

# with *Haemophilus ducreyi*

## in men

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### **Abstract:**

Carriage of *Haemophilus ducreyi* has not been adequately investigated in men, and its role in urethritis is unknown. In this study 456 men with *H. ducreyi*-culture positive genital ulcers were investigated. Among these men, 16 (3.5%) had urethritis. *H. ducreyi* was isolated from the urethra of nine men (1.9%). Of 57 men who had chancroid but not urethritis, none had *H. ducreyi* isolated from the urethra. Of 106 patients presenting with only acute urethritis, *H. ducreyi* was found in one. We conclude that *H. ducreyi* is responsible for acute urethritis in men, but that it rarely, if ever, can be cultured from the urethra of men with chancroid who do not have symptomatic urethritis