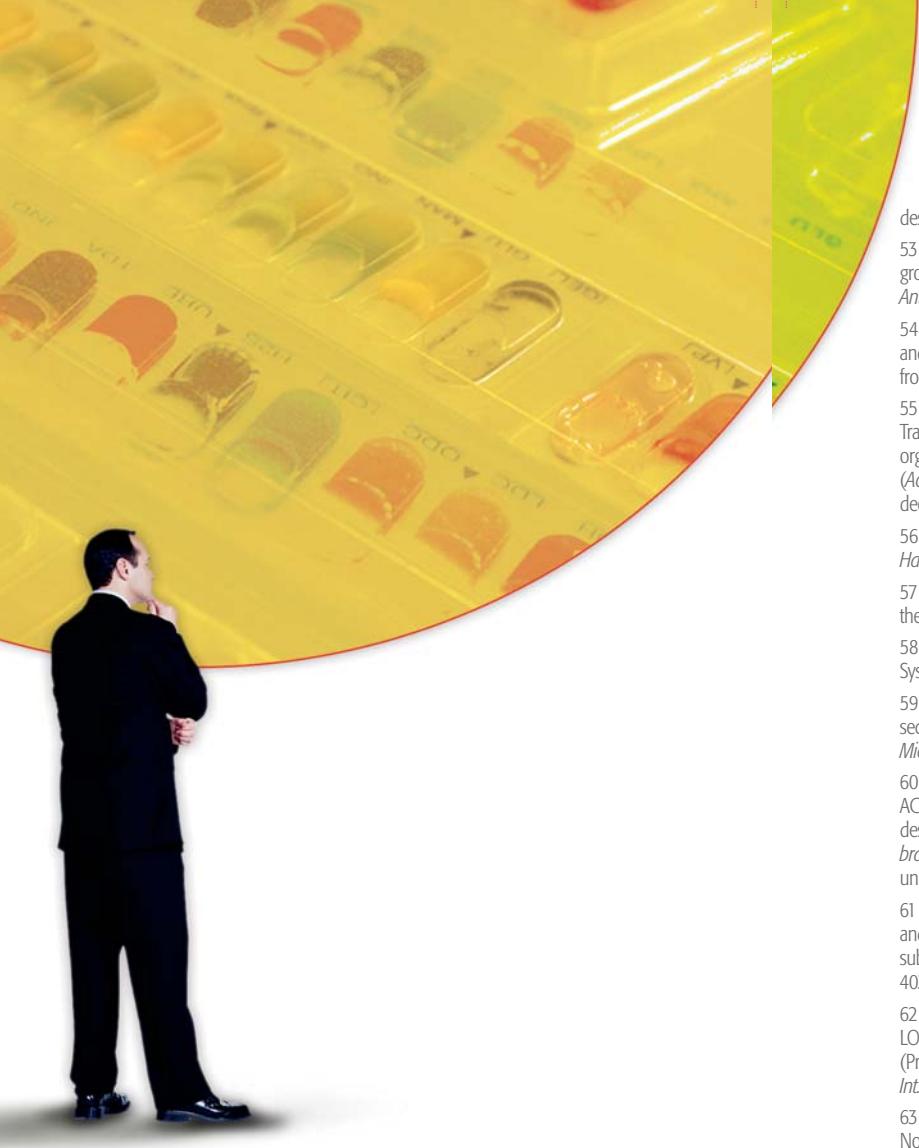


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API & ID 32 IDENTIFICATION DATABASES

from diagnosis,
the seeds of better health

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INTRODUCTION

To keep up with changing infectious pathologies:

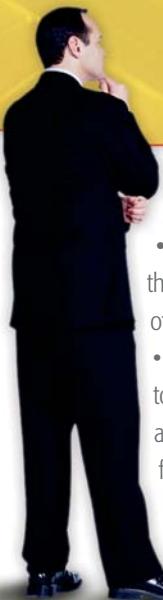
- Emergence of new species
- Acquisition of new biological data
- Development of bacterial resistance
- Increasing prevalence of nosocomial infections and the need for precise epidemiological monitoring

The API and ID 32 databases have again been updated.

Twenty-two of the twenty-three identification databases have been fully revised, taking into account the biochemical profiles of over 7,000 new strains (in addition to the previous profiles) and data from over 150 new publications.

Today, 822 species of bacteria and yeasts can be identified, including 32 new species and 67 that have been assigned new names.

WHAT'S CHANGED IN THE DATABASES?



The changes made can be broken down as follows:

- A number of **new species** have been added to the database (including both entirely new species and others added on the basis of new results).
- Certain bacterial species have been **deleted** due to more stringent criteria. Certain rare species which are not sufficiently studied have been removed from the database.
- The **names of certain species have been changed** to follow modifications in the bacterial taxonomy as officially described in

the International Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology.

