Science and Research in the 21st Century and its Success in Technology

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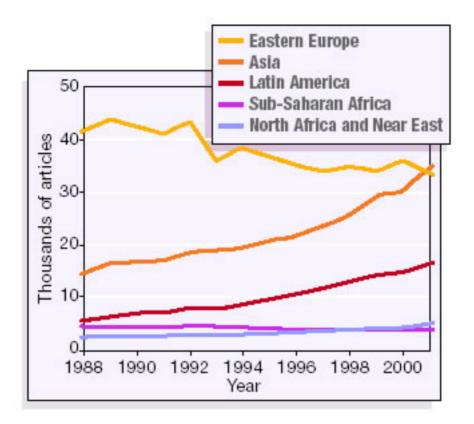


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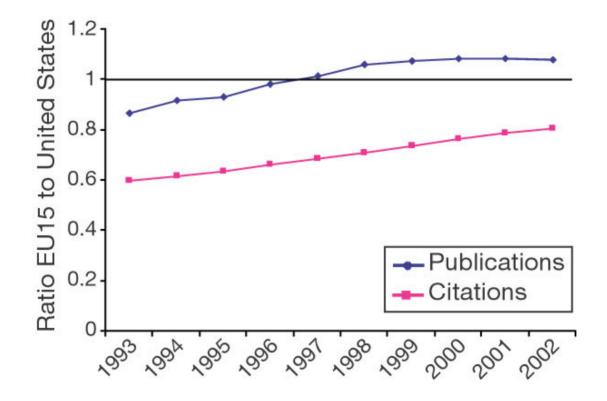
Alice in Wonderland:

... The Red Queen to Alice: "Now, here, you see, it takes all the running you can do to keep in the same place. ..."

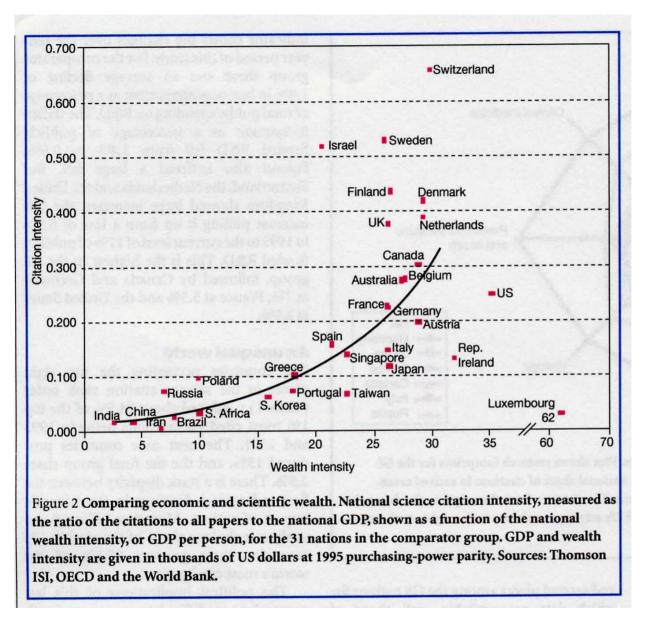
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wealth intensity = GDP/person

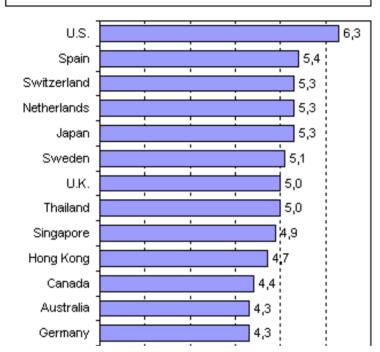
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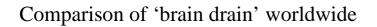
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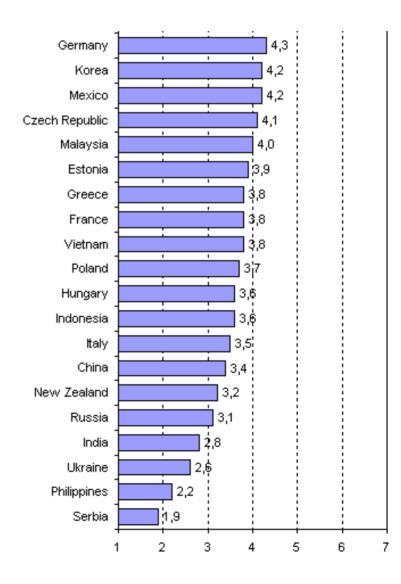
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Brain drain

The country's talented people (1 = normally leave to pursue opportunities in other countries, 7 = almost always remain in the country)







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Universities, Research Institutions, ...

