

Nanotechnology in a Global Context: North Carolina

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Global Diffusion of Nanotechnology

- **Governments are investing in R&D**

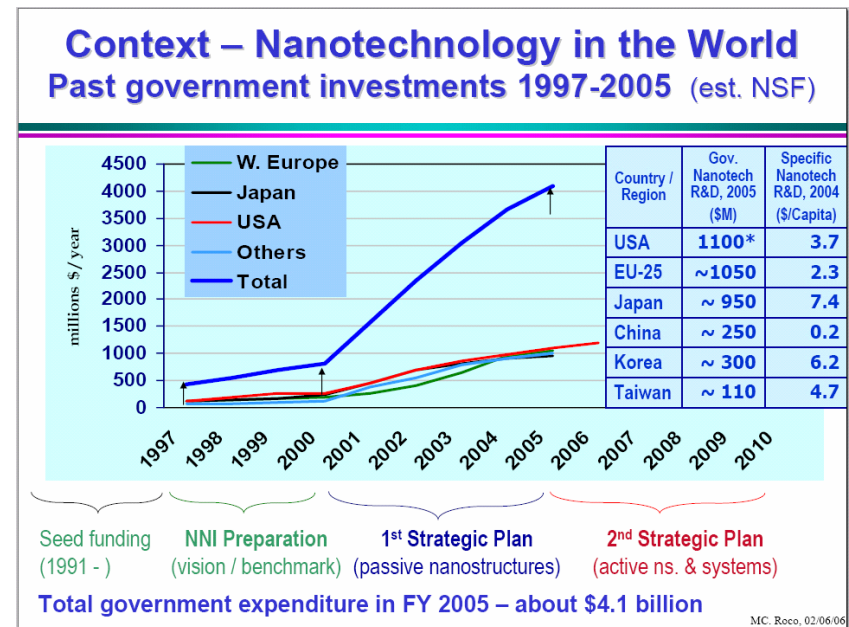
- 2006: Government funding reached \$6.4 billion globally
- Developing country governments investing heavily

- **Key players:**

- **Developed world: US, Japan, Germany**
- **Developing world: China, Taiwan, South Korea, Russia**

- **Huge for business**

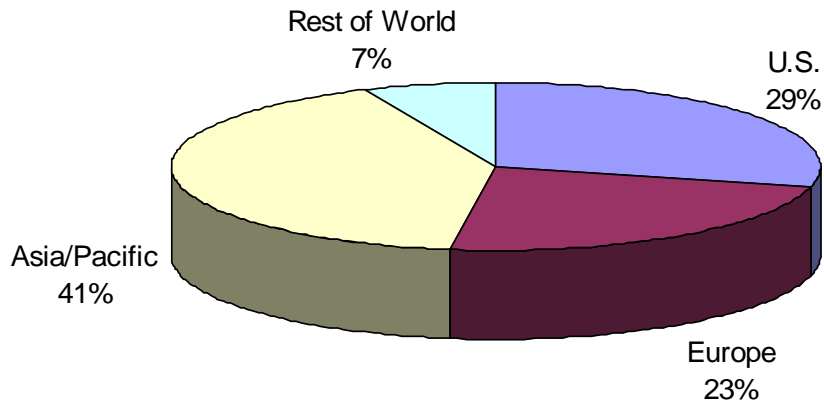
- 2006: Corporations invested \$5.3 billion in nanotech
- Nanotech market expected to reach \$1 trillion within a decade (NSF)
- = Key areas: manufacturing/materials, electronics/IT, healthcare/life sciences



Nanotechnology in the United States

- Firms:
 - US firms capture approximately 30% of total global revenue in products incorporating emerging nanotechnology

Table 1: Emerging Nanotechnology Revenues by Region, 2004

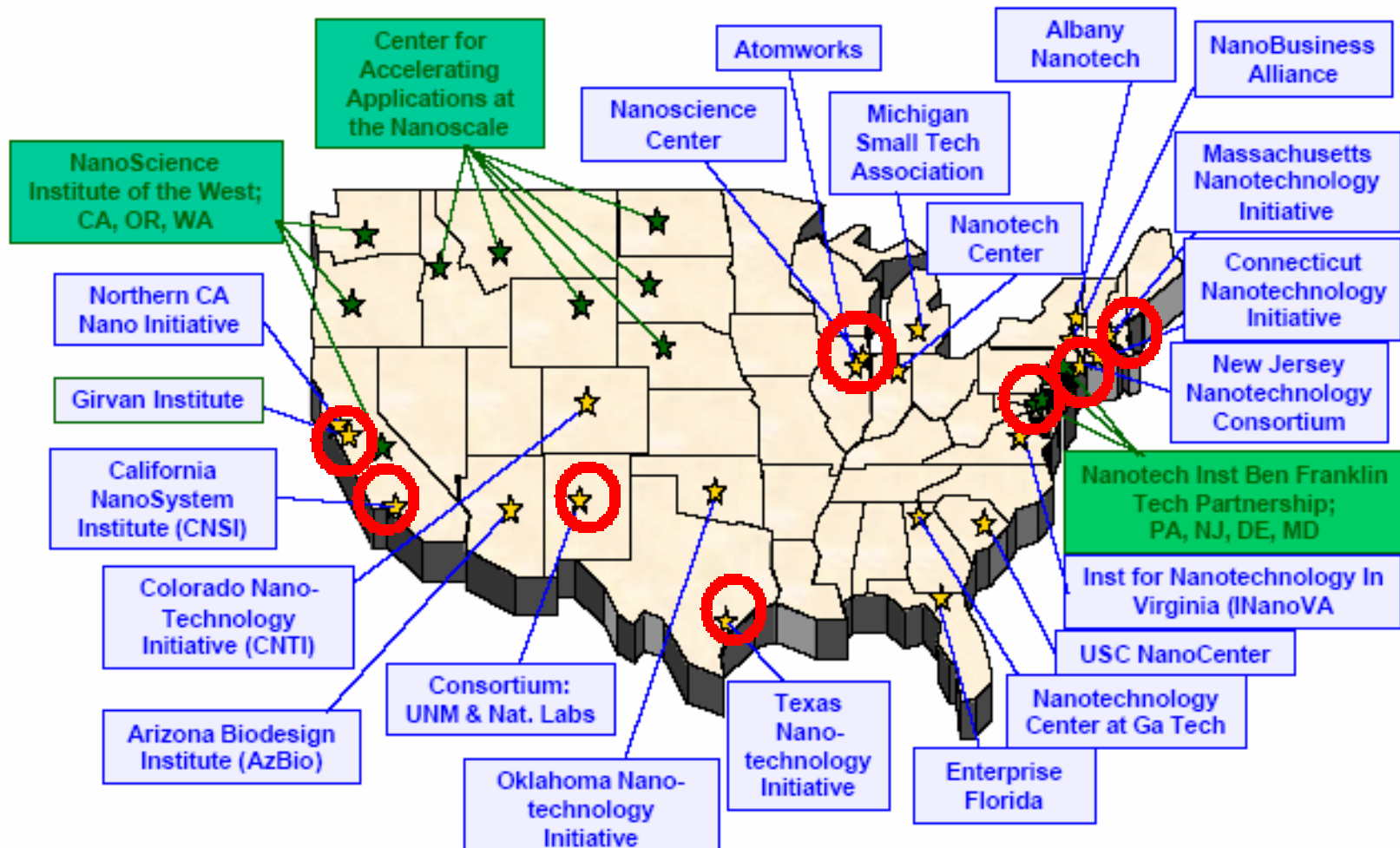


- Strengths:
 - Healthcare/life sciences
 - Electronics/IT
- Key firms:
 - Divisions of larger firms: GlaxoSmithKline, IBM, Kraft, BASF
 - Smaller firms: Nano-Tex, Liquidia, Altair Nanotechnologies

