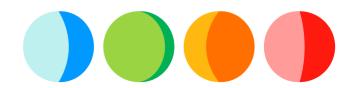
## Development & Use of High Production Volume Chemical Hazard & Exposure Data in a Global Consumer Products Company

P&G

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## Outline of This Talk

- Brief overview of P&G safety history and policies
- Roles that an international Consumer Product Company plays in global HPV programs and how does P&G do it
- Communication and needs for transparency and technical rigor
- Some parting thoughts



## P&G Product Safety Policy

"The Company's products and packages will be safe for consumers and the environment when used as intended."

P&G Worldwide Business Conduct Manual

This is a business "must do" – consumers expect this commitment when buying products



# Roles of a Consumer Product Company in HPV Programs

P&G is a Global producer of consumer goods spanning beauty care, laundry and surface cleaning products and implements, feminine hygiene, baby care, pharmaceuticals, personal care, foods and consumer electronics



22 billion dollar brands

140 countries

3 billion consumers



### P&G Safety and History

- Product safety as a function was formally established in 1971
  - previously held as part of the Product Development groups in each business
  - Response to growing concerns and science
    - Phosphate
    - NTA (nitrilotriacetic acid, a builder replacement for phosphate)
    - Non-biodegradable synthetic detergents (ABS)
    - Newly established disciplines of aquatic toxicology and the complexity of human safety
  - Established to work in parallel with Product Development





### Consumer Product Companies learned early on....

- to work in consortia (LAS replacement of ABS in 1965)
- to work with academic thought leaders (new methods, technologies, rapidly evolving environment of regulations)
- to work with regulators (APHA, WPCF, formation of USEPA and needs for standard assessment approaches)
- to work with national and international standard and method setting organizations



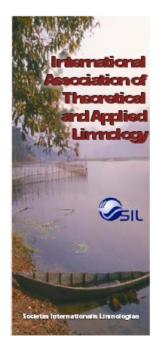
## Source of ideas, methods, and processes

Journal of the American Oil Chemists' Society (JAOCS)
Published by AOCS Press



Sturm 1973. JAOCS 50:159
P&G scientists establish the method for the ready biodegradability test which is later adopted by OECD

Payne and Hall. 1978. Internat. Verein. Theoret. Angew. Limnol. 21:507 Algal assays developed by these P&G scientists were used to understand eutrophication potential and then modified to assess chemical toxicity.



Cairns, Dickson,
Maki. 1978-80. A
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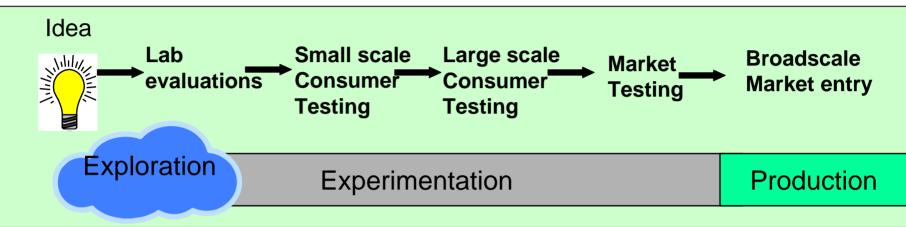
# Roles of a Global Consumer Product Company in an HPV World

- Developer of data on new and existing chemicals....innovation is the lifeblood of the Company
- User of HPV data in decision-making
- Communicator of HPV data
- Participant in key research fora, trade associations, and HPV consortia

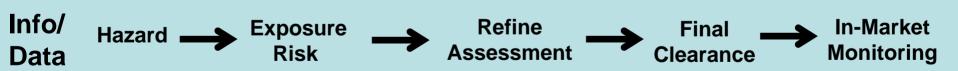


## Safety Designed In—Right from the Start

#### **Product Development**



#### **Safety Evaluation**



> 200 Human and Environmental Safety Scientists Every Ingredient, Every Package, Every Product

# The Reality for How Industry Uses HPV Assessments

 Risk assessment as an operating paradigm is based on the principle that a chemical is not safe or unsafe; however, it's the use and exposure of a chemical that can be judged as safe or unsafe

 To do this requires fundamental knowledge of exposure, habits and practices, and intended uses

## Developer of HPV data

- Method development for Company and industry wide use
  - New biodeg methods for less studied compartments
  - Methods for ED screens using fish
  - Animal alternatives



- Specific test programs, facilities, and research to support critical HPV needs
  - Maintenance of internal expertise to rapidly support development of upstream chemicals (allergenicity, mutagenicity, sensitization)
  - Experimental Stream Facility









Experimental stream mesocosm – a simulation of complex environmental interactions and resident species exposed to chemicals over the time frame of months. The primary objective is to understand the extrapolation of single species data to the ecosystem.

