

***Klebsiella pneumoniae*, Strain VAKPC278**

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**Product Description:**

Bacteria Classification: *Enterobacteriaceae*, *Klebsiella*

Species: *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

Strain: VAKPC278

Original Source: *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (*K. pneumoniae*), strain VAKPC278 was isolated in 2011 from pancreatic fluid of a patient with severe necrotizing pancreatitis in Cleveland, Ohio, USA.<sup>1</sup>

Comments: This strain is part of the Genome Sequencing Centers for Infectious Diseases contract (GenBank: [ARVP00000000](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/GenBank/ARVP00000000)).

*K. pneumoniae* is a Gram-negative enterobacterium that is a major cause of nosocomial infections of the urinary and respiratory tracts.<sup>2</sup> Due to the extensive spread of antibiotic-resistant strains, especially of extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase (ESBL)-producing strains, there has been renewed interest in *Klebsiella* infections.<sup>2</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in Nutrient broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

Note: If homogeneity is required for your intended use, please purify prior to initiating work.

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-44358 was packaged aseptically in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -60°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For long-term storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

**Growth Conditions:**

Media:

Tryptic Soy broth or Nutrient broth or equivalent  
Tryptic Soy agar or Tryptic Soy agar with 5% sheep blood or Nutrient agar or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C  
Atmosphere: Aerobic with 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

Propagation:

1. Keep vial frozen until ready for use, then thaw.

2. Transfer the entire thawed aliquot into a single tube of broth.
3. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate an agar slant and/or plate.
4. Incubate the tube, slant and/or plate at 37°C for 24 hours.

**Citation:**

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**Biosafety Level: 2**

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