POWER LAW

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Investor rankings and outcome concentration across the venture power law.



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DEALROOM ALWAYS-ON

The power law is visible long before it is obvious

Dealroom connects investor rankings, outcome concentration and ecosystem depth so teams can see who is repeatedly closest to breakout companies.

VCS

Know which investors are compounding access before allocator conversations harden around the same names.

GOVERNMENT

Benchmark your ecosystem against the investor bases producing durable global outcomes.

ENTERPRISE

Find the funds, founders and hubs closest to the next strategic partnership or acquisition wave.

ECOSYSTEM FOLLOWERS

Track the names and places shaping venture outcomes before the annual lists become consensus.

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SCORE CALCULATION

Earlier cheques earn more credit for the same breakout outcome

Power Law score = outcome count x stage weight, summed across all categories

First cheque	Unicorn	$100M+ revenue	$25–100M revenue
Seed	100 pts	100 pts	25 pts
Series A	30 pts	30 pts	7.5 pts
Series B+	10 pts	10 pts	-

For each outcome company, Dealroom tags the earliest round where an investor participated.
Earlier entry earns more credit; the investor's total score is the sum across all outcome categories.

POWER CURVE

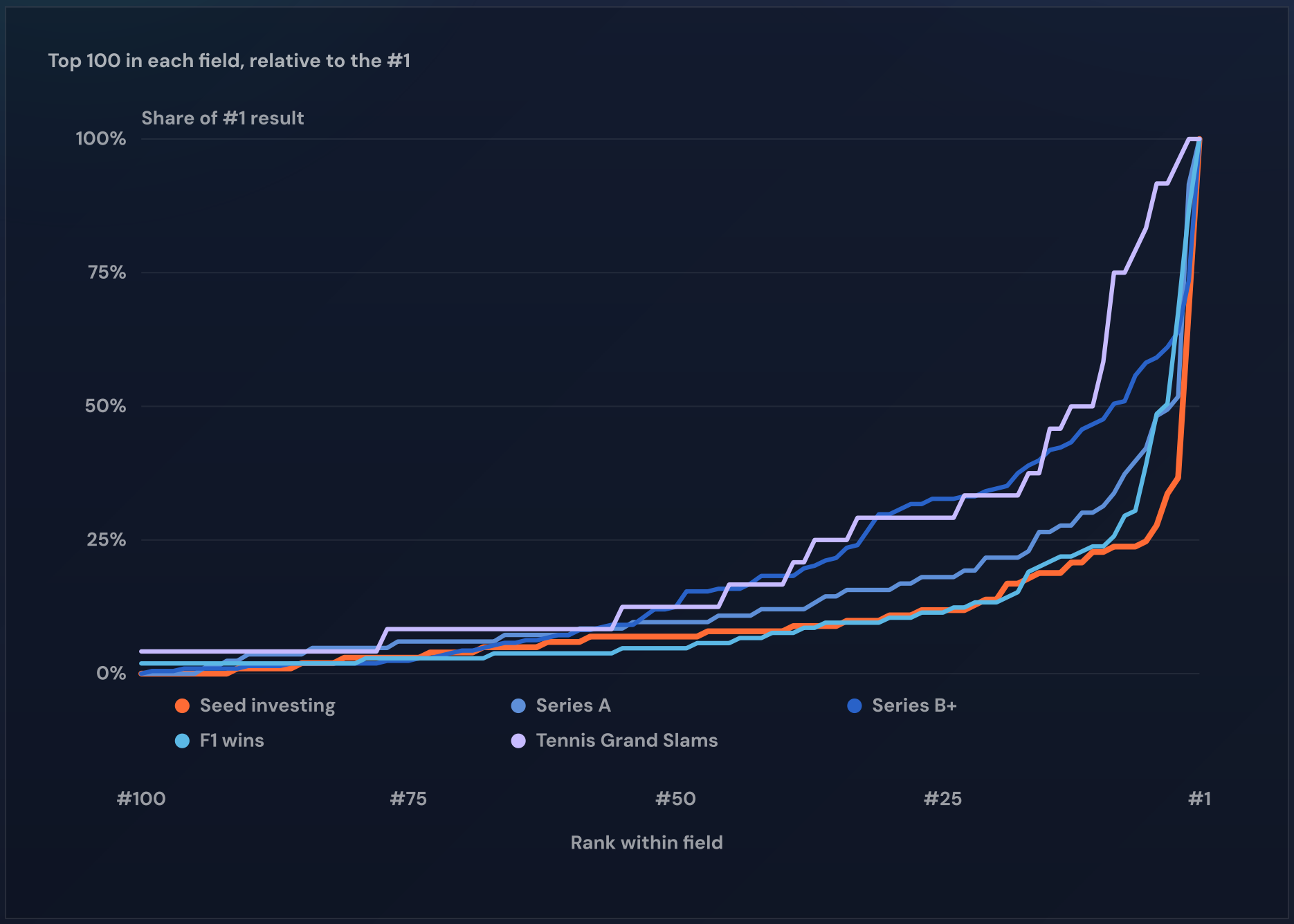
The Power Law ranking has a long flat tail and a vertical elite tier



