

# Overcoming Issues in Implementing Chemical Structure Searching

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## Overcoming Issues in Implementing Chemical Structure Searching Across Disparate Data Sets

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Consider data mining a data set for chemical nomenclature. As long as the data set contains relevant names for chemicals, processing can be systematised with the inevitable exceptions and special cases handled by the programmers as these issues occur. However, consider that the data sets are from disparate sources in which correct systematic names are *not* used by design or are intentionally made ambiguous as would be the case in, say, the open press or even patents. Also, consider literature sources such as newspapers or even trade journals which may make chemical names easier to read but not easier to resolve; but these sources cannot be dismissed simply because they make the problem of extracting and searching chemical names more difficult. Also, consider other technical sources such as dissertations or trade journals in which the level of resolution can vary not only by publication, but also from issue to issue. This presentation discusses some of the issues and solutions involved with implementing a chemical information system using various information sources.



## Background

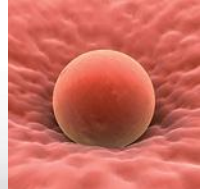
- Chemical market
- Chemical information sources
- Meeting the needs of one with the other

## Developments

- Findings from customers
- Issues
- Going forward

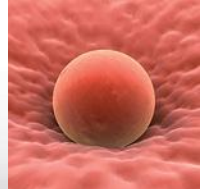
- Dialog entered the chemical information market in the early 1970's
- Most users were librarians
  - Academic
  - Non-technical searchers at technical companies
  - Eventually, technical searchers were segmented from the business/legal/general searchers
- Images were limited due to sources, limited bandwidth for transmission, general technology
- Text was king

- Business blossomed with new features added
- Brunt of the business was on text searching
- Non-technical searchers found searching using terms easier than drawing pictures
- The use of structural data was often left to more technical searchers
- Quick name lookups, general articles, any information that could be found by a name was useful



- Name searching had to include IUPAC, CAS Systematic, trade names, trivial names, lab codes, trademarks, etc.
- Such names were indexed by themselves (e.g., “Klaritin” or “Acetominophen”) or algorithmically segmented
- All users found segmented terms useful and a bit easier to understand than images
- Algorithm broke up names starting from the back of the name and worked its way forward, identifying segments along the way

- Segments could be searched using proximity and also the searcher could specify if the segments were simply next to each other or taken from a specific substance in any order
- Segments could be searched across many databases using the same terms and logic
- Users could then output the type of data that they wished based upon where the hits were found
- Classes on searching chemical databases by non-chemists were amongst the most popular



- Data sources have changed with new technologies allowing the identification and extraction of substance data from text
- Text is now available that incorporates both technical and non-technical data, plus somewhere in between
- Many value added chemical substance dictionaries are available
- Based on user needs and available data the system is developing





# What would a non-chemist professional searcher want?

# Chemical information sources

## Chemical Dictionaries

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FLD101:C22H23ClN2O2|  
FLD120:1-Piperidinecarboxylic acid\_(9CI)|  
FLD122:4-(8-chloro-5,6-dihydro-11H-benzo(5,6)cyclohepta(1,2-b)pyridin-11-ylidene)-|  
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- Traditional data from Chemical Abstracts
- Very directed to substances
- Segmentation of CAS Systematic Names and appropriate synonyms
- Value added
  - Key identifiers
  - Human indexing
  - Reliable, reviewed, edited, corrected



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**Codexis Names David Anton CTO & SVP, Process Development & Manufacturing**  
**Credits, Codexis, Inc.**

**PRNewswire , P n/a**

**Thursday , February 24, 2011**

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., Feb. 24, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Codexis, Inc. (Nasdaq: CDXS) today announced that David Anton, Ph.D. has been promoted to Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President, Process Development and Manufacturing, a new position. He will continue to report to Alan Shaw, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer.



