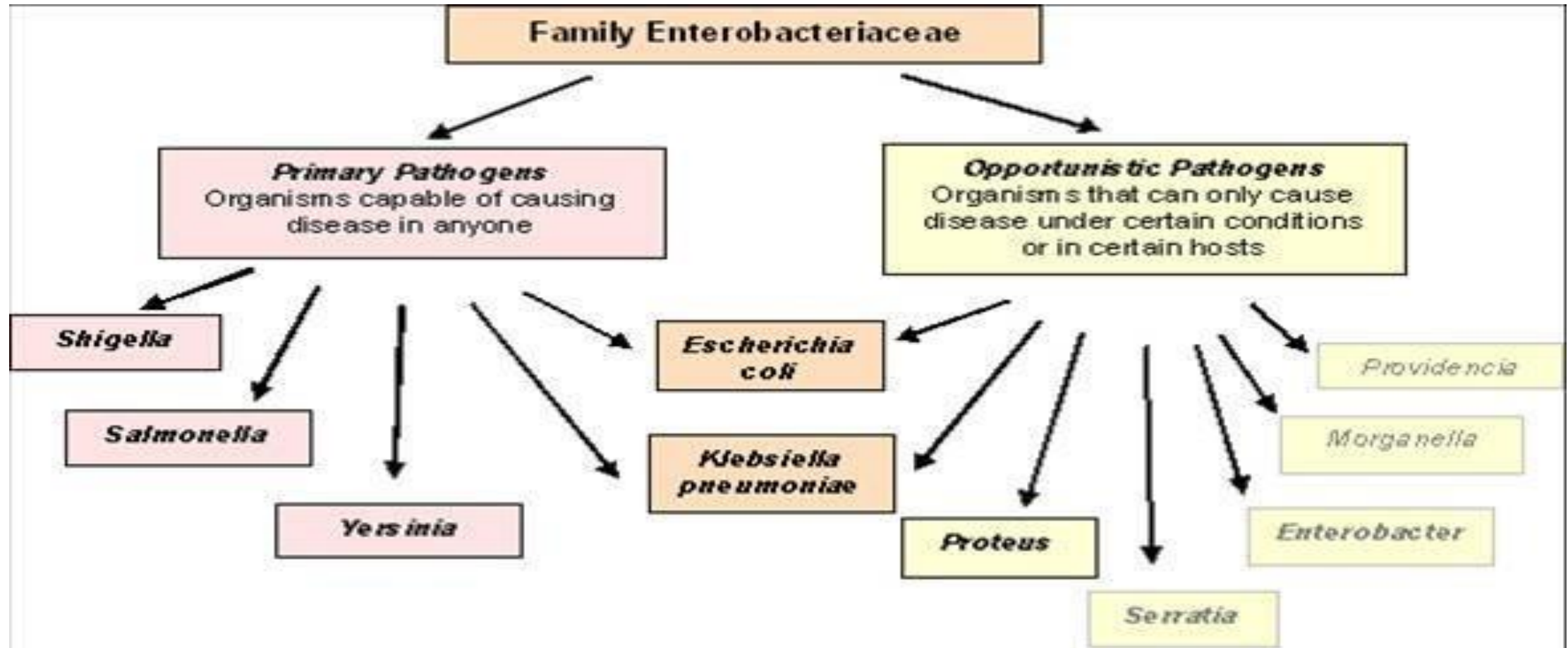


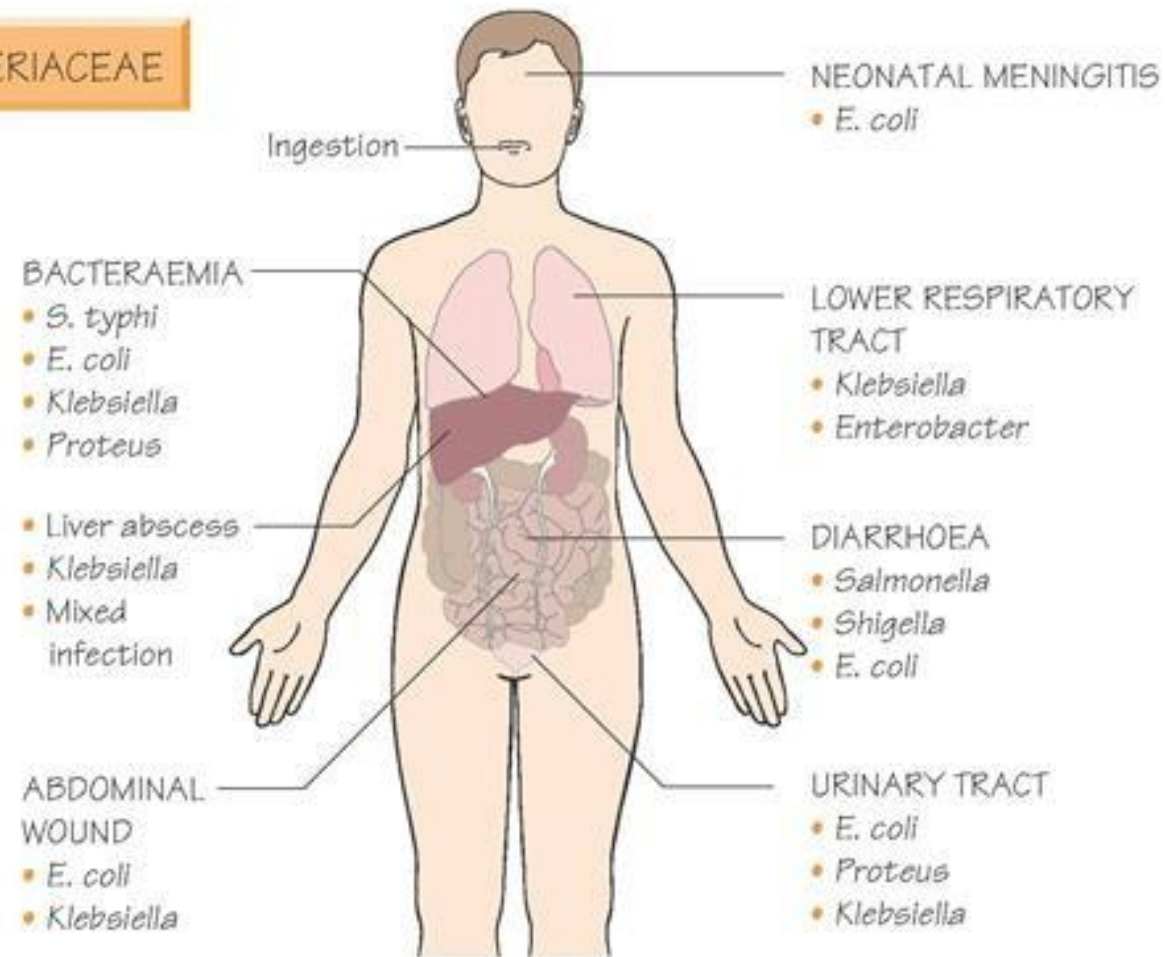
**Family**

**Enterobacteriaceae**

# Members - Family Enterobacteriaceae



## INFECTION BY ENTEROBACTERIACEAE



# Family Enterobacteriaceae

- Some are commensals & some are pathogens.
- Found in soil, water, plants.
- Principal habitat - lower GIT
- Infections may be sporadic or occur in outbreaks

# Members are

- Gram-negative bacilli
- Non-spore-forming
- Facultative anaerobes
- All ferment glucose and some ferment other sugars
- Reduce nitrate to nitrite
- Produce catalase
- **Do not produce oxidase**
- Most are motile - peritrichous flagellae

- Produce relatively large, dull gray, dry / mucoid colonies on blood agar
- Haemolysis variable
- Biochemical profile can make species identification

# Culture media use to detect the organisms

## 1. Non selective media

Use for primary isolation

Eg: Blood agar



## 2. Selective media

Isolation media

Eg: MacConkey agar

1. Contains **lactose**.

pH indicator-Neutral red

Lactose fermenters produce pink colour colonies.

