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Green Chemistry - Benign By Design

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Green Chemistry: Benign by Design

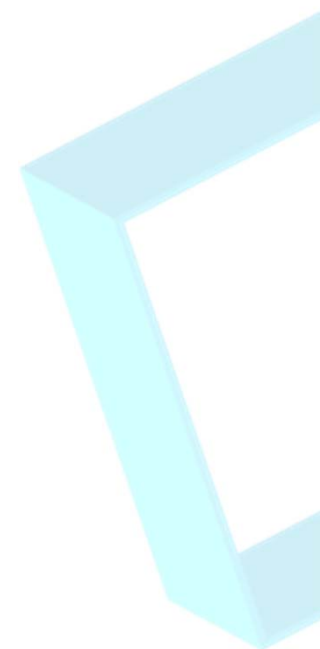
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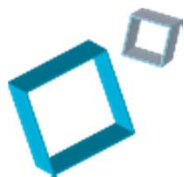
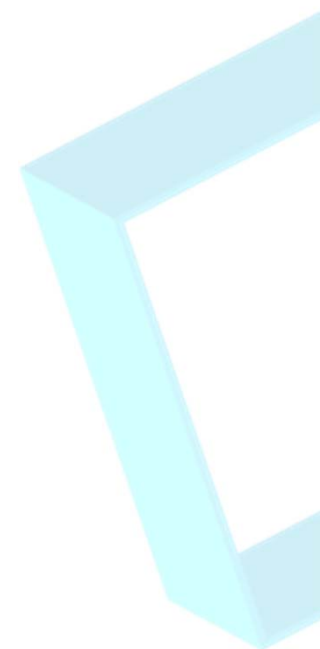
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Child obesity is link... to chemicals in plastic

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Oceans awash in toxic seas of plastic

TIME

The Poisoning of America

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Yes, Bisphenol-A Does Enter the Body from Plastic Bottles

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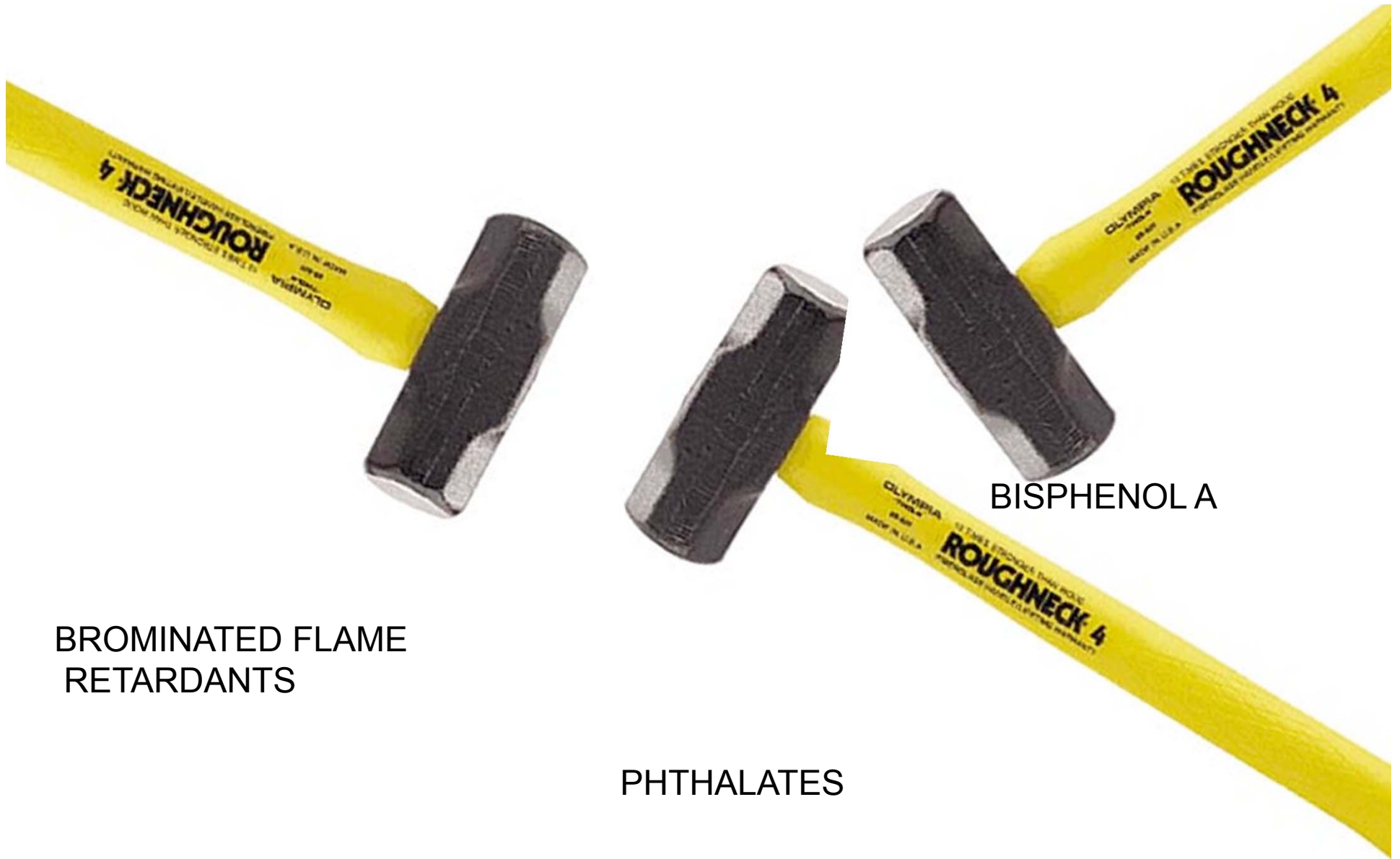
Chicago's Toxic Air

USA TODAY
5,000 evacuated after hazardous Pa. acid spill

THE SUNDAY TIMES
Household Dust Contains Highly Toxic Chemicals







BROMINATED FLAME
RETARDANTS

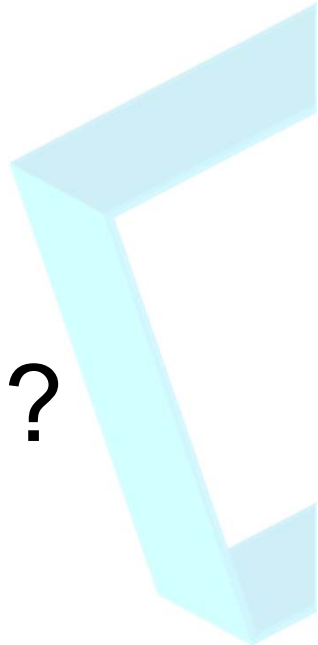
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Asking the Right Questions

Why would a chemist
make a hazardous material?



How do we train chemists?



Every Year: (United States)

Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Graduates

15,000 Undergraduate Degrees

3,000 Masters Degrees

3,000 Doctoral Degrees

50.9 % Women Undergraduate Degrees (2004)