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F1 COMPARISON

Venture capital is as steep as the world's most winner-take-most fields



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WHY COMPARE

We know venture is a power law. But how steep is it?

1 **Calling venture a power law is easy. Measuring the cliff is the harder, more interesting question.**

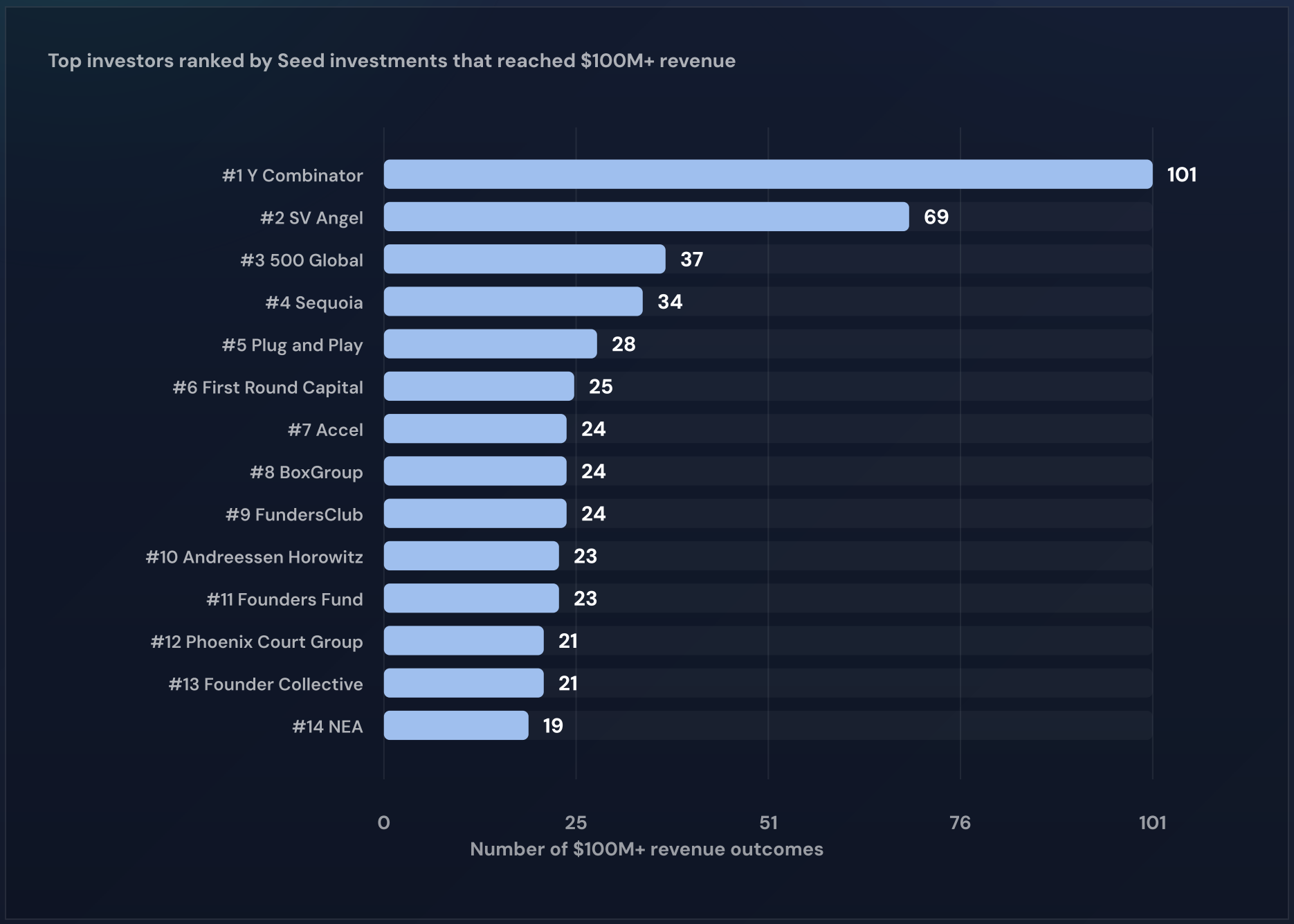
2 **F1, tennis and book sales give the curve a familiar scale: fields where everyone understands what winner-take-most looks like.**

