

Pathogens of Skin and Wounds

Chapter 22

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- ii. Dermis
- iii. Subcutaneous Layer

B. Non-specific Defense Review (Page 573)

- i. Keratinized Stratified Squamous Epithelia
- ii. Secretions

2. Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (Pages 580 - 582)

A. Causative Agent of disease: *Rickettsia rickettsii*

B. Rickettsia Review (Page 581)

- i. Obligate Intracellular Parasites
- ii. Non Motile
- iii. Arthropod Vector
- iv. Spotted Fevers

C. Pathogenesis

- i. Reservoir and Vector
 - a. Reservoir
 - b. Vector: Dog Tick
 - Transovarian Route to transmission
 - ii. Tick Rejuvenation Period: 4 - 10 hours
 - iii. Phagolysosome escape;
 - iv. Cytoplasm/nucleus multiplication
 - v. Spread to adjacent Cells
 - vi. Endothelia Compromised
 - vii. Disseminated Infection
- D. Disease Symptoms
- i. Fever and joint pain
 - ii. Rash: palms, wrists, ankles and soles
 - iii. Rash spreads
 - iv. Bleeding and potentially clotting
 - v. Organ Involvement
 - vi. Blood pressure drops
 - vii. Death

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2. Lyme Disease (Pages 582 - 585)
 - A. History (Page 582)
 - B. Causative Agent of disease: *Borrelia burgdorferi*
 - C. Reservoir
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 - i. Biofilms
 - ii. Indweling Medical Devices
 - iii. Ventilators
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 - v. Burn Victims
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 - C. Diseases
 - i. Urinary Tract Infections
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5. *Clostridium tetani* (Pages 609 - 611)

A. General Information

- i. Obligate anaerobe
- ii. Endospore Formation
- iii. Neurotoxin

B. Disease

- i. Necrotic Wound
- ii. Tetanus (lockjaw)

C. Prevention

- i. Wound Cleaning
 - a. Debridement
- ii. Vaccination (DTaP)
 - a. Toxoid
- iii. Antitoxin (Tetanus Immune Globulin (TIG))