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**Aides à la conception du procédé et
incertitudes (design et aspect économique),
cahier des charges et données critiques**

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1. Processium

Processium General Overview

Who we are

25%

PhDs

15%

turnover
dedicated to R&D

20%

turnover outside
France

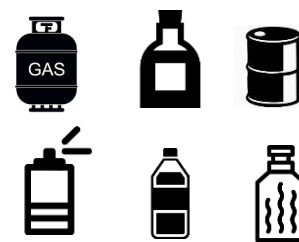
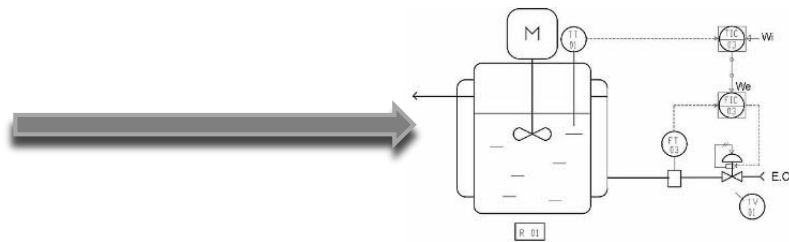
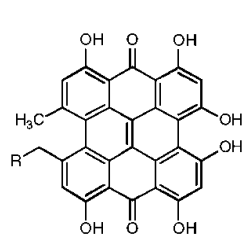
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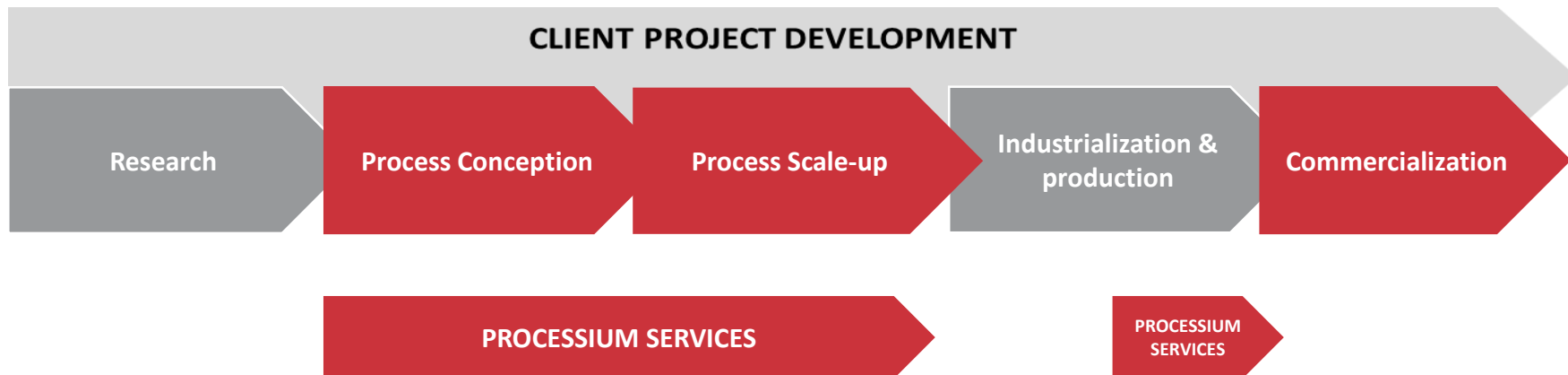


Processium General Overview

What we do



CLIENT PROJECT DEVELOPMENT



Processium General Overview

How we work

Laboratory dedicated
to products



Analysis and
measurements



Laboratory dedicated
to processes



Scientific computing



Process engineering



Laboratory equipments

Liquid separation

1- Liquid-Liquid extraction

(continuous and stirred column)

5 to 25 l/hr, up to 150°C

2- Continuous distillation

1 to 3 l/hr, 20 to 250°C, 10 to 1,000 mbar

3- Thin layer evaporation

(short pass available)

1 to 3 l/hr, 20 to 250°C, min 1 mbar or 10-3 mbar for short pass



Laboratory equipments

Reaction & Separation

1- Tangential filtration (ceramic)

MF, UF – Max 4 bar

2- Ball mills

3- Batch reactor

1 bar, up to 200°C

4- Tangential filtration (organic)

MF, UF, NF, RO – Max 60 bar

5- Continuous reactor

1 l, micro-wave heating system, up to 40 bar, up to 250°C

6- High pressure distillation

1 to 20 bars

Continuous or batch distillation

Reactive distillation





2. Feedback from Chemical Industry

Process Scale-up

Basic Data Errors

Outcome Variable	Projects without Basic Data Errors	Projects with Basic Data Errors
Percent of successful projects	44	0
Average production months 7-12 vs plan (%)	87	38
Time required for start-up (months / deviation regarding forecast)	7 / +40%	22 / +140%
Slip in execution schedule (%)	16	30

Process Scale-up

Key scale-up items

External: Market, people and environment

Critical Scale-up Item

New product ?

