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Agents of wound infections

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The most frequent agents of STD – revision

The three most common agents of STD:

1. Papillomaviruses
2. Chlamydiae
3. Yeasts

Other common agents of STD:

Bacteriae: *Mycoplasma & Ureaplasma*
Gardnerella vaginalis
Klebsiella granulomatis

Viruses: **HSV 2**
HBV
HCV?
HIV

Parasites: *Trichomonas vaginalis*
Sarcoptes scabiei
Phthirus pubis

Papillomaviruses – revision

The most frequent agent of genital infections

Papillomaviruses genotypes 6, 11 and many other:

both ♂ & ♀: anogenital warts (condylomata accuminata)

Genotypes 16, 18 and some other

♀: infection of cervix → Ca

A vaccine exists against carcinogenic types

Cultivation impossible – diagnostics is performed via molecular methods

Chlamydiae – revision

The **second** most frequent agent
of genital infections

Chlamydia trachomatis serotypes D to K

♂: nongonococcal & postgonococcal
urethritis

♀: cervicitis → **blenorhoea neonatorum**

Therapy: macrolides and tetracyclines

Lab. dg: direct: detection of antigen
detection of DNA
culture (special cell culture)
indirect (serology): not very useful

Yeasts – revision

The third most frequent agent
of genital infections

Candida albicans (rarely other candidae)

♂: balanoposthitis

♀: vaginal mycosis (candidosis,
vulvovaginitis)

Therapy: topical imidazoles (clotrimazole)
systemic triazoles (fluconazole)

Lab. dg: microscopy
cultivation (Sabouraud agar)

Mycoplasmas – revision

Mycoplasma hominis

Ureaplasma urealyticum

♂ & ♀: urethritis

♀: postpartum fever, PID?

Therapy: macrolides and tetracyclines

Lab. dg: direct only – culture on special media

Gardnerellae – revision

Gardnerella vaginalis

♂: 0

♀: **bacterial vaginosis** (no leukocytes)

Therapy: metronidazole

Lab. dg: direct only –

fish odour test

microscopy (**clue cells** =
epitheliae with adhering
cocobacilli – „pepper &
salt“)

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salt“)

Agent of donovanosis – revision

Klebsiella granulomatis (formerly
Donovania granulomatis, afterwards
Calymmatobacterium granulomatis)

♂ & ♀: **granuloma inguinale, donovanosis**
(genital ulcers in tropics)

Therapy: **tetracyclines, macrolides**

Lab. dg: **microscopy only (Donovan bodies)**

Viral agents of STD: HSV 2

– revision

Herpes simplex virus type 2

**♂ & ♀: herpes genitalis, primary
recurrent**

Therapy: acyclovir

**Lab. dg: isolation on a cell culture
detection of DNA by PCR
serology (useful in primary
infection only)**

Viral agents of STD: HBV

– revision

Hepatitis B virus

♂ & ♀: **viral hepatitis B**, acute and chronic

A recombinant vaccine is available (containing HBsAg)

Therapy: acute VHB: no medication, rest & diet

chronic VHB: interferon

Lab. dg: detection of **laboratory markers** in blood serum

HBsAg (in acute & chronic infection, in chronic carriers)

HBeAg (usually in an acute infection only)

anti-HBs (after full recovery, after vaccination)

anti-HBe (after full recovery & in chronic carriers)

anti-HBc (IgG: dtto, IgM: in acute infection)

HBV DNA (in acute & chronic infection)

Viral agents of STD: HCV – revision

Hepatitis C virus (sexual transmission
very probable)

♂ & ♀: viral hepatitis C, acute and chronic

Therapy: pegylated interferon + ribavirin

Lab. dg: detection of viral RNA
detection of antibodies (anti-HCV)

Viral agents of STD: HIV – revision

Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1 and HIV-2)

♂ & ♀: AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome)

Therapy: combination of antiretrovirotics (even HAART = highly active antiretroviral treatment doesn't cure the patient completely but prolongs life for many years)

