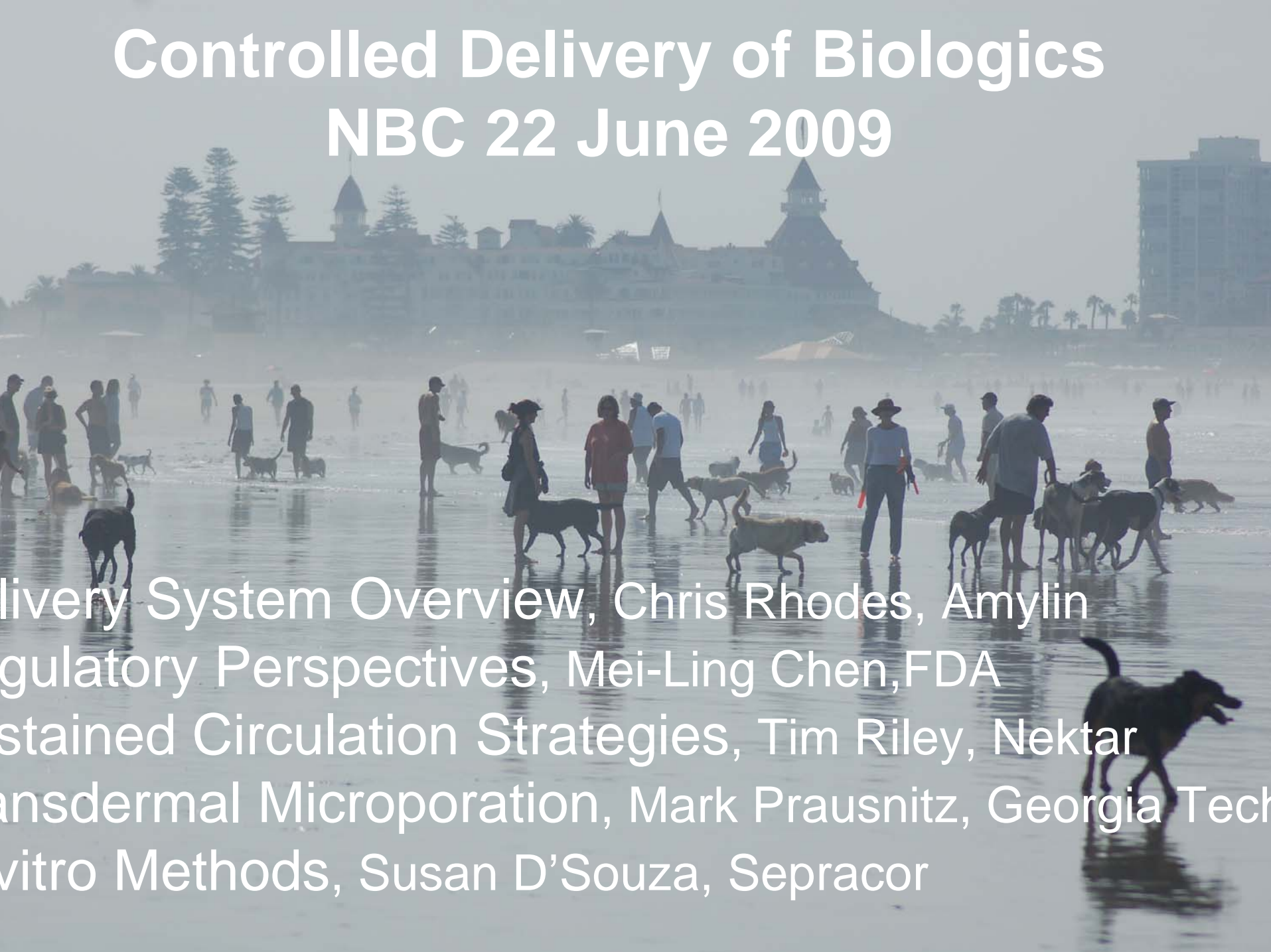


# Controlled Delivery of Biologics

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A photograph of a beach scene. In the foreground, many people and dogs are wading in the shallow water. The background features a large, multi-story building with several towers and a flagpole, likely a resort or hotel. The sky is overcast and hazy.

