

***Curviform gram negative  
bacteria of medical  
importance***



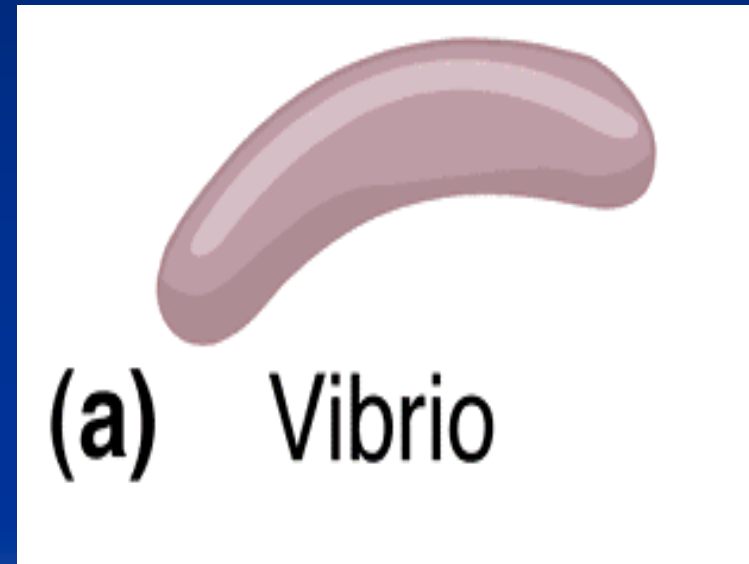
# Three genera included

- *Vibrio* (F. vibrionaceae)
- *Campylobacter* (F. Spirillaceae)
- *Spirillum* (F. Spirillaceae)

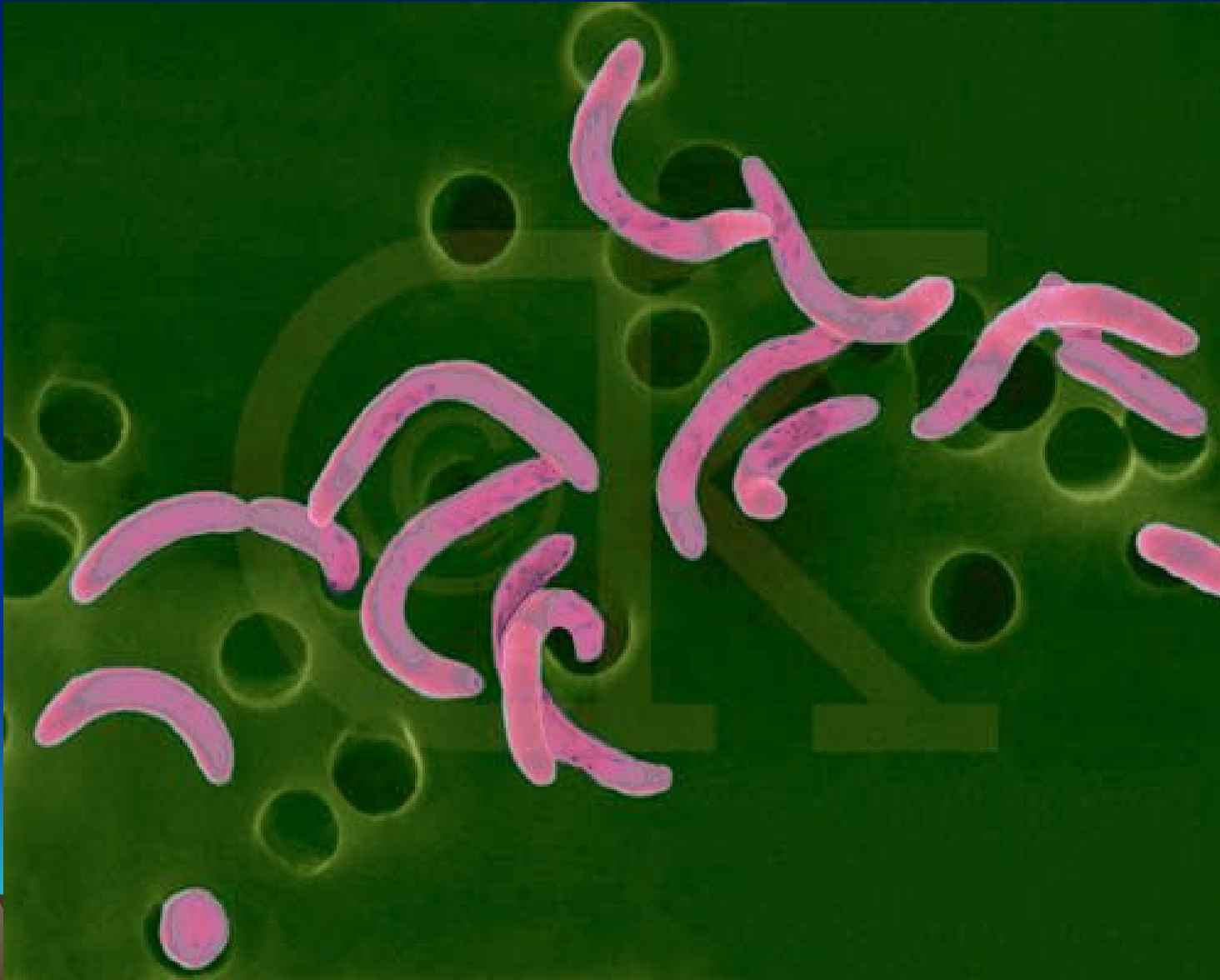


# Vibrios

- Gram negative rods
- comma shaped
- facultative anaerobes
- oxidase positive
- simple nutritional requirements
- readily cultivated



# *Vibrio cholerae*



# Vibrio cholera

- monotrichous., fast motile
- Cultivation on: blood agar, TCBS and MaCconky agar
- Oxydase positive
- Facultative anaerobic
- O and H antigen
- Membrane receptor antigens



# Pathogenic strains:

- Sero group O1
  - biotype El Tor
  - biotype classic
- Serogroup O139 (Bangal strain)
- Non O1 vibrio cholera (sporadic)
- O2 & O138 Non Pathogen
- *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* (gastroenteritis)

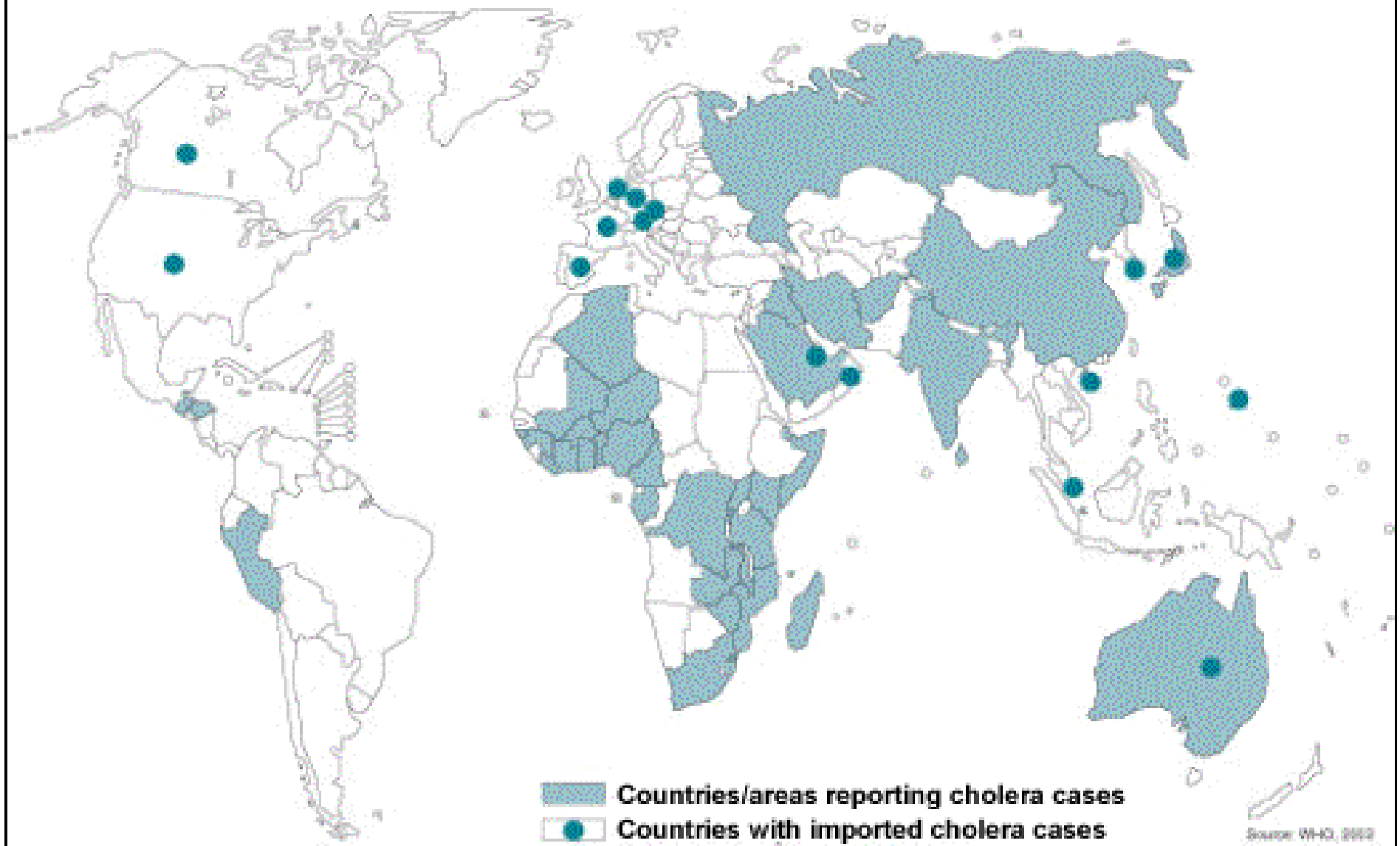
# Occurrence -cholera

- **third world**
- **Sporadic cases in other countries**
  - **uncommon**
    - \* **traveler**
    - \* **ingestion of sea-food**





