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# **Overcoming Barriers to Toxics Use Reduction**

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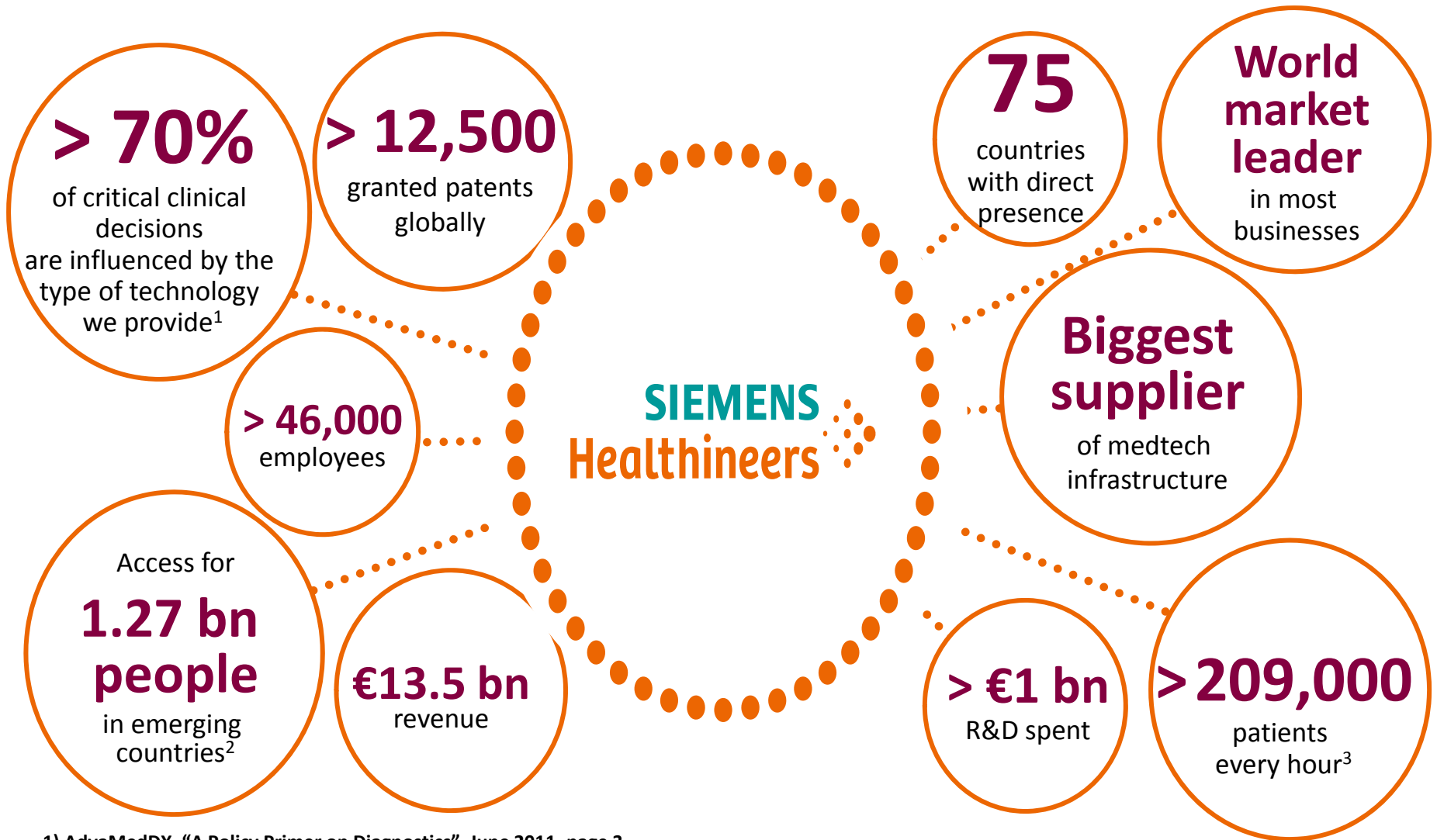
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# Overview

- **Siemens Healthineers**
- **TURI-Siemens OPE replacement project**
- **Barriers encountered**
- **Path forward and anticipated challenges**
- **Summary/Q&A**

**Engineering success. Pioneering healthcare.**

# Who We Are

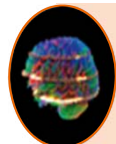


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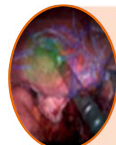
# Engineering Success – With Broadest and Deepest Portfolio



## Diagnostic Imaging

Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Molecular Imaging, Radiography & Fluoroscopy, Imaging IT

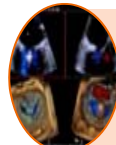
**Undisputed market leader in diagnostic imaging**



## Advanced Therapies

Cardiology, Interventional Radiology, Radiation Oncology, Surgery

**Empowering innovative therapy concepts**



## Ultrasound

Cardiology, Radiology

**Versatility and functionality across clinical questions**



## Laboratory Diagnostics

Immunoassay, Chemistry, Hematology, Hemostasis, Specialty Testing, Automation, IT and Services, Molecular Diagnostics<sup>1</sup>

**Delivering clinical and workflow excellence**



## Point of Care

Blood Gas, Diabetes Urinalysis, Coagulation, Cardiology

**Lab-accurate, actionable, timely results at the point of care**



## Services

System Services, Education, Enterprise Services, Digital Services

**Transformative services to maximize opportunities and minimize risks**

**We support to raise ...**



**clinical excellence**



**operational efficiency**



**financial profitability**

1) Incubated within Business Function Strategy & Innovation  
Image courtesy Diagnostic Imaging: CMRR, Minneapolis, MGH, Boston  
Image courtesy Advanced Therapies: IHU Strasbourg, France

# Sustainability is part of our company's culture and our company's success

We have acted sustainably for 170 years...

