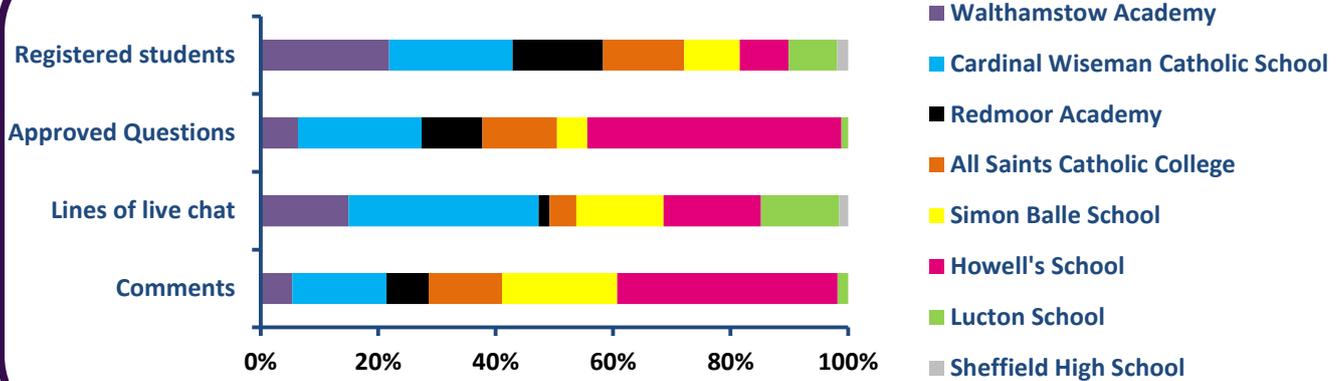


## March 2014

This report has been compiled by the I'm a Scientist team as a summary, containing moderator observations and our web data, to provide an overview of the zone.

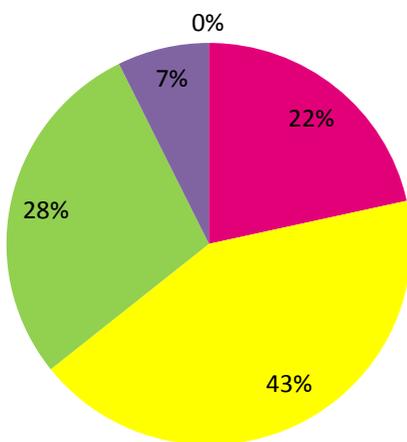
The Organs Zone was the busiest zone of I'm a Scientist March 2014. Over 500 students registered in the zone, asked over 1,500 questions between them, and cast the most votes of any zone during this event. There were lots of questions about organs, diseases and general science topics. This zone was a good example of how participating from another country, with a different time zone, might be a disadvantage for the scientist. This might have been the case of Krishna, who answered over 100 questions, but couldn't participate in any of the live chats.

### Schools' data at a glance

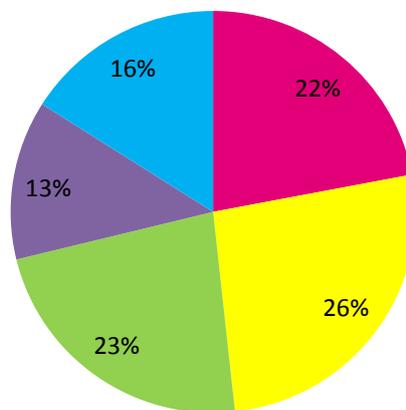


### Scientists' activity

#### Lines of chat



#### Answers



Scientist profile	Page views	Position
John Foster	1,089	Winner
Adelle Thrower	785	2nd
Catherine Mansfield	756	3rd
Muhammed Rassul	735	4th
Krishna Mohan Surapaneni	685	5th

*Number of page views during the event  
(plus previous and following weeks)*

ORGANS ZONE	PAGE VIEWS	ZONES AVERAGE
Total zone	26,536	18,761
ASK page	2,670	1,547
CHAT page	4,248	2,524
VOTE page	1,617	1,248

