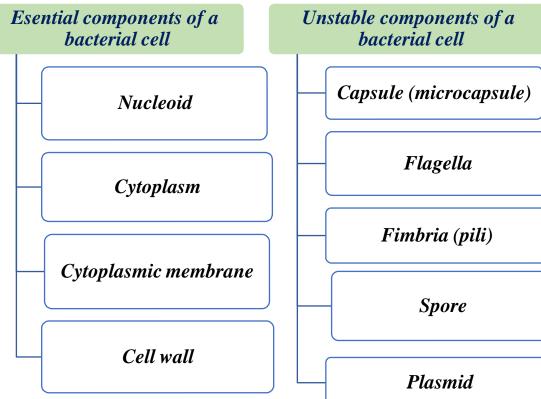
II LECTURE

Morphology, structure, classification of microorganisms (bacteria, fungi,protozoa and viruses)

Microscopic morphology

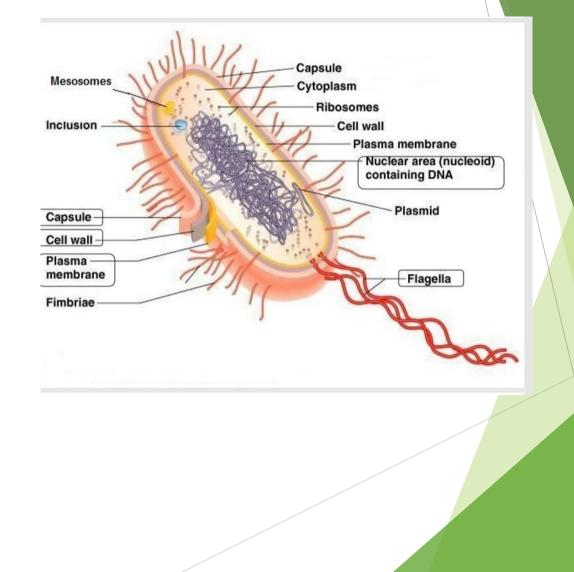
- Cell morphology: rod, coccus, or spirillum
- Cell arrangement: diplococcus, Streptococcus,
 - tetrad, sarcina, irregular clusters (Micrococcus or
- Staphycoccus)
- Special cell structures: flagellum, cilia, spore, capsule

Structure of a bacterial cell



Prokaryotic Cells

- Prokaryotes are molecules surrounded by a membrane and cell wall
- They lack a true nucleus and don't have membrane bound organelles like mitochondria, etc.
 - large surface-tovolume ratio : nutrients can easily and rapidly reach any part of the cells interior



Anatomy of A Bacterial Cell

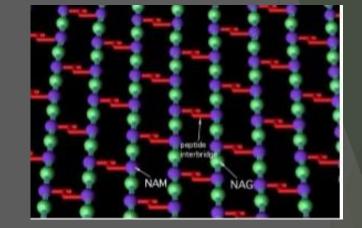
Outer layer - two components Rigid cell wall Cytoplasmic (Cell/ Plasma) membrane - present beneath cell wall

- Cytoplasm cytoplasmic inclusions, ribosomes, mesosomes, genetic material
- Additional structures –capsule, flagella, fimbriae (pili), spores

Structure & Function of Cell Components

CELL WALL

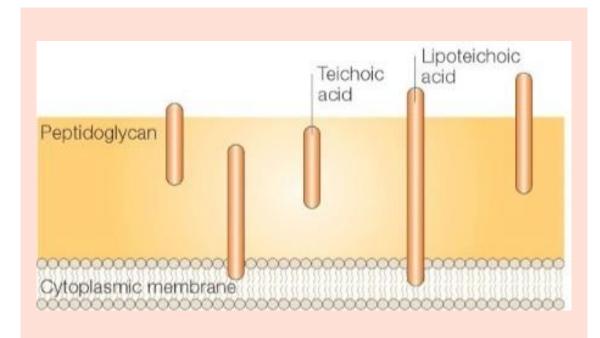
- Outermost layer, encloses cytoplasm
- Confers shape and rigidity
- 2.10 25 nm thick
- 3.Composed of peptidoglycan



Cell wall

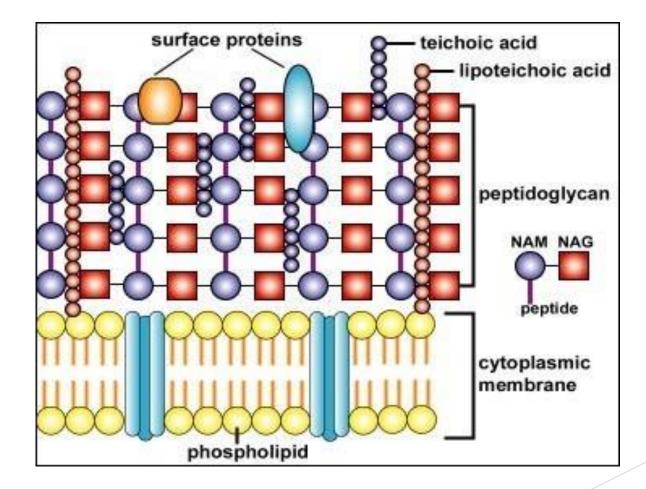
- Chemical nature of the cell wall helps to divide bacteria into 2 broad groups
 - Gram positive
 - Gram negative
- Carries bacterial antigens important in virulence & immunity gm ve cell wall has lipopolysachhrides – fever and necrosis
- Several antibiotics may interfere with cell wall synthesis e.g. Penicillin, Cephalosporins

Gram positive cell wall

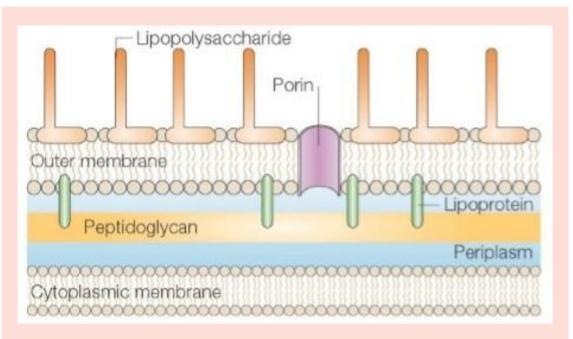


- Gram-positive cell wall is composed
 - of a thick, multilayered peptidoglycan sheath outside of the cytoplasmic membrane
- Teichoic acids
 - are linked to and embedded in the peptidoglycan
- Lipoteichoic acids
 - extend into the cytoplasmic membrane

Gram positive bacterial cell wall

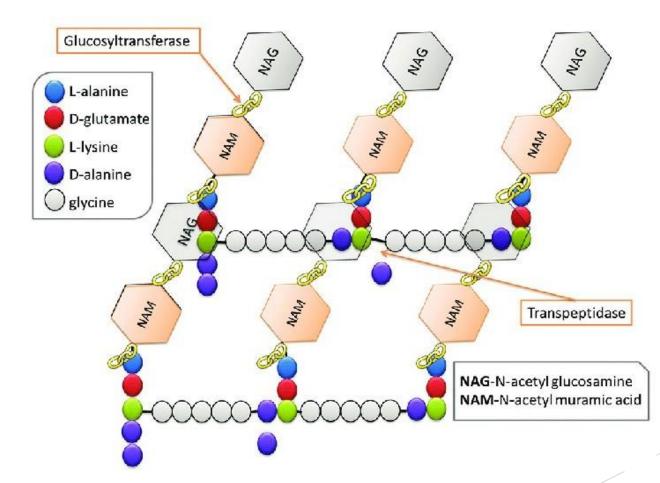


Gram negative cell wall

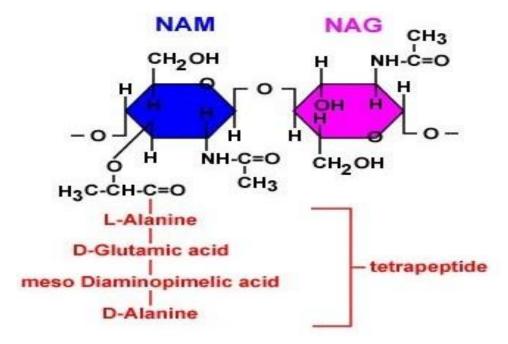


- Gram-negative cell wall is composed of
 - an outer membrane linked to thin, mainly single-layered peptidoglycan by lipoproteins
- The outer membrane includes
 - porins, which allow the passage of small hydrophilic molecules across the membrane
 - lipopolysaccharide molecules that extend into extracellular space

Structure of peptidoglycan

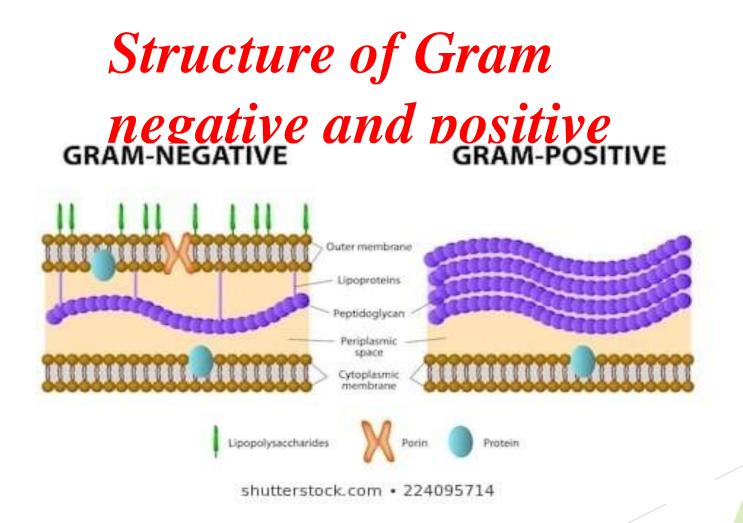


Structure of peptidoglycan

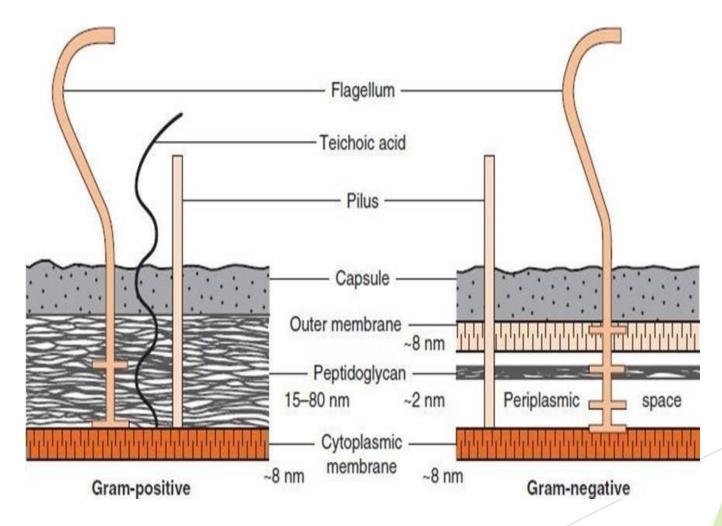


Biologic activity of peptidoglycan





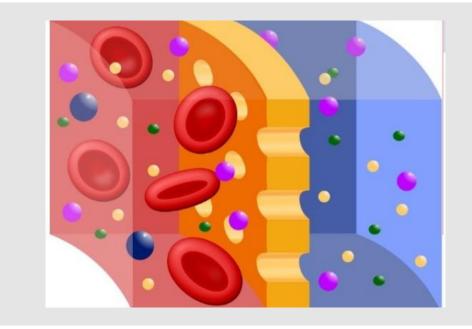
Structure of Gram negative and positive cell wall



Difference between Gram negative and positive cell wall

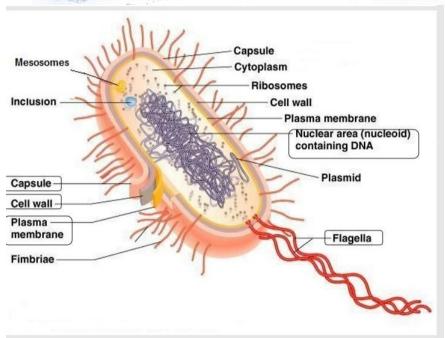
Characteristics	Gram positive	Gram negative
Thickness of the wall	20-80 nm	10 nm
Layer thickness on the wall	1	2
Amount of peptidoglycan	>%50	% 10 -20
Teichoic acid	+	-
Amount of lipids and lipoproteins	<i>%0-3</i>	%58
Amount of proteins	%0	% 9
Lipopolysaccharides	%0	%13
Sensitivity to penicillin	+	-
Effect of lysosome	+	-

Cytoplasmic (Plasma) membrane



- Thin layer 5-10 nm, separates cell wall from cytoplasm
- Acts as a semipermeable membrane: controls the inflow and outflow of metabolites
- Composed of lipoproteins with small amounts of carbohydrates

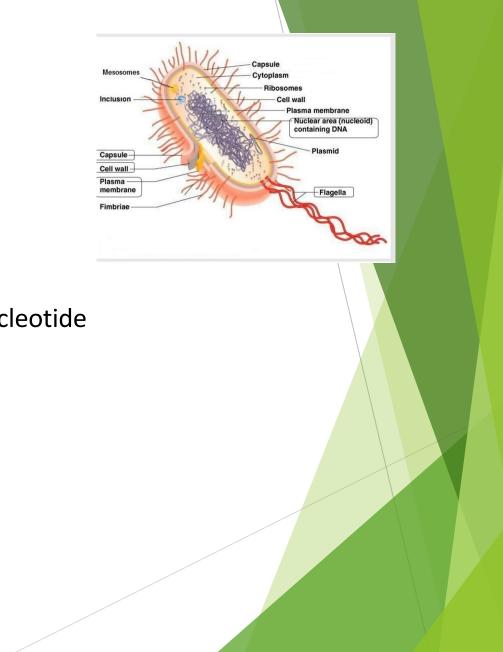
Other Cytoplasmic Components



- **Ribosomes** protein synthesis
- Mesosomes
 - Multilaminated structures formed as invaginations of plasma membrane
 - Principal sites of respiratory enzymes
- Intracytoplasmic inclusions
 - reserve of energy & phosphate for cell metabolism
 - metachromatic granules in diphtheria bacilli

Nucleus

- No nucleolus
- No nuclear membrane
- Genetic code is determined by specific nucleotide
- Genome
 - single, circular double stranded DNA



Additional Organelles

Plasmid

- Extranuclear genetic elements consisting of DNA
- Transmitted to daughter cells
- Confer certain properties e.g. drug resistance, toxicity

Additional Organelles

Capsule

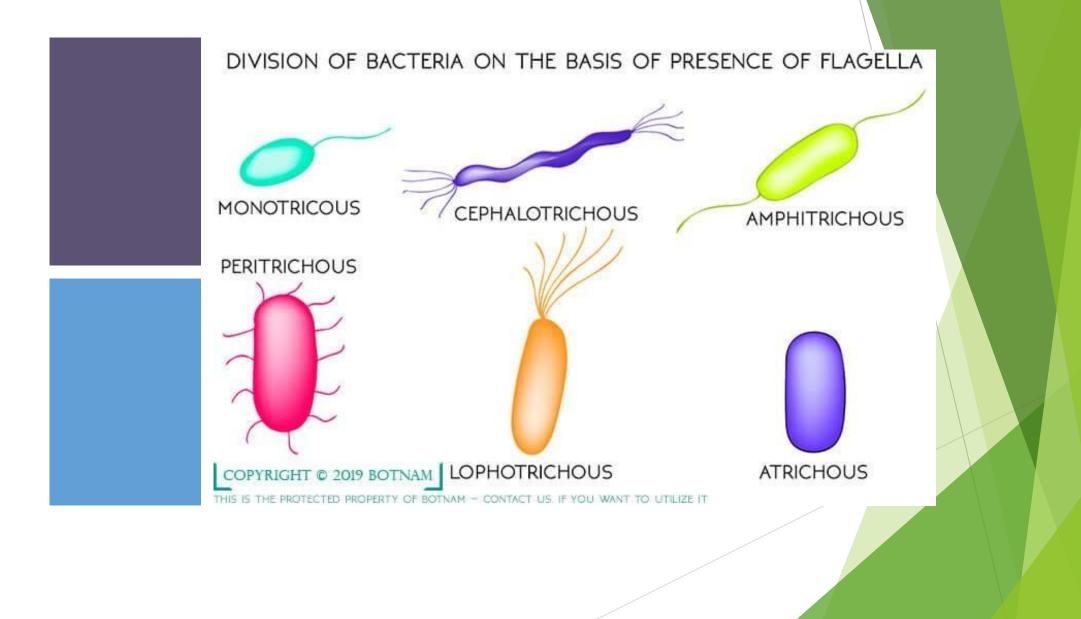
- Viscous layer secreted around the cell wall
- Polysaccharide / polypeptide in nature
- Capsule sharply defined structure, antigenic in nature
- Protects bacteria
- Stained by negative staining using India Ink

