

The power of live *Salmonella* vaccines

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Salmonella Infection

2 types of Salmonellosis

Salmonella is an intra-cellular pathogen that causes a very common intestinal infection in humans and domestic animals, called Salmonellosis.

Carvajal BG Vaccine 2008 The humoral and cell mediated immune response REF-05025

a. Paratyphoid (Public Health)

Barrow PA Salmonella in Domestic Animals 2000 323 REF-01760

- Ubiquitous / Many hosts
- Motile
- Vertical & Horizontal transmission (fecal-oral route)
- Poultry as asymptomatic carrier

a. Typhoid (Poultry Health)

Barrow PA Avian Pathology 2012 413 REF-02443

- Host-specific avian *Salmonelle*
- Non-motile (without flagels)
- Vertical transmission (transovarian route)
- Birds suffer clinical disease

Salmonella is one of the two most important food-borne pathogens globally.

There are more than 2600 serovars

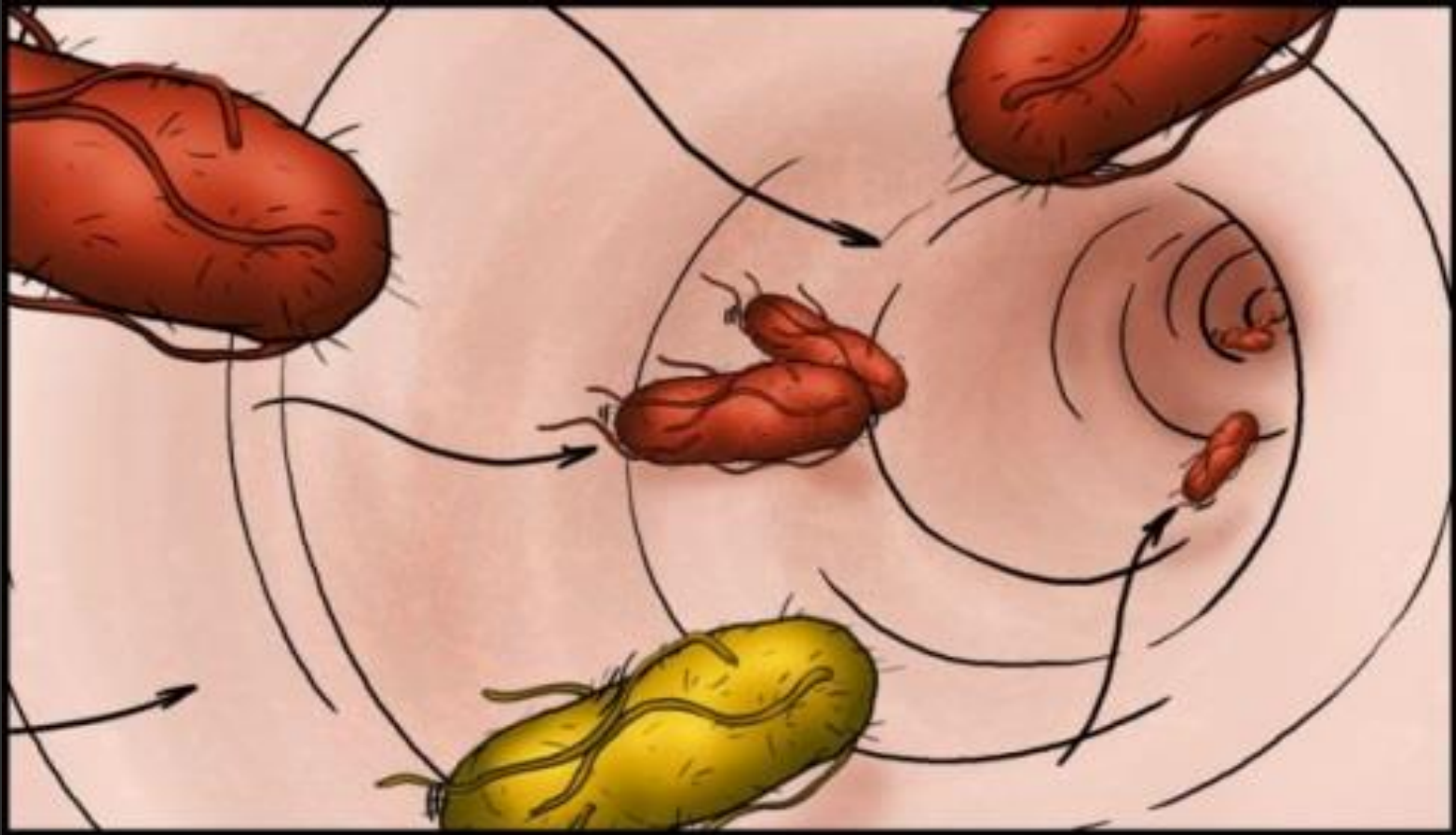
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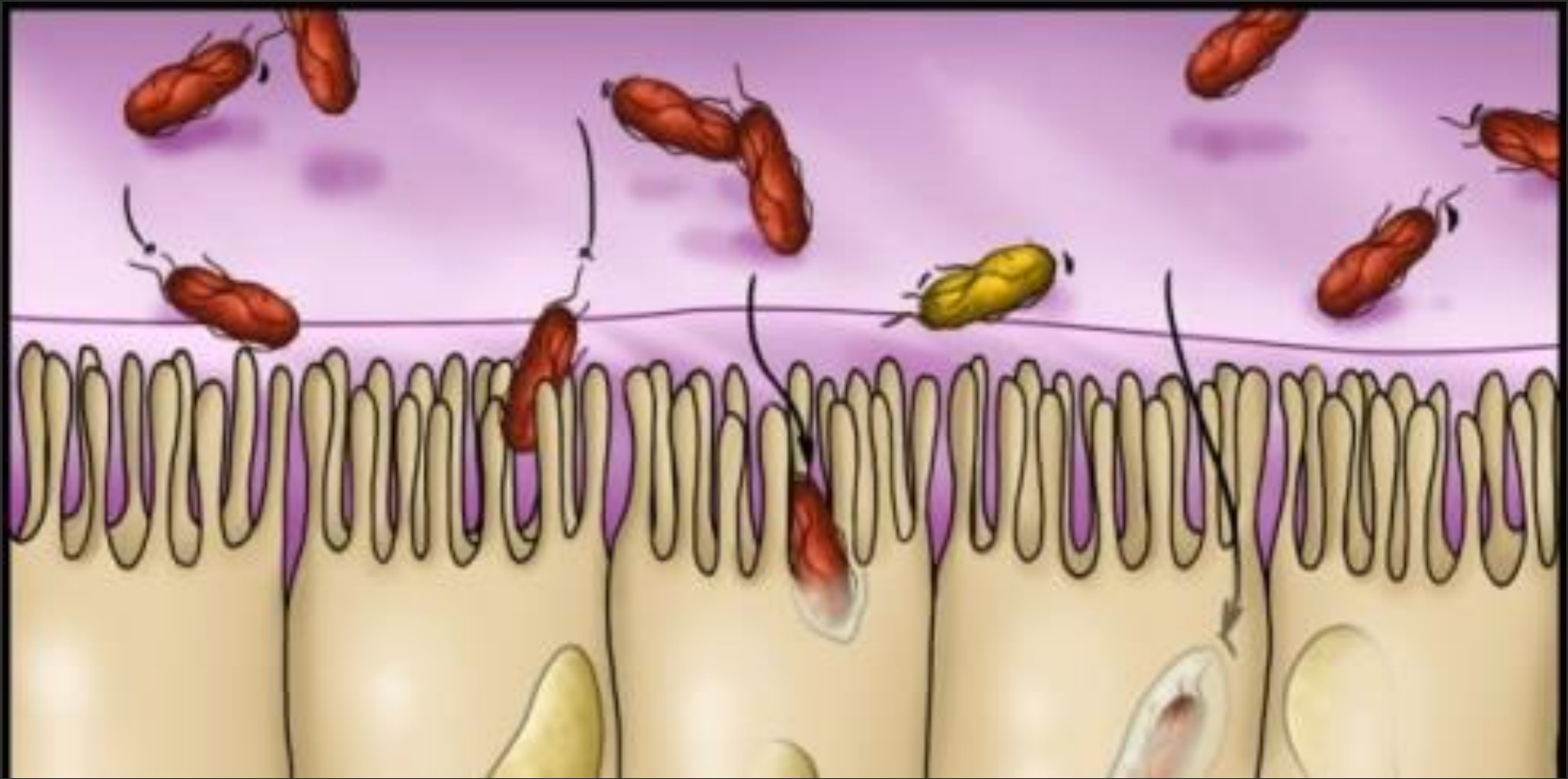
Salmonella serotype Typhimurium and *Salmonella* serotype Enteritidis are the most prevalent worldwide

