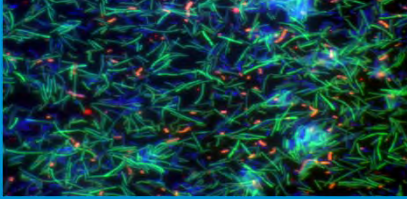


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## Future developments in molecular diagnostics

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### First microbiologist

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Antoni van Leeuwenhoek

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### Start discipline of medical microbiology

1822-1895	1843-1910
	
Louis Pasteur	<i>R. Koch</i>

Origin of many of the currently laboratory techniques

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### Phases of development in microbiological diagnostics

1700 1850 1950 2000  
1980

**First important fact: the microscope & micro-organisms**

**First period of medical microbiology : classical technics for isolation and identification**

**Second period : improvement sampling methods, development antibiotic sensitivity testing**

**Third period: rise of molecular biology and molecular epidemiology**

**Fourth period: new systemic MDx technics, miniaturisation, automation**

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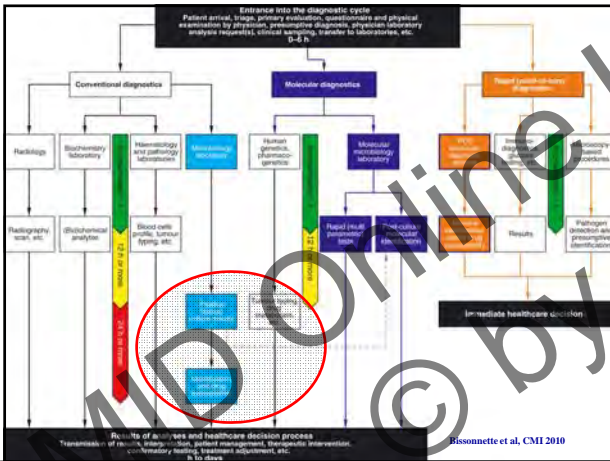
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### Current situation in the medical microbiological laboratory

**Classical technics:**

- culturing
- blood culture
- serological testing
- identification & AST
- staining

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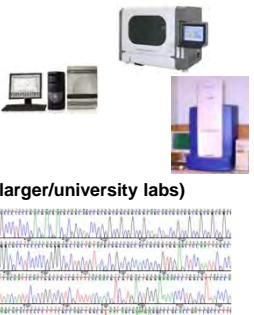
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### Current changing situation in the microbiological laboratory

**Molecular technics:**

- DNA isolators
- Real Time PCR
- MaldiToF
- Sanger sequencer (larger/university labs)



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### Current practical changes in the microbiological laboratory

- Viruses: virusculture replaced by RTPCR
- Parasites: more and more RTPCR
- Fungi: Increasing molecular testing
- Bacteriology: MaldiToF & RTPCR
- Resistance: More molecular detection

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### What is the most common situation on the sample level?

**Hospital:**

- High throughput: Large sample size, planned, sample driven (e.g. hpv, CT, NG, HIV)
- Middle throughput: Complex, speed, combined tests, patient driven (e.g. all clinical diagnostics)
- Low throughput: Urgence, rapid result, patient driven (e.g. ICU patient)

**General practitioners :**

- Most samples outsourcing to laboratories
- Insourcing rapid easy to go POC tests

**Testing at home:**

- Patient at home: self sampling and/or self testing

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### First initiative on patient driven applications

Roche

FLOW Primary Sample Handling System    MagNA Pure 96 System    FLOW PCR Setup System    LightCycler® 480 System

FLOW from Roche NL

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### The new era in Medical microbiology

Crossing points with regard to spread of resistance, new molecular technologies, bioinformatics

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### New molecular methods

- POC systems
- New RTPCR applications
- Massspectrometry systems (Maldi/Esi tof) (metabolites & DNA)
- Next generation DNA sequencing (species & strain typing/resistome)
- Systemic DNA amplification (gutflora, biofilm) (bacterial profiling)
- Electronic nose (VOC)

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### Respiratory POC systems

**Unyvera**



The image shows the Unyvera system components: a sample collection unit (1), a processing unit (2), and a detection unit (3). A detailed view of the detection unit shows internal components like the sample inlet (4), detection chamber (5), and waste outlet (6). Below are smaller images showing the workflow from sample collection to detection.

