

Table 1.1 Top eight organisms isolated from different clinical specimens in 2016. Data from a regional hospital in HK

Blood			Respiratory specimens			Urine		
Organism	Non-ICU/ HDU rank	ICU/HDU rank	Organism	Non-ICU/ HDU rank	ICU/HDU rank	Organism	Non-ICU/ HDU rank	ICU/HDU rank
<i>E. coli</i>	1 (31%)	2 (9%)	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	1 (12%)	2 (7%)	<i>E. coli</i>	1 (33%)	2 (20%)
<i>Klebsiella</i> spp.	2 (12%)	6 (6%)	<i>H. influenzae</i>	2 (9%)	-	<i>Candida</i> spp.	2 (13%)	1 (35%)
CoNS ¹	3 (9%)	1 (28%)	<i>S. aureus</i>	3 (8%)	3 (6%)	<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.	3 (12%)	3 (17%)
<i>S. aureus</i>	4 (7%)	4 (8%)	<i>Klebsiella</i> spp.	4 (6%)	1 (8%)	<i>Klebsiella</i> spp.	4 (10%)	4 (8%)
<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.	5 (4%)	3 (8%)	<i>A. baumannii</i>	5 (4%)	7 (3%)	<i>Proteus</i> spp.	5 (5%)	8 (1%)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	6 (2%)	7 (4%)	<i>S. maltophilia</i>	6 (3%)	4 (6%)	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	6 (4%)	5 (5%)
<i>Bacillus</i> spp. ¹	7 (2%)	-	<i>Enterobacter</i> spp.	7 (3%)	5 (4%)	CoNS ¹	7 (3%)	6 (4%)
<i>P. mirabilis</i>	8 (2%)	-	<i>E. coli</i>	8 (3%)	6 (3%)	<i>S. agalactiae</i>	8 (3%)	-

Note:

¹ Some of these could be contaminants

CoNS, coagulase-negative staphylococci; ICU, intensive care unit; HDU, high dependency unit