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Emerging Technology Investment Opportunities:
CleanTech at Michigan

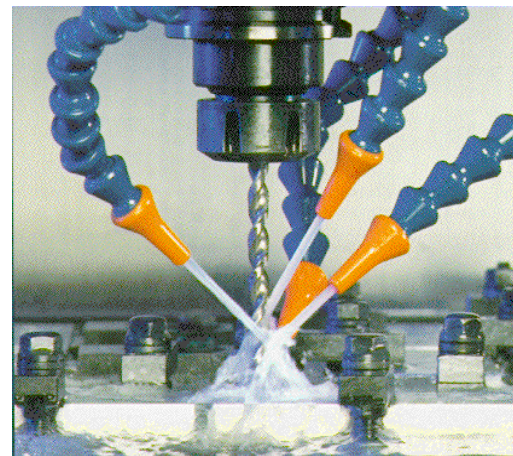
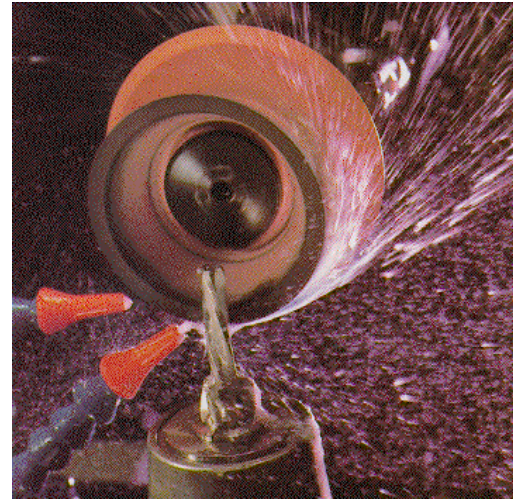
NEXT GENERATION MACHINING FLUIDS

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Aqueous Machining Fluids are...

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- ❑ **Essential**
- ❑ **Expensive**
- ❑ **Unstable**
- ❑ **Hazardous**
- ❑ **Polluting**
- ❑ **Unchanged for 50 years**



Machining Fluid Improvements

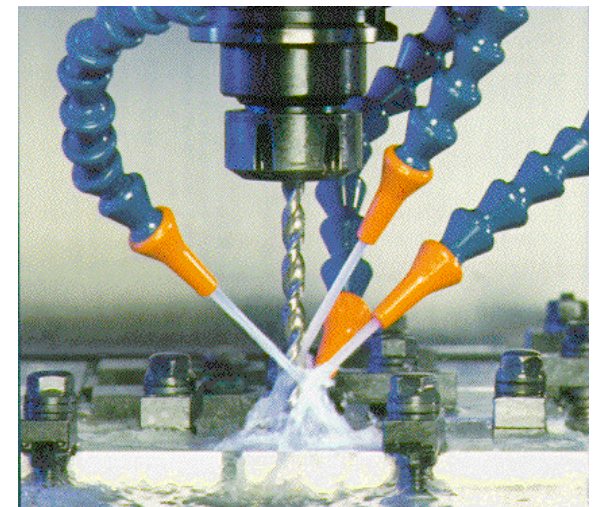
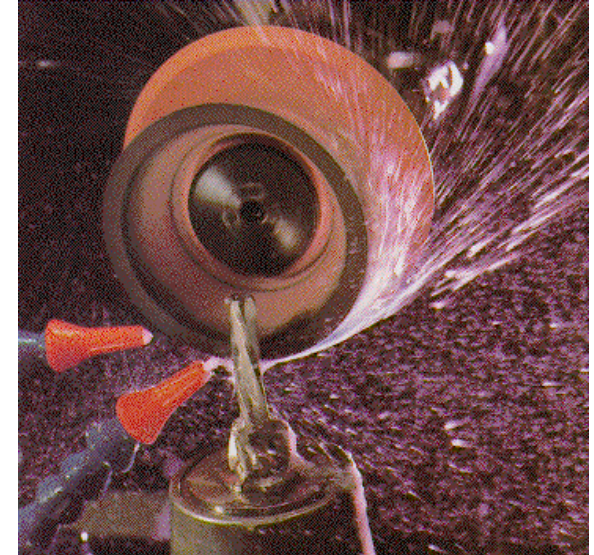
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Who cares?

