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Clinical Description  
Infection with L  
1  
, L  
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, or L  
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serovars of  
Chlamydia trachomatis  
may result in a disease characterized by genital lesions, suppurative regional lymphadenopathy, or hemorrhagic proctitis. The infection is usually sexually transmitted.  
Laboratory Criteria For Diagnosis  
Isolation of  
C. trachomatis  
, serotype L  
1  
, L  
2  
, or L  
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, from clinical specimen,  
OR  
Demonstration by immunofluorescence of inclusion bodies in leukocytes of an inguinal lymph node (bubo) aspirate,  
OR  
Positive microimmunofluorescent serologic test for a lymphogranuloma venereum strain of  
C. trachomatis  
(in a clinically compatible case)  
Case Classification  
Probable  
A clinically compatible case with one or more tender fluctuant inguinal lymph nodes or characteristic proctogenital lesions with supportive laboratory findings of a single  
C. trachomatis  
complement fixation (CF) titer of greater than 64  
Confirmed  
A case that is laboratory confirmed  
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