

Moving R&D Funding *from Risk to Assurance*

Discussion

Agri-Food and Value Adding Network
Development Team meeting of June 14, 2002

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The Value of R&D

- ◆ Builds useful knowledge base
- ◆ Develops technical skills
- ◆ Extends education
- ◆ Improves products/processes/systems
- ◆ Creates new markets/employment/etc.
- ◆ Improves economic competitiveness
- ◆ Supports future decision-making
- ◆ Expands synergistic potential of S/T

Sorting The Benefits....

- ◆ Short term vs. Long term
- ◆ Incremental vs. Quantum
- ◆ Tangible vs. Intangible
- ◆ Quantitative vs. Qualitative
- ◆ Serendipitous vs. Planned
- ◆ Inspiration vs. Perspiration

"Time well wasted?"

R&D Focus and Priorities *(typical)*

- ◆ Topics of strategic importance
- ◆ Topics of wide application in a field
- ◆ Consistent with societal values and goals
- ◆ Strong indication of high ROI
- ◆ Risk correlates with R&D value

*Follow-through sometimes lacking
...development chain*

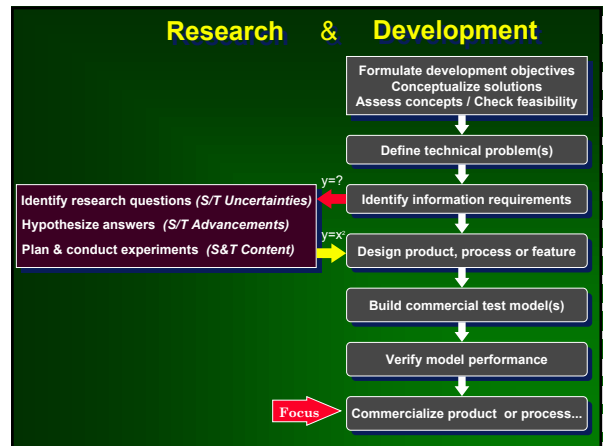
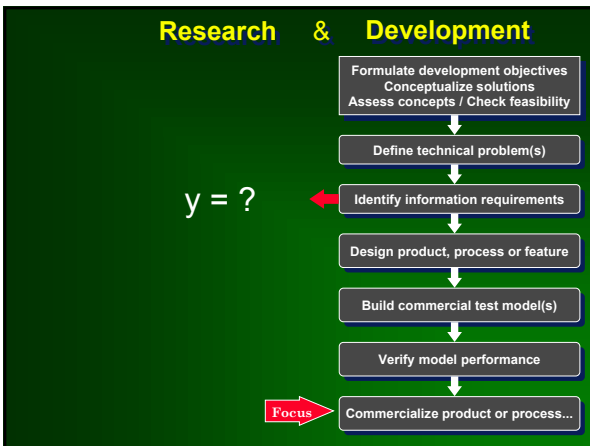
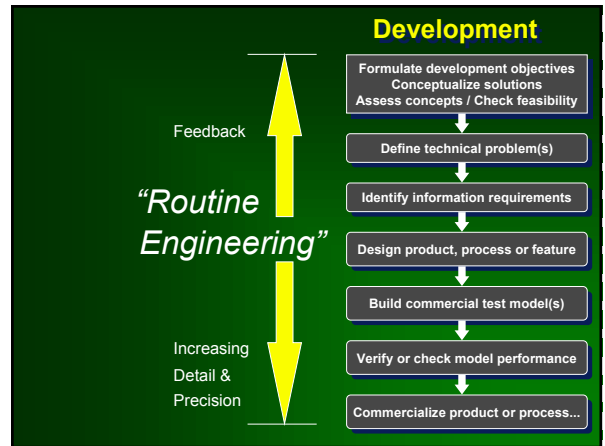
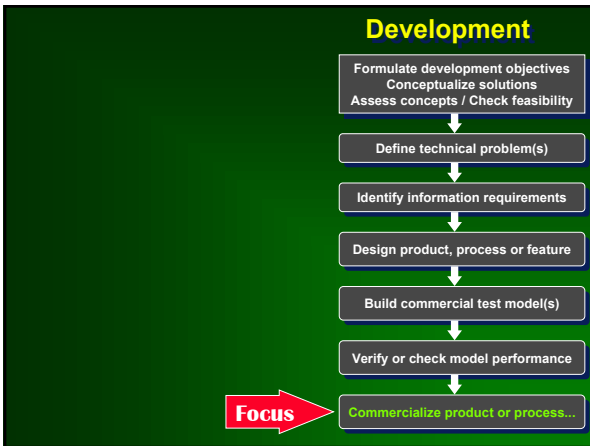
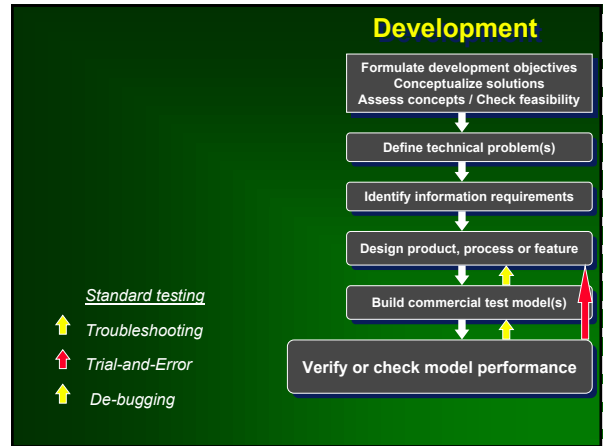
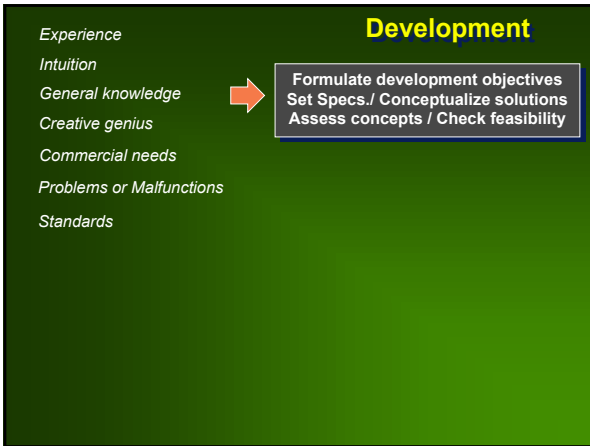
R&D Funding fails to deliver value because.....???

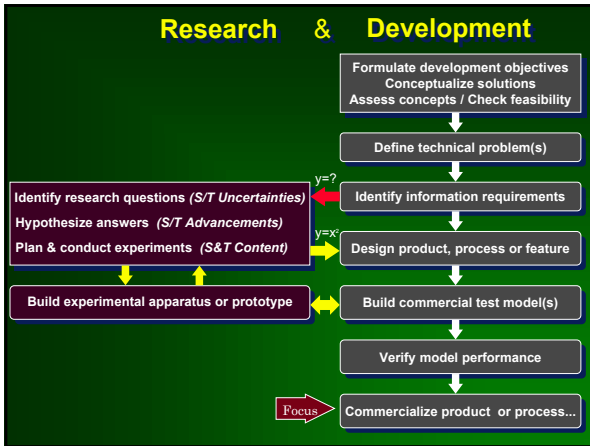
- ◆ Funding agency sets inappropriate goals
- ◆ Planning was insufficient to meet objectives
- ◆ Unable to respond to the unexpected
- ◆ Wrong barriers / challenges were addressed
- ◆ Funding and/or confidence was eroded
- ◆ The competition was too fast & too smart
- ◆ Personnel or expertise was lacking
- ◆ Technical challenges were insurmountable
- ◆ Development-marketing "chain" is broken

Causes of success in new products *(Robert G. Cooper)*

- ◆ Differentiated, superior products
- ◆ Sharp, early product definition
- ◆ Solid, up-front homework
- ◆ Marketing actions executed well
- ◆ Technology actions executed well
- ◆ True cross-functional teams

(source: Robert G. Cooper, 1998; reference: Preston Smith, 1999)

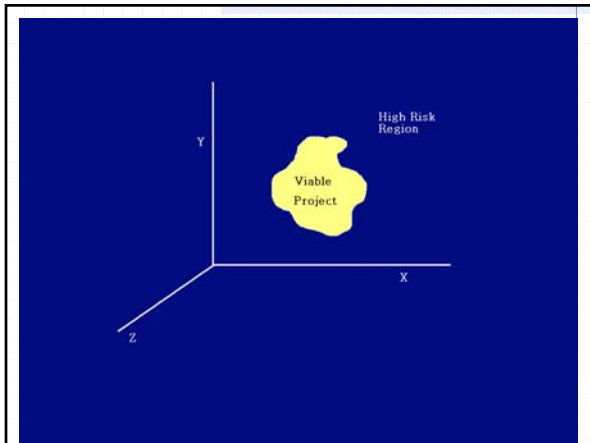




Project Failure - *Factors*

- ◆ Objectives
- ◆ Planning
- ◆ Resources
- ◆ Time
- ◆ Environment

Failure may be due to avoidable Risks



Objectives

- ◆ Consensus based
- ◆ Realistic
- ◆ Worthwhile
- ◆ Prioritized
- ◆ Linked and coherent
- ◆ Verifiable

Project Plans

- ◆ Consensus based
- ◆ Integrated with related plans
- ◆ Communicated and coordinated
- ◆ Structured but flexible
- ◆ Outcomes & milestones are defined
- ◆ Includes monitoring and feedback
- ◆ Assumptions are tested (ongoing)
- ◆ Includes ongoing risk assessment

Resources

- ◆ Expertise
- ◆ Personnel
- ◆ Money
- ◆ Equipment
- ◆ Supplies
- ◆ Competitive intelligence

Time

- ◆ Timing of key activities
- ◆ Sufficiency of time
- ◆ Time efficiency of activities
- ◆ Delays & disruptions
- ◆ Time-to-market
- ◆ Product cycle time

Environment

- ◆ Marketplace
- ◆ Competition
- ◆ Seasonal climates
- ◆ Geography
- ◆ Regulatory and legal
- ◆ Staff: interest, awareness and attitudes

Risk Models

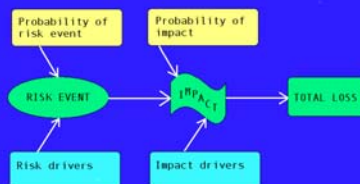
- ◆ Useful for discussion purposes
- ◆ Should be consensus-based
- ◆ Requires data, knowledge, experience
- ◆ Must be realistic, informed and complete

Risks

- ◆ Can occur at any stage in the project
- ◆ Risks may be anticipated or *Modeled*
- ◆ Managing risk is key
- ◆ *Events* and occurrences have *Impacts*
- ◆ *Impacts* have *Consequences*
- ◆ Research is inherently risky
- ◆ Development can be risky