3 **The steeper the curve falls, the more dominant the leader. The slower it falls, the deeper the elite tier.**

Method: top 100 in each ranking; #1 = 100%; every subsequent rank is shown as a share of the leader.
Pool size matters: 19,739 Seed investors in Dealroom's dataset versus ~770 F1 drivers ever.

REVENUE RANKING

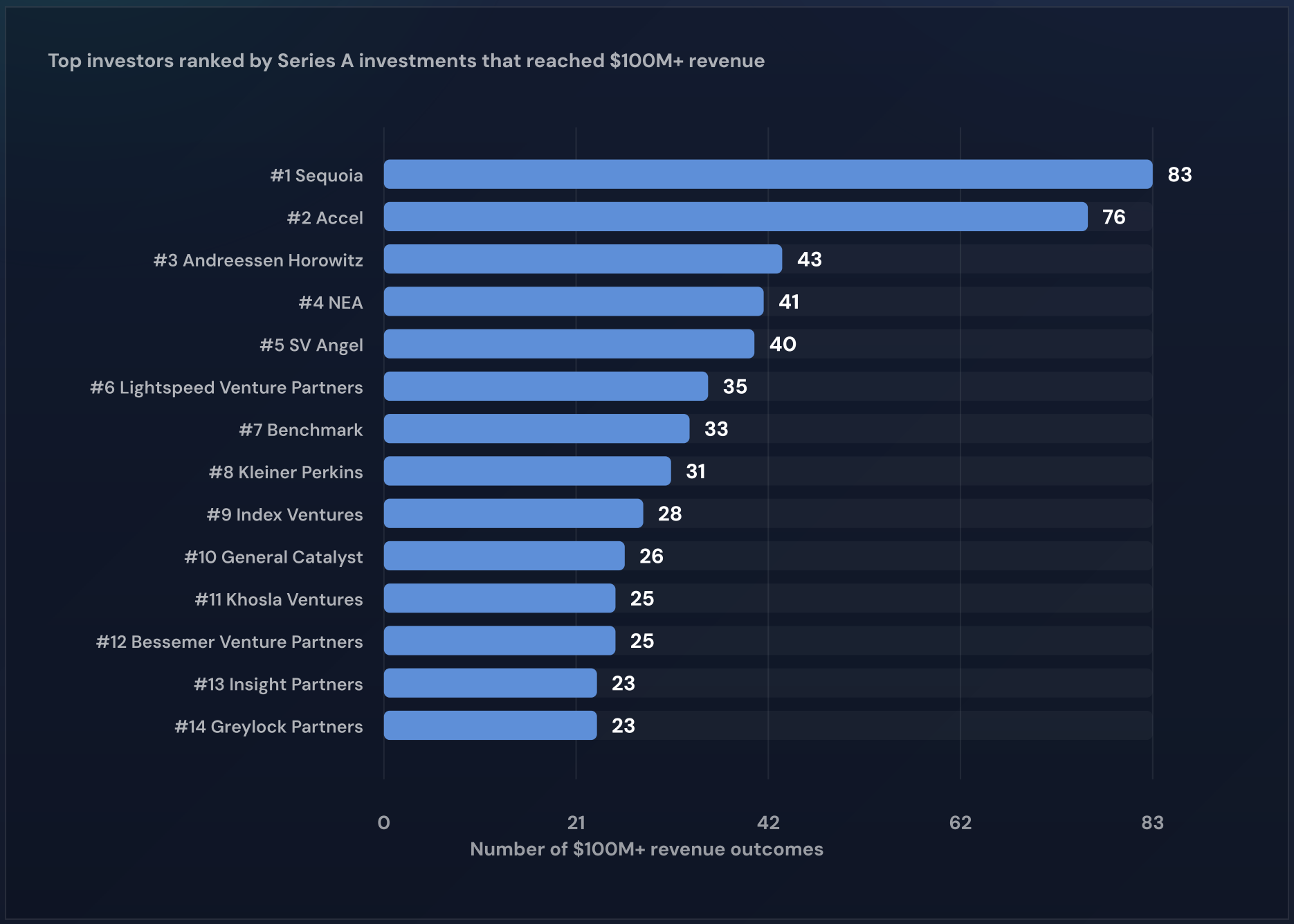
Y Combinator leads the Seed to $100M+ revenue ranking