## Cholera, 2002–2003



# Transmission

- Contaminated water or food
- No animal or insect vectors reported

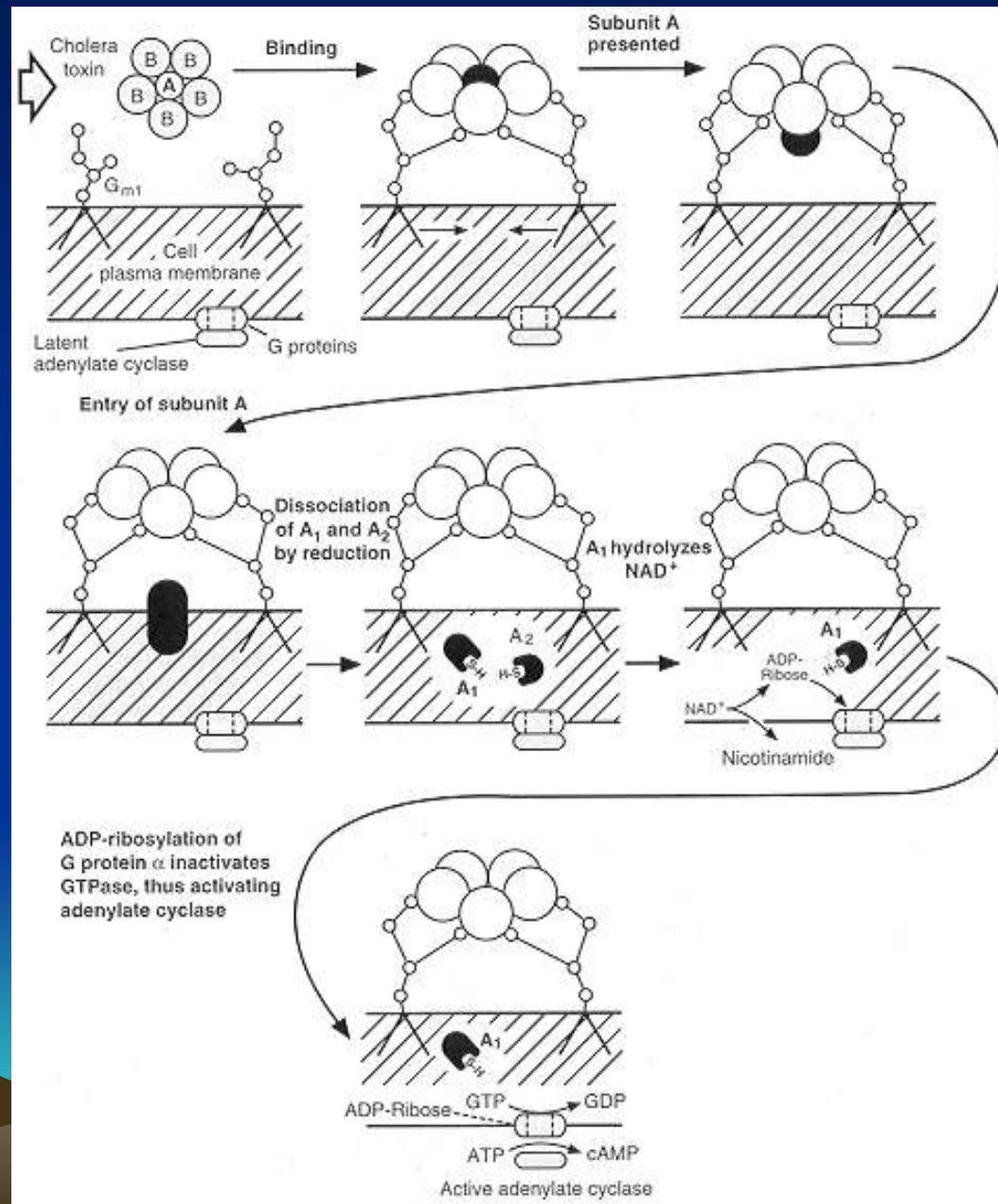


# Pathogenesis

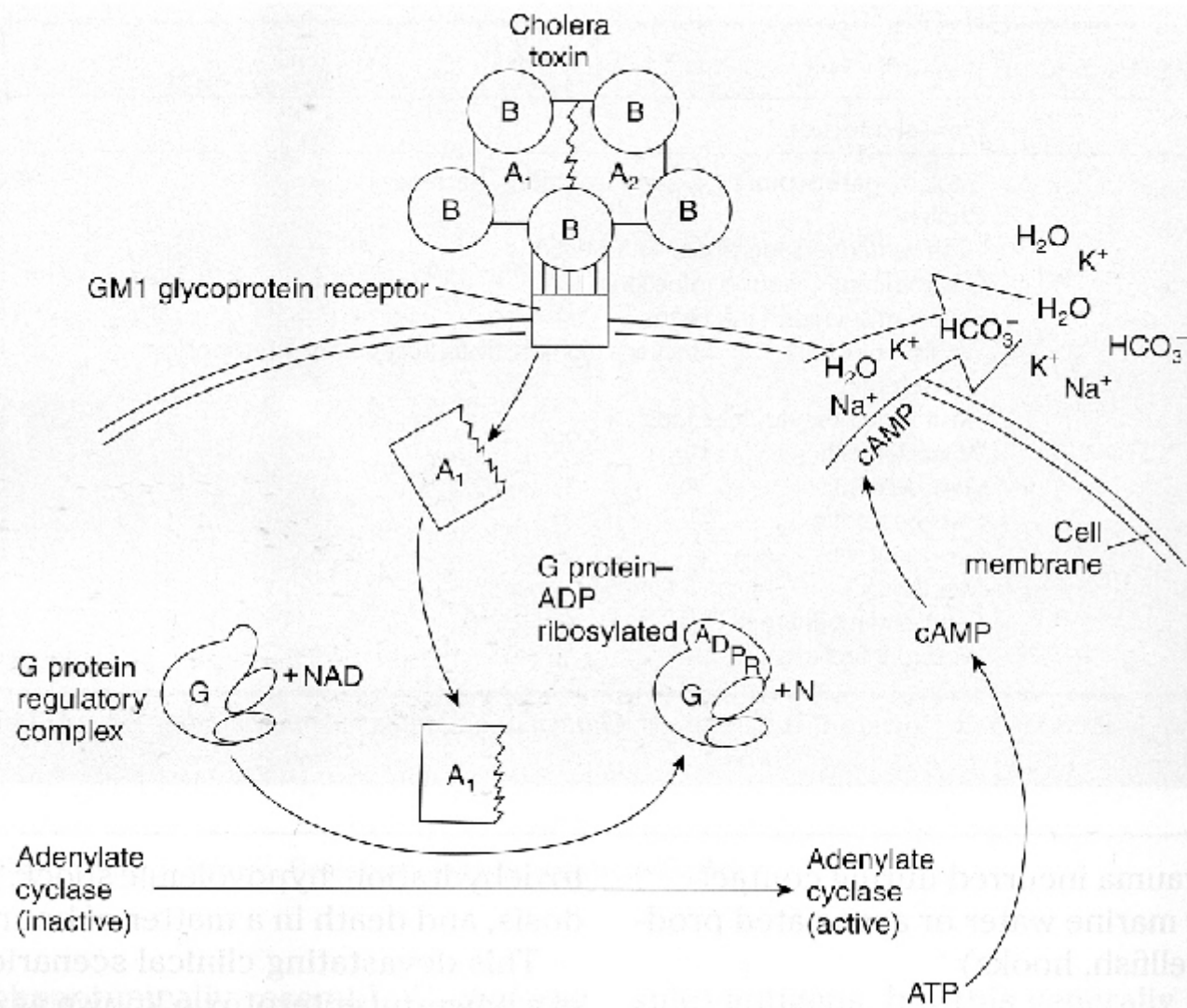
- ID  $10^8$
- Duodenum and jejunum
- CT (cholera toxin)
- Incubation period few hours to few days
- Fulminant with diarrhea ,vomiting , rice water stool,
- Loss of water up to 1 Lit/hour

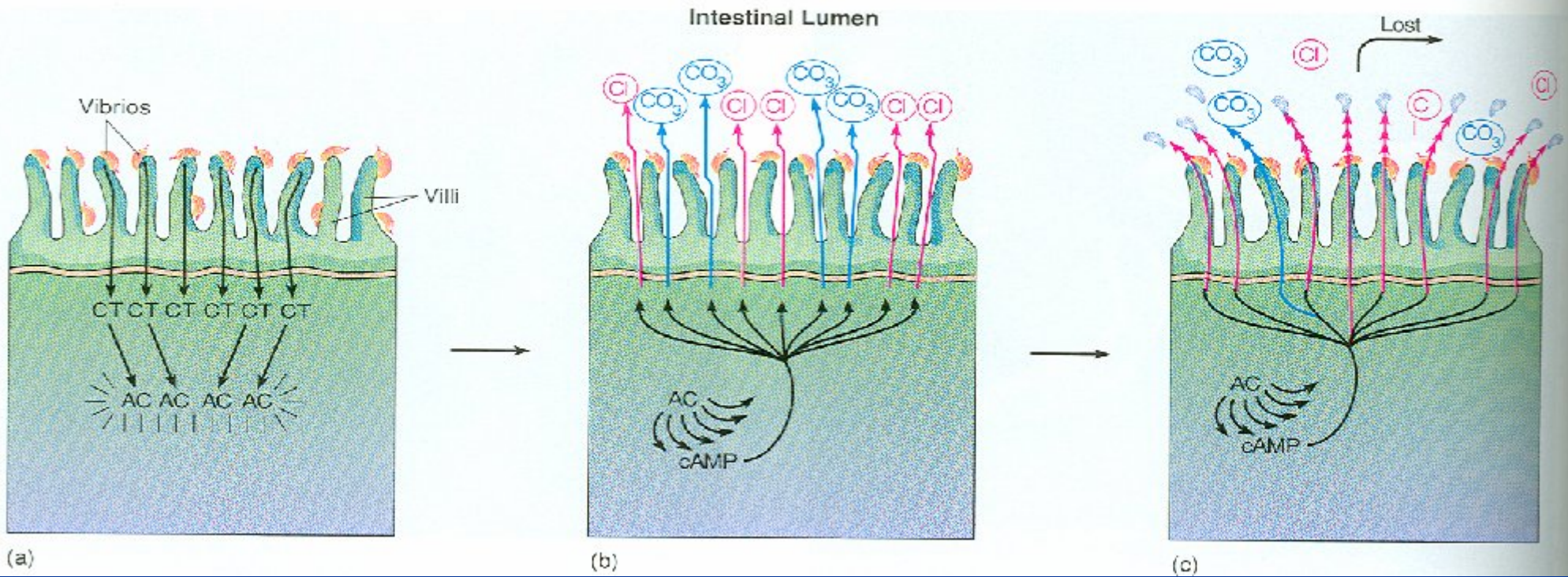


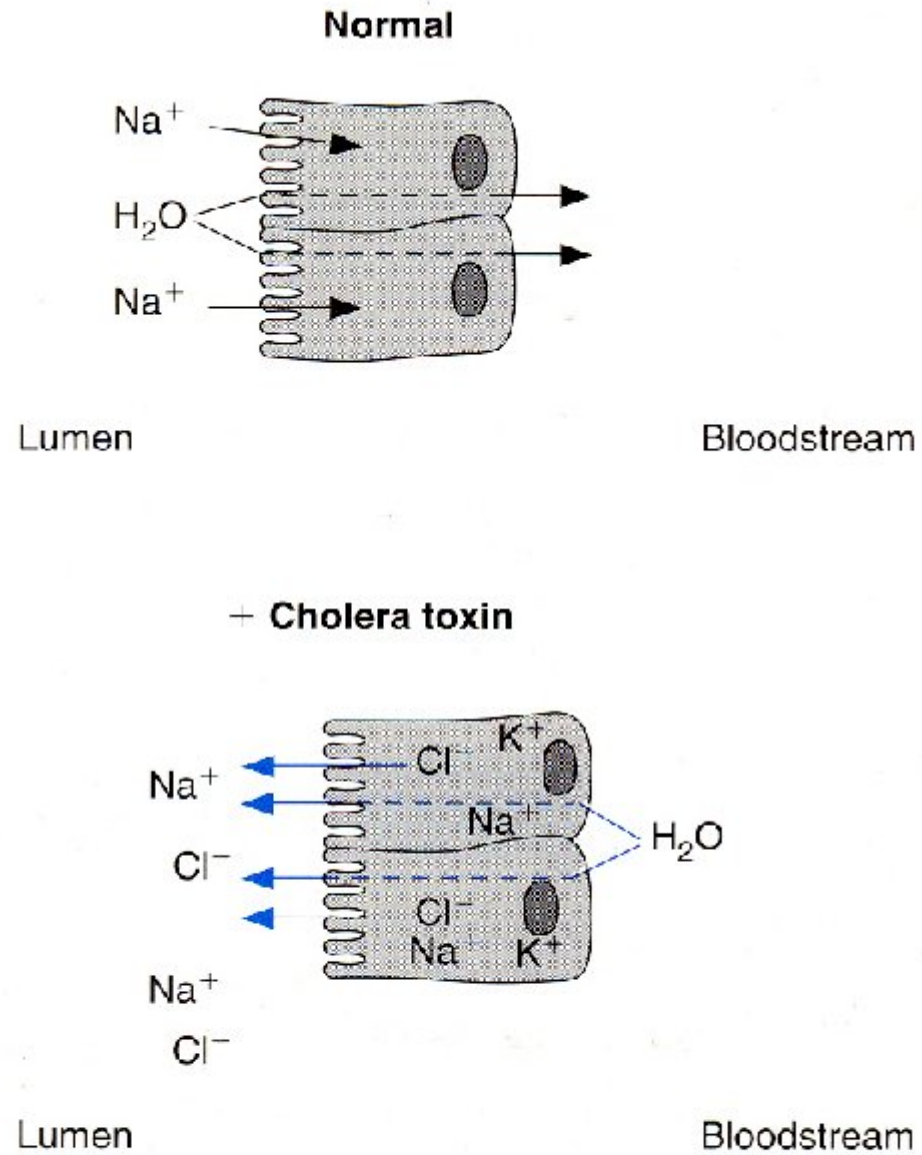
# Action of cholera toxin



# Cholera toxin activity







*Figure 12-1* Net movement of ions and water across a normal intestinal mucosa and across a mucosa affected by cholera toxin.