- Workers who get sick
- Environmentalists / U.S. EPA
- Academics

Who doesn't care?

- Most U.S. Manufacturing Engineers
- Most U.S. Lawmakers (today)
 - *The two most important change agents!*



Machining Productivity Improvements

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Who cares?

- Everyone making a profitable metal product!
- ▣ Machining fluids impact: revenue generation rate, tool costs, labor costs, machine tool costs

New Materials = New Machining Challenges

- Ford: Flex-fuel and clean diesel vehicles
- Boeing: 787 aircraft
- Caterpillar: Fuel efficient construction equipment

CO₂-Based Machining Fluids are Better than Aqueous:

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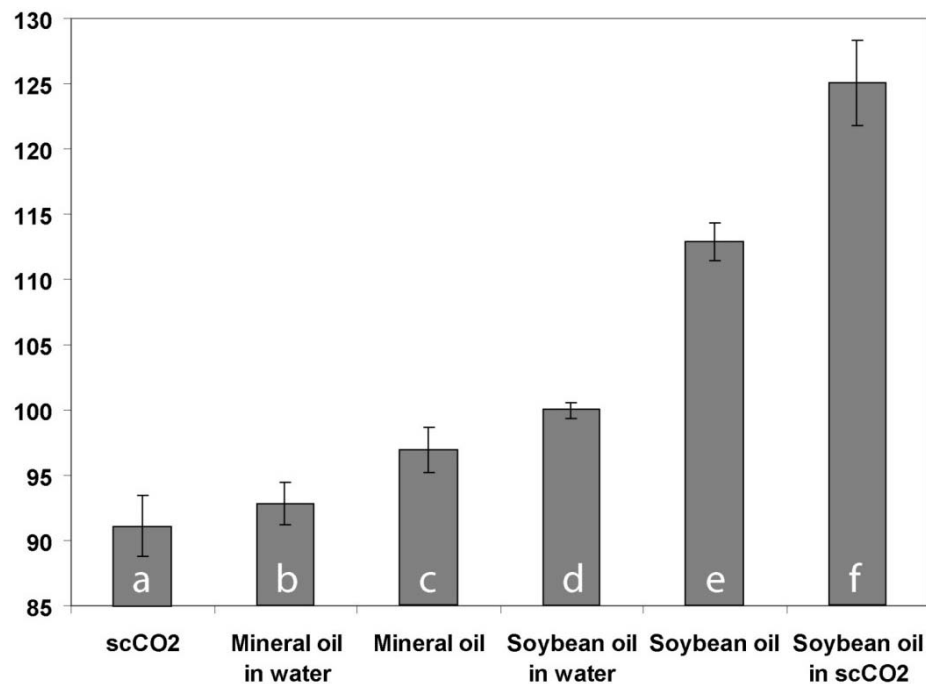
- ❑ Increase productivity
- ❑ Increase revenue
- ❑ Reduce costs
- ❑ Have only 2 components
- ❑ Can be retrofit to existing systems
- ❑ Eliminate health hazards
- ❑ Reduce environmental impact
- ❑ Developed @ UM



