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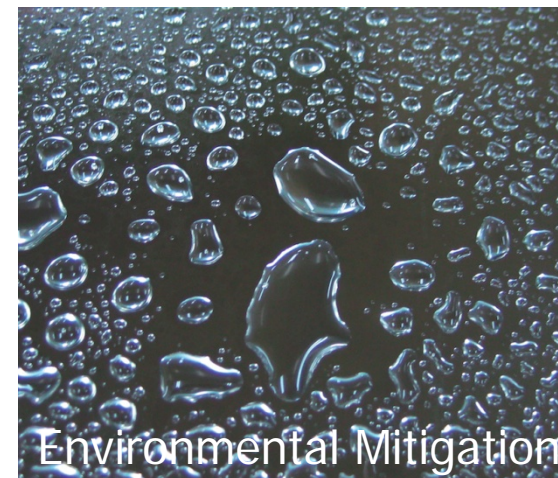
# Assessing Sustainability in Architectural Coatings

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# Architectural Coatings Serve Many Purposes



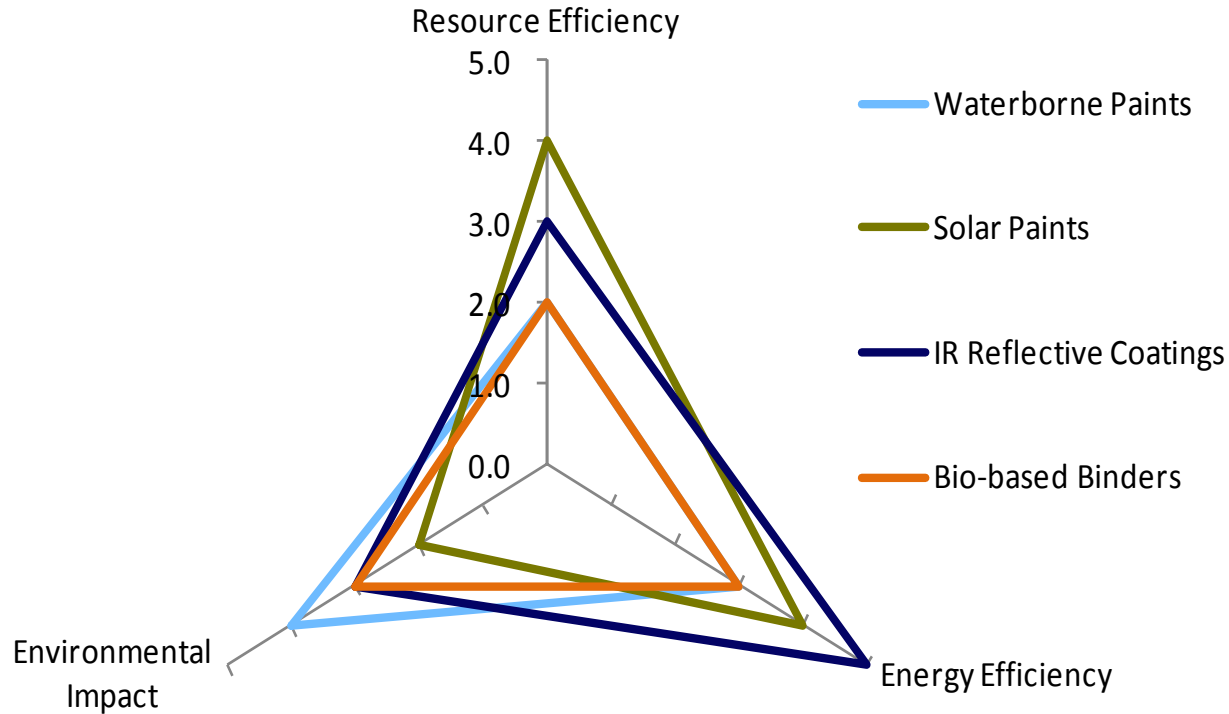
# However..architectural coatings have a significant resource footprint

- Architectural coatings consume important resources such as water, petrochemicals, and energy
- According to the AkzoNobel Sustainability Report for 2010, the company consumed 16 m<sup>3</sup> of fresh water, 5.7 GJ of energy, and emitted 267 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> per ton of paint manufactured
- From 2011, AkzoNobel bases 50% of the long-term incentives for senior executives on sustainability performance
- Although, sustainability is clearly becoming important, it is not clear which coating technologies are truly sustainable and which are really “greenwashed”

