Mobile Apps for Chemistry

Summary

- Current status
- What we've learnt
- The future . . .

Current status

Isn't there an app for that already?

Chemistry apps

- Reading journals
- Drawing structures
- Searching databases
- Calculating properties
- Teaching tools









Drawing structures



RSC Mobile



Searching databases



Drawing structures









Searching databases



Calculating properties



Teaching tools



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Back in 2010 . . .

















































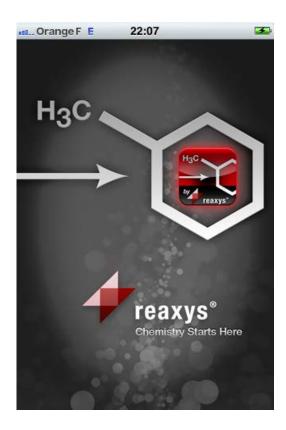


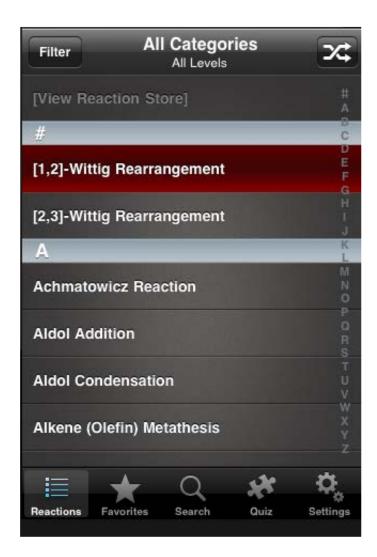
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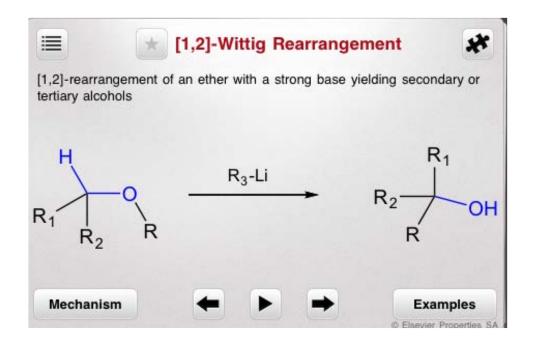
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 - Had to have a mobile need
 - Not "connected"
 - Not Reaxys mobile
 - Sales & marketing

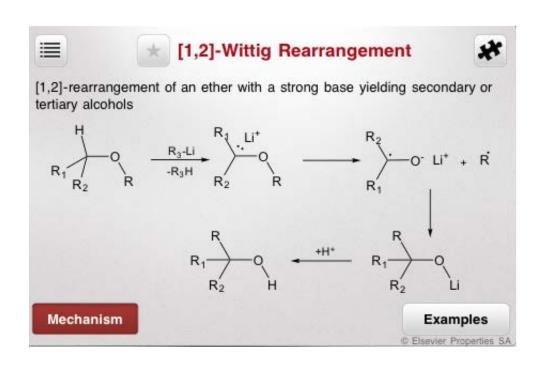
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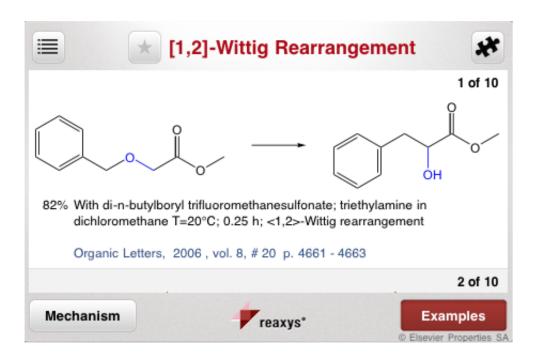
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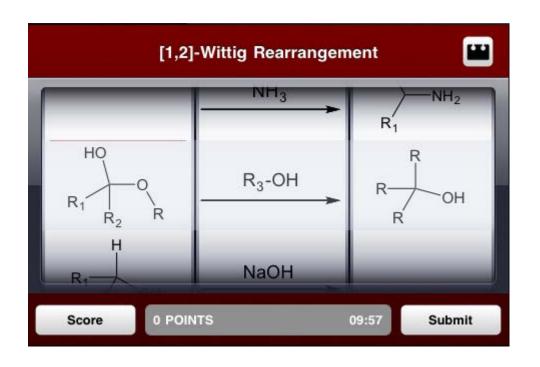












WHAT WE LEARNT!