Eg: *E.coli*, *Klebsiella*





### 3. Highly selective media

Made highly selective by adding inhibitors in higher concentrations.

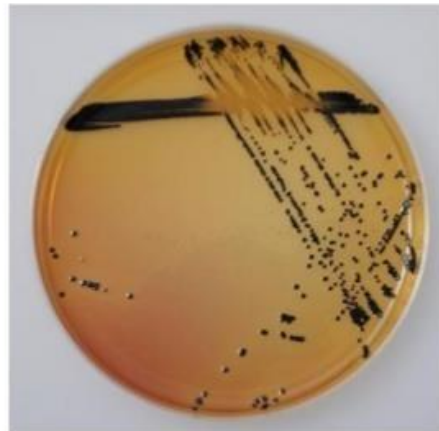
Eg: SS agar.

- Inhibit growth of coliforms.
- Allows to grow Salmonella , Shigella only.

#### Salmonella Shigella agar



SS Agar Plate  
(Salmonella-Shigella Agar)



- For isolation and differential medium for pathogenic Gram-negative bacilli in particular, Salmonella and Shigella. Inhibitor for Coliforms.

## 4.Enrichment media

Enhance the growth of certain bacterial species while inhibiting unwanted microorganisms.

Eg:Selenite broth.

- Inhibitory to *E.coli* & other coliforms
- Enhance the growth of Salmonella, Shigella.

### Selenite F Broth



# Motility

Bacteria can move by flagella.

Tests can be used to detect the motility

1. Hanging drop technique

## Non motile

Shigella

Klebsiella

## Motile

Proteus

Salmonella

*E. coli*

lx

1. Gram staining

2. Culture

Immediately after collection

On BA/ MA / selective media

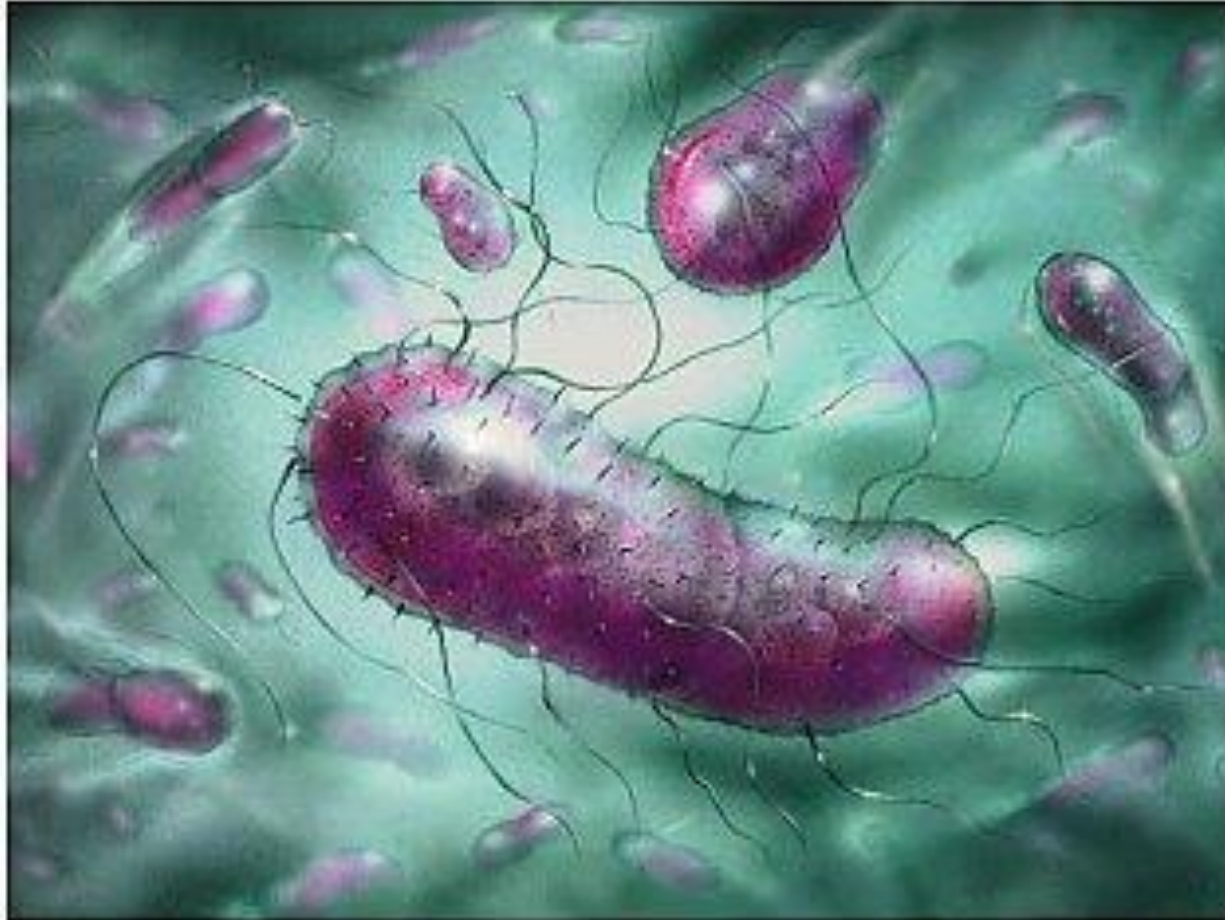
Overnight incubation at 37°C

3. Biochemical investigations

4. Serotyping

Using type specific antisera

# *Escherichia coli*



# Clinical manifestations

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graph TD; A[Clinical manifestations] --> B[Intestinal]; A --> C[Extra intestinal]; B --> D["♣ Diarrhoea<br/>♣ Dysentery"]; C --> E["♣ UTI (Most common cause)<br/>♣ Wound infections<br/>♣ Pneumonia (nosocomial)<br/>♣ Neonatal meningitis<br/>♣ Abscess<br/>♣ Peritonitis<br/>♣ Biliary tract infections"]; D --> F["Bacteremia / Septicemia / Endotoxic shock"]; E --> F;
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## Intestinal

- ♣ Diarrhoea
- ♣ Dysentery

## Extra intestinal

- ♣ UTI (Most common cause)
- ♣ Wound infections
- ♣ Pneumonia (nosocomial)
- ♣ Neonatal meningitis
- ♣ Abscess
- ♣ Peritonitis
- ♣ Biliary tract infections

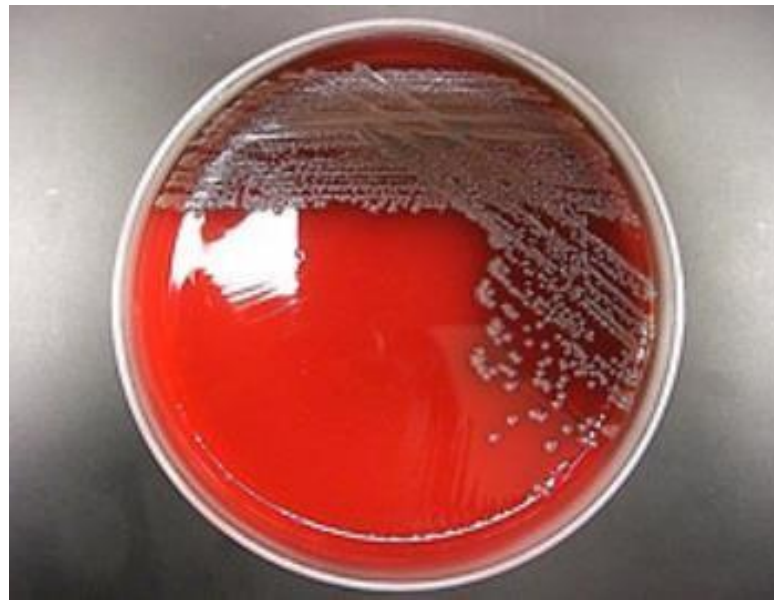
Bacteremia / Septicemia / Endotoxic shock

