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**362 MICRO**

**LAB 4 : BACTERIAL APPENDAGES  
(2)**

# Structures

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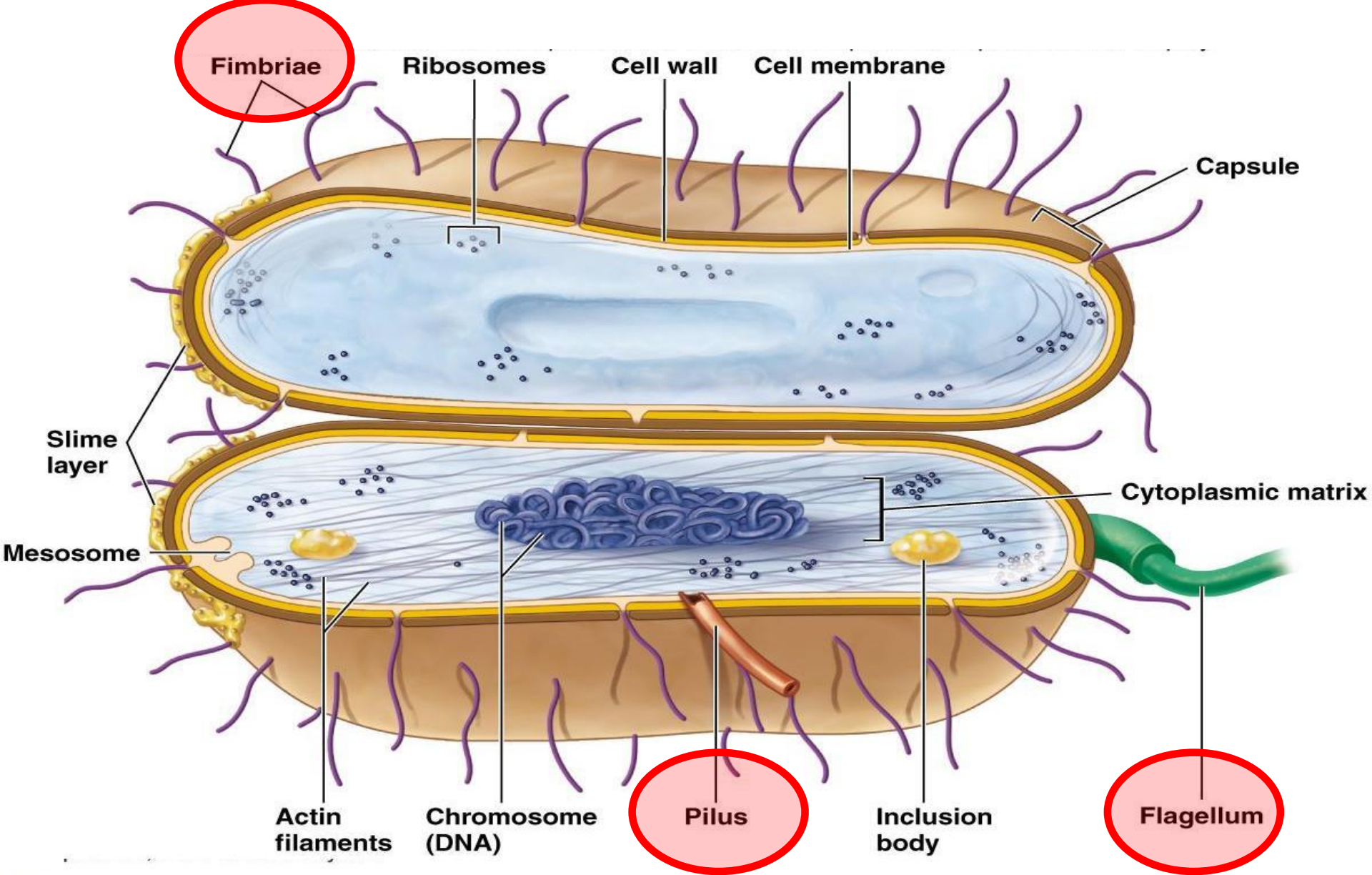
Capsule

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-Pili  
-Fimbriae  
-Flagella

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Endospores

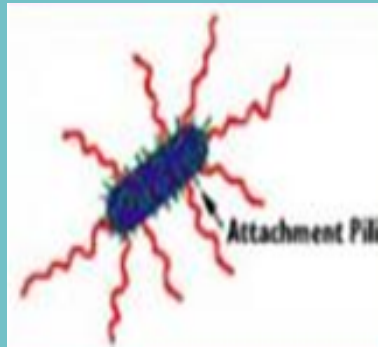


5 Cells secrete their enzymes in unison to digest food particles.

# Bacterial Appendages

Pili

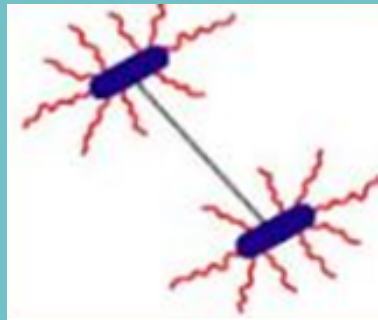
# Pili , (pilus)

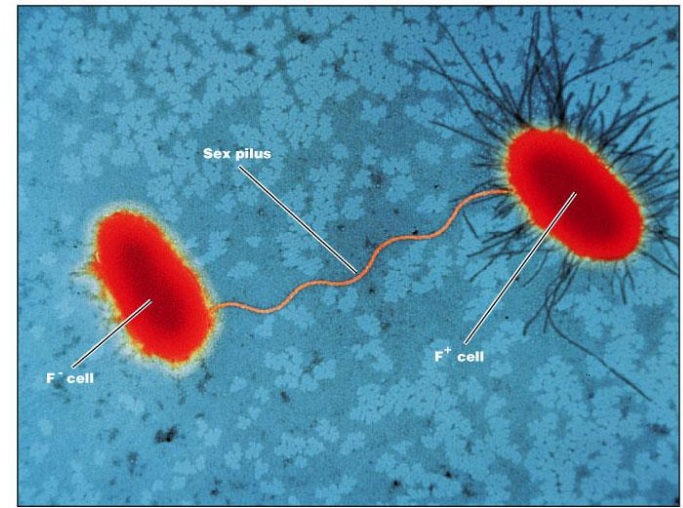


- ⊙ Only found in **gram negative** bacteria
- ⊙ Tubulare, hairlike structures of protein larger and more rare than fimbriae.

