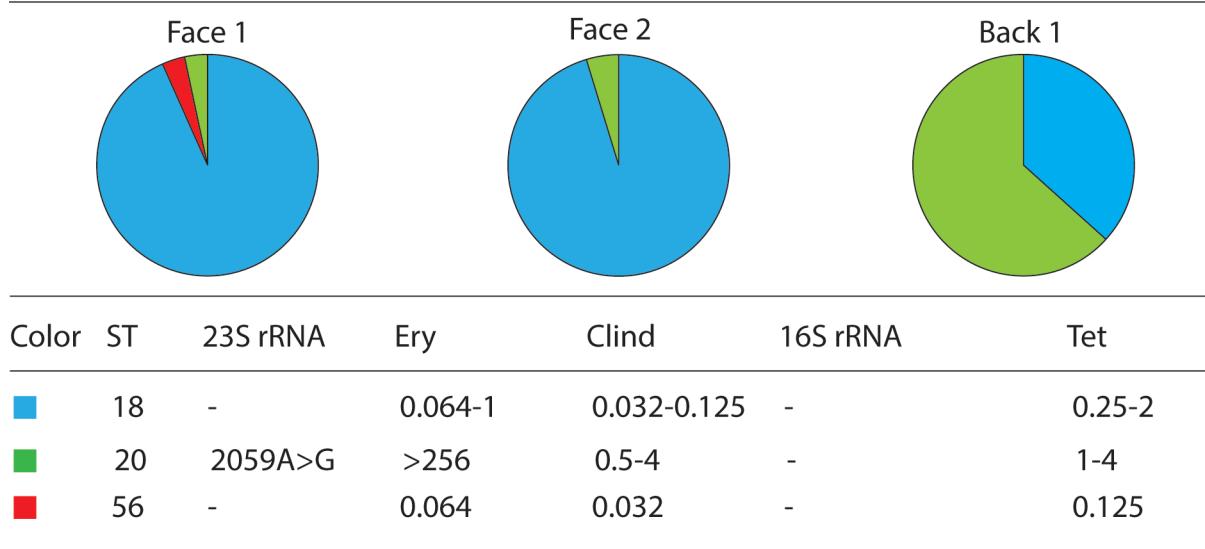


Fig. SI. Distribution of minimum inhibitory concentrations (MIC) of tetracycline, clindamycine, and erythromycin against 114 *P. acnes* isolates from Danish acne patients and healthy controls.

## Patient A



## Patient B

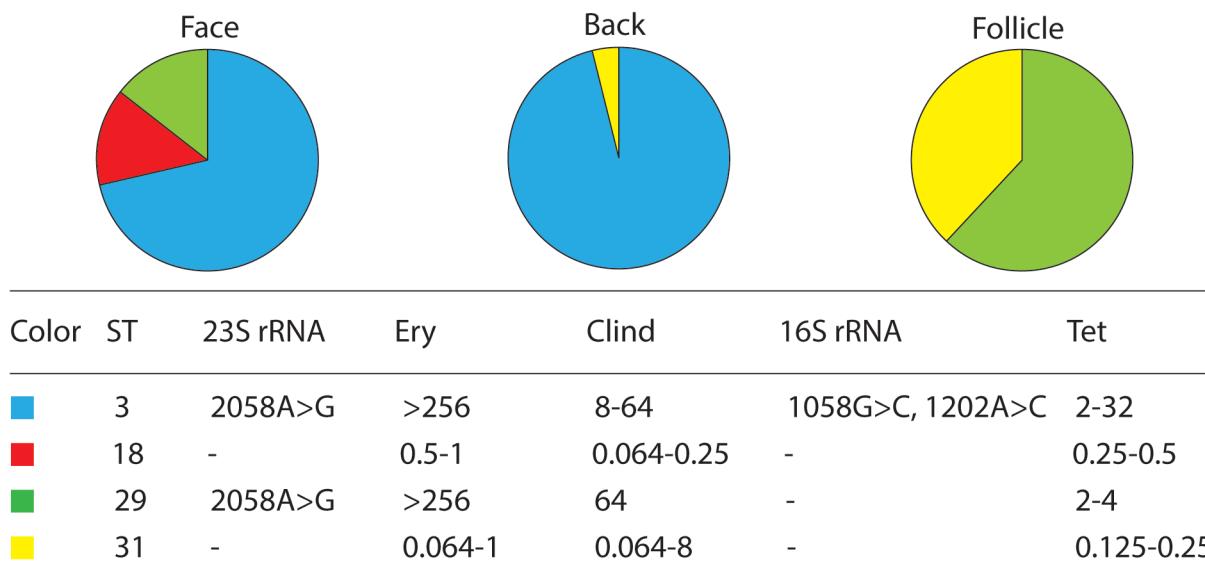


Fig. S2. Anatomical differences in the clonal distribution and antibiotic susceptibility of *P. acnes* carried by 2 acne patients A and B. From patient A 30 isolates were collected from the face and back, respectively (Face 1 and Back 1), and an additional 20 isolates were collected from the face 6 months later (Face 2). From patient B 30 isolates were collected from the face, follicles and the back, respectively, on one occasion. The clonal distribution, STs and inhibition titres to erythromycin, clindamycin and tetracycline are given. Mutations in 23S and 16S rRNA are given as the position number in the corresponding *Escherichia coli* rRNA gene followed by the base change from wildtype base to (>) mutated base.

