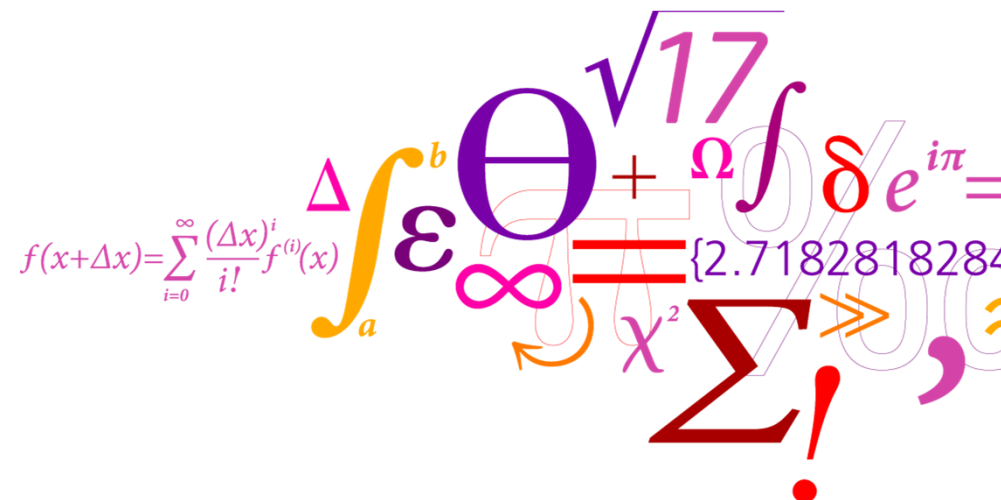# Introduction to COURSERA-based Course :
" Antimicrobials, antimicrobial resistance and susceptibility testing (AST basics)"

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Background for the course

- EURL-AR have had the wish to implement e-learning as part of continuous knowledge transfer to NRL's

- Material preparation/ planning included in EURL Workplan starting in 2013

- In 2014 the plans and collected materials were made into COURSERA-adapted video lectures and learning materials and published on the DTU COURSERA (closed platform)

- Pilot testing at end 2014/ start 2015

Format of the course

- COURSERA platform- DTU closed course with controlled enrollment

- Not fixed in time or limited. Materials will be available for long period

- No grading

- Video-lectures available to view any time

- Video-lectures contain pop-up in video quizzes (to test if participants are awake ☺)

- Quizzes with automatic evaluation for each of the themes

Description of the Course

- Basic course on Antimicrobials, antimicrobial resistance and susceptibilty testing (14 lectures)

  – **Theme A-** antimicrobials and antimicrobial action (L1-2 + Quizz)

  – **Theme B-** antimicrobial resistance and mechanisms (L3-6 + Quizz)

  – **Theme C-** antimicrobial susceptibility testing (L7-11 + Quizz)

Description of the Course- cont

- **Theme D-** antimicrobial susceptibility testing – interpretation (L12+ Quizz)

- **Theme E-** Quality management and Quality assurance in antimicrobial susceptibility testing (L13-14 + Quizz)

- **Theme F-** alternatives to Phenotypic testing (Whole genome sequencing tools) (L15-16 + Quizz)

More Information

- Participants will be people in the EURL-AR network and our research group exclusively

  - At this point circa 115 people from NRL network and the people belonging to our research group will be granted access

  - MOOC is planned for the future (videos will be re-done)

- Additional participants have to be added by course administrators: Lina or Susanne

- Suitable for newcomers in the network or continuous training of staff

- New modules- videos will be added when possible

Login page:
https://dtu.coursera.org/astbasics-001/class

Entry page with announcements and course contents:

Learning Materials

Video lectures
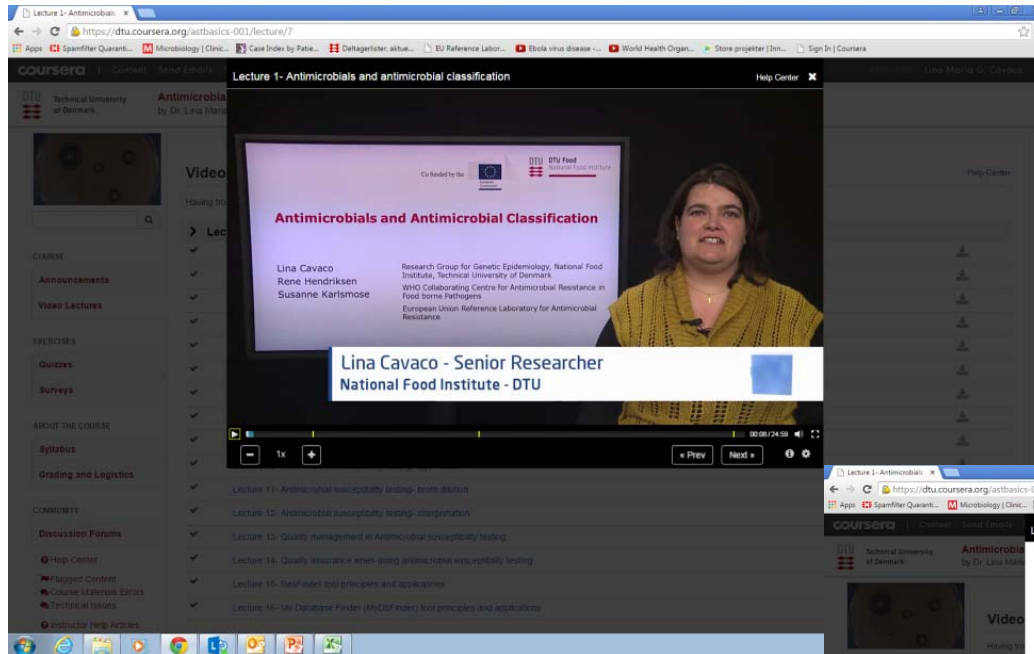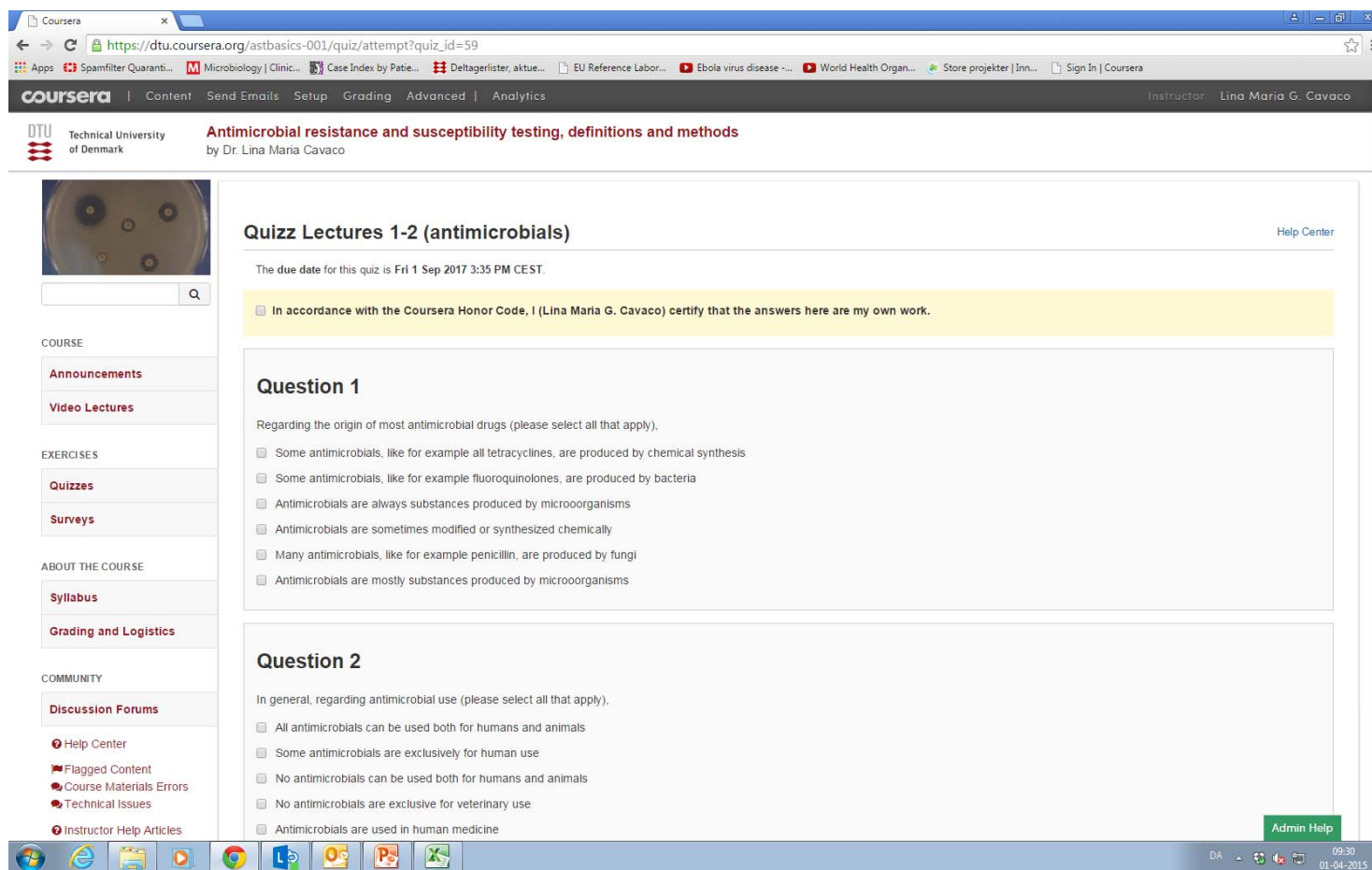
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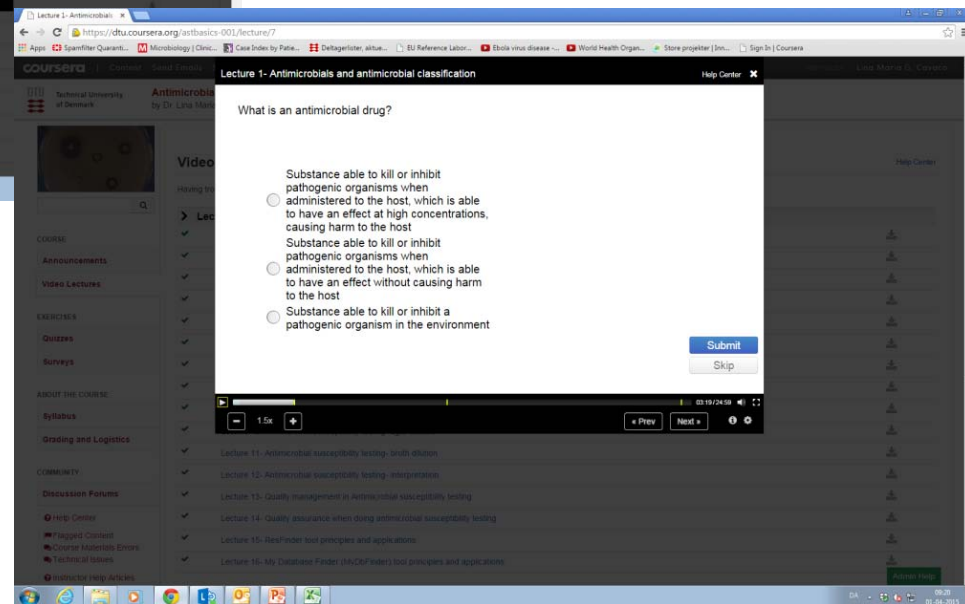
Quizzes

Other contents

The course pages contain also:

Pre and post surveys, course syllabus, a discussion for the participants, among other features

Disclaimer: Please note that the guidelines and methods referred or links included in these materials are updated when the videos lectures are produced and before the course is released, however these might become outdated with time.