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LIFE SCIENCES SOLUTIONS

Keynote Presentation
“Life Sciences Addressing Global Challenges”

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Life Sciences Addressing Global Challenges

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Key messages

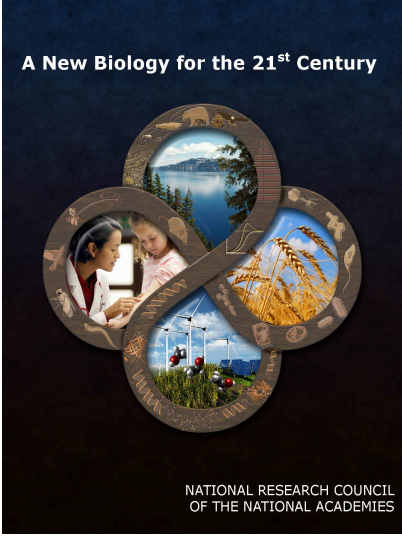


- Science can address global challenges
- Integration of scientific disciplines is more powerful than any one alone
- Collaboration is key to delivering solutions

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Agenda for Life Sciences: Global Challenges

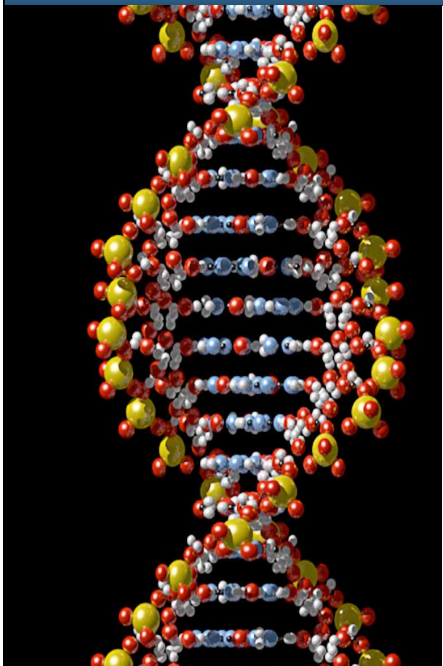


National Academies propose “New Biology” initiative (2009)

- Biological Sciences at inflection point in their capacity to solve problems
- Opportunity to propel science to a new level
- Goal is to address significant societal needs

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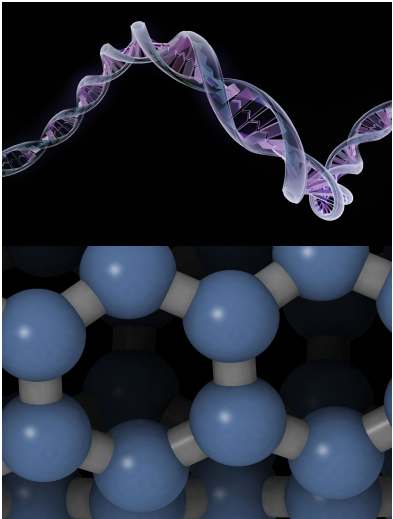
Biology at Inflection Point

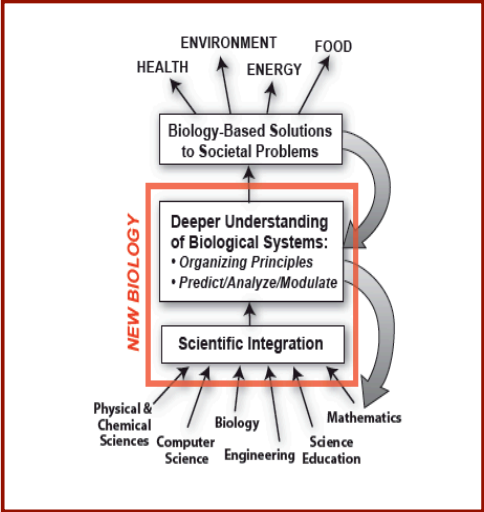
- Increasingly integrating the sub-disciplines of biology
- Integrating with other disciplines: physical, computational, earth scientists, engineers
- Technological advances enables unprecedented data collection: quantity and quality
- Past investments providing value beyond expected

