



BACTERIAL PHYSIOLOGY & PATHOGENESIS, 7.5 ECTS

COURSE TIME: 30th September, 2020 –1st November, 2020

LOCATION: Lectures: Online via Zoom (links to be provided)
On-site at **Astrid Fagraeus, room A103**, Building A in the
Norrlands University Hospital (NUS) area

Practical (wet-lab): “**Green**” and “**Red**” laboratories”,
floor 1, Building 6L in the Department of
Molecular Biology

Practical (dry-lab): Home studies, and
On-site computer laboratory, **room Thymine /
Uracil (6K-148)**, Building 6K in the Department
of Molecular Biology

LITERATURE: For example:

1. Online resource: Todar’s Online textbook of Bacteriology at
<http://www.textbookofbacteriology.net/index.html>
2. Online resource: Microbiology and Immunology Online at
<http://pathmicro.med.sc.edu/book/bact-sta.html>
3. Online resource: N. Parker, M. Schneegurt, A.T Tu, B. M. Forster, P. Lister
(2016) “Microbiology” Online at
<https://openstax.org/details/books/microbiology>
4. Other material provided by the Department.

EXAMINATION: Monday, November 5th, 9.00-13.00, Lecture hall N320, Naturvetarhuset

RE-EXAMINATION: Monday, December 10th, 16.00-20.00, Östra Paviljongen

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LABORATORY SESSIONS: (Strictly Mandatory – performed individual)
“Genetic and physiological characterization of enriched bacterial isolates” (JGu, ET)

LABORATORY EXAMINATION: (Strictly Mandatory – individual assessment)

- Oral presentation – 5 mins – highlighting the major objectives and achievements of the laboratory module, followed by a *viva voce* exam – 5 mins – where you will give a verbal defence of your oral presentation. (**Lab examination I**)
- Submission of **non-plagiarized** written answers to a laboratory quiz. (**Lab examination II**)
Answers are to be submitted electronically to the Laboratory assistants’ (JGu, ET) “**Urkund**” email addresses.
- In addition, your own personal laboratory notebook **MUST** be utilized on every single laboratory session. It is also your responsibility to have this **CERTIFIED** (signed and dated) by a lab assistant (JGu, ET) at the conclusion of **EVERY** laboratory session. You could think of this exercise as **examination III**.

Note: You **must** obtain a grade ‘G’ to gain credit for this laboratory module.

LECTURERS

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LECTURER THEMES

Principles and Applications of Bacterial Diversity

- Bacterial Diversity (Lecture 1; SNW)
- Extreme Environments (Lecture 2; SNW)
- Bioenergetics (Lecture 3; MFr)

General Principles of Bacterial Regulatory Networks

- Transcriptional Regulation (Lecture 4; VSh)
- Signal Transduction by Two-Component Regulatory Systems (Lecture 5; VSh)
- Post-transcriptional Regulation (Lecture 6; JJo)
- Translational Regulation (Lecture 7; JJo)
- Post-translational Regulation (Lecture 8; SNW)

Important Physiological Processes

- Bacterial Stress Responses – Global Regulation (Lecture 9; VSh)
- Solute Transport (Lecture 10; MFr)
- Protein Secretion Systems (Lecture 11; MFr)
- Bacterial Motion (Lecture 12; VSh)
- Prokaryotic Differentiation and Development (Lecture 13; SNW)

Bacterial Virulence Strategies

- Bacterial Pathogenesis I – pathogen evolution and the study of bacterial pathogens (Lecture 14; MFr)
- Bacterial Pathogenesis II– the infection process and virulence mechanisms (Lecture 15; SNW)
- Bacterial Pathogenesis III – bacterial responses to the host cell (regulating virulence) (Lecture 16; SNW)
- Bacterial Pathogenesis IV – treatment and prevention (Lecture 17; SNW)

TUTORIALS

Two tutorial sessions have been planned.

This time is allocated for **YOU** to address **YOUR** questions to the course leader and/or other participating lecturers. Make full use of this available time by ensuring your advanced preparation (i.e.: go through the lecture material before the tutorial).

