

Lymphogranuloma Venereum

Agent: Specific immunotypes of the bacteria *Chlamydia trachomatis*

Mode of Transmission: Sexually transmitted through contact with the lesions of an infected person.

Signs/Symptoms: Small, painless lesions on the penis or vulva, which usually go unnoticed. Fever, chills, headache, anorexia, and joint pain may also be present.

Prevention: Safer sexual practices.

Other Important Information: This disease rarely occurs in most developed countries, but in September 2004, the Netherlands reported as many as 92 cases among men who have sex with men.

No cases of lymphogranuloma venereum were reported in Virginia in 2008. The last two reported cases occurred in 2005.