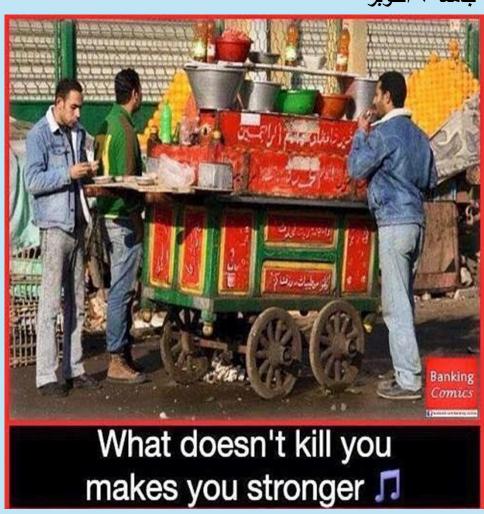




# Food-borne infections Typhoid Hepatitis A Poliomyelitis

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# **Typhoid Fever**

(Enteric Fever)

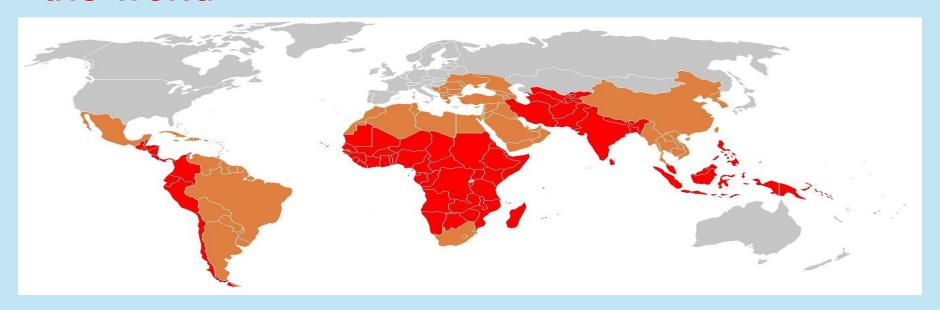






- Typhoid is an acute infectious bacterial disease characterized by systemic and intestinal manifestations.
- Most of the burden of the disease occurs in the developing world, where it is highly endemic
- Most cases in developed countries are imported from endemic areas.
- The **disease** is endemic in Egypt in the form of sporadic cases throughout the year with significant rise in incidence during summer months .
- Salmonellae have more than **2000 serotypes**, of which pathogens of human disease are:
  - Typhoidal salmonellae: S. typhi, and S. Paratyphi A, B, and C.
  - Non-typhoidal salmonellae, of salmonella food poisoning and salmonellosis.

# Typhoid fever is prevalent in many regions in the world

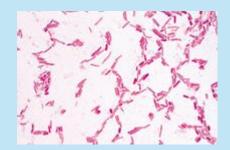


- High endemicity (>100 cases per lac per year)
- Medium endemicity (10 cases per lac per year)
- Low endemicity (<10 cases per lac per year)

# Causative Organism Salmonellae have more than **2000 serotypes**, of which pathogens of human disease are:

• For Typhoid: Salmonella Typhi (typhoid bacillus), with a big number of serotypes.

- For Paratyphoid: there are three serotypes of Salmonella Paratyphi A, B, and C
  - (B is the most common, followed by A, while C is rare).



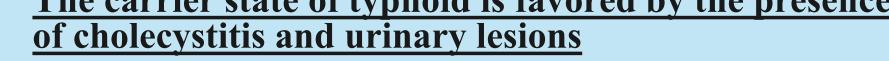
#### **Carriers of Typhoid fever**

- Incubatory carrier: organisms are found in feces in the last days of the incubation period.
- Convalescent carrier: about 10% of convalescents become carriers, either temporarily for some weeks or months, or chronic (2-5% of convalescents).

#### **Carriers of Typhoid fever**

- Contact carrier: for about two weeks.
- Healthy carrier: acquired subclinical infection from a polluted environment (usually water), for about two weeks.

  The carrier state of typhoid is favored by the presence



- The exit of the infection is through
- Small intestine (Peyer's patches) and gall-bladder: organisms find exit in faeces
- Kidney: organisms find an exit in urine
- Fecal carriers are more common than the urinary.



