A bioinformatician walks into a molecular biology lab.

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The molecular laboratory is a daunting place for bioinformaticians: PCR workstations, thermal cyclers, micro tubes, centrifuges, wide range of pipettes, and some nasty solutions that could kill a man thousand times. Recently, I abandoned the safe Viennese Linux space present in my life, and ventured myself into the wild environment of the molecular lab. In this talk, I would like to share my experiences on the molecular workbench with anyone interested, and emphasize how important this enterprise was in my ongoing formation as a scientist.