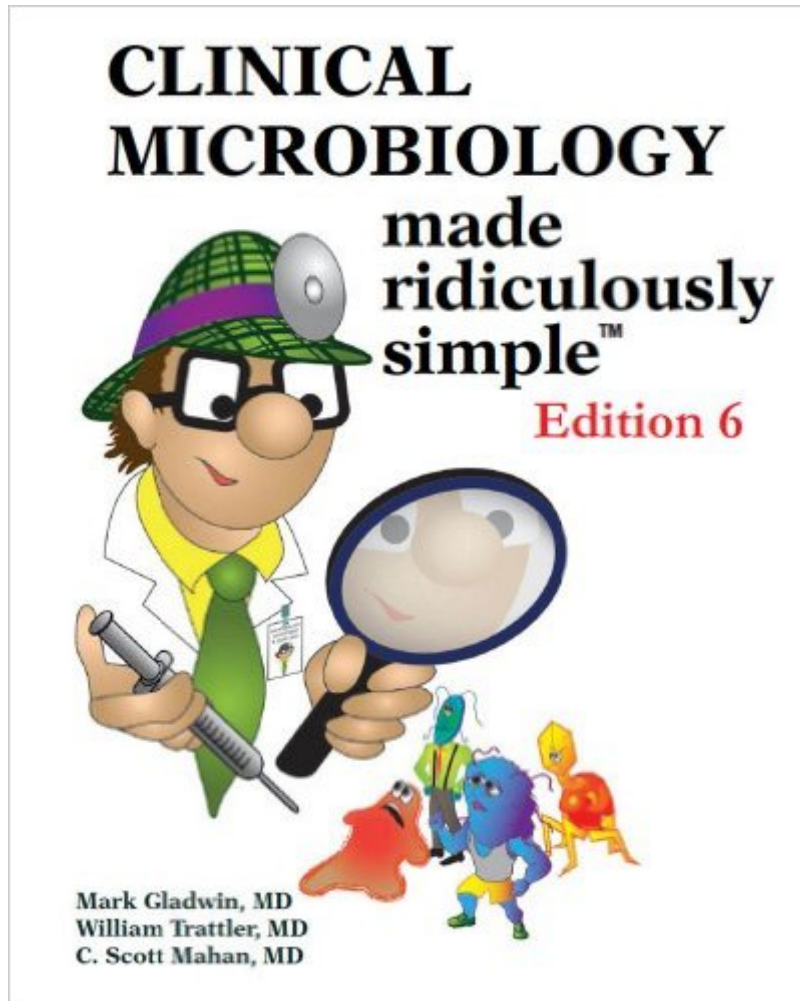


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## Customer Reviews

I did my MSc. in Infectious Diseases using the 4th edition of this book and I've now started my PhD in Pathogen Genomics (specifically related to antibiotic resistance) with this 6th edition as my aid. This book is PERFECT. It is high yield, gives you everything you need to know in a casual writing style, like a friend explaining instead of a hard, dry text book. I love the little cartoons, it makes the subject matter more palatable and interesting, and the mnemonics make memorizing easier. It is structured well and covers everything. An excellent book, I highly recommend it! Here is it's table of contents: PART 1 - Bacteria 1. Bacterial Taxonomy 2. Cell structures, virulence factors, and toxins 3.

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Gram Negative Bacteria  
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I've had the advantage of being introduced to this wonderful book. Learning microbiology can be overwhelming coming from class notes and so this book came as a blessing 3 years ago and now as I prepare for national boards. There are simple mnemonics that help you not only understand, but quickly memorize information. This way, your studies are more efficient when a gross amount of information needs to be memorized. Many times I found myself referring to this wonderful book more than my notes. If you are a visual learner you will love the cartoons that quickly explain an organism/infection. You may forget certain information during your intense education, but you will certainly remember those visuals for exams and years down the road. Trust me, its MADE RIDICULOUSLY SIMPLE!!!

This text lays out the information you need to know about microbes in a very easy to read manner. I find myself enjoying reading and learning from the images designed to help recall. It has been helpful to use in addition to assigned lectures, and find myself first reading the appropriate material in this text prior to studying the lecture slides. It makes my studies 100% easier and I feel like I am retaining the information better as a result. I'm glad I found this text prior to boards. I'm sure it will be a text I will continue to cite in the future.

I love this book, it is most effective as a PREREAD, read it in the summer or winter break, it will help

you know what to focus on.

This book is outstanding. It is incredibly efficient, in that the sections written are the major pieces of microbiology that a healthcare professional should know. I really wish this book was used instead of the text I had to use in my microbiology class. Very comprehensive and well focused for healthcare.

Very few changes from previous versions

If you want to ace your micro class this is a must have! With this book not only did I get an A in my micro class but I got one of my highest basic sciences shelf score. If you want to do well in your microbiology class get this book!!!

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