



Parasitic Infections Affecting CNS and Special senses



Each Slide has Two Questions

Q1: Identify??

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Q2: A. Parasite Life cycle (DH, IH, RH, Habitat, Stages of life cycle, Infective stage, Diagnostic stage, Mode of infection).

B. Diagnostic specimens or samples.

C. Most important or commonest C/P

D. Most important or commonest Complication

E. Specific treatment



➤ Parasitic Infections Affecting CNS :

Free living amoeba:

- Primary Amoebic Meningoencephalitis
- Granulomatous Amoebic Meningoencephalitis

***Trypanosoma brucei* :**

- Sleeping Sickness

Entamoebae histolytica

- Secondary Amoebic Cerebral Abscess

***Taenia solium*:**

- NeuroCysticercosis



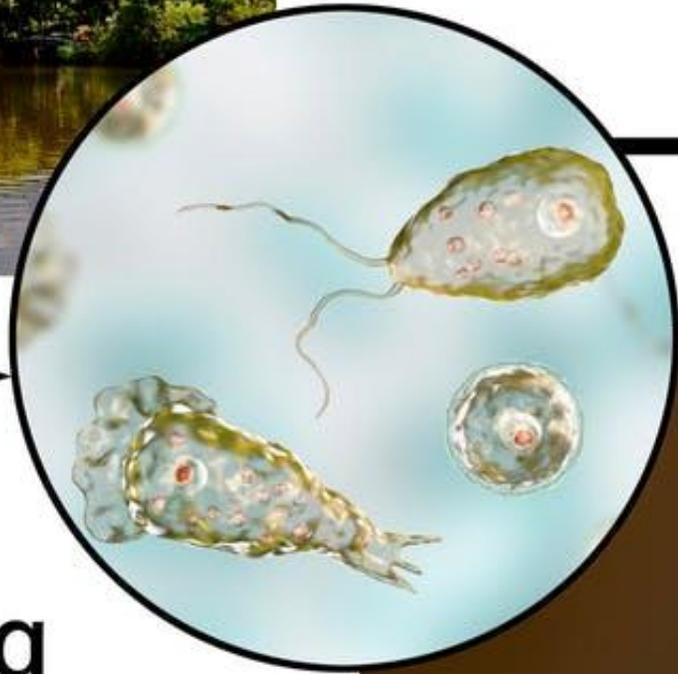
1) Pathogenic Free-Living Amoebae

1) *Naegleria fowleri*

2) *Acanthamoeba castellani*



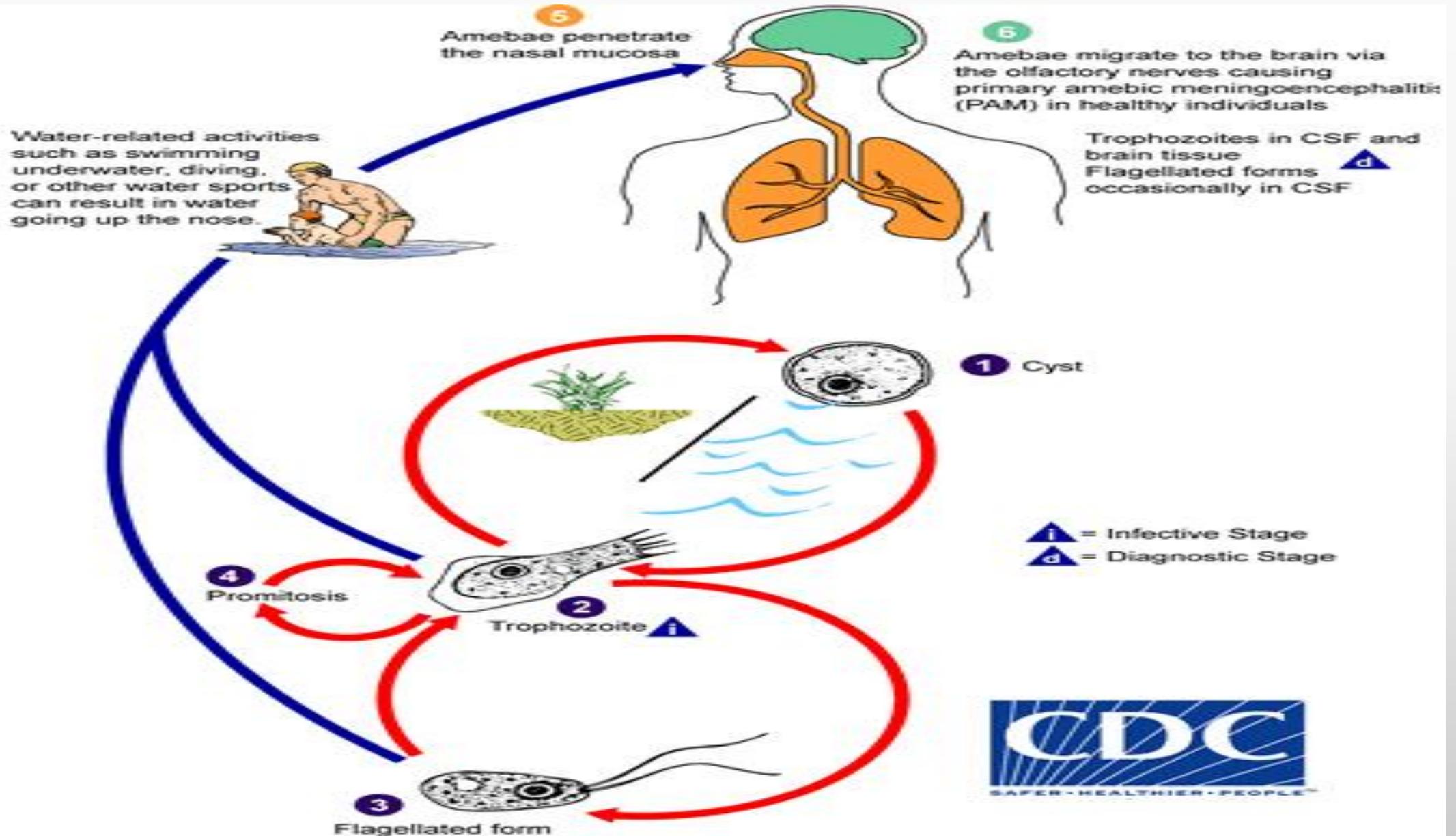
Naegleriasis



**Brain-Eating
Amoeba Infection**



Naegleria fowleri Life cycle:





Naegleria fowleri Life cycle:

- **Habitat:**
 - Free living in soil and fresh- stagnant water
 - In man it attack CNS
- **Infective stage:** Amoeboid trophozoite
- **Mode of infection:** through Nasal route.
 - 1- Swimming in /or sniffing contaminated water.
 - 2- Inhalation of contaminated air.



➤ *Naegleria fowleri* morphological stage:

Amoeboid Trophozoite:

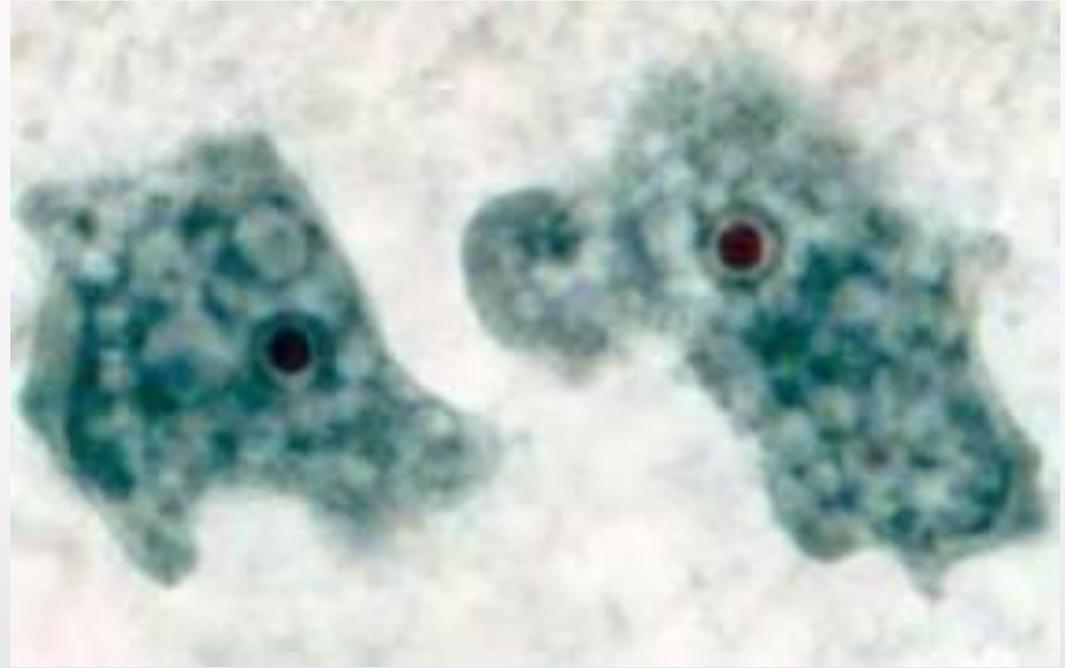
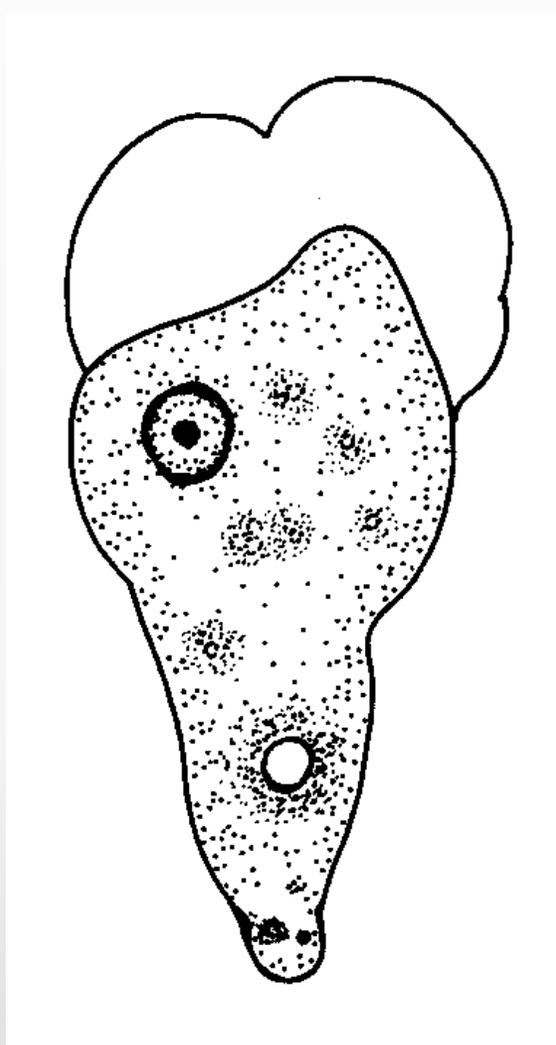
- (in tissues and CSF)
- Elongate with broad anterior end, tapering posterior end.
- with single pseudopodium.
- 15 μ

