16.3 | 5.9  | 9.8   | 13.1  | 24.1  | 39.3  |
| Total Liabilities          | 7,869  | 8,977  | 9,069  | 9,527  | 9,448  | 10,793 | 11,461 | 9,751  | 14.1    | 1.0  | 5.1  | -0.8  | -3.8  | -1.8  | 22.2  |
| AP & NP                    | 4,256  | 3,857  | 3,647  | 4,806  | 3,643  | 3,734  | 2,498  | 2,809  | -9.4    | -5.4 | 31.8 | -24.2 | -42.3 | -47.7 | -13.6 |
| Total Equity               | 20,550 | 22,998 | 26,058 | 26,912 | 29,189 | 31,128 | 29,849 | 31,457 | 11.9    | 13.3 | 3.3  | 8.5   | 11.5  | 14.1  | 12.7  |
| Key Financial Ratios       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| A/R Turnover Days          | 41.4   | 38.5   | 45.9   | 48.4   | 45.6   | 45.7   | 42.6   | 44.1   |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| Inventory Turnover<br>Days | 66.1   | 55.4   | 74.6   | 85.1   | 104.0  | 125.9  | 131.3  | 118.1  |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| A/P Turnover Days          | 50.9   | 42.9   | 45.1   | 48.7   | 46.0   | 37.6   | 32.7   | 33.5   |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| Cash Conversion Days       | 56.6   | 51.0   | 75.4   | 84.8   | 103.6  | 134.0  | 141.2  | 128.7  |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| ROE (%)                    | 20.9   | 22.1   | 23.5   | 16.3   | 16.2   | 25.2   | 20.9   | 21.6   |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| ROA (%)                    | 15.0   | 15.9   | 17.2   | 12.1   | 12.1   | 18.9   | 15.4   | 16.5   |         |      |      |       |       |       |       |

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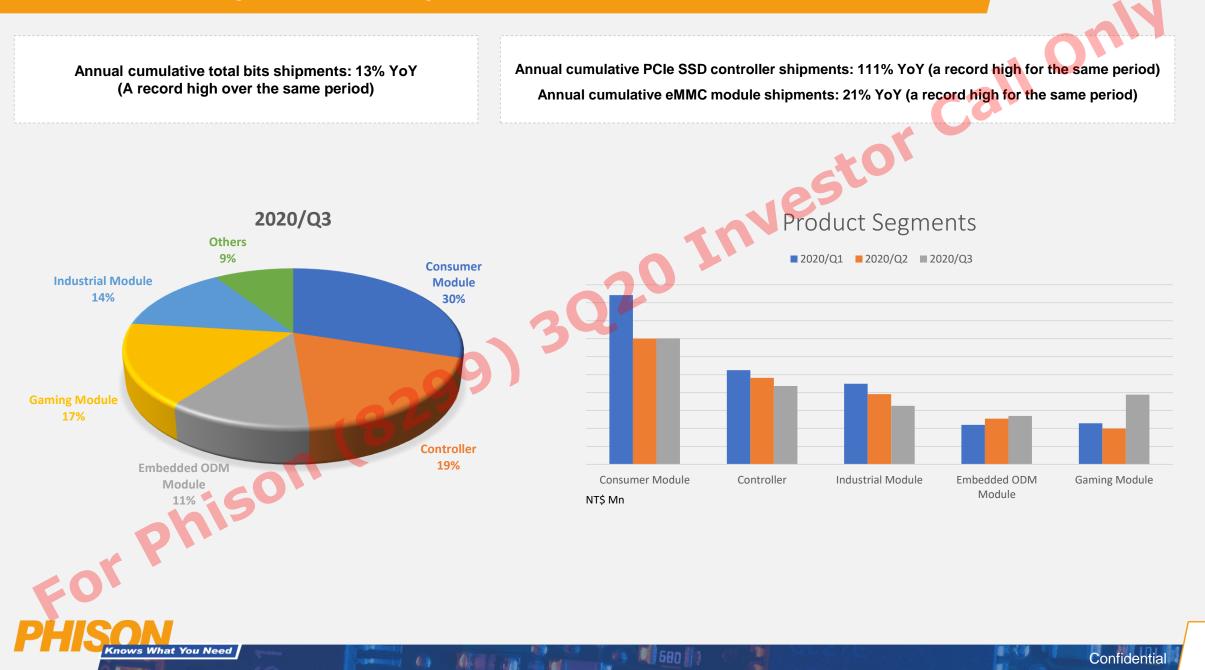
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## **Growing Profitability and Attractive Shareholder Returns**



