



Author Reagent Table (ART)

# Survey Questions Feb 2018



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### Introduction

Please give the Author Reagent Table a try before answering this survey! Guidelines and a template spreadsheet can be found [here](#).

Although comments addressing the general concept are welcome (see question #9), most of the questions are meant to assess ease of use of the ART as currently configured.



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### 1. How extensively did you try out the ART:

- For 1 or 2 types of reagents
- For 3 or more types of reagents
- For all or most of the reagents used for a project or for a publication
- I did not actually try using the ART

### 2. How easy or difficult did you find using the ART as a whole?

- Easy to use
- Straightforward after a bit of practice
- Moderately difficult to use (Suggestions for improvements? Please enter in #4)
- Too difficult to use; not worth the effort

### 3. Did you find the list of reagent types (options in column 1) sufficient and clear?

- Yes; cannot think of anything to add
- Yes, for my purposes, but have suggestion(s) for additions (please enter in #4)
- No; I could not determine where to enter some of my reagents (If you have suggestions for additions or clearer explanations, please enter in #4)

### 4. Suggestions for changes or additions to the table format/content (given the constraint that cannot exceed five columns)

**5. How helpful were the guidelines for use of the table?**

- Helpful, reasonably clear and complete
- Helpful, but changes would improve; suggestion(s) below
- I did not read the guidelines
- Suggestions concerning guidelines

**6. The use of prefixes for IDs (column D) is necessary to allow automated parsing. How do you feel about the prefixes suggested in the guidelines (more than one may apply):**

- The suggested prefixes seem reasonable
- I have suggestions for better or additional prefixes (enter below)
- I would like to suggest adoption of prefixes used by other resource(s) (enter below)
- I find prefixes extremely inconvenient to use and dislike this requirement
- Suggestions concerning prefixes

**7. Use of a spreadsheet format is one of the key features of the ART, both for ease of use for the researcher and because it can be converted to CSV/TSV parsable formats. However, most journals prefer to use a document table format (such as a Word.doc table) or a PDF format. How important do you think it is to encourage the use of a spreadsheet format?**

- Very important; the increases in accuracy and efficiency are significant
- Moderately important
- Not important; other issues more pressing
- No opinion

**8. Can you see making use of the ART to capture reagent information in the course of your work?**

- Enthusiastic 'yes'
- Cautious 'yes'
- Probably not
- Definitely not

**9. Additional comments or suggestions**



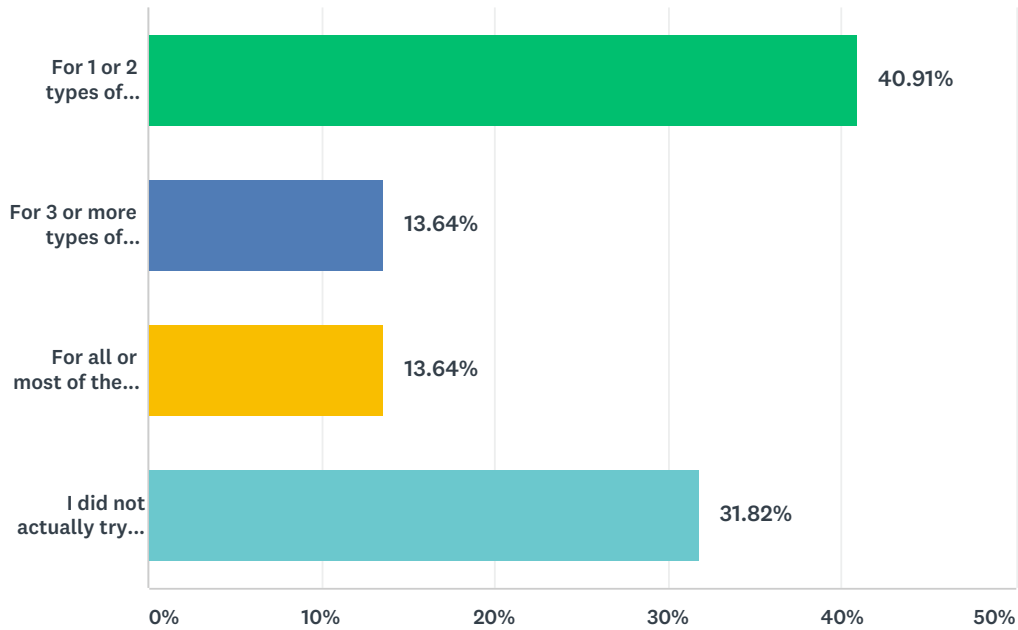
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# Survey Answers

