
Lab. 1: Lab. Safety & Introduction

MICROBIAL DIAGNOSIS
320 MIC

PRACTICAL

Grading & Testing Dates

- Reports: 10 Marks
 - Quiz after 5 labs: 5 Marks @ 17/06/1439 AH.
 - Final: 15 Marks
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- Date of the Final Exam: 07/08/1439 AH.
 - (10-12 am)@ L-64

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.

Distribution of microorganisms

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



Human -Microorganisms Interactions

Beneficial activities

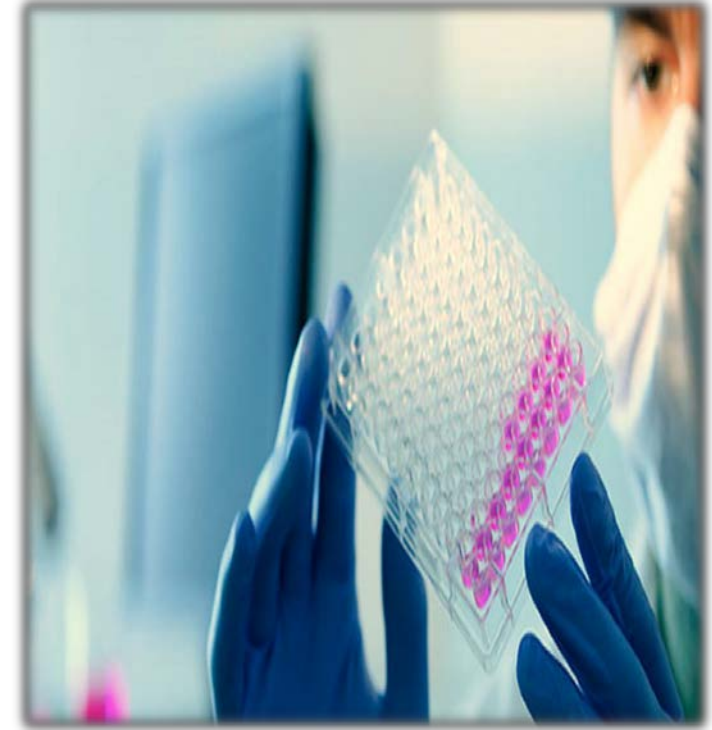
- Most microbes are of benefit to human beings, some are necessary (nitrogen, carbon cycles, etc.)

