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**Topic:**

The term enteric fever includes typhoid fever caused by salmonella typhi and para typhoid fever caused by salmonella paratyphi A,B & C.

**Regarding S. Typhi & S. Paratyphi:**

Most important member of salmonellae of emus is S.typhi.

**Morphology:**

- Gram negative rods
- Size – 3x0.5µm
- Motile with peritrichate flagella
- Non-sporing
- Non-capsulated

**Culture:**

- Aerobic
- Grows on simple media
- Temperature – 37<sup>0</sup>c
- pH – 6.8
- colonies

**On Mac Corkey & DCA**

Colour less colony due to non-lactose fermentation.

### **On Wilson & Blair bismuth sulphate:**

- Jet black colonies due to H<sub>2</sub>S production.
- S. Paratyphi-A does not form H<sub>2</sub>S

### **Enrichment Media:**

- Selenite F-broth

### **Biochemical reactions:**

- They ferment glucose, mannitol and maltose forming acid and gas.
- Indole – Positive
- Methyl Red – Positive
- Voges-Proskauer – Negative
- Citrate – Positive
- Urease is not hydrolyzed
- H<sub>2</sub>S produced by all, except s. Paratyphi-A

### **Resistance:**

- Killed at 55<sup>0</sup>c within one hour
- Killed at 60<sup>0</sup>c within 15 minutes
- We can destroy by:
  - Boiling
  - Chlorination
  - Pasteurization
- They live in polluted water and soil for weeks.
- They survive in 'ICE' for months

### **Antigenic structure:**

1. H – Antigen (Flagellar)
2. O – Antigen (Somatic)
3. Vi – Antigen (Surface)

### **Antigenic variations:**

- The antigens of salmonellae undergoes phenotypic and genotypic variations.
- Variations are:
  1. H-O variation
  2. Phase variation
  3. V-W variation
  4. S-R variation
  5. Variation in "O" antigen.

### **Classification:**

1. Based on "Biochemical properties".
2. Kauffman's white scheme (Antigenic characterization).

- This scheme depends on the identification by agglutination of the structural formulae of the "O" antigen and "H" antigen of the strain.
3. Classification into serological groups based on the presence of distinctive "O" antigen factor, which are designated as 1,2,3 etc.,
  4. The species were named to the:
    - i. Disease caused (S. Typhi)
    - ii. The animal source (S.gallinasium)
    - iii. The discoverer (S.Schoff mulleri)
    - iv. The name of the patient (strain S.Thompson)
    - v. The place of isolation (S.poonna, isolated first)
  5. Biochemical reactions "Kauffmann proposed".  
Classified into four groups: I, II, III & IV groups.
  6. Ewing, prepared only three species genus salmonella.
    - S. Choleraesuis
    - S. Typhi
    - S. Enteritidis

#### Pathogenicity:

- Salmonellae are strictly parasitic of human beings and animals.
- S. Typhi, S. Paratyphi A, B are confirmed to human beings
- Salmonellae causes the following clinical syndromes in human beings.
  1. Enteric fever
  2. Septicemia
  3. Gastroenteritis OR Food poisoning

#### Enteric Fever:

- The term enteric fever includes typhoid fever caused by S.typhi and para typhoid fever caused by S.paratyphi A,B&C.
- History:
  - Bactonneau (1826): He studied study of the disease was made from intestinal lesions.
  - Louis(1820): The name typhoid was given by him, which distinguished from typhus fever.
  - BUDD(1856): He discovered that diseases come through excreta of human patients.
  - Eberth(1880): Described typhoid bacilli.
  - Gaffley (1884): He isolated the bacilli from pure culture.

#### Pathogenicity:

Ingestion of bacilli, reach the gut and attach to the microvilli of the ileal mucosa and penetrate the lamina propria and submucosa.

- Some bacilli phagocytosed and some are resist to Phagocytosis bacilli which resist, they multiply in intracellularly.