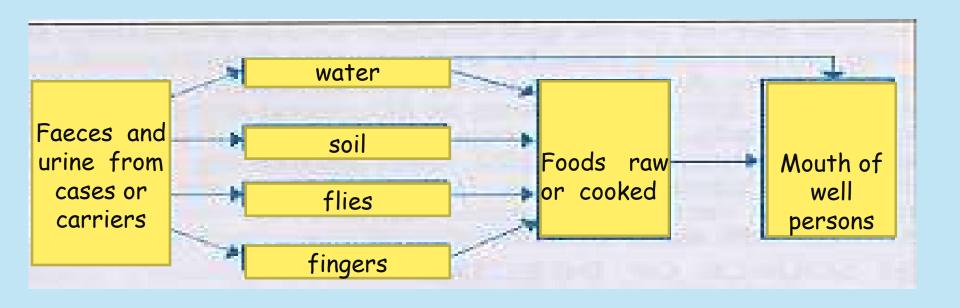
- **Mode of Transmission** 
  - Ingestion of contaminated food and water
  - Direct hand-to-mouth infection.
- Incubation period: 8-14
- Clinical picture

First week: malaise, headache, cough & sore throat in prodromal stage. The disease classically presents with step-ladder fashion rise in temperature (40 - 41°C) over 4 to 5 days, accompanied by headache, vague abdominal pain, and constipation or pea soup Diarrhoea

Second week: Between the 7th -10th day hepato- splenomegally with Relative and rose spots may be seen.

Third week: Prolonged apathy, toxemia, delirium, disorientation, and/or coma. Diarrhoea will then become apparent Complications: Intestinal haemorrhage, intestinal perforation, cholecystitis, thrombophlebitis, myocarditis, pneumonia, osteomyelitis, bone abscesses and others

Case fatality: 15-30% in untreated cases and decreases with treatment to 1-2%.



#### **Symptoms of Typhoid Fever**



High fever.



Chills.



Loss of appetite.



Stomach (abdominal) pain.



"Rose spots" rash. (usually on chest/stomach).



Cough.



Muscle aches.



Headache.



Nausea, vomiting.



Diarrhea or constipation.

#### Laboratory Diagnosis:

- **Blood culture:** during the stage of bacteraemia (the first week): a positive culture is conclusive, but a negative culture does not exclude the disease.
- Widal test: agglutination test, to show the presence of a diagnostic titer of agglutinins in serum. Antibodies begin to rise in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of disease.
- High titre O and low titre H suggest recent infections, while the reverse suggests past infections.
- Stool and urine culture: in the second and third week, and they should be repeated three times. Practically valuable to detect carriers, rather than for diagnosis.

**IMMUNITY:** relative immunity after infection (clinical and subclinical) or immunization, but not enough to protect against subsequent infection of large doses and large numbers of organisms.

#### **Prevention**

<u>General:</u> Sanitary environment (the chief preventive measure)-Health education

#### **Specific: Active Immunization**

Two vaccines are available, parenteral heat-killed, and oral a virulent.

#### TAB Vaccine: Killed, containing S. typhi bacilli,

- S. paratyphi A and B bacilli. It is the vaccine used in Egypt.
- Adults are given two doses of 0.5 and 1.0ml SC, 4 weeks apart.
- Children over two years can be given a smaller dosage.
- Booster Doses: When necessary, a booster adult dose of 1.0 ml (and smaller for children) is given every 3 years.
- It can cause swelling, redness and tenderness. Sometimes general manifestations as fever, malaise, and headache.
- It provides moderate immunity (50-75%), and may not be protective on exposure to heavy infection
- **TABC vaccine:** added Paratyphi C, where it is endemic

Vaccination in endemic areas is given to Food handlers,
 Laboratory workers, or workers in waste disposal Inhabitants of slum areas - during epidemics and outbreaks Travelers to endemic areas, and pilgrims.

#### **CONTROL**

#### Case-finding.

Notification to the local health office.

**Isolation:** allowed at home when sanitary requirements are fulfilled; otherwise, must be at the hospital.

**Disinfection concurrent**, for excreta (by 1% crude phenol), and articles and fomites, **and terminal** for objects, and cleaning of the room.

**Treatment**: general and specific chemotherapy.

: after 3 negative cultures of stools and urine, 24 or more hours apart.

