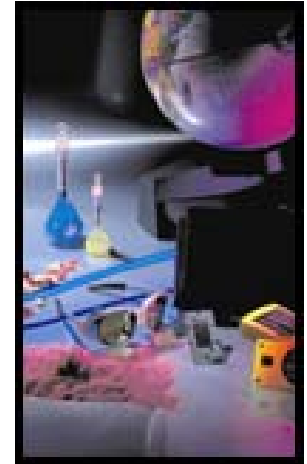


# New Products from Biomass

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# Battelle's purposes stem from the 1925 will of Gordon Battelle

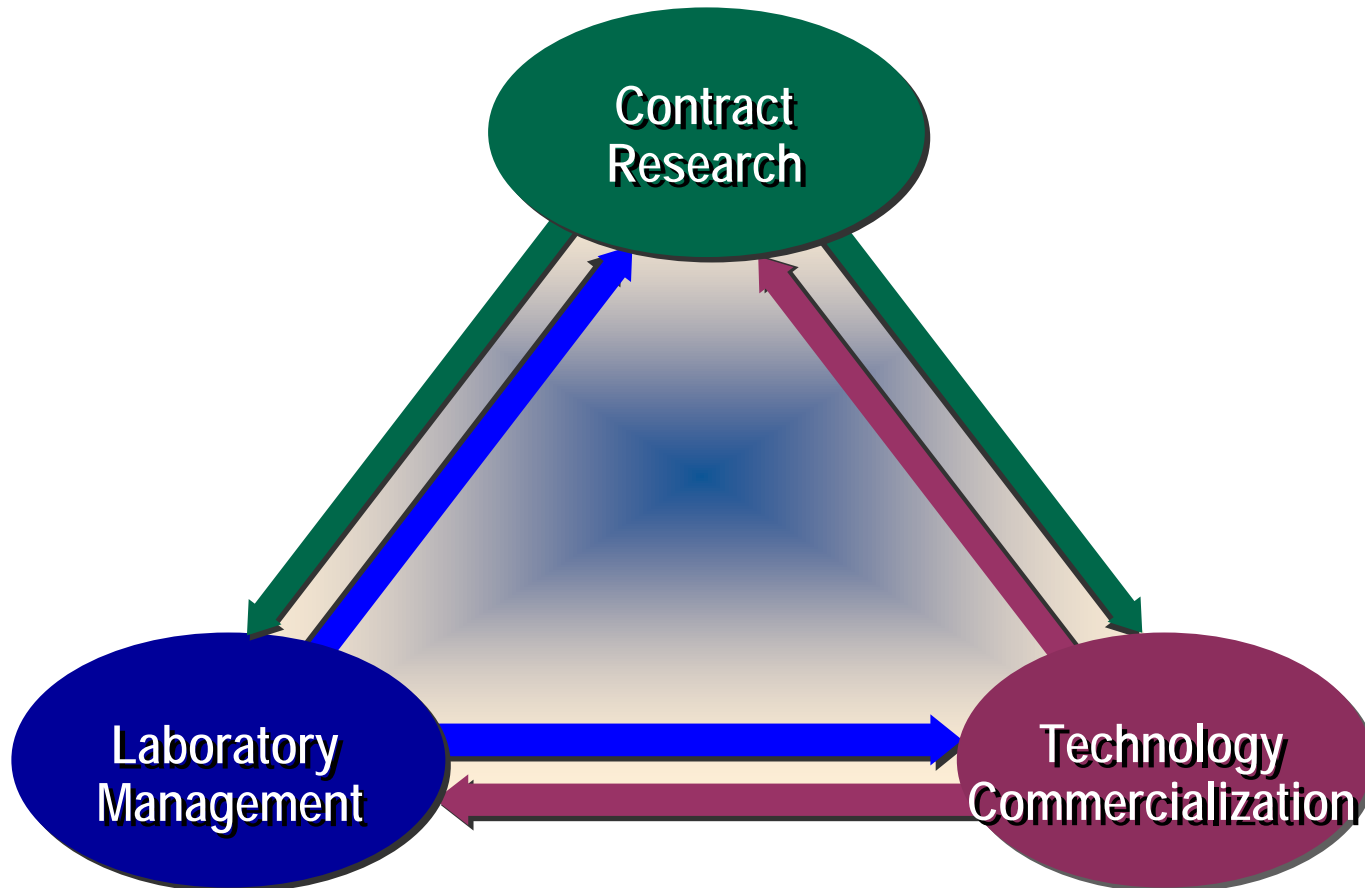
- Charitable trust
- Scientific research and development
- Creative activities of a scientific nature
- Reduction to practice and licensing of inventions, discoveries, and developments
- Advancement of learning and better education of men and women for employment (Refueling the education pipeline)