Nanotechnology in the United States

- **Financing:**
 - Federal government (National Nanotechnology Initiative/NNI): \$1.4 billion (2006), expanding to \$1.5 billion by 2008
 - State/local government: \$430 million (2006)
 - Private sector spending: \$1.9 billion (2006)
- **Patents/IP:**
 - 43,000 patents since 1995 (more than 18,000 patents ahead of second-place China).
 - 6,801 international patents in 2006 (nearly 70% of the total)

Key Nanotech Hubs

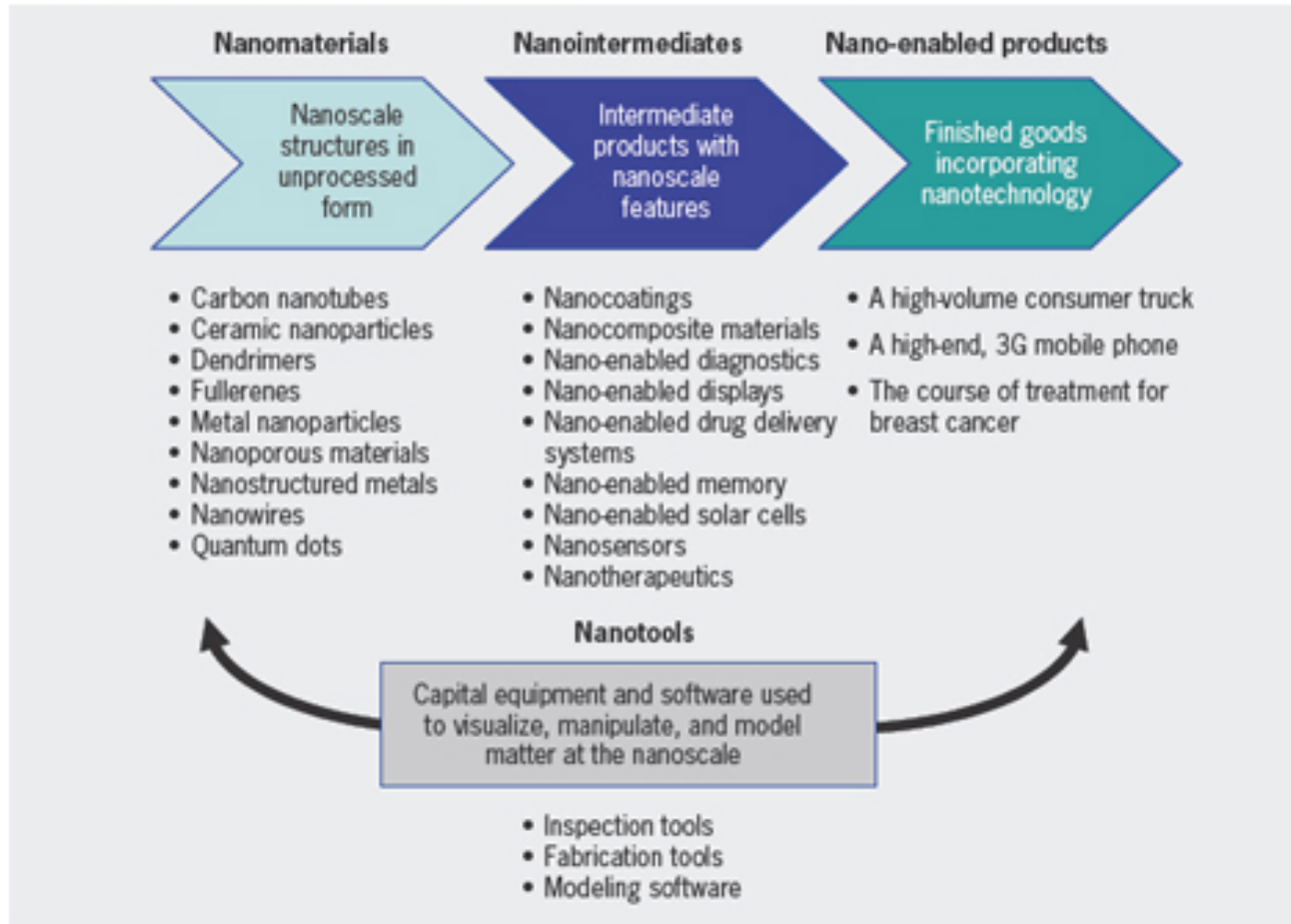


Key Questions

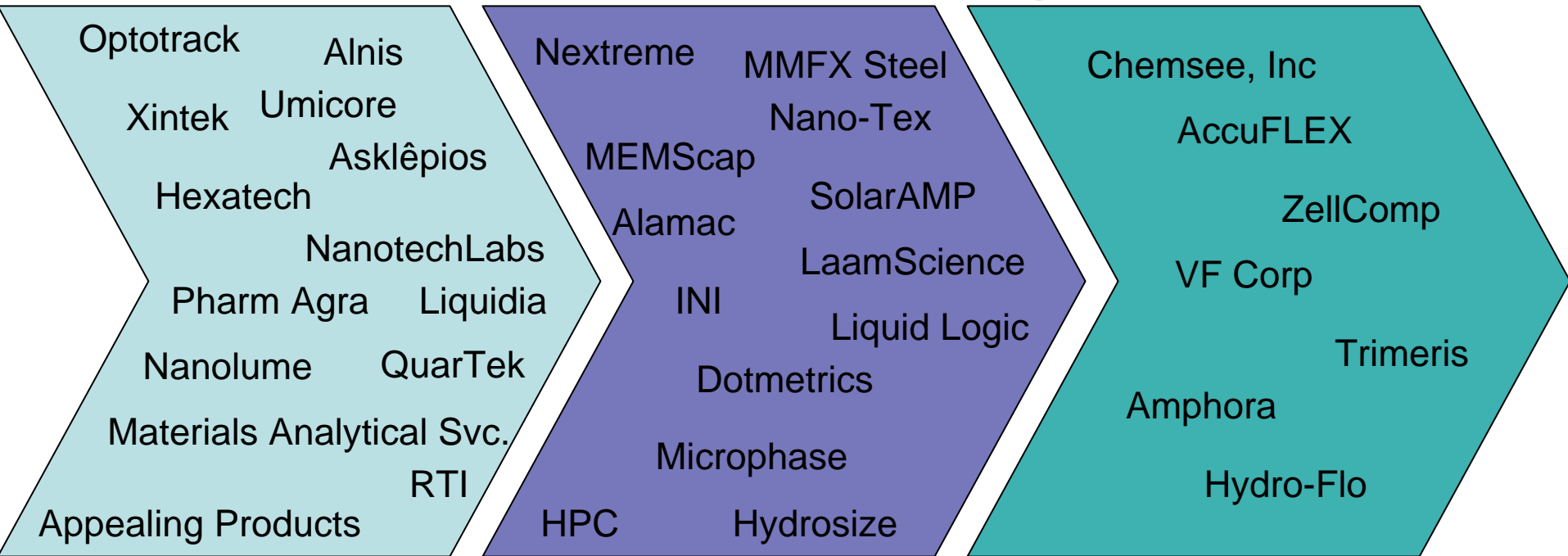
- What is the industry like here in North Carolina?
What are firms actually doing?
- Why are these firms in North Carolina? What is the policy/regulatory context for the industry?
- How does North Carolina compare with its competitors, both at home and abroad?

