

Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka

**Curriculum
2025/2026**

For course

Medical Microbiology and Parasitology

Study program:	Medical Studies in English (R) University integrated undergraduate and graduate study
Department:	Department of Microbiology and Parasitology
Course coordinator:	prof. dr. sc. Šantić Marina, dipl. sanit. ing.
Year of study:	3
ECTS:	8
Incentive ECTS:	0 (0.00%)
Foreign language:	Possibility of teaching in a foreign language

Course information:

Course of **Medical Microbiology and Parasitology** is a compulsory course in the 3rd year of the Integrated Undergraduate and Graduate University Study of Medicine, which is carried out through 30 hours of lectures, 30 hours of seminars and 30 hours of laboratory exercises, in total of 90 hours (8 ECTS). Lectures and seminars are held in the lecture halls and practical laboratory work at the Institute of Microbiology and Parasitology at the Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka.

The aim of the course is to provide students with the basic biological characteristics of microorganisms (bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites) that cause human infections, their virulence factors, environmental resistance, their route of transmission, and the basis for human infection protection. Students will learn about different types of vaccines available for certain microbial infections. One of the goals is to teach basic groups of antimicrobial drugs, their spectrum of action, mechanism of action on the bacterial cell, and mechanisms of bacterial resistance to antimicrobial drugs. The aim is to introduce students with the possibilities of treating fungal, parasitic and viral infections. The students will also gain insight into the basic procedures of microbiological diagnostics, with particular emphasis on microbiological analysis of the most common clinical samples.

Course content:

General Medical Bacteriology: Micromorphology of bacteria, microscopy, microbiological stainings. Bacteria cell structure. Metabolism and genetics, growth and reproduction, nutrition and physical conditions of bacterial growth. Cell metabolism, energy production, and gene expression in the bacterial cell. Classification and nomenclature of bacteria. Bacterial antigens and vaccines. Immune response to infections. Resistance of bacteria to physical and chemical factors. Sterilization procedures and sterilization control. Disinfectants and disinfections. Antimicrobial drugs: Mechanism and spectrum of antibiotic activity, bacterial resistance to antimicrobial agents. Pathogenesis of bacterial infections: bacterial pathogenicity and virulence. Laboratory Diagnosis of Bacterial Infections.

Special Medical Bacteriology: Normal human microbiota. Medical significant Gram-positive and gram negative bacteria. Atypical bacteria. Microbiological diagnosis of bacterial infections.

General Medical Mycology: Morphology, structure, reproduction, and Metabolism of clinically relevant fungi. Pathogenesis of fungal diseases. Factors of fungal virulence. Fungal diseases and laboratory diagnostics. Antifungal drugs.

Special Medical Mycology: Yeasts and molds of medical significance. Opportunistic and dimorphic fungi.

General Medical Parasitology: Parasitism as an ecological and medical concept. Laboratory diagnostics of parasitosis.

Special Medical Parasitology: Medically relevant parasites.

General Virology: General characteristics, classification, virus replication. Viral vaccines and antiviral drugs. Pathogenesis and laboratory diagnostics of viral diseases.

Special Virology: Medical Significant RNA and DNA Viruses. Prions.

Teaching:

Teaching is performed in the form of lectures, seminars and laboratory exercises, during 15 weeks. During the exercises, the teacher demonstrates and supervises the active participation of the students in performing the laboratory tests. During the course there will be compulsory midterm written exams, and a final laboratory exercise. At the end of the course a written part, and an oral part of the final exam will be held. By completing all teaching activities, and passing the final examination, the student acquires 8 ECTS credits.

List of assigned reading:

1. Jawetz, Melnick i Adelberg "Medical Microbiology", 27th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2016. (<http://med-mu.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Jawetz-Melnick-Adelbergs-Medical-Microbiology-27-edition.pdf>)
2. Laboratory Exercises in Medical Microbiology – Practical Handbook for Medical Students, Institute of Microbiology and Parasitology, 2022-23.

List of optional reading:

1. Josephine A. Morello JA, Granato PA, Eckel Mizer H. Laboratory Manual and Workbook in Microbiology, 7th ed. http://site.iugaza.edu.ps/mwhindi/files/Laboratory_Manual_And_Workbook_In_Microbiology.pdf
2. Todar's Online Textbook of Bacteriology <http://textbookofbacteriology.net/>
3. Microbiology and Immunology On-Line (<https://www.microbiologybook.org/>)

Curriculum:

Lectures list (with titles and explanation):

L1 Overview of curriculum, literature and student obligations. Do we need microbiology in medicine? Classification of bacteria.