# Clinical signs

- Acidosis
- Hypotension
- tachycardia
- Sunken eyes
- Convulsions, fever ,coma
- Mortality rate up to 55% in 48 hours



# 要免霍亂

快打防疫針  
不要喝生水  
食物要清潔

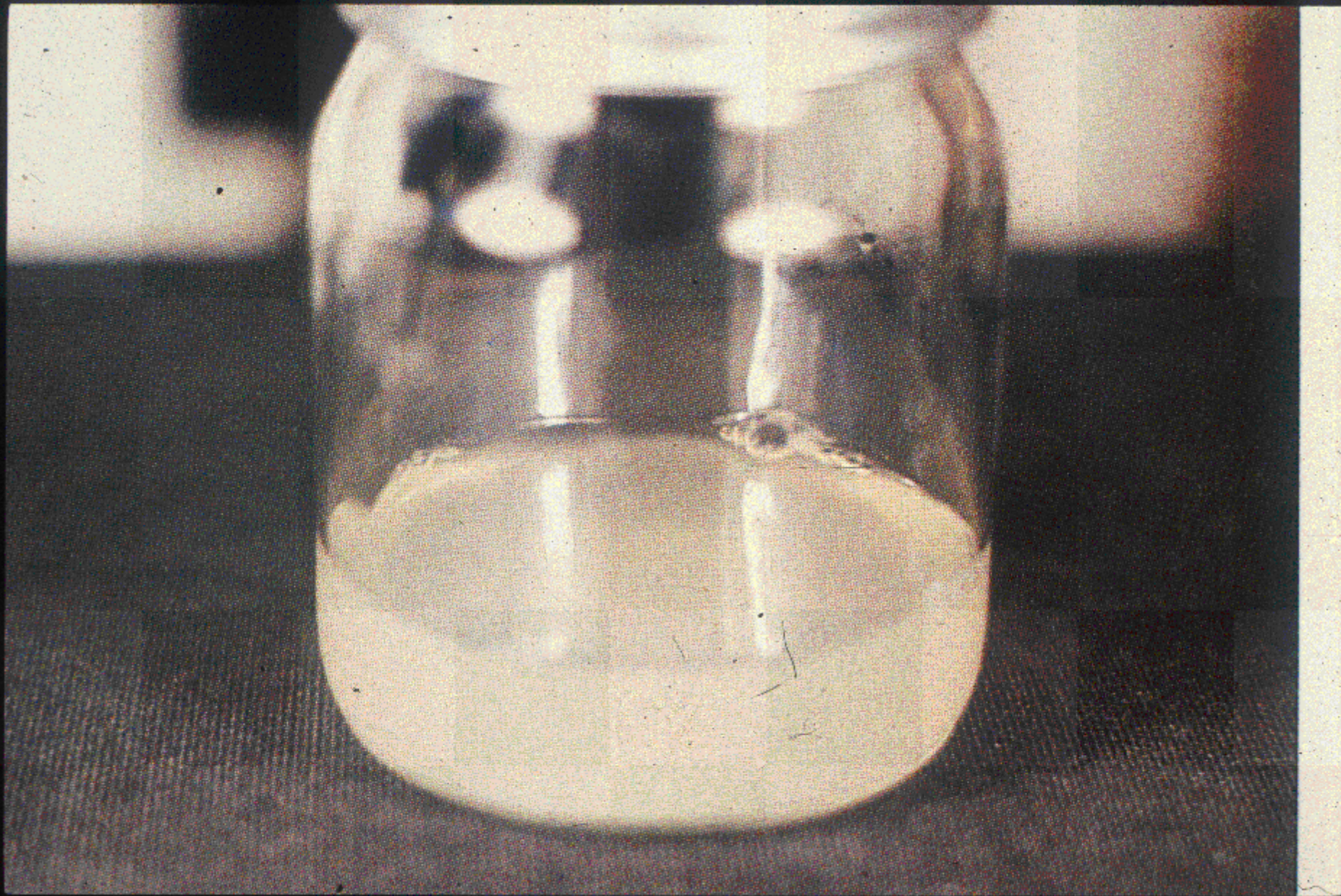


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一圖防預病染傳染定法

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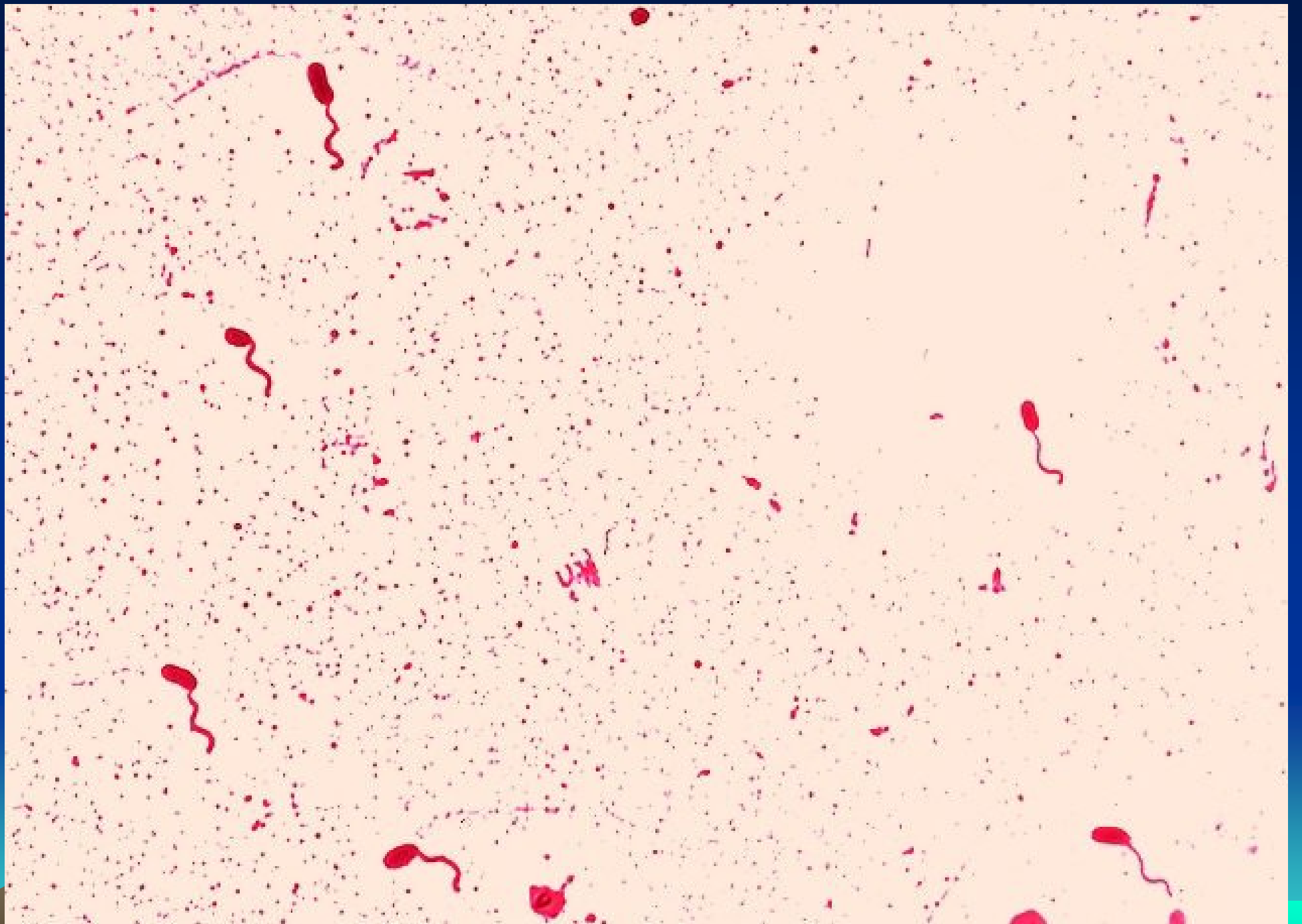




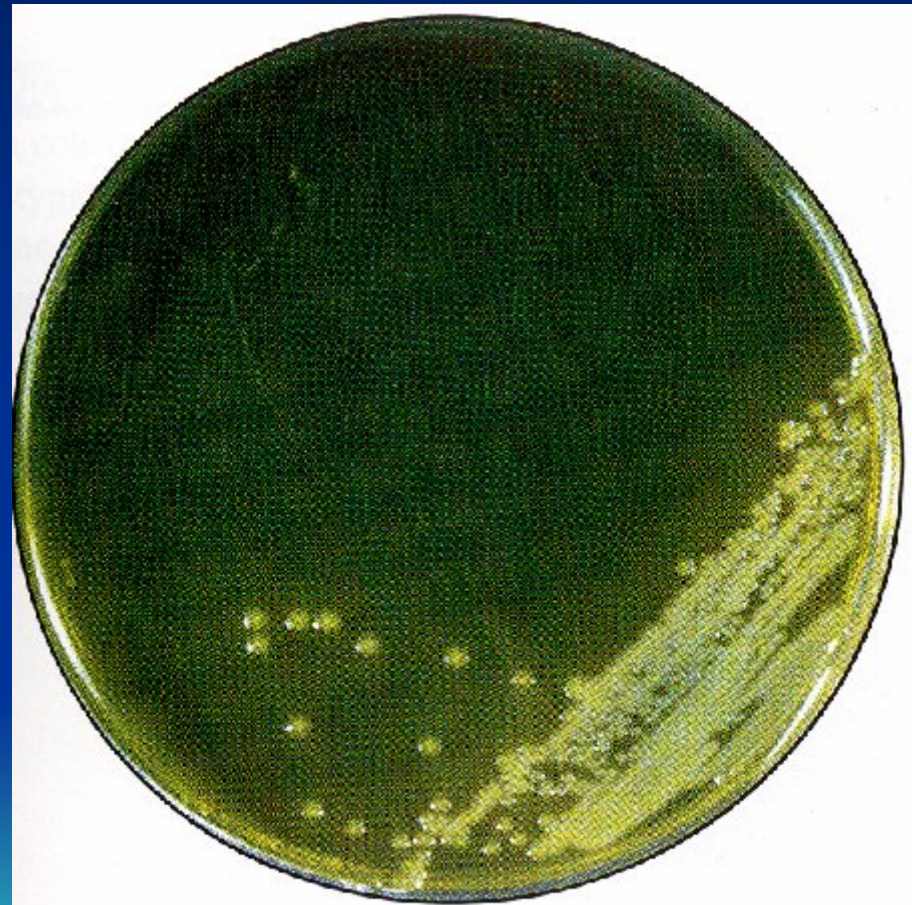


# Diagnosis

- Clinical signs
- Stool culture and vomits culture
- TCBS



# *V. cholerae* on TCBS



**FIGURE 2-15** *Vibrio cholerae* streaked on TCBS agar. The large, yellow colonies are indicative of *V. cholerae*.

# Treatment

- 2 part serum physiologic and one part sodium bicarbonate continuously through IV perfusion.
- Nacl----- 4g/lit  
NaHCO<sub>3</sub>-----4g/lit  
KCl -----1-2g/lit  
Glucose-----21g/lit



# Treatment

- Tetracycline 0.5g every 6 hours
- Doxycycline 200mg once
- Ciprofloxacin, Cotrimoxazole, Ampicillin, Chloramphenicol.



