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Helcococcus kunzii

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A species of Gram positive, cocci shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Firmicutes. This species is catalase negative, nonsporulating, and ferments lactose, maltose, starch, glucose and trehalose. *H. kunzii* is a nonvirulent member of the skin flora, but may become an opportunistic pathogen in immunocompromised patients and has been isolated from wounds and breast masses.