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Plasmodium falciparum

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A protozoan parasite in the family Plasmodiidae. *P. falciparum* is transmitted by the female *Anopheles* mosquito and is a causative agent of malaria in humans. The malaria caused by this species is the most dangerous form of malaria.