# BEAUTY & THE JOURNEY MAP

Perfecting a flawless digital makeover

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WE ARE A GLOBAL, EXPERIENCE-LED TRANSFORMATION COMPANY.

## We craft meaningful experiences for a better tomorrow.

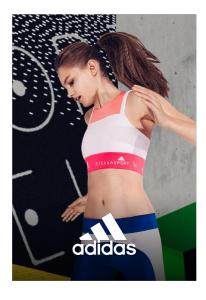


### We are a global, experience-led transformation digital agency.

We have offices across many US cities with primary locations in Chicago, Boston, Denver, Detroit and New York



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### **MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS**

Bringing our clients' brands to life in new and innovative ways to surprise and delight their target audiences.



### **ECOSYSTEMS & COMMERCE**

Building out future-proofed digital touchpoints and supporting back-end systems to deliver the ultimate experience for brand and commerce.



### **PRODUCTS & SERVICES**

Creating new business lines or new ways to build customer engagement and revenue growth.

## Isobar Marketing Intelligence

### Supports/Informs all three focus areas

- / Segmentation and Targeting
- / Journey Mapping
- / Product and Pricing Strategy
- / Brand and Positioning
- / Communications Development
- / White Space & New Venture Exploration
- / Emotional Testing



## Our Journey Philosophy





### **Customer Guide Prioritization**

These journeys are story-based and designed to educate internal audiences on the life of the consumers and the decisions that may be relevant to them

Use: Internal education, Voice-of-the-customer



### **Touch-Point & Channel prioritization**

Designed to understand how consumers navigate through touchpoints and demonstrate how content interconnects

Uses: Prioritization of opportunities and road mapping, content planning



### **Decision Making in Context**

This journey focuses on the suite of actions customers take (instead of the channels they interact with) at each step along the journey

Uses: Experience and content design



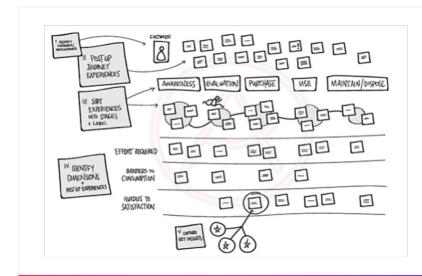
## Pitfalls we have encountered

Map is built based upon internal knowledge only:

- / Internal workshop of our own "experts"
- / A brainstorming activity/team building exercise

But does it really reflect our customer's journey?

### **Customer Journey Mapping**



## Pitfalls we have encountered Cont'd

### Research "Lite"

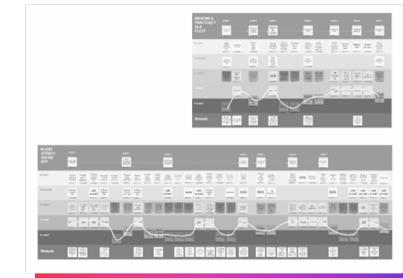
- / A focus group or two
- / To Conceptualize/"Flesh out" the journey from the consumer's point of view

### But....

- / Not quantified (how many people are experiencing each step?)
- / Not prioritized (which steps are most important and for how many; what are key inflection points?)

## Pitfalls we have encountered Cont'd

- / Map is built with some rigor, with key touchpoints identified in all their complexity
- / But not-actionable.... "what do we do with this? how do we action against it?"

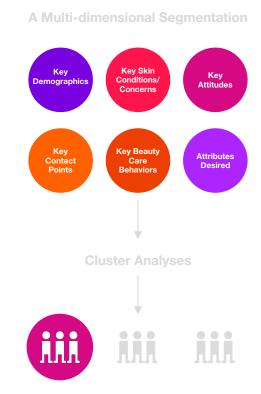




## Rigorous approach, with primary research is required

It all begins with the WHO.

There is value in segmentation (optimally a multi-dimensional one) and to identifying the consumer target for your brand



The WHO on which to build the journey

## Building a Comprehensive Journey Map

- / What is the Trigger? How does the Journey begin?
- / What are the steps? And how many people are taking each one (volume quantification)?
- / What are consumers looking to do at each step?
- / How are they accomplishing that today? What are successes/ frustrations at each step?

- / What are the key inflection points/ "moments of truth" / levers in the journey?
- / What is the emotional context?
  - Overall? Or at each step along the way?
  - Can depend on category being studied

# Suite of research tools for building the journey

Qualitative + Quantitative + Emotional Testing



### **Explore & Conceptualize**

Focus groups, bulletin boards in-depth interviews, combined with social, search and site analytics to hypothesize and explore the journey



### **Quantify & Prioritize**

Quantitative research to measure the use of various touchpoints and analytics to assess their impact on satisfaction and ultimately the selection of the client brand



### **Emotional Motivation**

MindSight® to understand the unconscious emotional drivers overall and how they evolve along the journey, and/or to measure the emotional response to various journey touchpoints

## **Explore and Conceptualize:**

**Qualitative Research to "Flesh Out" the Journey from Consumer's POV** 



### **Quantify & Prioritize**

Quantitative Research to measure the use of various touchpoints and to assess their impact on the selection of and satisfaction with the client's brand.

