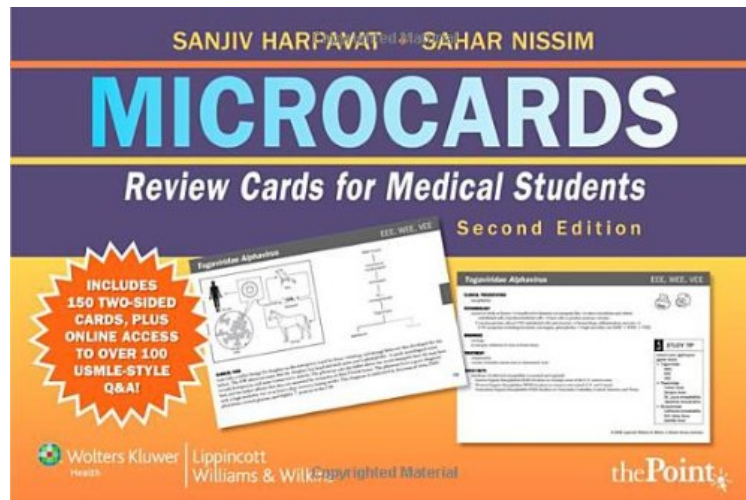


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Update: These cards are epic. Every question on my USMLE exam and most questions on the qbank were drawn directly from these cards. They have made studying for micro a million times easier and in my opinion these cards are the single best, comprehensive and high yield source for the boards. (FYI I HATED micro in class). I got my exam back and I did very well. Not surprisingly micro was one of the areas where I destroyed the exam.
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By SamThere is no doubt these cards will prepare you well for the clinical vignette questions you are asked on Step 1. The best things these cards have going for them is the format in which they are presented (i.e. it tells you how to differentiate between different pathogens using certain tests, what antibiotics to treat with, and important quick facts that can give you clues in the questions as to what the answer might be). With that being said, there are some errors on these cards (or perhaps confusing statements which might lead you to get a question wrong), which is why I would not give these 4 or 5 stars. You should use these cards with a supplemental source. For example, the cards say Neisseria Gonorrhoeae has a capsule, when both First Aid and other sources say it does not. The cards also say Salmonella Enteritidis infects both the distal ileum and the colon, when more advanced texts say it only infects the ileum (Sherris). There are other examples, and while these may be subtleties in the scheme of what you may normally be asked, you could get a question on the boards that would be answered incorrectly because of the information on these cards (like mistaking a Vi capsule for an actual capsule - when it really is a pseudo capsule). I WOULD still recommend these with an additional source (clinical micro made ridiculously simple). If anything, the fact that these are portable and present the information in just the right way you need makes them worth the purchase (and the clinical presentation blurb on the front is good association for the disease symptomology as well).
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the following review helpful. Love these cardsBy Lynette LuriaI used these to study for Step 1 cause I knew that pharm and microbials were going to be my weak spot. I suck at memorizing. These cards worked great I augmented them slightly with underlining. What worked for me was to go over about 10-20 for a few days before or after study breaks and slowly mix them up and incorporate more. I couldn't look at them for hours but that helped break up the tedium of reading, questions, and lecture.

These flashcards will help medical students organize and recall medical microbiology information for course exams and USMLE Step 1. The cards are grouped into sections on gram-positive, gram-negative, and other bacteria; RNA and DNA viruses; fungi; protozoa; and helminths. Each section begins with charts summarizing key information on the group of microorganisms, followed by cards for each individual microbe, which include clinical presentation, pathobiology, diagnosis/treatment, quick facts, and a case study. Schematic illustrations show the morphology and pathogenesis of different microorganisms. A companion Website provides 70 USMLE-style questions and answers.