# Consumer Awareness, Regulations, and Building Norms Drive Sustainable Coating Development

- Regulations on volatile organic chemicals (VOC) have driven the first wave of innovation
- Consumers are willing to pay more for low-VOC and low-allergen products, creating a pull
- Corporate social responsibility goals are providing the push
- Building codes, third party standards such as LEED, and mandates for Nearly-Zero Energy Buildings have lead to coatings enabling energy efficiency

# Defining Sustainability in a Comprehensive Manner is Key to Bringing the Trade-offs in Focus



# Methodology

- Interviews with stakeholders
- Review of regulations
- Patent analysis
- Publication analysis

# Value Chain Features Multiple Stakeholders with Conflicting Interests

- Coating suppliers, architects, construction companies, and building owners form a complex web of decision makers
- Coating suppliers feel the need to educate architects on paint application and pricing
- Architect's job ends after specifications; construction companies work out the details of application process, oftentimes incorrectly
- Architectural coatings only make up 3% of the total building materials cost and hence are rarely at the front and center of architects and design firms

# Examples of Key Regulations and Standards

<u>Country/Region</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Regulations/Standards</u>
U.S.	EPA	Regulations of VOC, ozone under the Clean Air Act of 1996
U.S.	OSHA	Regulations on formaldehyde and other VOCs mandating 0.75 ppm in residential construction and 0.50 ppm in hospitals and food processing facilities
U.S.	LEED	Two credits for using paints with less than 50 g/L of VOC
Canada	Canadian Environmental Protection Act	VOC limit of 400 g/L for all interior applications and 600 g/L for exterior applications
EU	European Commission	Directive 2004/42/EC demands emission reporting for all paints according to ISO 16000-9 and that all paints be free of APEO and VOC
France	MINISTÈRE DE L'ÉCOLOGIE, DU DÉVELOPPEMENT DURABLE,  DES TRANSPORTS ET DU LOGEMENT	Mandatory labeling of VOC content for all construction products including paints, VOC limit of 100 g/L for most products
UAE	Municipality of Dubai	All exterior paints need to undergo tests for heavy metal content, VOC, solar heat gain, and solar reflectance
Singapore	Building Construction Authority	Greenmark Certification- points for low VOC paints, energy-efficient exterior coatings, Globally Harmonized System (GHS) for labeling coating components, heavy metal limit of 5 ppm



# Established Coatings Technologies Enabling Sustainability

Technology	Description	Developers
Waterborne acrylic coatings	Coatings containing acrylic binder and water as the main solvent	AkzoNobel, Sherwin-Williams, Benjamin Moore, Bayer, BASF, Asian Paints, Mythic Paints
Waterborne polyurethane coatings	Coatings containing polyurethane binder and water as the main solvent	Bayer, Dow Chemical, Wuxi Shanli High Temperature Paint Company, Sound Speciality Coatings
100% solid powder coatings	Coatings based on epoxy or polyurea containing no solvent, applied via electrostatic spraying or dip coating followed by thermal curing	Creative Material Technologies, AkzoNobel
Elastomeric cool roof coatings	TiO <sub>2</sub> or ZnO filled elastomeric coatings to reduce the solar heat gain	Sika Sarnafil, Saint-Gobain CertainTeed, Dow Chemical
IR reflective coatings	Coatings that reflect short wave infrared radiation and reduce the solar heat gain	Industrial Nanotech, Kriya Materials
Coatings with enhanced hiding power	Coatings containing voids or, polymer coated TiO <sub>2</sub> for improved opacifier distribution	Arkema, Dow Chemical, Socal Paints
Low VOC coalescing agents, co-solvents and surfactants	APEO-free foam based surfactants, dibasic ester based coalescing agents, co-solvent free coatings	Rhodia, Dow Chemical, Mythic Paints