This test system drove the final effects interpretation for the LAS (anionic surfactant) HPV environmental effects (hazard) submission in 2002.

A system such as this provides immediate integration of both exposure and hazard

# As a Developer of Safety Data...

- Commitment to methods development for exposure and hazard understanding because risk assessment is always an evolving science
- Use of a tiered risk assessment process is essential to prioritizing needs for data
- Significant involvement with new to the world chemistry (PMN substances), when these are successful they become HPVs!



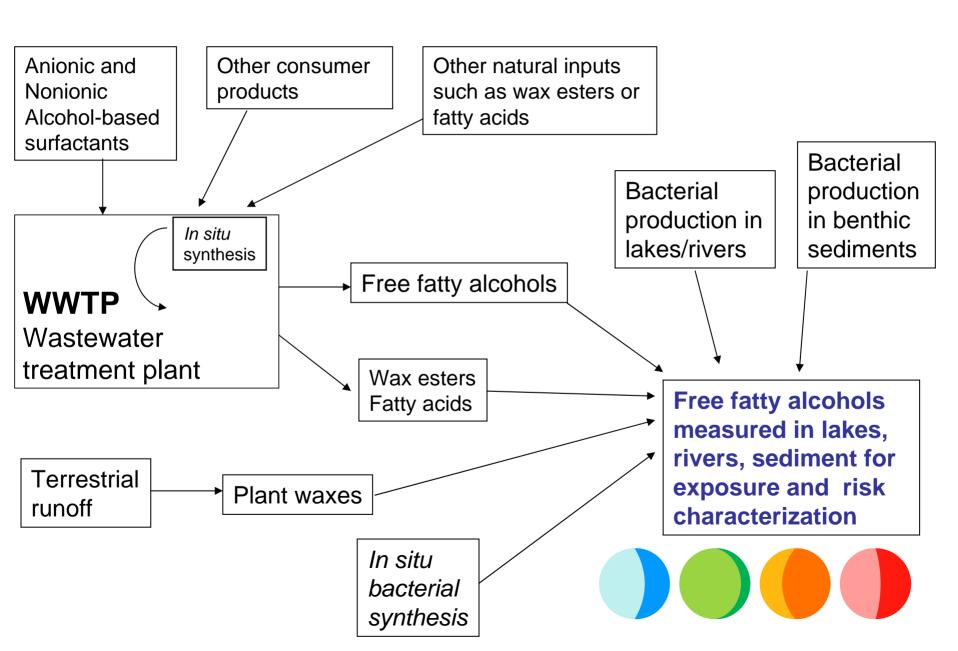


- HPV risk assessments must consider industry wide uses, volumes and exposure
  - The entire process forces (in a good way)
     discussion of data quality and abundance by submitters
  - Identifies data gaps and how they might be resolved (e.g., the Aliphatic alcohols HPV submission)