When you last purchased in Skin Care

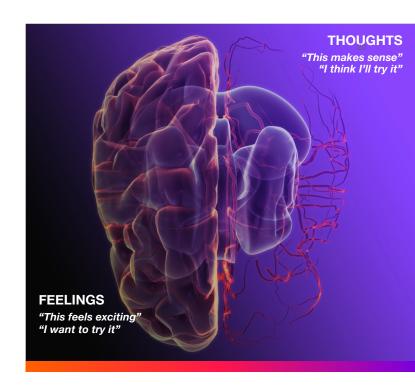
- / What was catalyst that started the process?
- / What sources/channels did you visit:
- At the outset to learn?
- When comparison shopping?
- When bought?
- / At each step which brands did you see/learn about?

- / At each step what info did you seek?
- / At each step what else were you looking to accomplish? Ability (or not) to accomplish?
- / How long did this take?
- / After you purchased, what actions did you take?
  - Sharing on social media
  - CRM Interactions with brand

Enabling understanding of what happens more vs. less frequently, of what actions when they do (or don't happen) lead consumers to find our brand (or not)

### **Emotional Motivation**

- / To understand unconscious emotional drivers
- / To guide branding/ positioning elements and brand tonality needed



### **MindSight**<sub>®</sub>

A unique technology for understanding unconscious emotions. Isobar's MindSight® technique represents a substantial advance in emotional measurement. It enables measurement of the unconscious emotions that:

- / Drive decision making in a category
- / Are evoked with communications and experiences in general or at various stages of a Journey
- / Connect consumers to their favorite brands



**Patented Access to** the Emotional Brain



**Very Practical** to Administer



Extremely **Actionable Results** 



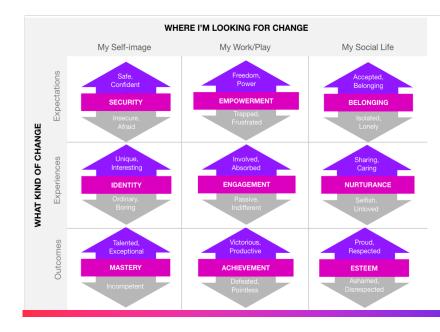






## MindSight<sub>®</sub> Motivational Model

An academically accepted model based on 100 years of psychological research and theory<sup>1</sup> for use interpreting emotional responses to MindSight®.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See D Forbes, "Toward a Unified Model of Human Motivation, Review of General Psychology" June 2011.

# Different applications of MindSight depend on category being studied for journey building purposes

### In this (Beauty) Case:

Fundamental Emotions don't vary along the journey

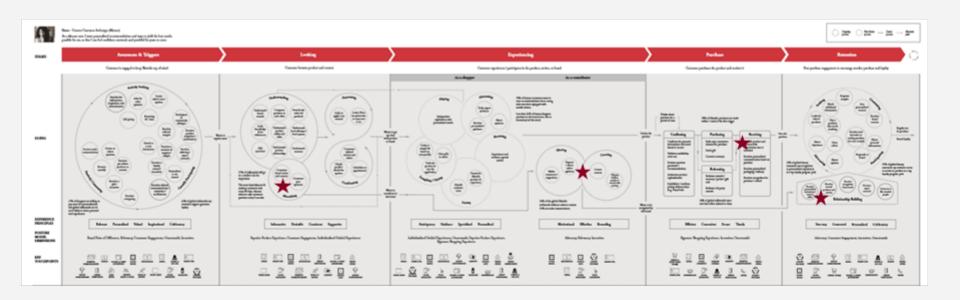
**Primary Motive:** Empowerment

Feeling confident, powerful, free to find and share products that are guaranteed to make skin look its best

### Other Cases:

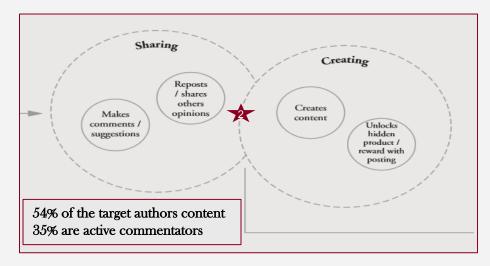
More "sensitive" categories can require that the brand's tonality vary from moment to moment in the journey (often medically oriented -- i.e. cancer or fertility treatments)

Output: The data is synthesized and described in detail, including key actions and touch points along the journey ... enabling prioritization of what we are solving for in order to deliver a meaningful experience.



