



Mycobacteria

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Tuberculosis – big world health problem

- estimate – one third of world population is infected *M. tuberculosis* (1)
- 2000 – 8,3 milion of new cases, 1,8 milion of death (2)
2018 – 9 milion
- COVID pandemia - increasing of mortality next years, problems in reporting (false low incidence)
- 6000 death on TBC by the day (3)

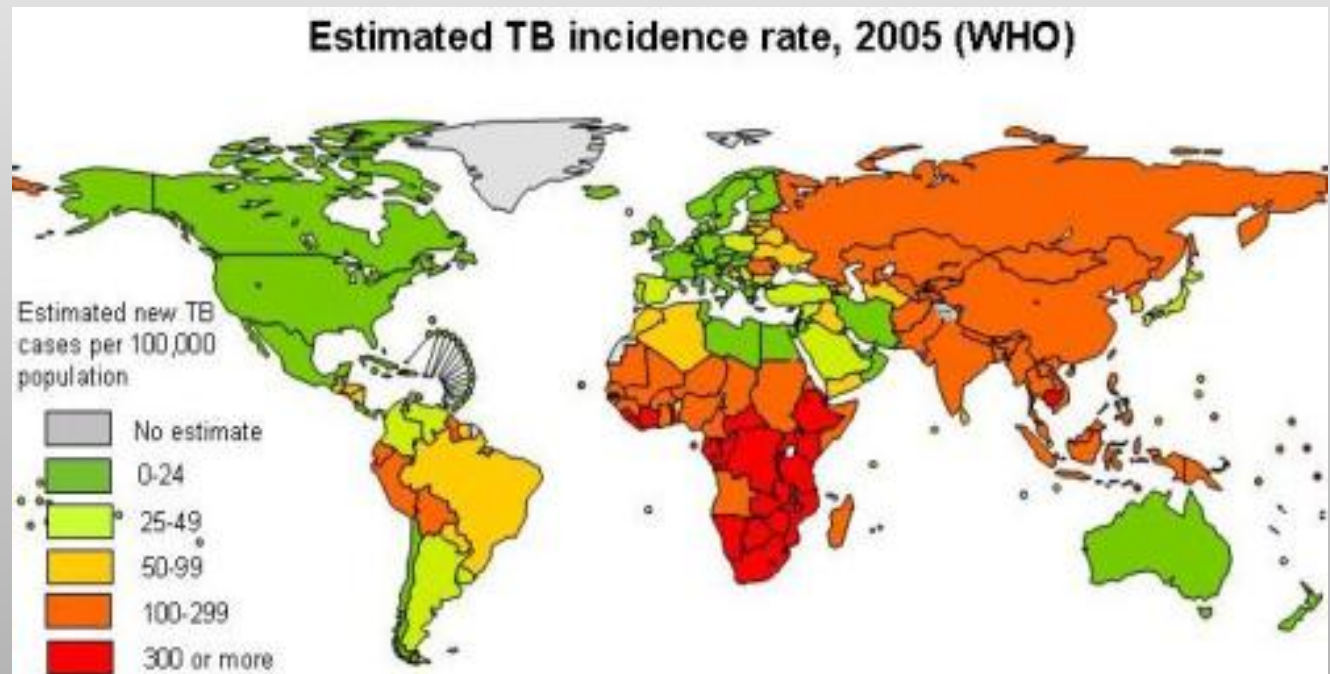
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factors influenced TBC incidence

- **microbial – virulence factors, phylogenesis**
- **macroorganismus – genetic dispositions (american indians), acquired imunity**
- **health care**
- **targeted TBC controle programs**
- **social-economic factors**

World TBC incidence

- subsaharian Africa – kombination with HIV/AIDS
- Russia and former republics of SSSR – 1990 – 2000 highest growth(3x more than in 1960) ⁽¹⁾
- China

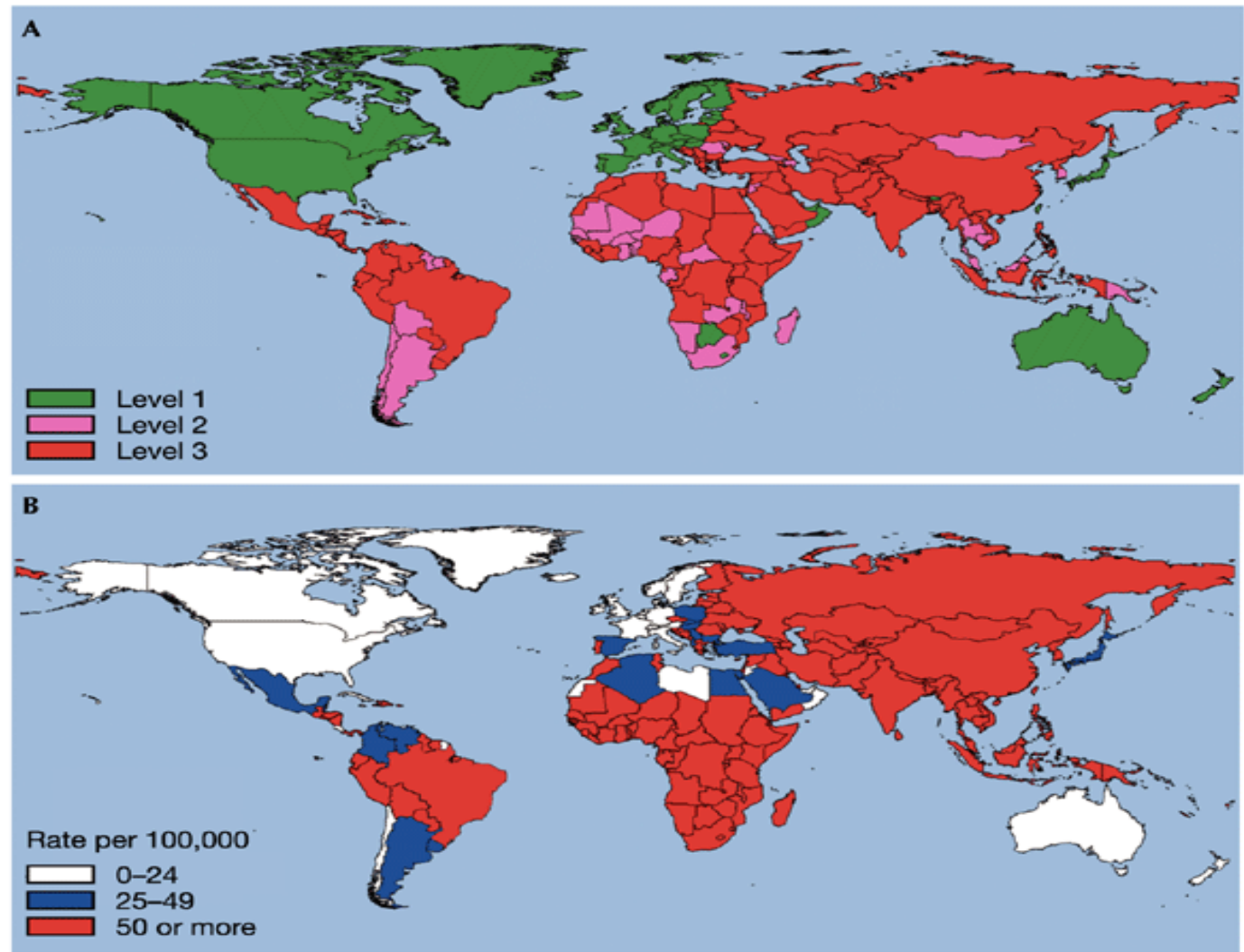


- WHO/International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease Global Project on Anti-tuberculosis Drug Resistance Surveillance
- Stop TB Partnership (2000)

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economical level a incidence of TBC

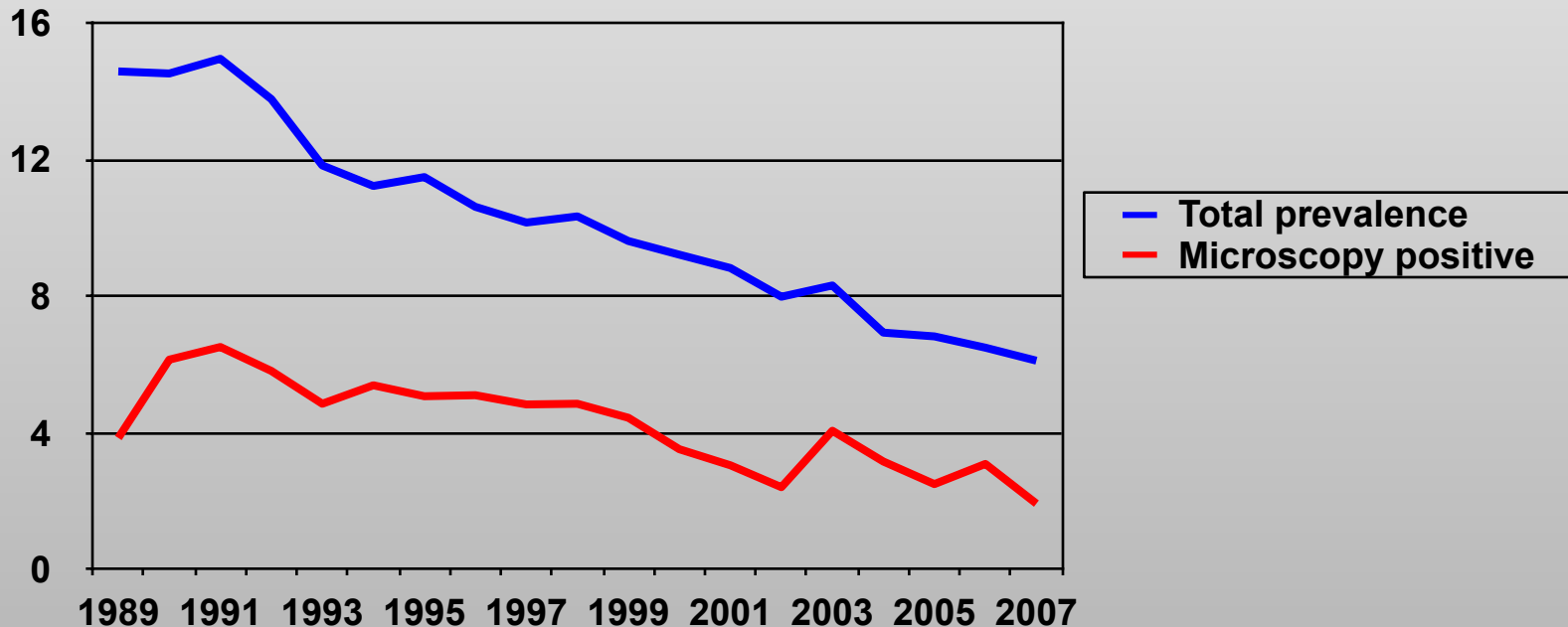
M. tuberculosis



Situation in the Czech republic

- succesful monitoring systems
- total prevalence 2020 3,4/100 000
- ascending proportion of foreigners (Asia and east. Evropa)
- our east line = border of low TBC incidence (Ukraine 2020 44,6/100 000)