Remember that:

- a) *Social distancing practices are enforced during on-campus studies*
- b) *Stay at home if you exhibit any illness symptoms, even if minor! If the department via the student departmental hotline.*
- c) *Students work individually*
- d) *Students must attend, either in real life or online, all laboratory orientation/introductory sessions and the full duration of **every** experimental session*
- e) *Any absence, even for a short period, must be first reported to, and/or agreed upon by the Course assistant in charge (i.e. if healthy, you **cannot** come and go when you please)*
- f) *Laboratory notebooks are to be certified by a lab assistant at the conclusion of each session*

Please use any “free” time wisely!

Important Information:

- i. *Lab equipment is very expensive – use with extreme care and concentration. If you are unsure, ask how to use a particular piece of lab equipment properly.*
- ii. *In the labs, you will be potentially working with pathogenic bacteria deserving of your respect. Follow all advice given to you about safety precautions.*
- iii. *Treat your lab assistants with respect; it is not an easy job and they do have more laboratory experience than you do.*
- iv. *To be allowed to sit the exam, all laboratory examinations must be completed and/or submitted.*

During a fire alarm, evacuate promptly to the clearing, a safe distance from the outside entrance to building 6L.

Week 40

(working week 1)

Wednesday (30-09-2020)

09.00 – 09.45 **Course orientation & Roll-call** (SNW) Online via Zoom

10.00 – 12.00 Lecture 1: **“Bacterial Diversity”** (SNW) Online via Zoom

Lunch

13.00 – 14.00 Lecture 2: **“Extreme Environments”** (SNW) Online via Zoom

Thursday (01-10-2020)

09.00 – 09.45 **Laboratory Safety** (SNW; JGu; ETo) Online via Zoom

10.00 – 11.00 Introduction to the **laboratory course** Online via Zoom
Information concerning **laboratory examination I (oral)**
examination II (written quiz) & examination III (notebook)
(SNW; JGu; ETo)

Lunch

12.00 – 18.00 Laboration: **“Exercise 1 – Dry lab”** Computer suite (Thymine / Uracil)
(JGu; ETo)
Computational sequence data analysis
(bacterial identity/*clustal W* analysis)

Group 1: 12.00 – 13.50

Group 2: 14.00 – 15.50

Group 3: 16.00 – 17.50

Remember to use your **laboratory notebook!**

Friday (02-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.00 Lecture 4: **“Transcriptional Regulation”** (VSh) Online via Zoom

Study time:

Use it wisely!

NOTE: The endpoint for laboratory session times is our best estimation. The endpoint depends upon numerous variables – not in the least on your performance, and growth rates of bacteria and eukaryotic cells.

Week 41

(working week 2)

Monday (05-10-2020)

09.30 – 11:00 Lecture 5: “Signal Transduction by Two-Component Regulatory Systems” (VSh) [Online via Zoom](#)

12:00-113:30 Lecture 12: “Bacterial Motion” (VSh) [Online via Zoom](#)

Tuesday (06-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.00 Laboration: “Exercise 2 – Dry lab” Astrid Fagraeus (A103)
(MFr; JGu; ETo)

In vitro bacterial infection model – HeLa cell association and uptake assay
Understanding of experimental context and raw data analysis

Group 1: 09.00 – 10.00

Group 2: 10.00 – 11.00

Study time:

Use it wisely!

Wednesday (07-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.00 Lecture 6: “Post-transcriptional Regulation” (JJo) [Online via Zoom](#)

Lunch

12.00 – 14.00 Lecture 7: “Translational Regulation” (JJo) [Online via Zoom](#)

Thursday (08-10-2018)

09.00 – 11.00 Lecture 8: “Post-Translational Regulation” (SNW) [Online via Zoom](#)

Study time:

Use it wisely!

Friday (09-10-2020)

9:00-11:00 Lecture 9: “Bacterial Stress – Global Regulation” (VSh) [Online via Zoom](#)

Lunch

13.30 – 16.30 Lecture 3: “Bioenergetics” (MFr) [Online via Zoom](#)

Week 42

(working week 3)

Monday (12-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.30 Lecture 10: “**Solute Transport**” (MFr) Online via Zoom

Study time:

- 1) Literature study of sequenced bacteria; preparation for experimental plan discussions
- 2) Preparation of study questions for Friday’s first theory Q&A tutorial

Tuesday (13-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.30 Lecture 11: “**Protein secretion systems**” (MFr) Online via Zoom

Study time:

Use it wisely!

