



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Microbiology and Clinical Microbiology (Lecco)

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#### Aims

Know the basic mechanisms of the onset of disease and the means of defense. Understand the meaning of the laboratory tests and their clinical relevance. Acquire the basics of pharmacology. Acquire the basics of microbiology.

#### Contents

At the end of this course, the student will be able to know: concept of acute and persistent infection, pathogenicity and virulence. The methods of direct and indirect contagion. The way of transmission of infections and their spread. Concept of carrier (eg. HBV). The correct way to collect, storage and transport biological sample from patient to laboratory. Approaches to laboratory diagnosis of bacterial and viral infections: direct and indirect diagnosis. Essential features of the main pathogens agents of clinical interest.

#### Detailed program

Diagnosis of microbial infections: specimen collection, direct and indirect clinical diagnosis. Bacterial and viral infections of the respiratory system: streptococcal angina, influenza virus, bacterial and viral pneumonia. Urinary tract infections: cystitis and pyelonephritis. Reproductive diseases: syphilis, gonorrhoea, non-gonococcal urethritis, HPV and Herpes. Bacterial and viral infections of the central nervous system: bacterial and viral meningitis, polio, viral encephalitis. Diseases of the gastrointestinal (staphylococcal intoxication, salmonella, E. coli gastroenteritis, pseudomembranous colitis caused by Clostridium Difficile, Helicobacter and peptic ulcers, viral infections (hepatitis, viral gastroenteritis). Microbial infections of the skin and eyes: Bacteria (staphylococcus, streptococcus, pseudomonas), viruses (HPV, herpes virus), fungi (Candida). Sepsis (some examples).

## **Prerequisites**

Positive evaluation in Biomedical Sciences 1.

## **Teaching form**

Lectures through presentations in electronic form of drawings and diagrams explaining concepts and functions of the organism. The lessons of some disciplines will be provided by teledidattica.

In the period of COVID-19 emergency the lessons will be online asynchronous and some events with synchronous videoconference

## **Textbook and teaching resource**

Cevenini R., Sambri V. (2004) Microbiologia e microbiologia clinica - Per i Corsi di Laurea in professioni sanitarie, Padova, Piccin.

## **Semester**

1st Year, 2nd Semester

## **Assessment method**

Written examination: 60 closed quiz with multiple choice answer and one open ended question. The 60 quiz are subdivided for different subjects: 20 for general pathology, 20 for pharmacology, 10 for clinical biochemistry, 10 for microbiology. The examination will be passed with 36 exact answers.

In the COVID-19 emergency the examination will be online with 6 open question that cover the 4 discipline of the course.

## **Office hours**

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