

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of microbial-animal interactions		
Level	6	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of normal flora of animals and microbe-induced disease processes in animals; and discuss epidemiology.
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Classification	Science > Microbiology
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

None.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of normal flora of animals.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The animal body is discussed in terms of habitat suitability for microorganisms.
Range skin, upper respiratory tract, alimentary tract, urogenital tract.
- 1.2 Major microbe groups are described in relation to the rumen.
Range archaea, bacteria, fungi, protozoa.
- 1.3 The normal flora associations are discussed in terms of their effects on the host.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate knowledge of microbe-induced disease processes in animals.

Range bacteria, fungi, protozoa, viruses.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Sources and reservoirs of microbial pathogens are described in terms of the disease process.

2.2 Pathogenesis is discussed in relation to the disease process for an animal.

Range evidence of one animal disease from each microbe group is required.

2.3 Control mechanisms are discussed in relation to the specific animal disease.

Outcome 3

Discuss epidemiology.

Performance criteria

3.1 Transmission of infectious diseases is discussed in terms of localised outbreaks, epidemics, and pandemics.

3.2 Role surveillance, typing methods, and intervention in controlling infectious diseases are discussed in terms of animal populations.

This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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