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# **PCle Gen 4 Breakthrough Expands Our Addressable Market**

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# Gen 4 to Expand Our Serviceable Addressable Market

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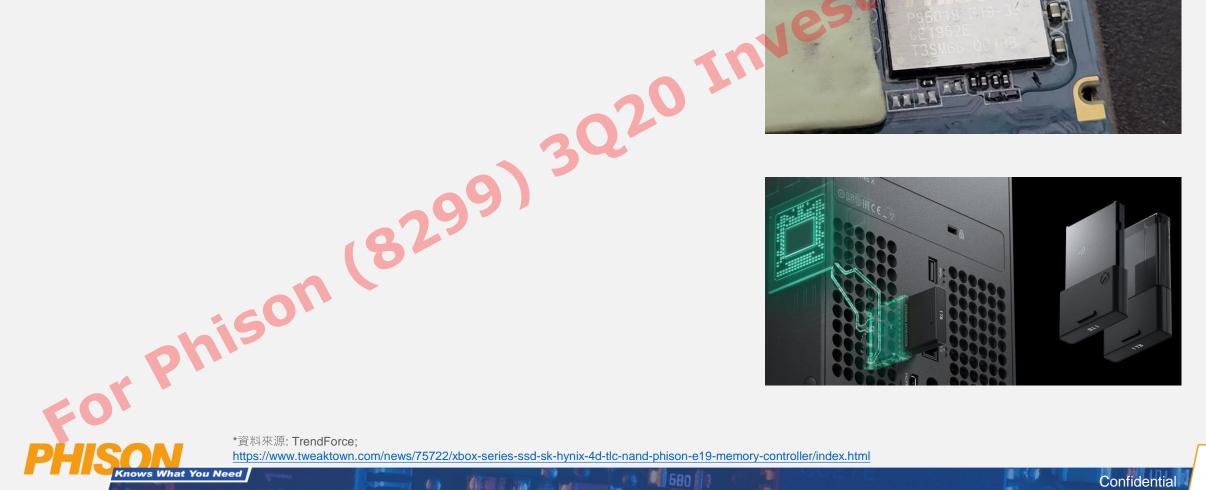
PCIe Gen 4 expands our current SSD serviceable addressable market (SAM) from US\$6.7bn to US\$8.2bn. Our new market opportunity is US\$1.5bn, including gaming console, gaming PC, automotive, datacenter and IP licensing.



\*Source: Techno Systems Research; Phison estimates.







https://www.tweaktown.com/news/75722/xbox-series-ssd-sk-hynix-4d-tlc-nand-phison-e19-memory-controller/index.html

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Phison Opens Colorado Enterprise SSD Engineering Lab with Industry Experts Expanding Support for Enterprise and Data Center Customers



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Colorado is a gathering place for enterprise storage companies

Phison enters the tier-1 enterprise storage market

Phison and strategic partners enter together to prove Phison's enterprise-level storage solution technology

Phison strategy will focus on IP licensing, ASIC design services, and customized legacy storage solutions



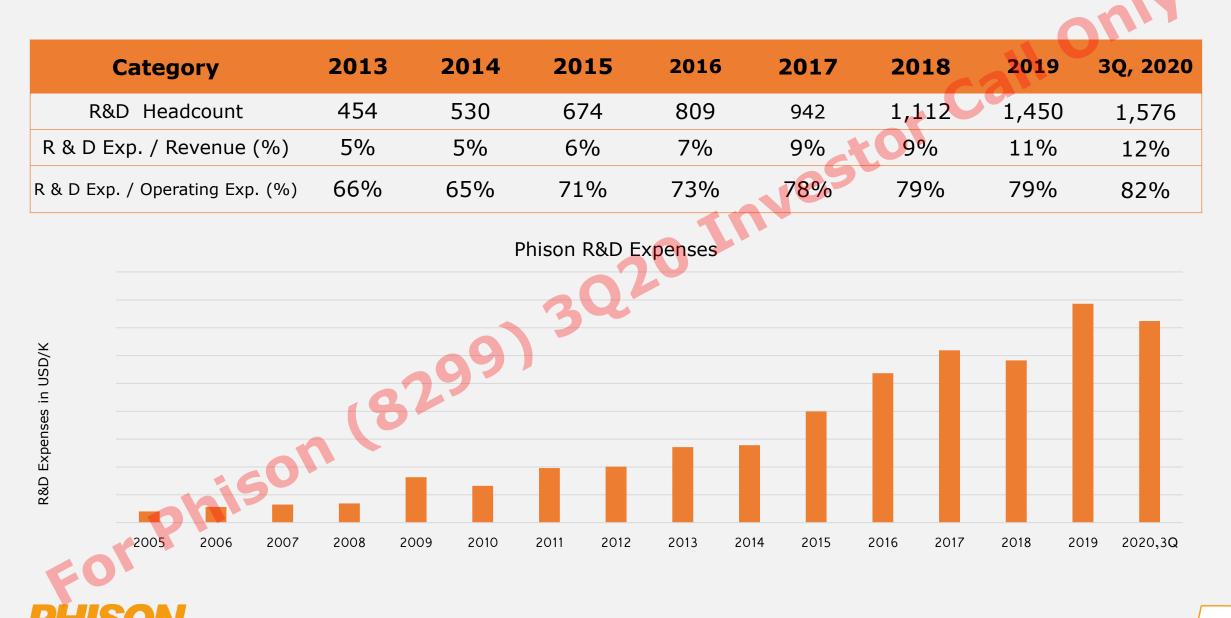
# **Current and Future Technology Leadership**