# ***Escherichia coli***

- Common member of normal flora of the Large intestine.
- Most commonly encountered pathogen from the Enterobacteriaceae Family

# Cultural characteristics

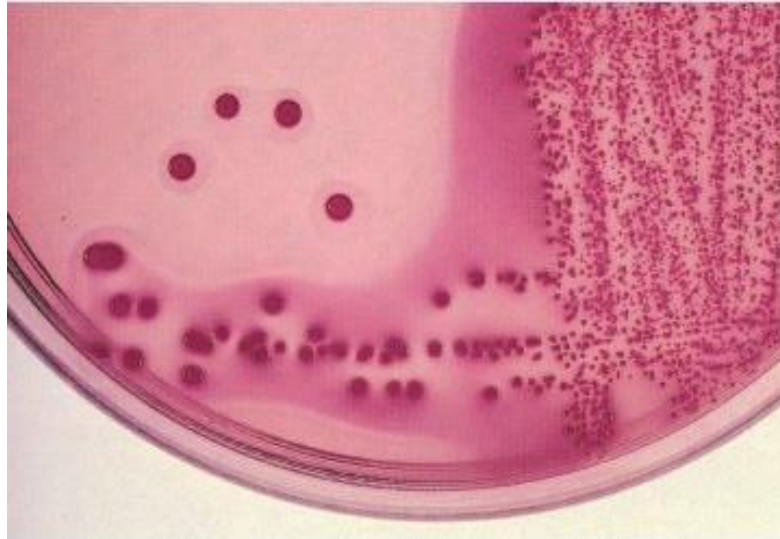
- Grow on ordinary culture media
  - Eg: Nutrient agar
  - Nutrient broth
  - BA
- Some strains show  $\beta$  haemolysis on blood agar





# Cultural characteristics

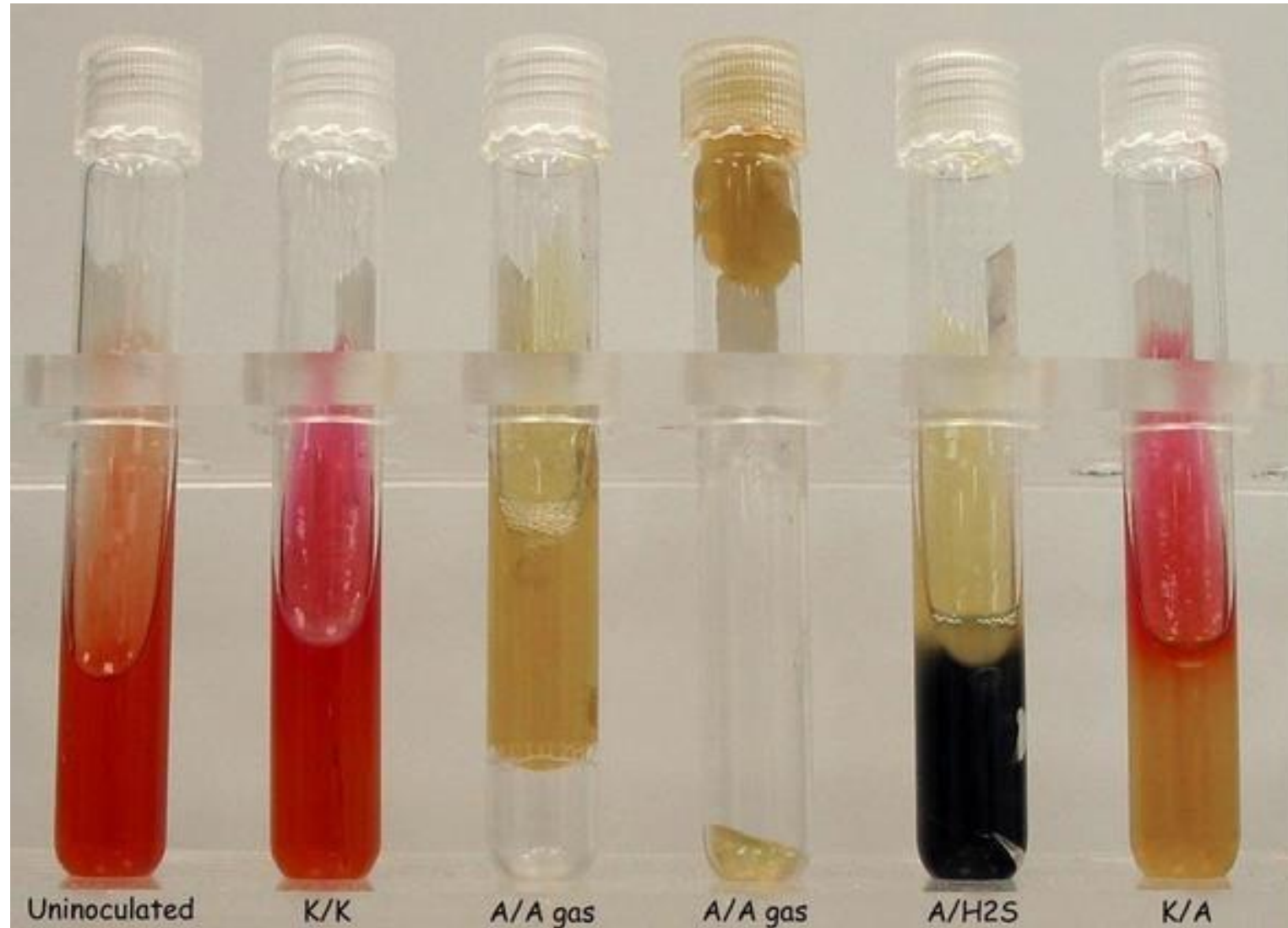
- Bile tolerant
  - Grow on MacConkey agar
  - Form smooth, glossy, pink colour colonies
  - Ferment **lactose** & produce acid & gas



*Escherichia coli* on MacConkey agar. Pink colony pigment is due to lactose fermentation.