Nanotech Value Chain

Technologies Profiled Across the Value Chain



North Carolina Nanotechnology Value Chain



Nanomaterials

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Nanointermediates

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Nano-Enabled Products

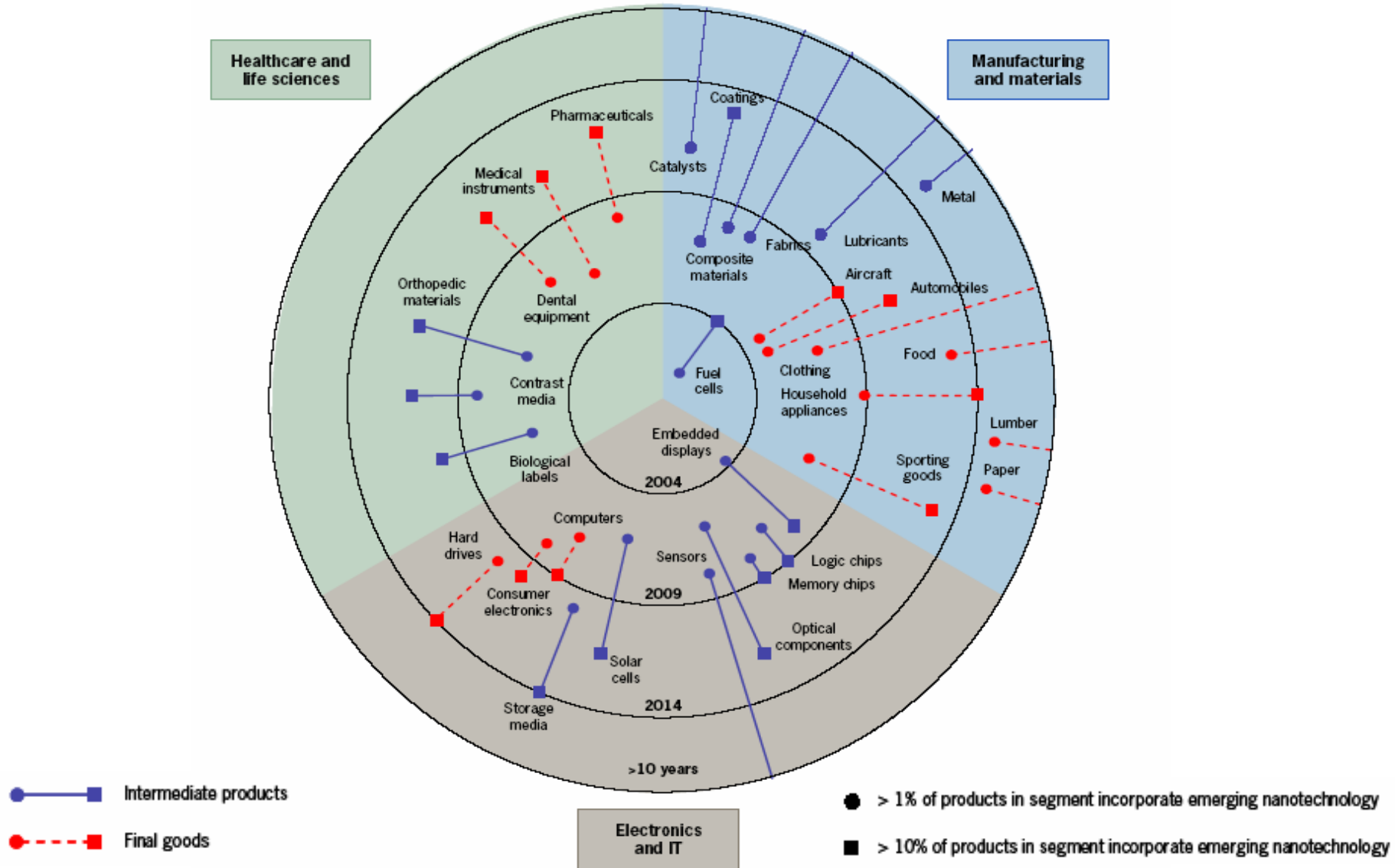
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Nanotools

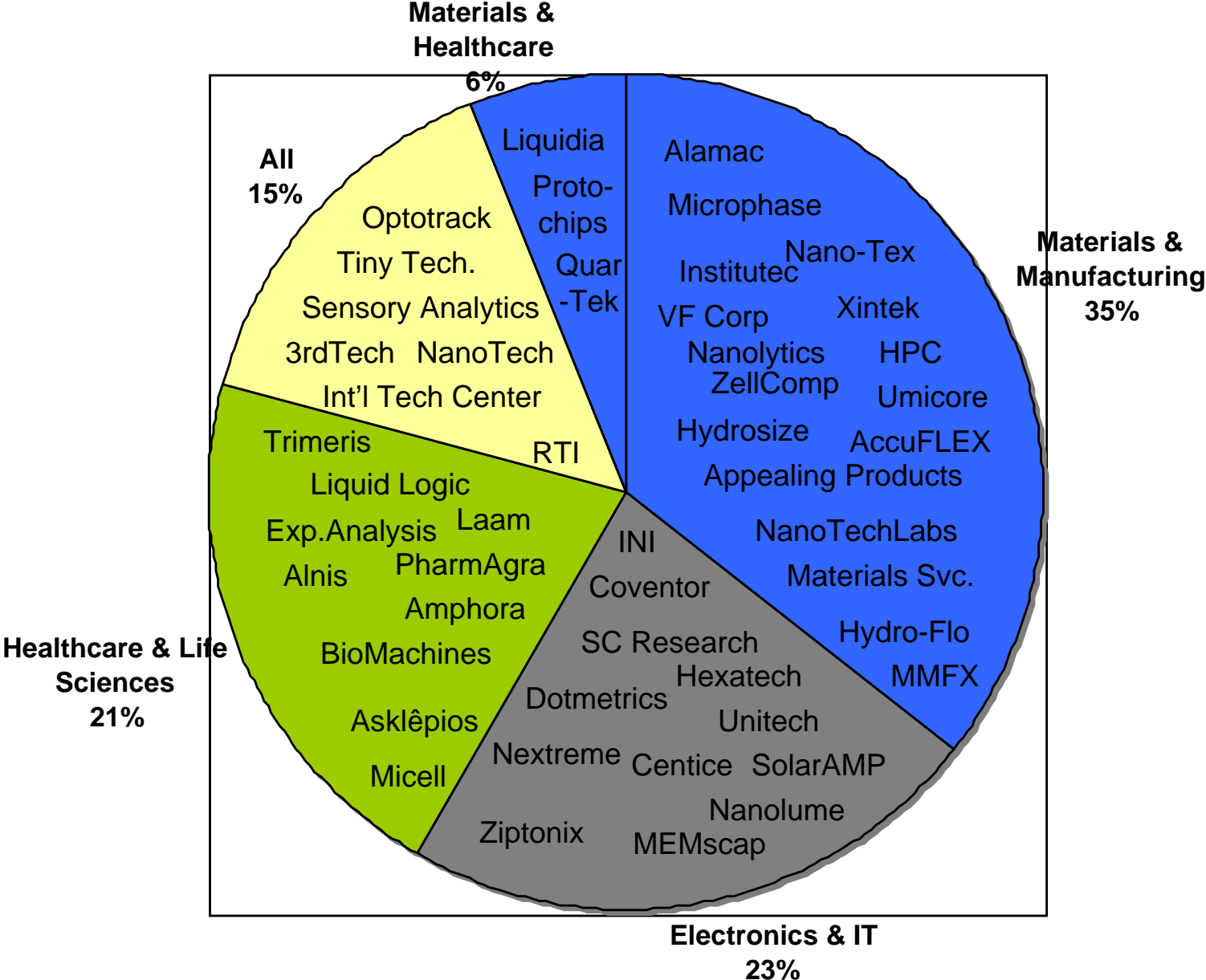
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Time Horizons for Major Nanotech Industries