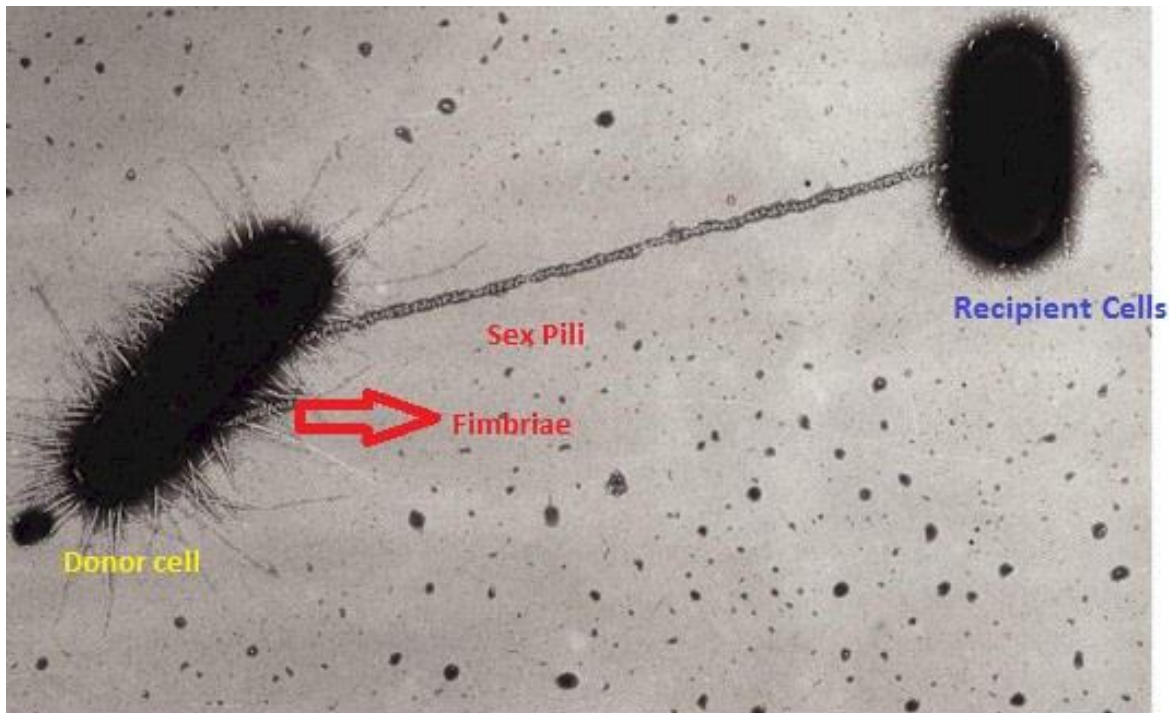
## ⊙ 2 types of pili :

