

2026 Area of Interest for *Pneumococcus*

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Effective December 17, 2025, the Pneumococcus Investigator-Initiated Studies Program (MISP) Committee will accept protocols within our current Areas of Interest (Aols). This is a competitive process that will be conducted by the Pneumococcus MISP Review Committee. Decisions will be made on the basis of scientific merit and strategic fit within the Aols. Please review the critical activities and abide by the timelines as outlined below. The program requests that investigators specify how they will support diversity in enrollment to include traditionally underrepresented minorities/ethnic groups.

Proposed *S. pneumoniae* Areas of Interest 2026

1. Serotype-specific burden of pneumococcal disease in adults ≥ 50 years of age
2. Serotype-specific correlates of protection in adults ≥ 50 years of age
3. Pneumococcal carriage and transmission in adults ≥ 50 years of age
4. Capvaxive™ SSUAD studies
5. Disease burden, epidemiology and carriage of *S. pneumoniae* in children and adolescents from >2 yrs of age to 18 yrs of age with risk conditions