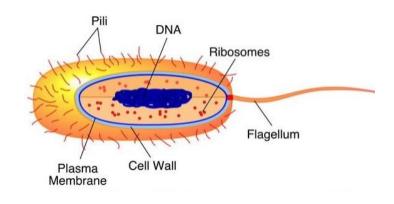


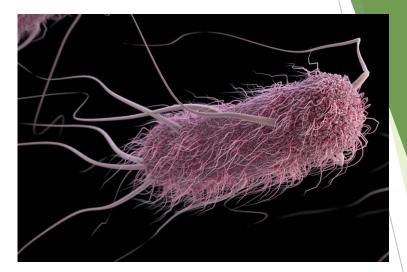


Flagella

- Flagella Long (3 to 12 μm), filamentous surface appendages
- Organs of locomotion

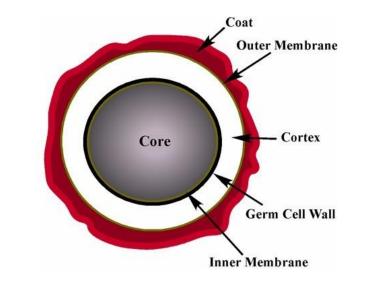






Fimbriae/ Pili

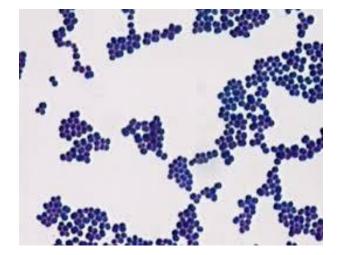
- Fimbriae/ Pili Thin, hairlike appendages on the surface of many Gram-negative bacteria
- 10-20µ long, acts as organs of adhesion



Spores

- Highly resistant resting stages formed during adverse environment (depletion of nutrients)
- Formed inside the parent cell, hence called Endospores
- Very resistant to heat, radiation and drying and can remain dormant for hundreds of years.
- Formed by bacteria like *Clostridia*, *Bacillus*

Gram Staining



Gram positive (S.aureus)



Gram negative (E.coli)

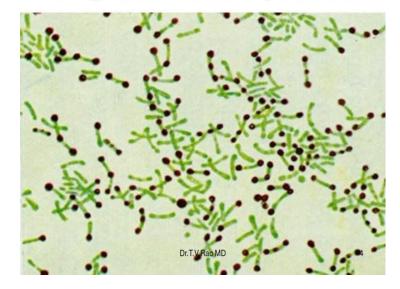
Don't stained with Gram stain

- Mycobacterium (due to high lipid content in the cell wall)
- *Rickettsia ve Chlamydia* (intracellular parasite and very small bacteria)
- Legionella pneumoniae (don't stained with fuchsin)
- Mollicutes (lack cell wall-Mycoplasma)
- Treponema pallidum (very weak)

Volutin granules

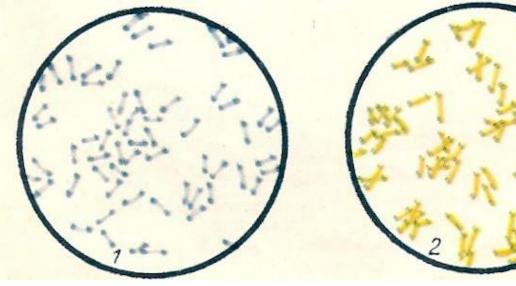
 Polyphosphate granulesmetachromatic grains
 (Babes-Ernest bodies) are found in cornebacteria
 (Corynebacterium diphteria, etc.), a sign of recognition of these bacteria
 It is determined by Neisser method.

Corynebacterium diphtheria



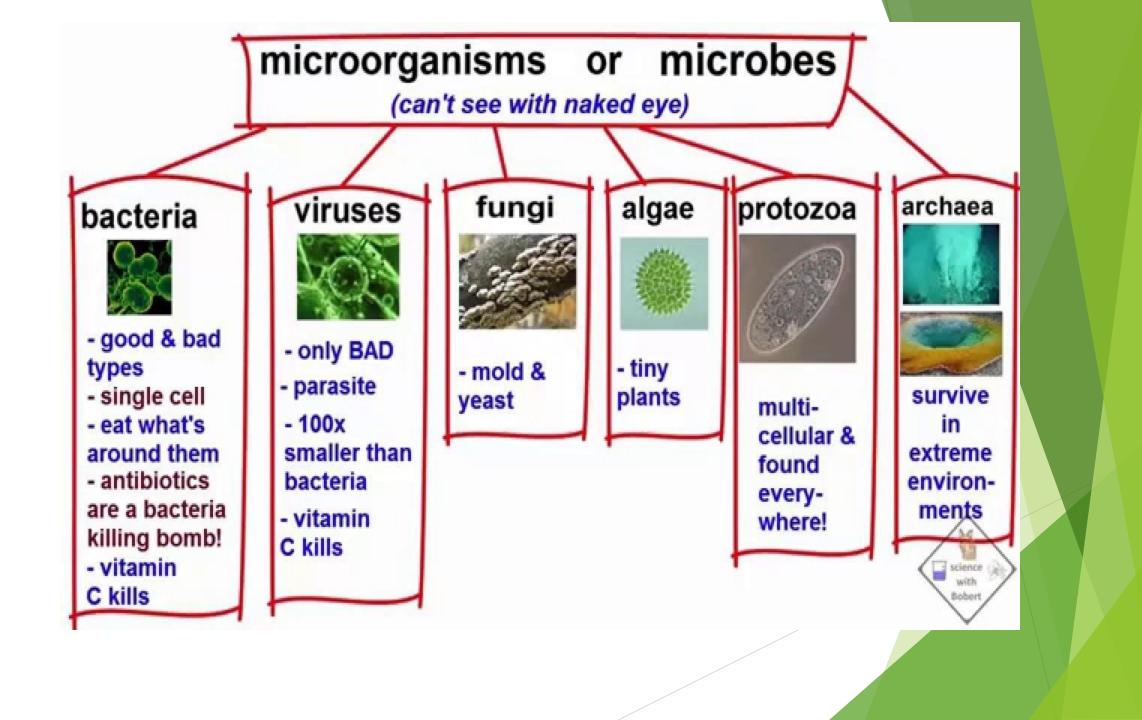
Neisser staining method

Corynobacterium diphteria - volutin granules



Methylene blue

Neisser method



Some distinctive features of prokaryotes and eukariyotes

Features

Size Nucleotide membrane Chromosome Histones Type of division Specialized membrane structure Cell wall

Steroids of cell Ribosome's Anaerobic respiratory Nitrogen Fixation

Prokaryote cell

1-10 mkm Absent One Absent Binary

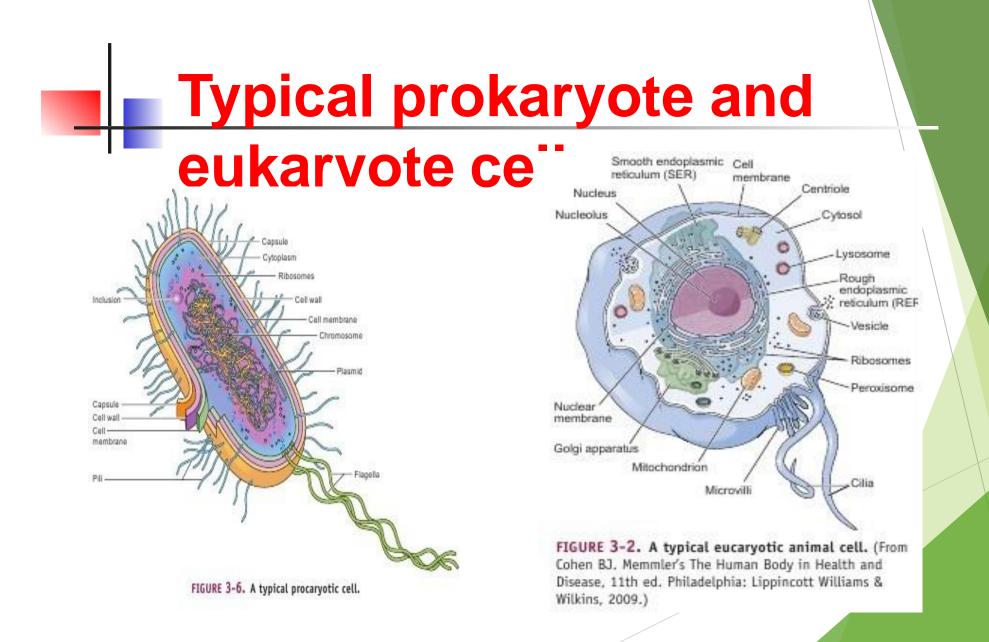
Absent Haves peptidoglycan

Absent 70 S Can be Can be

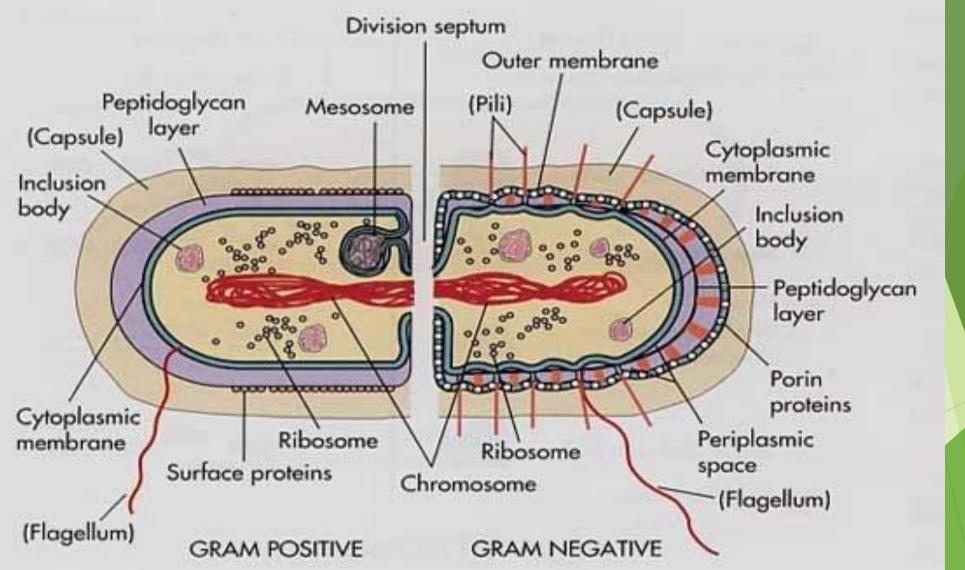
Eukaryote cell

10-100 mkm Presents several Present Mitotic

Present Haves chitin or cellulose Present 80 S Usually absent Cannot be



Bacteria



Rathleen Park Talaro and Arthur Talaro, Foundations in Microbiology, 3e Copyright © 1999 The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. All rights reserved. Bacterial shapes and arrangements

Coc	cus	Rod, or	Bacillus	Curved forms: Spirillum/Spirochete
Diplococci (cocci in pairs)	Neisseriae (coffee-bean shape in pairs)	10	Coccobacilli	Vibrios (curved rods)
Tetrads (cocci in packets of 4)	Sarcinae (cocci in packets of 8,16,32 cells)	Mycobacteria	Corynebacteria (palisades arrangement)	Spirilla
Streptococci (cocci in chains)	Micrococci and staphylococci (large cocci in irregular clusters)	Spore-forming rods	Streptomycetes (moldlike, filamentous bacteria)	Spirochetes

The sizes of the major form of bacteria's

- <mark>-Cocc</mark>iform (0,5-1.5 мкм)
- Rod-shaped (0,3-
- 10 micrones)
- Twisted
 (до 20 micrones)
 Threadlike (до 10-50
- micrones)

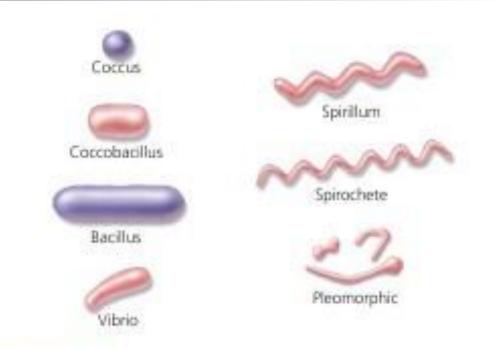
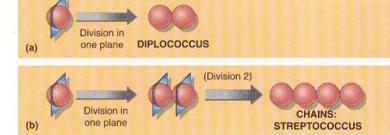
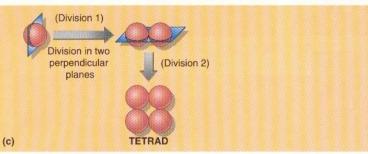


Figure 11.1 Typical prokaryotic morphologies. What is one difference between a spirillum and a spirochete?

Cocci-form bacteria. Types of cocci dependion on the division plane.

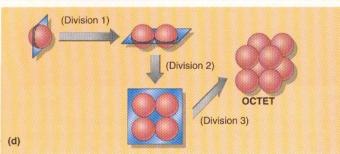
Micrococci's Dyplococci's Tetracoccis Sarcins Staphyloccoccus Streptococcus

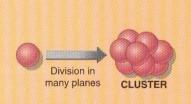




Bacteria grow in characteristic arrangements, from random single cells to complex assemblages formed when bacteria divide and fail to separate from each other. The plane of division determines the arrangement. Division along a single axis can produce diplococci (a) or streptococci (b). Tetrads (c) are produced by organisms that divide along two axes, perpendicular to each other. Octets (d)result from division in three planes. (e) Staphylococci divide along random axes, producing clusters with no symmetry (staphyle is a Greek word meaning "a bunch of grapes").

FIGURE 4-5 Cell arrangements.





(e)

Rod shaped bacteria's

By the presence of the spore and its size: bacteria, bacilli.

- and its size: bacteria, baci clostridia
- By size:
- short, medium, long
- By width: thin and thick
 - thin and thick
- The shape of the ends of the cell :

rounded, pointed, cropped, thickened

By location:

single, in pairs, at an angle, chain

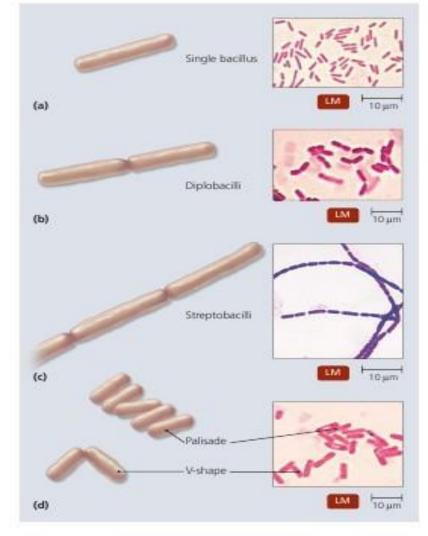
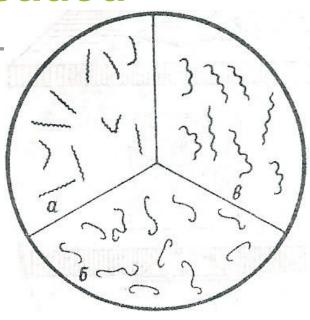


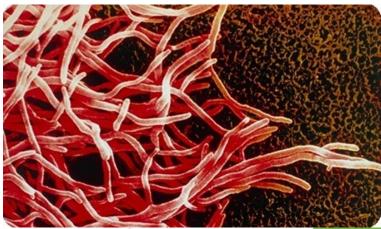
 Figure 11.7 Arrangements of bacilli. (a) A single bacillus of Escherichia coli. (b) Diplobacilli in a young culture of Bacillus cereus. (c) Streptobacilli in an older culture of Bacillus cereus. (d) V-shape and a palisade of Corvnebacterium diphtheriae.