- Optimal temperature for growth 36-37°C

# Ferment lactose, glucose & produce acid & gas



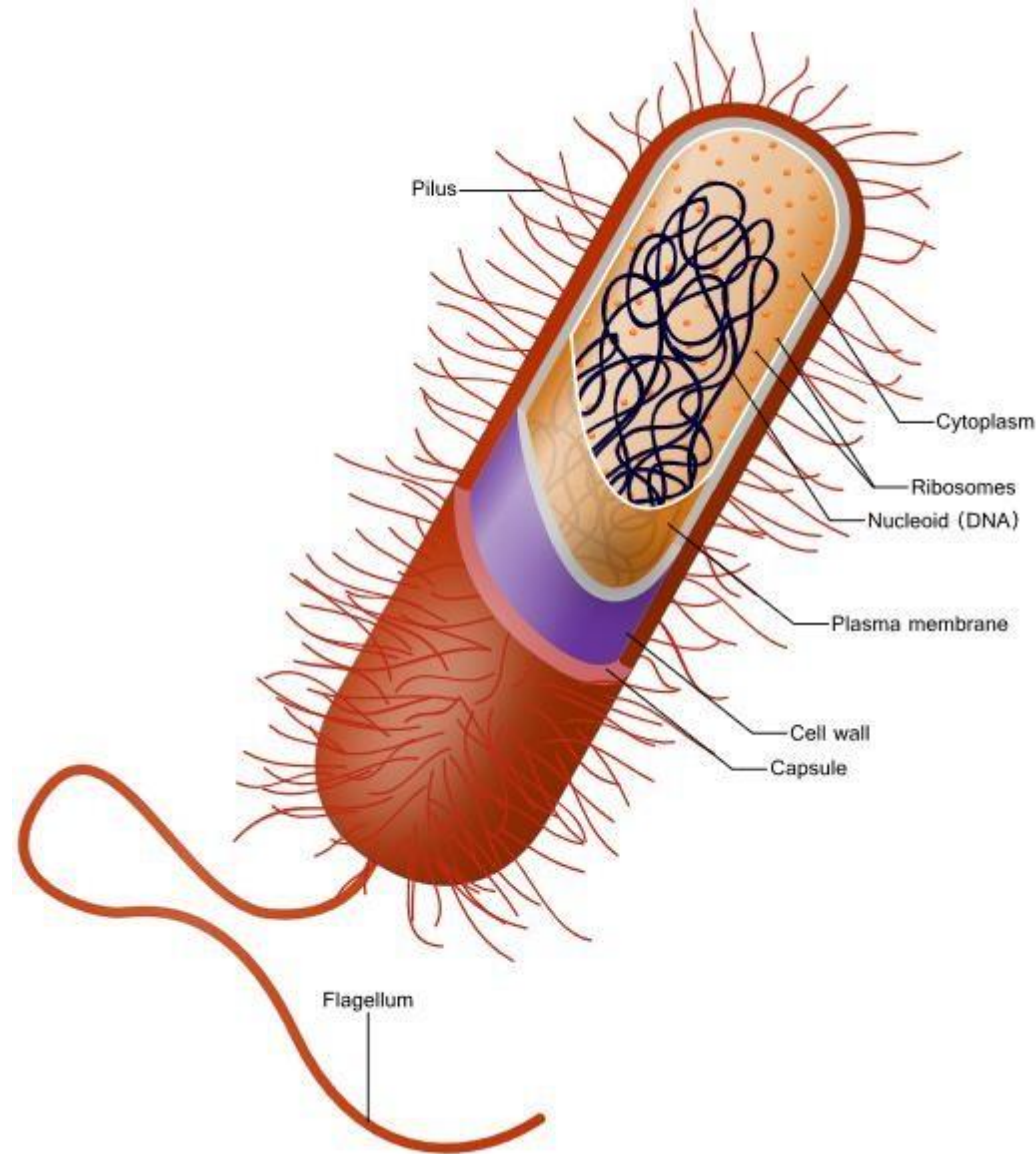
# Antigenic structure

Serotyping based on  
3 types of antigens.

1. **O** antigen (Cell wall  
lypopolysaccharide)

2. **H** antigen (Flagella  
protein)

3. **K** antigen (Capsular  
polysaccharide  
/envelop)



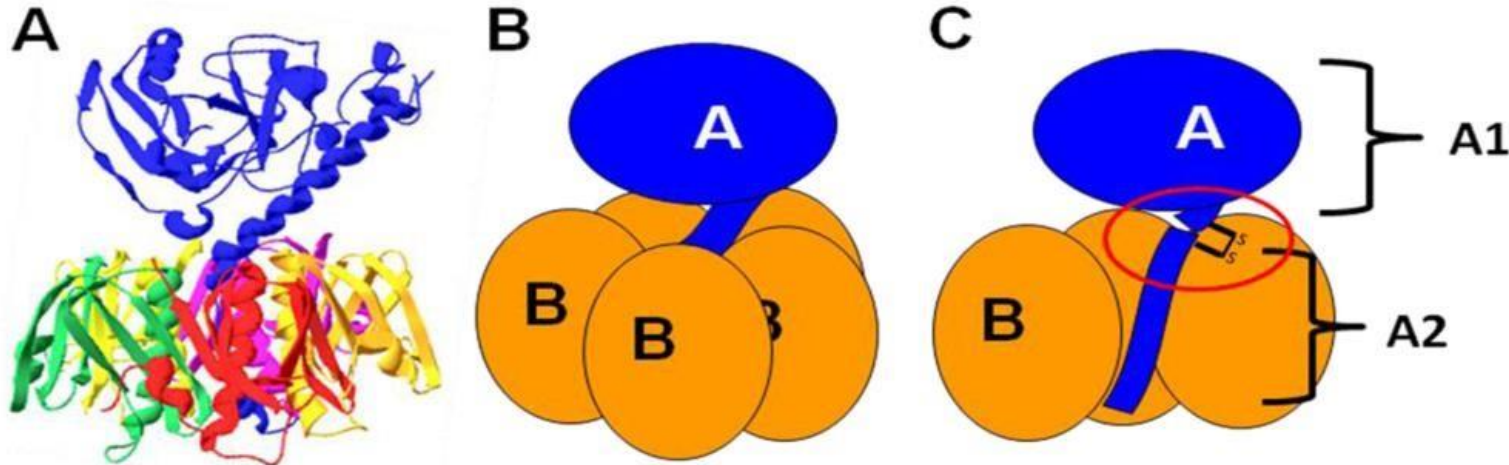
# Virulence factors

## 1. Toxins

Eg: Enterotoxin

Haemolysin

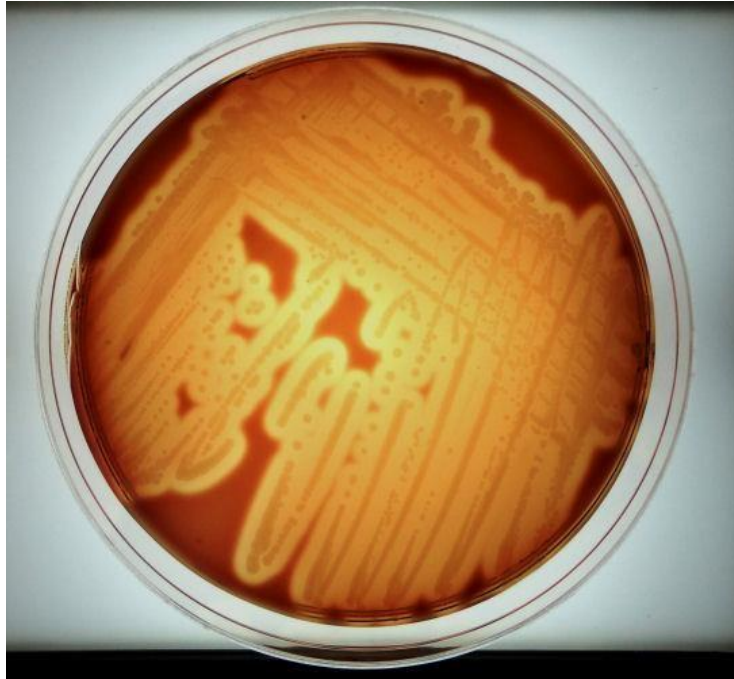
Verotoxin



Enterotoxin

# Haemolysin

- Mainly from *E. coli* isolated from extra intestinal sites



2. Adhesin

3. Capsule

# Diarrhoeal diseases





- Mainly by 5 strains
- Defined on the basis of distinct virulence characteristics

1. Enterotoxigenic *E.coli* (ETEC).
2. Enteroinvasive *E.coli* (EIEC).
3. Verocytotoxin producing *E.coli* (VTEC).
4. Enteropathogenic *E.coli* (EPEC).
5. Enteroaggregative *E.coli* (EAEC)