Technology

Sales & marketing

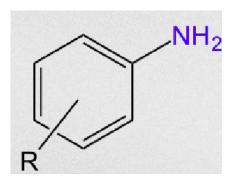
Technology

- Problem
 - iPhone did not represent chemistry drawing files
 - Need to draw them . . .

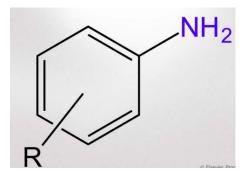
- All structures as pictures
 - For "good" zoom 200 reactions was too big
 - Quality not good if compensate for overall size

- All structures vector based
 - Great quality
 - Great speed & interactivity
- But
 - Completely manual
 - "translation" errors from vector based files

Picture: (zoomed)



Vector based: (zoomed)



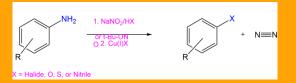
- Vector based worth the effort
- But

We had to develop a whole protocol

A drawing protocol

Draw Reaction (manually-optimize presentation





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(in Text Format)

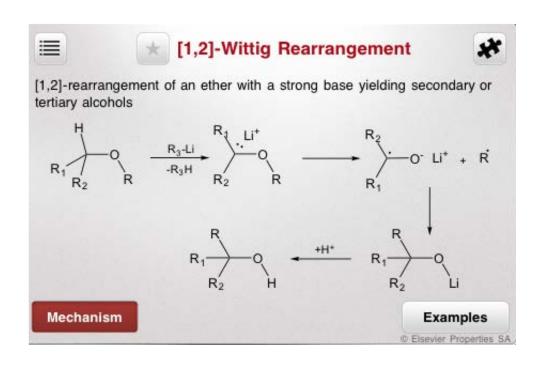
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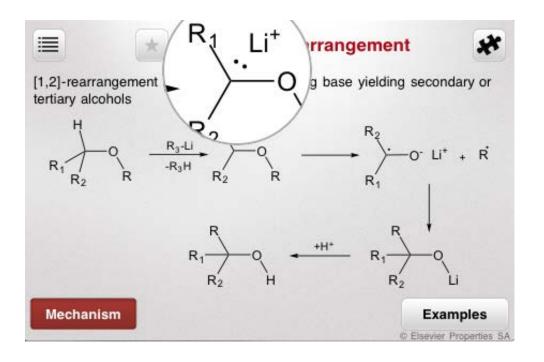
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Quality checking . . .

- Reactions
- Mechanisms
- Examples





Sales & marketing

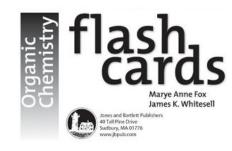
iTunes store

- Contracts
- Time (yours is precious only to you)
- Sales process
- Website info

BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME!

Sales

• How much to charge?



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Organic Chemistry Flash Cards [Cards]

Marye Anne Fox ♥ (Author), James K. Whitesell (Author)

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Free with in-app purchase



Category: Education

Updated: Mar 09, 2012

Version: 1.2 Size: 11.2 MB Language: English

Seller: Elsevier Properties SA © 2012 Elsevier Properties SA

Rated 4+

Requirements: Compatible with iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad. Requires iOS 4.1 or later.