# Prevention

- Personal and environmental hygiene
- Boiling of water and adequately cooked foods.
- Vaccine of cholera contains inactive or dead bacteria ( phenol or 65<sup>0</sup>C for 1 hour)
- Immunity for six months

# Cholera -therapy

- massive secretion of ions/water into gut lumen
- dehydration and death
- therapy
  - fluid replacement
  - antibiotic therapy
- vaccination
  - partially effective
  - not generally used
  - international travelers



# Vibrio parahaemolyticus

- Similar to *V. cholera* but can differentiate by culture in 10% NaCl .
- Transmission through seafoods.
- Mild to moderate infections
- Usually gastroenteritis

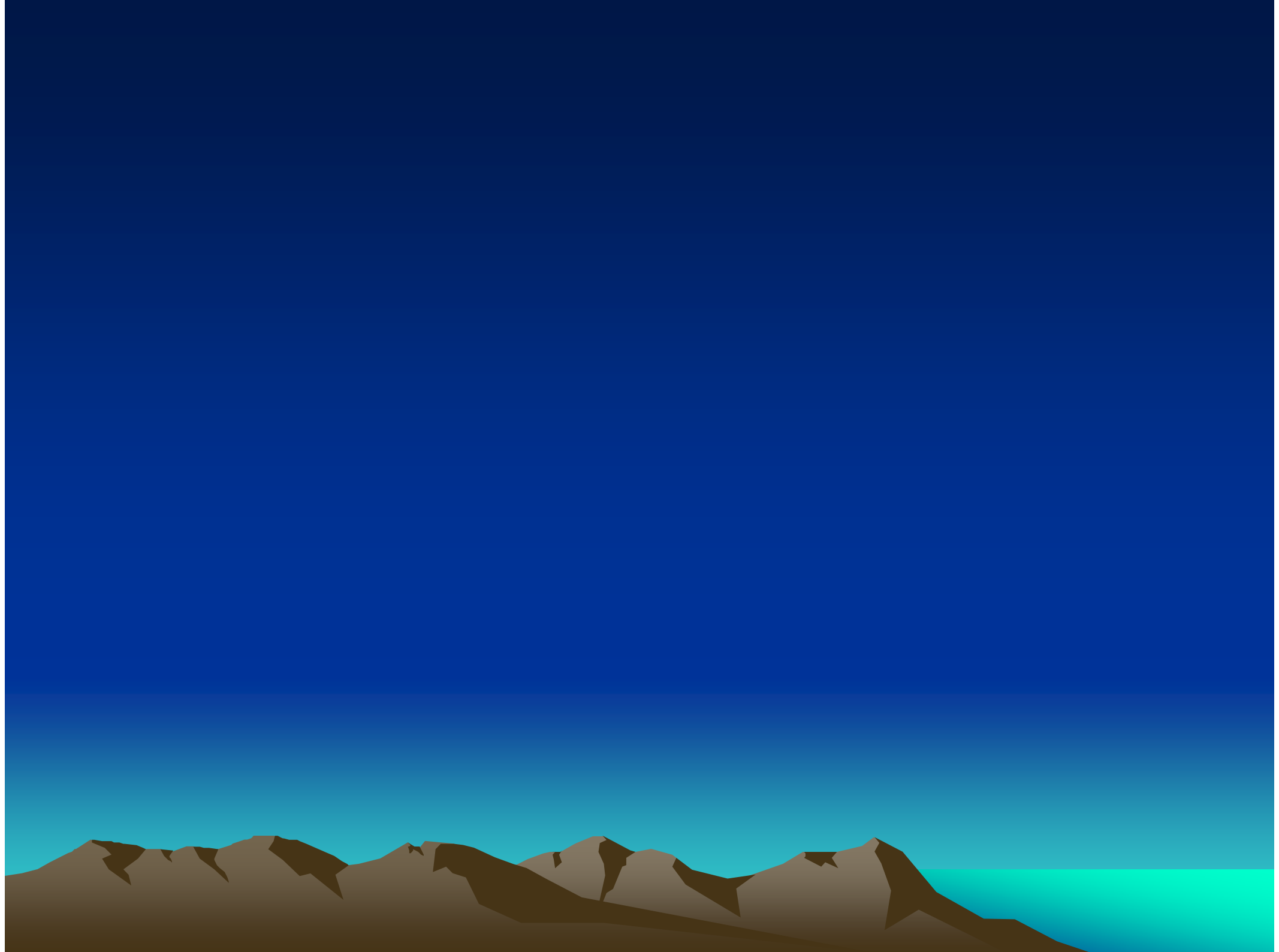
# Helicobacter pylori



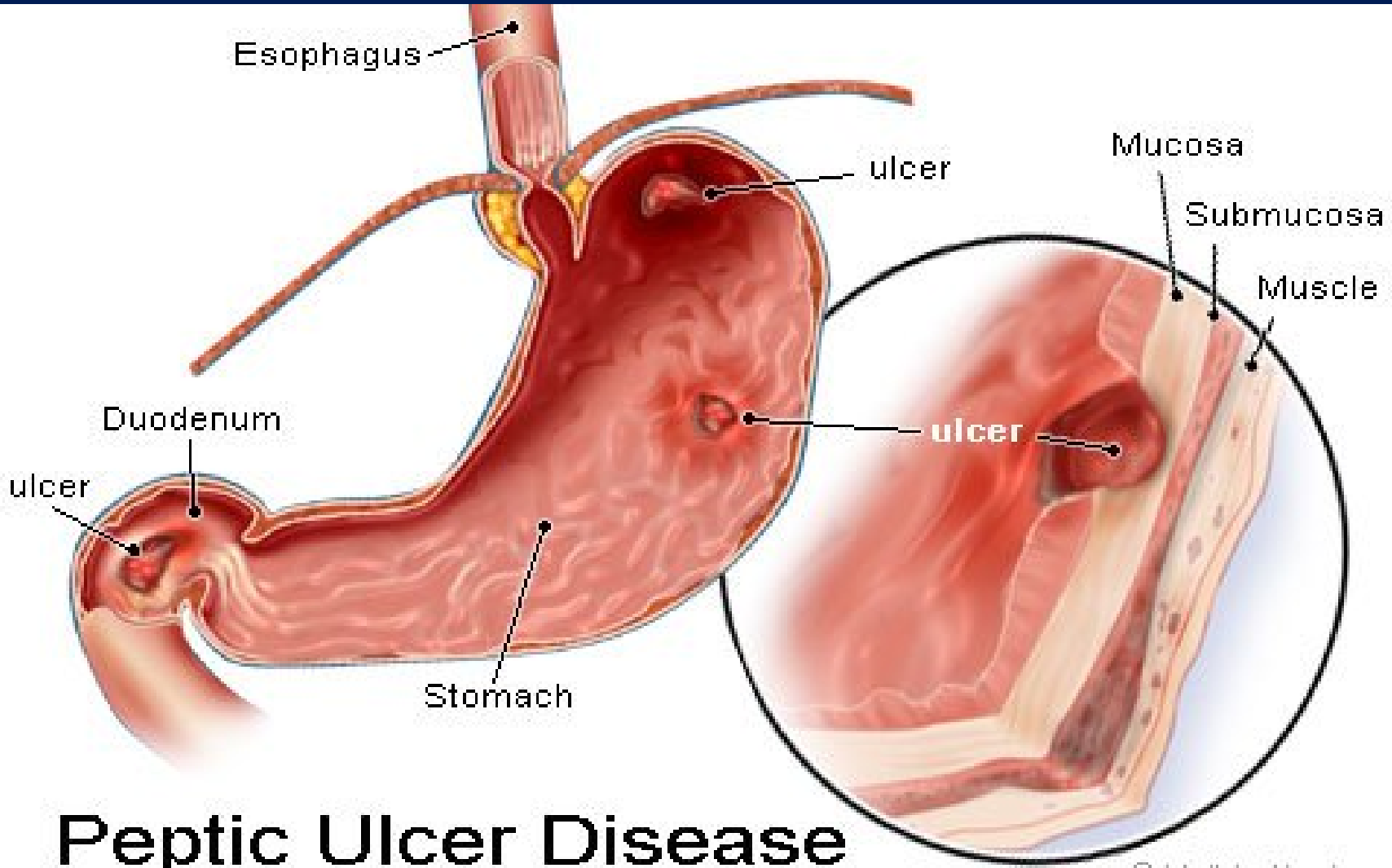
# morphology

- Spiral shaped and multipollar flagella
- Corckscrew motivation
- Microaerophile
- Producing Urease







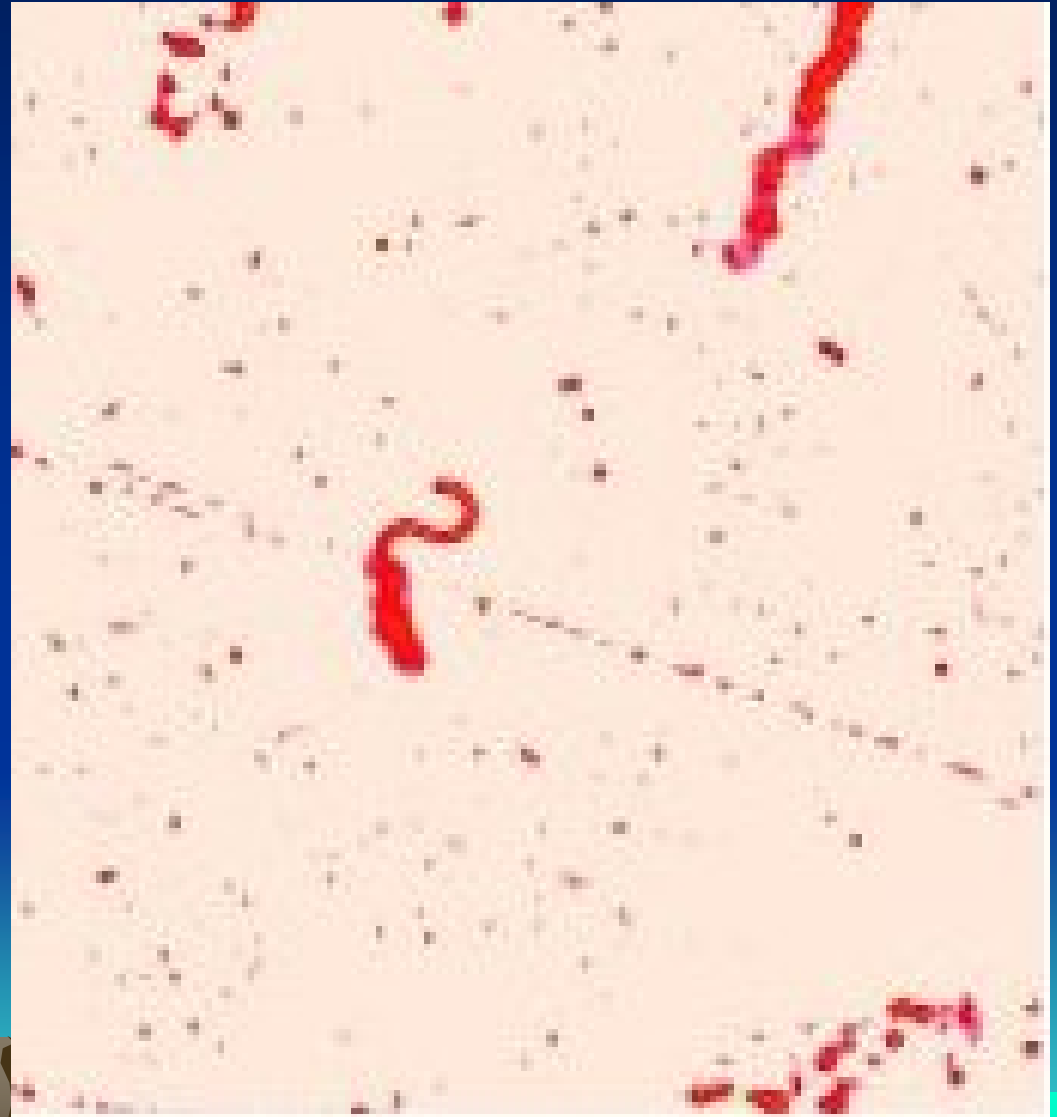


# Peptic Ulcer Disease

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# Biochemical characteristics

- Oxydase positive
- Catalase negative
- H<sub>2</sub>S positive



# Short history

- 1875 German scientists
- 1893 Giulio Bizzozero
- 1899 Prof. Walery Jaworski
- 1979 Robin warren and Barry Marshall
- 1994 National institute of health (USA)





2005 Nobel prize

# Pathogenesis

- Optimum PH 6-7
- Lumen of stomach is with PH of 1-2
- Live in deeper parts under lumen where PH is 7.4
- Urease reduce the acidity of stomach
- Cytotoxine