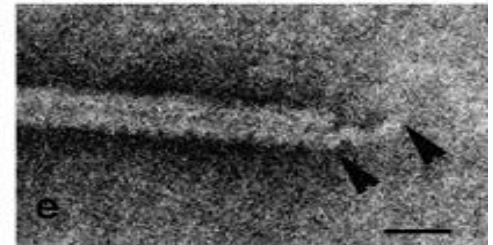
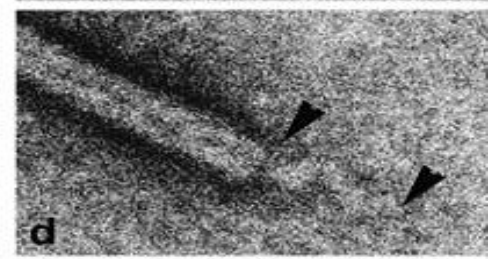
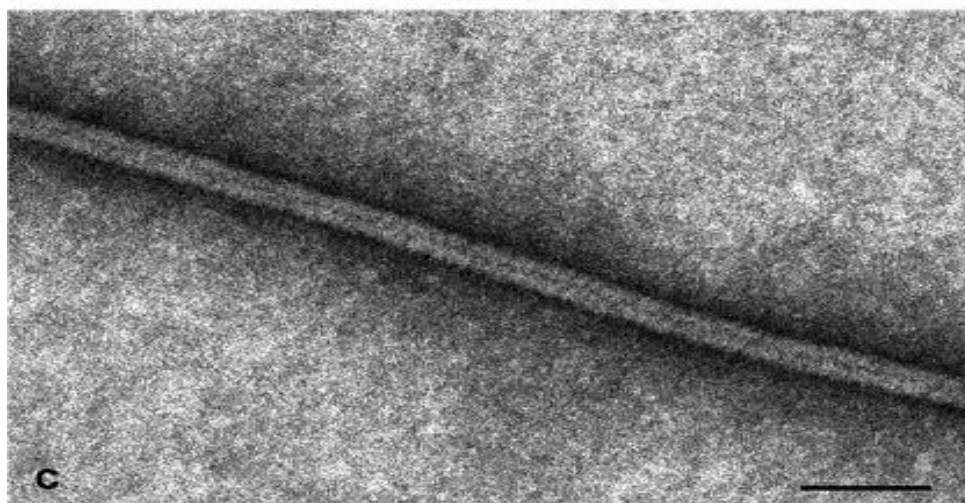
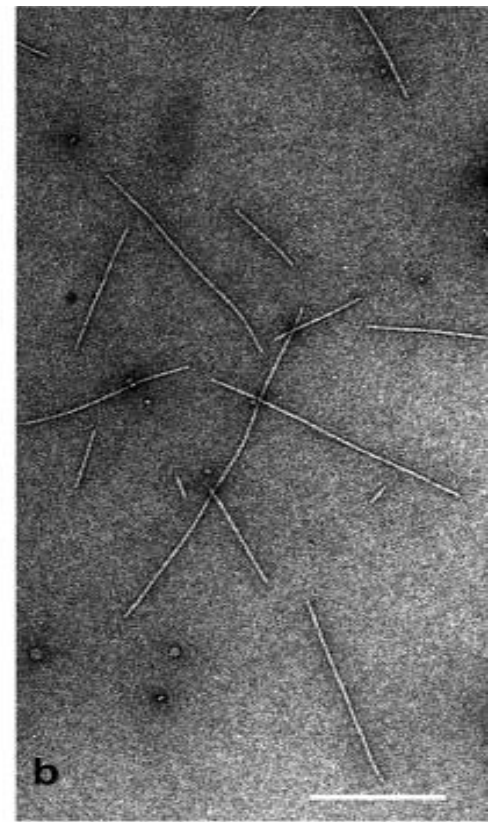
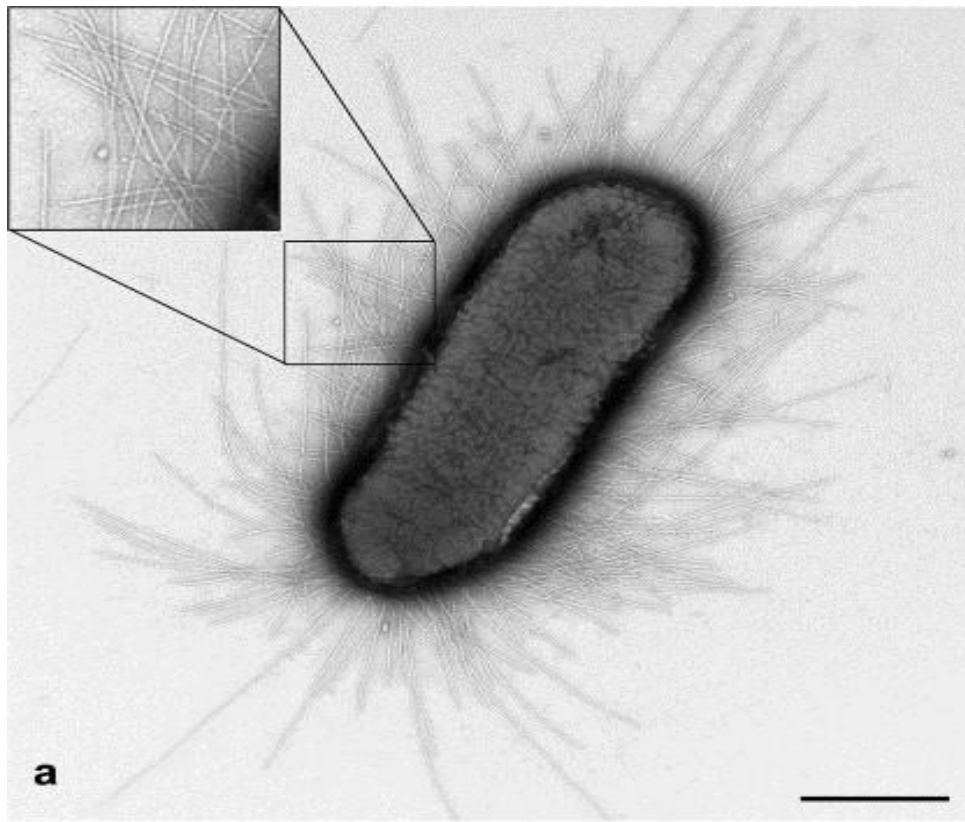
1. **Atachment pilus** - allow bacteria to attach to other cells
2. **Sex pilus**, - transfer from one bacterial cell to another, only 1-4 , conjugation.





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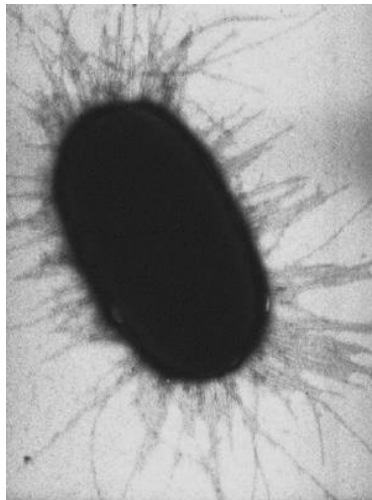
# **Bacterial Appendages**