- They enter the mesenteric lymph nodes further multiplication occurred and entered the blood stream through thoracic duct – Bacteremia follows.
- Bacteria invasion occurred in the liver, gall bladder, spleen, bone marrow, lymph nodes, lungs & kidney. Here further, multiplication occurs, then clinical disease starts.
- As bile is a good culture medium for bacilli, which multiply abundantly in the gall bladder.
- Involves the Peyer's patches and lymphoid follicles of ileum.
- Typhoid ulcers formed, ulcerated bowel leads to 1.Intestinal perforation and 2.Hemorrhage.

#### Clinical signs & symptoms:

##### (a) Gradual onset:

- Headache – malaise
- Anorexia – coated tongue
- Abdominal discomfort
- Constipation
- Diarrhea

##### (b) Typical features:

- Step-ladder pyrexia
- With brady cardia and toxemia
- Splenomegaly
- Hepatomegaly
- Rose spots on the skin

##### (c) Complications:

- Intestinal perforation
- Hemorrhage
- Circulatory collapse
- Bronch pneumonia
- Meningitis
- Cholecystitis
- Arthritis
- Nephritis
- Hemolytic anaemia
- Venous thrombosis
- Peripheral neuritis

- **S.Paratyphi A&B:**

- Causes paratyphoid fever, which resembles typhoid fever.

- **S.Paratyphi – C:**

- It also causes paratyphoid fever which leads to “frank septicemia”

#### Epidemiology:

- Typhoid fever eliminated in developed countries, by improving “protected water supply, sanitation.
- It present in developing countries, S.Paratyphi “A” present in India.

- It is endemic in all parts of India.  
Incidence in 1990:  
980 patients per 1,00,000 population.
- It is worldwide: Annually 16 million cases, 6,00,000 deaths.
- Age groups: 05-20 years people will get.
- Source: (a) patient, (b) carriers.

**Carriers: (a) Temporary, (b) Chronic**

- In temporary carriers, the bacilli present – 3 months to 1 year.
- Chronic carrier:
- Bacilli present more than one year.
- Known typhoid carrier was “Mary Mallon” (Typhoid Mary) Cook in New York.

**Laboratory diagnosis:**

1. Bacilli isolation from patients.
2. Antibodies demonstration, from serum
3. Antigen demonstration from blood and urine.

**Note:** If blood culture positive at the same time negative in feces and urine. Anal also in acute infection, unable to demonstrate the antibodies.

**Culture & Tests:**

1. Blood culture
2. Feces culture.
3. Urine culture
4. Other material
5. Serology – widal reaction

**Blood culture:** Positive in first week of fever.

- Sub cultures on Mac Conkey medication
- For further diagnosis
  - Biochemical tests
  - Motility tests – Motile.

### Biochemical tests:

- Indole - Negative
- Urease – Negative
- Glucose } These sugars fermented
- Mannitol }
- Maltose }
- Lactose } These sugars not fermented.
- Sucrose }

### Slide agglutination test:

Typhoid "O" antiserum + bacterial suspension = agglutination may appear.

### Castaneda's method (for blood culture)

Uses: 1. For proving the contamination

2. For economy reason

3. For safety purpose.

- It is a double medium: 1. Bile broth, 2. Agar slant.

### 2. Clot culture:

- It is alternative for blood culture.
- It yields a higher rate of isolation.

### 3. Feces culture:

- Salmonellae are shed in feces throughout the course of the disease.
- Positive fecal culture in carrier and in patients.

### 4. Urine culture:

- It is less important, because salmonellae shed irregularly.
- It is positive in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of fever.

### 5. Other material for culture:

- Bone marrow
- Bile
- Pus from rose spots
- CSF
- Sputum

### 6. Serology: (Widal reaction)

- The test for the measurement of H&O agglutination for typhoid and para typhoid bacilli in serum.
- Two types of tubes used:
  1. Dreyer's tube: It is for "H" agglutination. It is marrow tube with a conical bottom.
  2. Felix tube: It is for "O" agglutination. It is short and round bottomed tube.