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New Biology: Integration of Disciplines






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New Biology Initiative



Recommendations

Launch New Biology Initiative to:

- Accelerate the emergence and growth of the New Biology
- Achieve solutions to societal challenges in food, energy, environment, and health

Initiative should be:

- Interagency
- Ten years minimum duration
- Funded in addition to base missions

Develop the information sciences and technologies that will be critical to the success of the New Biology

Develop interdisciplinary curricula, graduate training and educator training needed to create and support New Biologists

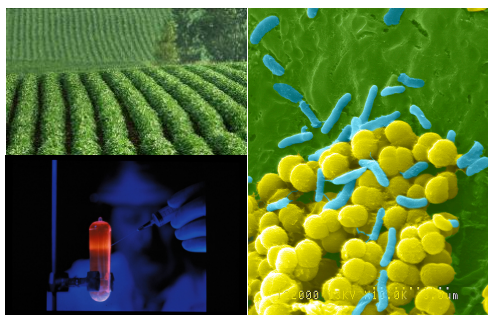
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The National New Biology Initiative

Setting big goals: Address societal problems

- Food
- Environment
- Energy
- Health



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for these major challenges**



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FEEDING
THE WORLD



ENERGY

REDUCING OUR DEPENDENCE
ON FOSSIL FUELS

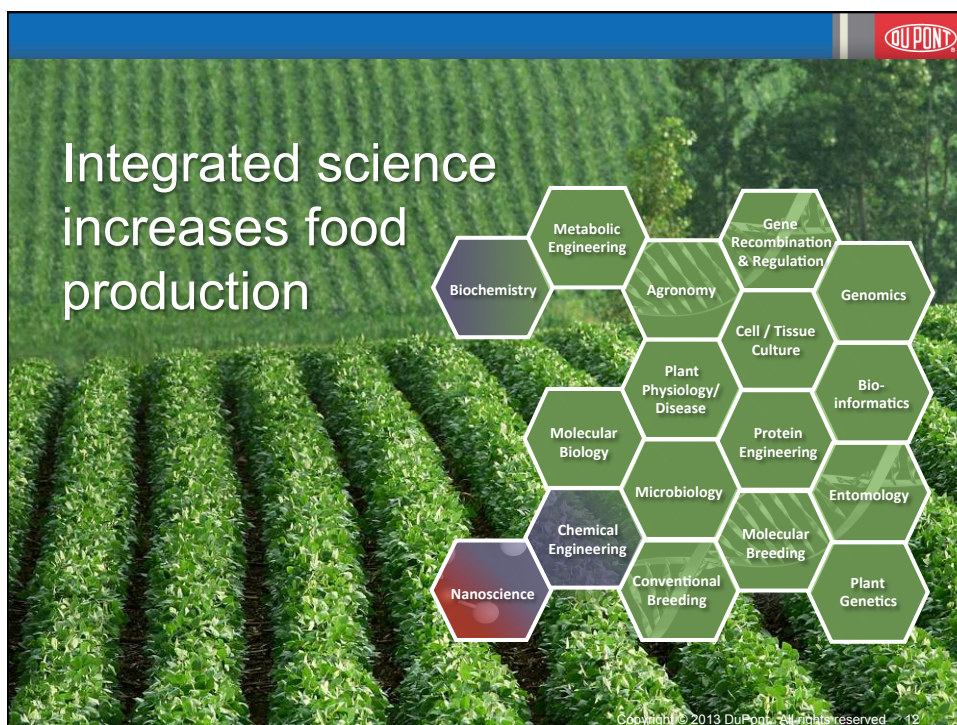
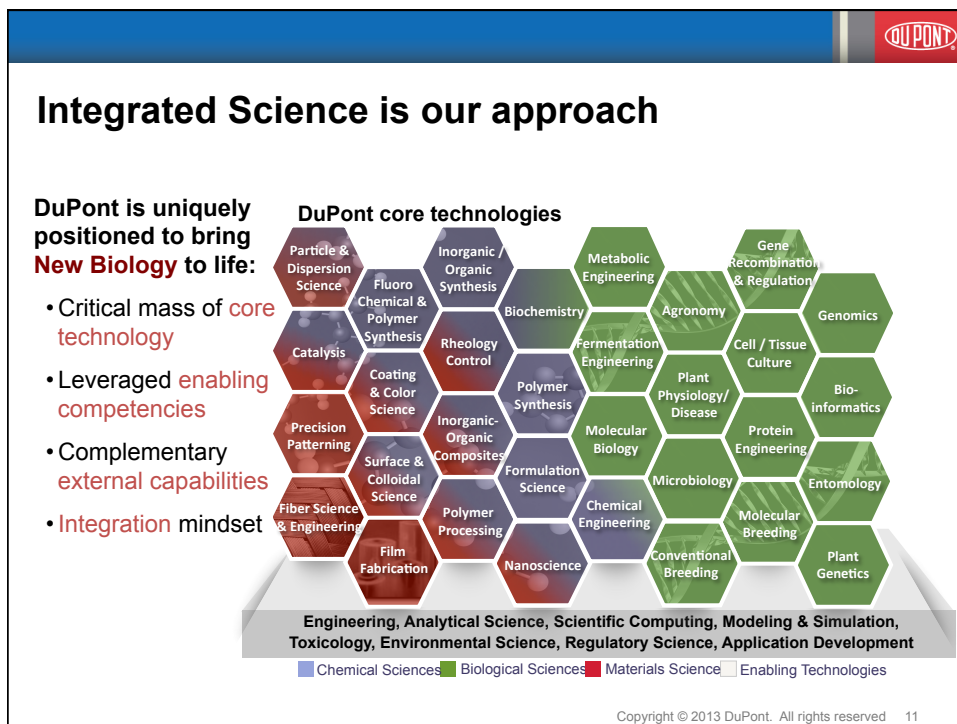