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SERIES A RANKING

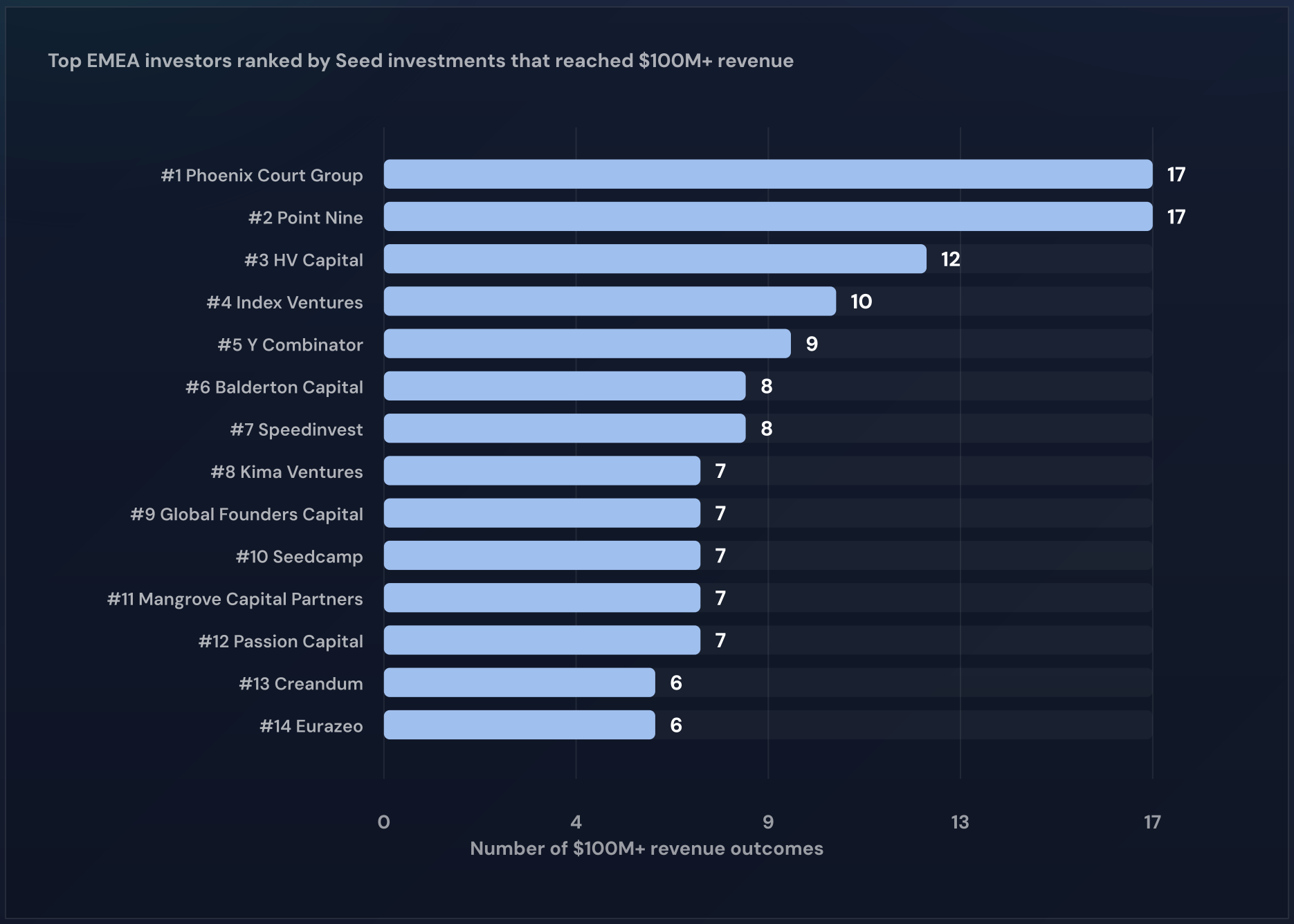
Sequoia leads the Series A to $100M+ revenue ranking