# Key Battelle Features

- Non-profit charitable trust – began operations in 1929
- 78 years of research and development leadership
- Major businesses are contract R&D, laboratory operations, and commercialization/commercial ventures
- Conduct \$4.0 billion in annual R&D
- 22,000 employees worldwide (including labs we co-manage)

# Battelle Three-Part Business Model



**Each part supports and reinforces the other two.**

# Major Technology Centers



**Corporate Headquarters**  
Columbus, Ohio



**Battelle West Jefferson**  
West Jefferson, Ohio



**Battelle Eastern Science  
and Technology Center**  
Aberdeen, Maryland



**Battelle Europe**  
Geneva, Switzerland



**Battelle Marine Sciences**  
Sequim, Washington



**Battelle Ocean Sciences**  
Duxbury, Massachusetts

# Major Technology Centers (Cont.) DOE Labs Managed/Co-managed



**Brookhaven National Laboratory**  
Upton, New York



**Pacific Northwest National Laboratory**  
Richland, Washington



**Oak Ridge National Laboratory**  
Oak Ridge, Tennessee



**National Renewable Energy Laboratory**  
Golden, Colorado



**Idaho National Laboratory**  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

# Advanced Materials Applications at Battelle

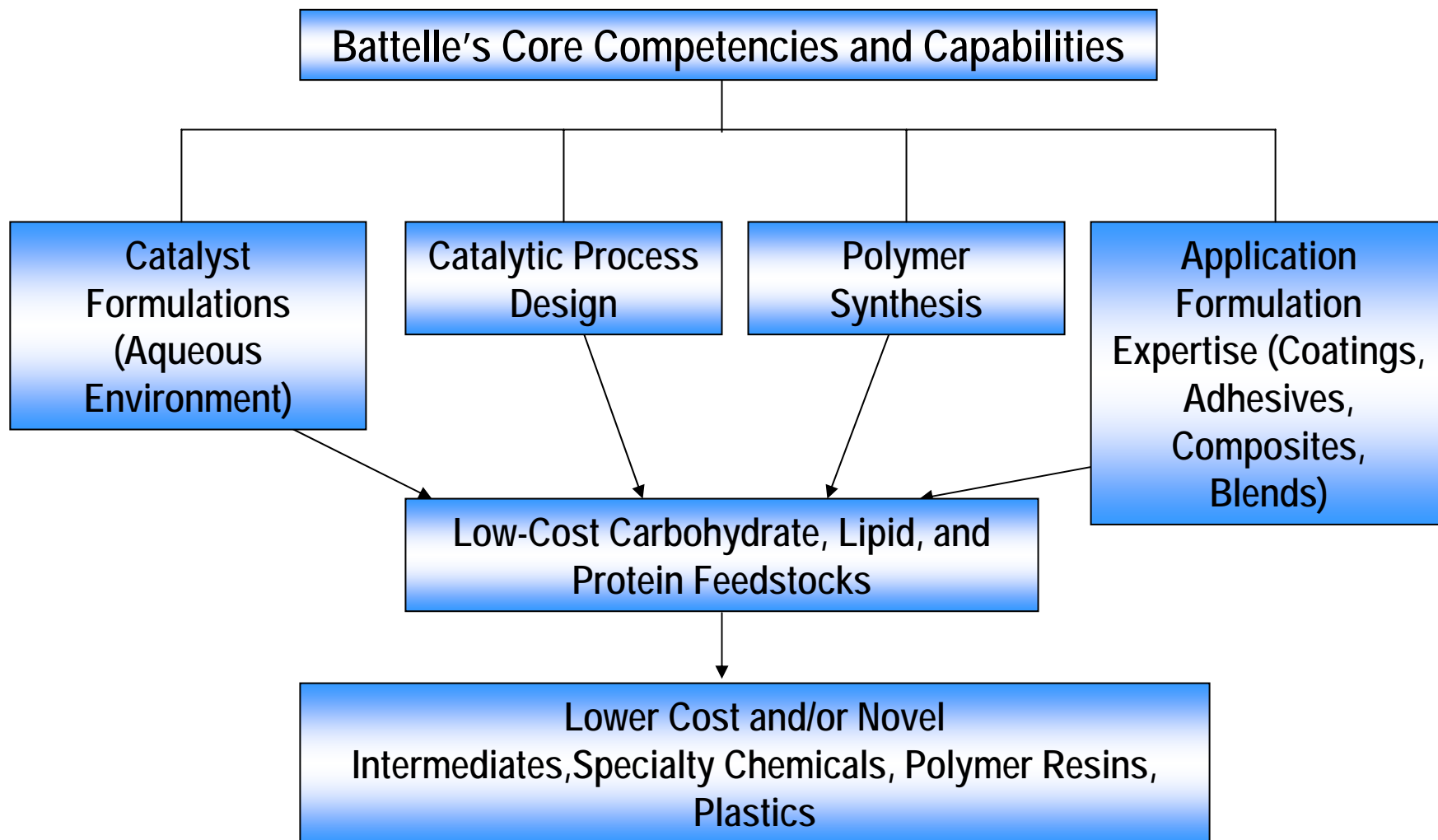
- ~ 110 Staff
- ~ 200 projects Annually
- Equipment and Laboratory Intensive
- Government and Commercial Markets
- Highly Creative - Applied Technology/Patents
- One of the largest applied polymer groups outside captive industrial laboratories
- Highly innovative, very strong capability for “inventing to need”
- Works with other Battelle groups in conducting multidisciplinary programs