- get acquainted with the microbiology course
- recall the rules in the taxonomy and classification of living organisms, including microorganisms
- give examples of bacterial classification.

L2 Classification of antibiotics. Mechanism of action of antimicrobial drugs. Antimicrobial activity in vitro.

- explain the terms antibiotic, selective toxicity, bactericidal and bacteriostatic action, broad and narrow-spectrum antibiotic
- state the basic mechanisms of action of antimicrobial drugs on the bacterial cell
- explain the antibiotic susceptibility testing and explain the sensitivity categories (S, I, R)

L3 Basics of microbial genetics; Resistance to antimicrobial drugs. Multidrug resistant bacteria.

- state the basic mechanisms of bacterial resistance
- state all three ways of horizontal gene transfer between bacteria
- describe each of the above mentioned ways - give examples of multi-resistant bacteria of medical significance

L4 Normal human microbiota. Bacterial biofilm. Phenotypic resistance.

- indicate the differences between resident and transient (skin) microbiota
- connect the microbiota with health maintenance and causing the disease
- define the bacterial biofilm and describe the way it originates
- indicate at least three reasons why bacteria associate in biofilm
- link biofilm with infections and clinical failure of antimicrobial therapy
- link biofilm with antibiotic resistance; explain the term phenotypic resistance

L5 Mycobacteria. Aerobic, non-spore-forming, gram-positive bacilli. (Corynebacterium, Listeria, Erysipelothrix)

- describe mycobacteria and discuss their staining and cultivation characteristics
- indicate all obligatory pathogenic and most usual opportunistic mycobacteria
- summarize the most important laboratory tests for tuberculosis diagnosis
- indicate first-line antimicrobial drugs for tuberculosis treatment
- describe the properties of coryneform bacteria and characteristics of pathogenic species
- identify virulence factors for *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* and associate them with the infection they cause
- discuss the possibility of diphtheria prevention

L6 Atypical bacteria - Mycoplasmas and cell wall-defective bacteria. Chlamydia. Rickettsia and related genera

- describe the characteristics of mycoplasma and ureaplasma
- describe their virulence factors and associate them with the pathogenesis of the infections they cause

- discuss the selection of antimicrobial drugs for the treatment of infections caused by mycoplasmas
- state the most significant species from the genera Chlamydia and Chlamydophila
- describe the way chlamydia reproduce and discuss differences in relation to "typical" bacteria
- categorize the most important intracellular, atypical bacteria according to their characteristics and types of vectors
- connect them with the infections they cause and the ways of their transmitting

L7 Vibrio, Campylobacter, and Helicobacter; Yersinia

- describe micromorphology and ways of clustering of curved bacteria (vibrios, campylobacters)
- describe micromorphology and factors of helicobacter virulence and associate them with the infection they cause
- discuss the specificity of H. pylori laboratory diagnosis
- describe the properties of Yersinia and identify the most important species
- explain the way of plague transmission in connection with symptoms of infection and spread of pathogens (epidemics, pandemics)
- explain the pathogenesis of intestinal infections caused by Y. enterocolitica

L8 Pseudomonads and Acinetobacter; Stenotrophomonas, Burkholderia; Legionella, Bartonella

- Identify pseudomonas virulence factors and associate them with the infections they cause
- discuss the significance of acinetobacter in hospital infections
- discuss the possibility of antimicrobial treatment of infections caused by pseudomonas and acinetobacter
- describe the mode of Legionella transmission and connect it with human infections

L9 General properties of viruses. Pathogenesis and control of viral diseases

- describe the virus structure and group them into families depending on the nucleic acid and other characteristics
- connect viruses with the infections they cause - group viral vaccines and give examples of certain types of vaccine
- indicate viral diseases for which there is specific treatment
- list and describe the mechanism of action of the most important antiviral drugs
- summarize the ways in which the virus can be propagated - correlate steps in virus multiplication with the antiviral drugs mechanism of action

