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# Rhodococcus equi

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## Source

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A species of aerobic, Gram positive, rod and cocci shaped bacteria assigned to the phylum Actinobacteria. This species has a pink color, is urease positive and grows on glycerol. *R. equi* is a lung pathogen that can infect grazing animals and immunocompromised people.