Output: Highlights key "moments of truth", interactions where there is high penetration, high likelihood of brand exposure and/or enhanced likelihood of brands' being selected as a result of the interaction







# Creating meaningful experiences requires the collaboration of all our disciplines



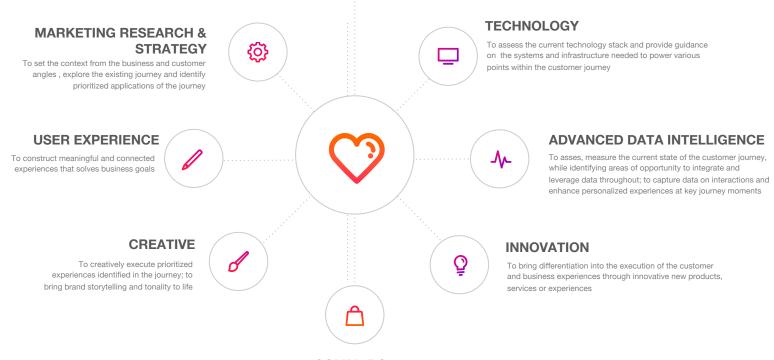
## ...and this case was no exception:

we applied a multidisciplinary approach, leveraging experts in all disciplines to lay out the future state and bring it to life

Research was only the beginning...



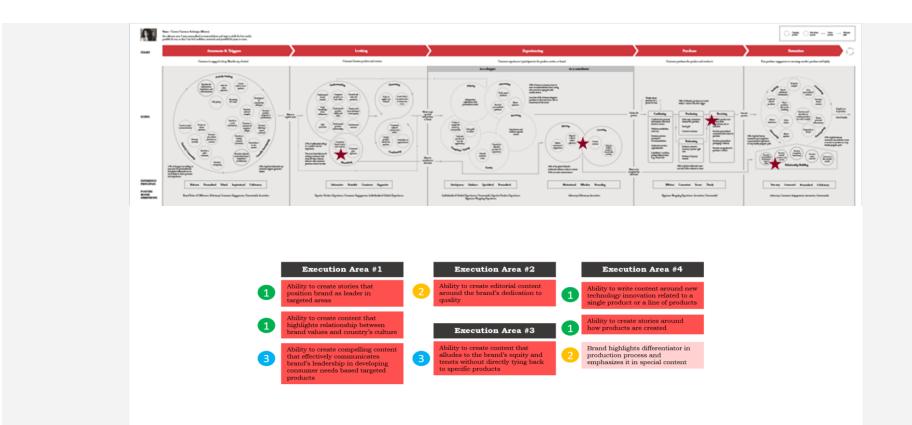
### EXPERTISE TO EXPLORE, DESIGN AND EXECUTE



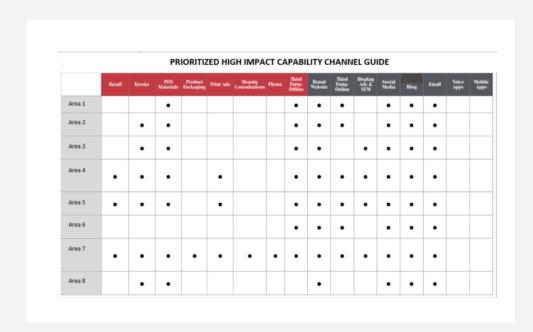
### COMMERCE

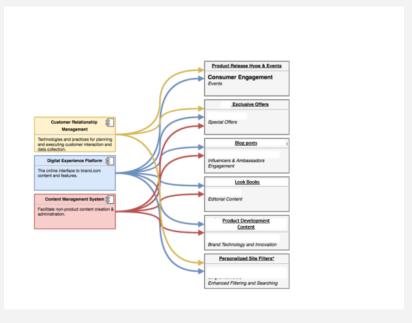
If/When relevant, to connect and implement infrastructure that powers the experience and meets business goals

Via a workshopping process, leveraging the results of current user journey, Isobar identified areas of top priority for this beauty care brand.



### Also demonstrated how to operationalize and make the future state vision a reality within the omni-channel experience

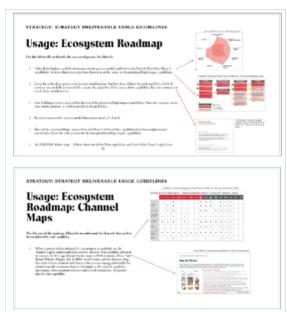




# Further socialized and ensured work was actionable by developing guidelines for key stakeholders within organization

We created a guideline document with instructions on how to use the outputs of the omni-channel strategy and content strategy efforts. This deck outlines how the following documents should be used in conjunction with each other while implementing the roadmap put together by Isobar.

- / Ecosystem Roadmap
- / Channel Map
- / Journeys
- / Tech Architecture Preview & Product Guide

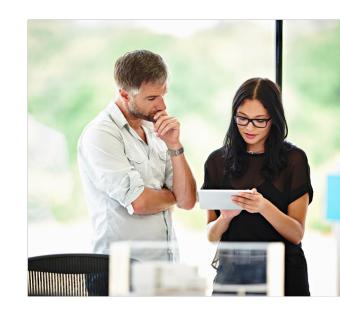


### Results To Date....

- / New and Improved Website Launched January 2019
- Advanced Data Intelligence group to continuously monitor key metrics and track results
  - Connecting all the dots on the back end

/ Several Other Digital Projects identified in the Road Mapping process are under development

- / But, for other clients, we have seen the power of investing in Digital
  - Via partnership with mutual fund company, we have developed a proprietary analyses to calculate and establish a Digital Strength Index to track the of Digital
  - On average, clients have seen a 14.5% increase in revenues as a result of Digital implementing digital strategies developed by Isobar





# THANK YOU.

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