$H^+$   $H^+$

$H^+$

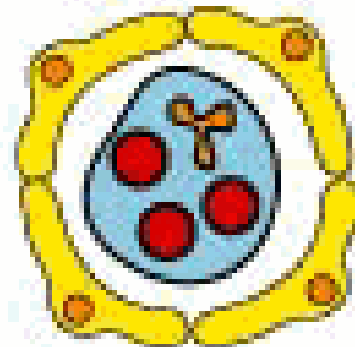
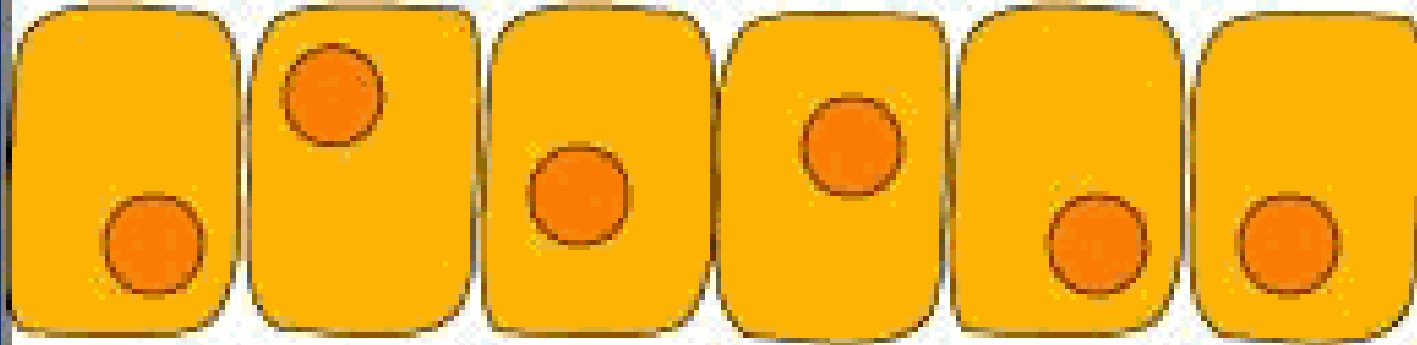
lumen of  
stomach

$H^+$

$H^+$

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$H^+$



*Helicobacter pylori*  
MUCUS LAYER

Urea → NH<sub>3</sub>  
CO<sub>2</sub>

Hemin  
Urea

**2** *H. pylori* recruit and activate inflammatory cells. It also releases urease that cleaves urea, producing NH<sub>3</sub> that neutralizes stomach acid in its vicinity.

**1** *H. pylori* penetrate the mucous layer lining the stomach's epithelium, attracted to the chemotactic substances hemin and urea.

CONNECTIVE TISSUE

**3** *H. pylori* cytotoxin, and the ammonia produced by its urease, cause destruction of the mucus-producing cells, exposing the underlying connective tissue to stomach acid.

NH<sub>3</sub>  
Cytotoxin  
NH<sub>3</sub>  
NH<sub>3</sub>

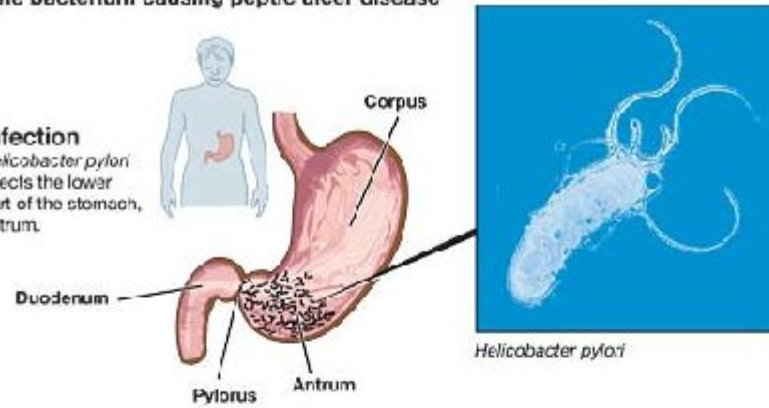


# Helicobacter pylori

— the bacterium causing peptic ulcer disease

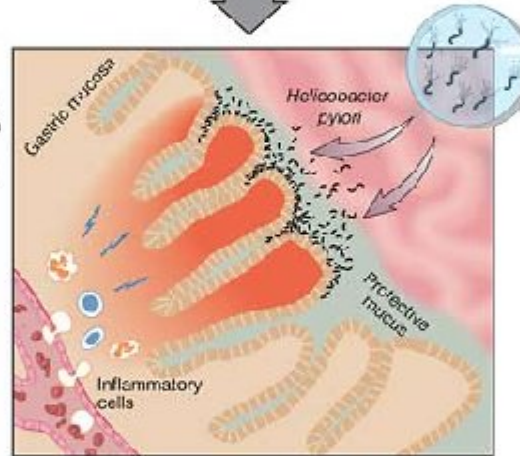
## Infection

*Helicobacter pylori* infects the lower part of the stomach, antrum.



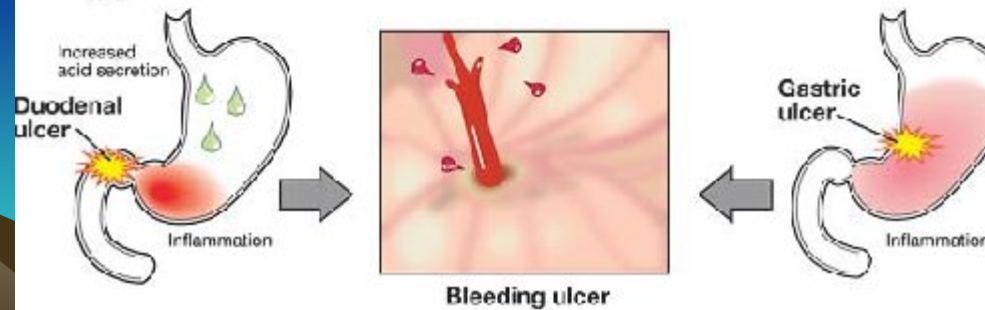
## Inflammation

*Helicobacter pylori* causes inflammation of the gastric mucosa (gastritis). This is often asymptomatic.



## Ulcer

Gastric inflammation may lead to duodenal or gastric ulcer. Severe complications include bleeding ulcer and perforated ulcer.





- Acute gastritis with epigastric disturbance and diarrhea for one week
- In 95% cases of gastric ulcers and duodenal ulcers isolated
- Due to destruction of epithelium and atrophy of secretory glands is a main factor in gastric carcinoma



# *Helicobacter pylori*

- stomach mucosa
- ulcers





A duodenal ulcer caused by  
H.pylori



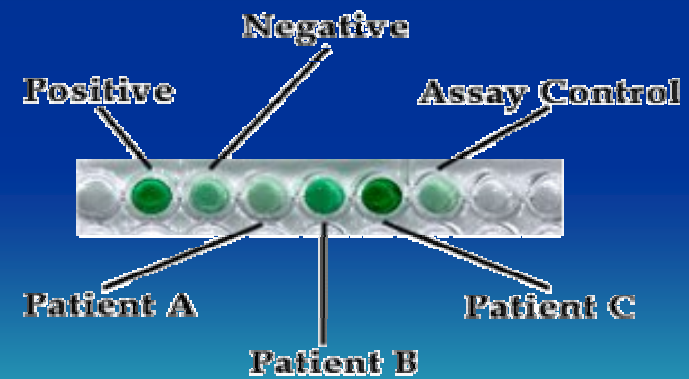
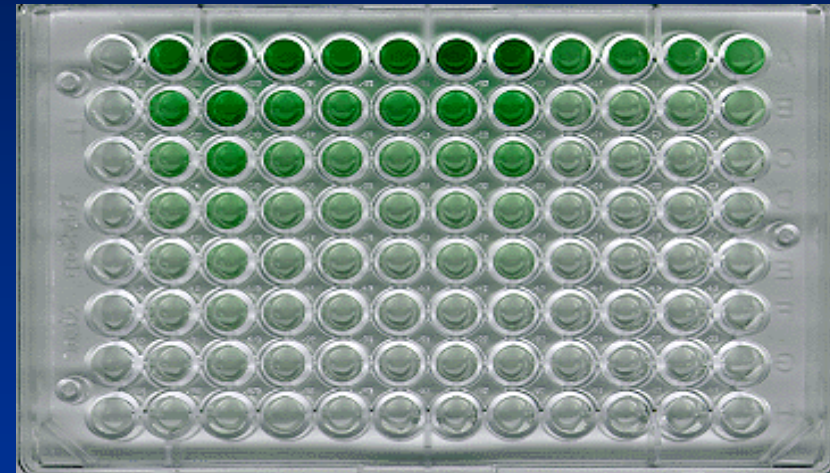
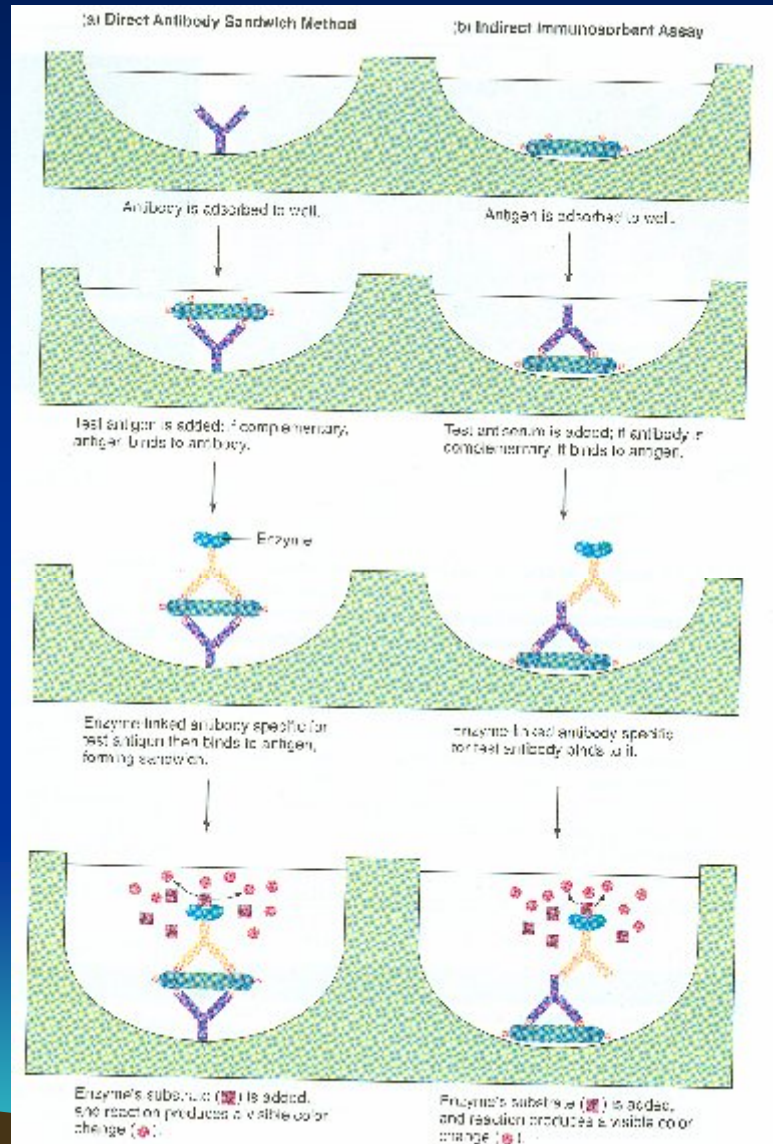
A gastric ulcer caused by  
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# Urease

