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3 **Prevalence and Antibioqram Characteristics of Bacteriuria**
4 **and Cadidiuria among Indigenes of Selected Parts of Akure**
5 **North, Akure**

6 **ABSTRACT**

7 **Aims:** The aim of this study was to evaluate the prevalence and antibiogram characteristics
8 of bacteria and fungi in urine samples of some selected towns in Ondo State.

9 **Study design:** Experimental design.

10 **Study location:** Urine samples were collected from patients visiting University of Medical
11 Science Teaching Hospital Akure and indigenes of Ogbese, Ipogun-Ayo and Ita-oniyan
12 community in Ondo North, Nigeria.

13 **Methodology:** Pre-survey of the study participants was carried out using randomly
14 distributed questionnaires. Two hundred and forty-three (243) urine samples were randomly
15 collected from apparently healthy male and female participants cutting across different age
16 groups. Presumptive identification of isolated bacteria and fungi were cultured on general
17 and differential media cysteine lactose electrolyte deficient agar, blood agar, nutrient agar,
18 and Potato dextrose agar, for fungal isolates) were done using standard methods. The
19 clinical and relative typed isolates were collected from Federal Institute of Industrial
20 Research Oshodi (FIIRO) and were subjected to antibiotic sensitivity pattern using array of
21 ten (10) conventional antibiotics according to Clinical Laboratory Standard Instruction.

22 **Results:** *Stapylococcus aureus* was the most frequently occurred (27.2%) bacteria isolated
23 from the urine samples while, *Candida albicans* had the least (5.6%) occurrence. These
24 findings revealed that bacteriuria and candidiuria were prevalent among the indigenes of
25 Ipogun-Ayo, Ondo State, with antibiotic sensitivity to few conventional antibiotics. This is an
26 indication of UTI among the indigenes and urgent need for medical attention.

27 **KEY WORDS:** Urinary Tract Infections, Bacteriuria, Candidiuria, Colony forming unit,
28 Antibiotics.

29 **1. INTRODUCTION**

30 Urinary Tract Infection (UTIs) is categorized as uncomplicated or complicated.
31 Uncomplicated UTIs normally affect persons who are otherwise healthy and have no
32 physical or nervous urinary tract abnormalities [1] while, complicated UTIs is accompanying
33 with factors increasing colonization, catheters and immunocompromised state of an
34 individual [2]. UTIs are commonly encountered in both the community and hospital
35 environment [3]. The infections have been reported among people of different ages, but
36 have been found to be more prominent with women [3, 4]. UTI is found to be predominant in

37 women at age 20, one third of women are known to visit health facilities treating and
38 retreating urinary tract infections. This infection is usually not common in males, but, when
39 present could lead to renal damage and chronic renal failure [5]. Bacteriuria is significant
40 when supposed sterile mid-stream urine exceeds 10^5 cfu/ ml. Many microorganisms are
41 known to cause urinary tract infections, but the most common causative agents are bacteria
42 namely: *Escherichia coli*, *Enterobacter aerogenes*, *Proteus mirabilis*, and *Staphylococcus*
43 spp [6]. Candiuria on like bacteriuria is not usually found in healthy persons. Candiduria is
44 mostly found in immunosuppressed and immunocompromised patients [7]. *Candida albicans*
45 is most frequent fungi causing UTI in patients. [7, 8] defined candiduria to be the presence of
46 candida species when more than 10^4 CFU/mL in urine. Antibiogram susceptibility pattern is
47 limited among people in Ondo state UTI survey particularly in the study area. This study was
48 aimed to determine the bacterial and profile, antibiogram pattern and the infections in the
49 studied area. The increase in the antimicrobial resistance poses a challenge in treating and
50 controlling UTIs [9].

51 **2. MATERIALS AND METHODS**

52 **2.1 Ethics Approval**

53 Permission for the collection of urine samples for this research was obtained from the Ethics
54 Committee Ministry of Health, Akure, Nigeria. This allowed the collection of urine samples.
55 The areas of collection were among patients of University of Medical Sciences Teaching
56 Hospital, Akure and indigenes of Ogbese, Ipogun-Ayo and Ita-oniyan community.

57 **2.2 Collection of Urine Samples**

58 Two hundred and forty-three (243) urine samples were collected with clear instructions to the
59 participants. Clean-catch midstream urine sample was obtained from each participant into
60 sterile universal bottles.

61 **2.3 Isolation**

62 The samples were immediately transported to Microbiology Laboratory, Federal University of
63 Technology Akure, using a sample box containing ice packs within 1-2 hours. Four growth
64 media (Potato Dextrose Agar, Nutrient agar, CLED agar and blood agar) were prepared
65 according to manufacturers' manual and sterilized accordingly. Fifteen milliliters of each
66 growth medium was aseptically poured into sterilized petri dishes and allowed to gel. A
67 loopful of collected urine sample was aseptically transferred on the agar plates and spread
68 evenly. The labeled inoculated plates were incubated at $37\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ aerobically for 24 hours and
69 $25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ colony forming units for 72 hours for bacteria and fungi respectively. Significant
70 growth was taken at 2×10^6 and 2×10^5 spore mL^{-1} [10]. Colonies were observed and counted
71 in cfu/ml using colony counter. Distinct colonies were sub cultured on nutrient agar and pure
72 cultures were stored in sterile slant bottles and kept in $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for further studies.

73 **2.4 Collection of Typed Cultures**

74 Typed cultures relative to bacterial and fungal isolates from urine (*Escherichia coli* ATCC
75 25922 and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 10145) were collected from Obafemi Awolowo

76 University Research laboratory while, *Staphylococcus aureus* NCTC 5571, , *Proteus vulgaris*
77 ATCC 29905, *Enterococcus faecalis* ATCC 23241 and *Klebsiella pneumonia* ATCC 13883
78 were collected from Federal Institute of Industrial Research Oshodi (FIIRO), Lagos. All these
79 isolates were subjected to confirmation in the Microbiology laboratory of Federal University
80 of Technology Akure. The isolates were sub-cultured and assayed appropriately for colonial,
81 morphological and biochemical tests.

82 **2.5 Presumptive Identification of Bacterial Isolates from Urine**

83 Colonial, morphological and biochemical characteristics of the isolates were determined
84 accordingly [11]. These colonial features include the opacity, increase and decrease in their
85 colony forming ability on different growth media, colour, shape, edge, elevation and surface.
86 Gram staining reaction was assayed for each bacterial and fungal isolates. The biochemical
87 tests carried out were sugar fermentation test, oxidase, urease, catalase, coagulase, citrate,
88 sulphide, indole and motility tests.

89 **2.5.1 Gram Staining Reactions**

90 Small inoculum of the bacterial and fungal colony was emulsified in sterile distilled water and
91 used to make thin preparation on glass slide. Then slide was kept safe to air-dry. The smear
92 was fixed to preserve microorganisms and to prevent smear from being washed away from
93 slides during staining. The slide was flooded with crystal violet stain for 60 seconds and
94 then quickly washed off under a slow running clean tap water, the water on the slide was
95 removed and smear covered with lugol's iodine for 60 seconds and washed off with clean
96 running tap water. Decolourizer (ethanol) was added for about 20 seconds in other to
97 decolourize purple dye-iodine complexes from the isolates and then washed under slow
98 flowing tap water; secondary stain (safranin) was added for 60 seconds, then was washed
99 off under slow running tap water and left to air dry. The slides were first examined
100 microscopically, with the 40x objective lens to check the staining and to see distribution of
101 material. A drop of oil immersion was placed on the stained smear then examined under with
102 a light microscope using oil immersion objective (x100) lens [12,4].

103 **2.5.2 Fermentation of Sugars**

104 Arabinose, Glucose, Fructose, Galactose, Lactose Sorbitol, Sucrose, Maltose and L-manitol
105 were used for the sugar fermentation test. 1.0 g of each sugar was weighed and dispensed
106 into different conical flasks and labeled appropriately, 2.5 g of peptone water was added up
107 to 100 ml of distilled water and 0.01 g of phenol red was added as the indicator 5 ml of each
108 sugar was dispensed into 20 mls test tubes with Durham's tube introduced in upturned
109 position into each test tube. Each test tube was corked with and labeled appropriately; and
110 sterilized 15 minutes at 121°C. After sterilization the test tubes were allowed to cool.
111 Bacterial isolates were now aseptically inoculated into the sugar solution and incubated at
112 37 °C to 24-72 hours. Changes in the colour from red to yellow specifies production of acid,
113 which implies that there was sugar utilization by the microorganism and appearance of
114 bubbles in the Durham's tube shows gas production but if there is no colour change, acid nor
115 gas is not produced which implies a negative reaction [14].

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118 **2.5.3 Oxidase Test**

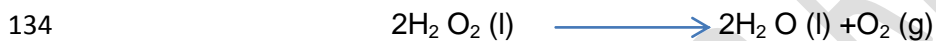
119 A piece of filter paper was soaked with 2-3 drops of oxidase reagent. Using a sterile piece of
120 stick, a colony of the test organism was picked and smeared on the filter paper reactions
121 were observed for 10 seconds. Positive oxidase indicators the prescience of blue – purple
122 colour while a negative reaction shows no colour change within the stipulated time [14].

123 **2.5.4 Urease Test**

124 The test organism was cultured by streaking over a agar surface. A urea free inoculated
125 medium send as the control. Release of ammonia brings about colour change from yellow to
126 pink or red which designated a positive result and no change show a negative result [14].

127 **2.5.5 Catalase Test**

128 This test distinguished enzyme producing baacteria by the breakdown of hydrogen peroxide
129 to oxygen and water. 3% hydrogen peroxide was prepared and a drop was placed on a
130 glass slide. Using a sterile wooden stick, a colony of the test organism of 24 hours old
131 culture was placed in the hydrogen peroxide and mixed together gently. Effervescence
132 caused by the organism by the liberation of oxygen by the organism designates a positive
133 result while, a negative result shows the absence of catalase production [14].



135 **2.5.6 Coagulase Test**

136 A 24hrs old culture was emulsified in normal saline on clear grease free slide containing a
137 drop of distilled water on both end of the slide to make two thick suspensions. Then a
138 loopful of plasma was added to one of the suspensions and mixed gently. The second
139 suspensions contain no plasma. This was used to differentiate any granular appearance of
140 the organism from true coagulase clumping. Clumps or precipitates in 10 seconds indicates
141 a positive result while, no clumping within 10 seconds indicates a negative test [14].

142 **2.5.7 Citrate Test**

143 Simon citrate agar was prepared as slopes of medium in bijou bottles according to the
144 instruction of the manufacturer, poured aseptically and allowed to gel. Overnight both
145 culture of the bacteria was inoculate on the medium and incubated at 37 °C for 3-5days
146 colour change from green to bright blue colour indicates a positive citrate test while, no
147 colour change indicates a negative citrate test of medium [13, 15].

148 **2.5.8 SIM Test (Sulfide, Indole, Motility)**

149 SIM agar was prepared according to the manufactures specification in test tubes and
150 sterilized in the autoclave for 15 minutes at 121°C. After the agar is cooled and became a
151 semi-solid-medium, 24hrs cultures of the tested organisms were inoculated in the SIM
152 medium by the medium by making a stab on the center of the medium to a depth of ½ inch,
153 and then incubated aerobically at 37 °C for 24hours. Then the following results were
154 recorded. A H₂S positive test was denoted by blackening of the medium along the
155 inoculation line. H₂S negative result means there is no blackening. Positive motility test
156 indicate by a diffused zone of growth from inoculation line while, a negative result means

157 otherwise [15]. Indole positive result was affirmed by pink to red colour band at the top of
158 the medium once Kovacs Reagent has been added. A green/yellow colour denotes indole
159 negative result [13].

160 **2.6 Identification of fungal isolates**

161 The fungal colonies were sub-cultured on Potato Dextrose Agar. The isolates were
162 identified based on their morphological and microscopic features. Two drops of
163 cotton-blue-in-lactophenol were placed on clean glass slide and small piece of
164 mycelium free of medium was removed with sterile inoculating needle and transferred
165 on to the stain. The mycelium was teased (picked) out with the needles and covered
166 with clean cover slip carefully avoiding air bubbles and observed under the
167 microscope for vegetative and reproductive structures [16].

168 **2.7 Antibiotic Susceptibility Test**

169 Antibiotic susceptibility patterns of the bacterial isolates were evaluated using disc diffusion
170 assay [17]. Antibiotic disc containing the following antibiotics was used: Gentamicin (10 µg),
171 Amoxicillin (30 µg), Chloramphenicol (30 µg), Erythromycin (10 µg), Streptomycin (10 µg),
172 Augmentin (30 µg), Septrin (30 µg), Ampiclox (30 µg), Zinnacet (30 µg), Pefloxacin (10 µg),
173 Rocephin (30 µg), Sparfloxacin (30 µg), Tarivid (30 µg) and Ciprofloxacin (5 µg).
174 Standardized culture of each isolate was used to seed Mueller-Hinton agar aseptically.
175 These were allowed to solidify and the antibiotic discs were aseptically placed on the surface
176 of the culture media in a sterile condition. The plates were incubated at 37°C for 24 hr.
177 Zones of inhibition were recorded and compared with Committee for Clinical Laboratory
178 Standards Interpretative Chart, [18].

179 **2.8 Statistical Analysis**

181 All data obtained were subjected to one way analysis of variance (ANOVA) using SPSS
182 20.0v. Difference between means was determined by Duncan's New Multiple Range Test at
183 ($p \leq 0.05$).

184 **3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

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186 Table 1 shows the frequency of occurrence of uropathogen in respect to study location. Ita-
187 oniyán had the highest (43.80%) of *S. saprophyticus* and least (7.14%) with *K. pneumoniae*.
188 Ogbese had the highest (37.50%) of *P. vulgaris* and lowest (11.11%) of *E. coli*. Ipogun-Ayo
189 had the highest microbial distribution of (37.04%) with *E. coli* and lowest (2.50%) with *P.*
190 *vulgaris*. University of Medical Sciences Teaching Hospital, Akure. (UNIMED) had the
191 highest (36.36%) of *C. albicans* and least (9.39%) of *S. saprophyticus*. The total microbial
192 distribution of uropathogens across study location showed Ipogun-Ayo to have the highest
193 (28.72%) while; Ita-oniyán had the least (23.07%) among others. It was revealed that
194 Ipogun-Ayo had the highest percentage of bacteriuria among the study site. The result of this
195 work is in corroboration with the discoveries of [19, 20] who in their study on the assessment
196 of edemicity of praziquantel where Ipogun-Ayo had the highest prevalence of 18.0%. This
197 present study also implicated Ipogun-Ayo to have the highest prevalence of (28.72%).
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200 **Table 1:** Frequency of occurrence of uropathogens in respect to study locations

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Isolate	Ita-oniyan		Ogbese		Ipogun-Ayo		UNIMED		Total (per organism %)
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	7	13.2	15	22.30	17	32.08	14	26.42	53
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	5	18.51	3	11.11	10	37.04	9	33.33	27
<i>Proteus vulgaris</i>	6	25.00	9	37.50	6	2.50	3	12.5	24
<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i>	14	43.80	5	15.63	10	31.25	3	9.38	32
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	4	21.05	4	21.05	6	31.58	5	26.32	19
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	1	7.14	5	33.71	3	21.48	5	35.71	14
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	5	33.33	4	26.67	3	20.00	3	20.00	15
<i>Candida albicans</i>	3	27.27	3	27.27	1	9.09	4	36.36	11
Total (per location %)	45	23.07 %	48	24.61 %	56	28.72%	46	23.59%	195

202 Table 2 shows the percentage occurrence of microorganisms isolated from urine samples.
 203 The presumptive isolates were *S. saprophyticus*, *K. pneumonia*, *P. vulgaris*, *C. albicans*, *E.*
 204 *coli*, *S. aureus*, *E. feacalis*, *P. aeruginosa*. This result shows *S. aureus* to be most frequently
 205 occurred with (27.2%) while *C. albicans* had the lowest (5.6%) among others. The
 206 microorganisms isolated from the urine samples were; *Proteus vulgaris*, *Staphylococcus*
 207 *aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus saprophyticus*, *Enterococcus feacalis*, *Klebsiella*
 208 *pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aureginosa* and *Candida albicans*. The presence of these
 209 organisms in urine samples was however, substantial to the findings of [21, 22].
 210 *Staphylococcus aureus* to be the most frequently occurred uropathogen with 27.2%. The
 211 presence of *S. aureus* at higher percentage is however, supported by [22] that
 212 *Staphylococcus* spp. is common to cause urinary tract infections in younger persons. Odoki
 213 *et al.*, [21] also recorded *S. aureus* to be more prominent to cause UTIs among pregnant
 214 women in Uganda.

215 However, probable cause for increase in the percentage of *Staphylococcus aureus* in urine
 216 samples from patients and participants could be as a result of contamination during
 217 collection of urine samples. Secondly, since this infection was found to be prominent with
 218 persons that are in their sexually active stage and age, it could also be as result of oral
 219 sexual intercourse, thereby causing bacteuria [22]. Another factor could be over use of
 220 antibiotics making *Staphylococcus* species to grow resistance to the effectiveness of the
 221 drugs. This will make it possible for the organisms by producing enzymes that destroys the
 222 active drugs [23]. *Staphylococci* are known to be resistant to penicillin G by producing a
 223 β –Lactamase that destroys the drug. *Staphylococcus* species could have also been able to
 224 gain resistance to the administered conventional drugs by failure to activate autolytic
 225 enzymes in the cell wall, which then resulted in the inhibition without killing the bacteria. This
 226 could also be as a result of survival of the bacteria in the bladder through progression in the
 227 intracellular bacteria communities (IBCs) [22].

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229 **Table 2: Percentage occurrence of microorganisms isolated from urine samples**

Isolate	Total	Percentage
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	53	27.2
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	27	13.8
<i>Proteus vulgaris</i>	24	12.3
<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i>	32	16.4
<i>Enterococcus feacalis</i>	19	9.7
<i>Klebsiella pneumonia</i>	14	7.2
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	15	7.7
<i>Candida albicans</i>	11	5.6
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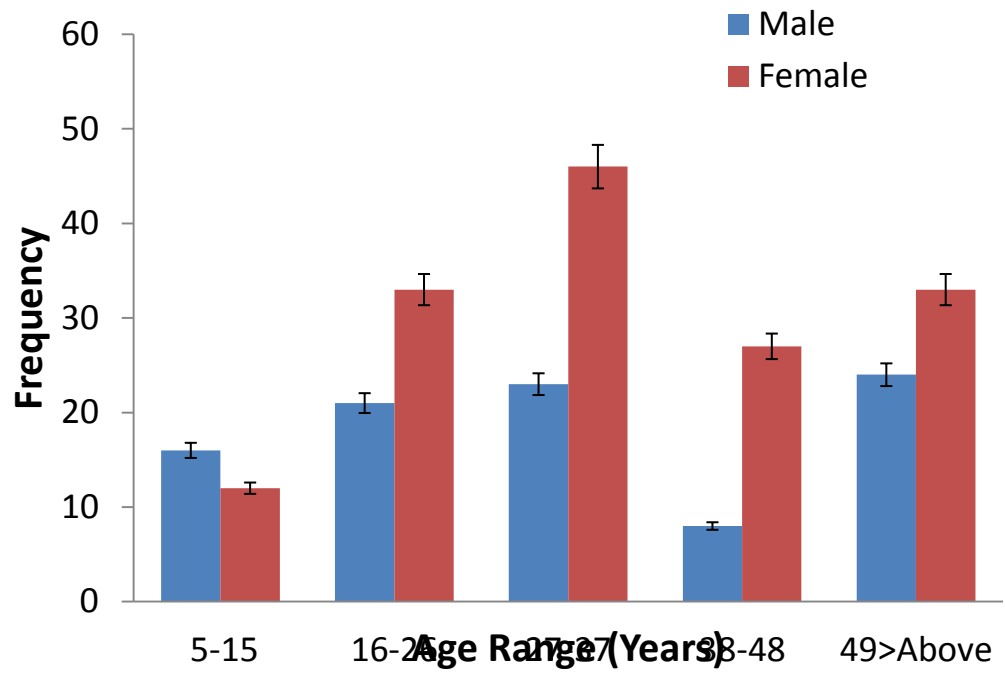
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235 **3.3 Occurrence of uropathogens in relation to age and sex distribution**

236 Figure 1 shows the distribution of bacterial and fungal isolates across different age groups;
237 ages 5-15 ages had 6.58% male and 4.93% female, ages 16-26 had 8.64% male and 13.6%
238 female, ages 27-37 had 9.42% male and 18.93% female; ages 38-48 had 3.29% male and
239 11.11% female and ages from 49 and above had 9.88% male and 13.6% female. [24]
240 reported that, UTI when complicated may be life threatening thereby involving the lower
241 urinary tract and/or the upper urinary tracts. The age of the participants and patients that
242 featured in this study, which had the highest occurrence of the infection were people within
243 the age ranges of 27-37 years. This result is corresponding to that of [22] who reported that
244 people within this age range and those that are at ages lesser than fifty years of age are
245 mostly susceptible to the infection. Findings from this study also revealed that female have
246 higher (18.93%) of the uropathogens compared to male folks. [25, 26], reported in that
247 urinary tract infections occurs four times more frequently in female than in male which is
248 usually because of their anatomical makeup. The female anatomy allows easy passage of
249 uropathogens from the rectum to the genitourinary part. The importance of the ascending
250 route of infection is supported by the shortness of length of the urethra (4cm) and also the
251 proximity to the warm moist vulva (which encourages the growth of uropathogens).
252 According to [22] the perirectal areas are also prone to be colonized by uropathogens.
253 Aydin *et al.*, [27] also reported that fluctuation in the female hormone; progesterone
254 stimulates the growth of uropathogens.

255 Impaired and immunodeficiency state of the host could be a possible reason for the increase
256 in the microbial population thereby causing urinary tract infections. When a person is
257 immunodeficient, this could lead to frequent, severe and recurrent urinary tract infections
258 [27]. In accordance with the findings of [28] who highlighted some predisposing factors to
259 UTIs as (immunodeficiency) diabetes mellitus, organ transplants, (urinary irregularities)
260 urinary calculi, voiding dysfunction, reduced urine flow; (behavioural effects) sexual
261 intercourse, spermicide use and estrogen deficiency. High volume of retention of urine could
262 be responsible for recurrent UTIs in male patients, and also those that with lower UTIs
263 symptoms [28].



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265 **Figure 1: Frequency occurrence of uropathogens in relation to age and sex**
 266 **distribution**

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282 **3.4 Variation in the Colony Counts on Different Culture Media**

283 Table 3 shows the variation in the colony counts on different culture media. CLED, BA, NA,
 284 and PDA were used for bacterial and fungal isolates respectively. NA had the highest
 285 (greater than the colony forming unit for bacterial isolates) being a general purpose media.
 286 CLED agar had higher cfu for bacteria that had affinity for cysteine and lactose. Blood agar
 287 also exhibited greater cfu for hemolytic bacteria distinguishing the α , β and gamma
 288 hemolysis bacteria among others while, PDA on supported the growth of fungal isolates after
 289 the introduction of chloramphenicol before the 40°C cool agar was poured into petri-dishes
 290 and allowed to set.

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292 **Table 3: Variation in colony counts in culture media used for urine samples**

Organisms	CLED	BA	NA
Bacteria (10⁵ cfu/ml)			
A	+	+	+
B	+	-	+
C	-	-	+
D	+	+	+
E	+	-	+
F	+	-	+
G	-	-	+
Fungi (10⁶ cfu/ml)			
	PDA		
H	+		

293 **KEY:** A = *Staphylococcus aureus*, B = *Escherichia coli*, C= *Proteus vulgaris*, D=
 294 *Staphylococcus saprophyticus*, E= *Enterococcus faecalis*, F= *Klebsiella pneumonia*, G=
 295 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, H=*Candida albicans*, + = indicates a higher colony count
 296 observed for a particular microbiological media, - = indicates a less colony count observed
 297 for a particular microbiological media, CLED = cysteine lactose electrolyte deficient agar, BA
 298 = Blood agar, NA = Nutrient agar, PDA = potato dextrose agar

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305 **3.5 Colonial Characteristics of Bacterial and Fungal isolates**

306 Table 4 shows the colonial characteristics of bacterial and fungal isolates considering the
 307 following features; opacity, colour of the colonies with respect to different culture media,
 308 shape, edge, elevation, surface.

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310 **Table 4: Colonial characteristics of isolated bacteria**

Isolates	Opacity	Colour	Shape	Edge	Elevation	Surface
A	Opaque	Deep yellow on CLED	Cicular	Undular	Raised	Smooth
B	Opaque	Pink on MacConkey	Circular	Entire	Raised/convex	Smooth
C	Opaque	Colourless on MacConkey	Circular	Entire	Convex	Smooth
D	Opaque	White to pink on MacConkey	Circular	Entire	Convex	Smooth
E	Opaque	White on MacConkey	Circular	Entire	Convex	Smooth
F	Opaque	Grey on CLED	Circular	Small mucoid	Convex	Smooth
G	Opaque	Greenish on nutrient agar	Round	Entire	Flat	Rough
H	Opaque	Cream to white	Round	Entire	Raised	Smooth

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3.6 Biochemical Characteristics of the Bacterial Isolates

Table 5 shows the biochemical characteristics of the bacterial isolates. The probable isolates were subjected to Simon citrate test, Urease test, oxidase test, motility (to confirm it an organism is motile or not), indole test, catalase, coagulase, sugar fermentation test, grams reaction, among the others.

311 **Table 5: Biochemical and morphological characteristics of bacteria isolate.**

Isolates	Gram stain	Cell shape	urease	oxidase	Citrate	Motility	Indo	Catalase	Coagulase	gas	H ₂ S	Mannitol	Lactose	Sucrose	Glucose	Galactose	Maltose	Presumptive Isolates
A	+	Cocci	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
B	-	Rod	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	<i>Escherichia coli</i>
C	-	Rod	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	<i>Proteus vulgaris</i>
D	+	Cocci	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i>
E	+	Cocci	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>
F	-	Rod	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>
G	-	Rod	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>

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 313 *faecalis*, F= *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, G= *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, + = **Positive**, - = **negative**

314 **3.7 Antibiogram Susceptibility Pattern of Bacterial and Fungal Isolates in respect to**
 315 **the Tested Conventional Antibiotics**

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 317 Table 6 shows the antifungal activities of convention antifungal agents against test clinical
 318 and typed fungal isolates. *C. albican* ATCC 10231 had the highest (21.00±0.58 mm) zone of
 319 inhibition compared to clinical fungal isolates.

320 Table 7 and 8 showed the antibiogram susceptibility pattern of Gram-positive and Gram-
 321 negative in respect to the tested conventional antibiotics. Ciprofloxacin was most effective
 322 while septrin was least effective (1.33±0.33 mm) zone of inhibition. Typed bacterial and
 323 fungal isolates were more susceptible to the conventional antibiotics than clinical isolates. *P.*
 324 *aeruginosa* ATCC 10145 had the highest (22.00±1.15 mm) zone of inhibition while, *K.*
 325 *pneumonia*, had the least (16.33±0.67 mm) zone of inhibition to ciprofloxacin at (30 µg).

326 The pattern of conventional antibiotics in inhibiting the growth of both clinical and typed
 327 organisms showed the varying abilities of each organism to resist the antimicrobial activity.
 328 However, these disparities could be due to variation in the structure and components of the
 329 microbial cell wall, because these attributes are the ultimate target of any antimicrobial agent
 330 [29]. The result of the conventional drugs susceptibility test shows that Gram-negative
 331 microorganisms were more susceptible to the antibiotics than Gram-positive organisms.
 332 These differences may be due to the cell wall structural differences between the Gram-
 333 negative and Gram-positive bacteria. The result is in corroboration with [23] who revealed
 334 that the walls of Gram-positive that might be responsible for this resistance is the thick layer
 335 of peptidoglycan which makes it resistance to osmotic pressure.

336 The wide spread use of conventional drugs both inside and outside medicine is important in
 337 the emergence and re-emergence of resistant bacteria [30]. The extensive and wrong use of
 338 antimicrobial agents has consistently led to the development of antibiotics resistance
 339 which has become a major problem globally [30]. [31] observed in recent discoveries that
 340 bacteria antibiotics resistance patterns may be due to the presence of large plasmid and the
 341 ability of the plasmids to undergo conjugation process.

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 343 **Table 6: Antibiotics susceptibility pattern of conventional antifungi agents on fungal**
 344 **isolates**

Isolate	Fluconazole	Itraconazole	Ketoconazole
<i>C. albican</i>	11.00±0.58 ^a	16.33±0.33 ^b	26.00±0.58 ^c
<i>C. albican</i> ATCC 10231	21.00±0.58 ^b	16.00±0.58 ^a	16.33±0.33 ^a

346 Values represent means ± standard deviation of triplicate readings. Superscripts of the same
 347 letter in a row are not significantly different at P≤0.05.

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Table 7: Antibiotics susceptibility pattern of conventional antibiotics on Gram- positive bacteria

Bacteria	PEF	CN	APX	Z	AM	R	CPX	S	SXT	E
<i>S. aureus</i>	10.00±0.5 8 ^a	12.00±0.58 a ^b	16.67±0.3 3 ^d	19.67±0.8 8 ^e	14.67±0.8 8 ^{cd}	15.67±0.8 8 ^d	19.67±0.8 8 ^e	11.00±0.58 a	13.33±0.33 bc	14.33±0.6 7 ^{cd}
<i>S. aureus</i> NCTC 6571	11.33±0.8 8 ^a	11.67±0.66 a	19.67±0.0 7 ^c	15.33±0.8 8 ^b	14.00±0.5 8 ^c	14.33±0.6 7 ^b	20.67±0.8 8 ^c	14.00±0.58 b	16.33±0.58 b	14.33±0.6 7 ^b
<i>S. saprophyticus</i>	6.67±0.88 a	14.00±0.58 bc	19.00±0.5 8 ^d	13.67±0.8 8 ^b	16.33±0.6 7 ^c	14.33±0.3 3 ^b	18.67±1.2 0 ^d	14.33±0.33 bc	14.33±0.88 bc	14.33±0.6 7 ^{bc}
<i>E. feacalis</i>	0.00±00 ^a	14.67±0.88 b	14.33±0.6 6 ^b	15.00±0.5 8 ^b	13.00±0.5 8 ^b	13.00±1.1 5 ^b	18.33±0.5 8 ^c	14.00±0.5 8 ^b	15.00±0.57 b	13.67±0.3 3 ^b
<i>E. feacalis</i> ATCC 23241	1.00±0.58 a	14.00±0.58 b	16.33±1.5 2 ^{bc}	18.67±0.8 8 ^{ef}	15.00±0.5 8 ^{bc}	14.33±0.6 7 ^b	19.67±0.3 3 ^e	16.33±0.58 cd	18.00±0.58 def	17.00±0.7 8 ^{de}

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Values represent means ± standard error of triplicate readings. Superscripts of the same letter in a row are not significantly different at p≤0.05.
KEY: PEF = Pefloxacin, **CN** = Gentamycin, **APX** = Ampiclox, **Z** = Zinnacef, **AM** = Amoxicillin, **R** = Rocephin, **CPX** = Ciprofloxacin, **S** = Streptomycin, **SXT** = Septrin, **E** = Erythromycin

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367 **Table 8: Antibiotics susceptibility pattern of conventional antibiotics on Gram- negative bacteria**

Bacteria	SXT	CH	SP	CPX	AM	AU	CN	PEF	OFX	S
<i>E. coli</i>	8.00±0 .58 ^a	19.67±0. 88 ^{ef}	2.67±0.67 a	21.00±0.6 7 ^f	18.33±0.5 8 ^e	1.00±1.14 a	15.67±0.5 8 ^{cd}	14.00±0.8 3 ^{bc}	13.00±0.8 8 ^{cd}	12.00±0.67 ±0.58 ^e
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 25922	9.00±0 .58 ^a	21.00±0. 58 ^{ef}	19.67±0.8 8 ^{de}	21.67±0.6 7 ^f	20.00±0.5 8 ^{def}	12.00±0.5 8 ^a	19.00±0.5 8 ^d	16.00±0.5 8 ^c	13.00±0.5 8 ^a	12.00±0.58 cda
<i>P. vulgaris</i>	9.0±0. 58 ^a	0.33±0.3 3 ^a	16.00±0.5 8 ^e	19.00±0.5 8 ^f	18.00±0.5 8 ^f	1.00±0.58 a	15.67±0.3 3 ^{de}	13.33±0.8 8 ^{bc}	14.00±0.5 8 ^{cd}	20.67±0.33 f
<i>P. vulgaris</i> ATCC 29905	6.0±1. 52 ^a	3.67±0.8 8 ^a	17.67±0.8 8 ^d	20.0±0.67 e	21.00±1.1 5 ^f	14.00±0.5 8 ^b	18.33±0.6 7 ^{de}	17.00±0.5 8 ^{cd}	14.67±0.3 3 ^a	21.33±0.33 f
<i>K. pneumonia</i>	00.0±0 .00 ^a	00.00±0. 00 ^a	18.33±0.5 8 ^{de}	16.33±0.6 7 ^d	15.33±0.3 3 ^{cd}	18.67±0.8 8 ^e	0.00±0.00 a	11.00±0.5 8 ^b	14.00±0.5 8 ^c	19.67±0.88 ef
<i>K. pneumonia</i> ATCC 13883	1.3±0. 88 ^a	1.00±1.1 4 ^a	21.00±0.6 7 ^f	17.67±0.8 8 ^{cd}	18.33±1.2 0 ^{de}	18.00±0.5 8 ^d	2.00±0.58 a	13.67±0.8 8 ^{bc}	18.00±0.5 8 ^d	21.67±0.88 ef
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	1.33±0 .33 ^a	15.67±0. 33 ^{cd}	15.33±0.3 3 ^{cd}	21.33±1.2 0 ^e	11.67±0.8 8 ^a	13.33±0.8 8 ^{bc}	18.33±0.6 7 ^d	16.00±0.5 8 ^c	19.00±0.5 8 ^d	17.00±1.00 d
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 10145	3.0±0. 58 ^a	17.36±0. 88 ^{cd}	16.00±0.5 8 ^{bcd}	22.00±1.1 5 ^e	12.67±0.8 8 ^a	15.00±0.5 8 ^b	20.67±0.3 3 ^e	16.33±0.3 3 ^{bcd}	14.33±0.3 3 ^{ab}	18.00±0.58 ef

368 Values represent means ± standard error of triplicate readings. Superscripts of the same letter in a row are not significantly different at p≤0.05.

369 **KEY: SXT = Septrin, CH = Chloranphnicol, SP = Sparfloxacin, CPX = Ciprofloxacin, AM = Amoxicillin, AU = Augumentin, CN = Gentamycin,**
370 **PEF = Pefloxacin, OFX = Tarivid, S = Streptomycin**

371 **4. CONCLUSION**

372 This study revealed *S. aureus* to be prominent in causing UTIs in people at young ages and
373 Ipogun-Ayo has high endemicity with bacteriuria compared to other study sites. Conventional
374 antibiotics should be used appropriately as prescribed by the physician in order to avoid
375 resistance.

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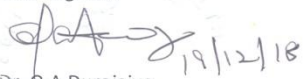
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