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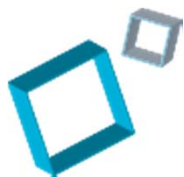
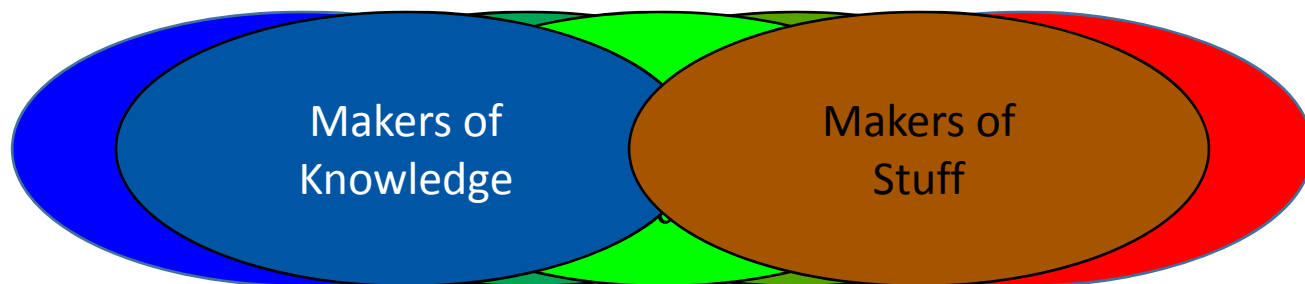
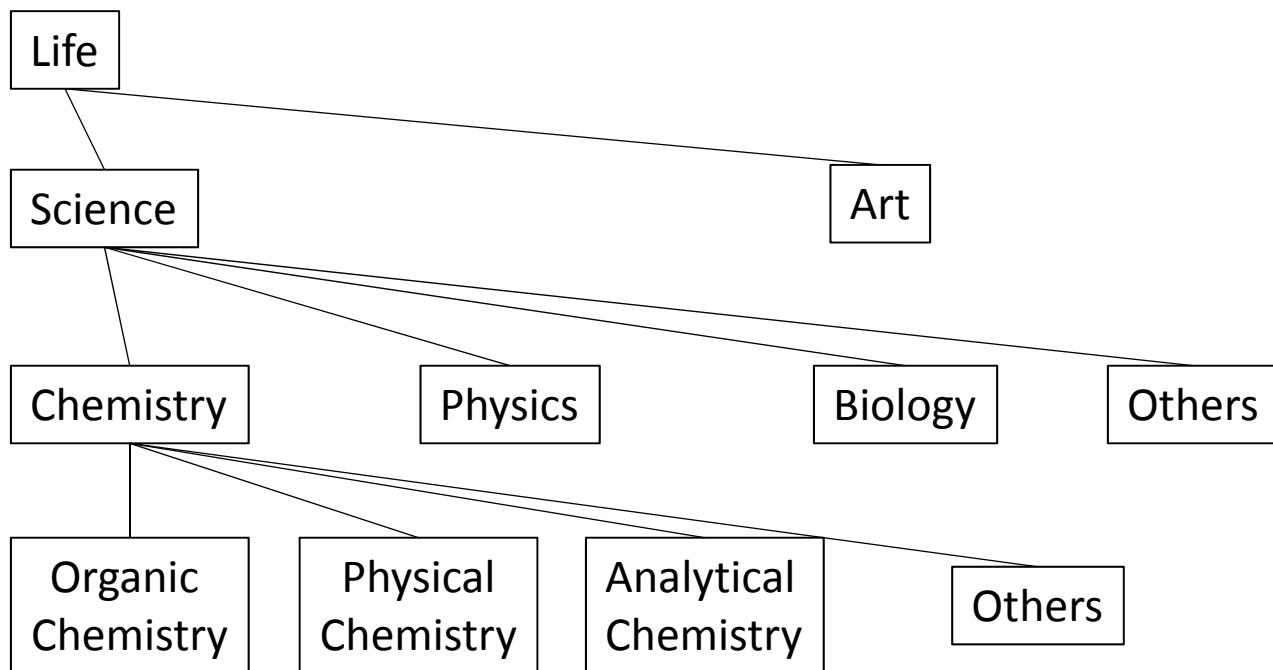
**No universities require any demonstration
of knowledge regarding
toxicity or environmental impact!**





This is not part of an
“epic battle of good and evil”





Green Chemistry is the *design* of chemical products and processes that reduce or eliminate the *use and/or generation* of hazardous substances.



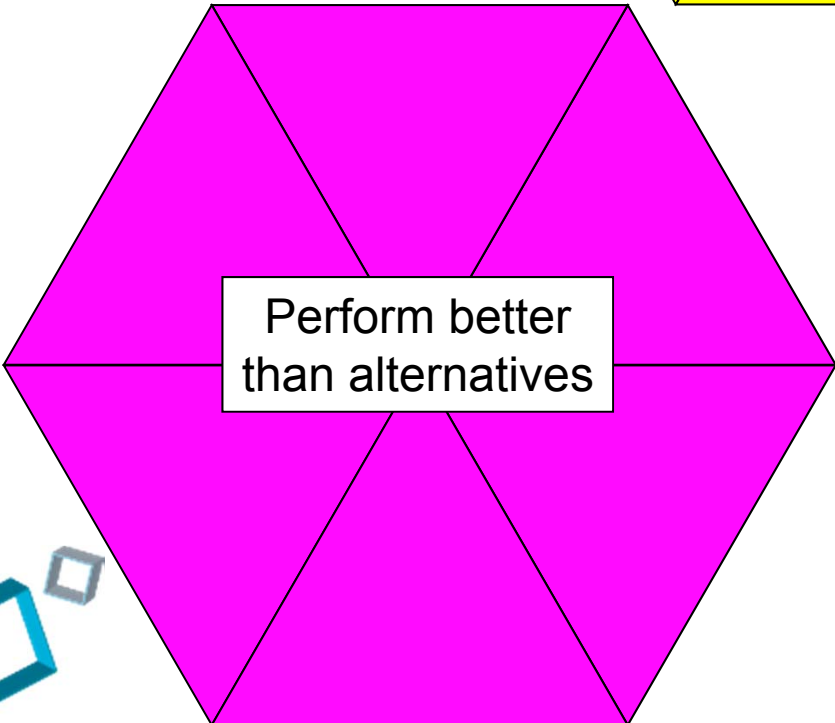
The Twelve Principles of Green Chemistry

- 1. Prevention.** It is better to prevent waste than to treat or clean up waste after it is formed.
- 2. Atom Economy.** Synthetic methods should be designed to maximize the incorporation of all materials used in the process into the final product.
- 3. Less Hazardous Chemical Synthesis.** Whenever practicable, synthetic methodologies should be designed to use and generate substances that possess little or no toxicity to human health and the environment.
- 4. Designing Safer Chemicals.** Chemical products should be designed to preserve efficacy of the function while reducing toxicity.
- 5. Safer Solvents and Auxiliaries.** The use of auxiliary substances (solvents, separation agents, etc.) should be made unnecessary whenever possible and, when used, innocuous.
- 6. Design for Energy Efficiency.** Energy requirements should be recognized for their environmental and economic impacts and should be minimized. Synthetic methods should be conducted at ambient temperature and pressure.
- 7. Use of Renewable Feedstocks.** A raw material or feedstock should be renewable rather than depleting whenever technically and economically practical.
- 8. Reduce Derivatives.** Unnecessary derivatization (blocking group, protection/deprotection, temporary modification of physical/chemical processes) should be avoided whenever possible .
- 9. Catalysis.** Catalytic reagents (as selective as possible) are superior to stoichiometric reagents.
- 10. Design for Degradation.** Chemical products should be designed so that at the end of their function they do not persist in the environment and instead break down into innocuous degradation products.
- 11. Real-time Analysis for Pollution Prevention.** Analytical methodologies need to be further developed to allow for real-time in-process monitoring and control prior to the formation of hazardous substances.
- 12. Inherently Safer Chemistry for Accident Prevention.** Substance and the form of a substance used in a chemical process should be chosen so as to minimize the potential for chemical accidents, including releases, explosions, and fires.