Dr. Anton joined DuPont in 1983, and held a variety of senior research management positions across bioprocessing and biocatalysis. He led the process research, development and commercialization of several products, including **1,3 propanediol** (a chemical intermediate used in a variety of industrial applications ranging from airplane deicing fluids to textiles and carpet). As Vice President, Research and Development for DuPont's joint venture with Tate and Lyle, he directed technology start-up activities for the first 100 million-pound plant for 1,3 propanediol, commissioned in Loudon, TN in 2006. As Venture Manager, Biofuels, he was global business lead for development of DuPont's advanced biofuel, biobutanol.



- Probably a good hit, giving the players in the field, some capacity information, partners
- Certainly not too technical; more business information
- This is a press release
- Dr. David Anton. Dr. Alan Shaw – would it make sense to link their doctoral dissertations
  - Dr. David Anton has a 1980 thesis on the characterization of Cobalamin (Vitamin B-12)
  - Dr. Alan Shaw – there are nine dissertations with variations of the name Alan Shaw



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Water-based sealants protect garage floors  
Chicago Daily Herald , All ED , P 1  
Sunday , August 21, 2011

Text:

Q. I recently purchased a condo with a one-car garage. The floor is cracked in three places coming from the drain in the lower center of the floor. I want to put some type of coating over the entire garage floor after the cracks are fixed. I live in western Pennsylvania and need something that would hold up to the salt that is used in the winter months. What would you recommend?



A. Some concrete or masonry sealants are not available in a number of states because of the solvent in them. So the industry is moving toward water-based sealants, which have proved to be effective and more environmentally acceptable. Euclid Chemical makes Baracade WB 244, a siloxane/silane-based blend that provides deep penetration and good surface repellency. There are others. Call a masonry-supply house in your area to get the brand they carry. The garage floor will need to be thoroughly clean and dry. You can clean it with TSP-PF (phosphate free), following directions on the container.





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- Very general information, though potentially useful to a non-technical user
- Could still be useful to a patent searcher
- Tradenames for chemicals
- General category of chemicals using a tradename
- TSP-PF



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- Potential for mistakes is high in a combined source
- Loose usage of language and proximity to actual chemical terms confuses the issues

# Chemical information sources

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IMETHYL PROPANE^3 DIOL // 2 2 DIMETHYL PROPANE 1^DIOL // 2 2 DIMETHYL PRO  
PANE 1 3|

FLD025:DIOL, SULFONATED & POLYALCOHOLS^SULFONATED & POLYALCOHOLS // DIOL,^& POLY  
ALCOHOLS // DIOL, SULFONATED^POLYALCOHOLS // DIOL, SULFONATED &|



- Varied data – this record has specifics, others list more generic data
- Indexing is more generic
- Chemical names are at term level
- Next level would be segmentation of the chemical names (some are illustrated)
- Decisions regarding locants



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FLD002:Piezoelectricity in Polyvinylidene Fluoride (PVDF) was observed long back and significant development has been made since its discovery. The theory on this property has predominantly revolved about the polymorphism and unique structure of PVDF. Of the four structures PVDF can be fabricated namely  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$ , apart from the  $\alpha$  phase the other 3 have piezoelectricity property in them. This thesis concentrates on the  $\beta$  phase PVDF as they have the highest piezoelectric effect present due to non cancellation of dipoles. In the past, research in the  $\beta$  phase PVDF was conducted in stretched films. This thesis concentrates on the film properties in the unstretched condition. Flexoelectricity is a property which was first observed in 1969 in crystalline dielectric materials. The extension of this phenomenon in PVDF films is discussed in the thesis. Flexoelectricity is more dominant in the micro and nano sc



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FLD008:50|  
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FLD012:3|  
FLD014:4904|  
FLD031:02559027|  
FLD032:Ramachandran, Narayanan|  
FLD033:0548^0794|  
FLD034:0656|  
FLD036:978-1-124-47705-3|  
FLD037:State University of New York at Buffalo|  
FLD040:Adviser: John Y. Fu|  
FLD041:Fu, John Y.|  
FLD043:2011|  
FLD044:M. S. |  
FLD099:MAI |  
FLD100:Engineering, Materials Science|  
FLD999:035 |



- Record shows only abstract
- Would fulltext be useful?
- How about the dissertation's bibliography?
- Chemical names tend to be spelled out, then abbreviations are used for readability
- Maybe link out to the documents in the bibliography and incorporate them...