Top In-App Purchases

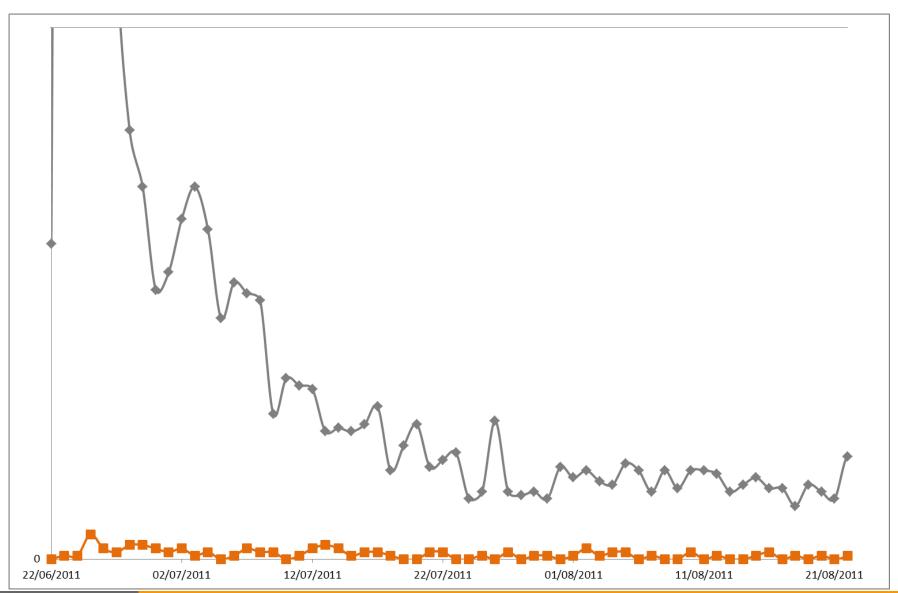
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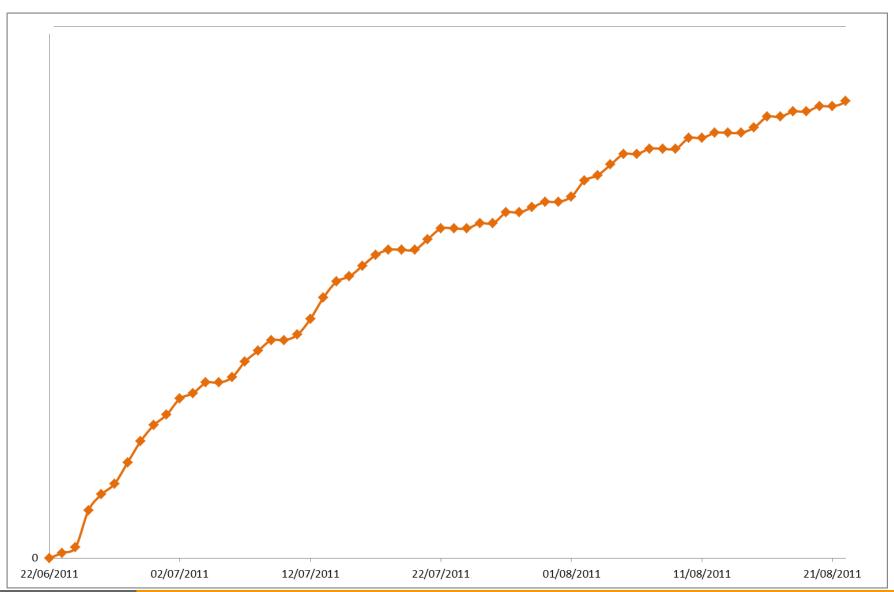
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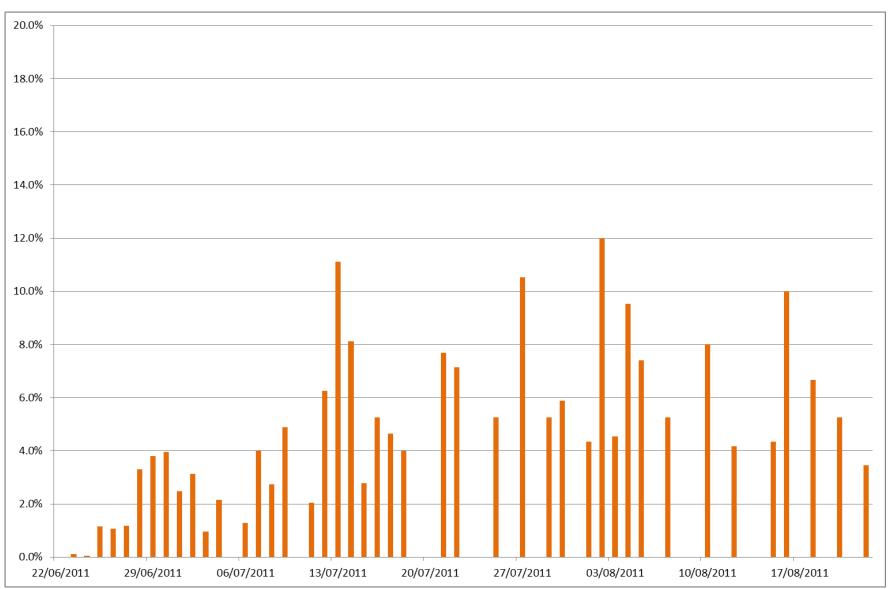
Downloads & sales