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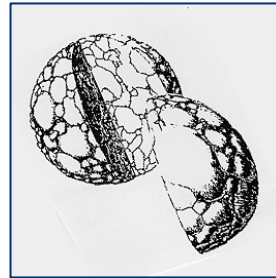
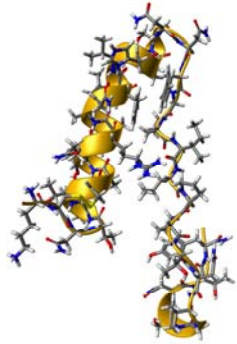
- **Introduction**
- **Biologics Properties**
- **Why Not Oral Delivery?**
- **What Are Non-invasive Alternatives?**
- **Modified Release Formulations**
- **Sustained Circulation Strategies**

# Common Goals of Delivery Systems

- Improve patient convenience, compliance, ease of use, safety, efficacy
  - Must be a compelling reason to use the new product
- Change route or frequency of administration
- Improve safety / side effect profile
  - Target delivery or prevent systemic exposure to drug

# What is Product Presentation for Biologics?

## What Factors Influence It?



### Molecule

- Efficacy / side effects
- Continuous or pulsatile
- Cost per gram
- Physicochemical properties

Biology & Chemistry

### Delivery System

- Process complexity
- Bioavailability
- Cost per unit
- Compatibility with molecule

PK & Formulation

### Device

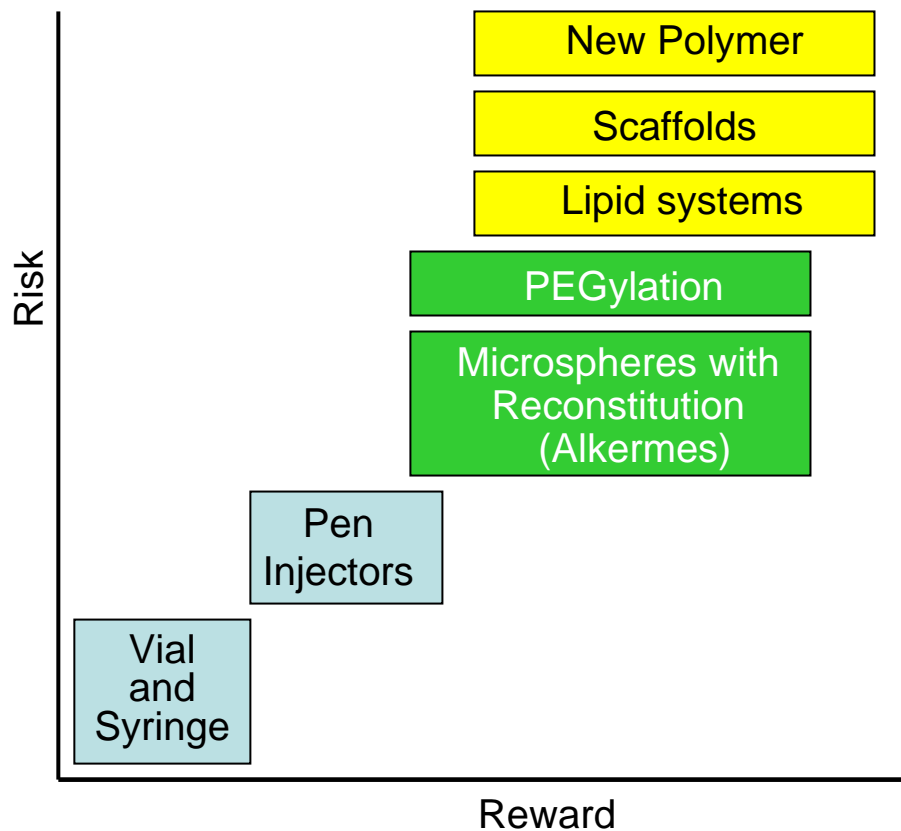
- Device complexity
- Ease of use / acceptance
- Cost per unit
- Formulation compatibility

Device & Handling

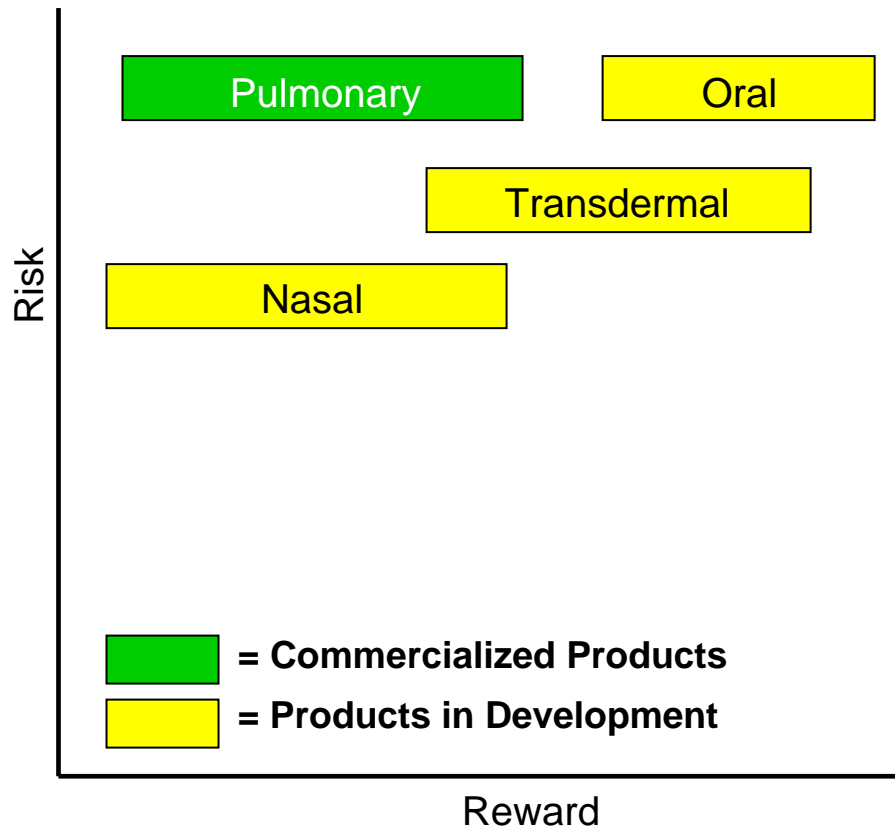
***Product Presentation is how patient and physician interact with and experience the product***