# Lab diagnosis

## Specimens

Depend on the site of the infection

- |                           |   |                     |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1. Feces/<br>rectal swabs |    | Acute diarrhoea     |
| 2. Urine                  |    | UTI                 |
| 3. Pus                    |  | Wound               |
| 4. CSF                    |  | Pyogenic meningitis |

# Rx

- ▶ Wide range of antibiotics can be used
- ▶ But resistance developed (Plasmid mediated)
- ▶ Therefore ABST is necessary
- ▶ For diarrhoeal diseases specific treatment is not necessary except in life threatening conditions



# Control

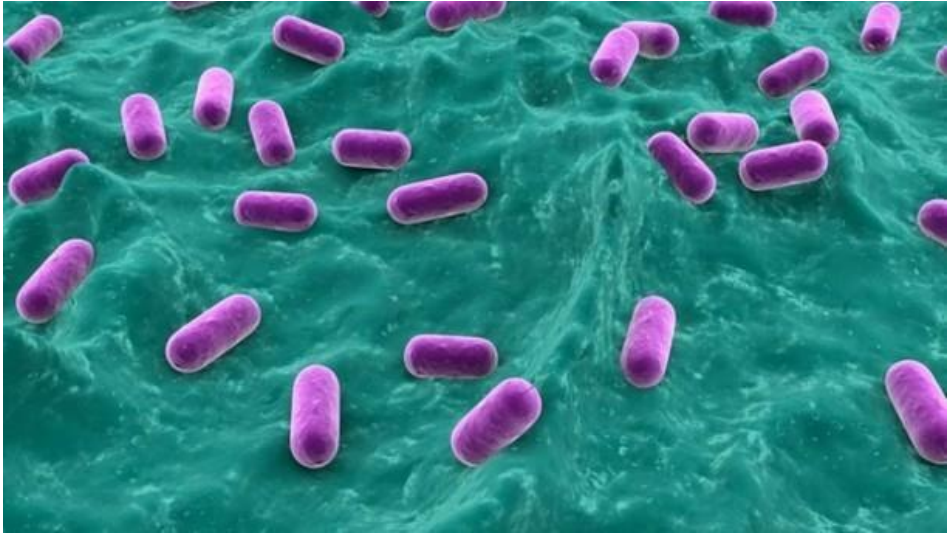
## Sanitary measures

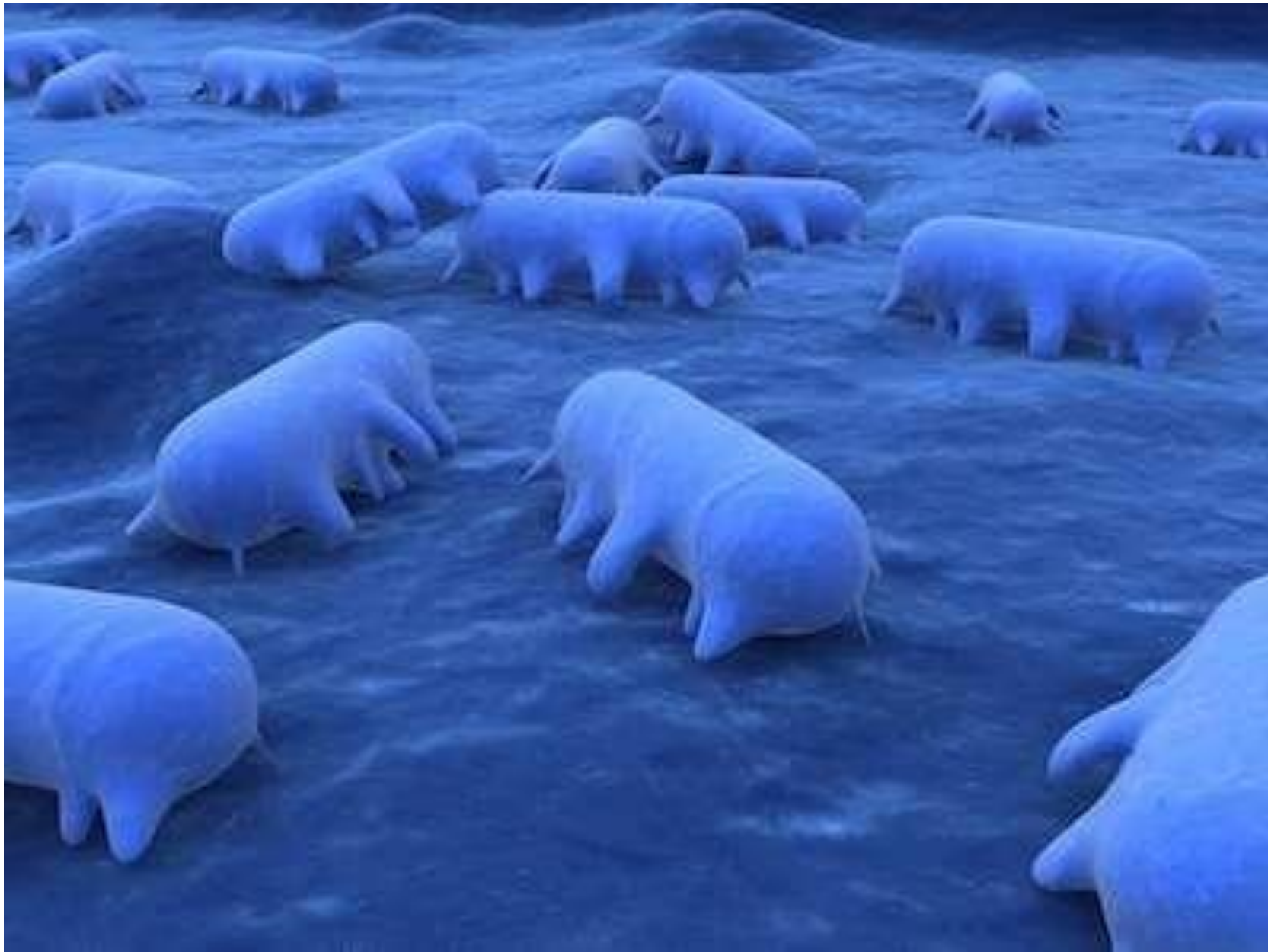
### Prevent fecal oral transmission

- ◆ Hand washing
- ◆ Proper preparation of food
- ◆ Chlorination of water supplies
- ◆ Proper disposal of excreta

# Salmonella

# Salmonella





# Clinical importance

## 1. Diarrhoeal diseases

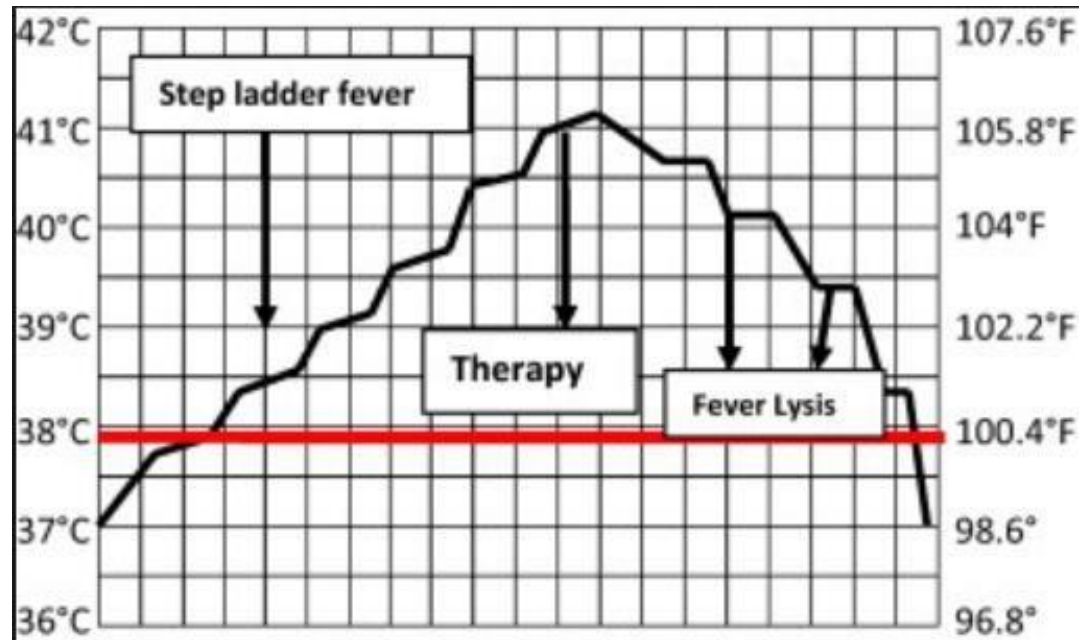
Gastroenteritis (food poisoning) (Vast majority)