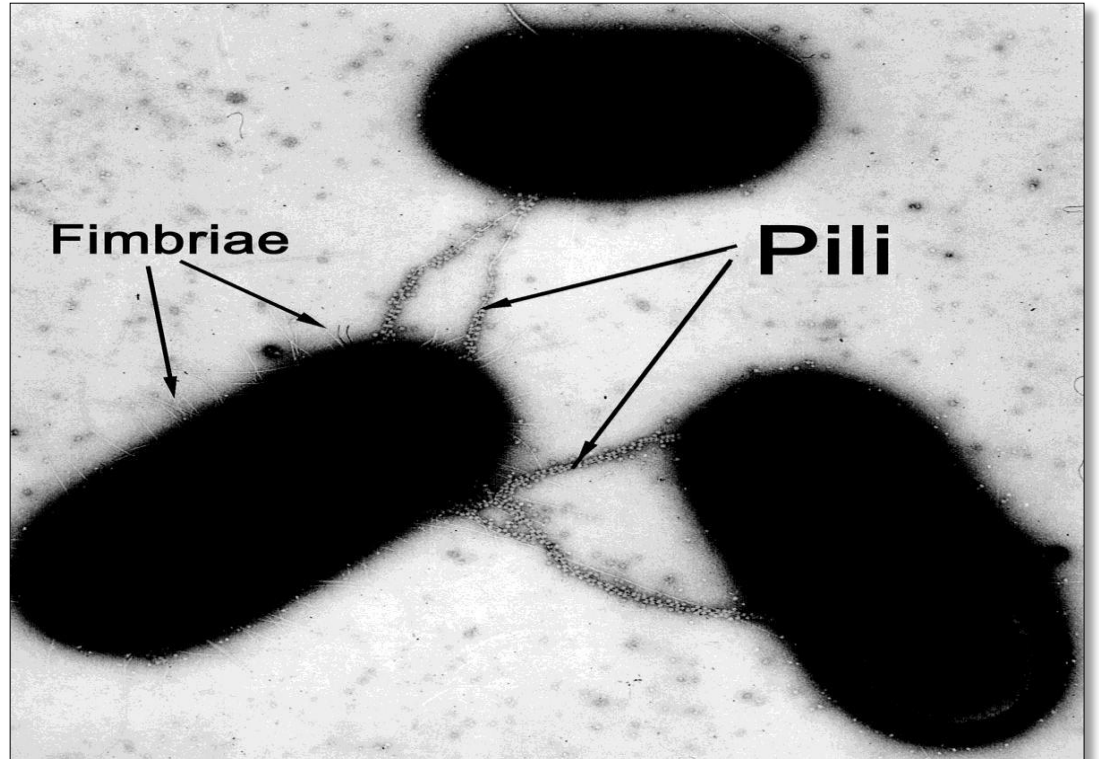
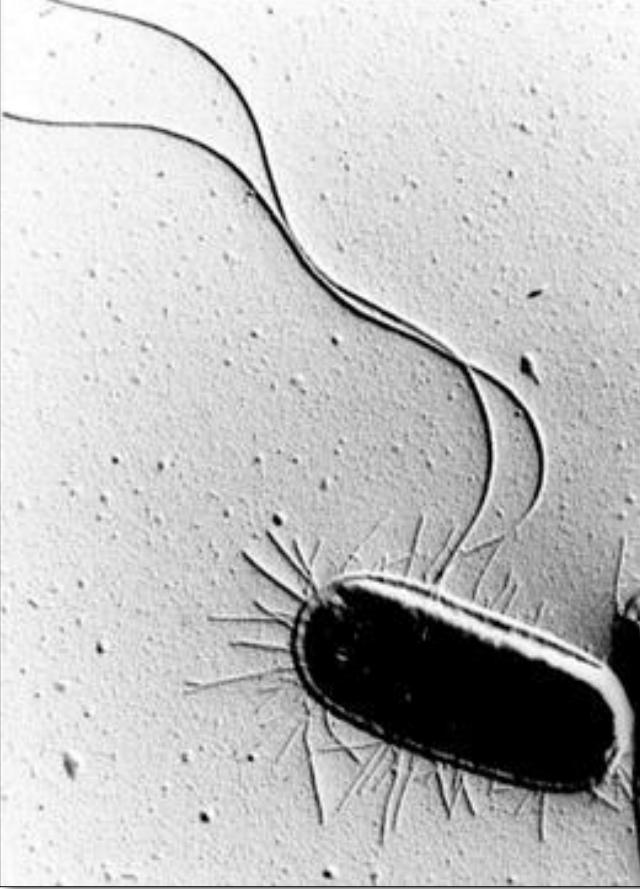
## **Fimbriae**



# Fimbriae

- ⦿ Fimbriae are very fine fibrillar structures.
- ⦿ Fimbriae help the bacteria to stick to surfaces.
- ⦿ e.g. *E.coli*





# **Bacterial Appendages**

## **Flagella**

# Flagella

## ⊙ **Flagella :**

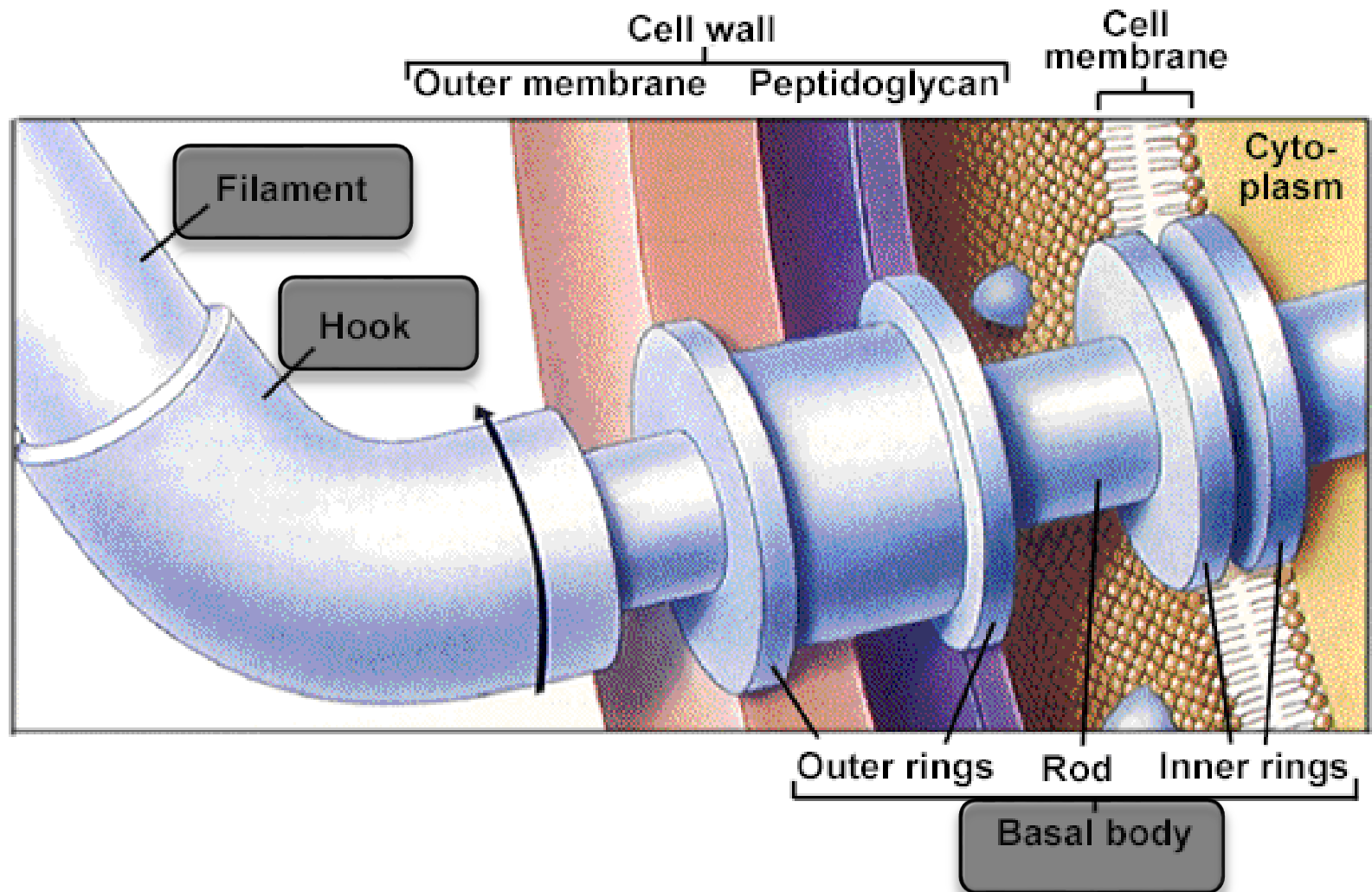
- ⊙ long appendages which rotate by means of a "motor" located just under the cytoplasmic membrane.
- ⊙ bacteria may have one, a few, or many flagella in different positions on the cell.