Total sales



Conversion rate



People seemed to like ReactionFlash

Great tool for all chemists ★★★★

by ironmike26 - Version 1.2 - Apr 30, 2012

Report a Concern >

From an undergraduate to a professor, this is a great app with full mechanisms and examples from published work, quizzes are also a great help too. Good for learning and refreshing existing knowledge. I had one app issue and it was resolved quickly, support as very helpful. Worth the money for the full version.

Great tool for studying Organic Chemistry ★★★★

by Dustin Bristol - Version 1.0 - Apr 28, 2011

Report a Concern >

I wish this app was available when I was taking Orgo last semester! This is such a great app and is super simple to use. It includes all the reactions you will need to know for both parts of Organic Chemistry. Looking forward to updates in the future.

Perfekt ****

von maximomaxim - Version 1.0 - 11.06.2011

Ein Problem melden >

Hervorragende App. Nur zu Empfehlen. Eine Unmenge an Namens-Reaktionen mit allem drum und dran. Zu (fast) jeder Reaktion der Ausführliche Mechanismus, sowie einige Beispiele. Dazu gibt es noch ein Quiz mit dem man jede Reaktion üben kann. Karteikarten und aufschreiben werden überflüssig.

Super!

Just perfect:) ★★★★

von Benny... - Version 1.1 - 26.06.2011

ich lern grad für meinen organik-masterabschluss und die app ist gold wert;)

very good ★★★★★

by sukilovely - Version 1.1 - Jun 23, 2011

nice app!! for orgarnic chemistry reaction... so simple and easy to use Ein Problem melden >

But compared to the rest of iTunes . . .

Is the price right?