Harmful activities

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

❖ Clinical or Diagnostic Microbiology

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



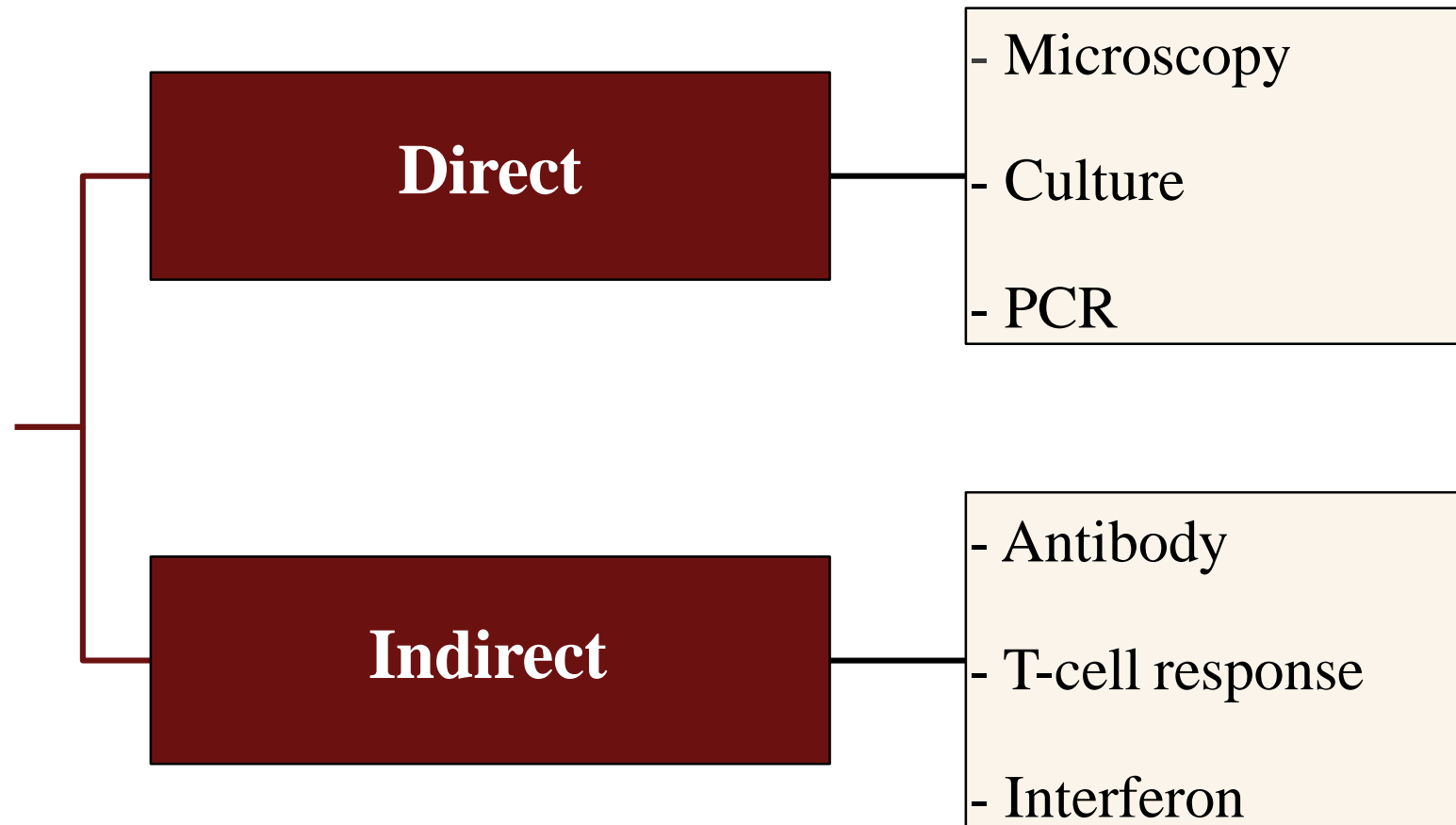
❖ What is the Specimen ?

- 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.