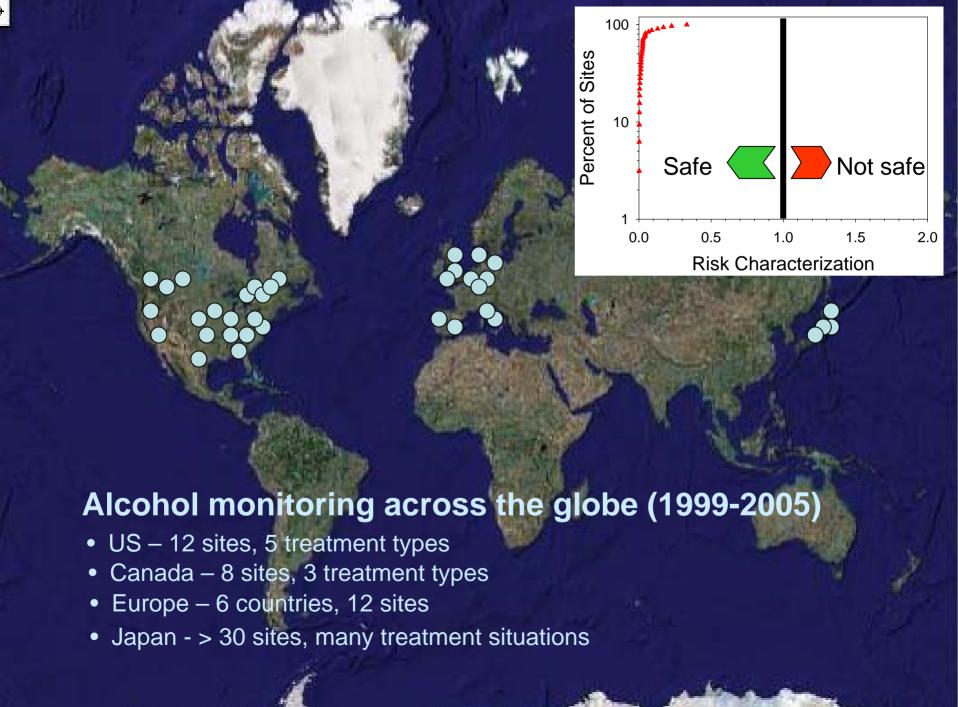


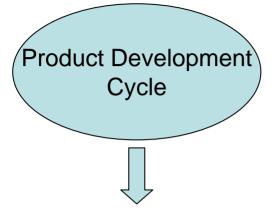


## Sources of Alcohol in the Environment









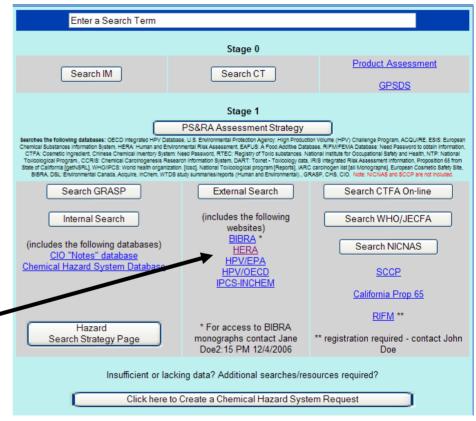
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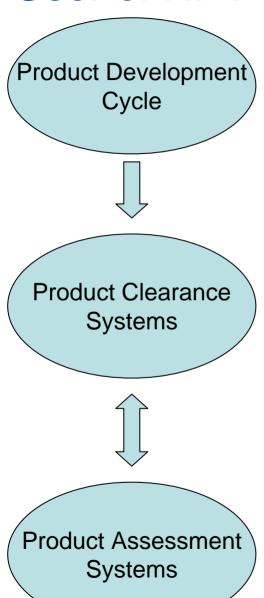


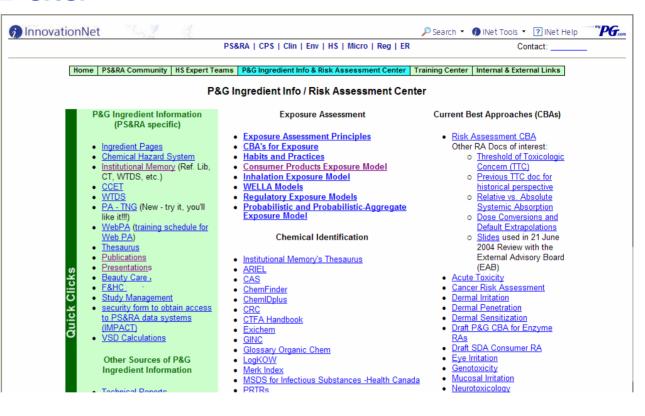
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Product Assessment Systems









Web-based systems for use by human and environmental safety scientists to standardize and drive state of the science assessments

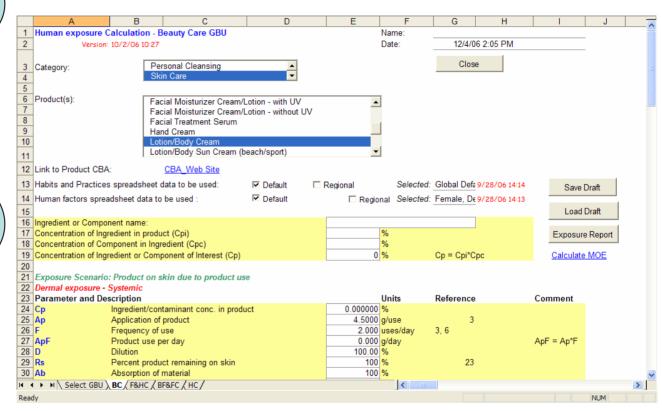
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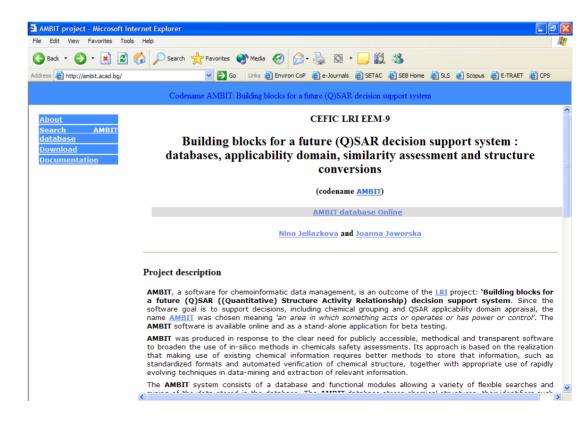
Product Assessment Systems



