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Manchester Monday 01 April 2019

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CONFERENCE FOCUS

This NEW conference, is designed in the light of the 2018 examinations. The revamped conference will focus on challenging areas, how to boost grades and how to meet the demands of the questions for examination success in 2019.

This NEW Biology conference will provide students with a highly valuable and motivational revision day. The conference has been designed to improve student understanding with varied, interactive sessions throughout the day. Students will hear from a practising research scientist and receive high quality advice, guidance and examples from senior examiners for producing examination answers of the highest levels.

The conference is designed for students of all examination boards.

KEYNOTE PRESENTERS

Dr Harjit K Singh - Dr Singh is an experienced teacher and senior examiner for A level Biology. She is a published author and has presented many biology courses for teachers and student revision conferences.

Michael Brown - Michael has been an examiner for 15 years and has worked in post 16 education for 23 years, including as Head of Department and finally STEM and Quality Initiatives Manager. During this time his college also reached the finals of the National STEMNET Awards for three consecutive years.

Dr Harry Pritchard - Dr Pritchard is a Research Associate at the University of Manchester in the Department of Cardiovascular Sciences. His current research is funded by the British Heart Foundation.

BENEFITS

- Experience a unique opportunity to hear from leading experts and senior examiners at the same event
- Ask questions directly to experts on key topics from the specification
- Gain top level advice and guidance on how to access the higher grades in examinations
- Enhance your understanding of key areas of Biology, all linked directly to the exam papers
- Take part in interactive examiner workshops to improve performance in the exams
- Take away a full set of conference notes, with examination tips and example answers



PROGRAMME	TIME
Welcome and Introduction: Harjit Singh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key lessons from last year's exams which will help improve revision and exam technique 	10.25 – 10.40am
Success in Data Analysis: Mike Brown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Powerful Examiner Advice on how to demonstrate excellent data analysis skills across all the topics Comparison example and marking exercises to help students see how to attain high marks using Biological Molecules as an example 	10.40 – 11.10am
Expert talk – Antibodies: How medical research relies on nature's labelling system: Dr Harry Pritchard <p>Our expert will consider current debates and arguments in the scientific and wider communities and possible implications for future scientific progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The talk will cover cell recognition and the immune system, structure of eukaryotic cells and methods of studying cells, improving student understanding of these areas Unique opportunity to ask questions of a practising research scientist 	11.10 – 11.50am
Break - Submit your questions for our expert and win a prize	11.50 – 12.10pm
Top Tips for revising and answering Synoptic Questions: Mike Brown <p>Using the information from the expert presentation and linking it across the specification content, our senior examiner will demonstrate how students can answer synoptic questions with high levels of confidence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore what examiners are looking for in the synoptic questions Examine example questions in small groups to highlight the synoptic element being tested Marking exercise: how students can show examiners their full level of knowledge and understanding 	12.10 – 12.40pm
Lunch	12.40 – 1.10pm
Examiner talk – How to 'think like a scientist' when answering longer questions: Harjit Singh, Harry Pritchard <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expert guidance on how to structure answers to meet what the examiners want Student activity – answer planning exercise, using gene technologies as the example topic Examine examples of high mark responses and discuss their strengths in groups and with the examiners 	1.10 – 1.40pm
How to tackle the Maths element with confidence: Harjit Singh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With example answers, our expert examiner demonstrates why these should not cause students problems Consider where and how students lost marks in 2018, to avoid making the same errors Answer example questions and get direct advice on how to get high marks on these 	1.40 – 2.10pm
Quiz box <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student questions on A-level Biology are answered by our experts 	2.10 – 2.20pm
How to utilise practical work to support excellent exam preparation: Mike Brown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expert guidance on how to utilise the skills learnt in the practical endorsements when revising and answering actual exam questions, with example answers How to make best use of the past papers to strengthen exam technique 	2.20 – 2.50pm
Final Top Tips and Close <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What students can do after today to improve their exam results 	2.50 – 3.00pm

Lots of excellent advice – relevant points delivered clearly and helpfully. Great example answers which will be really useful.

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