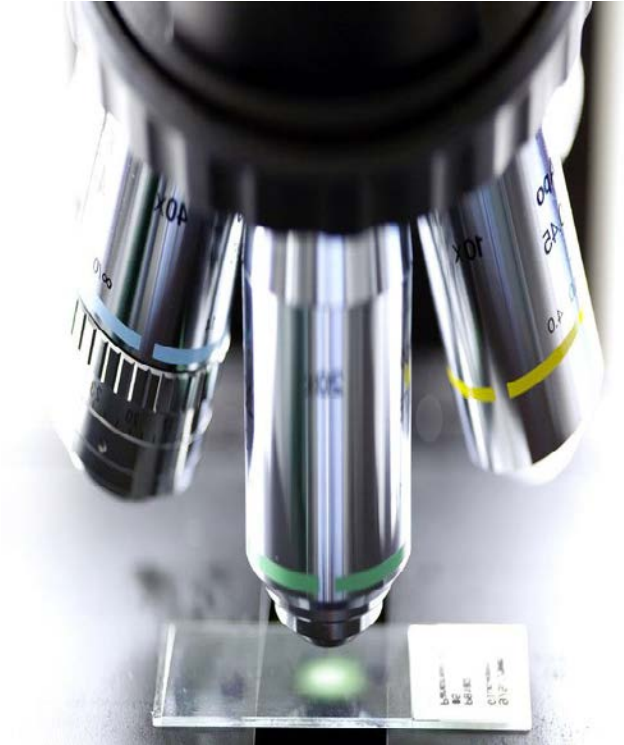


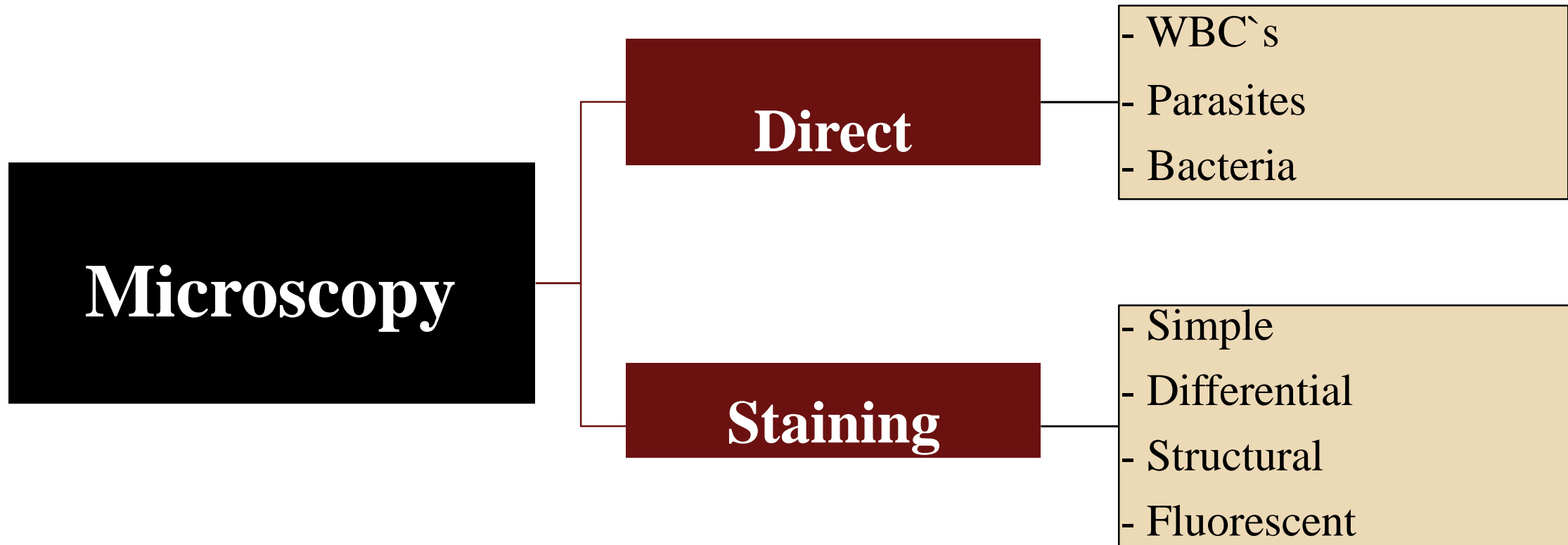
Specimen Investigation



❖ Direct Methods:

- Microscopic examination
 - Direct.
 - Staining.
- Rapid tests.
- Molecular methods.
- Specimen Culture.



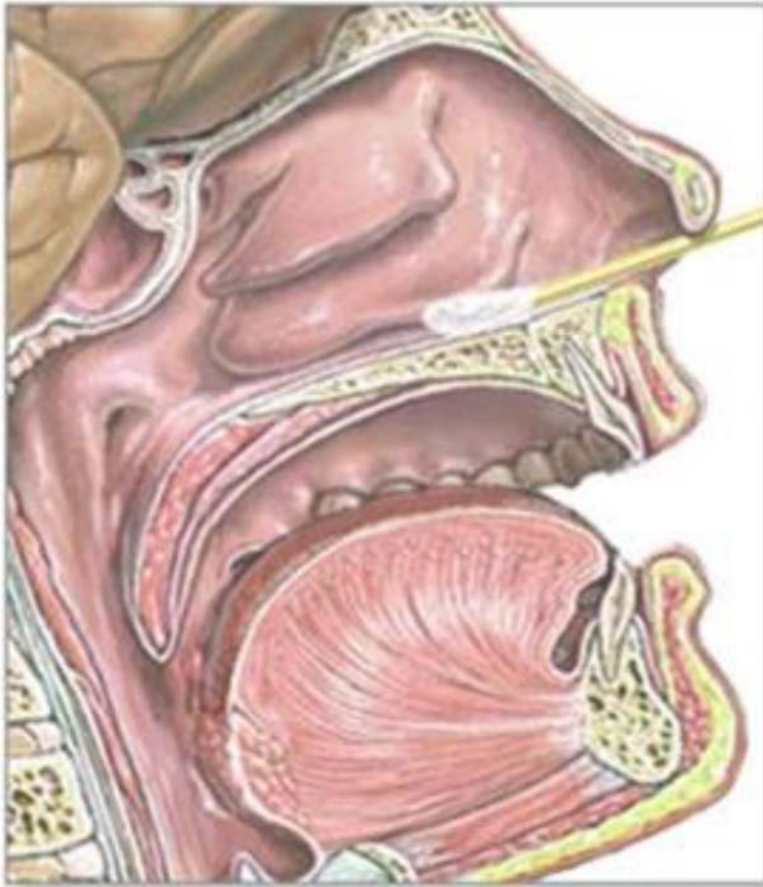




❖ Specimen Collection

- 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.
 - Sputum , not saliva
 - Blood culture bottles, no clotted blood
 - Pus, not swabs.













