Jony Ive’s first OpenAI gadget is reportedly a hockey puck-sized smart speaker

The AI device OpenAI is developing with former Apple designer Jony Ive is “essentially a smart speaker without a display” that’s battery-powered, doughnut-shaped and roughly the size of a hockey puck, according to *Bloomberg* reporter Mark Gurman. The device, expected to launch in 2027 for a price over $300, reportedly “will have a unique look, complete with moving parts,” including some that will move on their own to show when the device is responding or interacting with the user, along with lights, a camera system, and other sensors.

Gurman’s sources also say the “battery-powered” device is designed to be “easy to carry around the home with one hand,”similar to Amazon’s now-discontinued Tap speaker. Gurman says it will “work similarly to the company’s ChatGPT voice mode on smartphone apps, but with more advanced models for humanlike interactivity” but look and feel nothing like an Apple product — despite their ongoing lawsuit.

The speaker / pocket personal assistant could be the first in a “family of devices” OpenAI has planned, but we’ll probably hear a lot more about all of them before it eventually arrives.

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