

COMPETITIVENESS OF INDIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: SOME THOUGHTS



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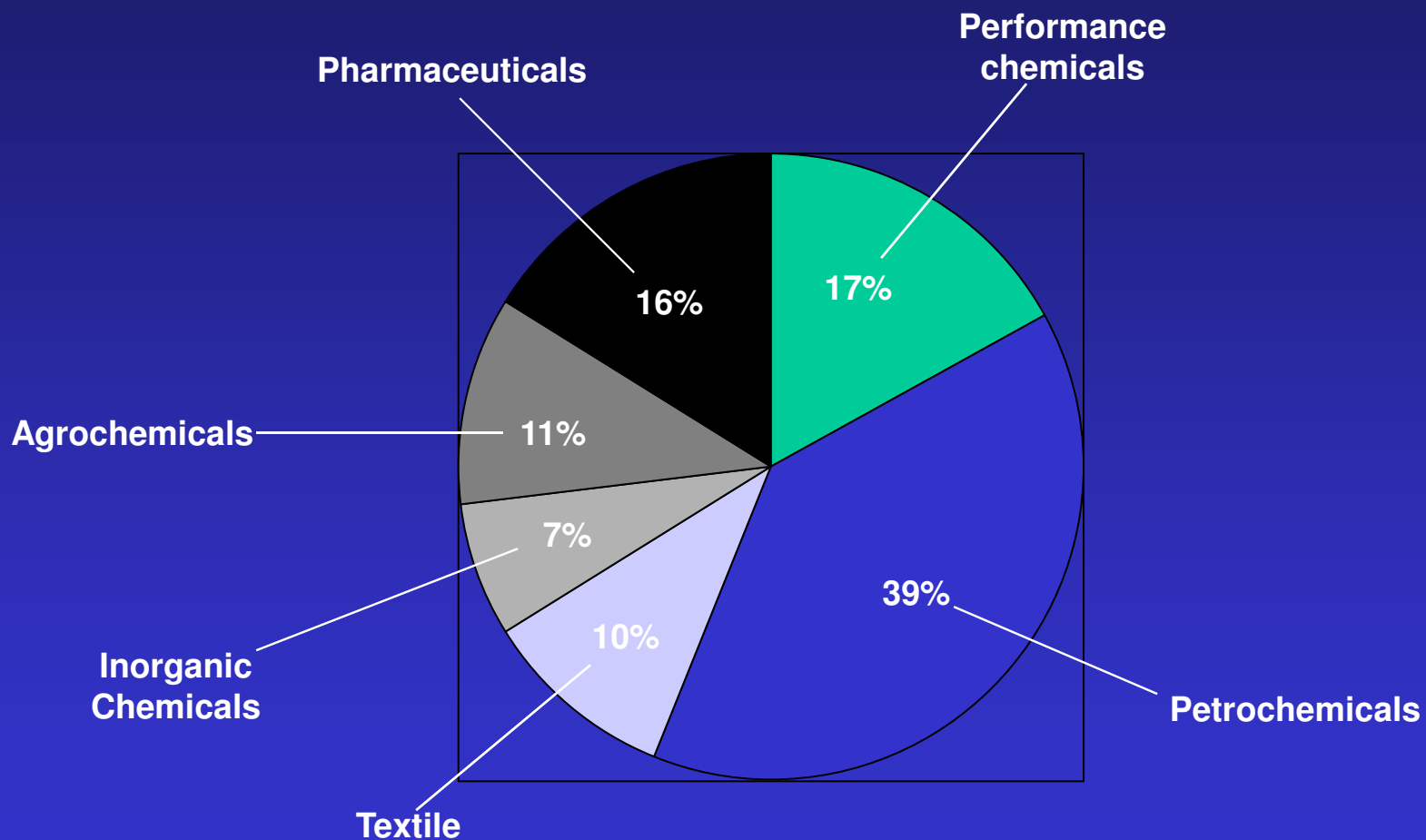
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WORLD CHEMICALS MARKET