L10 Hepatitis viruses. Paramyxoviruses and Rubella virus

- group hepatitis viruses into families and list the most important characteristics and ways of transmission
- associate viruses with the infections they cause and the possible consequences
- indicate HBV antigens and their significance in the diagnosis of hepatitis B
- specify the diagnostic options, specific therapy and prevention of viral hepatitis
- classify particular genera within the Paramyxoviridae family and list the most important species linking them with the infections they cause
- describe the pathogenesis of specific viral infections (measles, mumps)
- describe the characteristics, structure and method of reproduction of Togaviride
- indicate the characteristics of rubella virus, pathogenesis of infection, diagnostic procedures and method of prevention

L11 Medical mycology - Mycoses and antifungal drugs

- list fungi of medical importance and associate them with the infections they cause
- give examples of the most common causes of human mycosis
- list antifungal agents and group them according to the mechanism of action on the fungal cell

- describe the mechanisms of antifungal resistance

L12 Medical parasitology - intestinal protozoan infections, sexually transmitted protozoan infections. Intestinal cestode.

Describe and group multicellular parasites according to their structure and characteristics. List tapeworms of medical importance, describe the life cycle of tenia and echinococcus. Associate individual flukes with infections that they cause.

L13 Blood and Tissue protozoan infections (Plasmodium, Toxoplasma, Trypanosoma, Leishmania)

- describe the life cycle and biological characteristics of plasmodiums; classify the most important species within the genus Plasmodium and associate them with the clinical picture
- list the most important species of the genera Trypanosoma and Leishmania and associate them with the infections they cause
- describe the pathogenesis of toxoplasmosis and the methods of transmission of the causative agent
- discuss the clinical significance of the infection caused by T. gondii

L14 Growth, survival, and death of microorganisms; Sterilisation and disinfection

- list and describe all stages of bacterial growth (describe and explain the bacterial growth curve)
- define the terms biocide, bacteriostatic, bactericidal, sterilization, sepsis, asepsis and antiseptic
- specify and describe the mode of action of physical and chemical agents on the bacterial cell
- list sterilization procedures and provide examples of the use of particular procedures in medical practice
- list and describe the procedures for sterilization procedures control
- list and group disinfectants according to their effect and use

L15 Human cancer viruses; Emerging and re-emerging microorganisms

- define and classify oncogenic viruses
- describe the characteristics of transformed cell viruses
- explain the reasons for the occurrence of new pathogens
- give examples of threatening viral infections and indicate the characteristics of the pathogens

Practicals list (with titles and explanation):

Lab1. Hand hygiene. Microscopic techniques and microscopic slides in microbiology. Simple staining.

- list (and give an examples) all five moments (indication, occasion) for the hand hygiene
- apply hand hygiene (washing and rubbing) through 6 steps - perform aseptic procedures
- prepare native and stained microscopic slides and perform simple bacteriological staining
- use a light microscope to visualize bacteria

Lab2. Direct diagnostics methods in microbiology. Complex staining. Cultivation of microorganisms

- list the factors necessary for bacterial growth on artificial nutrient media
- perform Gram staining
- specify direct microbiological procedures for the diagnosis of infectious diseases
- describe ways to identify bacteria

Lab3. Antimicrobial activity in vitro. Methods for detection of antimicrobial resistance and interpreting of antimicrobial sensitivity testing results. (EUCAST standards)

- independently perform a disc diffusion method for determining susceptibility of bacteria to antimicrobials
- interpret the results of prepared disc diffusion test in accordance with current EUCAST standards
- link the findings of susceptibility test to choice of antimicrobial therapy in clinical practice 7
- read prepared dilution susceptibility and E-tests and interpret the results
- define the terms MIC and MBC
- identify some of the mechanisms of resistance in enterobacteria based on phenotypic tests (production of extended spectrum beta-lactamases-ESBLs; production of carbapenemase, etc)
- discuss the significance of bacterial resistance in clinical practice

Lab4. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (upper respiratory tract). Sampling and processing throat and nose swabs. Point of care test (POCT) for BHS-A. Laboratory procedures for the identification of streptococci and staphylococci

- name the most common causes of upper respiratory tract infections
- associate the bacterium with the infection they cause
- sample the throat and nose swabs
- determine the type of most common respiratory pathogens according to the microscopic or other characteristics
- perform tests to distinguish between staphylococci and streptococci

Lab5. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (lower respiratory tract). Management of sputum, endotracheal aspirate (ETA) and bronchoalveolar lavate (BAL) culture. Diagnostic laboratory tests in diagnosis of tuberculosis. Cultivation of anaerobic bacteria. Microscopic appearance of sporogenic bacteria.