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EMEA REVENUE RANKING

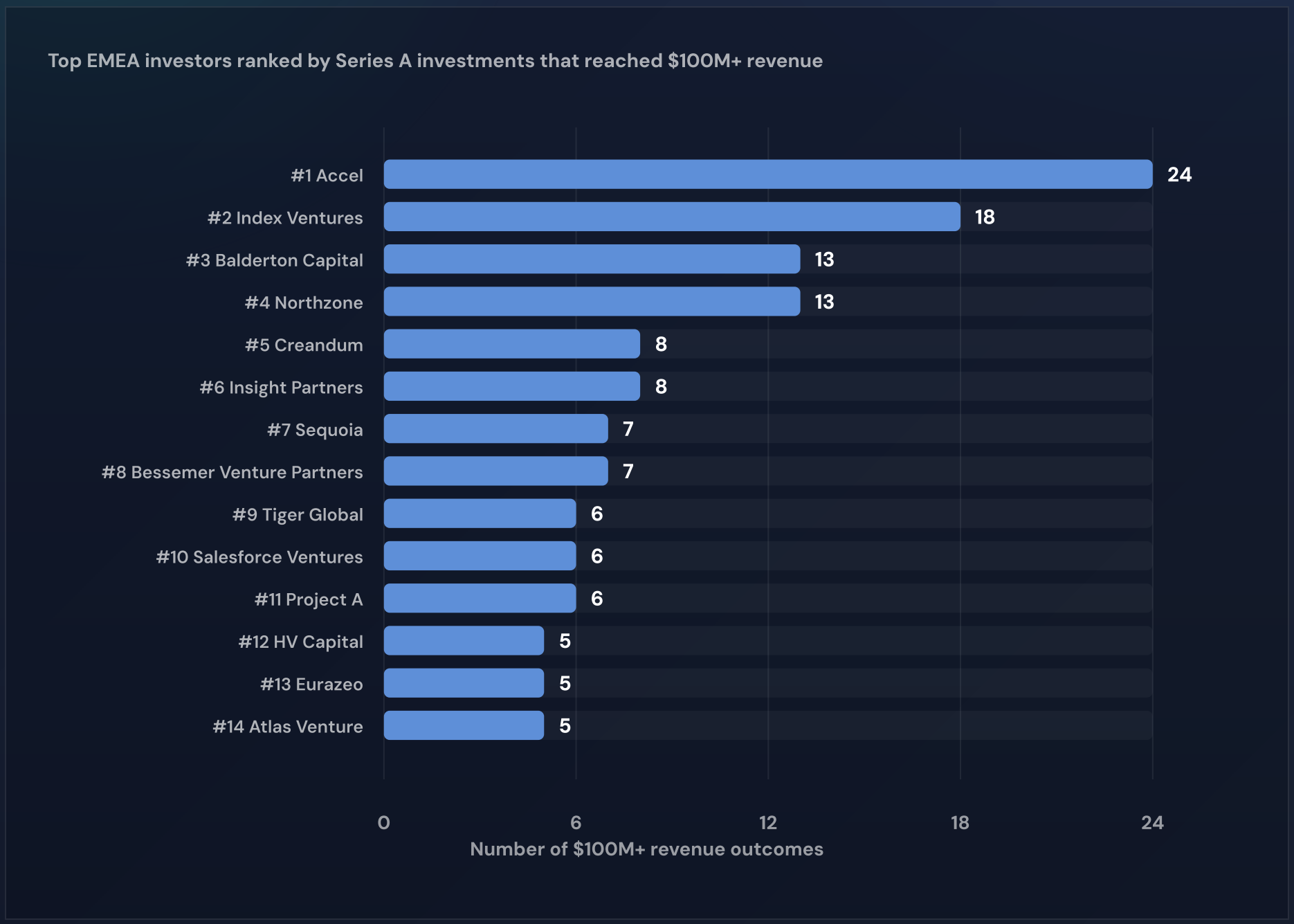
Phoenix Court and Point Nine lead EMEA's Seed to $100M+ revenue ranking



