

Introduction to IDBR 2025

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This Is Board Review

- **This is Board Review**
 - ...not meant to be “What’s New”
 - This may not mimic your practice but
 - Hopefully will mimic exam
 - Faculty provides their “*best guess*” about type of questions for certification, recertification, and LKA exams
- **ABIM Rules**
 - We abide by confidentiality rules of ABIM
 - We will NOT tell you what has been on past exams...even if we know!!!

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IDBR Program Resources Available Until 12/26

- **Live/Virtual course for 5 days**
 - Live board review questions
 - Rationales and daily scores published online by username at end of each day
- **Online board review type questions**
 - 440 Online questions with rationales plus 100 Photo questions
- **Online Primers (8)**
 - Clinical Microbiology, Microbial Resistance, Rickettsia, and more
- **Online recordings of Live 2025 lectures**
 - **(Posted ASAP- within 2 weeks after course)**
 - Also available as MP3 audio file
- **Online-only lectures (11)**
 - Talks we wished we had time for during these 5 virtual days

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How to Interact with Faculty

- **Virtual audience is permanently muted**
 - For questions, use Q & A function
 - To interact with your colleagues, use Chat Box
- **In-person audience can go to microphone to ask questions**
 - Can also use Q & A function

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The screenshot shows the IDBR website with a blue overlay titled "How to Access IDBR". The overlay lists three steps: 1. Bookmark link you used today: <https://cme.idboardreview.org/>; 2. Visit www.idboardreview.com and click the button to "Access 2025 Course"; 3. Google: IDBR. A red arrow points from the "Access 2025 Course" button in the overlay to the "Access 2025 Course" button on the website. The website header includes "GW School of Medicine & Health Sciences" and "Infectious Disease Board Review".

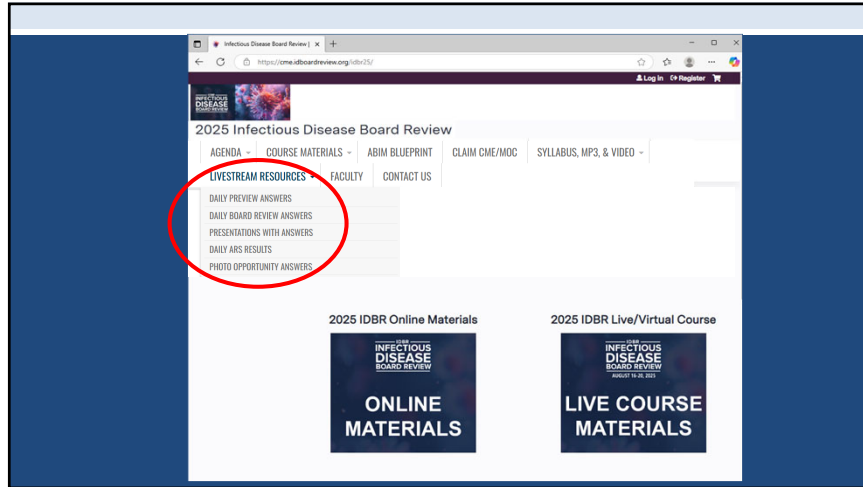
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The screenshot shows the IDBR website with a navigation bar including "AGENDA", "COURSE MATERIALS", "ABIM BLUEPRINT", "CLAIM CME/MOC", "SYLLABUS, MP3, & VIDEO", "LIVESTREAM RESOURCES" (circled in red), "FACULTY", and "CONTACT US". Below the navigation bar, there is a "Welcome to the 2025 IDBR Live Course!" message. At the bottom, there are two buttons: "2025 IDBR Online Materials" and "2025 IDBR Live/Virtual Course".

