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What is Ureaplasma?

Ureaplasma is a group of bacteria that inhabit the respiratory, urinary and reproductive tracts in our bodies.

How do you get Ureaplasma?

It's passed on through unprotected sex (sex without a condom) and is particularly common in sexually active people.

Symptoms

For women, symptoms may include:



- Watery vaginal discharge,
- Foul-smelling vaginal odour.



For men, symptoms may include:

- Pain during urination.
- Burning sensation or an Unexpected discharge.

Treatment

This is usually treated with a short course of antibiotics to kill the bacteria that caused the infection.



Preventing Ureaplasma

It's possible to pass on during sex, so it's makes sense to treat all cases of as a sexually transmitted infection (STI) and ensure all recent partners have been treated.

You also should not have any kind of sex until you're certain the condition has cleared up.

It's recommended that you inform any person you've had sex with in the last 3 months, but this timeframe can vary.