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TYPICAL STRUCTURES ON REPLICAS OF APPARENTLY INTACT TOOTH SURFACES ¹

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A method of studying tooth surfaces in situ and in vitro by examination of metal-shadowed collodion replicas has been described in a previous publication (1). Such replicas are suitable for either optical or electron microscopy, but it has seemed unwise to make an extensive

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investigation of ultra-structures seen under the electron microscope until a thorough understanding has been gained of the wealth of detail visible under low magnifications. The present paper is devoted to a description and illustration of typical structures commonly seen under the optical microscope. It is based on an inspection of approximately 2,000 replicas, about 500 of which have been obtained from teeth *in situ*.

The replica method is most generally applicable to the study of smooth surfaces of the teeth, but sometimes replicas can be made of occlusal inclined planes. Replicas for the present work have been taken from the various smooth surfaces of extracted teeth, and from the accessible surfaces of teeth in the mouth. The latter have consisted of buccal, labial, and lingual surfaces of all teeth except third molars, and of proximal surfaces when either the adjacent tooth was missing or approximal contact was such that at least a partial replica could be taken buccal or labial to the contact point.

Prior to taking replicas, all extracted teeth have been washed with soap and water and a hand brush, and inspected for debris or plaques, Bender's disclosing solution (2) generally being used for the detection of the latter. Replicas have been made of surfaces before and after pumicing, before and after removing visible surface deposits, and under a variety of other conditions. In the intra oral work some teeth have been pumiced, others have been checkstained with the disclosing solution prior to taking replicas, but usually the preparatory treatment has been limited to ordinary brushing with a toothbrush by the individual, followed by inspection and cleaning by the operator with cotton pellets saturated with ether and alcohol.

A number of structures appearing on the replicas can be identified and described in terms of histologic components of the enamel as seen in ground sections. Other details appear only on a surface, and have no counterparts in ground sections. Most tooth surfaces are subject to great variation from point to point, and show several of these structures within a single microscope field; very few are homogeneous. The most common structures on replicas from surfaces which have seemed intact on visual inspection are the following:

1. Enamel rod-ends.—These are visible to some extent on nearly every replica. Sometimes they appear only in small areas (fig. 5) and at other times the entire surface shows an evenly distributed rod pattern (figs. 1, 2, 7). The rod outlines resemble those described from ground sections, i. e. three sides, with two of these concave and the third convex (Ref. 1, fig. 4). The rod-ends, from 5μ to 10μ in diameter, are apparently concave since they appear as elevations on the replicas (figs. 1, 2, 5, 7). Occasionally they are very smooth, but more often they are rough and show a fine dotted pattern at magnifications

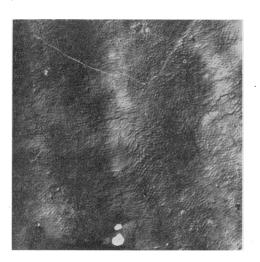


FIGURE 1.-Enamel rod-ends showing chainlike arrangement. (Mesial surface of extracted lower left third molar, 100 ×.)

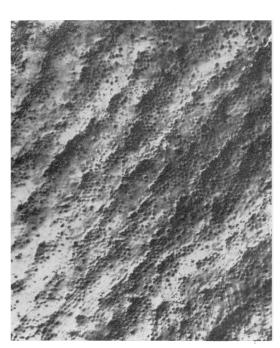


FIGURE 2.—Perikymata following regular course, but showing individual irregularities. (Mesial surface of extracted lower left first bieuspid. 150 \times .)

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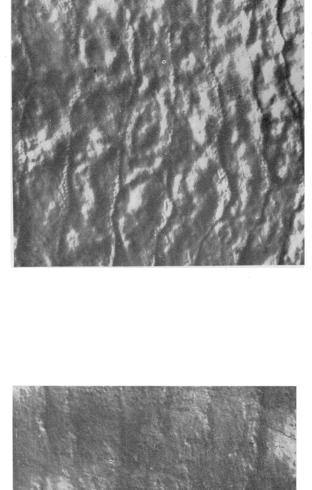


FIGURE 3.--Wide flat-bottomed perikymata following regular course. (Buccal surface of extracted upper left first biscuspid. 150 X.)

FIGURE 4.-Narrow, sharp perikymata following regular course, (Labial surface of upper left central, *in situ.* 150 X.)

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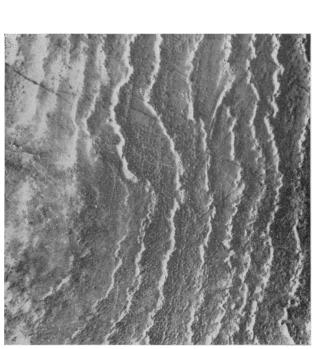


FIGURE 5.—Perikymata showing interruptions and aberrations of course. (Buccal surface of extracted upper left second molar. 130 X.)

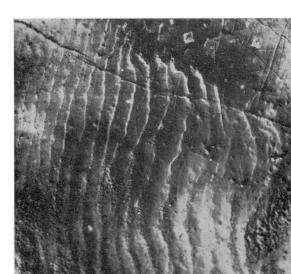


FIGURE 6.—Perikymata showing marked aberrations of course. (Mesial surface of extracted lower left first bicuspid. 150 X.)

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FIGURE 8.—Scratches in enamel surface. (Labial surface of extracted lower right lateral. 160 \times).

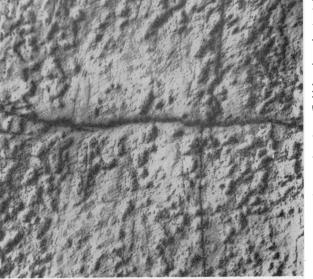


FIGURE 7.-Crack in enamel surface. (Labial surface of extracted upper left central. 150 X).

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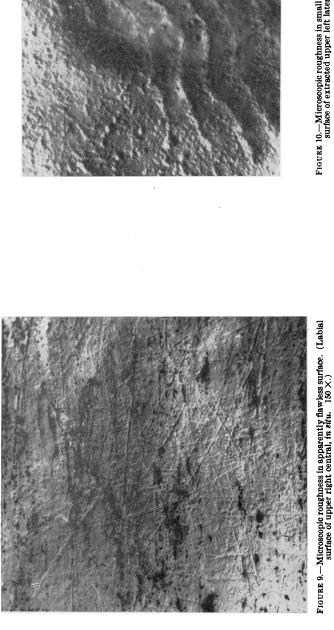


FIGURE 10.-Microscopic roughness in small opaque area. (Labial surface of extracted upper left lateral. 100 X.)



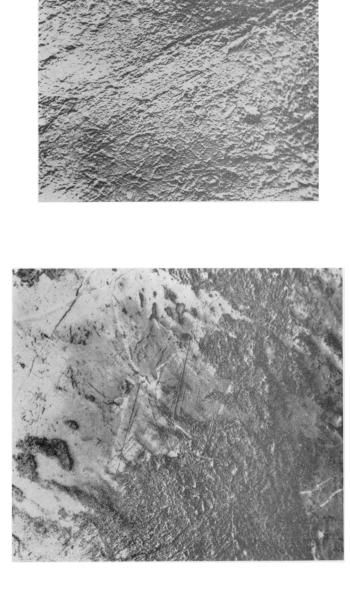


FIGURE 11.—Microscopic roughness in area of mild decalcification. (Mesial surface of extracted lower left second molar. 150 \times .)

