





#### Scientific Narratives

A GUIDE TO RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT IN RESEARCH

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comments about their outcome and thoughts of a more philosophical kind. All are couched in plain language, with many vivid phrases of delightful spontaneity....

Faraday's laboratory notebooks are also remarkable in the amount of detail that they give about the design and setting up of experiments, interspersed with

Peter Day, 'The Philosopher's Tree: A Selection of Michael Faraday's Writings' Jisc Digifest



"We have lots of information technology. We just don't have any information."

What is the story? What is the why?

### THE NARRATIVE

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# **RESOURCING**

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Co-sourcing

• Open Sourcing

• In-Sourcing

• Single-Sourcing

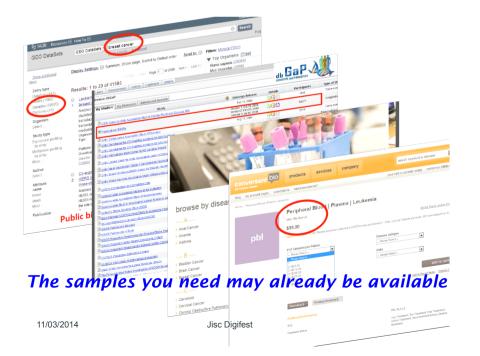
• Out-sourcing

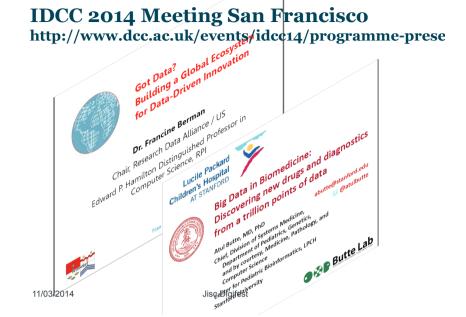
Crowd Sourcing

Net-Sourcing

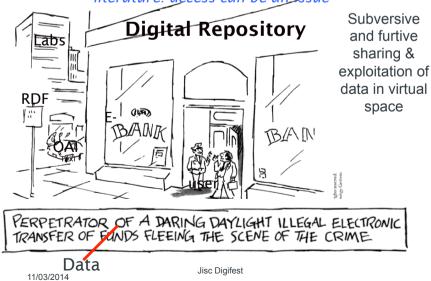
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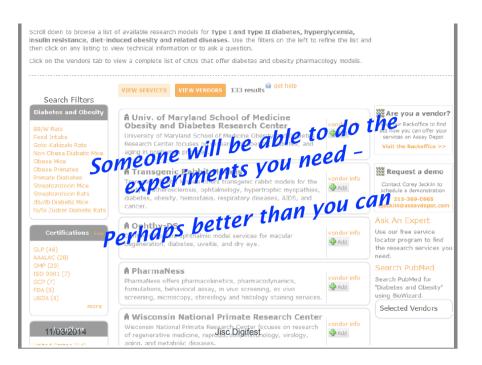
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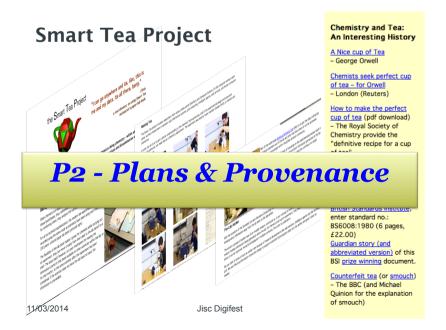










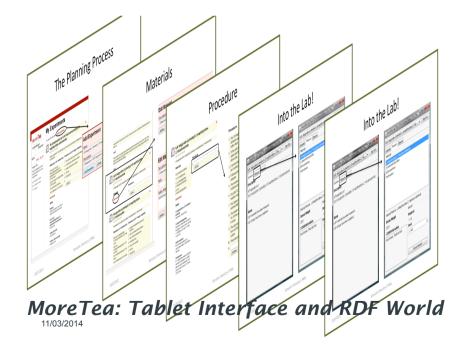


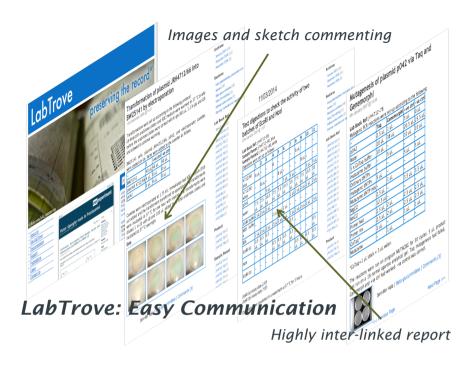
Bringing dissemination in to the lab... use and re-use of data... the digital research notebook

