

Flipping a Biochemistry class for 500: Videos, homework and pub quizzes

The course

- Year 1 Sem. 2 Biochemistry Introductory level
- Compulsory for most Life Sciences (~540/620)
- I volunteered to teach first 10 of 20 lectures
- After reality check, I flipped lectures 2, 3 and 4

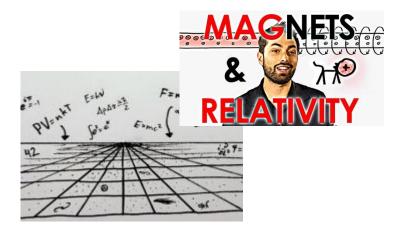
Motivation & inspiration

- Feedback from 12/13 Y1 personal advisees: Biochem could do with more variety, more exercises, more real-world material
- Classroom flipping presentations at HEA STEM '13

Peer teaching (Eric Mazur)

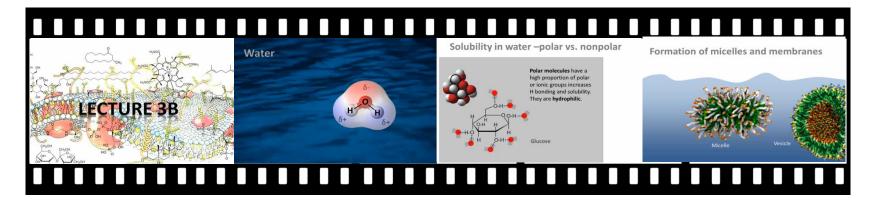


Youtube: Veritasium,
 Minutephysics



The idea – home study

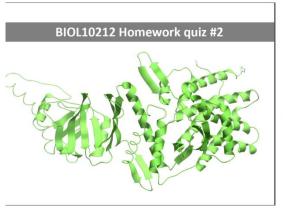
 For home study: 1 or 2 videos per lecture, 10-15 min, re-packaged lecture content



- Scripted, voice recorded with Audacity, Ppt screencapture with Snagit, edited with PPr 6
- Made available via UoM video library (link in BB)
 (one video problematic uploaded as mp4 to BB)

The idea – homework

Voluntary homework exercise



You want to make that pH 5.7 buffer with acetic acid and acetate. Assume a pKa for acetic acid of 4.7. If you make the buffer by mixing 20mM acetic acid and 20mM sodium acetate, what volumes do you use? Remember....

- Equal volumes of acetic acid and acetate.
- Ten times more acetate than acid.
- C. Ten times more acid than acetate
- D. Twice as much acetate than acid



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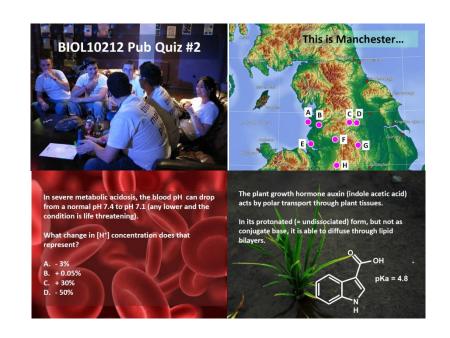
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The idea – "lecture slot"

Discuss results from homework, explain tricky concepts

 Interactive "pub quiz": small group formation & discussions encouraged



The technicalities

Engagement with homework: 239, 146, 86
 participants for quizes #1, 2, 3 (Thu – Mon Thu)

- Live session technically unproblematic; participant cap of 100 lifted to 200+ for sessions 2 & 3 (though stayed around 120)
- no time lost with downloading or voting

The technicalities

Report from Nearpod:

Incarpod Post SessionReport **Presentation: BIOL10212 homework02** Presentation Slides Author **Teacher** Date Time BIOL10212_homework02 **Thomas Nuhse Thomas Nuhse** 01/30 00:52 **Student Participation** Quizzes # of Students **Correct Answers** 146 578/1022 310/1022