M. tuberculosis



history



Robert Koch (1843 – 1910)

important discovery

1872 – 76 antrax

1882 – tuberculosis

1883 – cholera

handing of the Nobel Price (1905)
findigs related to TBC



Emma,

Hedwiga

Classification - total ≥ 179 species (03.2018 - 179...)

order Actinomycetales rod Mycobacterium

mycobacteria

Obligatory pathogens

M.tuberculosis complex:

M.tuberculosis

M.bovis, *M.bovis* BCG

M.africanum, *M.microti*, *M.canetti*,

M. pinnipedii, *M. caprae*,

M.suricattae, *M. mungi*, *M. orygis*

M.leprae

Opportunist pathogens

M.avium

M.intracelulare

M.kansasii

M.malmonese, *M.marinum*

M.scrofulaceum, *M.szulgai*

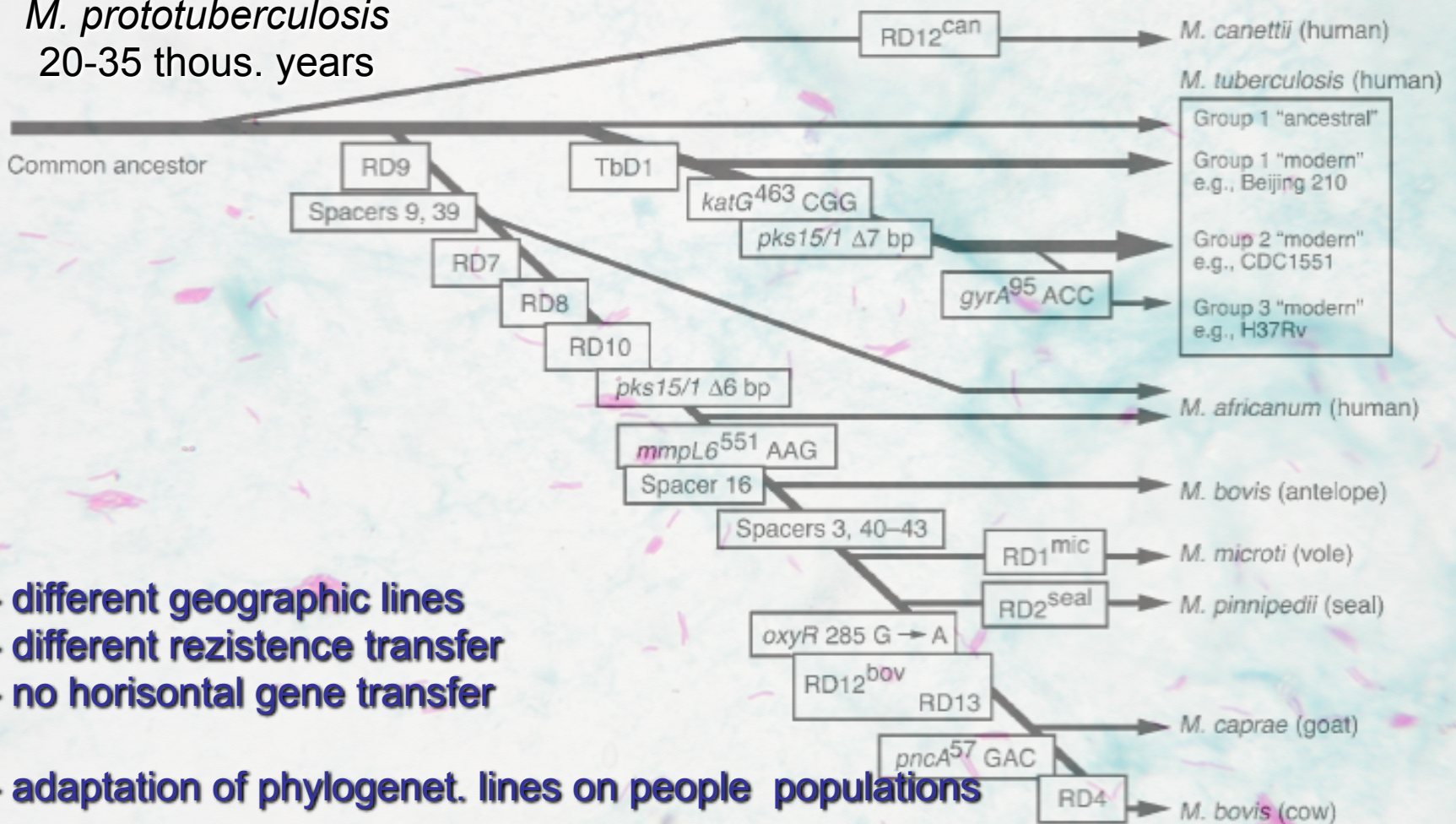
M.xenopi and others...

M.fortuitum

M.chelonae

Evolution of *M. tuberculosis* complex

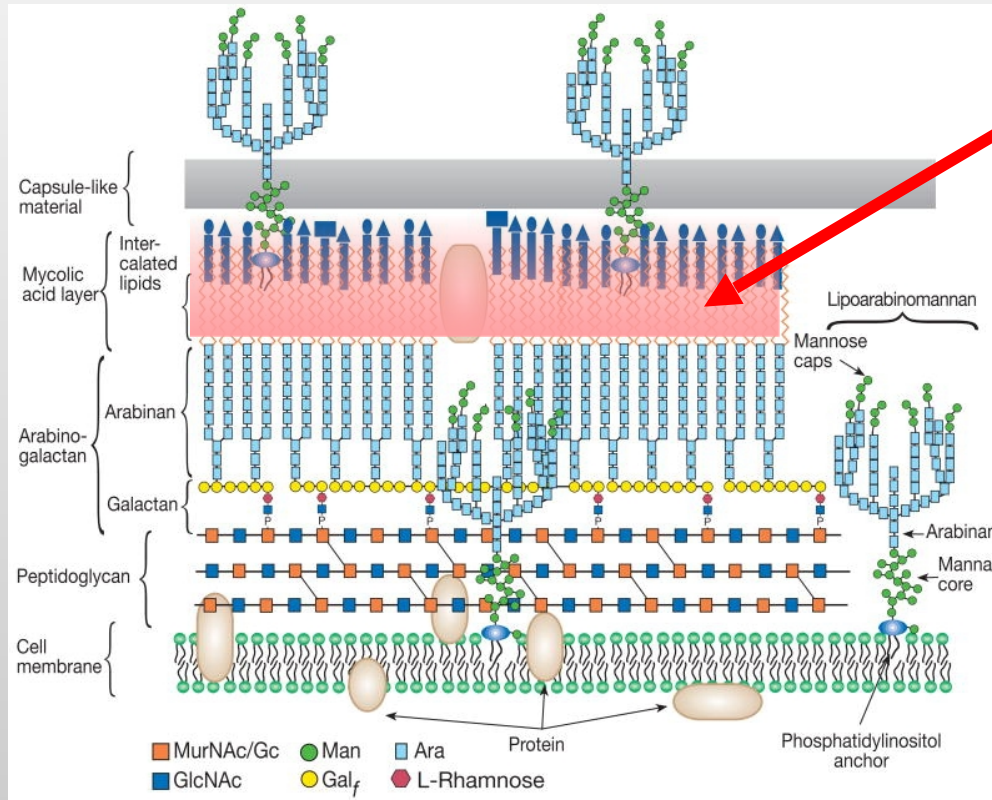
M. prototuberculosis
20-35 thous. years



- different geographic lines
- different resistance transfer
- no horizontal gene transfer
- adaptation of phylogenetic lines on people populations

cell wall

mycobacteria



complicated structure

mycolic acids

lipid barrier responsible for attributes of mycobacteria

role in pathogenesis, immunological response („tortois“ between bacteria)

