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# Bifidobacterium dentium

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A species of anaerobic, Gram-positive, rod shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Actinobacteria. This species nonmotile, non-spore forming, catalase and indole negative, does not reduce nitrate and ferments arabinose, xylose, ribose, gluconate, cellobiose, lactose, mannitol, melezitose, salicin, and starch. B. dentium is an opportunistic pathogen associated with tooth decay.