- **Important in neutralizing stomach acid**



# ELISA



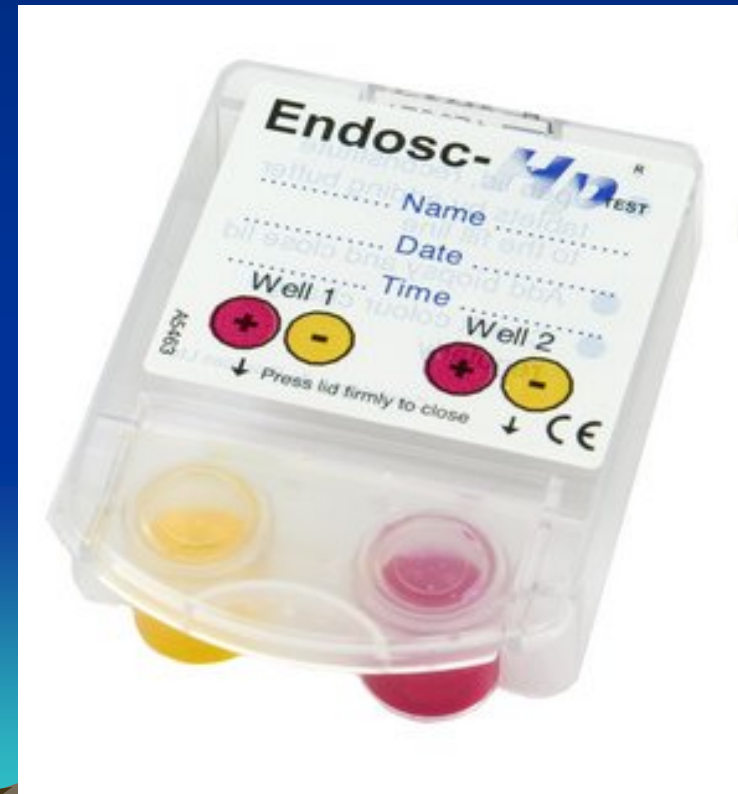


# Diagnosis - *Helicobacter*

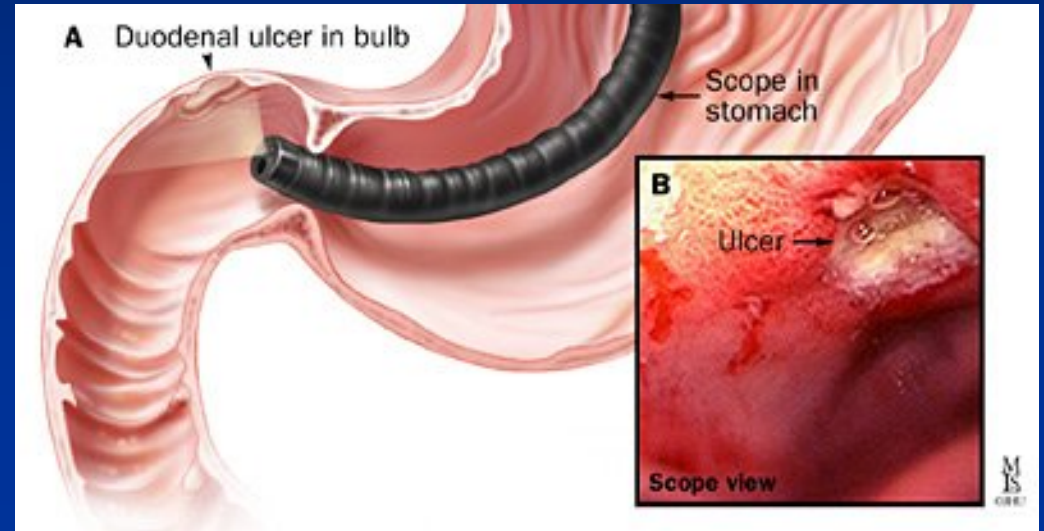
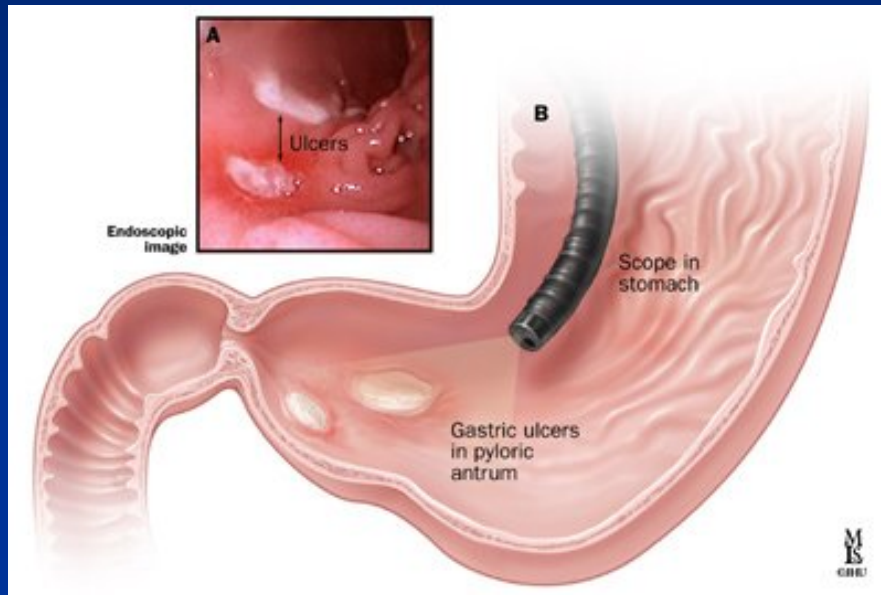
- Culture



- Urease test

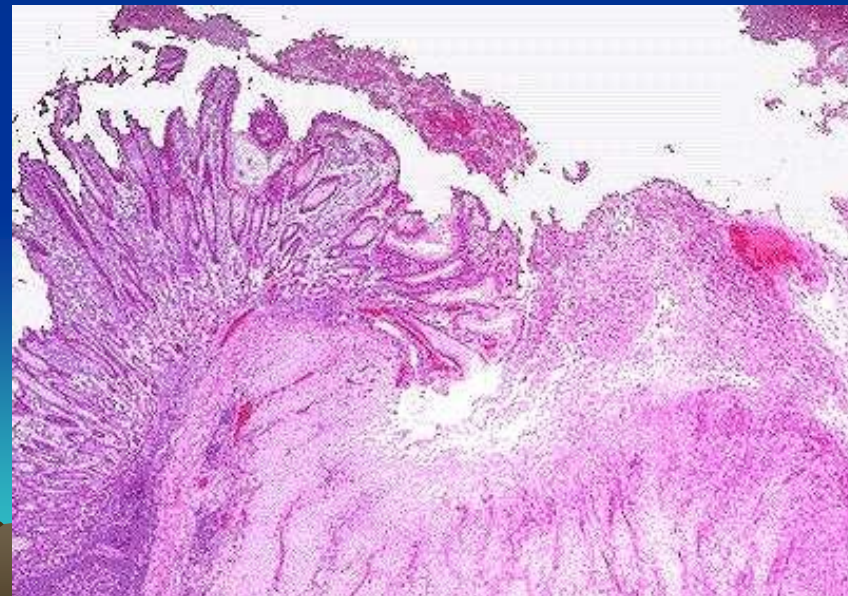
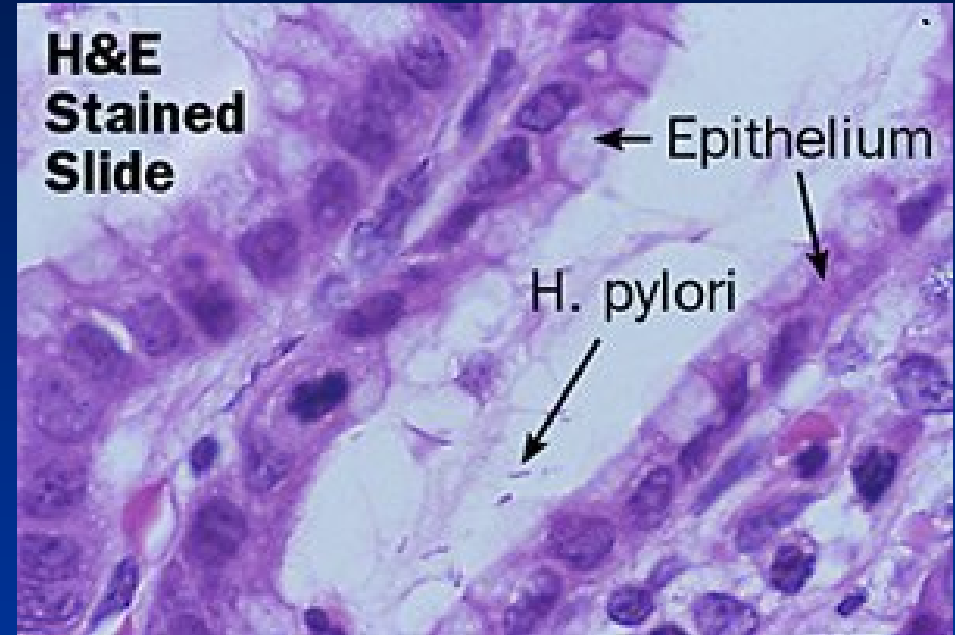
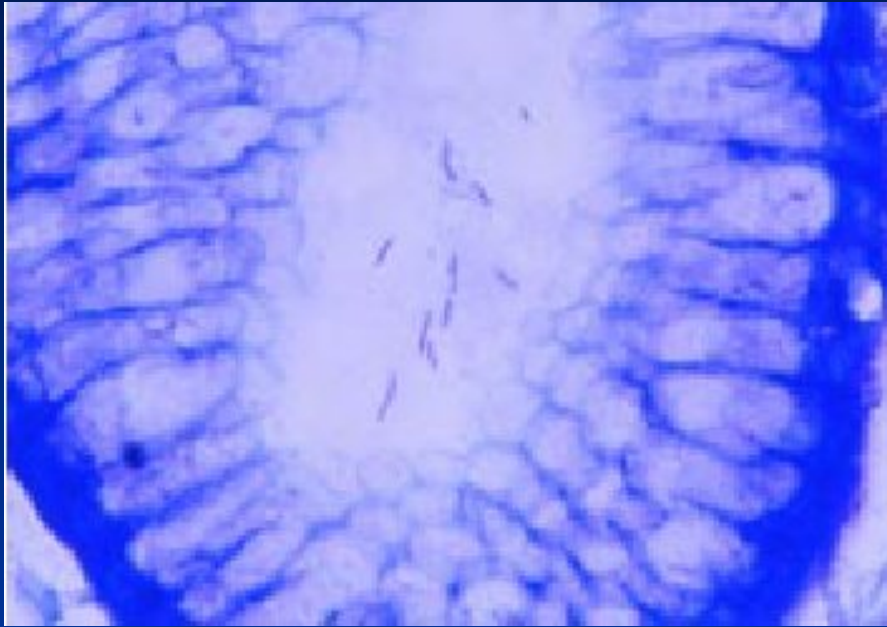


# Endoscopy



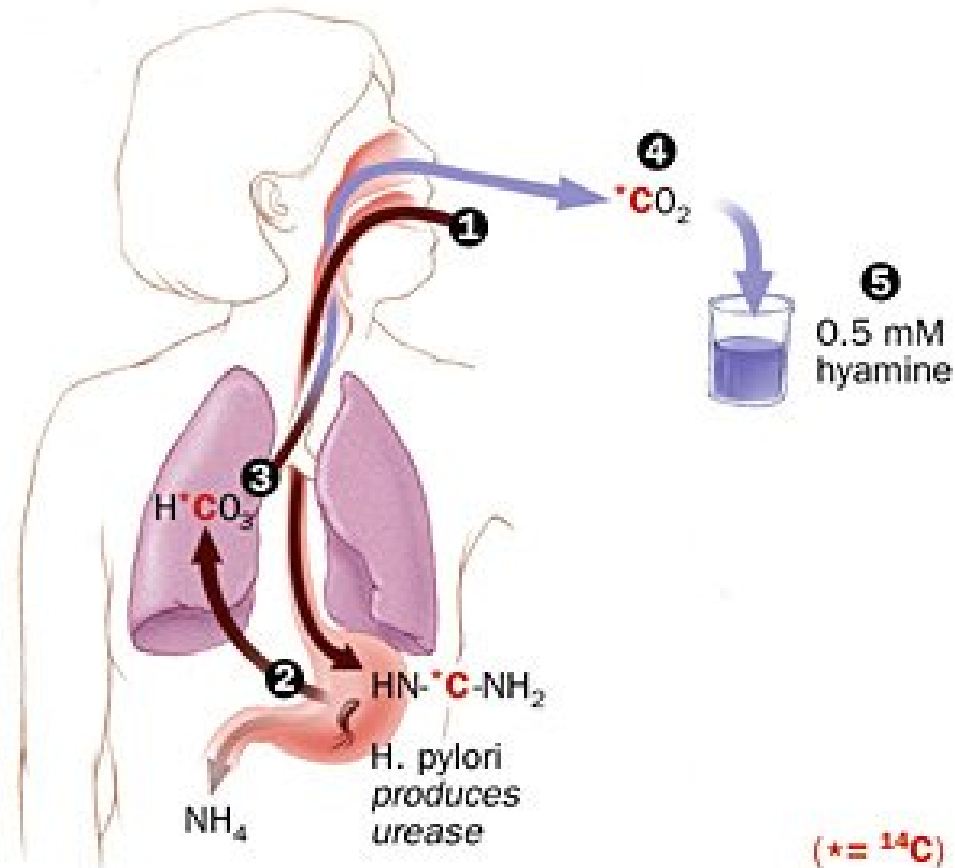


# Histological examination



# Urea breath test

1. Patient drinks  $\text{HN}^{14}\text{C}-\text{NH}_2$ .  
In the stomach,  $\text{HN}^{14}\text{C}-\text{NH}_2$  is broken down by urease into  $\text{H}^{14}\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{NH}_4$ .
2.  $\text{H}^{14}\text{CO}_3$  travels to the lung and is...
3. ...expired...
4. ... as  $^{14}\text{CO}_2$  into...
5. ... a 0.5 mM hyamine solution, where a scintillation cocktail is added to test for  $^{14}\text{C}$ .