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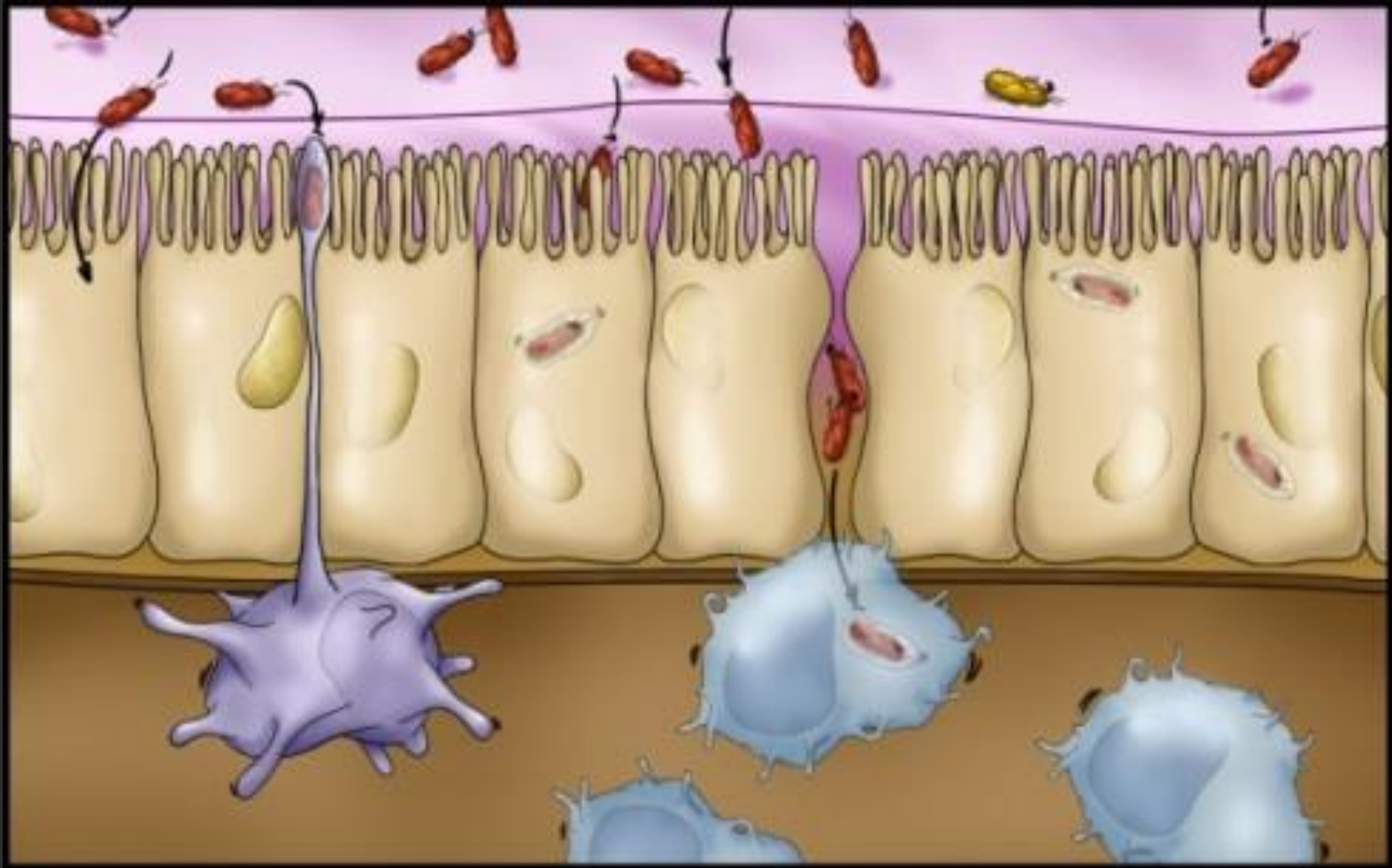


the *Salmonella* bacteria travels ...

