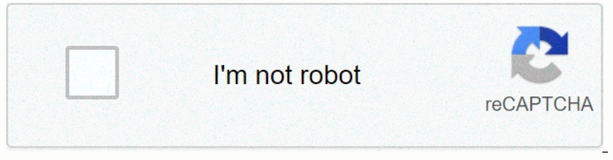

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WATER MICROBIOLOGYNajp. Such natu-ral water supply can be contaminated with domestic and industrial water. Many city dwellers (whose water comes from rivers) do not realize that much of their drinking water may have previously been used for domestic and industrial purposes. Water is used for bathing, washing clothes, washing utensils and rinsing toi-lets. Water consumption in the backyard may vary depending on water availability. Most of the water that is brought into homes can be returned as sewage by the drainage system. All these waste water contains organic and inorganic waste as suspended or dissolved substances. In ad-dition, these wastewater contains microorganisms, including those of fecal origin and pathogenic nature. As a potential for pathogenic or ganism, water can be in danger to health and life. The pathogens most commonly transmitted by water are those that cause gastrointestinal infections, namely, typhoid and parata phoid bacteria, dysentery (Bacillary) and cholera bacteria and viruses. The responsible organisms of these diseases are present in the feces or urine of an infected person. Distribution of microorganisms in the aquatic environmentMicroorganisms occur at all depths. The surface layer and bot-tom deposits have a high concentration of microorganisms. The drifting microbial life of the aquatic environment is called Plankton. This is a com-posed with Phytoplankton eg. Algae and Zooplankton. The lower water region ports the largest number and types of mi-croorganisms called benthic microorganisms. The movement of water through the wind, tide and currents affect the distribution of microorganisms in the oceans. This is the process by which bottom water carries rich supplies of nutri-ents and delivers it to the surface region. Water microorganisms in ponds and lakesCompatision and dissection of lakes and ponds affects the occurrence of microorganisms. Lakes and ponds of the temperate region show thermal stratification, which affects the population of microbes at different times of the year. In spring and autumn, mixing occurs resulting in mass-sive algal growth called bloom. Lakes and ponds enriched with nutrients show eutrophication. Common microorganisms found in fresh water are Pseudomonas, Flavobacterium, Aeromonas and Alcaligenes. The estuary is partially closed coastal bodies of water with con-nection with open sea. It receives fresh water with all suspensions of particulate matter through rivers. In areas receiving household waste with organic nutrients contain the following organisms: Coliforms, FaecalStreptococci, Bacillus, Clostridium, Thiothrix and Thiobacillus. Soilbacteria such as Azotobacter, Nitrosomonas and Nitrobacter are also foundganismsin Phycomycetes and Fungi-imperfecti are also present in water. Aquatic microorganisms in the seaSea is the largest natural environment inhabited by microbes. Bacteria, algae, protozoa, molds and yeast are the main groups of microorganisms found in the sea. The number of microorganisms is higher in coastal waters and gradually decreases in the open sea. In the sea, phytoplanktons form a group of microorganisms that convert radiation energy into chemical energy and which support the population of en-tire fish e.g. in the wild. Diatoms, cyanobacteria, dinoflagel-lates, Chrysomonads and Chlamydomonas.The importance of aquatic microorganismsZagic microorganisms, both plants and animals, interact with each other and between microorganisms. Algae, protozoa and other phytoplankton play a key role in the food chain in water, and some or ganisms perform photosynthesis. They are called basic procedures in the aquatic ecosystem. Bacteria and other fungal organisms also play an important role in the chemical transformation of biogeo in soil. Sources of water pollutionSeven source of freshwater drinking water is provided by rainwater. The same thing becomes contaminated by the action of nature, as water falls on land and acts as a stream, collecting different types of minerals and suspended particles. In this running water, due to its anthropogenic effect, more minerals, more chemicals and organic materials are added, which causes the water to be contaminated. There are three main sources of water pollution.1. Municipal waste water or waste water (or) domestic waste water2. Industrial wastewater3. Agricultural pollution1. Sewage or municipal waste water quality after bathing, work in the kitchen, washing clothes and animals, etc. a large amount of raw sewage discharged into the main stream pollute the river water. Among the various sources of pollution of water, sewage, household waste containing decomposing organic matter is the main source and accounts for 70 percent of water pollution. Industrial wastewater accounts for 15 percent of water pollution.2 Industrial waste water Industrial waste water is classified under the following heads.I. Food and beverage industry. Distillesses and sugar .b. Food processing units.c. Soap and oil production units.II. Chemical. Fertilizers and chemicals, paints. Medicine and pharmaceuticals. Insecticides and pesticidesIII. Engineering Industries. Metallurgical industry.b. Wire industry.c. Rare earths and minerals.IV. Other industries producing organic products rayonb. Rubber industry. Textilesd. Plywood and hard plates. Tannenies and leather industry Roomy and contaminated water Water free from disease-causing organisms and free from harmful chemicals is known as drinking water. Water contaminated with waste water, household waste or industrial chemicals and pathogenic microorganisms is referred to as contaminated water or contaminated water. Standards for waterIndications of water from different sources depend on the rain, the nature of the sub-sweetness on which it is in contact and the influence of other substances added to it. Chemical analysis of water is neces-sarah to determine water quality. Drinking water should be used for human consumption. Any water can be called drinking water if it is free from unwanted odor, taste and does not contain bacteria capable of producing diseases in humans. Standards for drinking waterIndicator organismsIt is almost impossible to isolate from water re-sponsible organisms for water-borne diseases. Few organisms are present and do not reproduce in water. The only safe way to prevent waterborne diseases is to condemn fecally contaminated water as unable for human use because it can contain harmful organisms. Faecal contamination can be determined by testing water for bacilla dimuth (E.coli). E.coli is rich in feces and is not outside the digestive tract in nature. E.coli in water indicates the presence of pathogenic microorganisms in water, which can be responsible for a number of water-borne dis-eases. Hence, E.coli is known as the body's indicator. Water also con-tains bacteria that resemble butmayE.colir may not be from fecalorigin. These bacteria also ferment lactose with the formation of a gas such as E.coli. Other indicator organisms include Streptococcus faecalis Strep-tococcus faecium, Streptococcus bovis, Streptococcus equinus, etc., and Clostridium perfringenes. Page 2 Sources of water contaminationSeven freshwater drinking water source provides rainwater. The same thing becomes contaminated by the action of nature, as water falls on land and acts as a stream, collecting different types of minerals and suspended particles. 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Evidence suggests that life originated in a primitive ocean about 3.5 billion years ago. The blood in our veins closely approximates the composition of seawater. Some biologists even consider terrestrial life to be an extension of the ocean, which has developed means of packing seawater so that it can move on dry land or fresh water (Discover October 1995 p. 76). Water has shaped evolution so that biochemistry must be taken into account from the perspective of its relationship with water. In early lectures, I emphasized the concepts of the hydrophilic and hydrophobic nature of biological molecules; stressing that they are always described in terms of their dependence on water. These water-loving/water-loving interactions ultimately determine the shape of biological molecules and thus determine the specificity that is the basic principle of living processes. You've seen how a change in one base pair in DNA, which causes a subtle change in the shape of a key molecule, can trigger a genetic disease. Such changes usually interactions between the components of the molecule and water. All microbes live in an emoki environment. Without water, they either die or become inactive. The ecology of aquatic environments is complex and our understanding of them is limited. Most aquatic environments are teeming with life. Microbes have evolved, which can live in solutions of saturated salt (sodium chloride) at temperatures from below zero to almost boiling; develop in waters full of toxic substances such as copper, cyanide, lead, silver, gasoline, oil, benzene and a myriad of other harmful natural and artificial substances. It is almost natural right that where there is water, a source of energy and basic nutrients, you