*Safe assumption:
the unknown carries risk*

Standard Risk Model

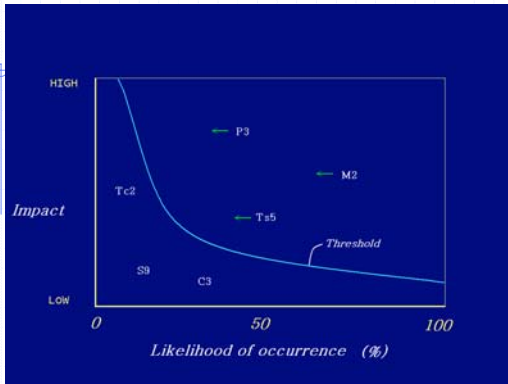


Expected Loss or Risk Exposure

$$L_e = P_e \times P_i \times L_t$$

Where:

- L_e = Expected loss (seriousness of risk)
- P_e = Probability of risk event
- P_i = Probability of event impact
- L_t = Total loss potential



Risk Drivers & Impact Drivers

- ◆ Drivers exist in the project environment
- ◆ Understanding is key
- ◆ Risk drivers suggest *Prevention Plans*
- ◆ Impact drivers suggest *Contingency Plans*

Key to managing risk:
control likelihood of risk event occurrence

Risks

- ◆ Many critical risks are cross-functional
- ◆ Focus on risks that are likely to disrupt the project schedule
- ◆ Identify risks early in the project

Risk Model Development - Steps

- Identification
- Analysis
- Prioritization
- Response Planning
- Monitoring

Summary

- ◆ Develop the proper project perspective
- ◆ Know the full project environment
- ◆ Define All the elements of success
- ◆ Identify All avenues to success
- ◆ Identify real & potential barriers
- ◆ Monitor assumptions, goals, plans
- ◆ Communicate fully & consult widely
- ◆ Be proactive in managing risks

Agri-Health and Value-Added Opportunities for Alberta

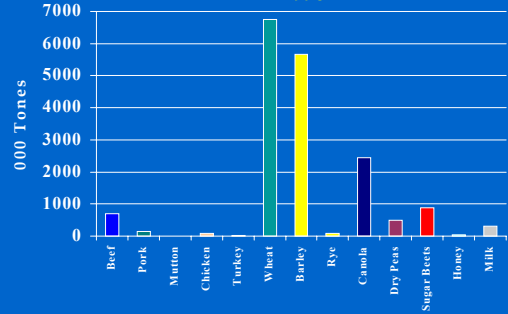
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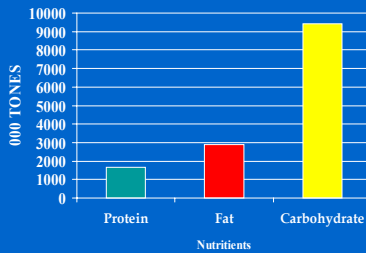
Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development

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PRODUCTION OF AGRICULTURE COMMODITIES ALBERTA 1998



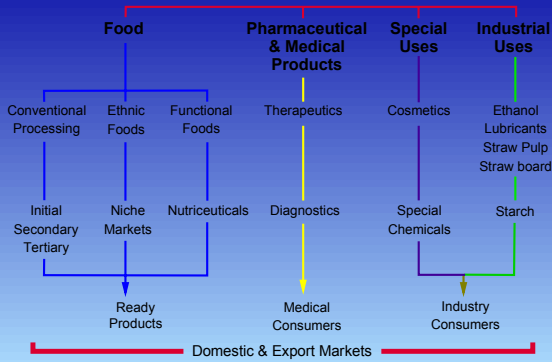
PRODUCTION OF MACRONUTRIENTS ALBERTA 1998



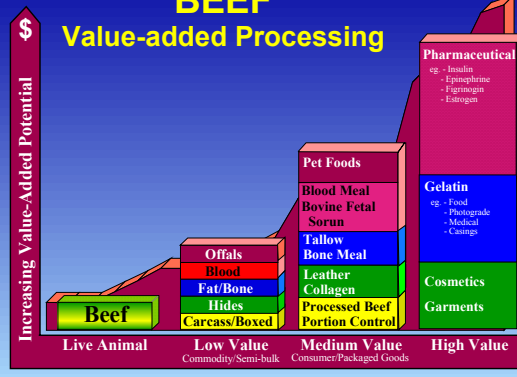
Macronutrients (1)

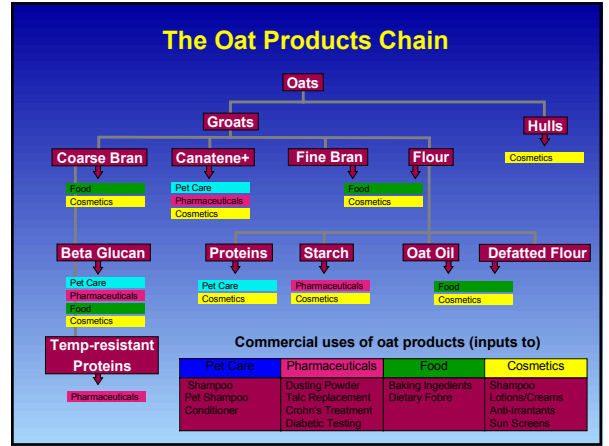
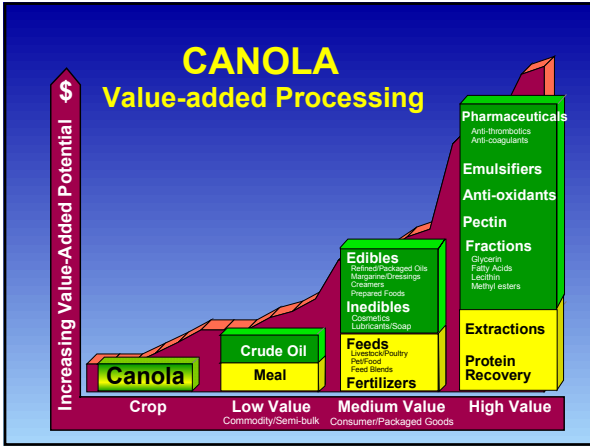
- 1,705 million tonnes of protein
- 2,899 million tonnes of fat
- 9,440 million tonnes of carbohydrate
- enough protein to sustain 85.250 million adults or 179.5 million children annually
- one Alberta farmer sustains 1,445 adults or 3,041 children annually