Flagellate Trophozoite

- (when contact with water)
- Pear shaped
- two long equal flagellae

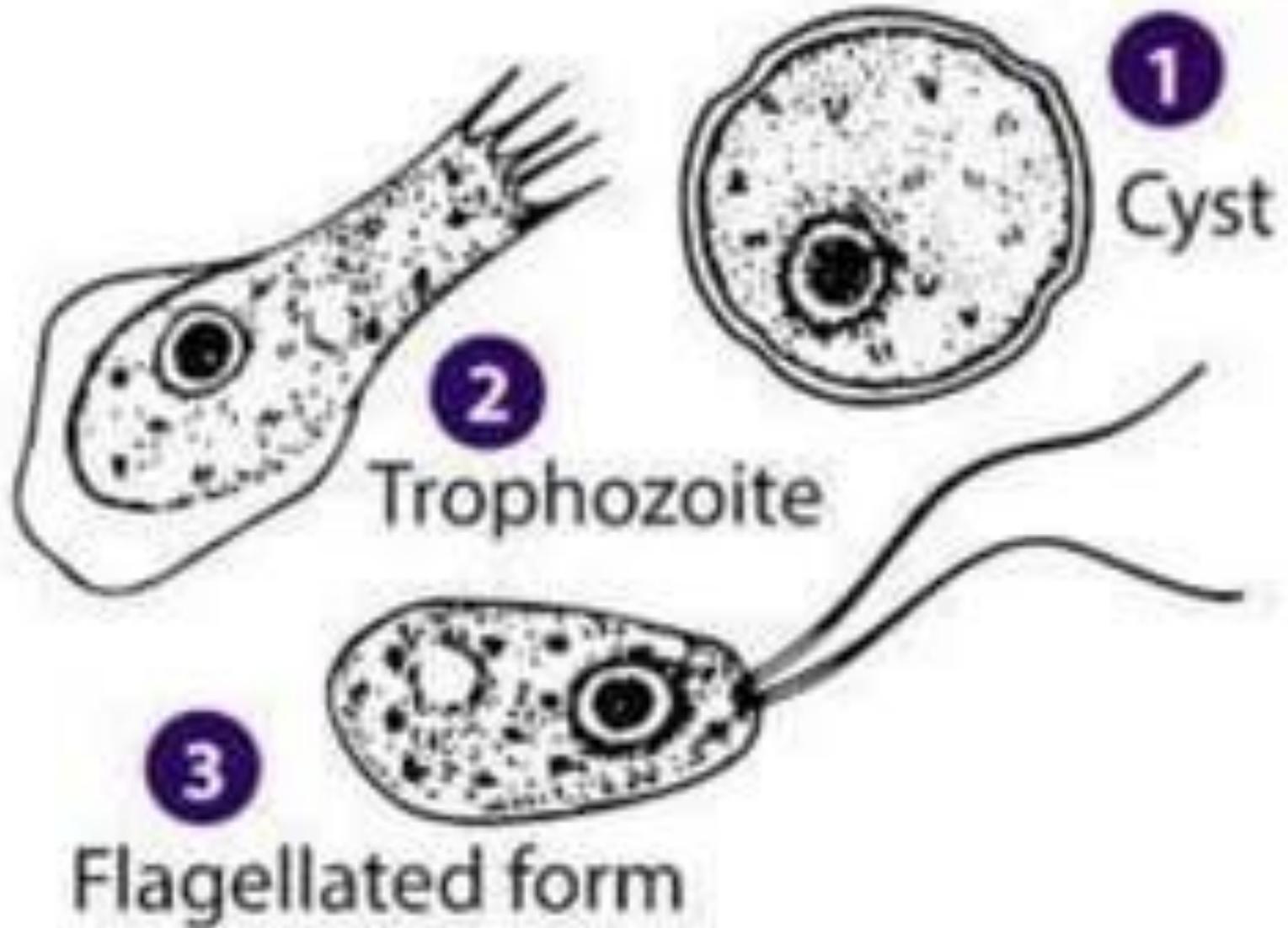
Cyst:

- Occurs in soil (never in tissues):
- Rounded
- 10 μ m.

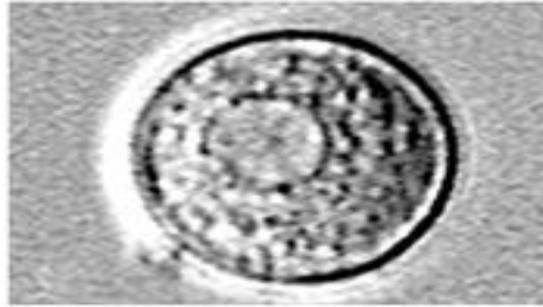


***Naegleria fowleri* Amoeboid Trophozoite**

Naegleria fowleri stages



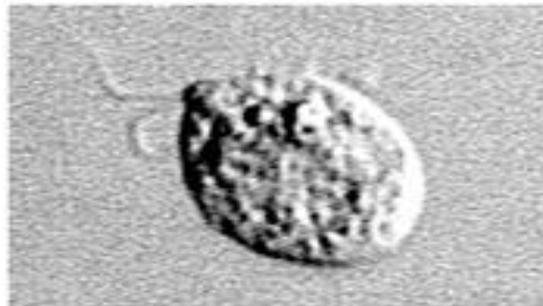
Naegleria fowleri
morphological stage:



Cyst stage

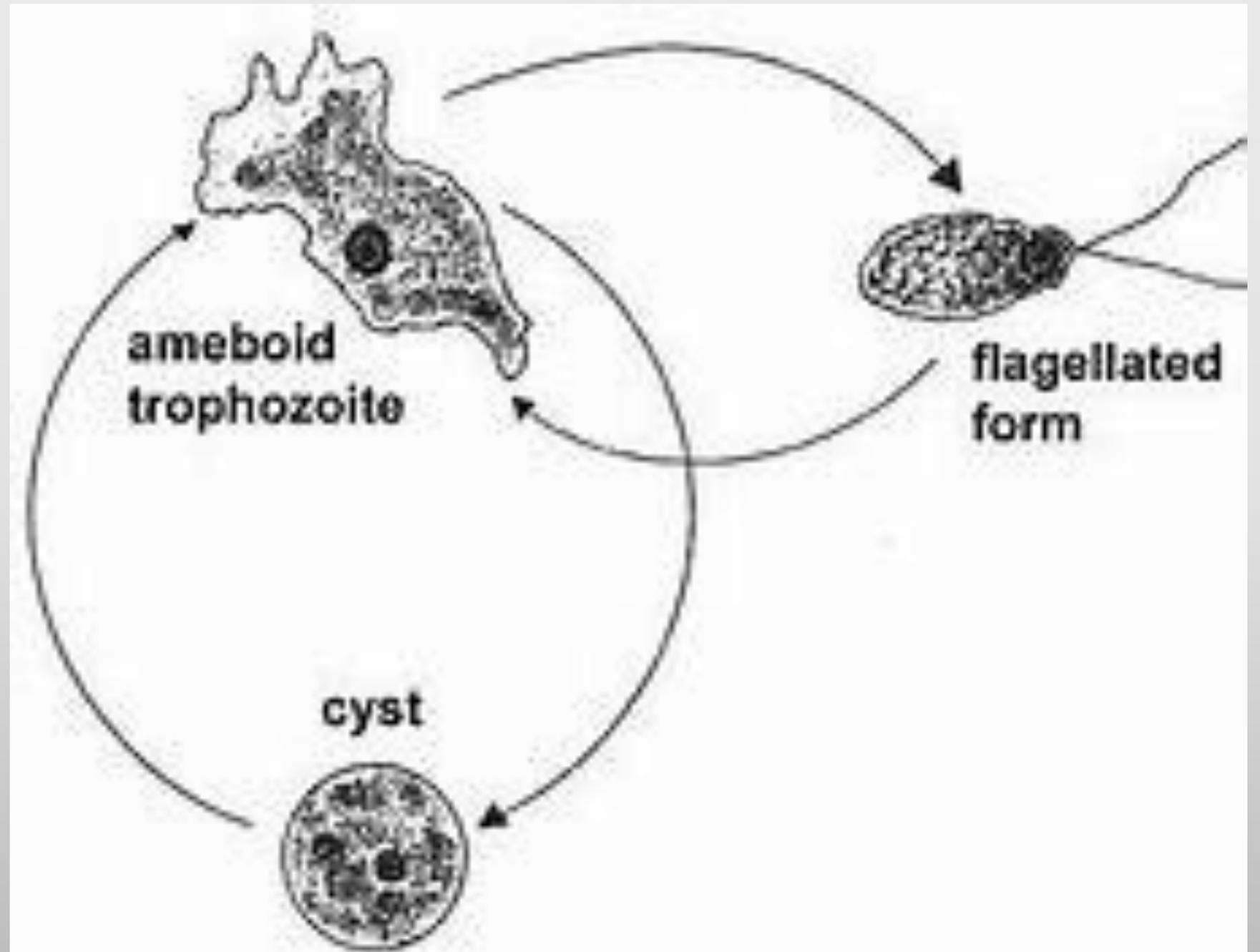


Trophozoite stage



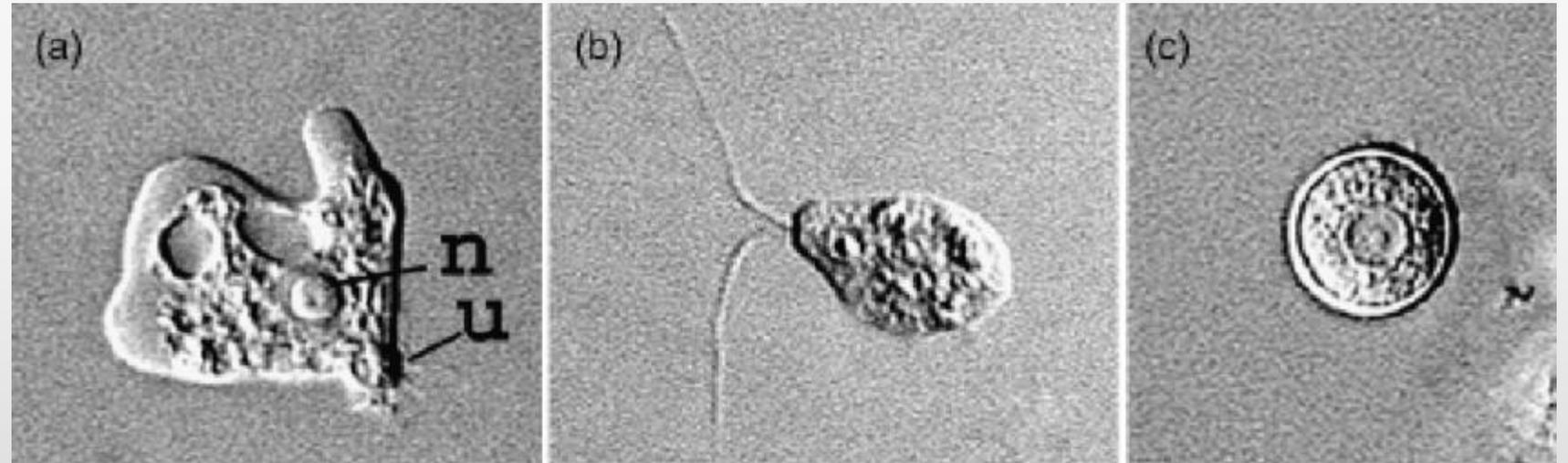
Flagellated stage

Naegleria fowleri
stages



Naegleria fowleri morphological stage:

- (a).....?
- (b)?
- (c)?