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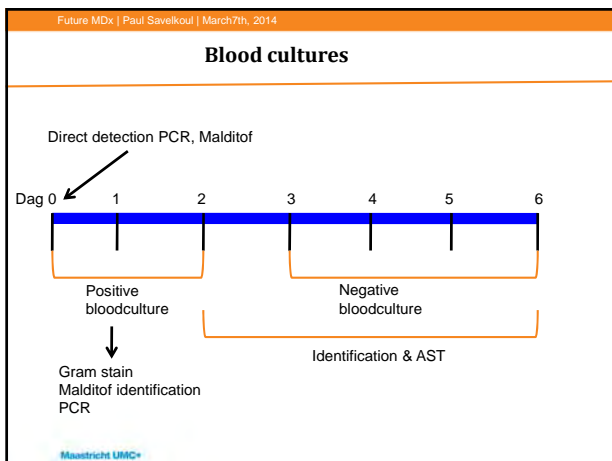
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### Parallel multiplex Real time PCR

Chamber 1	Chamber 2	Chamber 5	Chamber 6
<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>E. coli</i> )	<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>E. coli</i> )	<i>ermC</i>	<i>shv</i>
<i>S. marcescens</i>	<i>S. maltophilia</i>	<i>P. jirovecii</i>	<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>P. aeruginosa</i> )
<i>kpc</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>P. aeruginosa</i> )	<i>M. morgani</i>
<i>ctx-M</i>	<i>ermB</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	oxacillin-like
	<i>L. pneumophila</i>	<i>dha</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i>
Chamber 3	Chamber 4	Chamber 7	Chamber 8
<i>Proteus</i> sp.	<i>M. catarrhalis</i>	<i>mech</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>
<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>sul1</i>	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>K. oxytoca</i>
<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>P. aeruginosa</i> )	<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	<i>meA</i>	<i>ermA</i>
<i>int1</i>	<i>gyrA</i> ( <i>P. aeruginosa</i> )	<i>parC</i>	<i>Tem1</i>
<i>C. pneumoniae</i>	<i>Enterobacter</i> sp.	<i>ebc</i>	<i>msrA</i>

Identification + resistance

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### Polaris: enabling rapid and accurate MDx

5-10 ml fresh blood



standard lab equipment

Direct detection of sepsis



POC systems: Idylla

Diagnosis of sepsis from 3- 6 days to 2 hrs

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Emulsion PCR



Reliable QPCR with high sensitivity



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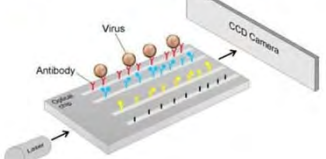
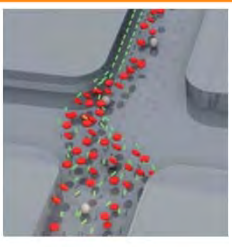
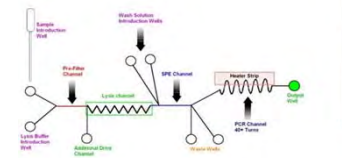
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### Fluidic sample types

#### Continuous miniaturized flow



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### Miniaturisation

#### IC-CHIP POWERED NUCLEIC ACID MD

MDx technology based on electrical readout lab on a chip cartridge

Figure 2. The cartridge for automated analysis is equipped with hybridised chemicals for lysis and PCR. The MDx test kit further comprises a way to pick the sample, e.g. a swab of MRSA Psc IV(D).

FRIZ Biochem's Cycle® technology

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#### .... spirographic multi-multi applications....

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### Malditof identification

Bruker Biomerieux

MALDI mass spectrometry

MALDI-TOF-MS

Protein mass pattern detection

Current Option in Microbiology

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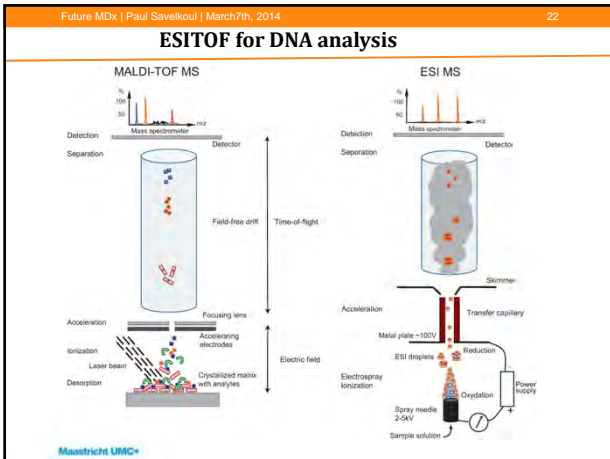
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### More time of flight on the horizon