Source: October 2004 Lux Research Report "Sizing Nanotechnology's Value Chain"

North Carolina Nanotech Firms and Industries



**Nanotechnology and
North Carolina's Textile and Apparel
Value Chain**

A Basic Textile Value Chain: North Carolina in 2006

Fiber/Raw
Material

Yarn

Fabric (Weaving,
Knitting, and
Nonwoven)

Dyeing and
Finishing

End
Products

1. 60 Companies
2. 5,448
Employees
3. Sales -
\$1,569,245,515

1. 138 Companies
2. 22,273
Employees
3. Sales -
\$7,321,372,108

1. 227 Companies
2. 29,581
Employees
3. Sales -
\$6,016,127,707

1. 297 Companies
2. 18,291
Employees
3. Sales -
\$4,113,025,495

1. 497 Companies
2. 48,689
Employees
3. Sales -
\$13,191,097,861

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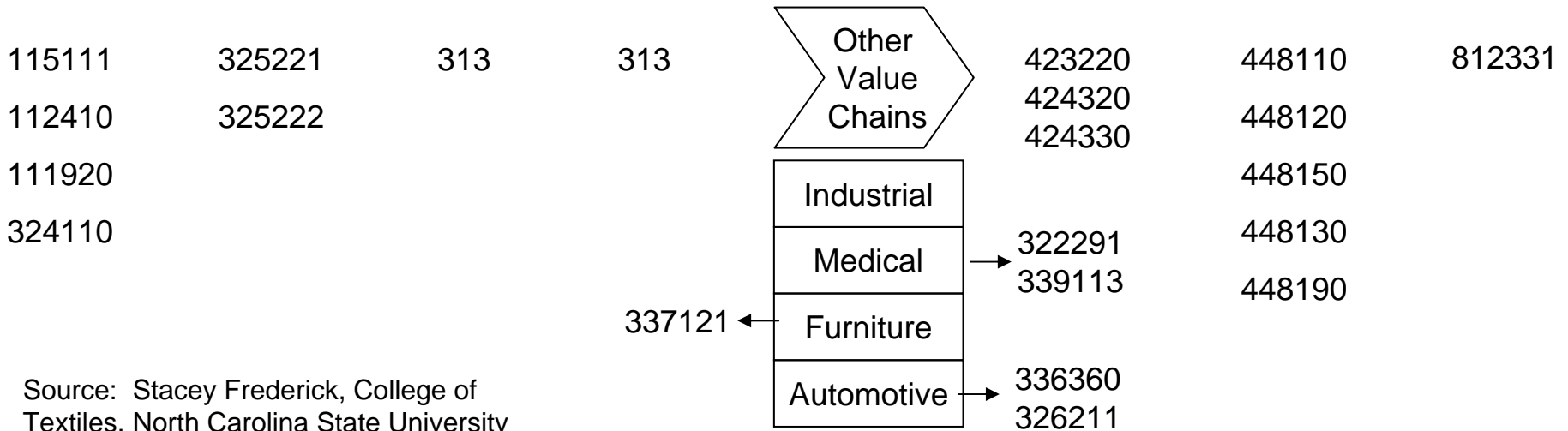
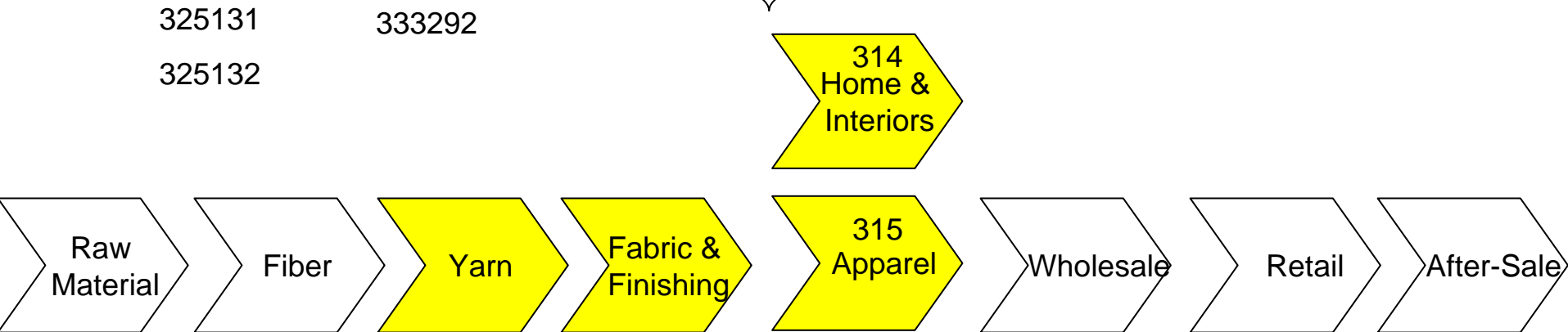
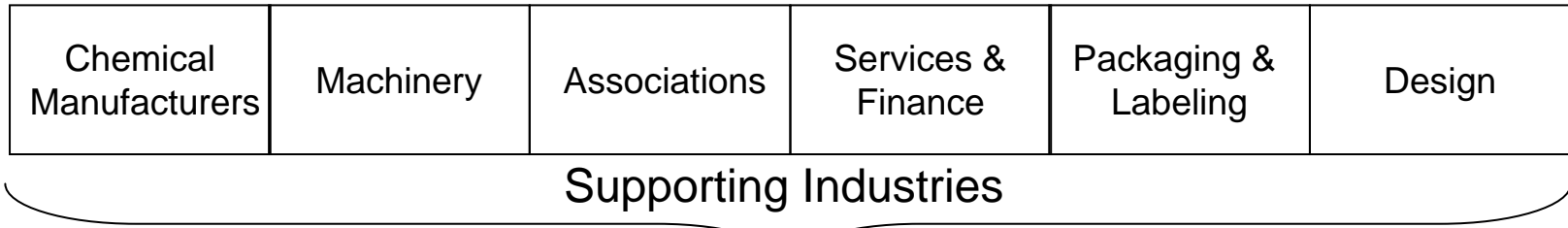
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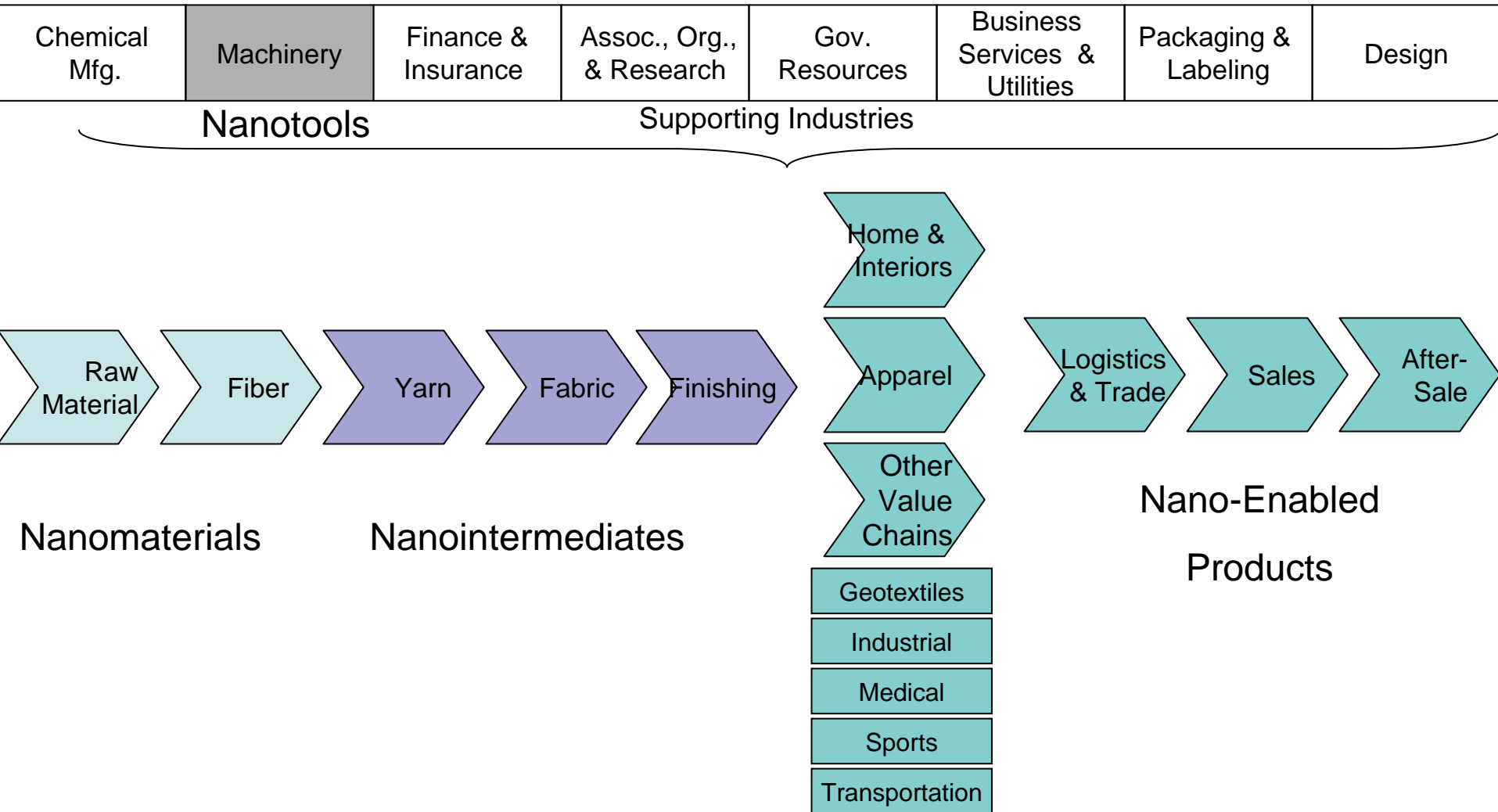
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A More Complete Value Chain



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Nanotechnology & the Textile Value Chain



