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MIT digitises the Post-it Note

Introducing the Quickie (snigger snigger)

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Those clever chaps at MIT Media Lab have taken that old office favourite, the Post-it note, and stuck it in the 21st Century.

The "Quickies" concept uses those sticky pads we all have buried in the detritus piled on our desks and adds a digital pen and special pad.

You can then scrawl a note onto your Post-it as per usual, and the message will simultaneously be saved onto a computer.

Software on your PC then "uses its understanding of the user's intentions, content, and the context of the notes to provide the user with reminders, alerts, messages, and just-in-time information", explain the inventors.

The database can also store location information, so if you stick a note to, for example, a book, you can then find it later using the RFID tag embedded on the note.

Hit the play button above the check out how the system works.