Performance product?

New market?

New customers?

New country?

New safety, health, environmental aspects

New suppliers of technology?

New feedstocks? New suppliers?

Process

Critical Scale-up Item

New chemistry?

Novel process?

Novel unit operation? Novel equipment?

Recycle streams?

Solids processing?

New control?

Process operation experience

Phases mass transfer?

Hydrodynamics scale-up?

G/L or L/L mass transfer?

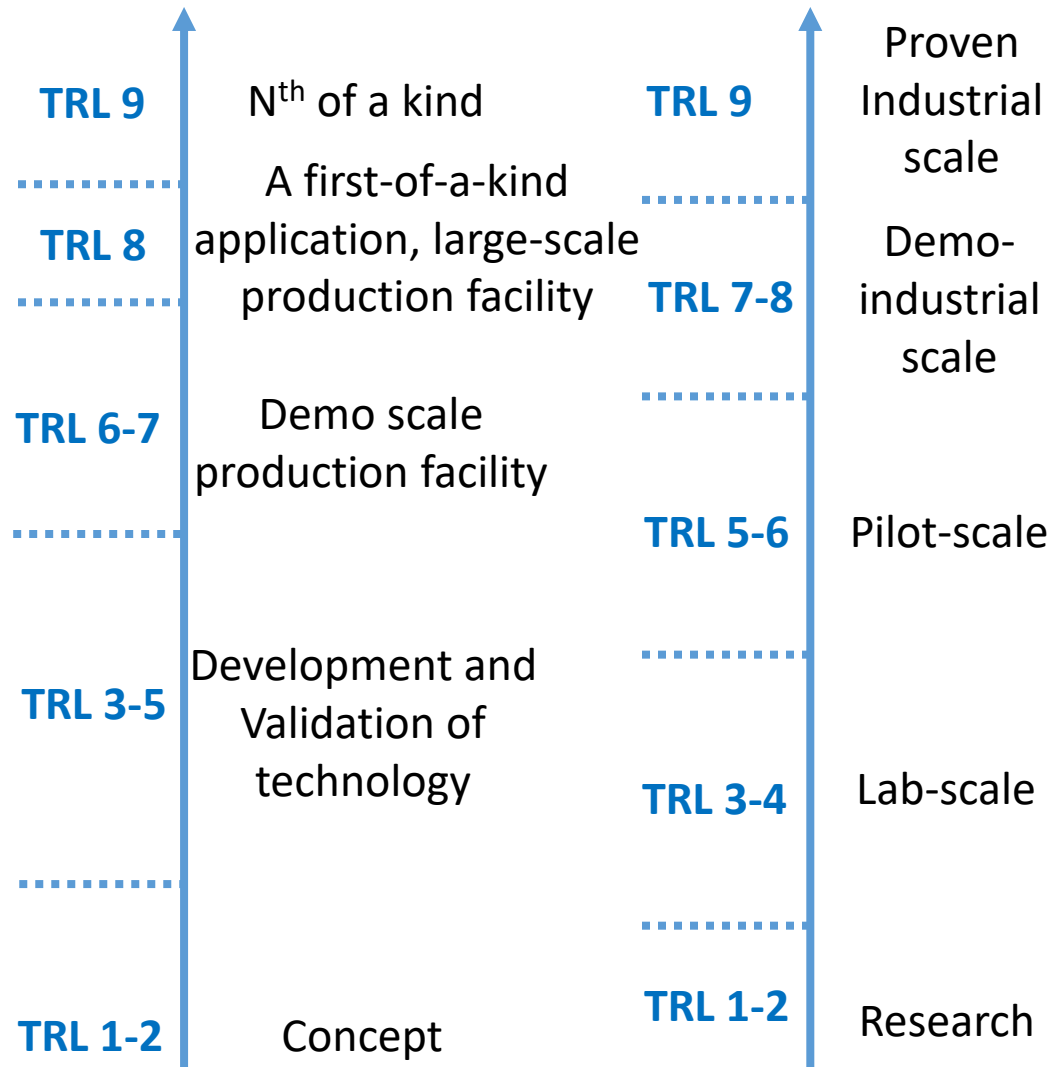
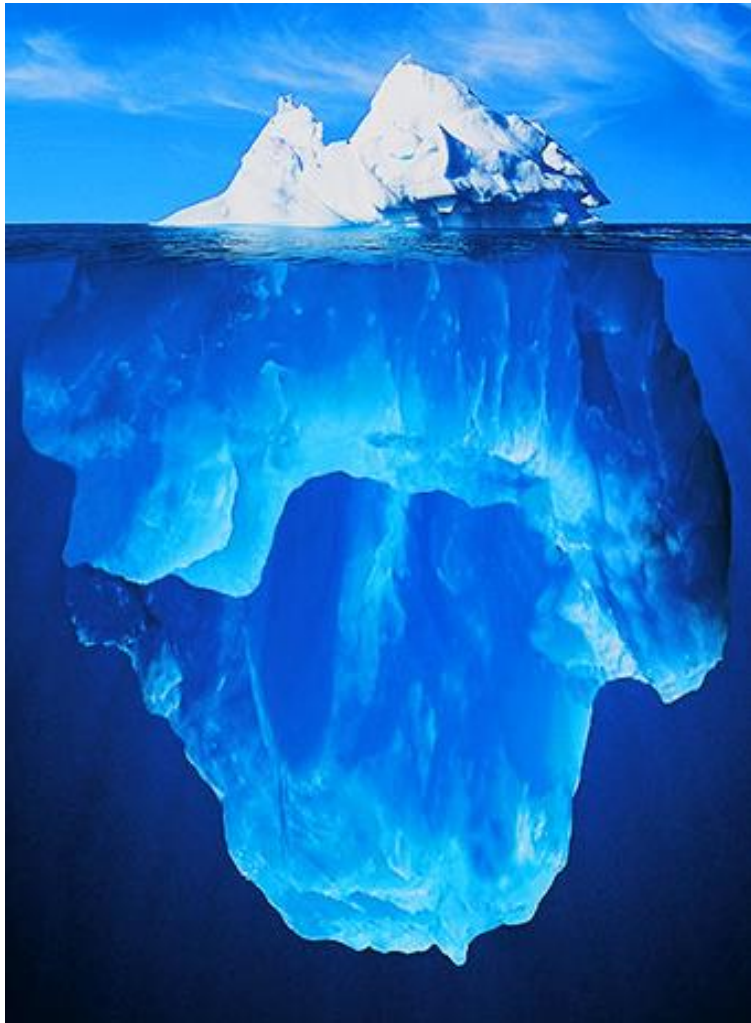
Residence time distribution?