# Biobased Products Background

- A long and sustained activity in biomass
  - Lactide and PLA in late 80's
  - Steam explosion of cellulose and lignin in 70's
  - Interactions with PNNL and NREL
- Over the last 10 years focus on
  - Soybeans and to a limited extent on corn and wheat
  - Oil and protein based feedstock
  - Established strong relationships with farmer-based organizations at the State and National level
  - Gained recognition in the field
- Successful commercialization model with industry partners

# Biobased Technology Platforms



# Products

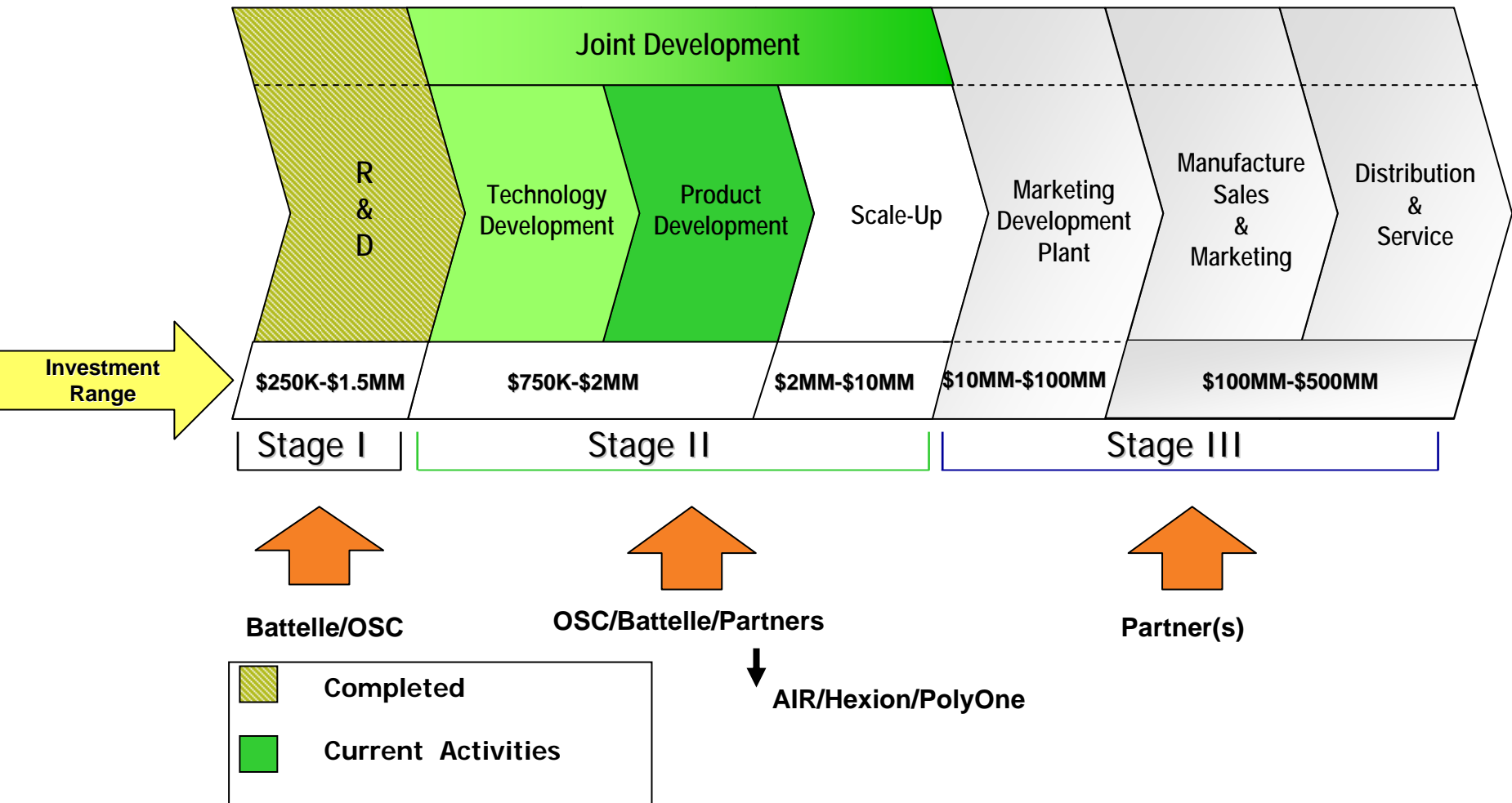
- Bio-products serving many markets: plastics, coatings, adhesives, packaging, ink/toner.
  - PVC plasticizer
  - Soy toner
  - Structural biocomposites
  - Wood adhesives and laminates
  - **Powder coatings**
  - Biolubricants
  - Urethane top coats/foams
  - **Polyols**
  - **Deicer**

