Anaerobic G+rods to filaments

Rod Actinomyces (A. israelii, A. naeslundii)

Microscopy: G + rods to filaments Biochemistry: glucosis fermentation Cultivation: anaerobic, 5-7 day growth Pathogenity: common in the mouth, vagina, endogenous



Forms: <u>cervikofacial (neck fistule) inoculation by face trauma for ex. ski stick</u> <u>abdominal</u> – looks like cancer <u>thoracic</u> – atypic pneumonia <u>pelvic</u> – occurs in woman fitted with plastic intra-uterine contraceptive devices Typical for actinomycosis, "pus" contain characteristic agglomerate of microbes <u>Dg.:</u> direct – microscopy and cultivation <u>Treatment:</u> PNC (doxycyklin, linkomycin)

Disease like this is also caused by Bifidobacterium, Propionibacterium (cause also acne)

Aerobic G+rods to filaments Nocardia (N. asteroides, N. brasiliensis)

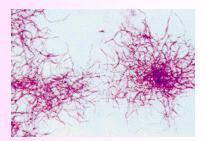
Microscopy: G + rods to filaments, often disintegrate

<u>Cultivation</u>: aerobic actinomycets, velvet white to yellowish colonies, aerobic growth on most nonselective media, (2-3 days, to 14 days)

Pathogenity: conditional patogens, lead to pulmonary infection, brain absces, skin form looks like actinomycosis (usually in tropical areas, comes from soil)

<u>Dg.</u>: microscopy and cultivation

Treatment: kotrimoxazol, drenage, tetracyklin



http://www.gefor.4t.com/concurso/bacteriologia/nocardia2.gif

M. tuberculosis

Microscopy: don't use Gramm stain

Ziehl-Neelsenem stain of sputum (heated carbol fuchsin - acid diluted in ethanol, a blue/green counterstain) - pink rods in ZN stain, blue background, called acid-fast bacilli

Fluorescent stain

- <u>Cultivation:</u> solid soil (Löwenstein-Jensen) growth 3-6 weeks, yellow, cauliflower colonies, liquid media (Šula) forms semolina like sediment
- **Pathogenesis:** grow intracellulary (inside macrophages) and slowly, damage of a tissue is caused by reaction of macroorganism (late immune response no. IV)

Pathogenicity: cause tuberculosis (TB)

- <u>Primary TB</u> lung disease, basilary meningitis, scrofulous lymphadenitis of neck nodes
- <u>Postprimary TB</u> reactivation when the individual ages or immune status changes, lung disease
- TB signs: caugh, blood caughing, temperature, weight loose

M. tuberculosis II.

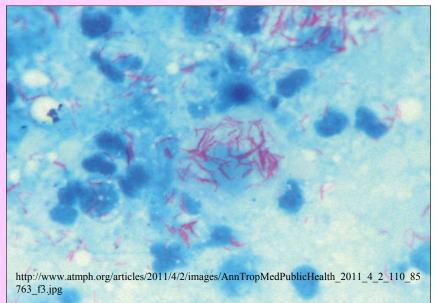
- **Treatment:** multidrug therapy, initial phase (2 months) -HRZS, HRZE – large numbers are killed, continuation phase (6-8 months) – remainders are killed (HR, HE)
- **Epidemiology:** transmitted by aerosols from an infected individual
- **Prevention:** vaccination in new-born babies, before next vaccination diagnostic test Mantoux is needed, after 48-72 hours induration occurs, vaccination is made only in tuberculin negative person
- **Dg.:** microscopy, cultivation (L-J, Ogawa solid media; Šula, Banič – liquid media) – 1,3,6 and 9 weeks. Demonstration on guinea-pig, detection of metabolic products or PCR

*H – INH, R – rifampicin, Z – pyrazinamid, S – streptomycin, E - etambutol

M. tuberculosis

"cauliflower" colonies





Ziehl-Neelsenem stain

red rods on blue background

Mycobacteria other than tuberculosis

M. bovis (BCG) - serves as vaccination strain

M. leprae

Will not grow in culture, only on mice, infection of peripheral nerves <u>tuberculoid</u> – anesthetic plaques on skin <u>lepromatous</u> – leads to loss of digits on fingers, face damage, blindness

Atypic mycobacteria - are found in water + in soil, cause skin infection, TB like disease – lung infections, resistant to many antituberculotics – multidrug therapy is needed

