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Leuconostoc citreum

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Source

National Cancer Institute. *Leuconostoc citreum*. NCI Thesaurus. Code C86495.

A species of facultatively anaerobic, gram positive, cocci shaped bacteria in the phylum Firmicutes. This species is nonmotile, catalase and oxidase negative, produces acid from arabinose and trehalose and hydrolyzes esculin. *L. citreum* is usually nonpathogenic and is commonly found in farming soil; it is used as a starter culture for the fermentation of kimchi.