Heat transfer?

New construction materials for streams?

Process Scale-up

Technology Readiness Levels (TRL)





Process Scale-up

Key steps

	Production rate (kg/h)	Scale Up Factor
Industrial Plant	100-10,000	-
Pilot Plant	1-100	1-10000
Miniplant	0.1-1	100-100,000

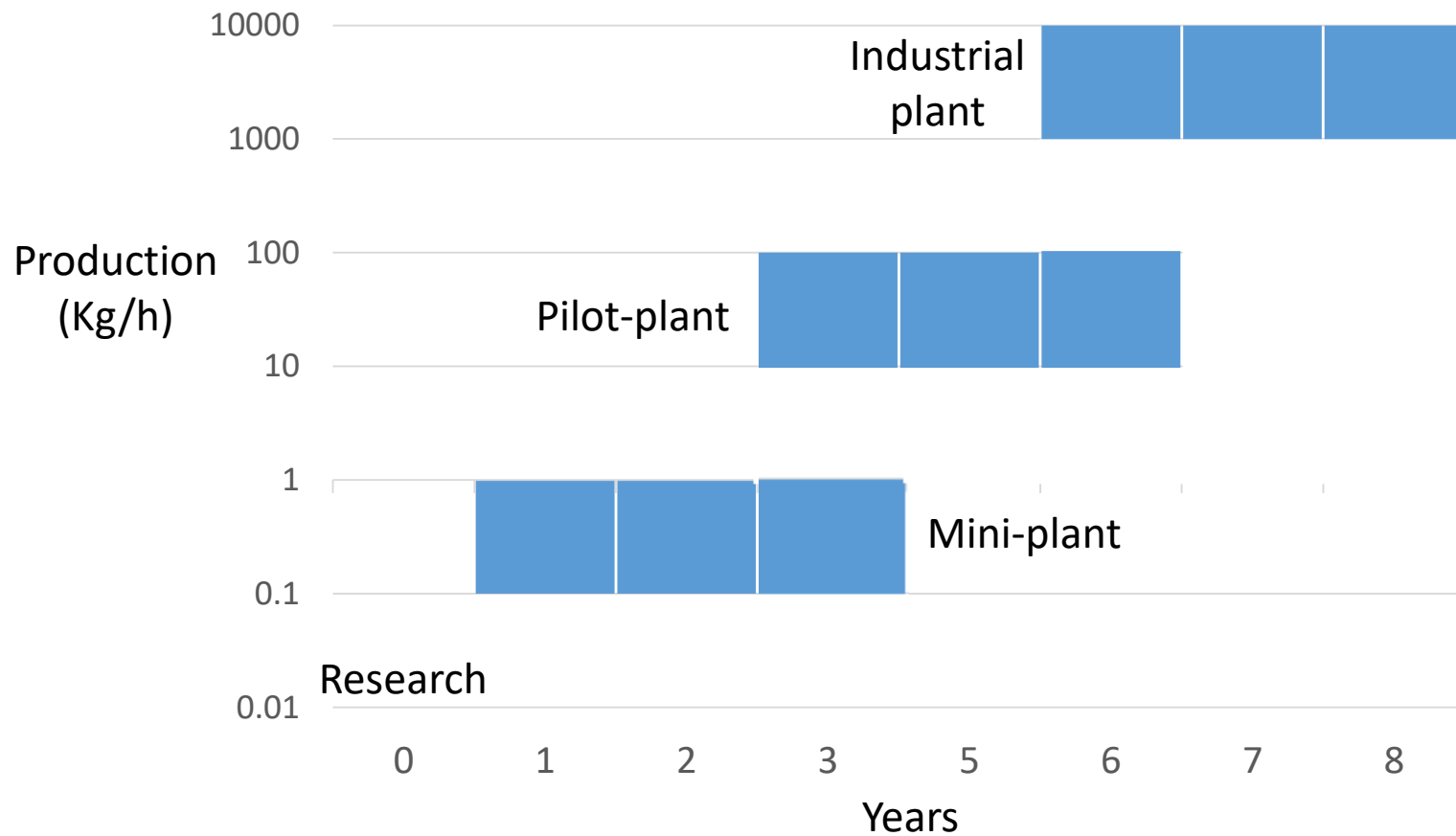
Process Scale-up

Scale-up factors

Process Step	Maximum Scale-Up value
Reactors	
Multi-tubular & adiabatic Fixed-Bed reactor	> 10 000 (50 000 achieved)
Homogeneous Tube and Stirred Tank	> 10 000
Bubble Column	< 1 000
Gas-solid Fluidized bed	50 - 100
Separation processes	
Distillation and Rectification	1 000 – 50 000
Absorption	1 000 – 50 000
Extraction	500 – 1 000
Drying	20 - 50