- **Notes have been revised** to reflect the changes in names and the species added and deleted.
- **Percentages and performances** have been altered to reflect variations observed in the profiles analyzed as the database was revised.
- **Additional tests** were modified to reflect the new reference information available.

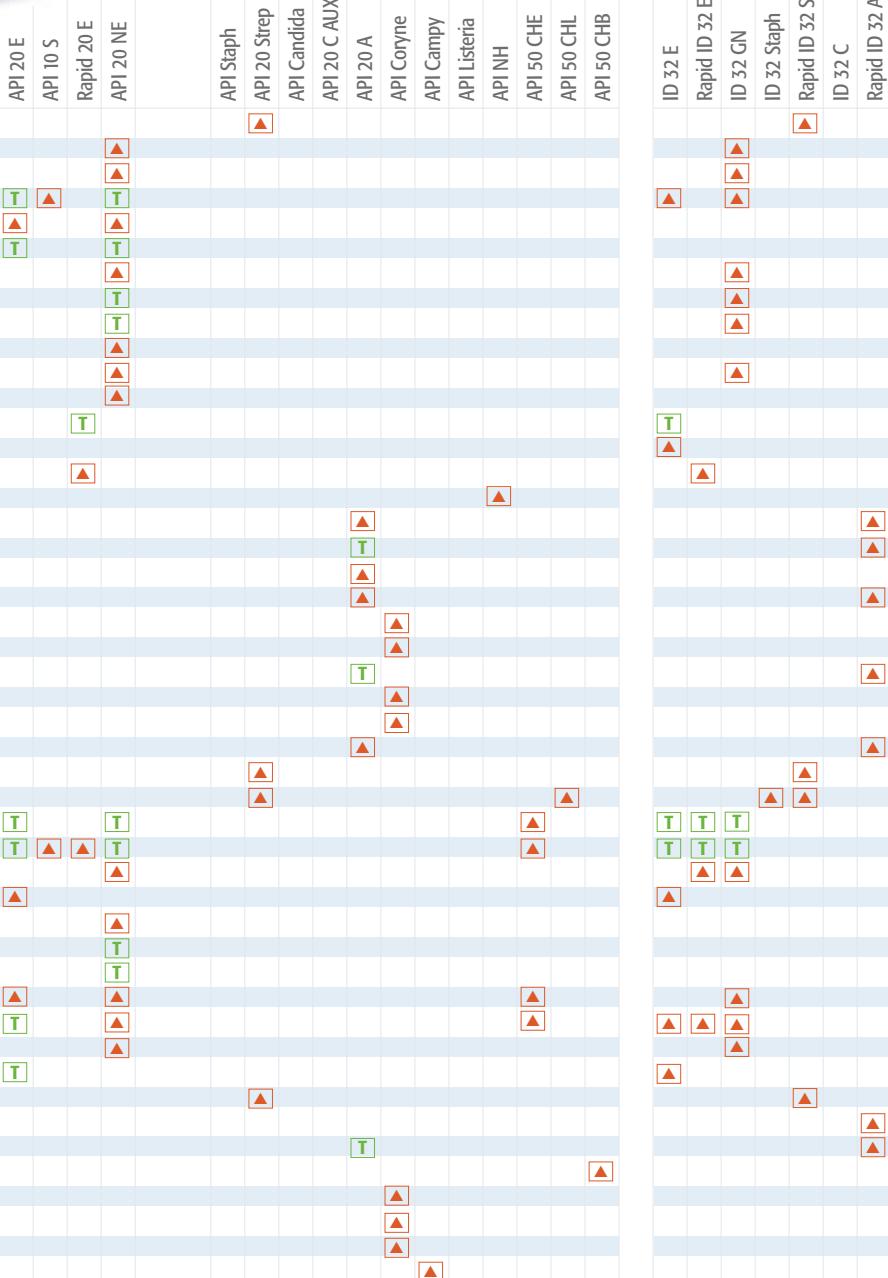
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API 10 S	v 3.0	v 3.1	x	x	-	-
API 20 NE	v 6.0	v 7.0	x	x	-	x
API STAPH	v 4.0	v 4.1	x	x	-	-
API 20 STREP	v 6.0	v 7.0	x	x	x	x
API 20 C AUX	v 3.0	v 4.0	x	x	x	x
API CANDIDA	v 2.0	v 2.1	x	-	-	-
API 20 A	v 3.0	v 4.0	x	x	x	x
API CORYNE	v 2.0	v 3.0	x	x	-	x
API CAMPY	v 2.0	v 2.1	x	-	-	-
API LISTERIA	v 1.1	v 1.2	x	-	-	-
API NH	v 2.0	v 3.0	x	x	x	x
API 50 CHB	v 3.0	v 4.0	x	x	x	x
API 50 CHE	v 3.0	v 3.1	x	x	-	-
API 50 CHL	v 5.0	v 5.1	x	-	-	-
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rapid ID 32 STREP	v 2.0	v 3.0	x	x	x	x
ID 32 C	v 2.0	v 3.0	x	x	x	x
rapid ID 32 A	v 3.1	v 3.2	x	x	-	-