Green Chemistry



More environmentally
benign than alternatives



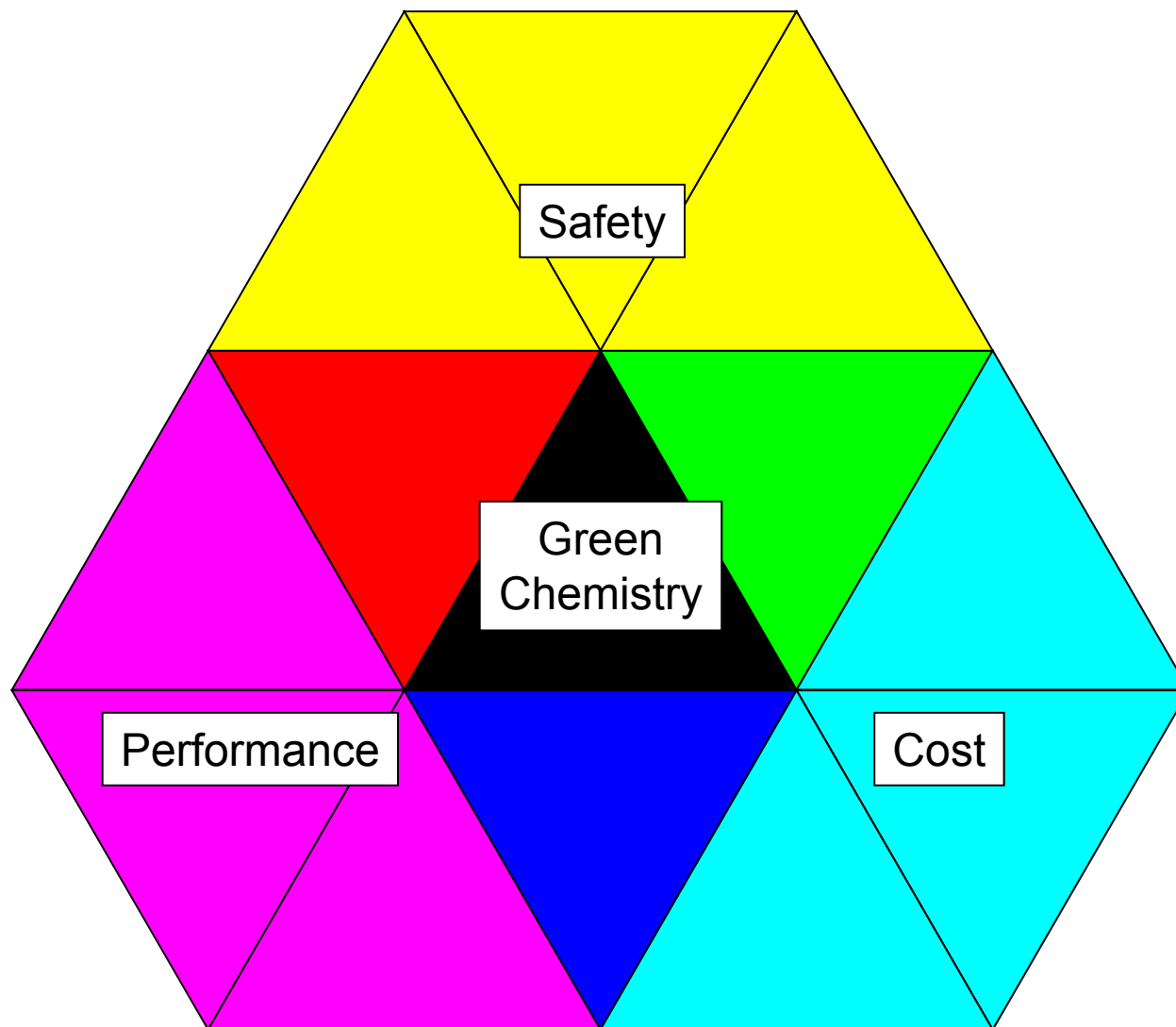
Perform better
than alternatives



More economical
than alternatives



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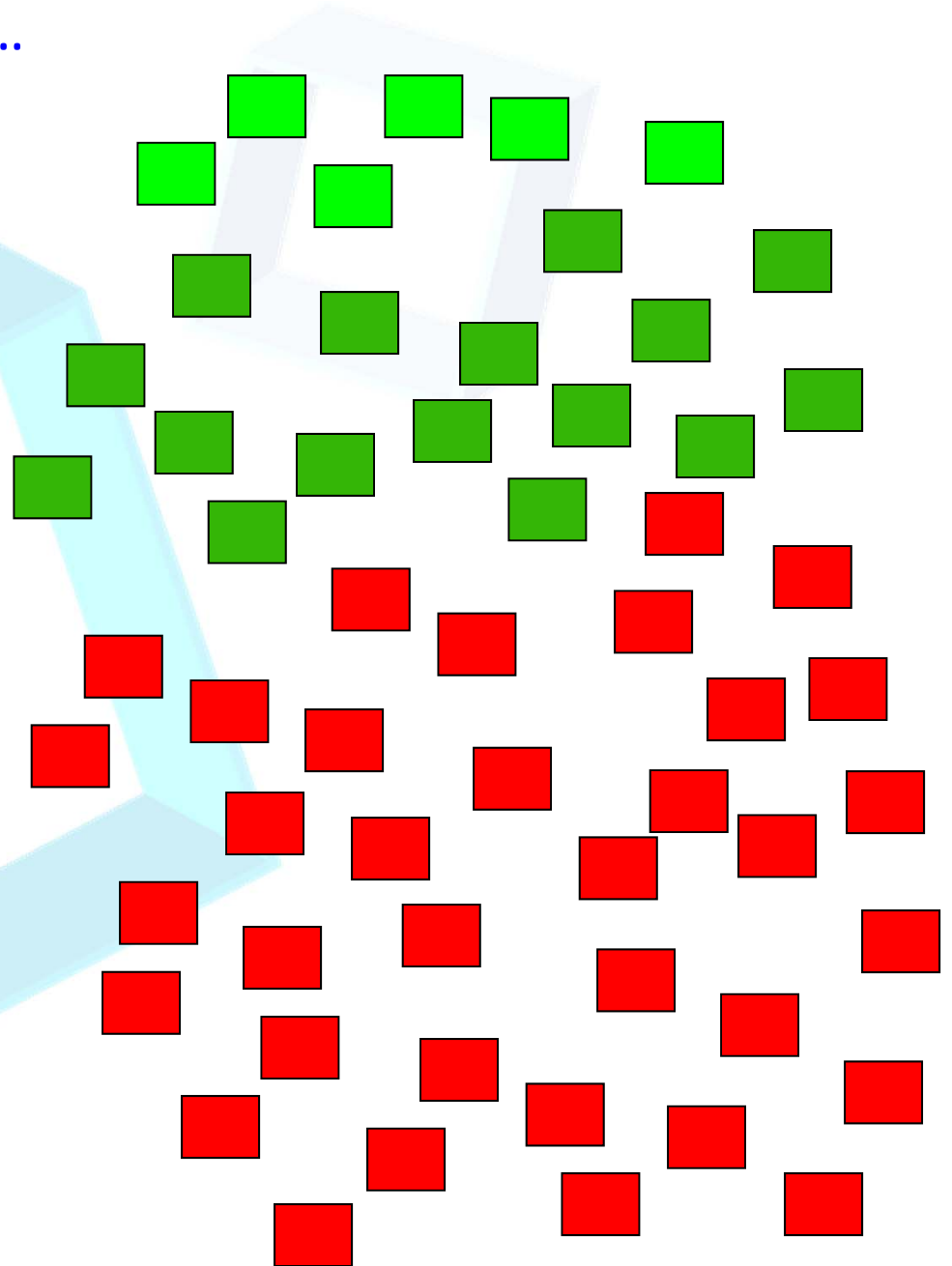


Of all the products and processes...

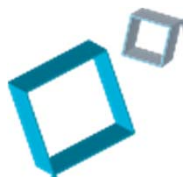
Maybe 10% are benign...

Maybe 25% have
alternatives available...

65% Still have to be
invented!



How does Green Chemistry fit
into the big picture of Sustainability.





Green Chemistry

Basics of Green Chemistry

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Definition of green chemistry

Green chemistry is the design of chemical products and processes that reduce or eliminate the use or generation of hazardous substances. Green chemistry applies across the life cycle of a chemical product, including its design, manufacture, use, and ultimate disposal. Green chemistry is also known as sustainable chemistry.

Green chemistry:

Sustainability

Economics Agriculture Education Business Chemistry Engineering Others

Sustainable Chemistry

Chemicals Remediation Exposure Green Water Alternative Others
Policy Technologies Controls Chemistry Purification Energy

Green Chemistry

Solvents Catalysts Renewable Reduced Non Reduced Others
Feedstocks Toxicity Persistent Energy

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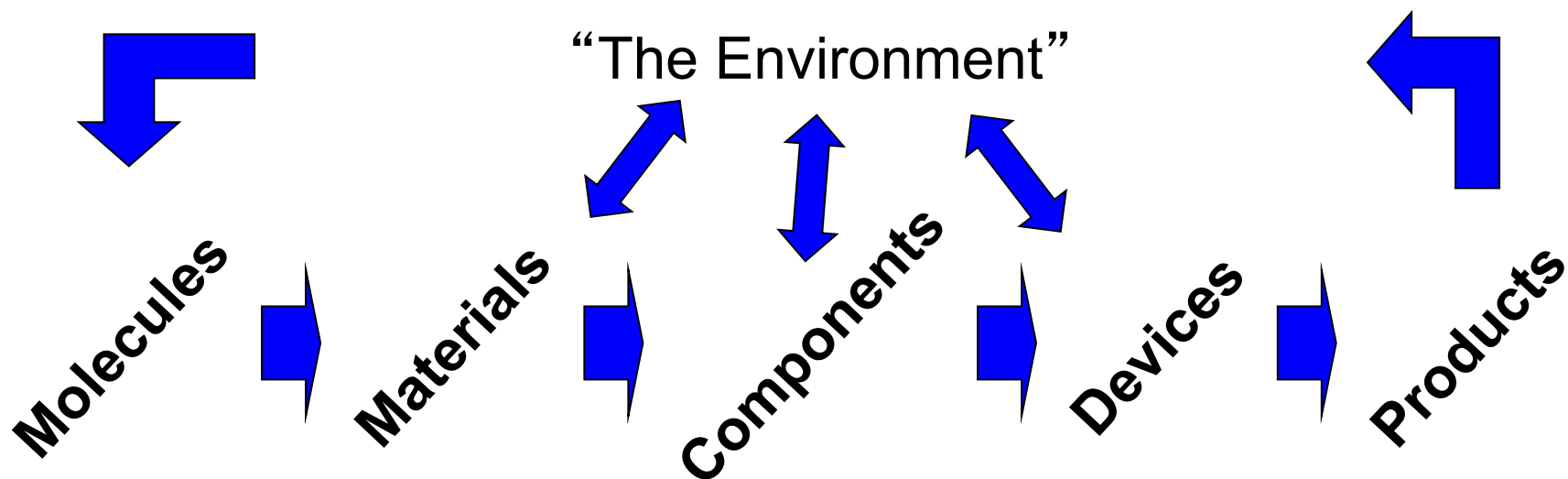
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Green Chemistry