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



Throat is swabbed in the area of the tonsils

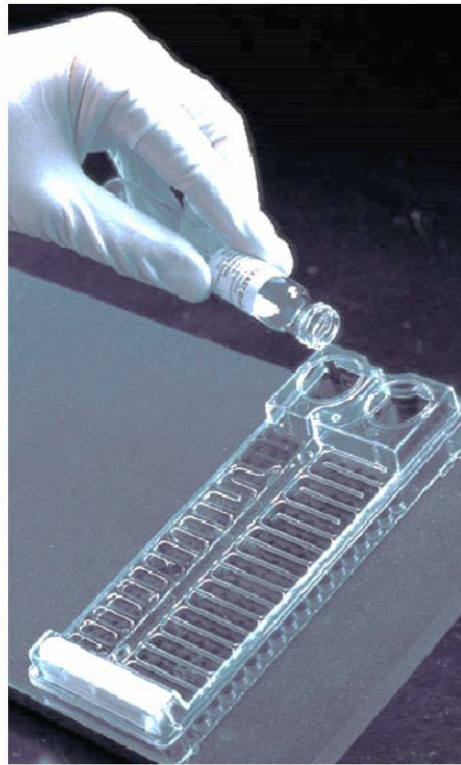
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Order of Draw	Tube Stopper Color	Additive	Dept.	Tests	Liquid Part post - centrifugation
1	Yellow 	Sodium polyethanol sulfonate (SPS)	Microbiology	Blood Culture	Plasma
2	Light Blue 	Sodium Citrate	Coagulation	PT, PTT	Plasma
3	Red (plain) 	No additive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

❖ Blood cultures:

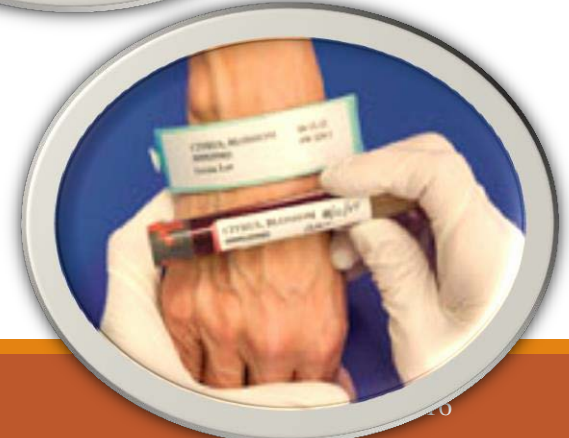


❖ Phoenix Automated Microbiology System



❖ Labelling 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

General patient information

Name:
Address:
Country:
County:
City/town/village:

Tracking record number

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):
Sex: M ☐ F ☐
Nationality:
Occupation:

Date of onset of illness (dd/mm/yyyy):

Clinical specimens

Unique ID No.	Type	Date of collection	Clinical diagnosis	Health status when specimens collected	Remarks

