



# Faculté d'ingénierie biologique, agronomique et environnementale

**AGRO**

BIR1323 Microbiologie

[30h+15h exercises] 3.5 credits

This course is taught in the 2nd semester

**Teacher(s):** Jacques Mahillon

**Language:** french

**Level:** 1st cycle course

## Aims

1. Acquisition of basic knowledge and main concepts in General Microbiology.
2. Practical exercices of the main techniques related to the study and control of microorganisms.

## Main themes

The main themes of this course are:

Part 1: Structure/activity relationships of prokaryotic microorganisms, growth and control of microbial populations, metabolic specificity of microbes in relation to ATP production.

Part 2: Microbial genetics, horizontal DNA transfer and genetic recombination processes, plasmids, viruses and bacteriophages, recombinant DNA technology and microbial taxonomy.

Part 3: Eukaryotic microorganisms (fungi), commensal and symbiotic relationships, pathogenicity, control and prevention (vaccines) of microbial diseases.

Part 4: Use of microorganisms in the agro-food/feed and industrial sectors.

## Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Precursory courses : Biologie générale, Eléments de Biochimie, Introduction à la Génétique.

Evaluation : Besides the periodic evaluations mentioned earlier, there is a written or oral examination with 3 to 5 questions which combine knowledge of, integration of and reflection on the different parts of the course.

## Other credits in programs

<b>BIR21/A</b>	Première année du programme conduisant au grade de bio-ingénieur (Agronomie)	(3.5 credits)	Mandatory
<b>BIR21/C</b>	Première année du programme conduisant au grade de bio-ingénieur (Chimie)	(3.5 credits)	Mandatory
<b>BIR21/E</b>	Première année du programme conduisant au grade de bio-ingénieur (Environnement)	(3.5 credits)	Mandatory
<b>INCH23</b>	Troisième année du programme conduisant au grade d'ingénieur civil chimiste	(3.5 credits)	