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EMEA SERIES A RANKING

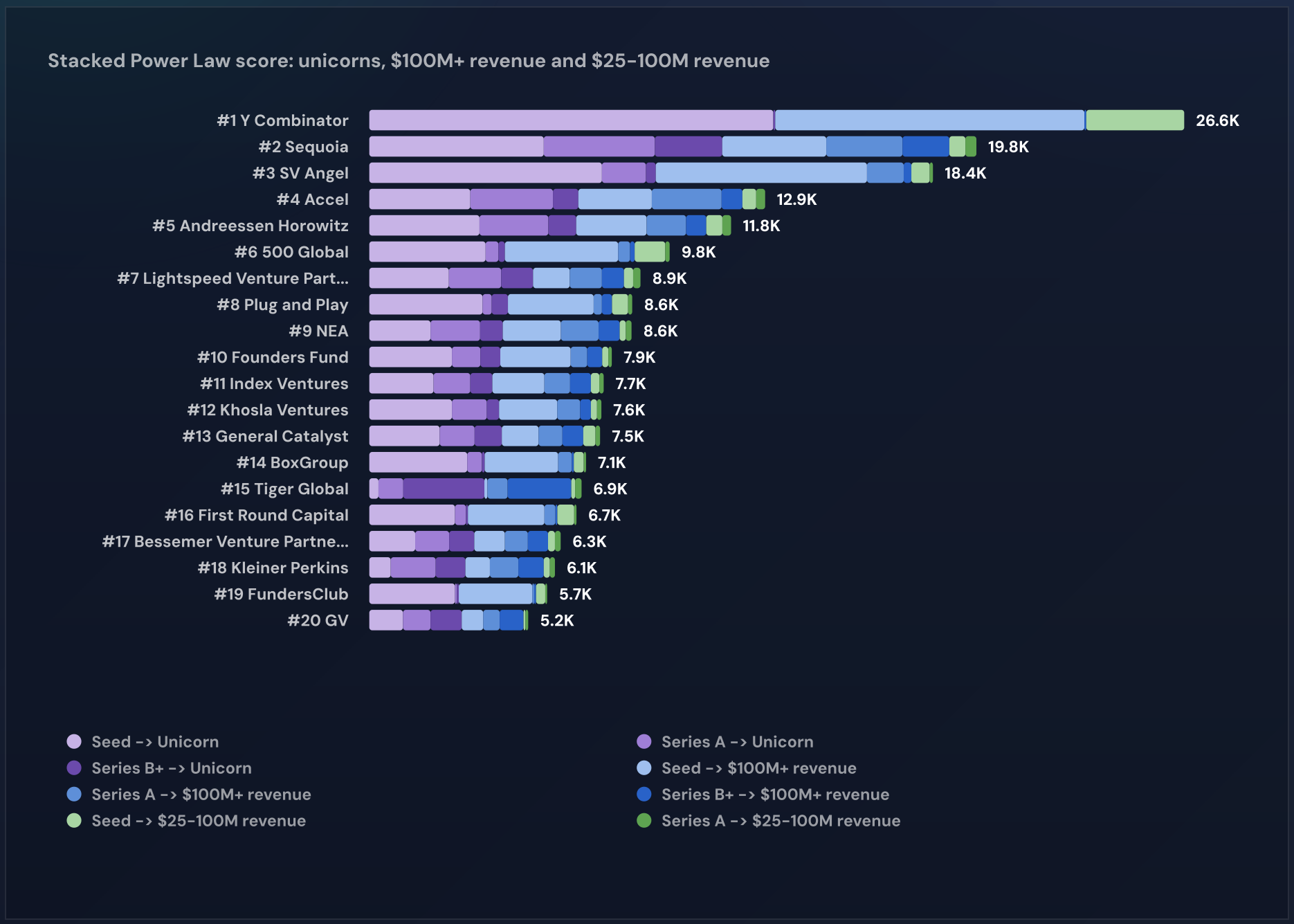
Accel leads EMEA's Series A to $100M+ revenue ranking



