

**Figure 190**  
Metachromatic granules (enlarged and darkly stained areas) of *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*. (1,000 $\times$ ).



**Figure 191**  
Colonies of *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* on a tellurite-containing medium.

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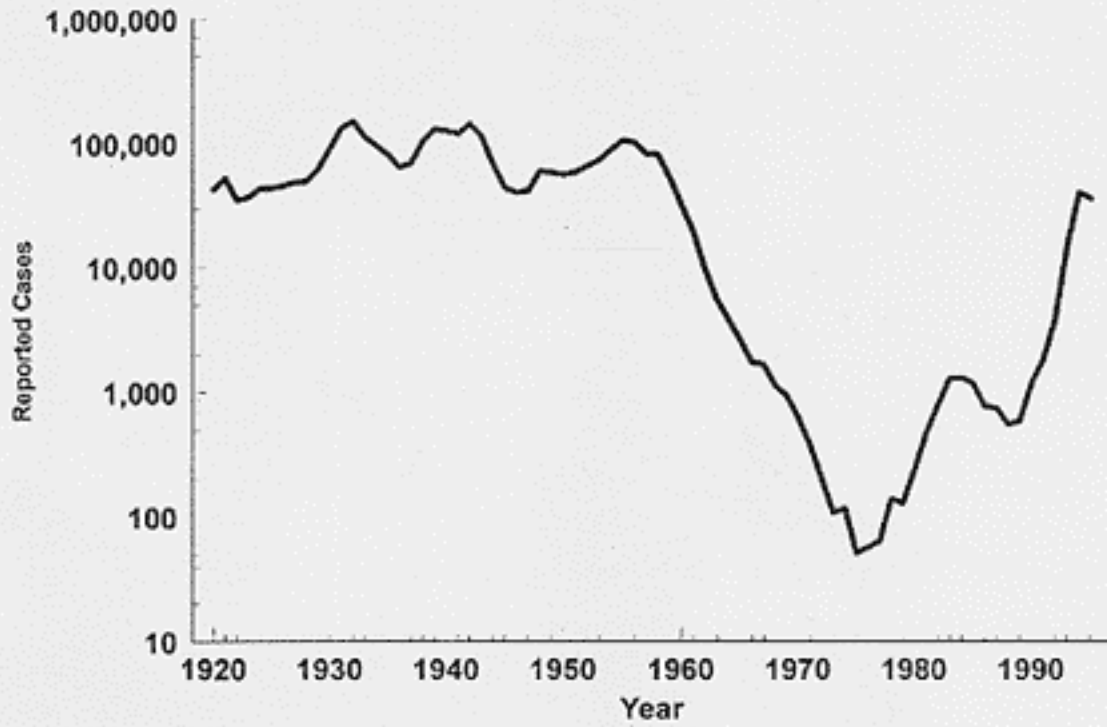
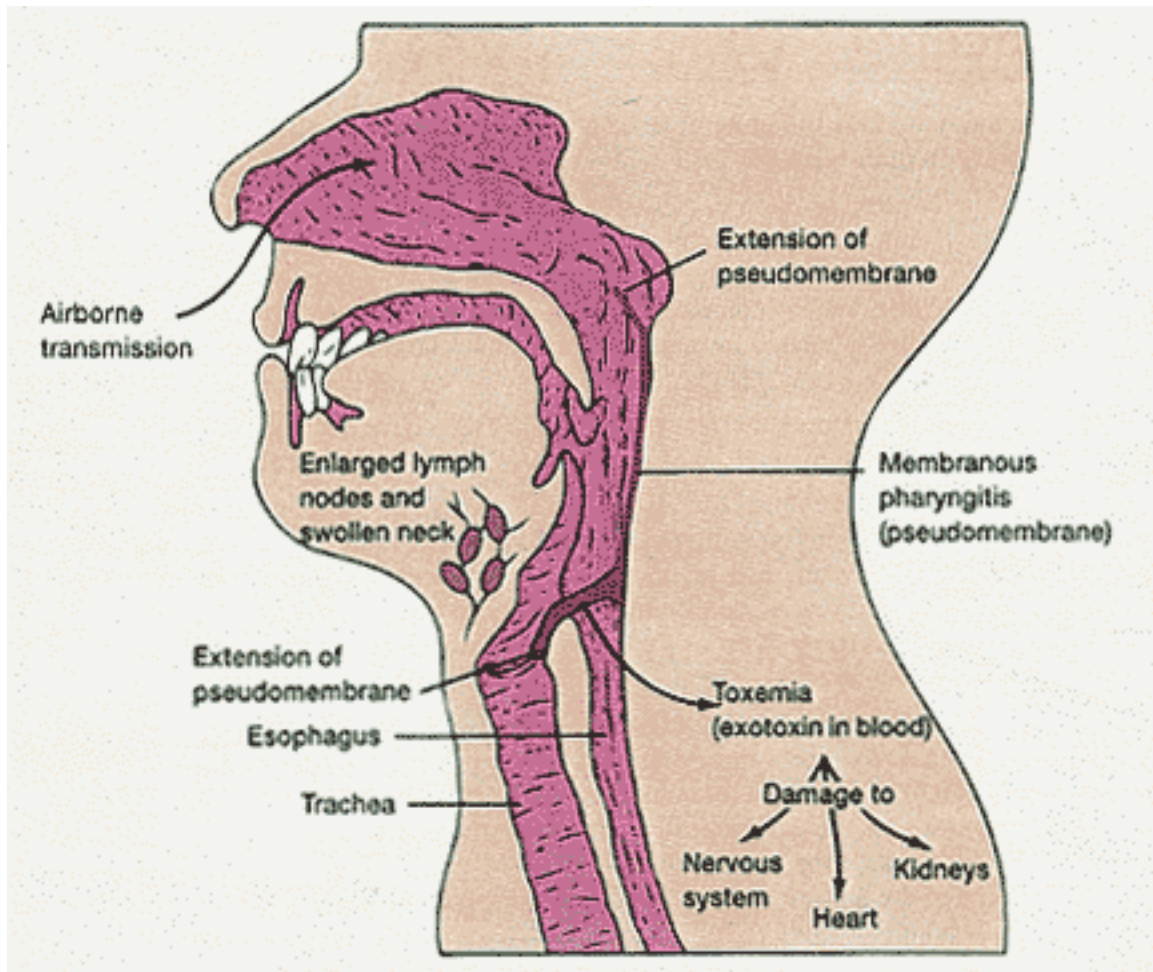
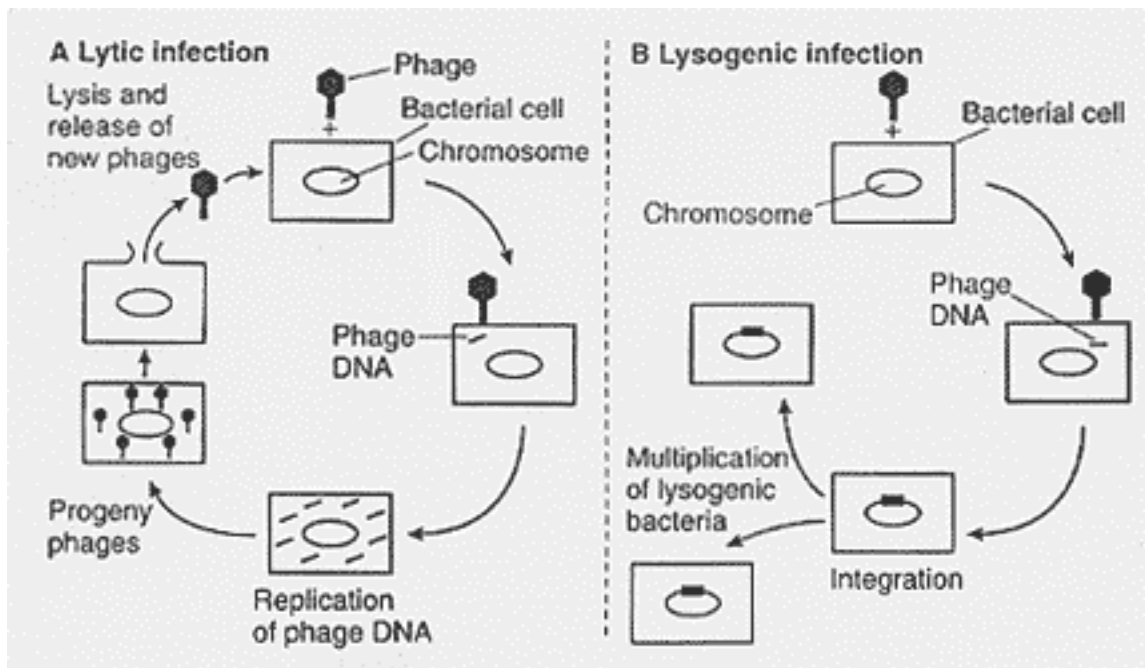


