It appears Samsung did take the iPad2 challenge seriously-- the company announces an upgrade to its Galaxy Tab 10.1 at CTIA 2011, hardly a month after its Mobile World Congress unveiling.



Now the company claims the tablet is now the world's thinnest-- measuring 256.6 x 172.9 x 8.6mm. It's also slightly lighter than the model shown at Barcelona, at 595g (compared to the iPad2, whose thickness comes at 8.8mm and weighs 601g).

Specifications remain the same-- a 1280 x 800 multitouch display, 1GHz dual-core processor, stereo speakers and carrying Flash support. What's new is Samsung's TouchWiz UI alongside the Honeycomb OS.

Also new is the Galaxy Tab 8.9 awkwardly named after, well, its 8.9" screen (compared to the original Galaxy Tab's 7" screen). Its insides are similar to the 10.1 version's, with a dual-core processor and Honeycomb (also complete with TouchWiz).

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