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Porphyromonas catoniae

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Source

National Cancer Institute. *Porphyromonas catoniae*. NCI Thesaurus. Code C86655.

A species of obligately anaerobic, Gram-negative, rod shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Bacteroidetes. This species is nonmotile, non-spore forming, indole positive, produces major amounts of propionic acid, liquefies gelatin, hydrolyzes starch, but not esculin, and does not reduce nitrate. *P. catoniae* has been isolated from the gingiva of healthy individuals as well as from those with gingivitis or periodontal disease.