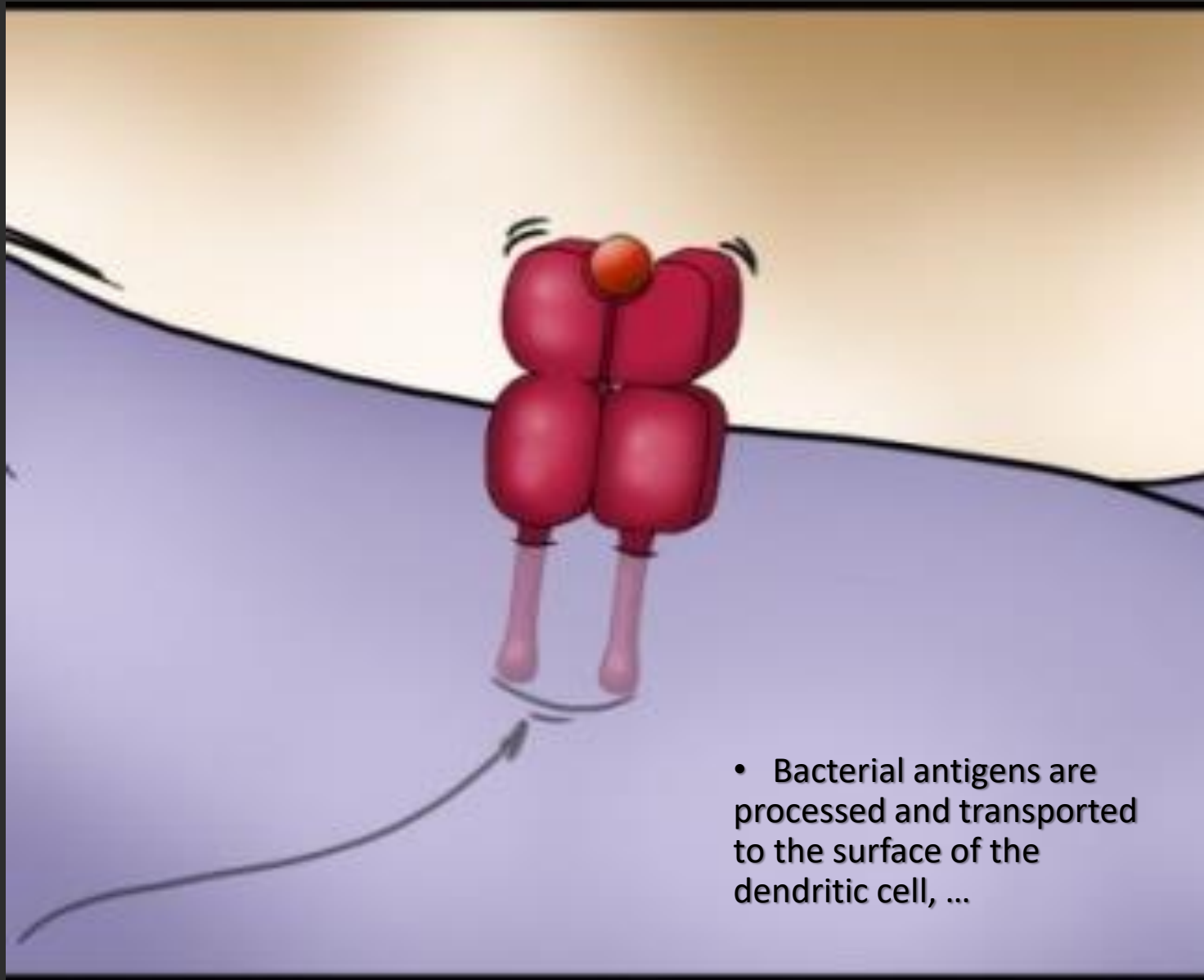




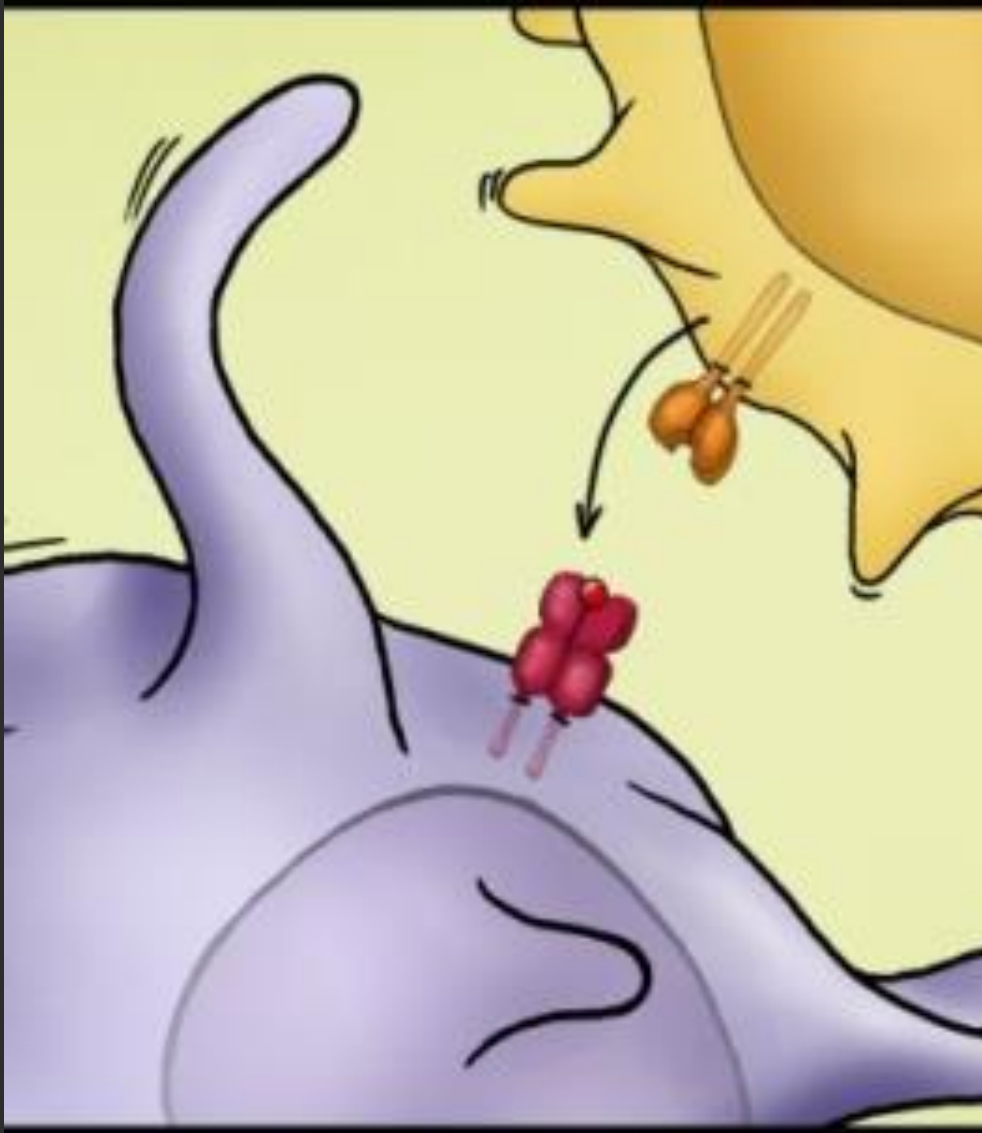
- ... to the intestinal tract, where they penetrate the epithelial wall.



The innate immune system responds by triggering local macrophages and dendritic cells, which engulf the bacteria.

