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Q No 1: What is the importance of medical microbiology?

⇒ Microbiology is one of the most important branches of biological science. It is the study of microbes and how they influence life.

⇒ The importance of microbiology is a lot of talk but I'll just give a few summaries.

→ It gives knowledge about their effects on food which includes spoilage, fermentation, decay, food poisoning and information of toxins.

→ It studies the development of diseases and how microbes can be used to make our health better with vaccination, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, use of probiotics. It also includes the study of disease control which embodies infection control, treatment and quarantine.

→ Microbiology also deals with the effects and control of situations like bio wars.

Humanity would not be where it is today without microbiology. It is one of the most vital.



scientific fields. It allows us to see into the microscopic world around within us. Micro impacts modern medicine, food services industry and many more fields that we take ~~it~~ too granted. Micro was used to discover cures and treatment for many diseases, it is also the field of science that will enable us to cure cancer and other genetic illnesses. A knowledge of microbes and how they function us to decrease deaths related to food and drugs that are no longer fresh. That best before that on everything marks the time when microbes will begin to grow in or on the item. Thus reducing the safety consumption. This allow all consume food and get rid of items that are likely to make us sick or even kill us. I will not seafood past its best by date. I will however use painkiller for up to 6 months after best by date, as I know that the drug is still viable just not as potent.



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While the expired seafood could give me food poisoning and at best I would have diarrhoea and vomiting, at worst could etc.

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Microscopic identification:

Viruses can be detected and identified by direct microscope examination and clinical specimens such as biopsy material or skin lesion. The different procedures can be used

1) Light microscopy can reveal characteristic inclusion bodies or multinucleated giant cell.

The Tzanck smear which shows herpes-virus induced multinucleated giant cells in vesicular skin lesions is a good example.

2) UV microscopy is used for fluorescent microscopy detects ~~viruses~~ of the virus in infected cell.

3) Electron microscopy detect virus particle which can be characterized by their size and morphology.

Serologic procedures:

A rise in the of titer' antibody to the virus can be used to diagnose current infection.



~~17~~ Serocconversion is the term used to describe the finding of antibody to a virus in patient serum with patient previously had to antibody.

stated another way the patient serum is converted from antibody - positive

A serum sample is obtained as a viral etiology is suspected (acute phase) and a second is obtained to 10 to 14 days (convalescent phase) of the antibody titer in the convalescent - phase serum sample is at least fourfold higher than the titer in the acute - phase serum sample is  $1/4$  and the titer in the phase serum example.

the patient is considered to be infected. for example and the titer in the convalescent phase serum sample is  $1/6$  or greater than the patient had has a significant rise in antibody titer and has been recently infected. if however the titer in the convalescent - phase serum sample is  $1/8$



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This is not a significant rise and should be interpreted as a sign of recent infection.

It is important to realize that an antibody titer on a single sample does not distinguish between a previous infection and a current one.

In certain viral diseases the presence of IgM antibody is used to diagnose current. For example the presence of IgM antibody to core antigen infection by hepatitis virus.

→ other nonspecific serologic ~~for example~~ example the heterophil antibody test (microspot) can be used to diagnose infections mononucleosis. In the heterophil test human serum is reacted with horse or sheep red blood cell if the heterophil antibody is present. If the patient has been infected with Epstein-Barr virus then agglutination of red blood cell occurs.



## Detection of viral Antigens

viral antigen can be detected in the patient blood or body fluid via various tests, but most often by an ELISA. Test for the p24 antigen of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and the surface antigen of hepatitis B virus are common examples of the approach.

## Detection of viral nucleic Acids

viral nucleic acids (i.e. either the viral genome or viral mRNA) can be detected in the patient blood or tissues with exemplary sensitivity. DNA or RNA (cDNA or cRNA) as a probe. If only small amounts of viral nucleic acids are present in the patient the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) can be used to amplify the viral nucleic acid. Assays for the RNA and HIV and hepatitis C virus and



The DNA of hepatitis B virus in the patient blood viral load are commonly used to evaluate the patient prognosis.

In serious respiratory virus infection the laboratory diagnosis can be done by using PCR-based assays on respiratory tract secretions. A panel of PCR caused by viruses such as influenza virus, parainfluenza virus, respiratory syncytial virus, rhinovirus, human metapneumovirus and adenovirus.

### Serologic methods

These methods are described in more detail in however, it is of interest here to present information on how serologic reaction and the microbiologic diagnoses these are the two basic approach

- 1, Using known antibody to identify the microorganism.
- 2, Using known antigen to detect antibodies in the patient's serum.



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Identification of an organism with known Antiserum slide Agglutination test:

Antisera can be used to identify salmonella and shigella by causing agglutination (clumping) of the unknown organisms.

Antisera direct against the cell wall antigens of salmonella and shigella are commonly used in hospital laboratories.

Antisera against the capsular antigens of salmonella are used in public health laboratories for epidemiologic ~~pro~~ purpose.

### Latec Agglutination Test:

Latec test coated by specific antibody are agglutinated in the presence of the homologous bacteria or antigen. This test is used to determine the presence of the capsular antigen of the yeast C.



## Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA)

In this test a specific antibody to which an easily assayed enzyme has been linked is used to detect the presence of the homologous antigen.

Because several techniques have been devised to implement this principle the specific tests are useful in detecting a wide variety of bacterial, viral, and fungal infections.

Identification of serum antibodies with known antigens

## Slide or Tube Agglutination Tests

A variety of bacteria can be identified by exposure to known antibody labeled with fluorescent dye, which is detected visually in the ultraviolet microscope. Various methods can be used such as the direct and indirect techniques.