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# Listeria monocytogenes

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A species of facultatively anaerobic, Gram positive, rod shaped bacteria in the phylum Firmicutes. This species is motile by up to four peritrichous flagella, catalase positive, hemolytic, produces acid from glucose, trehalose, levulose and salacin, indole negative and does not reduce nitrate. *L. monocytogenes* is a food borne pathogen, being the causative agent of listeriosis in humans and animals.