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Moraxella lacunata

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National Cancer Institute. *Moraxella lacunata*. NCI Thesaurus. Code C86526.

A species of aerobic, Gram negative, cocci shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Proteobacteria. This species is oxidase positive, nonmotile, sensitive to penicillin, and requires serum for growth. *M. lacunata* is a commensal organism of the human upper respiratory tract and most commonly associated with eye infections, but has been reported to cause rare invasive infections in humans, including endocarditis, septic arthritis, cellulitis, meningitis, bacteremia and purulent pericarditis.