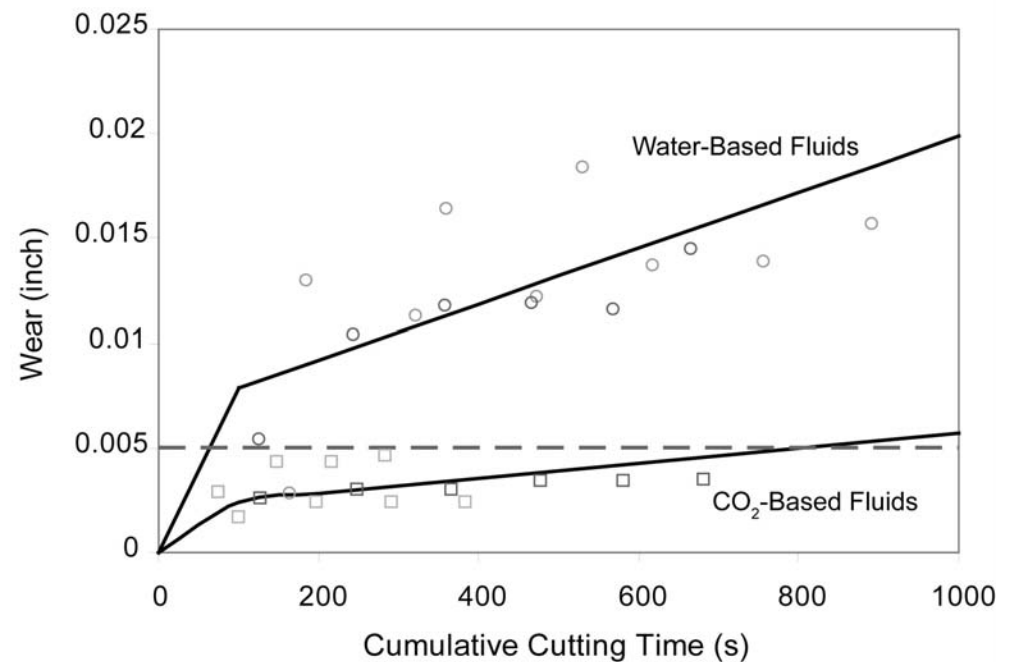
CO₂-Based Machining Fluids are *the best ever invented!*

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*25% Increase
Lubrication Performance*



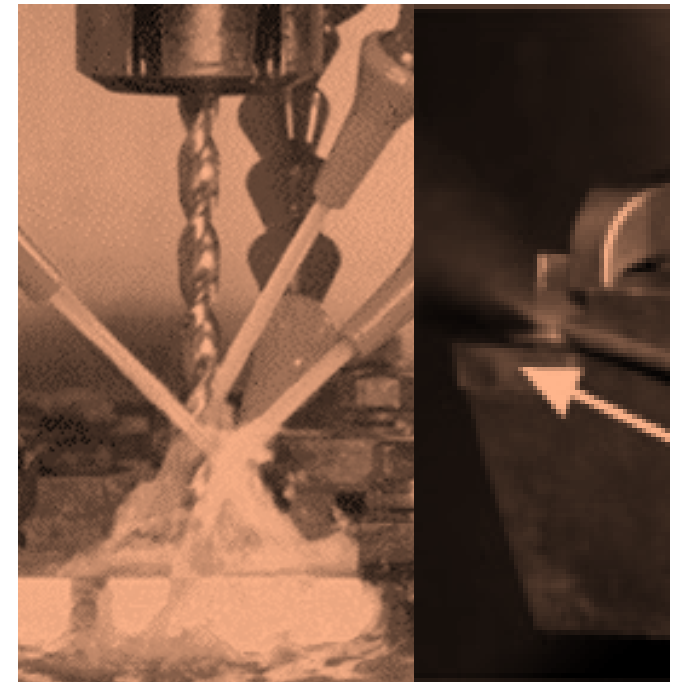
*Enormous Increase in Tool Life
(4-25x in Titanium Machining)*



CO₂-Based Machining Fluids are *CLEAN TECH*

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- ❑ ***Lower Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions***
 - ❑ *CO₂ is captured from ammonia production waste*
 - ❑ *CO₂ use rate is low*
 - ❑ *Process energy not increased*
 - ❑ *Soybean oil is renewable*
- ❑ ***No aqueous waste***
- ❑ ***No hazardous chemicals***
- ❑ ***No biological growth***
- ❑ ***No need to clean parts afterward***



CO₂ fluids are profitable for companies that are...