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## Q1 How extensively did you try out the ART:

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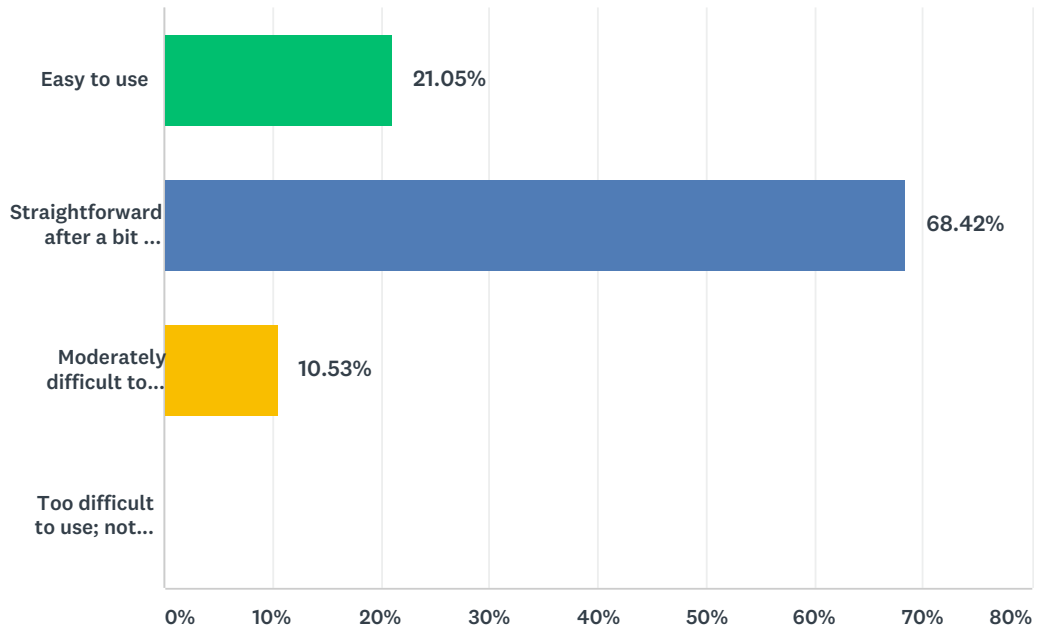


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
For 1 or 2 types of reagents	40.91%	9
For 3 or more types of reagents	13.64%	3
For all or most of the reagents used for a project or for a publication	13.64%	3
I did not actually try using the ART	31.82%	7
TOTAL		22