# Continue to Strengthen Our Leading Technology Position (1/2)

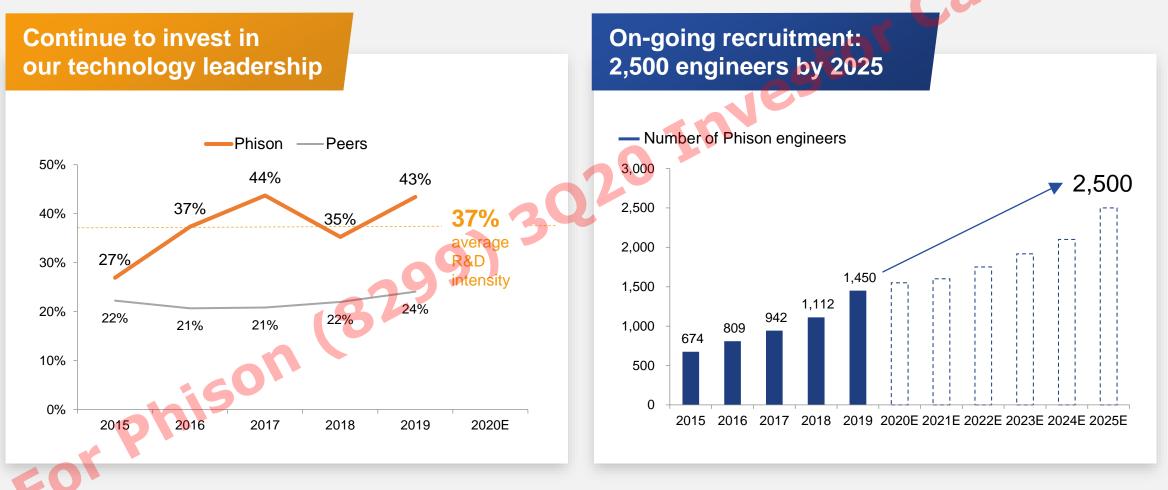
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# Continue to Strengthen Our Leading Technology Position (2/2) <sup>3Q20 Investor Presentation</sup>

Our average R&D intensity of 37%\* is higher than peers average of 22%\*\*. We will continue to allocate resources to technology development by maintaining industry-leading R&D intensity and recruiting high-quality engineers.



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\*RD intensity is RD expense/IC related sales. \*\* Peers include SIMO, Marvell, MediaTek, Realtek, Novatek and Silergy.

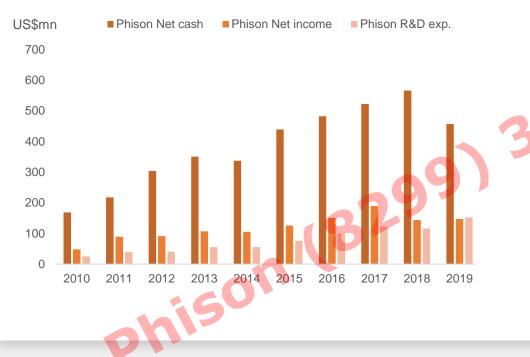
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# Strong Financial Strength for R&D Investment

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Since 2010, our business model has generated sufficient net income, net cash and net cash/equity for sustainable R&D investment.

# Sufficient net income and net cash to fuel R&D investment



Sufficient Net cash can support RD expenses (and cash dividends)

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 Net income is basically greater than RD expenditure => financially strong, continue to accumulate net cash High net cash/equity demonstrating our strong financial strength.