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- Molecular formulae can be identified easily
- Terms of art
- Semi-scientific abbreviations, acronyms

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2 [Acetaminophen toxicity in an urban county hospital](#) [Preview](#)  
(Oct 16, 1997)  
...prevalence and characteristics of acetaminophen-associated liver injury in  
...hospitalized for excessive acetaminophen ingestion at an urban county hospital  
...were classified as having taken acetaminophen during suicide attempts and 21 as  
Found in: New England Journal of Medicine

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3 [False-positive acetaminophen results in a hyperbilirubinemic patient.](#) [Preview](#)  
(Apr 2003)  
...(1), and the widespread use of acetaminophen places this drug high on the list  
...viral causes of hepatic disease. Acetaminophen is hepatotoxic in doses  
...centrilobular necrosis (2). After acetaminophen overdose, symptoms of liver  
Found in: Gale Group Health Periodicals Database  
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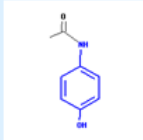
Acetaminophen

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Synonyms:  
paracetamol

InChI: XXJXX XXJ X  
SMILES: YYYYYYY

Molecular formula: C8H9NO2  
Molecular Mass: 151.16



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Chemistry Term Highlighting

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Generic Name

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Substance Class

**OBJECTIVE:** To report a case of erratic absorption, double peak serum concentrations, and hepatotoxicity following premature cessation of intravenous N-acetylcysteine (NAC) treatment in the setting of a massive acetaminophen overdose.

**CASE SUMMARY:** A 78-year-old man reportedly ingested approximately 96 immediate-release acetaminophen 500-mg tablets (48 g) over a one-hour period in an apparent suicide attempt. The acetaminophen concentration at 2.25 hours was 264 mug/mL. Intravenous NAC was initiated 5 hours postingestion. At 6.25 hours postingestion, the acetaminophen concentration was 281 mug/mL. Following administration of intravenous NAC for 21 hours, therapy was discontinued despite a residual acetaminophen concentration of 116 mug/mL. The patient experienced hepatotoxicity, coagulopathy, and renal injury. Pharmacokinetic analysis revealed significantly prolonged acetaminophen absorption and a second peak acetaminophen concentration of 228 mug/mL approximately 48 hours postingestion. Direct in-hospital monitoring of the patient made a second ingestion unlikely.

**DISCUSSION:** Acetaminophen overdose is usually effectively managed with NAC. Patients with massive ingestions may have altered absorption kinetics due to acetaminophen's solubility being exceeded, physiologically or chemically altered gastrointestinal emptying or motility, or other factors. These patients may benefit from gastrointestinal decontamination and prolonged NAC therapy.

**CONCLUSIONS:** In patients with massive acetaminophen ingestion, erratic absorption may occur, and toxic serum concentrations may persist beyond a standard 21-hour course of intravenous NAC therapy.

Acetaminophen concentrations and aminotransferase levels should be evaluated at the completion of the intravenous NAC infusion to ensure complete elimination of acetaminophen and absence of hepatotoxicity and to exclude the need for prolonged treatment.

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Inventor	Krähmer, Daniel Aalen, DE Gruner, Toralf Aalen-Hofen, DE Ulrich, Wilhelm Aalen, DE Enkisch, Birgit Aalen, DE Gerhard, Michael Aalen, DE Brunotte, Martin Aalen, DE Wagner, Christian KS Eersel, NL Kaiser, Winfried Aalen, DE Maul, Manfred Aalen, DE Zaczek, Christof Heubach, DE
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Application number	US 10367989 (08 May 2002)
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