Agricultural Production: Value Added Sector



BEEF Value-added Processing





Functional Food for Thought - Strategic Focus in Food Safety and Probiotics

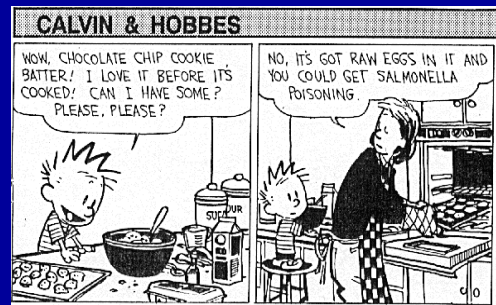
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Food Safety as a Continuing Issue

- Change is constant

Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- New Pathogens
in new places



Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- New Pathogens
new characteristics
- acid tolerance
- antibiotic resistant pathogens

Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- ◆ New Pathogens
- ◆ Changes in susceptibility of host population
 - ◆ as high as 25% of population is vulnerable
 - ◆ aging population
 - ◆ higher proportion immunocompromised

Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- New Pathogens
- Changes in susceptibility of host populations
- Chronic sequelae

Chronic Sequelae

- Septic arthritis *Salmonella* spp.
- Rheumatoid arthritis *Yersinia*, *Shigella*, *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter*, *Escherichia* spp.
- Crohn's disease *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis*, *E. coli*, *Streptococcus* spp.
- Renal disease *E. coli* O157:H7 and others
- Guillian Barre syndrome *Campylobacter jejuni*

Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- ◆ New Pathogens
- ◆ Changes in susceptibility of host populations
- ◆ New food vehicles
 - ◆ minimally processed
 - ◆ fresh preservative free
 - ◆ more perishable foods

Changing Face of Foodborne Disease

- New Pathogens
- Changes in susceptibility of host populations
- Chronic sequelae
- New food vehicles
- Economic impact on the industry



SETTLEMENT CLOSES CHAPTER IN '93 HAMBURGER DEATHS

Feb. 26/98

Reuters

Bob Burgdorfer

CHICAGO -- A \$58.5 million payment to Foodmaker Inc. by nine beef suppliers this week clears up nearly all claims stemming from four deaths and many illnesses in 1993 from *E.coli* tainted hamburgers.

Management of Food Safety

- HACCP
- Risk Assessment
- Food Safety Objectives as a risk management tool
 - a statement of the maximum frequency or concentration of a microbiological hazard in a food at the time of consumption that provides the appropriate level of consumer protection

Research Opportunities for the Future

- Integration of environmental surveillance with human surveillance
 - increase understanding of epidemiology and sources of foodborne disease
- Improved understanding of foodborne pathogens
 - adaptation, virulence, impact of stress responses, improved detection
 - genomics and proteomics

Research Opportunities for the Future

- Integration of environmental surveillance with human surveillance
- Improved understanding of foodborne pathogens
- Microbial ecology
 - processing and packaging technology
 - controls

Probiotic

- A live microbial feed supplement that beneficially affects the host animal by improving its intestinal microbial balance

Fuller, 1989

Prebiotic

- Non-digestible food ingredient that beneficially affects the host by selectively stimulating the growth and/or activity of one or a limited number of bacteria in the colon

Gibson and Roberfroid, 1995

Symbiotic

- a product that contains a prebiotic and a probiotic and the prebiotic selectively favors the probiotic

Research Opportunities in Microbial Ecology of the GIT

- Fundamental understanding of microbial populations of the gut
 - influence of gut microflora on health and disease
 - influence of antimicrobials on microbial ecology, gene expression in pathogens etc.
 - influence of prebiotics, symbiotics



Research Opportunities in Microbial Ecology of the GIT

- Fundamental understanding of microbial populations of the gut
- Interaction of potential probiotic strains with gut microflora and impact on host
 - immune function
 - health benefits beyond the probiotic
 - target probiotics for disease prevention