# Significant Challenges and Limited Options for Biologics Product Presentations

## Injection Systems



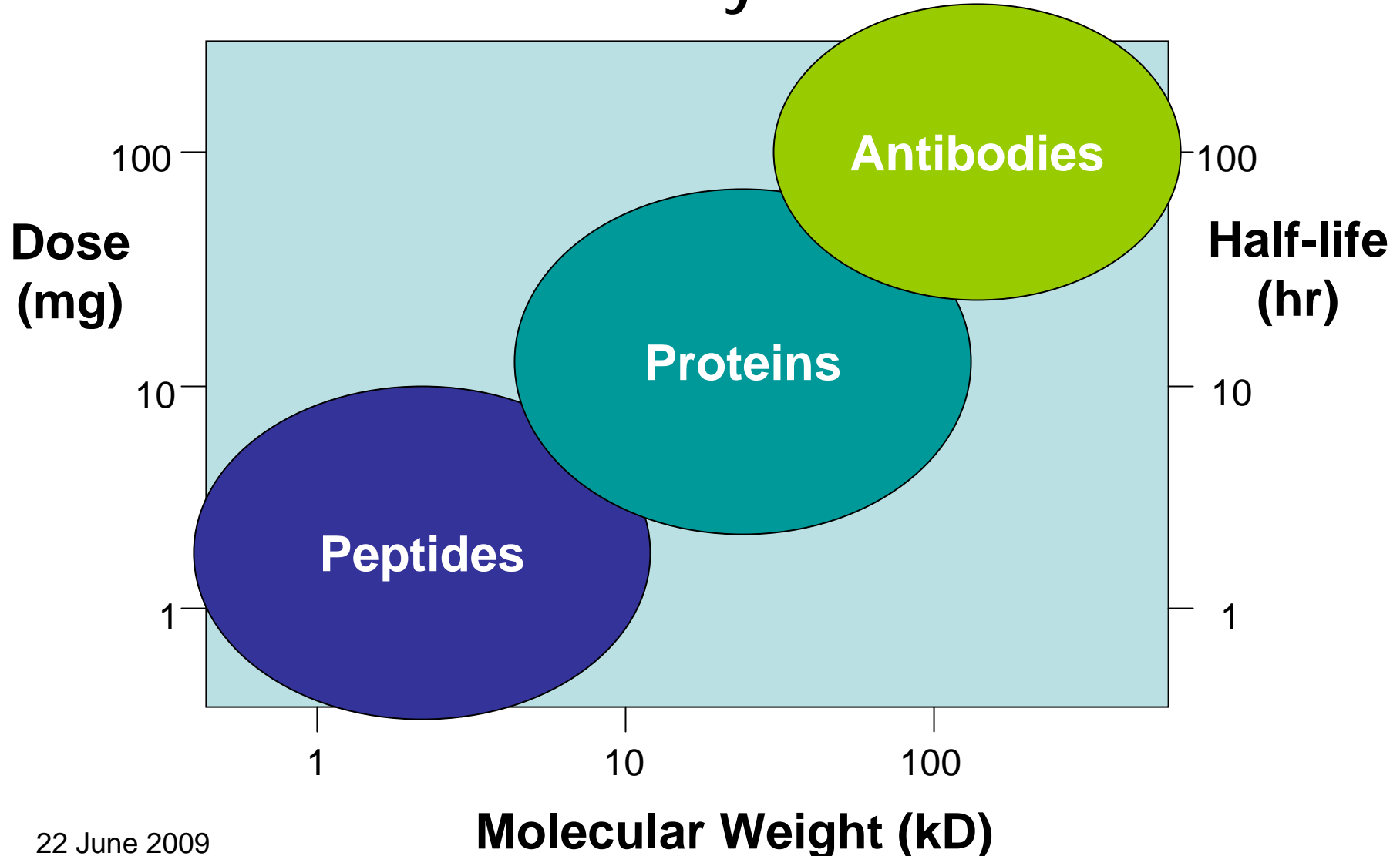
## “Non-Invasive”



