CHAPTER VII

CONCLUSION

The present study revealed that the genotypes cagA positive, vacA s1, m2 and iceA2 were predominated in H. pylori Thai strains. The presence of genes cagA, vacA and iceA or their combinations do not have a predictive value as risk markers for the development of peptic ulcer in Thai patients. However, combination of vacA s1a and mixed iceA genotype may be regarded as marker for predicting the peptic ulcer disease in Thai setting if the mixed iceA genotype proven to be existed.

The result of this study supports geographic differences among *H. pylori* strains and suggests the role of other variables such as other genes, host and environmental factor in clinical outcome of *H. pylori* infection.