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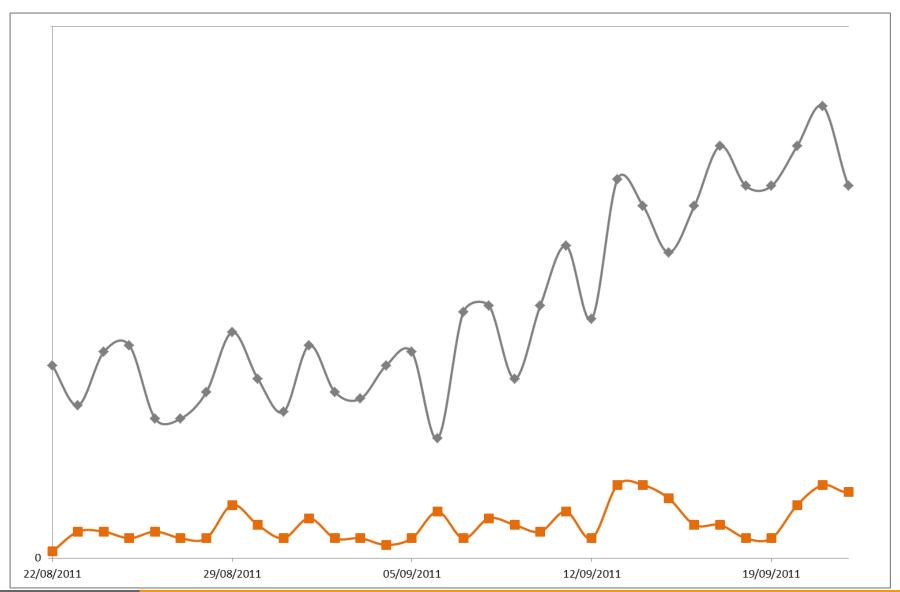
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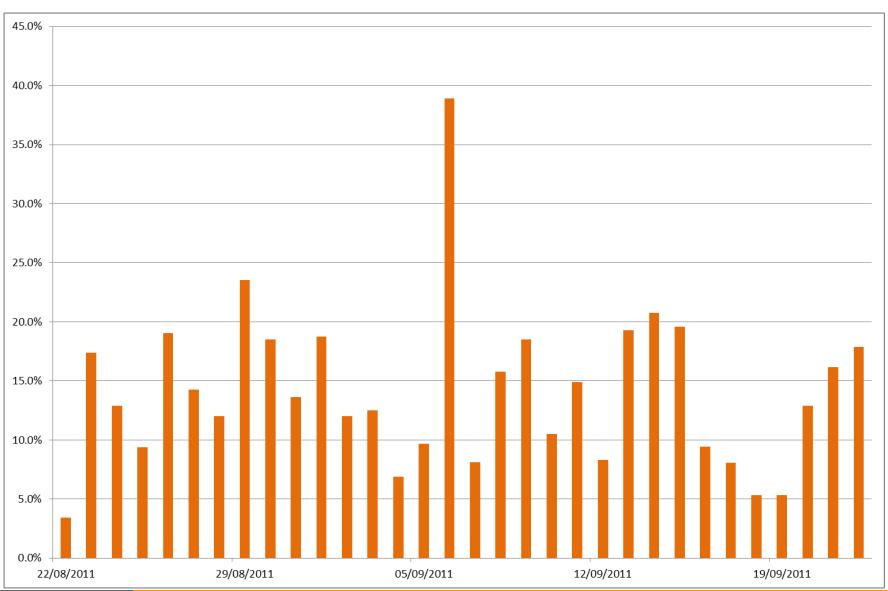
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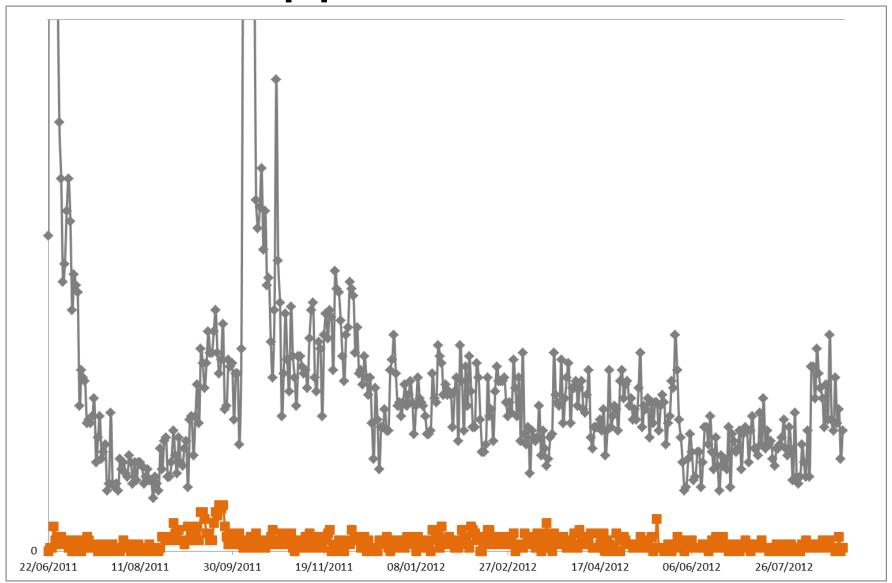
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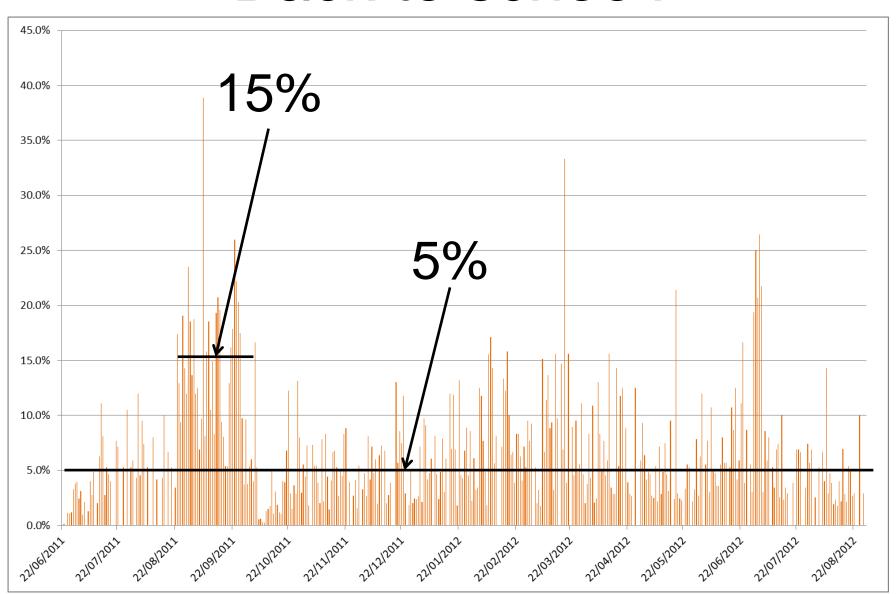
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What happened afterwards?