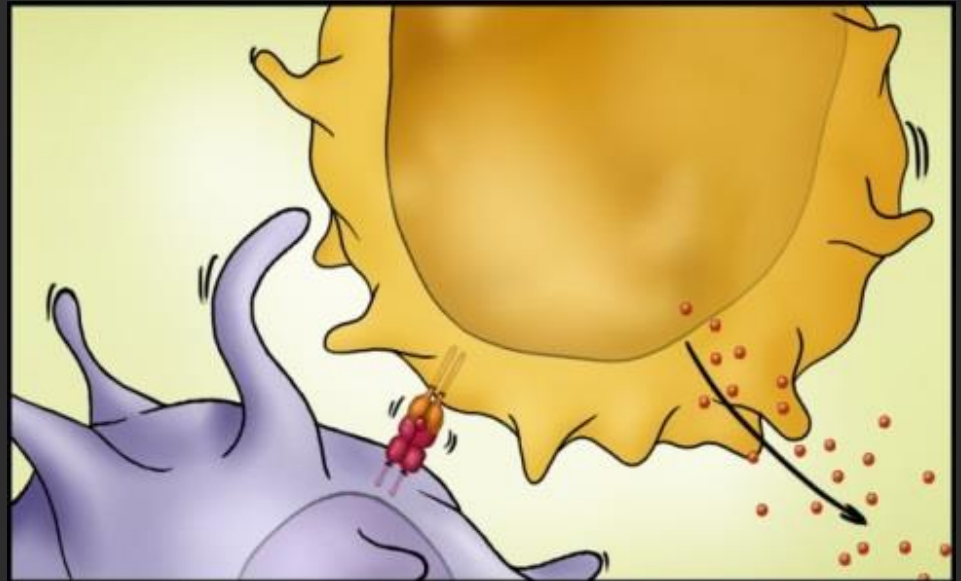


- Bacterial antigens are processed and transported to the surface of the dendritic cell, ...

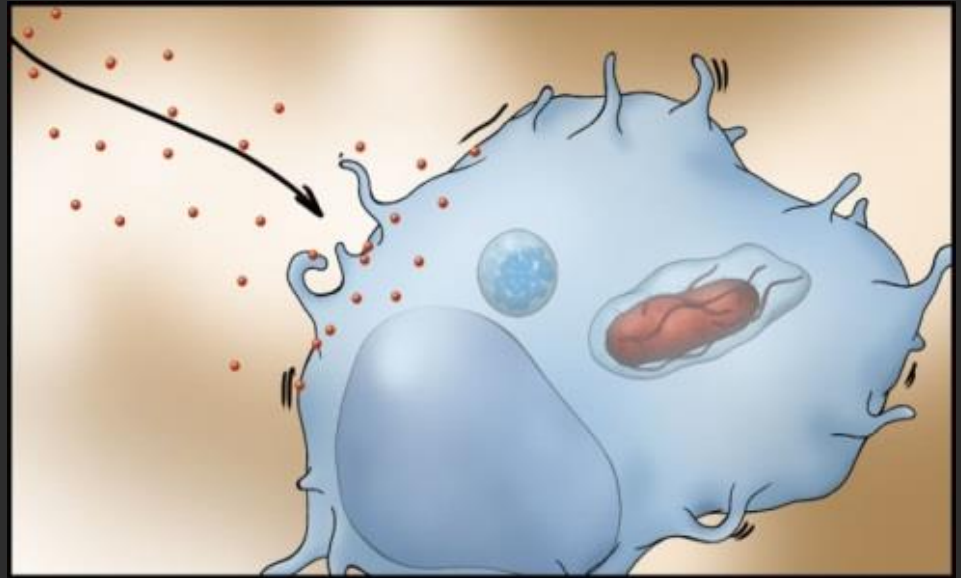


- ... allowing T helper cells to recognize the foreign antigen.