## Q2 How easy or difficult did you find using the ART as a whole?

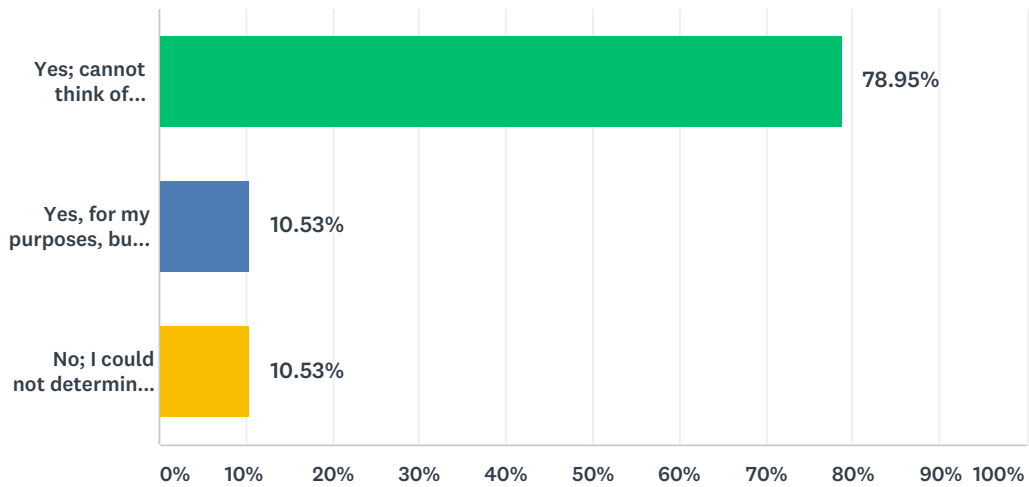
Answered: 19 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Easy to use	21.05%	4
Straightforward after a bit of practice	68.42%	13
Moderately difficult to use	10.53%	2
Too difficult to use; not worth the effort	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

### Q3 Did you find the list of reagent types (options in column 1) sufficient and clear?

Answered: 19 Skipped: 3



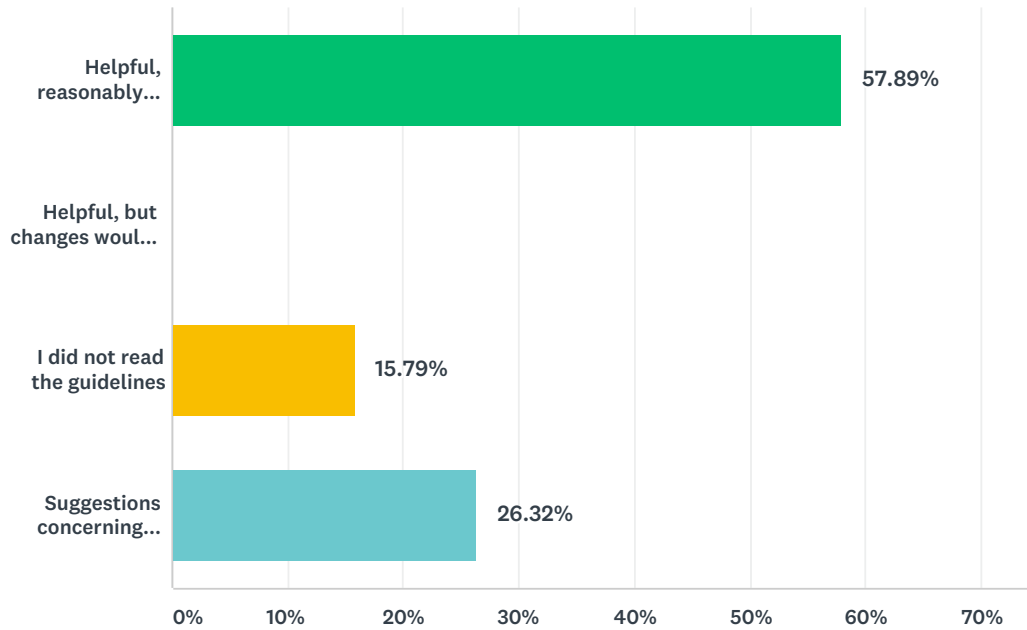
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes; cannot think of anything to add	78.95%	15
Yes, for my purposes, but have suggestion(s) for additions	10.53%	2
No; I could not determine where to enter some of my reagents	10.53%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

**Q4 Suggestions for changes or additions to the table format/content  
(given the constraint that cannot exceed five columns)**