virulence factors –

components of cell wall

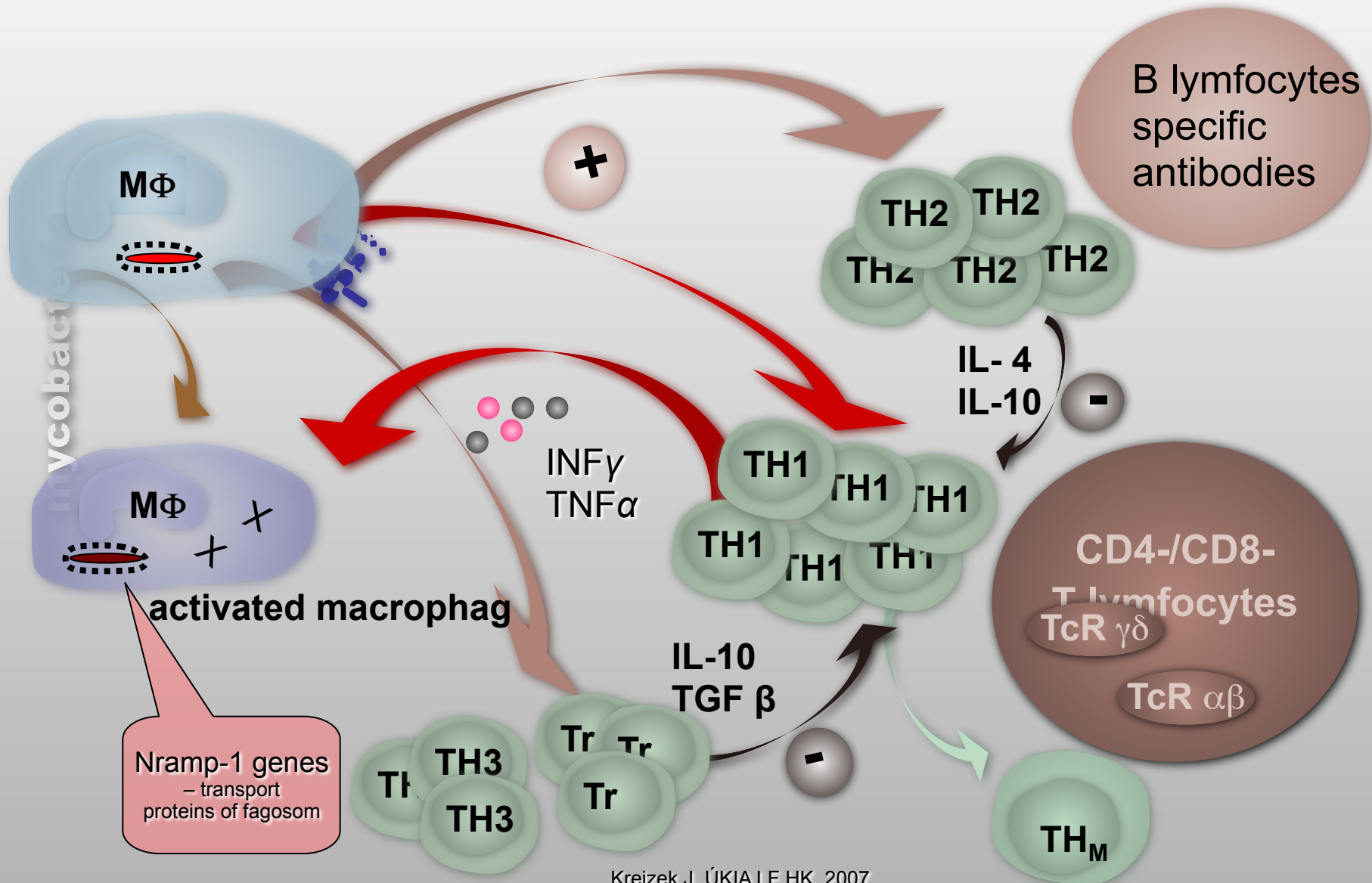
- dimycolate threoside (TDM)
- = cord factor
- lipoarabinomannan (LAM)
- phthiocerodimykerol (PDIM)
- sulfolipids
- 17 kDa glykoprotein

! no toxin established to date!

mycobacteria x macroorganism

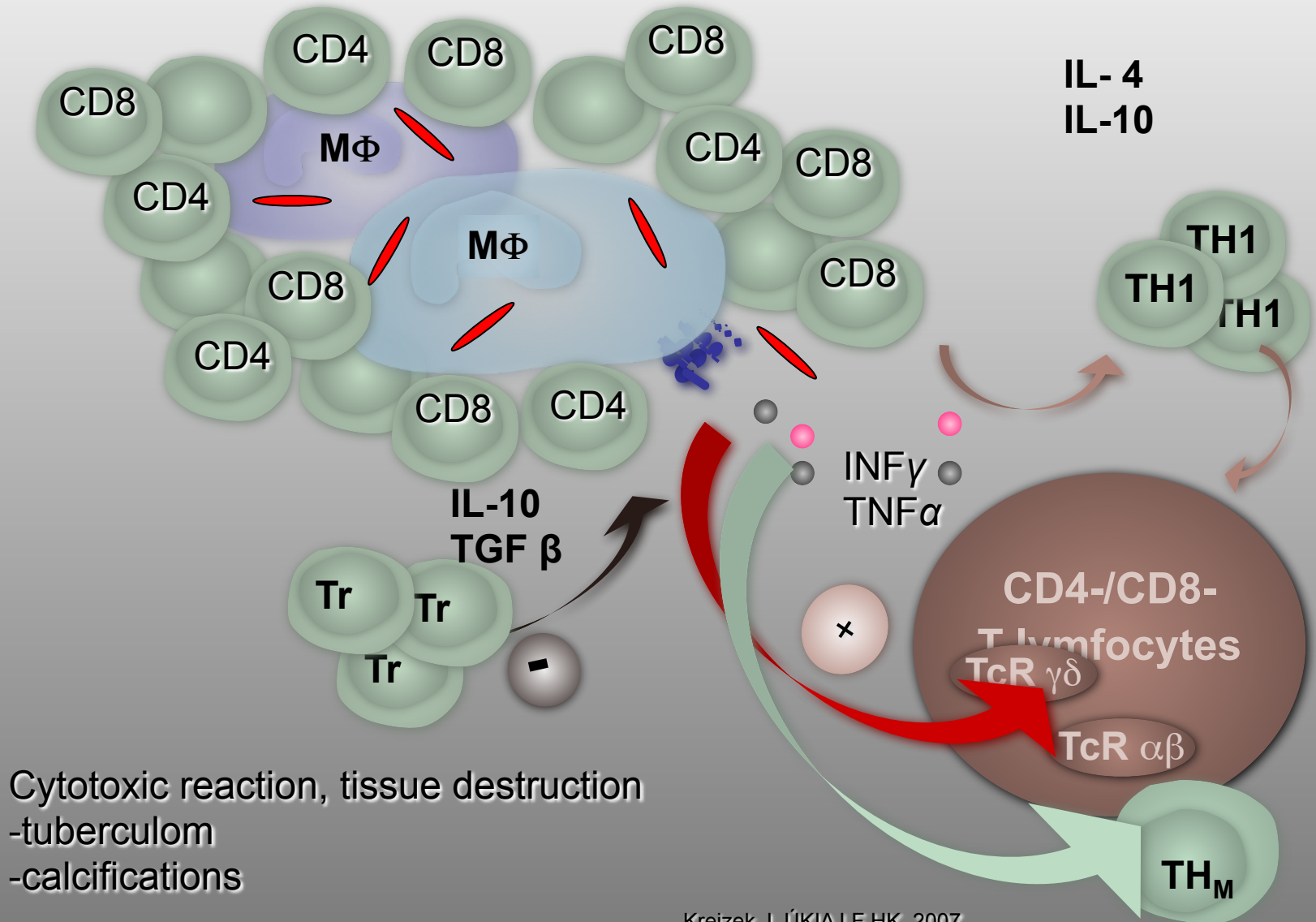
- typical intracellular parasite
- specific genes regulated mycobacterial answer on fagocytosis
- RD genes –virulence factors , secretory proteins (ESAT-6, CFP-10 atd...)
- cell immunity

immunopathogenesis of infection

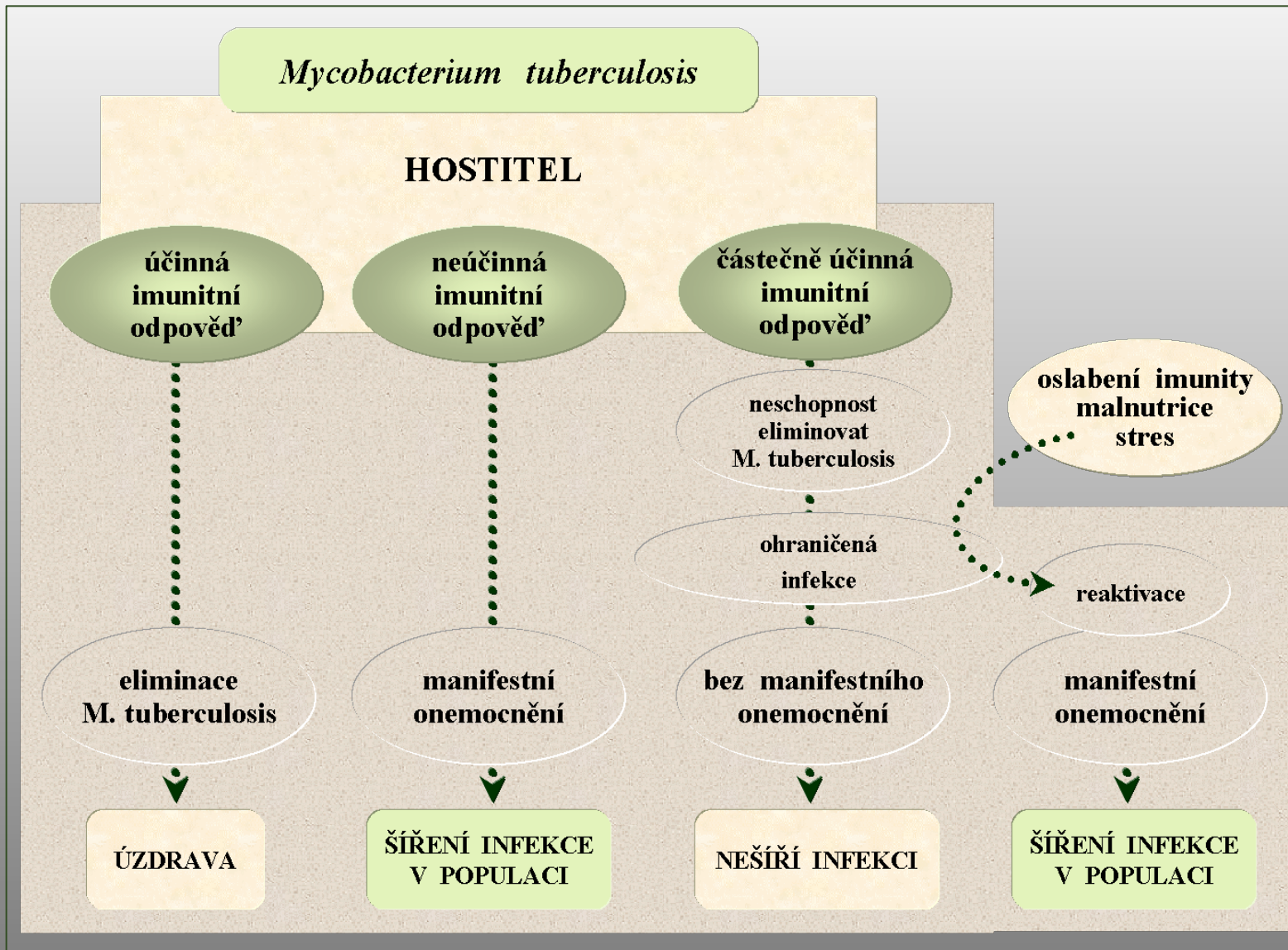


mycobacteria

specific immunity



Cytotoxic reaction, tissue destruction
-tuberculom
-calcifications



Clinical diseases – mycobact. infections

Spreading – infectious aerosol, contact, infection doses <10 bact. cells

Entering – respiratory tract, other paths rare

time of incubation – weeks to months

- **Pulmonary TBC**
- **Extrapulmonary TBC**

Mortality with therapy 16%, without ter. - death

Mycobacteriosis = other mycobacteria
then **M. tuberculosis**

Clinical disease - TBC

M. tuberculosis

- **Pulmonary TBC**

- TBC pneumonia
- cavernous TBC
- miliary TBC (extrapulmonary)