will find living microbes. Water is crucial for man for several reasons. First, it is required to maintain life. A person can survive weeks without food, but only a few days without water. Water is crucial for the development of our food and the functioning of all our industries. Finally, it is the main carrier of many water-borne diseases that have shaped history in the past and will certainly continue to do so in the future. For example, the Middle East, where we recently went to war, is mainly a desert with a rapidly growing population of different nations that really don't like each other. The Jordan River, the main source of water for Israel, Jordan and Syria, is, by our standards here in the water-rich northwest, a trickle that we will laugh at to call the river. However, we are ready to defend one or more countries in the region when their survival depends on this trickle of water, which is not much greater than the Southern Palouse Fork, which runs through Pullman. Many believe it is likely that the next war in the Middle East may be over water, not oil. The importance of water in our lives is often overlooked because of its seemingly endless supply. Here in NW it literally rains on us for most of the year, and if we drive a few miles in any direction we cross the humongous rivers connected by impressive bridges, they tell us that they once contained a lot of fish. Moreover, a half-day tour will take us to the Pacific Ocean, the vastness and content of which will bend the mind. Finally, 70% of the earth is covered with water, which is a whole bunch of WET by anyone's definition. Surrounded by this abundant supply of moisture, it is hard to imagine that we could ever run out of water. However, as I'll show you, adding a few descriptive terms before the word WATER changes the whole picture. These words are: CLEAN, POTABLE, CONTAMINATED and FRESH. We will consider water from a microbiological point of view of the disease. Unfortunately, time does not allow other related areas to be explored, such as the diversity of microbial forms in aquatic habitats and their impact on the ecosystem. In view of the need for a stable people who built their communities on or near water supply. However, this has also led to an unfortunate tendency to remove our waste in the same place where we receive drinking water. This was a small problem when the population was small and nomadic, because when the stench of the camp became offensive, we picked up and moved the tribe a few miles up or down or over the hill to the next stream. Mother nature then stepped in and quickly recycled some of the waste left behind. With the advent of agriculture, permanent settlements and large populations, it has become impossible to move people to a clean habitat; besides, someone was usually already there and generally had serious outrage when new comers told them to move on. This probably represents a bad attitude of American Indians towards settlers. He then sets out the scenario: A growing human population cannot move away from waste. POTABLE (CLEAN) WATER = Water free from all controversial materials, including pathogens, flavors, odors, color, minerals, toxins, radioactive materials, organisms, oils, gases, etc. May contain high concentrations of certain minerals (e.g. calcium and magnesium) and gases such as carbon dioxide; the keyword is an inappropriate caveat. This means that it does not need to be toxic or contain pathogens so that it is not fit. FRESH WATER = non-salt water or seawater. CONTAMINATION = Anything that makes the water non-positional. SEWAGE = Combined municipal waste or all the rubbish that we and mother nature dump into the community sewer. These relationships are described in simple mathematical terms: Wt = Total freshwater available. Only <0.01% of the world's water is fresh water. Another way to introduce this is: If the world's water fits in a gallon of jug of available fresh water it will equal just over a tablespoon. 97% of the earth's water is seawater and 2% is trapped in ice sheets and glaciers. H = number of people. U = Amount of fresh water consumed per person for all their accumulation activities. Wa = Amount of fresh water available per person. Wp = Amount of contaminated water. Wc = Amount of drinking water. Wpw = Amount of drinking water per person. Since the amount of Wt remains roughly constant throughout the planet, while the number of people grows exponentially, we have a situation illustrated with the following formula: Wt/H(U) = Wa The above formula can now be modified to include drinking and contaminated water: Wt - Wp = Toilet Yes you can write a formula indicating the amount of drinking water / man as: Wc / H(U) = Wpw You do not need a rocket scientist to recognize that certain relationships follow: 1. As H increases, you tend to drop. 2. With the increase in U, Wa tends to decline. 3. If you and/or H can decrease, then Wa INCREASES accordingly. In other words, if you take a 5 min shower in up to 20 minutes one, there will be more water for everyone. 4. As Wp increases the amount of toilet decreases and vice versa. In case you don't understand this let me put it to you in another way. The less POOP we put into drinking water, the more WATER WITHOUT POOP we need to drink. 5. To increase the amount of Wp the amount of Wp must decrease. 6. The amount of Wp can be reduced only by not adding impurities to the Wt or removing impurities from wp. It turns out that the toilet is less than 1% Wt and (surprise) it drops. Our ancestors may have been technologically suing, but they were not stupid. It was easy to deal with human waste, when all that had to be done was step a few meters into the forest to respond to the call of nature, but as cities and populations grew, the forest became too remote for routine visits. People quickly realized that some human mane passes a long way, aesthetically speaking. With the increase in smell and flies, they finally decided that something needed to be done to get rid of unspeeded things. So the communities came together to work out what to do with everyone... well you know.... which pile up and reduce the value of the property. Perhaps the taxes were the result of communities that had to combine their resources to build defensive barriers to protect their neighbors and sewerage systems to remove waste. There are people today who closely combine taxes and feces. The first registered toilets and canals were built around 3000 AU in several parts of the world, including Orkeda and India/Pakistan. A canal system in the Orkeda Islands discharged toilet waste from homes into the sea, while cities in India/Pakistan built open sewers 2 ft deep by 7-10 inches wide along the main streets through which the waste was flushed. Cities in Iran/Iraq had shared toilets in 2300 AU and The Cretan Minoans had toilets and developed sewer systems in their palaces around the same time. Athens in 400 AU waste pipes from houses to septic tanks on the streets. The Romans, being social people, favored shared toilets that could accommodate 10 to 20 people in public toilets above the flowing water to transport waste. It has been reported that they have conducted business and politics in these facilities. Perhaps this has led to the idea expressed by many that politics is in the toilet. Toilet paper counterparts were a problem and it is likely that most people used common fabric and water pot (YUK), reusable sponges attached to a stick (YUK again), moss, hay/straw (probably where the term HARD A.. comes from) and/or grass (OUCH). Real toilet paper appeared in China in 589 AD. It is probably true that even today most people in the world do not have toilet paper, which may explain why so many people are in bad mode most of the time. Larger cities had extensive sewerage systems, some of which were Today. The larger sewers in Rome were big enough to drive the horse and cart through. In Pompeii you can see sewwater running down the center of the streets. Freiburg Germany (where I spent my vacation) has a canal system with flowing water running through the city (where communities of children now play); they are now decorative, but in previous times they served as urban canals. Figure 1. Functional European water systems in Germany and Italy. The picture on the left shows a flowing canal that runs through the city of Freiburg, Germany; is for show & is not officially used as sewerage. These channels are a threat to drunk drivers who often end up in