Prevention Atom Less Safer Solvents Energy Feed- Derivatives Catalysis Degradation Real Time Accident
Economy Hazardous Chemicals stocks Analysis Prevention
Synthesis

Where do products come from?



Basic Research

Applied Research

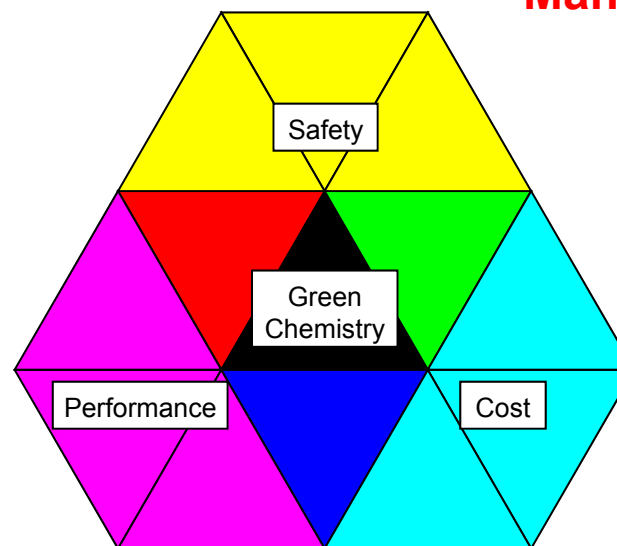
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Manufacturing

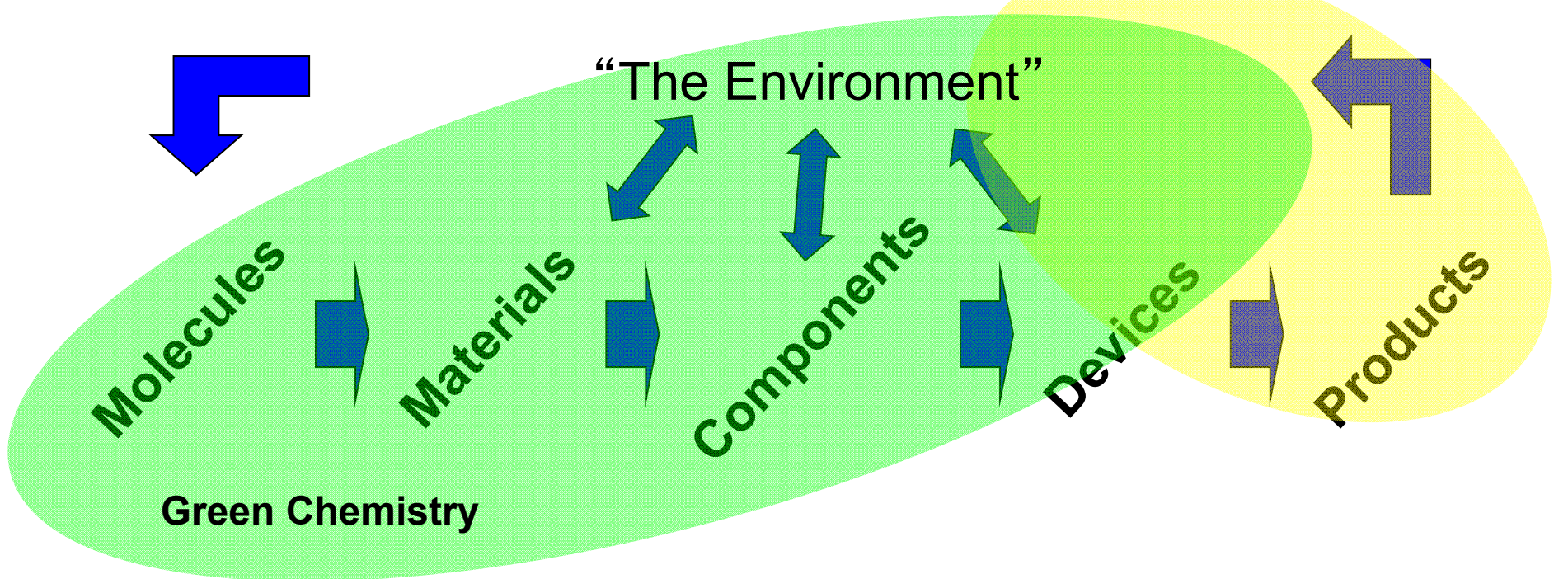
Performance

Economics

Social Implications

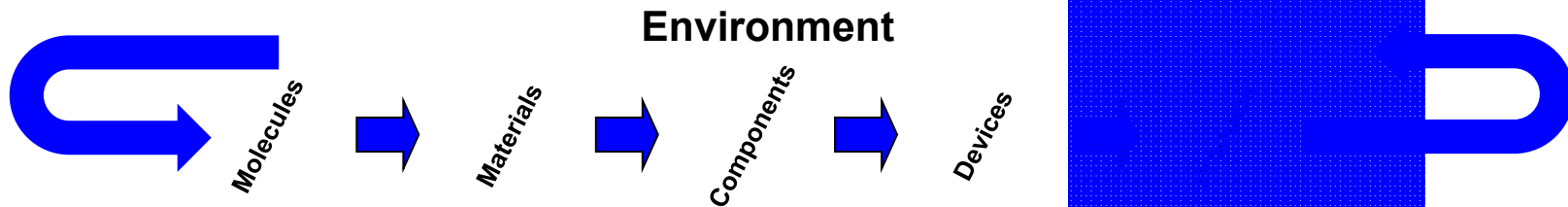


Chemicals Policy

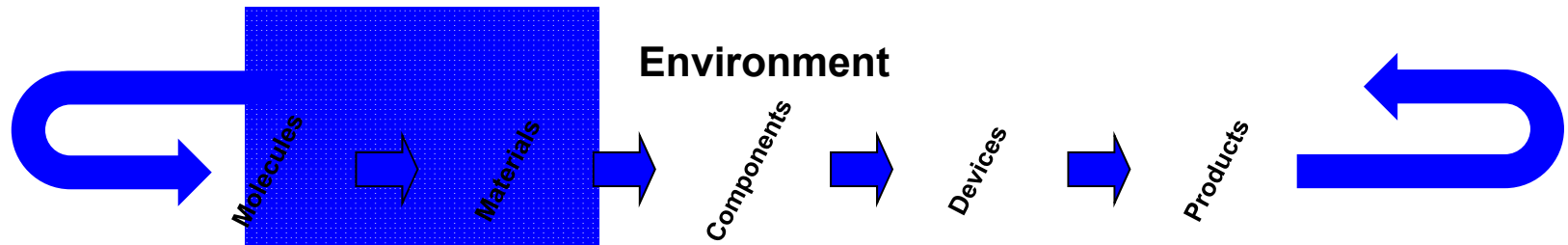




How does Green Chemistry relate to
Life Cycle Analyses?

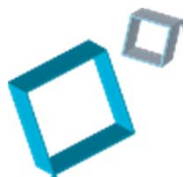


- Waste Prevention
- Atom Economy
- Less Hazardous Reagents
- Benign Product Design
- Benign Solvent Systems
- Energy Considerations
- Renewable Feedstocks
- Unnecessary Derivatives
- Use of Catalysis
- Design For Degradation
- Green Analytical Methods
- Design for Safety and Security



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Chemists have *ALWAYS* cared about Human Health and the Environment.



