



* What are Microbes?

- Microbes are creatures that are not directly visible to the eye.
- Viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoa and some algae are all in this category.
- All with the exception of plants and animals.



Distribution of microorganisms

- Air
- Soil
- Water
- Animals
- Human body.



Beneficial activities

Most microbes are of benefit to human beings, some are necessary nitrogen, carbon cycles, etc.)

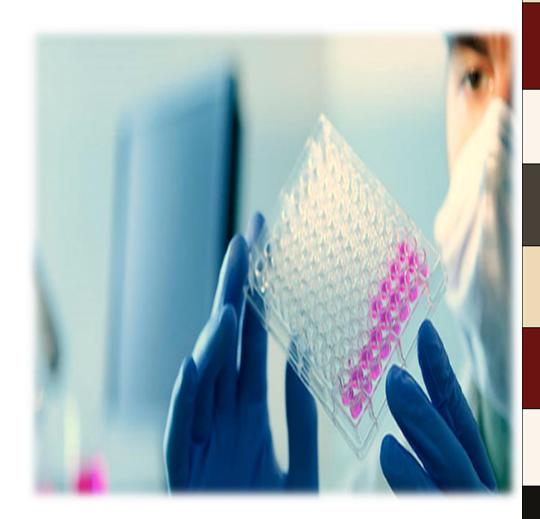
Harmful activities

A portion of microbes cause diseases and are poisonous to human, and these are really that concern us in the study of medical microbiology, etc.



Clinical Diagnostic Microbiology

- All aspects of infection
- Initial isolation/diagnosis
- Treatment
- Infection control
- Surveillance (Infection, Antimicrobial)
- Clinical management
- Public health



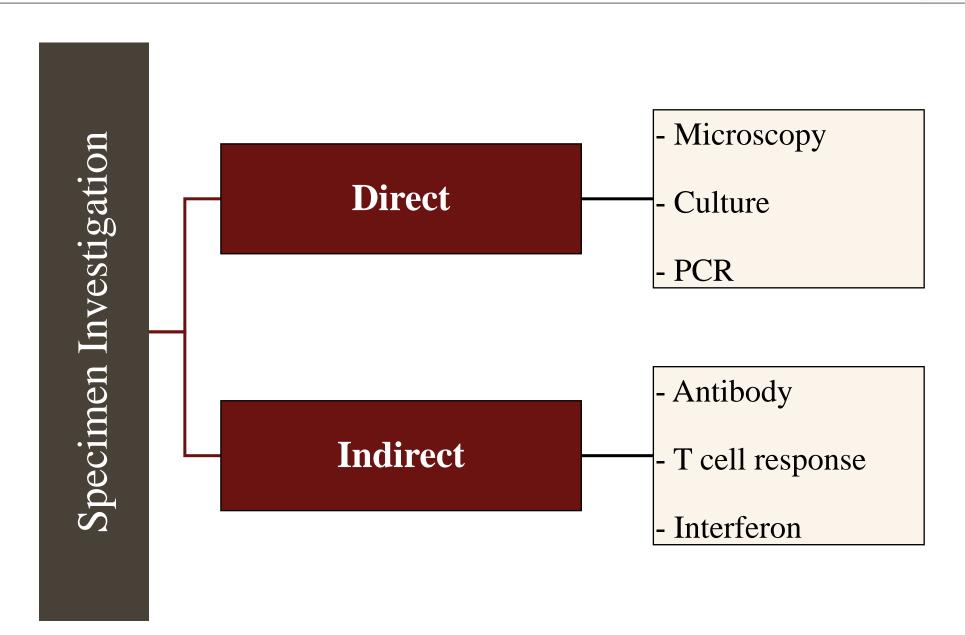


* What is the Specimen?

• A specimen is a sample of something, like a specimen of blood or body tissue that is taken for medical testing. The noun specimen comes from the Latin word specere, meaning "to look." Biologists collect specimens so they can get a better look at something to study it.