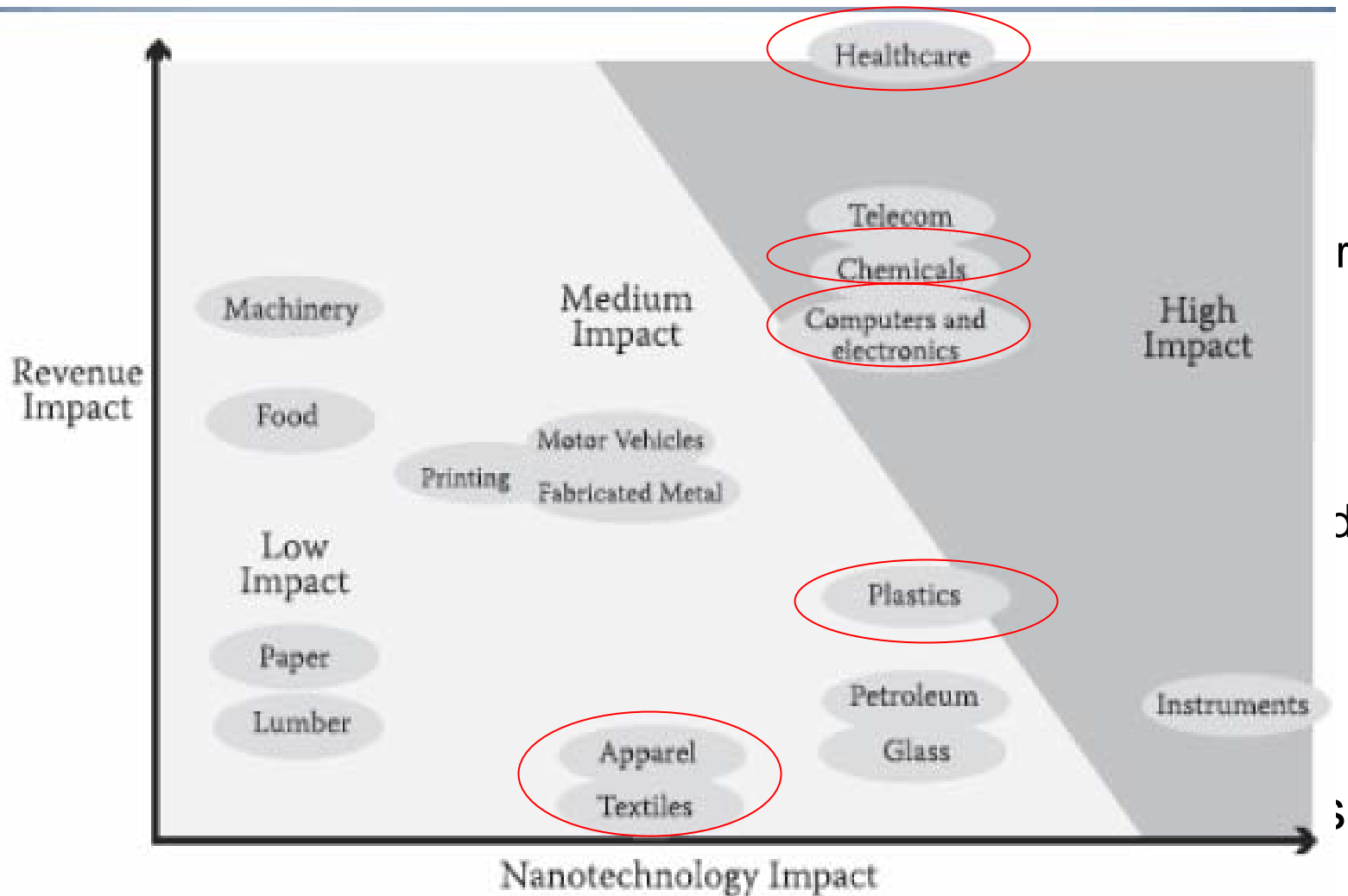
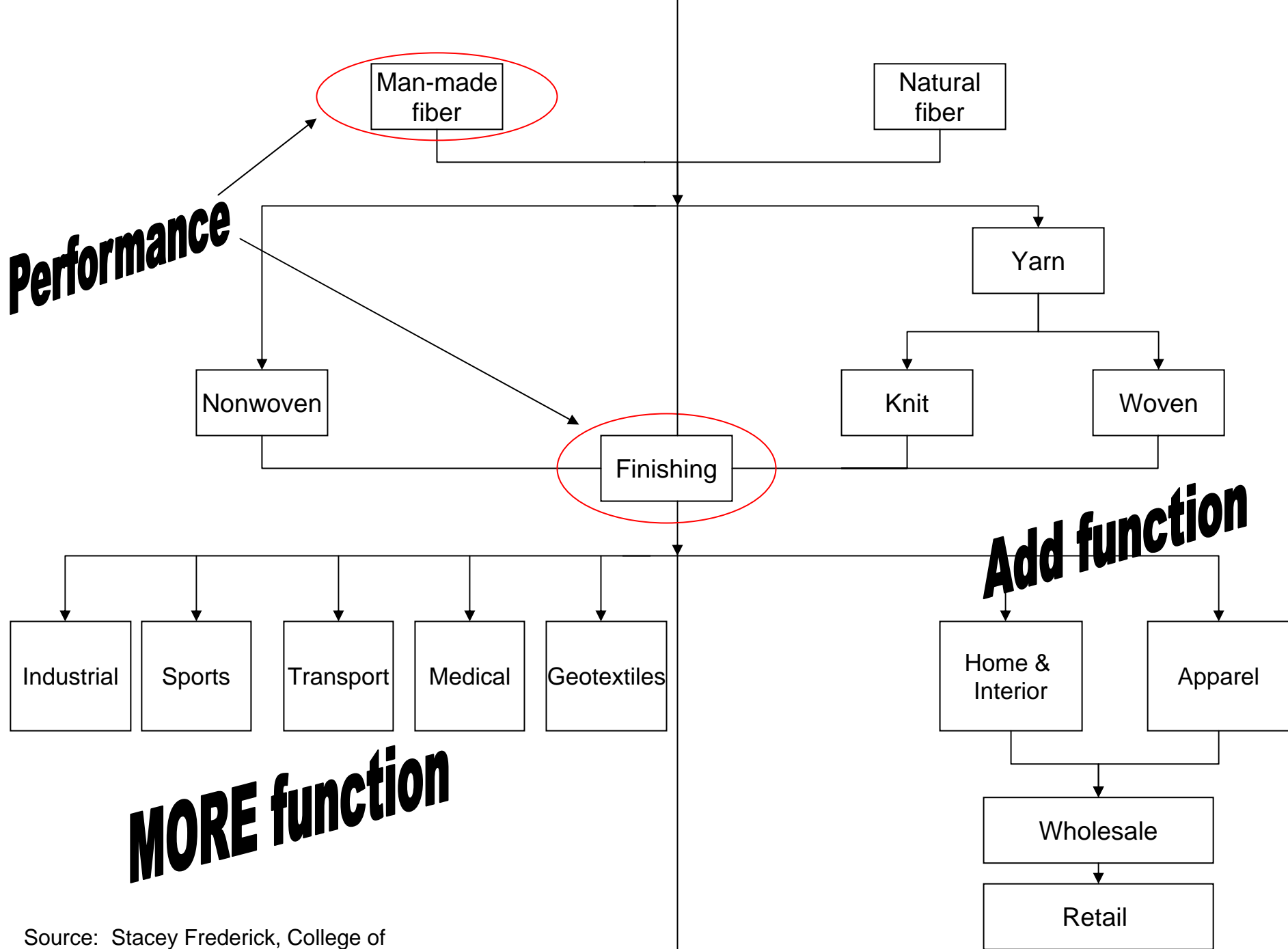