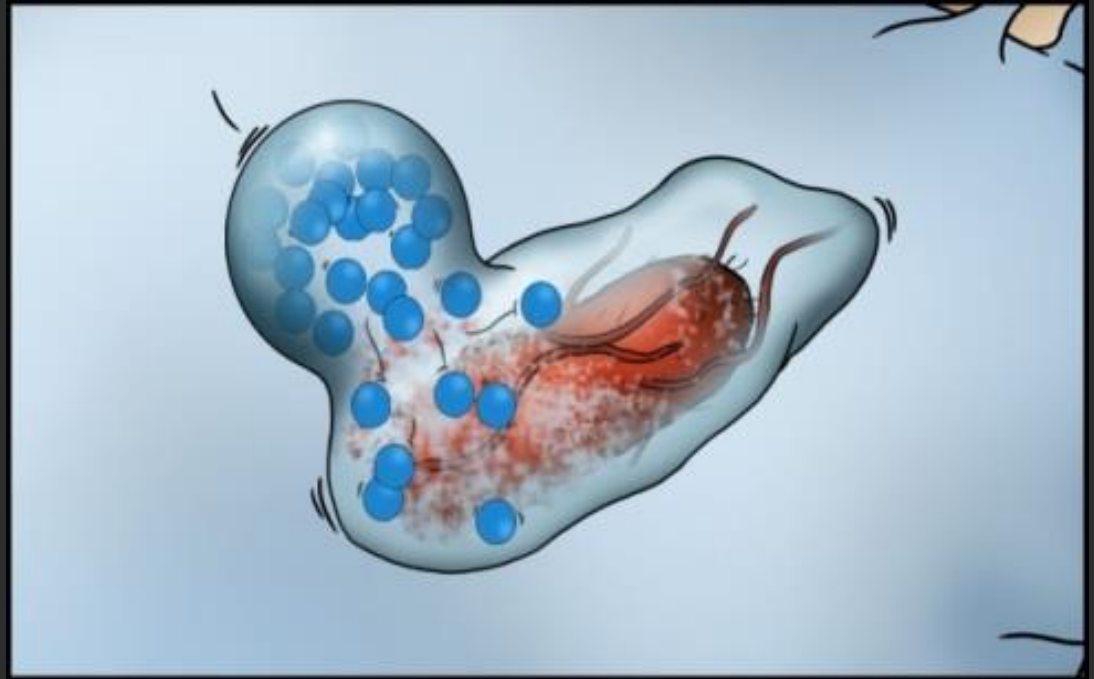
- This interaction prompts the T helper cell to release various messenger signals, which in turn ...

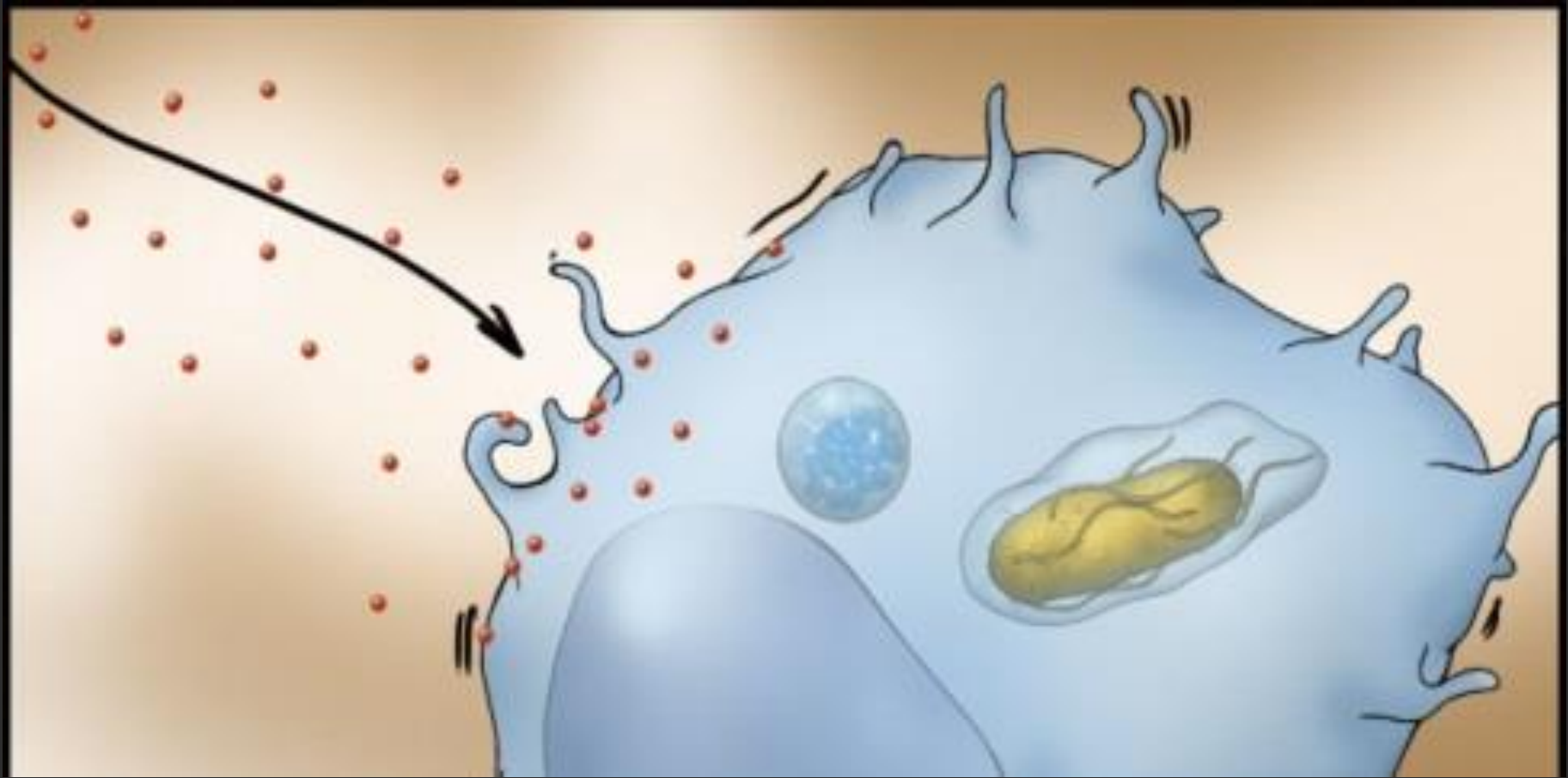


- ... command the macrophages ...