Pathogenic Free Living Amoebae

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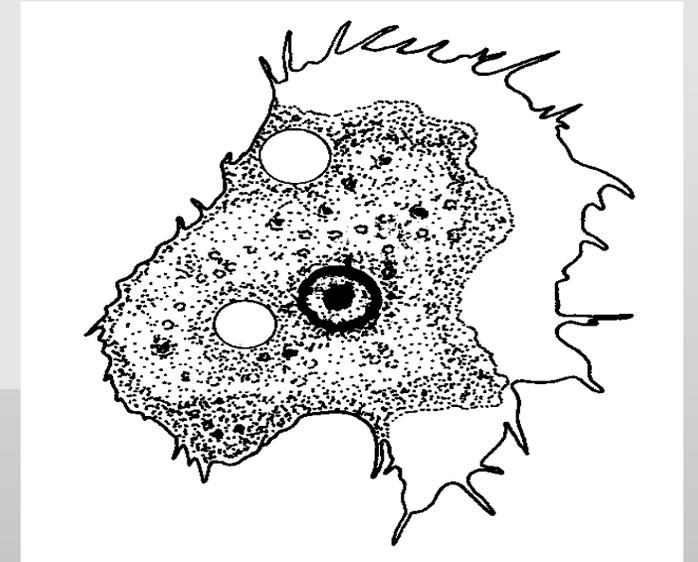
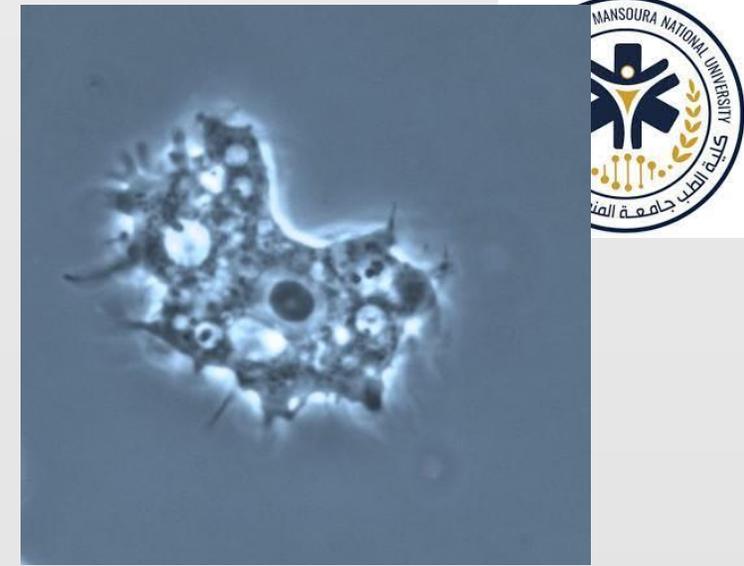
2) *Acanthamoeba castellani*



Acanthamoeba castellani

Free-living trophozoite and cyst stages may exist in environment and in tissues

- Present in soil, dust, stagnant water and contact lens fluid.
- in man it affect CNS, eye, skin and lungs.



Acanthamoeba castellani
trophozoite

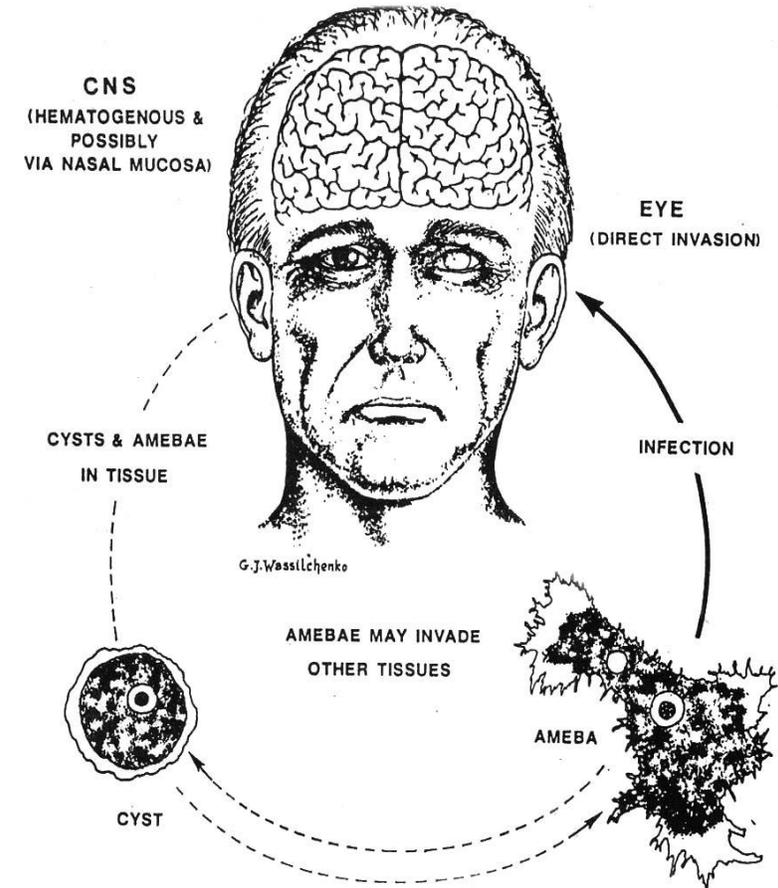
Acanthamoeba castellani Morphology

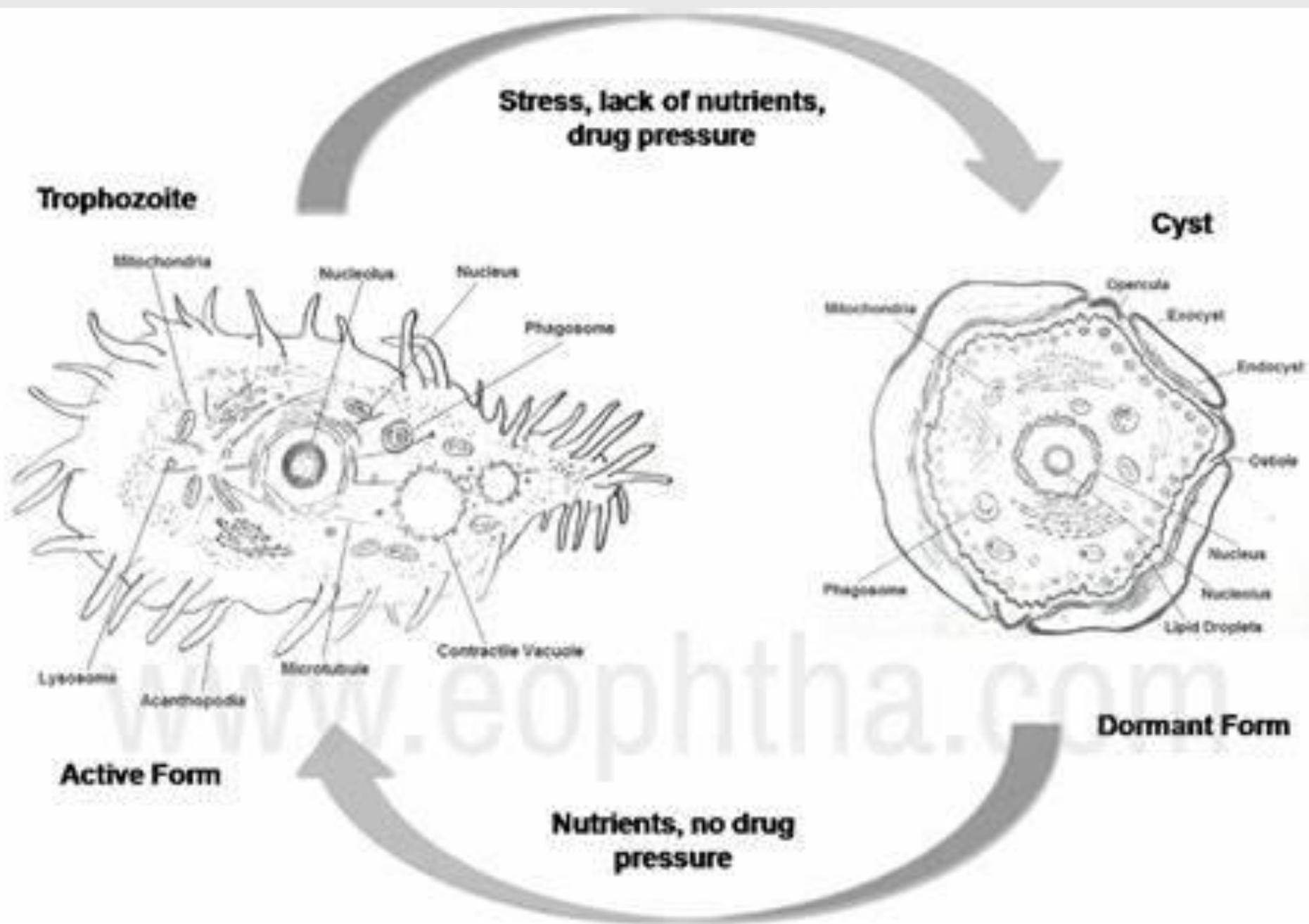
Trophozoite:

- Amoeboid
- Cytoplasm is well differentiated
- Pseudopodia are multiple and spiky (Acanthopodia).
- 20-40 μm in size

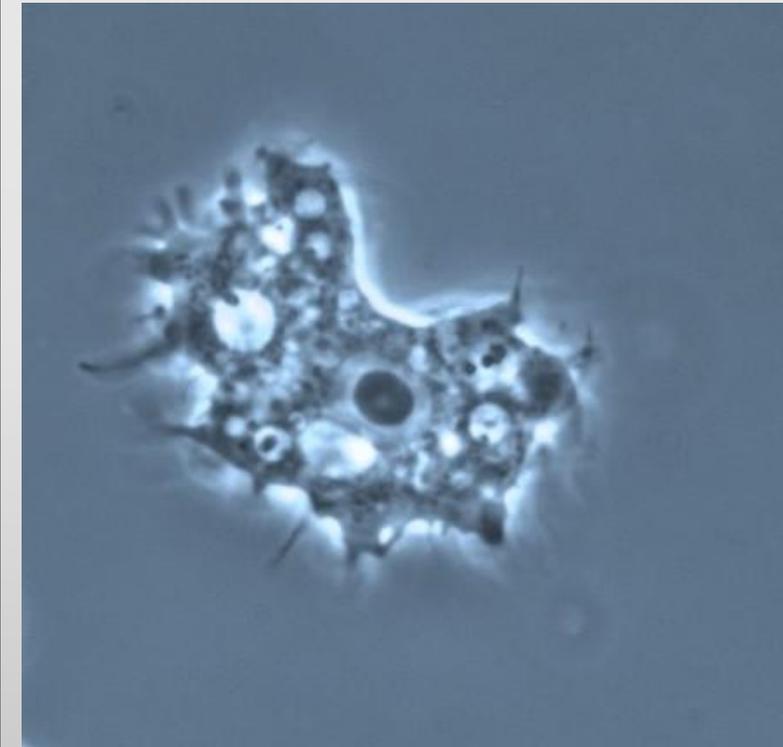
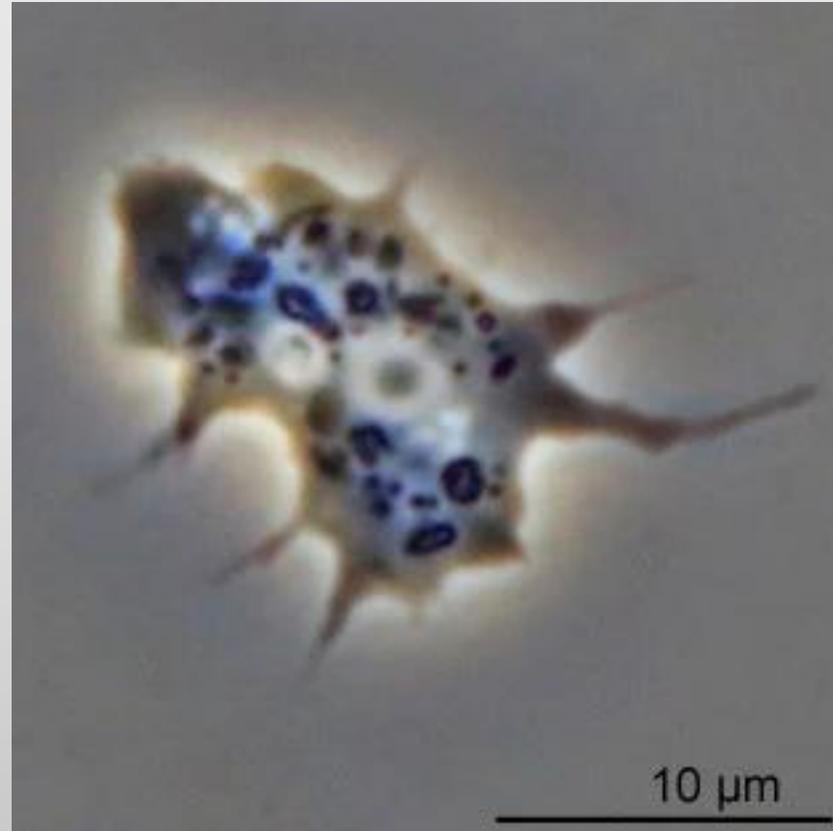
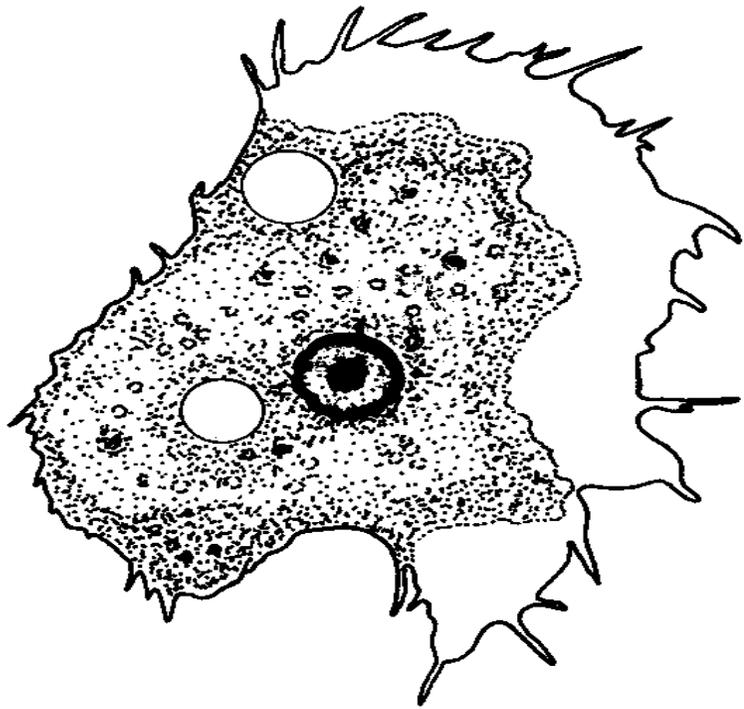
Cyst:

- Double wall
- Rounded
- 20 μm .



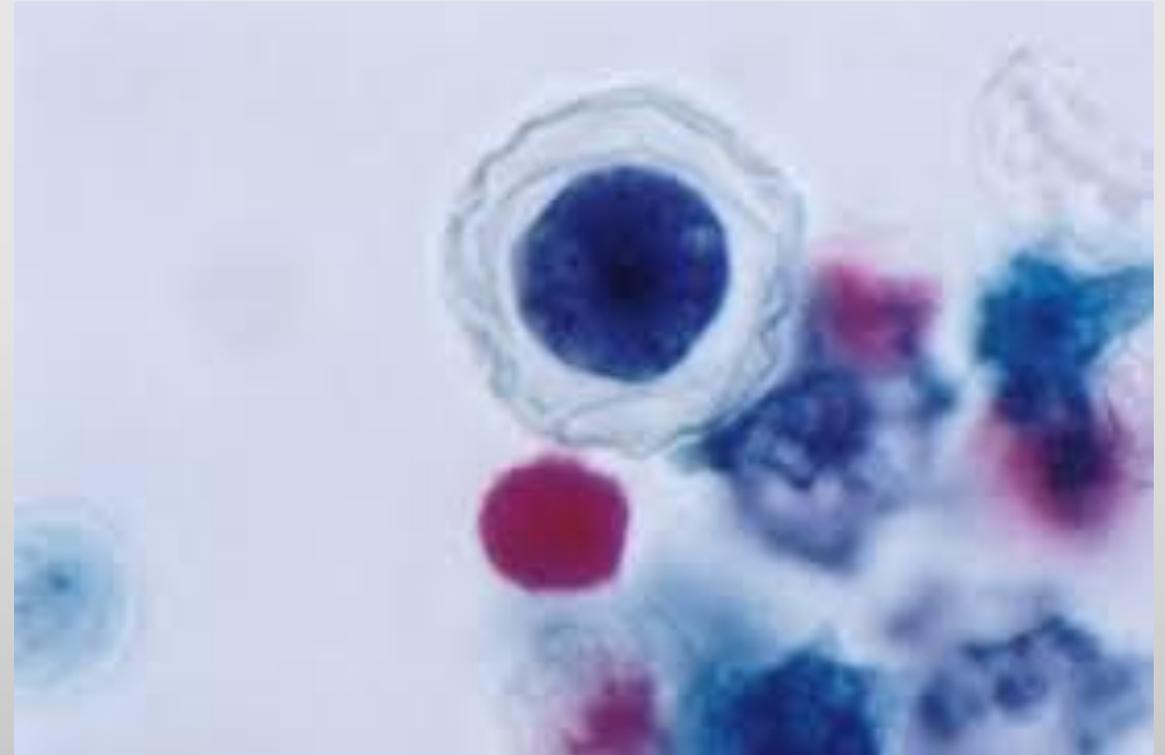
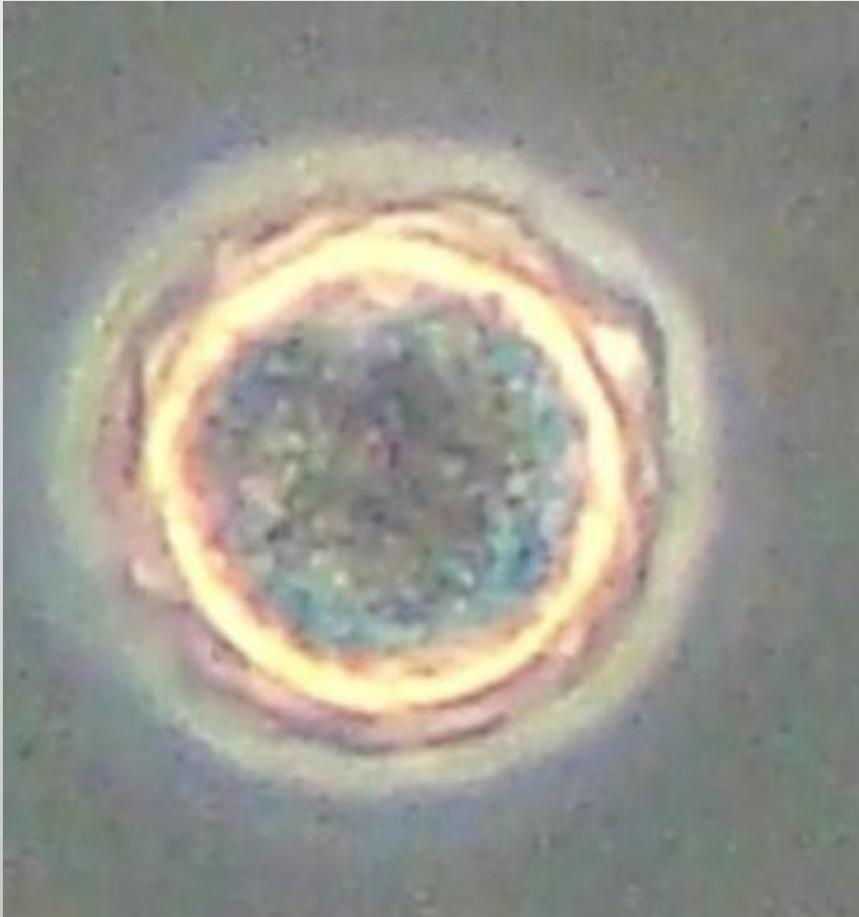