- **extrapulmonary TBC**

- lymphadenitis
- genitourinaryTBC
- TBC meningitis
- skin TBC
- bone TBC
- GIT...



therapy

M. tuberculosis

- **historical development**
- **nutrition**
- **TB sanatorium – high mountains (ozone)**
- **surgical – pulmonary resection**
- **Chemotherapy - antituberculotics**

therapy – antituberculotics (AT)

M. tuberculosis

Basic tests (AT)

I. row

INH – isoniazid

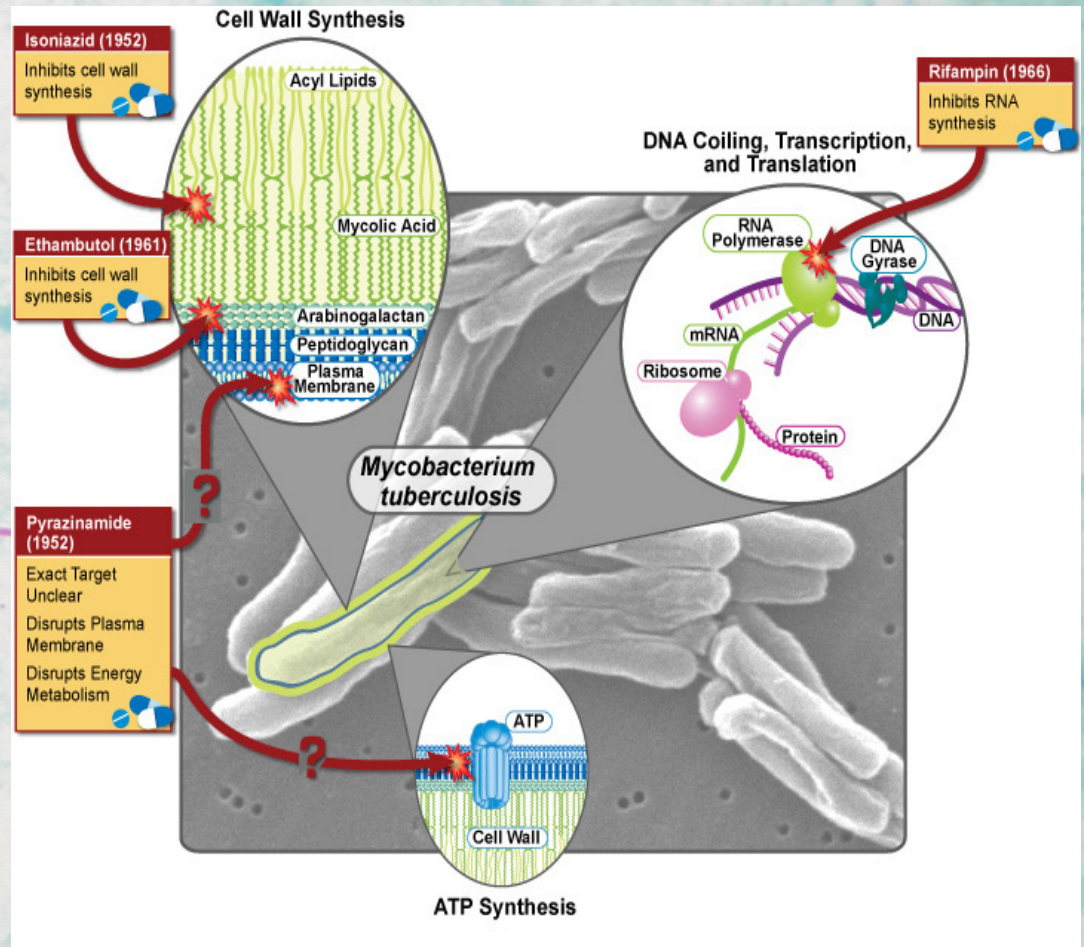
EMB – ethambutol

RIF – rifampicin

PZA – pyrazinamid

II. row

STM – streptomycin



therapy – antituberculotics (AT)

AT list:

- I. row: INH, EMB, RIF, PZA
- II. row: STM, kanamycin, amikacin, capreomycin, viomycin
- III. row: fluoroquinolons (ciprofloxacin, ofloxacin, moxifloxacine..)
- IV. row: bacteriostatic AT (etionamid, PAS – paraaminosalicylic acid....)
- V. row: clofazimine, linezolid and others

Strong undesirable side effects !!!

Resistance issues

MDR-TB multidrug resistant tuberculosis = resistance min. on INH and RIF from basic row AT

XDR-TB extensively drug-resistant tuberc.= resistance on INH, RIF + fluoroquin. + min. one inj. AT from 2. row (AMI, KAN, CAP)

TDR-TB = resistance on both row AT

- **2000 – 272 906 cases MDR-TB, 2004 – 424 903 cases MDR-TB = 4,3% of all treated cases. 62% in China, India a Russia (1)**
- **TBC resistance from 23 laboratories in 48 countries – 3520 (19,9%) MDR-TBC, 347 (9,9%) XDR-TB (2)**
- **USA – 80% MDR-TB foreigners (illegal immigrants from Mexico) (3) CZ - east workers**
- **2020 MDR-TB CZ 10 patients, Ukraine - 3076 (24%)**

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reasons of resistance

- **inadequate therapy**
 - mistakes in dosages
 - incontrolled therapy
 - intolerance AT
- **early ending of therapy**
- **bad patient cooperation**
- genetic mutation of mycobacteria
- **selection of resistant mutants**

Therapy

- **Varies guidelines (new patient, recurrent infection)**
- **Obligatory hospitalisation**
 - **to negative microscopy**, minimal 2-3 month
 - 4 combination of AT new patients
 - 5 combination of AT recurrent infection
- **Than 2-4months home therapy p.o.**
- **Children 2 or 3 combination of AT**

vaccination

- **atenuated strain M. bovis BCG „vaccinia“**
- **History – vaccination after birth, revaccination in 10 years**
- **Now – vaccination canceled as in others developed countries (complications after vaccination), vaccination only for risc population**
- **??? time will show...**

laboratory diagnostic

direct

3 sputum (90%) in various days

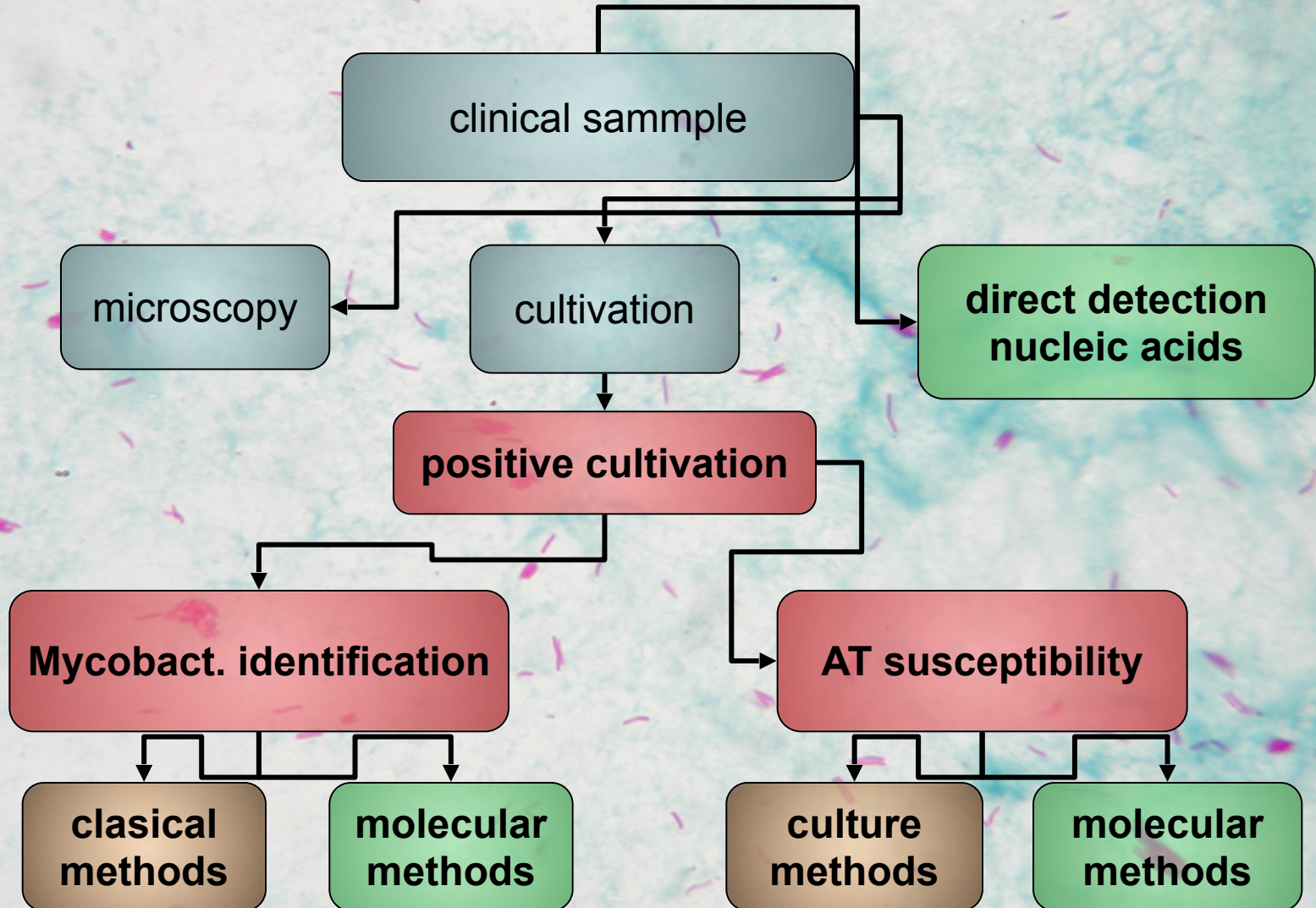
- microscopy of clinical sample
- classical cultivation on solid and liquid medium
- cultivation in automatic system
- nucleid acids detection