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COMBINED SCORE

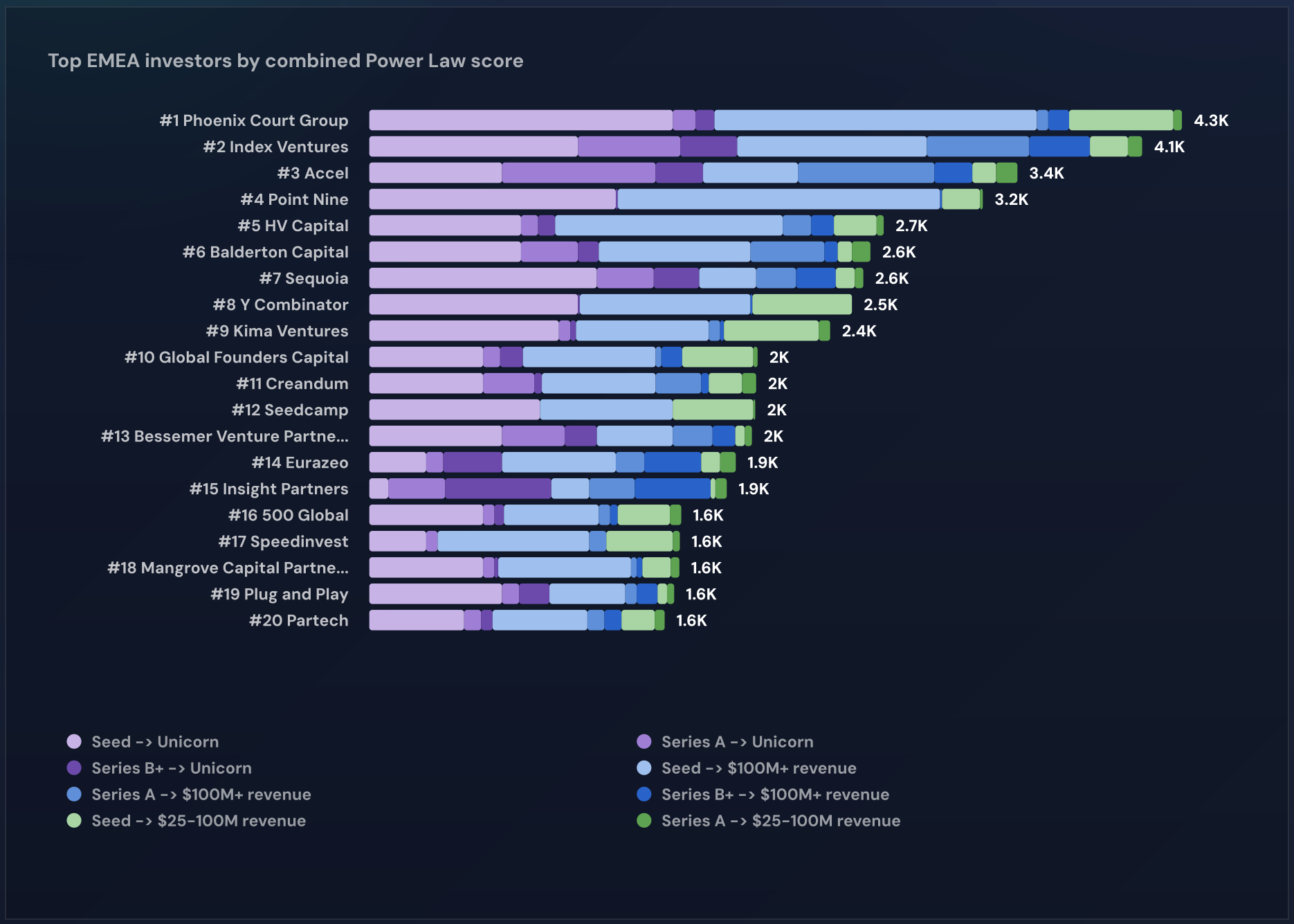
The combined score rewards repeat outcomes across stage and quality



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EMEA RANKING

EMEA has a distinct power-law investor stack



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OUTCOME RARITY

Only a small group have repeat Seed to $100M+ revenue outcomes



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INVESTOR UNIVERSE

Most venture investors have only a handful of disclosed deals



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INVESTOR UNIVERSE

Dedicated VC firms and Seed-first investors dominate the active base



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INVESTOR UNIVERSE

Most active VC firms sit below $500M in latest fund size or AUM



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