them. The picture on the right shows a fountain in the Italian community that still supplies water; note the support bars in which the buckets are placed during filling. Behind the fountain there is a canal / drainage running down the center of the street. As the population and cities grew, the problem of getting fresh, clean water also increased. The Roman world is sucked in the ruins of the aqueduct, some of which still work, at least for short distances. The main factor that drew attention to every Roman leader was to ensure that the citizens of Rome had a constant clean water supply. Water was brought to Rome from the mountains through a vast aqueduct system that included mountains and valleys. There were more than 250 miles of waterways inside Rome proper feeding fountain system that supplied citizens with fresh water. These fountains are still scattered throughout Rome today. Slaves, worked constantly repairing and maintaining the water system. In India and Pakistan, the remains of water pipes made of clay sealed with asphalt from 2700 BC were found. Copper water pipes were used in Egypt as early as 2450 BC. More information on ANCIENT TECHNOLOGY can be found in Ancient Inventions by P. James & N. Thorpe. Figure 2. Remains of Roman aqueducts. These are the remains of Roman aqueducts. The one on the left, behind this handsome family, is located in Yugoslavia, while the one on the right is in Italy. At least one Roman aqueduct still operates in Spain. Every water supply system is constantly at risk of contamination. Before the Germ Theory of Disease, few people recognized, other than from an aesthetic point of view, the need for a clean water supply. You saw how, with the help of statistics, John Snowin 1855, combined contaminated water with human disease. Today we realize that throughout history most people routinely drank contaminated water and that this situation still affects most people in the world. When the population was small and dispersed, outbreaks of water-borne diseases were limited to concentrations of people, such as in one city or army. However, as far as population and speed up the connection journey transmission, congestion, poverty and ignorance have led to widespread water-borne epidemics, and water is increasingly contaminated with human fecal waste containing pathogens. Microbes have evolved to use water as a way to transmit intestinal diseases. Consider the advantage in transmission for the intestinal pathogen to provoke a huge diarrhea in the host. (Evolution of Vortices, 000 A..m., 86, p. 1993; Discover the Mage. Oct. 1995, p. 111) After the fall of the Roman Empire, the remnants of Roman water technology continued to be used throughout Europe. Many villages and towns pipe relatively clean water to central fountains near streams or springs, or redirected streams through canals in cities. Centrally located wells also supplied water in many cities. Wastewater disposal has continued to be a major growth problem as the number of cities increases. Many people, without toilets, used chamber pots, which emptied every AM on the streets or avenues. The stench in London in the summer of the Middle Ages and beyond was reported to cause adult men to sneer and horses to fall in harnesses. Slowly, however, the idea of sanitation began to grasp in 1700 and accelerated in 1800. However, Queen Victoria's husband is reported to have died in 1861 of typhoid indicating that even the royal family apparently drank feces contaminated with water. The idea of supplying water to city dwellers developed with iron technology, which enabled the production of low-cost pipes. Private water companies have been set up across Europe to supply communities. The idea of filtering contaminated water through the sand for cleaning came first for private homes of the rich, and later for municipalities. With the establishment of a link between bacterial pathogens and water contaminated with human waste at the end of the 19th century and the worldwide communication that spread the stories of the epidemic, people are beginning to demand safe water. To meet these demands, in turn, it became necessary to do something about the huge amounts of raw wastewater flowing from cities and industry to local water sources. As a result, wastewater treatment technology developed at the beginning of the 20th century, but has only been used throughout the United States over the past 30 years through the passage and enforcement of federal regulations such as the Clean Water Act. As a microbiologist, it is my duty to suggest that water pollution and water standards should be seriously considered before removing federal water pollution laws. Figure 3. The public fountain is still used in the Swiss mountain town. TRIVIA QUESTION: Who is considered the inventor of a modern flush toilet? ANSWER: Thomas Crapper. People said it was equal to success. Consider that if you want your name to curl your mouth people every day every day you have to do it. Don't find a cure for cancer or AIDS, or win the war, but come up with a better toilet. Then people will constantly refer to you. How; You are full of C...... or That's a lot of C...... Or..... well you can think of other examples I'm sure. Despite a scientific understanding of the need for drinking water, sourcing and maintaining an unearthed water supply remains a serious problem, even in developed countries. Why this happens when surely no one wants to drink contaminated water; especially water containing human or animal excrement? The answer is complex. One of the problems discussed above is that people see so much seemingly clean water around them that it is inconceivaable that the water is in a small amount or that it should cost serious money. Another major problem is the prospect that things like water, air and wilderness areas are part of the COMMONS to be exploited by many and accountable to anyone. Finally, there is the frog problem in the pan. If you put the frog in a shallow frying pan, from which it could easily escape and slowly turn up the temperature, the frog will remain in the pan until it finally dies from the heat. The reason it does not pop up is that its heat detection system does not respond to ABSOLUTE TEMPERATURE, but only to incremental temperature changes greater than a certain amount. Thus, keeping the changes below the threshold of detection of the frog never realizes that it is cooked to death. People also have thresholds of a personal and general nature. Personal thresholds are those that directly affect our own interests; like students who are getting cut about losing student loans for education or unfair exam questions. Examples of general thresholds include situations where only statistical people are fed up, such as strangers dying from AIDS, Ebola, E. coli 0157:H7, gang violence or contaminated water. This information rarely stimulates us to act. However, when someone we know (relative, friend) is made, or many people near us are affected (5 people in the dorm), our overall threshold is exceeded and we become concerned enough to act. A stable supply of drinking water to the population can only be achieved through social activities including taxation. If people do not see a clear and present threat, they are generally resistant to increasing the tax burden. As the demand for water increases, conflicts over its use and increased costs of keeping it uninfoliated or removing contaminants will continue to cause stress in our society. To solve these dilemmas, we need all our ingenuity. Take, for example, the situation of wetlands. Even the definition of what constitutes wetlands is controversial. Is it a land that is wet year, or only part of the year? If the latter, what part of the year must be wet, which should be defined as wetlands? In this example, I will define WETLAND as: An area that is underwater or swampy all the time or for several (6 to 8) months most years, but when underwater, the water may not always be deep. Environmentalists have shown that wetlands play an important role in the ecology of the water cycle. They are listed below: Wetlands act as huge sponges absorbing excess water during periods of heavy rainfall. Serving as a place where excess water from rivers and lakes is collected and absorbed, wetlands reduce devastating flooding. Coastal wetlands provide important buffers to absorb the strength of waves from violent storms, thus minimizing beach erosion. Absorbing water loads underground water sources. Wetlands, especially coastal ones, serve as habitat for a large number of species that do not exist elsewhere, such as alligators, numerous fish species and a large number of waterbirds. Saltwater swamps are zones of the highest biological efficiency on earth. Waterfowl, like ducks, relies on wetlands for breeding, feeding and over-wintering. Wetlands are the largest. THE CHEAPEST AND MOST EFFICIENT WATER PURIFICATION SYSTEMS KNOWN. Abundant microbial and plant life in wetlands removes huge amounts of pollution, producing practically water free of pollution. FAQ: With all these benefits, why are wetlands so controversial? ANSWER: Wetlands are often commercially very valuable., to whit: Because wetlands are so FERTILE, FLAT & SHALLOW are making prime farmland that is inexpensively drained. Because of their vast area, often on SEA SHORE or NEAR CITIES, they offer a ready-made source of affordable, flat land that can be inexpensively filled (e.g. Because wetlands are seen as commercially non-PRODUCTION, as they do not contribute directly to personal or business income, they are generally seen as WASTE. Coastal wetlands are the main areas of commercial and recreational development; The lure to turn seemingly unproductive, mosquito-ridden swamps of land into homes, factories, shopping malls and hotels is powerful because it means jobs, homes and tax money for the region and profits for developers. As current environmental regulations prevent the commercial development of many wetlands, even privately