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# Consistently Beating the Odds: How to Build Successful New Products

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North American Chemical Manufacturers Best Practices Study (NACM-BPS)



## What if.....





### **The Big Picture**



WOLFGARG AMADEUS MOZART







	Part One							Part Two									
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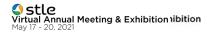


Mozart created a system to randomly generate melodies

for PIARO







#### Levels of Innovation



Things we need to know



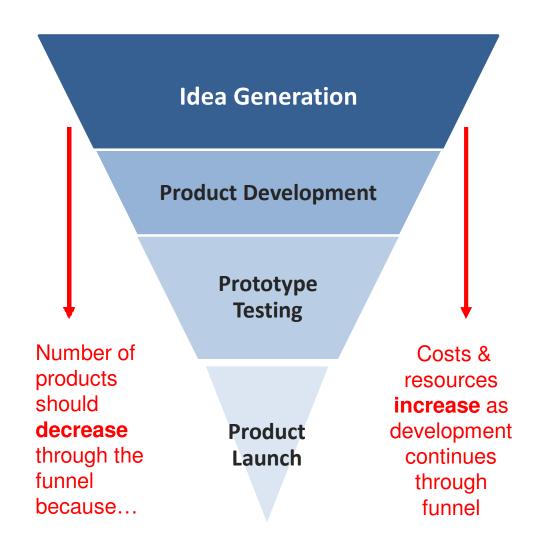


## New Product Development Funnel



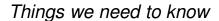
Things we need to know

- Many ideas considered in Fuzzy Front End (FFE) of Development
- 2. The Portfolio Management process evaluates ideas for potential ROI, feasibility, opportunities & support
- 3. Ideas become products in laboratory or product development phase
- 4. Lab & Plant produce prototypes for field testing
- 5. Successful field tests are scaled up for product launch and commercialization

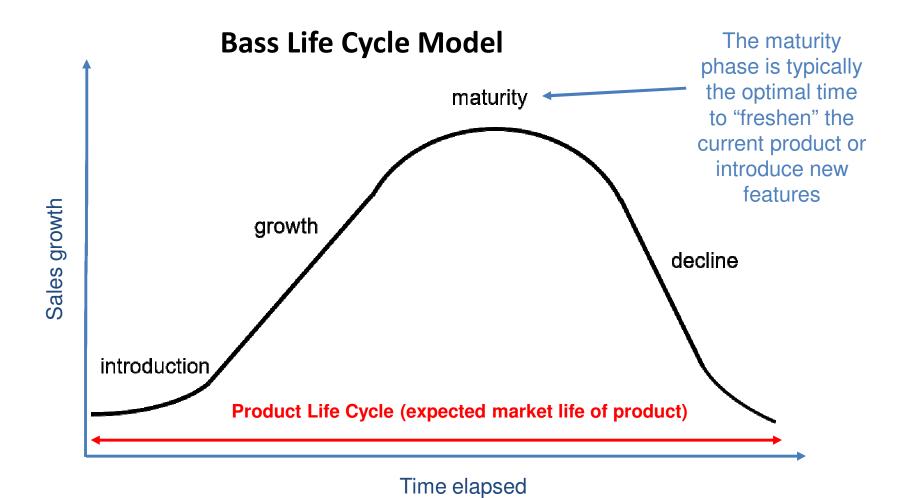




## **Product Life Cycle**









#### **PDMA Organization –**

- founded in 1976
- Focus on product development
- Began Identifying winners and losers of new product development (NPD)
- Benchmarked success/failure factors
- Refined 75 S/F factors into theoretical NPD best practices
- Took snapshot of industry NPD best practices in 1990, 2004, and 2012
- Discovered gap between academic and practitioner use of NPD-BP
- Global market and industries in BPS

#### NACM-BPS -

- Based on the PDMA-BPS (3)
- Focus on:
  - North America
  - Manufacturing
  - Chemical Industry
- Attempts to benchmark
  - NPD best practices
  - NPD success
  - NPD maturity for self assessment

#### Foundations: PDMA Best Practices Studies



Product Development Management Association (PDMA)

- Four PDMA BP Studies:
  - 1990, 2004, 2012, (2020 not complete)
- 22 years between first 3 BPS
  - 1990-2012 fairly stable trends
- 59% overall success rate
  - largely unchanged over time

#### Best vs Rest: Success Rates

PDMA NPD BPS-3 (2003)	The Best	The Rest
Percentage of Firms (category)	24%	76%
Successes	75.5%	53.8%
Successes-Profits	72.4%	47.9%
Sales form New Products	47.6%	21.4%
Profits from New Products	49.1%	21.2%
Number ideas for one success	4.0	9.2

Source: Trends and Drivers of Success in NPD Practices: Results of the 2003 PDMA Best Practices Study (Barczak, Griffin, & Kahn, 2009) Later, a Delphi method panel of experts grouped all the PDMA identified best practices into seven categories with % importance.

