

Meet the Superbugs

Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Also called: *P. aeruginosa*

Say it: Sudo-mo-nas Air-u-gin-osa

About: High resistance to many antibiotics and can cause life-threatening infections. Generally occurs in people in hospital or among those with weakened immune systems.¹

Shape: Rod¹

Year identified: 1882¹

Potential threats include:
Urinary tract infections,
sepsis and pneumonia¹

**One way to help
fight this Superbug:**
Use antibiotics as
directed by your doctor²

Resources: **1.** Mandell, Douglas, and Bennett's Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 7th edition, edited by Gerald L. Mandell, John E. Bennett, and Raphael Dolin, 2009 **2.** World Health Organization (WHO). Antibiotic resistance: Key facts. 5 February 2018. Available at: <https://www.who.int/news-room/factsheets/detail/antibiotic-resistance> Last accessed August 2019.