owned ones, there is enormous pressure to remove these restrictions. Senate Bill 1373 (offered by the fall of '95), for example, would allow the commercial development of huge wetlands across the country, but would not become law. Currently, it is estimated that about 50% of wetlands in the US have been lost. Deciding on a balance between the maintenance and commercialisation of land is difficult. Destroying duck habitat, for example, lowers bag limits, shortens duck hunting season, and negatively impacts supported companies of the sport. Increased flooding of areas adjacent to rivers due to the loss of wetlands costs the public and individuals money in the form of DAMS & DIKES to control floods and pay for natural disasters for those affected by floods, as well as funds for cleaning up after floods. All this money comes from GENERAL TAX FUNDS (it's you and I people). Contaminated water that is purified by passing through wetlands washes directly into rivers, lakes and the ocean after the wetlands have been eliminated. Users of this contaminated water must now pay for the construction of additional water purifiers to remove additional contaminants. The loss of fish due to pollution and the destruction of saltwater fish nurseries is reflected in the decline in fish fishing, resulting in higher fish prices and job losses in fisheries. It is not easy to determine whether the increased taxes and income from work resulting from the conversion of wetlands into commercial use completely cover those losses. The most interesting thing will be to see the result of this fight. Knowing this next section carefully will make you a hit with your next social event. The erudyta discussion about designing & operating different types of wastewater treatment plants is sure to delight your friends and make you the center of attention, not to mention ensuring that you are invited to all future social occasions. Have you heard of a witch who parked her broom in the NO PARKING zone and was pretty! THE PRINCIPLE OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT The wastewater treatment plant is nothing more than a large flask of microbial farming. When a microbiologist inoculates a bacterial medium flask with culture, the intention is usually to produce more bacteria. However, you can watch it in a different way. The goal may be to use nutrients in the medium by metabolizing them. When microbes grow in the environment, nutrients are oxided to produce energy and new microbes. As a result of this process, it converts nutrients into chemicals such as carbon dioxide, nitrate, sulfate, phosphate. Raw wastewater is rich in organic nutrients such as human excrement and food and industrial waste. The purpose of the wastewater treatment plant is to provide optimal conditions for the selection & use of microbes to convert READILY BIODEGRADABLE ORGANIC MATTER (EBOM) into mineral forms such as carbon dioxide, nitrate, sulphate and phosphate. This process is also called MINERALIZATION. As microbes grow and use nutrients most efficiently under aerobic conditions, wastewater treatment plants are designed to provide excess oxygen for microbes. Finally, there is always some material that can not be easily degraded by microbes, at different stages of the treatment process. This material is called SLUDGE and must also be disposed of as part of the wastewater treatment process. There are secondary wastewater treatment plant (STP) structures. These are called activated sludge sludge and FILTER TRICKLING systems. Each of them achieves the same effectiveness of treatment, but for this different patterns are used. STEPS IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT; WASTEWATER FILTER (TF). STEP I: The first two stages in both projects are the same. The first stage is PRE-TREATMENT. In this treatment, raw wastewater from the end of the sewer line ends up in a large tank. While in this tank the flow of wastewater slows down so much that heavy materials, such as sand and rock, settle and pass through rods or screens that collect large floating debris, such as fabrics, chopsticks. Sewage (any liquid that flows out of one container and into another) flows into the main settling tank. STEP II: THE PRIMARY SETTLING TANK is a large tank where the flow of wastewater slows down to the point where larger pieces of organic matter settle as sediment. These tanks also contain a skimmer that collects smaller floating material, most of which are condoms. We will take care of the settlement later. Figure 4. Settler in STP. It is an empty settling tank in Pullman STP. Pay attention to the sweeping arm at the bottom of the tank, which slowly rotates and sweeps the precipitate inside, where it is removed. STEP III: The third stage of the process involves the aerobic metabolism of EBOM. In TF construction, this is achieved by spraying wastewater from the original settling tank on a stack of large inert material blocks from 4 to 6 feet high, such as rocks, cement blocks, redwood blocks, etc. Spraying saturated the wastewater with oxygen, and air circulates between the blocks. Inert blocks become covered with a layer of microbes, which are selected because they grow well in wastewater (Fig. 6). This is another example of the evolutionary SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST principle. These microbes absorb nutrients from wastewater as it drains over them and oxidizes (metabolizes) EBOM into minerals. Finally, the waste water flows into the secondary settling tank (Fig. 4). Also, 99.9% of pathogens are killed during this step. Figure 5. The design of the wastewater filter tank. Wastewater from the original settler flows into the spray arms, which rotate slowly over rocks or other inert material. As sew water passes through the air as a fine spray is saturated with oxygen. EBOM is removed from the wastewater as it flows over the rocks. Fig. 6. Neutral blocks of material covered with wastewater to digest microbes. Microbes include bacteria, molds, algae, protozoa, as well as insect larvae. Microbes feed on the EBOM that flows past them. Oxidised microbial metabolism products flow from wastewater into secondary settling tanks along with pieces of mucus that occasionally take off (Fig. STEP IV: The design of the tank is similar to that of the main settling tank (Fig. Large impurities, consisting mainly of pieces of microbial growth that flak from inert blocks, settle in this tank as sediment. Figure 7. Secondary settling tank in Pullman STP. Its design is essentially the same as that of the basic settling tank (Fig. 4). Note the duck. A young lady who runs a laboratory (Autumn 1995), who is a graduate of this faculty, tells me that they have problems with mother ducks bringing their children to the tank where the children get trapped in drain pipes. When this happens, he takes off his shoes and wanders the sewage hoop to collect the children. Now I call it the dedication of ducks and faith in the effectiveness of treated wastewater. STEP V: Sufficient CHLORU is added to secondary deposition wastewater to kill most common bacterial pathogens that have survived previous treatments. The treated waste water is then released into the environment, usually near a stream, river, lake or ocean. However, this treatment does not kill (STERILIZE) all pathogens present, so it is unwise to frolic in the water around the sewage. Figure 8. Chlorine treatment of wastewater. The photo on the left shows the large chlorine tanks in the Pullman STP. Chlorine is pumped as a liquid and measured into wastewater from a secondary settling tank. It then flows through chlorine pools, shown on the right, while chlorine works to kill most of the remaining pathogens. The final wastewater falls into the environment, in this case the South Fork of the Palouse. Steps I, II, IV&V are the same as those described in the treatment of TF, only step III is different. The principle of AS treatment is to add microbial inocula to wastewater from the primary settling tank consisting of hungry microbes that have been selected because of their ability to vigorously increase the nutrients of wastewater in raw wastewater. This choice is achieved by taking the sludge from the secondary settling tank (step IV, Fig. 7) and mixing about 10% of the incoming wastewater from the primary settling tank (Fig. 4). This precipitate consists of large gelatinous lumps (FLOCS) microbes that grow in aeration tanks. When this is done properly the microbes in the sediment are healthy but ravenously hungry; something like students after a day of exciting learning. These famished slime microbes chow down with unbridled enthusiasm for juicy sewage (a kind of microbial beer and pizza meal) to which they are added. The whole mixture is mixed vigorously in large tanks with a depth of 20 feet, through which huge amounts of air are BUBBLED; sort of a huge aquarium without fish. These tanks are called aeration tanks, Reasons. As a result, microbes quickly convert (oxidize) most EBOM to a mineral state, and in the process most pathogens die. Figure 9. The design of the filling tank. Pressurized air is pumped into tanks and vigorously mixed with wastewater to ensure that the material always remains aerobic. Otherwise, the