**MALDI-TOF MS**, matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization time-of-flight mass spectrometry

**MALDI-RE**, matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization resequencing

**PCR-ESI MS**, electrospray ionization mass spectrometry

**SELDI-TOF MS**, surface enhanced laser desorption/ionization combines a chip-based chromatographic enrichment of proteins with TOF-MS

**MassARRAY iPLEX** single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) typing platform uses and the MS technology coupled with single-base extension PCR to analyze amplicons of PCR for rapid and accurate molecular identification of microorganisms

**LC-ESI-QqQ MS**, liquid chromatography coupled to electrospray ionization triple quadrupole

**LC-ESI-Q-TOF MS**, MALDI triple quadrupole coupled to MALDI-TOF

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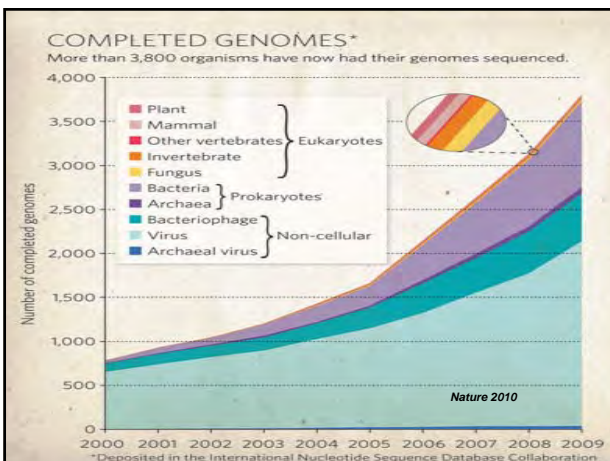
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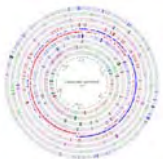
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### Next gen seq applications in the field of medical microbiology



1416 bacterial genomes  
2340 viral genomes  
1042 plasmids

**Single cell sequencing**  
Identification and determination  
Detection of resistance genes  
Identification of virulence genes  
Discriminating epidemical & non-epidemical strains  
Strain specific characteristics (pathotyping)  
Transmission routes of mobile DNA elements

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### Resistome

Micro-organisms may carry resistance genes

Resistome = the collection of antibiotic resistance genes in both pathogenic and non-pathogenic bacteria"

- Why focus on the resistome?
- Microbial communities – potential reservoirs of exchangeable resistance genes



Wright, G.D. Nature Reviews Microbiology. 2007;5:175-186

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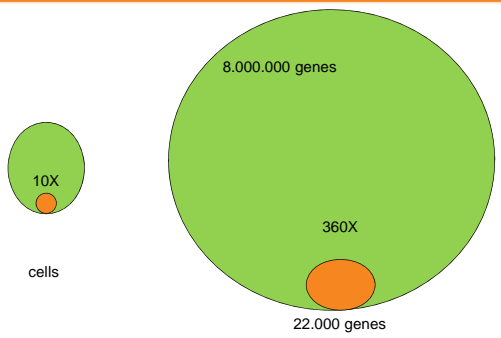
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8.000.000 genes