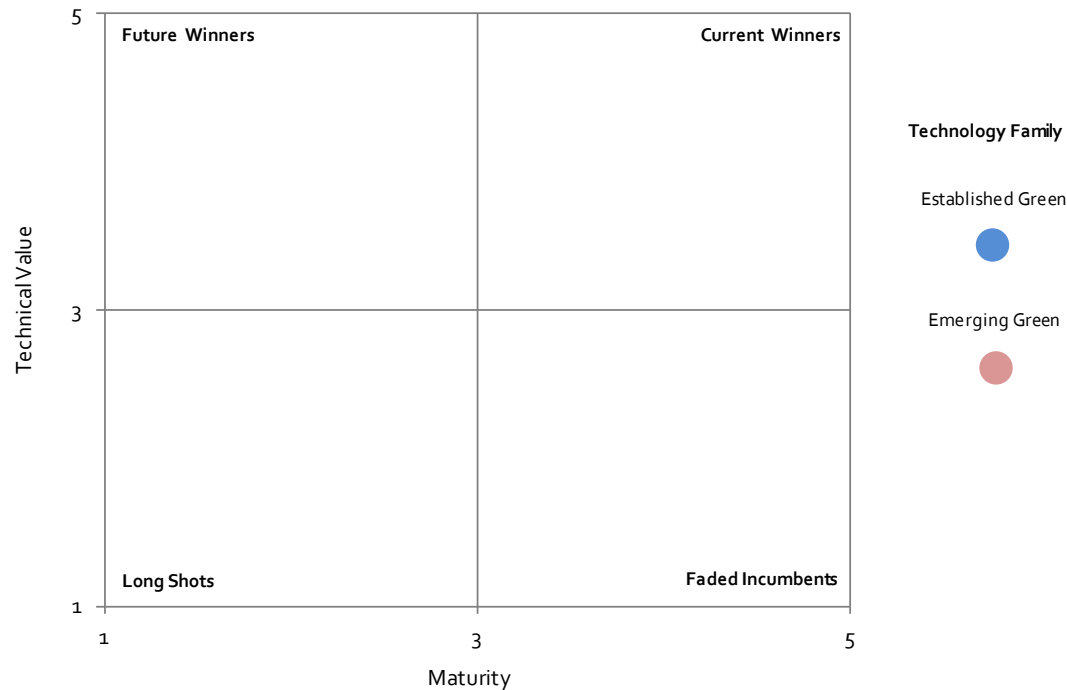
- Focus has shifted from solvents to surfactants and coalescing agents to reduce the VOC content further
- Roof coatings incorporating reflective pigments are well established

# Emerging Coatings Technologies Enabling Sustainability

Technology	Description	Developers
<b>Waterborne alkyd coatings</b>	Coatings containing alkyd or epoxy binder and water as the main solvent	Reichhold Coatings, Cytec
<b>Light-reflective paints</b>	Lighter color palette plus higher sheen via increased binder content reduces the need for artificial lighting indoors	AkzoNobel, Sherwin-Williams, ICI
<b>Solar paints</b>	Solar photovoltaic material that can be applied as an exterior paint	University of Notre-Dame, University of Texas Austin, NextGen Solar
<b>Thermally responsive cool-roof coatings</b>	Coatings containing an active molecule in the backbone or a solid-to-liquid gel	Creative Material Technologies, Thermeleon
<b>Photocatalytic coatings</b>	Oxygen activated by photocatalytic TiO <sub>2</sub> reacts with and neutralizes SO <sub>x</sub> and NO <sub>x</sub>	Toto, Pureti, Alcoa
<b>Bio-based binders and solvents</b>	Using biological feedstocks such as castor oil to synthesize monomers or polymers	DSM, Ebrabiotech, Nippon Chemical, Novomer, Naturepaint, Shanghai Jesii Cowel
<b>Chromate free anti-corrosion coatings</b>	Coatings that use alternative anti-corrosion agents such as electro active polymers or ceramics instead of hexavalent chromium	Kansai Paint, Posco, MesoCoate, Cross-link USA
<b>Self-healing coatings</b>	Polymers exhibiting reversible cross-linking or coatings containing monomer-filled microcapsules	PPG, GE, Autonomic Materials

