SOME MODERN CONCEPTIONS OF AMEBIASIS

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INTRODUCTION

In 1875 a Russian physician, F. Lösch, first observed and described the active stage of Endamoeba histolytica in the dysenteric stools of a patient, and at necropsy found motile amebae in material obtained from ulcers of the colon. Moreover, he succeeded in infecting one of four dogs inoculated with amebae present in the bloody-mucous exudate of the patient. Yet Lösch failed to appreciate the role which his "Ameoba coli" played in the disease with which it was associated. The studies of Koch, and of Kartulis, in Egypt, of Hlava in Prague, of Osler,
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