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# Bacillus licheniformis

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A species of facultatively anaerobic, Gram-positive, rod shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Firmicutes. This species is motile, spore forming, catalase positive, reduces nitrate, and hydrolyzes casein, gelatin, starch and esculin. *B. licheniformis* is found in soil, and is a food contaminant which pathogenic to both humans and animals.