Figure 1. Reported cases of diphtheria in the Russian Federation from 1920 to 1995.



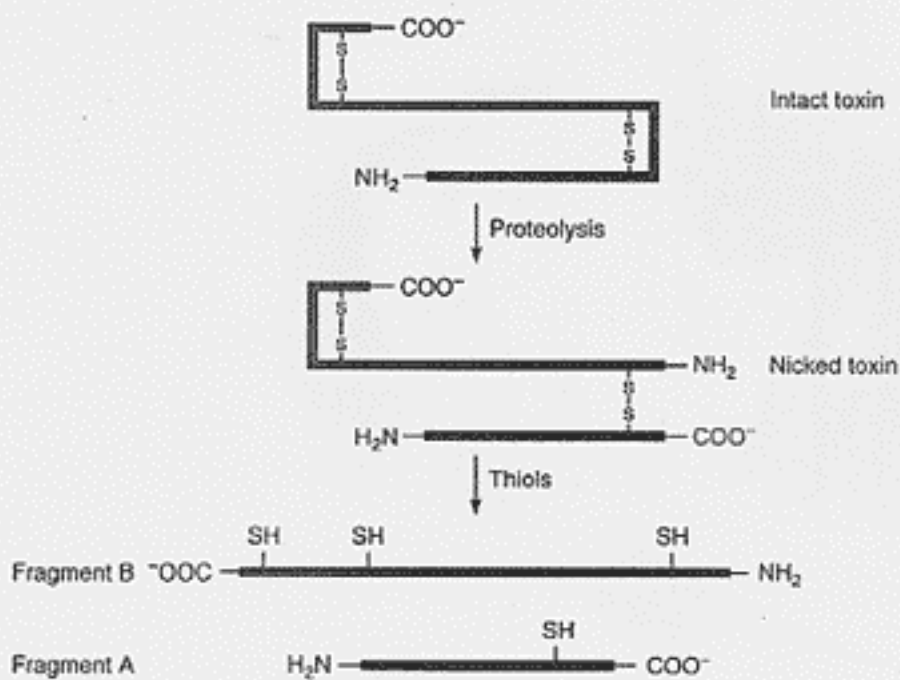
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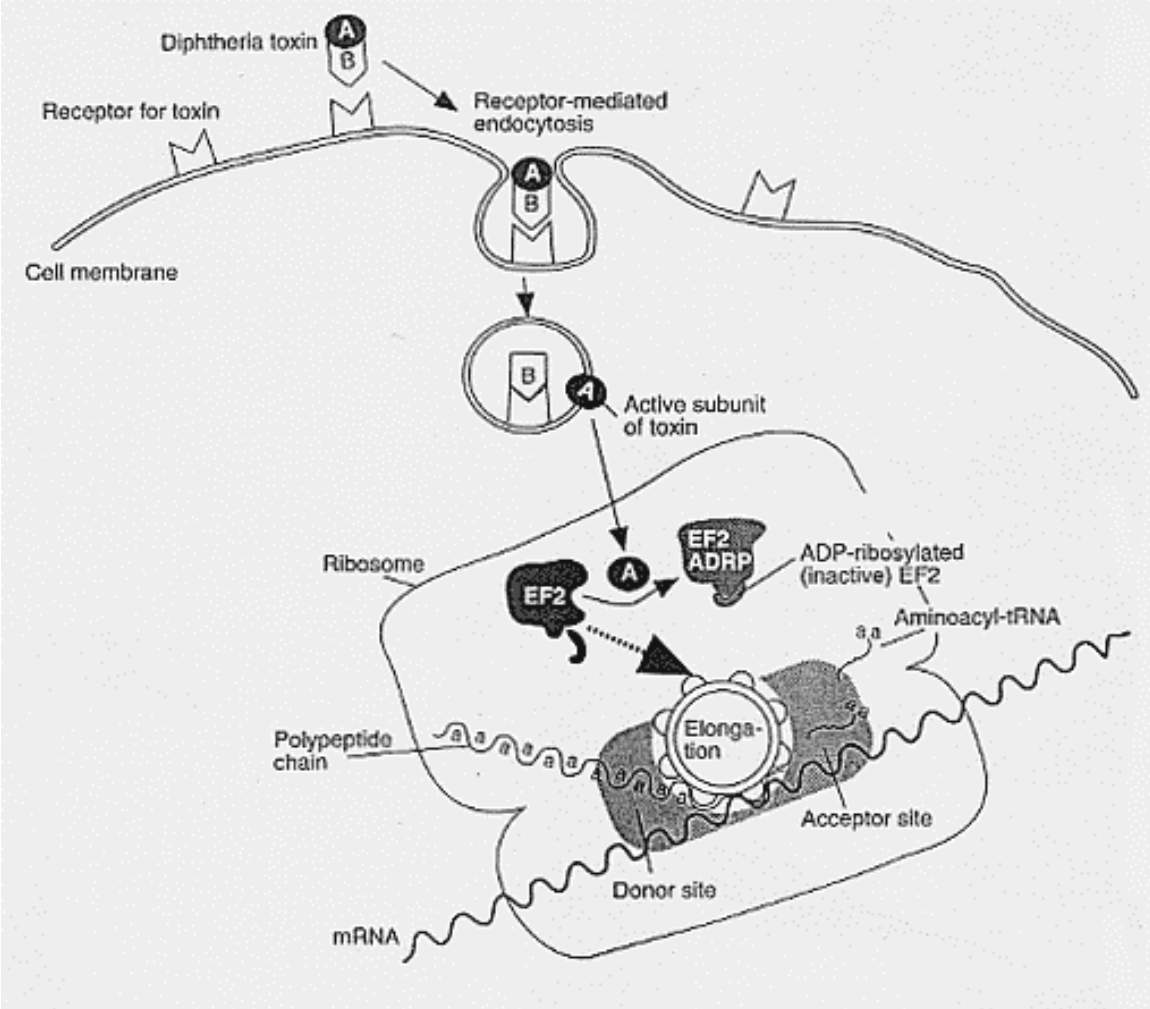
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**Fig. 8.1** Diphtheria toxin production and post-translational modification. The toxin is synthesised as a single polypeptide but is cleaved (nicked) by proteases into two fragments designated A and B, held together by an  $-S-S-$  bond. The latter is reduced probably during translocation of the A fragment into the cytosol.