FIGURE 12.—Severe abrasion at contact point. (Mesial surface of extracted lower right second molar. 150 \times .)

2. Interprismatic material.—Wherever rod-ends are visible they are separated by from 1μ to 3μ of interprismatic material. This thickness varies considerably even in a single area and on different sides of a single rod-end. The sweeping, chainlike appearance of many rows of rod-ends is due to this variation in width (figs. 1, 7).

3. Perikymata.—One or more surfaces of nearly all teeth show these transverse waves which vary greatly in depth, in contour, and in distance apart. Usually they are from 15μ to 100μ apart (figs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10). They are often close together in the gingival portion of the surface, and farther apart near the incisal or occlusal edge. Most perikymata appear to be from 3μ to 10μ deep, but this depth may vary along an individual wave (figs. 2, 4, 5). Sometimes the groove is flat on the bottom (fig. 3), sometimes it is rounded (fig. 10), but in most cases it is a fairly sharp furrow (figs. 2, 4, 5, 6). Often the perikymata sweep across the surface in uniform, diphasic curves (figs. 3, 4). Many, however, show marked aberrations from this regular course. Occasionally they dip sharply for short distances and return to the same horizontal baseline (figs. 5, 6). Sometimes they stop completely in a rough area (fig. 11), an opaque (fig. 10), an abraded (fig. 12), or even an unaffected area (figs. 2, 5), and then resume their previous course a short distance farther along.

4. Cracks.—Cracks are evident on the surface of most extracted teeth and on many teeth *in situ*. They vary in length, width, depth, and number on a surface. Typical examples are shown in figures 6 and 7. Some of the cracklike details may be identical with what are commonly designated in ground sections as lamellae (fig. 7); on the replicas no satisfactory differentiation between the two has yet been possible.

5. Scratches.—Practically all tooth surfaces show many scratches They vary from several micra to several millimeters in length and generally are shallow and narrow. Various types are seen in figures 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11.

6. *Microscopic roughness.*—This is a minor type of surface irregularity which appears in replicas taken over white spots, decalcified areas, and over many regions which appear flawless on visual inspection of the tooth. Almost every replica has shown some area of microscopic roughness. It is characterized by a granular background which appears to be produced by many exceedingly small pits close together, and by numerous larger depressions, some pitlike, others

elongated, and none more than a few micra deep. Perikymata are generally absent or far less pronounced than in adjacent regions. The rod detail occasionally noted in the background is often pronounced and at other times very faint. Microscopic roughness associated with an apparently flawless surface is shown in figures 3 and 9. In the former a rod pattern is faintly visible. The replica of figure 10 was taken over a small white spot which could be seen only by transilluminating the tooth. The opaque region and its associated micro-roughness appear in the upper left corner of the picture. Figure 11 shows the more marked roughness of an area of very mild decalcification. Small unevenly distributed areas of micro-roughness are seen in figures 5 and 6.

7. Abrasion-Most proximal surfaces which have been in contact with those of adjacent teeth show some degree of abrasion. Often the worn contact point is immediately evident on visual inspection, but frequently the wear is so slight that it can be seen only on microscopic examination of the replica. Abrasion is often seen on buccal and labial surfaces, especially on the occlusal and incisal thirds of lower Replicas from abraded areas tend to be flatter than those from teeth. surrounding regions. The perikymata are worn down and rod detail is usually absent. The entire region may be indented by short, shallow, closely spaced grooves and pits whose depth and distribution usually permit a differentiation between abrasion and other types of roughness. Figure 12 is an example of a replica taken over a severely abraded contact point.

8. Smooth areas.---Many replicas show regions which are devoid of microscopically visible detail, or of detail other than light scratches (fig. 11). Smooth areas extensive enough to cover an entire replica are, however, rarely encountered.

Pathologically affected teeth show more or less characteristic details in addition to the structures listed above. Replicas of the various stages in carious disintegration, small pit cavities, microscopic and macroscopic hypoplastic pits, evidences of fluorosis, and other surface irregularities will be described in subsequent publications.

Summarv

The types of detail most commonly seen on examination of metalshadowed replicas of apparently intact tooth surfaces are described and illustrated by a series of photomicrographs. These reveal marked differences between surfaces and on individual surfaces, even though the surfaces look intact and flawless on visual inspection.

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CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS OF EXPERIMENTAL INFLUENZA INFECTIONS IN EGGS¹

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Nitroakridin 3582 or, 2,3-dimethoxy-6-nitro-9 (-diethyl-amino-oxypropyl) aminoacridine-dihydrochloride, has been shown to have a beneficial effect in experimental infections with several rickettsial agents (1, 2). Furthermore, other acridine compounds are now known to inhibit the growth of bacteriophage (3). Preliminary experiments in which embryonated eggs infected with influenza B virus were treated with nitroakridin 3582 have given sufficiently encouraging results to warrant the present report.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Stock virus for the experiments consisted of chorioallantoic fluids from embryonated eggs infected with Lee strain influenza virus which were pooled and stored in the frozen state until standardized by titration in eggs. Samples of the thawed material were then diluted so that inocula for each experiment contained the desired number of minimal infecting doses (MID), as calculated by the 50 percent endpoint method. A stock solution of nitroakridin with a concentration of 20 mg./cc. was prepared in 0.9 percent NaCl solution buffered at pH 7.6, sterilized in the autoclave at 10 pounds pressure for 10 minutes, and diluted with an equal volume of buffered saline before injection into eggs. Usually equal volumes of the desired dilution of virus made with buffered salt solution were mixed with nitroakridin solution and immediately injected into the chorioallantoic sacs of 11day embryonated eggs. In some experiments, the dilutions of virus were made with normal choricallantoic fluid and then mixed with the drug and injected; while in others the drug and virus, both in buffered saline, were injected separately into the chorioallantoic sac. Except in experiments 12 and 13b, each egg received an inoculum totaling 0.1 cc. which contained 0.5 mg. of the drug and from 1 to 10,000 MID of virus. In experiments 12 and 13b the nitroakridin was injected 1 hour before the virus; and in experiment 12 three doses were used, i. e., 0.5, 0.25, and 0.1 mg. The final pH of mixtures of drug and virus diluted in buffered saline was 5.6, and that of mixtures of drug and virus diluted in chorioallantoic fluid was 6.5; both of these values are above the pH range at which influenza virus is inactivated (4). Control groups of eggs received corresponding amounts of the drug or of the virus. Inoculated eggs were incubated at 35° C. for 2 to 5 days and those embryos dying before the termination of the experiment were discarded. At the end of the incubation period,

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the eggs were chilled at 4° C. for several hours. The chorioallantoic fluids were then harvested and tested individually for their content of virus by the red cell agglutination technique, using 0.5 cc. amounts of serial twofold dilutions of allantoic fluid with 0.25 cc. amounts of a 1-percent suspension of washed human "O" type cells. No attempt was made to determine amounts of virus below the level demonstrable by red cell agglutinatior. All fluids failing to agglutinate red cells were arbitrarily regarded as negative.