# Therapy -Helicobacter

- **Antibiotics**
  - cures ulcers



# Therapy

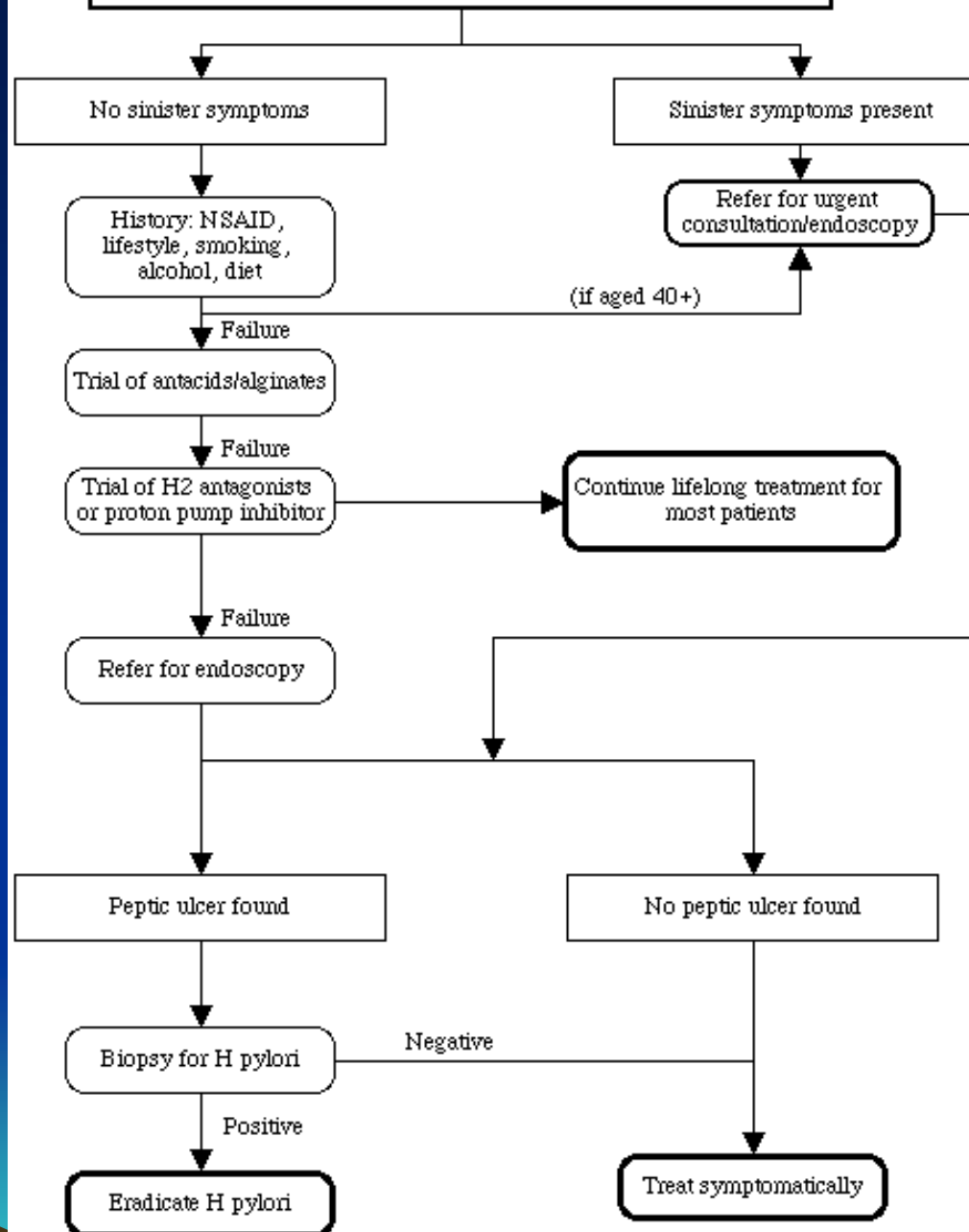
- severe diarrhea
  - fluid replacement essential



# Treatment

- Triplet therapy
- Amoxicillin+ Clarithromycin+PPI
  - metronidiazol with Bismuth subcitrate, bismuth subsalicylate & Ampicillin or Tetracycline for 14 days.

**Figure 8: Management of adult patients with dyspepsia. Present arrangements**



This schematic represents the way in which patients with dyspepsia are likely to be treated in most present circumstances. It is not intended to be a treatment regimen.

# Campylobacter



# General characteristics

Monopolar or bipolar  
flagella

S shaped In  
morphology

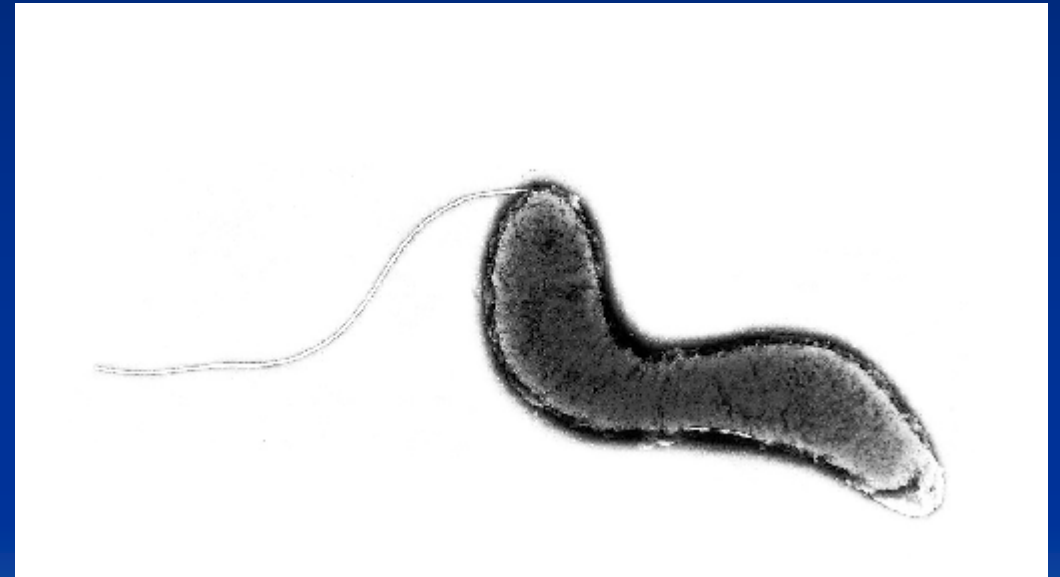
Habitat of GI,GUT &  
mouth of humans and  
animals





# Campylobacter jejuni, C.coli

- Morphology
  - Gram negativ
  - Curved, spiral or S shaped
  - Microaerophile
  - nonfermentative



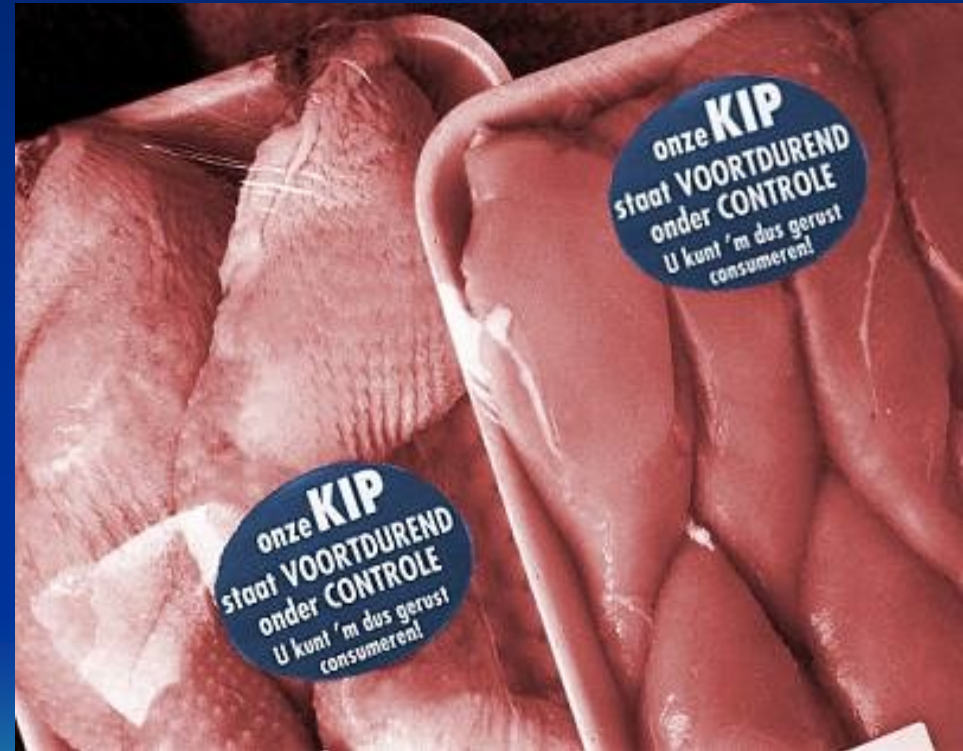
# Biochemical characteristics

- Oxidase positive
- Catalase positive
- H<sub>2</sub>S positive



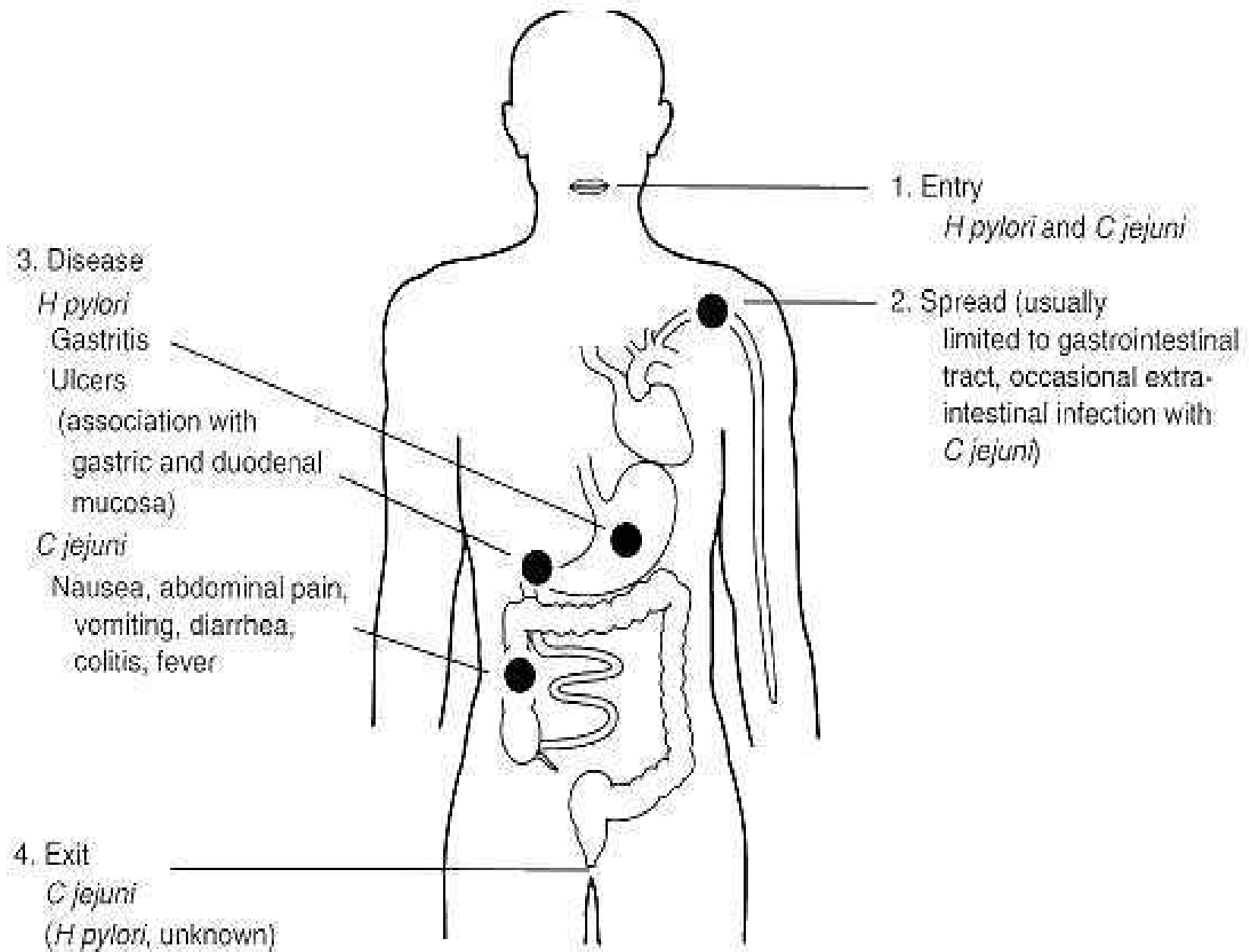
# Pathogenesis

- Fecal-oral transmission
- Infected meats(poultry) or water
- Causes ulcers in illeum, jejunum and colon