# Common Challenges of Delivery Systems

- Extended exposure systems more variable than immediate release
- Clinical development more complicated than immediate release delivery system
- Daily cost of goods often higher
  - Bioavailability, device and formulation cost
- CMC Development often rate-limiting

# Peptide and Protein Therapeutics Properties Present Delivery Constraints



# Delivery System Choice is Often Dictated by Drug, Technology, or Market Constraints

- Marketplace constraints
  - Patient population and reimbursement will have impact on price
  - Competitive products set bar for ease of use
- Drug / delivery system constraints
  - Preclinical / clinical PK and PD needs
  - Compatibility with delivery system
  - Cost of delivery system (drug and device)

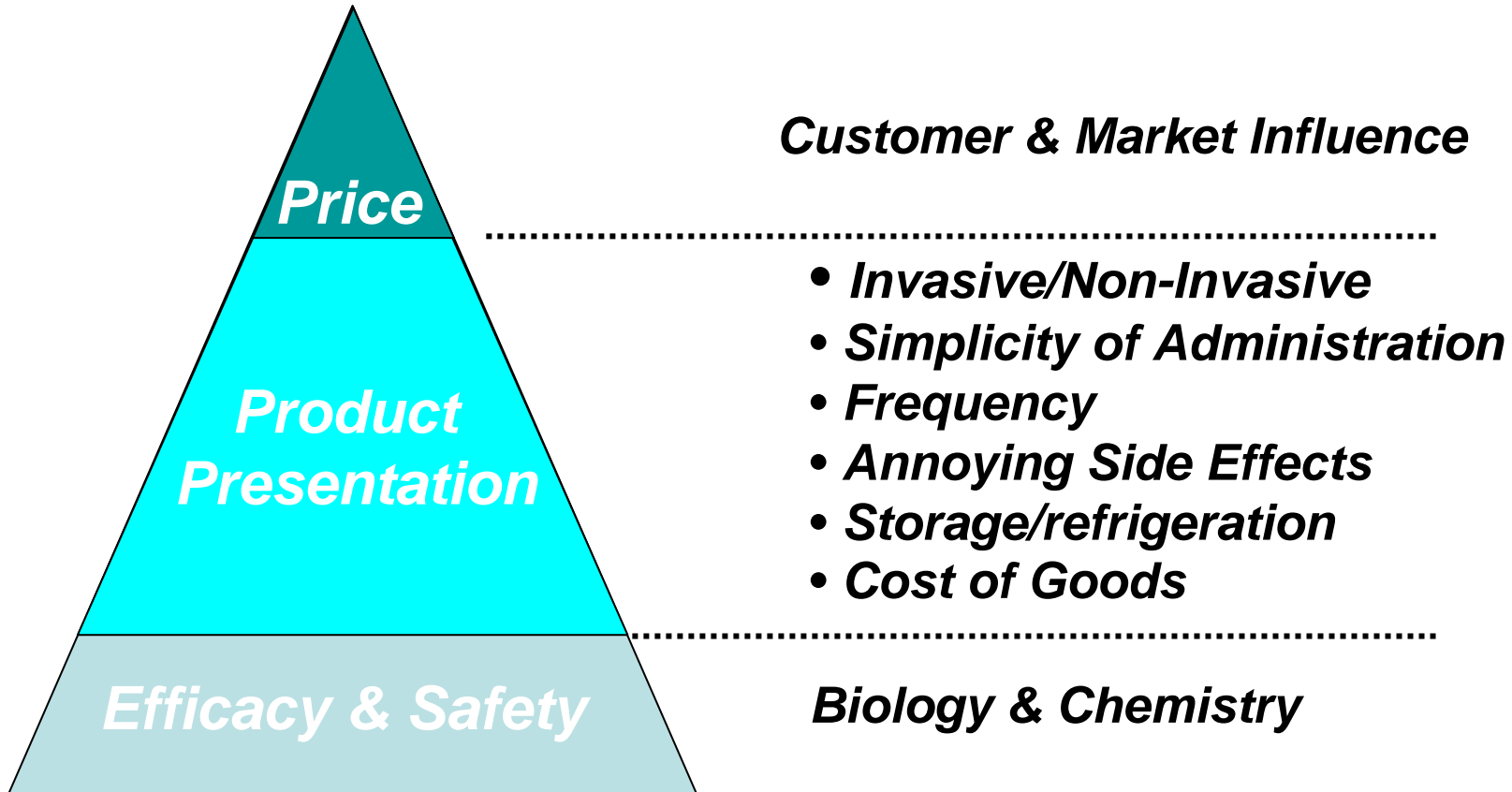


# Who are our customers? What do they want and need?

- **Patients, physicians, payors desire products that are ...**
  - Safe and effective
  - Easy and painless to use
  - Easy to train patient to use
  - Cost effective and cost competitive
- **An oral tablet is a highly preferred delivery system**