Answered: 4 Skipped: 18

## Q5 How helpful were the guidelines for use of the table?

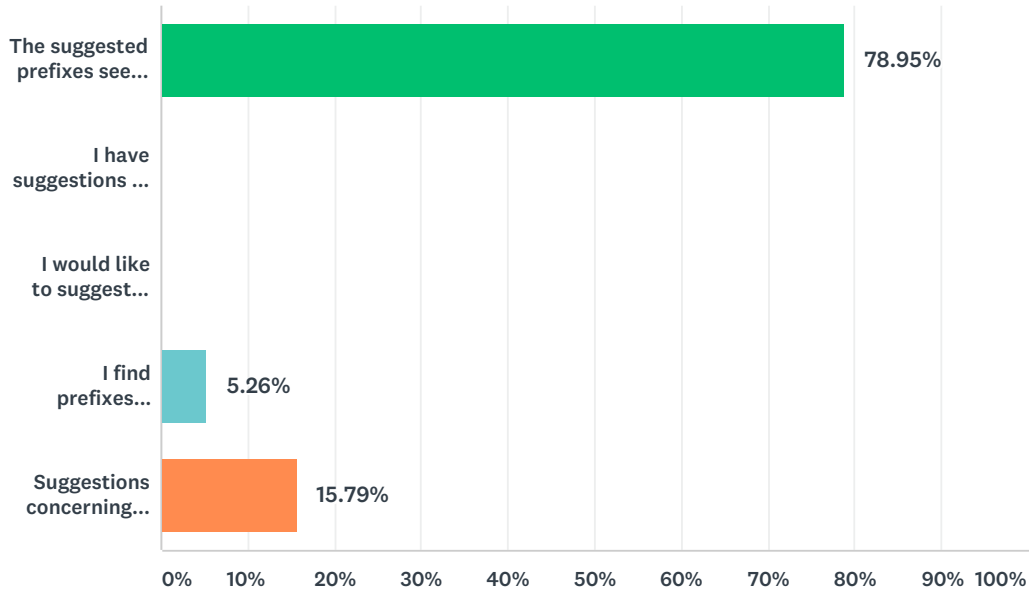
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Helpful, reasonably clear and complete	57.89%	11
Helpful, but changes would improve; suggestion(s) below	0.00%	0
I did not read the guidelines	15.79%	3
Suggestions concerning guidelines	26.32%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

**Q6 The use of prefixes for IDs (column D) is necessary to allow automated parsing. How do you feel about the prefixes suggested in the guidelines (more than one may apply):**

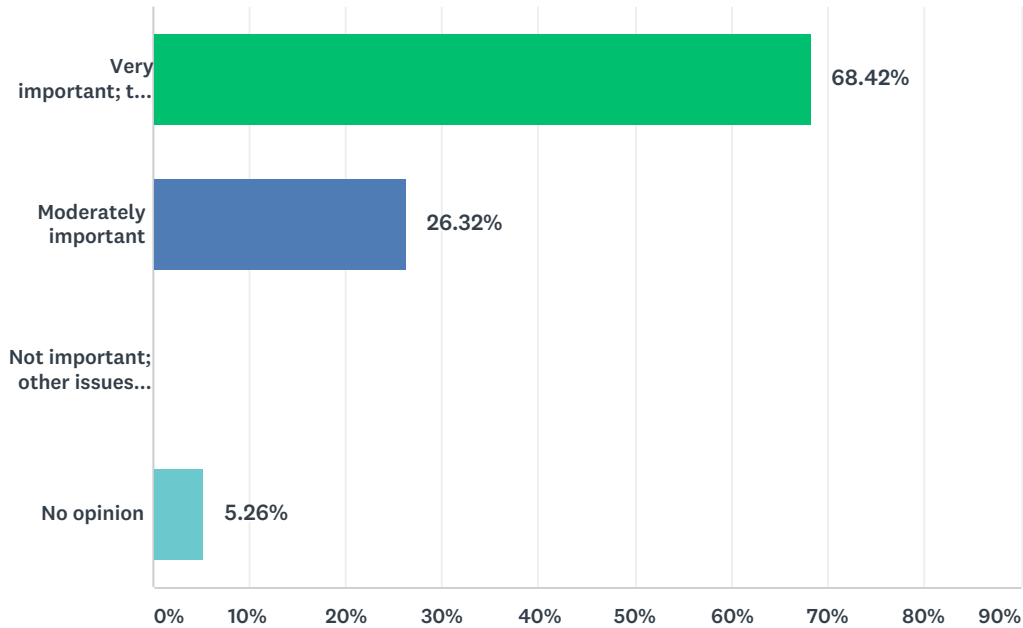
Answered: 19 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The suggested prefixes seem reasonable	78.95%	15
I have suggestions for better or additional prefixes (enter below)	0.00%	0
I would like to suggest adoption of prefixes used by other resource(s) (enter below)	0.00%	0
I find prefixes extremely inconvenient to use and dislike this requirement	5.26%	1
Suggestions concerning prefixes	15.79%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