stench would cause neighbors to burn this place. On the left, the part of the active sludge that has settled in the secondary settlement tank is mixed with fresh incoming waste water from the original settling tank. AS contains hungry microbes that instantly chow-down on everything that delicious fresh sewage – makes your mouth water come to mind, right? Figure 10. Pullman AS-STP weighing tanks. Pullman STP currently has 6 tanks that operate during the school year. However, in the summer they closed half of them for obvious reasons. These tanks are about 15 meters deep. This flexibility is another advantage of the AS system. In the building in the background there are large air pumps and other pumps for carrying wastewater through the system. Attention in the foreground rescuer. If you fell into you want to be saved - maybe if you kept your mouth shut. Everything that settles and then is collected during the wastewater treatment process is called SLUDGE. The entire precipitate is collected in one place and treated separately from the rest of the sewage material. Sludge purification involves an anaerobic process that converts 50% of organic sludge mainly into methane and part carbon dioxide. To do this, the precipitate, disgusting-looking thick black soup, is pumped into large enclosed tanks. Here you can ferment for several weeks while it is gently mixed. During this time, anaerobic bacteria convert 50% of organic matter into methane. Usually you can see the sewage treatment plant by the presence of one or more large round tanks with continuous fire burning next to it; this flame is kept in combustion by continuous methane gas production. More modern wastewater treatment plants use this methane for useful purposes, from driving urban vehicles to heating buildings. Figure 11. General design and appearance of anaerobic sludge digestion tank. The picture on the right shows one of pullman's two sediment digestion tanks. Sludge from different parts of the STP is pumped into the compaction tank, where it continues to settle. The coarse concentrate is pumped into digestion tanks and fermented for several weeks by anaerobic methane-producing archaeobacteria, during which 50% of the organic matter in the precipitate is converted into methane. At this point, 50% of the organic material of the primary precipitate remains indigestible and must be un disposed of. Usually this slime, which comes out of a very dense black soup, is pumped into shallow in the ground and allow to dry. Alternatively, if safe, it can be pumped into farmland and used as fertilizer. Dried material is called DRIED SLUDGE (talk about lack of imagination!). In Pullman and Moscow, it's not much mud, but in places like LA, Seattle and New York, the amount of dried sludge produced every day is so huge that it threatens to cover a city or at least a nearby county or two. The disposal of this sludge is a really interesting challenge; you can even say that big cities are SLUDGE CHALLENGED. It can be burned (contributing to air pollution), buried in TOXIC LAND FILLS (contributing to groundwater pollution) or dumped into the ocean (contributing to their degradation). If it is safe (no heavy metals, toxic organic chemicals and pathogens killed) it makes perfect fertilizer for lawns and farms. Figure 12. Pullman STP dried slime bed. It is about 2 acres deep and about 6 meters deep. Pullman sludge is of excellent quality and is safe to use as fertilizer on farms. Several farms in the area request that the undigested be sprayed in their fields. Figure 13. Pullman STP review of the top lab/administration building looking south. The tanks of the overdue active sludge are hidden behind the building on the left, which contains pumps for the plant. Notice how green the grass is; why is it so green? Figure 14. Generalised plan for secondary wastewater treatment plant using (or both) activated sludge or wastewater filter system. Pay attention to the direction of flow of various sludges and sewage. If you can pull this plan out of memory and describe what each ingredient is aiming for, you qualify for the sewage expert gold star and will definitely score well on the final exam. COMPARING TWO STPs FAQ is which of the two STP designs is the best? and Why did he choose one on the other? ANSWER: Both projects are equally effective at removing about 85 to 95% of the input EBOM and both destroy about 99.9% of pathogens. Both FINAL wastewater has the same composition and is rich in mineral nutrients such as phosphate, nitrate and sulphate. However, their initial and operational costs vary. In general, TF plants are cheaper to build and run if the land is not expensive because they do not require pumping large amounts of air into aeration tanks. AS systems, on the other hand, are more expensive to build and operate. However, the advantage of the AS system is that it can process larger amounts of wastewater in a smaller space than TF systems. As aeration tanks can be arranged in buildings, while TF systems can not. Since most of the land near cities (where sewwater!) these days is damn close it's worth considering in the 1990s, AS systems TF systems. The best example of this is Moscow, where they install an AS system that will replace TF TF Neither of the two secondary treatment plants does the following: THEY DO NOT KILL ALL PATHOGENS, especially some viruses and protozoan spores that survive the passage through the entire plant. THEY DO NOT digest many man-made chemicals such as pesticides and herbicides. DO NOT REMOVE TOXIC METALS such as cadmium, mercury and lead. Rather, these chemicals, which usually come from an industrial process, end up in sediment. DOES NOT PRODUCE DRINKING WATER. Any water that escapes from the secondary pipe of a wastewater treatment plant must be further treated before it is safe to drink. Given that the vast majority of fresh water on this planet is contaminated, what can be done to remove pollution cheaply? The last word in the previous sentence is very important, because once again we are talking about this four-letter word (in the minds of most people) TAXES. Because water treatment facilities are community-based, they are supported by a combination of user fees (water bill) and taxes. At first it may seem perfectly logical that the whole thing can be paid for by the user's fees, because the more water you consume the more you should pay; like gas to the car. But it's not that simple. The largest users of water are agriculture and industry. They have successfully argued that they should not be charged the same rate as ordinary citizens because they use this water to provide food and jobs to society. The difference is the combination of higher household usage fees and/or taxes for all. What do you think is the fairest way? Another element of the problem is a return to the perspective discussed earlier. People are outraged at paying high fees for something that seems to be in abundance of supplies. In addition, they have pretensions about restrictions on the use of water on lawns and washing cars. How many of you won't work in a community that won't let you wash your car or have a lawn? When the water source is contaminated it obviously needs to be cleaned before it can be used in homes. However, the clean-up process costs a lot of money (e.g. user fees and/or taxes). Also, the power systems required to deliver water to homes and remove wastewater are expensive and require occasional repairs. Since most of us get water from surface sources (e.g. rivers and lakes), how do we control the pollution of these sources? For example, suppose your community's water comes from a river that runs through a city in another state, that the city dumps raw sewwater into the river, thus saving citizens the money they would need to take to build an STP. This means that your community must pay to remove pollution added by people at an earlier stage. What about You 're doing? Go to war with another city? Pay an extra price and close? Sue SOBs? Move to the city upstream? Fortunately, this is currently not a problem due to the & state regulations that require communities to treat wastewater. However, some people suggest that this may change if this control is returned to the States. What do you think? Will Idaho citizens tax themselves to clean up their waste, so a Washington citizen won't have to spend money on removing Idaho pollution? Recently, a local politician was quoted as not being able to see how booze grazing in the wild can be a pollution problem; of course, the man who knew this person was trained in the toilet & did not stern near any streams. STEPS IN THE PRODUCTION OF DRINKING WATER store contaminated water in tanks for several weeks. When storing multiple DIE pathogens, some of the EBOM is metabolized and heavier particles settle downwards. CHEMICAL FLOCCULATION. In this process (also called coagulation), some non-toxic metal salts, such as IRON or ALUMINIUM, are mixed with water. A chemical is then added that forms a heavy precipitate (called floc) that captures particles including viruses, bacteria, clay, etc. The treated wastewater is then filtered through the beds of hailed sand and rock to remove most of the remaining particles. Filtered waste