indirect

- **activation of immunity system**

direct detection

mycobacteria



microscopy

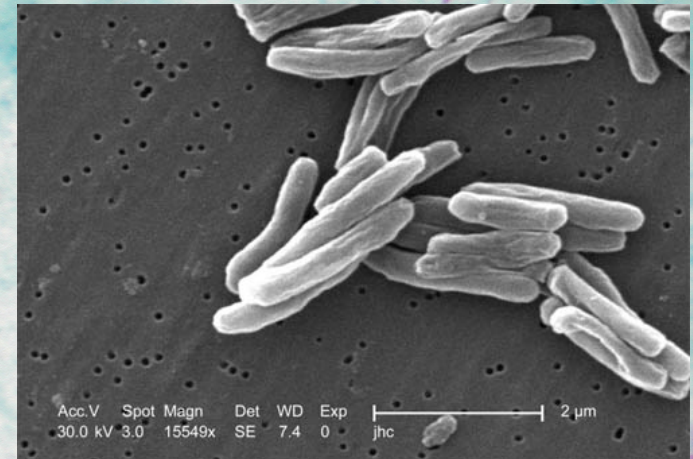
mycobacteria

- **Ziehl-Neelsen staining** – resistant again discolour of acids-alcohol = acid-alcohol fast bacilli /AAFBs, AFBs/
- **Fluorescent staining = auramine-phenol**
- „light emitting diode“

reporting

0 AFBs not founded
+ 10 - 20 AFBs
++ 21 - 100 AFBs
+++ více než 100 AFBs

- fast but very low sensitive (>1000 bact.)



http://www.allamericanpatriots.com/news_topics/pandemics



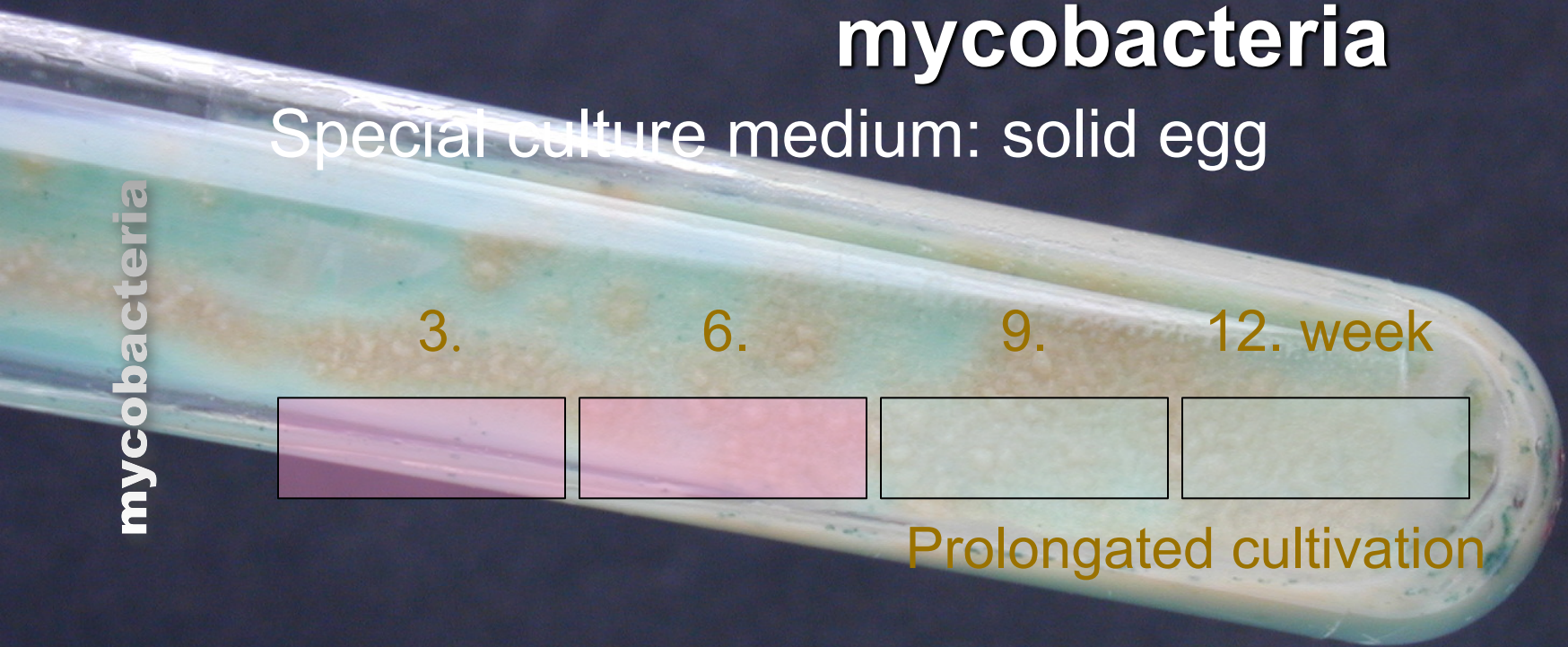
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basic cultivation problem – slowly growth of mycobacteria

Special culture medium: solid egg



growth	1 cycle	40 cycles
Enterobacteria	30 minutes	1 day
<i>M. tuberculosis</i>	1 day	40 days (6 weeks)

Mycobacteria - cultivation

- **Decontamination of sample** = destroying other bacterial cells (long time cultivation)
 - **N-acetylcystein** (Kubica) method, Laurynylsulphate method, Petroff method, acid (HCL) method
 - **Princip** - lytic effect of NaOH or acid combined with mucolysis and neutralization
- **Destroying a lot of mycobacterial cells**
- **Complicated proces with centrifugations**
- ***M. tuberculosis* is in III. group of dangerous infection = special laboratory**
(separated, climatization with hepa filtr, work in laminar flow box, personal protection....)

Mycobacteria - cultivation

- **Innoculation of sample to minimal 3 solid and liquid media in bottles !!!**
- **Cultivation media**
 - **Solid - eggs (Loewenstein-Jensen, Ogawa), Middlebrook**
 - **Liquid protein (Šula, Middlebrook)**
- **Thermobox - 37⁰ C, humidity 85%, air circulation**

metabolic methods

„fast cultivation“

mykobakterie

Growth of mycobacteria in closed system
fast detection – bacterial metabolism

- CO₂ detection - radioactive (Bactec 460TB), colorimetric (MB/BacT), fluorescent Bactec 9240 TB
- O₂ consumption - **MGIT 960**
 - manual or automatised systems
 - average time to detection **MGIT – 13 days**

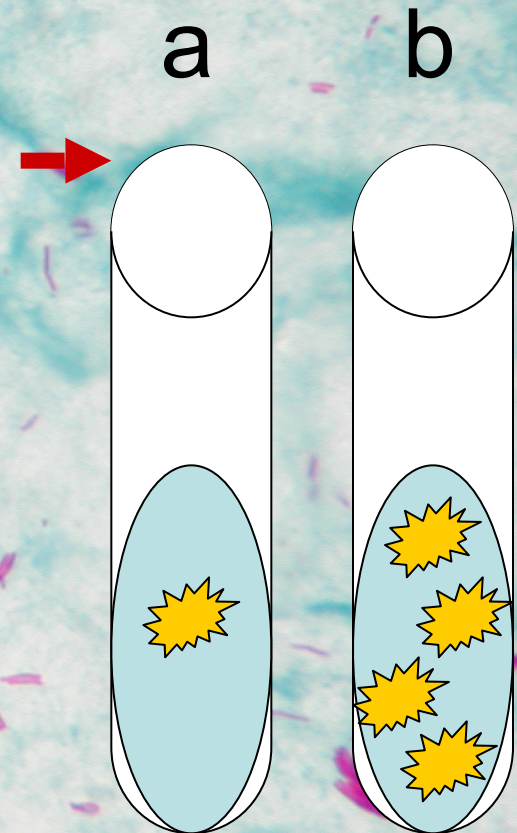
Negative samples - cultivation 42 days !!!



Antimicrobial susceptibility testing

mycobacteria

- Proportional Canetti method on solid medium with AT(a) and control without AT(b) – tolerance of 1% resistant cells
- Metabolic methods – SIRE, Bact/Alert 3D, Versa TREK
- **MIC**, MODS, MABA, E-test, NRA and others
- **Molecular methods**

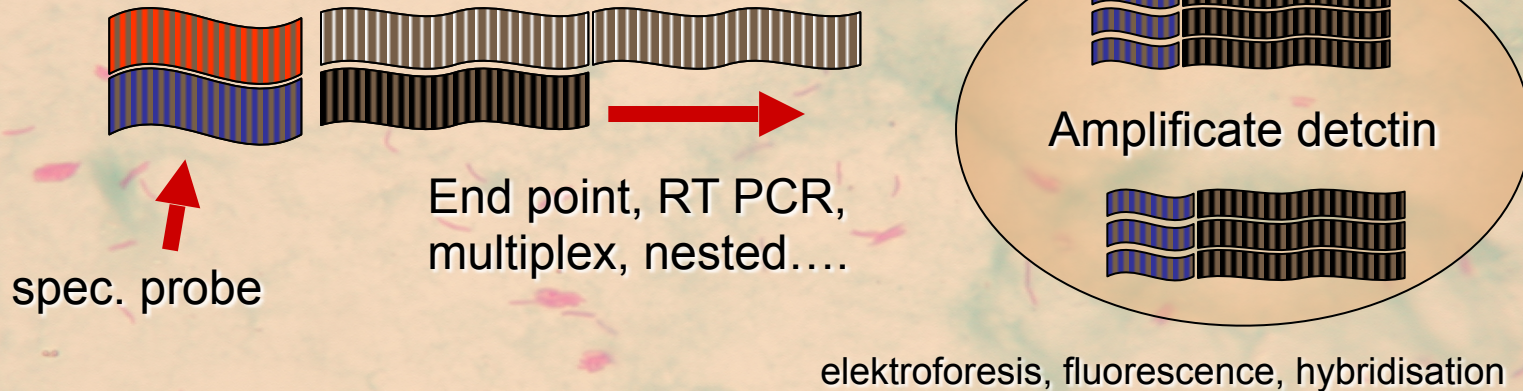


antituberkulotikum

molecular methods – basic principles

mycobacteria

PCR DNA, RNA



16S rRNA (např. NASBA)