Q7 Use of a spreadsheet format is one of the key features of the ART, both for ease of use for the researcher and because it can be converted to CSV/TSV parsable formats. However, most journals prefer to use a document table format (such as a Word.doc table) or a PDF format. How important do you think it is to encourage the use of a spreadsheet format?

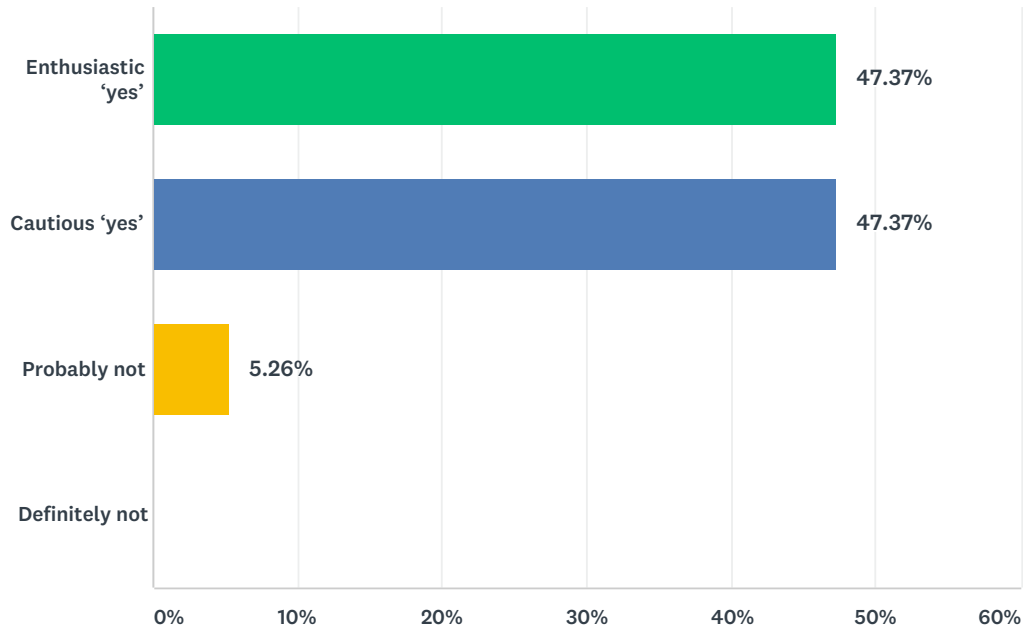
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very important; the increases in accuracy and efficiency are significant	68.42%	13
Moderately important	26.32%	5
Not important; other issues more pressing	0.00%	0
No opinion	5.26%	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

## Q8 Can you see making use of the ART to capture reagent information in the course of your work?

Answered: 19 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Enthusiastic 'yes'	47.37%	9
Cautious 'yes'	47.37%	9
Probably not	5.26%	1
Definitely not	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>

## Q9 Additional comments or suggestions

Answered: 6 Skipped: 16