- assess specimen quality using the sputum Gram stain
- perform microbiological laboratory procedures for samples from the lower respiratory system
- recall the characteristics of M. tuberculosis and link them to diagnostic methods
- review and describe microscopic smears stained with Ziehl-Neelsen technique - describe the principle of the IGRA test

Lab6. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (uro-genital tract). Microbiology diagnosis urinary tract infections. Diagnosis of Chlamydial infections. Serologic tests for syphilis. Diagnosis of Lyme disease

- perform urine culture and determine the number of bacteria per milliliter of the urine sample
- explain the concept of indirect microbiological diagnosis and list serological tests
- read and interpret the prepared serological tests and relate them to the stage of infection
- list genera of spiral bacteria and compare them based on their micromorphology, mode of transmission
- explain the reasons for using serological tests in the diagnosis of syphilis, Lyme disease

Lab7. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (gastrointestinal tract-GIT). Management of GIT specimens (culture and non-culture based methods in identification of enterobacteria, campylobacter, helicobacter, etc.)

- name obligate pathogenic gut bacteria; list selective and differential media for isolation of particular type of bacteria
- perform stool culture using different selective media
- identify specific intestinal pathogens based on colony morphology and biochemical tests
- perform agglutination tests for serotyping of Salmonella
- demonstration of the POCT test for diagnosis of helicobacter

Lab8. Management of clinical specimens from primary sterile body sites. Blood culture. Management of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF). Laboratory methods for haemophilus and nonfermentative gram-negative bacilli identification

- name the most common pathogens for blood and central nervous system infections
- associate the bacterium with the infection they cause
- make microscopic smears from positive blood cultures and CFS and recognize the micromorphology of bacteria
- perform direct disc-diffusion susceptibility test from positive blood cultures
- describe and explain the satellite phenomenon in the diagnosis of H. influenzae

Lab 9. Laboratory diagnosis of viral infections. Diagnostic tests for HSV infections (serology and Westernblot). Laboratory diagnosis of parvoviruses.

- discuss the differences between bacteria and viruses and link them to the laboratory diagnosis of viral infections
- list direct and indirect microbiological procedures in the diagnosis of viral infections and discuss their choice
- explain the terms sensitivity and specificity of a laboratory test

Lab10. Laboratory diagnosis of selected viral infections. Interpretation of microbiology results. (HIV, POCT for rotavirus; avidity)

- interpret prepared serological tests - perform POCT for rotavirus/adenovirus infections - explain the IgG avidity test in discrimination between recently acquired and distant infection

Lab11. Laboratory diagnosis of mycoses

- remember the characteristics and differences between yeasts and molds and relate them to the methods of microbiological diagnostics
- macroscopically and microscopically examine the prepared fungal cultures
- recognize the morphology of individual fungi based on macroscopic and microscopic characteristics

Lab12. Laboratory diagnosis in parasitology

- prepare microscopic slides from stool samples; compare your own results with demonstration microscopic slides and identify cysts of individual protozoa and eggs of multicellular parasites
- recognize the morphological forms of plasmodium in prepared thick and thin blood smears and determine parasitemia
- examine formalin preparations and describe adult forms of tapeworms, roundworms and flukes
- examine the microscopic slides of individual ectoparasites and discuss their role in microbes transmission

Lab13. Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.

- according to the presented clinical cases select the most appropriate clinical samples for microbiology
- process the clinical specimen according to previously adopted rules and apply the correct microbiological procedures
- identify the most likely cause
- propose the most effective antimicrobial therapy (discuss laboratory role in the selection of antimicrobial therapy)

Lab14. Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations

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- process the clinical specimen according to previously adopted rules and apply the correct microbiological procedures
- identify the most likely cause
- propose the most effective antimicrobial therapy (discuss laboratory role in the selection of antimicrobial therapy)

Lab15. Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.