RESULTS

The results of eight experiments are summarized in table 1. It is

in embryonated eggs

Ex- peri- ment	Number of eggs inocu-	s mate akridin tion - MID's 3582 in (days a		Incuba- tion (days at	Number of posi- tive ¹ eggs over	N	um	ber	of e	ggs	pos	itive	e at i	ndice	ated ti	iter
No.	lated	virus	mgs.	35° C.)	total tested	2	4	8	16	32	64	128	256	512	1,024	2,048
4	9 9 9 9 9 9	10,000 10,000 100 100 1 1 1	0.5 0 .5 0 .5 0	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3/4 4/4 2/3 4/4 0/4 3/4					 1	1	1	1 	1 3 1 	4	
11	21 10	100 100	0 ^{.5}	2 2	17/21 9/10	 				1	2	2	3 1	7	2 8	•
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5	18 36	10 10	0 ^{.5}	3–5 3–5	0/12 18/18								 			5
10	21 10	10 10	0 ^{.5}	2 2	0/21 8/10	 					3		 1	 1	2	
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¹ Positive: having allantoic fluid with enough virus to be demonstrated by red cell agglutination.

Nitroakridin and indicated amounts of virus diluted in 0.9-percent NaCl buffered at pH 7.6 were mixed and injected together in all experiments except Nos. 11, 12, and 13b. In experiment 11 dilutions were made in normal allantoic fluid and in experiments 12 and 13b the nitroakridin was injected 1 hour before the virus.

evident that no growth of virus occurred in most embryos injected with 1 to 10 MID of virus together with 0.5 mg. of nitroakridin 3582. The allantoic fluids of only 3 of the 107 eggs so treated agglutinated red cells. Furthermore, the virus titers of the three positive fluids from these treated eggs were lower than those of infected control eggs in the same experiments. The addition of nitroakridin in concentrations of 0.4 mg./cc. to known positive allantoic fluids had no effect on the red cell agglutination titers. Moreover, the drug had no appreciable virucidal effect when the virus was exposed to it for short

periods of time at pH 6.5. In one experiment, infected fluid diluted in normal chorioallantoic fluid to contain 2,000 MID per cubic centimeter was mixed with an equal volume of nitroakridin containing 10 mg./cc. After standing at room temperature for 15 minutes, about 5 minutes longer than the time ordinarily required to inoculate a group of eggs in a chemotherapy experiment, serial tenfold dilutions of the virusdrug mixture and of the control virus-allantoic fluid mixture were prepared and inoculated into embryonated eggs. There was no evidence of inactivation of the virus by the drug in this experiment.

In experiments in which 100 or more MID of virus were used, the drug had a less striking effect. Fluids from most of the treated eggs in such groups contained demonstrable virus, table 1. However, here again the agglutinating titers of positive fluids were generally lower than those of control infected eggs in the same experiment.

SUMMARY

Nitroakridin 3582 has an inhibitory effect on the growth of influenza B virus in embryonated eggs. This effect is most apparent when small virus inocula are employed.

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SEPARATION OF THE COMPLEMENT-FIXING AGENT FROM SUSPENSIONS OF YOLK SAC OF CHICK EMBRYO IN-FECTED WITH THE KARP STRAIN OF TSUTSUGAMUSHI DISEASE (SCRUB TYPHUS) 1

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It has been shown that a complement-fixing agent is present in yolk sacs infected with the Karp strain of tsutsugamushi disease (scrub typhus) (1). This is of practical importance as furnishing a means for diagnosis in cases of suspected scrub typhus fever. As was pointed out, the antigenic portion of the ether-treated 10-percent suspension of yolk sac used was predominantly in the emulsion of tissue layer,

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rather than in the aqueous layer, as is true of epidemic and endemic typhus. Several methods were attempted to obtain a separation of the antigenic agent from the considerable amount of tissue present in the emulsion layer. However, the rather turbid suspension was found fairly satisfactory for use in the complement-fixation test as it was not anticomplementary and the presence of the extraneous tissue did not interfere with obtaining readings of the test.

By a slight modification of the method of applying the ether treatment it has been possible to obtain as much or more of the antigen in the aqueous portion as in the tissue layer. If it is desired to recover more of the antigenic factor than is present in the aqueous layer, the tissue layer may be subjected to processes of differential centrifugation and the final sediment from this added to the aqueous layer. In both cases further purification may be effected by isoelectric precipitation of the remaining tissue. By this means a product which is almost water clear may be obtained.

The usual method of applying ether treatment to the preparation of epidemic and endemic typhus antigens has been to add an equal volume of diethyl ether to a 10-percent suspension of infected yolk sac treated with 0.1 percent formalin or 0.01 percent merthiolate, then to shake in a separatory funnel and allow to stand until there is a separation into three layers, the ether layer, the tissue layer, and the aqueous layer. The time necessary for this varies. It may require 15 to 30 minutes or overnight standing.

The modification employed in the preparation of the scrub typhus antigens involves the use of 20-percent suspensions of the infected These are preferably heavily infected volk sacs from emvolk sacs. bryos which have succumbed as a result of the infection. The suspension of the yolk sac is held in the refrigerator not more than 24 hours. The reaction of the suspension is adjusted to pH 7.0. It is mixed with an equal volume of diethyl ether shaken vigorously and immediately spun in the horizontal centrifuge at 2,000 r. p. m. for 15 minutes. After this treatment there will be present the upper layer of ether which is orange colored, a rather shallow laver of tissue, below this, and an aqueous layer comprising about nine-tenths of the total volume of the original material and a small amount of precipitate at the bottom of the container.

The ether is removed by pipetting. The middle rather clear layer (fraction A) of the remainder is removed by pipetting or siphoning, leaving the upper tissue layer and the precipitate in the bottom of the container (fraction B). This is suspended in a volume of saline equivalent to that of fraction A for purposes of complement-fixation testing to determine the relative amounts of antigen present in the two fractions. Titrations of several lots of the original yolk-sac suspensions and of fractions A and B against a 1:16 dilution of guinea pig immune serum show somewhat more of the antigenic factor in fraction A than in fraction B, and more in the original yolk sac than in either of the fractions (table 1).

TABLE 1.—Complement-fixation tests on whole yolk-sac suspensions and on fractions A and B

	Otras tas	Undi-	Dilutions of fractions									
	Strain	luted	1:2	1:4	1:8	1 : 16	1.32	1:64				
K84	Fraction A Fraction B	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	3 2						
K85	Yolk-sac suspension Fraction A Fraction B	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	Not tes 4- Not tes	2				
K86	Yolk-sac suspension Fraction A Fraction B	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 3	4 4 0	3 1 0	1 0 0				
K88	Yolk-sac suspension Fraction A Fraction B	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 1	4 0 0				
K89	Yolk-sac suspension Fraction A Fraction B	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4 4	4 2 1	4 0 0				

Fraction A.—Fraction A is reddish in color and though it appears only slightly turbid it may contain a considerable amount of precipitable substance, probably finely divided tissue which is not visible to the naked eye or even with a hand lens. Treatment for the removal of this precipitable substance will be considered later.