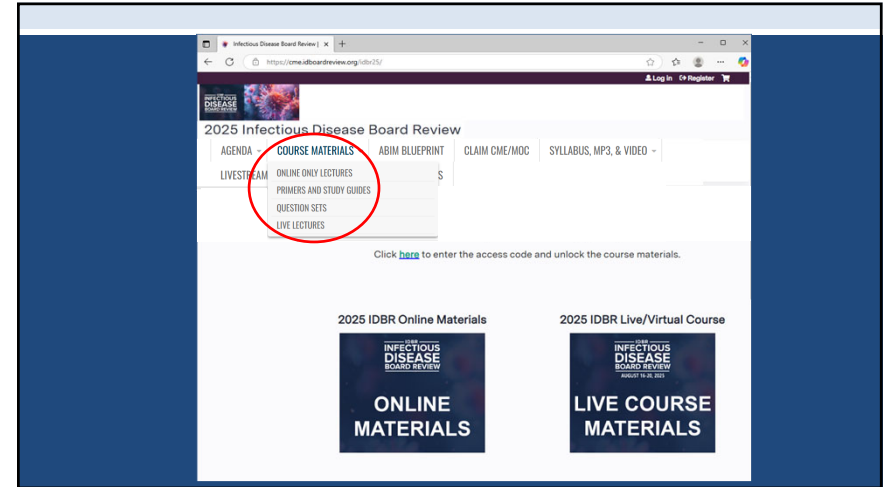
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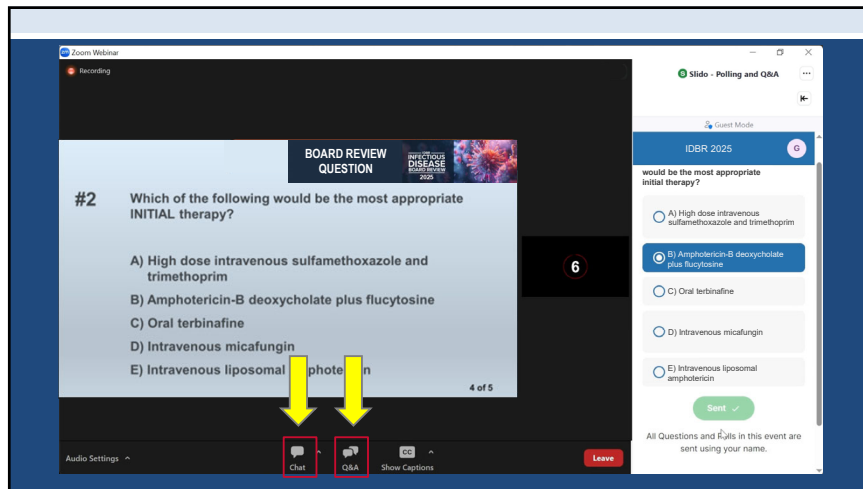
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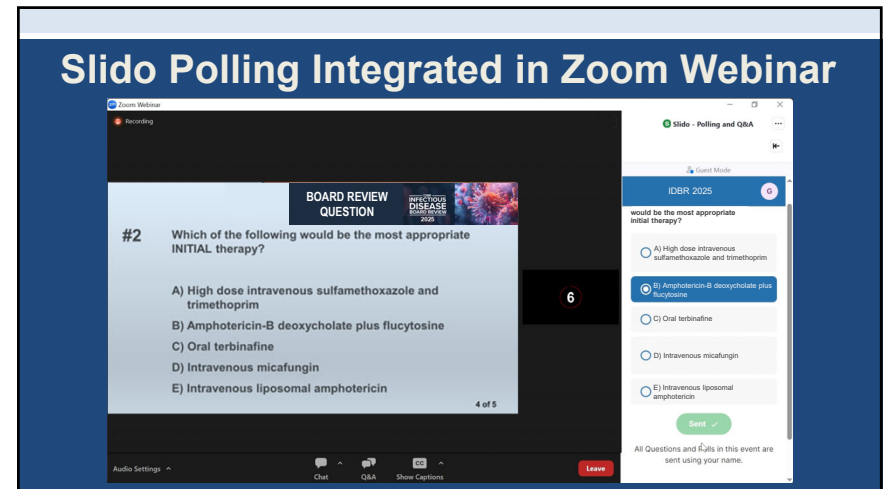
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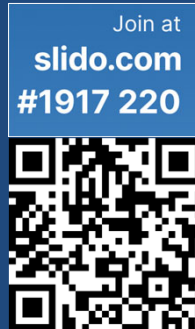
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Look Up Results Each Day by Slido Login

- Log into Slido with a username likely to be unique
- Use the exact same username every day, i.e., the same spelling and capitalization
- Can be a pseudonym
- Results will be posted using truncated usernames to ensure anonymity



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IDBR App

- Download the IDBR App from Apple store or Google Play store
 - Download EventScribe
 - Search for course by entering "2025 IDBR"
 - Log in with the email and password that was emailed to you
 - Problems: email info@idboardreview.com or call (301) 818-6754
- You can use this app during the course, and through December 2026, on your cell phone or tablet to look at the syllabus



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Problems Accessing The Course

- Help Resources
 - Telephone help line: (301) 818-6754
 - Email help hotline: info@idboardreview.com
 - Come to registration desk

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CME and MOC

Total Possible: 116.75 CME and 116.75 MOC

- CME
 - You must fill out lecture evaluations (via IDBR website)
 - You must request CME (via IDBR website)
 - You must complete the pre-test and post-test
 - Total possible hours – 116.75
 - Lectures – 43.5
 - Enduring Material – 73.25 (Question Sets; Primers and Study Guides; Online Only Lectures)
- MOC: one hour CME = 1 MOC credit
 - You must first obtain CME per above
 - You must give IDBR your ABIM number
 - You must apply via ABIM website so we can link to ABIM
 - You must get 70% on post-test (11/15 correct)
 - (three tries of same test permitted with rationales available after each try)

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Which Will You Be?



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How to Get the Most Out of Course

- **This is a long course**
- **Decide how you learn best over 10+ hours x 5 days**
 - If you don't/can't watch the lectures consecutively...they are all archived
 - Reviewing the Preview Questions before the session will improve your experience
- **Use the Audience Response System (ARS)/Slido to Answer Questions**
 - To stay awake, be engaged, and be competitive!
 - Answer the questions and see how you compare to your peers

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Two Extraneous Things

1. Convert short term memory into long term memory

- **Repetition:** review syllabus or EventScribe (circle right answers, underline important points)

2. OK to use ChatGPT/Gemini (etc) for the LKA questions

- Keep questions simple to avoid long, indirect answers
- Drug interactions, microbial spectrum, side effects
 - ❖ Voice: transcription errors on medical terms. Spell out.
 - ❖ Suspect a wrong answer? Ask a different way.
- Don't expect privacy

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Question #1

Let's Test the Audience Response System (ARS) / Slido

Why are you taking this course?

- A. Initial ABIM ID Certification
- B. Recertification
- C. Preparing for Longitudinal Knowledge Assessment Modules
- D. Update in ID--- unrelated to ABIM Board Certification Exam

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Question #2

Where do you work?

- A. East, United States
- B. Midwest, United States
- C. South, United States
- D. West, United States
- E. Canada
- F. Europe
- G. Asia
- H. Other

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Question #3

Which parts of IDBR online materials have you looked at prior to the course?

- A. Question sets only
- B. Primers only
- C. Online-only lectures
- D. Several of the above
- E. None of the above

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Question #4

Which of the following will not grow on sheep blood, chocolate and/or MacConkey agar?

- A. *Granulicatella adiacens*
- B. *Bordetella pertussis*
- C. *Brucella melitensis*
- D. *Vibrio cholerae*
- E. *Abiotrophia defectiva*

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Let's Begin!



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The End

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