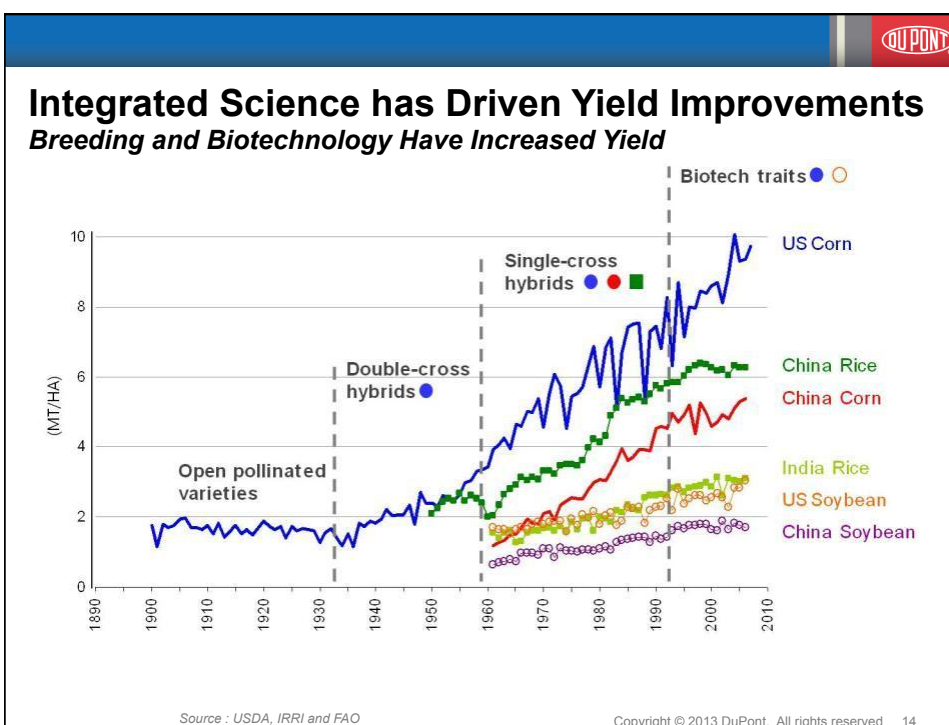
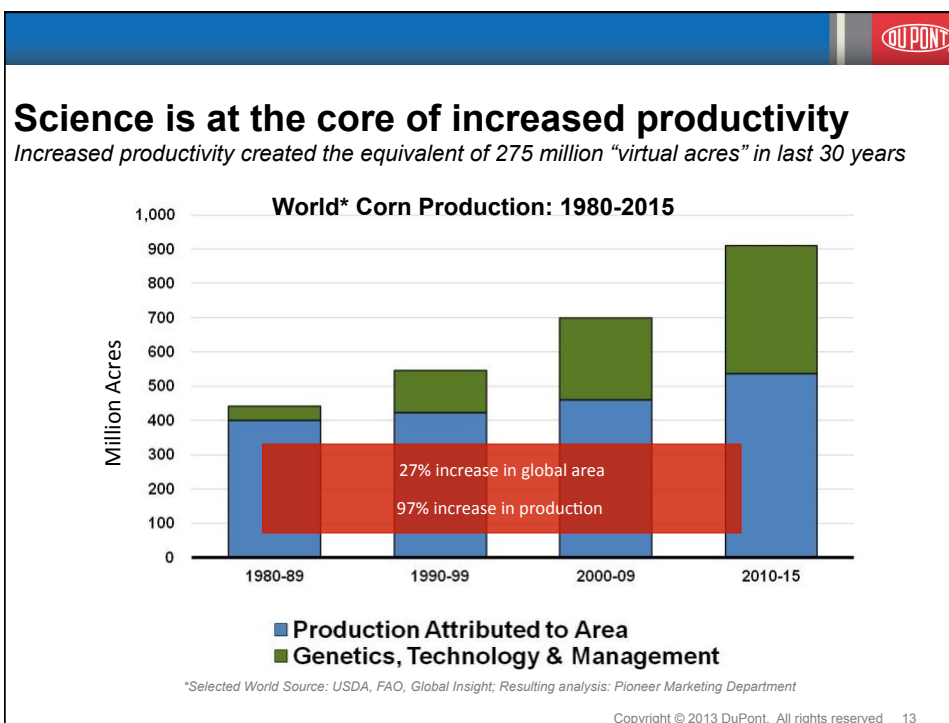
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THE ENVIRONMENT SAFE

