

Specialist Microbiology Practice Test Questions and Answers

1. Which staining technique is used to differentiate between gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria?

- A) Acid-fast stain
- B) Gram stain
- C) Methylene blue stain
- D) Congo red stain

2. What is the causative agent of tuberculosis?

- A) Streptococcus pneumoniae
- B) Mycobacterium tuberculosis
- C) Staphylococcus aureus
- D) Escherichia coli

3. Which growth medium is selective for Salmonella and Shigella species?

- A) Blood agar
- B) MacConkey agar
- C) Salmonella-Shigella (SS) agar
- D) Chocolate agar

4. What type of organism is Candida albicans?

- A) Bacterium
- B) Virus
- C) Fungus (yeast)
- D) Parasite

Answers: 1-B 2-B 3-C 4-C

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