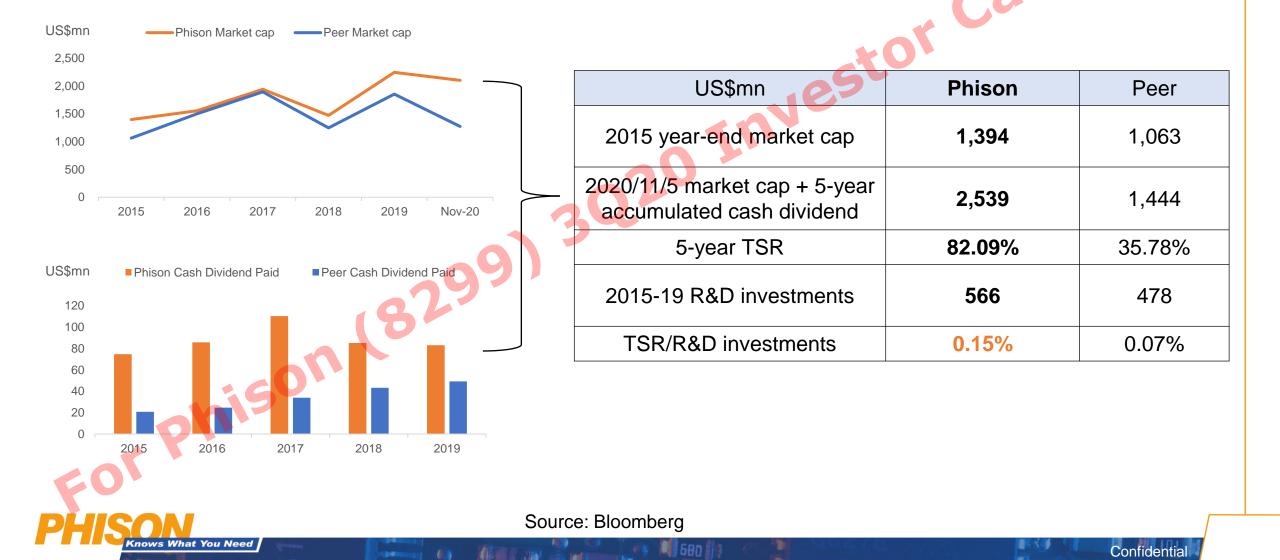
- Zero debt operation
- Net Cash/Equity => Long-term financial stability

Source: Bloomberg

#### **Our R&D Investments Produced More Total Shareholder Return**

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For every US\$1mn R&D investment during the past 5 years, Phison generated 0.15% total shareholder return (TSR), which is double than our peer's 0.07%. Our R&D investments are more efficient at creating shareholders value.



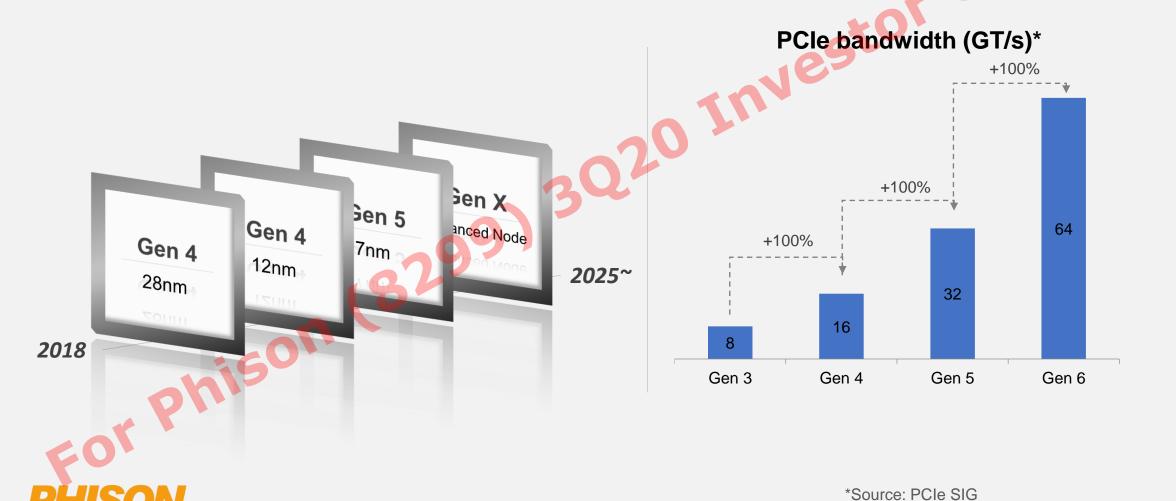
### Sufficient Head Start in Gen 5 to Ensure Further Market Expansion

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During the next 5 years, our SSD Controller IC products will migrate from 28nm to 7nm and below, supporting PCIe Gen 5 and Gen X to achieve superior performance and less power consumption.