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Drought-Tolerant Corn:


Integrated Science to Protect Yields

Conventional




Normal Water **Drought**

Optimum® AQUAmax™ Drought-tolerant




Normal Water **Drought**



Without transgene With transgene


Drought

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Nitrogen Use Efficiency (NUE)

Integrated Science to Improve the Sustainability of Agriculture





Normal Nitrogen




Nitrogen Stress

Increase in kernels per ear under nitrogen stress


Without Transgene **With Transgene**



With Transgene


Without Transgene

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COMMODITY




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Integrated science unlocks the potential of advanced biofuels



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Low Carbon, Scalable, Sustainable

Cellulosic Ethanol: Non-food Feedstocks



Advantages:

- >60% greenhouse gas reduction
- Non-food sources and marginal land
- Multiple feedstock available
- Excellent income for farmers

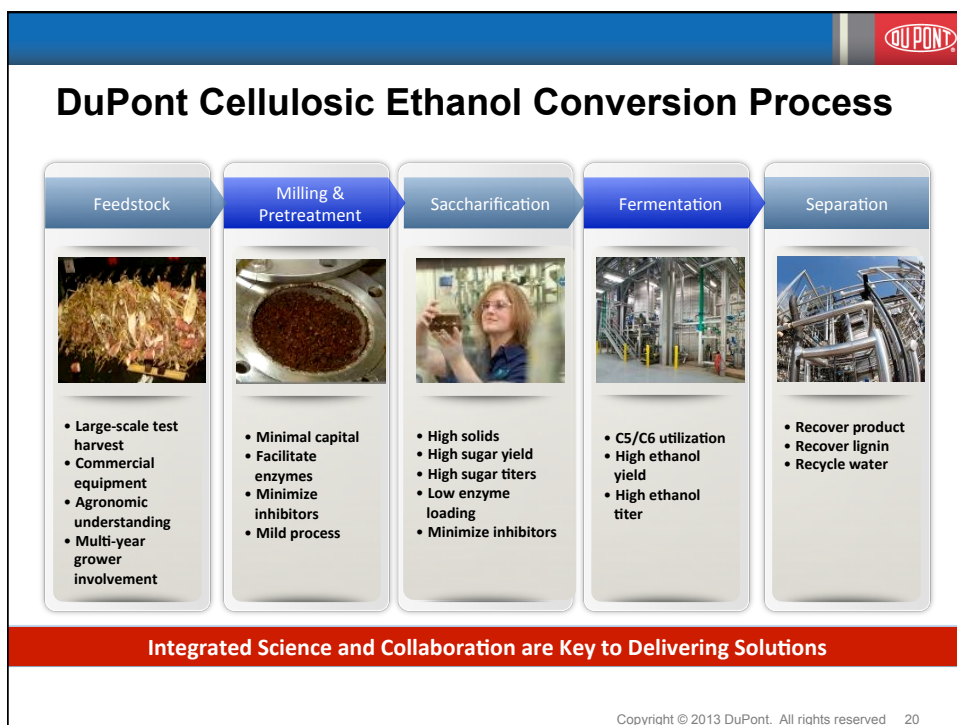
Biobutanol: Better Fuel



Advantages:

- Drop-in fuel
- High blends without infrastructure changes
- Refinery can use more fractions of oil
- Higher energy content

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Integrated Science Creates Solutions

Cellulosic Ethanol: Saccharification Challenge

Biomass polysaccharides

Cellulose

Not shown: Lignin

Arabinoxylan

- Complex structure
- Requires at least 6-8 enzyme activities, each optimized for for activity and stability

Enzyme Discovery

Protein Engineering

Steady improvement in enzyme performance

Lower enzyme use ==> economic viability

Protein production

Specific activity

Specific performance

Inhibition

Stability

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Relative Enzyme Use

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Cellulosic Ethanol: Fermentation Challenge

KEY
Endogenous Activity
Increased Activity
Added Activity

D-Xylose
Xylose Isomerase
D-Xylose
Xylulokinase
D-Xylose-5-P
ATP
ADP
Sedoheptulose-7-P
Transketolase
Erythrose-4-P
Transaldolase
Fructose-6-P
Added Pathways for C-5

L-Arabinose
L-Arabinose
L-Arabinose Isomerase
L-Ribulose
L-Ribulose-5-P
L-xylulokinase
L-xylulose-5-P
L-xylulose-5-P-epimerase
Ribose-5-P
Transketolase
Glyceraldehyde-3-P
Transaldolase
Phosphoenolpyruvate

Glucose-6-P
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Glucose-6-P
6-P-Glucate
2-Keto-3-deoxy-6-P-Glucate
Glyceroldehyde-3-P
1,3-BPGlycerate
ADP
ATP
3-P-Glycerate
2-P-Glyc
Phosphoenolpyruvate

- Utilization of both 5 and 6 carbon sugars is essential
- Multiple pathways added in *Z. mobilis* to effect the C-5 conversion

C5-6 Fermentation to Ethanol

Glucose / Xylose / EDOH (g/L)

Arabinose (g/L)

Time

Glucose (g/L)