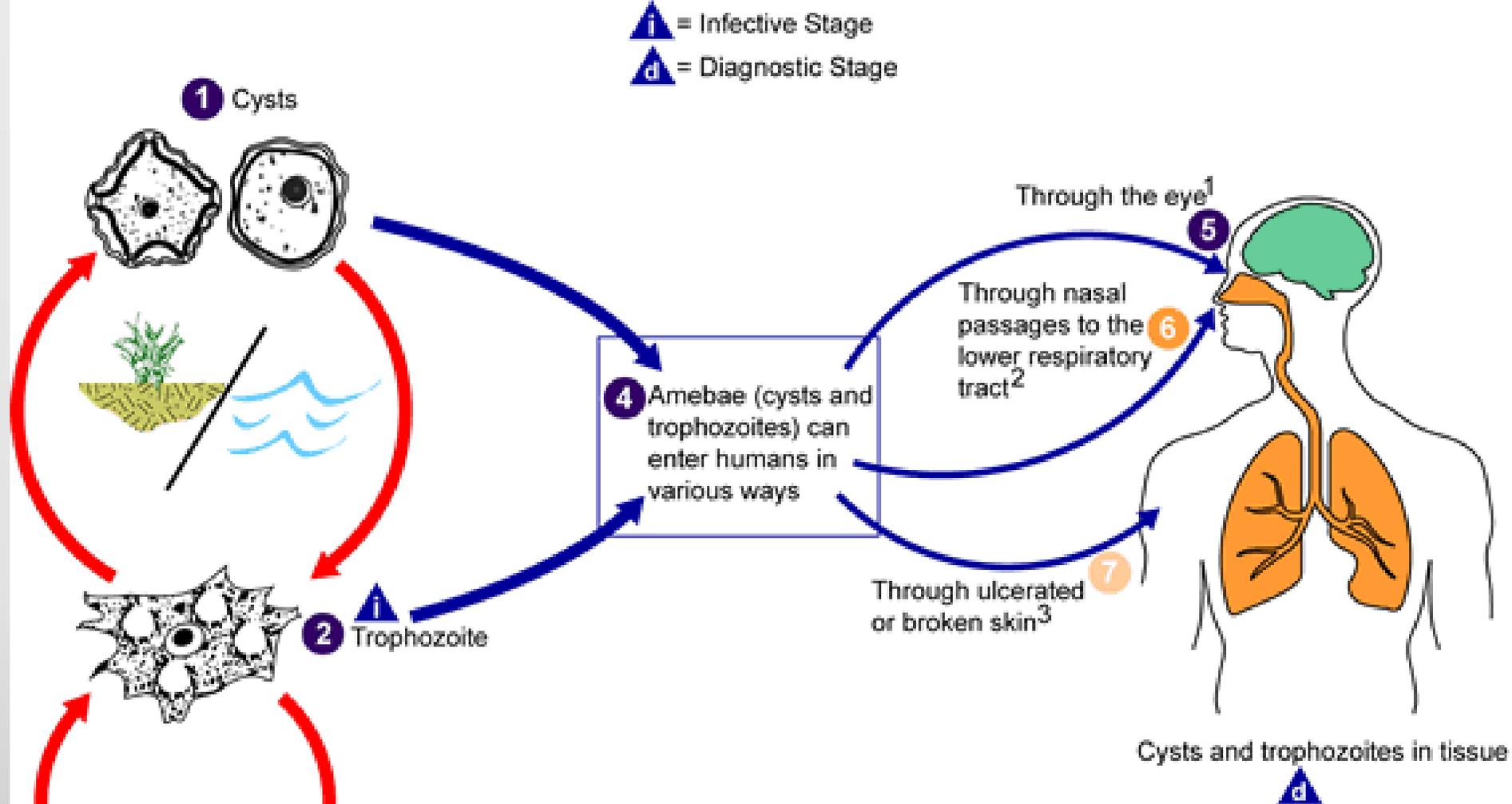
Acanthamoeba castellani Trophozoite:





Acanthamoeba castellani cyst:





i = Infective Stage
d = Diagnostic Stage



- ¹ Results in severe keratitis of the eye. **8**
- ² Results in granulomatous amebic encephalitis (GAE) and/or disseminated disease **10** in individuals with compromised immune systems. **9**
- ³ Results granulomatous amebic encephalitis (GAE), disseminated disease **10**, or skin lesions **11** in individuals with compromised immune systems.

Life Cycle of *Acanthamoeba castellanii*

➤ Habitat: free living in soil, stagnant water and dust.

Or infect Human host (Brain, eye, skin)

➤ Infective stage: Trophozoite & Cyst

➤ Source of infection: dust, stagnant water and contact lens fluid.

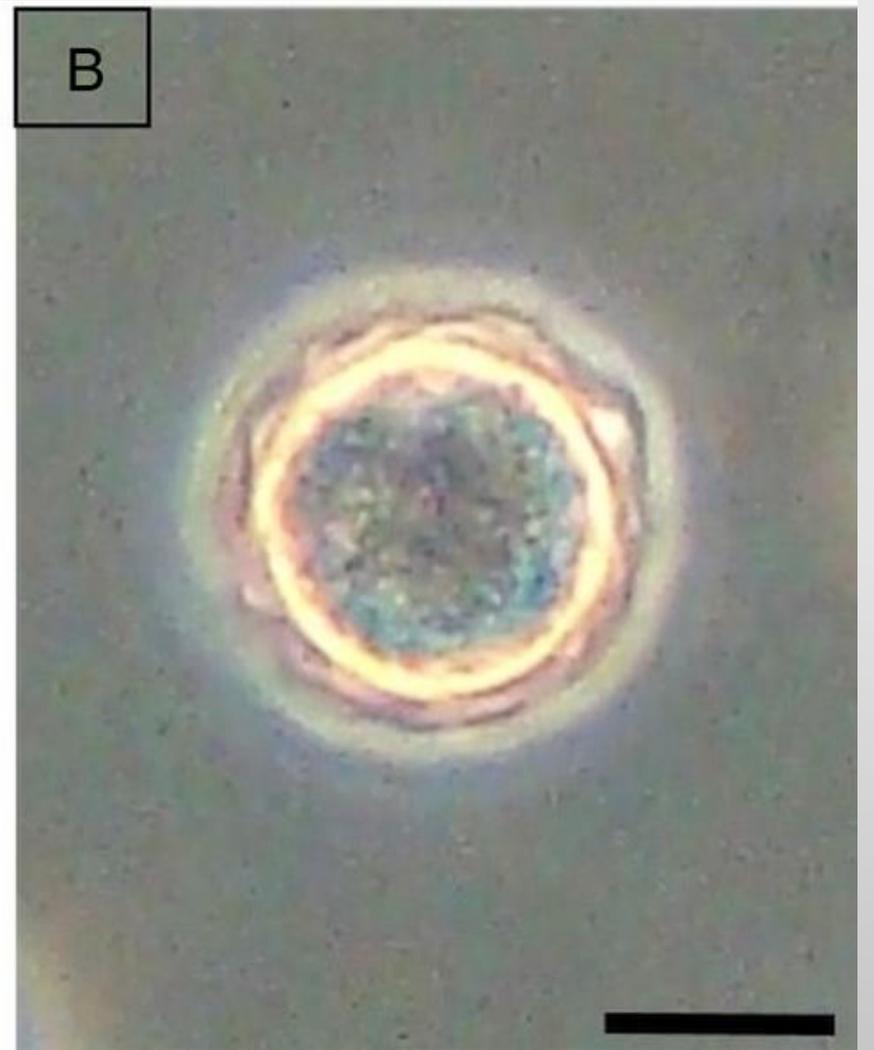
➤ Portal of entry (Mode of infection):

-Through skin and mucosal ulcers,

-Inhalation into the lungs,

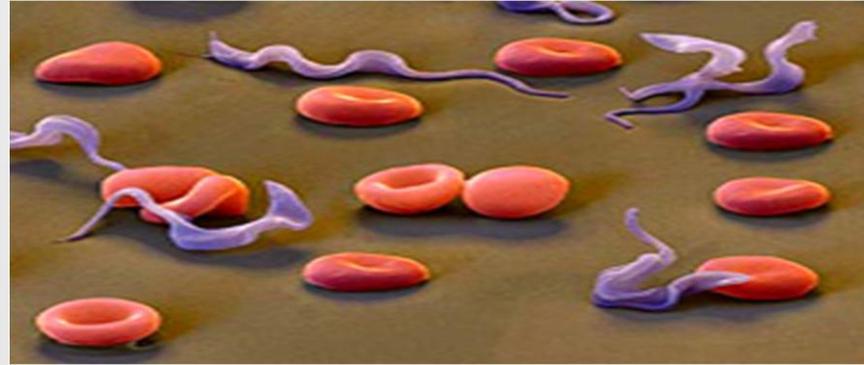
-Through cornea (contaminated contact lenses)

(A).....?
(B).....?





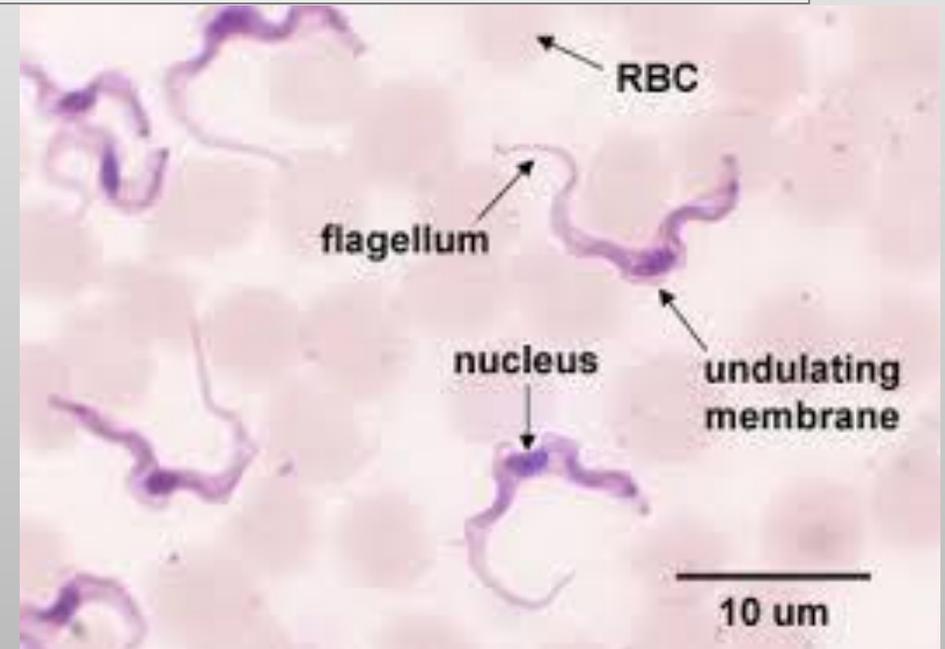
3) African Trypanosomiasis Sleeping sickness



Parasitic diseases caused by *Trypanosoma brucei*. There are 2 main forms:

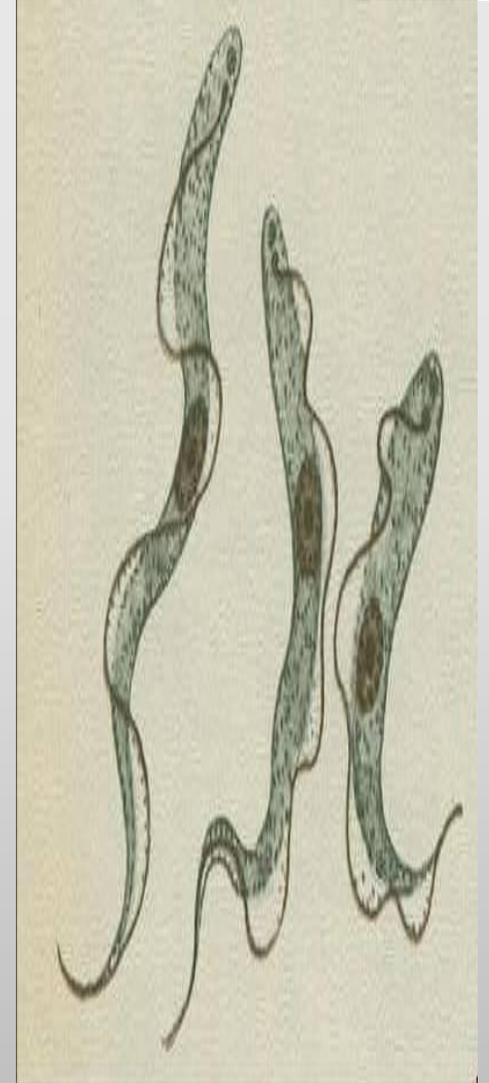
- Chronic Sleeping sickness: caused by *Trypanosoma brucei gambiense*
- Acute Sleeping sickness: caused by *Trypanosoma brucei rhodesiense*

Trypomastigotes (flagellated form):
Motile (with anterior flagellum & undulating membrane).

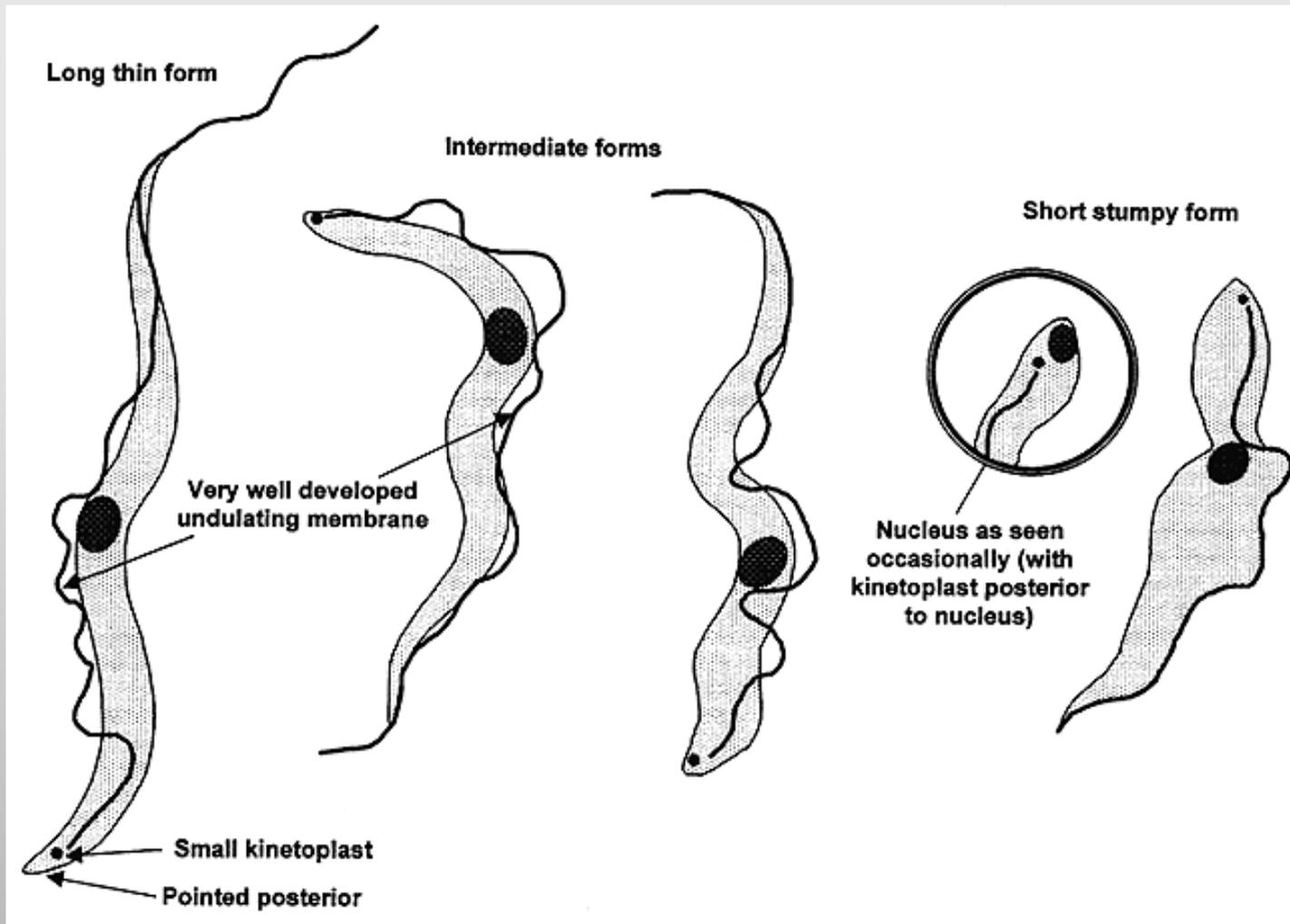


Trypomastigote has 3 forms in vertebrate host

Morphological form	Characters
1- <u>Long slender</u> form	30 u in length, with a free flagellum & actively motile
2- <u>Intermediate</u> form	22 u in length, with a short free flagellum
3- <u>Short stumpy</u> form	15 u in length, without a free flagellum

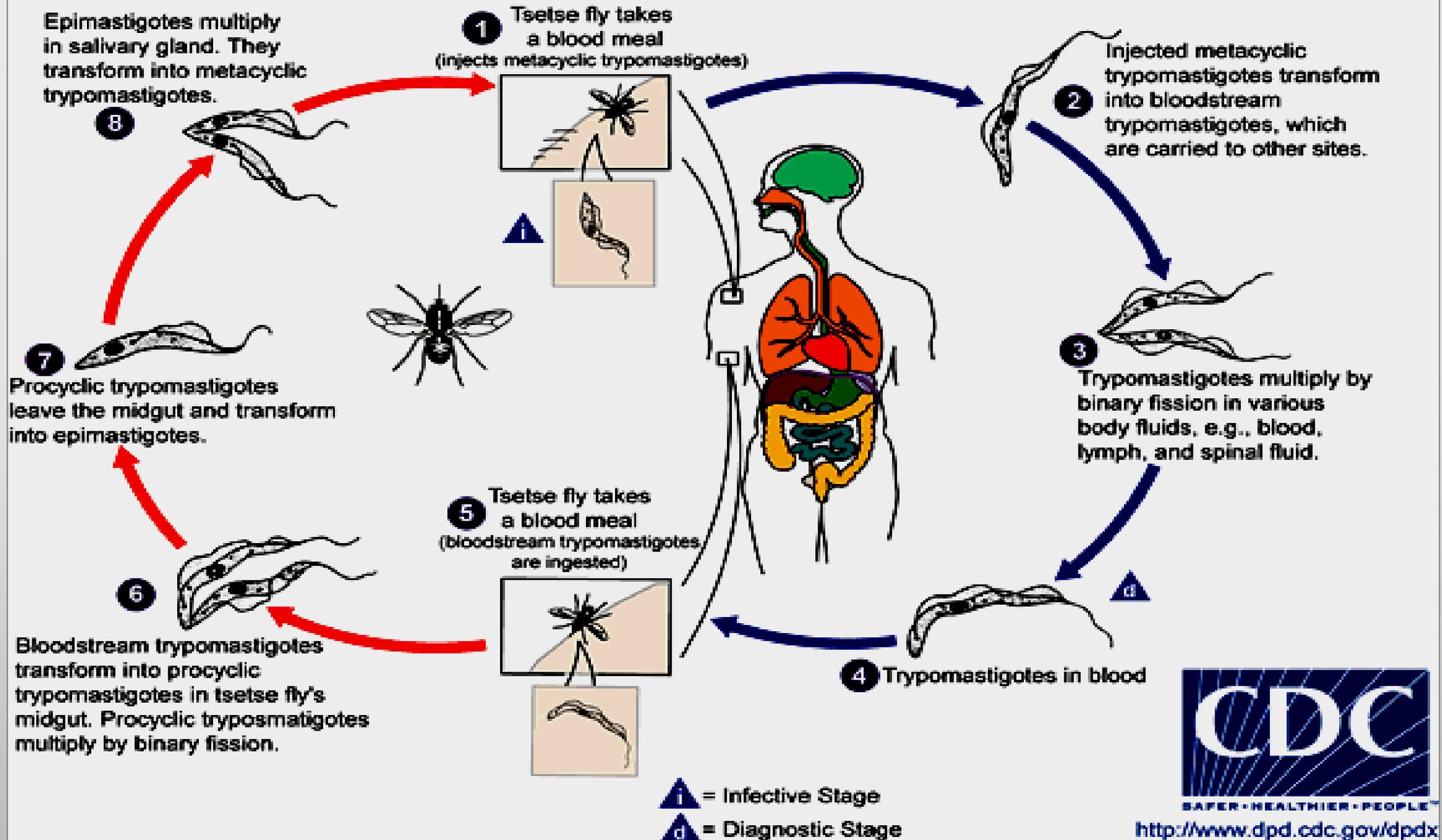


- In Vector (Glossina fly) → Metacyclic trypomastigote
(infective stage) in salivary gland.