  - **90% of pharmaceutical products are oral**

# Why is Product Presentation Important?

Patient / physician experience is paramount

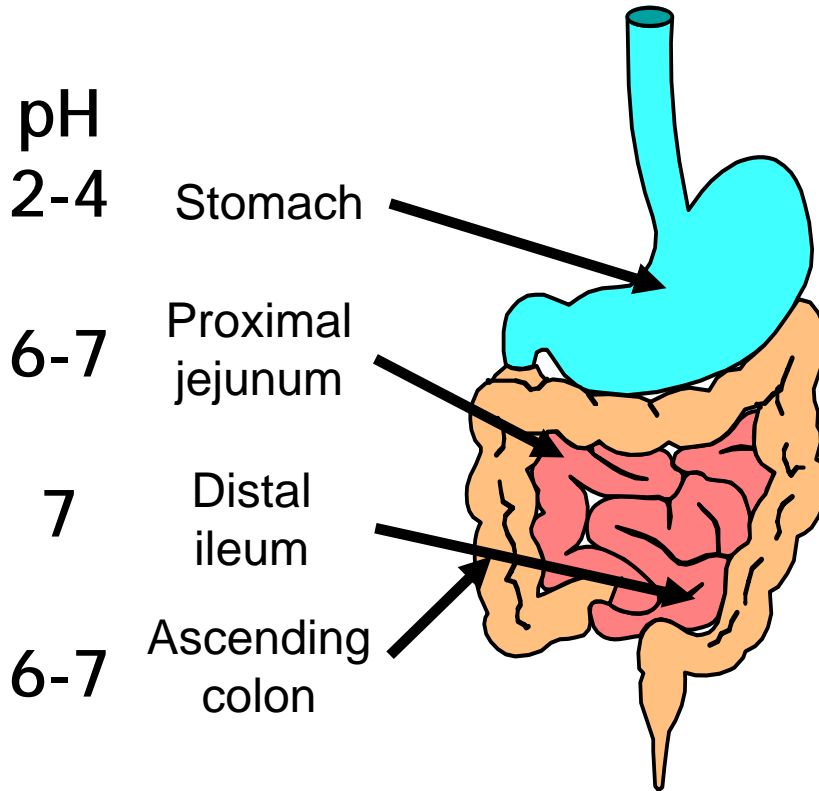


***Attributes must be in balance to provide overall value to patient and physician***

# Injectable and Non-Injectable Delivery Technologies for Peptides and Proteins

- **Modified Release Injectables**
  - Depot injection formulations
  - Patch / pump / transdermal
  - Implantable systems
- **Sustained Circulation Injectables**
  - PEGylation and related covalent strategies
- **Non-Injectable Delivery Systems**
  - Nasal spray or pulmonary inhalation
  - Oral / Sublingual / Buccal

# Gastro-intestinal tract is a challenging environment for biologics



**GI system designed to break down nutrients for absorption (acidic pH, enzymes)**

**Nutrient absorption occurs mostly in the small intestine**

**Absorption requires transport across a lipid bilayer membrane**

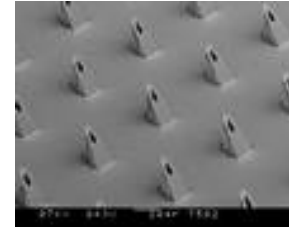
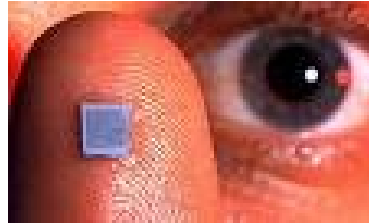
**Several factors work against oral:  
Instability to acidic pH and enzymatic systems  
Low absorption due to poor membrane permeation**