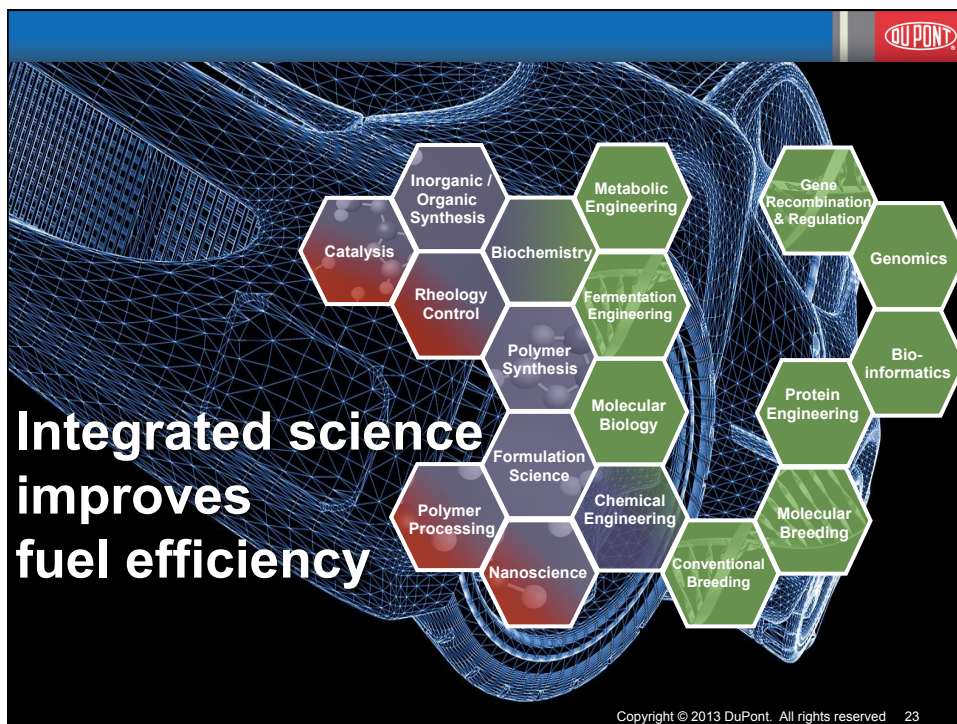
Xylose (g/L)

Ethanol (g/L)

Arabinose (g/L)

Demonstrating performance at 80,000L scale

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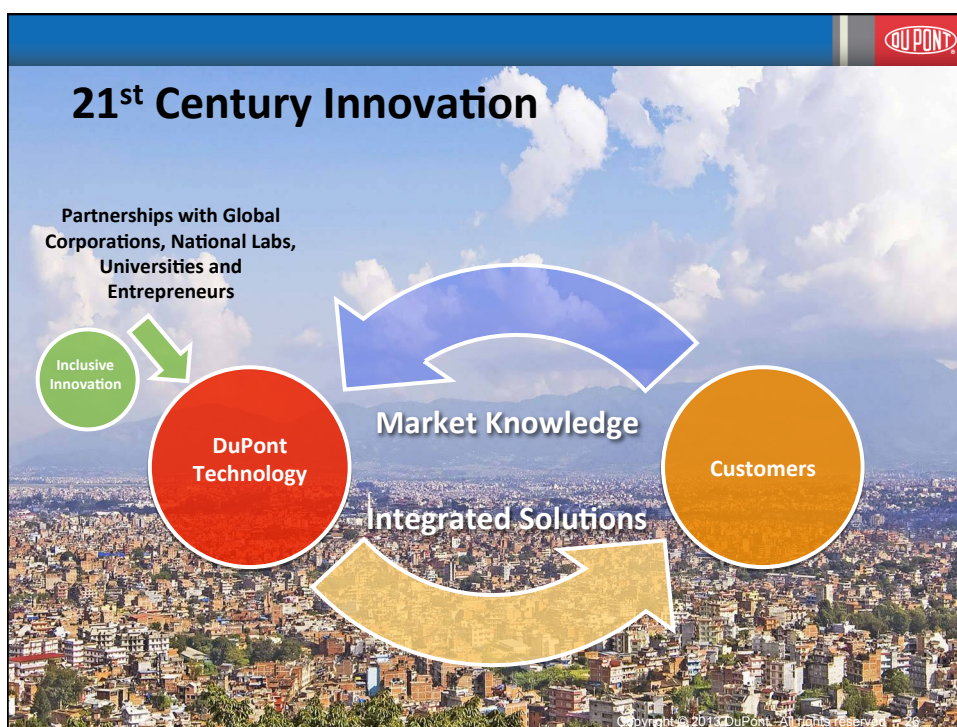



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- Life cycle benefit

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Conclusions

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