***“I won't sell the future for short-term profit”***

*Werner von Siemens*



While hazardous substances are still needed for Medical Devices, **we believe that removing or replacing them**

- Is important for protection of our employees and the planet
- Makes good business sense
- Is the right thing to do!

Today is about tomorrow



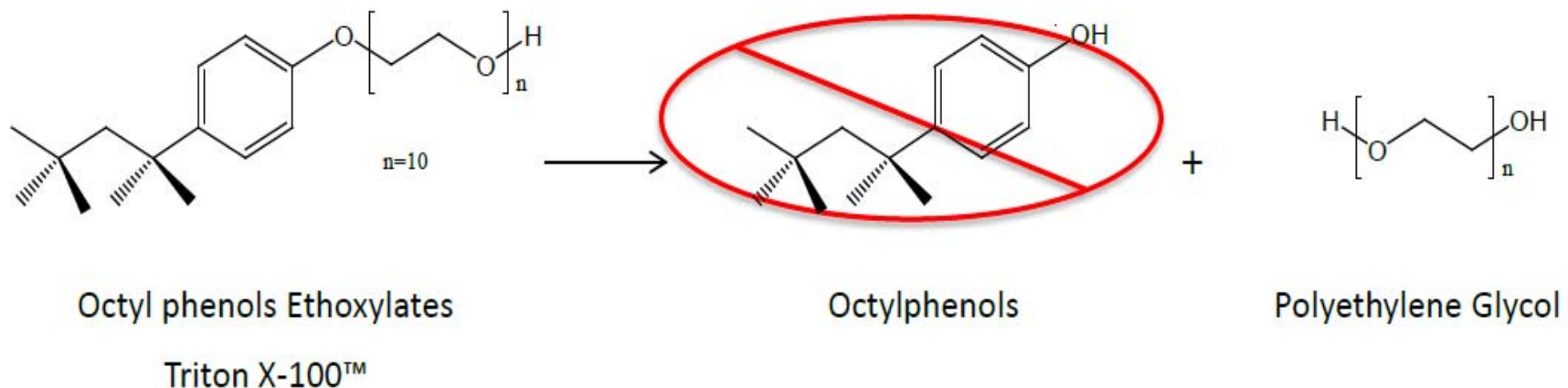
# The “Triton” Challenge

EU REACH regulation designated a family of surfactants as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)- octylphenol ethoxylates (OPEs- under trade names Triton X-100, X-405, Igepal)

Used in the invitro diagnostics (IVD) industry for many years- once viewed as a *safe* alternative

OPEs are Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC):

- Degrade to octylphenol, which is persistent, bio-accumulative and known to act as a hormone endocrine disruptor and estrogen mimics



# Collaboration with TURI, UMass and Siemens

Academic research grant provided framework for a solution

Project with UMass and TURI for a solution:

- Siemens had the need and desire for a long-term, “**greener-safer**” answer
- **TURI** had expertise in toxics alternatives along with funding for research
- **UMass** already had experience with OPE substitutes
- UMass also has expertise with toxicity and biodegradation testing

Resulted in two alternatives (oligopectin and octyl glucoside):

- Derived from **renewable starting materials**
- From an efficient, **greener synthesis**
- With acceptable **technical performance**
- **Low toxicity**
- Good **biodegradability**



# Problem solved...

## ...not so fast



Challenge	Impact
Technical/performance	Performance variations among different assays
Regulatory processes (e.g. FDA)	Regulatory requirements mean verification, validation and possibly even clinical trials and re-registrations in multiple countries- months to years
Internal resources	One more project competing with R&D and manufacturing resources
Scale-up for manufacturing	Shift from a lab to manufacturing supplier
Risk management	“Guaranteeing” the change won’t have to be made again (e.g. no surprises in toxicity/environmental fate later on)



# Next Steps



Gain confidence that the new substances are **long-term solutions**:

- ✓ UMass did extensive toxicity testing with great results
- ✓ Reviewed toxicity and biodegradation data with EPA Safer Choice group- positive feedback

Licensing agreement and work with UMass to **identify a manufacturer**

Implement strategic approach- use in new products in order to:

- **Optimize performance** (technical challenges)
- ✓ **Align resources with existing efforts** (no duplication of efforts)
- ✓ **Minimize regulatory efforts** (already needed for new products)

**Still**- there is a need for improving environmental and toxicity testing models to reduce risks in the long-term (**green stays green!**)

# Questions?



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**Thank you for your  
attention!**



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