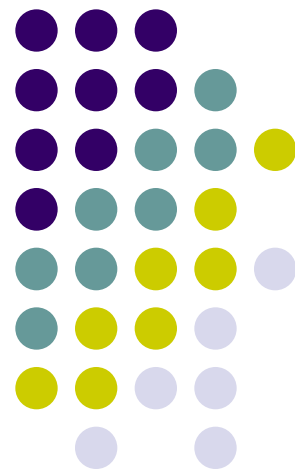




# 牛型結核菌

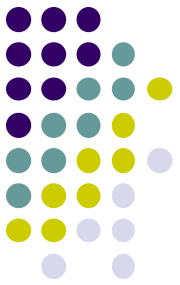
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# Implications

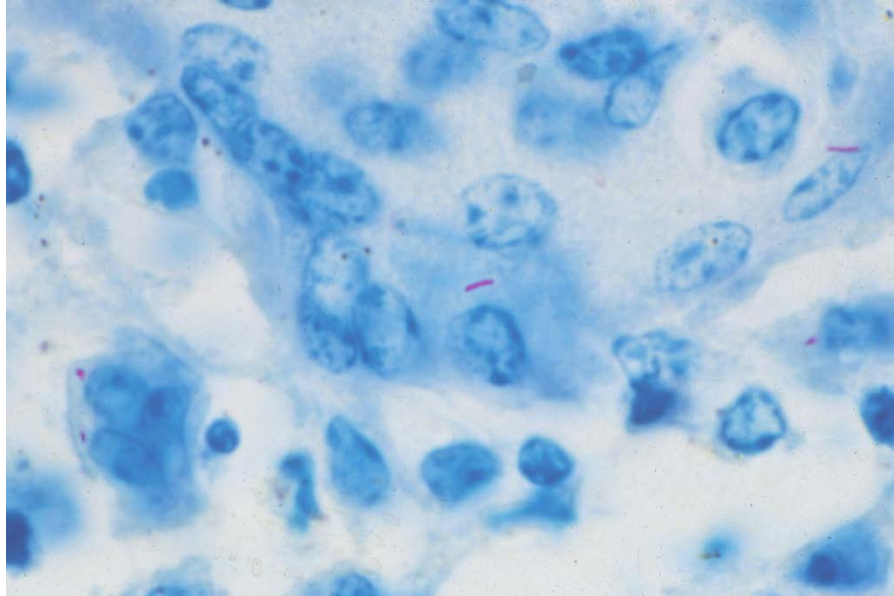


- Bovine tuberculosis is a human health issue in many foreign countries where the **milk is not pasteurized** and there are high rates of human infection
- Bovine TB is an **economic issue!!** Until the disease is eradicated from livestock, other countries will continue to impose restrictions on the sale and movement of livestock



# What is Tuberculosis?

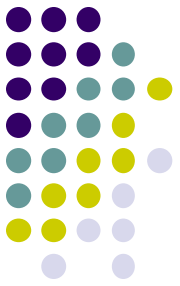
- Tuberculosis (TB) is a contagious disease of both animals and humans
- It is caused by *Mycobacterium*



# *Mycobacterium*



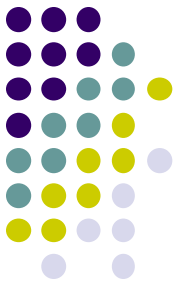
- Unique bacteria
- Cell walls contain a lot of **waxy material (mycolic acid)**
  - inhibits the uptake of nutrients into the bacterial cell
  - causes the cell to clump
    - these factors contribute to the slow growth rate
- Mycobacteria **do not grow outside of a host** except in cultured media
  - Slow growth rate
  - Multiply approximately **once every 20 hours**



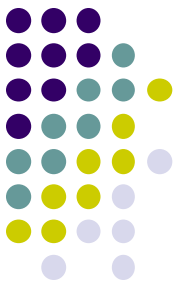
# *Mycobacterium*

- Require **oxygen for growth**
- **Very heat sensitive**
- Can be killed by a **weak solution of common household bleach**
  - 1 part bleach to 9 parts water
- Can **remain viable** for extended periods of time **in cold weather**

# Three Types of Tuberculosis



- *Mycobacterium bovis* (bovine)
- *Mycobacterium avium* (bird)
- *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