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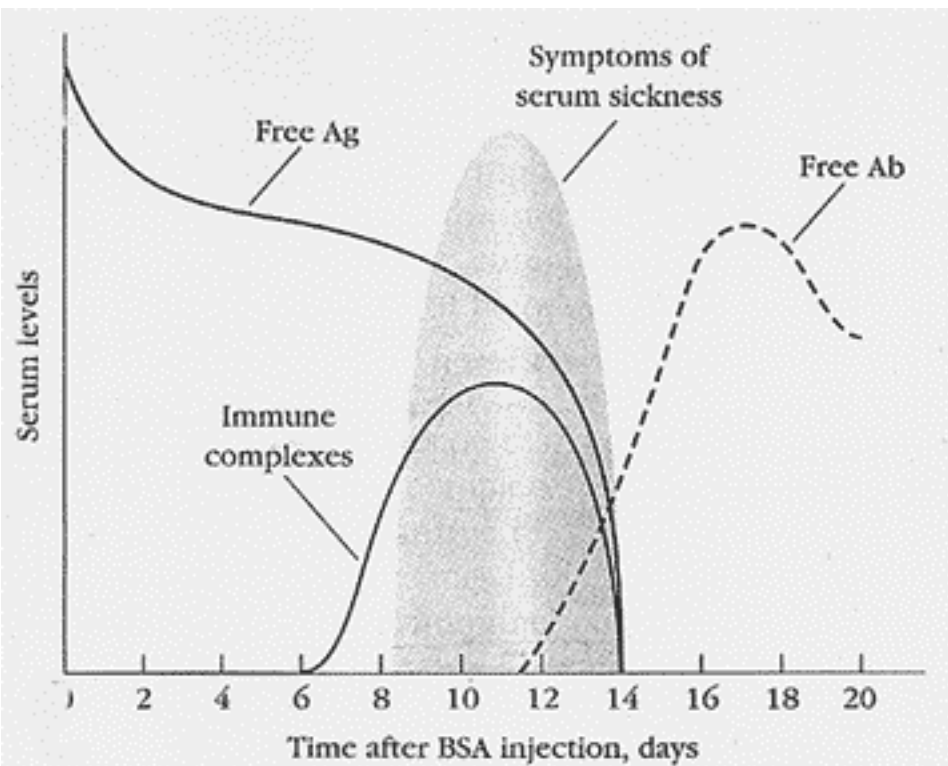


FIGURE 17-15

Correlation between immune-complex formation and development of symptoms of serum sickness. A large dose of antigen (BSA) was injected into a rabbit at day 0. As antibody formed, it complexed with the antigen and was deposited in the kidneys, joints, and capillaries. The symptoms of serum sickness (light blue curve) corresponded to the peak in immune-complex formation. As the immune complexes were cleared, free circulating antibody (dashed black curve) was detected and the symptoms of serum sickness subsided. [Based on F. G. Germuth, Jr., 1953, *J. Exp. Med.* 97:257.]



## HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS

Mediator	Type	Initiation Time	Reaction	Examples
Antibody	I (immediate, anaphylactic)	2-30 min	IgE antibody is induced by allergen and binds via its Fc receptor to mast cells and basophils. After encountering the antigen again, the fixed IgE becomes cross-linked, inducing degranulation and release of mediators (eg, histamine, serotonin, etc.)	Systemic anaphylaxis: Common allergens include: drugs (penicillin) and insect venom from bees and wasps)  Localized anaphylaxis: Hayfever (upper respiratory) Asthma (lower respiratory) Food allergies (hives-skin eruptions)
Antibody	II (cytotoxic)	5-8 hours	Antigens on cell surface combine with antibody (IgM or IgG); this leads to complement-mediated lysis	Blood-transfusion reactions (ABO or Rh) Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
Antibody	III (immune complex)	2-8 hours	Large amounts of antigen-antibody immune complexes are deposited in tissues, complement is activated, and polymorphonuclear cells are attracted to the site, causing inflammation and tissue damage	Acute poststreptococcal glomerulonephritis Various autoimmune diseases (including rheumatoid arthritis, and systemic lupus erythematosus)
Cell	IV (delayed)	24 to 72 hours	T <sub>H</sub> 1 lymphocytes sensitized by antigen release cytokines that activate macrophages which, in turn, release various mediators which cause direct cellular damage.	Contact dermatitis to poison ivy and poison oak  Tuberculin type hypersensitivity