# Biodegradable Polymers



**Battelle developed the technology to convert lactic acid into totally degradable polymers, such as those used in disposable salad containers.**

# Commercialization Model: Toner, Plasticizer and Powder Coatings



# Biobased Powder Coating

- Pioneering technology enabling use of renewable resources. (R&D 100 Award 2008)
- Key differentiating factor:  
Agriculture, Furniture, Toys for Sustainability
- Resins fit with existing manufacturing plants
- Performance in line with current technology
- Very good wetting properties
- Additional advantages in low temperature cure: high reactivity & no “blooming”

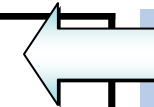


For Hexion, it is a unique, bio-based solution

# Design Example of New Product and Application of Life Cycle Engineering

## ▶ Production of a Chemical Intermediate from Petroleum Feedstock Versus Bio-Derived Feedstock

Product	1,4-Butanediol	Biopolyols
Use	(BDO) Manufacture of several commercial chemical and polymeric compounds	Coatings, Foams, Adhesives
Conventional Technology	Petroleum feedstock	Petroleum feedstock
Alternative Technology	agricultural feedstock – Corn	Vegetable oil & glycerin



*New Technology. Could be of Potential interest.*

# R&D 100 Award

2006



Ohio Soybean Council  
United Soybean Board

## Clear, low odor bio-polyols



**Battelle Low  
Cost Raw Materials**

# Status of Polyols

- A novel approach bio-derived polyols from low cost feedstocks including crude-2 glycerin has been developed.
- Preliminary economics are promising.
- The structures resulting from the ozonolysis/ transesterification process gives representative coating and foam properties.
- 2-part urethane, zero VOC (volatile organic compound) polyurethane coatings have been prepared that have reasonable properties.
- 100% replacement of petroleum polyols in typical coating and foam formulations has been demonstrated.
- Adhesive and sealant applications are being tested.
- A comprehensive patent application has been filed.
- Several scale-up issues are being addressed.
- Several potential industrial partners have expressed interest.

# Patented Biobased Aircraft (ADF) and Runway (RDF) Deicing Fluids



- Developed ADF: concept through proof of principal testing, scale up, demonstration, and licensing



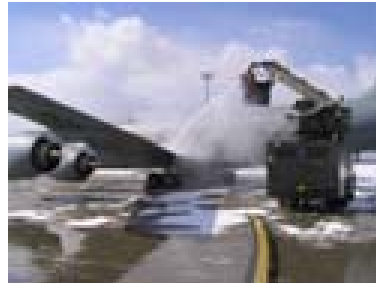
- Developing RDF: invented process, completed small test, scaled up, and now planning demonstration tests

# Challenges and Success

- ADF

- Conventional fluid

- Prepared from propylene glycol
    - High biological oxygen demand
    - High cost
    - Modestly toxicity



- Battelle Solution

- Prepared from biobased materials and other additives
    - Reduced oxygen demand, lower toxicity, lower corrosivity
    - Lower fluid cost and life cycle costs

- RDF

- Conventional fluids

- Prepared from potassium acetate
    - Low oxygen demand
    - Corrosive
    - High cost
    - Modest toxicity



- Battelle Solution

- Biobased materials and other additives
    - Lower toxicity, lower corrosivity, reduced brake-pad attack
    - Lower fluid cost and life cycle costs

# Battelle Offers...

- A wide range of scientific and engineering talent for identifying, analyzing, and solving product/process development/improvement problems
- Deep understanding of Sustainability and LCA
- Expertise in new materials, processes, and testing protocols
- Experience based on solving tough problems
- Facilities for preparing models and testing
- Protection of proprietary and business sensitive information

# Thank You

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