Risk = Exposure x Hazard



The cost of using hazardous materials:

Storage

Transportation

Treatment

Disposal

Regulatory Costs

Liability

Worker Health and Safety

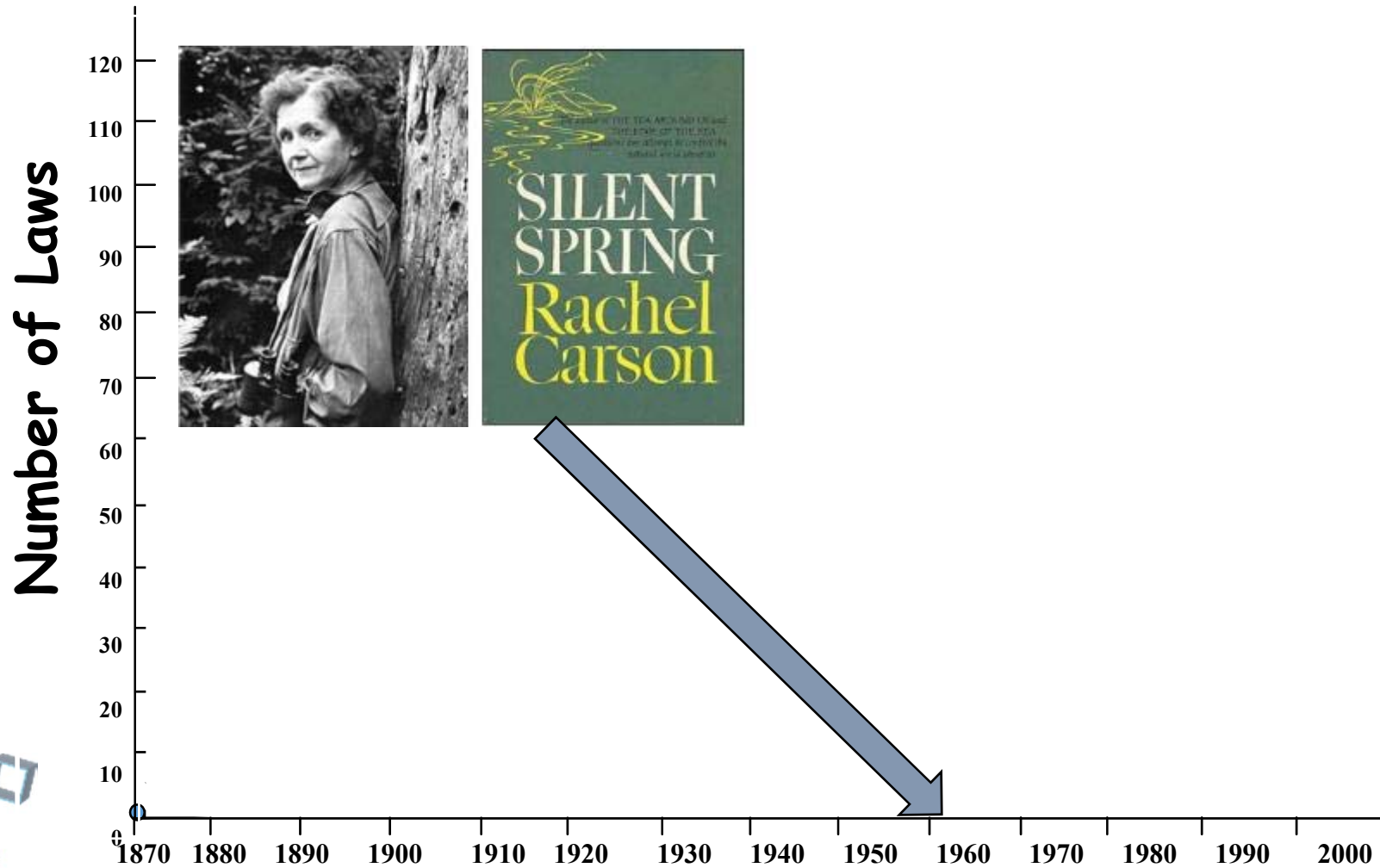
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Community Relations

New Employee Recruitment



Environmental Regulations





Traditional Processes

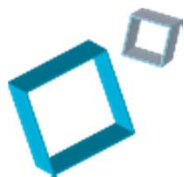
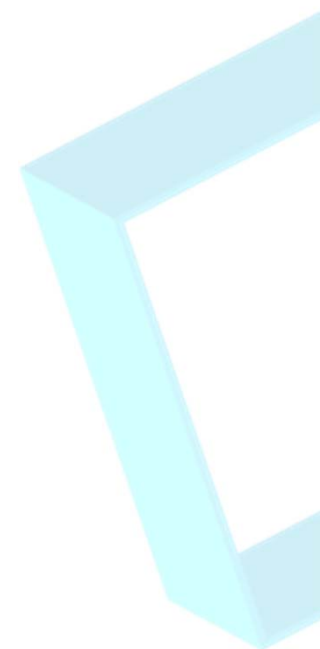


Green Alternatives



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Product Design

Identify and prioritize
key attributes



Design/plan metrics
and tools to evaluate



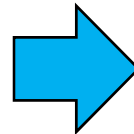
Identify possible
existing materials



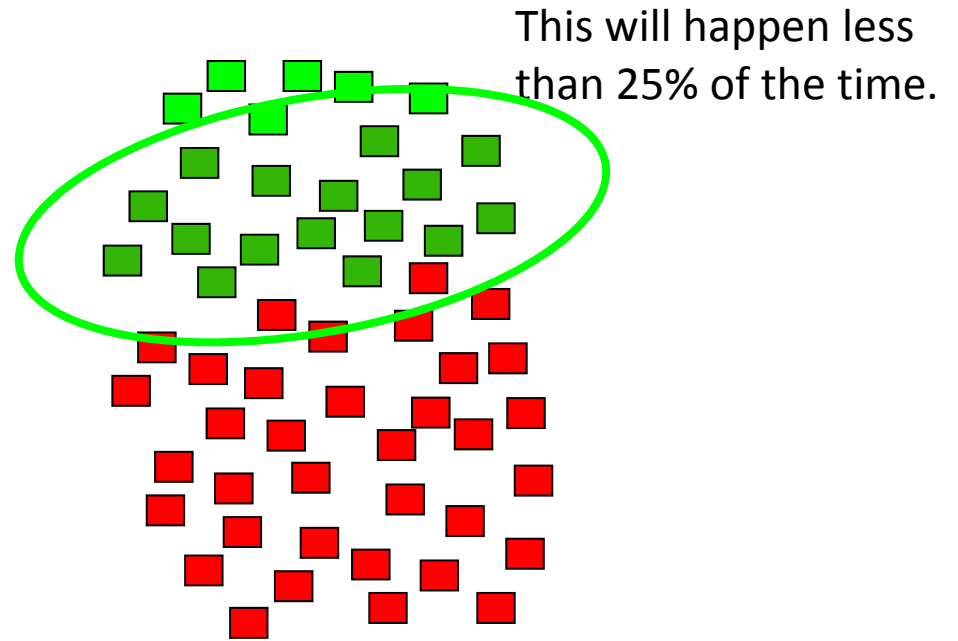
Measure/Quantify
performance of materials