Crystallisation	20 - 30

Process Scale-up

Time scale



3. Bioprocess scale-up

Industrial bioprocess scale-up

A case study : 1,4 BDO

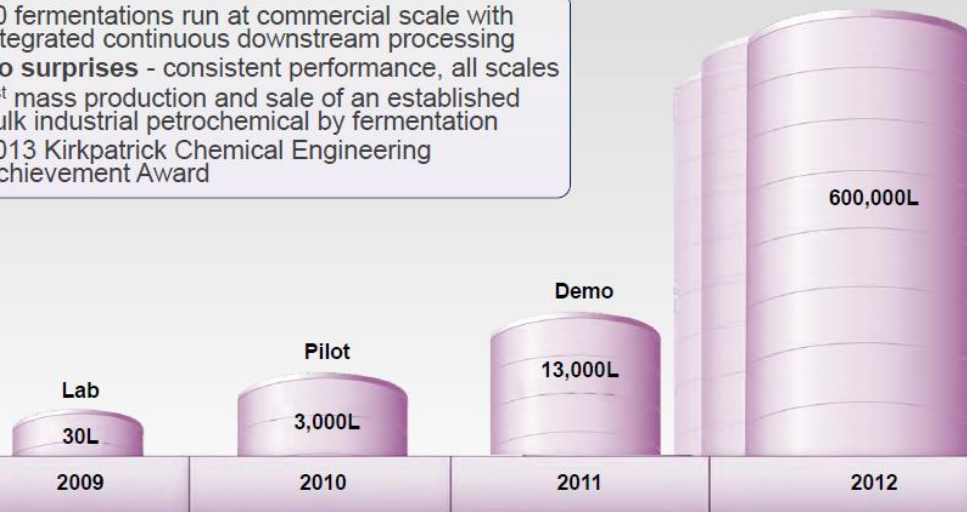
1,4-Butanediol: 5 years from concept to commercial (0.5X 1,3-PDO)

Process and product validation at commercial scale following extensive pilotina

Process and Product Validation at Commercial Scale

- 50 fermentations run at commercial scale with integrated continuous downstream processing
- No surprises** - consistent performance, all scales
- 1st mass production and sale of an established bulk industrial petrochemical by fermentation
- 2013 Kirkpatrick Chemical Engineering Achievement Award