Fraction B.—To the tissue fraction remaining in each of the containers after the preliminary centrifugation is added a small amount of salt solution containing 0.01 percent merthiolate or 0.1 percent This is subjected to vigorous mixing by repeated suction formalin. and the blowing of air bubbles into the suspension by means of a 5- or 10-cc. pipette with a rubber bulb attached. The various precipitates are combined and sufficient saline added so that the volume is twice the original volume of fraction A. This suspension is spun in the horizontal centrifuge for 15 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m. An alternative method consists in adding a volume of salt solution to the precipitate, equal to that of fraction A, and spinning this in the horizontal centrifuge for 15 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m. The supernatant fluid is removed, the mixing repeated, and salt solution equal to fraction A again added. After again centrifuging for 15 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m. the two supernatant fluids are combined. The precipitate is discarded and the supernatant fluid spun in the angle centrifuge at 4,000 r. p. m. for 2 hours.

The precipitate from the 2-hour spinning of the supernatant fluid of fraction B in the angle centrifuge is then added to fraction A. This mixture is spun in the horizontal centrifuge for 2 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m. The resultant supernatant fluid appears somewhat turbid and is given further treatment as described below. The precipitate from this light centrifugation is discarded.

Further purification is effected by means of isoelectric precipitation of suspended material employing a modification of the method of de Léon (2). A preliminary titration is made with 5-cc. amounts of the mixture of A and precipitate B. Normal acetic acid or hydrochloric acid is added in hundredths and thousandths using a 0.1-cc. pipette graduated in thousandths. The tubes are incubated in the 37° C. water bath for 5 to 10 minutes. The end point is that pH at which floccules appear. The tube is spun for 1 to 2 minutes in the horizontal centrifuge at 2,000 r. p. m. The resultant supernatant fluid is transparent and almost water clear but somewhat brownish in color. The reaction of the total volume is adjusted in accordance with the results of the titration, and the process of removing the suspended tissue repeated as with the small sample. The hydrogen ion concentration is then reduced to pH 7.0 by the addition of normal sodium hydroxide.

A number of antigens have been prepared following the procedure outlined, or with minor modifications. Illustrations of the results of tests for complement-fixing activity of the various fractions are shown in tables 2, 3, and 4. The tests on all the fractions are shown in table 2 and on the significant fraction in tables 3 and 4. A diagrammatic outline of the procedure used is shown in table 5.

		I	Dilution	Antigen controls				
		Undi- luted	1:2	1:4	1:8	1:16	Undi- luted	1:2
1. 2. 3.	K85 20-percent infected yolk sac. K85A aqueous layer (fraction A) after ether treatment. K85B tissue layer (fraction B after ether treat-	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4	0	0
4.	ment) suspended, in volume of saline equal to A K85B supernate 1 (after spinning in horizontal cen-	4	4	4	4	4	1	0
5.	trifuge). K85B supernate 2 (after spinning in horizontal cen- trifuge).	. 4	4	4	4 0	2 0	0	0
6.	K85B precipitate of No. 3 after spinning in horizontal centrifuge and suspended in volume of saline	Ū		Ů	Ū	_	, in the second s	Ŭ
7.	euqal to A. K85A to which has been added precipitate from 4 and 5 after spinning in angle centrifuge for 2 hours.	4-	1 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	4	1
	Supernate of No. 7 after spinning for 2 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m	4	4	4	4	4	0	0
9.	Precipitate of No. 7 after spinning for 2 minutes at 2,000 r. p. m. suspended in volume of saline equal							
10.	to No. 7. Supernate of No. [8 after adjusting reaction to iso- electric point for precipitating tissue and spin-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11.	ning in horizontal centrifuge for 2-3 minutes	4	4	. 4	4	4	0	0
	saline equal to 8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE 2.—Fractionation of 20-percent suspension of infected yolk sac (Karp strain)

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			Dilutio	ns of a	ntigen		Antigen controls	
		Undi- luted	1:2	1:4	1:8	1:16	Undi- luted	1:2
1. 2. 3	Aqueous layer A Tissue layer B in volume of saline equal to A Aqueous layer A ¹ plus precipitated rickettsiae from	4 4	4	4	4	3 2	1	0 0
4.	supernate of No. 2. Supernate of No. 3 ^a when pH was adjusted to the	4	4	4	4	3	1	0
	isoelectric point for precipitating suspended tissue and then adjusted to pH 7.0	4	4	4	4	4-	0	0

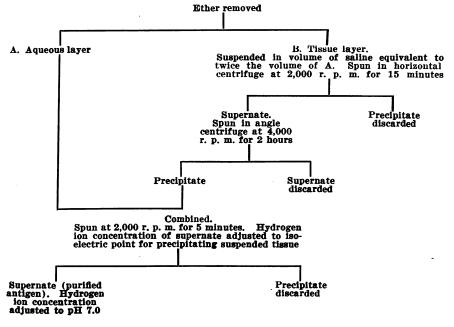
¹ Total solids per cubic centimeter 0.0146 gm. after subtracting NaCl. Total N per cubic centimeter 0.00209 gm. ³ Total solids per cubic centimeter 0.0100 gm. after subtracting NaCl. Total N per cubic centimeter 0.00147 gm.

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			Dilı	Antigen controls						
		Undi- luted	1:2	1:4	1:8	1:16	1:32	1:64	Undi- luted	1:2
1. 2.	Original 20 percent yolk-sac suspension Aqueous layer A Tissue layer B in volume of saline	4 4	4 4	4	4 4	4	3 1	1 0	tr ¹	0 0
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	then adjusted to pH 7.0	4	4	4	4	4-	1	0	0	0

TABLE 4.—Fractionation of antigen K86 (Karp strain)

 TABLE 5.—20-percent infected yolk-sac suspension plus an equal volume of diethyl ether spun at 2,000 r. p. m. for 15 minutes



The amount of antigen recovered varies. Since the intervals between the amounts employed in the titrations are twofold, or 100 percent, the exact amount of recovery is difficult to determine. Titers of 1:8 and 1:16 have been obtained with some of the purified antigens. In tests to determine the complement-fixing activity of serums, dilutions of 1:2 and 1:4 of such antigens may therefore be employed, since four times the highest dilution in which complete fixation occurs is employed as the antigenic dose (3).

The total solids and nitrogen content of the two last phases of antigen K84 were determined. Before the isoelectric precipitation of suspended material, the total solids amounted to 0.0146 gm. per cubic centimeter after subtracting NaCl, and the nitrogen content per cubic centimeter was 0.00209 gm. After the final removal of suspended material total solids were 0.0100 gm. after subtracting NaCl, and nitrogen 0.00147 gm. per cubic centimeter.

SUMMARY²

By methods of differential centrifugation the complement-fixing antigenic fraction of suspensions of tsutsugamushi (scrub typhus) infected volk sac has been freed of the greater part of the extraneous tissue present. Further purification has been effected by adjusting the reaction to the isoelectric point for precipitating suspended tissue. The resultant water-clear brownish fluid contains the greater part of the antigenic fraction, as no great reduction in the complement-fixation titer occurred.

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² AUTHOR'S NOTE.—(Since the date of assignment for publication of this article (Mar. 23, 1945) further work on the testing of serums by complement fixation indi-(mar. 20, 1940) further work on the testing of serums by complement fixation indi-cates that more conclusive results are obtained when fraction A is employed as antigen without attempts at further purification. A 33½-percent suspension of in-fected yolk sac after grinding in a Waring Blendor and standing overnight, is treated with equal parts of anhydrous ether in a centrifuge bottle, shaken, and immedi-ately centrifuged. The aqueous layer is removed and employed as antigen. (Pub. Health Rep., 16, 1483-1488 (1945)).

DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED AUG. 31, 1946

[From the Weekly Mortality Index, issued by the National Office of Vital Statistics]

		Correspond- ing week, 1945
Data for 93 large cities of the United States: Total deaths. Average for 3 prior years Total deaths, first 35 weeks of year Deaths under 1 year of age. Average for 3 prior years Deaths under 1 year of age. Average for 3 prior years Deaths under 1 year of age. Average for 3 prior years Deaths under 1 year of age, first 35 weeks of year. Data from industrial insurance companies: Policies in force Number of death claims Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 35 weeks of year, annual rate	7, 918 8, 032 321, 066 730 621 22, 309 67, 282, 680 10, 600 8, 2 9, 8	8, 549 316, 985 638 21, 211 67, 351, 591 13, 990 10. 8 10. 4

PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control disease without knowledge of when, where, and under what conditions cases are occurring

UNITED STATES

REPORTS FROM STATES FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 7, 1946

Summary

For the 3rd consecutive week the incidence of poliomvelitis for the country as a whole declined slightly. A total of 1,726 cases was reported, as compared with 1,780 last week, 1,498 for the same week in 1944, and a 5-year (1941-45) median of 891. Increases were recorded in the New England, Middle Atlantic, West North Central, South Atlantic, and West South Central areas. Of 41 States reporting 5 or more cases, 19 reported an increase (457 to 649), 16 a decrease (1,229 to 991) and 6 reported the same numbers (totaling 71) for each week. The 25 States showing changes and reporting 15 or more cases are as follows (last week's figures in parentheses): Increases-New York 101 (89), Pennsylvania 20 (14), Ohio 52 (43), Indiana 47 (27), Iowa 30 (24), Missouri 120 (63), South Dakota 45 (22), Kansas 50 (48), Florida 16 (10), Mississippi 21 (20), Arkansas 33 (23), Oklahoma 33 (14), Texas 25 (23), New Mexico 15 (11); decreases-Massachusetts 16 (18), New Jersey 15 (21), Illinois 199 (201), Michigan 55 (87), Wisconsin 130 (184), Minnesota 199 (208), North Dakota 66 (74), Nebraska 40 (51), Tennessee 16 (18), Colorado 72 (77), California 146 (218).

The total for the year to date is 14,154, as compared with a 5-year median of 6,792 and 10,972 for the corresponding period in 1944, in which year was recorded the previously largest number for the corresponding period of any year since 1916, when 17,375 cases were reported for the first 8 months of the year.

A total of 221 cases of diphtheria was reported, as compared with 193 last week, 239 for the next earlier week, 410 for the corresponding week last year, and a 5-year median of 321. The total to date is 10,555, as compared with 9,304 for the corresponding period last year and a 5-year median of 8,192.

For the second consecutive week no case of smallpox was reported in the United States. To date 279 cases have been reported, as compared with 275 for the same period last year.

Deaths recorded for the week in 93 large cities of the United States totaled 7,912, as compared with 7,918 last week, 8,120 and 7,673, respectively, for the corresponding weeks of 1945 and 1944, and a 3-year (1943-45) average of 7,807. The cumulative figure is 328,978, as compared with 325,105 for the corresponding period last year.

Telegraphic morbidity reports from State health officers for the week ended Sept. 7. 1946, and comparison with corresponding week of 1945 and 5-year median

In these tables a zero indicates a definite report, while leaders imply that, although none was reported, cases may have occurred.

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² Period ended earlier than Saturday.

Telegraphic morbidity reports from State health officers for the week ended Sept. 7, 1946, and comparison with corresponding week of 1945 and 5-year median—Con.

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Period ended earlier than Saturday.
 Including paratyphoid fever reported separately, as follows: Massachusetts (salmonella infection) 1; New York 1; New Jersey 2; Ohio 1; Michigan 3; Georgia 1; Tennessee 1; Louisiana 1; Teras 1; California 4.
 Corrected report: Poliomyelitis, Georgia, week ended August 24, 14 cases (instead of 15).

Telegraphic morbidity reports from State health officers for the week ended Sept. 7, 1946, and comparison with corresponding week of 1945 and 5-year median—Con.

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² Period ended earlier than Saturday. ⁵ 5-year median, 1941-45.

• Delayed report: Rocky Mountain spotted fever, Maryland, 2 cases, included in cumulative total only.

WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

City reports for week ended Aug. 31, 1946

This table lists the reports from 88 cities of more than 10,000 population distributed throughout the United States, and represents a cross section of the current urban incidence of the diseases included in the table.

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NEW ENGLAND												
Maine: Portland	0	0		6		0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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Vermont: Barre	0	0		0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Ohio: Cincinnati	2	0		0		0	10	0	3	0	0	4
Cleveland Columbus Indiana:	0 2	0 -		0 0	19 1	2 0	84	22 1	11 6	Ŭ 0	ă	4 22 1
Fort Wayne Indianapolis South Bend	0 2 0	0.1		0		0	0	0 10	04	0	0 -	18
Terre Haute	0	0		0	1	0	0	2	10	0	0.	2
Illinois: Chicago	2	0		0	4	1	8	58	15	0	0	80
Michigan: Detroit	1	0		0		0	5	31	3	0	0	88
Flint Grand Rapids	0	0		00	i	0	0	$\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 2 \end{array}$	1	0	2 0	5 20
Wisconsin: Kenosha	0	0		0		0	0	11	0	0	0	
Milwaukee Racine	0	0		0	5 2	0	4	13 5	34	0	0	135 4
Superior	4	0		0		0	0	3	0	0	0	7
Minnesota: Duluth	4	0		0		0	0	13	0	0	0	
Minneapolis St. Paul	0	0		ŏ	1	0 0	4	29 22	12	0	0	
Missonri	0	0		0		1	5	9	0	0	0	1
Kansas City St. Joseph St. Louis	Ŏ 1	0 1		Ŏ	1	i 1	Ŏ 6	1 32	Ŏ	ŏ	0	12

