

Blastocystis Hominis[^]

General:[^]

B.hominis is a not yet precisely categorized amoeboid microorganism. It belongs to the most frequent resident germs of the colon and is found in approx. 25% of normal stools. Epidemic areas are worldwide, vectors are not known. Intake orally; an incubation period is not known. Early symptoms are usually uncharacteristic gastroenteritis. The unproblematic course is self-healing; chronic courses however, are possible (carriers). Before starting treatment, other reasons for gastroenteritic symptoms should be excluded. Only in severe cases with repeated positive results in stool treatment is justified as a trial with metronidazole 1-3 x 750 mg/day, up to 10 days.

Indication: diagnosis of persisting diarrhea

Material: stool vessel

TAT: same day, FML

Method: Microscopy

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