

B1.1 - Microscopy, Culturing microorganisms and Standard form

Microscopes allow us to view **small structures** unable to be seen by the naked eye

Light Microscope

Two Lenses: _____ and _____

Maximum Magnification: _____
Maximum Resolution: _____

Advantages:

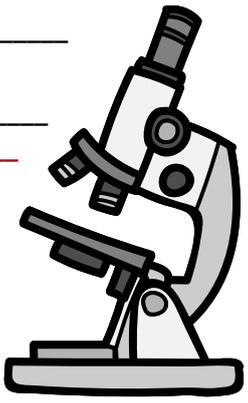
- Easy to use
- _____
- Small and portable
- Can observe _____ specimens

Disadvantages:

- Limited** _____
- Smaller magnification compared to electron microscopes

Uses _____ illuminated from beneath

Total Magnification =
_____ x



Electron Microscope

Allows us to see **smaller organelles** such as: _____

Maximum Magnification: _____

Maximum Resolution: _____
(SEM) or _____ (TEM)

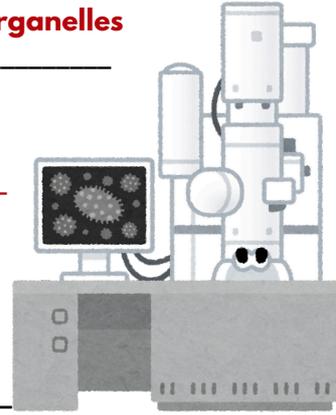
Advantages:

- Greater _____
- Greater _____
- Can transmit _____ (SEM)

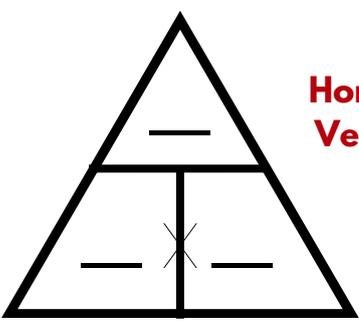
Disadvantages:

- Requires** _____ to use
- _____
- Large and non-portable
- Can only observe dead specimens
- _____ (TEM)

Uses electrons which, due to _____, allow us to have greater **magnification** and **resolution**



The _____ formula



Horizontal lines of these triangles mean **divide**
Vertical lines of these triangles mean **multiply**

For example:

_____ = _____ x _____
_____ = _____ / _____
_____ = _____ / _____

Used when calculating:

I = _____
_____ = Actual size
M = _____

It's really useful exam practice to just draw this triangle immediately on the first available page. Then, you don't need to remember the equation, only this triangle.

Culturing microorganisms

Higher only!

Bacteria replicate via _____, which is an asexual replication where they **split into two**.

We can calculate **population growth** if given: **Mean replication time** and **Length of time population was left to grow (Overall time)**.

_____ / _____ = **Number of times replicated**.

(**Original bacteria count** x 2 _____)
= _____

Standard Form

The number is represented as a number that is being multiplied by a power of 10

For example:

$$1 \times 10^{-5} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$3.41 \times 10^2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 2500.0$$

Often used when culturing due to _____

When converting in and out: just imagine you are moving the decimal point forwards (positive number) or backwards (negative number) for that amount

When culturing, there are two different methods to do so

Culture mediums contain various sugars, proteins, vitamins and minerals to allow bacterial survival and growth!

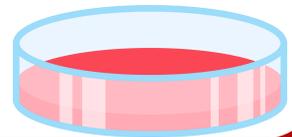
Nutrient Broth

- Mix a suspension of bacteria with sterile _____ (culture medium) in a tube
- Plug the tube with wool to avoid _____
- Frequently _____ the tube to provide _____ to bacteria



Agar gel plate

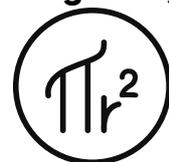
- Hot sterilised _____ (culture medium) poured onto a **sterile** _____, then _____
- An _____ is then used to **spread** the cultures along the agar
- Lid is _____ and dish _____
- Dish left to let bacteria grow



Antibiotic testing

You can soak paper discs in different **antibiotics**, and place them on the agar plates to see _____, by looking at the _____!

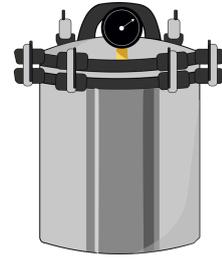
- Place the discs evenly spaced over the plate, one being a _____.
- Incubate for 3 days at 25 degrees Celsius
- _____ bacteria will grow, _____ bacteria will die or not grow
- The Zone of Inhibition (ring of no growth) can be measured. Larger ring = _____



Why do we follow these culturing steps?

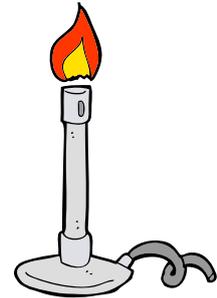
Sterilisation of the dish and medium before use

_____ could _____ with our bacteria and steal the _____



Passing inoculating loop through flame

Bacteria cannot survive the **extreme** temperatures of the fire



Taping on the lid

Stops _____

Should **not** be completely sealed, allowing _____ to enter

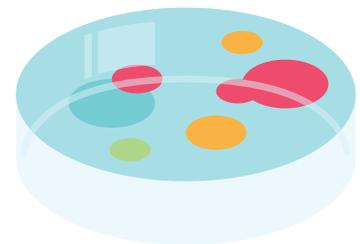
This stops _____ from growing



Storing the petri dish upside down

As the bacteria are alive and **respiring**,

Storing it upside down **prevents**



Culture is incubated at 25 degrees Celsius

This temperature is the _____ temperature for the bacterial growth

Human body temperature (37 degrees Celsius) would be **too high**