Functional Foods & Nutraceuticals

AARI – Agri-Health and Value-Adding Strategic
Research Network

June 25, 2002 Penny Mah



Outline

- Definitions
- Current Global Markets
- Market Opportunities




Definitions



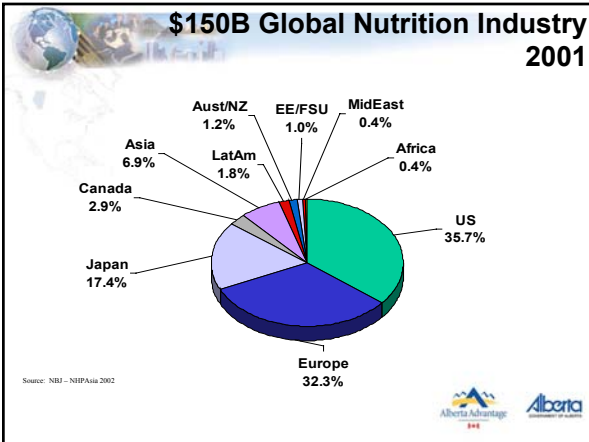
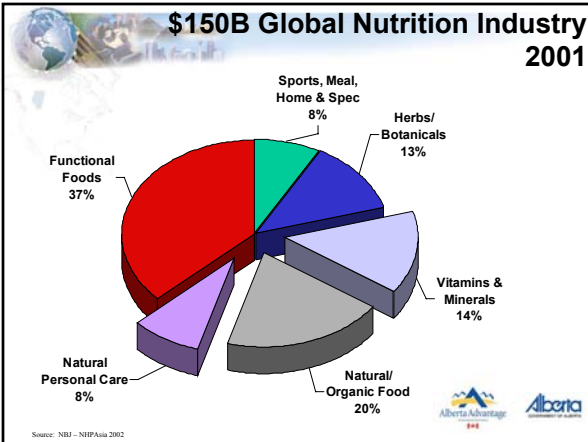
- A **functional food** is similar in appearance to, or may be, a conventional food, is consumed as part of a usual diet, and is demonstrated to have physiological benefits and/or reduce the risk of chronic disease beyond basic nutritional functions.

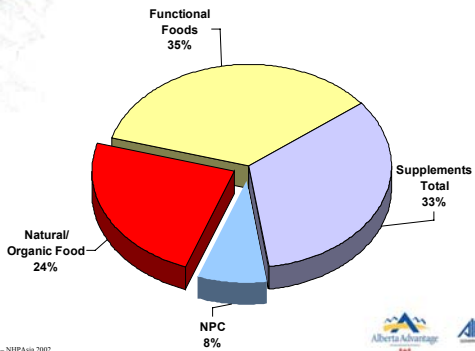
Definitions

- A **nutraceutical** is a product isolated or purified from foods that is generally sold in medicinal forms not usually associated with food.
- A **nutraceutical** is demonstrated to have a physiological benefit or provide protection against chronic disease.

• Source: Health Canada Policy Paper on Nutraceuticals/Functional Foods and Health Claims on Foods 1998
<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hpb-dgps/therapeu/index.html>

\$53B U.S. Nutrition Industry by Products in 2001



Source: NRI - NIPAsia 2002



Market Opportunities



Market Opportunities

• Food as Medicine

- 57% believe eating healthy is more effective to managing illness than medication
- 58% greatly believe one can reduce the risk of disease by diet

Source: Natraam 2002



Market Opportunities

• Self-Treatment on the Rise

- 9/10 consumers admit to trying to self-treat common conditions in the past year
- 96% were confident, 56% were very confident
- 73% prefer to self-treat, 62% want to do more in the future, 94% did last year

Source: Natraam 2002



Market Opportunities

• Shifting Health Priorities

- Consumer concerns
- Projected health issues



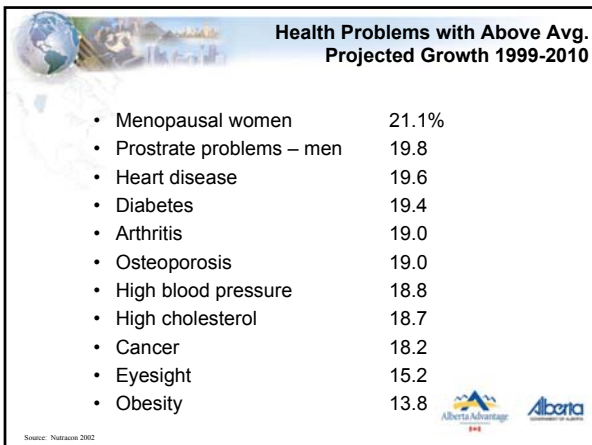
Consumer Concerns

- Healthy eyesight
- Heart disease
- Cancer
- High Blood Pressure
- Joint/Bone Health
- Stress
- Fatigue/Energy
- Diabetes
- Blood Triglycerides
- Headaches
- Obesity
- Acuity and Alertness



Source: Natraam 2002

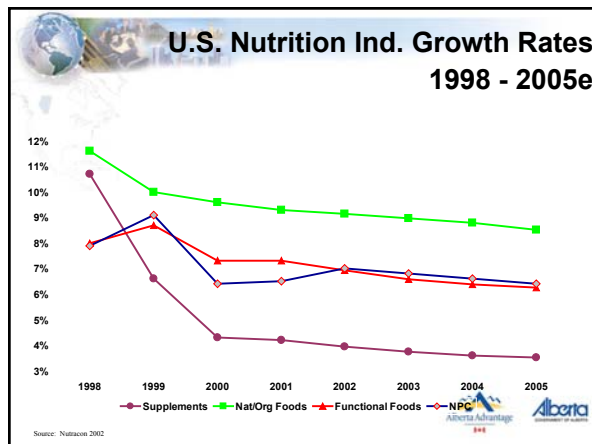
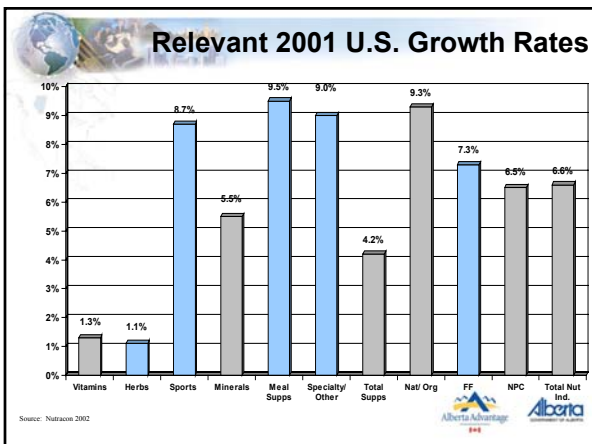