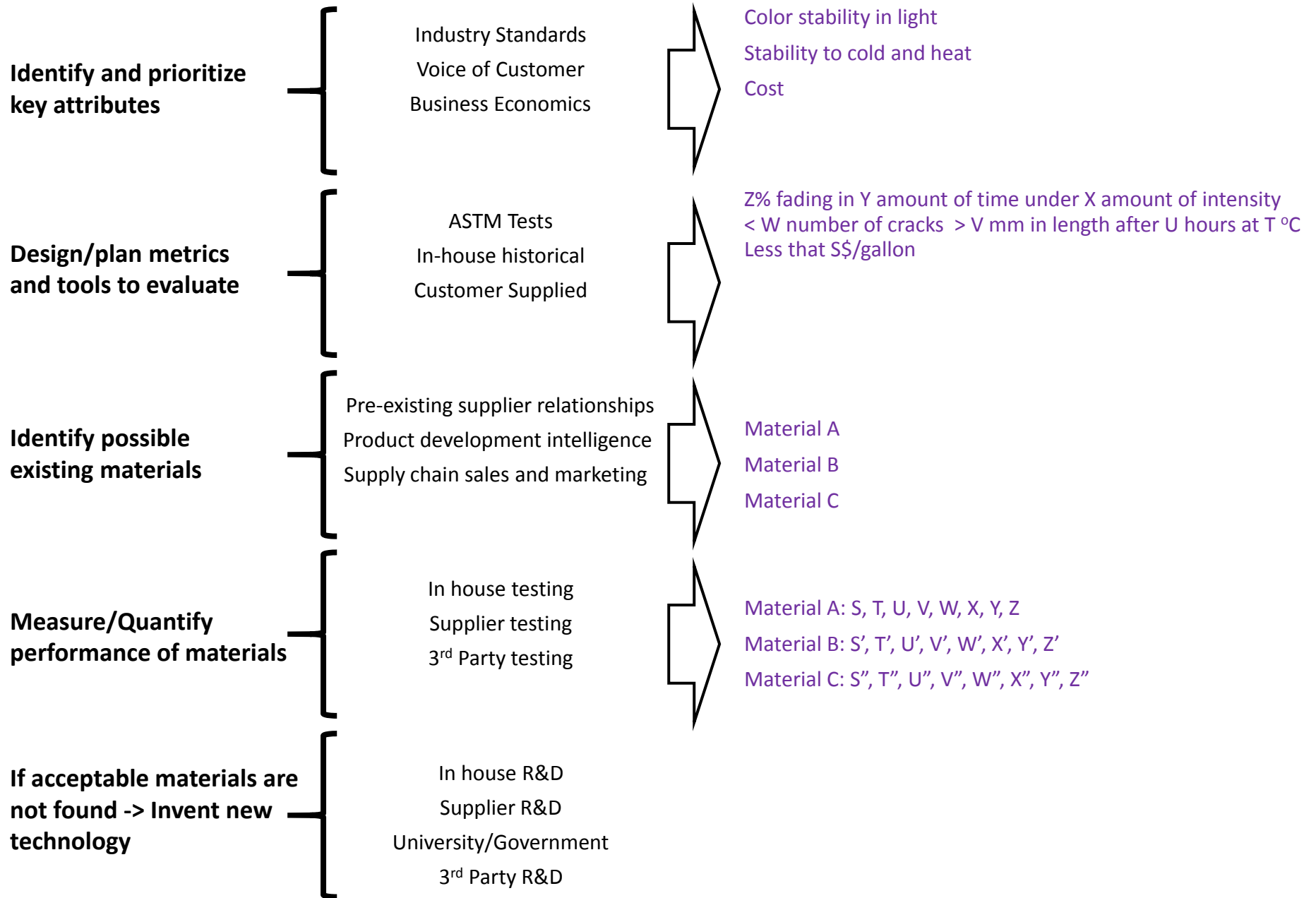
If acceptable materials are
not found -> Invent new
technology



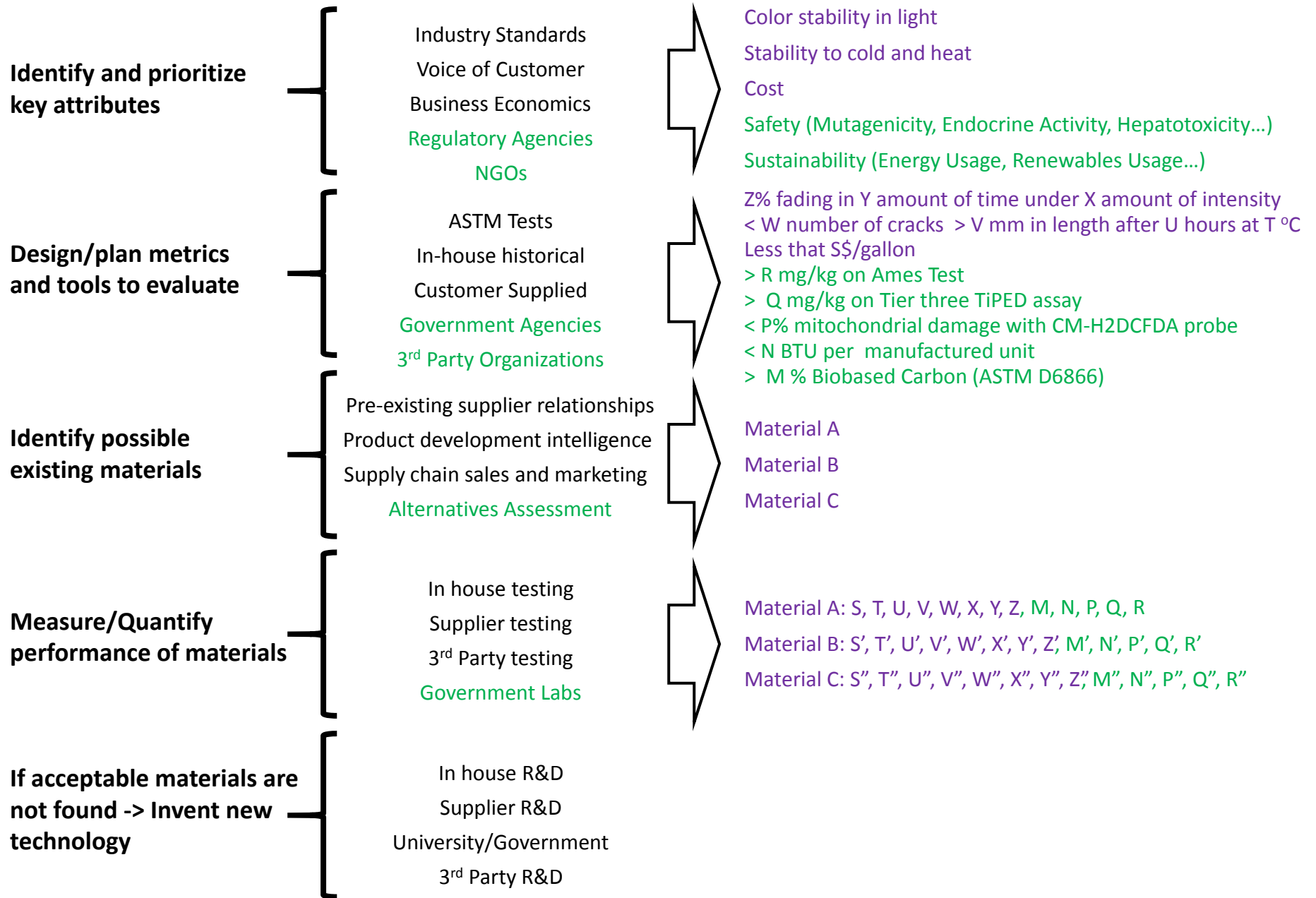
If acceptable materials
are found -> Make Product



Performance and Cost



Performance, Cost, Safety and Sustainability



A deliverable attribute must be:

Quantifiable

Color doesn't fade.

Achievable

Color NEVER fades (IS NOT achievable)

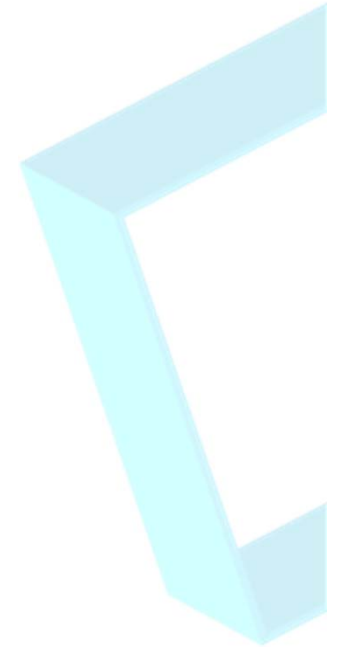
Color only fades a little over a certain period of time (IS achievable)

Measurable

Optical density decreases by less than 10% after
48 hours with 20000 lumens solar simulator.

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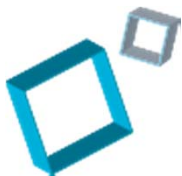
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Lets talk about nothing:

There are two issues with the use of “free” and “zero”:

(1) What does “chemical free” mean?



“BPA Free”:

(2) Can we ever have an “anything” free product?



● Handling receipts with care
Surprise: The thermal paper receipts from many ATMs and cash registers are coated with high levels of BPA, which can be absorbed through the skin or transferred from fingers to food, reveals research by John C. Warner, Ph.D., author of *Green Chemistry: Theory and Practice*.