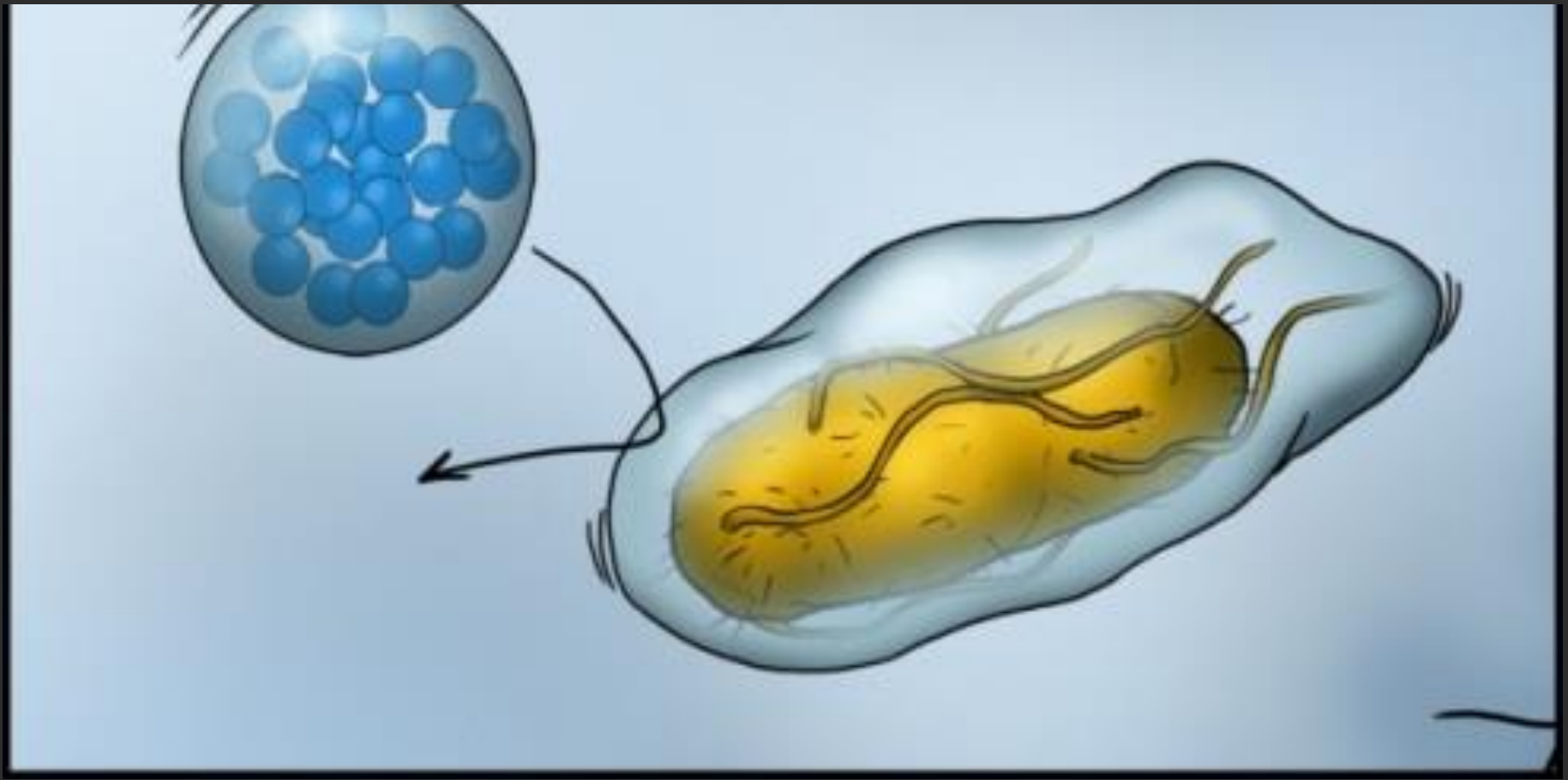


- ... to eliminate the previously internalized bacteria. This elimination process is an integral part of the immune response and is generally effective in eradicating salmonellae.





- However, some *salmonella* serotypes – including *Salmonella* Enteritidis and *Salmonella* Typhimurium ...