SPECIES IDENTIFIABLE BY THE VARIOUS IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS

API 20 E	Gram-negative bacilli
API 10 S	Gram-negative bacilli
Rapid 20E	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>
API 20 NE	Gram-negative non- <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>
API Staph	Staphylococci
API 20 Strep	Streptococci
API Candida	Yeast
API 20 C AUX	Yeast
API 20 A	Anaerobes
API Coryne	Corynebacteria
API Campy	<i>Campylobacter</i>
API Listeria	<i>Listeria</i>
API NH	<i>Neisseria, Haemophilus</i>
API 50 CHE	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>
API 50 CHL	Lactic bacteria
API 50 CHB	<i>Bacillus</i>
ID 32 E	Gram-negative bacilli
Rapid ID 32 E	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>
ID 32 GN	Gram-negative bacilli
ID 32 STAPH	Staphylococci
Rapid ID 32 STREP	Streptococci
ID 32 C	Yeast
Rapid ID 32 A	Anaerobes

Abiotrophia defectiva
Achromobacter denitrificans *Alcaligenes denitrificans*
Achromobacter xylosoxidans *Alcaligenes xylosoxidans*
Acinetobacter baumannii
Acinetobacter baumannii/calcoaceticus
Acinetobacter calcoaceticus
Acinetobacter haemolyticus
Acinetobacter johnsonii
Acinetobacter junii
Acinetobacter junii/johnsonii
Acinetobacter lwoffii
Acinetobacter radioresistens
Acinetobacter spp
Acinetobacter/Moraxella spp
Acinetobacter/Pseudomonas spp
Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae ***
Actinomyces israelii
Actinomyces meyeri
Actinomyces meyeri/odontolyticus
Actinomyces naeslundii
Actinomyces neui ssp *anitratus*
Actinomyces neui ssp *neui*