A THREE TRILLION \$ INDUSTRY



CHANGING TOPOGRAPHY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- Globalization of business
- Shifting manufacturing geographies
- Growing concerns for sustainability
- Changing customer expectations driven by new demographics
- Changing work force requirements
- Impact of ICT
- Industry consolidation

FORCES OF CHANGE IN THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- Unprecedented rise in fuel and raw material costs
- High cost of new product introductions; difficulties in identifying new growth platforms
- Increasing regulatory (environment, health and safety) frameworks
- Faster technology diffusion / commoditization of products leading to quicker price / margin erosion
- Supply chain is taxed by breadth of markets, products and geography
- Increased global segmentation in terms of technology providers , low cost producers and large domestic markets

Chemical industry is a mature industry, Innovations are largely incremental in nature. Disruptive innovations are becoming scarcer and scarcer

NEW BUSINESS MODELS FOR GROWTH

- Lowest cost producer in the industry (operators)
- Company that achieves higher margins by differentiating its offerings through technology or service to customers (solution provider)

(Accenture)

- New product developer
- Application developer
- Systems solution provider
- Process technologist
- Value chain integrator
- Low cost producer

(McKinsey)

INNOVATION DILEMMA

Dilemma	Strategies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Competing solely on price, pushes operating margins progressively down• High margin business leads to poor share holder value	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manufacturing efficiency• R&D / Innovation efficiency• Flexible R&D strategy• Embracing uncertainty

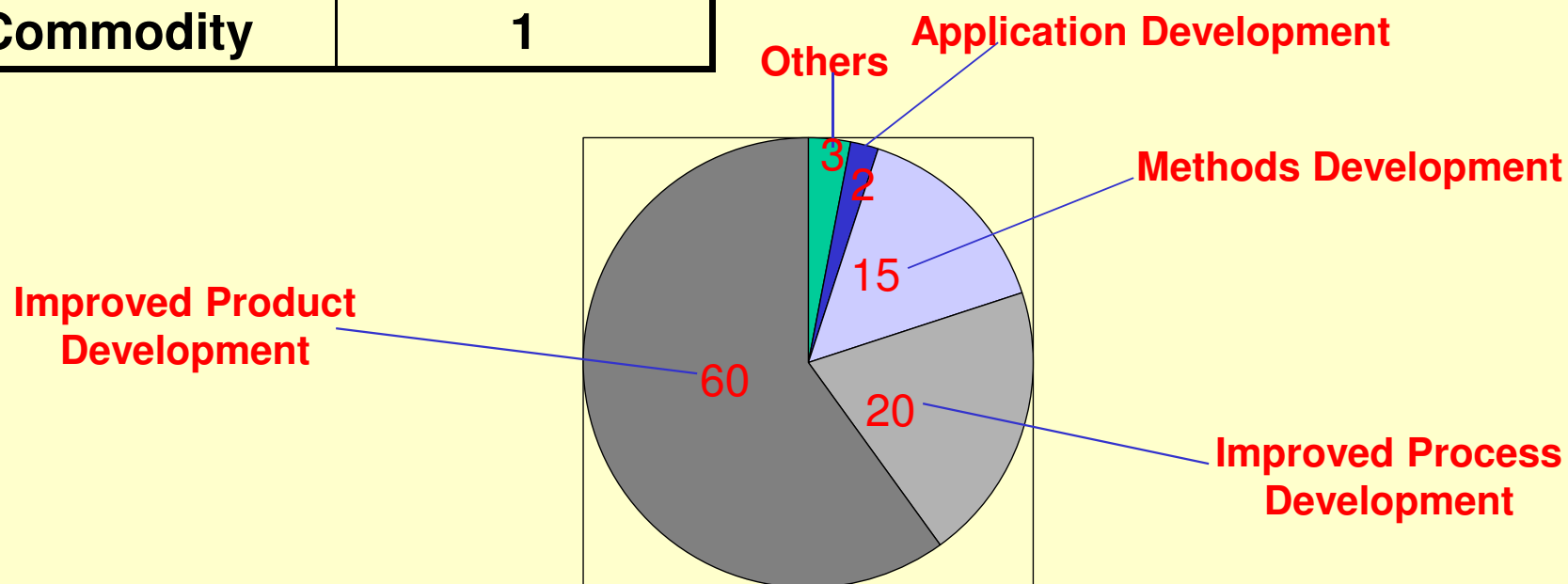
Challenge : Implement a hybrid strategy; successfully manage a commodity like business while simultaneously developing and seeking new business models



GLOBAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRY : R&D INVESTMENTS

Type	% Annual Sales
Specialty chemicals	3
Diversified companies	2
Commodity	1

Nature	% spending
Basic	11
Applied	32
Development	56



THE INDIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- **Fragmented and low capacity**
- **Low capital/technology intensity**
- **Relative unfamiliarity with catalytic processes involving reactor types other than batch stirred tank reactors**
- **Threat of horizontal transfer of technology**
- **Limited in house technology development strength**
- **Inadequate attention towards quality and consistency**
- **Lack of deep pockets to sustain business cycles**
- **Poor product marketing skills, especially in global markets**

INDIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: CONCERNS

- Branded as low cost supplier/outourcing/contract manufacturing entity for fine and specialty chemicals
- Innovation deficit; few new product offerings based on proprietary knowledge / IP. Low R&D intensity with the exception of drugs and pharmaceutical sector
- Conventional engineering practices
- Poor application development skills, especially for specialties
- Talent deficit; chemistry and chemical engineering education no longer considered fashionable; serious issues of talent retention/flight

Chemicals and chemical industry is not perceived as sexy as Biotechnology or IT

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY : 2020 TECHNOLOGY VISION

- **Reduce feed stocks losses to waste / byproducts by 90%**
- **Reduce energy intensity of processes by 30%**
- **Reduce emissions including CO₂ and effluents by 30%; move towards zero discharge goals**
- **Increase use of renewable resources as building block for chemicals ; combine judiciously chemical and biological processes to achieve sustainability goals**
- **Small/ modular chemical plant designs for enhanced safety and reduced quantities of inventory storage**
- **Increase the conversion of stoichiometric processes to catalytic processes; batch to continuous processes**
- **Understand better the impact of chemicals and materials on environment, safety and human health**

RESEARCH PLATFORMS FOR CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- **Clean Technology**
 - Solid catalysts
 - High specificity / atom economy
 - Green solvents
- **Chemistry in Unusual Media**
 - Supercritical CO₂ and water
 - Aqueous media
 - Ionic liquids
 - Reaction in dispersions, suspensions and emulsions
 - Solid state reactions
- **Industrial (white) Biotechnology**
 - Bio-catalysis and bio-transformations
 - Bio-based building blocks for performance chemicals
 - Fermentation processes

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RESEARCH PLATFORMS FOR CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- **Chemistry Toolboxes**
 - Chiral switches / single enantiomers
 - Microencapsulation
 - Synthetic chemistry tool boxes (e.g. Suzuki coupling, catalytic hydrogenation, metathesis, click chemistry etc.)
 - Crystal engineering and polymorphism
- **Unusual Reaction Conditions**
 - Photochemistry / photocatalysis
 - Electrochemistry
 - Microwave
 - Sono-chemistry
 - Plasma