Tsetse fly Stages

Human Stages





Life Cycle:

➤ Habitat

- During the early stages of the disease; *Trypanosomes* are found extracellular in the peripheral blood. Then, RECs (Liver, Spleen, Lymph nodes, Bone marrow).
- In the terminal stages; in CNS

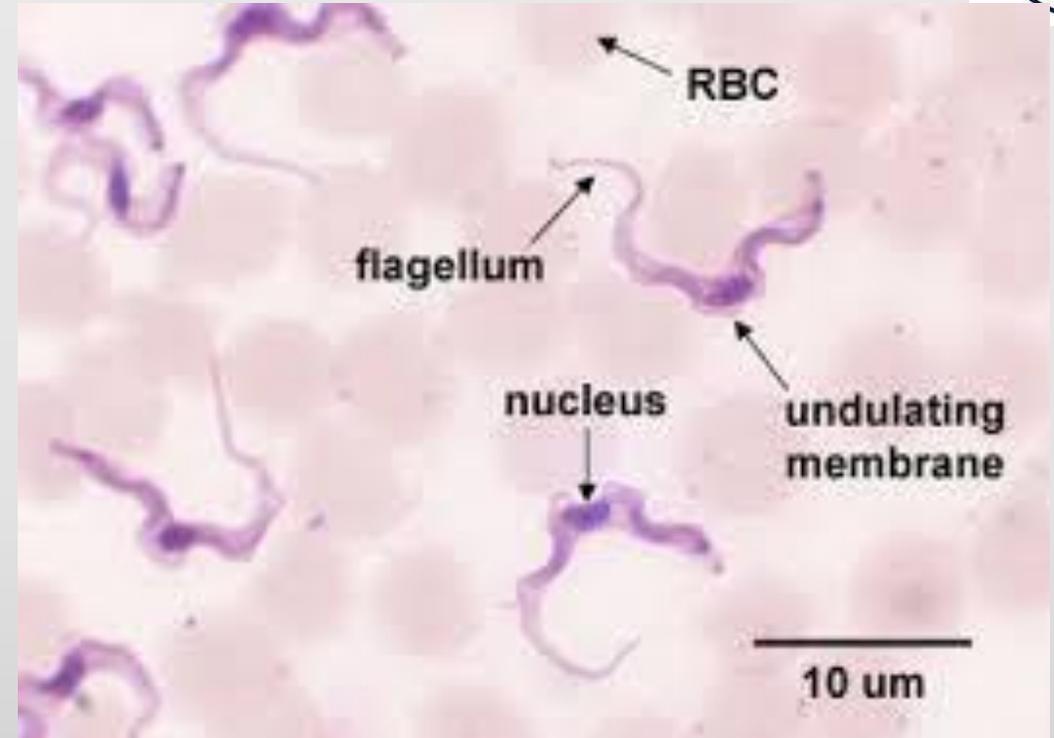
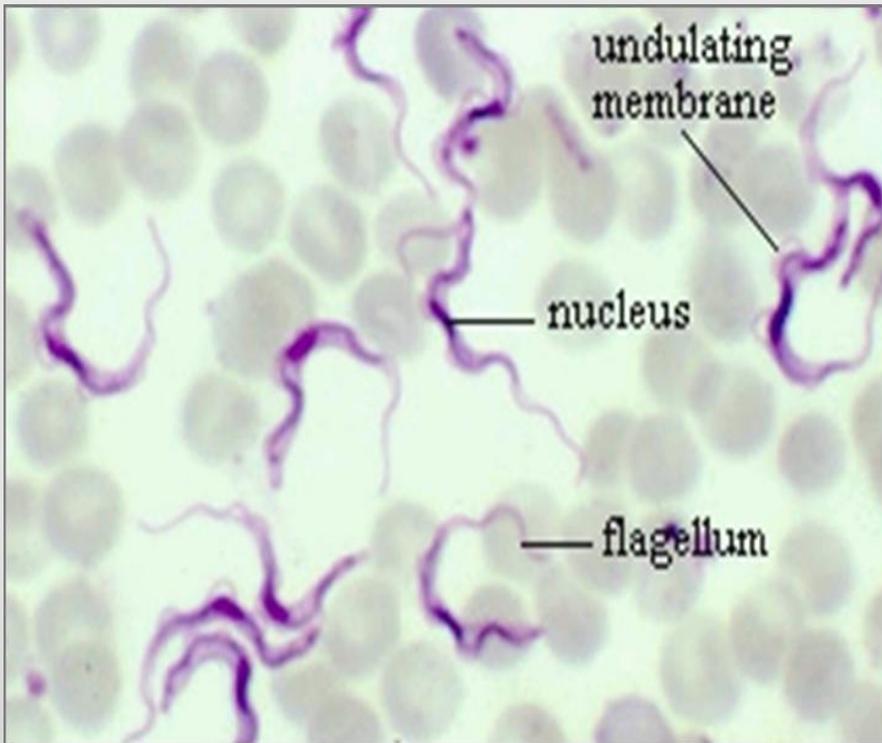
D.H. (man)

R.H. (animals) as, antelopes, pigs, goats, dogs.

I.H. (Vector) Glossina fly.

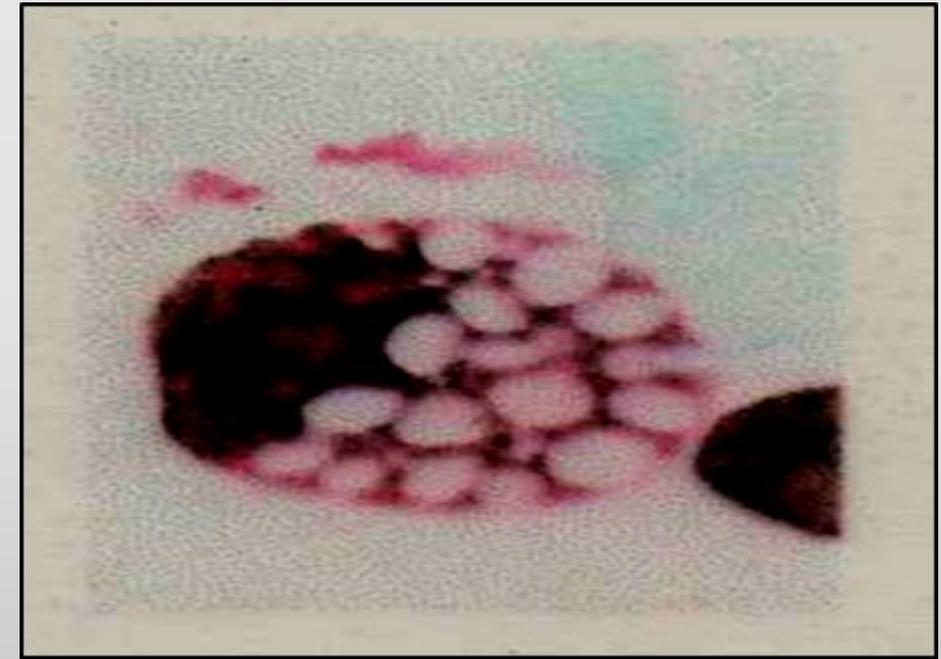
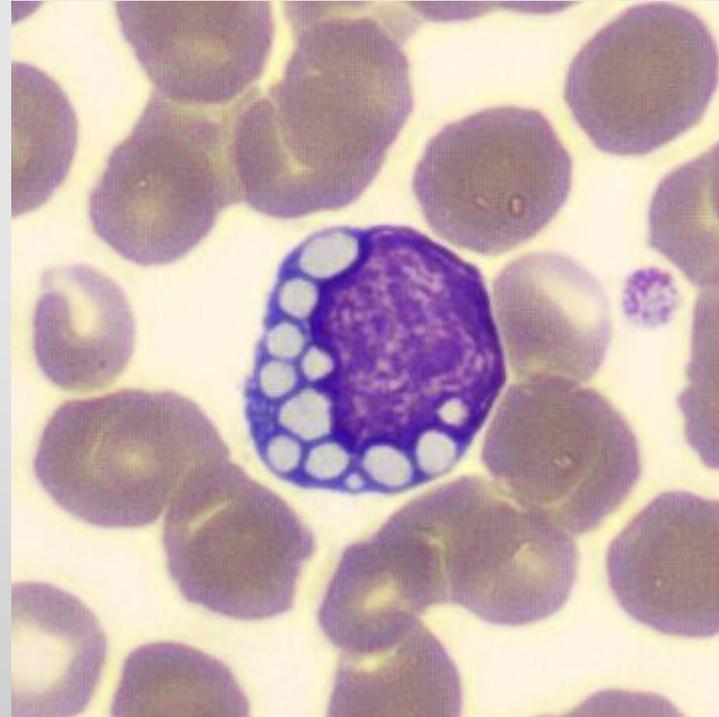
Mode of transmission:

- 1-Bite of the fly, infective stages in the Saliva of infected vector.
- 2-Blood transfusion
- 3-Organ transplantation
- 4- Congenital



Polymorphic Trypanosomes in blood film

➤ CSF examination: Trypomastigotes, and Morula cells of Mott (Vacuolated cytoplasm)



Vector (Glossina fly)





Onchocerciasis



- Infection of human skin and subcutaneous tissue by *Onchocerca volvulus* adult and microfilaria (Nematode).
- **Mode of infection:** through inoculation of the **infective filariform larva** (Infective stage) present in the mouth of intermediate host (*Simulium fly*) into skin bite.
- Adult worms live in fibrous subcutaneous nodules from the host reaction (not tender).

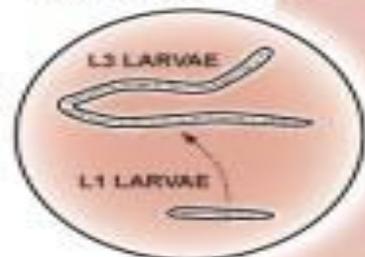
The Life Cycle of River Blindness (Onchocerciasis)

BLACK FLY STAGES

1 An infected black fly seeks a blood meal from a host.

2 Larvae migrate from the midgut to the black fly's proboscis.

3 Inside a black fly's midgut, microfilariae develop into L3 infectious larvae.



4 Another black fly becomes infected, continuing the cycle.



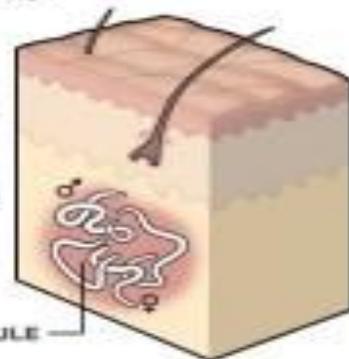
A black fly, feeding on the blood of an infected person, ingests microfilariae, and becomes infected.

HUMAN STAGES

1 An infected black fly starts the cycle

A black fly deposits larvae on the skin while biting and the larvae enter the wound.

2 Inside the skin tissue, larvae develop into worms, which cluster densely in nodules.



3 Adult worms mate and produce microfilariae (immature worms). A female worm can produce almost 1,000 microfilariae a day.

