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# Fusobacterium necrophorum subspecies necrophorum

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A subspecies of anaerobic, Gram-negative, rod shaped bacteria in the phylum Fusobacteria. This subspecies is non-spore forming, lipase and indole positive, catalase negative, produces hydrogen sulfide, does not hydrolyze esculin or starch, does not reduce nitrate, and does not produce acid from carbohydrates. *F. necrophorum* subsp. *necrophorum*, also known as biovar A, is found in the intestinal tract of animals but is known to cause infections in both animals and humans.