#### **7D-NPD Best Practices**

- Strategy 18%
- Research 16%
- Commercialization 15%
- Process 15%
- Project Climate 13%
- Company Culture 13%
- Metrics & Performance
   Measurement 10%

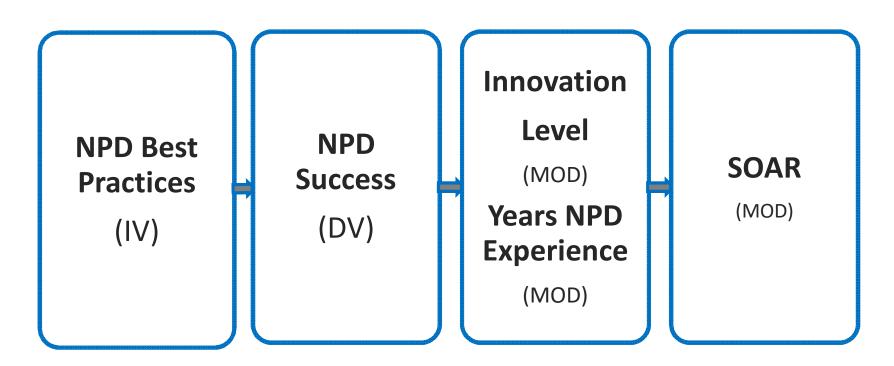


#### **NACM-BPS** Overview



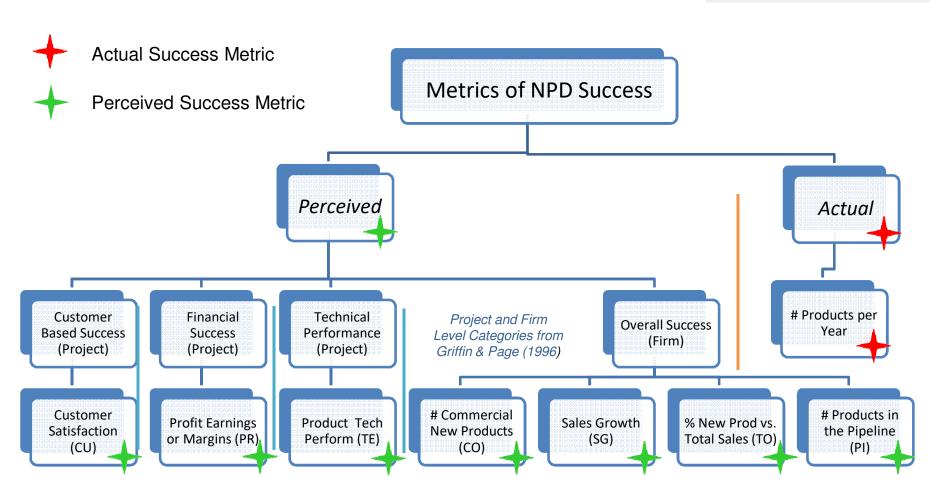
Main Point: Can we observe and measure an effect between NPD Best Practice and NPD Success?

Research in Innovation and New Product Development (NPD)



#### **Metrics of NPD Success**





## **Hypotheses**

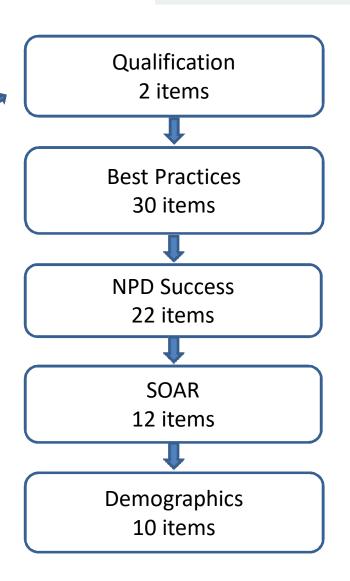


- H1 NPD best practices have a positive impact on NPD success.
- H2 The level of innovation moderates the relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.
- H3 The amount of NPD work experience moderates the relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.
- H4 SOAR moderates the relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.