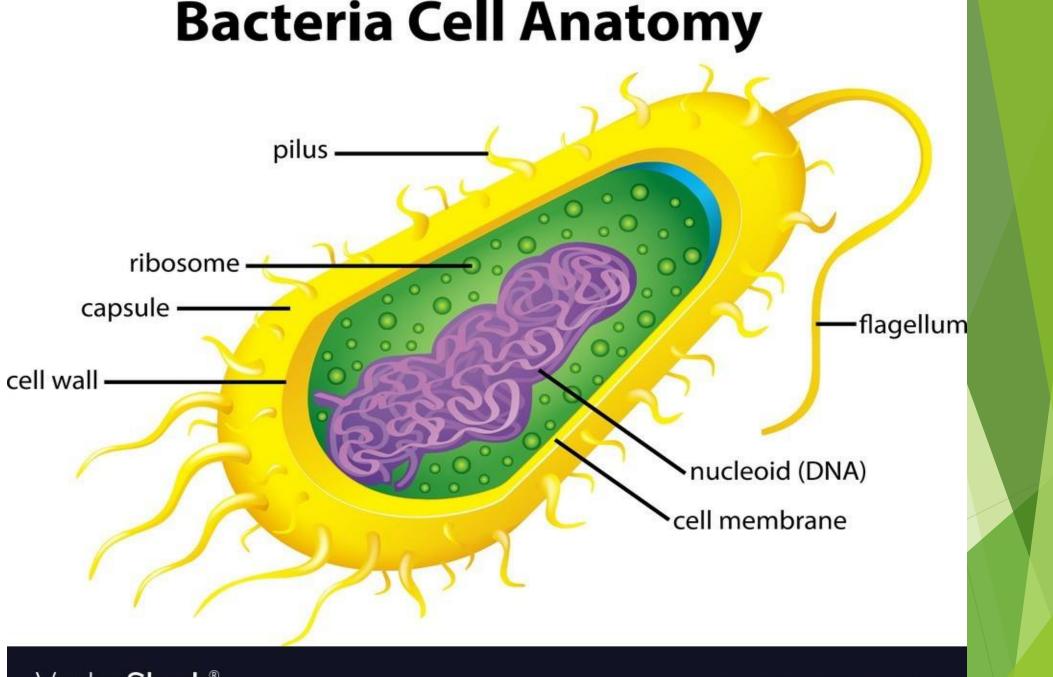
Twisted and threaded

Twisted

- Spirillas
- Spirochetes
- Threaded
- Actinomycetes







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Structure of bacteria (electronic microphotogram of listeria)



Necleoid of bacterial cell

A nucleoid in bacteria is a prototype nucleus.

- It does not have a nuclear membrane, nucleolus and histones.
- It is represented by one chromosome.
- It consists of double-stranded DNA, closed in a ring and twisted into a ball.
- In addition to the nucleoid, the carrier of hereditary information are plasmids circular DNA molecules in the cytoplasm.

Cytoplasm and organelles of a bacterial

The cytoplasm is a colloid consisting of soluble proteins,

RNA, inclusions and ribosomes.

Bacterial ribosomes with a size of 20 nm with a sedimentation constant of 70 S (subunits 50 S and 30

▪ S).

Ribosomal RNAs (16 S and 23 S) are the most conserved elements of bacteria. Their determination (especially 16 S) is based on the bacterial gene

systematics.

Inclusions (granules of glycogen, polysaccharides, lipids, polyphosphates) are accumulated by the bacterial cell as a supply of nutrient and energy substances.

Bacterial cell

membrane

Membrane of bacterial cell consists of:

- Cytoplasmic membrane.
- Cell wall (in gram-negative bacteria with an outer membrane).
- Some bacteria on the outside have an additional structure the capsule layer.

Structure CPM

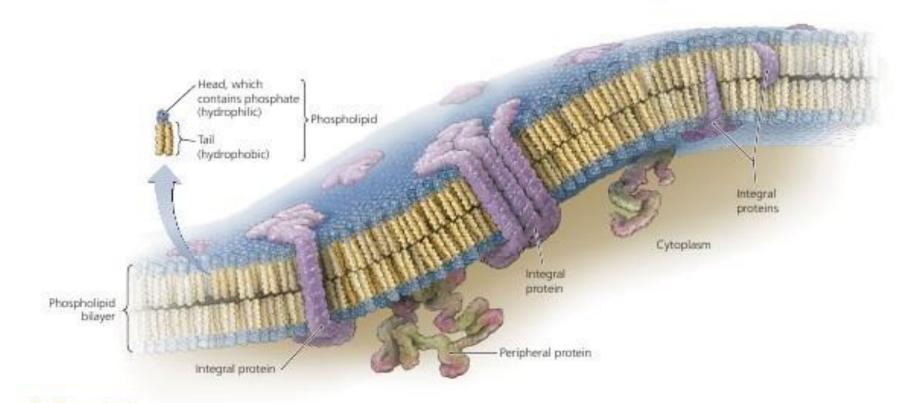
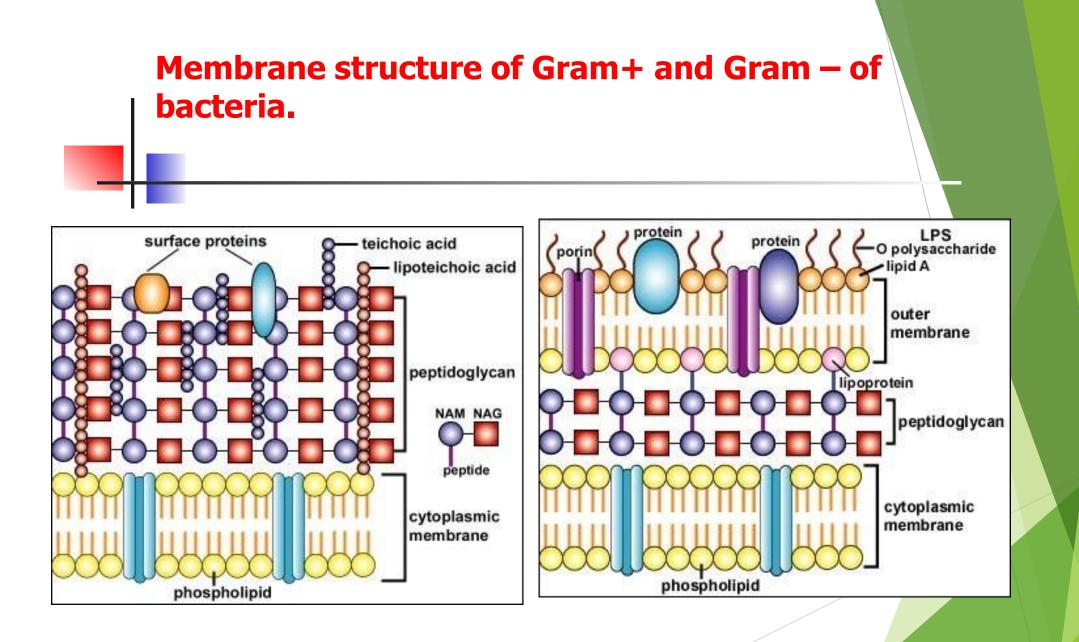
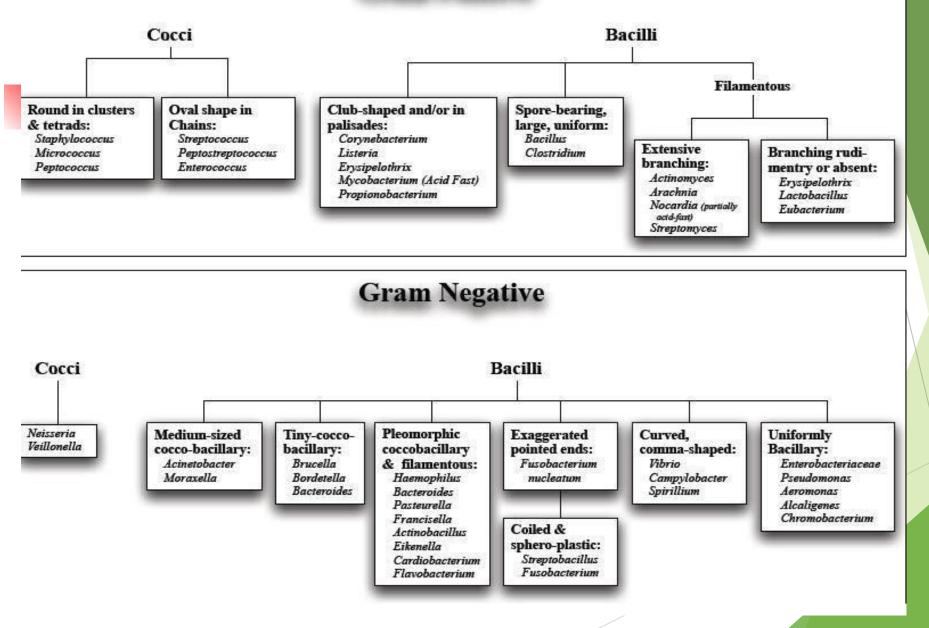


Figure 3.16 The structure of a prokaryotic cytoplasmic membrane: a phospholipid bilayer.



Gram Positive



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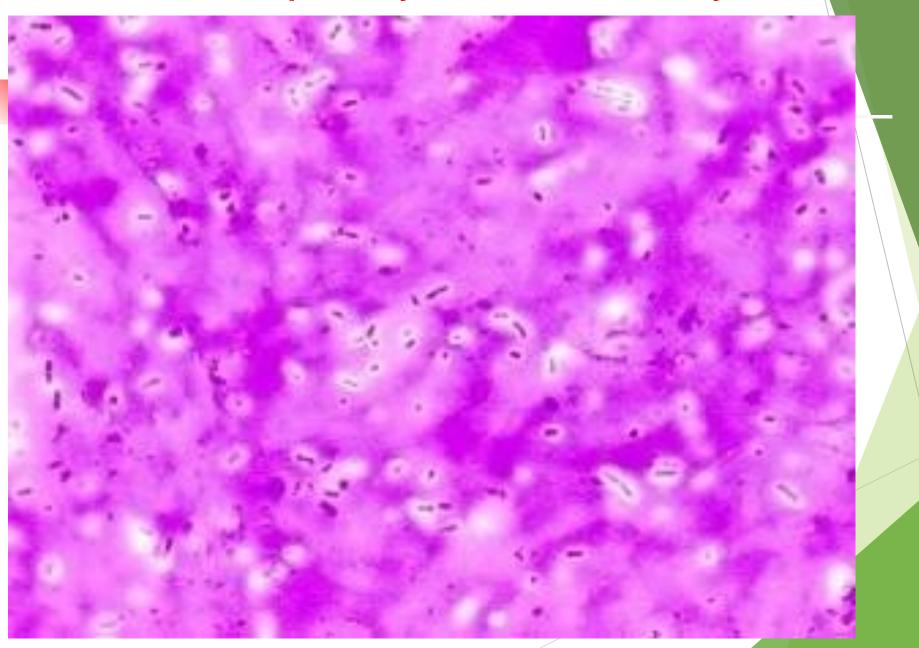
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Chemical Composition of Capsules

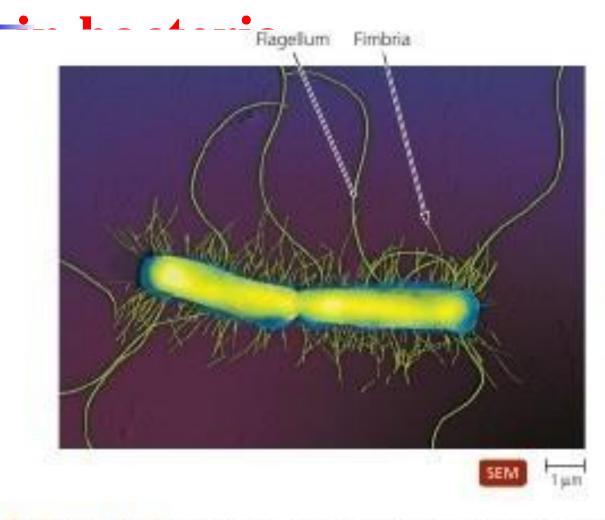
Bacterium	Capsule composition	Structural subunits
Gram-positive Bacteria		
Bacillus anthracis	polypeptide (polyglutamic acid)	D-glutamic acid
Bacillus megaterium	polypeptide and polysaccharide	D-glutamic acid, amino sugars, sugars
Streptococcus mutans	polysaccharide	(dextran) glucose
Streptococcus pneumoniae	polysaccharides	sugars, amino sugars, uroni acids
Streptococcus pyogenes	polysaccharide (hyaluronic acid)	N-acetyl-glucosamine and glucuronic acid
Gram-negative Bacteria		
Acetobacter xylinum	polysaccharide	(cellulose) glucose
Escherichia coli	polysaccharide (colonic acid)	glucose, galactose, fucose glucuronic acid
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	polysaccharide	mannuronic acid
Azotobacter vinelandii	polysaccharide	glucuronic acid
Agrobacterium tumefaciens	polysaccharide	(glucan) glucose

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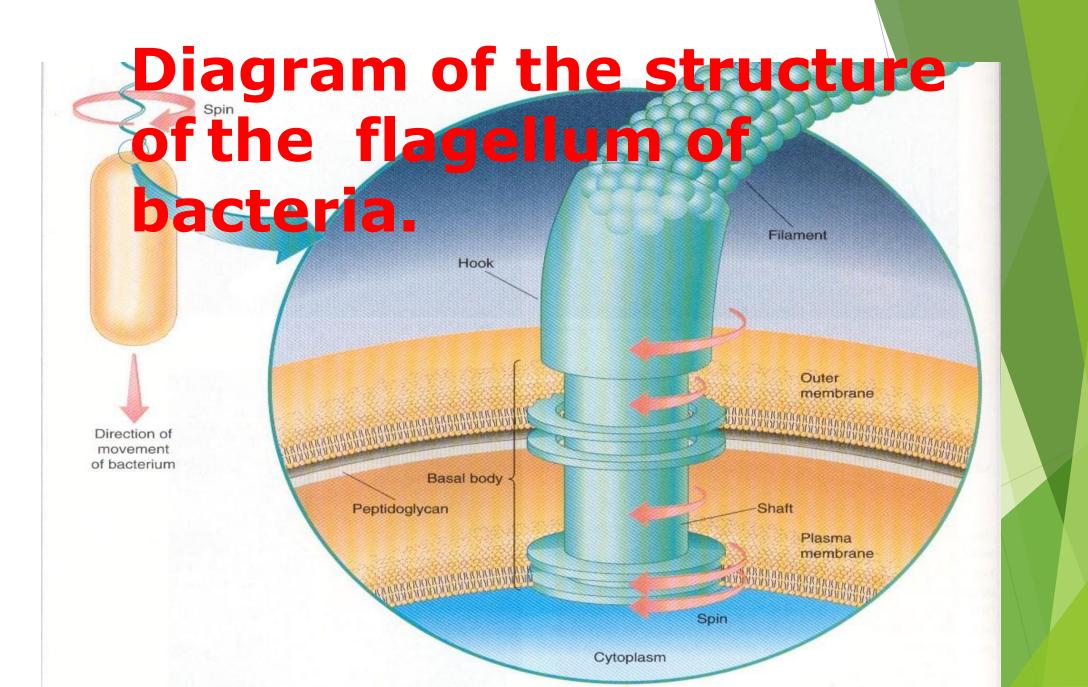
Detection of capsule by the method of Burry-Gins



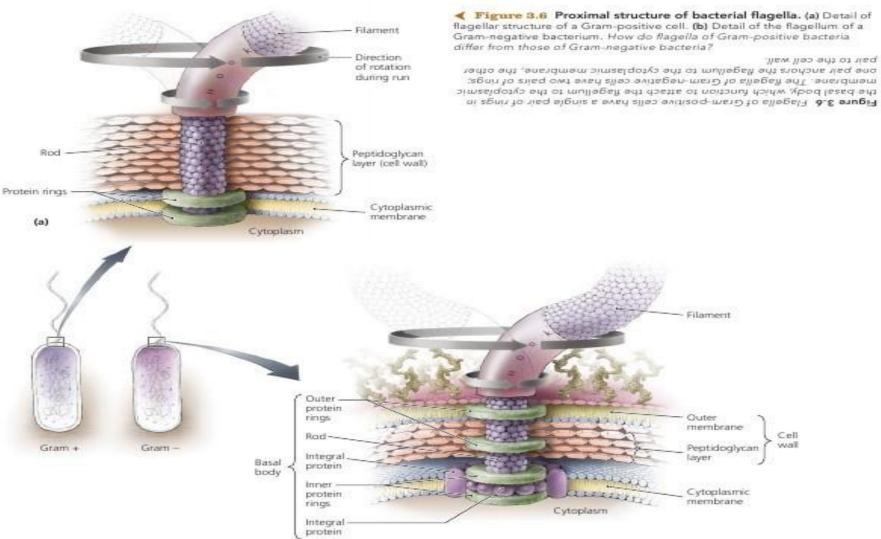
Flagella and fimbriae (drank)



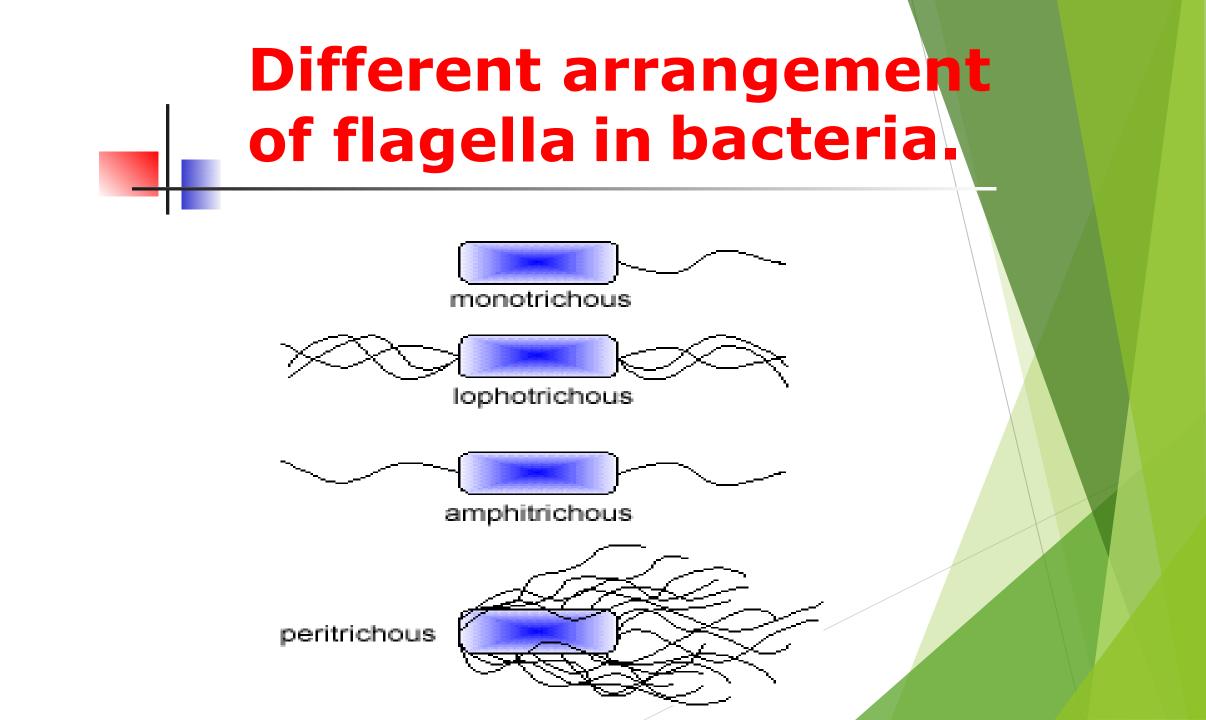
A Figure 3.10 Fimbriae. Proteus vulgaris has flagella and fimbriae.