Including exposure models for every product, category and use type

- Scientists recognize the complex data and evaluations (internal use, external use, regulatory, stakeholder expectations, etc.)
  - In addition to the internal systems we use as in the previous slide...
  - We invest in developing new decision support systems for use by others outside the Company (AMBIT, CEFIC LRI project taken over by OECD)



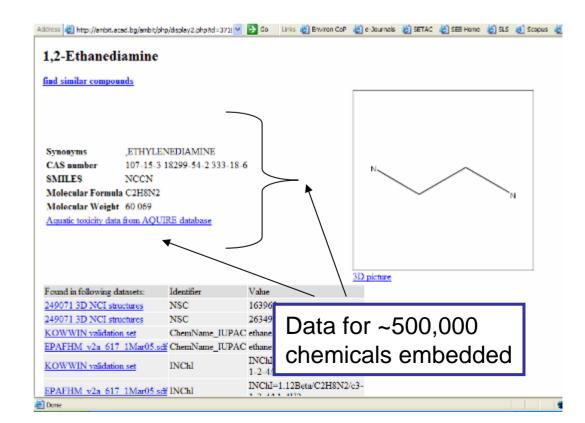


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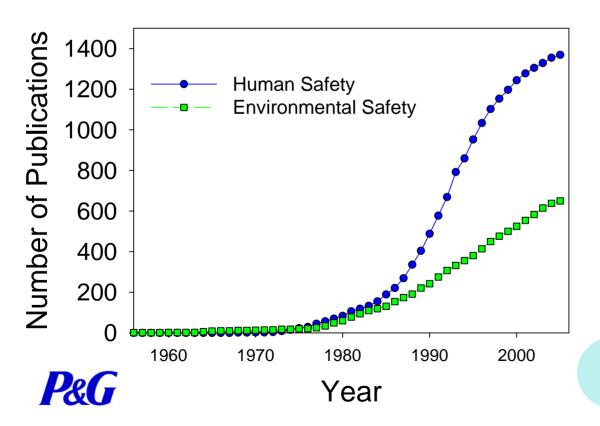
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# Communicator of HPV Assessments and Related Works

 Technical transparency...through presentations and publications



Data excludes the pharmaceutical business

#### Since 1975:

- 43 publications/yr for HS
- 21 publications/yr for ES

Presentations = 10X publ.

# Communication – Through Websites

#### Science in the Box

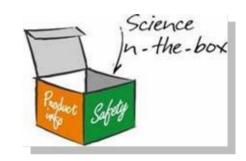
- Laundry and cleaning products
- 25,000 visitors/month
- Access to safety, MSDS, other info
   www.scienceinthebox.com

#### Science of Beauty

- Pilot launched 12/04
- Pantene, Olay
- Working to add additional brands
   www.pgbeautyscience.com

#### P&G Perspectives

- Editorial views on product safety, policy issues
- Target audiences: authorities, scientists,
- other influencerswww.pgperspectves.com









### How do we do this? Collaboration



#### Work with suppliers, competitors and retailers via trade associations and in technical organizations



- Share best safety practices
- Develop/share risk assessments
- Work with stakeholders
- Engage in local, regional and global chemical policy discussions

































Human and Environmental Risk Assessment on ingredients of household cleaning products







## **Every Chemical is a Potential HPV**

- Embedded in our technology screening process (what if this is a winning chemical solution to address a consumer need...?)
- Exposure-based risk assessment is the driving force; by risk-based selection of fate or hazard properties we can bring the principles of green chemistry to life
  - LAS vs ABS (1960's)
  - alcohol ethoxylate vs alkyl phenol ethoxylate (1970's)
  - DEEDMAC ester-linked softeners versus DTDMAC (1980-90's)
  - EDDS chelators versus EDTA (1990's)
- It starts with risk and extends to structural screening/alerts and sustainability tools



# Summary

- P&G as a Global Consumer Product Company has several roles to play:
  - Builder of appropriate tools/methods
  - Developer of HPV data
  - User of HPV data
  - Communicator of assessments
  - Active contributor and leader in 10 HPV consortia covering ~400 CASNos
- Exposure and risk are fundamental to decisionmaking and meeting Company safety policy



