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Clinical Description  
A sexually transmitted disease characterized by painful genital ulceration and inflammatory inguinal adenopathy. The disease is caused by infection with  
Haemophilus ducreyi  
.  
Laboratory Criteria For Diagnosis  
Isolation of  
H. ducrey  
i from a clinical specimen  
Case Classification  
Probable  
A clinically compatible case with one or more painful genital ulcers and both a) no evidence of  
Treponema pallidum  
infection by darkfield examination of ulcer exudate or by a serologic test for syphilis performed at least 7 days after onset of ulcers, and b) the clinical presentation of the ulcer(s) is not typical of disease caused by herpes simplex virus (HSV), or HSV culture is negative  
Confirmed  
A case that is laboratory confirmed  
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