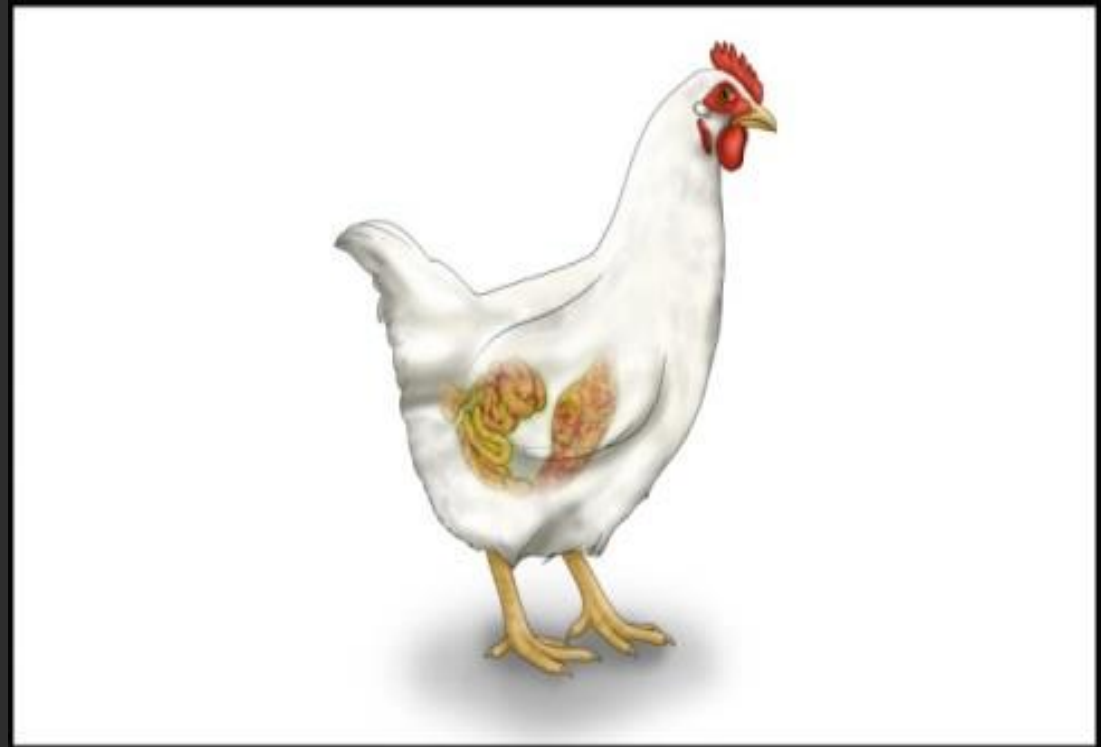


- ... have developed ways to evade elimination.



- They continue to thrive and multiply within the macrophages ...

- ... and can be transported to other organs, spreading the infection systemically. Chickens can become life-long carriers of salmonellae, leading to contaminated meat and eggs.



Multiple Transmission Routes

Why the holistic approach against Salmonella ?

Sources of Infection

Gast RK et al Poultry Science 2016 1363

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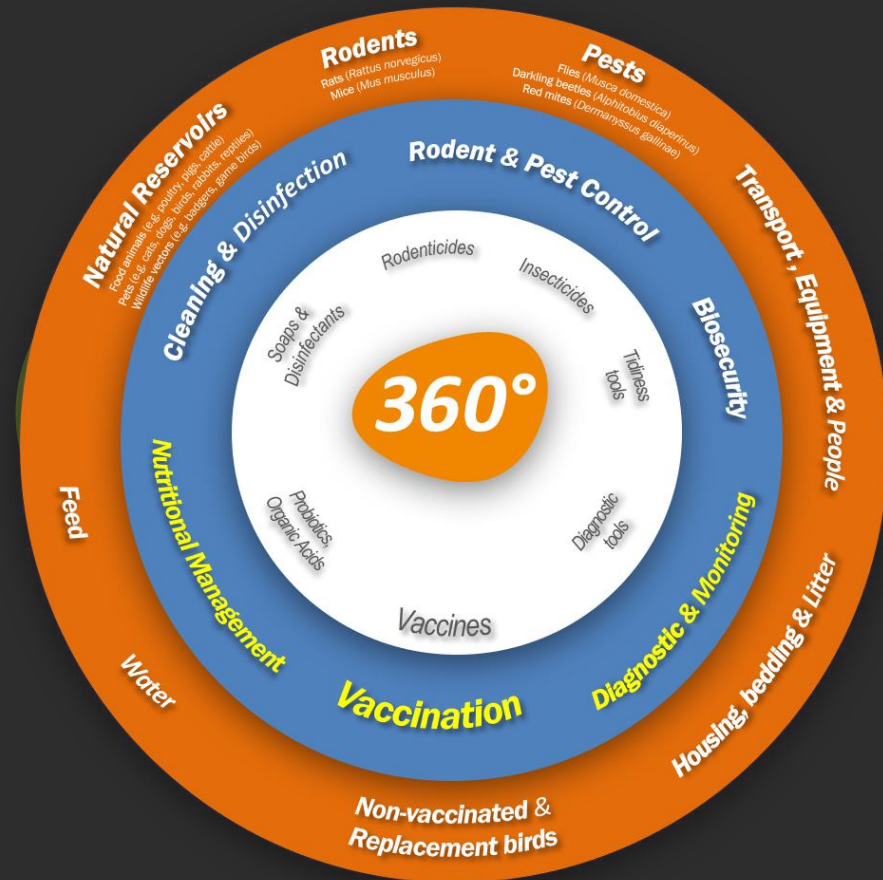
1. **RESERVOIRS:** poultry (Non-vaccinated & Replacement birds), cattle, swine, pets, wildlife
2. **RODENTS:** Rats (*Rattus norvegicus*), Mice (*Mus musculus*)
3. **PESTS:** Flies (*Musca domestica*), beetles (*Alphitobius diaperinus*), Red mites (*Dermanyssus gallinae*)
4. **SURFACES:** Transport, Equipment, Housing
5. **OTHERS:** people, Water, Feed bedding & Litter