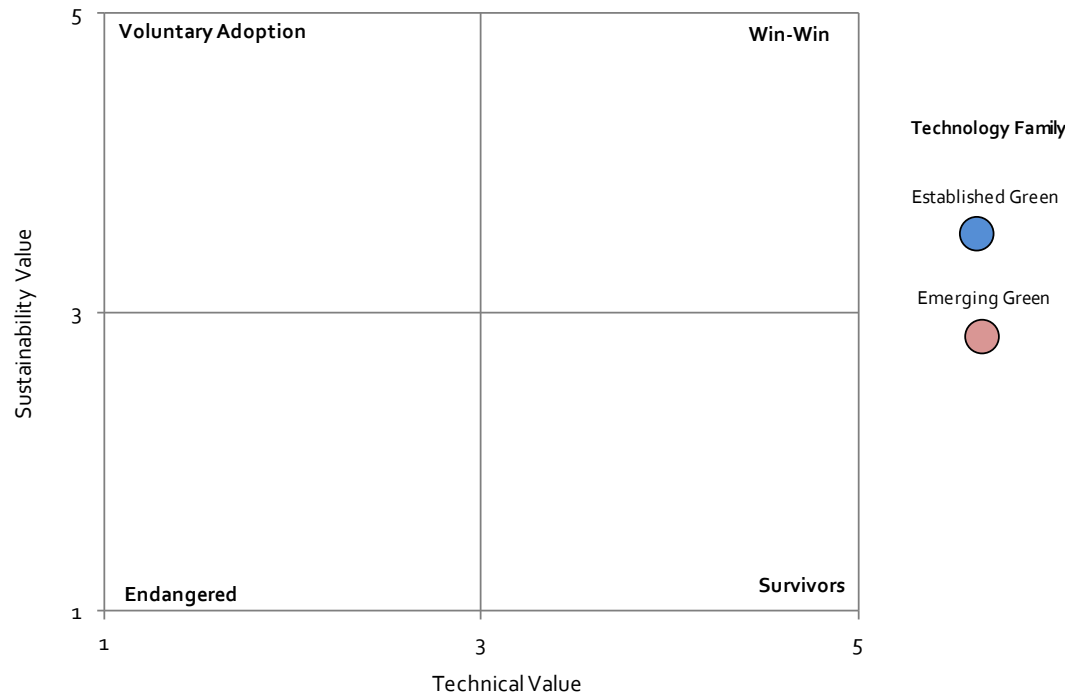
- Alkyd and epoxy chemistries are improving waterborne coatings performance
- Widespread availability of polyols, esters, and other monomers from biological feedstocks has sparked new interest in bio-based binders

# Lux Innovation Grid Provides a Reality Check for Adoption Challenges and Timeline



- Technologies that are “Current Winners” are widely deployed today
- “Future Winners” have great potential but face significant adoption hurdles
- “Long Shots” technologies are immature and have questionable technology value
- “Faded Incumbents” are technologies that are well-established but commoditized, with little scope for differentiation

# Lux Sustainability Grid Illustrates the challenges in Balancing Sustainability and End-User Value



- “Win-Win” technologies offer both technology and sustainability value
- “Voluntary Adoption” technologies offer significant sustainability value but are compromised on either performance or cost
- “Endangered” technologies have negative sustainability impact and questionable technology value
- “Survivor” technologies will provide enough technical value to the end users and developers to fight rising regulations

# Lux Innovation Grid: Technology Value Criteria

Criterion	Description	Weight
Coating performance	As measured by gloss, color, hardness, resistance to weathering and biological degradation	20%
Coating durability	Ability to maintain performance over a long period of time	25%
Cost	Cost of the coating including materials and labor	25%
Processibility	Ability to coating rheological properties to enable a wide variety of application processes, e.g. dip coating, roll coating, spray coating	20%
Geographic applicability	Ability to be applicable in a range of climates and geographies	10%