16S DNA

1. genome amplification (multiplex)



2. identification

hybridisation

microarray
restriction
sequenation

molecular methods

16S rRNA, 16S rDNA

hybridisation



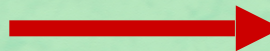
STRIP = probes bounded on paper strip

Microarray = probes bounded on spec. porter – „chip, biochip“

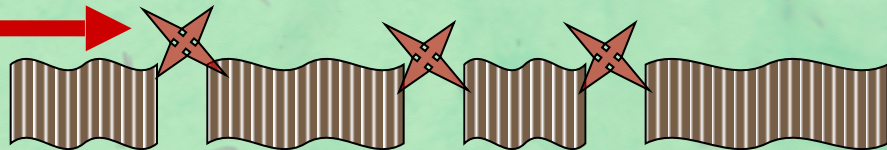
restricted methods



enzymes



restrict analysis



Sequence of bases

CGTAGGTA ACTGGACCTGATCGGTTATATC



sequence analysis, pyrosequenation

mol. methods –resistance detection

INH	<i>katG, inhA, ndh, ahpC</i>	Amikacin	<i>rrs</i>
RIF	<i>rpoB</i>	Capreomycin	<i>tlyA</i>
PZA	<i>pncA</i>	fluoroquinolons	<i>gyrA, gyrB</i>
EMB	<i>embCAB</i>	Ethionamid	<i>etaA/ethA, inhA</i>
STM	<i>rpsL, rrs</i>		

- **strip metethods – Inno-LiPA, GenoType**
- Multiplex Real-time PCR
- DNA chip
- PCR-DNA sequenation

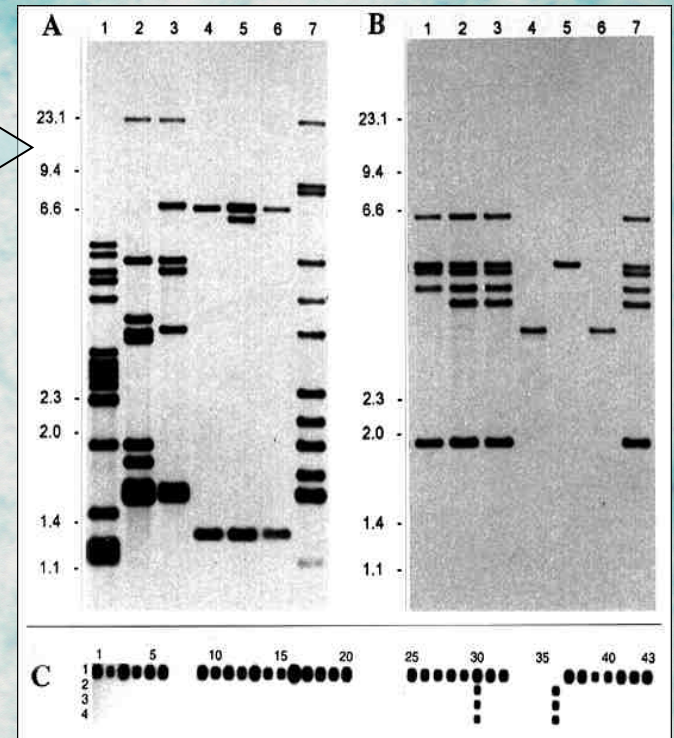
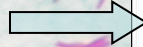
Methods of molecular epidemiology

fingerprinting methods

for epidemiological findings – identification to subspecies

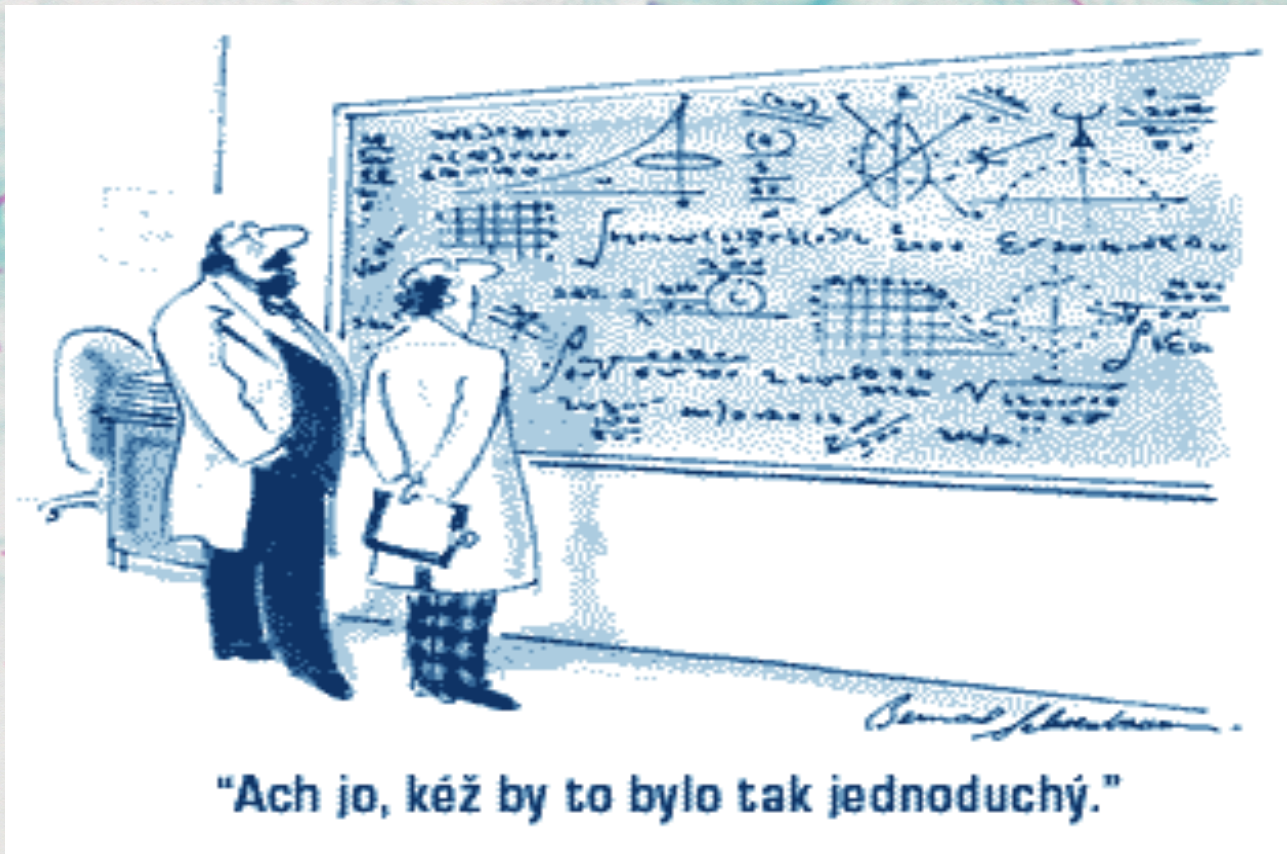
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- IS1610-RFLP – restrict analysis
- methods detected repeated sequences – PCR, spoligotyping, MIRU-VNTR
- **sequenation**



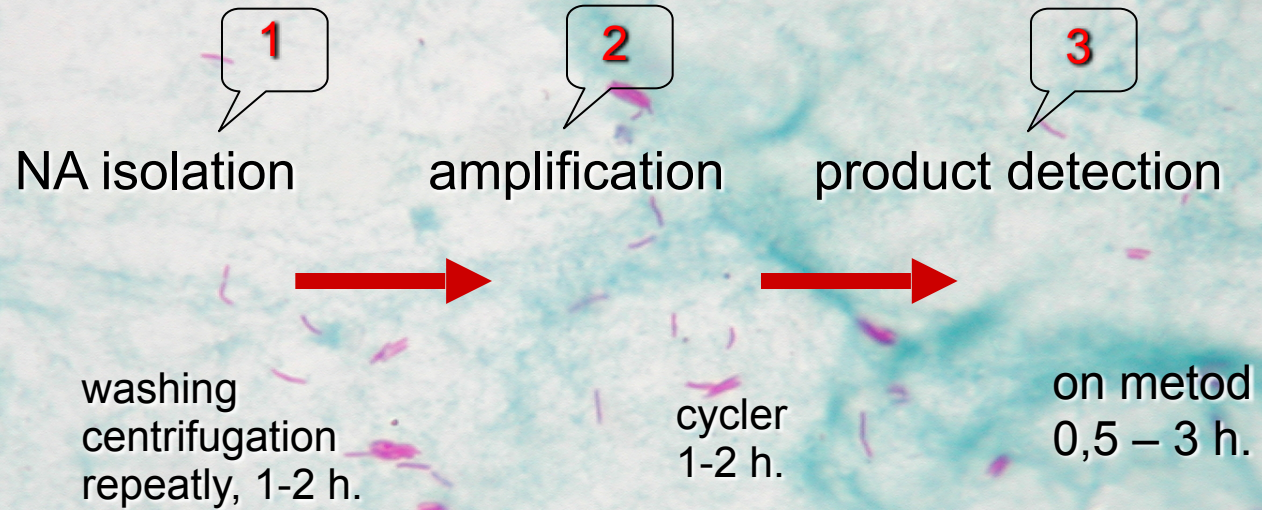
Molecular methods in praxis...

