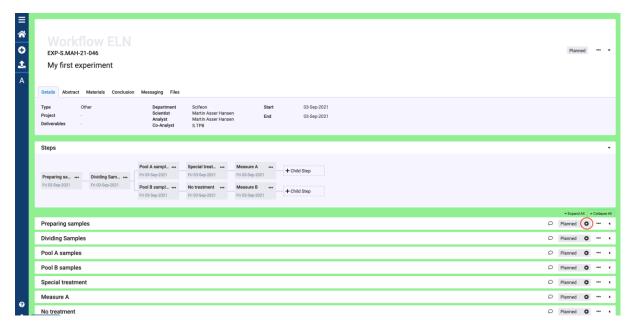
# Executing an Experiment

Now that the experiment is all setup and ready for execution, we can advance the status of a step by clicking the play button in the status badge:



Which will show the step as 'InProgress':

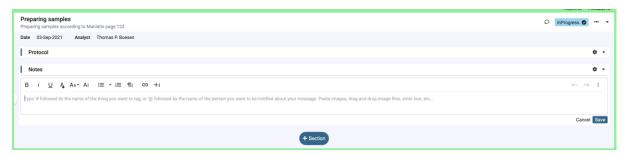


## Taking Notes

Now is a good time to record on the experimental outcome of the step. First add a Notes section to the step by clicking the '+ Section' button and select 'Add Notes':



Which will provide a new Notes section where you can enter text, paste images, etc.

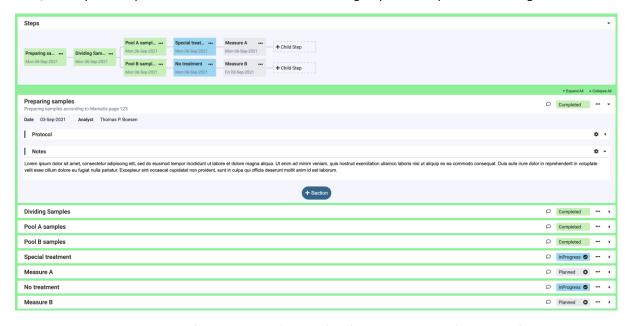


#### **Advancing Steps**

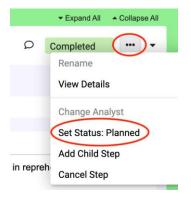
And when the step is completed, the status is advanced by clicking the checkmark in the status badge:



Thus, the step is 'Completed' and we can advance the following steps to 'Completed' or 'InProgress':



It is possible to cycle the status of a step back to 'Planned' by first advancing it to `Completed` and then open the dot-menu to the right and click 'Set Status: Planned':

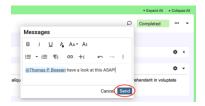


#### Messages

It is possible to notify other users about particulars in a step by selecting the `Message` icon for a step, and click the 'Compose' button:

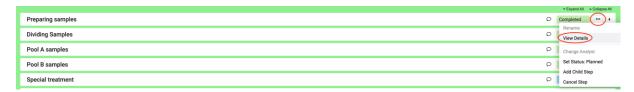


In messages you can use @-mentions to notify one or more users, before clicking `Send` at the bottom-right, which will send the message to those users:

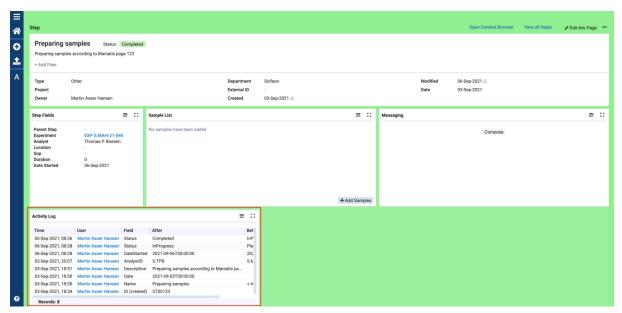


### View Step Details

It is possible to navigate the Step Details page for a step by opening the dot-menu to the right and click `View Details`:



...where it is possible to see the 'Activity Log' for the step:



#### Completing an Experiment

Once all steps of an experiment are completed, the entire experiment can be marked as `Completed` by opening the dot-menu to the right in the experiment header section, and click `Complete Experiment`:



You will be asked to confirm the experiment completion and completion of any uncompleted steps:



And the experiment is complete:

