Staphylococci

Species:

Staphylococcus aureus

Staphylococcus intermedius

Staphylococcus hyicus

Staphylococcus saprophyticus

Staphylococcus chromogenes

Staphylococcus epidermidis

Morphology and staining:-

- 1- Gram +ve, cocci
- 2- The diameter varies from $(1.5-0.8)\mu$
- 3- Arrangement: **bunches clusters (grape like cluster)** observed in smears taken from solid culture growth.
- 4- They are Non-motile, non-spore forming
- 5-Some strains are capsulated when isolated from pathogenic specimen or fresh culture

Cultural characteristics:-

- 1- aerobic or facultative anaerobic
- **2-** grows on simple media at temperature ranged between 15-40C°.optimum temperature for **growth is 37** C°
- 3- the **important media** are:
 - **a- Nutrient agar:-**the colonies are pigmented with (golden yellow or white color), circular, 1-2μ,convex, opaque, glistering with enteic edges.
 - b- **Blood agar:** pathogenic strains produce wide zone of β -hemolysis (clear zone)while other strains do not.
 - c- Milk agar: the colonies are similar to these on nutrient agar this medium stimulates the endopigmentation produced by some strains golden yellow color produced by *Staphylococcus aureus*, lemon yellow color produced by *Staphylococcus citrus*, white color produced by *S. albus*

d-Manitol salt agar (MSA): because of *Staphylococci* tolerance to high salt concentration, the MSA acts as highly selective media for them. It contains 7.5-10% of sodium chloride.(this medium is used for isolation of *Staphylococci* from pathogenic specimens (pus, feces) . on this medium *Staphylococcus aureus* and some types of coagulase negative staphylococci CNS are positive for manitol fermentation appear as yellow colonies while other CNS appear as small orange or pink colonies.

Biochemical test:-

- 1-Catalase, Urease, DNase, Coagulase and phosphatase positive.
- 2-Gives negative reaction for oxidase and indol test.
- 3-Ferment glucose, produce acid without gas
- 4-Utilize nitrate to nitrite.

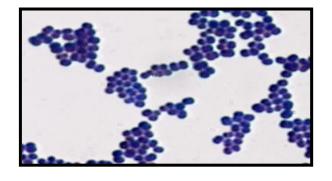
Table(1) Biochemical tests uses in the differential between types belong to *Staphylococci*

	Coagulase	B-haemolysis	maltose	m ann itol	DNASE	Vp	Hyaluronidase
Species							
S. aureus	+(4hr)	+	+	+	+	+	+
s. intermedius	+(2hr)	+	+	v	-	-	-
s. hyicus	v	-	-	-	+	-	+
s. saprophyticus	-	-	+	v	-	-	v
s. epidermidis	-	-	+	-	-	-	-

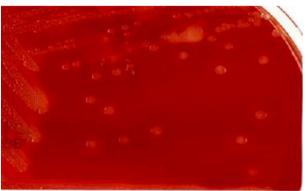
Diagnosis:-

The specimens which is taken from the infection depends on the lesion

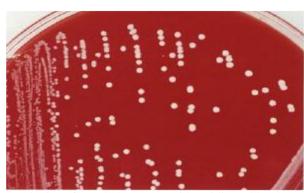
- 1-Gram stain smear
- 2-Culture on sheep and human blood agar to notice the hemolysis types
- 3-Using the selective media for isolation like MSA
- 4-Performing the coagulase test
- 5-Performing the biochemical test.



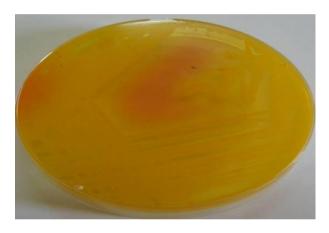




Colonies of staphylococcus aureus on5% sheep blood agar



colonies of staphylococcus epidermidis on blood agar



Colonies of staphylococcus aureus on Mannitol Salt Agar



colonies of of staphylococcus epidermidis on Mannitol Salt Agar

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Species:

Streptococcus agalactiae

S. dysagalactiae subsp. dysagalactiae

S.equi subsp. equi

S.equi subsp. zooepidemicus

S. uberis

S.bovis

S. pyogenes

Enterococcus faecalis

Morphology and staining:-

- 1-Streptococci and Enterococci are Gram+ positive cocci.
- 2-They occur in pairs or chains of varying length.
- 3-Non motile with the exception of some of the enterococci, non spore forming.