Figure 5.1: Nanotechnology's Probable Business Impact in 2007

Source: Larta, 2003



North Carolina Nanotechnology & Textiles

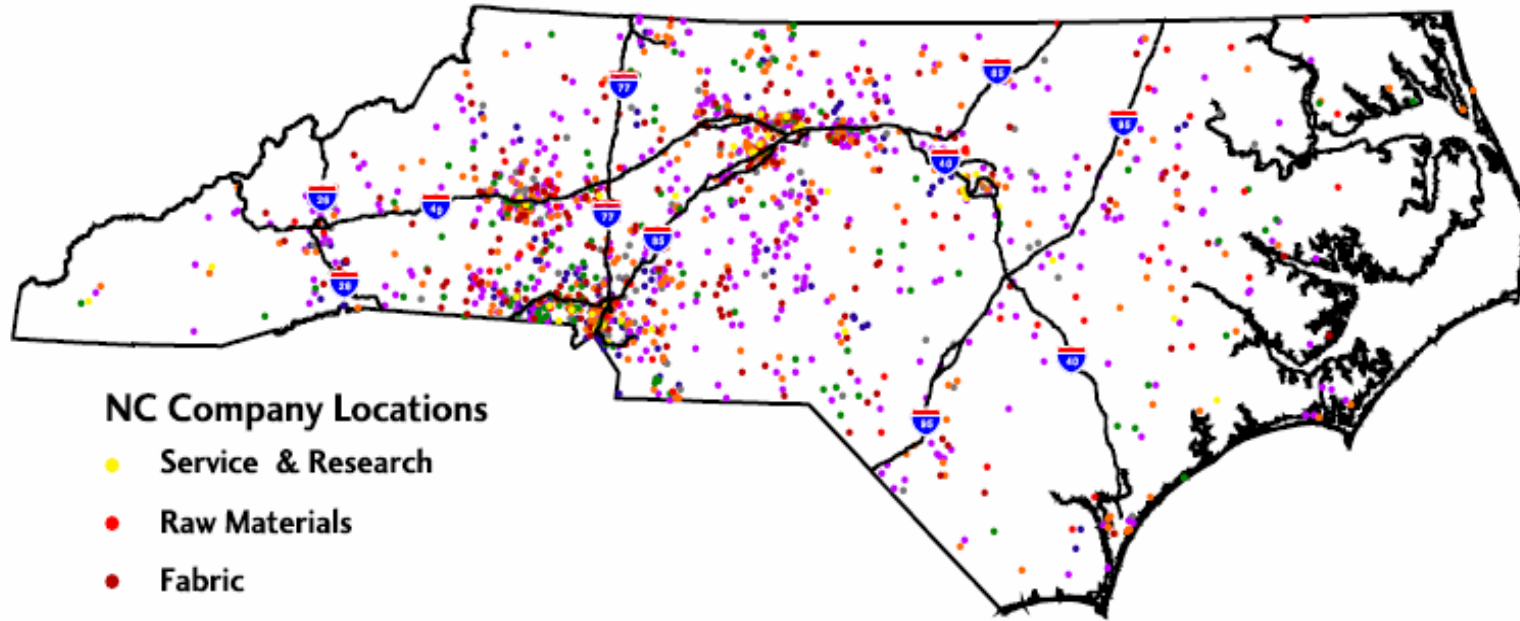
- **Nanomaterials:**
 - Nanofibers
 - Improved filtration & barrier properties
 - Medical applications
 - Synthetics that simulate natural fibers
- **Nanointermediates:**
 - Carbon nanotube yarn
 - *LaamScience*: light-activated antimicrobial coatings
 - *Nano-tex*: patent for nano-layer coatings
 - *Alamac Knits*: fabrics with nano-layer coatings
- **Nano-enabled products:**
 - *VF Corp*: apparel with nano-layer coatings
 - *AccuFlex*: composite shaft golf clubs

North Carolina's Nanotechnology Future

- Where will nanotechnology clusters form?
- *Nanotechnology is not an industry, but an enabling technology with a high degree of cross industry relevance*
- Therefore areas with...
 - 1) An existing manufacturing base
 - 2) An established emphasis on technology innovation
 - 3) University support
 - 4) Local support

...are one step ahead of the crowd

Importance of Existing Manufacturing Base: Textiles & Apparel



NC Company Locations

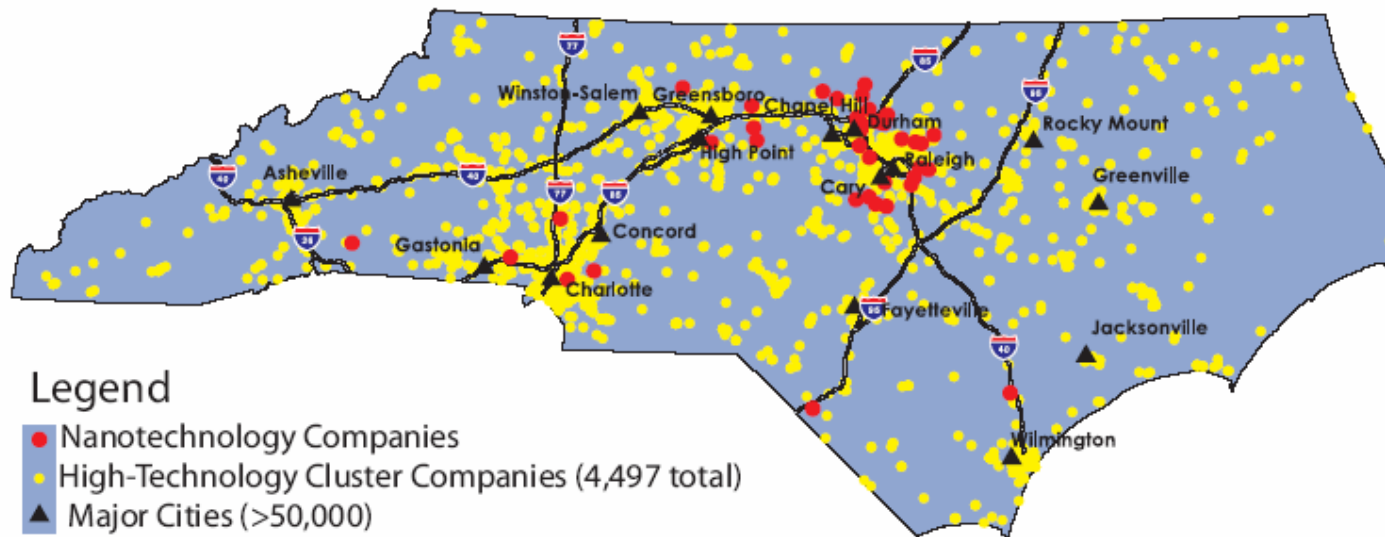
- Service & Research
- Raw Materials
- Fabric
- Yarn
- Dyeing & Finishing
- End Production
- Wholesale

North Carolina has over 1600 textile complex locations. It leads the U.S. in **fiber**, yarn, fabric, **finishing**, & **research**

- Existing cluster
- Existing emphasis on technology
- Supportive environment

Importance of Innovation: Existing Technology Firms

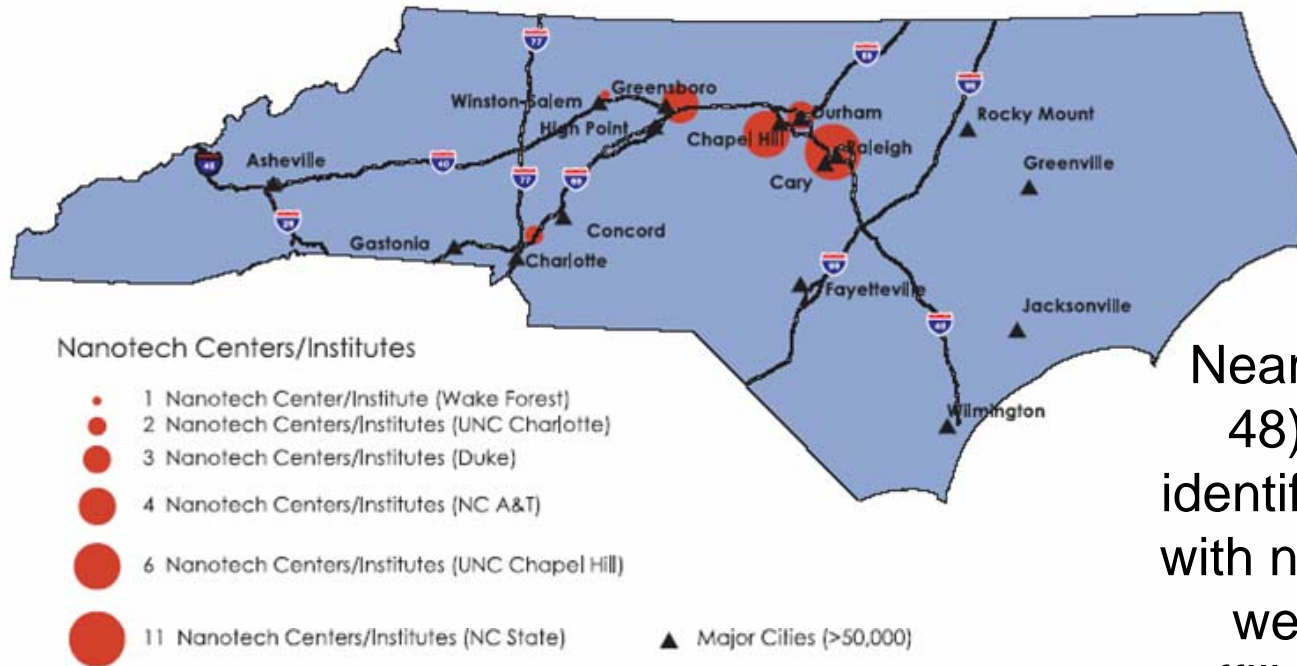
Nanotechnology Companies and High-Technology Companies