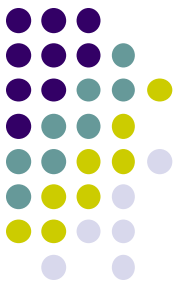


# *Mycobacterium bovis*

- Bovine TB can be transmitted from livestock to humans, deer and other animals
- No other organism has as great a host range as bovine TB
- **Bovine TB can infect all warmblooded vertebrates**



# *Mycobacterium avium*

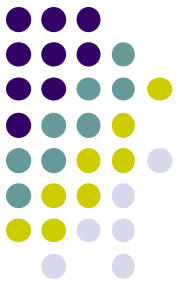


- Can affect all species of bird
- Can affect hogs and cattle





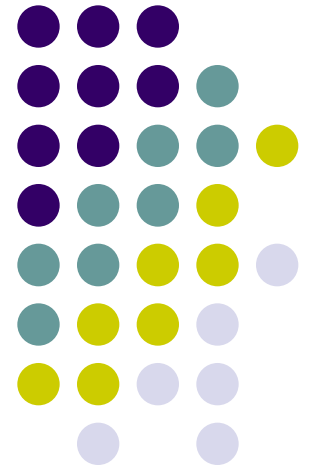
# *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*



- Primarily affects humans
- Can be transmitted to hogs, cattle, and dogs



# Bovine TB



# Bovine Tuberculosis

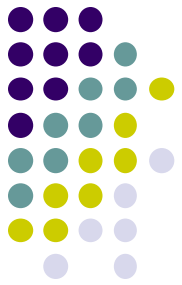


- *Mycobacterium bovis*: control measures have led to a greatly reduced prevalence in Europe. Spread is promoted by high densities of animals and immune suppression.
- Generally a primary respiratory infection leads to tubercles in the lung and associated lymph nodes (bronchial and retropharyngeal).
- **Antibiotic treatments are long term and very expensive for animals.** Consequently tuberculin testing and **culling** of exposed animals.
- **Prevent cattle movement**

# Epidemiology of bovine TB



- Cattle transmit infection to cattle via infected respiratory droplets – respiratory route
- Badgers(獾) transmit *M. bovis* between themselves by the **respiratory route** and **by biting**. Mums transmit to cubs but **not by milk**
- Cattle may get *M. bovis* from badgers via grazing on pasture contaminated with badger urine, faeces and bronchial pus or badgers urinate and defecate in cattle feeders.
- **Aerosol transmission** via coughing may be possible or via dried badger saliva in cattle houses
- This may apply to cattle to badger transmission



# Example of *M. bovis* prevalence in wildlife

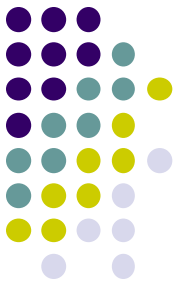
Wildlife species	Percentage of TB breakdown farms reporting presence of wildlife	<i>M. bovis</i> infection prevalence (n)
<b>Badgers</b>	80%	4% (n=21,731)
<b>Deer</b>	Fallow 12% Muntjac 9% Red 1% Roe 2% Sika 1%	1% (n=1817)
Ferrets/Polecats	6%	4% (n=26)
Foxes	83%	1% (n=954)
Rabbits	80%	0% (n=144)
Rats	76%	1% (n=412)
Stoats / Weasels	35%	0% (n=66)



# TB Transmission

- Can be transmitted from animals to humans and vice versa
- **Young animals** and **humans** can contract the disease by drinking **raw milk** from infected dams
- Can be transmitted through **saliva** and other **discharges** of infected animals
- Most common means of transmission
  - **RESPIRATION**

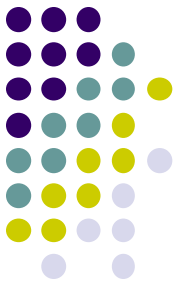
# Who is at risk?



- Animals kept in **close contact** with other infected animals in **enclosed areas like barns** are at greatest risk for exposure to bovine TB.



# Animal Immune Response



- Immune system recognizes bacteria
- Inflammatory cells (macrophages) are sent to dispose of it
- *Mycobacterium* is resistant to destruction
  - once ingested by the macrophages it may replicate and kill the macrophage

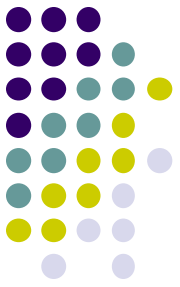


# Animal Immune Response



- Immune system continues to send macrophages to help destroy the bacteria
- Results in an accumulation of living and dead macrophages at the site of the bacteria
- Accumulation is called a tubercle

