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Clinical Description  
Infection caused by  
Listeria monocytogenes  
, which may produce any of several clinical syndromes, including stillbirth, listeriosis of the newborn, meningitis, bacteremia, or localized infections  
Laboratory Criteria For Diagnosis  
Isolation of  
L. monocytogenes  
from a normally sterile site (e.g., blood or cerebrospinal fluid or, less commonly, joint, pleural, or pericardial fluid)  
Case Classification  
Confirmed  
A clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed  
Comments  
The 1997 case definition appearing on this page was previously published in the 1990  
MMWR  
Recommendations and Reports titled  
Case Definitions for Public Health Surveillance  
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Thus, the 1990 and 1997 versions of the case definition are identical.  
References  
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