water is treated with chlorine to kill any other pathogens. It does not make water sterile however and some pathogens are resistant to normal levels of chlorine used. Figure 15. The basics of water purification. Contaminated water, usually from a tank where it is stored for several months, is pumped into a large mixing tank, and Al or Fe salts are mixed to form a voluminous precipitate. This sediment traps most of the larger suspended matter of bacteria, algae, viruses and dirt. The mixture is pumped into the precipitate (Fig. 4). The supernatant is then filtered through layers of graded sand beds. This filtration removes most of the remaining impurities. Finally, the water is chlorinated before being sent to users. These water purification devices can be placed in a large building; beds with sand are stacked on top of each other. However, this treatment does not remove impurities such as radioactive elements, many organic chemicals and some heavy metals. A common problem in the US is that the high pollution of many water supplies overpowers the ability of current treatment plants to completely remove contaminants. So in many U.S. cities, citizens are told not to drink tap water, but to drink bottled water. This, of course, is a dilemma; paying taxes on the construction of improved water purification equipment may seem undesirable to many, having to purchase bottled water constitutes a TAX. Alternatively, higher doses of chlorine may be added to correct the deficiencies of the purification plant. If you suspect the quality of tap water or if it contains large quantities of many people install home cleaning systems. Again, this is a hidden tax on clean water. In addition, the problem with these home water purification units is that homeowners are unable to verify that units are doing their job, while municipal facilities must comply with strict State & Federal regulations that require frequent water testing for contaminants by trained laboratory personnel. Some fear that if federal water quality regulations are relaxed, u.S. water quality will deteriorate further. Does this possibility bother you? In many regions of the USA, tap water is not considered safe to drink because it is contaminated. This means that it is not drinking water. In these places, usually large cities, the common problem is that the community was unable or unseeded to build the necessary water purification facilities due to a lack of tax money. It often happens that as the water supply on which the community depends becomes more polluted, while the population of thirsty has increased. This increases the demand for drinking water, but current water purification facilities are unable to meet demand and citizens have decided, through their representatives, that increasing the capacity of water treatment plants is not a priority. To meet the additional water demand, the throughput rate increases. This means that the amount of purified water increases through the flow of contaminated water through the FASTER purification system. When this happens, the purification process becomes inefficient and the water is not purified. Often, plant operators simply increase the amount of chlorine added to the final wastewater in an attempt to kill any pathogens that may have been going through the modified treatment process. However, since they work on the edge of safety, they recommend that citizens drink only CLEAN bottled water. Because bottled water is inexpid and expensive, many people install HOME CLEANUP SYSTEMS to remove contaminants. I am not able to go into a detailed description of the design of these products, because there are too many of them, and more appears all the time when the problem grows. However, most of these units include one or both of the following components: a filtration system to remove micro-organisms and other particles from tap water and/or ion exchange resins or activated charcoal to remove soluble hazardous minerals (lead, cadmium, mercury) and/or organic substances (pesticides, industrial pollutants). Ion exchange resins are the same things that are used in water softening tanks. Activated carbon is a form of carbon that has a characteristic that absorbs large amounts of organic matter. Filters filter out based on the size of the holes in the filters. Frequently asked questions about home cleanup units are are these units effective? I I worth buying?: ARE THEY EFFECTIVE? Some of them are very effective when used as intended. This means that you need to know exactly what you are doing before you decide to purchase one of these units. If, for example, you are concerned about dangerous metals such as lead, you should purchase a unit (a) that is designed to remove METAL contaminants rather than something else (like viruses) and (b) that will remove these contaminants at the rate you are using water. All of these units fail eventually. The more impurities in the water, the faster it will not succeed; the more water you get through it, the sooner it won't work. This means that critical components, usually some form of expensive contribution, must be replaced at intervals. When they can not cause a pollution problem. The main question to ask before buying is How do you know when your device is no longer working? The buyer must take responsibility for deciding on the type of unit needed, where it will be placed, etc.. Companies selling these items often don't fully inform the buyer about their design, or sellers may not be an expert in the field or understand your needs. As is often the case, an ad can over-promise an individual's performance or its long-term expenses. They are effective only if they are correctly applied. Young children like to drink from the ends of the tub or bath battery, etc., so the unit on the kitchen sink will probably only protect their children a limited percentage of the time. Also neighbors, schools and shopping centers have similar units to purify children's water and drink outside the house? IS IT WORTH BUYING THEM? Of course, if the water is dangerously contaminated and there is no other reasonable alternative. Remember, however, that the more expensive an individual, the better, the more likely it is. Before purchasing, you must specify a long-term cost, including the cost of replacing one-time components. Companies often make a bigger profit on spare parts because you commit to using what you've already bought. I recommend that you contact your local government agency responsible for providing community drinking water before purchasing and find out exactly what the problems are. They will have data defining impurities and their amounts in tap water. You usually can't recommend a particular brand, but armed with this information you're in a much better position to make the right choice of which unit to buy. Finally, my personal perspective is that I don't mind paying taxes for a safe and plentiful water supply. I'm willing to pay a lot for a guarantee that no matter where I go in my community (or in my country for that matter) my family drinks will be safe. Few people have the expertise to assess chemicals and the quality of drinking water microbes, but operates government agencies, employing trained staff and quality have a much better chance of producing clean water than you or me. One of the costs that are important to me is the peace of mind that the water I drink is free of all the unpleasant things described below (and a lot we won't get into). In addition, there is the fact that after one of these units you have added another responsibility to your already full and busy life: you must remember to maintain, replace, clean, etc., that new Monkey-On-Your-Back. It is estimated that about a fifth or 20% of Americans drink dangerous or inadequately treated water. This means that you have one in five chances of being one of them; they can be considered by many to be good lottery odds. The CDC estimates that 940,000 Americans get sick, and 900 of them die each year from microbially contaminated water. Given that it could cost billions of dollars to lower these numbers, do you think these are the acceptable numbers? Now I'm going to say something that you certainly won't like to hear: If you get sick with contaminated water it will mean that you have drunk water containing human or other animal excrement. Of course, I can not speak for anyone else, but I would be willing to pay a lot of money to ensure that this does not happen to me; What about you? The U.S. FDA has published a book manual on water and food-borne diseases that is more complete than the material given below. Starting in the spring of 1997, it will be held on the exams for information in this Hand book on the diseases covered below, with the following exceptions: You do not need to know the diagnostic procedures used to detect and identify the body; you don't need to know recent research etc. that require you to follow other links on the web (but may be interesting to explore?). THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS SECTION To learn about the main features of WBD discussed below. To find out how these diseases are transmitted. To find out how we can prevent their transmission. CHOLERA This disease is caused by