

How Process Simulation can Influence the Process Development and Control Strategy of a Drug Substance Asset

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Up to recently, process development and process control in the pharmaceutical industry have been dominated by experimentation. The definition of the process optimum and the control strategy was supported by Design of Experiments (DoE) feeding into statistical models.

Despite the great value of such models, they are not always the most suitable solution to provide answers to complex and non-linear problems. This work aims to supply a more efficient solution to the process development phase and the control strategy for first principal models raised in pharma R&D.

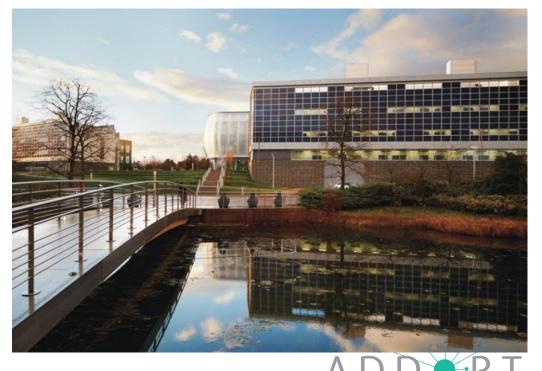
At GSK, supported by a new modelling strategy, we are now embedding mechanistic and first principal models as part of our routine work from the laboratory to manufacture



1. Introduction

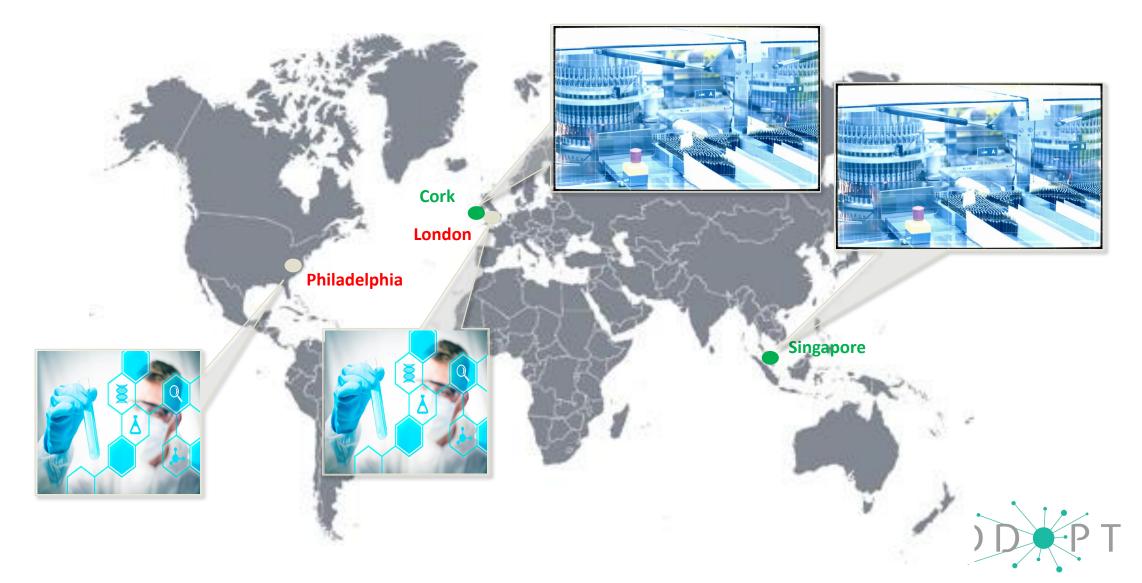
- 2. Change of strategy: Process development and control supported by modelling
 - Workflow / Milestones
 - Simulation strategy / Program