Post-mortem specimens

Date of death(dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____

Name of person completing form: _____

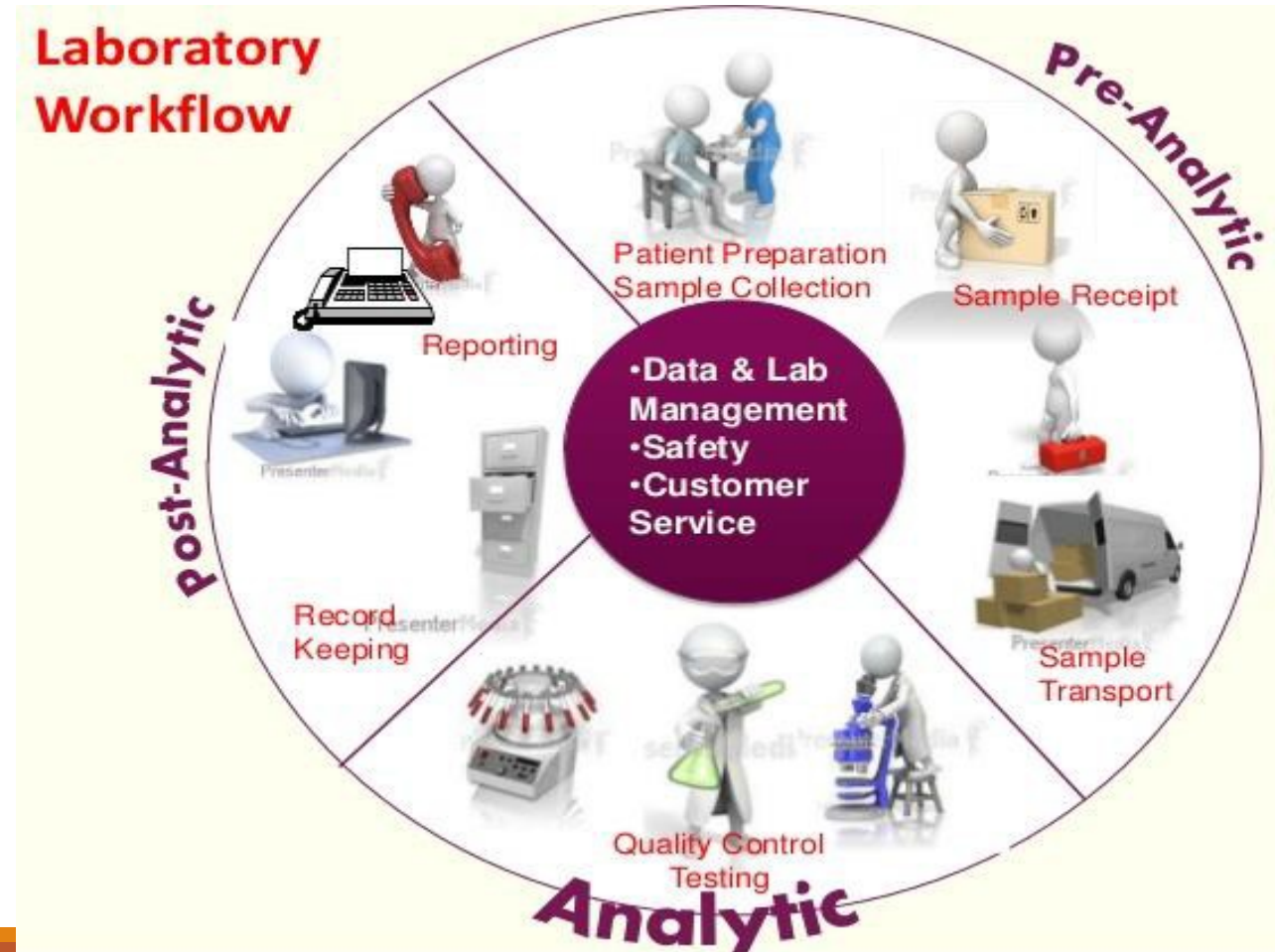
Institutional affiliation: _____

Contact details: _____

Date(dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____

❖ Specimens & Infection Control

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



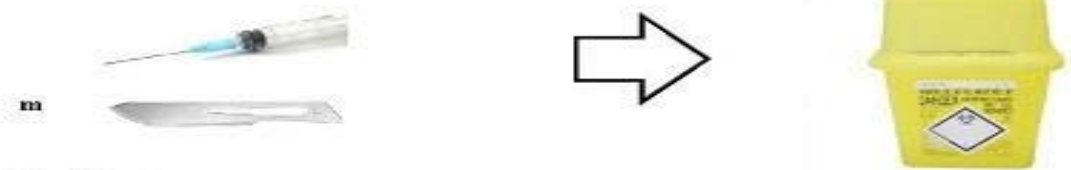
❖ Waste Disposal and Decontamination

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

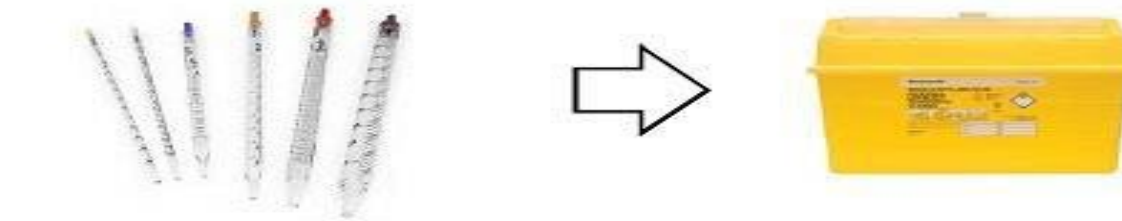
