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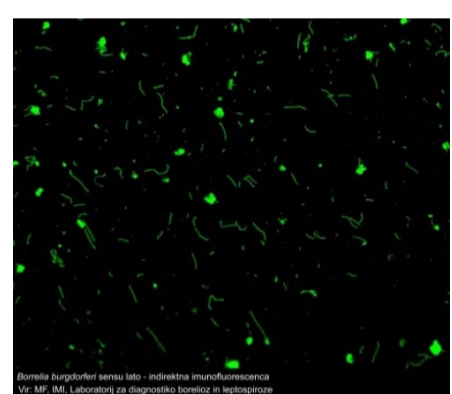
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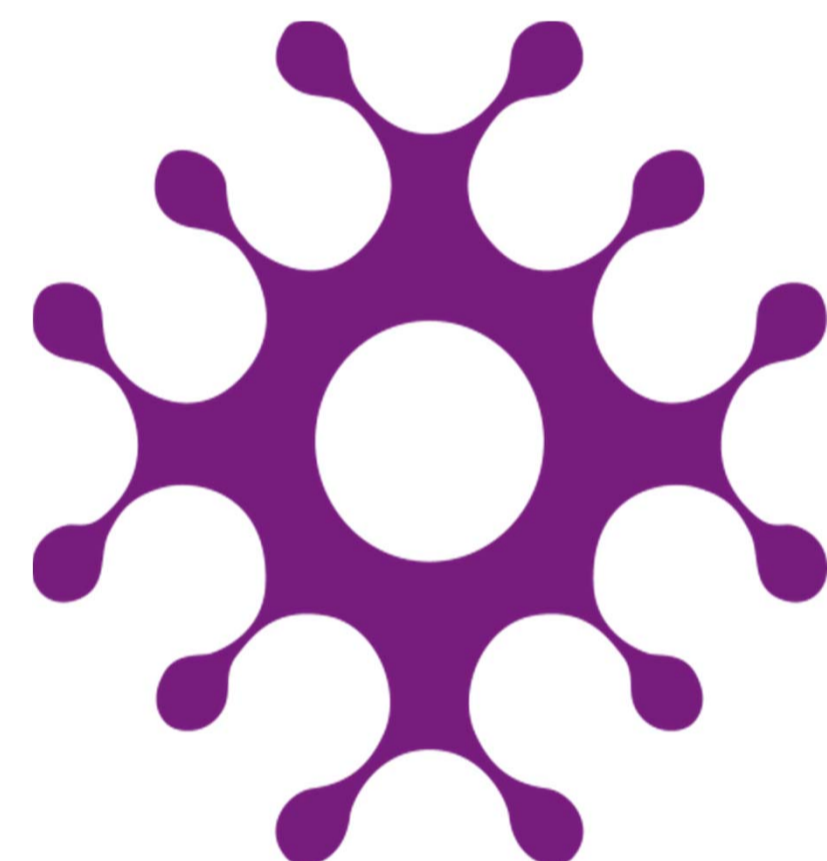
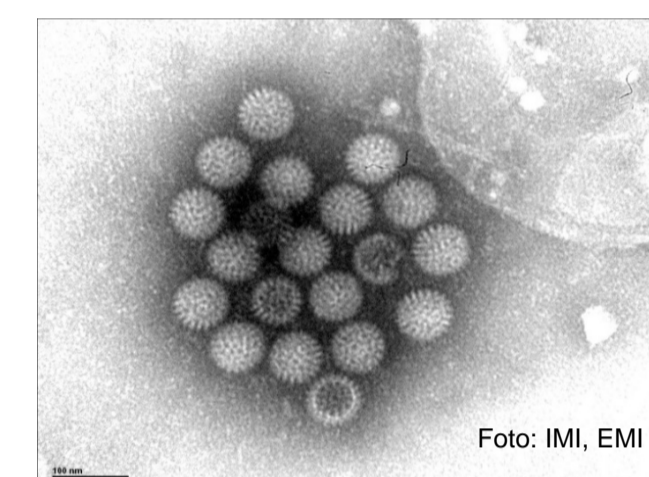


INTRODUCTION, PROFICIENCIES

Institute of Microbiology and Immunology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana (IMI FM UL) is the principal and the largest institution in Slovenia, highly qualified for basic and clinical microbiology and immunology activities in healthcare, research and education. It consists of **17 highly specialized laboratories** (including **BSL-3 laboratory**) covering all areas of clinical microbiology and immunology. Several laboratories serve as **reference centres** in different fields at both national and international levels. The Institute has a strong research activity and is a partner in several FP7 coordinated action projects and other international research projects. In the last five years the Institute's researchers published more than 300 scientific papers in journals indexed by Science Citation Index (SCI) and obtained more than 6,000 citations.



TOPICS OF INTEREST – ALL MICROBIOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF:



- **tick-borne diseases** (tick-borne encephalitis, Lyme borreliosis, anaplasmosis, and babesiosis)
- **haemorrhagic fevers**
- **viral gastroenteritis**

- **HIV**
- **human papillomaviruses**
- **viral hepatitis**

POSSIBILITIES AT IMI

ONE DAY VISIT – overview and discussion

ONE WEEK VISIT – overview, focused discussion including discussion over diagnostic practices and laboratory manuals, presentation of his/her own work and institution

ONE MONTH VISIT – detailed overview, focused discussions, presentation of reference centres, study of diagnostic methods and laboratory techniques, detailed presentation of his/her own work and institution including research work, positioning in relevant health-care system, organization of clinical microbiology field, and possible epidemiological specialties.

STATISTICS

Staff: 17 medical doctors; 14 specialists in clinical microbiology, 33 PhDs in microbiology, 64 BScs, 60 technicians.

Clinical diagnostics: Over **600 different microbiological tests** and perform **annually over 530,000 microbiological tests** on approx. **250,000 clinical specimens**.

Past visits: 3 visits from 4-6 days, 1 visit lasting 10 days. Visits covered all areas of expertise, all visitors' reviews were excellent.

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