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... *production-rate limited*

- ▣ defense and aerospace

... *switching to advanced materials*

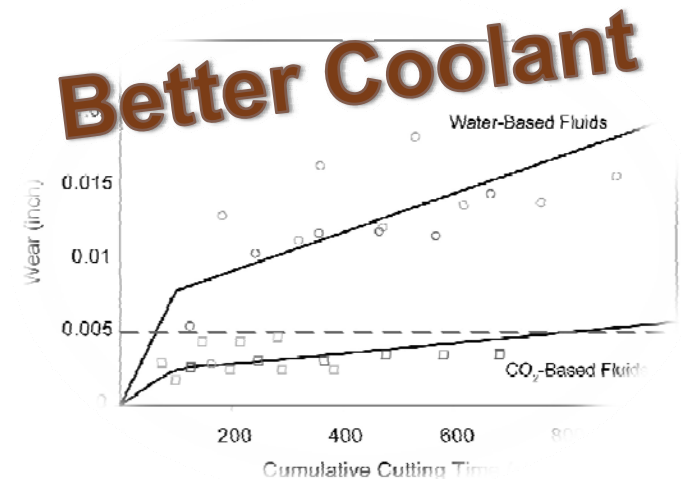
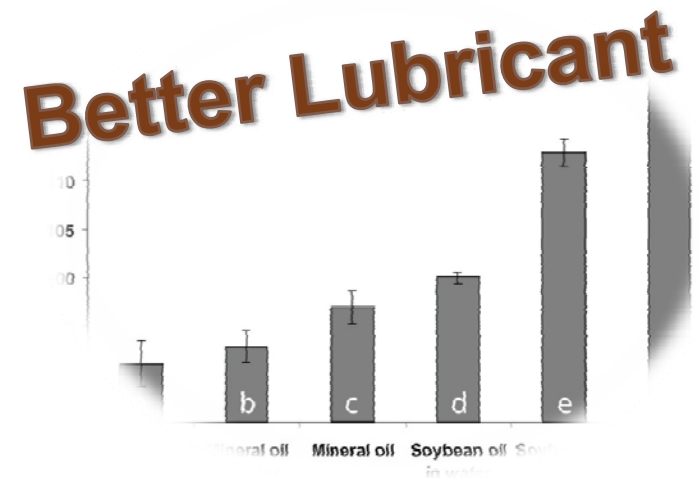
- ▣ automotive and heavy industrial

... *strictly regulated*

- ▣ bio-compatible for implants, etc.

... *making very small parts*

- ▣ watch making, etc.



Even automakers can profit !



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Expected Results from Ford Research (~\$5M/yr):

- Valve seat production: (1.5\$M/yr)
- Cylinder blocks: (\$3.5M/yr)
 - ▣ Avoided future tool/labor costs
 - ▣ 5% of the opportunities
- ***Profit for Boeing could be much larger***
 - ▣ 787 starts with 200,000 lbs of titanium
 - Only 25,000 lbs fly away!