BPA in cash register receipts...



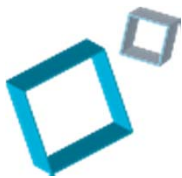
No BPA added in the coating...



Unavoidable trace amounts of BPA in the paper!!!!

So what does “BPA-Free” mean?

Is it achievable?



“Nothing” and Big Numbers:



55 Gal Drum water 6 9 7 0

6.97×10^{27} Molecules of water



Teaspoon of sugar

7 9 3 0

7.93×10^{21} Molecules of sugar 1.14 ppm



Grain of sugar

3 5 2 0

5.22×10^{17} Molecules of sugar 50.6 ppt

Nanogram of sugar

1.76×10^{12} Molecules of sugar

176 Billion molecules of sugar

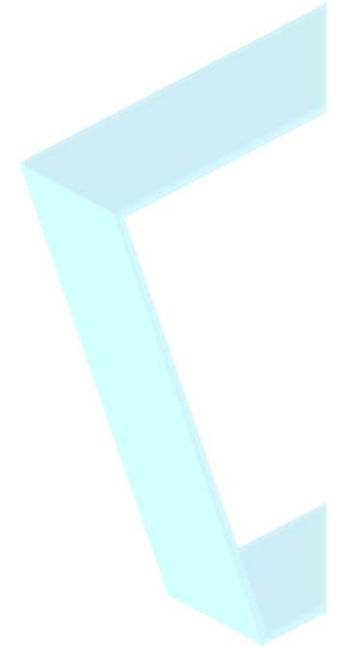
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Amedeo Avogadro

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The ability to invent & design solutions to a problem is directly proportional to the quality of the description of success.

Quantifiable
Achievable
Measurable



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TiPED

Tiered Protocol for Endocrine Disruption

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Designing endocrine disruption out of the next generation of chemicals†

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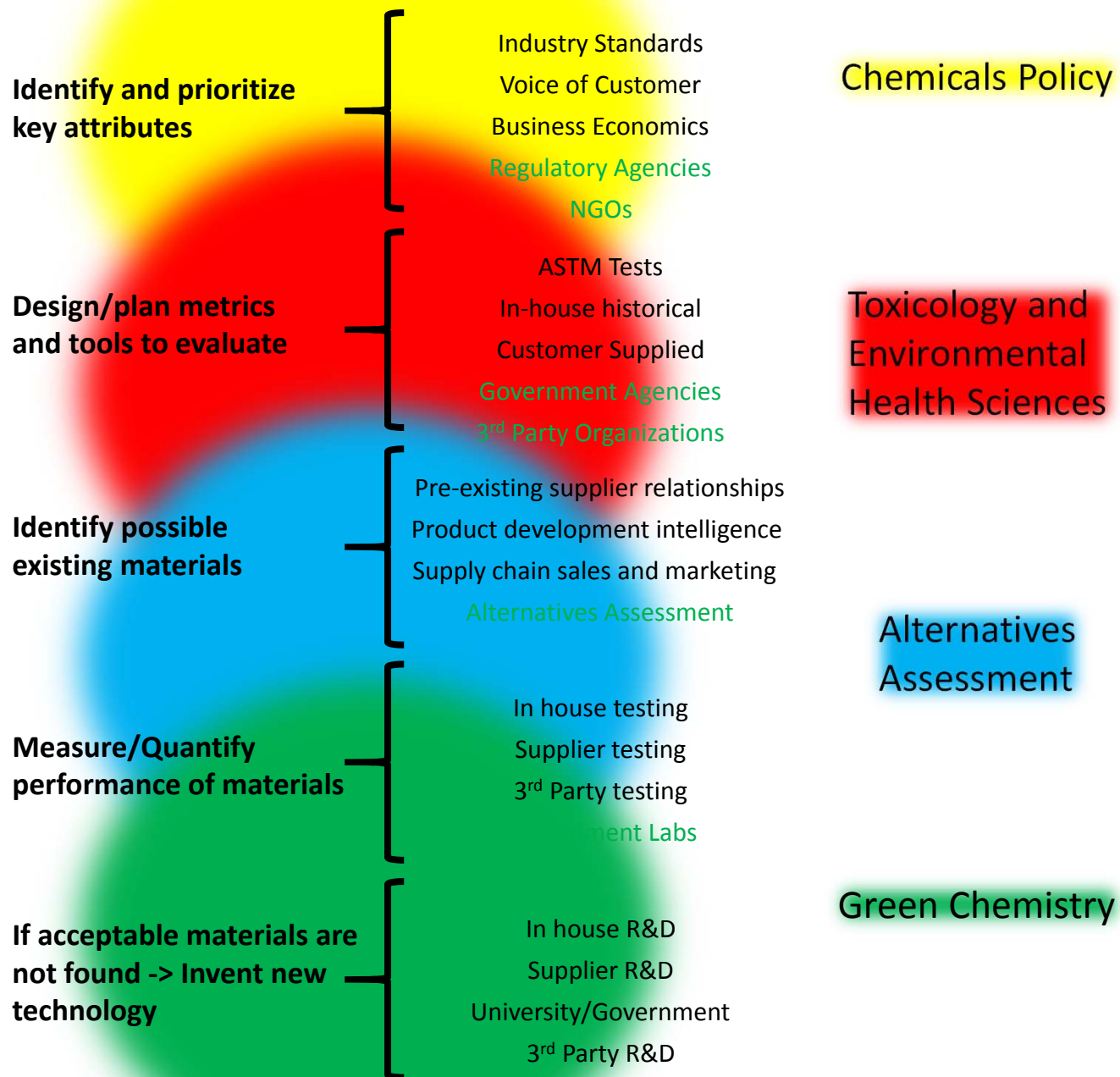
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A central goal of green chemistry is to avoid hazard in the design of new chemicals. This objective is best achieved when information about a chemical's potential hazardous effects is obtained as early in the design process as feasible. Endocrine disruption is a type of hazard that to date has been inadequately addressed by both industrial and regulatory science. To aid chemists in avoiding this hazard, we propose an endocrine disruption testing protocol for use by chemists in the design of new chemicals. The Tiered Protocol for Endocrine Disruption (TiPED) has been created under the oversight of a scientific advisory committee composed of leading representatives from both green chemistry and the environmental health sciences. TiPED is conceived as a tool for new chemical design, thus it starts with a chemist theoretically at "the drawing board." It consists of five testing tiers ranging from broad *in silico* evaluation up through specific cell- and whole organism-based assays. To be effective at detecting endocrine disruption, a testing protocol must be able to measure potential hormone-like or hormone-inhibiting effects of chemicals, as well as the many possible interactions and signaling sequelae such chemicals may have with cell-based receptors. Accordingly, we have designed this protocol to broadly interrogate the endocrine system. The proposed protocol will not detect all possible mechanisms of endocrine disruption, as because scientific understanding of these phenomena is advancing rapidly. To ensure that the protocol remains current, we have established a plan for incorporating new assays into the protocol as the science advances. In this paper we present the principles that should guide the science of testing new chemicals for endocrine disruption, as well as principles by which to evaluate individual assays for applicability, and laboratories for reliability. In a 'proof-of-principle' test, we ran 6 endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs) that act *via* different endocrinological mechanisms through the protocol using published literature. Each was identified as endocrine active by one or more tiers. We believe that this voluntary testing protocol will be a dynamic tool to facilitate efficient and early identification of potentially problematic chemicals, while ultimately reducing the risks to public health.

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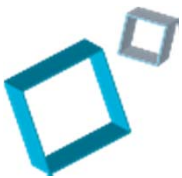
Safety and Sustainability



We can't sit on our hands waiting for all the criteria to be sorted out.

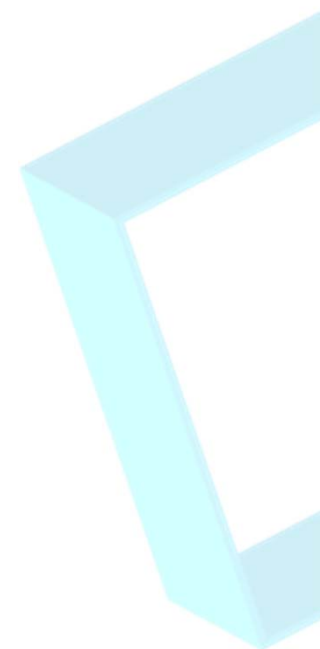
While zero may not be achievable from a regulatory perspective...

