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## The National Research Centre

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# NRC in Brief



# NRC 2013



- 50,000 m2.
- 10 Research buildings.
- 2 Administration buildings.
- 10 Store rooms.
- Animal houses.
- Green houses.
- 5 Experimental stations.
- Research farm 350 feddans.



## **NRC**

# The major multi-disciplinary R&D Institute in Egypt

- Devoted to basic and applied research.
- The largest of all institutions affiliated to the Ministry of Scientific Research.
- Employs 70% of all scientists working in these institutions.
- Correspond to the country's key production and services sectors.



## **NRC Mission**

**Conduct Basic and Applied Research** 

In

**Different Fields of Science and Technology** 

To

**Strengthen the National Economy** 



### NRC Objectives

Contribute

 Contribute in national upgrading of science & dissemination of knowledge

Guide

• The National Economy

Strengthen

scientific linkages and cooperation with local and international organizations

provide

scientific services and consultations

Training

• Graduate students



# Organization Structure

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Vice President for Research

Vice President for Technical Affairs

Deans of 14 Research Divisions



# Organization Structure (cont.) Research Divisions

Environmental Sciences

Oral and Dental Research

Inorg. Chem. Ind. and Mineral Resources

Org. Chem. Industries

**Genetic Engineering**& Biotechnology

**Medical Sciences** 

**Textile Industries** 

**Engineering Research** 

**Agriculture & Biology** 

**Physics** 

Human Genetics & Genome

**Food Ind. and Nutrition** 

Pharmaceutical Industries

**Veterinary Research** 

- Health and Environment
- Industrial Research
- Agriculture and Biology
- Basic Science



### Centres of Excellence

Advanced materials

Medical Sciences

Human Genetics

Influenza Virus

Textile

Industries



# NRC Strengths

### **Man Power**

Research staff: 4812

Scientific assistance: 470

Administrative staff: 2245



## Research and Development

Research and Development Projects

NRC activities are *customer-oriented* in order to address the national needs more effectively through scientific and technical research.



## Research and Development (Cont.)

#### Research Projects

#### Customer-Oriented

Addressed to national needs

- 1- In-house projects Governmental budget (18%): 10<sup>th</sup> plan (2013-2016)
- 2- National projects contracts (54%)
- 3- International projects (38%)



### **Current Strategy**

Advanced Basic Scientific Research

Interaction with Production and Service Sectors

International Relations



# Major Activities

(319 Research projects)

The 10<sup>th</sup> Research Plan

2013 - 2016



### Research Groups

Renewable Energy

Water

Applications of Frontier Sciences

Product/Customer-Oriented Research

Agriculture & Veterinary

Waste Management

Upgrading of Prototypes

Sinai Development

Health

**Dentistry** 

Diagnostic Kits

Safe Food

Functional Foods

Carbon Nanotubes



# Important On-going Projects

Use of Gold Nanoparticles in

Health

Treatment of Cance in collaboration with Prof. Dr.

Water

 Engineering and technological development of water desalination membranes

Energ

Production of biofuels from waste materials





# Biotechnology Plant Unit















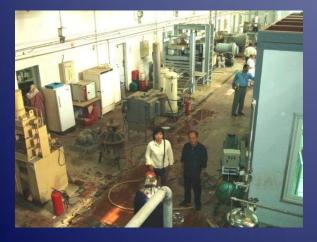
# Pilot Plant

A multipurpose Pilot Plant, a Chinese Grant















# Some Plant Equipment



**Distillation** 



2 Reactors



**Multi-speed Centrifuge** 



Extraction



**Filtration** 



Dryer



Absorption



### **International Relations**



#### International Relations Office:

Scientific channels with regional and international universities and research centers.

Projects, contracts and scientific agreements.