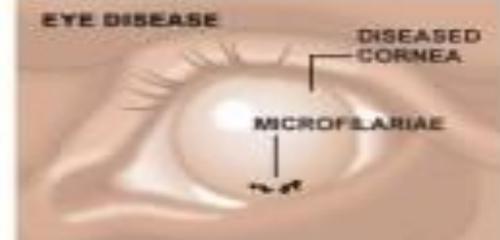


4 Thousands of microfilariae migrate through skin tissue, causing a variety of symptoms.

SYMPTOMS OF RIVER BLINDNESS

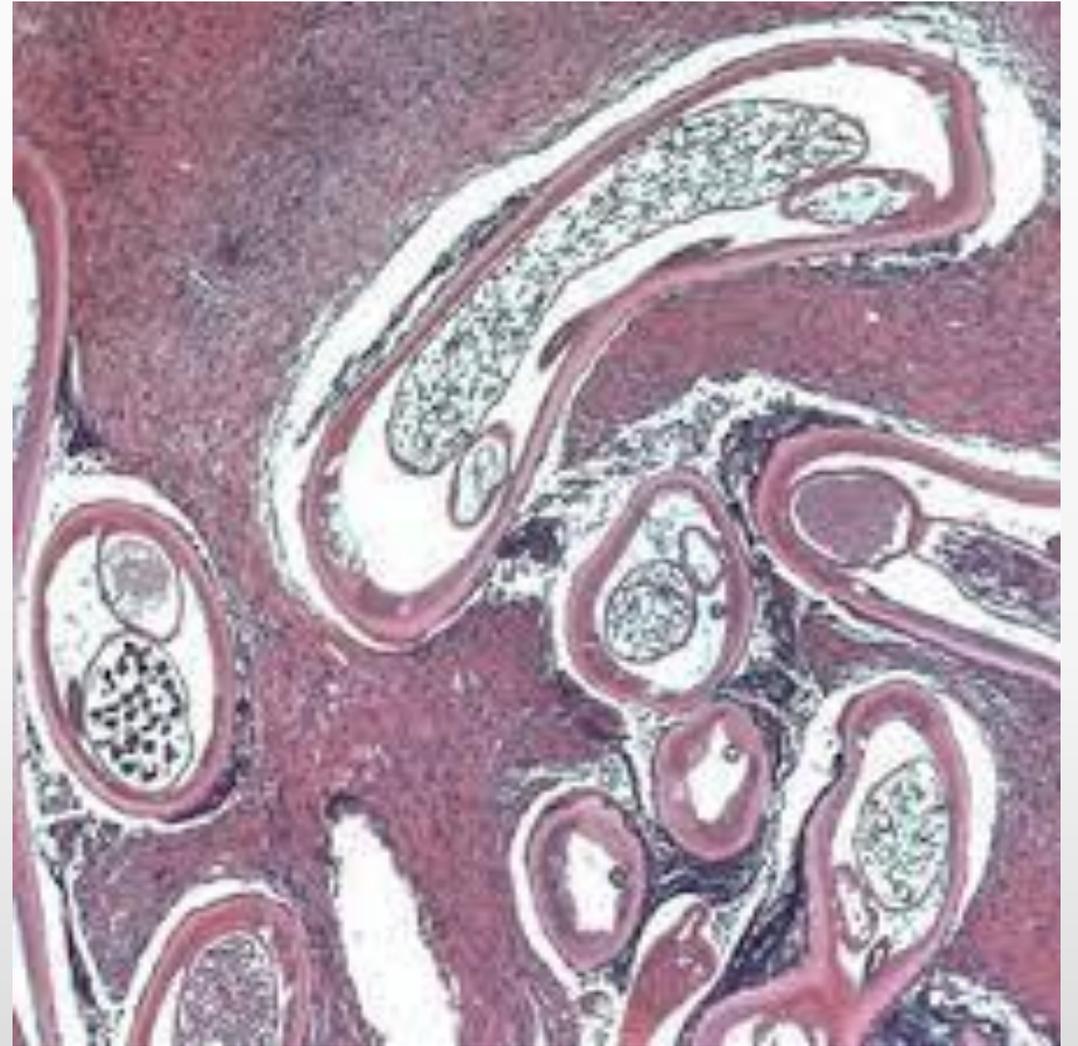
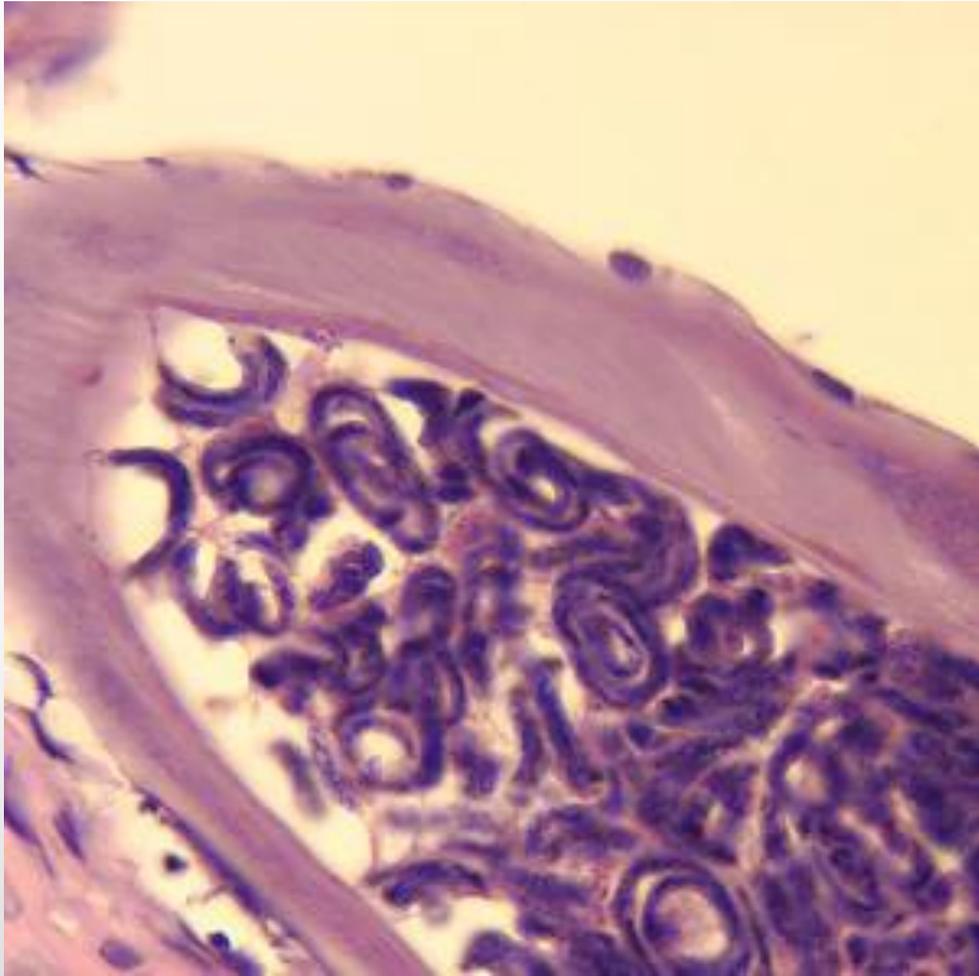
SKIN DISEASE

In addition to nodules, when microfilariae die, the resulting inflammation causes skin rashes, intense itching and skin depigmentation.

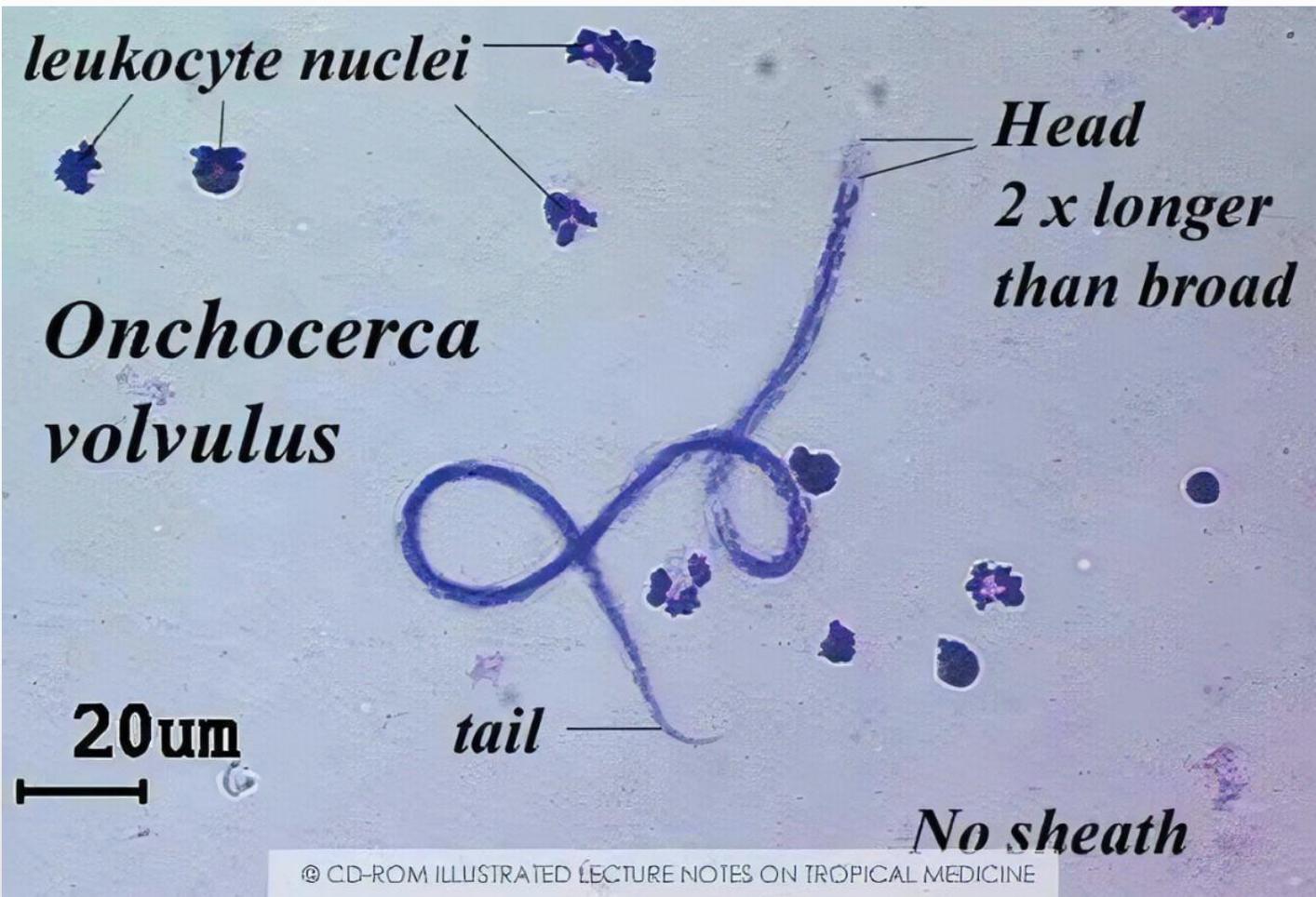


Microfilariae migrate to the cornea, causing infection and inflammation that result in blindness.





***Onchocerca volvulus* nodule (onchocercoma) cut section:**



***Onchocerca volvulus* Microfilaria**



Discussion & Feedback



10 minutes