- 3. Case Study Execution
 - Process design
 - Process implementation

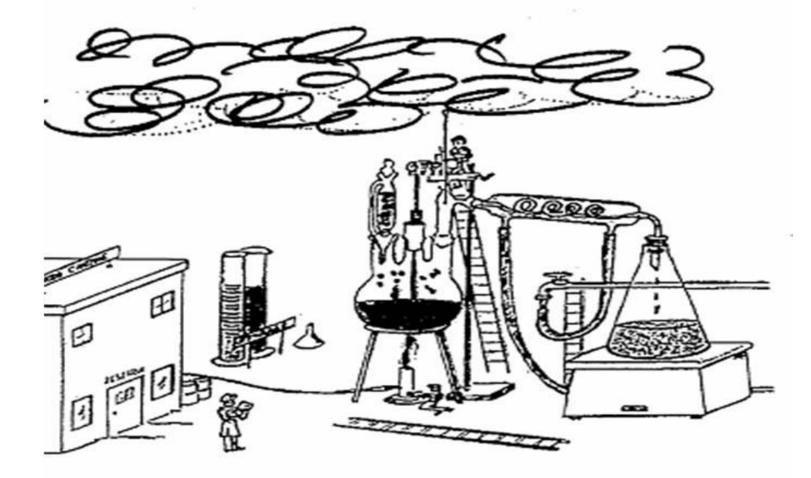




Process Development and NCEs Manufacture



Introduction



The lab results were so good we bypassed Process Development



Application of Process Simulation

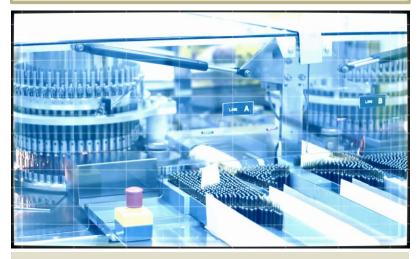
Objectives



Small & Large Molecule Process Development

- Process Design and Optimisation
- Selection / Design of equipment platform
- Design of System Models for Control Strategy

Manufacture



API & Drug Product continuous

•Quality control using modelling soft sensor •Process control using MPC/APC



Deploy process modelling across Small molecule DS and DP and BioPharmaceutical

Support process development through deployment of modelling

- Development and optimization of the process
- Scalability assessment and enhancement of robustness
- TRA, Tech. transfer and process verification

Support the control strategy by implementation of System based Model

- The integration of appropriate models, statistical and mechanistic
- The deployment of strategic model for prediction of CQAs



New Work Flow Application

Simulation at the Centre of Process Development and Implementation

- System modelling approach defines data requirement and drives experimental plans
- Quantitative input to CPP identification and design space boundaries
- Transfer model from R&D to commercial manufacturing



Simulation Platforms

Mapping out of platforms and deliverables

Support of portfolio acceleration Process Development

Objectives

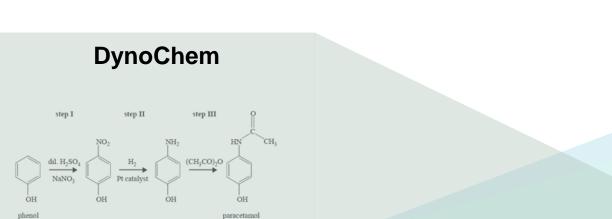
Usage

Provide models to support acceleration of process development.

Support commercial design Control Strategy

Objectives

Provide models to support control strategy and continuous process improvement.

