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Dear Students of Biochemistry 3LA3:

The university community takes the health and wellness of our members seriously and we are interested in slowing the potential for spread of COVID-19. We are committed to ensuring the successful completion of the current academic term by all of our students. While the University has taken many measures to prepare and keep our community informed as the pandemic has unfolded, the university has made a decision to suspend classes at McMaster.

McMaster in-person classes and tests for undergraduate and graduate students will end as of Friday March 13th and no in-person exams will be held at the end of this term.

The following describes what you can expect for Biochemistry 3LA3 between now and the end of the term:

Between now and April 7, you can expect the following changes with respect to course instruction for this course:

- Laboratory sessions are canceled but student generated data will be posted on A2L to facilitate the preparation of laboratory reports.
- Online videos of laboratory techniques will be posted on A2L.
- Instructors will be available via e-mail to answer any questions or concerns about assignments or the final test.

In addition, you can expect the following changes to the assessments used for this course:

- Students are only required to submit 2 of the 3 scheduled laboratory reports.
- The final test will be a take-home test released on A2L.
- Lab Reports 1 & 2 will be reweighed appropriately to account for the submission of Lab Report 3.

If you have a need for accommodations, please continue to communicate with Student Accessibility Services and keep me informed.

In the event significant changes to the COVID-19 situation, further changes may need to be made to this course. Please visit <https://covid19.mcmaster.ca/> for up-to-date university information.

Sincerely,

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