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Rhizopus oryzae

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A species of filamentous fungi in the phylum Zygomycota characterized by sporangiophores that arise from nodes at the point where the rhizoids are formed. *R. oryzae* is a causative agent of mucormycosis in immunocompromised individuals. This species is used in the fermentation of tempeh.