What about Charlotte?

Importance of Universities/Research Centers

University Centers/Institutes Focusing on Nanotechnology in North Carolina (29 known)



Nearly 50% (23 of 48) companies identified as working with nanotechnology were originally affiliated with local universities

Importance of State/Local Support

A Roadmap for Nanotechnology in North Carolina's 21st Century Economy

Findings and Strategic Imperatives of the Governor's Task Force on Nanotechnology and North Carolina's Economy

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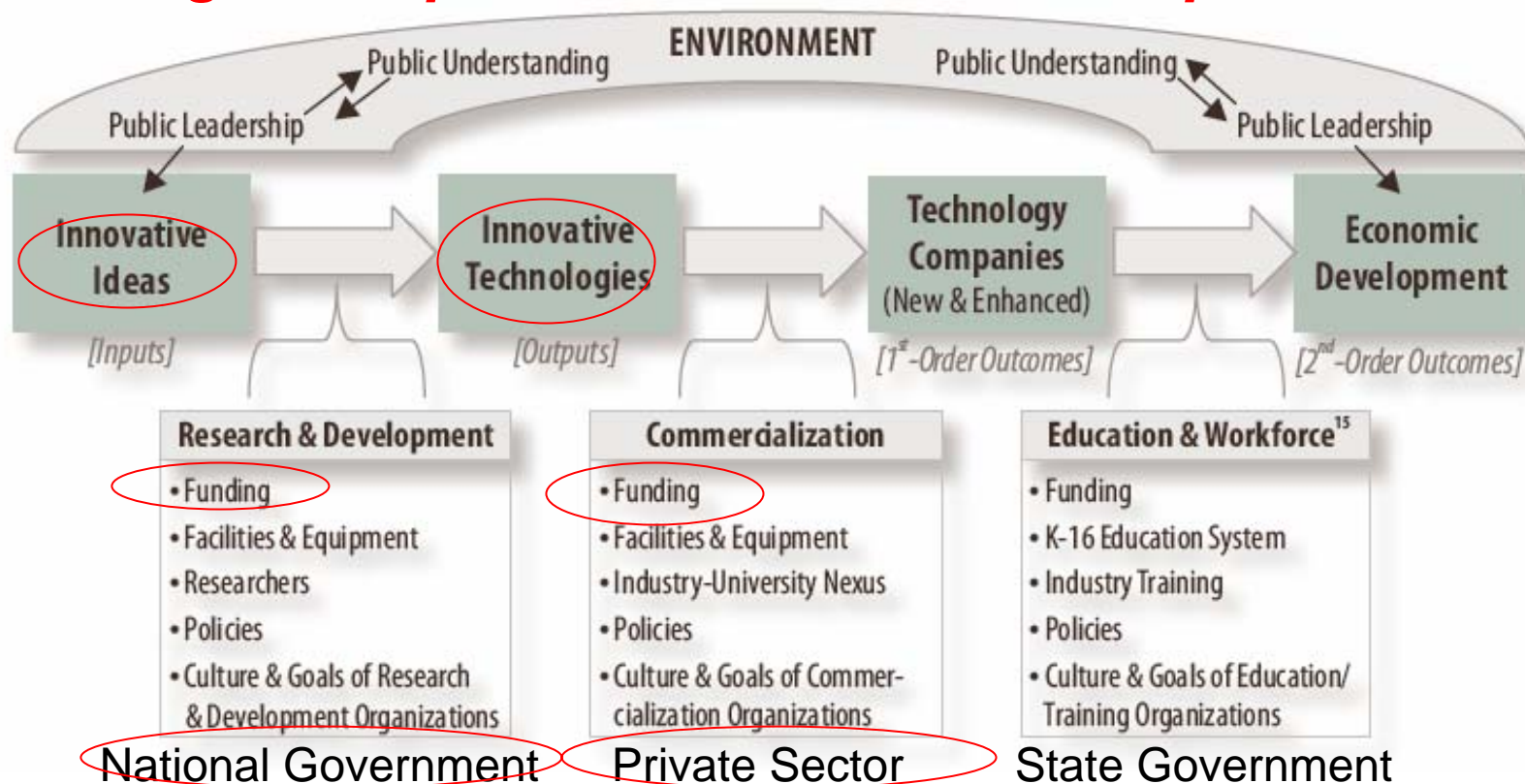
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Policy Framework: Outlined in Roadmap

*Strong in University R&D
Stronger in Inputs* *RTP Leads U.S. in Innovation Capacity
Weaker Private Sector R&D
Weaker in Outputs*



Roughly 86% of nanotech program awards to N.C. universities have come from federal agencies

Future Directions for Research

- Step 1: Descriptive Mapping of North Carolina Nanotechnology Industry
 - Key questions:
 - What are NC nano firms doing? What fields of nano are they working in?
 - Where do they fit in the nano value chain?
 - Where are they located geographically?
 - Secondary research, using web searching other literature, and contacts to conduct a value chain analysis of the NC industry and to map NC firms across the value chain

Future Directions for Research

- Step 2: Firm Interviews and Surveys
 - Key questions:
 - Why have you chosen to locate in NC? What advantages/disadvantages does that give you?
 - What are your strategies for growth/expansion? What areas do you see for future innovation/commercialization?
 - What impact do policy and regulation have on your firm?
 - What are the key opportunities & challenges for the industry going forward?
 - Primary research, using contact information from a variety of sources to set up interviews with key business leaders in the industry

Future Directions for Research

- Step 3: NC Competitive Analysis
 - Key questions:
 - How does NC's firm profile compare with that of other US states? With that of other countries?
 - On which dimensions does NC have particular strengths? Innovation? Entrepreneurship? Capital?
 - How can NC build on these strengths to strengthen the local industry? Who are the key stakeholders?
 - Combination of primary research (interviews with policymakers, industry analysts) and secondary research (secondary literature and other materials)

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