## 2. Enteric fevers

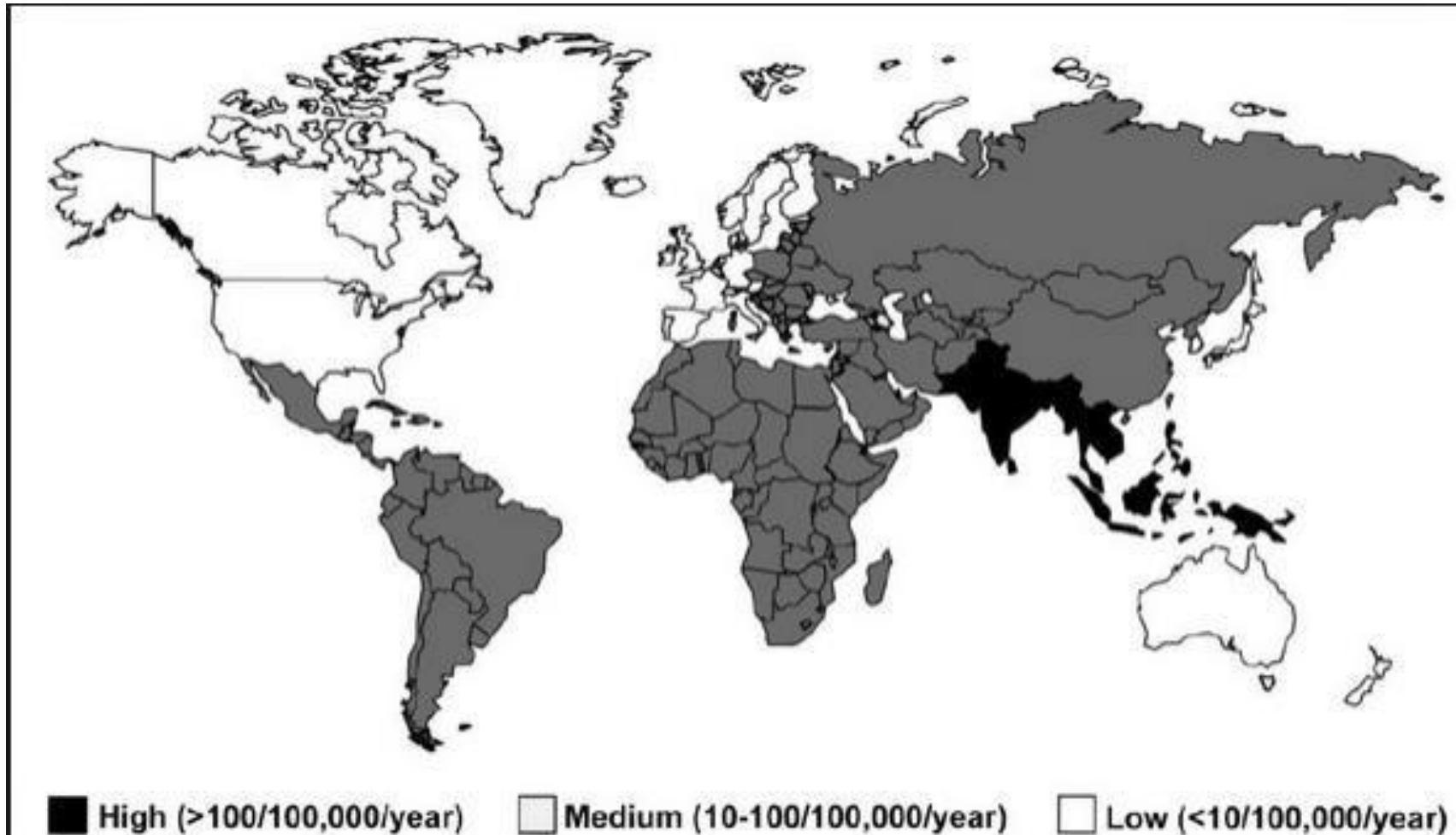
Typhoid fever

Paratyphoid fever

# Typhoid fever



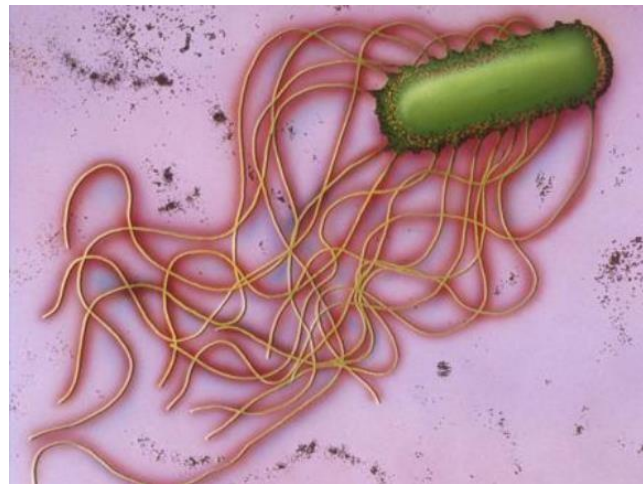
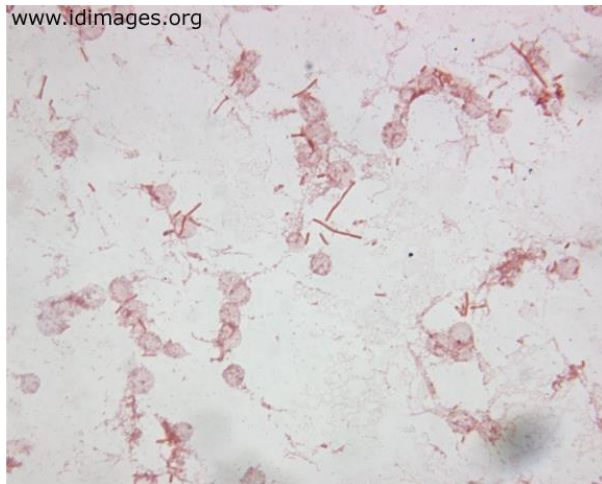
# Epidemiology of typhoid fever





# Features of the organism

- ▶ Motile with peritrichous flagella
- ▶ All are capsulated except *S. typhi*
- ▶ Only a single species - *S. enterica*
- ▶ Has more than 2,200 serotypes
- ▶ Normal habitat – animal intestine





# Cultural characteristics

- Grow readily on ordinary media
- Selective medium is needed to suppress other bacteria
- Bile tolerant
- Growth temperature 15-45°C (optimal at 37°C)

# Antigenic structure

Possesses 3 major antigens.