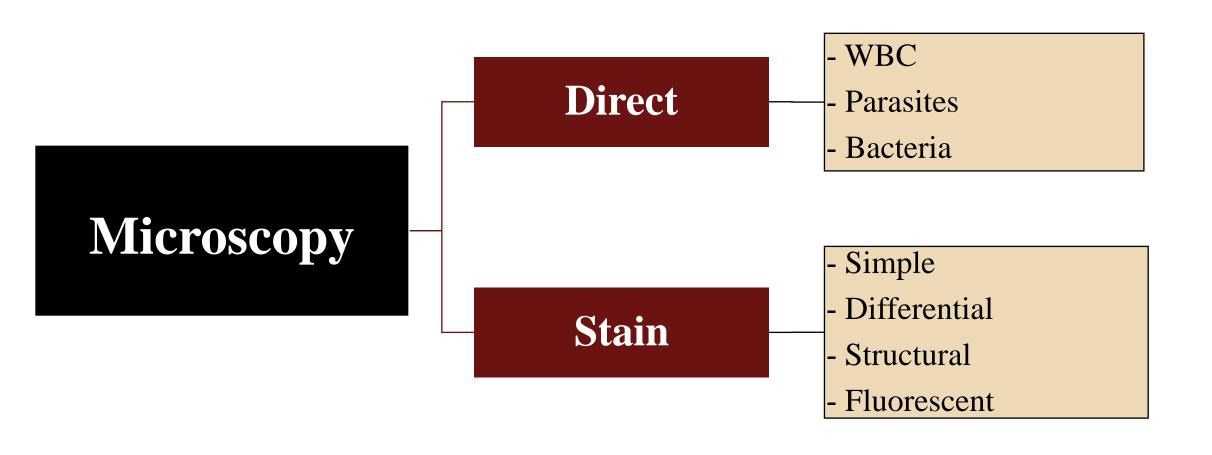


Direct Method

- Microscopic examination
 - o Direct.
 - o Stain.
- Rapid tests
- Molecular methods
- Specimen Culture







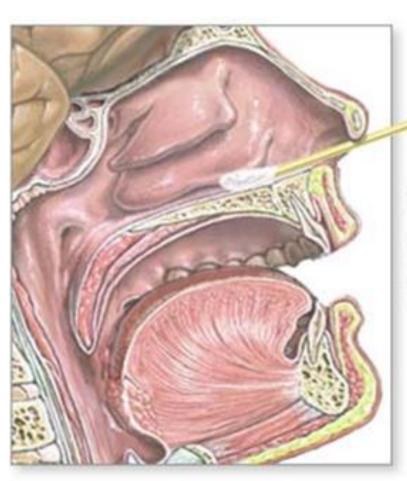


Specimen Collection

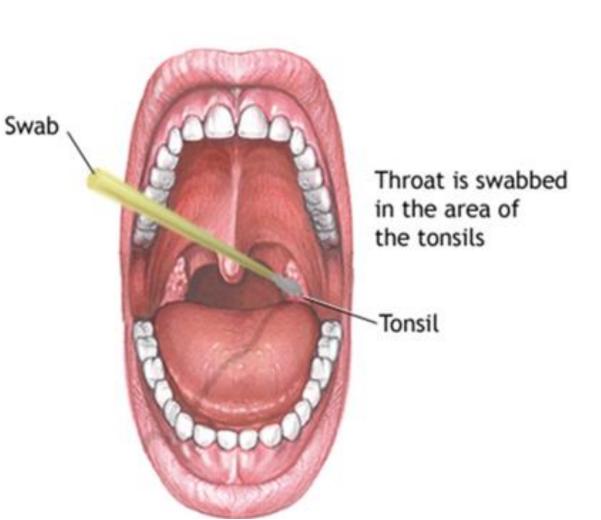
- Depends on the sources of the sample collection, it may be:
 - Endo cervical swabs for GC
 - Per nasal swabs for pertussis
 - Whole EMU for TB
 - O Sputum, not saliva
 - Blood culture bottles, not clotted blood
 - Pus, not swabs.







A sterile swab is passed gently through the nostril and into the nasopharynx



Order of Draw

Tube Closure Color	Collection Tube	Mix by Inverting	Min. Clot Time	
	Blood Cultures – SPS	8 to 10 times	N/A	
	Citrate Tube (Light Blue)	3 to 4 times	N/A	
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	Plasma Separator Tube	8 to 10 times	N/A	
	Heparin Tube (Green)	8 to 10 times	N/A	
	EDTA Tube (Lavender)	8 to 10 times	N/A	
** Search Calca No. ** Se	PPT Separator Tube (Pearl)	8 to 10 times	N/A	
	Fluoride Tube (Gray)	8 to 10 times	N/A	

Order of Draw	Tube Stopper Color	Additive	Dept.	Tests	Liquid Part post - centrifugation
1	Yellow	Sodium polyethanol sulfonate (SPS)	Microbiology	Blood Culture	Plasma
2	Light Blue	Sodium Citrate	Coagulation	PT, PTT	Plasma
3	Red (plain)	No additive	Tube Blood Bank	Type, RH, antibody screen, type & crossmatch	Serum
4	Red & Grey or Gold	Clot Activator	Routine Chemistry	All STAT tests + Iron, folate	Serum
5	Green Green	Heparin	STAT Chemistry	BMP, CMP, Glucose, K, Troponin, Bilirubin	Plasma
6	Lavender	K2EDTA	Hematology	CBC, ESR	Plasma
7	Pink Pink	EDTA	Gel Blood Bank	Type, RH, antibody screen, type & crossmatch	Plasma
8	Gray	Sodium Flouride (inhibits glycolysis)	Chemistry	Lactic Acid, Gluc (not run right away)	Plasma