#### E18 Compared to PCIe Gen3x4

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|       | E18 (Gen4x4)        |           |                  |
|-------|---------------------|-----------|------------------|
|       |                     | 7400 MB/s |                  |
| READ  | Gen3x4<br>3500 MB/s | 10        | 2.1x<br>Faster ! |
| WRITE | E18 (Gen4x4)        | 7000 MB/s |                  |
| 1     | Gen3x4<br>3300 MB/s |           |                  |

Phison's next-generation flagship PCIe Gen4 SSD controller

The only PCIe Gen4 SSD controller in the world with a read and write performance reaching 7.0GB/s

Continue to lead PCIe Gen4 SSD controller technology



Well-known Reviewer Praise Phison's Latest Flagship Gen4 SSD Controller E18<sup>3Q20 Investor Presentation</sup>



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#### Storage

#### Phison's new E18 SSD controller is ridiculous, offers 7GB/sec speeds

Phison's new E18 SSD controller powers the very fastest SSDs on the planet, with Sabrent kicking ass with its Rocket 4 Plus SSD.



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Phison has truly delivered the speedy SSD goods with its **new E18 controller**, with the new PS5018-E18 NVMe SSD controller that is now making its way into high-end SSDs from the likes of Sabrent.

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#### Sabrent Crushes Samsung At Their Own Game: Builds World's Fastest M.2 SSD

By Niels Broekhuijsen August 31, 2020

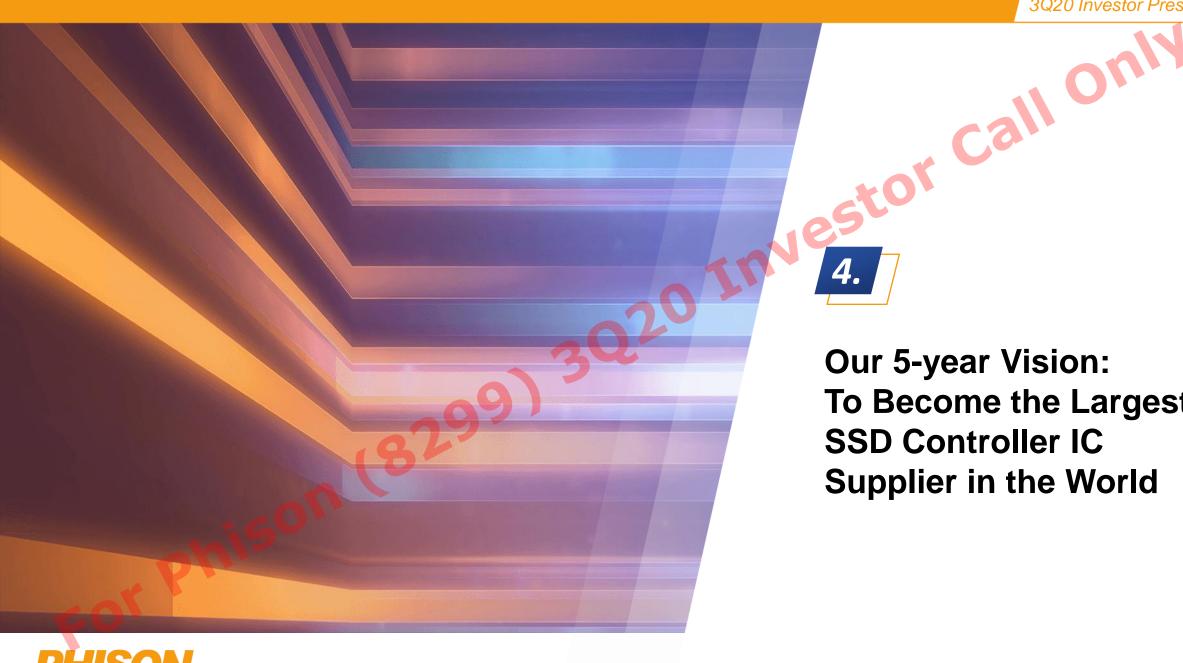
Sabrent gave Samsung two days of glory, and crushed them