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- process the clinical specimen according to previously adopted rules and apply the correct microbiological procedures
- identify the most likely cause
- propose the most effective antimicrobial therapy

Seminars list (with titles and explanation):

S1 Bacterial virulence factors. Pathogenesis of bacterial infections

- describe the structure of the bacterial cell and compare the structure of gram-negative and grampositive bacteria
- explain the terms pathogenicity and virulence
- associate bacterial cell structure with virulence factors
- list the virulence factors of the bacteria and relate them to the pathogenesis of bacterial infections

S2 Clinical use of antibiotics. Antimicrobial drugs for systemic administration I part

- group and give examples of individual antimicrobials depending on their activity and mechanism of action on the bacterial cell
- discuss the most important mechanisms of bacterial resistance

S3 Clinical use of antibiotics. Antimicrobial drugs for systemic administration II part

- group and give examples of individual antimicrobials depending on their activity and mechanism of 5 action on the bacterial cell
- discuss the most important mechanisms of bacterial resistance

S4 The staphylococci. The streptococci, enterococci, and related genera

- describe micromorphology and arrangement of gram positive cocci
- list the virulence factors of staphylococci, streptococci and enterococci and relate them to the infections they cause
- discuss microbiological procedures for the identification of staphylococci, streptococci, enterococci

S5 Spore-forming gram-positive bacilli: Bacillus and Clostridium. Infections caused by anaerobic bacteria (Physiology and growth conditions for anaerobes)

- group the bacteria according to their oxygen requisite
- list the enzymes responsible for bacterial anaerobiosis
- specify features that indicate anaerobic infection

S6 The Neisseriae. Spirochetes and other spiral microorganisms

- describe micromorphology and arrangements of gram negative cocci
- list virulence factors of Neisseria and relate them to the infections they cause
- classify spiral bacteria into genera and species
- list the most significant virulence factors of spirochetes and relate them to the infections they cause
- discuss the specifics of laboratory diagnostics procedures in spirochetal infection
- explain the principle of serological diagnostics; define antibody titer

S7 Enteric gram-negative rods (Enterobacteriaceae)

- describe micromorphology and characteristics of enterobacteria
- name the most important genera and species that cause intestinal infections
- list the characteristics of Salmonella and relate them to the infections they cause
- link the route of Salmonella transmission with the onset of infection and control measures
- list significant multidrug-resistant enterobacteria and correlate them to hospital infections

S8 Haemophilus, Bordetella, Brucella, and Francisella. Moraxella.

- describe micromorphology and specific growth requirements for hemophilic cocobacilli
- list the virulence factors of Haemophilus and correlate them with the infections they cause

- discuss microbiological identification procedures for the growth of fastidious gram negative coccobacilli
- describe micromorphology and specific characteristics of moraxella and discuss their clinical significance

S9 Herpesviruses, Adenoviruses. Parvoviruses. Rabies

- describe the characteristics, structure, and mode of amplification of DNA viruses
- discuss pathogenetic mechanisms in the emergence of infections caused by DNA viruses
- classify herpesviruses and describe pathogenetic characteristics (latency; persistence; recurrence)
- describe the characteristics, structure and method of multiplication of rabies virus and relate them to the infection they cause.
- list and isolate the most significant way of transmitting rabies virus

S10 Orthomyxoviruses. HIV. Picornaviruses. Reoviruses, Rotaviruses

- classify individual genera within the Picornaviridae family and list the most significant species
- associate picornaviruses with the infections they cause
- describe the pathogenesis of specific viral infections (polio)
- describe the characteristics, structure and mode of reproduction of selected RNA viruses and relate them to the infection they cause
- describe the most important ways of transmitting selected RNA viruses (influenza virus, mumps, measles)
- specify laboratory procedures in diagnosis infections caused by selected RNA viruses
- describe the characteristics, structure and method of reproduction of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and relate it to the infection they cause.
- list the most significant ways of HIV transmission
- describe laboratory diagnosis of HIV infection

S11 Medical mycology (Candidiasis, Cryptococcosis, Aspergillosis, Mucormycosis)

- specify the characteristics of yeasts and molds and identify those fungi that are the most common pathogens in clinical practice
- describe candida characteristics; list the most common species and associate them with sensitivity / resistance to available antifungals
- describe the characteristics and natural history of cryptococcosis
- describe the characteristics and virulence factors of aspergillus; their mode of transmission, and the clinical findings

S12 Medical parasitology - intestinal nematode

- list and describe morphology of round worms of medical importance
- describe the life cycle of trichinella and pinworm and relate them to diagnostic procedures

S13 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations. (

- link clinical cases to the possible causative agent and correlate with microbiology diagnosis

S14 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.