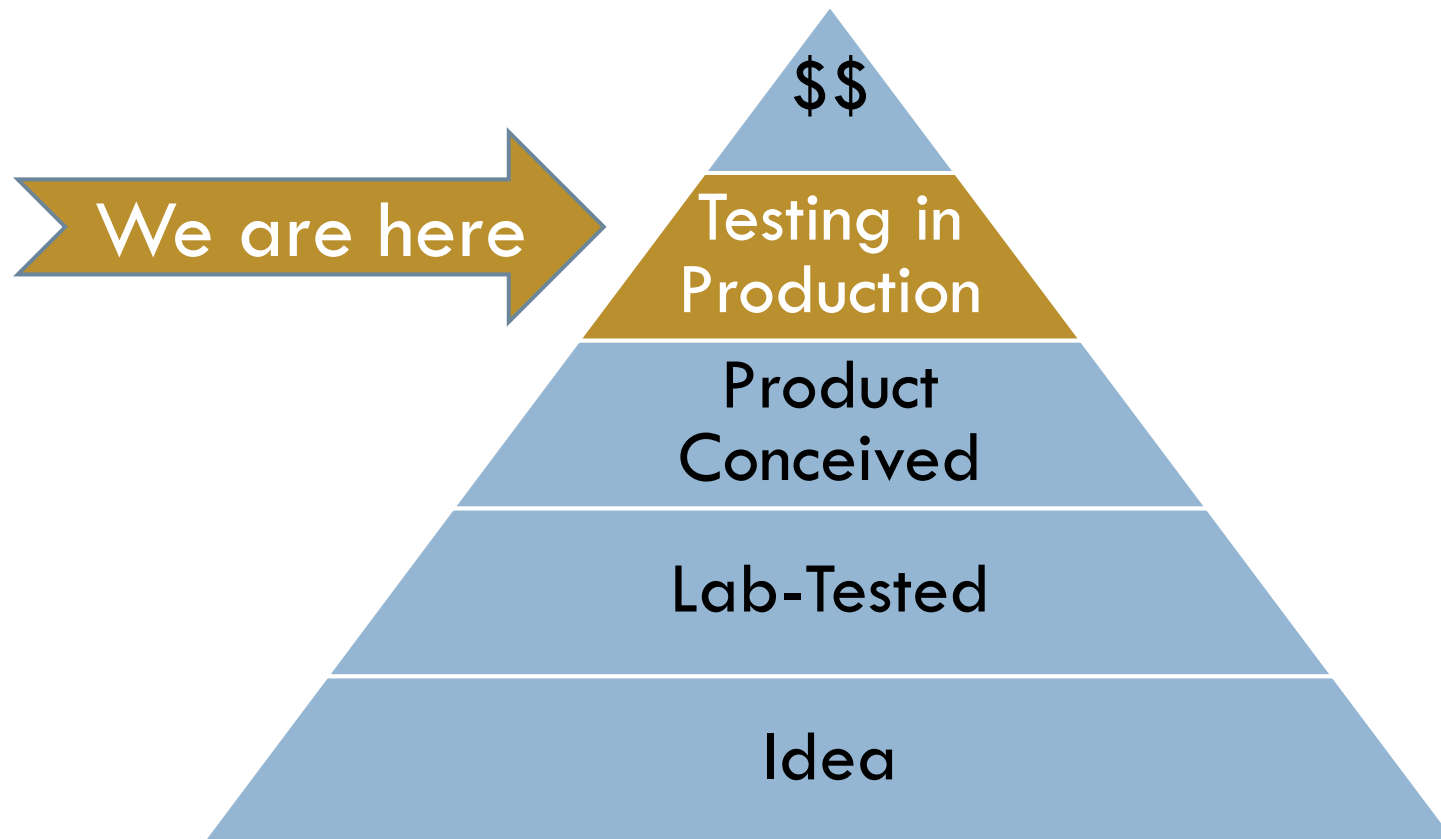


Sizable Market; Patent Pending



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- Machining Fluid Market: \$1 B (North America)
- Maintenance and Disposal: \$1 B
- Metal Fabricated Products Industry: \$300B