First sample is taken two weeks after drop of temperature to normal (to exclude possibility of relapse).

#### **Control of Contacts**

- Surveillance for two weeks, from the date of last exposure to the case, for case-finding.
- Diagnosis, especially among food handlers by Widal test, if positive stool and urine culture can be done (repeated cultures are indicated).
- Health education, to follow clean habits, especially clean hands.
- For chronic gall-bladder carrier, Ampicillin for 1-3 months can be tried until three negative successive samples to eliminate infection, but if not, cholecystectomy is indicated.
- For chronic urinary carrier, surgical management when indicated may remove the pathological focus of infection.

## Measures to be taken when epidemic or outbreak threatens to occur:

- 1. Sanitary measures: super chlorination of water supply, control of flies, sanitary disposal of wastes, and strict food and milk sanitation.
- 2. Health education of the public for preventive measures, and early manifestations of disease, to seek medical care if they appear.
- 3. Vaccination of at-risk group or population.
- 4. Epidemiologic study,

to trace source(s) and channel(s) of infection.



#### Viral A Hepatitis (HAV)

- Hepatitis is inflammation of the liver cells.
- Clinical picture varies widely from an inapparent case up to severe hepatocellular dysfunction
- HAV is a communicable food-borne viral acute disease involving the liver and was formerly known as "Infectious hepatitis"
- Worldwide, in the form of sporadic cases, outbreaks, and epidemics
- Reservoir: Man (Cases and Incubatory carriers)

#### Mode of transmission

#### Feco-oral transmission .(main mode)

- Directly by contaminated hands. (hand to mouth)
- Vehicle by contaminated water or food. (ingestion)

**Parenteral transmission:** rarely from blood during viremia. Due to a short period of viremia (only a few days)

Incubation period: up to 50 days

**Period of communicability:** Last week before symptoms-throughout the illness and 1-2 weeks in stool after the appearance of jaundice

#### Clinical picture

- -Unapparent cases: mild anicteric cases, showing an influenza-like picture and pass unnoticed.
- -Classical disease.
- -Severe, fulminant, rapidly fatal disease.

#### **Diagnosis**

#### A) Clinical

- Classical disease can be suspected: By dark-coloured urine and jaundice.
- Clinical diagnosis is thus difficult early in the disease, and in an-icteric cases.

#### B) Laboratory

- Detecting the virus in stools, by electron microscopy, early in the disease.
- Serologic testing for IgM in acute disease.
- Liver function tests: elevated liver enzymes (not specific)

#### Prevention

#### A) General

- 1- Environmental sanitation: Food sanitation-Water sanitation-Sanitary waste and sewage disposal- Insect and rodent control
- 2- Health education of the public about good sanitation and personal hygiene.
- 3- Precautions to prevent parenteral transmission.
  - ( sanitary blood transfusion, disposable syringes)

#### B)Specific

#### **1-Active Immunization:** The vaccine used is:

- Killed vaccine
- Two doses, 1 ml each, IM, in the deltoid, 4 weeks apart
- Given to: (high-risk groups)
  - International travellers to endemic areas if they are going to stay for a long time, ie, more than 3 months
  - Persons in closed communities with insanitary conditions where the disease is endemic.

#### 2-Seroprophylaxis

Human Normal Immunoglobulin is administered either before expected exposure or within a few days after exposure.

#### • Given to:

- Household or other intimate contacts:
- At-risk group, when the outbreak spreads in a closed community (camp, school, institute).