10X

cells

360X

22.000 genes

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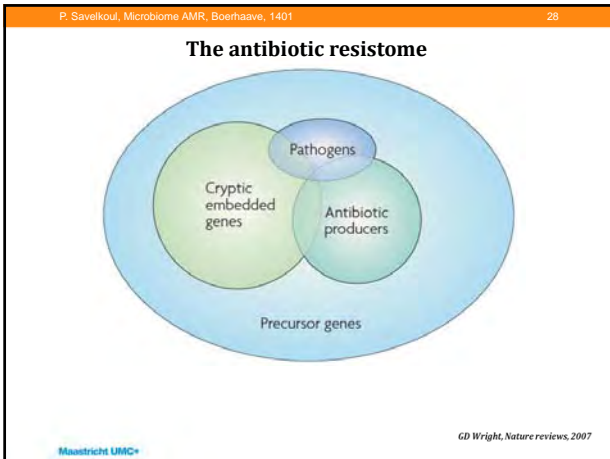
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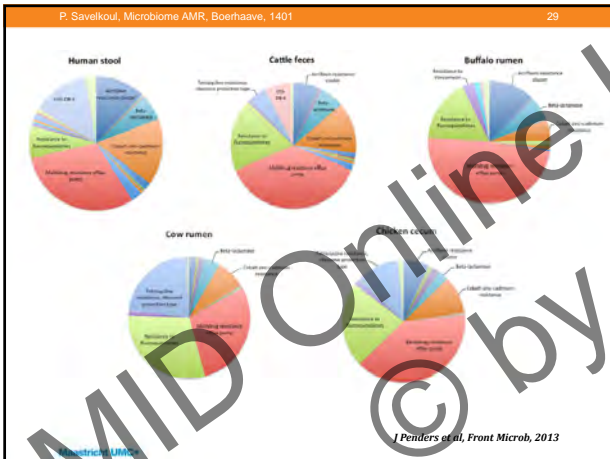
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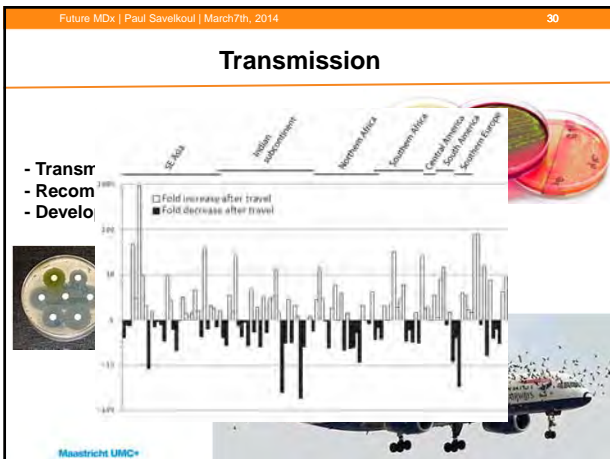
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### A new era in medical microbiology

**MDx: enabling analysis of total human microbiome**

**Determining health & disease**

- Diagnostics of chronic infectious diseases
- Prevention of exacerbations
- Personalized diagnosis & therapy
- Monitoring of therapy
- New (preventive) treatment strategies

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### The new paradigm of medical microbiology

**One disease : One pathogen?**

**From pathogen detection toward microbiome detection:**

**Specific -> Syndrom -> Systemic**

**one bacterium -> known set -> microbiome**

And beyond.....

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### The Healthy Microbiome: Who is in there?