- link clinical cases to the possible causative agent and correlate with microbiology diagnosis

S15 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.

link clinical cases to the possible causative agent and correlate with microbiology diagnosis

Student obligations:

All forms of teaching, lectures, seminars and laboratory exercises are compulsory. Each student is expected to attend all teaching units, actively participate in discussions and laboratory exercises. A student may be absent from a total of 30% of teaching solely for health reasons, which justifies with a medical certificate. If a student justifiably or unjustifiably misses more than 30% of teaching he/she

cannot continue to follow the course and loses the opportunity to attend the final exam. In doing so, he earned 0 ECTS credits and was rated with mark F.

To work in a microbiology lab, students must wear a protective coat and have a handbook which they can buy at the Faculty of Medicine Rijeka. The handbook homepage lists the rules for safe work in the lab. Students are required to regularly perform hand hygiene (hand wash or hand rub) according to the instructions given in the introductory exercise, and are also indicated in the handbook and reported in the form of posters in the laboratory. When entering the laboratory for the first time, students are required to read all the rules and confirm with their signature that they will abide by them.

A record on attendance and activity in the classroom will be kept for each student. Knowledge will be continually evaluated and the students should prepare for the classes according to the syllabus. There will be 2 midterm written tests, and a final practical exercise. The final exam consists of a written and oral parts.

By completing all teaching activities, taking the obligatory midterms, practical exercise and passing the both parts of the final exam, the student earns 8 ECTS credits.

Exam (exam taking, description of the written/oral/practical part of the exam, point distribution, grading criteria):

ECTS grading system:

Student assessment is carried out in accordance with the current regulations of the University of Rijeka, adopted by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka.

Students' performance will be evaluated during the course and at the final exam. Out of a total of 100 credits, a **student can earn 50 credits during the course, and 50 credits at the final exam**. Students are assessed using ECTS (A-D) and the numerical system (1-5).

The maximum of 50 credit points can be earned during the course. The students must earn at least 50% (25 credit points) in order to take the final exam. Students who earn 0-49.9% (0-24.9 credit points) during the course, earn an F (fail) grade, no ECTS credits, and must re-enroll in the course.

During the course, the **student can earn a maximum of 50 credit point** by actively participating in classes, completing all assignments, attending midterm exams, and final laboratory exercise as follows:

I. During the course, the following are evaluated:

a) **Midterm test I** covers knowledge acquired by the date of the midterm test (general and part of special bacteriology). The mid-term test consists of 50 multiple-choice questions with five answers offered. The passing threshold is 27 correct answers (54%). If the threshold is reached, each correct answer carries half a point. It is possible to get up to 25 points on the test.

b) **Midterm / Colloquium II** includes a part of special bacteriology, virology, mycology and parasitology. The mid-term test consists of 50 multiple-choice questions with five answers offered. The passing threshold is 27 correct answers (54%). If the threshold is reached, each correct answer carries half a point. It is possible to get up to 25 points on the test.

The student must pass both midterms tests. Each midterm has one exam-repair for students who, for justifiable reasons, did not enter the midterm, either did not collect the minimum number of credit points or were not satisfied with the number of credit points collected (then their previous result is deleted).

Final Exam (50 credit points in total)

Who MAY take the final exam: Students who have scored 25 or more credits during the course will take the final exam, where they can additionally earn a maximum of 50 credits.

Who MAY NOT take the final exam: Students who have earned less than 24.9 points during the course are not eligible for the final exam (they re-enroll in the following academic year).

Other important information regarding to the course:

The final exam consists of a written and an oral part. The student in the final exam must pass at least 55% of the written test and be positively evaluated in the oral part of the exam. The **scoring method** for the final exam is shown in **Table 2**.