Back to school!



Is \$1.99 sustainable?

 What is the market size for chemistry students interested in named reactions

Is this bigger or smaller than the audience for Angry Birds??

What did we learn

- Building apps is a lot of fun!
- Technology & QA is no less important than on any other platform!!
 - There is a lot of great default technology but out side of that toolbox it is difficult
- The best apps are specific (single use / objectives)
 - Small market sizes / target audiences will influence the objective for an app

So what do people really want?

Innovation explorers

- **2010**, 2011, 2012
- ~100 respondents each year
- Researchers in biochemistry, genetics, molecular biology, chemistry engineering, chemistry, immunology, pharmacology, toxicology, microbiology, & medicine
- 60/40 split academic vs. corporate

Smartphones in academia & industry

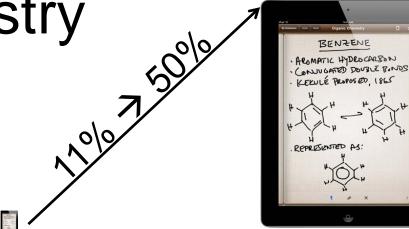
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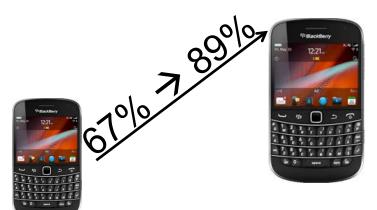
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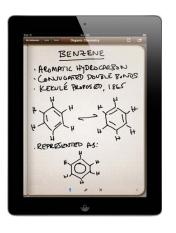


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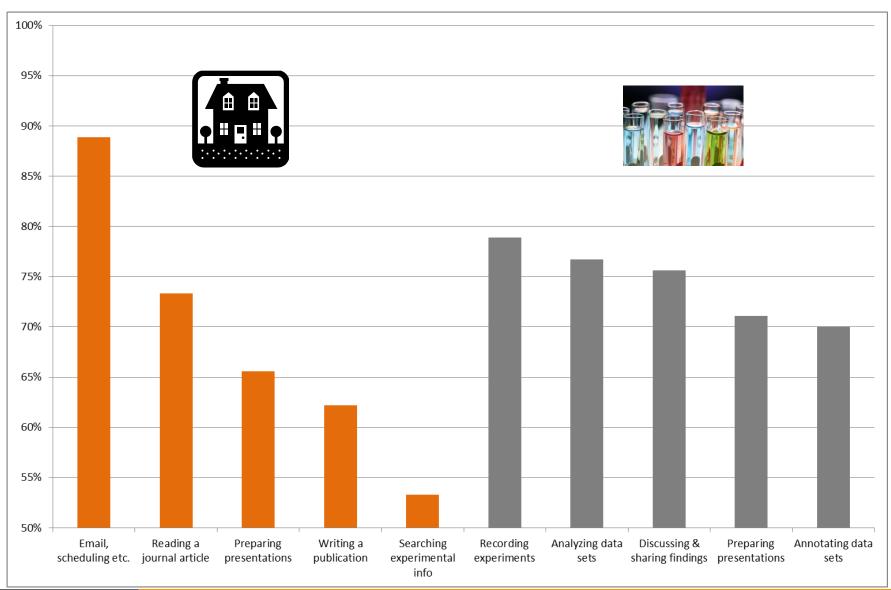


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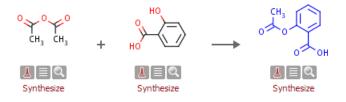
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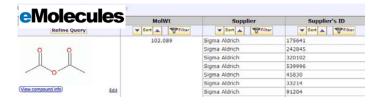
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Finding information