Attachment of flagella in Gr + and



(b)



Determination of bacterial motility.

B. cereus

• The phenomenon of swarming in the environment \rightarrow



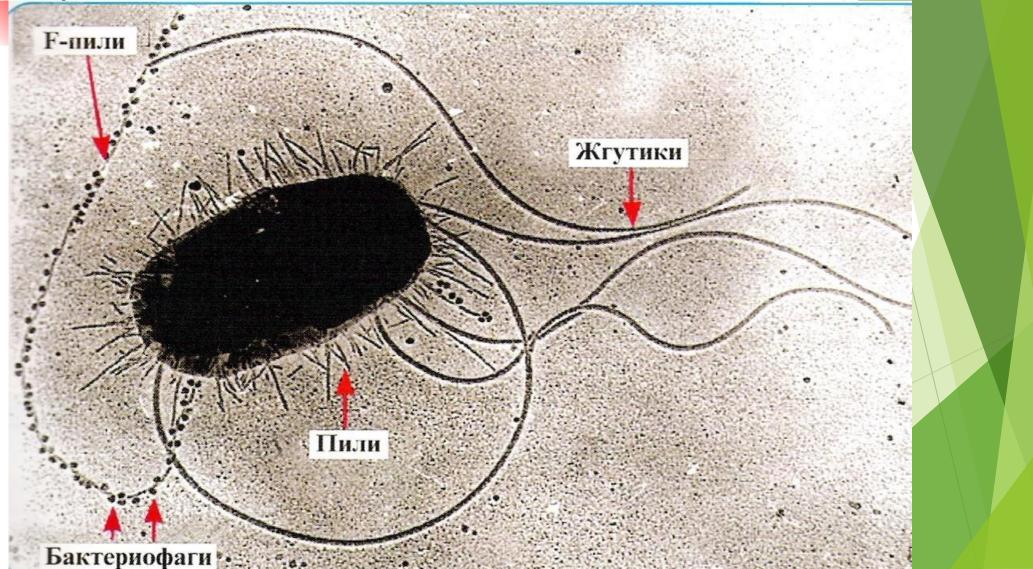
Proteus spp.

B. brevis

V. cholerae

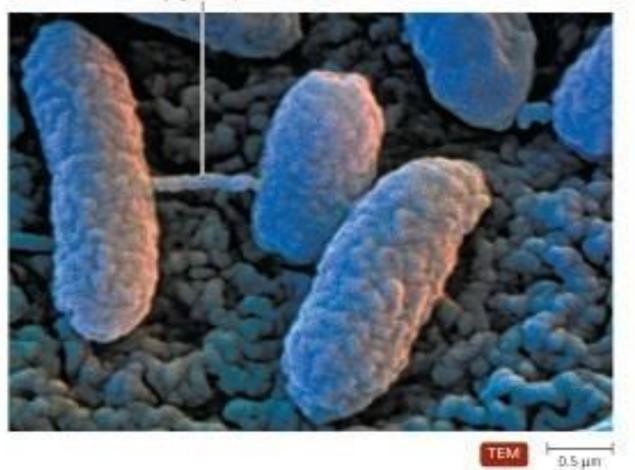
Special stain

Drank (including Fdrank) in bacteria.



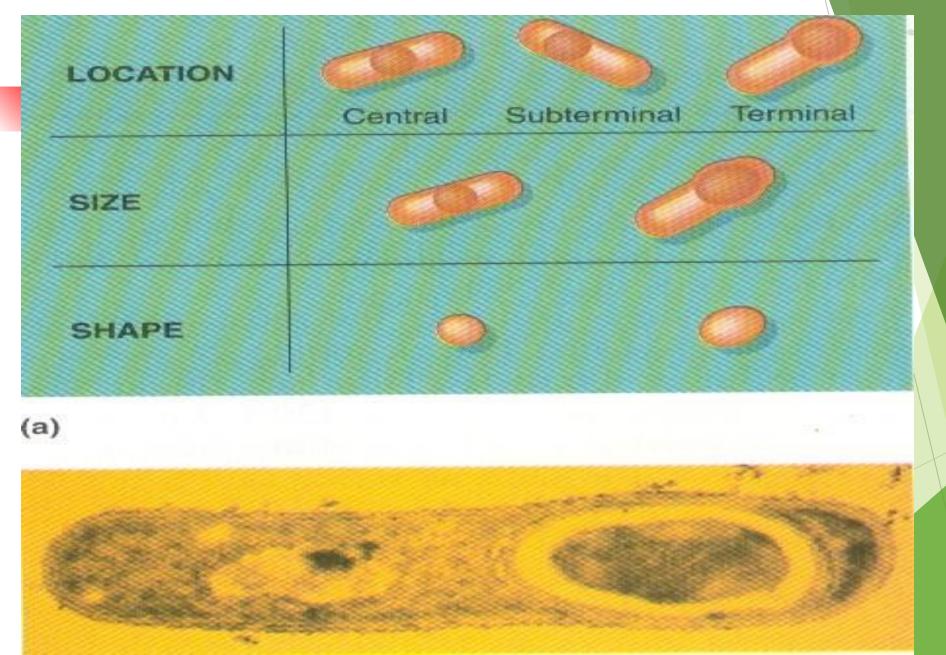
Conjugation drank bacteria.

Conjugation pilus

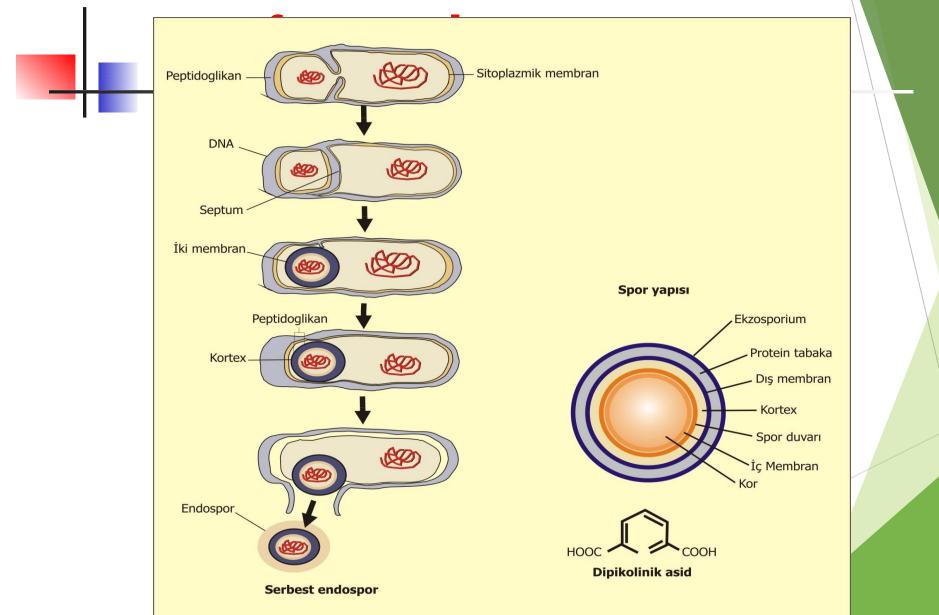


A Figure 3.11 Pili. Two Salmonella cells are connected by conjugation pili. How are pili different from bacterial flagella?

Bacteria spores (sizes and location)



Stages of spore



Spores of the causative agent of anthrax (method Ozeshko)

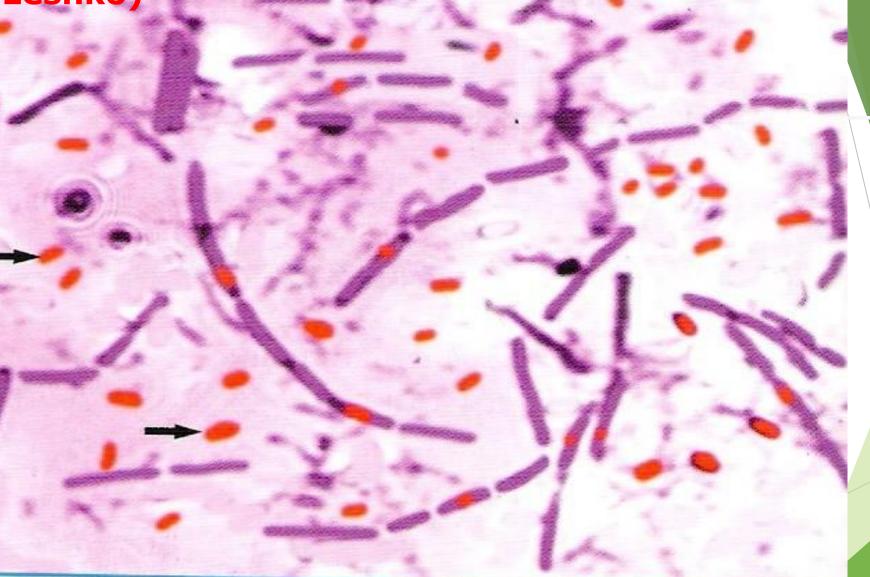


Рис. 3.74. Споры В. anthracis, окраска по Аvеске

Spirochetes

- Thin, mobile, spirally crimped batteries from 3 to
 20 microns in length, characterized by mobility
- due to flexion changes in cells.
 - Cells consist of a protoplasmic cylinder intertwined with one or more axial fibrils extending from subterminal attachment disks located at the ends of the cylinder (which brings them closer to the simplest).

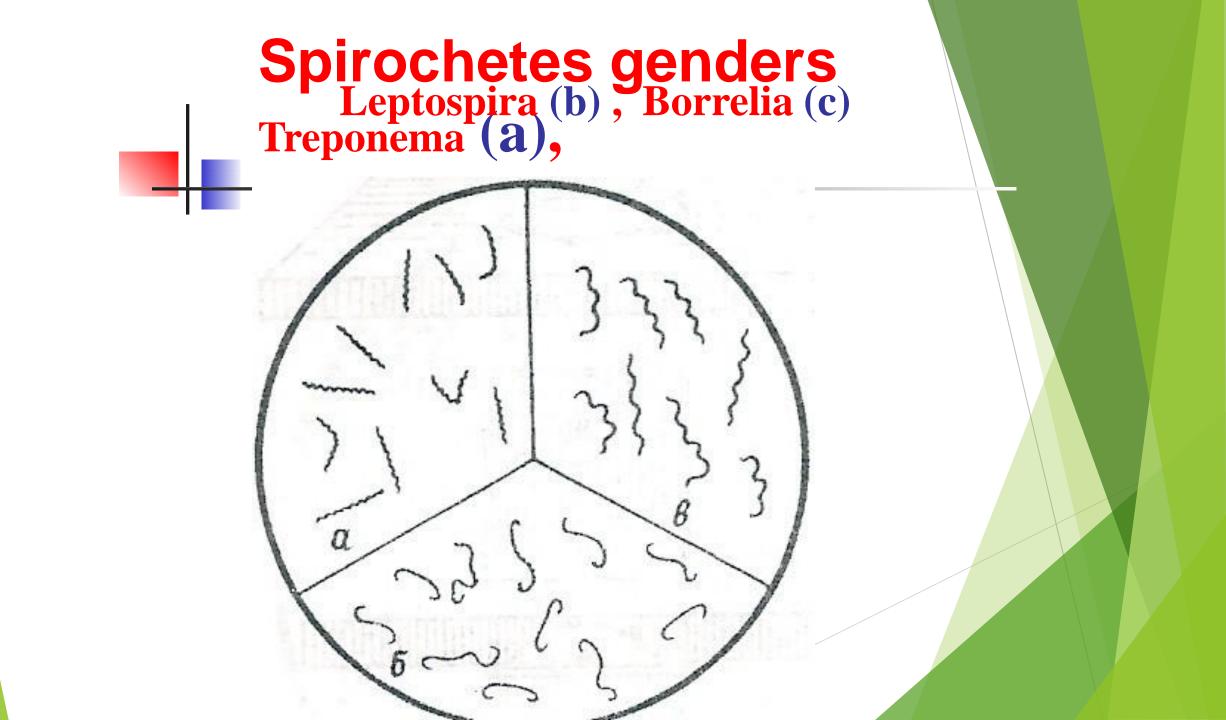
Taxonomy of Spirochetes

- Type Spirochaetes
- Class Spirochaetes
- Order Spirochaetales
- Family Spirochaetaceae
- Gender Spirochaeta

Treponema (more than 10 types of species and subspecies) Borrelia (more than 20 species)

Family – Leptospiraceae

Gender - Leptospira (more than 200 serovars)



Treponema.

Types of treponema pathogen for human beings: **1)T.pallidum**

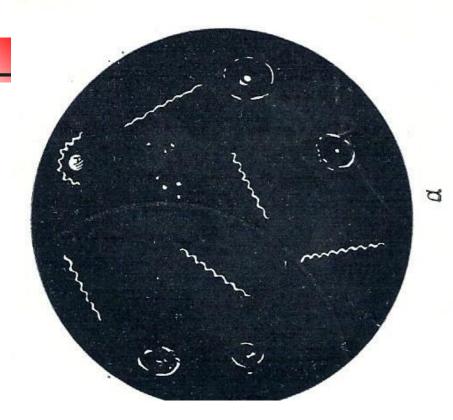
subspecies: pallidum (causative agent of syphilis) endemicum (begel pathogen)

pertenue (causative agent of frambesia)

2) T.carateum (pint pathogen)

3)T.vincentii (together with fusobacteria, the causative agent of ulcerative necrotic tonsillitis Simanovsky-Vincent-Plaut)

Treponema



Dark field microscopy



Treponema of syphilis (electron

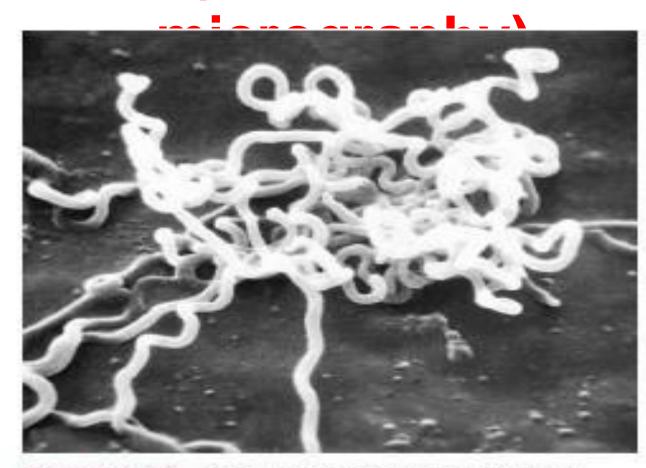


FIGURE 4-18. Scanning electron micrograph of Treponema pollidum, the bacterium that causes syphilis. (Courtesy of Dr. David Cox and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.)