Natural Retailers' Dietary Supplement Top Ten List

Rank	2000	2001
1	MSM	Weight loss
2	Glucosmine/chondritin	Bone & Joint
3	SAM-e	Enzymes/co-enzymes
4	IP-6	MSM
5	Diet/Weight loss	Multi-vitamins
6	Green foods	Green foods
7	Olive Leaf Extract	Immune Boosters
8	Soy Supplements	Beta glucan
9	Alpha-lipoic acid	Growth hormone
10	Vitamin E	Soy isoflav, colostrum

Source: Nutracon 2002



Future

- The functional foods and nutraceutical sector will prosper with **strong science** backing products that are **effective, safe** and in **demand**.

Source: Nutracon 2002






Agri-Health & Value-Adding Strategic Research Network

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Foragen Overview

- A Company Creation Vehicle
- Focus on Advanced Agricultural and Food Technologies
- \$42M fund
- Provide initial seed investment: \$500K to 1.5M
- Max total investment: \$3M
- Investment horizon: 5 to 7 years
- IRR: > 25% after tax (overall Foragen's performance)

Foragen Strategic Priorities

- Human and Animal Health
- Alternatives Bio-Based Products/Materials/Process
- Food Safety - a 21st Century priority
- Tools for enhancement of efficiency /production
- Environmental sustainability
- Food and Fibre Quality/Traits enhancement
- "Freedom to Operate" - Platform technologies






Foragen Investment Requirements

- Product concept
 - Differentiating advantage
- Unmet need
- Large market
- Patentable technology
- Freedom to operate
- Platform technology
- RETURN ON INVESTMENT






Foragen Due Diligence (I)

- **Assessing the People**
 - Ability to work together
 - Understand their strengths and weaknesses
 - Relationship built on trust
 - Capable of delivering results
 - Open to adding to the team
- **Assessing the Technology**
 - Intellectual property
 - Proof-of-concept
 - Unique selling feature
 - Development plan

Foragen Due Diligence (II)

- **Assessing the Market**
 - Need for the product
 - Market size
 - Pricing and gross margin
 - Competitors
- **Assessing the Finances**
 - Use of funds
 - Establishing the assumptions
 - Financial projections
 - VALUATION!!!

Common Thread in Foragen Investments

- Technology often results from strategic research initiatives
- Strong key scientists
 - Excellent science
 - Think creatively (often a paradigm shift)
 - Excellent to work with
- Never a clear winning investment
 - Are the elements of success present?
- Key is to foster success by providing key elements
- Science and medical faculties are also good sources of technologies
- Feedback from end-users is key



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Foragen Sees a Strong Potential for Company Creation

- 20 to 40 companies
- Between \$50 and \$200 M sales
- Global companies
- Headquartered locally
- Strong manufacturing presence
- Opportunities in both main commodity and specialized crops adapted locally



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Foragen Sees Many Other Technologies With Potential

- Not all technologies are company creation
 - Licensing plays
 - Good profitable companies with limited growth potential
- Potential for 100 to 200 co. with sales between \$5 and \$50 million
 - Product development is key for their success



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Questions

Thank You

Wheat Bioproducts



Canadian Wheat Cultivar Development Network

AAFC Cereal Research Centre
June 4 - 5, 2002

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Whither Wheat Bioproducts?

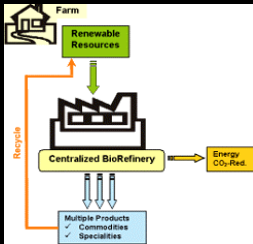
Look to the corn refining business :

- Early on - a US economic development instrument !
- Today - a global industrial bioproducts engine !
- Wheat refining - a business model for Canada ?
- What's the same?
- What's different?

Products Used by
A Myriad of Industries

GLOBAL Technology Group Company Limited
Bio-Chem 大成生化科技發展有限公司

What will it take to build Canada's bioeconomy?



- Strategic focus
- Strategic alliances
- Simultaneous discovery
- Novel genetics
- Novel processing
- Novel products
- Commitment - long term
- Risk capacity
- Public appreciation of science

Current & Potential Biomass Feedstocks

Crops		Cellulose / Hemicellulose	
Corn	Wheat	Forest residue	Sawdust
Potato	Barley	Cereal straw	Corn fibre
Sorghum	Sugar Cane	Yard clippings	MSW
Milling byproducts		Industrial Hemp	Populars
Food and Beverage Wastes			
Beer		Used frying oils	
Cheese whey		Food processing wastes	
Corn syrup		Fruit juices / drinks	

