

Editorial Comments:

Check:

1. the number of tested species is not the same

line 87

-Six- Gram positive test microorganisms

These organisms include: *Bacillus cereus* (NCIB 6349), *Bacillus polymyxa* (LIO), *Bacillus subtilis* (NCIB 3610), *Bacillus stearothermophilus* (NCIB 8222), *Micrococcus luteus* (NCIB 196), *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (LIO) *Enterococcus faecalis* and *Staphylococcus aureus* (NCIB 8588) (eight species)

the authors should explain how many strains of the same species were tested, as in Table 5

S. pneumoniae (009)

S. pneumoniae(e) (010)

2. Table 4 reports Name of isolate, i.e. *S. pneumoniae* 009, *S pneumoniae* 010 in full name

3. Legend: AMX = Amoxicillin; OFL = Ofloxacin; STR = Streptomycin; CHL = Chloramphenicol; CRO = Ceftriazone; GEN = Gentamycin; PFX = Pefloxacin; COT = Cotrimoxazole; CPX = Ciprofloxacin and ERY = Erythromycin Then 10 antibiotics

223: Total 9: isn't it ten?

4. *E. faecalis*, *B. subtilis* and *S. aureus* in Table 4 show resistance to 7 classes of antibiotics, table 5 shows resistance to all ten antibiotics for *E. faecalis*, *B. subtilis* and *S. aureus*: I do not think this can be generalised, probably this depends on the strains or isolates that the authors used.

5. 218 Fig. 1. Legend

CRO = Ceftriazone: isn't it CEF in the figure?

I do not mind if you use PEF and PFX or CHL and CLO for the same drug antibiotic, but ensure or try to use always the same acronym

6. line 183 figure 1 shows the frequency of antibiotics resistance and susceptibility pattern

Thus, how many strains or isolates have you tested to obtain these frequency values? or are these reported in literature?

Author's Feedback:

1. The Gram positive organisms used includes: *Bacillus cereus* (NCIB 6349), *Bacillus polymyxa* (LIO), *Bacillus subtilis* (NCIB 3610), *Bacillus stearothermophilus* (NCIB 8222), *Micrococcus luteus* (NCIB 196), *Enterococcus faecalis* (LOI), *Staphylococcus aureus* (NCIB 8588) and two different strains of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* 010 (LOI) and *Streptococcus pneumoniae* 009 (LIO). Two different strains of locally Isolated *Streptococcus pneumoniae* were used. Corrections have been made and included.
2. Names have been written in full

3. Authors counted the number of bacterial isolates and not the number of antibiotics in table 4. However, adjustment has been made to that effect. Ten antibiotics from different classes were used against 9 Gram positive bacterial isolates.
4. In the original manuscript, classes of antibiotics were represented as resistance pattern and counted and not types of antibiotics. That is an antibiotic was selected to represent others of the same class. Table 5 shows all the drugs and their sensitivities to all the isolates used. However, authors have indicated all the drugs on table 4 (adjusted).
5. The chart has been corrected with the appropriate legend information
6. Nine bacterial strains were tested against ten antibiotics.