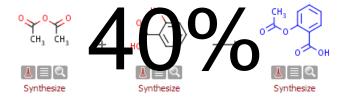
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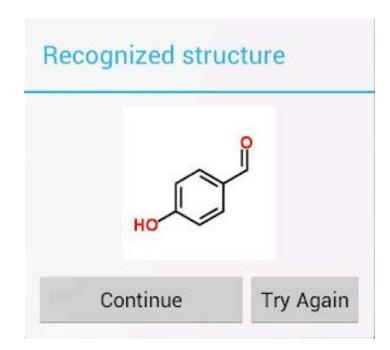


The future



Additional functions





Changing attitudes

- Some things just don't currently / yet work on mobile:
 - Analysing data sets
 - Searching for experimental information
 - Writing papers / reports

What is mobile?

Category	Shipments	Growth 2010 / 2011
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Pads	63M	274%
Netbooks	30M	-25%
Notebooks	210M	7.5%
Desktops	112M	2.5%

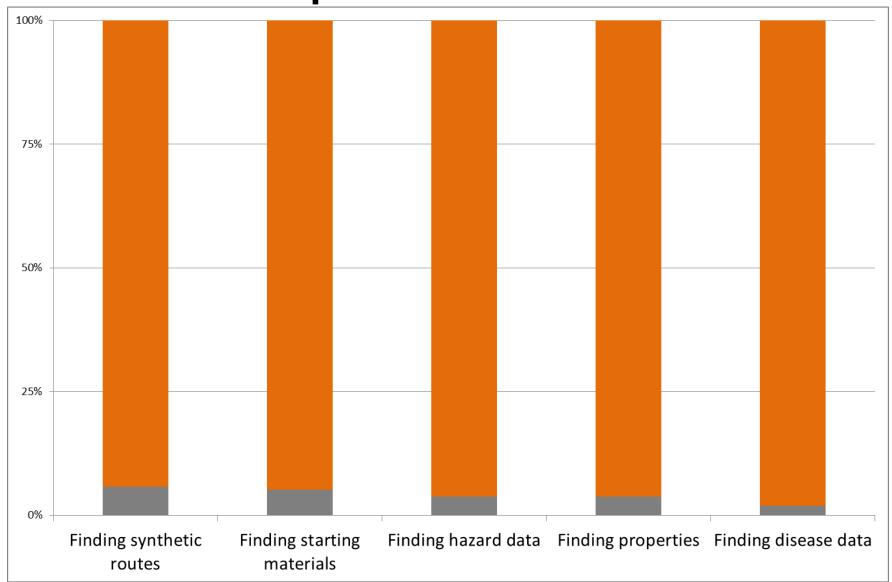
Is everything equal?

Surely a smartphone is not a tablet?

Size is important . . .



Smartphone vs. tablet



Is mobile important?

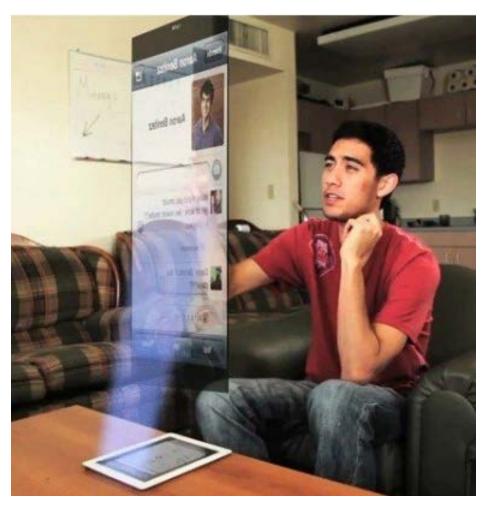
"The term 'mobile' will become an anachronism. Remember 'desktop computing'? All computing will be considered mobile"

Peter Semmelhack, founder of Bug Labs

"The future of mobile is all about how gestural interfaces will permeate our every day lives"
Rana June Sobhany, iPad DJ, author, and mobile entrepreneur

Read more: http://www.businessinsider.com/future-of-mobile-experts-2011-6?op=1

Thanks!



http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=z1magCv4LtM

Questions??