Actinomyces odontolyticus
Actinomyces radingae
Actinomyces turicensis
Actinomyces viscosus
Aerococcus uriniae ***
Aerococcus viridans
Aeromonas caviae
Aeromonas hydrophila
Aeromonas hydrophila/caviae
Aeromonas hydrophila/caviae/sobria *Aeromonas hydrophila group*
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Aeromonas salmonicida ssp *achromogenes*
Aeromonas salmonicida ssp *masoucida*
Aeromonas salmonicida ssp *salmonicida*
Aeromonas sobria
Alcaligenes faecalis
Alcaligenes spp
Alloioococcus otitis
Anaerobiospirillum succiniciproducens
Anaerococcus prevotii *Peptostreptococcus prevotii*
Aneurinibacillus aneurinilyticus
Arcanobacterium bernardiae
Arcanobacterium haemolyticum
Arcanobacterium pyogenes
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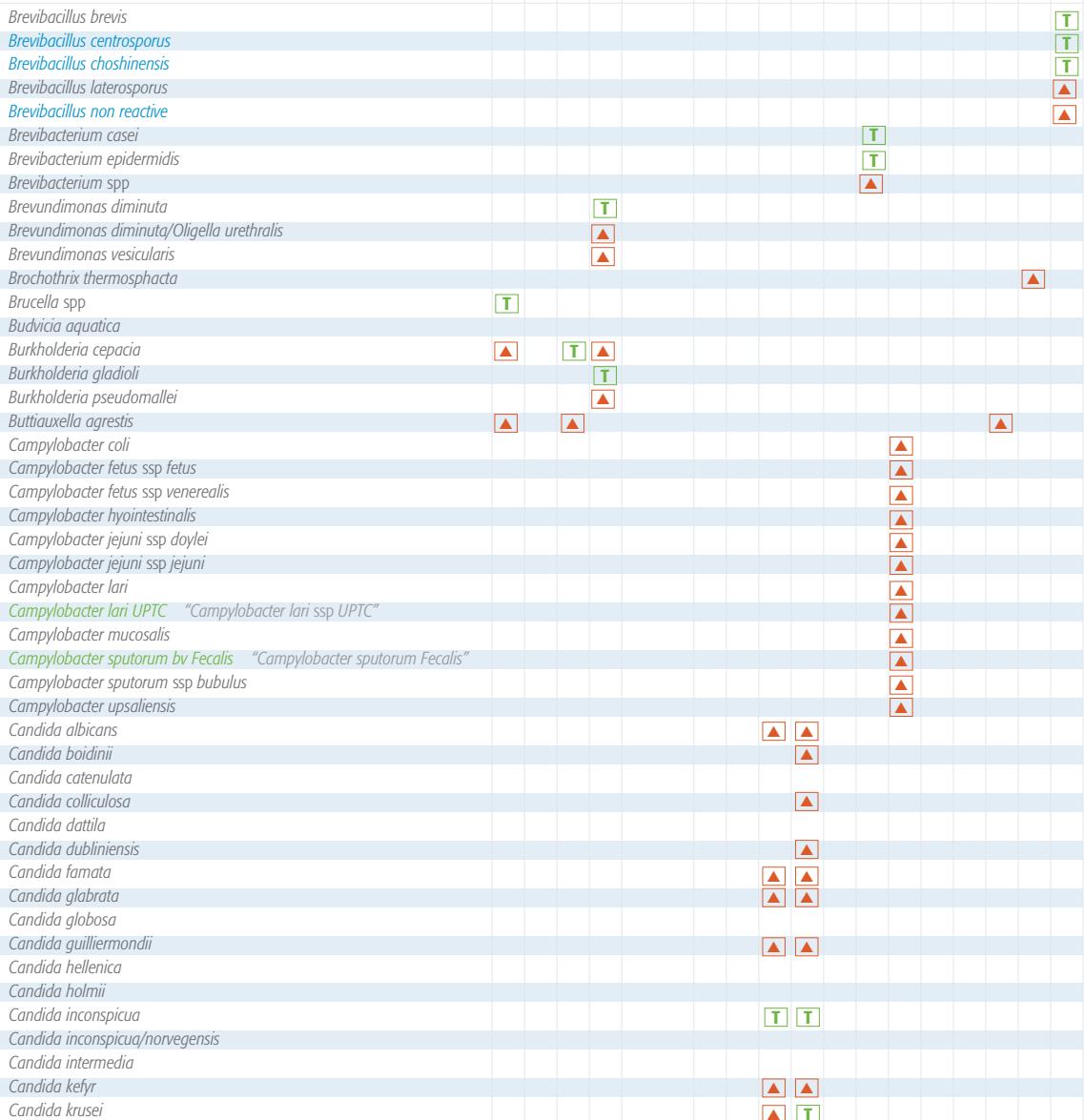
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<i>Citrobacter sedlakii</i>																							
<i>Citrobacter youngae</i>				■												■							
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<i>Clostridium beijerinckii/butyricum</i>																	■						
<i>Clostridium bifermentans</i>																	■						
<i>Clostridium botulinum</i>																	■						
<i>Clostridium botulinum/sporogenes</i>																	■						
<i>Clostridium butyricum</i>																	■						
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<i>Comamonas testosteroni/Pseudomonas alcaligenes</i>																	■						
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Corynebacterium group F-1