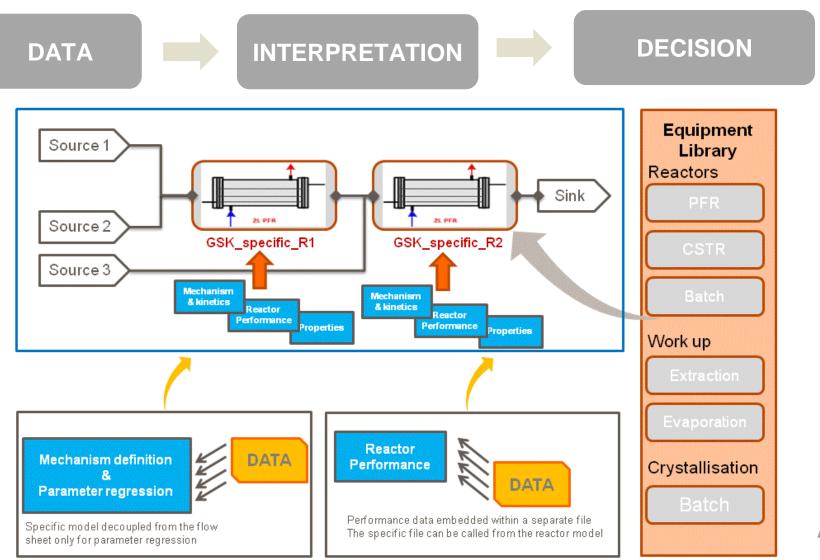




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Candidate Selection

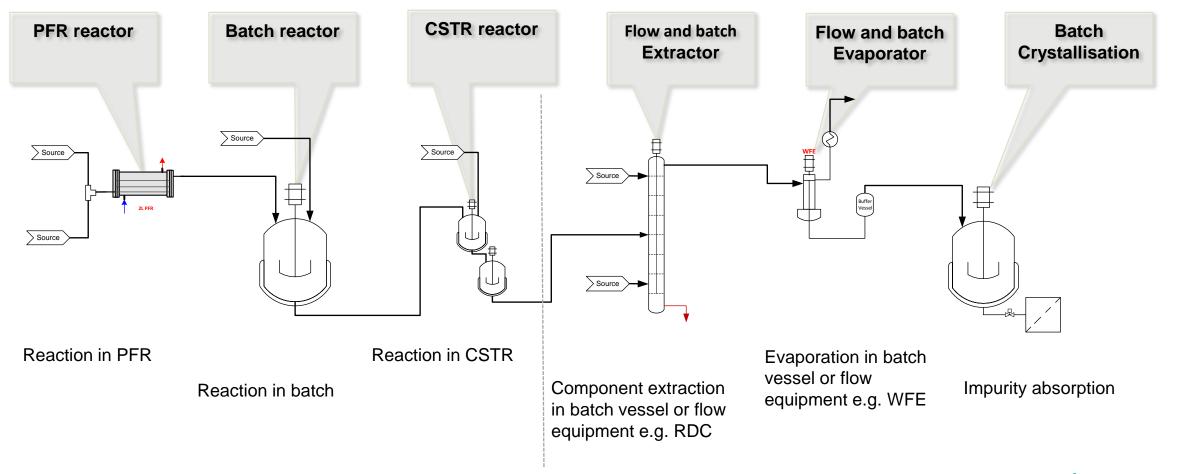
Process Simulation Platform



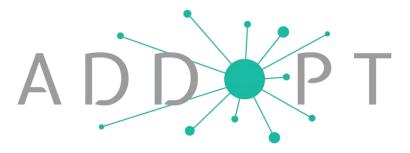


System-based Modeling: Our Vision

Model development for support





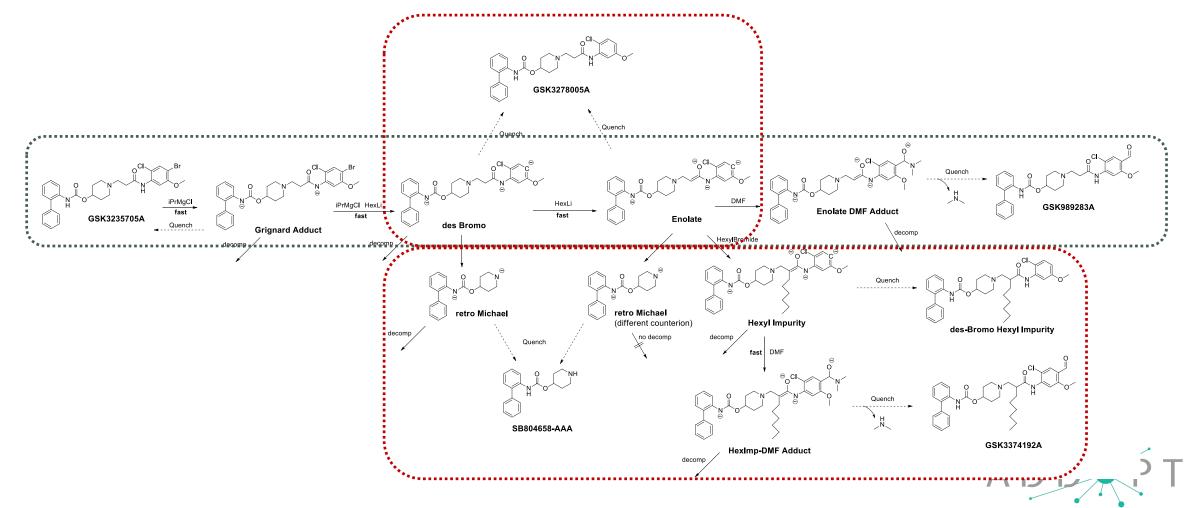


EXECUTION

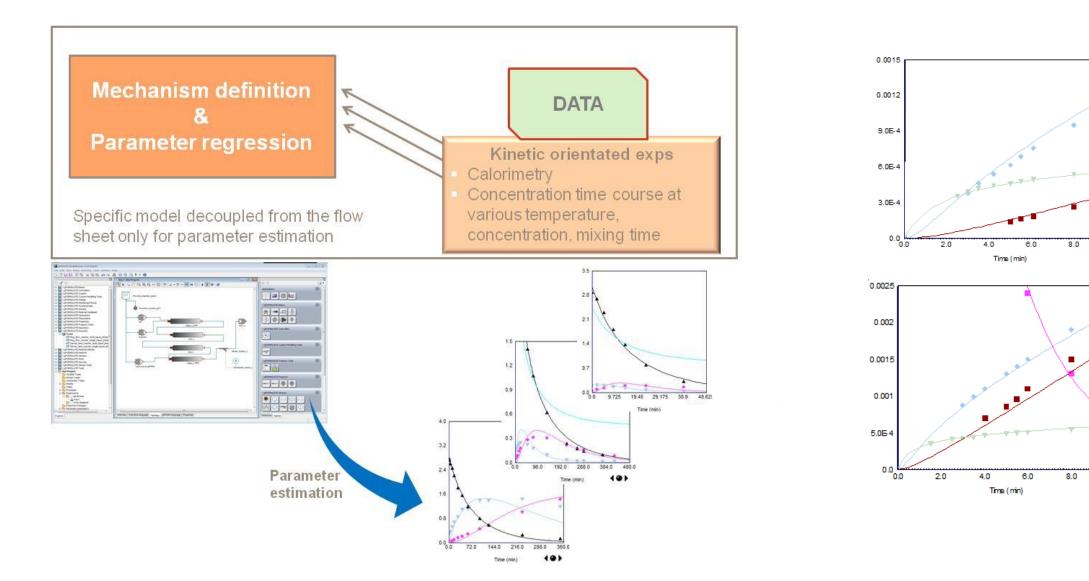
Reaction Scheme