# Animal Immune Response



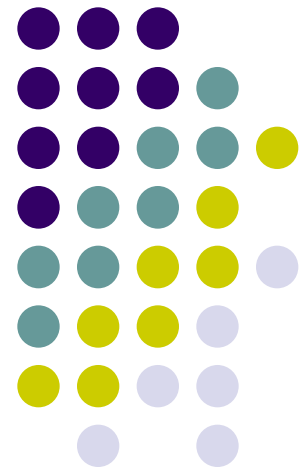
- Thick capsule may form around the tubercle; called a granuloma



Pericardial granuloma

# Diagnosing Bovine TB

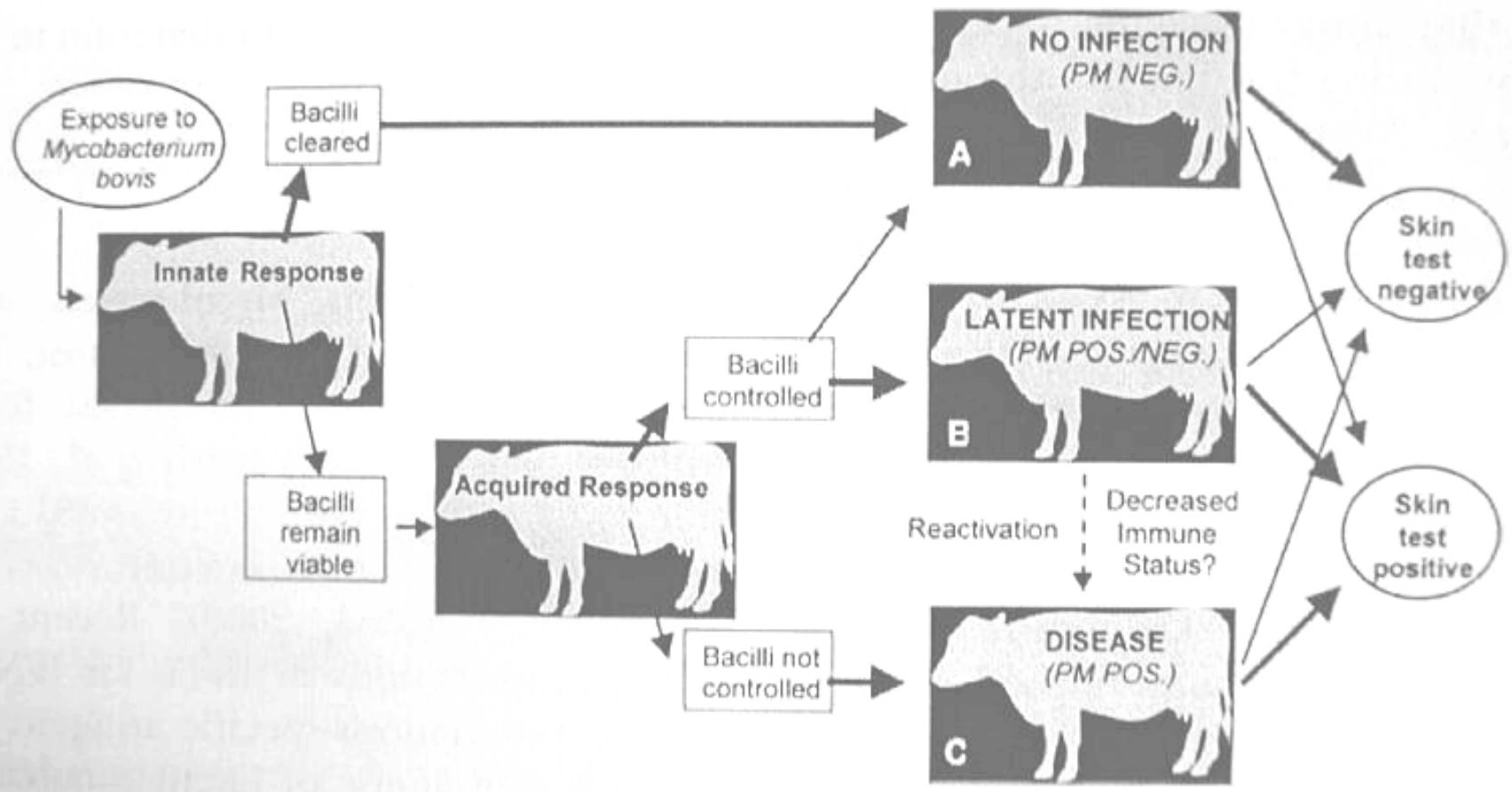
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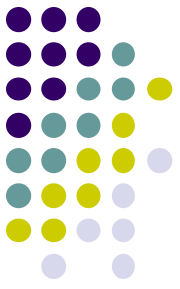




