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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a means of controlling infection persistence of *Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)*. In particular, the present invention relates to an isolated, genetically modified *Helicobacter pylori* comprising a functional urease, wherein the contiguous amino acid sequence between amino acid 529 and amino acid 555 of SEQ ID NO:1 is altered to produce said modified *Helicobacter pylori* which is unable to establish or maintain a persistent infection.