

***Klebsiella pneumoniae*, Strain 868968**

**Catalog No. NR-56624**

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**Product Description:**

Bacteria Classification: *Enterobacteriaceae*, *Klebsiella*

Species: *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

Strain: 868968

Original Source: *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (*K. pneumoniae*), strain 868968 was isolated in 2012 from a urine sample of a 65-year-old male in Belgium.<sup>1</sup>

Comments: *K. pneumoniae*, strain 868968 was deposited as part of the Global Priority Superbugs Collection. NR-56624 was deposited as resistant to aztreonam, cefepime, ceftazidime, ceftriaxone, ciprofloxacin, colistin, colistin/P80, doripenem, imipenem, levofloxacin, meropenem and piperacillin/tazobactam.

*K. pneumoniae* is a Gram-negative enterobacterium that is a major cause of nosocomial infections of the urinary and respiratory tracts. Due to the extensive spread of antibiotic-resistant strains, especially extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase (ESBL)-producing strains, there has been renewed interest in *Klebsiella* infections.<sup>2,3,4</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 0.3 mL of bacterial culture in Tryptic Soy broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

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

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-56624 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:

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

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C  
Atmosphere: Aerobic

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 1 day.

**Citation:**

Acknowledgment for publications should read “The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, Strain 868968, NR-56624.”

**Biosafety Level: 2**

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. [Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories \(BMBL\)](#). 6th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020.

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