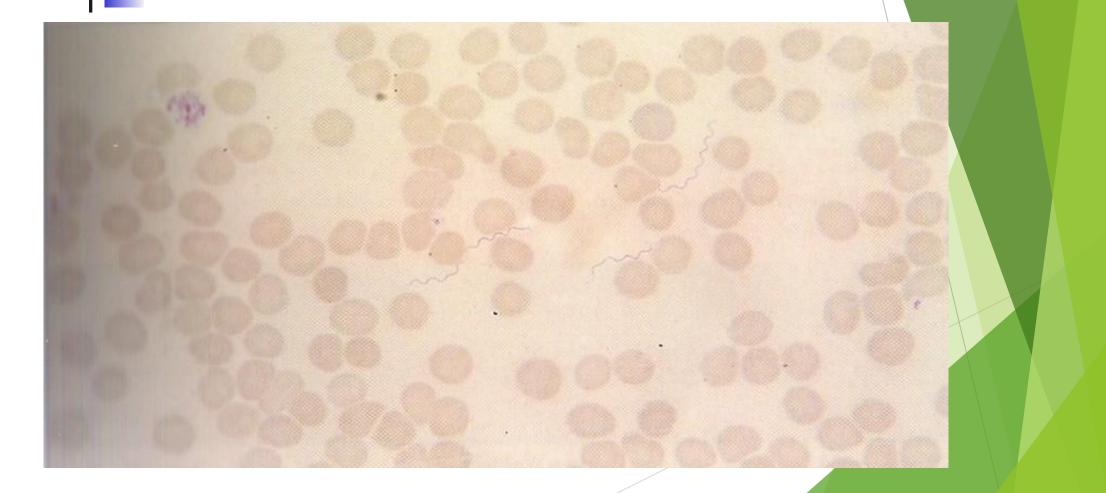
Borrelia

Gender of Contains more than 20 types, list of which below show the pathogen ones for the human beings:

- B.recurrentis -
- causative agent of anthroponous epidemic relapsing fever
- B.duttoni causative agent of zoonotic endemic (tick-borne) relapsing fever
- B.persica causative agent of zoonotic endemic (tick-borne) relapsing fever
- **B.burgdorferi** Lyme disease pathogen in North America
 - B.garini causative agent of Lyme disease on the Euro-Asian continent
 - B.afzelii causative agent of Lyme disease on the Euro-Asian continent

Borrelia recurrentis

blood smear (Giemsa stain)



Leptospira

The genus Leptospira contains one species, L.interrhogans, which includes 38 serogroups and more than 200 leptospira serovars. Leptospira 13 serogroups and 27 serovars are found in the CIS countries. The most commonly identified leptospira serovars are:

L.icterohaemorrhagiae – causative agent of Vasiliev-Weil disease (icteric leptospirosis)

L.grippotyphosa - causative agent of swamp fever or marsh fever

L. canicola – causative of canine leptospirosis

L.pomona - swine pathogen causative

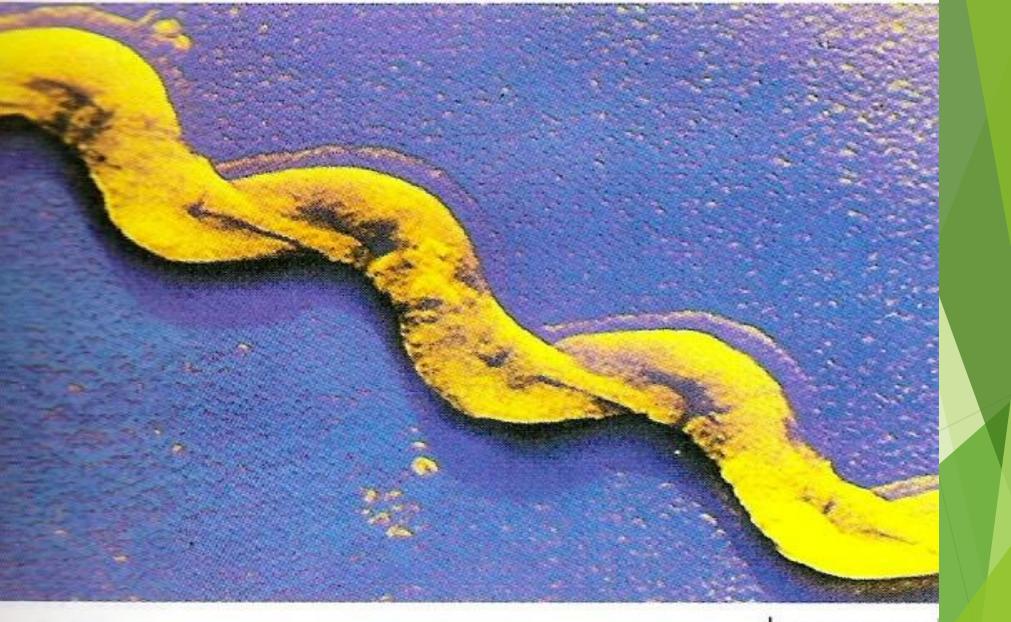
L.mitis - swine pathogen causative

L.hebdomatis - causative agent of Japanese or 7-day fever

L.autumnalis - causative agent of shin fever or Fort Bragg fever

L.australis - causative agent of Australian or 7-day fever

Leptospira (electron

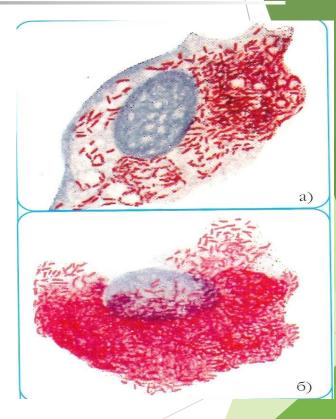


Leptospira interrogans



Rickettsia

- Small gram-negative bacteria, obligate intracellular parasites
- The macroergic compounds necessary for their reproduction are obtained from the host cell
- The form is cocci or short sticks with a size of 0.3-2.0 microns, but long sticks and filiform shapes can be found.



Rickettsia inside cell

Taxonomy of ricketsia.

Type – Proteobacteria

Class – Alphaproteobacteria

Genders – Rickettsia (causative of typhus and spotted fevers) Orientia (causative of Tsutsugamushi fever) Ehrlichia (caus. Ehrlichiosis Sennetsu et al.) Bartonella (caus. of diseases -cat scratches, trenchfever, etc.)

Class – Gammaproteobacteria
 Genders - Coxiella (caus. fever ku) For humans are pathogen: 10 types of ricketsia,

1 type of oriensia, 3 species of Ehrlichia, 5 species of Bartonella and 1 species of coxiella.

Chlamydiae

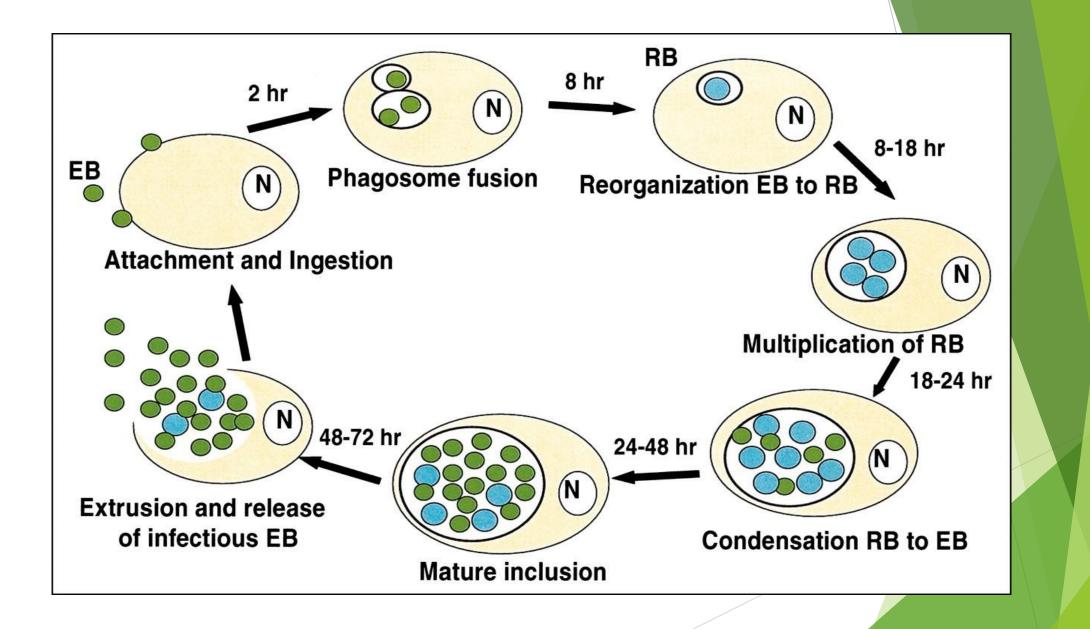
Small gram-negative bacteria, obligate intracellular

- parasites with a special development cycle.
 They are energy parasites: they do not synthesize adenosine triphosphate (ATP) and guanosine
- triphosphate (GTP)

The development cycle includes the stages of elementary (0.2-0.3 μ m) and reticular (0.8-1.2 μ m)

bodies

Almost no N-acetylmuramic acid



Taxonomy of Chlamydia

- Type– Chlamydiae
- Class Chlamydiae
- Gender Chlamydia

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Type - C.trachomatis (causative of trachoma, urogenital chlamydia and venereal lymphogranuloma)
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Gender - Chlamydophila

Types – **C.psittaci** (caus. ornithosis) **C.pneumoniae** (caus. pneumonia, atherosclerosis, bronchial asthma, etc.)

Mycoplasmas.

Small gram-negative bacteria, devoid of the cell wall and
surrounded only by the cytoplasmic membrane, the main component of lipids of which is cholesterol.
Due to the absence of a rigid cell wall, they are polymorphic,
plastic and osmotically sensitive, resistant to substances that inhibit cell wall synthesis.

Propagated by binary division, budding, fragmentation of filaments and spherical formations.

They are the smallest among free-living bacteria (0.15-1.0 microns).

Mycoplasmas



Colonies of mycoplasmas



A Figure 11.15 The distinctive "fried egg" appearance of Mycoplasma colonies. This visual feature is unique to this group of bacteria, growing on an agar surface.

Taxonomy of mycoplasmas.

- Type Firmicutes
- Class Mollicutes
- Gender Mycoplasma

Types – **M.pneumoniae** (caus. pneumonia), **M.hominis, M.fermentans, M.genitalium** (urogenital mycoplasmas)

Gender - Ureaplasma

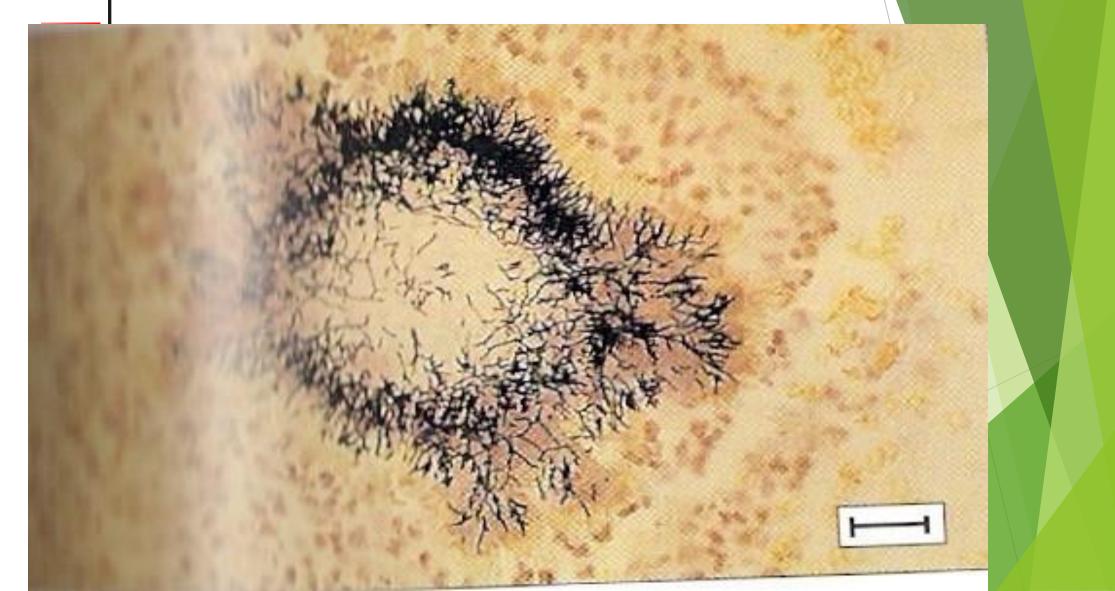
Type – **U.urealyticum** (urogenital mycoplasmas)

Actinomycetes

- Gram-positive branching filiform or rod-shaped bacteria.
- Like fungi, they form a mycelium, consisting of interwoven thin filaments (hyphae), however, unlike fungi, they do not contain chitin or cellulose in the cell wall.
- Druze form in the affected tissues.



Druse (in a smear of pus)



Taxonomy of Actinomycetes

- Type Actinobakteria
- Class Actinobakteria
- Gender Actinomyces

Types - A.israelii, A.bovis, A. odontolyticus, A.viscosus, A.naeslundii (pathogens of actinomycosis)

Fungi's

Single or multicellular chlorophyll-free plant microorganisms

- that are eukaryotic
- Belong to the kingdom of Fungi (Mycetes, Mycota)
 Hyphal (2-100 microns) and yeast (2-5 microns) mushrooms
- are distinguished.

By structure - lower (without partitions) and higher

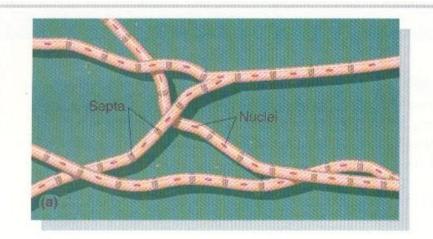
(septated)

By the nature of reproduction - perfect (sexual reproduction) and imperfect (asexual reproduction).

Hyphae fungi.

- Fungi's form thin, windy hyphae that fly into a tomb or mold. The thickness of the hyphae ranges from 2 to 100 microns. They grow into a nutrient substrate, are called vegetative hyphae (nutrition of the fungus), and those growing above the substrate surface are called air and reproductive hyphae (responsible for asexual reproduction)
- Hyphae of lower fungi do not have a partition. They are represented by multinucleated cells and are called coenocytic. Hyphae of higher fungi are divided by partitions.

Hyphae's of higher and lower fungi's.



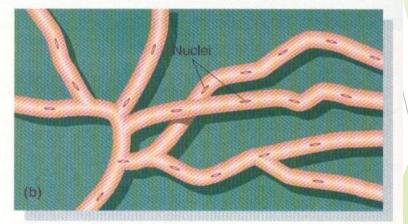


FIGURE 11-4 Characteristic hyphal structures. (*a*) Septate hyphae; (*b*) aseptate hyphae. (Note the absence of septa between nuclei.)

Yeast Fungi.

CHARACTERISTICS OF FUNGI

1. Yeasts

Unicellular fungi, nonfilamentous, typically oval or spherical cells. Reproduce by mitosis:

- Fission yeasts: Divide evenly to produce two new cells (Schizosaccharomyces).
- Budding yeasts: Divide unevenly by budding (Saccharomyces). Budding yeasts can form pseudohypha, a short chain of undetached cells.

Candida albicans invade tissues through pseudohyphae.

Yeasts are facultative anaerobes, which allows them to grow in a variety of environments.

- When oxygen is available, they carry out a erobic respiration.
- When oxygen is not available, they ferment carbohydrates to produce ethanol and carbon dioxide.