# Alternatives to Daily Injection

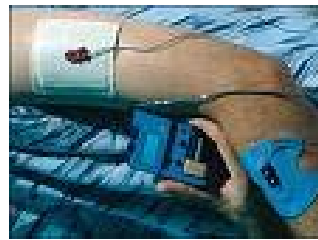
- Pumps



- Micro Needle Arrays



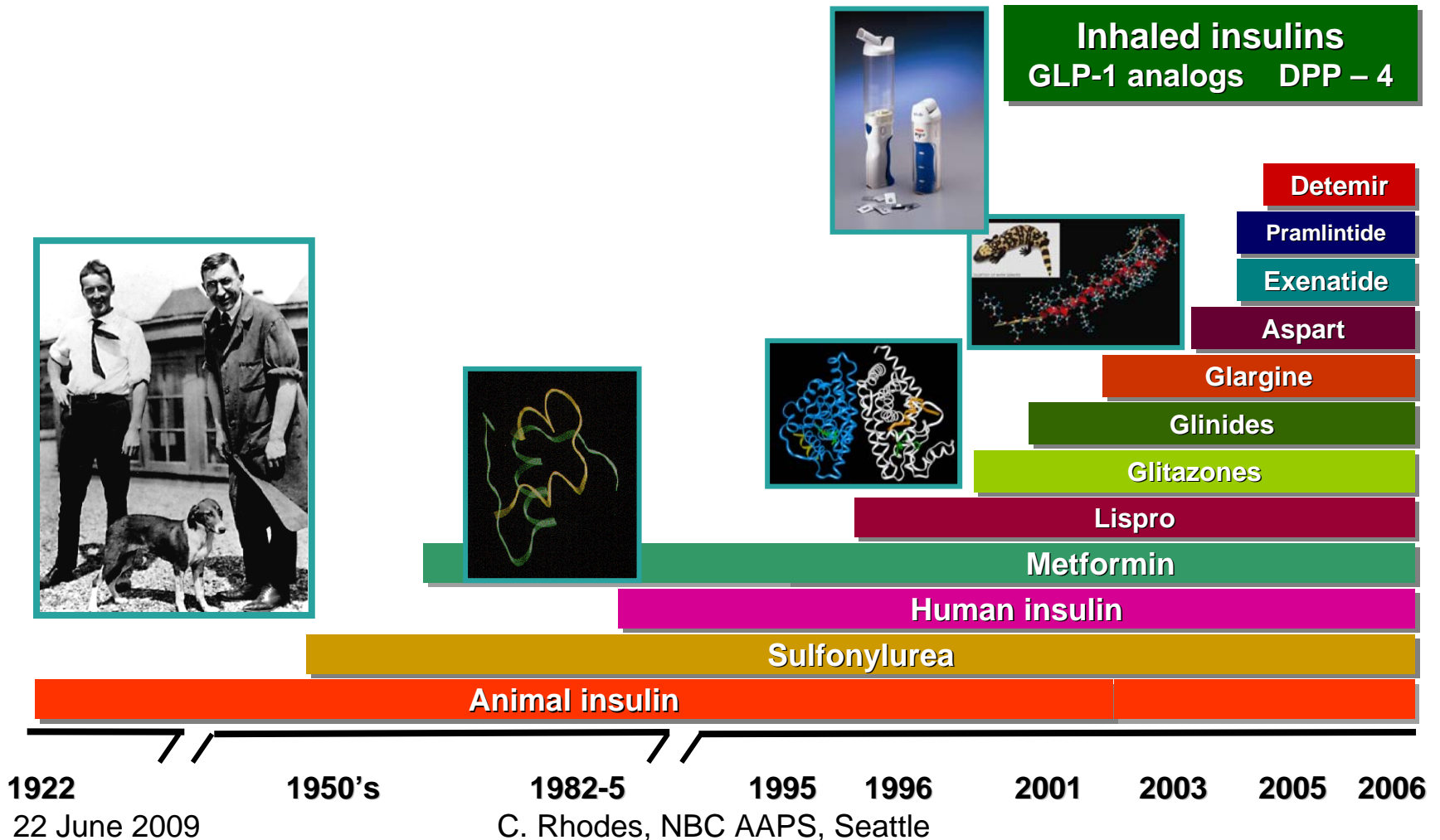
- Transdermal Systems



# Sustained Release Injectable Systems

- Polymer or lipid excipients
- Formulations are microparticle or form gels with temperature transition
- Biodegradable in days to weeks
- Depot administered or formed at injection site (subcutaneous)
- Drug release through diffusion and erosion of formulation depot

# Diabetes Market - Many Injectable Insulins and Orals



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1950's  
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C. Rhodes, NBC AAPS, Seattle