Wednesday (14-10-2020)

09.00 – 11.00 Lecture 13: “**Prokaryotic Differentiation and Development**” Online via Zoom
(SNW)

Lunch

13.30 – 16.30 Lecture 14: “**Bacterial Pathogenesis I**” (MFr) Online via Zoom

Thursday (15-10-2020)

09.00 – 12.00 Lecture 15: “**Bacterial Pathogenesis II**” (SNW) Online via Zoom

Study time:

- 1) Literature study of sequenced bacteria; preparation for experimental plan discussions
- 2) Preparation of study questions for tomorrow’s first theory Q&A tutorial

Friday (16-10-2018)

09.00 – 12.00 Lecture 16: “**Bacterial Pathogenesis III**” (SNW) Online via Zoom

Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Q&A session: “**Tutorial I**” (SNW) Astrid Fagraeus (A103)

Study time:

Remember to have a prepared literature study of you sequenced bacteria; be preparation for experimental plan discussions

Week 43

(working week 4)

Monday (19-10-2020)

09.00 – 09.45 Laboration tutorial I: **“Exercise 2 – Dry lab”** Online via Zoom
(MFr; JGu; ETo)

Q&A session to ensure progress through this Dry-lab exercise!

10.00 – 12.30 Lecture 17: **“Treatment and Prevention”** (SNW) Online via Zoom

Lunch

13.30 – 15.30 Laboration tutorial II: **“Day 1 – Wet lab”** Online via Zoom
(JGu; ETo)

Bacterial strain selection

Wet-lab discussions of experimental protocols and workflow

Discussion of laboratory etiquette (vital during Covid19 times)

Tuesday (20-10-2020)

08.30 – 12.30 Laboration: **“Group 1, Day 2” Wet lab** Laboratory (Red and Green)
(JGu; ETo)

Lunch

13.30 – 17.30 Laboration: **“Group 2, Day 2” Wet lab** Laboratory (Red and Green)
(JGu; ETo)

Wednesday (21-10-2020)

08.30 – 12.30 Laboration: **“Group 1, Day 3” Wet lab** Laboratory (Red and Green)
(JGu; ETo)

Lunch

13.30 – 17.30 Laboration: **“Group 2, Day 3” Wet lab** Laboratory (Red and Green)
(JGu; ETo)

Thursday (22-10-2020)

Study time:

Preparation for Lab examinations I, II and III

Friday (23-10-2020)

09.00 – 10.30 Laboration **“round-up”** (JGu; ETo) Online via Zoom

Study time:

- 1) Preparation for Lab examinations I, II and III
- 2) Preparation of study questions for Wednesday’s second and final theory Q&A tutorial

Week 44

(working week 5)

Monday (26-10-2020)

08.30 – 12.30 Laboration examination – Part 1 (Note: Individual schedule will follow)

Group 1 (room Uracil)
SNW & JGu

Group 2 (room Thymine)
MFr & ETo

Lab examination I “Individual oral presentations (5 mins) followed by a *viva voce* exam – 5 mins)”

Lab examination III “Present your laboratory notebook to SNW (group 1) or MFr (group 2)”

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Closed individual examination – Not open to an audience

Study time:

Preparation of study questions for Wednesday’s second and final theory Q&A tutorial

Tuesday (27-10-2020)

Private study

Wednesday (28-10-2020)

9.30 – 11.30 Q&A session: “**Tutorial II**” (SNW)

Astrid Fagraeus (A103)

Private study

Thursday (29-10-2020)

Private study

Friday (30-10-2020) “Theory Examination”

9:00-13:00 Location: Östra Paviljongen ÖP

24.00 Lab examination – part 2 – deadline for **Lab examination II**
“Written quiz responses”
(Examiners: JGu; ETo)
Submit electronically to:
???????@analys.orkund.se

Week 51

Monday (14-12-2020)

9:00-13:00

“Re-Examination”

Location: Östra Paviljongen ÖP

Summary of course composition

Week 41	Week 42	Week 43	Week 44	Week 45	Week 51
Lectures					
	Tutorial (I)			Tutorial (II)	
Dry-lab exercises (individual work assignment) <i>mandatory</i>					
			Wet-lab exercises (individual work assignment) <i>mandatory</i>		
			Laboratory 'Round-up'		
				Laboratory Examination I <i>mandatory</i>	
				Laboratory Examination II <i>mandatory</i>	
				Theory exam	Theory Re-

				(4h)	exam (4h)
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