



## SELECTED REFERENCES ON BARTONELLA

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### RECENT REVIEW ARTICLES

Angelakis E, Raoult D. **Pathogenicity and Treatment of Bartonella Infection.** *Int J of Antimicrob Ag.* 2014; 44(1):16-25. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24933445>

*This review describes the clinical findings in patients with localized Bartonella infections as well as those with systemic manifestations, including bacteremia, endocarditis, and angioproliferative lesions. The review also outlines treatment recommendations for these differing clinical manifestations.*

Breitschwerdt EB, Linder KL, Day MJ, Maggi RG, Chomel BB, Kempf VAJ. **Koch's Postulates and the Pathogenesis of Comparative Infectious Disease Causation Associated with Bartonella species.** *J Compar Path.* 2013; 148 (2–3):115–125. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23453733>

*This paper describes the limitations of Koch's postulate in understanding diseases caused by stealth pathogens—those pathogens, such as Bartonella, that evade the immune system and induce chronic infections that can be difficult to diagnose and treat. The paper also highlights the importance of using appropriate animal models to further aid in the diagnosis and treatment of Bartonella in humans.*

Breitschwerdt EB, Sontakke S, Hopkins S. **Neurological Manifestations of Bartonellosis in Immunocompetent Patients: A composite of reports from 2005-2012.** *J Neuroparasitol.* 2013;3:1-15. <http://www.ashdin.com/journals/jnp/235640.pdf>

*This article focuses on immunocompetent patients with Bartonellosis, including those with neurologic manifestations such as encephalitis, aphasia and transverse myelitis. It highlights current diagnostic and treatment challenges in Bartonellosis. The authors also describe how to improve diagnosis using serologic testing combined with enrichment culture and PCR.*

Harms A, Dehio C. **Intruders below the Radar: Molecular Pathogenesis of Bartonella spp.** *Clin Microbiol Rev.* Jan 2012; 25(1):42-78. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22232371>

*This review examines the various molecular processes involved in Bartonella pathogenesis. It also explores the link between these molecular processes and clinical presentation in patients.*

Kaiser PO, Riess T, O'Rourke F, Linke D, Kempf VA. **Bartonella spp.: Throwing Light on Uncommon Human Infections.** *Int J Med Microbiol.* 2011; 301(1):7-15.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20833105>

*This article describes the range of acute and chronic clinical findings in patients infected with several Bartonella species, including Oroya fever due to Bartonella bacilliformis, trench fever due to B. Quintana and cat scratch disease from B. henselae.*

Florin TA, Zaoutis TE, Zaoutis LB. **Beyond Cat Scratch Disease: Widening spectrum of Bartonella henselae Infection.** *Pediatrics.* 2008; 121(5), e1413-e1425.

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*This review article expands on the range of clinical manifestations seen in patients with B. henselae infections, from cardiac to ocular manifestations. It also addresses the evolution of diagnostic testing*

*available for Bartonella (including culture, skin testing, serology and PCR) and describes the sensitivity, specificity and shortcomings of each method.*

Merrell DS, Falkow S. **Frontal and Stealth Attack Strategies in Microbial Pathogenesis.** *Nature* 2004; 430(6996): 250-256. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/15241423>

*This sentinel article describes the difference between pathogens that employ frontal and stealth assault strategies. It explores how frontal assault pathogens such as Vibrio cholera tend to cause aggressive and acute symptoms, while stealth pathogens such as H. pylori and Bartonella spp. more often induce chronic and persistent disease. The article highlights the need for greater research into stealth pathogens if we are to diagnose, treat and control these chronic infections.*

### **BARTONELLA AND SYSTEMIC ASSOCIATIONS**

#### **Cardiac**

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Das BB, Wasser E, Bryant KA, Woods CR, Yang SG, Zahn M. **Culture Negative Endocarditis Caused by Bartonella henselae in a Child with Congenital Heart Disease.** *Pediatr Infect Dis J.* 2009; 28(10):922-5. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19738506>

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## **TREATMENT OPTIONS AND ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE**

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