## 1. Somatic antigen (O)

Occur on the surface of the outer membrane

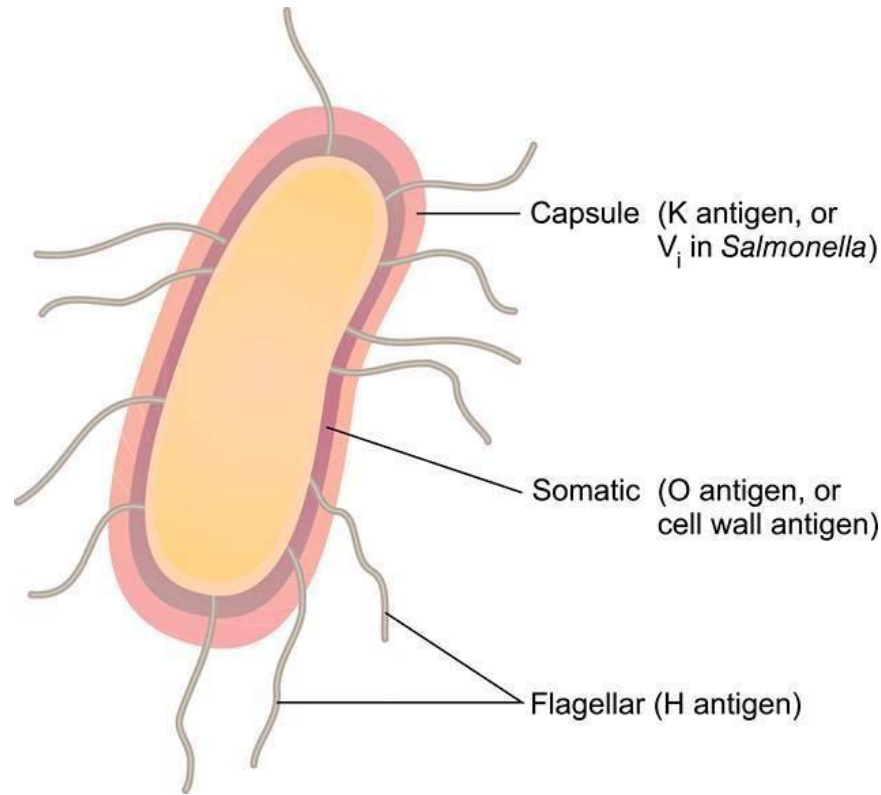
## 2. Flagellar antigen (H)

## 3. Capsular antigen (Vi)

Superficial antigen overlying the O antigen

Present only in few serotypes

Eg: *S. typhi*



# Ix

1. Cultures specimen differ according to the stage of the illness

A. Blood culture

- Organisms can be isolated from blood cultures of > 90% of typhoid patients during 1<sup>st</sup>/ 5<sup>th</sup> of illness
- Obtain 5-10 ml of blood before antibi

Appropriate otics

## **2. Feaces/ urine culture**

- Chance of isolation is high during 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> / 52 of illness

## **3. Bone marrow culture**

- Rarely useful
- Do only if bone marrow biopsy has been performed

# Serology

♠ Detection of antibody in patients by the widal test.

## Widal test

♠ Detecting antibody in the patient's blood for somatic(O) flagellar(H) & capsular (Vi) antigen of the organism.



♠ Pared sera should be taken in 10-14 days apart

♠ Progressive increase (4 fold rise) in antibody titre suggests current infection

♠ Widal test is **often unreliable**

4 fold rise can only be demonstrated in about 50% of untreated & 25% of antibiotic treated