Blood culture

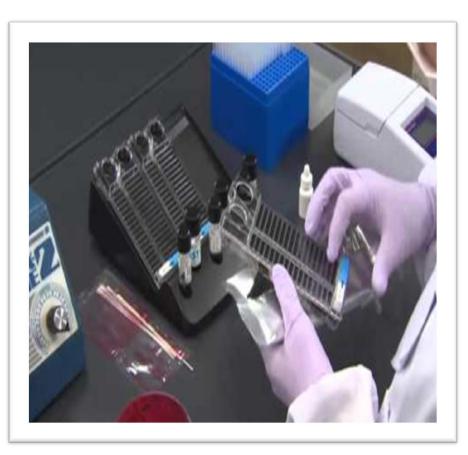


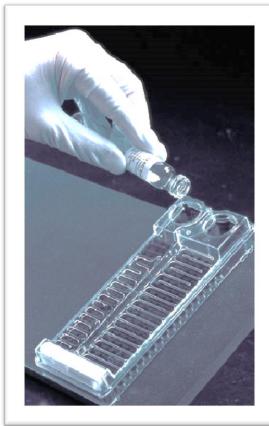






Phoenix Automated Microbiology System









Labeling Specimen

- Use pre-printed barcode labels:
- On specimen container
- On field data collection form
- In log book
- Label each specimen with:
- Subject's unique identification number



Field Data Collection Form

Tracking record number

General patient information

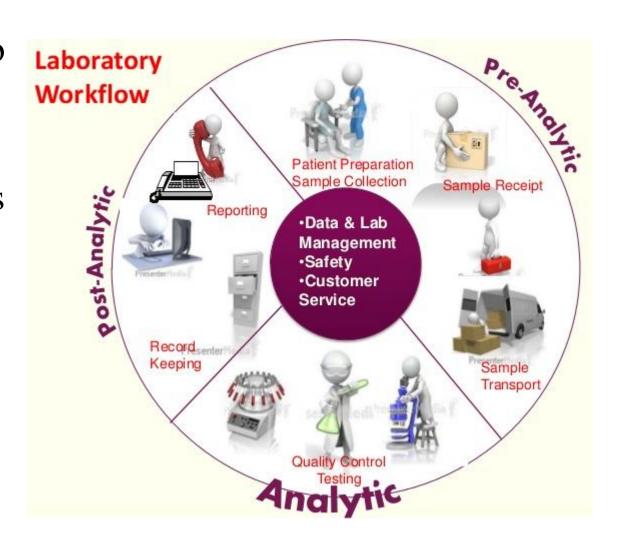


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Specimens & Infection Control

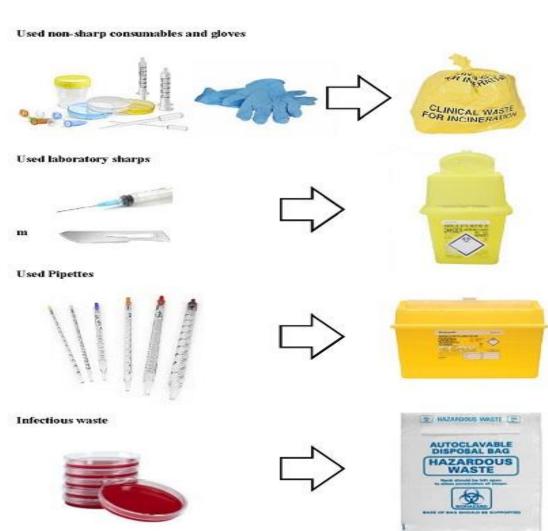
- Don't send specimens to the lab without proper packing
- Leaking or blood-stained specimens are not acceptable !!!
- Label hazardous specimens





Waste Disposal and Decontamination

- Infectious blood, body fluids.
- Disposable needles and syringes.
- Disposable or non-reusable protective clothing.
- Disposable or non-reusable gloves
- Used laboratory supplies
- Used disinfectants





Managing Contamination or Accidents

Contaminated work surface: | Exposed laboratory worker:

- Use 5% bleach solution for at |•
 - least 5 minutes
- Make bleach solution fresh daily
- 70% ethanol, 5% Lysol is also

adequate

- Remove infected clothing
- Wash any exposed areas



Data Management Rules

- Double check data entry accuracy
- Include unique identification numbers
- Keep subject names confidential
- Track testing dates and results
- Back up the database





Personal Protective Equipment

- Masks (N-95 or N/P/R-100)
- Gloves
- Protective eye wear (goggles)
- Hair covers
- Boot or shoe covers
- Protective clothing (gown or apron)

Eye Protection:

splash goggles, face shield or procedure mask with visor.

Mask:

A fluid-resistant procedure mask is required.
Staff have the option of using an N95 respirator.*

Gown:

yellow isolation gown, tied at the back.

Gloves:

non-sterile procedure gloves