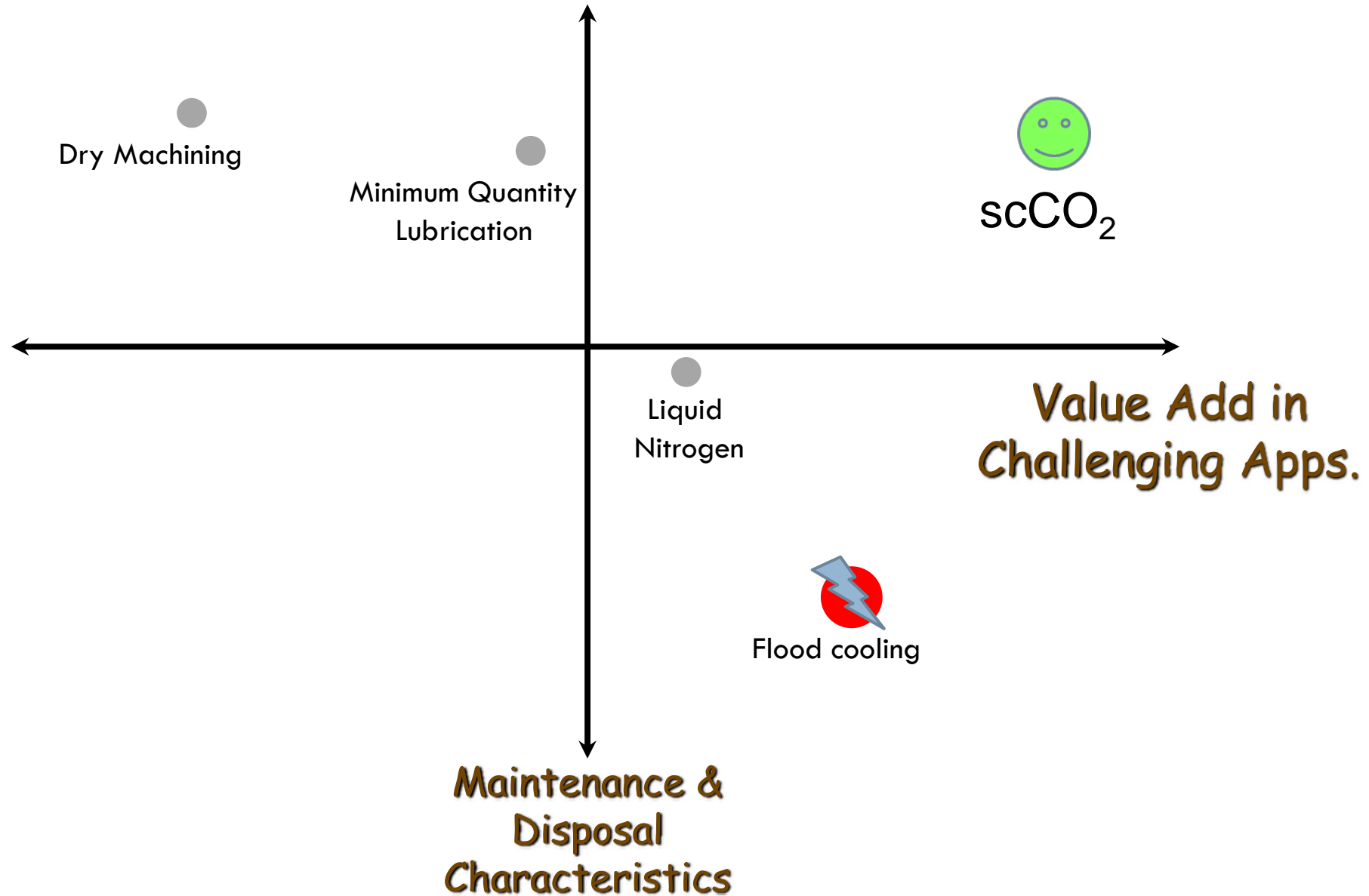
The Supercritical CO₂ Competitive Advantage

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Customer Needs	Increase/Decrease Flowrate; Change Chemistry	scCO ₂
Faster machining	Steady state with only incremental performance gains since 1950	Breakthrough increase in machining speeds (>20%)
Fewer Tool Changes	1 tool change every 120 min.; change might take 30 min. (Titanium)	Increase tool life above 1000 min.
Eliminate Disposal & Health Risks	Only modest gains possible	No disposal No health risks

scCO₂ in the Competitive Landscape

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We have a business opportunity; We need a business plan

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There are many directions this technology could go...

1. **Start-up company: sell equipment and consumables**
2. **License to machine tool builders;**
 - Start-up would sell consumables
3. **License to fluid suppliers**
4. **License to OEM on application-specific basis / consult**
 - Funding for specific applications needed to expand proven applications outside of automotive.
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THANK YOU

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