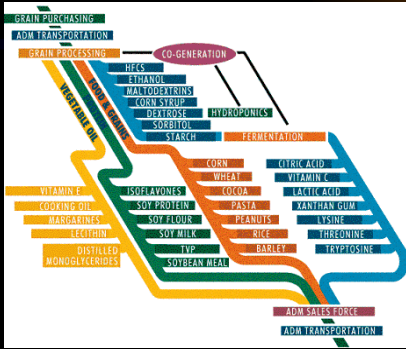
Canada's Bioproducts Feedstock

Bioresource	Production	Domestic Use	Available for Bioproducts
Forest Products			
Lumber	68.4 million cubic meters		
Wood pulp	25.3 million tonnes shipped world-wide		
Newsprint	9.2 million tonnes		
Commercial forest	234.5 million hectares		
Sawmill Residue ¹⁸			1,100,000
Cereals¹⁹			
	million tonne in 1999/2000 crop year		
Wheat - all classes	26,900,000	8,643,000	18,257,000
Barley - all classes	13,196,000	10,503,000	2,693,000
Corn	9,161,000	8,991,000	170,000
Oats	3,641,000	2,104,000	1,537,000
Rye	387,000	310,000	77,000
Oilseeds			
Canola - all classes	8,798,000	3,597,000	5,201,000
Flax - all classes	1,022,000	226,000	796,000
Soybean - all classes	2,781,000	2,271,000	510,000
Pulses and Specialty Crops			
All species and classes	4,074,000	1,392,000	2,682,000
Agricultural Fibre Crops and Residues			
Industrial hemp, others			Not known
Straw, others			20,000,000

Canada's Present Bioproducts

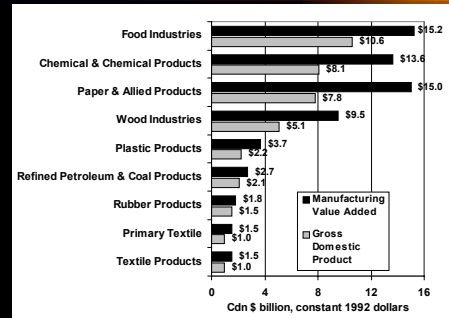
Bioproduct	Application	Present Contribution
Biomass energy	Combustion of wood residues and pulping liquor	7% of Canadian energy supply
Biofuels	Corn, wheat and barley starch fermentation	175 million litre / year of fuel ethanol. 0.3% of gasoline energy.
Biodiesel	Conversion of waste vegetable oil and animal fats	Pilot demonstration plant producing 1 million litre/year.

A River of Products !

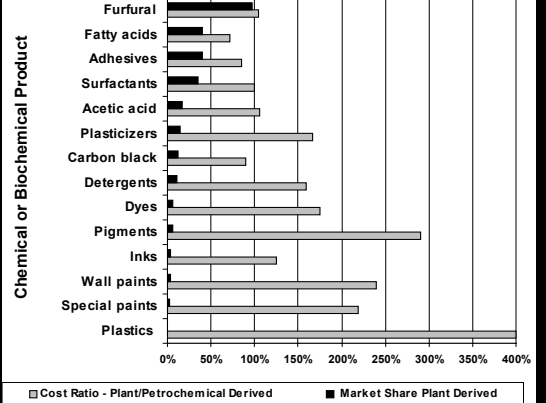
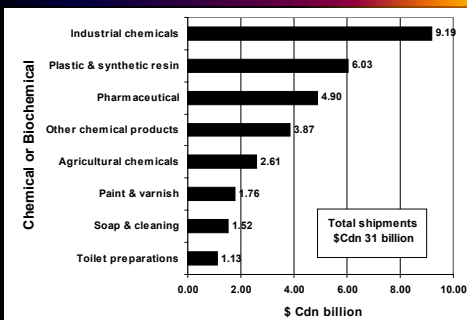


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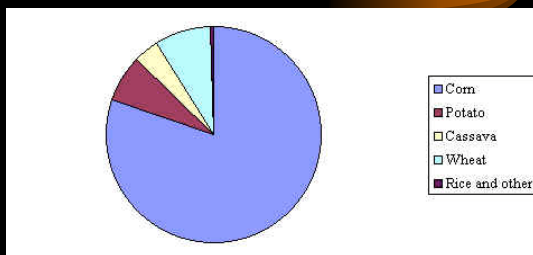
Whose to Use Wheat Bioproducts ? Canada's Manufacturers



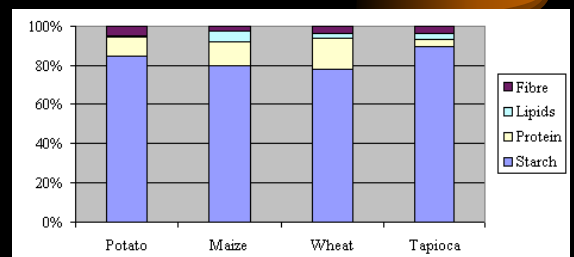
Canada's Chemical & Chemical Products Industry



