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QUESTION: THE BACTERIA BEHIND ULCERS

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1. What causes ulcers?

2. Why did drug companies promote the idea that stress and stomach acids cause ulcers?

3. Describe the research that linked *H. pylori* to stomach cancer.

4. How is *H. pylori* adapted to life in the stomach?

5. What is the evolutionary advantage for *H. pylori* to produce a “slow” chronic infection?