Table SI. Characteristics of 23 high-level resistant isolates of *P. acnes* from Denmark

Isolate	Source	Phylo-type	Clonal cluster	ST	Mutation 23S rRNA	<i>ErmX</i>	MIC ERY	MIC CLIND	Mutation 16S rRNA	MIC TET	Treatment before sampling
R124.2	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	8	1058G>C +1202A>C	32	TET
R67.1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	16	1058+1202	32	TET
R60.2	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	16	1058+1202	32	TET
R53.1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	*	-	>256	16	1058+1202	32	TET and local CLIND/BENZ
R52.2	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	16	1058+1202	32	ND
R50.1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	8	1058+1202	32	Isotretinoin
R7.1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	16	1058+1160C>T+1202	8	TET
R3.1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	8	1058+1202	32	TET
15.2.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2058A>G	-	>256	32	1058+1202	32	Local adapalene
29.1.L1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	3	2059A>G	-	1	8	1058+1202	32	
R114.2	Acne	I-1a	CC18	18	2059A>G	-	>256	1	-	8	TET and local CLIND/BENZ
R111.1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	18	-	+	>256	128	-	0.5	No treatment
R50.2	Acne	I-1a	CC18	18	2058A>G	-	>256	16	-	2	Isotretinoin
R3.2	Acne	I-1a	CC18	18	2059A>G	-	>256	4	-	4	TET
35.1.R1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	18	2059A>G	-	>256	16	-	2	No treatment
12.1.A12	Acne	I-1a	CC18	20	2059A>G	-	>256	4	-	1	Local acelaic acid
R33.4	Acne	I-1a	CC28	28	-	-	>256	1	-	2	TET and local CLIND
R5.1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	29	2057G>A	+	>256	128	1108G>A	0.25	Local CLIND/BENZ
15.2.L1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	29	2058A>G	-	>256	128	-	4	Local adapalene
R92.2	Acne	I-1b	CC31	30	-	+	>256	128	-	0.5	Local CLIND/BENZ
8.1.A1	Dermatologist	I-1b	CC31	31	2058A>G	-	>256	128	-	0.25	No treatment
16.2.A1	Acne	I-2	CC36	36	2058A>T	-	>256	8	-	2	Local BENZ
R113.1	Acne	II	CC53	52	2058A>C	-	>256	0.5	-	2	Local BENZ

\*(R53.1 showed a mixture of A and G at position 2058 of the 23S rRNA gene corresponding to alleles with and without the mutation and indicating heterogeneity among the 3 loci).

ST indicates multilocus sequence type and CC the clonal cluster; MIC ERY, MIC CLIND and MIC TET is the minimal inhibitory concentrations for erythromycin (ERY), clindamycin (CLIND) and tetracycline (TET), respectively. Mutations in 23S and 16S rRNA are given as the position number in the corresponding *Escherichia coli* rRNA gene followed by the base change from wildtype base to (>) mutated base. Treatment in the months before sampling are given as TET (tetracycline), CLIND (clindamycin) and BENZ (benzoylperoxide).

Table SII. Characteristics of 22 low-level resistant isolates of *P. acnes*

Isolate	Source	Phylotype	Clonal cluster	ST	MIC ERY	MIC CLIND	MIC TET
42.1.R1	Control	I-1a	CC3	ST1	S	0.125	S
37.1.R1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST2	S	0.5	S
3.1.A1	Control	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.25	S
18.1.L2	Control	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.5	S
19.1.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.25	2
25.1.L1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.25	S
37.2.R1	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.5	S
CCUG48370	Vaginitis	I-1a	CC3	ST3	S	0.5	S
19.1.L1(T)	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST4	S	S	2
19.1.L1(F)	Acne	I-1a	CC3	ST4	S	0.5	S
8.2	Control China	I-1a	CC18	ST10	S	0.25	S
37.2.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST12	S	S	4
34.2.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST18	S	S	4
4.4.L1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST22	0.5	S	S
6.1	Control China	I-1a	Singleton	ST26	S	0.5	S
5.1.L1	Control	I-1a	CC27	ST27	0.5	S	S
14.1.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST29	S	0.5	S
27.1.R1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST29	S	1	S
35.1.A1	Acne	I-1a	CC18	ST29	S	0.5	S
CCUG33951	Blood 1995	II	CC53	ST48	S	0.25	S
10.1.R1	Control	II	CC53	ST52	S	1	S
CCUG33950	CSF Sweden	II	CC53	ST53	0.5	S	S

ST indicates multilocus sequence type and CC clonal cluster; MIC ERY, MIC CLIND, and MIC TET is the minimal inhibitory concentrations for erythromycin (ERY), clindamycin (CLIND) and tetracycline, respectively. S indicates susceptible.