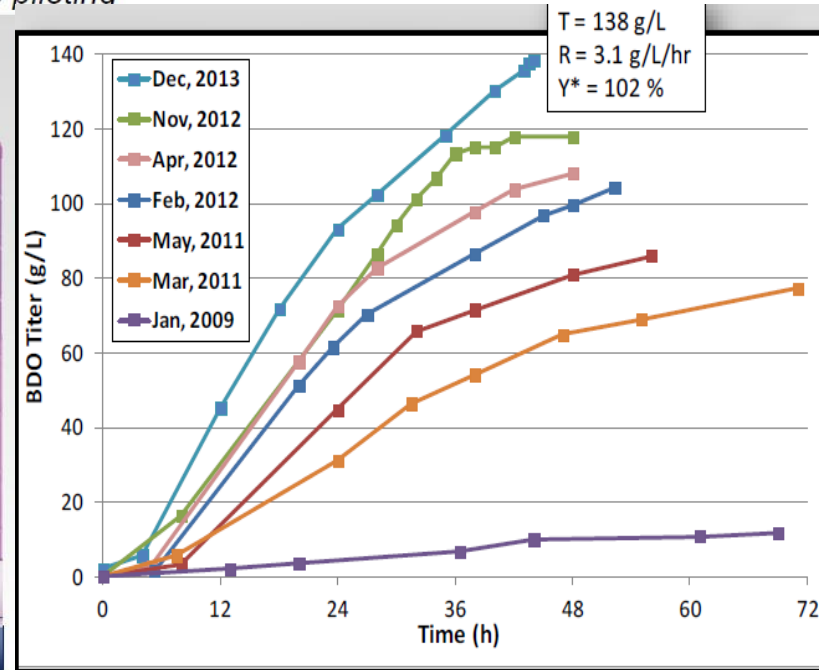
5MM lbs 5 Week Campaign



Scale-Up Partners:



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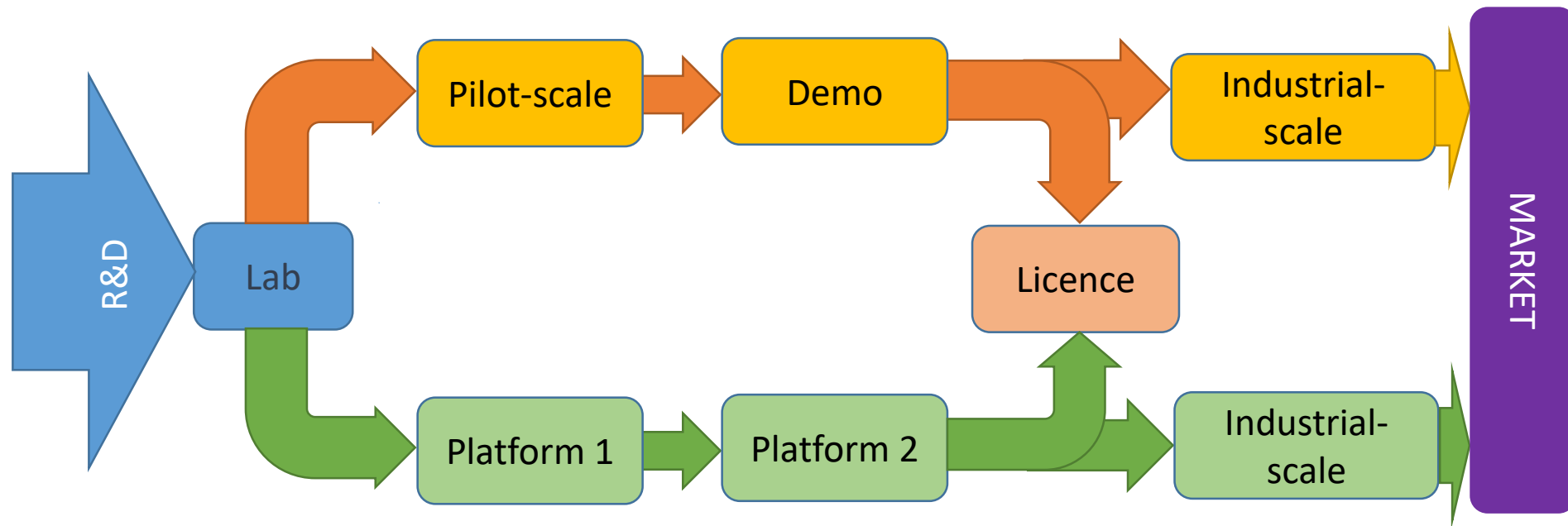
Industrial bioprocess scale-up

Biotech vs Chemicals

- Microbes
- Aseptic operation of fermenters
- Control of the fermentation process
- Natural feedstocks
- Low product concentration in aqueous phase
- Selectivity
- Impurities