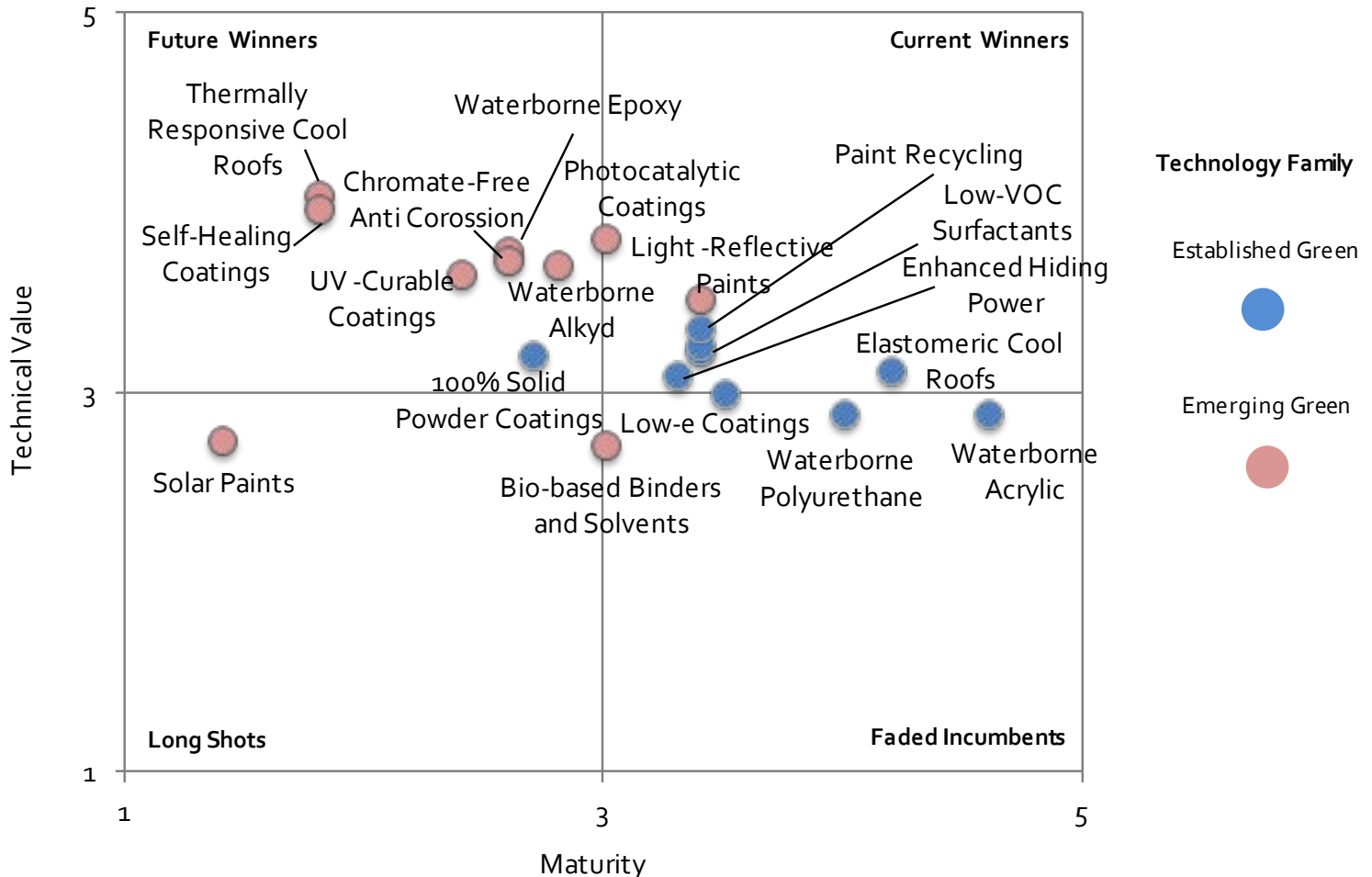
# Lux Innovation Grid: Maturity Value Criteria

Criterion	Description	Weight
Probability of reaching performance goals	Will the technology achieve its promised performance goals at maturity	20%
Architect and construction firm familiarity	Are the architects familiar enough to specify the technology? Are the construction firms familiar enough to apply the coating properly?	20%
Size and reach of developers	Market share of the developers and the strength of their partnerships	20%
Present market share	Quantitative value of the market share of a given technology within a specific segment	20%
Time to market	Time required for a given technology to be commercially available	20%

