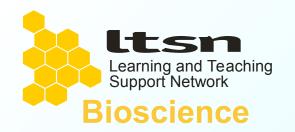


Sharing good practice in bioscience practical classes

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Practical Compendium

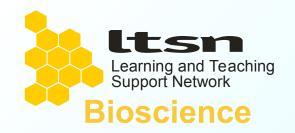
- Providing on-line access to a central collection of freely available, tried and tested laboratory/ field practical packages
- Sharing examples of good practice in teaching, learning & assessment methods, used by others in their practical classes





'Practical package' content:

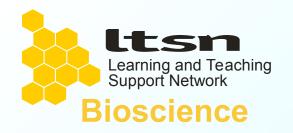
- protocols/handouts for the lab or field class
- associated technical informationequipment/reagent details and recipes
- demonstrators briefing notes/crib sheets (these will not be available for students to download!)
- email contact for originator &
 technical contact (2)





Access to the Compendium

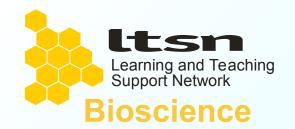
- materials will be available via our website
- people can download and use (or perhaps modify and use) them in their practical teaching
- currently designing a <u>simple</u> proforma
 - to provide meta data to catalogue entries
 - search or browse the database
 - e.g. key words, level, learning outcomes





Additional features

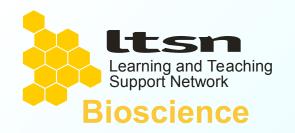
- Will also include evaluated examples of alternatives to wet labs:
 - computer-based simulations
 - ✓ data analysis exercises
 - demonstrations and equipment workshops
 - ✓ others?
- Links to evaluated examples of practicalorientated websites/resources





Comments and Questions

- Is there any incentive to contribute?
 - not just a one-way process
 - real value is in not having to re-invent the wheel
- Will we be vetting contributions?
 - accepted in good faith
 - already subject to quality assurance





Contributions welcome!

- Have you protocols/materials you would be willing to contribute?
- Suggestions of features/items you would like to see included (or not included)?
- Any other comments about this project?

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