# DISSEMINATION IS PART OF THE RESEARCH

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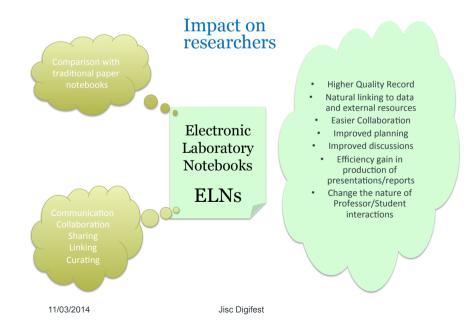






Set up your own publishing operation!





#### **Open Notebook Science**

• Certainly not always the way to work!

- IPR, Commercial, long term projects, recognition issues, etc

• But

- Makes connection much easier if the data and processes are "Open"

- Easy to export & access of "Linked-Data" of Travel Health Tips (#TV

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#### Validation

- Increasing the value of data
- How to bring all the necessary information together to enable appropriate validation
- · Increasingly difficult & expensive to achieve
- · Need provenance and context
- Essential step otherwise just a collection of items



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Introduction

LabTrove Open Notebooks Mat Todd's PZQ

**Proiect** 

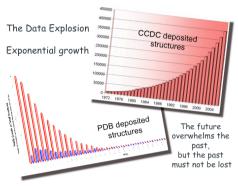
**Blog Syn** Blog Syn #002 This is a picture - why has the data been lost? Pyridines stay close to the original Updated: 2/20/13 - Adde with literature. May requi The ratio I get from these integrations is 12.7 / 1.5 / 1 (m/o/p), which agrees with the original publication. Update (2/20/13): Prof. Yu indicates that integration of the crude against 0.5 equiv. of CH2Br2 (4.94 ppm, above) gives a NMR yield of meta-olefination product matching the literature (76%). Of note, the reagents are quite different - he's using a higher grade of both (1,10-phen) and pyridine, but we don't have information on the acrylate used or the Pd source. Also of note, the 50 mL long, cylindrical tube volume clearly benefits the reaction, as alluded to in Prof. Yu's original email.

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We thank Prof. Yu for sending along some clarification. Perhaps this signifies a change in the way reactions are reported; if everyone had to send along photo evidence, would there be so many reproducibility issues in the modern literature?

#### **Unavailable Information**

- Not just lots of data but why are many of the structures unpublished so certainly unavailable?
- The E-Crystals and E-Bank The Data Explosion Project looked at how to address this issue
- Is making data available the same as depositing a copy with someone else?



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# **BACK TO PLANS & PLANNING**

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What we don't know

Michael Shermer enjoys a reminder that cutting-edge research is a step into the unknown.

t a press conference in 2002, Donald Rumsfeld, then US secre-tary of defence, used epistemology in US foreign entanglements and n knowns: there are things we know



duces the concept of ignorance by contrasting the public's perception of science — as a

"In theory, there is no difference between theory and practice. But, in practice, there is."

Unknown (possibly Yogi Berra or Manfred Eigen)

# P&E Ontology: Planning

- <u>Prospective</u> provenance
- Describes a scientific experiment that will be enacted (in the future)
- Three entity types:
  - Plan
  - Plan Stage
  - Plan Object

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## P&E Core Ontology: Enactment

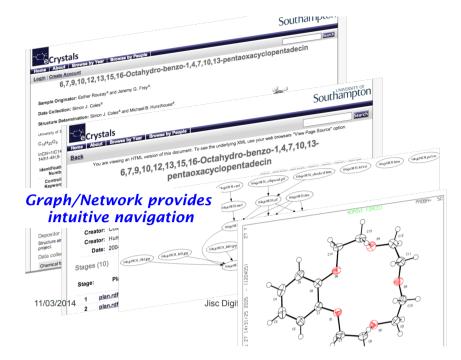
- <u>Retrospective</u> provenance
- Describes a scientific experiment that *was enacted*
- Three entity types:
  - Run
  - Stage
  - Object

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# WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM LEGO



#### Change in the whole way we design and build



3D Printers: A radical change to the experimental section of a paper!

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# Thank you for listening



Trust me Mort - no electronic communications

"Trust me M superhighway, no matter how vast and sophisticated,

vast will ever replace the art of the schmooze

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