



	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	<i>Bacillus anthracis</i>
General info.	S. Pneumonia is a Gram +ve diplococci that can undergo autolysis	Klebsiella is a Gram -ve capsulated bacilli	B. Anthracis is a Gram +ve bacilli in chains with spores and a D-glutamate capsule
Virulence factors/pathogenesis	S. Pneumonia as an Antiphagocytic capsule and pneumolysin (pore forming toxin) that causes α -hemolysis		B. Anthracis has a 3-domain exotoxin: protective antigen (pa); binds to receptors with proteolytic action and allows entry of: Edema factor (EF) and lethal factor (LF) which causes tissue necrosis. Antiphagocytic capsule
Clinical presentation	S. Pneumonia causes Otitis media & sinusitis and community acquired pneumonia which produces rusty sputum. bacteremia and meningitis	Klebsiella causes Nosocomial pneumonia (lobar) with abscess and empyema, "currant jelly sputum" that is bloody and mucoid. UTI and bacteremia	B. Anthracis germinates in macrophages where it produces the capsule cutaneous anthrax, pulmonary anthrax (wool sorter's disease) that isn't transmitted person-to-person, and causes hemorrhagic mediastinitis that ends in septic shock
Laboratory diagnosis	S. pneumoniae causes alpha-hemolysis, and Quellung reaction is positive unlike S. viridans, pathogen ferments inulin, is sensitive to		In B. Anthracis, X Ray shows mediastinal widening or pleural effusion. Sputum doesn't yield positive cultures. Blood sample cultures show irregular fimbriae at the edges (medusa heads), are non-hemolytic and liquefy gelatin
Management/treatment	For S. Pneumonia, Vaccine against the capsule, or conjugate vaccine, given to children below 2, the elderly, or immunocompromised people and asplenic	Klebsiella has a High degree of antibiotic resistance	For B. Anthracis, Active immunisation is given to animals only. A vaccine against the protective antigen (PA) is only given to people who are at high risk