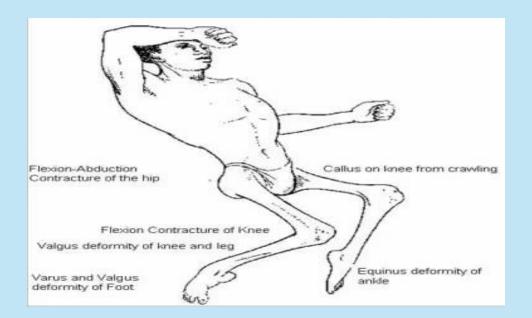


#### Control of the reservoir is difficult because:

- Large number of subclinical cases.
- Fecal excretion of the virus is mostly during the IP.
- There is no specific treatment.
- 1)Case Finding: clinically and lab. Notification: should be made to the local health authorities. Isolation: at home, though practically difficult with mild cases.
- **Disinfection:** Sanitary disposal of feces, urine, and blood
- **Treatment:** Symptomatic treatment
- ➤ General: Bed rest.
- Release: After clinical recovery, about one month after the onset of disease.
- 2) Contacts: -Enlistment -Immunization: Active and passive immunization should be given as soon as possible, within 2 weeks of exposure- Examination: for early case finding-Surveillance: for 6 weeks
- 3) Epidemic measures: Rules of food sanitation must be strictly followed Seroprophylaxis of at-risk individuals or group-Epidemiologic study, to trace sources and channels of infection.

### **Poliomyelitis**

- Acute viral infectious disease that may lead to flaccid paralysis.
- There are 3 serotypes, Type 2 and 3 have been eradicated worldwide, 2015-2018, respectively
- In Egypt, one case was reported in 2003 and another one in 2004.
- Now Egypt is in the stage of poliomyelitis elimination.



#### 1. Infectious agent:

- \* Polio-virus is an enterovirus with three antigenic types: 1,2 & 3.

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- \* All types can produce paralysis, but **type 1** is the most **common** type to cause **paralysis** and **epidemics**.
- \* No cross-immunity exists between the three strains.

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- **2. Occurrence:** \* High in developing countries. \*(90%) below five years of age.
- \* The number of cases of poliomyelitis occurring every year is nearly ten times more than the reported cases due to poor reporting.
- 3. Reservoir: usually, children, as either a case or a carrier, represent the only reservoir. \*Carriers are mostly short-term, not exceeding a few weeks.

#### 4. Transmission:

#### **Route of transmission:**

developing countries.

- 1. The **major** route of transmission is **faecal-oral** in
- 1.Droplet during epidemics in developed countries.

#### 5. Communicability:

- Contact and healthy carriers: about two weeks.
- Cases: infectious for about 6-8 weeks, which include incubatory carriers (last days of incubation period), clinical period, and convalescent carriers (temporary, for some weeks).

#### 6. Susceptibility and immunity:

- \* Immunity with OPV (oral polio vaccine) is thought to be lifelong.
- \* Infants born to immune mothers have antibodies that protect them for a few weeks.

#### 7. Incubation period: 7-14 days

#### Sequelae of Polio infection

**1-Inapparent infection:** in 72% of cases, and are considered carriers

#### **2-Manifest disease:**

- \*Minor illness: 23% have Fever, malaise, muscle pain, headache, nausea, and/or vomiting.
- \*Non-paralytic poliomyelitis: in 4% of those who develop a minor illness followed by meningitis lasting for 2-10 days, then recovery
- \*Major illness: 1% CNS involvement causing flaccid paralysis.

It is usually asymmetric (not affecting both sides equally). The most common pattern is involvement of one leg, followed by one arm.



- Prevention:
- I. General: Environmental sanitation
- -Proper waste disposal- Safe water supply
- **II. Specific:** By active immunization.
- There are two types of vaccines against poliomyelitis:
- 1. Sabin vaccine:
- 2 oral drops of live attenuated vaccine, stord at temperature 2-8 degrees given at 0, 2,4,6,9 months and a booster dose is given at 18 months.
- <u>N.B.</u>
- Repeat the dose if the child spits out the drops.
- Lactation has no effect on the potency of the vaccine.
- •The vaccine may not be effective if the child has diarrhea. So after giving the three doses, an additional dose is given after 4-8 weeks. There is no harm in repeating the vaccination.
- 2. Salk vaccine: 0.5 ml of killed vaccine IM, at the age of 2,4,6 months



#### **Control**

#### I. Measures for the cases:

- Early case-finding is not practical.
- Isolation at home, or fever hospital if necessary.
- Concurrent disinfection
- Medical care and treatment
- Rehabilitation of paralytic cases.
- Release after treatment, and satisfactory muscle and general condition.

It usually takes more than two months when the case is no longer infectious.

#### II. Measures to contacts:

1. Listing. 2. Supervision for max. I.P. = 2 WEEKS. 3. Mass immunization program.

#### **III. Measures to the environment:**

1. Proper environmental sanitation. 2. Disinfection. 3. Find the source of infection.