Fungi

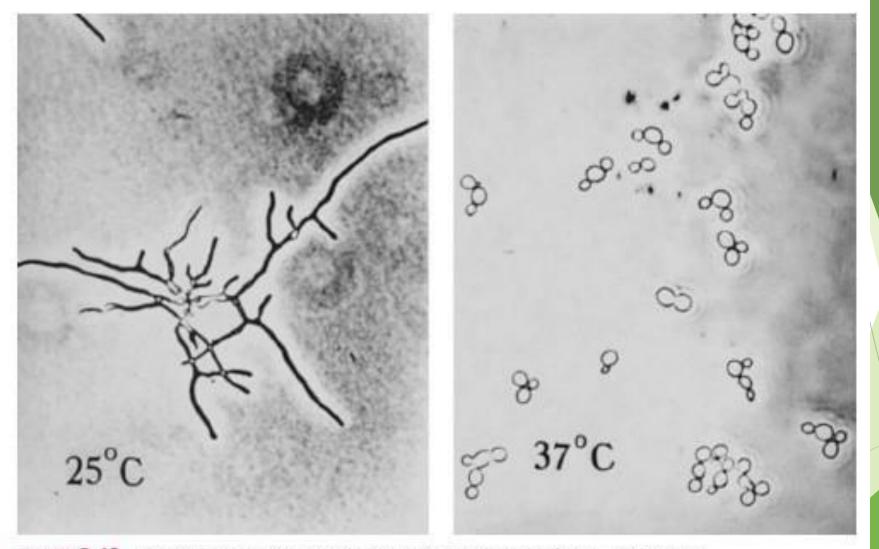


FIGURE 5-13. Dimorphism. Photomicrographs illustrating the dimorphic fungus, H. capsulatum, being grown at 25°C (left photo) and at 37°C (right photo). (From Schaeter M, et al., eds. Mechanisms of Microbial Disease, 3rd ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 1999.)

Multiplication of fungi's

- Sexual reproduction the formation of germ cells (gametes), the formation of sex spores (zygospores, ascospores, basidiospores);
- Asexual reproduction budding, hyphae fragmentation, the formation of asexual spores (sporangiospores, conidia: arthroconidia, blastoconidia, chlamydoconidia).



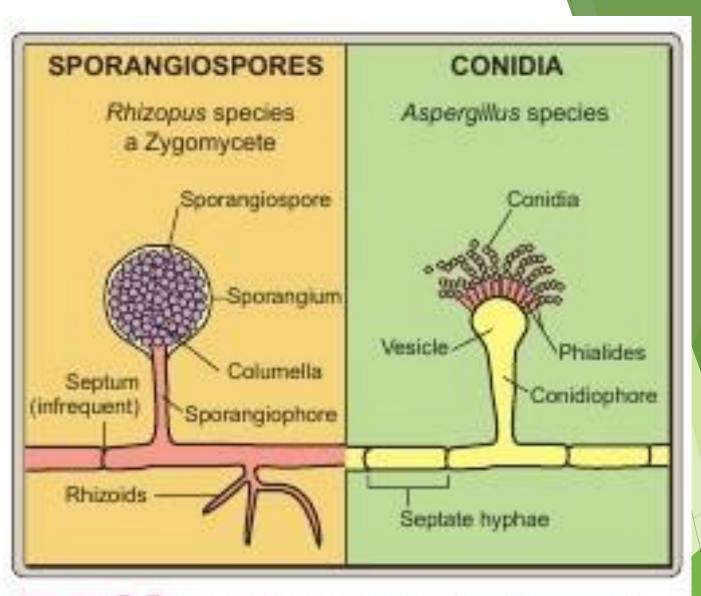


FIGURE 5-7. Asexual reproduction in Rhizopus and Aspergillus moulds. Illustrating the types of structures within and upon which asexual spores are produced.

Types of mushrooms of medical importance.

It is stressed out 3 types of fungi's, which have sexual reproduction, so called complete fungi's: Zygomycota, Ascomycota, Basidiomycota. Apart from them there is conditional, formal type/group-Deiteromycota, which have asexual method of reproduction.

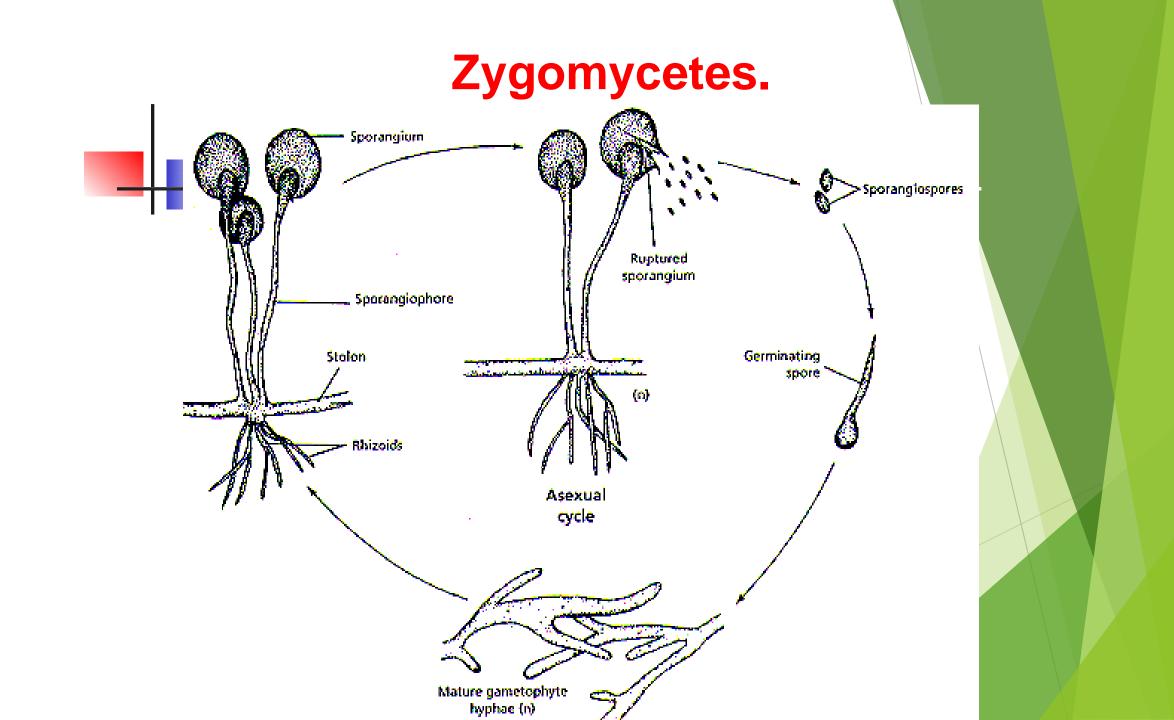
The main groups of fungi's of medical importance

Group	Hyphae	Sexual Spores	Commonly Observed Asexual Spores	Some Medically Important Genera
Zygomycetes	Nonseptate	Zygospores	Sporangiospores	Mucor Rhizopus
Ascomycetes	Septate	Ascospores	Conidia Arthrospores Blastospores	Aspergillus Histoplasma Trichophyton Penicillium
Basidiomycetes	Septate	Basidiospores	Characteristically none	Cryptococcus Amanita ("death angel" mushroom)
Deuteromycetes	Septate	None	Conidia Arthrospores Blastospores Chlamydospores	Candida Sporothrix Coccidioides

Zygomycetes

Zygomycetes- belong to lower fungi's. They contain the representatives of geners like Mucor, Rhizopus

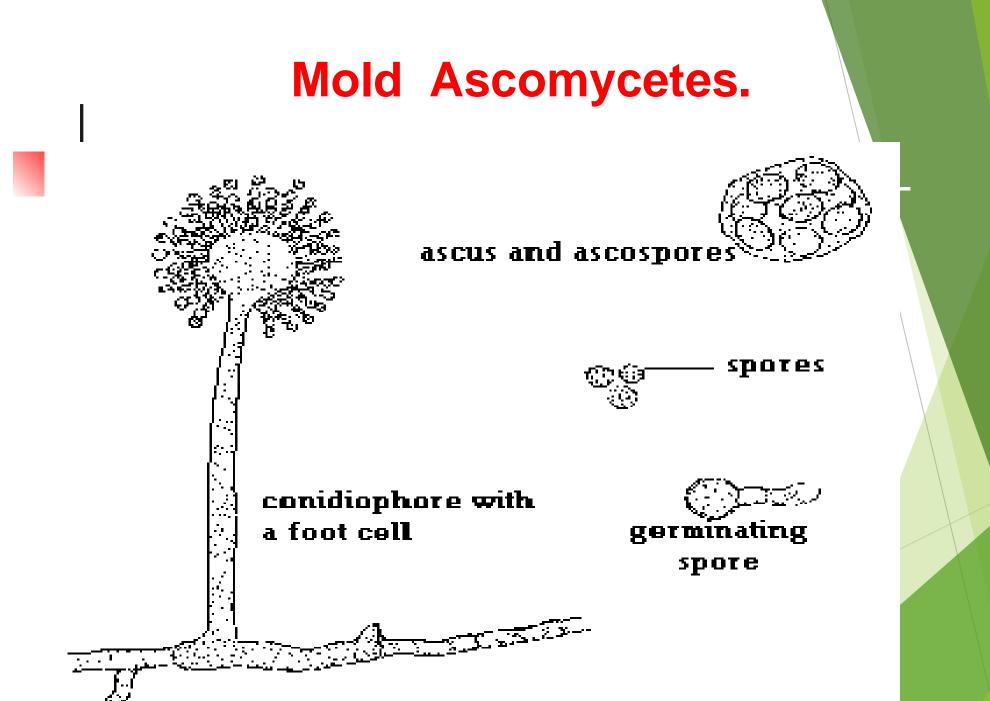
- Rzizomucor, Absidia, Basidiobolus, Conidiobolus. Spread in the soil and air. Can cause Zygomycetes of lungs, brain and other organs of human being.
- During asexual reproduction of zygomycetes sporangia are formed on the fruiting hyphae- spherical with a shell containing numerous sporangiospores



Ascomycetes

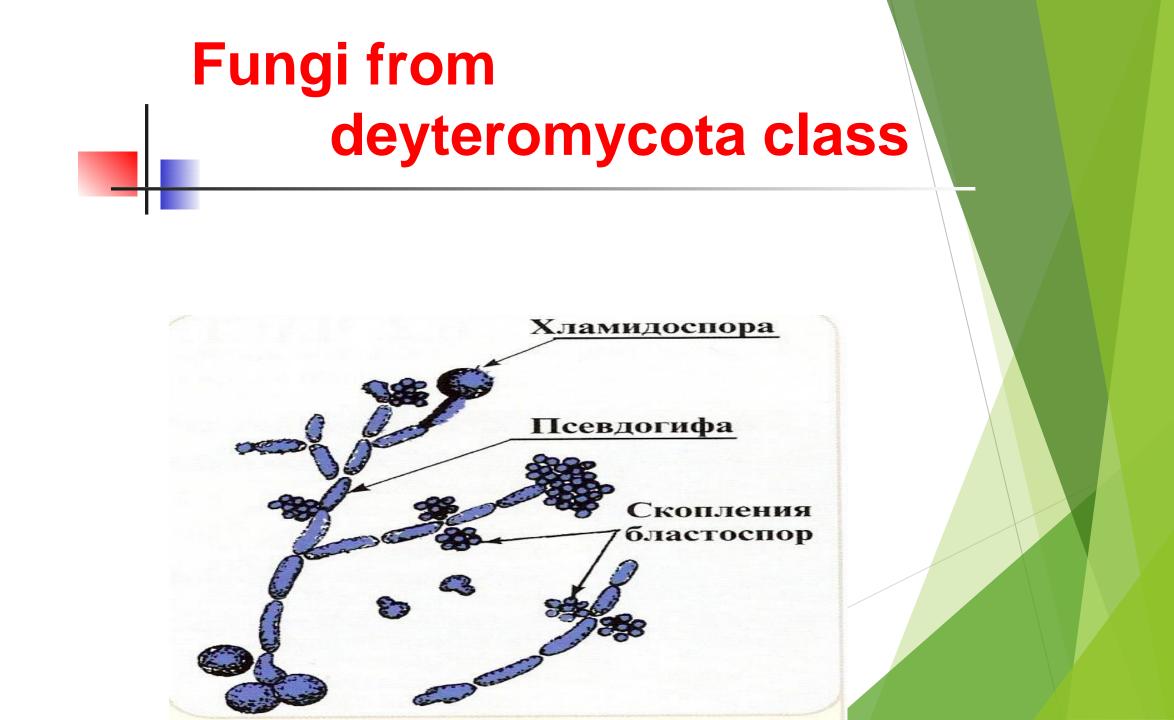
Ascomycetes(marsupial fungi's) have septic mycelium (besides one celled yeasts). Their name they got from bearing- bags which contain 4 or 8 haploid genital spores (Ascospores). Most of the

fungis from Aspergillus genre are anamorphs, multiplicate only by asexual method of reproduction, with the help of asexual sporescomidiy's.

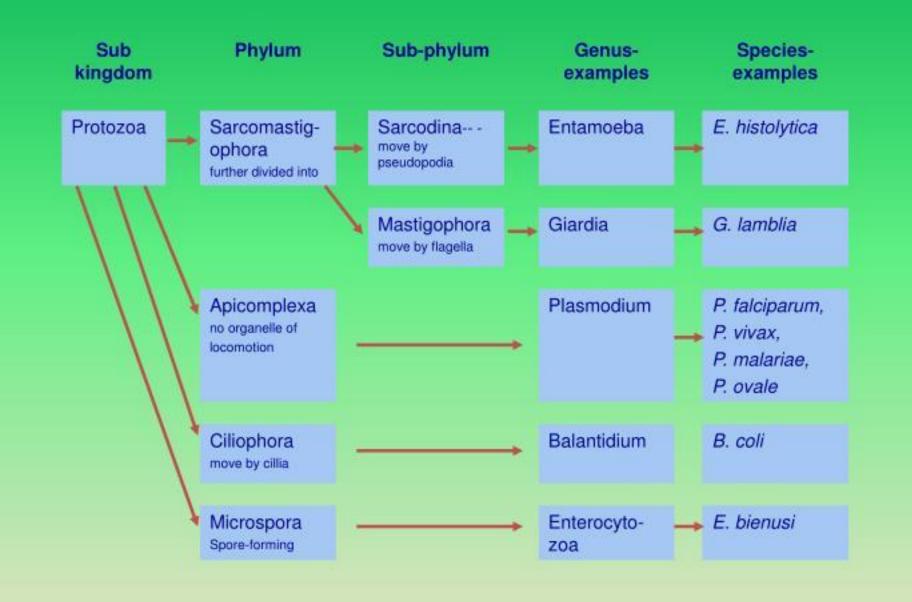


Basidiomycetes

 Basidiomycetes- have septic mycelium. They create genital spores- basidiomycetes by the way of peeling off from basidio- end cells of mycelium, homological asku. Some of the yeast are releted to basidiomycetes, for example Cryptococcus neoformans.



