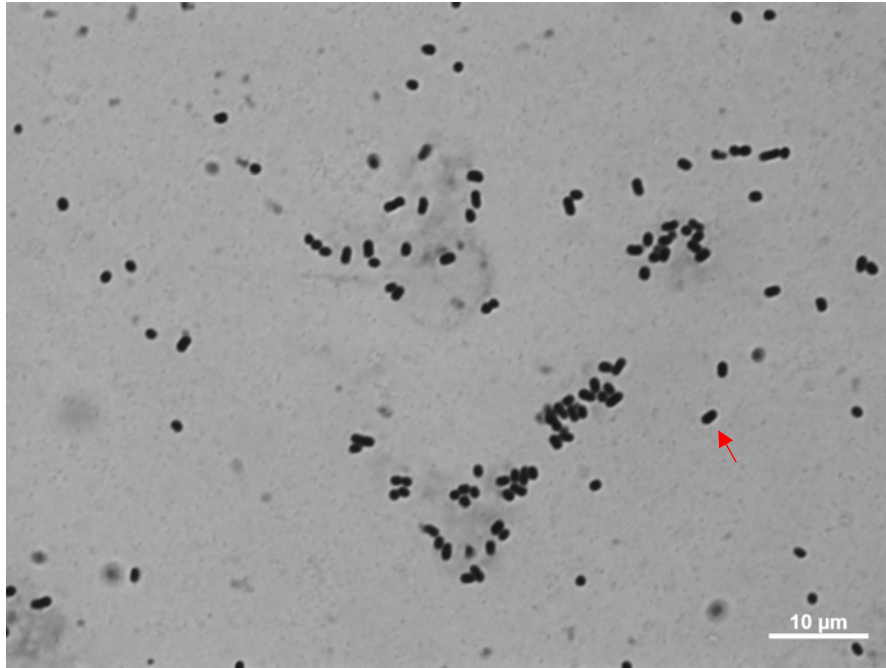
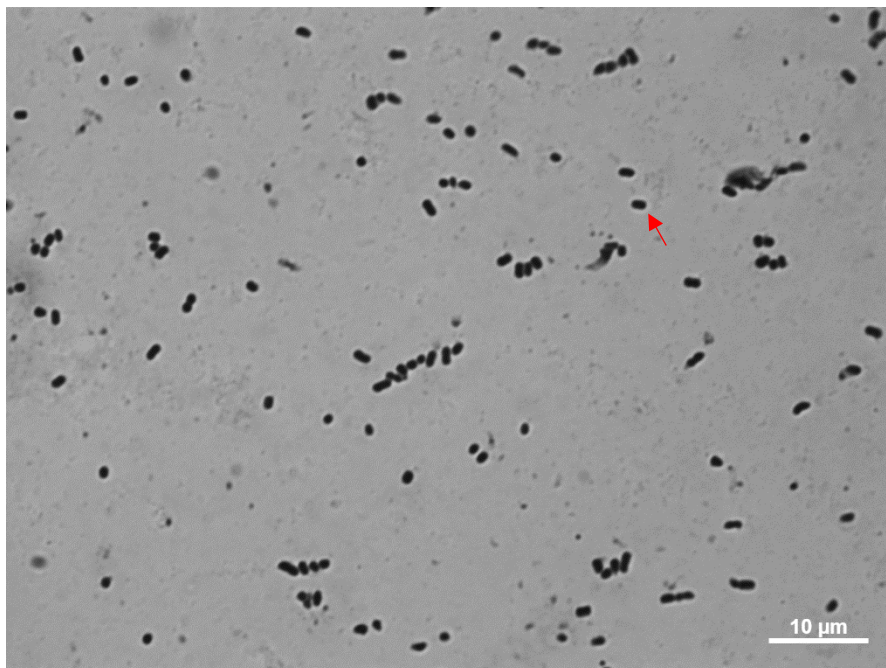


Fig. S2 Capsule stain images of UTI89 and $\Delta mepM$ -UTI89.

(A) UTI89



(B) $\Delta mepM$ -UTI89



Encapsulated UTI89 and $\Delta mepM$ -UTI89 stained using Anthony's capsule staining method [1]. Bright-field microscopy images of the strains at 1,000X magnification. The red arrows indicate clear halo (capsule) around the rod-shaped bacterium.

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