

Automated Testing of SAP at Kimberly-Clark

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Who is Kimberly-Clark Corporation?

- Sales \$20.8 billion in sales in 2011
- Employees 57,000 working in 36 countries
- Customers Global brands are a trusted part of the lives of nearly one-quarter of the world's population across more than 175 countries







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Who is Kimberly-Clark Corporation?



- Global Brands by Business
 - Consumer Kleenex, Scott, Huggies, Pull-Ups, Kotex, Poise/Depend
 - **KCP** Jackson Safety, Safeskin Gloves
 - HC Ballard Medical Devices, Pain Management (I-Flow)
- Brand Share Our Consumer business holds the No. 1 or No. 2 brand share in more than 80 countries





• Four SAP® environments across the global regions

North America	Asia-Pacific
Europe	Latin American Operations

- North America (United States and Canada)
 - SAP ECC 6.0

DTR	RTS	RTC
Design to Retire	Recruit to Separate	Requisition to Check
FTS	OTC	ATR
Forecast to Stock	Order to Cash	Accounting to Reporting

Key Interfaces

GATP	APO	CRM
Global Available to	Advanced Planning	Customer Relationship
Promise	Optimizer	Management
VMI Vendor Managed Inventory		BI Business Intelligence



Kimberly-Clark Path to Test Automation

Manual Testing Lean Event (Kaizen)

- Document current testing process find ways to eliminate waste
 - Identified areas for improvement: Impact Analysis, Data & Test execution via Automation



Executive Sponsorship

- Built Business Case for automation based upon historical testing costs and estimated 'White Space' creation
 - Saving expectations for automation
 - Conservative 25%
 - Expected 55%
 - Aggressive 75%
- Tied Test Automation whitespace savings to SAP ECC 6.0 project upgrade
- Designed Implementation Approach and Support Model
 - Focus on E2E tests crossing entire business process flow
 - Automated Testing COE
- With business case data in-hand, IT Leadership agreed to support the initiative with both resources and funding

- Leveraged Gartner and K-C Architecture services for preferred vendors
- Interviewed Midwest Peer companies (SCJ, Wrigley, General Mills) regarding current status with automated testing
- Completed onsite vendor demos and evaluations
 - Worksoft Certify endorsed by Infrastructure, Architecture and Project Management Office Teams
- Completed RFP and purchased software

Project for SAP Automation

Project Timeline	
Q4-2010	 Project Resource Identification E2E test Instances identified for Automation based upon Criticality and Usage
Q1-2011	 Project Kick-off Certify Training Individual test cases built into executable tests Integration with Business SME's and design flow across SAP Workstreams lacking
Q2-2011	 "The Big Shake-up" Agile methodology introduced to Project team Dedicated Resources – IT and Business SME's Increased focus on building standards and re-usability of test components Increased visibility to E2E Process flow and Design elements
Q3-2011 – mid Q4-2011	 Automated Test Build – using Agile Cadences to minimize time impact to Business SME resources Virtual Automated Testing COE resources identified

2011-Nov - Automation Build Project Completes – Now what?

Timeline	
Q1-2012	 Preparation for SAP ECC 6.0 begins (remediation) Automated Testing COE integrates Test Automation into Project Management Lifecycle
Q2-2012	 Automation Tests executed as part of SAP ECC 6.0 Integration testing 25% of OTC Critical Test Cases executed via Automation Lights out Testing execution of Regression Test Suite integrated into SAP software release cycle – soft Automated Testing COE begins start-up activities for other SAP projects Business Case for A-P roll-out

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Timeline	
Q3-2012	 Application Team Integration Virtual COE = Virtually no resources Start-up Squad Identify resources & start training Global Roll-out planning Infrastructure Landscape Business Case for LAO Project Integration – new builds & Regression testing APO Upgrade Warehouse Management System upgrade
Q4-2012	 Project Integration i2[™] Upgrade Continued Regression test suite execution for projects Automated Testing software as a 'Robot' Automated Testing infrastructure upgrade Asia-Pacific Integration (Planned) Integration into non-SAP Projects Solidify 2013 Roadmap

2013 Roadmap

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- Budget Allocated for Automation builds within SAP application teams
- Automated Testing Software Upgrade (platform change)
 - Introducing Mobility
- Global Roll-out LAO
- Build Automated Testing Expertise within Application teams (Functional and Technical)
- Build Start-up Squad capabilities within Application teams
 - Staffing available for 2-3 Start-up squads
 - Enable project integration for 'Top 7' 2013 projects
 - Enable Regression test execution for projects/enhancements
- Lights out Testing execution of Regression Test Suite integrated into SAP software release cycle – Hard
- Steering Committee

Kimberly-Clark Key Learnings

- IT Leadership Support is important Business Leadership Buy-in is even more so!
 - You need your Business SME's available and engaged to ensure success
- Test Cases do not translate into Automated Tests
 - What does "Make sure the screen looks right" really mean?
- Look for ways to tie Automation into projects and enhancements to create whitespace for your Business
 - Pro-bono work for quick wins will help with gaining funding for larger initiatives
 - Show the value and the Business resources on the ground will support you
- Not everything will be automated, nor should it be
- Advocates in IT Application teams will help to build the trust in Automation & ensure best practices are followed
- True IT resources need to be involved from the ground up in the overall design of Automated Tests
 - The tool is straightforward to use, but to get true benefit, use Functional Analysts from the application area and real Developers who know SAP to build the tests
- Be willing to 'check and adjust' and ask for help when you need it