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Dear Students of Biochem 4H03:

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 13<sup>th</sup> and no in-person exams will be held at the end of this term.**

The following describes what you can expect for Biochem 4H03 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:

- All in person classes have all been completed.
- The final project will be continue but not be presented in person. Presentations will be made remotely and video conferenced.
- Students will be asked to submit their PowerPoint presentation with a detailed script.
- The final written project will be submitted online.
- Instructor has developed numerous communication tools via Google slides and Slack as alternative  
Forms of communication - students are asked to not work in physical contact but proceed to use these alternate forms of communication between groups members.

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

- No changes will be made to the scheme used for this course.

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,  
Dr. Nathan Magarvey, Instructor

Dr. Brian Coombes, Chair