the gram-negative bacterium Vibro cholerae. It is carried by contaminated feces water and food. The bacterium attacks a layer of cells that padded the intestines. As it grows in these cells it produces a potent protein toxin that is responsible for the disease. This toxin causes normal fluid flow from the intestine into the bloodstream backwards, producing massive and explosive diarrhea up to 20 liters per day. This in turn causes nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. Loss of body fluids, along with electrolyte salts in the blood causes dehydration and shock. The blood becomes so thick that the heart is overworked, trying to force it through the body. The combination of these effects often leads to death within 24 to 36 hours after the onset of symptoms. Children, in particular, die very quickly from dehydration, because liquid and salt much faster than adults. One wonders why we should deal with a disease that most of you have probably never heard of and certainly does not address being a problem in the US. Historically, cholera was an important disease in the U.S. until sanitation measures were in place at the beginning of this century. Far more West migrant settlers have died from cholera and typhus than ever died from Indian attacks. The water in the wagons was obtained from the barrels using a common drinking cup. It probably happened that when a member of the train felt the call of nature, they went down to the grass, they answered the call, and they, like no, had a drink. Since REST STOPS were rare, water is lacking and ignorance is raging, few people wash their hands after relieving their body waste. So when they dip the drinking cup and part of their hand into a barrel of COMMON water, everything that clings to their hands will be added to the water. Hence, the disease transmitted by water quickly spread through many wagons. In 1991, a cholera epidemic appeared in Peru, which has since spread throughout South America. By 1992, there were 102 cases in the US, mostly from people travelling in SA. There is a steady influx of immigrants, legal and illegal, entering the U.S. from Central and South Am. and bringing with them all the diseases that are endemic to the areas they leave. It is likely that we have enough cholera carrier pool in the US to start an epidemic if the water supply ever fails (earthquake, volcanic eruption, etc.). It would be wise to be vigilant when it comes to this disease. The bad news is that there is currently no effective vaccine for cholera and when the disease strikes, it is too late for antibiotics to do anything good. The good news is that the treatment is cheap and readily available if used at the first symptoms. ORAL REHYDRATION THERAPY (ORT) Because the cause of death in cholera and many other WBDs is dehydration and shock, if the victim can receive enough water and electrolytes to replace those lost, they will recover spontaneously. This treatment is called ORAL REHYDRATION THERAPY (ORT) and consists of the following solutions: 1/2 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon potassium or sodium bicarbonate or citrate 1/4 teaspoon potassium chloride 4 tablespoons glucose, rice, wheat or potato flowers Nurses, more on ORT see Sci. Am. May 1991 pg 50. A reasonable alternative is Ricelyte or a sports drink sold as a replacement drink for salts lost on hot days. Worldwide use of ORT has significantly reduced death from cholera. For example, cholera victims had a 50 to 60% chance of dying before ORT, but now 97% survive when given this treatment. In places where ORT has been vigorously diarrhoea deaths decreased by as much as 50% 50% the cost of treating diarrhea decreased by 75%. A word of warning here. INFANTS die very quickly from dehydration and shock and there is a myth in many societies that if a child vomits, fluids should not be administered because it hurts to vomit them. THIS IS A SURE WAY TO KILL A CHILD. With a few exceptions, a child losing fluids through vomiting and diarrhea should be given ORT no matter how messy and dirty and VOMIT-COVERED you have (unless you think a house without vomiting is more important than a live child). However, ORT requires busy mothers to constantly monitor a sick child. Prevention of cholera lies in SANITATION (personal & public) and CLEAN WATER SUPPLY. If fecal material is not able to get out of drinking water and from food, you probably won't get the heck. Travelers to countries with endemic cholera should not eat food that was not cooked or drink anything, but bottled drinks or water you have cooked or chemically cleaned yourself. There are asymptomatic carriers, and the natural cholera tank was recently recognized as MARINE LIFE. Cholera bacillus is generally not long lived with its host, except for contaminated water. SALMONELLOSIS This disease is caused by members of the genus Salmonella, a gram of negative rod of the family Enterobacteriaceae. These bacteria are intestinal inhabitants of a wide range of animals, including birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. In general, each species of animals has a strain that is more or less specific to them, but many of these strains can cross species lines and cause serious intestinal infections in humans. Provokes gastroenteritis; diarrhoea, abdominal cramps, fever and vomiting. The disease is transmitted through contaminated feces food or water. There are more than 50,000 cases reported annually in the US, but the actual number is probably in the millions. Have you ever had guns and vomited for a few days without bothering going to the doctor? If so, you may have a case of Salmonellosis. Different strains differ in jadency. In general, they attack the cells that line the large intestine and the lower part of the small intestine and penetrate into the underlying tissues. Their jadence mechanisms are not completely understood, but exotoxins and endotoxins play a role. Recently, a virulent strain of Salmonella enteritidis appeared in chickens. This strain is especially dangerous because it infects the ovaries of the chicken and is introduced inside the egg. For other strains of salmonella, bacteria are only in the feces, and the contaminated eggshell can be disinfected with hot soap or chlorine solution. However, the only way in which internalized salmonella can be destroyed is to thoroughly heat the eggs at all times; that is, a soft-cooked or sunny-side-up egg is a gamble with your gut if not your (before doing this, make sure you have a high supply of TP and are close to Between 1985 and 1991, 49 people died from this organism, and > 12,000 cases. Most cases of salmonellosis are self-limiting, but children and the elderly can die from the disease. Antibiotics do little good as many strains are resistant to numerous antibiotics due to the plasmids they carry. The condition of the carrier is common. Due to the overall good quality of the water supply, Salmonellosis is usually a food-borne disease in the USA. Therefore, to avoid this disease, which can be contaminated, because poultry and beef should be sufficiently heated to kill salmonella anywhere in the meat. Avoid products made from unheated eggs (e.g. hollandaise sauce) unless it is heated. SHIGELLOSIS Is another gram of negative bacterial intestinal pathogen that is transmitted in both contaminated feces with water and food. However, the reservoir of these bacteria are mostly human. It is the leading cause of infant mortality worldwide. This organism is able to attack and destroy the epithelial cells of the large intestine. It produces diarrhea, often with bloody stools and abdominal cramps. A powerful protein toxin is produced by the body, which plays a role in its jadency. Treatment includes antibiotics and ORT, but drug resistance is a problem due to plasmid resistance. Prevention includes sanitary procedures and adequate preparation and cooking of food. TRAVELER'S DIARRHEA AND OTHER RELATED DISEASES This disease has an interesting history because it has a way of allowing people to express their prejudices against other societies by calling symptoms after a favorite whipping -boy. For example, the English call it Delhi Belly and Montzuma's Revenge Americans. I suspect the French probably call it something like London Trots, while WSU students call it Palouse Lightening. The etiological factor of this disease is Escherichia coli. E. coli is found in many strains from each geographical local with its own strain. One of these strains, enterotoxigenic strain, provokes gastroenteritis, from mild to severe in adults. However, this is a common cause of infant death due to severe diarrhea. There are three other strains of E. coli that produce diarrhea, but we will deal with only one of them, 0157:H7, which will be described in the section on foodborne diseases. Click here for a detailed discussion on traveler's diarrhea: Figure 16. E. coli electron micrograph. Pay attention to the dividing cells and the hairy nature of the cells. The latter is probably LPS and maybe some capsule material or drank. HELICOBACTER PYLORI This bacterium was discovered only a few years ago (1982) by an Australian .B. Marshall. Dr Marshall observed spiral in almost all stomach ulcers of patients. He began to