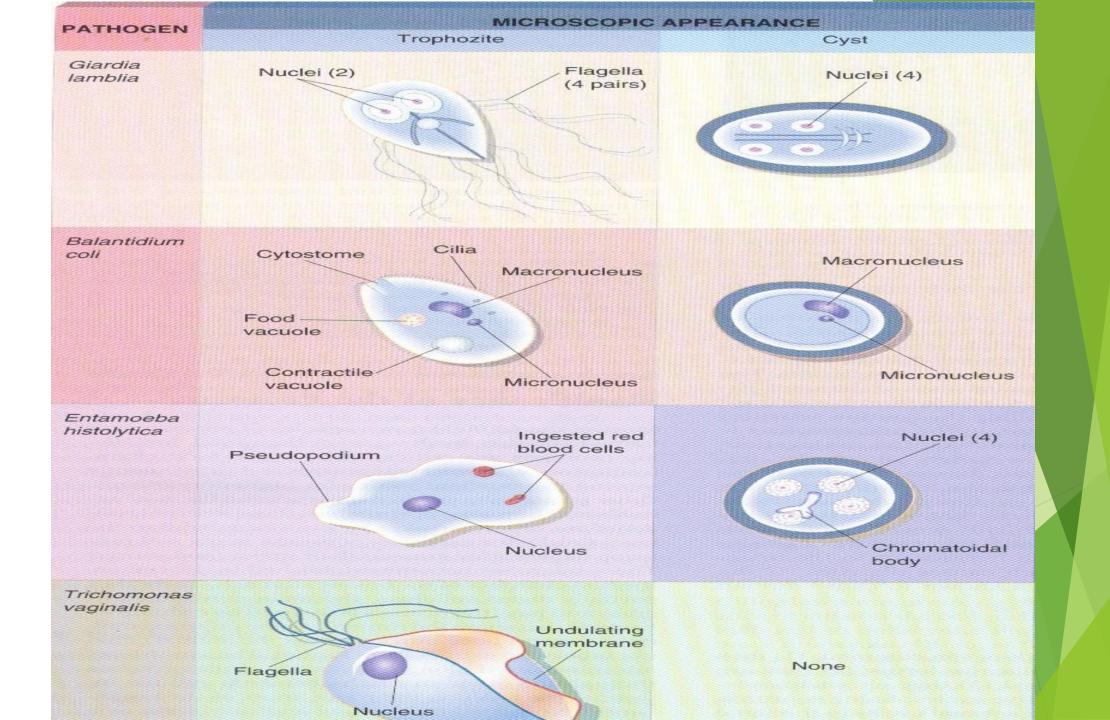
Classification of Protozoa

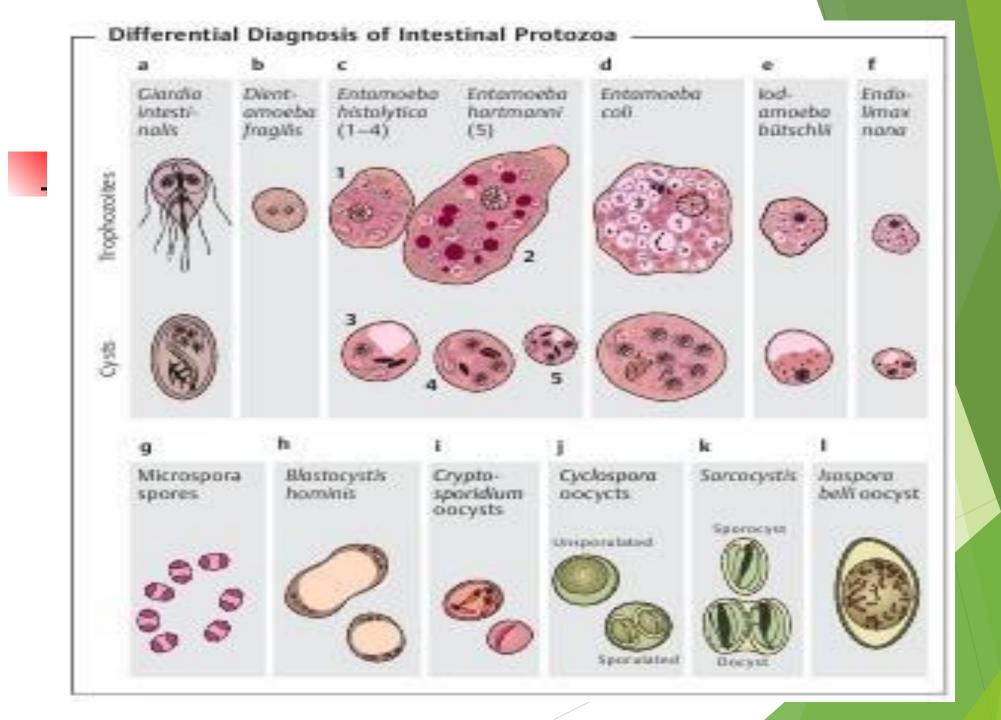




- Some protozoa are parasites.
- Parasitic protozoa break down and absorb nutrients from the body of the host in which they live.
- Many parasitic protozoa are pathogens, such as those that cause:
 - Malaria,
 - · Giardiasis,
 - African sleeping sickness,
 - Amebic dysentery

- Intestinal
 - Amebiasis Entamoeba histolytica
 - GiardiasisGiardia lamblia
 - Balantidiasis Balantidium coli
 - Crytosporidosis Cryptosporidium parvum
 - Cyclosporiasis Cyclospora cayetanensis
- Genitourinary tract
 - Trichomoniasis Trichomonas vaginalis
- Blood and Tissue
 - Malaria Plasmodium spp
 - Meningoencephalitis Naegleria fowleri
 - Toxoplasmosis Toxoplasma gondii....... (Eye)
- Cardiovascular system
 - African Sleeping Sickness Trypanosoma brucei...... (CNS)
 - Chagas Disease Trypanosoma cruzi
- Skin and mucous membrane
 - Visceral leishmaniasis(Kala-azar) ... Leishmania donovani
 - Cutaneous leishmaniasis Leishmania topica/braziliensis





Viruses

A special group of non-cellular life forms that belong to the kingdom of Vira and have a number of features:

They do not have a cellular structure, they consist of a nucleoid in the form of a nucleic acid and a protein capsid;

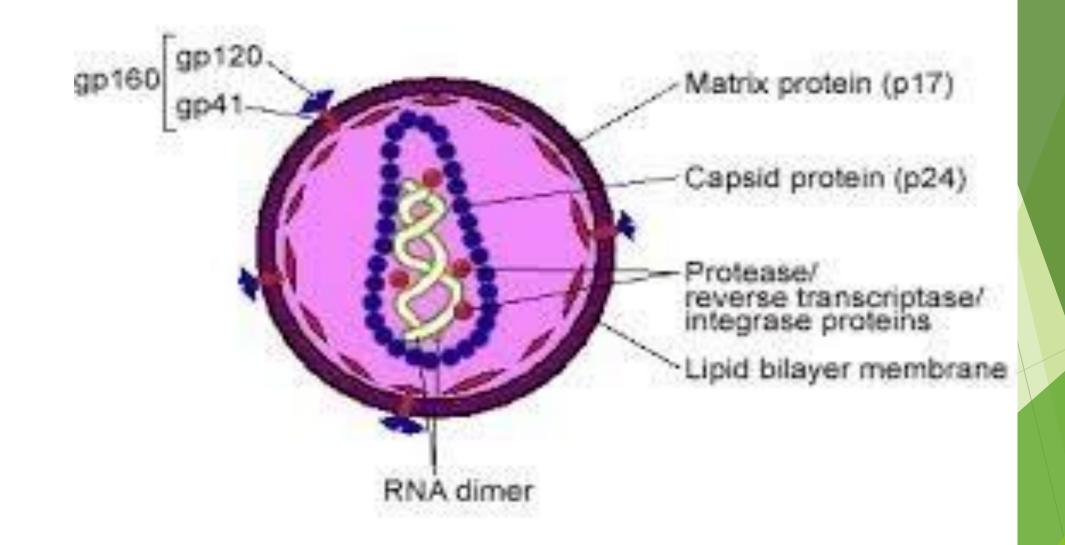
The genetic apparatus of viruses is represented by both DNA and RNA, both of which can be single and double stranded, linear and circular, continuous and fragmented;

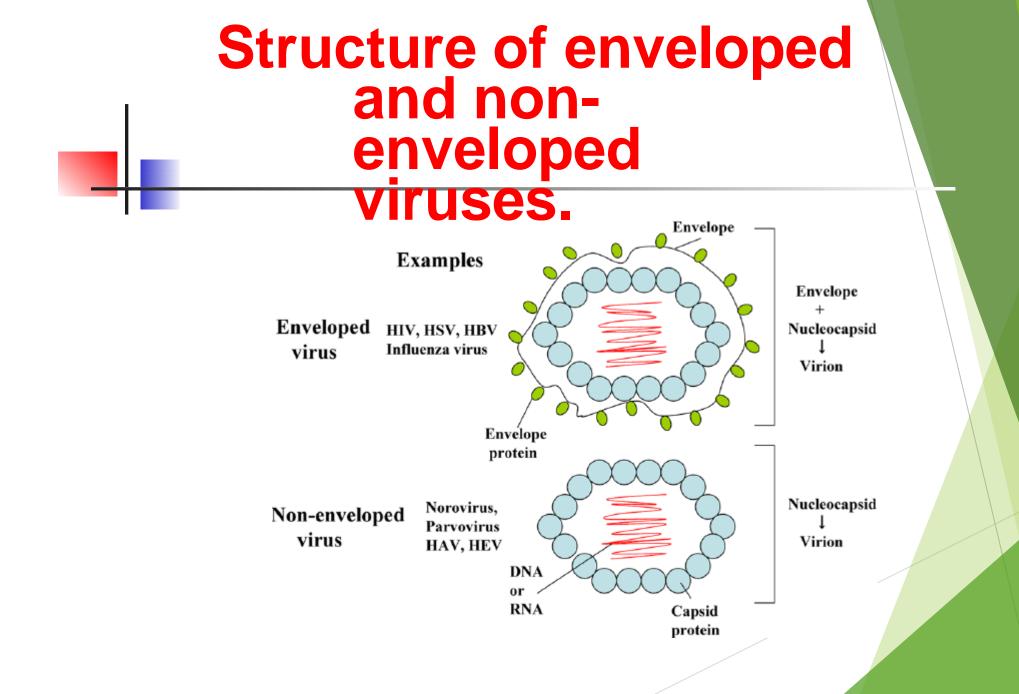
They are absolute intracellular parasites at the molecular level that do not have their own protein synthesis systems; reproduce by the disjunctive method of reproduction;

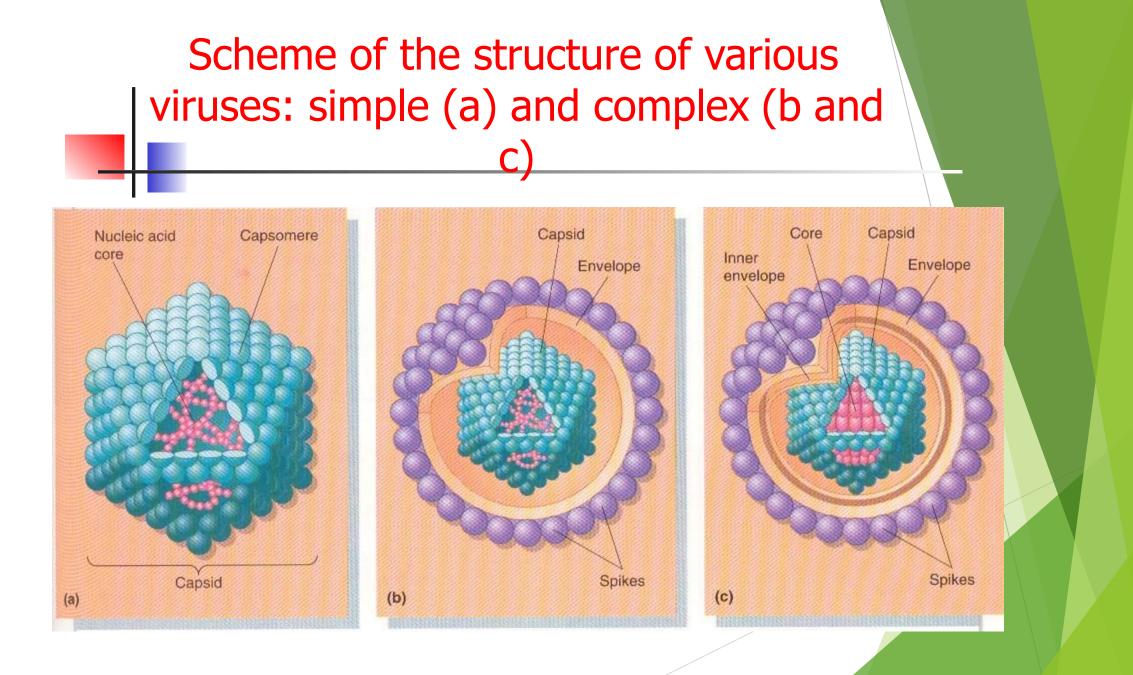
They have very small sizes, calculated in nm (15-350);

Some viruses (plants) can form crystals.