# Food poisoning salmonella

♠ *S. typhimurium*

♠ *S. enteritidis*

♠ *S. virchow*

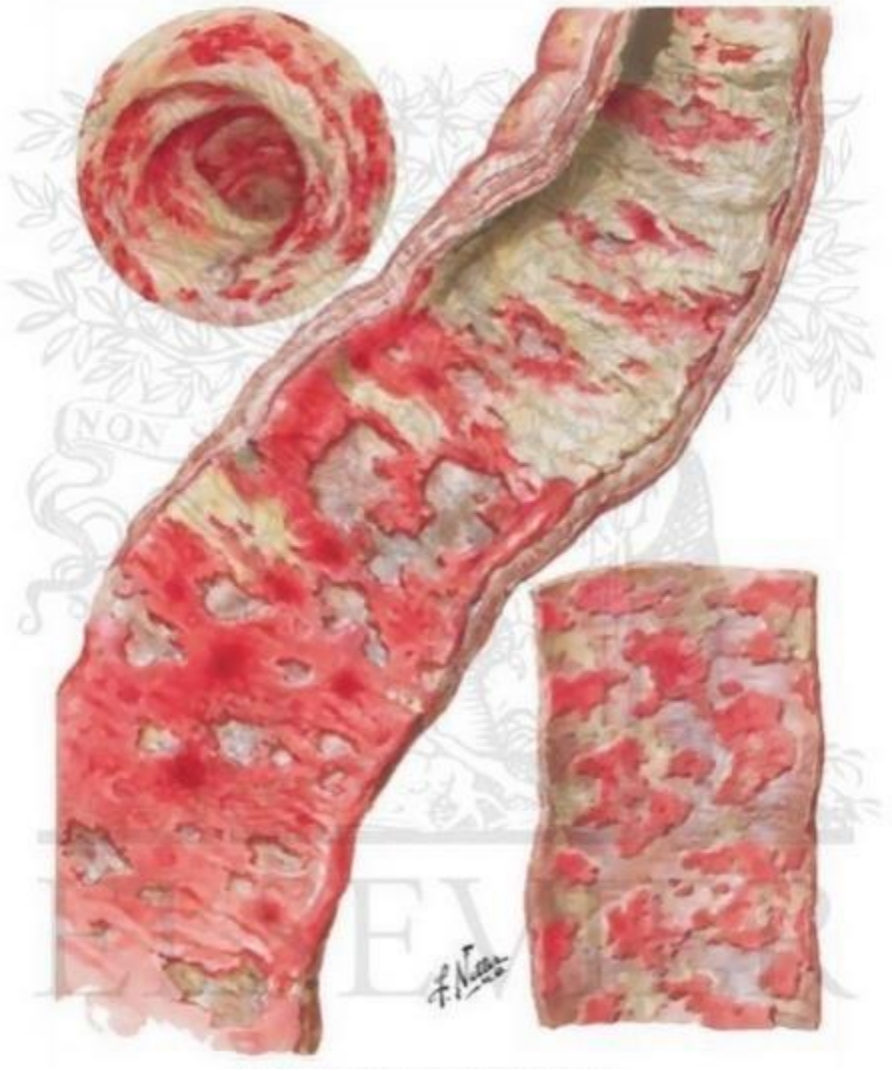
♠ *S. agona*

**SHIGELLA**



# Clinical Importance

## ► Bacillary dysentery



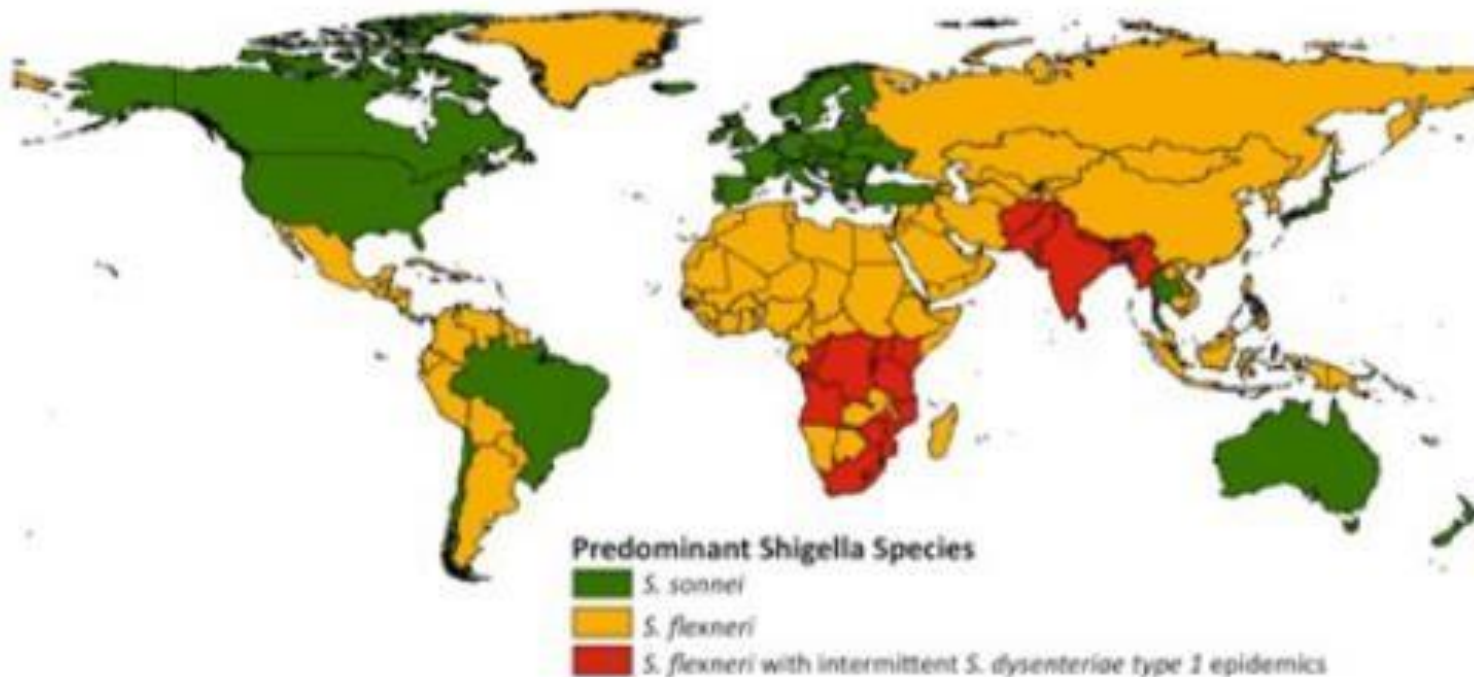
- Genus contain 4 species (according to O antigen) in descending order of severity of symptoms)

- Group A                      *Shigella dysenteriae*
- Group B                      *S. boydii*
- Group C                      *S. flexineri*
- Group D                      *S. sonnei*

# Epidemiology

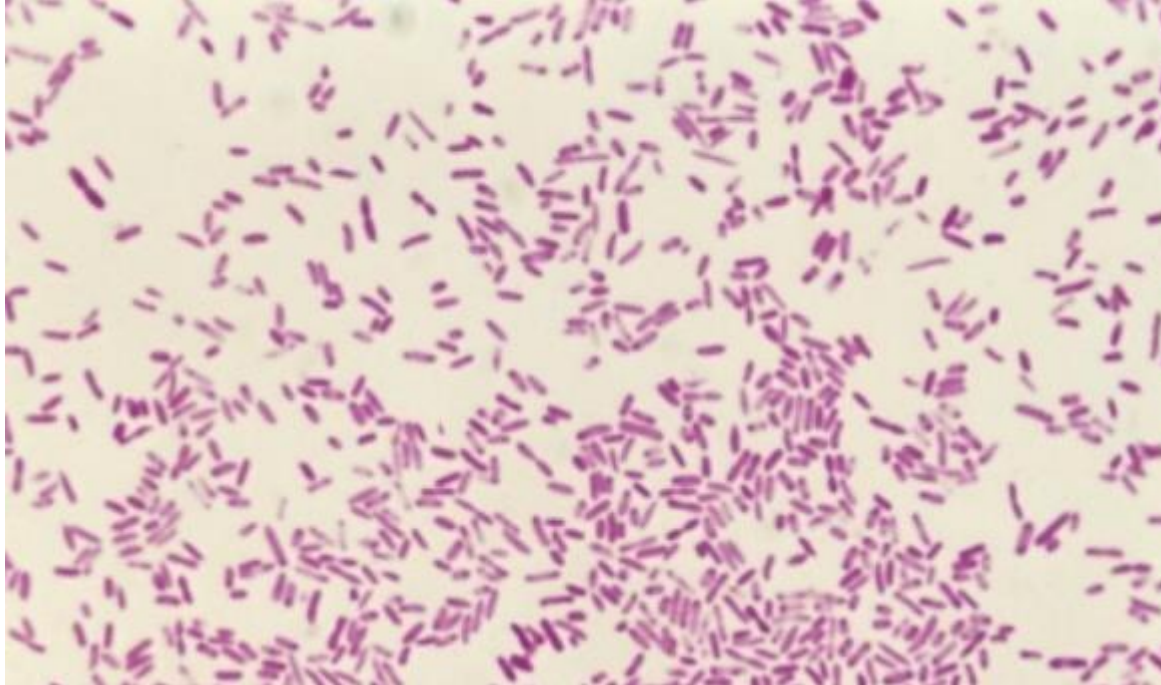
Shigellosis is predominantly caused by *S. sonnei* in industrialized countries, whereas *S. flexneri* prevails in the developing world

Global Distribution of Shigella Species



# Features.

- ♣ Gram (-)ve bacilli.
- ♣ Non motile.
- ♣ Non capsulate.
- ♣ Facultative anaerobic.



# Transmission

- **Main mode : faeco- oral route**
- **Infective dose small(10 organisms)**

# Virulence factors

## Toxins

1.Exotoxins. act as,

Enterotoxin

Neurotoxin

Shiga toxin

Produce by *S.dysenteriae* type 1

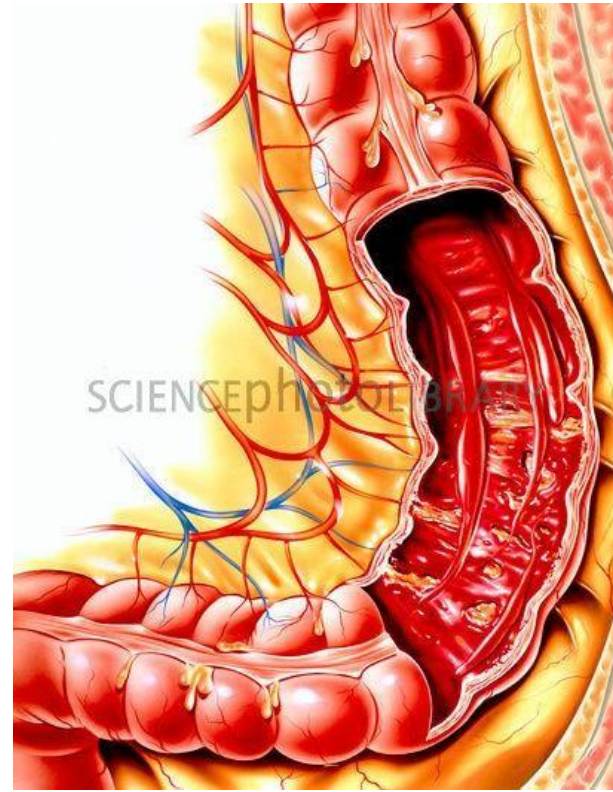


# Virulence factors

## Toxins

### 2. Endotoxins

Cause diarrhoea &  
subsequent  
intestinal  
ulcerations.



Gross of Intestinal pathologic changes  
caused by acute bacterial dysentery

# Lab diagnosis

## 1.Specimens

- ♣ Fresh stool
- ♣ Mucus fleks
- ♣ Rectal swabs

collect with aseptic preparation



# Prevention

- ◀ Interrupt the faeco – oral route.
- ◀ No vaccine available.