

# Case report



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mechanically ventilated for > 3 days  
post-operative course

- non-smoker
- no immunosuppression
- no antibiotics

suspected of VAP

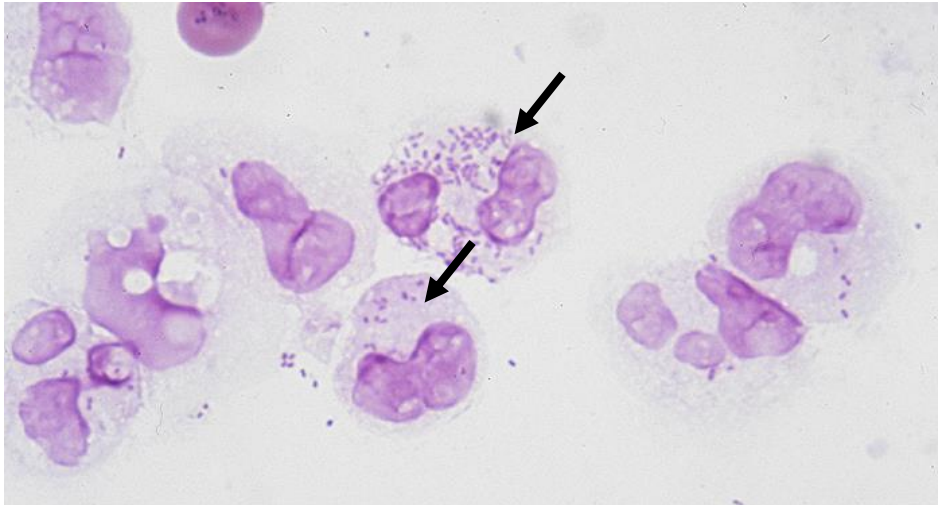
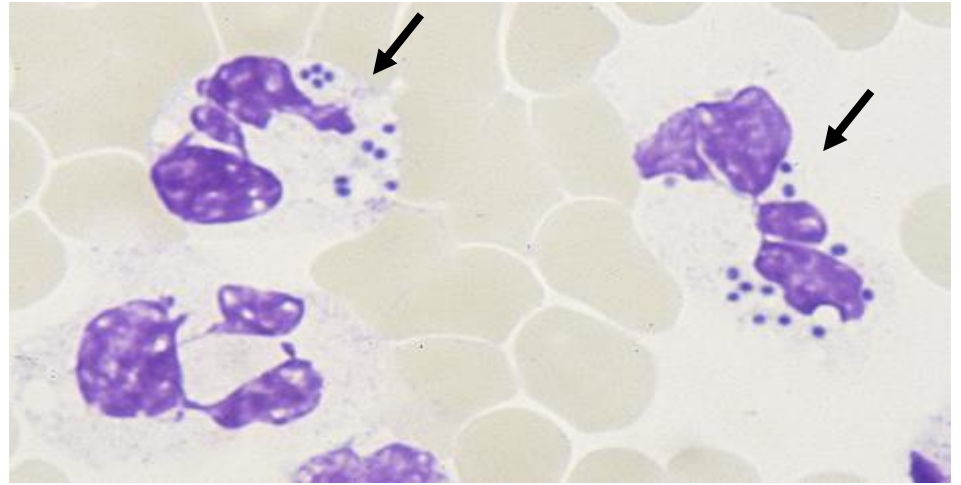
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# PhD theses dealing with BAL