Used non-sharp consumables and gloves



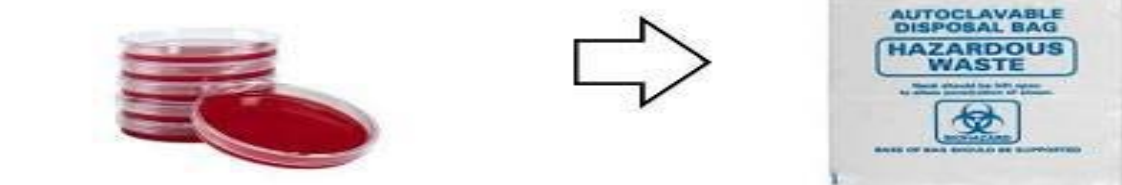
Used laboratory sharps



Used Pipettes



Infectious waste



Managing Contamination or Accidents

Contaminated work surface:

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

Exposed laboratory worker:

- Remove infected clothing
- Wash any exposed areas

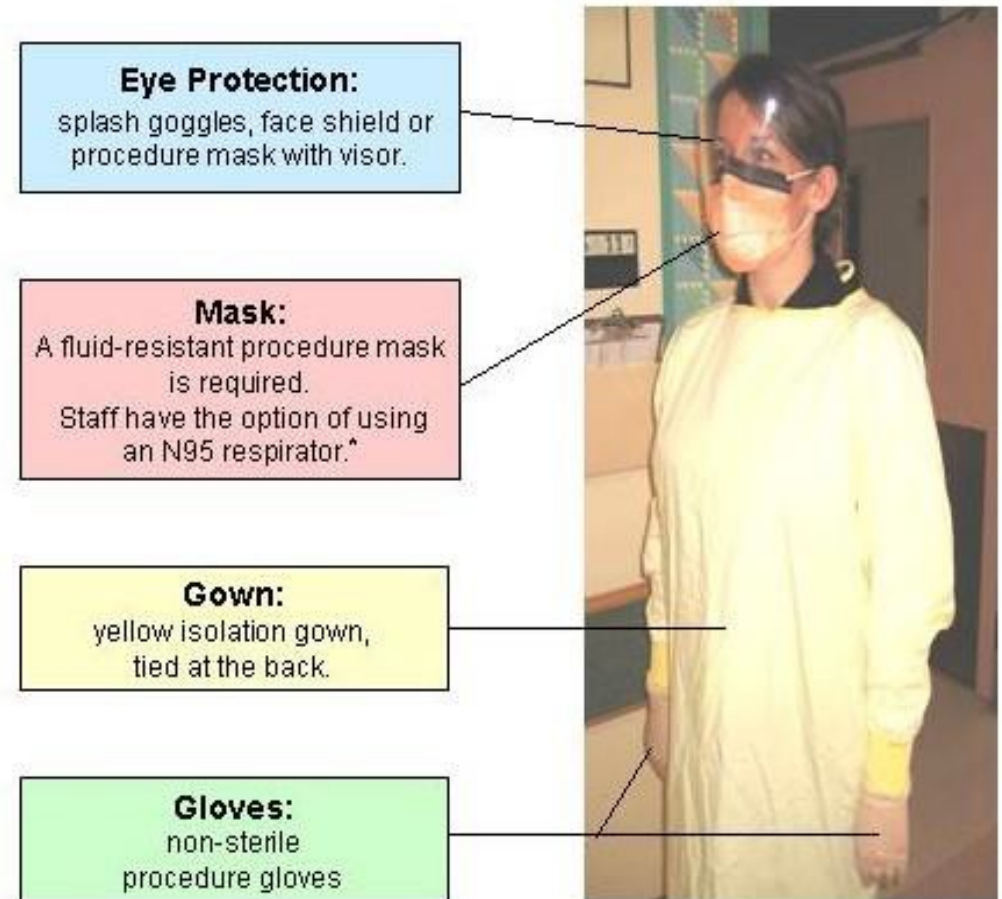
❖ Data Management Rules

- 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)



Any Questions?

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