#### African Relations Office:

Promotes the Scientific cooperation with African countries

#### European Relations Office:

Promotes the Scientific cooperation with European countries



## **NRC Networking**

#### International Organizations:

- Center of excellence (2004) by the Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South, COMSATS & for Biotechnology (2007)
- Jacobs The interim regional hub in Biosciences for North Africa by the New Partnership for Africa's Development, NEPAD
- Third World Academy of Science, TWAS
- I Third World Network for Scientific Organizations, TWINSO
- Morld Association of Industrial and Technological Research Organizations, WAITRO
- Middle East and North Africa (MENA)
- African Network for Drugs and Diagnostic (ANDI)
- African Academy of Sciences (ASF)



# NRC Networking (Cont.) Recently Signed International Protocols

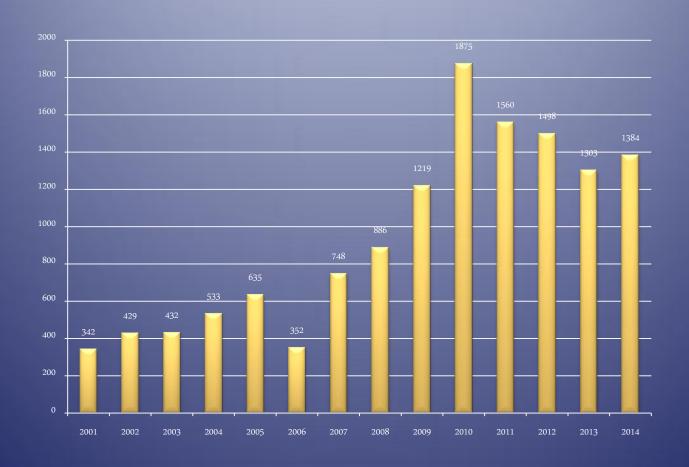
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National Engineering Academy of Kazakhstan
Yarmuke University in Jordan
Sudanese Centre for Res. & Indust. Consultations
Arab Union of Textile Industries
Technical University of Liberec, Czech Republic
National Cancer Institute , USA
The National Research Council, Italy