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5	130295		-	-	5/7	-	6	1945		-	-	0/7	-
7	29	9003836	-	-	1/7	-	8	2ranma75		-	-	4/7	-
9	7961041		-	-	0/7	-	10	8394877		-	-	2/7	-
11	84066410		-	-	2/7	-	12	8410589		-	-	4/7	-

Presentation: BIOL10212 Homework qui	z #1
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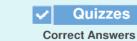


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01/25/2014	Cicely	9027107	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Claire	8995087	Three ester linkages, an acetate group and an amide.	
01/25/2014	Coryn	mfbx2cbk	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
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01/25/2014	Dan	8931194	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Dan Jones	8386526	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Daniel Green		One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Danielle		One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	David	9087897	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Daya		One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	denise	9111334		
01/25/2014	Dika	8987443	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
01/25/2014	Duckers61			
01/25/2014	Ebrima	mfbx2ej6	One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
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01/25/2014	Eleanor		One carboxyl ester, a phosphodiester and an amine.	
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Student Participation

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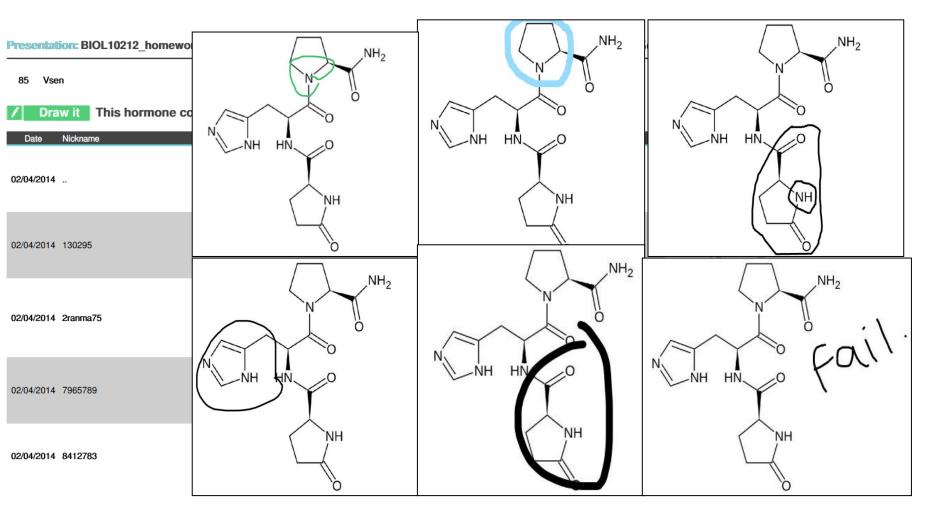


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27	Alan		-	-	4/7	-	28	Amazinggg biochems		-	-	3/7	-
29	Annabel savage		-	-	1/7	-	30	ARAWRBOOBYBOOBY	•	-	-	4/7	-
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37	bethany	9022298	-	-	3/7	-	38	Biochemwoo		-	-	2/7	-
39	Biotech		-	-	4/7	-	40	Blah		-	-	0/7	-
41	Breaking Nuhse		-	-	4/7	-	42	bukem	9113680	-	-	0/7	-
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The technicalities

Report from Nearpod:





What did the students think?



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2 February at 17:00 near Manchester 🚱

I like the idea of lecture flipping but I'm not convinced it worked in such a large group or at the start of a new topic that we have very little understanding of. I also think that I didn't gain as much from the lecture as I would have done in the normal time slot, when the idea was to actually learn more.

So, good idea but didn't work as well as I'd have hoped as I don't feel I learnt the content as well as I usually would have.



Conclusions

- On the whole, students liked the flipping concept but it needs tweaking.
- Preparing videos and exercises is a lot of work but rewarding.
- Interactive pub quizzes are chaotic but good fun.
- Technology is no problem at all (thanks to Ian Miller for working behind the scenes!)
- Students need a little more structure; not all of the lecture should be quiz. More discipline during pub quiz needed (hard to resume after "chat period")

Next time...

- Roll out videos and homework exercises to more lectures
- More complementary learning materials, better organised
- Cover homework quiz results only as part of a short lecture
- Possibly interactive pub quizzes for all lectures but only in the last 10-15 min