## ⊙ **Advantages:**

- Identification of Bacteria
- Pathogenesis
- Motility of bacteria

## ⊙ **All spirilla, half of bacilli, rare cocci.**

# Structure of flagella



# Structure of flagella

## Three morphological regions :

### 1. Helical filament

- ⊙ contains the protein ( flagellin ) arranged in several chains.

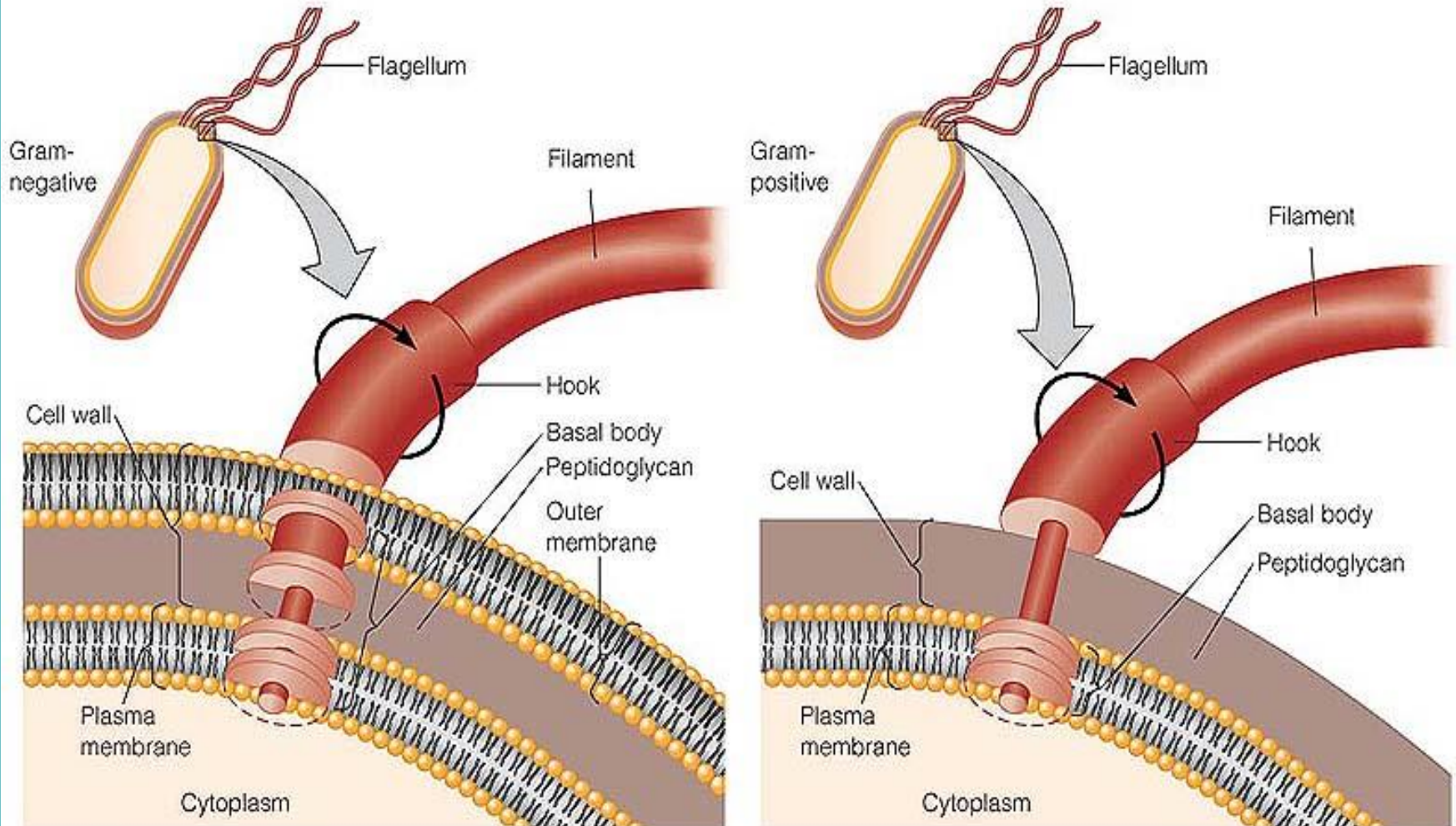
### 2. Hooked or curved area

- ⊙ Consists of a different protein.

### 3. Basal body

- ⊙ Terminal portion of the flagellum
- ⊙ Fix the flagellum to the cell wall and plasma membrane
- ⊙ Composed of a central rod inserted into a series of rings

# Flagella in gram **negative** and **positive** bacteria



(a) Parts and attachment of a flagellum of a gram-negative bacterium

(b) Parts and attachment of a flagellum of a gram-positive bacterium



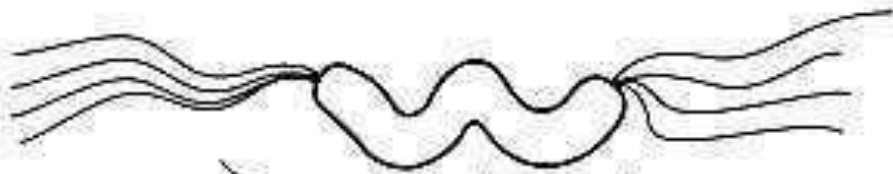
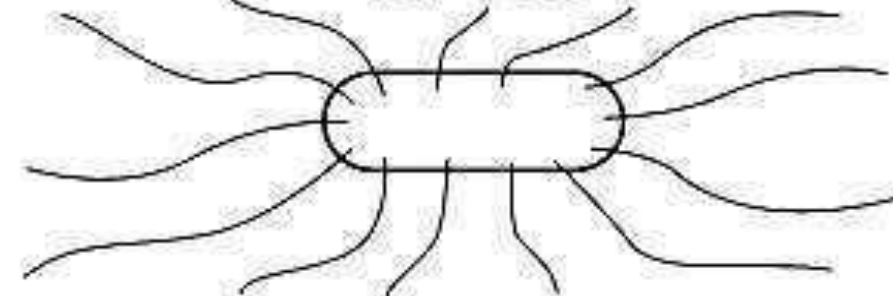