Understanding of the Process Mechanism and rates

Mapping out the main transformation and the side product formation is critical



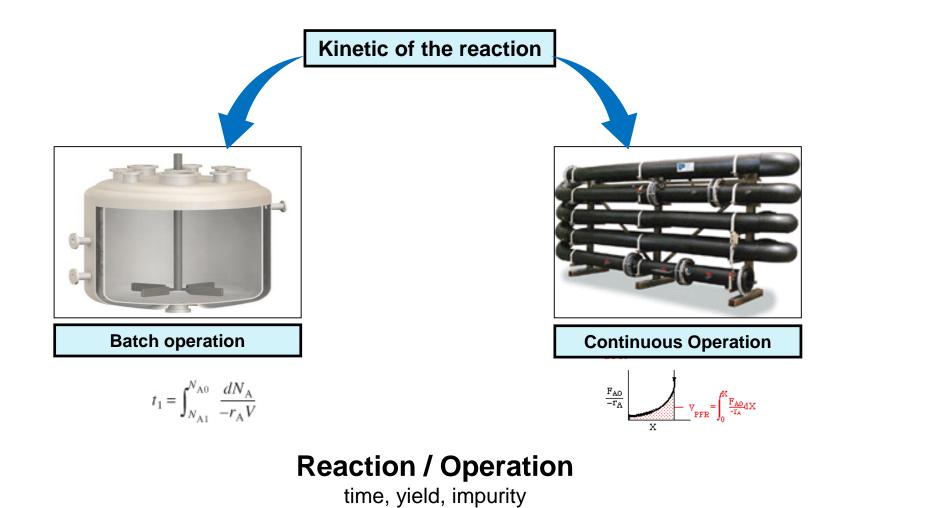
Simulation Application: Process Understanding



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Process Assessment and Selection





MOLE BALANCES

2 RATE LAW

3. STOICHIOME

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 $\frac{dX}{dt} = \frac{-r_A V}{N_{AC}}$