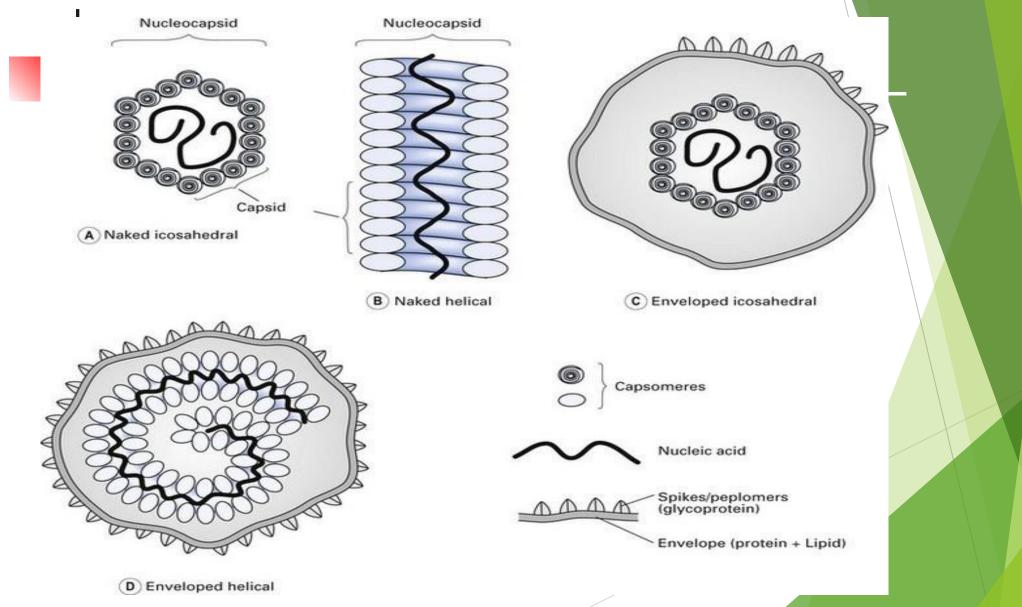
Scheme structure of viral particles



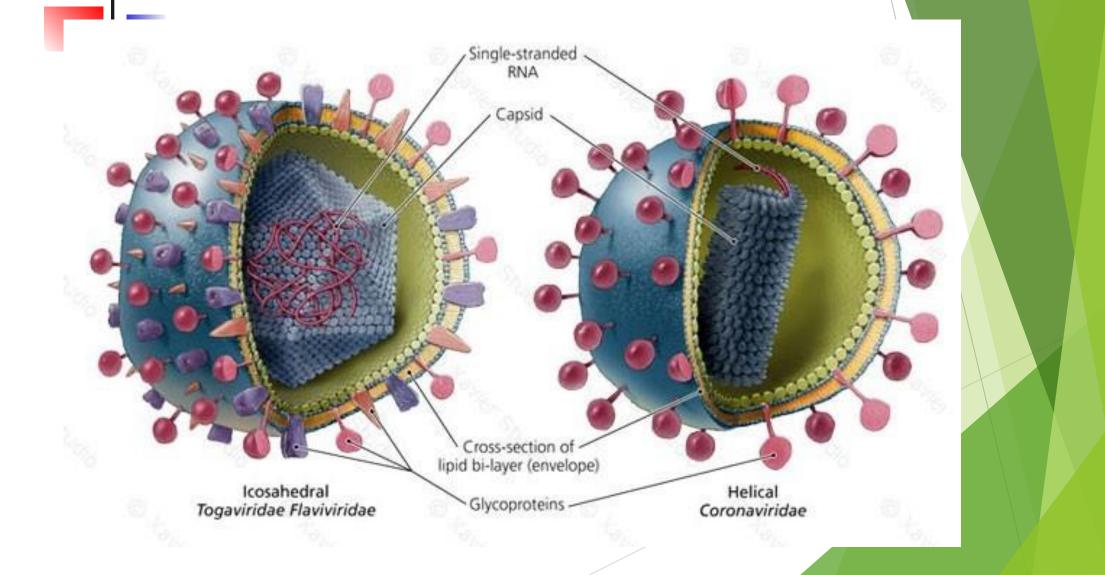


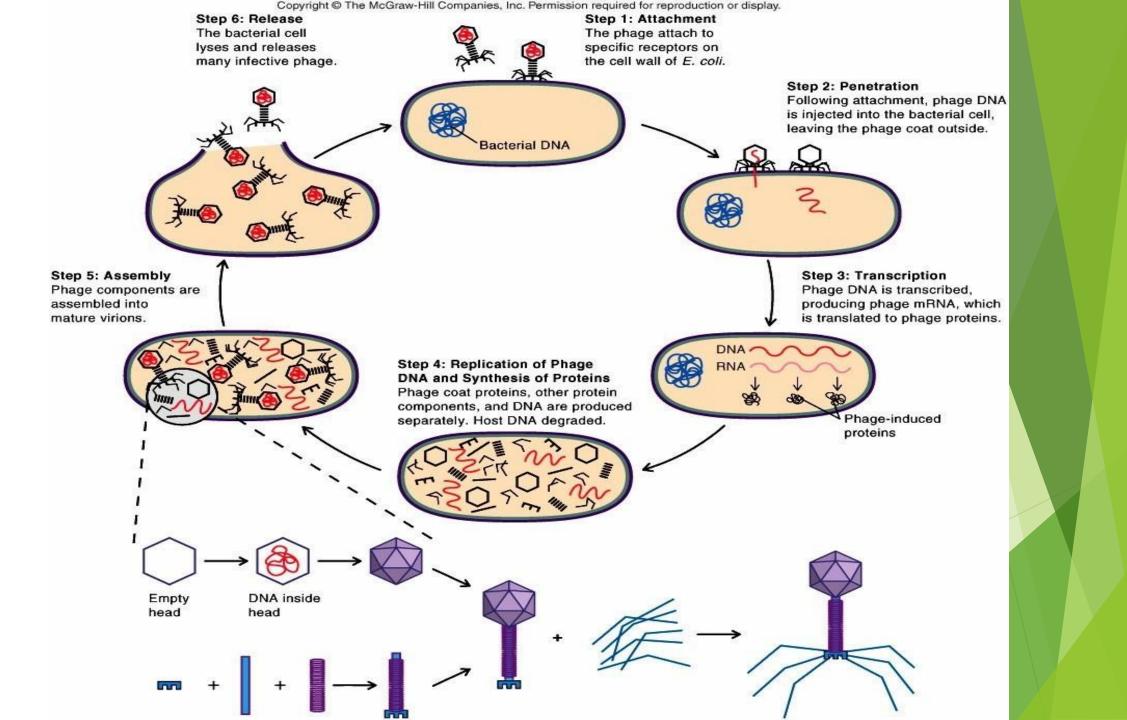


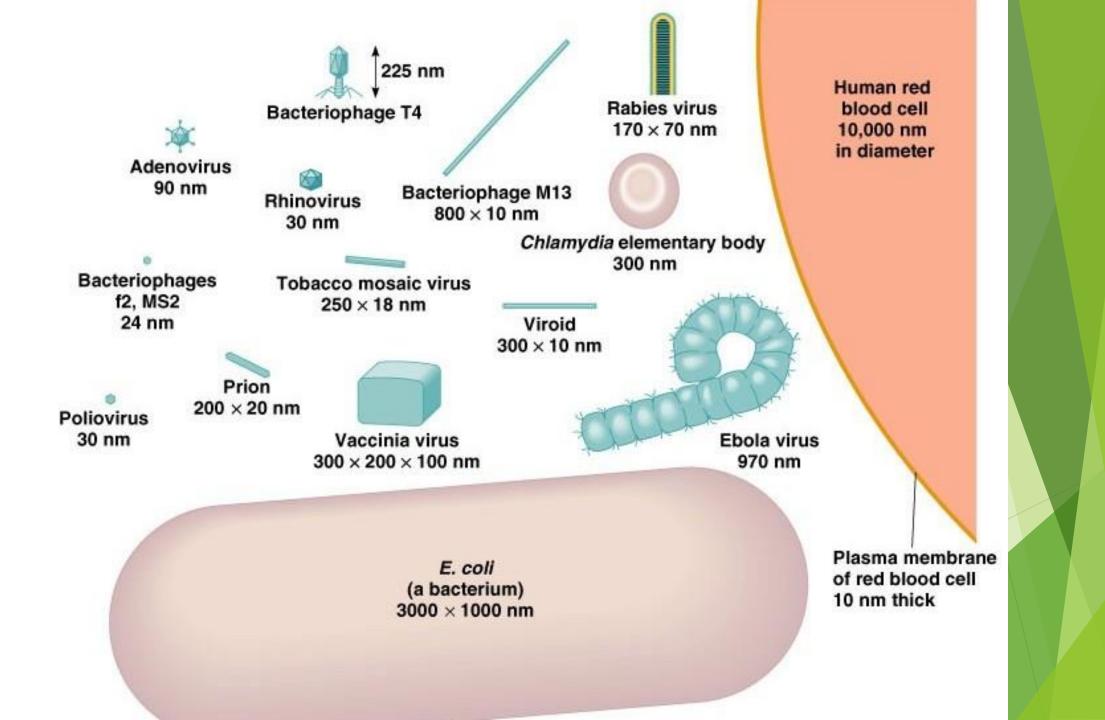
Types of capsid symmetry.



Types of Virion Symmetry.



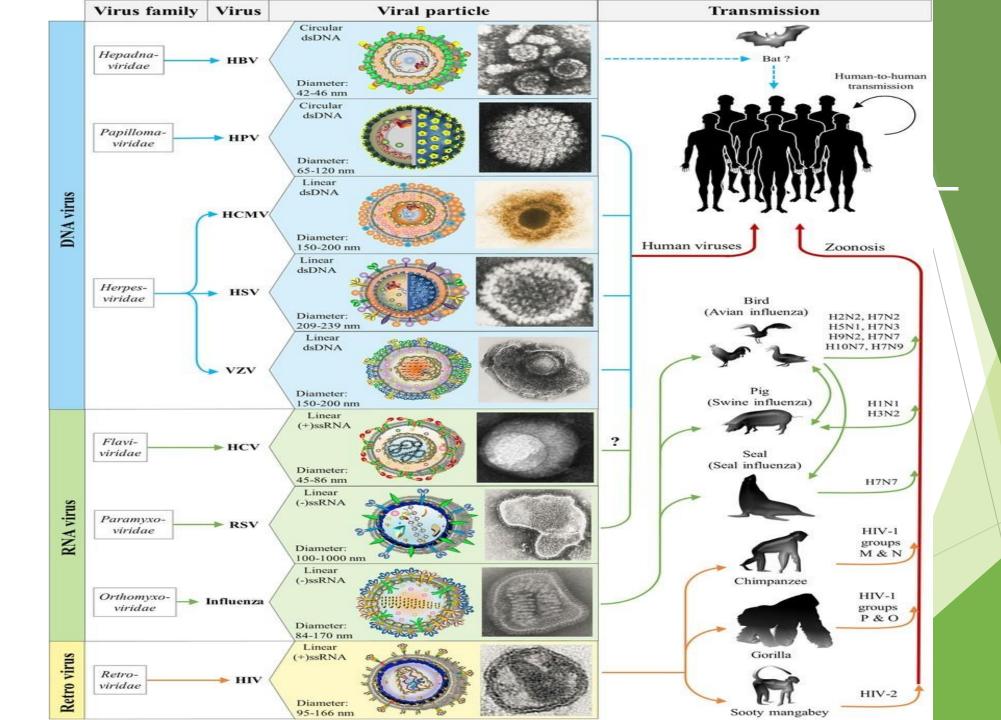




Classification principals of the viruses

- Type of nucleic acid, structure, number of threads, molecular weight;
- Morphology of the virion, the number of capsomeres, the type of capsid symmetry, the presence of a shell;
- Virion replication, genetic interactions;
- Antigenic properties;
- The range of susceptible hosts, pathogenicity, geographical prevalence.

Viruses are divided into viruses of vertebrates, invertebrates, plants, bacteria, fungi.





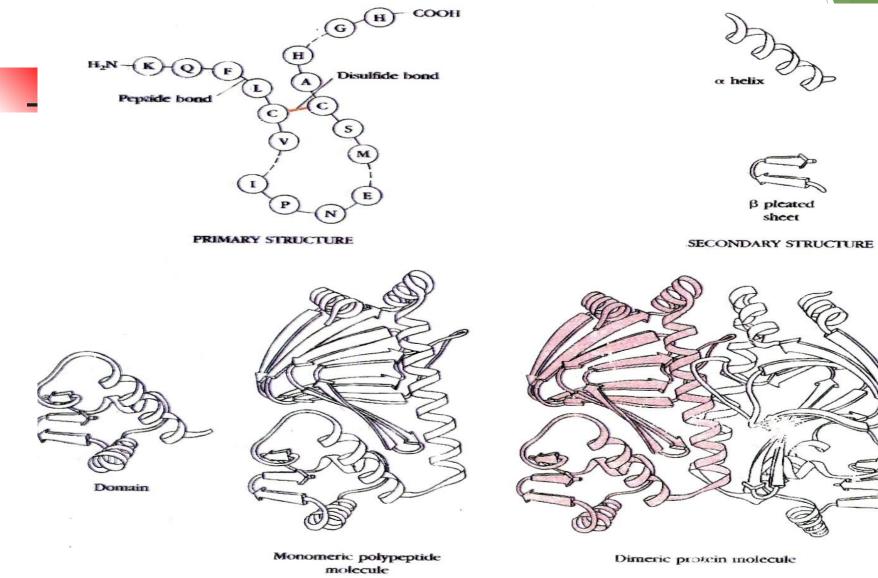
Low molecular weight, nucleic acid-free proteins that cause transmissible spongiform
encephalopathies;

Prions consist of a special protein, which exists in the form of two isomers: the normal cellular prion protein PrPc and the abnormal in PrPSC, which has a secondary structure.

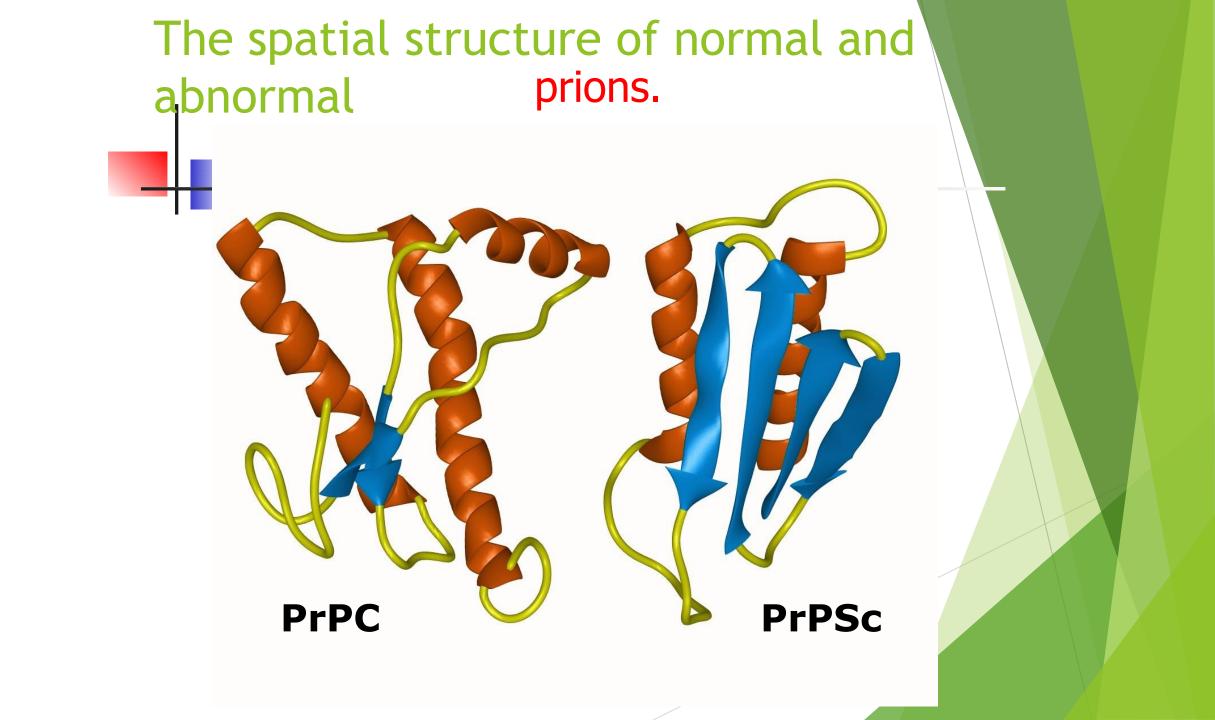
Prions

Prions -are misfolded proteins with the ability to transmit their misfolded shape onto normal variants of the same protein. They characterize several fatal and transmissible neurodegenerative diseases in humans and many other animals. It is not known what causes the normal protein to misfold, but the abnormal three-dimensional structure is suspected of conferring infectious properties, collapsing nearby protein molecules into the same shape. The word *prion* derives from "proteinaceous infectious particle". The hypothesized role of a protein as an infectious agent stands in contrast to all other known infectious agents such as viruses, bacteria, funci and parasites, all of which contain nucleic acids (DNA, P A or both).

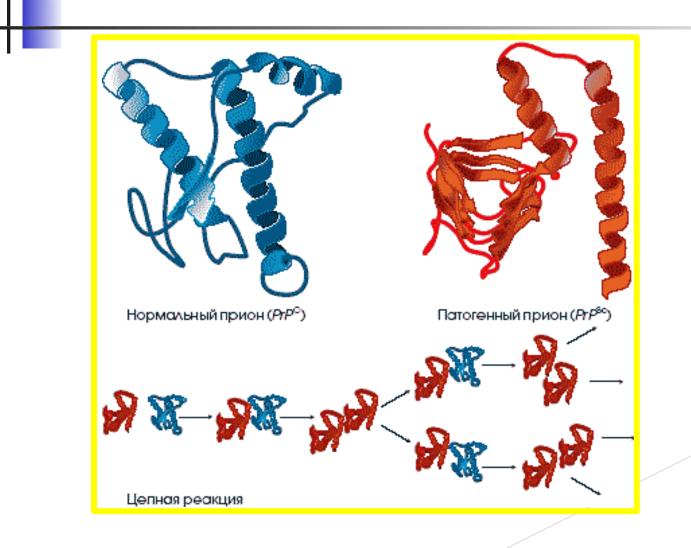
Prion



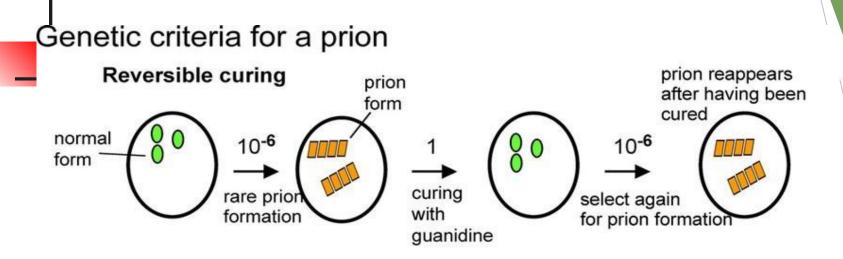
Localization of prions on membrane cell. PrPC Reseptor Qlükolipid lövbər Amfifizin Dinamin Klatrin Adaptor 2



The mechanism for converting PrPc to PrPSC.



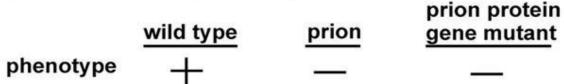
Transformation scheme of prions.



Prion protein overproduction increases frequency of prion appearance



Similar phenotype of prion and mutant in chromosomal gene required for prion propagation

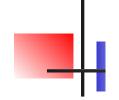


Human prion diseases(2)

- Lethal familial insomnia sleep loss, hyperactivity of the sympathetic system, progressive weakening of autonomic and enlocrine cyclic temporal rhythms; observed in middle-aged people (about 45 years). Gerstmann-Streisler syndrome slow infection. registered in the UK, USA, Japan and others. It is characterized by degenerative lesions of the central nervous system, which are manifested in the formation of a spongy state, the formation of amyloid plaques throughout the brain.
 Sickness is expressed in the development of slowly progressing ataxia and dementia. Pathogenesis has not been studied. The disease lasts a long time and ends with death.
- Alpers syndrome a slow prion infection. It is observed mainly in childhood, is characterized by symptoms indicating damage to the ecentral nervous system.

Sheep brain with scrapie disease

Vacuole





A Figure 13.23 A brain showing the large vacuoles and spongy appearance typical in prion-induced diseases. Shown here is the brain of a sheep with the prion disease called scrapie.

Viroids

Viroids do not have a protein coat and consist

- only of an infectious RNA molecule. They do not have antigenic properties;
- The viroid molecule is a single stranded circular RNA;
- Viroids have very small sizes: the length of the RNA molecule is 1-10 (-6), it consists of 300-400 nucleotides;
- More than 10 viroids are known that differ in the primary structure of RNA, the circle of affected hosts, and the symptoms of the diseases caused.

Potato Dwarf

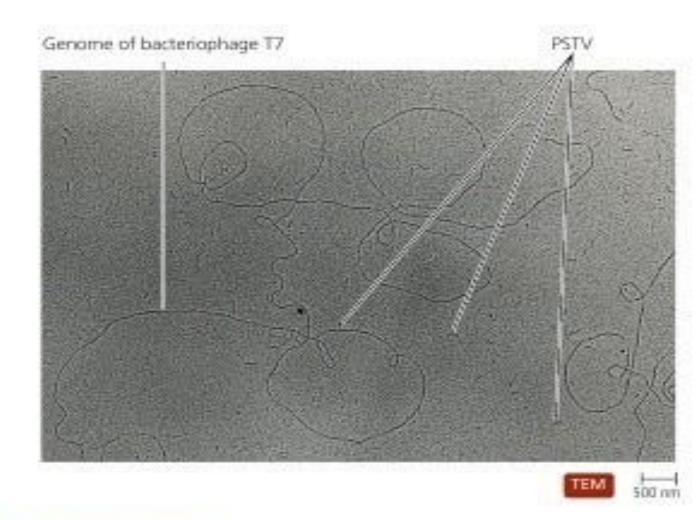


Figure 13.20 The RNA strand of the small potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTV). Also shown for comparison is the longer DNA genome of bacteriophage T7. Compare both to the size of a bacterial genome in Figure 13.2. How are viroids similar to and different from viruses?

Potato affected by viroid.



Figure 13.21 One effect of viroids on plants. The potatoes at right are stunted as the result of infection with PSTV viroids.