# Lux Sustainability Grid: Sustainability Value Criteria

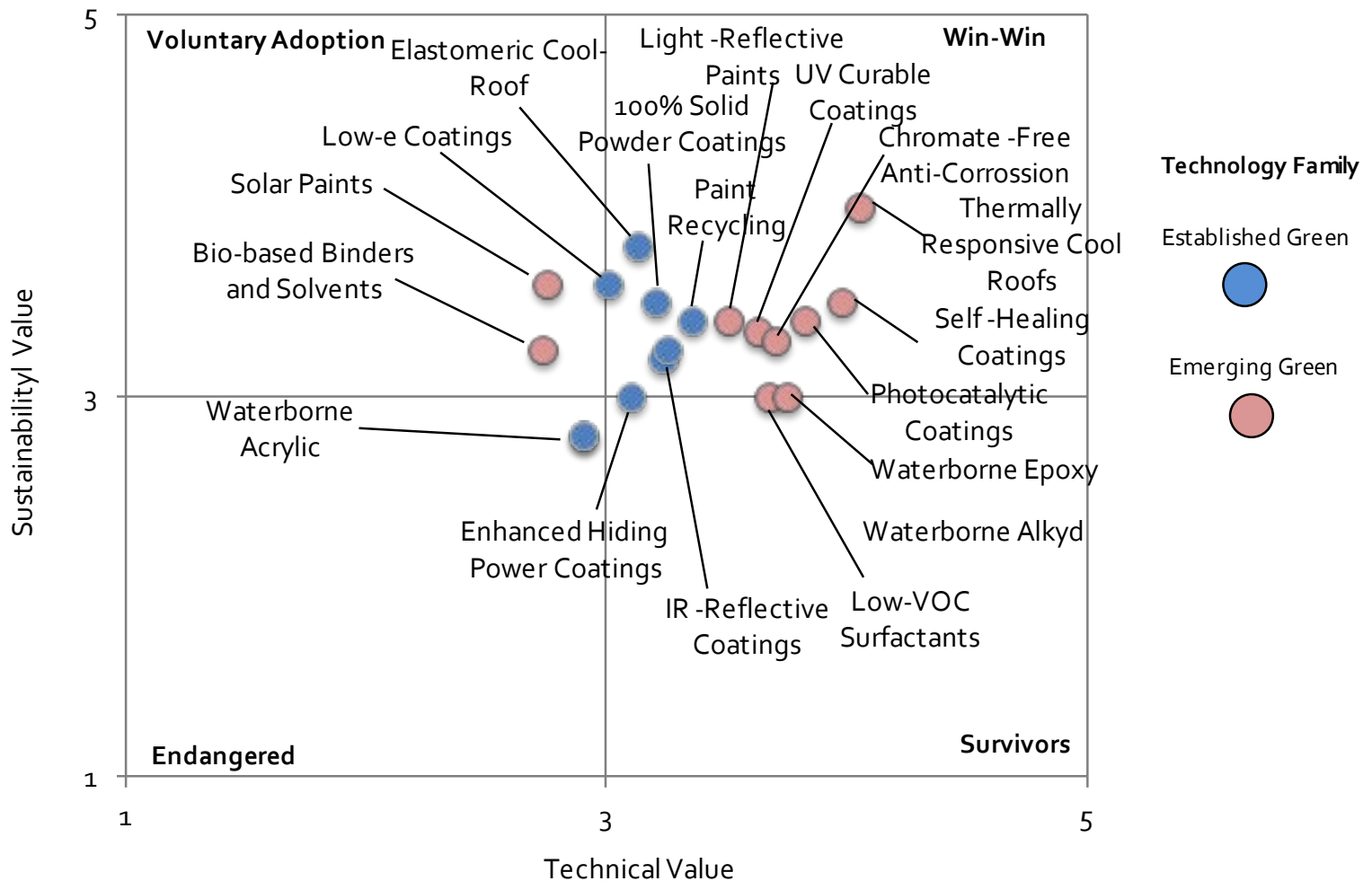
Sustainability Axis	Criterion	Description	Weight
Resource efficiency	Energy consumption	Energy consumption during the manufacturing and application of the coating	10%
	Water consumption	Water consumption during the manufacturing and application of the coating	10%
	Petrochemical consumption	Non-renewable feedstock consumption during the manufacturing and application of the coating	10%
	Coating usage over the life of the building	Includes reapplication of coating for less durable coatings	10%
Energy efficiency	Energy efficiency of the building	Ability of the coating to reduce the heating, cooling, and lighting loads of the building	30%
Environmental impact	VOC release	Release of VOCs to the environment during manufacturing, application, and usage life of the coating	10%
	Heavy metal release	Release of heavy metals to the environment during manufacturing, application, and usage life of the coating	10%
	Mitigating air pollution	Ability of the coating to neutralize the pollutants from the ambient air surrounding the building	10%

# Plotting Architectural Coating Technologies on Lux Innovation Grid





# Plotting Architectural Coating Technologies on Lux Sustainability Grid



# Sustainable Coating Offerings Have Moved Beyond Just Low VOC Content Via Solvent Reduction

- Unsolved challenges in incumbent low-VOC technologies give rise to the future winners
- Cool roofs could expand their geographic footprint, thanks to thermally responsive optical coatings and become a future winner
- Solar paints remain a long-shot due to poor efficiency; bio-based binders farther along in maturity.

# There Will Be Few Winners Purely Based on Sustainability

- Waterborne acrylics are no longer a competitive differentiator, unless coupled with other technologies
- Enhancing durability enables win-win technologies
- “Reduce, reuse, and recycle” is a key enabling principle New building norms and government regulations bring energy efficiency in focus

# Outlook

- Regulations move beyond VOC and heavy metals to include energy efficiency during usage
- Environmental degradation and rising resource constraints drive innovation in emerging economies
- Unconventional oil will lift petrochemical feedstock constraints, negating a major driver for bio-based binders
- Architects increasingly view exterior coatings as an integral part of the building envelope design

# Questions?

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