*Key figures from I'm a Scientist March 2014 for the zone, the average of all 12 zones, and the whole event*

	ORGANS ZONE	ZONES AVERAGE
Registered students	511	365
% of active students (used ASK, CHAT, VOTE or commented)	78%	81%
Questions asked	1,563	830
Questions approved	360	266
Answers given	781	533
Comments	75	88
Votes	386	291
Live chats	17	14
Lines of live chat	5,122	5,506
Schools	8	7

### Popular topics

In both ASK and CHAT sections there were lots of questions about different organs and parts of the body (skin, brain, heart, lung, blood...), and health related issues. Students were interested in learning about how our body works.

There were also a lot of off-topic questions: from comments on John's moustache to more science focused questions like the extinction of the dinosaurs.



Keywords from live chats in the zone (the size of the word represents its popularity)



# Ask ?

Keywords of questions asked in the zone (the size of the words represents its popularity)

## SCIENCE

anatomy 15 animals biology 13  
blood 7 body 18 brain cancer 14  
career 14 cause 13 cure 6 death 8  
diagnosis 4 disease 14 dissection 5 DNA 5  
enjoyment 6 experiments 23 eyes 12 field 4  
future 13 genetics 5 hair 5 health 21  
heart 12 human 7 illness 12 impact 5  
life 7 organs 9 organ transplant 4  
people research 30 sneeze 4 studies 6  
transplant 4

**Total 311**

## CAREER

achievements 8 exams 6  
inspiration 5 study 5 work 10

**Total 48**

## PERSONAL /OTHER

age 7 13 personal 4  
preference 23

**Total 40**

## Sample questions

"Is it possible to perform a organ transplant from a human to an ape?"

"If you damage one of your organs can it repair itself?"

"What song title best describes your work?"

"Why don't women have moustaches/beards like men do?"

"How long does it take to digest chewing gum?"

"What does radiation do to our organs?"

## Examples of good engagement

During the live chats, topical issues like women in science and organ donation were discussed:

*"Hi! @Del and @Catherine Do you think that the science world has too many men in! (Girl power)"- izzyford, student*

*"HA!! yes there are lots of men in science- but there are also some good women too- but we could always use a few more girls in the lab!!"* – Adelle Thrower, scientist

*"There are generally more men in science but in my field there are actually more women although the men seem to make it to higher positions. I think that is changing now though and it is getting easier for women in science"* – Catherine Mansfield, scientist

*"Would you ever donate your organs?"* – karacockwell, student

*"Yes I would donate my organs, I am on the donor register. This means when I die, hopefully my organs will go to people who need them and I can save some lives!"* – John Foster, scientist

*"Yes- i would be happy for any of my organs to be donated after i died. i also regularly donate blood."* – Adelle Thrower, scientist

## Scientist winner: John Foster

John's plans for the prize money: *"If I win I would use the money to fund a local science education charity called "Centre of the Cell". The winnings would be used to fund school trips to take part in an exciting interactive science exhibition based around the laboratories at Queen Mary, University of London called the Pod."* [Read John's thank you message here.](#)



## Student winner: werewolvesrock2002

For being very involved in the chats and asking a lot of questions, **werewolvesrock2002** will receive a £20 WH Smith voucher and a certificate.

## Feedback

We're still collecting feedback from teachers, students and scientists but here are a few of the comments made during the event...

*"The students had a wonderful, crazy time and were silly and serious at the time but they enjoyed it and learnt from the experience."* – Michelle Wilson, teacher

*"Thank you for allowing my students to participate in I'm a Scientist Get Me Out of Here. We have just finished a live chat and the students thoroughly enjoyed it."* – Sheena Patel, teacher

*"It was a really interesting event to take part in and the questions really got me thinking; although, the live chats were very speedy so I didn't have much thinking time then!"* – John Foster, scientist

*"Really enjoying the live chats! You guys think if the weirdest things!!!"* – Adelle Thrower, scientist