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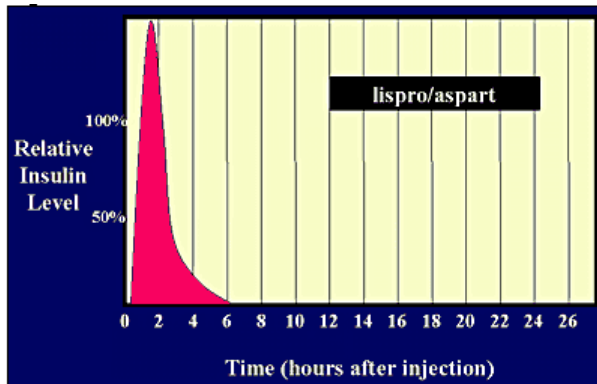
# History of Insulin and Sustained Release

- 1920 - Banting and Best extract insulin from fetal calf pancreas
  - Jan 11, 1922 – first patient treated
- 1925 – Abel crystallizes insulin
- 1934 – Scott discovers insulin crystals contain Zinc
- 1930 to 1950 – Suspension formulations marketed (PZI, NPH, Lente)
- 2004 – Lantus (insulin glargine) approved

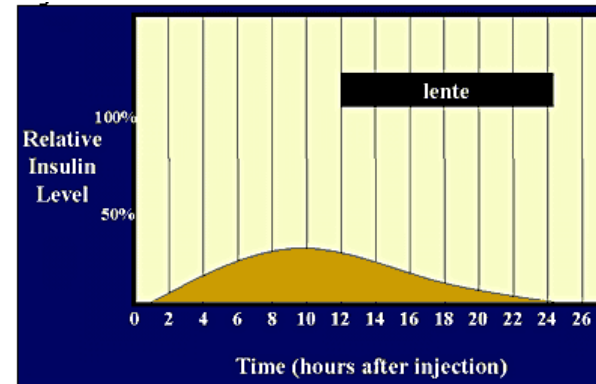


# Time Activity Profiles for Insulins

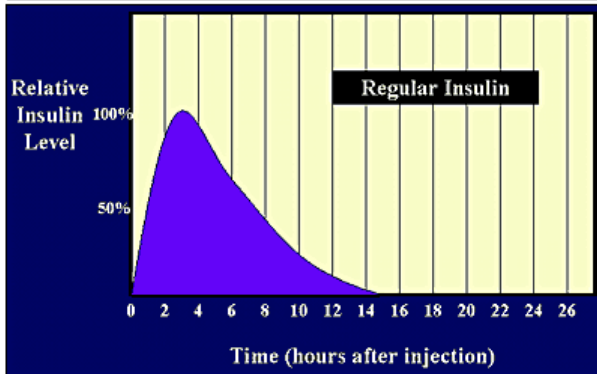
Rapid-acting  
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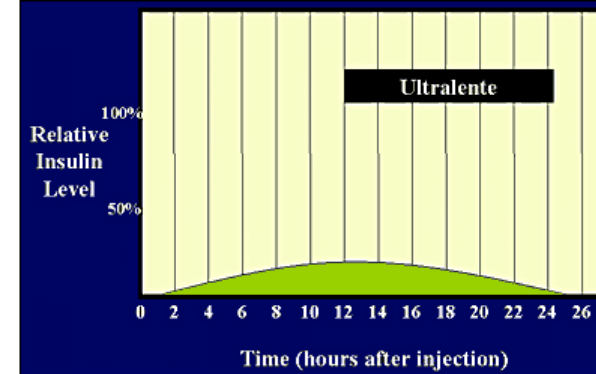
Intermediate-acting  
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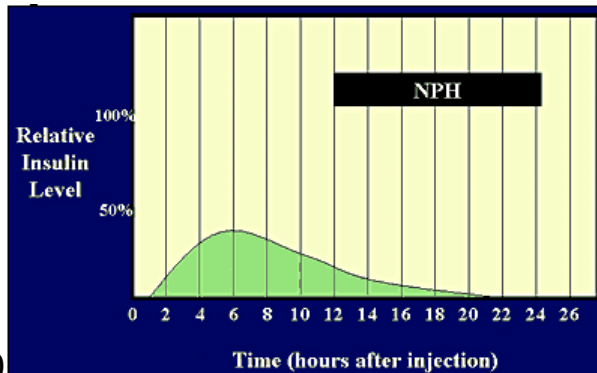
Short-acting  
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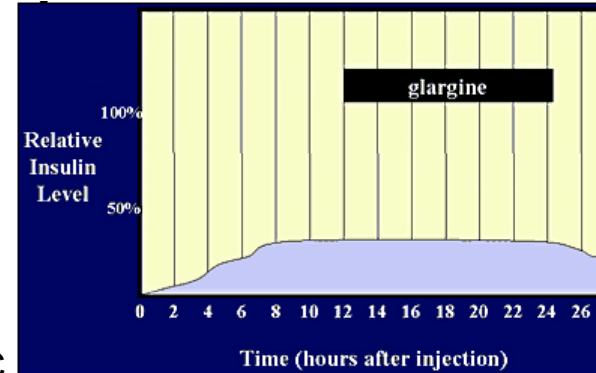
Long-acting  
(suspension)