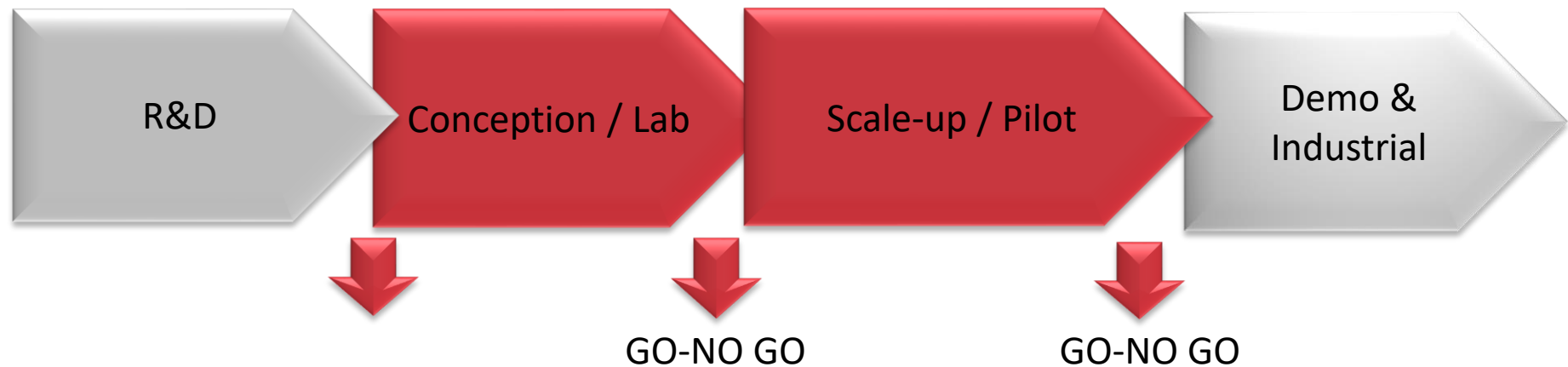
Product & Process Scale-Up

Two main routes for Process/Product Scale-Up



Industrial bioprocess scale-up

Main steps of the conception and scale-up stages

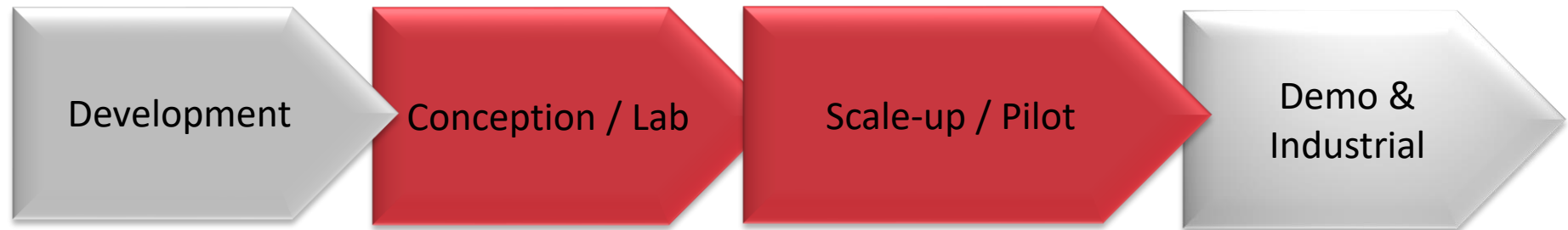


Deliverables

- Either process book of the demo plant and V1 of the process book of the target industrial unit
- Or update production package
- Risk analysis

Industrial bioprocess scale-up

Main results of the conception and scale-up stages



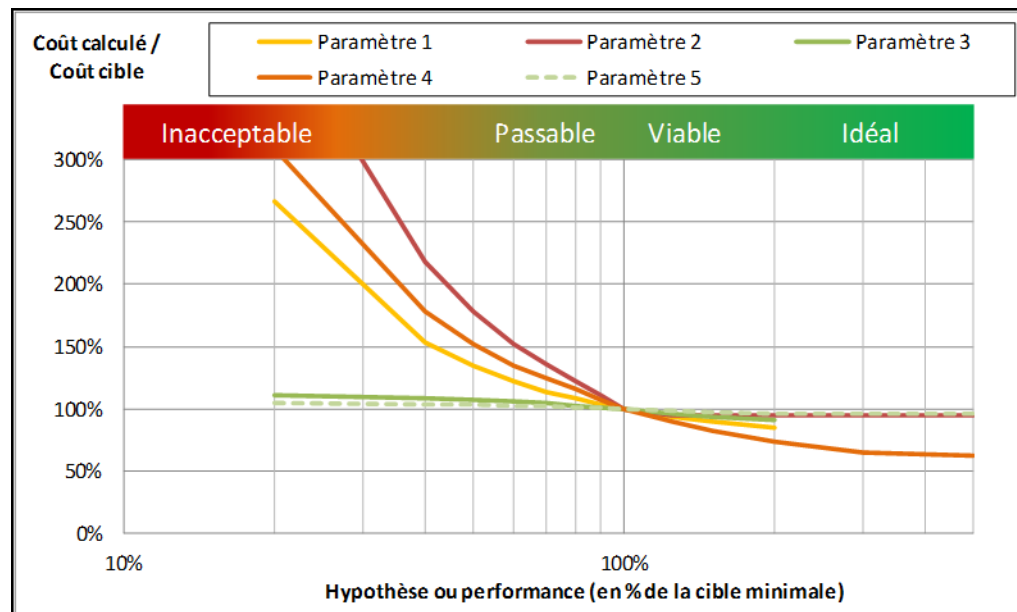
- Process flowsheet
- Mass & heating balances
- Operating conditions
- Sizing of unit operations
- First optimization of the process regarding
 - CAPEX/OPEX
 - Product quality, productivity, yields
 - Environmental impact