Corynebacterium group G

Corynebacterium jeikeium

Corynebacterium kutscheri

Corynebacterium macginleyi

Corynebacterium minutissimum

Corynebacterium pilosum

Corynebacterium propinquum

Corynebacterium pseudodiphtheriticum

Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis

Corynebacterium renale

Corynebacterium renale group

Corynebacterium seminale

Corynebacterium striatum

*Corynebacterium striatum/amycolatum**

Corynebacterium ulcerans

Corynebacterium urealyticum

Cryptococcus albidus

Cryptococcus curvatus *Candida curvata*

Cryptococcus humicola *Cryptococcus humicolus*

Cryptococcus laurentii

Cryptococcus neoformans

Cryptococcus terreus

Cryptococcus uniguttulatus

Debaryomyces carsonii *Pichia carsonii*

Debaryomyces etchellsii *Pichia etchellsii*

Debaryomyces etchellsii/carsonii

Debaryomyces polymorphus

Deltiella acidovorans *Comamonas acidovorans*

Dermabacter hominis

Dermacoccus nishinomiyaensis

Dietzia spp

Edwardsiella hoshinae

Edwardsiella tarda

Eggerthella lenta *Eubacterium lenthum*

Eikenella corrodens

Empedobacter brevis

Enterobacter aerogenes

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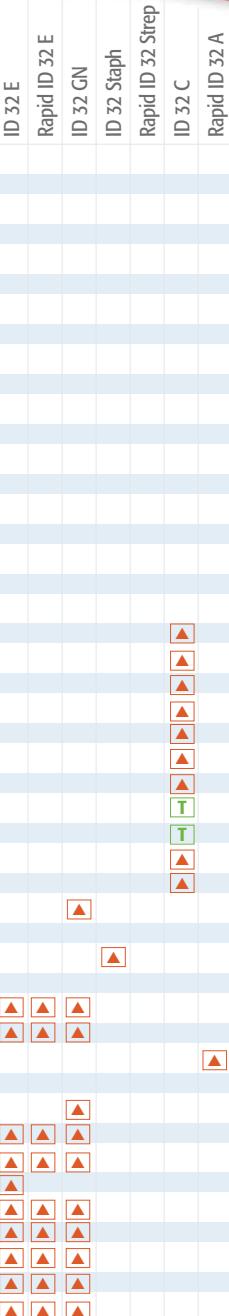
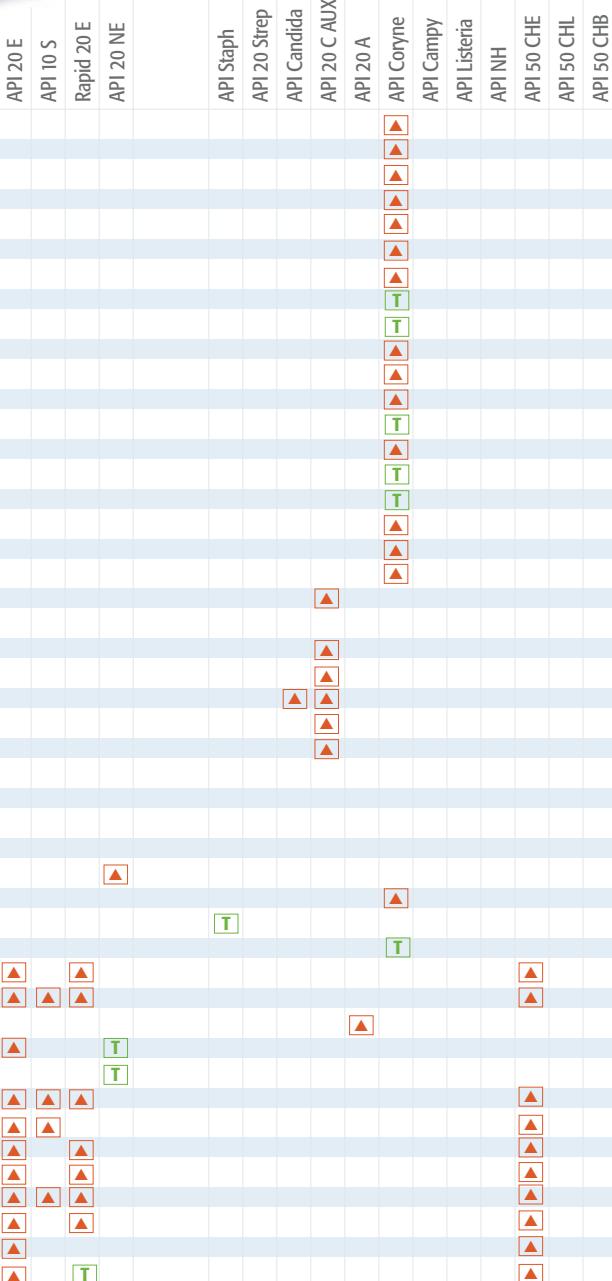
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*Possibility of *Coryn. freneyi* if α. GLU +



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Enterococcus cecorum

Enterococcus durans

Enterococcus faecalis

Enterococcus faecium

Enterococcus gallinarum

Enterococcus hirae

Enterococcus saccharolyticus

Erwinia spp

Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae

Escherichia coli

Escherichia fergusonii

Escherichia hermannii

Escherichia vulneris

Eubacterium limosum

Ewingella americana

Finegoldia magna *Peptostreptococcus magnus*

Fusobacterium mortiferum

Fusobacterium necogenes

Fusobacterium necrophorum

Fusobacterium necrophorum ssp *funduliforme* ***

Fusobacterium necrophorum ssp *necrophorum* ***

Fusobacterium necrophorum/nucleatum

Fusobacterium nucleatum

Fusobacterium varium

Gardnerella vaginalis

Gemella haemolysans

Gemella morbillorum

Geobacillus stearothermophilus *Bacillus stearothermophilus*

Geobacillus thermoglucosidasius

Geotrichum candidum

Geotrichum capitatum

Geotrichum fermentans

Geotrichum klebahnii *Geotrichum penicillatum*

Geotrichum spp

Globicatella sanguinis ***

Gordonia spp *Gordona* spp

Granulicatella adiacens *Abiotrophia adiacens*

Grimontia hollisea *Vibrio hollisea*

Haemophilus actinomycetemcomitans *Actinobacillus actinomycetemcomitans*

Haemophilus aphrophilus

Haemophilus aphrophilus/paraphrophilus

Haemophilus influenzae

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Haemophilus influenzae biotype II

