

## Meet vancomycin-resistant enterococci (a.k.a. VRE)

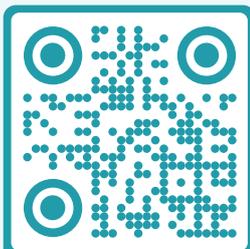
I'm a **highly transmissible, multidrug-resistant bacteria** normally found in the gut and known to cause serious healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) due to my **resistance** to the antibiotic, vancomycin.

### How do I spread and survive?

I am **highly transmissible** in healthcare settings, spreading through **direct contact** (*skin, bodily fluids*) and **indirect contact** (contaminated surfaces: *toilets, sinks and tables* or shared medical equipment: *thermometers and blood pressure cuffs*). I am a **superbug** that can form **biofilms**, enhancing my persistence and ability to cause severe infections, especially in those with weakened immune systems.

### How can you stop me?

**Prevention is key.** Robust cleaning protocols and disinfectants proven effective against VRE are essential to stop transmission and outbreaks. Performing regular hand hygiene is key to breaking the chain of infection.



Find out more

For **everyday decontamination** of high-touch surfaces and shared medical equipment, use **Clinell Universal Wipes**, effective in 10 seconds.

For **enhanced decontamination** of **outbreaks** and **suspected biofilms**, use **Clinell Peracetic Acid Wipes**, effective in 10 seconds, **Clinell Enhanced Pods**, effective in 30 seconds and **Drain Disinfectant**, effective from 30 seconds.

Use biocides safely. Always read the label and product information before use.