City reports	for week ended	Aug. 31. 19	46—Continued
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	eria	litis, ous,	Infl	uenza	88	r, me- ccus,	nia	litis	fever	Cases	and boid	i n g ases
	Diphtheria cases	Encephalitis infectious cases	Cases	Deaths	Measles cases	Meningitis, me- ningococcus, cases	Pneumonia deaths	Poliom yelitis cases	Scarlet f	Smallpox cases	Typhoid and paratyphoid fever cases	W h o o p i n g cough cases
west NORTH CENTRAL- continued												
North Dakota:												
Fargo Nebraska:	0	0		0		0	0	17	0	0	0	1
Omaha Kansas:	1	0		0		1	1	20	0	0	0	
Topeka Wichita	0	0	· ·	0		0	0 4	1	0	0	0	7
SOUTH ATLANTIC	U	v		U		v	4	4	U	U	U	5
Delaware: Wilmington	0	0		0	1	1	,	1		0		
Maryland:							1		1		0	1
Baltimore Cumberland	30	1		0	5	1	5 0	2 0	2	0	0	35 1
Frederick District of Columbia:	0	0		0		0	0	Ó	0	Ō	0	
Washington	0	0		0	2	4	4	4	2	0	3	20
Lynchhurg	0	0		0		0	3	0	1	0	0	
Richmond Roanoke	02	0	20	0	4	0	0	20	6	0	0	2
West Virginia: Wheeling North Carolina:	0	0		0		0	2	1	0	0	0	2
North Carolina:	o	0		0		0	0	0	-	-		
Raleigh Wilmington Winston-Salam	0	0		0		0	Ó	Ō	0	0	0	3
South Carolina:	0	9.		0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	6
Charleston Georgia:	0	0 -		0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0 -	
Atlanta	1	0	4	0		0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Savannah	0	0		0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Florida: Tampa	1	0		0		0	0	1	0	0	0	
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL									-			
Tennessee:												
Memphis Nashville	1	0	1	0	5	0	53	5 1	1	0	0	2 1
Alabama: Birmingham	0	0	3	0		0	2	12	0	0	0	-
Mobile	2	ŏ	ĭ	ŏ	1	ŏ	3	ĩ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL												
Arkansas: Little Rock	0	0		0 _		0	1	0	0	0	0	
Louisiana: New Orleans	2	0		0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	
Shreveport Texas:	ō	ŏ		ŏ.		ŏ	6	ĩ	ŏ	ŏ	i ::	
Dallas Galveston	0	0		0-		0	0	3	1	0	0	3 ·
Houston San Antonio	ŏ	0		Ó.		0	1 4	0	0 6	0	0	i
San Antonio MOUNTAIN		0		0		0	2	0	2	0	1	ī
Montana:												
Billings	0	0		0		0	0	0	0	0	0	
Helena	0			0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Missoula Idaho:	Ŏ	ŏ		Ŏ.		ŏ	ŏ	i	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ [
Boise Colorado:	0	0		0		0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Denver	0	0		0	3	0	4	17	4	0	0	7
Pueblo Utah:	0	0		0	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	••••
Salt Lake City	0	0		0		0	0	2	4	0	.0	2

	CBS68	litis, cases	Infi	lenza		me- cus,	nia	litis	0 V O L	cases	Bnd boid	qgno
	Diphtheria (Encephal infectious, c	Cases	Deaths	Measles cases	Meningitis, ningococo cases	Pneumo desths	Poliomyel cases	Scarlet fe cases	Smallpox ca	Typhoid paratyph fever cases	Whooping cough cases
PACIFIC												
Washington: Seattle Spokane Tacoma	6 0 1	0000		0 0 0	12	0	2 1 0	740	4	0 0	1 0 0	6
California: Los Angeles Sacramento	1 3 2 2	0		0	31	002	3 0 8	96 1	1 11 0	0	20	6
San Francisco Total	2 67	0 3	 45	0	5 149	2 17	8 194	3 560	3 154	0 0	2 37	4 739
Corresponding week, 1945. A verage, 1941-45	46 45	·····	27 25	17 17	168 3163		217 1 217		180 208	0 0	24 33	730 921

City reports for week ended Aug. 51, 1946-Continued

¹ 3-year average, 1943-45. ² 5-year median, 1941-45.

Dysentery, amebic.—Cases: Buffalo 1; New York 11; Indianapolis 1; Chicago 3; Los Angeles 2. Dysentery, bacillary.—Cases: New York 2; Philadelphia 1; Chicago 1; Charleston, S. C. 2; Los Angeles 2. Dysentery, unspecified.—Cases: San Antonio 4. Rocky Mountain spotted fever.—Cases: Lynchburg 1. Typhus fever. endemic.—Cases: Tampa 3; Nashville 2; Mobile 1; New Orleans 2; Shreveport 1; Galveston 1; Houston 1; San Antonio 2.

Rates (annual basis) per 100,000 population, by geographic groups, for the 88 cities in the preceding table (estimated population, 1948, 34,245,600)

	CBS6	itis, case	Influ	lenza	rates	me- cus,	death	litis	CBS6	CBS6	and id fe-	ough
	Diphtheria rates	Encephali infectious, c rates	Case rates	Death rates	M easles case rates	Meningitis, me- ningococcus, case rates	Pneumonis rates	Poliomyeli case rates	Scarlet fever rates	Smallpox rates	T y p h o i d and paratyphoid fe- ver case rates	Whooping oough case rates
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central South Atlantic East South Central West South Central Wountain Pacific	20. 9 6.0 8.0 13. 9 11. 7 17. 7 5. 7 0. 0 22. 1	0.0 0.6 2.0 1.7 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	2.6 6.9 0.0 40.2 29.5 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	68 21 20 6 25 35 3 64 19	0.0 0.9 1.8 8.0 10.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 3.2	13. 1 28. 2 24. 5 45. 8 30. 1 76. 7 45. 9 31. 8 22. 1	36. 6 29. 6 98. 1 294. 4 20. 1 112. 1 17. 2 206. 5 175. 5	26 17 32 6 25 6 26 64 30	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	2.6 9.3 1.2 2.0 6.7 0.0 11.5 0.0 7.9	246 57 237 52 124 18 14 87 25
Total	10. 2	0.5	6.9	0.0	23	• 2.6	29.6	85.5	24	0.0	5.6	113

TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS

Panama Canal Zone

Notifiable diseases-July 1946.-During the month of July 1946, certain notifiable diseases were reported in the Panama Canal Zone and terminal cities as follows:

Disease	Pa	nama	с	olon	Can	al Zone	zon	ide the e and minal ities	т	otal
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Chickenpox Diphtheria Dysentery: Amebic Bacillary	3 9 1		3 1		1		2 6 7 2		9 115 8 5	
Leprosy	8 158	1 5 16	3 7		43 44 6 1 46	 1	35 46 1 1	1 3 9	89 255 7 4 3 46	1 4 5 30
Poliomyelitis Tuberculosis Typhoid fever Whooping cough	1	14		3	4	1	2 1	6	2 34 2 32	24

¹ Exclusive of carriers.

² 10 recurrent cases. ² In the Canal Zone only.

Puerto Rico

Notifiable diseases—4 weeks ended August 10, 1946.—During the 4 weeks ended August 10, 1946, cases of certain notifiable diseases were reported in Puerto Rico as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Chickenpox. Diphtheria. Dysentery, unspecified Gonorrhea. Influenza. Malaria. Measles. Pollomyelltis.	7 53 12 161 73 281 9 26	Syphilis Tetanus. Tetanus, infantile Tuberculosis (all forms) Typhoid and paratyphoid fever Typhus fever (murine) Whooping cough	128 6 2 359 13 14 45

FOREIGN REPORTS

CANADA

Provinces—Communicable diseases—Week ended August 17, 1946.— During the week ended August 17, 1946, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics of Canada as follows:

Disease	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Bruns- wick	Que- bec	On- tario	Mani- toba	Sas- katch- ewan	Al- berta	British Colum- bia	Total
Chickenpox Diphtheria		9 1		15 42	72 2	2 3	9 2	20	18	145 50
Dysentery: Amebic								6		6
Bacillary German measles Influenza					1			2	7	9 1
Measles Meningitis, meningococ-	1	12		66	38	26	98	40	6	287
cus Mumps		1		10	2 81	1	50	12	34	4 206
Poliomyelitis Scarlet fever	5		5	175	39	5	2	7		238
Scarlet fever	1	6	6	26	10	4	2	5	7	67
Tuberculosis (all forms) Typhoid and paraty-		6	13	90	46	24	25	8	36	248
phoid fever				18	1			1	2	22
Undulant fever Venereal diseases:	•••••	••••••		7	1					8
Gonorrhea		19	9	78	169		55	65	68	463
Syphilis Other forms		11	3	62	70		21	12	37	216 1
Whooping cough		18		40	37	2		8	$\hat{2}$	107