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|                     | Sabrent Rocket 4<br>Plus | Sabrent Rocket        | Samsung 980 Pro         |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| NAND Type           | TLC                      | TLC                   | TLC                     |
| Controller          | Phison E18               | Phison E16            | Samsung Elpis           |
| Sequential Read     | 7000 MB/s                | 5000 MB/s             | 7000 MB/s               |
| Sequential<br>Write | 6850 MB/s                | 4400 MB/s             | 5000 MB/s               |
| Capacities          | 500 GB, 1 TB, 2 TB       | 500 GB, 1 TB, 2<br>TB | 250 GB, 500 GB, 1<br>TB |

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https://www.tweaktown.com/news/74995/phisons-new-e18-ssd-controller-is-ridiculous-offers-7gb-sec-speeds/index.html https://www.tomshardware.com/news/sabrent-crushes-samsung-worlds-fastest-m2-ssd-rocket-4-plus



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**Our 5-year Vision: To Become the Largest SSD Controller IC Supplier in the World** 

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## We Aim to Be the World's Largest SSD Controller IC Supplier

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# 2025 and beyond

# *To become the largest SSD Controller IC Supplier*

Our technology leadership will increase NAND flash makers outsourcing orders

## Before **2018**

#### The Fast Follower

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In the past our R&D investment was mainly for mainstream products

# 2019 - 2024

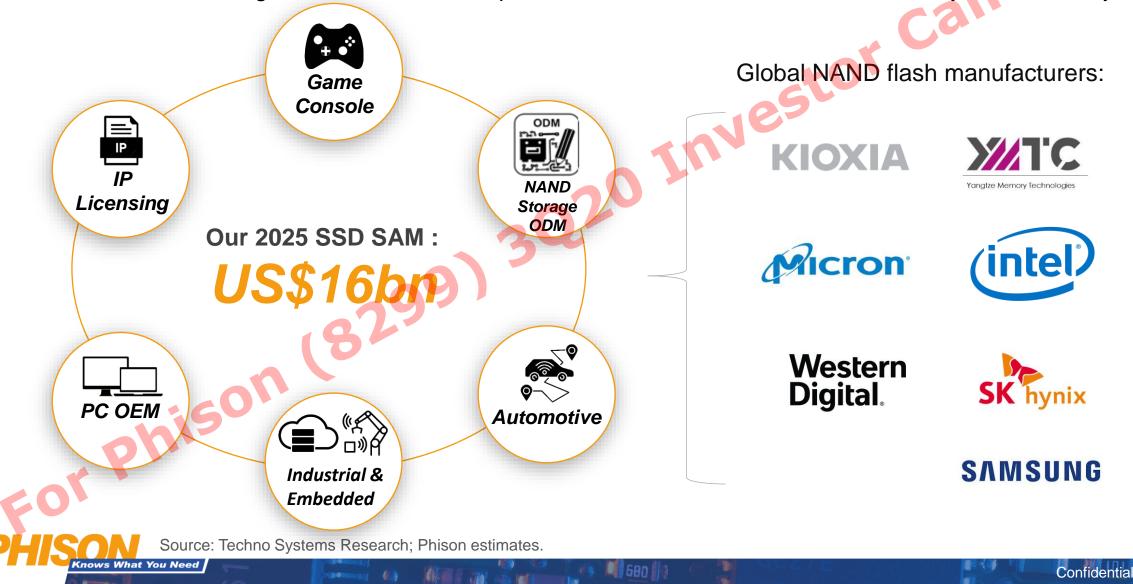
#### Leading Edge Technology

Our leading technology will drive growth and we will continue to gain market share

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As we advance our controller IC competitiveness, we will attract NAND flash makers to outsource more orders. We aim to become the largest SSD controller IC provider in the world with US\$16bn SAM by 2025 and beyond.





# **Enhanced Value for Shareholders**



#### Leading Edge Technology

- Maintain industry leading R&D intensity
- Leading Controller IC roadmap
- Increasing SAM from US\$6.7bn to US\$8.2bn

#### To become the largest SSD Controller IC Supplier in the World

Enhancing IC competitiveness

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Increasing LT SAM from US\$8.2bn to US\$16bn

#### Market Share Gain

SSD IC shipment share target: 25-30%
Module Bits to outgrow the industry

#### Sustainable Margin Expansion

• We aim to achieve  $25\% \pm 5\%$  LT sustainable GPM

#### Increase Total Shareholder Return

- 5-year ROE target to reach 20-25%
- At least 50% payout ratio