

Q: What exactly is 'Algae' and why does it grow in my fuel tank?

A: The word 'Algae', although widely used throughout the fuel industry to describe the slimy growth that is commonly found infesting fuel tanks and filters, technically speaking, is incorrect. What you are actually seeing are different types of Bacteria the two most common of which are Enterobacteria, found in the human stomach and most water, and Klebsiella, found in human lungs and the air. These Bacteria thrive at the interface level between the fuel and the water which accumulates at the very bottom of the tank.