# Scientific Records

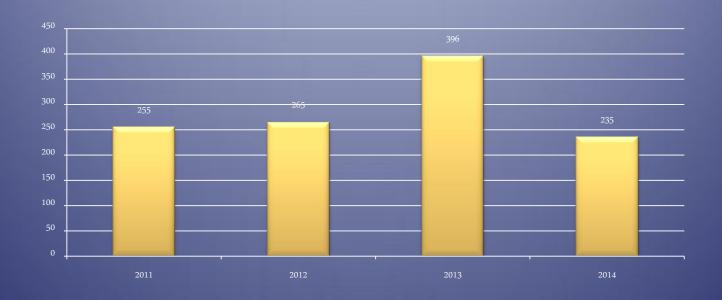


#### Number of International Publications





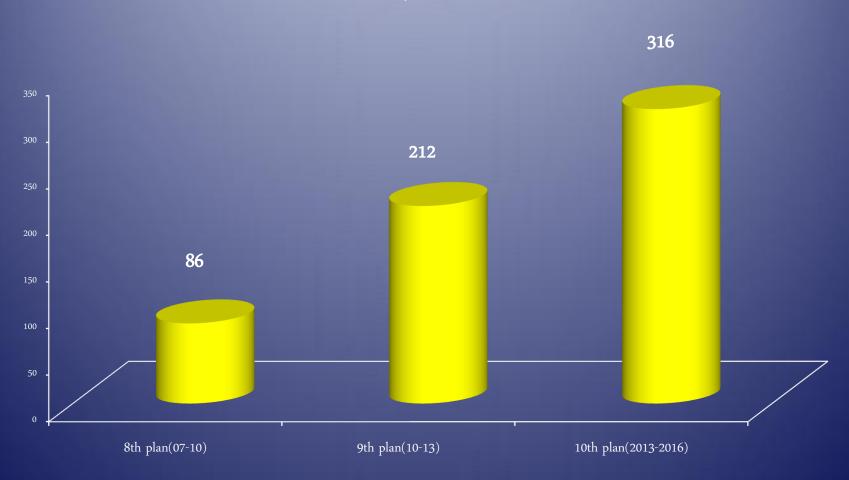
### Number of International Projects



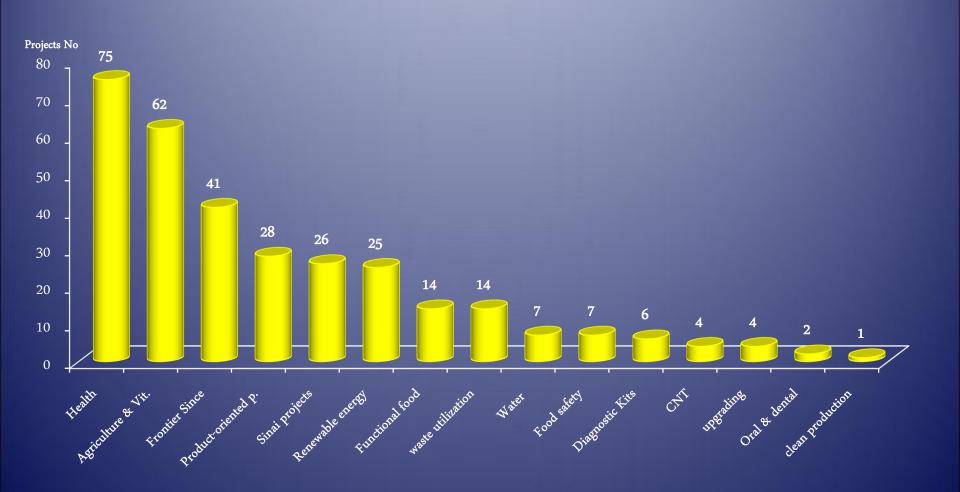


## Number of In-house Research Projects



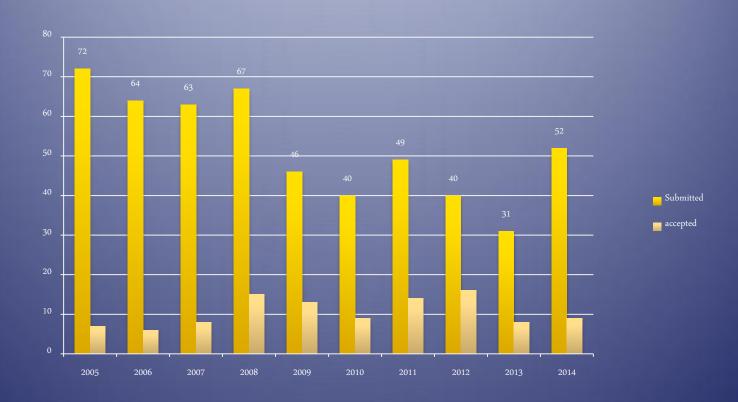


## 10<sup>th</sup> Research plan (No. of projects axis-wise)



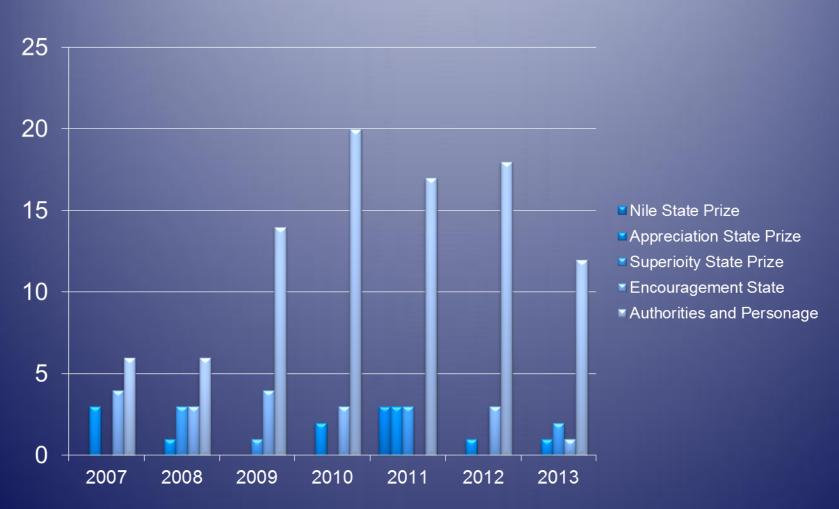


## Submitted and Accepted Patents





#### Number of Prizes



Apart from many other International and NRC prizes



# 2014/2015 activities with COMSATS



# 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Nanodevices and Nanomaterials Cairo, 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015