4. Case studies

Case study 1

Preliminary Techno-economical study



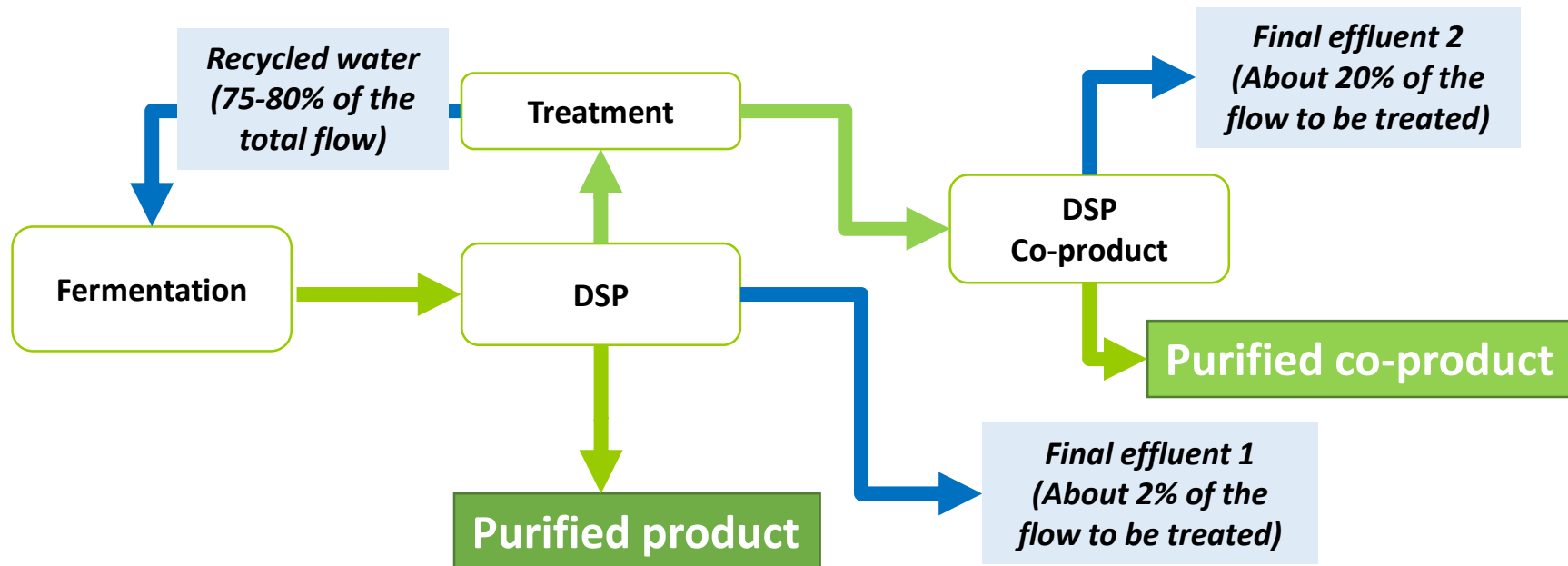
Results

- First technical and economical estimation of the project
- Fermentation development defined in connection with purification and separation requirements

Case study 2

Process development

Joint development of DSP / USP



- Minimization by fermentation of the most penalizing impurity in purification
- Valorization of a co-product: economy of work in fermentation
- Recycling water with sufficient quality for fermentation



Case study 3

Feedstock impact

- One of the key step in the process is to separate the noble product from the salts and sugars
- Development of a DSP with 1G sugars :
 - PCD A (1G): Performance and robustness. Yield 97%
 - PCD B (1G): Low performance, and limited robustness due to fouling problems. Yield \approx 80%
- Development of the same DSP with 2G sugars :
 - PCD A (2G): Low performance and limited robustness
 - PCD B (2G): Good performance, and robustness. Yield 95%