CUBA

Habana—Communicable diseases—4 weeks ended August 17, 1946.— During the 4 weeks ended August 17, 1946, certain communicable diseases were reported in Habana, Cuba, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths
Chickenpox Diphtheria Malaria Measles	1 3 9 3		Poliomyelitis Tuberculosis Typhoid fever	7 15 22	3 9

Provinces—Notifiable disease—4 weeks ended August 10, 1946.— During the 4 weeks ended August 10, 1946, cases of certain notifiable diseases were reported in the Provinces of Cuba, as follows:

Disease	Pinar del Rio	Habana ¹	Matan- zas	Santa Clara	Cama- guey	Oriente	Total
Cancer Chickenpox Diphtheria	2	12 1 5	12 1	16 1	1	11 2	54 4 8
Hookworm disease Leprosy Malaria Measles	5	3 6 10		1 2	 5 2		1 8 46 13
Poliomyelitis. Tuberculosis (respiratory) Typhoid fever. Typhus fever (murine)	6 3 34	15 46 68	2 15 11	5 50 123	28 53	42 63 1	28 184 352 1
Yaws (frambesia)						1	1

¹ Includes the city of Habana.

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EGYPT

Vital statistics—First quarter 1945.—The following table shows the numbers of births and deaths registered for the first quarter of 1945 in all localities of Egypt having a health bureau:

Number of live births	83, 693 58, 2	Deaths per 1,000 population 27.1 Deaths under 1 year of age. 10,491
	1, 523	Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births 125

IRISH FREE STATE

Vital statistics-First quarter 1946.-The following table shows the numbers of marriages, births, and deaths in Irish Free State for the first quarter of 1946. The figures are provisional:

Number of marriages	4.480	11
Number of births	16,855	1
Births per 1.000 population	22.5	
Number of deaths	13,026	
Deaths per 1,000 population	17.4	
Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 live		
births	81	
Deaths from—		
Cancer	985	
Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years of		i.
age)	239	

Note.-Estimated population July 1, 1946, 2,992,000.

WORLD DISTRIBUTION OF CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, **TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER**

From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, International Office of Public Health, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, health section of the League of Nations, UNRRA, and other sources. The reports contained in the following tables must not be considered as complete or final as regards either the list of countries included or the figures for the particular countries for which reports are given.

CHOLERA

[C indicates cases]

NOTE.-Since many of the figures in the following tables are from weekly reports, the accumulated totals are for approximate dates.

Place	January-	1.1	1	August 1	946wee	k ended-	-
r lace	June 1946	July 1946	3	10	17		31
ASIA							
Burma C	• 820	395	23	1			
Bassein.	23	5	Ĩ				
MoulmeinČ	44	10	7		7		
Rangoon	6	16	· ·	1	r •		
Ceylon	41	34		-			
China:							
Anhwei Province	31	522	1	1			
Chekiang Province C	189	700					
Formosa, Island of	183	100					
Fukien Province	27	472					
Foochow	19	422					
Honan Province	40	440					
Hopeh Province		10		1 80			
Hunan Province	1	475					
Hupeh Province	143	28					
Ichang Province	145	2					
Kiangsi Province		61		1 305			
Kiangsu Province	2 1. 935	3, 785				3 881	
Shanghai C	2 987	2,468		1 409			
Kwangsi Province	496	161					
Kwangtung ProvinceC	2, 269	451		194			
Canton Č	1, 681	250		••			
Hong Kong	330	107	17	17	11	10	

¹ For the period Aug. 1-10, 1946.

² Includes imported cases

³ For the period Aug. 1-20, 1946.

Death from—Continued.	
Diphtheria	
Dysentery	
Influenza	
Measles	
Scarlet fever	
Tuberculosis (all forms)	
Typhoid fever	
Violence	

Whooping cough

CHOLERA-Continued

Place	January-		August 1946-week ended-						
	June 1946	July 1946	3	10	17	24	31		
ASIA—continued									
China-Continued.									
Kweichow Province	8			<u></u>					
Shangtung Province C				17					
Szechwan Province C	40	25			i				
Yunnan Province C		7							
India C	52, 237								
Calcutta	1, 567	80	13	24					
Chittagong C	8								
Madras C	3								
India (French)	1								
Indochina (French):	100	100							
Cambodia C	162	109							
CochinchinaC	819								
Bien Hoa C	24 21		-						
ChaudokC	142								
Mytho C Saigon-Cholon C	35								
Vinh-longC	35		· 1						
	209	155	128						
Japan C Malay States C	209	184	120	4	2				
Manay States C	21	3,085	10	т	4				
MukdenC		3,085							
Siam (Thailand)	2,364	687	16						
Bangkok	387	10	6	5		2			
Straits Settlements: Singapore	41	10	v			-			
ou and betweenens, buigapore									

4 Imported.

PLAGUE

[C[indicates cases; P, present]

			1	1	1		
AFRICA Algeria	2 10 4	13			17	26	23
Belgian Congo	4 24 12 145				2		
Egypt. C Alexandria. C Ismailiya. C Matariya. C Port Said. C	145 91 20 4	18 2 2 6	13 2 10	7 	4 2	1 2	5 2 3
Suez C Libya: Tripolitania—Plague-infected rats	30 1	2					
Madagascar	133 1	• 4		2			
Burma. C Bassein C Rangoon. C China:	765 17 1 26	218 4 13	27 1	1	2	2	
Chekiang ProvinceC FormosaC Fukien ProvinceC	216 5 3, 190	109 491 45			 		
Amoy C Foechow C Kiangsi Province C Kwangtung Province C	250 1,069 113 397	203 9 4				 	
Yunnan Province	32 12, 155 3 30	38 1 1		2		 	
ManchuriaC MukdenC PalestineC	2 52 2 39 16 18						
Siam (Thailand)C	18	• 1			·		

¹ Includes 2 suspected cases. ² Pneumonic.

PLAGUE —Contin	med

Place	January-		August 1946—week ended—					
	June 1946	July 1946	3	10	17	24	31	
EUROPE								
Great Britain: MaltaC Portugal: AzoresC	6 3 15							
NORTH AMERICA								
Canada: Nova ScotiaC SOUTH AMEBICA		41						
Bolivia: Santa Cruz DepartmentC Tarija Department—Plague-infected ratis	12							
Ecuador: Chimborazo ProvinceC Loja ProvinceC	2 6						••••••	
Peru: Lambayeque DepartmentC Lima DepartmentC Piura DepartmentC	11 19 14	1						
OCEANIA								
Hawaii Territory: Plague-infected rats	\$ 5							

³ Includes 2 pneumonic cases.
⁴ Imported suspected case.
⁵ Plague infection was also proved positive in Hawaii Territory on Feb. 5, 1946, in a pool of 29 rats, and
⁶ Plague infection was also proved positive in Hawaii Territory on Feb. 5, 1946, in a pool of 29 rats, and
⁷ Plague infection was reported in a pool of 50 fleas recovered from 7 rats and 22 mice. Under date of July 3, 1946, plague infection was reported in a pool of 50 fleas recovered from 7 rets and 46 mice, and in a pool of 51 fleas recovered from 10 rats. Under date of July 17, 1946, plague infection was reported in a pool of 56 fleas recovered from 33 rats.