M. tuberculosis



Oh, if only it were that simple

Technology of molecular methods



varies step of automatisation

- NA isolators
- Pipetors
- Full automatic devices

Technology of molecular methods

Problem

Detection of genes common for MTBC complex

Most of tests are not able to differentiate species – problem is using of probe common for all species of MTBC complex



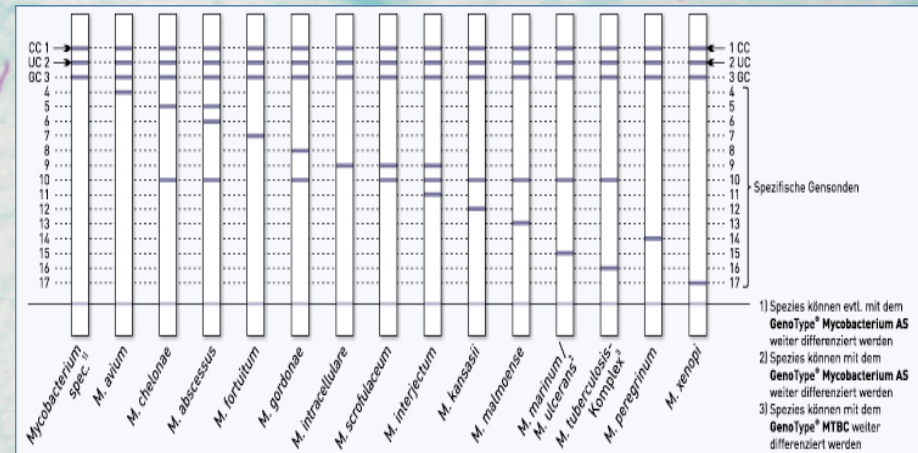
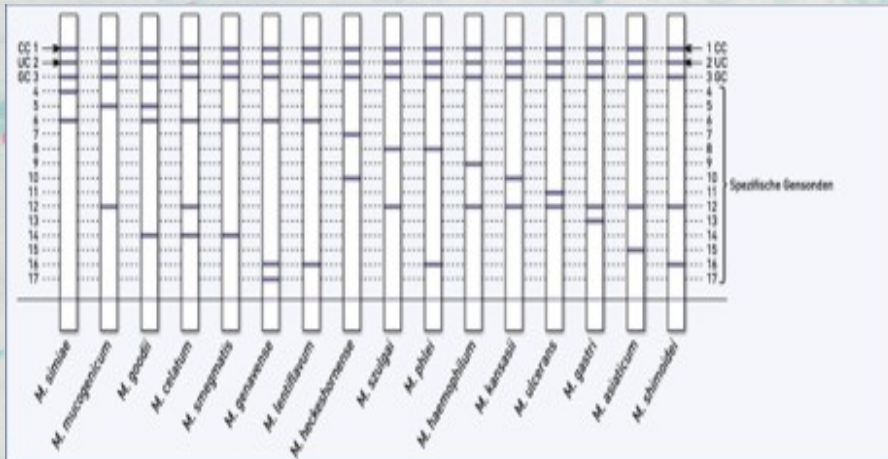
next tests

Low sensitivity – best - GeneXpert 112 CFU/ml
(Jones M., 2009)

Isolation NA - during the destruction of a bacterial cell (cell wall) is destroyed also detected NA.

strip methods GenoType

- GenoType Mycobacteria Direct – *M. tuberculosis* komplex, *M. avium*, *M. intracellulare*, *M. kansasii*, *M. malmoense*
- GenoType MTBC – differentiation *M. tuberculosis* komplex from cultured strain
- GenoType Mycobacterium AS/CM – resistance on AT



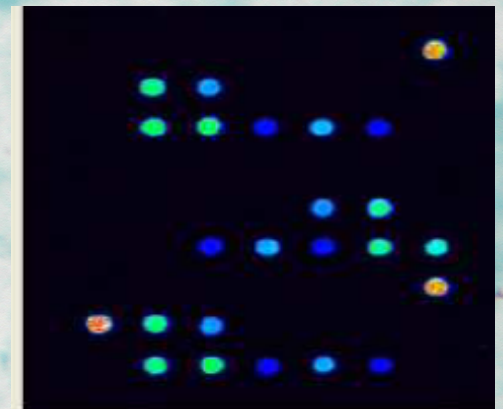
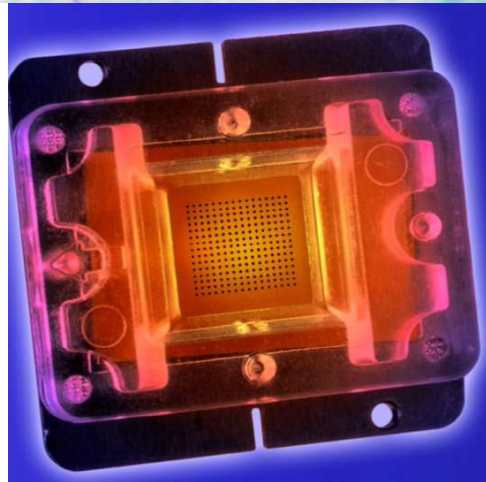
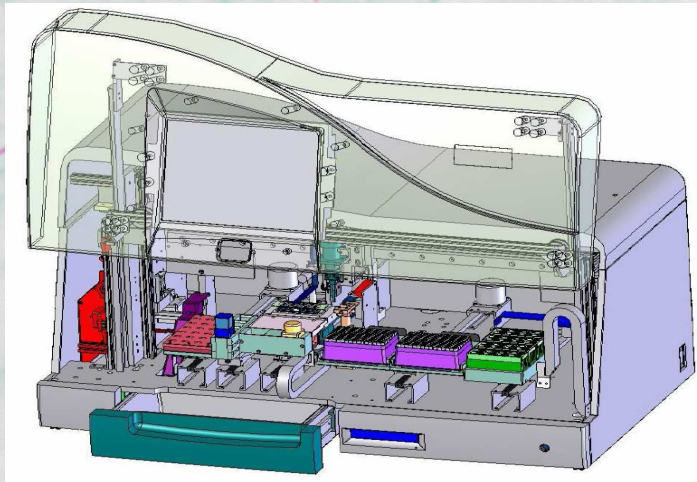
GeneXpert

- full automatic system multiplex RT PCR
- NA isolation + RT PCR
- result in 1,5 hours
- MTBC complex + resistance on RIF
- High susceptibility



INFINITI -microarray

- NA isolation
- end point PCR
- microarray hybridisation – 240 probes
- viral respiratory infection, MTBC + RIF, INH, PYR



reporting results of direct microbiological methods

mycobacteria

Positive microscopy – patient spread AFBs
(mycobacteria) = TB infection

Positive cultivation (solid m., metab. met.) – patient
spread alive mycobacteria = TB infection

genetic methods

Cultured strain – 100% good result

Direct from clinical sample

positive

- alive bacteria = dg TB infection
- NA of death bacterial cell
- false positive

negative

- it is not mycobacterial infection
- false negative

M. tuberculosis 2001

62 MTBC findings

	positive	negative
Microscopy	23(39%)	36(61%)
LJ	61(91,4%)	1(1,6%) MGIT +
MGIT	57(98,3%)	1(1,7%) LJ +
PCR	23(92%)	2(8%) MGIT, LJ +

Average time of cultivation:

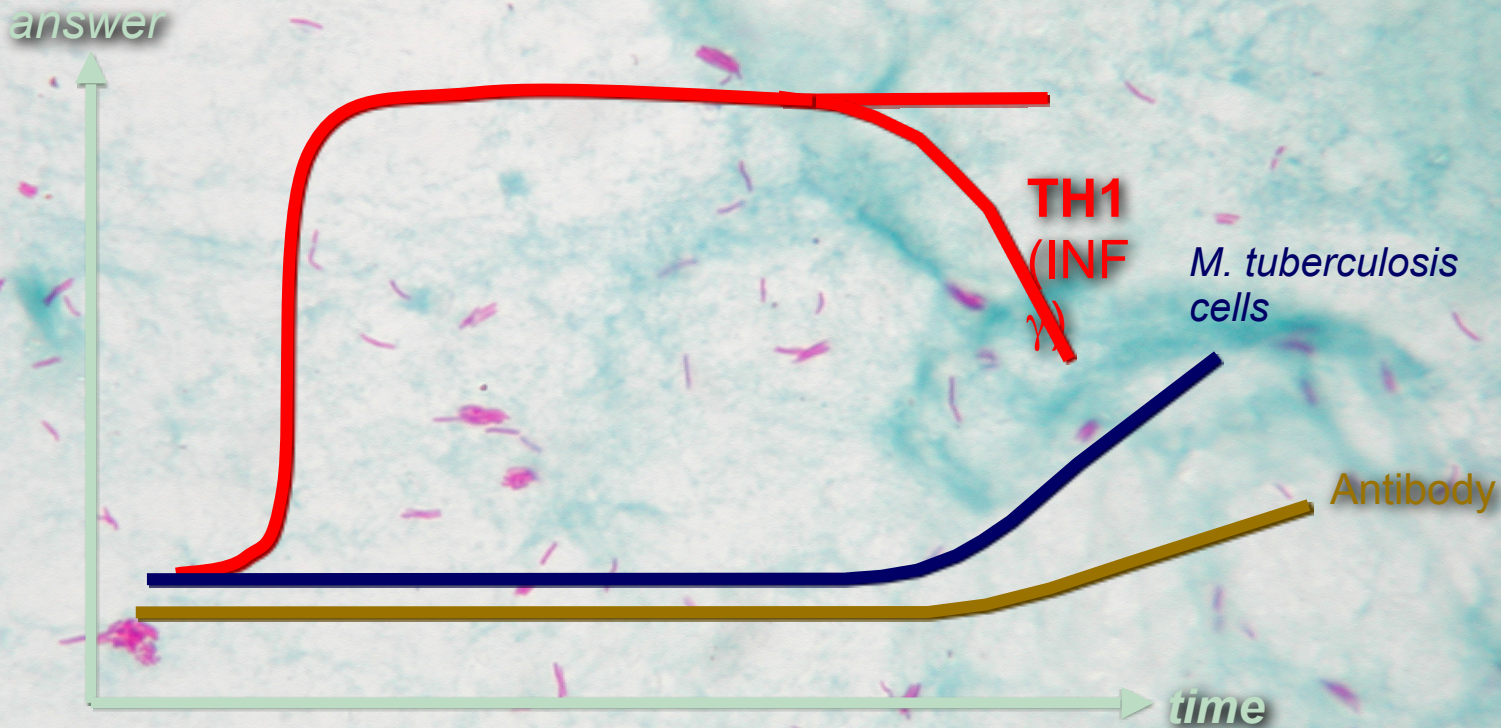
LJ 27,9 days
MGIT 960 12,4 days

undirect diagnosis (latent TBC)

- Antibody – negative in 30% of microscopy positive TBC
- **Skin test**
- **Cytokine tests (IGRA tests)**

immunity answer – latent TB

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Infection, recurrence
infection, recurrence