 $-r_{A} + \kappa \left[C_{A} - \frac{C_{B}C_{C}}{K_{a}} \right]$

 $C_{A}=C_{2G}\left(1-X\right)$

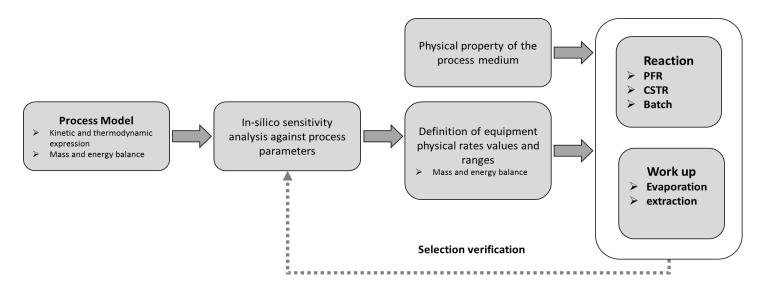
V - FARX

 $A = \frac{kC_A}{1 + K_A C_A}$

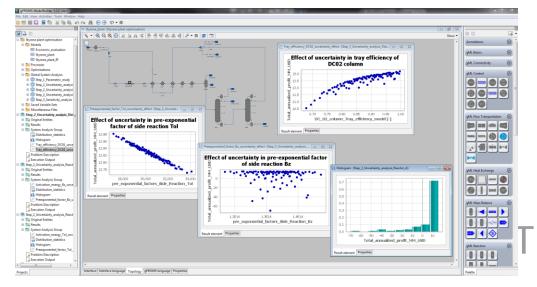
 $V = \frac{V_0}{V} (1 + c) V_1 = \frac{1}{2}$

Global Systems Analysis

CPP identification



"Global systems analysis (GSA) allows the comprehensive exploration of the behaviour of a system over domains of any user-selected subset of its input variables ('factors'), and output variables ('responses')"

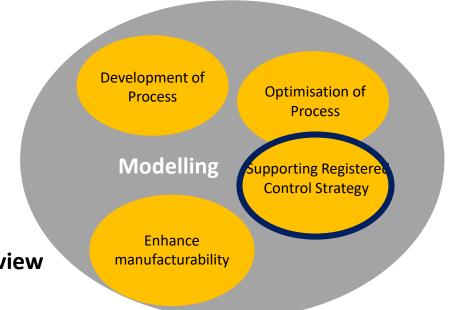


Modelling to Support the Registered Control Strategy

Model is used to

- Justify criticality of CPPs against CQAs
- Provide understanding of multivariate Interactions on individual unit operation and across the entire process
- Identify Established Conditions (Q12)
- Justify process ranges / Design Space
- Support scalability and tech. transfer

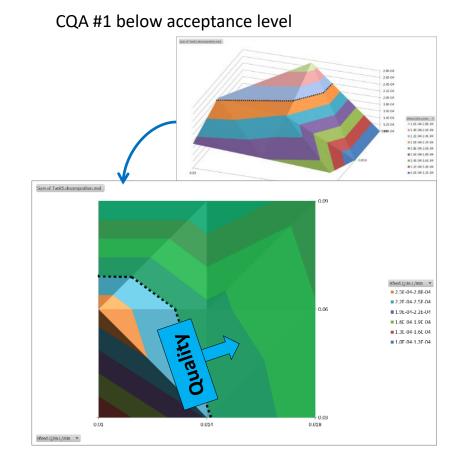
This forms part of the Control Strategy Intent and Experimental Plan review