SMALLPOX

[C indicates cases; P, present]

		1	1	1	1	1	1
AFRICA							
Algeria	170						
BasutolandC	27						
Belgian Congo C	1 1, 103	1 133					
British East Africa:							
Kenya C	535	91	8	38			23
NyasalandC	233	26	12		14	10	23
Tanganyika C	3, 978	128	* 115				
UgandaC	480	29	2	5			
Cameroon (French)	63	4					
Dahomey	1, 119	111		³ 28			
EgyptC	367						
Eritree C	12						
French Equatorial Africa	154						
French Guinea	768	27		³ 24			
French West Africa: Dakar District C	39						
Gambia C	7						
Gold Coast	751	. 26	1			13	
Ivory Coast C	968	77		* 39			
Libva C	68	48					21
Mauritania C	1						
Morocco (French) C	1, 819	18					
Morocco (Int. Zone) C	175						
Morocco (Spanish) C	5						
Mozambique	4						
Nigeria C	5, 019						
Niger Territory C	400	27	I	34	I	!- -	

Includes alastrim.
 Includes delayed reports.
 For the period Aug. 1-10, 1946.

SMALLPOX-Continued

[C indicates cases; P, present]

Place	January- July 1046		August 1946—week ended—					
	June 1946	46 July 1946	3	10	17	24	31	
AFRICA—continued Rhodesia:		•						
Northern C Southern C	262	17		.			·ī	
Senegal	94	1					1	
Sierra Leone C	361			.				
Somaliland (Italian)C Sudan (Anglo-Egyptian)	1 38	5	4		2	1	1	
Sudan (Anglo-Egyptian) C Sudan (French) C	1,863	19		31				
Togo (French) C Tunisia C	144	14		3 22				
Union of South Africa	127				Р	Р		
ASIA								
ArabiaC BurmaC	1 1, 513	73						
Ceylon C	346							
ChinaC IndiaC	602	66	29	20	9	19		
India (French)	52, 894 3							
Indochina (French)	1, 290	307						
IranC IraqC	24 5							
JapanC	17, 541	114	9					
Malay StatesC PalestineC	336	148	11	10	14		9	
Rhodes, Island of C	\$1 \$1							
Siam (Thailand) C	14, 653	838	66					
Straits SettlementsC Syria and LebanonC	4 23	8			9	1	3	
Turkey (See Turkey in Europe).	0							
EUROPE								
CzechoslovakiaC FranceC	24 14	1						
GermanyC	1							
GibraltarC Great Britain:	3							
England and WalesC	6 53							
Maita (Island of)	6							
ScotlandC GreeceC	· 2 114							
ItalyC	462							
PortugalC SpainC	34 14	4						
TurkeyC	16							
NODEW (Marks)								
NORTH AMERICA CanadaC	2							
GuatemalaC	55							
HondurasC MexicoC	3 322	1 11						
SOUTH AMERICA ArgentinaC	62	5						
BoliviaC	452							
BrazilC ColombiaC	¹ 16 556	1 6 31		1				
Ecuador	41	1						
ParaguayC	252							
PeruC UruguayC	204 18							
VenezuelaČ	1 679	1 49	1 22				1 17	
OCEANIA		ľ						
Hawaii TerritoryC	71						-	

Includes alastrim.
 For the period Aug. 1-10, 1946.
 Includes 1 imported case.
 Imported.
 Includes imported cases.
 Off-shipping.

TYPHUS FEVER*

[C indicates cases; P, present]

Place	January-	July 1946		August 1	946—wee	ek ended	
	June 1946		3	10	17	24	31
AFRICA Algoria C	557	46					
	6						
Basutoland C Belgian Congo 1 C British East Africa: Kenya 1 C	2, 101 21	116	9				
Egypt C Eritrea	1, 298 364 3	20 101	10 5	21	17		
French West Africa: Dakar DistrictC LibyaC Morocco (French)C	6) 3, 388	5 165		1	3	× 1 3 60	
Morocco (Int. Zone)	52						
Morocco (Spanish)	1	8					
Nigeria C	26 1	· 					
Rhodesia, NorthernC Sierra Leone ¹ C	3						
Tunisia ¹ C	183						
Union of South Africa 1 C	. 157				P	P	
Asia Arabia 3 C	1						
Burma ³ C ChinaC	45	1 10	2			1	
India C	284						
Indochina (French) C	9						
Iran C	137 133	23	4	5	. 8		
Iraq C Japan C	29,939	507	63				
Malay States	3						
Palestine 3	41						
Straits Settlements C Syria and Lebanon C	1 78						
Trans-Jordan C Turkey (See Turkey in Europe).	19	2					
EUROPE							
Albania C	53						
Austria C Belgium	30 3	- 4			· · ·		
Belgium C Bulgaria C	923	23				3	
Czechoslovakia 1. C	762	4					
France 1 C	12	2 3	3			2	
Germany C Great Britain:	1, 854	3	3			2	
England and WalesC Malta ³	1 12						
Greece 1.	266	48	15	19	12	25	
HungaryC	702	15		7	17		-
Italy C Netherlands C	6 15	2				· · · · · · · · · ·	
Poland C	2, 999	59			26		
Portugal C	3	1					
Rumania C	7, 167	4		60			
Spain C Sweden ³	6	4					
Turkey C	1, 073	30	5	7		16	
Yugoslavia C	2, 219						
NORTH AMERICA							
Costa Rica 3	48	5		5	2		
Cuba 3 C Guatemala C	13 433	8		1			
GuatemalaC Jamaica ³ C	400 -	5					
MexicoC	755	201					
Panama (Republic) C	2						
Puerto Rico ³ C Virgin Islands ³ C	45 2	18	3	1			

See footnotes at end of table.

TYPHUS FEVER*-Continued

Place	January-	July 1946		August 1	946—wee	k ended-	_
	June 1946		3	10	17	24	31
SOUTH AMERICA Argentina	2 130 181 205 542 1 334 70	2 38 105 3					
OCEANIA C Australia ³ C Hawaii Territory ³ C	97 24	2 1		1	3		

* Reports from some areas are probably murine type, while others probably include both murine and ¹ Include cases of murine type. ² For the period Aug. 1-20, 1946. ³ Murine type.

YELLOW FEVER

[C indicates cases; D, deaths]

		1					
AFRICA							
Ivory Coast: Bobo Dioulasso C Nigeria:		11					
IbadanC IleshaC	1	•••••				<u>-</u>	12
Kafanchan C Ogbomosho C	39	12					
Oshogbo. ² Sapele							1.5
Sierra Leone: Pujehan	1						
SOUTH AMERICA							
Bolivia: Santa Cruz Department D Brazil: Para State D Colombia:	³ 40 1						
Caqueta Territory	1						
Santander Department D Venezuela:	i	1					
Tachira State C Trujillo State C Zulia State C	4						
	4						

¹ Suspected. ³ During the week ended Sept. 7, 1946, 1 case of suspected yellow fever was reported in Oshogbo, Nigeria. ³ 14 of these deaths have been confirmed.