← latent TB →

disease

undirect diagnostic - princip

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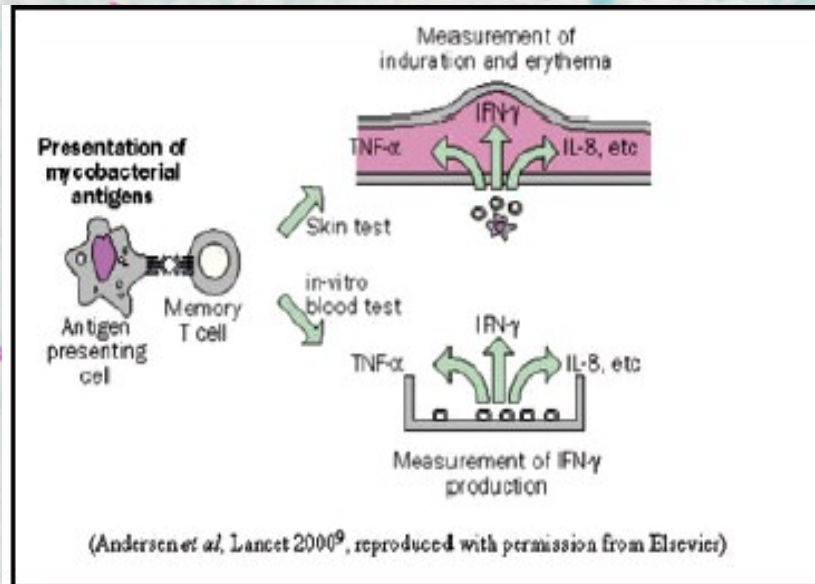


Figure 1: Biological basis of cellular immune based tests⁹

- Stimulation of mycobacterial antigens
- Accumulation of monocyto-makrophag cells and T lymphocytes
- IFN γ production

Mycobacterial antigens

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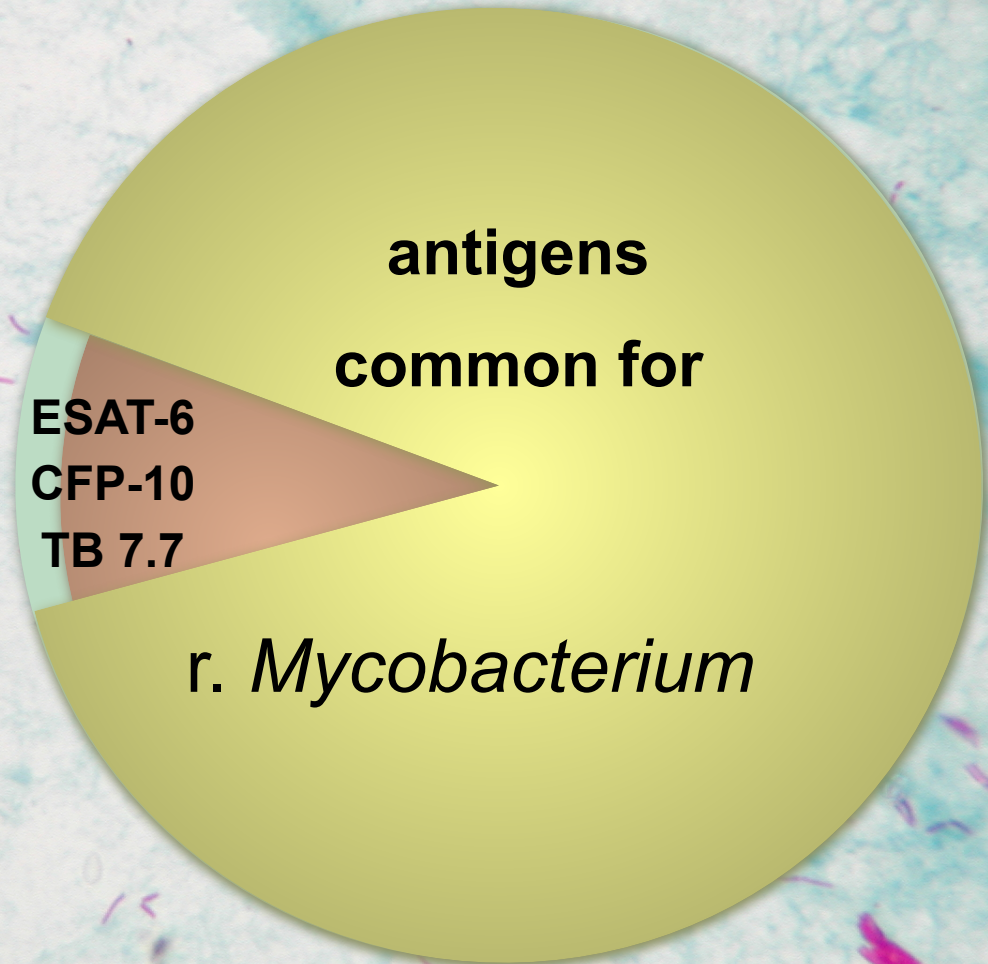
M. tuberculosis
Complex
specific
antigens

Encoded of genes
Regions of Difference
(RD)

ESAT-6
CFP-10
TB 7.7

antigens
common for

r. Mycobacterium

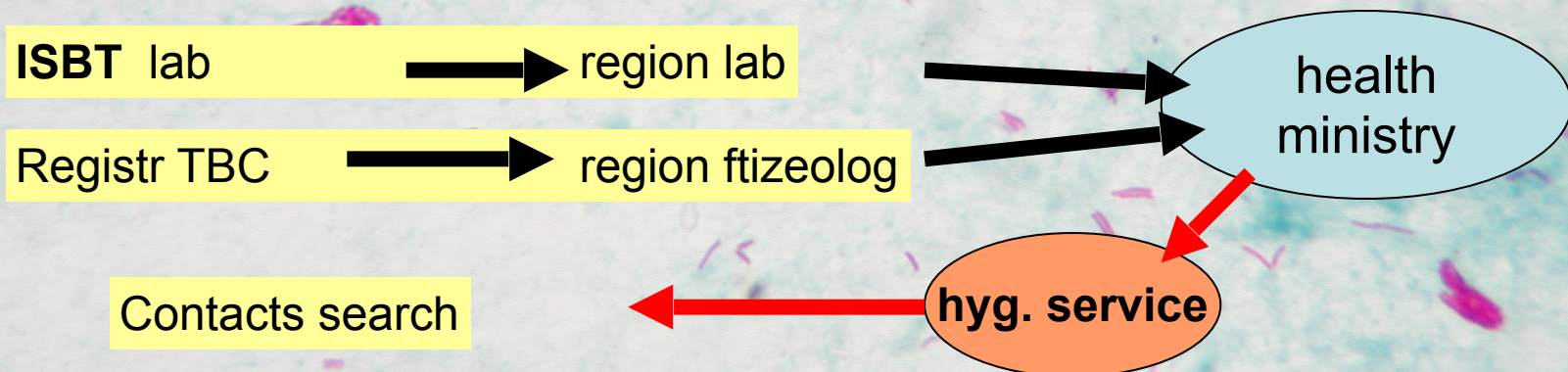


future

- **Molecular methods – detection, identification, resistance, epidemiology**
- **culture methods**
gold standard
- **Indirect methods**
INF γ

Systems for TBC control

- **Registr TBC** = duty for every doctor report new case TBC – „region ftizeolog“ – hygienic service
- **ISBT** = information system of bacilar TBC. Duty of every lab doing TBC detection report all positivne findings. Electronic form.
- Both systems are linked.
- Goal – TBC control .



Examples from practise

Woman 38 years

Labor technician (TBC lab.), personal problems,
Autumn 2003 – pneumonia, positive tests on chlamydia
control X-ray – determined dg lung TBC.

All microbiological investigations negative incl. PCR.

6 month therapy, reparation – industrial disease.

Problematical work placement.

It was not tuberculosis, but they had taken money
for professional illness.....

Casuistics - my experiences

Woman 75 years

Very „good looking“, without health problems.

Long time cough, sputum - culture on TB negative,
PCR M.tbc complex positive – closed as TBC.

All others microbiological investigations negative!

TB therapy – after therapy without problems.

6 month in sanatorium

mental trauma also for husband

...most likely she never had TBC ...

Casuistics - my experiences

Man 50 years, artist (painter)

In 1980-1989 treated for tuberculosis

Living alternately by 3 woman (Prag, Brno, Liberec)

Refused medical (TB) controls.

Accident in car by Hradec Kralove – hospitalised in University hospital.

Chest contusion, broken leg.

Worsening respiratory function, artificial respiration,

after 3 weeks diagnosed TBC (microscopy – massive expectoration)

Changing clinics (pulmonary clinic, infection clinic).

After 1 month death.

...3 EPV devices contaminated, many workers in contact ...

mystery

	sputum A	sputum B
Date of investigation	3.5.2002	3.5.2002
Microscopy	neg.	neg.
L-J cultivation	neg.	neg.
MGIT 960	positive	positive
PCR	-	-
	M.TBC	M.TBC
INH	R	R
STM	R	R
RIF	R	R
PZA	R	R
EMB	R	R
= XDR TBC !!!		



Patient A (V.J.)

**80 years, man, HK (town)
polymorbid (ICHS,OCHPN...)
Repeatedly hospitalised**

**repeatedly investigated
on TB, all negat.**

Patient B (J.J.)

**51 years, man, village
repeatedly investigated
on TB, all negat.**

...in historyTBC...

**...in next course both patients repeatedly investigated
on TB – all negative incl.PCR....
From TB wiew – both evidently healthy.....**

possibilities

1. Laboratory mistake

Contaminaion of samples

- Both of another sample
- Bad susceptibility on AT

excluded

repeatedly excluded

2. Patients were in contact

3. Patients were in contact with third person

Possible solving

Both patients were in the same day on special investigation included sputum taking on TB cultivation...



Bohouš a beer bunch

Man 48 years

- „homeles“, daily abusos
- death of body chilling + alkohol
- autopsy – developed lung TBC

Did he infect his friends in pub?

YES

Will be his friends ill?

NO (body mass > 100 kg)

...fortunatelly nobody was investigetad of new methods or PCR

...Bohouš „job“ was **occupied in 14 days !!!**

construction

Heat – I drink beer in pub – I become cough – sputum on TBC + PCR – it is fuck.....



...děkuji za pozornost