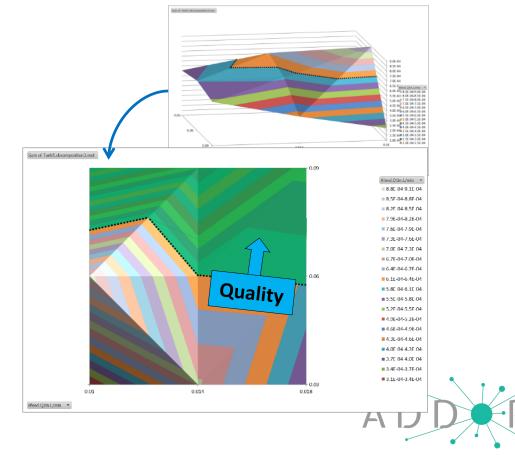




Design space and Operating Conditions

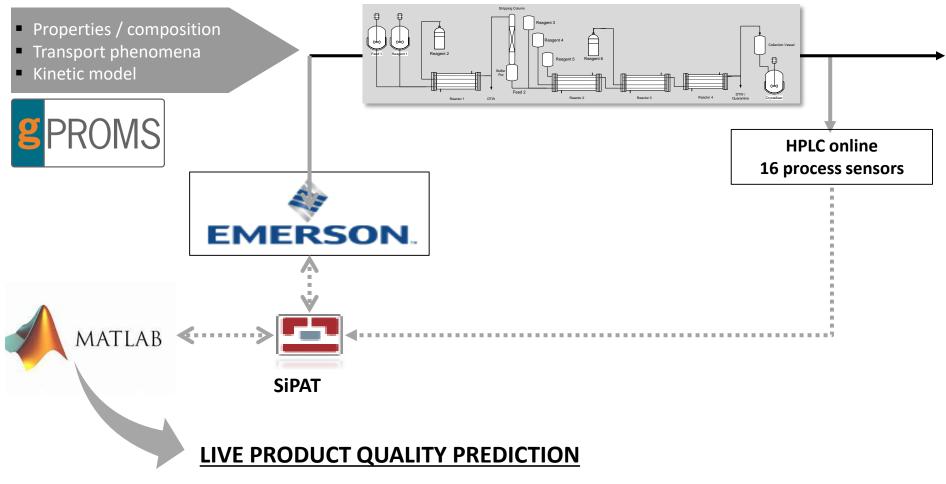
CQAs have been identified and process simulation is used to assess CPP sensitivity and impact on the process





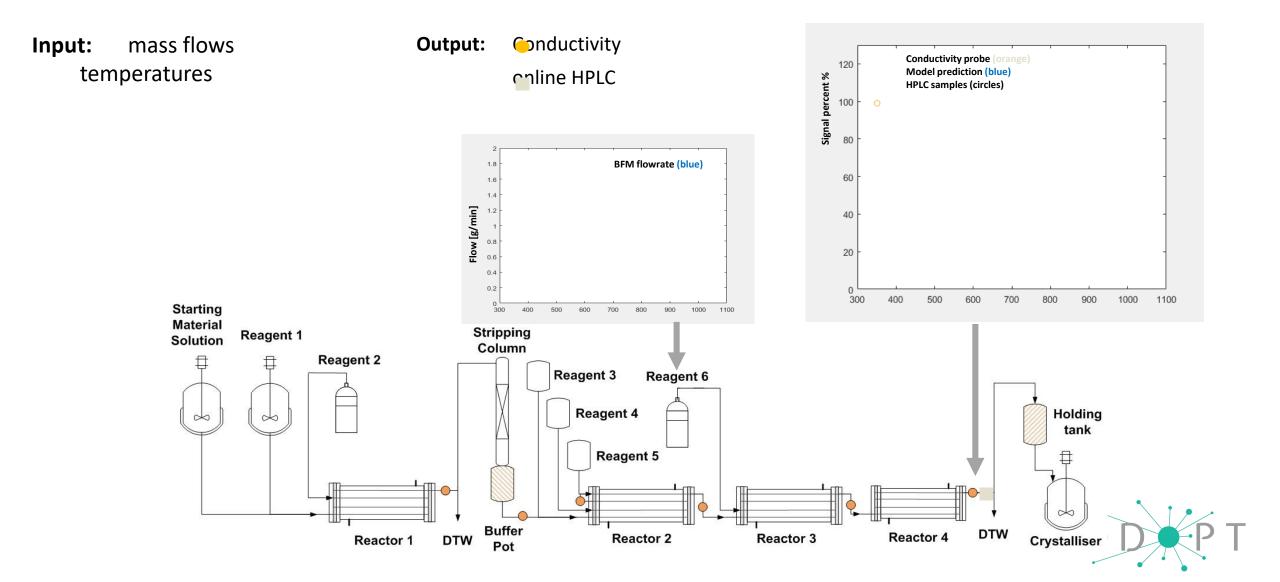
CQA #2 below acceptance level

Modelling Architecture Background





Model Implementation in Manufacturing Environment



Conclusion

System Modeling Benefits Realized

- Replace experimentation during Process Design
- Reduce rework during Process Design
- Use to identify CPPs and PARs/Design Space
- Reduce plant Verification / Robustness runs
- Increase process understanding
- Streamline Risk Assessment

Use for advanced controls

Successful use of System Modeling







THANKS

