

infection of intestinal epithelium needs also to be explored.

### Implications

The spectrum of clinical illness associated with natively acquired *C trachomatis* is presently expanding. There remain important gaps in our knowledge of the pathogenesis, clinical spectrum, and natural history of *C trachomatis*-associated pneumonia in infants, but the disease appears to occur with significant frequency and is clinically distinctive. Since treatment with sulfisoxazole or erythromycin rapidly and in most cases permanently terminates *C trachomatis* shedding and is followed by clinical improvement, it is important to be aware of this aspect of natively acquired chlamydial infection. The possible association of *C trachomatis* infection with middle ear disease and poor weight gain in these infants is also of interest and requires further study.

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### CORRECTION

The date of publication of the National Center for Health Statistics' "Annual Summary for 1977" was incorrect in reference 2 of the article "Annual Summary of Vital Statistics—1977" by M. E. Wegman (*Pediatrics* 62:947, December 1978). The reference should have read: *Monthly Vital Statistics Report*, National Center for Health Statistics, vol 26, No. 13, December 7, 1978.

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