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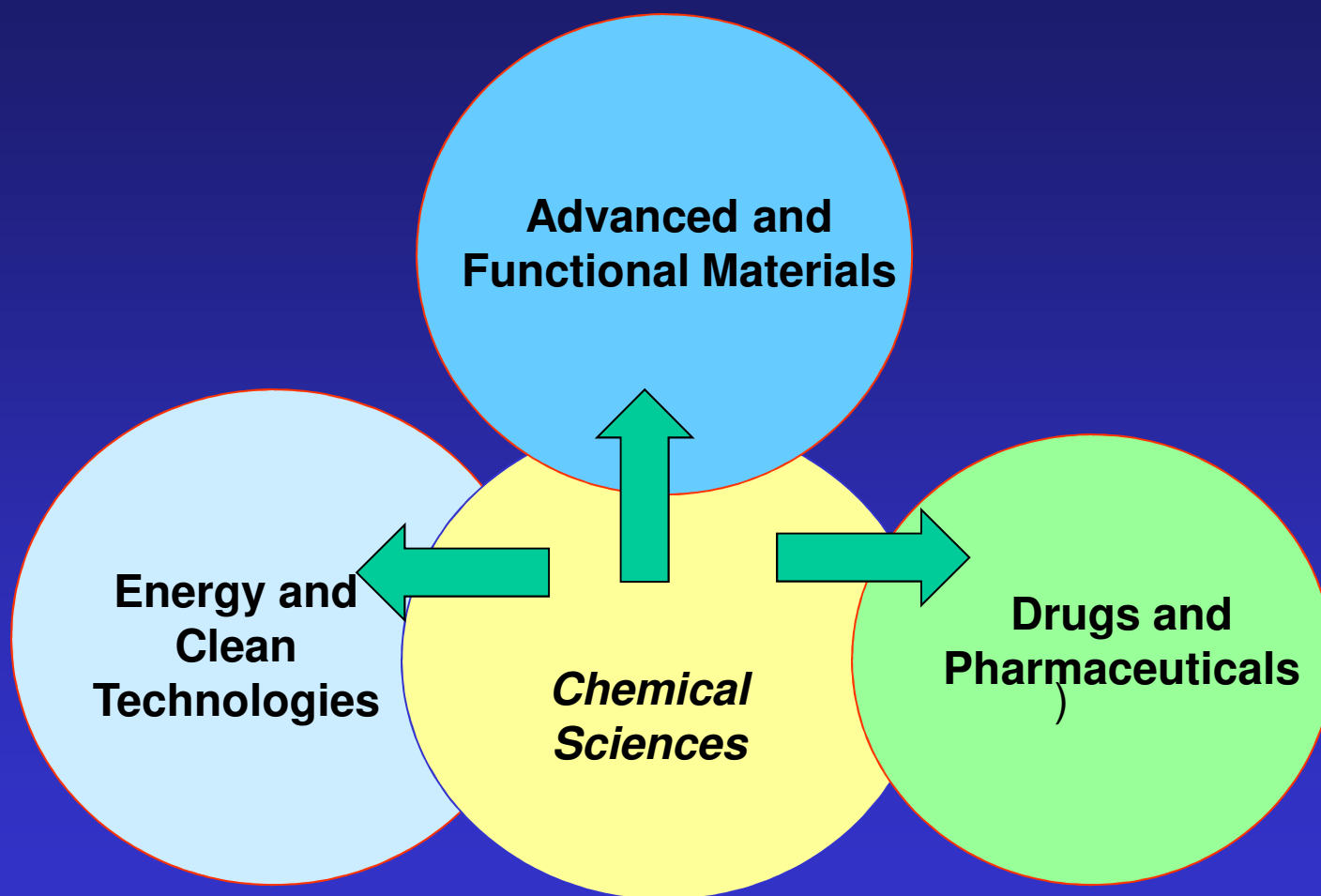
RESEARCH PLATFORMS FOR CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- **New Processes / Product Strategies**
 - Chemical product engineering
 - Micro-reaction engineering
 - Novel reactor and mixer designs
 - Novel separation processes especially membrane based processes
 - Computational modeling, simulation and visualization
 - Process intensification / smaller footprint of process plants
 - Modular and mobile manufacturing
 - Energy and water use efficiency
 - Effluent and waste minimization

TODAYS SCIENCE SEEDING TOMORROW'S TECHNOLOGIES

- **Advanced and functional materials including nanomaterials**
- **Nano-structured materials and catalysis for energy conversion and storage (electrochemical, solar)**
- **Novel hybrid materials for harvesting solar energy**
- **Environmentally friendly polymers**
- **Biomaterials, tissue engineering and bio-conjugates for therapeutics**
- **Catalysis, chemical engineering and computational science to leverage clean technologies**
- **Establishing sustainable and /or renewable feedstocks for chemical manufacturing**
- **Harnessing modern biology to create a more sustainable chemical industry**
- **Selective separation processes for a diverse range of applications**

