

A message from the Lead, OICR BioLab

Dear OICR BioLab users,

I hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy, as we continue to deal with the ongoing challenges presented by COVID-19. Current public health measures mean that many cancer researchers will be working from home for some time. Maintaining focus, morale and productivity without workplace structure is easier said than done, especially for laboratory scientists. While this situation is not ideal it does present an opportunity to improve your skills and knowledge to advance your research objectives, professional development and career goals.

To adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic and continue to serve our users, BioLab is launching the BioLab-Hub, which will post collections of free webinars on cancer-related technologies and research innovations, on a bi-weekly basis. In addition, BioLab-Hub will offer remote participation through Zoom to bring our community together with scientists and experts from leading biotech companies to share, discuss and train on the latest platforms, instrumentation and applications. Free online sessions led by experts will provide step-by-step training on instruments, assay development and application protocol settings and will be made available as recordings.

Please, help the BioLab-Hub by sending ideas, suggestions, links, sites and webinars to vanya.peltekova@oicr.on.ca.

Let's keep the collaborative and inventive spirit of science alive!

Best Regards,

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