suspect that they might have something to do with the disease. At the beginning of his it was considered outrageous because no one thought that bacteria could survive in an acid-filled stomach. They then suggested that they are common impurities that happened to grow in ulcers after their development. To settle the argument, Dr. Marshall did a very brave but stupid thing, drank the body's culture and quickly fell ill. Apparently, the ulcer did not develop, but others quickly repeated their findings and found that when the bacteria were destroyed by antibiotic treatment, ulcers cleared in almost every case. The rest as you tell the story of IS. Currently, it is considered that 95% of digestive ulcers and 100% of chronic gastritis is caused by H. pylori. It is also believed that this organism is the main cause of stomach cancer, because it produces a persistent immune response that damages the gastric mucosa. It turns out that it grows in the mucous membrane, which protects the cells of the stomach from strong acid. H. pylori is very mobile and drives through dense mucus through the vigorous mobility of the corkscrew. In addition, they are protected from stomach acid by the production of the enzyme urease, which breaks down urea into ammonia, which neutralizes stomach acid in the local H. pylori. Its transmission can be done through water & person to person, but this has not yet been rigorously proven. However, at least 20% of people in the US are infected and perhaps many more. It is all over the world and occurs in many animals. Treatment is carried out with antibiotics and lilac compounds, and several groups are working on a vaccine. There is still a lot to learn about this body and how it produces diseases, however if it is the main cause of stomach cancer we may see a significant decrease in this terrible disease (Sci. Am. Feb. 1996). Hepatitis A is a viral WBD disease that can be transmitted by fecal oral route (e.g. contaminated with faeces with water or food) and sexual intimacy. Causes fatigue, jaundice, fever and diarrhea. It has a long incubation period before symptoms occur and is infectious for most of this period. It is treated with gamma globulin (GG; some of the blood sera rich in antibodies from the donor pool), and now with a vaccine. The problem is water contaminated with human waste and food handleers who spread the virus during food preparation during incubation before they get sick. Being a virus, there is no treatment except GG. A typical scenario is an announcement in a newspaper and on television that anyone who ate in __ in the period from ___ to ___ should go to the doctor and get a shot at GG. It is a common disease and anywhere from 20 to 80% of a given population will ab against this virus. Apparently, many people have a mild version in childhood. It is occasionally fatal. GIARDIA INTESTINALIS PROTOZOAN PATHOGEN, Giardia (or intestinalis) is endemic in the US and is the most common identified water-borne disease in the US. It tends to infect people who spend a lot of time in the forest, but can also be contracted from improperly purified urban water and from person to person. It is a pathogen worldwide with a frequency often exceeding 10% in underdeveloped countries. The body infects the small intestine and feeds on the intestinal wall. It forms a RESTING CYST, which is resistant to adverse conditions. Symptoms vary, but often include enteritis, diarrhea, cramps, fatigue, vomiting and weight loss. Long-term carriers are commonplace. Recovery and subsequent repeated attacks can occur. Tanks include beavers, dogs, cats, raccoons and humans. Prevention includes boiling water or treatment with chlorine or iodine; but killing the cyst can take several hours in cold water. It can be treated with anti-otogod drugs. In NW most people seem to shrink it from drinking from clean mountain streams. With the growth of the human population, it is unwise to consider that any drinking water in the wild is already safe. People generally do not comb their fecal waste in the forest deep enough to prevent it from washing up in nearby streams and lakes. In addition, animal tanks constantly pollute streams and lakes. AMEBIASIS Protozoal disease caused by Entamoeba histolytica is mainly a disease of poverty and sexual promiscuity in the US. This disease occurs mainly among male homosexuals, in the poor South, on some Indian reserves and among migrant agricultural workers. It is endemic all over the world and occurs mainly in crowded, unsasy conditions. An etiological agent is an amoenum that is able to form a CHITIN-COATED CYST to resist adverse environmental conditions. The disease, AMOEBIC DYSENTERY, is characterized by diarrhea, abdominal pain and blood in the feces, however, it is rarely fatal. On the contrary, it is a chronic infection that ultimately shortens life. It is transmitted mainly by fecally contaminated water. The body can attack other tissues, including the liver, causing severe liver damage and premature death. It can be treated with anti-otogod drugs, but after leaving the intestine, it often can not be cured. 1. WBD is transmitted almost entirely by contaminated feces water. 2. WBD can be controlled by the use of public and personal sanitary measures, which have been known for more than 100 years. Simple and relatively inexpensive preventive steps, including minimizing faecal contamination, proper cleaning of contaminated water, proper hand and food washing, and the use of basic sanitation at home and in public places would almost eliminate WBD. Providing would save more lives at a lower cost than all expensive medical treatments, hospitals, nurses, etc. Etc. Planet. Most of the lives saved are children under the age of 5. 4. The maintenance of the sanitary environment (COMMONS) and clean water and food supply may occur only if sound scientific information is known and is supported by public funds. FAQ: If it's so easy to prevent WBD, why are they still so problem worldwide? ANSWER: The cheap answer is because so many people remain unaware of basic sanitation procedures and/or are too stubborn to apply them. Of course, ignorance is the main cause of WBDs. However, even people who know the appropriate sanitary measures are often unable to apply them due to a lack of personal or social resources. Good hygiene is an equally personal and community thing. This is hardly helpful if you are personally clean, but you are immersed in a world of contaminated food and water. No matter how vigilant you are, it is likely that you will contact WBD. Governments often believe that it is better to spend their limited resources on weapons or industrial development rather than on clean water or food supply. Where the mass of the population is poor, the rich often refuse to help pay for sanitation. As you can see on one of the tapes (Cell Wars) shown in the laboratory, sanitary measures are difficult to apply. Have you heard of a doctor who divorced his wife when he found out he eats an apple a day? La bioréhabilitation (biorémédiation) est définie comme étant l'utilization de micro-organismes pour le traitement de la pollution environnementale. Le principe de base de la bioréhabilitation est le même que pour le traitement des effluents: utiliser le métabolisme des micro-organismes pour métaboliser des polluants et les convertir en composés innofensifs. La bioréhabilitation passe généralement par les étapes suivantes: Définir le problème de pollution: quelles sont les substances présentes; en quelles quantités; quelle est leur toxicité; s'accumulent-elles et si oui, à quel rythme? Développer une approche de traitement basée sur les micro-organismes. Isolator un(des) micro-organisms qui métabolisera(ont) le(s) polluants(s). Faire croître une population importante de ces microorganisms. Introduire ces micro-organismes dans l'environnement pollué en leur donnant les éléments nutritifs et les conditions de croissance optimales. L'élément essentiel consiste à trouver les BONS MICROBES. Un moyen d'y arriver consiste à employer une TECHNIQUE D'ENRICHISSEMENT DE CULTURE: Fabriquer un milieu de culture où le polluant à traiter constitue la source de carbone majeure (ou unique) Introduire dans ce milieu un inoculum naturel, riche en biomasse diversifiée(Ex: un échantillon de sol de jardin, ou prélevé sur le site à décontaminer) Incuber et suivre la concentration en polluant. Si le milieu contient un microbe qui peut métaboliser le multiply faster than others (by natural selection). Instill a new crop from the old one, perhaps by increasing the relative concentration of impurities. Repeat the process until the depollution microorganisms are ylunia. Isolate and test the micro-organism to optimise these growing conditions. Use this microorganism as described above. Bioréhabilitation has proven effective in treating pollution problems such as fuel-contaminated soils, oil and creosote, some wood condoms, oil spill treatment, etc. In this case the treatment can be a thermal, chemical or thermal treatment. HURLBERT: SCIENCE HALL, ROOM 440CA PHONE: 509-335-5108 FAX: 509-335-1907 Email: hurlbert@wsu.edu hurlbert@pullman.com WORKING HOURS: M,W 1:30 TO 15:30 PM. Knocking

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