3. Controle tubes are also sued.

This test done by serial dilutions.

H- agglutination: In positive Loose, Large Collon Wooly Clumps at upper side (Fluffy)

O- agglutination: In positive chalky powder sedimentation (disk like pattern) at bottom.

**Interpretation of widal reaction:**

1. At first week end – agglutination +ve.
2. Titre increases up to 3<sup>rd</sup> week.
3. Two (OR) more serum samples tested for knowing rise of titre.
4. Interpretation:
  - a. Titre for "O" agglutination – 1/100 or more.
  - b. Titre for "H" agglutination – 1/200 or more.
5. Agglutinins (antibodies) already present in previous infections (diseases) and already TAB immunized patients in these patients "Anamnestic Response" present, i.e., antibody titre increased.

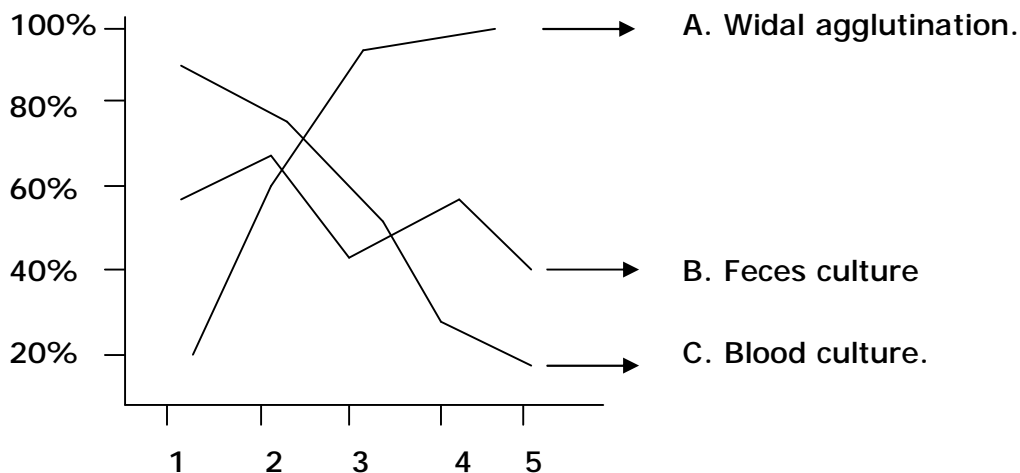
**Other serological tests:**

1. Indirect hem agglutination
2. CIE
3. ELISA

**Demonstration of circulatory antigen:**

- Antigens present in early phase of the fever and in the urine.
- Sensitized staphylococcal coagulation test.
- Antigens can be demonstrated.

**(Graph) for Laboratory Diagnosis:**



**Fig:** Laboratory diagnosis of typhoid fever. The approximate percentage of tests for positive during different stages of the disease from 1<sup>st</sup> week to 5<sup>th</sup> week.

### Diagnosis of carrier:

- It is important for epidemiological and public health purpose.
- Screening of food handlers and cooks
  1. Identification of faecal carriers
  2. Detection of urinary carriers
  3. Tracing carriers in cities by:
    - a. Sewer swab technique
    - b. Filtration through Millipore membrane

### Prophylaxis:

1. Sanitation improvement
2. Provision of supply of protected water supply
3. Vaccination
  - a. TAB vaccine
  - b. Polyvalent TAB vaccine.
4. Two new typhoid vaccines
  - a. Oral vaccine (typhoral)
  - b. Injectable vaccine (typhin-VI)

### Treatment:

- From 1948, Chloramphenicol was used.
- From 1970, Resistance to chloramphenicol developed.

### Other drugs used:

- a. Streptomycin - in vitro
- b. Tetracycline - in vitro
- c. Ampicillin
- d. Amoxicillin
- e. Furazolidone
- f. Cotrimoxazole

### Treatment of carrier:

Antibacterial therapy + vaccination

### Elimination of carriers:

- By
- a. Cholecystectomy
  - b. Pyelolithotomy
  - c. Nephrectomy