# Flagella in gram **negative** and **positive** bacteria

- ◎ **Gram negative - 2 pairs of rings :**
  - **Outer pair** - fixed to the outer membrane and peptidoglycan layer
  - **Inner pair** - fixed to the plasma membrane
- ◎ **Gram positive - only inner pair is present**

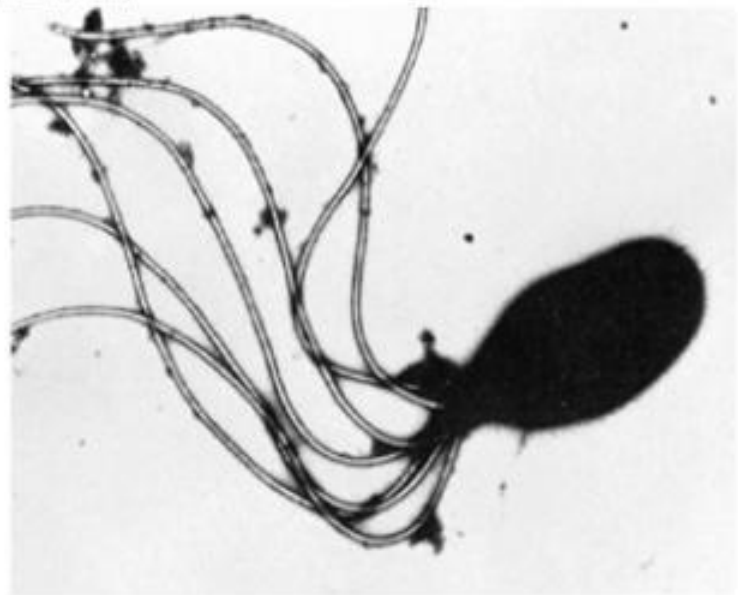
# Arrangement

Structure	Flagella Type	Example
	Monotrichous	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>
	Lophotrichous	<i>Bartonella bacilliformis</i>
	Amphitrichous	<i>Spirillum serpens</i>
	Peritrichous	<i>Escherichia coli</i>



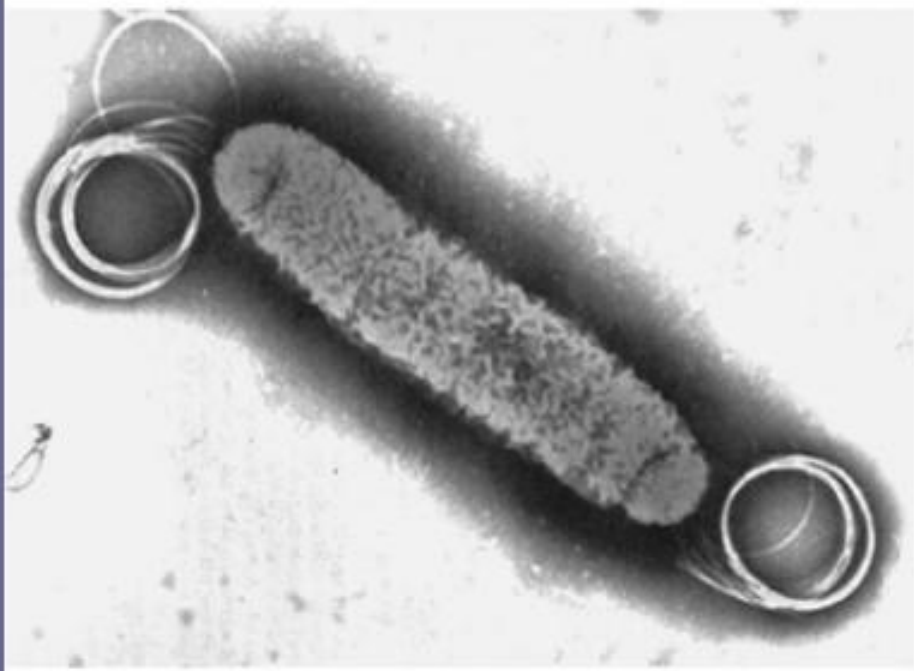
(a)

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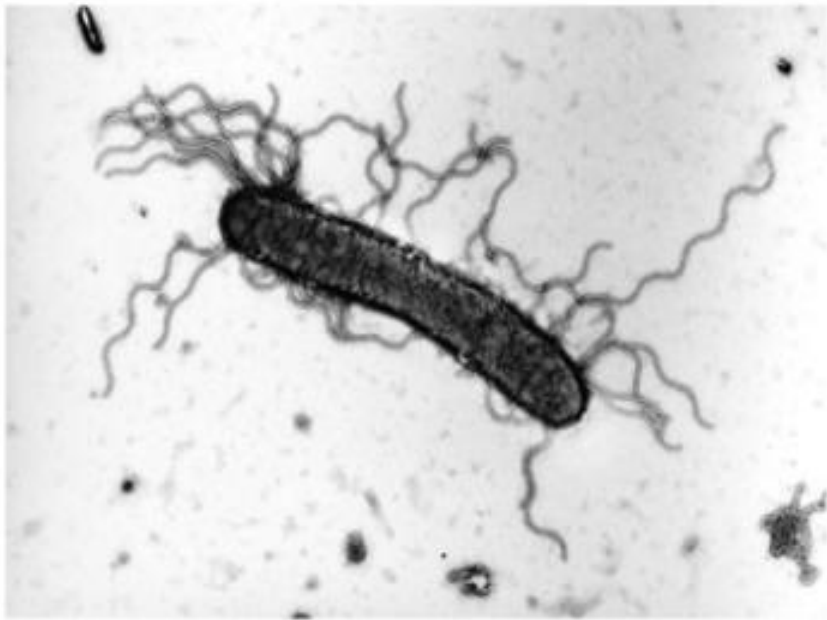
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(c)