Cho, I., & Blaser, M.J., Nature 2012

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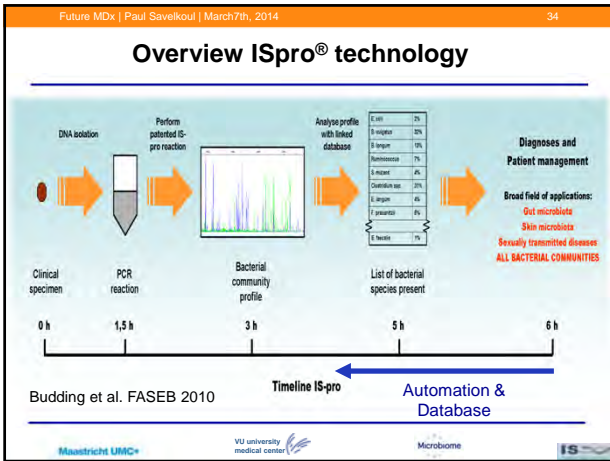
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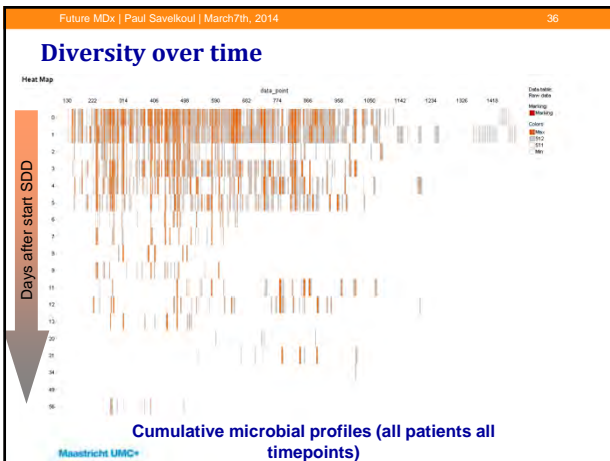
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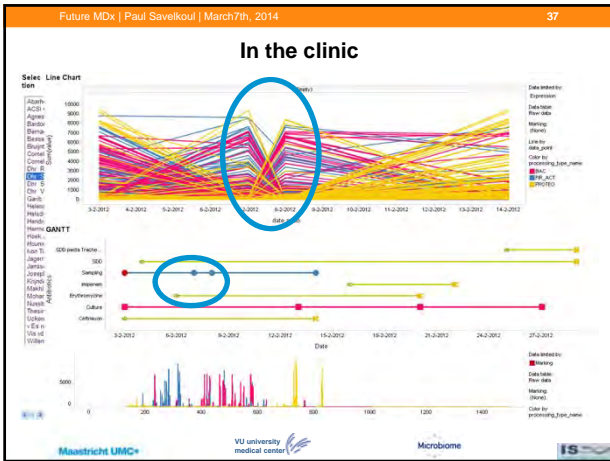
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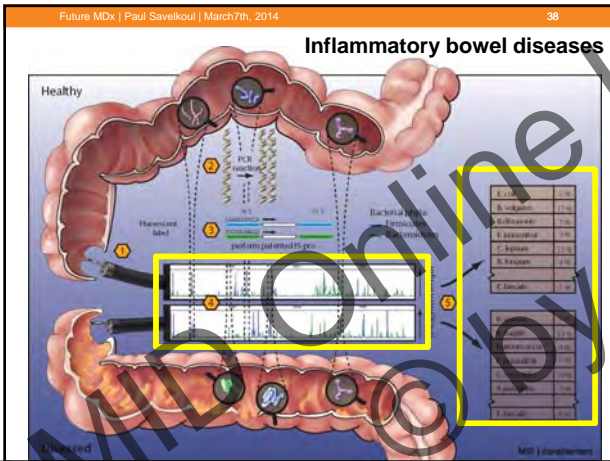
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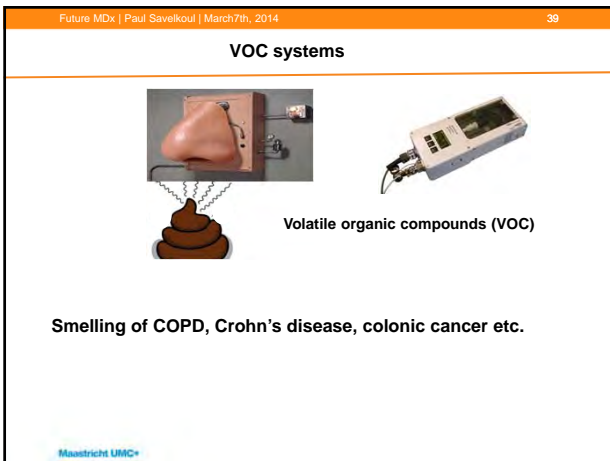
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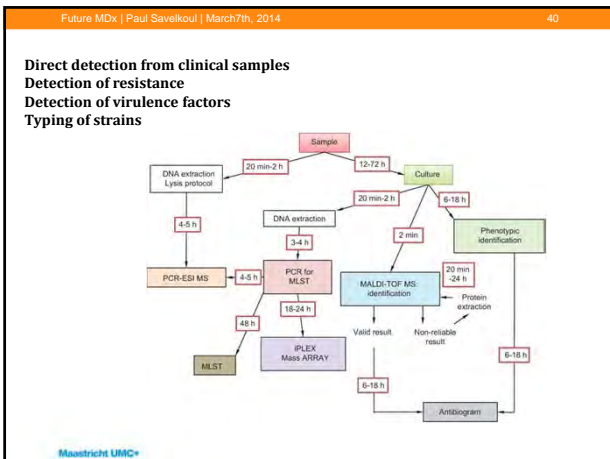
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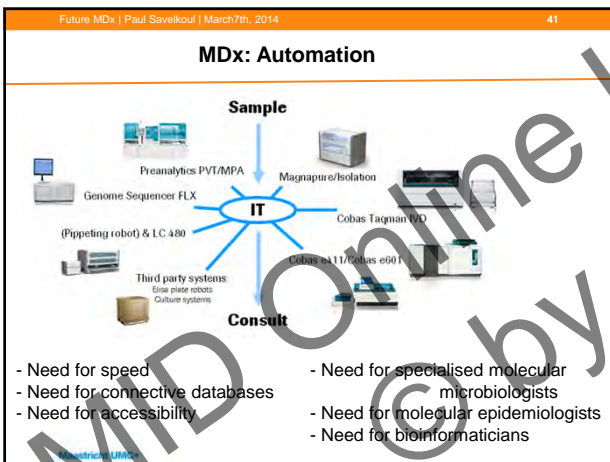
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**The coming years....**

**More rapid MDx systems (shift from culture -> MDx)**

**Fully automation (culture + MDx)**

**Focus from pathogen detection towards microbiome detection**

**Focus from infection towards prevention (typing & transmission)**

**New treatment strategies to prevent disease and spread of resistance**

**From disease towards personalised health (& systemic medicine)**

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