# Steps in Diagnosis

- The result of each on farm test determines if follow up tests are necessary
- Cattle suspected of being infected after **CFT test and CCT test** are submitted to an animal diagnostic laboratory for necropsy (animal autopsy)
  - gross examination
  - histological (microscopic) examination





- No, It's Not New...  
There have been  
and continue to be  
Public Health  
Risks of  
Consuming Raw  
Milk and Raw Milk  
Products

# Milk from tuberculous mastitis



Before pasteurisation *M. bovis* infection in man was common (pre-1930's)

Now *M. bovis* rare in humans

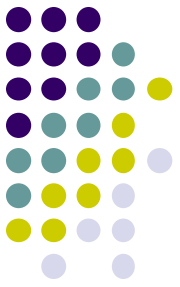
**Causes <1% of all human TB cases** in developed countries

Elderly (inc. reactivated infections)

Immunosuppressed (e.g. HIV, cancer)

Foreign travellers

# Raw Milk Cheese



**Food Safety Risk**



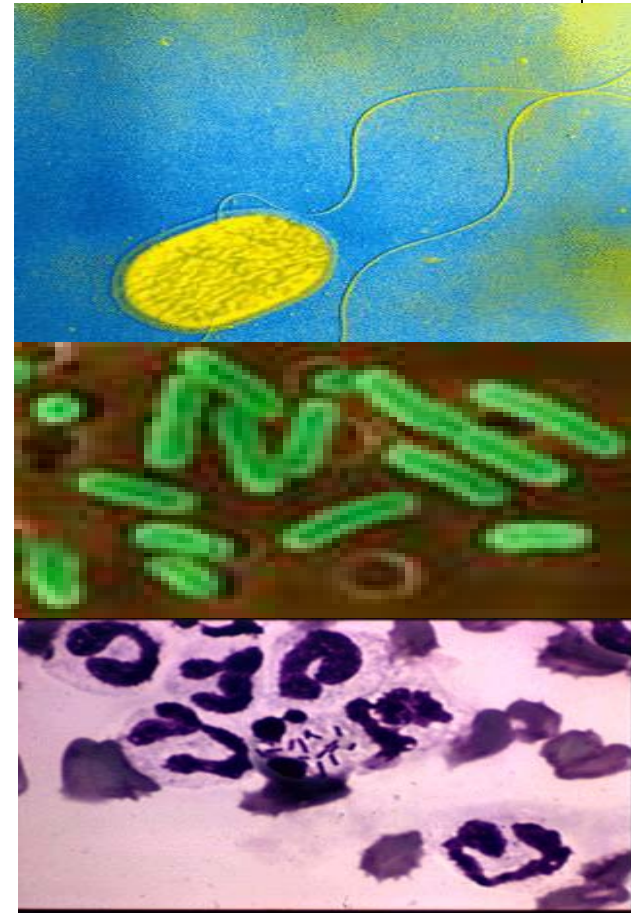
# Long History of Risk



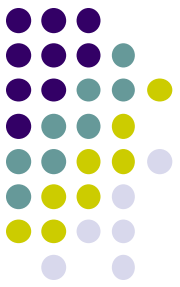
- FDA and other Federal and State agencies have acknowledged a long history of the risks associated with the consumption of raw milk.
- Raw milk (no bactericidal/bacteriostatic treatment, apart from cooling) is a vehicle for transmission of pathogens, such as:
  - *Listeria monocytogenes*
  - *Brucella* spp.
  - *E. coli*
  - *Campylobacter* spp.
  - *Mycobacterium bovis*
  - *Coxiella burnetti*
  - *Salmonella* spp.

# Pasteurization

- Pasteurization destroys pathogenic bacteria



Such as *Listeria monocytogenes*



# Why Pasteurize?



- Pasteurization was first implemented to destroy *Mycobacterium bovis*, which causes systemic tuberculosis in humans.
- Pasteurization temperatures were later increased to destroy *Coxiella burnetii*, which causes Q-fever.
- Pasteurization can destroy emerging pathogens, such as *E. coli* O157:H7 and *Salmonella typhimurium* DT-104, which cause serious illness and are difficult to treat due to resistance to many common antibiotics (Cornell Univ.).

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