The NRC Museum for the oldest scientific equipment utilized by the first generation of our staff (1956 – 1970)

The Integrated
Research Group in
Agriculture
(Research Project)

International Conference on Agriculture, Food Security, and Biotechnology 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2015



# Future Plans



### 1- Network of Central Labs

A new six-floor building has been established at the NRC premises (will be in service within 3 months) for new/important sectors such as:

#### First: Industry-oriented sector

- 1- Fibre formation lab
- 2- Filters for water treatments
- 3- Material and geo-engineering, and metallurgy
- 4- Biopolymers for medical applications
- 5- Polymer Encapsulation for medical purposes



### Second: Agricultural and Biological sectors

- 1- Horticultural crops
- 2- Proteomics
- 3- Functional Foods
- 4- Food Safety
- 5- Plant, animal, and microbial Biotechnology



#### Third: Medical sector

- 1- Immunity and Infection Diseases
- 2- Plant molecular genetics
- 3- Stem Cells
- 4- Cancer Biology
- 5- Virology



#### Fourth: Renewable energy sector

- 1- Solar cells
- 2- Biofuel
- 3- Biodiesel
- 4- Green energy



#### Fifth: Pharmaceutical sector

- 1- Probiotic
- 2- Influenza vaccines
- 3- Vet. vaccines



### Future Plans (Cont.)



2- Solar energy plant in 6<sup>th</sup> of October City



2- New internationally accredited animal Facility Centre (within 4 months)



Unit of stem cells for diabetes and cancer

### roposal for Participation in COMSATS Programmes

Tailored training course in hot topics in most members states

Permanent part in two volumes of the COMSATS

Newsletter

Hosting one-two international events organized by COMSATS in collaboration with other parties



### Applied Research opportunities

The National Research Centre of Egypt has reputable contributions in many fields. The NRC is willing to promote collaboration with the staff of the akin disciplines in the Member states research institution in all or some of the following fields



## Applied Research opportunities 1- Health

Triplet PCR kits for HCV, TB and toxoplasma

Production of immunoassay kits for HCV antibodies and antigens

Early detection of biochemical genetic diseases

Stem cells

Obesity

Diabetes

**HCV** 

Cancer



### Applied Research opportunities 2- Solar Cells

Preparation of solar cell layers

Design of solar cell

Manufacture of solar cells

Application of solar cells

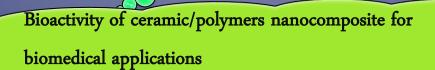


## Applied Research opportunities 3- Nanotechnology

Hard disk applications based on magnetic nanoparticle



Biosensor based on metal and semiconductor nanoparticles for virus, bacteria and DNA detection

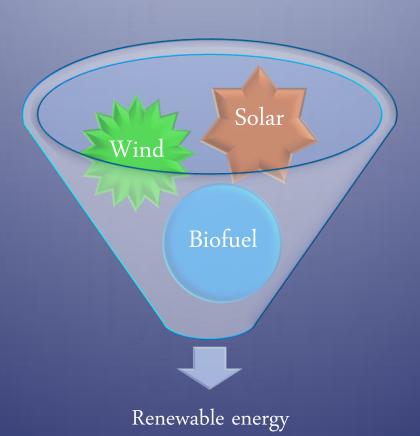




Application of carbon nanotubes in medicine and environment



# Applied Research opportunities 4- Renewable energy





## Applied Research opportunities 5- Industrial Research

Purification of industrials water from heavy metals and other contaminants

Functional Food from traditional experience to modern production

Functional polymers for various applications



## Applied Research opportunities 6- Agriculture

Abiotoc stress Biocontrol Oil-producing crops



### Thank You