Table 2. Assessment method at final written (55% pass threshold) and oral examination

Written test

< 55%-impassable sufficient = 15 - 18

55 - 59,99% = 10

60 - 64,99% = 11

65 - 69,99% = 12

70 - 74,99% = 13

75 - 79,99% = 14

80 - 84,99% = 15

85 - 89,99% = 16

90 - 94,99% = 18

95 - 100% = 20

Oral exam

sufficient = 15 - 18

good = 19 - 22
very good = 23 - 26
excellent = 27 - 30

Assessment in the ECTS system is done by absolute distribution, ie on the basis of final achievement (credit points earned during the course are added to the points from the final exam):

A = 90 - 100%
B = 75 - 89,9%
C = 60 - 74,9%
D = 50 - 59,9%
F = 0 - 49,9%

The grades in the ECTS system are translated into the numerical system as follows:

A = excellent (5)
B = very good (4)
C = good (3)
D = sufficient (2)
F = insufficient (1)

Other notes (related to the course) important for students:

The course contents and all course related information as well as the midterm, and final exams terms are available on the web pages of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Rijeka and the Department of Microbiology and Parasitology.

COURSE HOURS 2025/2026

Medical Microbiology and Parasitology

Lectures (Place and time or group)	Practicals (Place and time or group)	Seminars (Place and time or group)
02.10.2025		
L1 Overview of curriculum, literature and student obligations. Do we need microbiology in medicine? Classification of bacteria.: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP		
prof. dr. sc. Abram Maja, dr. med. ^[153]		
07.10.2025		
L2 Classification of antibiotics. Mechanism of action of antimicrobial drugs. Antimicrobial activity in vitro.: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP	Lab1. Hand hygiene. Microscopic techniques and microscopic slides in microbiology. Simple staining.: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S1 Bacterial virulence factors. Pathogenesis of bacterial infections: • P06 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMPG1
prof. dr. sc. Abram Maja, dr. med. ^[153] · doc. dr. sc. Mihelčić Mirna, dr. vet. med. ^[245] · prof. dr. sc. Šantić Marina, dipl. sanit. ing. ^[1468] · naslovna asistentica Škrobonja Ivana, dr. med. ^[1771]		
09.10.2025		
	Lab1. Hand hygiene. Microscopic techniques and microscopic slides in microbiology. Simple staining.: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG2A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG2B	S1 Bacterial virulence factors. Pathogenesis of bacterial infections: • P07 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMPG2
doc. dr. sc. Mihelčić Mirna, dr. vet. med. ^[245] · prof. dr. sc. Šantić Marina, dipl. sanit. ing. ^[1468] · naslovna asistentica Škrobonja Ivana, dr. med. ^[1771]		
14.10.2025		
L3 Basics of microbial genetics; Resistance to antimicrobial drugs. Multidrug resistant bacteria.: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP	Lab2. Direct diagnostics methods in microbiology. Complex staining. Cultivation of microorganisms: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S2 Clinical use of antibiotics. Antimicrobial drugs for systemic administration I part: • P06 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[153] ◦ MMPG1
prof. dr. sc. Abram Maja, dr. med. ^[153] · doc. dr. sc. Mohar Vitezić Bojana, mag. mikrobiol. ^[1272] · naslovna asistentica Škrobonja Ivana, dr. med. ^[1771]		
16.10.2025		