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(d)

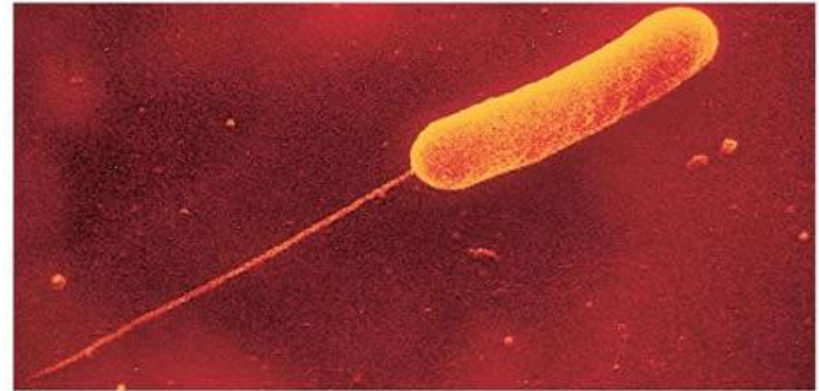
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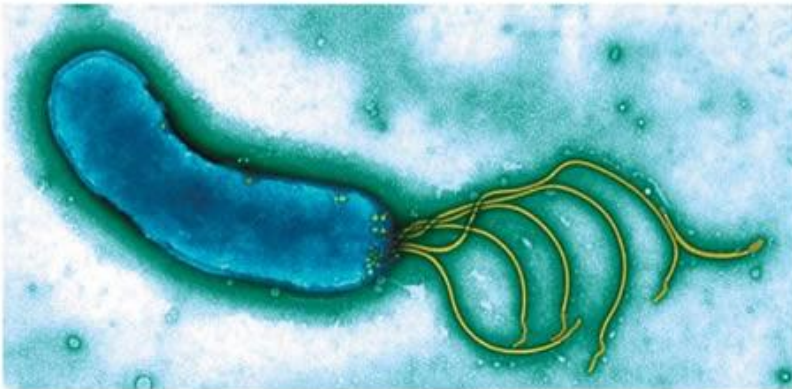
**(a) Peritrichous**

SEM | 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$



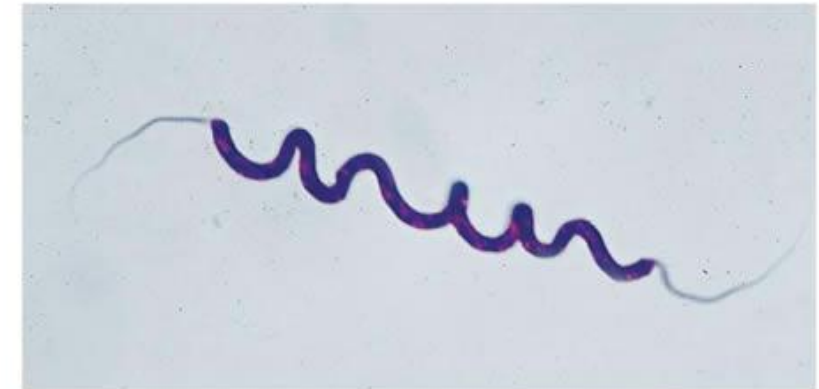
**(b) Monotrichous and polar**

SEM | 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$



**(c) Lophotrichous and polar**

SEM | 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$



**(d) Amphitrichous and polar**

SEM | 5  $\mu\text{m}$

The background features a vertical teal stripe on the left side. A horizontal orange stripe is positioned in the middle, overlapping the teal one. Below the orange stripe is a wider, lighter yellow stripe. The word "Motility" is centered in the yellow stripe.

# Motility



# Evidence of motility

## Two ways by which motility can be demonstrated:

### 1- direct or microscopic

- hanging drop preparation by dark field microscope

Distinguishes:

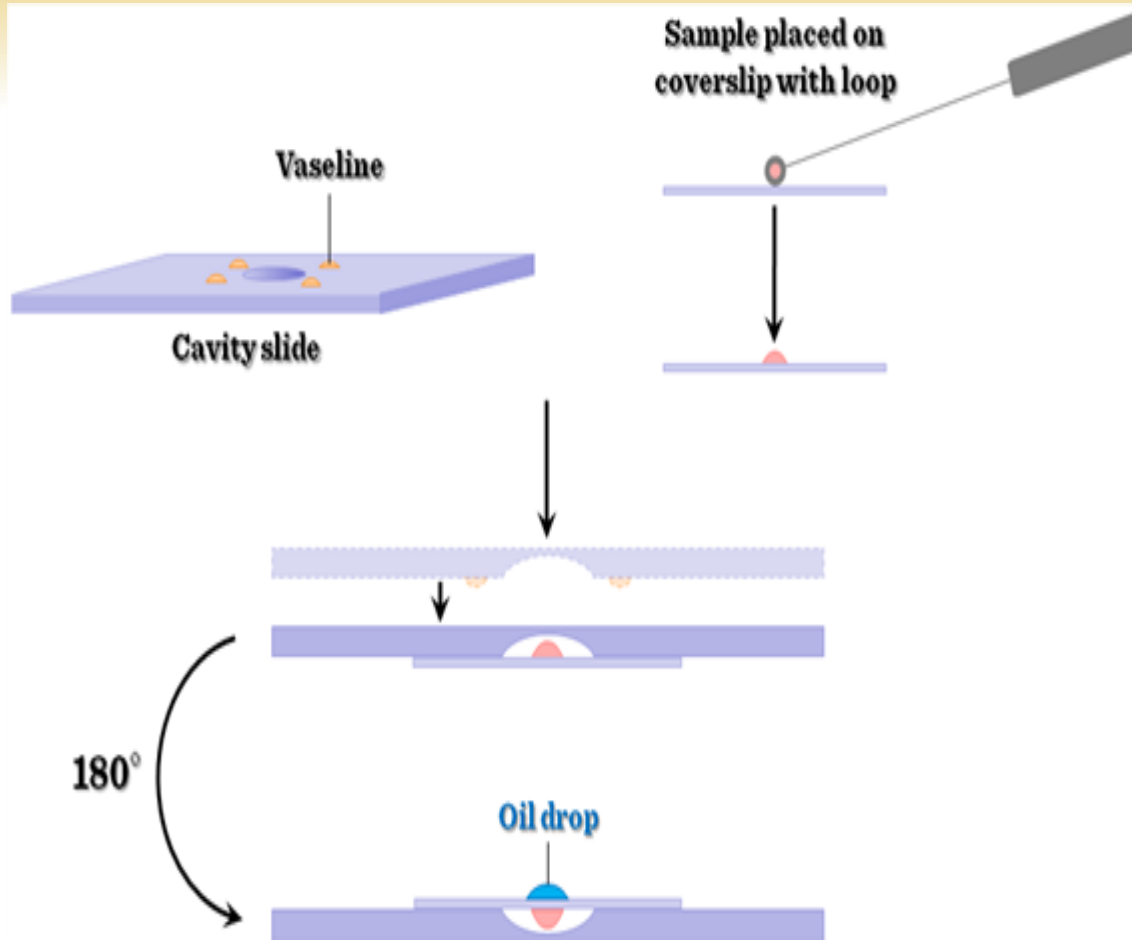
- **Brownian movement** - when the bacteria show molecular movement
- **True motility** - if a bacterium describes a rotatory, undulatory or sinuous movement