Intermediate-acting  
(suspension)



Long-acting  
(solution)



# Microsphere system

## Long-Acting Release Technology

- Exenatide LAR:
  - biodegradable polymeric microspheres for extended release
  - detectable plasma concentrations of exenatide for weeks to months after a single dose

Initial release



hydration

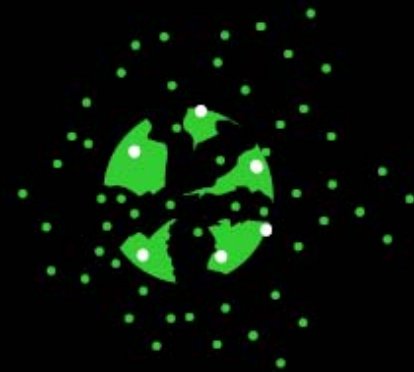


diffusion

Sustained release



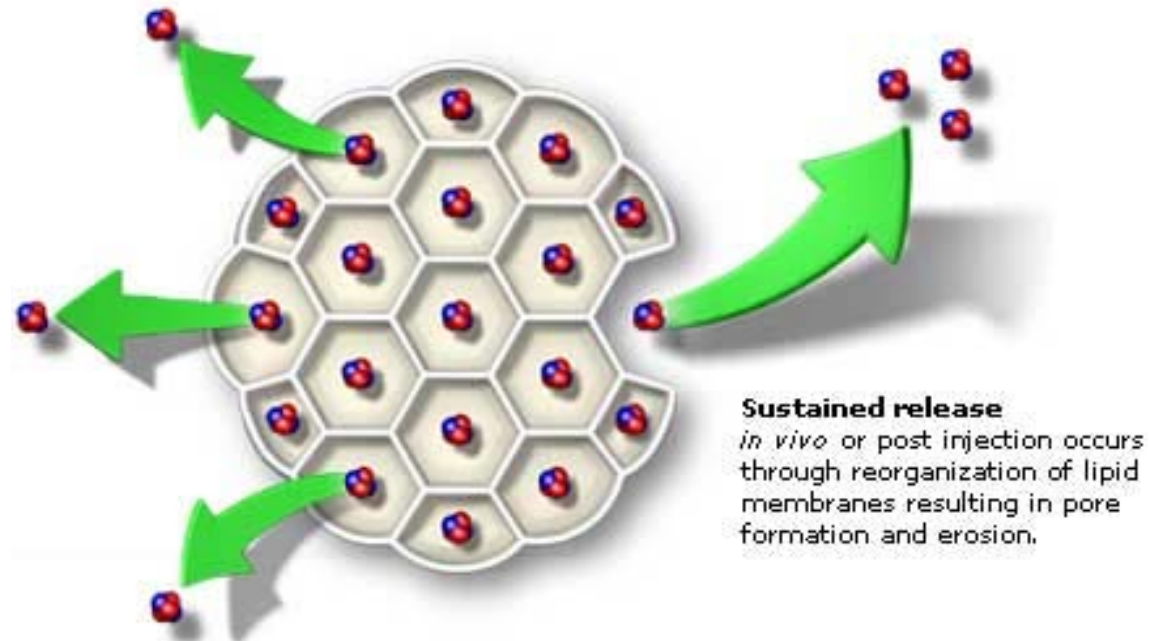
degradation



erosion

# Liposomes release drugs as depot or from circulation in blood

- Liposome formulation excipients are lipids with limited water solubility
- The lipids gradually diffuse into bodily fluid
- The bilayer structure breaks up and releases drug



Schematic of drug release from a multivesicular liposome (DepoFoam®)

# Sustained Circulation Injectables

- Scaffold covalently attached to therapeutic agent
- PEG or other construct to increase MW and hydrodynamic volume to reduce clearance rate
- Antibody and antibody fragments to promote albumin binding and reduce clearance
- Systems may be recombinant or synthetic

# PEGylation as Product Precedent in Protein Therapeutics

PEGylation has demonstrated :

- Slowed clearance / maintained circulating concentrations / reduced dose frequency
- Increased solubility and stability
- Reduced aggregation / precipitation
- Reduced immunogenicity
- Accepted regulatory / safety profile

# How do we choose drug delivery technologies and strategies?

- Technical constraints
  - Anticipated pharmacokinetic profile
  - Probability of technical success
    - Complexity of device
    - Difficulty of development
    - Proven in a marketed product
  - Cost of the system to the patient
- Patient and Physician experience
  - Training required, ease of use