## Methodology: Overview



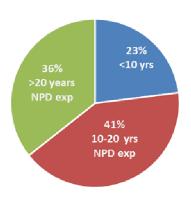
- Quantitative Analysis
  - descriptive and inferential statistics
- Online survey instrument
  - Original questions (NPD Success)
     (metrics identified by Griffin & Page, 1996)
  - Modified from 7-D NPD (to measure best practices)
     (original by Barczak & Kahn, 2012)
  - SOAR framework
     (Stavros & Cole, 2014)
- Target population: primarily North American commercial NPD practitioners (from PDMA, STLE, ILMA organizations)



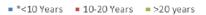
### **Demographics:**

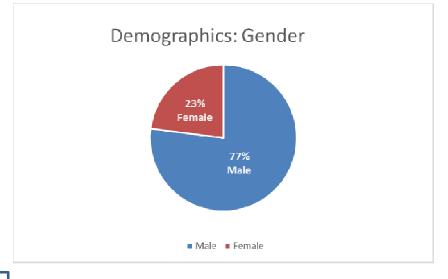


Years NPD Experience

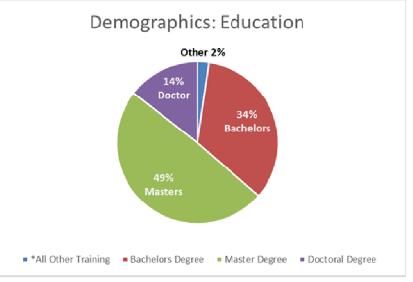


Years NPD Experience	%
<1year*	0%
1-3 Years *	6%
4-9 Years *	17%
*<10 Years	23%
10-20 Years	41%
>20 years	36%
Total	100%





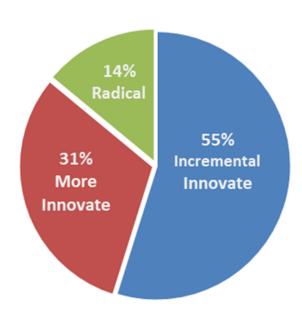
- 3000+ invitations, 212 responses
- 83% completed the survey
- ¾ respondents were male
- 94% had 4+ years NPD experience
   hard to make a comparison without NPD experience
- 98% had college degree and
- 63% have graduate degree (Masters & PhD)



## Results: Innovation Strategy & Level



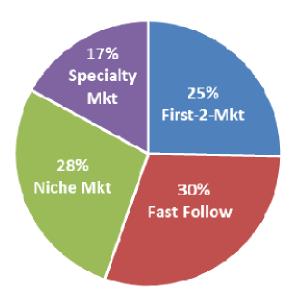
#### Level of Innovation



Level of Innovation	%
Incremental Innovation	55%
More Innovative	31%
Radical Innovation	14%
Total	100%

86% of innovation is incremental and innovative (not radical)

#### Innovation Strategy



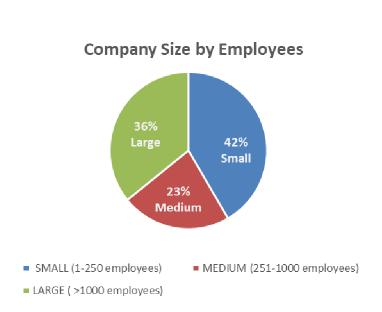
Innovation Strategy	%	n
First-to-Market 25%	25%	43
Fast Followers 30%	30%	51
Niche Market 28%	28%	47
Specialty Market 17%	17%	29
Total	100%	170

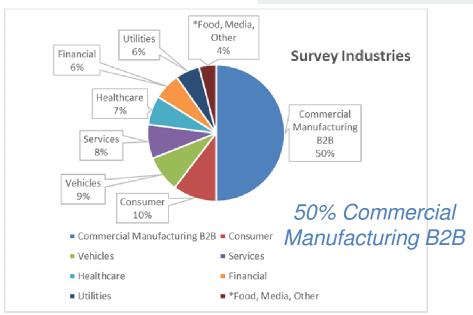
Response is fairly evenly divided between each of the four strategies

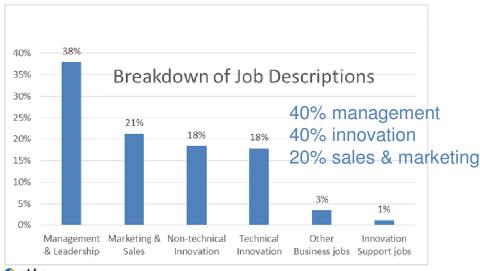


## **Company Demographics:**

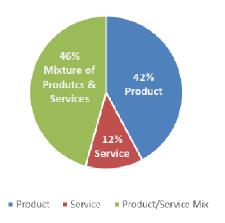












## Hypotheses - results



#### H1 – NPD best practices have a positive impact on NPD success.

- There is a relationship between best practices and success.
- The relationship works with both composite and individual BP factors
- Data suggests 7D-NPD factors (NPD maturity score) can be used to predict NPD success.