Sources of Starch Used in World Carbohydrate Economy

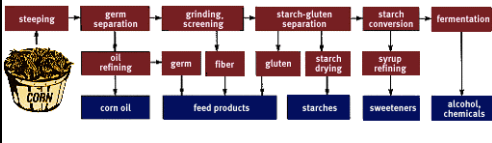


Composition of Starch Crops dry basis

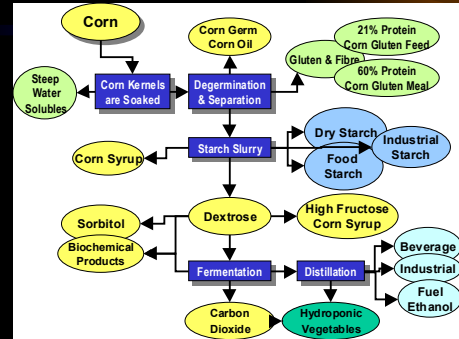




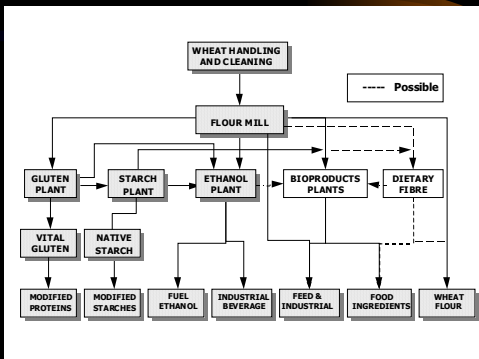
The refining process



Total Material Utilization



Wheat Refining

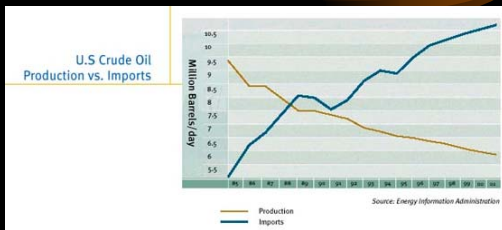


Simultaneous Discovery Frame Breaking !

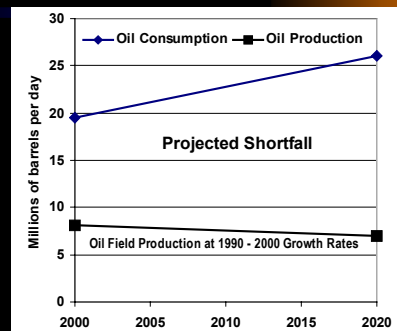
- Plant biotechnology
- Agricultural & equipment engineering
- Upstream processing
 - biocatalysis, metabolic engineering, biomass conversion, bioreactor design and cell culturing,
- Downstream processing
 - separation, purification, biorefining, processing monitoring and control
- Biomaterial processing
- Systems Integration

The "X" Factor

Why the US Government Supports Bioenergy



The US Petroleum Deficit Determining driver ?



Economic Arguments US Government Support of Ethanol

Positive Impact of Ethanol Program on Federal Budget

TYPE OF REVENUE GAIN/LOSS	\$ MILLIONS
Personal Income Taxes, Wages, Salaries	532
Personal Income Taxes, Farm Income	675
Social Security Taxes	1,668
Decline in Unemployment Benefits Aid	361
Corporate Income Taxes	846
Less Ethanol Tax Incentive	-48
ANNUAL SAVINGS TO FEDERAL BUDGET	5,574

Source: "The Economic Impact of the Demand for Ethanol", Dr. Michael K. Enns, Kellogg School of Management

Environmental Drivers US Government Support of Ethanol

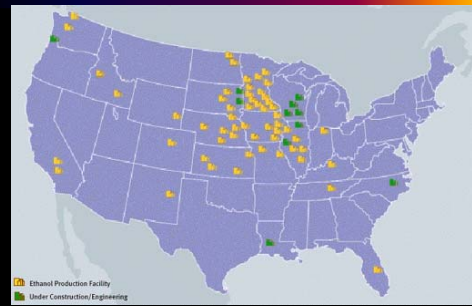
Ethanol Reduces Greenhouse Gases:



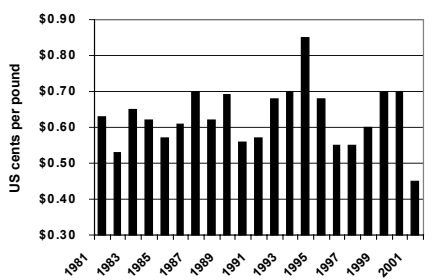
Growth of Fuel Ethanol in US



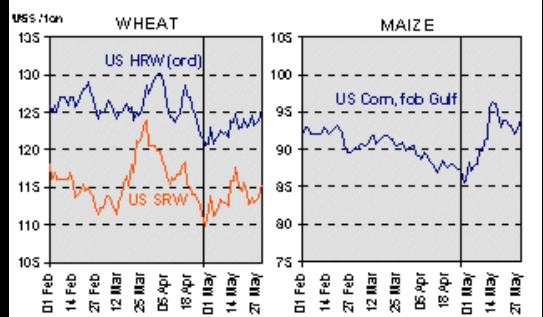
Ethanol Plants in US Many more on the drawing boards



NAFTA Wheat Gluten Price Permanently depressed due to EU starch policy?



Cost of Goods



Cost Price Risk



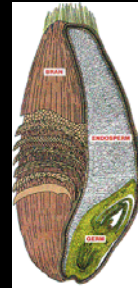
Cost of Natural Gas



Focus for R&D ?

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| • Significant traits | CPS OK, novel - let's see |
| • Grain yield & cost of goods | Must improve versus corn |
| • Total material utilization | Yes, yield x unit selling \$ |
| • Fractionation | Probably OK, import, adapt |
| • Extraction / purification | Probably OK, import, adapt |
| • Phys / chem modification | Import, adapt, develop novel |
| • Structure - function | Validate, adapt, novel |
| • Process engineering | Import, adapt, develop novel |
| • Utilization | Much work needed |
| • Industry/venture business case. | Need proof of concept |
| • Value chain | Much work needed |

Key Results Expected of R&D \$ Relieve constraints and create opportunities



- New significant traits
- Competitive yield / cost
- Process engineering
 - = fractionation
 - = isolation / purification
 - = total material utilization
 - = phys / chem modification
- Structure - function
- Utilization - product development
- Market / value chain development

Wheat Ingredients Business



Food, Feed & Cosmetics

Industrial Bioproducts



- Biochemicals
- Biopolymers
- Biocomposites
- Biofuels