

# Microbiology – serial dilutions and fungi course

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This hands-on, face-to-face, course uses serial dilution and investigating fungi activities, as a context to learn the essential skills and techniques needed for school-based microbiology.

Participating in the day's activities will provide you with opportunities to familiarise yourself with a range of standard microbiological resources, techniques and equipment.

This course is intended for technicians and teachers new to microbiology, and those wishing to refresh their knowledge and skills.



# The structure of the day is as follows:

- 1. Using CLEAPSS microbiology guidance to keep yourself, and others, safe
- 2. Understanding sterilisation, how to achieve it, and using sterile resources
- 3. Setting up a microbiology workstation and practicing aseptic techniques
- 4. Learning to subculture into a broth

#### Break

- 5. Pouring nutrient agar plates
- 6. Pouring MEA plates
- 7. Subculturing to maintain microbial stocks
- 8. Dilution streaking
- 9. Learning to aliquot

# Lunch

- 10. Carrying out a serial dilution
- 11. Growing fungi Investigating Mucor hiemalis
- 12. Safe clear up and disposal practices

# Duration: 1 Day

Times: Start 9.00am; Finish 4.00pm (approx.)

For details of the next scheduled course please see our website.



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