Necessity to have a global approach : raw material/USP/DSP

Case study 4

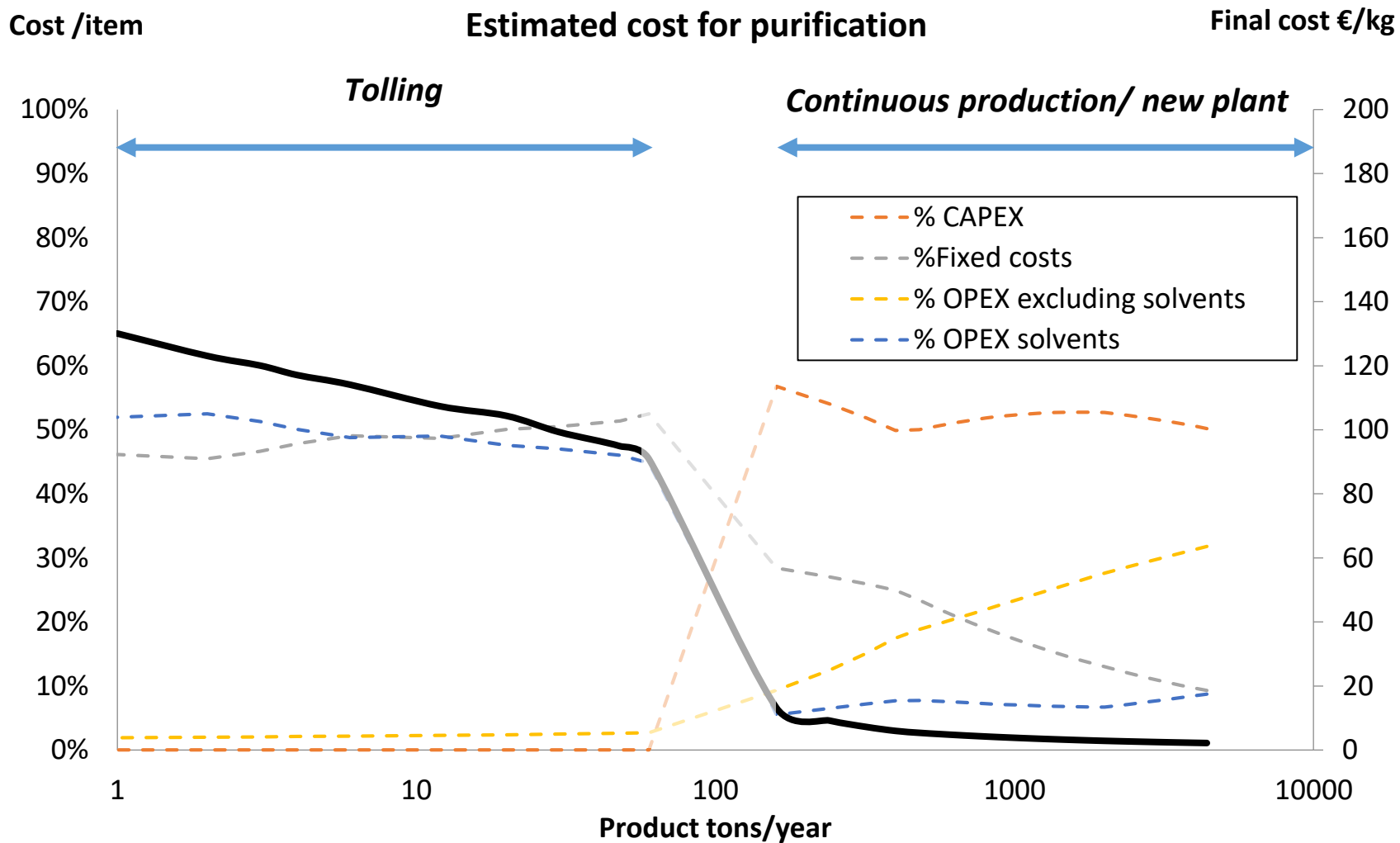
Downstream process optimization

Estimation for a 30 KT/year plant

	Reference solution	Energy integration solution	Difference
Vapor consumption t/h	44.5	12.5	-72%
Cooling water Consumption m ³ /an	2630	730	-73%
Power consumption (compressor) GWh/an	-	13.56	-
Number of exchangers	16	18	+2
OPEX k€/an	8480	3173	-62%
K€/ t final product	0.28	0.10	-62%
Return on investment time		< 2 ans	

Case study 5

Toll manufacturing



5. Conclusions



Conclusions

Process scale-up

- Objectives
 - To limit the risks
 - To save time
 - To manage CAPEX/OPEX
- How?
 - Identifying market targets
 - Implementing adapted industrial methodologies
 - Looking for key partners
 - Working in parallel, anticipate
 - Defining GO/NO-GO milestones



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