	Lab2. Direct diagnostics methods in microbiology. Complex staining. Cultivation of microorganisms: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG2A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG2B	S2 Clinical use of antibiotics. Antimicrobial drugs for systemic administration I part: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[153] ◦ MMPG2
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21.10.2025		
L4 Normal human microbiota. Bacterial biofilm. Phenotypic resistance.: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[250] ◦ MMAP	Lab3. Antimicrobial activity in vitro. Methods for detection of antimicrobial resistance and interpreting of antimicrobial sensitivity testing results. (EUCAST standards): • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[3322] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S3 Clinical use of antibiotics. Antimicrobial drugs for systemic administration II part: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1
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L5 Mycobacteria. Aerobic, non-spore-forming, gram-positive bacilli. (Corynebacterium, Listeria, Erysipelothrix): • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMAP	Lab4. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (upper respiratory tract). Sampling and processing throat and nose swabs. Point of care test (POCT) for BHS-A. Laboratory procedures for the identification of streptococci and staphylococci: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S4 The staphylococci. The streptococci, enterococci, and related genera: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1
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L6 Atypical bacteria – Mycoplasmas and cell wall-defective bacteria. Chlamydia. Rickettsia and related genera: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP	Lab5. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (lower respiratory tract). Management of sputum, endotracheal aspirate (ETA) and bronchoalveolar lavate (BAL) culture. Diagnostic laboratory tests in diagnosis of tuberculosis. Cultivation of anaerobic bacteria. Microscopic appearance of sporogenic bacteria.: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1B	S5 Spore-forming gram-positive bacilli: Bacillus and Clostridium. Infections caused by anaerobic bacteria (Physiology and growth conditions for anaerobes): • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[250] ◦ MMPG1
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L7 Vibrio, Campylobacter, and Helicobacter; Yersinia: • P07 (13:00 - 15:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMAP	Lab6. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (uro-genital tract). Microbiology diagnosis urinary tract infections. Diagnosis of Chlamydial infections. Serologic tests for syphilis. Diagnosis of Lyme disease: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S6 The Neisseriae. Spirochetes and other spiral microorganisms: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[250] ◦ MMPG1
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L8 Pseudomonads and Acinetobacter; Stenotrophomonas, Burkholderia; Legionella, Bartonella: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[250] ◦ MMAP	Lab7. Diagnosis of infection by anatomic site (gastrointestinal tract-GIT). Management of GIT specimens (culture and non-culture based methods in identification of enterobacteria, campylobacter, helicobacter, etc.): • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (17:00 - 19:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (17:00 - 19:00) ^[3322] ◦ MMPG1B	S7 Enteric gram-negative rods (Enterobacteriaceae): • P08 (15:00 - 17:00) ^[250] ◦ MMPG1
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L9 General properties of viruses. Pathogenesis and control of viral diseases: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMAP	Lab8. Management of clinical specimens from primary sterile body sites. Blood culture. Management of cerebrospinal fluid (CFS). Laboratory methods for haemophilus and nonfermentative gram-negative bacilli identification: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1B	S8 Haemophilus, Bordetella, Brucella, and Francisella. Moraxella.: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMPG1
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L10 Hepatitis viruses. Paramyxoviruses and Rubella virus: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP	Lab 9. Laboratory diagnosis of viral infections. Diagnostic tests for HSV infections (serology and Westernblot). Laboratory diagnosis of parvoviruses.: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMPG1B	S9 Herpesviruses, Adenoviruses. Parvoviruses. Rabies: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMPG1
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L11 Medical mycology – Mycoses and antifungal drugs: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[153] ◦ MMAP	Lab10. Laboratory diagnosis of selected viral infections. Interpretation of microbiology results. (HIV, POCT for rotavirus; avidity): • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[3322] ◦ MMPG1B	S10 Orthomyxoviruses. HIV. Picornaviruses. Reoviruses, Rotaviruses: • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1
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L12 Medical parasitology – intestinal protozoan infections, sexually transmitted protozoan infections. Intestinal cestode.: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMAP	Lab11. Laboratory diagnosis of mycoses: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[3322] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1272] ◦ MMPG1B	S11 Medical mycology (Candidiasis, Cryptococcosis, Aspergillosis, Mucormycosis): • P08 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1
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L13 Blood and Tissue protozoan infections (Plasmodium, Toxoplasma, Trypanosoma, Leishmania): • ONLINE (10:00 - 12:00) ^[250] ◦ MMAP		S12 Medical parasitology – intestinal nematode: • ONLINE (12:00 - 14:00) ^[245] ◦ MMPG1
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13.01.2026		
L14 Growth, survival, and death of microorganisms; Sterilisation and disinfection: • P08 (10:00 - 12:00) ^[1468] ◦ MMAP	Lab13. Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.: • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Large training room (14:00 - 16:00) ^[3322] ◦ MMPG1A • Department of Microbiology and Parasitology - Exercise room small (14:00 - 16:00) ^[1771] ◦ MMPG1B	S13 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations. (: • P06 (12:00 - 14:00) ^[153] ◦ MMPG1
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S8 Haemophilus, Bordetella, Brucella, and Francisella. Moraxella.	2	P08
S9 Herpesviruses, Adenoviruses. Parvoviruses. Rabies	2	P08 P15 - TOWN HALL
S10 Orthomyxoviruses. HIV. Picornaviruses. Reoviruses, Rotaviruses	2	P07 P08
S11 Medical mycology (Candidiasis, Cryptococcosis, Aspergillosis, Mucormycosis)	2	P08 v
S12 Medical parasitology - intestinal nematode	2	ONLINE P07
S13 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations. (	2	P04 P06
S14 Principles of diagnostic medical microbiology. Cases and Clinical Correlations.	2	P07 P08
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EXAM DATES (final exam):

1.	12.02.2026.
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