From an innovation and design perspective, it will always point us in the right direction.



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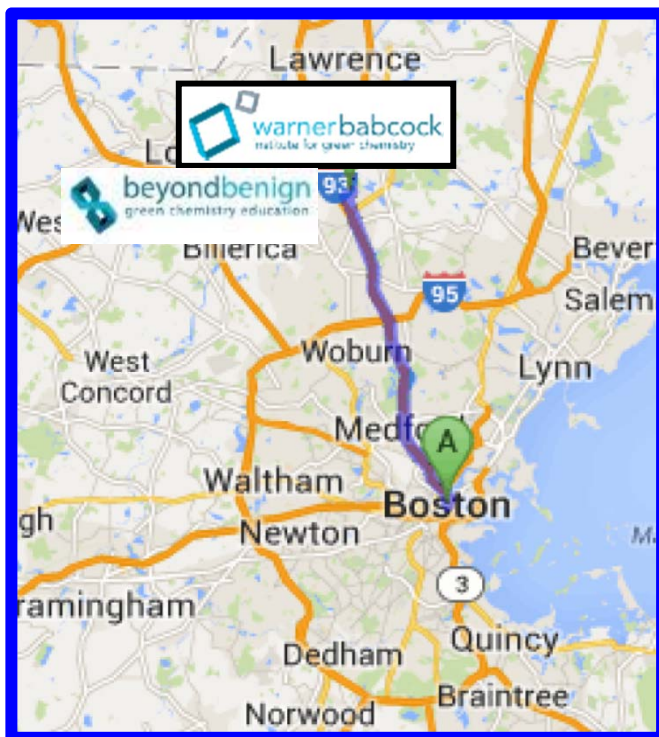




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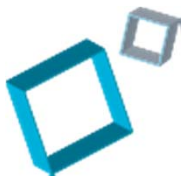
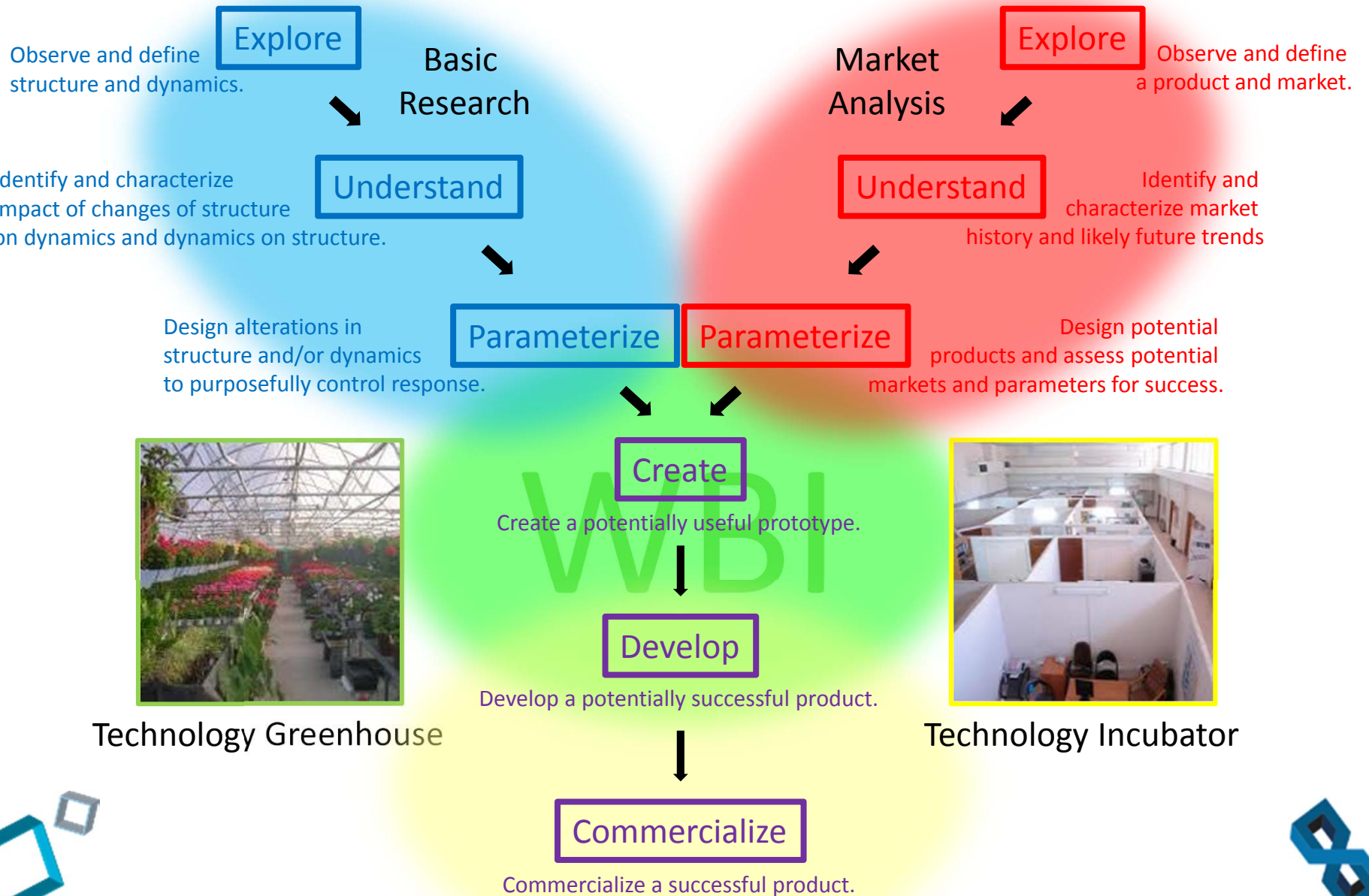


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Hairprint: Hair Color Restoration

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And Lower Temperature Process

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Formaldehyde Free
Wood Composite Adhesives

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Reuse of Ocean Plastics

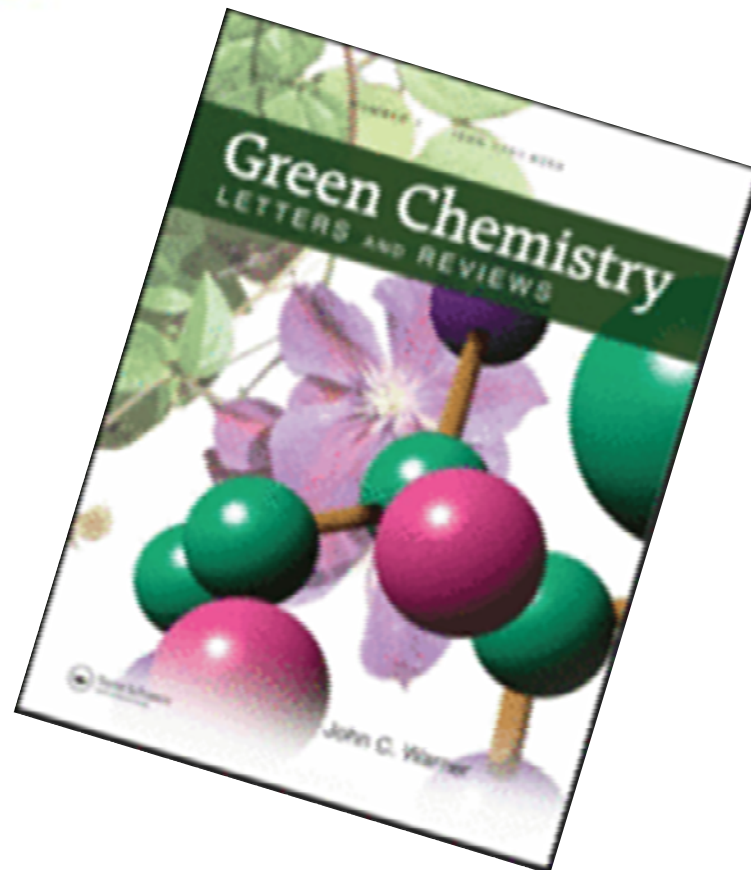
The image features the Parley logo, which is a dark shape with the word 'PARLEY' in white. Next to it is a photograph of a pair of light blue and white sneakers, representing the Parley Ocean Plastic sneakers.



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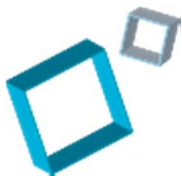


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