## H2 – The level of innovation moderates the relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.

- With actual success, significant moderation was seen with radical innovation
- radical innovation is different and often operates outside normal innovation processes

## H3 – The amount of NPD work experience moderates the relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.

- The evidence does not support the hypothesis
- 94% of the survey respondents were experienced

#### H4 – SOAR moderates relationship between NPD best practices and NPD success.

- The evidence categorically supports the hypothesis
- suggesting change method(s) must be fully implemented & adopted in order to be truly effective.

## Summary of NACM-BPS Research



- The NACM-BPS survey measures the maturity of NPD best practices.
- Data suggests improving benchmark NPD maturity levels should also improve NPD performance.
- Companies preserve proprietary methods by using the survey tool internally, to optimize NPD best practices for success.
- Theory can best be testing by using the survey tool within a company; documenting "before" and "after" gains in NPD maturity.
- NACM-BPS research suggests other pathways exist to improve NPD success (i.e. SOAR, other change methods, and radical innovation).

## How to use the NACM Survey Tool:

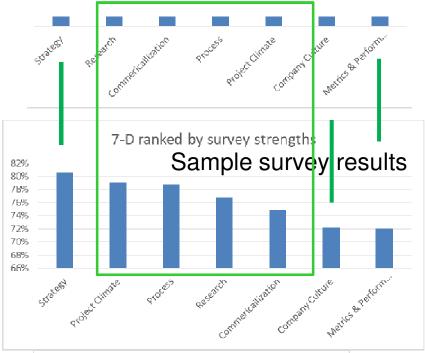


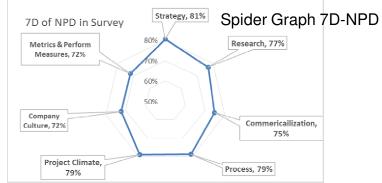
- Take the NACM-BP survey (30 BP questions)
- Report the results of BP Maturity Index as % out of 100% in each of the seven dimensions
- Rank the scores from highest to lowest to determine strengths
- Compare your strengths with the scores Delphi experts suggest as important?
- Identify BP target dimensions (opportunities for improvement).
- Compare examples for best/worst practices in your target dimension with company practices.
- Consider revising and/or implementing to best practices for the target dimension in company.

NACM-BPS Survey - Average Scores					
Seven Dimensions of NPD-BP	%				
Strategy	81%				
Project Climate	79%				
Process	79%				
Research	77%				
Commerica ilization	75%				
Company Culture	72%				
Metrics & Perform Measures	72%				









All seven dimensions are fairly equal (scale is important here)

#### Best Practices: These is the key!





#### Dimensions of NPD Best Practices – taken from the Delphi method panel

Strategy 18%

**Strategy** - identification, prioritization, selection, and resource support of preferred projects.

Research 16%

**Research** - techniques to sense, learn, and understand customers, competitors, and forces in the marketplace.

Commercialization 15%

**Commercialization** - marketing, launch, and post-launch management of new products that stimulate customer adoption and market diffusion.

Process 15%

**NPD Process** - the implementation of product development stages and gates for moving products from concept to launch

Project Climate 13%

**Project Climate** - the means and ways to establish product development intra-company integration at the individual and team levels.

Company Culture 13%

**Company Culture** - the company management value system, including customers and suppliers.

Metrics Performance 10%

**Metrics and Performance Measurement** - measurement, tracking, and reporting of product development program performance.



## Implications for Practice





Introducing
NPD Best
Practices
Survey
Instrument

Self-assess to improve without disclosure of proprietary processes

Identify and balance weaker areas of NPD-BP dimensions using metrics

Strengthen performance and introduce new pathways to improve NPD success



## Conclusion: Final Thoughts



Like the Mozart Dice Game, we presented a useful tool (the NACM-BPS survey)

A 100 question NPD-BP version is also available from *Business Horizons*Both can help you easily evaluate your company's maturity level of NPD-BP

By benchmarking your companies maturity and comparing the results with examples of best and poor practices, you can see ways to improve your performance and hopefully close the gap

Like the Dicer Game, it may not make you a maestro, but it will give you a starting path to follow and maybe teach you a few things along the road.



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