Governmental sector

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Goal oriented applied research

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Industry

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Governmental programs

Private sector Stock market

Venture capital

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Spin-off companies

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research institutions

Partly commercia

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There is no recipe for success in planning discovery and innovation but there are rules for failure with high probability:

- 1. Rigid planning of research: Five year plans with preassigned application goals for basic research (DDR).
- 2. No research plan at all: 'Coordination-free science' commonly leads to sub-critical research entities, which cannot compete on a worldwide scale.
- 3. Barriers between disciplines: Modern innovation makes use of knowledge from all disciplines from humanities and social sciences to physics and mathematics. Universities are not yet preparing for research across disciplines.
- 4. Contact-hostile grouping of researchers: In curiosity driven research scientists need personal contacts almost every day.

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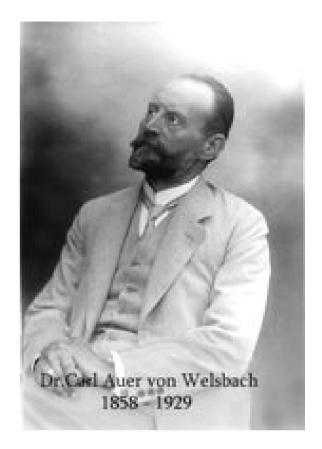
1885 - Separation of 'didym' into *neodym* and *praseodym*.

1885 - Gas burner mantle for incandescent lighting.

1890 - First industrial process using powder metallurgy.

- 1898 Electric bulb with osmium filament.
- 1903 Pyrophoric alloys (cerium-iron) used as flints.

1907 - Foundation of the 'Treibacher Chemische Werke GmbH' in Treibach-Althofen for the production of ferrocerium-lighter flints under the trade name 'Original Auermetall'.



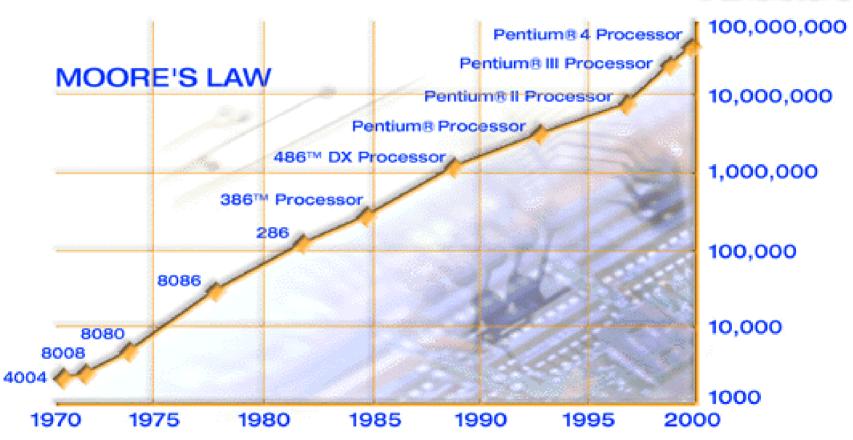


TREBACHER CHEMISCHE WERKE GESHLISCHAFT mEIN TREBACH

2006 - About one hundred years later the 'Treibacher Chemische Werke' are still flourishing and represent the major industry and employer in the whole region.

Source: Auer von Welsbach-Museum, Treibach-Althofen, Kaernten, Austria.

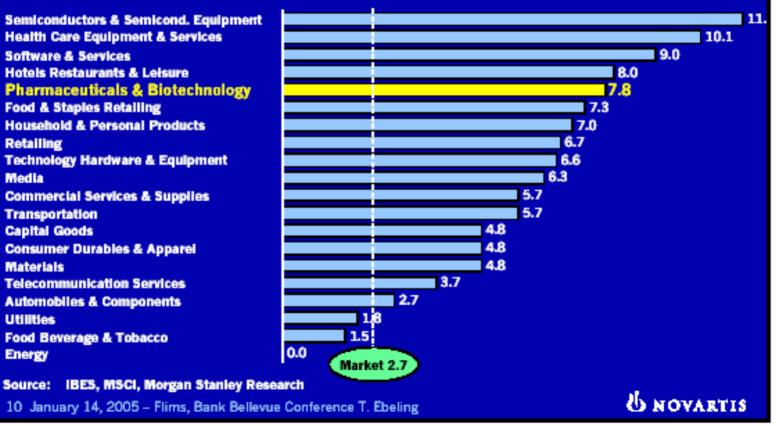
transistors



Pharmaceuticals Continues to Expand as One of the Fastest Growing Industries

Global sector and market growth 2004-2006E (CAGR) in %

Semiconductors & Semicond, Equipment Health Care Equipment & Services Software & Services Hotels Restaurants & Leisure Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology Food & Staples Retailing Household & Personal Products Retailing **Technology Hardware & Equipment** Media **Commercial Services & Supplies** Transportation **Capital Goods Consumer Durables & Apparel** Materials Telecommunication Services Automobiles & Components Utilities Food Beverage & Tobacco Energy



Pharma sales