### 2- indirect or macroscopic :

Stab inoculation of the semisolid media

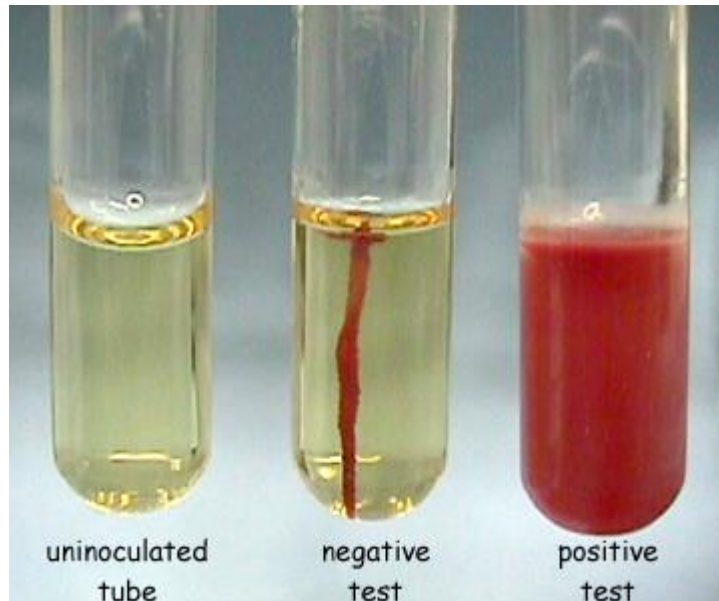
- **non motile** - growth is limited at the point of inoculation
- **motile** - growth is diffuse or moves away from the line of inoculation; turbidity of the medium

# - Direct



# Motility test medium

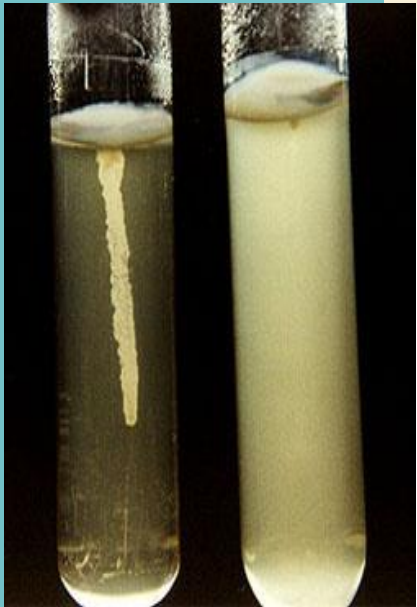
- Indirect





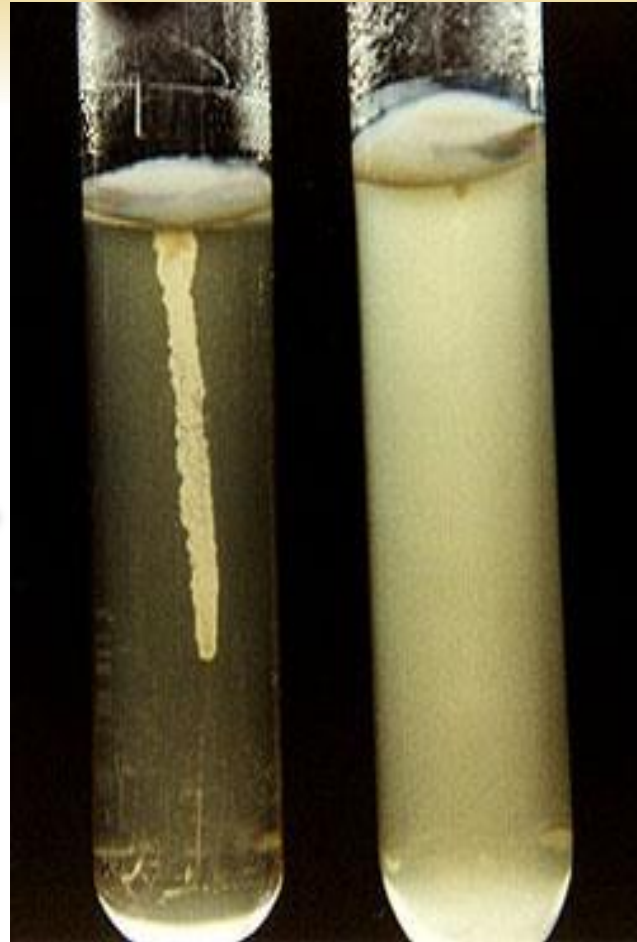
# Motility test medium

- ⊙ Bacterial cells can swim in a semisolid medium.
- ⊙ A semisolid medium such as 0.75% agar is inoculated with the bacteria in a straight-line stab with a needle.
- ⊙ After incubation, if turbidity (cloudiness) due to bacterial growth can be observed away from the line of the stab.



**Bacterial cultures grown in motility test medium.  
The tube on left is a non motile organism; the tube  
on right is a motile organism.**

**non motile  
organism**



**motile  
organism**

## Bacterial Motility Test

Motile bacteria

Non-Motile bacteria



Diffuse growth



Localized growth