Lab. dg: detection of antibodies (& confirmation of positive findings)

special tests: detection of antigens
determination of viral load

Parasitic agents of STD – revision I

***Trichomonas vaginalis* (a flagellate)**

**♂: no symptoms (rarely urethritis, males
are usually asymptomatic carriers)**

♀: vaginitis, cervicitis, urethritis

**Therapy: metronidazole (both partners
must be treated)**

**Lab. dg: direct only – microscopy (wet
mount, Giemsa stained film) & culture
on special media**

Parasitic agents of STD – revision II

Sarcoptes scabiei (itch mite)

♂ & ♀: scabies (mange)

Therapy: antiscabiotics (permethrine,
lindane)

Lab. dg: microscopy from skin

Phthirus pubis (public louse, crab louse)

♂ & ♀: pediculosis pubis (phthiriasis)

Therapy: lindane

Lab. dg: demonstration of lice or eggs

Opportunistic agents of STD – revision

salmonellae

shigellae

campylobacters etc.

HAV

intestinal parasites

→ **opportunistic STD after oral-anal contacts**

**(serious course usually because of a very high
infectious dose)**

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Common superficial injuries

- *Staphylococcus aureus*
 - *Streptococcus pyogenes*
 - beta-hemolytic streptococci of other groups (above all G, F, C)
- ! Attention in case of a foreign body in the wound (splinter, thorn) and in case of deeper stab wounds (fork soiled by horse manure): *Clostridium tetani*

Severe contused wounds

- Agents of clostridial myonecrosis (mostly *Clostridium perfringens*, *C. septicum*, *C. novyi*, *C. histolyticum*)
clostridial myonecrosis = anaerobic
traumatosis = gas gangrene or malignant
edema
- *Clostridium tetani*
- *Staph. aureus*, *Strept. pyogenes* & other
pyogenic bacteria

Wounds sustained in water

- In fresh water:

Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Aeromonas hydrophila

other pseudomonads and aeromonads

- In salt water:

Vibrio parahaemolyticus, V. vulnificus

Mycobacterium marinum (also in fresh-water swimming pools, tanks and aquaria)

Injuries sustained in the tropics

Mainly on feet

- **soil nocardiae (*Dermatophilus congolensis, Rhodococcus equi*)**
- **atypical mycobacteria (*Mycobacterium ulcerans, Mycobacterium haemophilum*)**
- **micromycetes (*Sporothrix schenckii, Paracoccidioides brasiliensis*)**

Surgical wounds

Staphylococcus aureus

coagulase-negative staphylococci (mainly
Staphylococcus epidermidis)

Enterobacteriaceae (*Escherichia coli*,
Proteus mirabilis)

Streptococcus pyogenes

anaerobes (*Peptostreptococcus micros*,
Peptostreptococcus anaerobius,
Bacteroides fragilis)

Burns

Almost everything, but predominantly:

Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Staphylococcus aureus

Streptococcus pyogenes

other streptococci

enterococci

candidae and aspergilli

Man- inflicted bites

members of oral microflora

- „oral streptococci“ (*Streptococcus sanguinis, S. oralis, S. anginosus*)
- anaerobes (*Fusobacterium nucleatum* ssp. *nucleatum*, *Porphyromonas gingivalis*)

Staphylococcus aureus

Animal bites

Most often:

Pasteurella multocida (cats, dogs)

Less often:

Staphylococcus aureus (any animal)

Capnocytophaga canimorsus (dogs)

Streptobacillus moniliformis (rats)

Spirillum minus (mice, rats, cats, dogs)

Francisella tularensis (cats)

& many others

Other injuries by animals

Francisella tularensis (rodents, hares – tularemia)

Bartonella henselae (cat scratch disease)

Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae (pigs, carps – erysipeloid)

Bacillus anthracis (herbivores – skin anthrax, pustula maligna)

Burkholderia mallei (horses, donkeys – glanders, malleus)

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Homework

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Please give the
name of the author
and of the painting



Answer and questions

**The solution of the homework and possible
questions please mail (on 6.30 a.m. at the
latest) to the address**

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