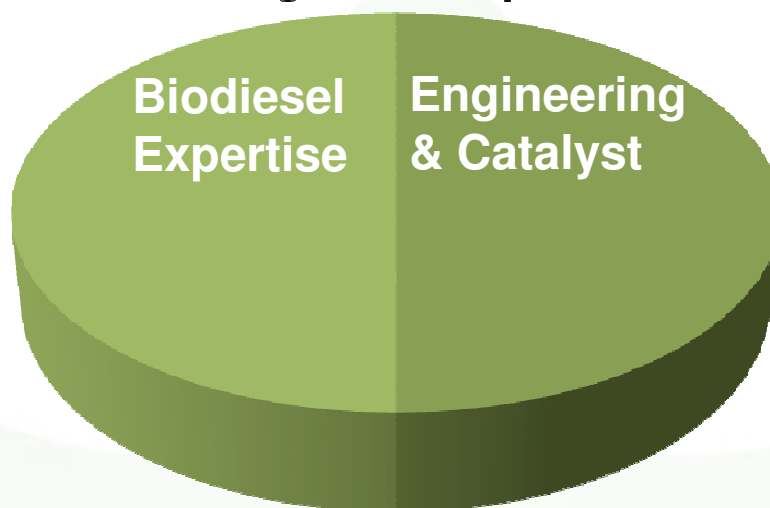
CHEMICAL SCIENCE : A CORE SCIENCE FOR MANY EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES



COMPETITIVENESS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY : SOME THOUGHTS

- Identify multiple product capabilities from the same set of facilities
- Examine chemicals which are single vendor item in the global market
- Look for chemicals that can be manufactured in existing facilities with incremental capex
- Identify chemicals of strategic nature which are under technology embargoes
- Look for opportunities where improved purities of currently produced chemicals can open up new market opportunities
- Focus on formulated products
- Identify chemicals where India has unique raw material advantages

Management Expertise



Strategic Partners



- One of largest catalyst producers in world
- 5,000 person, publically traded company
- Global production capacity



- Market leader for crude oil dewatering using electrostatic separation
- Co-developed novel method for separating biodiesel & glycerin



- One of the world's largest catalytic research institutes
- Government backed institute with over 200+ PhD's
- Focus on catalysis since 1980



- Ravi Randhava, PhD. – CTO**
- Founder of Xytel – 700+ world wide process engineering company
 - Focus on solid catalyst technology development





UF MEMBRANE TECHNOLOGY : FROM CONCEPT TO MARKET

- **Discovery of a unique process to control membrane porosity**
 - Reject smallest known pathogenic species (virus);
 - Still be able to operate at tap water pressure (0.4 bar)
- **Prototype preparation, demonstration & performance evaluation**
 - Designed various easy to use prototypes
 - Demonstration & rigorous performance evaluation
- **Technology transfer**
 - Technology licensed to Membrane Filters India Ltd., Pune, a start up enterprise incubated at NCL
 - Product in the market since 2007; Current sales turnover of the company ~ US\$ 15 million

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Sphere with suture tunnels



Orbital floor plate



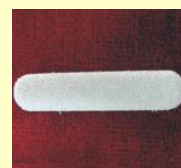
Floor plate (part non-porous)



Orbital rim



Malar implant



Nasal augmentation sheet



Mandibular implant



Nasal dorsum



Chin implant



Pterional implant



Mastoid



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SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISRUPTIVE INNOVATION EXISTS. HOWEVER, TODAY'S CHEMICAL SCIENCE WILL REQUIRE A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT TRANSLATIONAL MODEL TO CONVERT KNOWLEDGE TO WEALTH

STRATEGIES FOR COMPEITITIVENESS

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| • Specifications | → | Functions |
| • Composition | → | Provide solutions |
| • Products | → | Services |



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