



# Traditional and Next Generation Microbiology together as a tool for industrial problem-solving: case studies

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## **Course Aims**

This course offers an exploration of classical microbiology (culture-dependent) and next-generation techniques (molecular biology, omics, flow cytometry and genomics) to solve real and potential industrial challenges. Through a series of case studies spanning different problem areas in different types of food industries: dairy, meat processing, bakery, agriculture and livestock industries.

The course aims:

- Understand the principles, significance and applications of classical and next-generation techniques for solving industrial microbiological problems.
- Analyze real case scenarios to identify analytical approaches best suited to different industrial challenges.
- Explore opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration to improve problem-solving strategies in industrial settings.
- Develop critical thinking skills to evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of integrating classical and next-generation techniques in specific industrial scenarios.

## Methodology

The course will be developed through lectures and case study presentations. Students' grade will be based on their active involvement in class.

### **Course description**

- Overview of traditional and next generation microbiology techniques
- Case study in the dairy industry
- Case study in the plant-based products industry
- Case study in the bakery products industry
- Case studies in the agriculture and livestock sector

### Recommended texts

The teaching materials will include slides that will be made available to students after each lesson