Risk factors

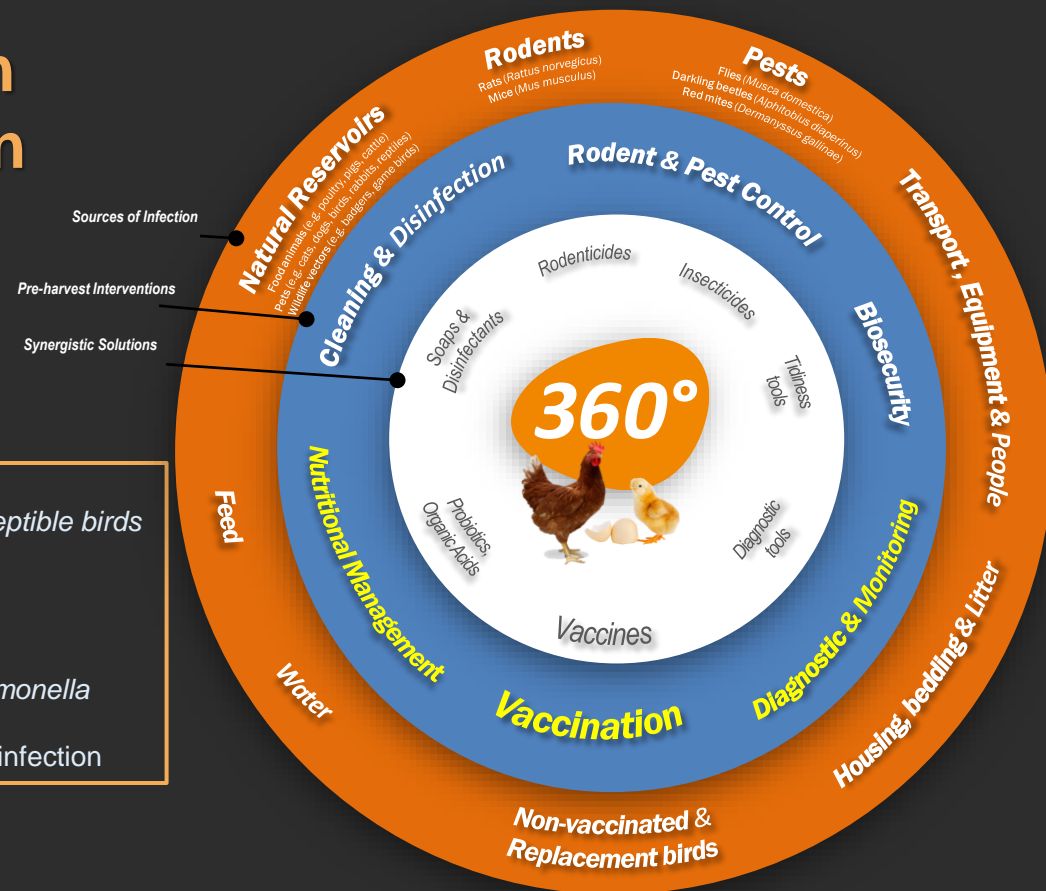


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| 1. Induced molting | 9. Presence of previous Salmonella infection |
| 2. Larger flock size (>30,000 hens) | 10. Absence of cleaning and disinfection |
| 3. Multiage management, without "all-in, all-out" | 11. Presence of rodents |
| 4. Cage housing systems | 12. Pests with access to feed |
| 5. In-line egg processing | 13. Visitors allowed in the layer houses |
| 6. Rearing pullets on the floor | 14. Trucks near farms and air inlets |
| 7. Middle and late phase of production | 15. Manure contamination |
| 8. Egg production rate of >96% | 16. Egg-handling equipment contamination |



Vaccination: The Essential Foundation for *Salmonella* Prevention



Specific Interventions



- **Objectives:** Build bird immunity and prevent spread to susceptible birds
- **Examples:** Vaccination, diagnostic & monitoring, nutritional management

General Interventions

- **Objectives:** Reduce the infection pressure and prevent *Salmonella* from entering the farm
- **Examples:** Biosecurity, rodent & pest control, cleaning & disinfection

Gast RK et al Poultry Science 2016 1363 REF-06559

Controlling *Salmonella*: 2 types of Vaccines

	LIVE 	INACTIVATED 
AGE OF FIRST VACCINATION	Can be safely used from Day 1 of age (No gap in protection)	Often used from 8 th week of life with re-vaccination 4 weeks later
APPLICATION METHOD	Drinking water or coarse spray	Subcutaneous or intramuscular injection
ONSET OF IMMUNITY	Reliable immunity built within a few hours post vaccination	Immunity built after a 2 nd vaccination
MODE OF ACTION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Colonisation Inhibition (CI) effect Local immunity (secretory IgA) Cellular mediated immunity <p><i>Salmonella</i> field strains neutralized <u>before</u> entering the intestinal wall</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Humoral immunity, production of high levels of IgG and IgM <p><i>Salmonella</i> field strains can only be neutralized <u>after</u> entering the intestinal wall and reaching the bloodstream</p>
CROSS PROTECTION	Published data demonstrates cross protection	Little data available to demonstrate cross protection
INTERFERENCE WITH MONITORING	Minimal interference with serological monitoring (Reliable differentiation using bacteriological method)	Levels of interference with serological monitoring

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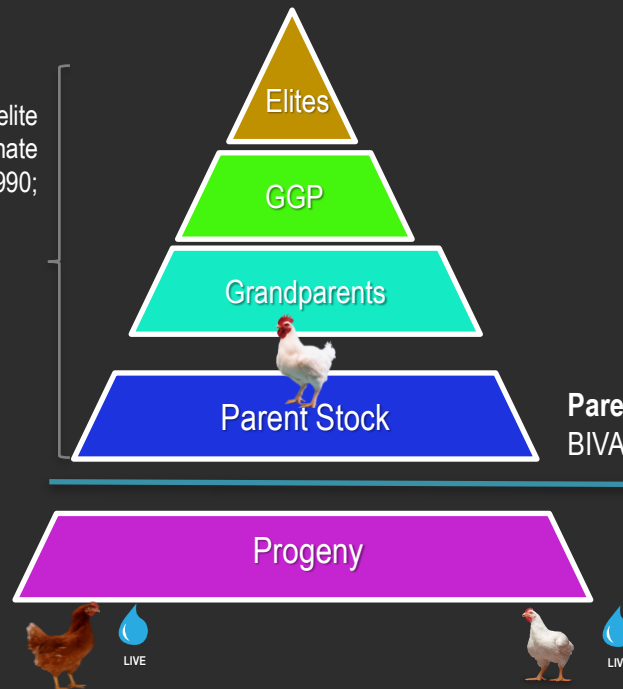
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Top-down Industry Approach

How vaccines deliver immunity ?

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If you are a managing elite flocks, you must eliminate salmonella (Cox, 1990; Lahellec, 1985).



Parent stocks are usually immunized with **BIVALENT live and/or inactivated vaccines**



Layer immunization with SE-ST live vaccines:

- Triggers immunity based on 3 immune mechanisms:
 - Colonization Inhibition effect
 - Secretory IgA
 - Cell-mediated immunity
- Enables cross protection against serovars of group D (*S. Gallinarum*)

Broiler immunization with ST-live vaccines:

- Can be applied in the hatchery, or in the farm during first days of age, which is the most critical stage of a chick's life
- Can confer protection through non-specific Competitive Exclusion ([McReynolds et al 2007](#))
- Can complement the breeder program → contributing to integrated outcomes in the processing plant

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