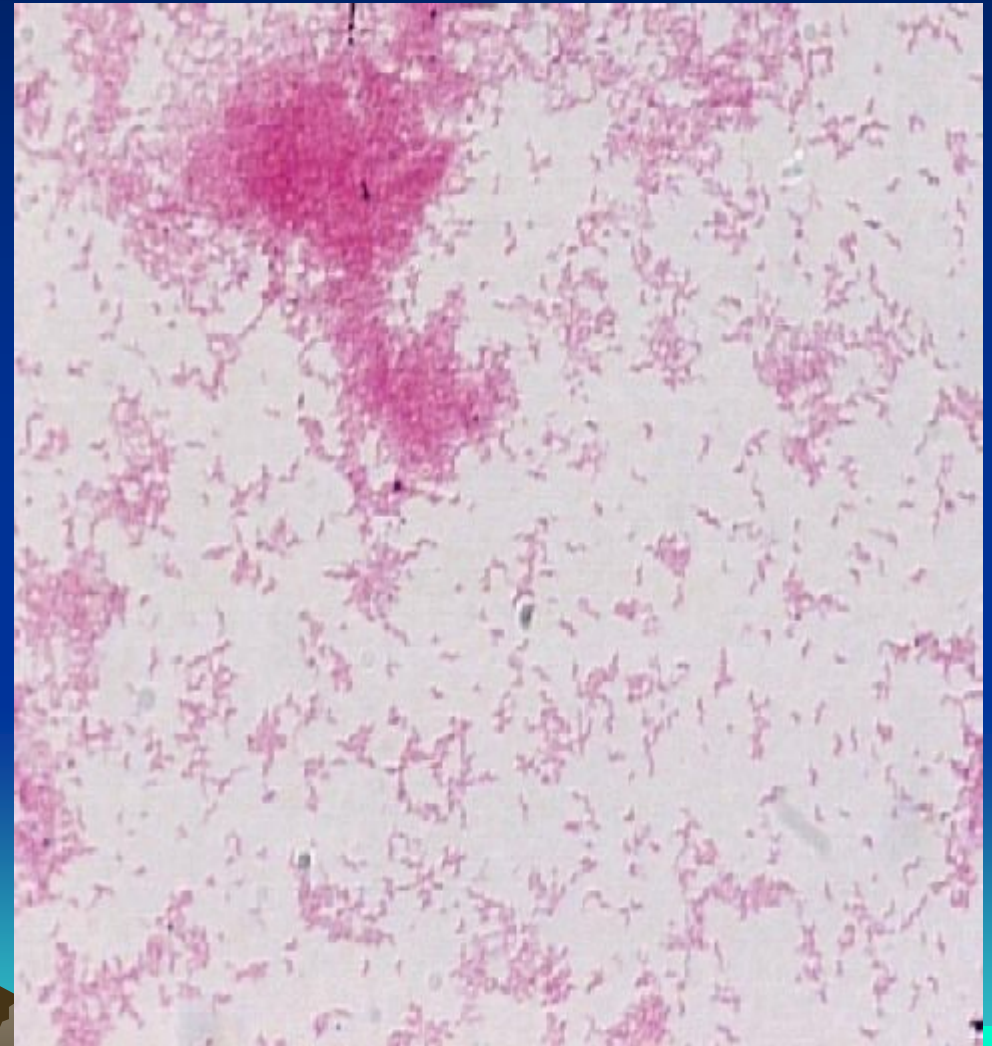
- Acute enteritis;
  - fever, headache, muscular pains, abdominal tensions ,bloody or without blood.
  - Traveler's diarrhea and pseudoappendicitis



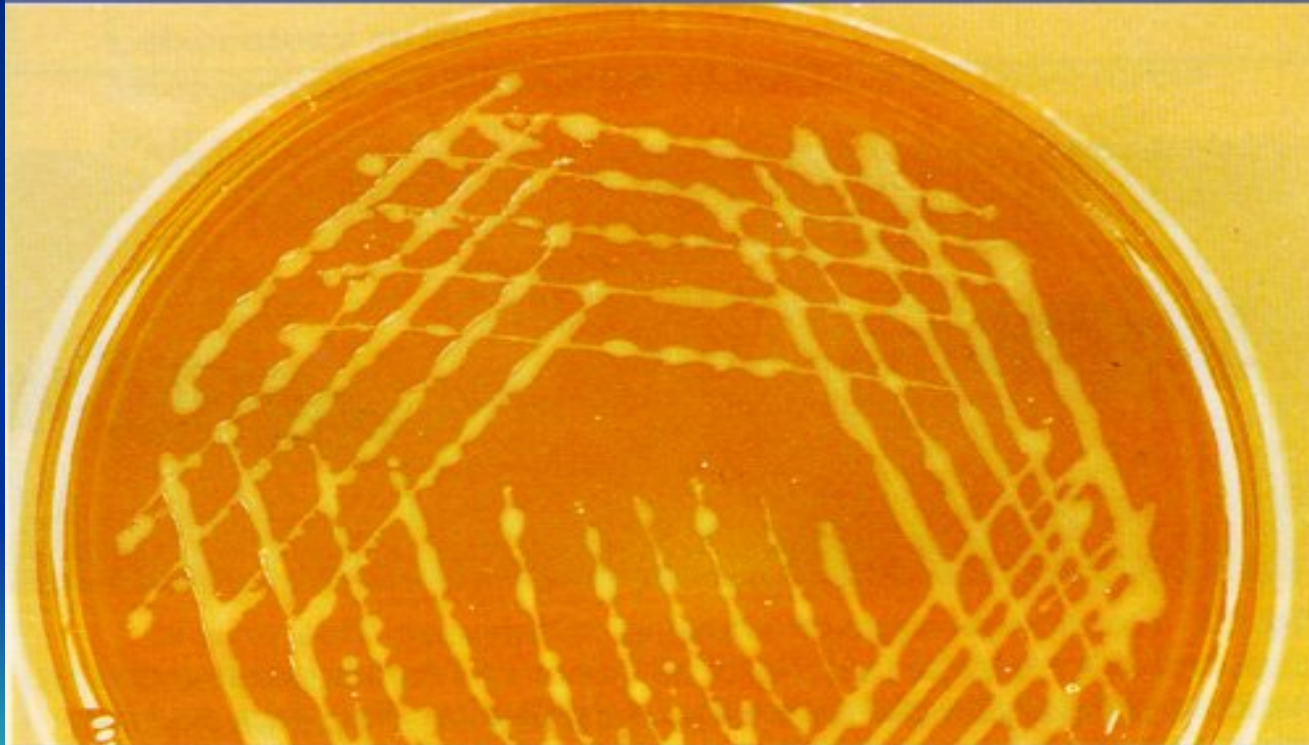


# Diagnosis

- Motility in stool sample
- Direct staining
- Culture on special media such as SKIRROW, that contains polymyxine, vancomycin and trimethoprim



Growth of *Campylobacter jejuni*  
on special medium, incubated in a  
microaerophilic environment.



# Rapid diagnostic test





# Treatment

- Electrolytes
- Ciprofloxacin
- Erythromycin for 14 days

# Campylobacter fetus

- Abortion in cows, goats and sheep

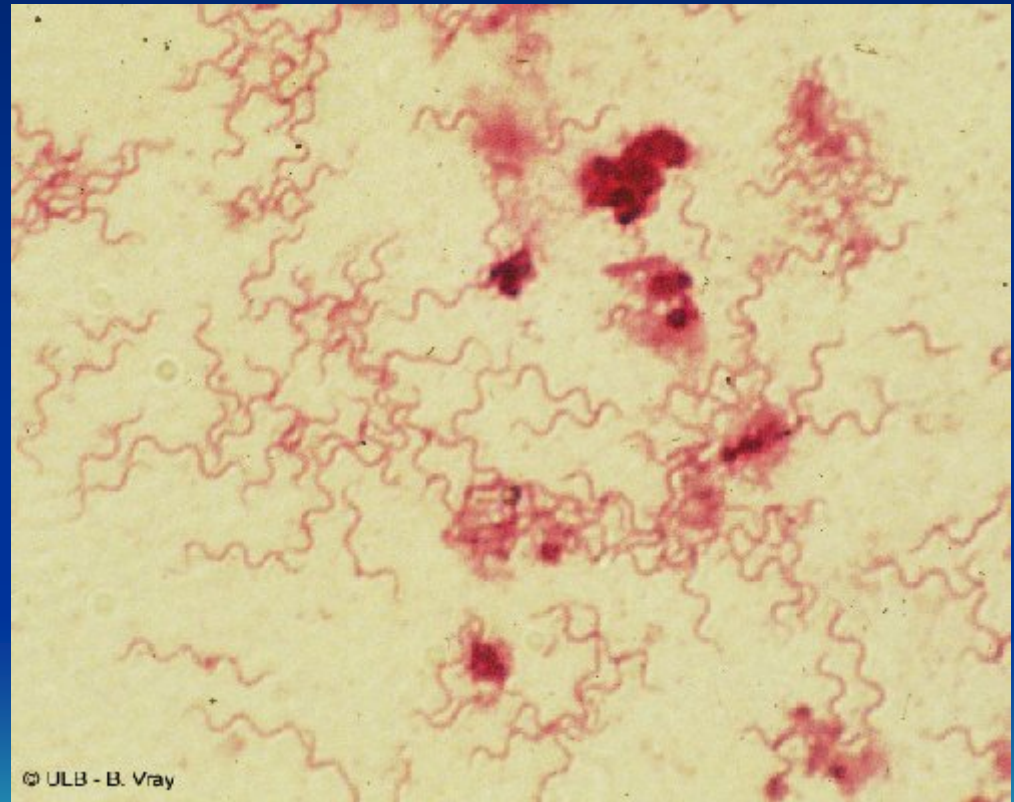


# Prevention

- Adequate hygiene
- Safe water
- Milk pasteurization
- Adequate heating of poultry

# Spirillum minus

- Causes Rat bite fever (sodoku)
- Spiral and nonflexible



# distribution

- Rural areas of Japan and far East
- Rat is primary host
  - Septicemia
  - Eye infections
  - Lung infections



# Transmission

- Through bites of rat
- Two weeks of incubation period
- Local inflammation at bitten site and edema, Purplish
- Local lymphadenopathy with fever, malaise, headache, slowly decreasing.

# Diagnosis

- Dark field microscopy
- Not cultivable on artificial media
- Treatment
  - Penicillin
  - Streptomycin
  - Tetracyclin