Cultural characteristics:-

- 1-Most types of *Streptococci* are **aerobes or facultative anaerobes**.
 - 2-They are fastidious and require the addition of blood or serum or glucose to cultural media .
- 3-Optimum temperature for growth is 37c.
- 4-the important media which are uses to cultivate the streptococci are.
 - a-Blood Agar:-Regarded the important media for cultivated these bacteria, because is stimulated streptococcal growing and we can observing the haemolysis types. The colonies are small spherical pin-head shape 1 µm in diameter, white to grayish in color ,on horse blood agar produce B-haemolysis(complete haemolysis).
 - b-**Edwards medium**:- it is selective media for *Streptococci* especially these which causing mastitis .this medium contains esculain and crystals violate which inhibiting other contaminates bacteria .
 - c-MacConkey Agar:- using for cultivating of enterococci which tolerate the bile salts on this medium and appear as small pin-head colonies.
 - d-Brain heart infusion Agar:-use to cultivated of streptococci .in this medium the characteristic chains arrangement seen more obviously in microscopic examination.
- **CAMP test:-**this test is use to distinguished group B *Streptococcus agalactiae*Which cause chronic mastitis. demonstrating the arrow head- shaped enhancement heamolysis that occurs when the beta-toxin produced by *s. aureus* (the microorganism streaked horizontally across the sheep blood agar plate acts synergistically with the CAMP

facter protein produced by group *Streptococci* (streaked perpendicular to the staphylococcus but not quite touching).

Lance field groups:-is the serological method to classification of streptococci based on the group specific C- substance (polysaccharide) in the bacterial cell wall, which precipitated with anti'sera. therefore distinguish streptococcus to groups(A,B,C,D,E,G,...ect

Procedure method of the test:-

- 1- cultural the *Streptococcus* species in nutrient broth for 24hr.then precipitated it by centrifuge.
- 2- Add 2ml from diluted HCL 200:1 to bacterial precipitate, then putting in water bath at 100c for 10 minutes. Then filtration (the filter consider polysaccharide).
- 3- Putting the Antigen extract (polysaccharide) in test tubes and add antisera of different specificities. incubater in temperature room.
- 4- Positive result formation precipitate line during 30 minutes

Biochemical test:-

- 1-catalase Negative and oxidase positive.
- 2-haemolysis patterns.

Table(2) Biochemical tests uses in the differential between types belong to Streptococci

Species	Lancefield group	B-hemolysis	inulin	lactose	raffinose	salicin	sorbitol	trehalose
S. pyogenes	A	В	-	+	-	+	1	+
Streptococcus agalactiae	В	B(\alpha,Y)	-	+	-	+	-	+
S. dysagalactiae subsp . dysagalactiae	С	α(B,y)	-	+	-	-	-	+
S.equi subsp. equi	С	В	-	-	-	+	+	-
S. uberis	none	α(Y)	+	+	-	+	+	+
S.bovis	D	α	+	+	+	+	-	V
S.pneumoniae	none	α	+	+	+	V	-	+
Enterococcus faecalis	D	α (B,y)	-	+	-	+	+	+

Diagnosis:-

- 1- depending on the pathological condition of the cause and animal types.
- 2- Smears from pus, milk samples can be fixed and stained by the gram stain and seen the chain arrangement.
- 3- Inoculating the specimen on the blood agar and selective media for streptococci.

- 4- Recognized it by lancefield groups.5- Identification by using biochemical tests.



Gram stain of streptococci in broth culture



Gram stain of streptococci in broth culture



CAMP test



colonies of streptococci on blood agar