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Haemophilus parainfluenzae biotype VIII
Haemophilus paraphrophilus

Hafnia alvei

API 120 E
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 Rapid 20 E
 API 120 NE

Helicobacter cinaedi
Helicobacter fennelliae
Helicobacter pylori
Histophilus somni "Haemophilus somnus"

Klebsiella oxytoca
Klebsiella pneumoniae ssp *ozaenae*
Klebsiella pneumoniae ssp *pneumoniae*
Klebsiella pneumoniae ssp *rhinoscleromatis*

Kloeckera apiculata

Kloeckera apis
Kloeckera apis/apiculata

Kloeckera japonica

Kloeckera spp

Kluyvera ascorbata

Kluyvera cryocrescens

Kluyvera spp

Kocuria kristinae

Kocuria rosea

Kocuria varians

Kocuria varians/rosea

Kodamaea ohmeri *Pichia ohmeri*

Kytococcus sedentarius

Lactobacillus acidophilus

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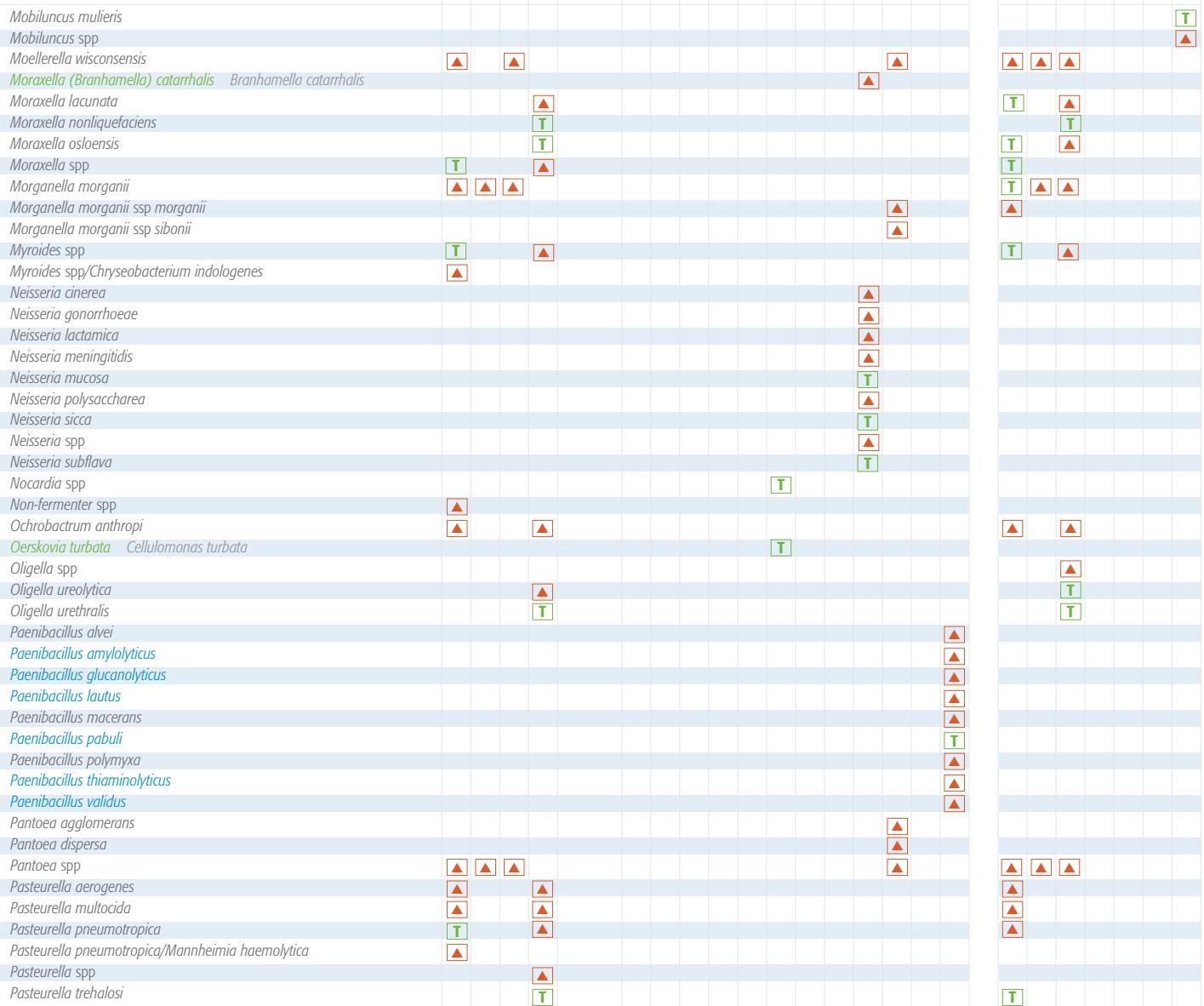
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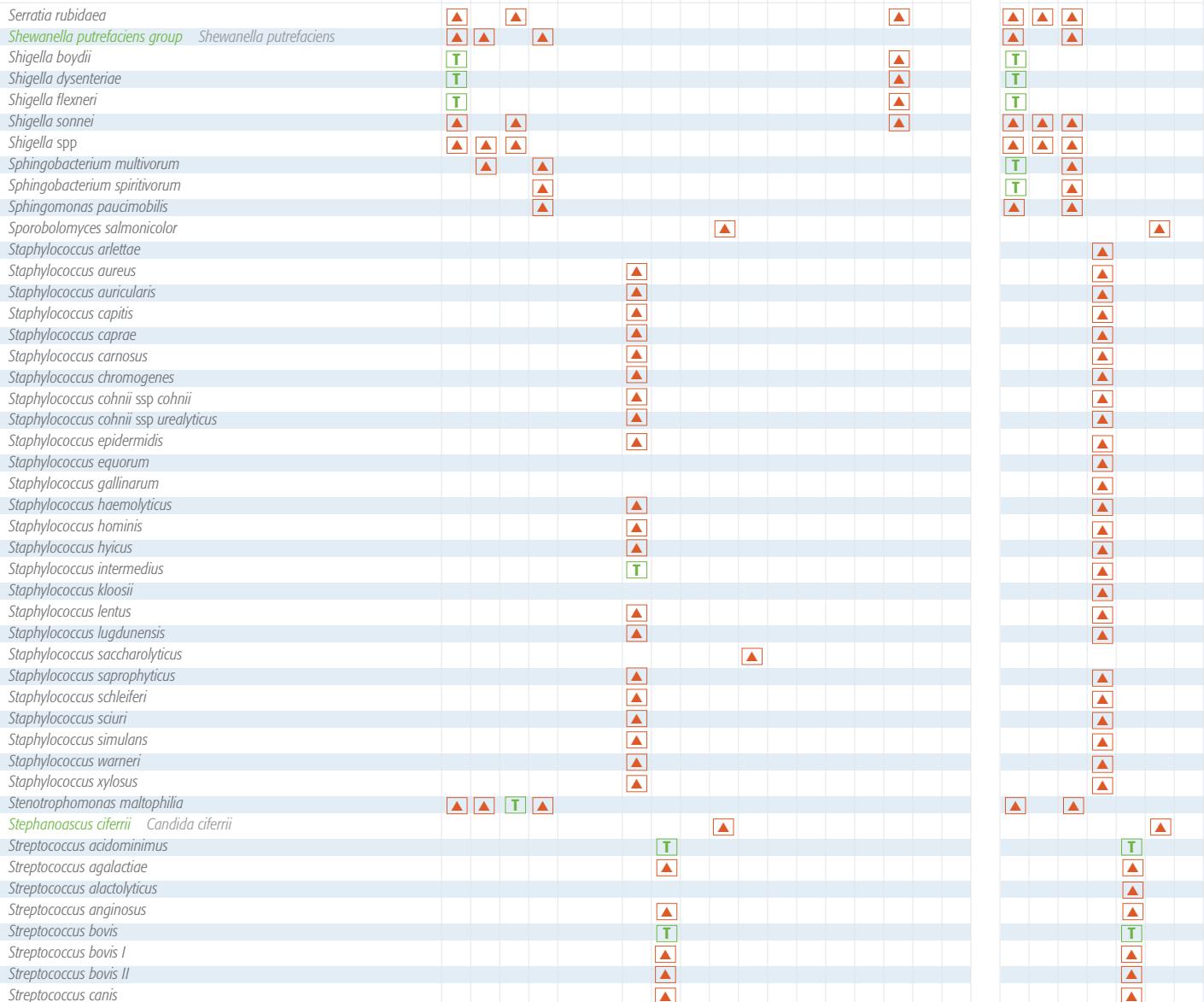
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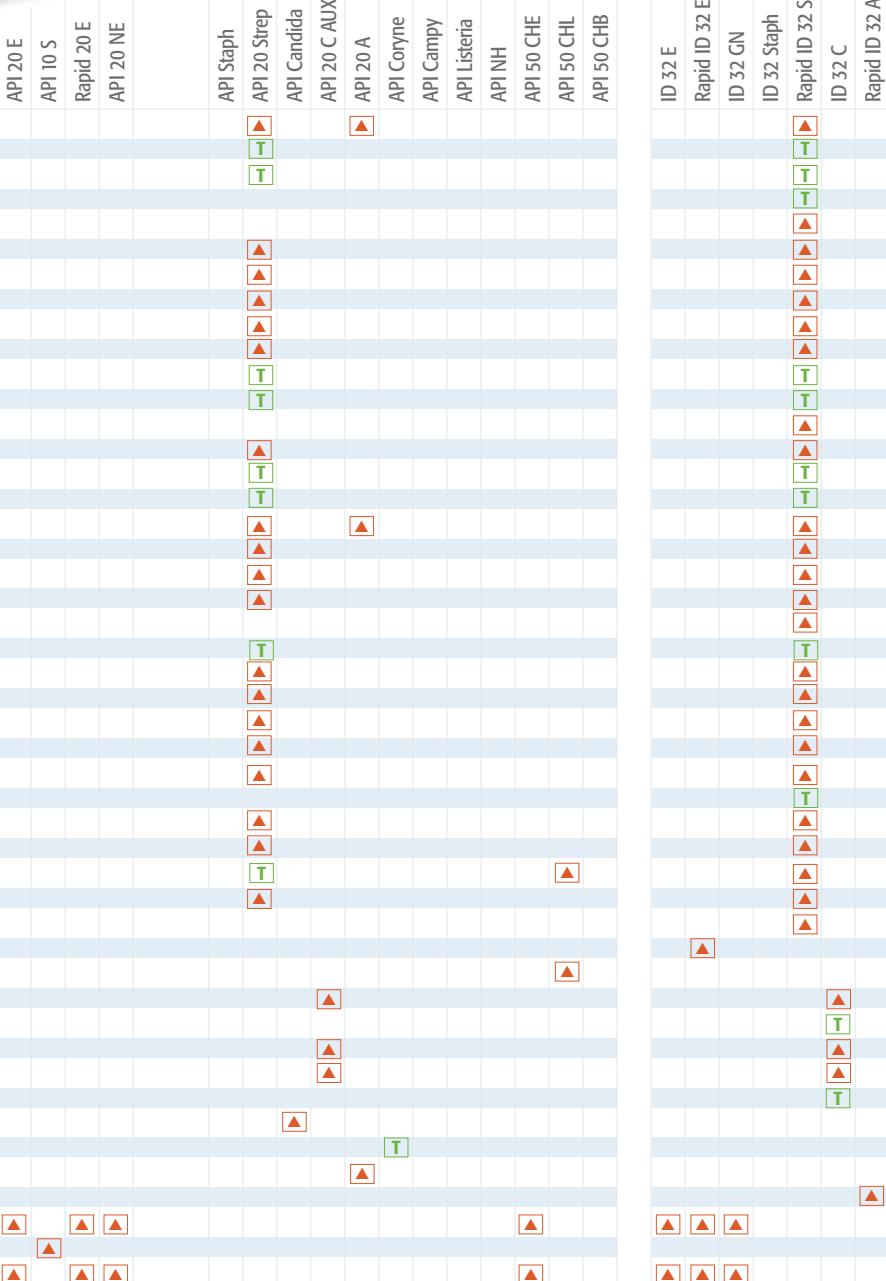
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Streptococcus constellatus
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Streptococcus downei/sobrinus
Streptococcus dysgalactiae ssp *dysgalactiae*
Streptococcus dysgalactiae ssp *equisimilis*
Streptococcus equi ssp *equi*
Streptococcus equi ssp *zoopidemicus*
Streptococcus equinus
Streptococcus gallolyticus ssp *gallolyticus* ***
Streptococcus gallolyticus ssp *pasteurianus* ***
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Streptococcus pluranimalium ***
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Streptococcus porcinus
Streptococcus pyogenes
Streptococcus salivarius *Streptococcus salivarius* ssp *salivarius*
Streptococcus sanguinis *Streptococcus sanguis*
Streptococcus sobrinus
Streptococcus suis I
Streptococcus suis II
Streptococcus thermophilus *Streptococcus salivarius* ssp *thermophilus*
Streptococcus uberis
Streptococcus vestibularis
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Tetragenococcus halophilus
Trichosporon asahii
Trichosporon asteroides
Trichosporon inkin
Trichosporon mucoides
Trichosporon ovoides
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Vibrio alginolyticus
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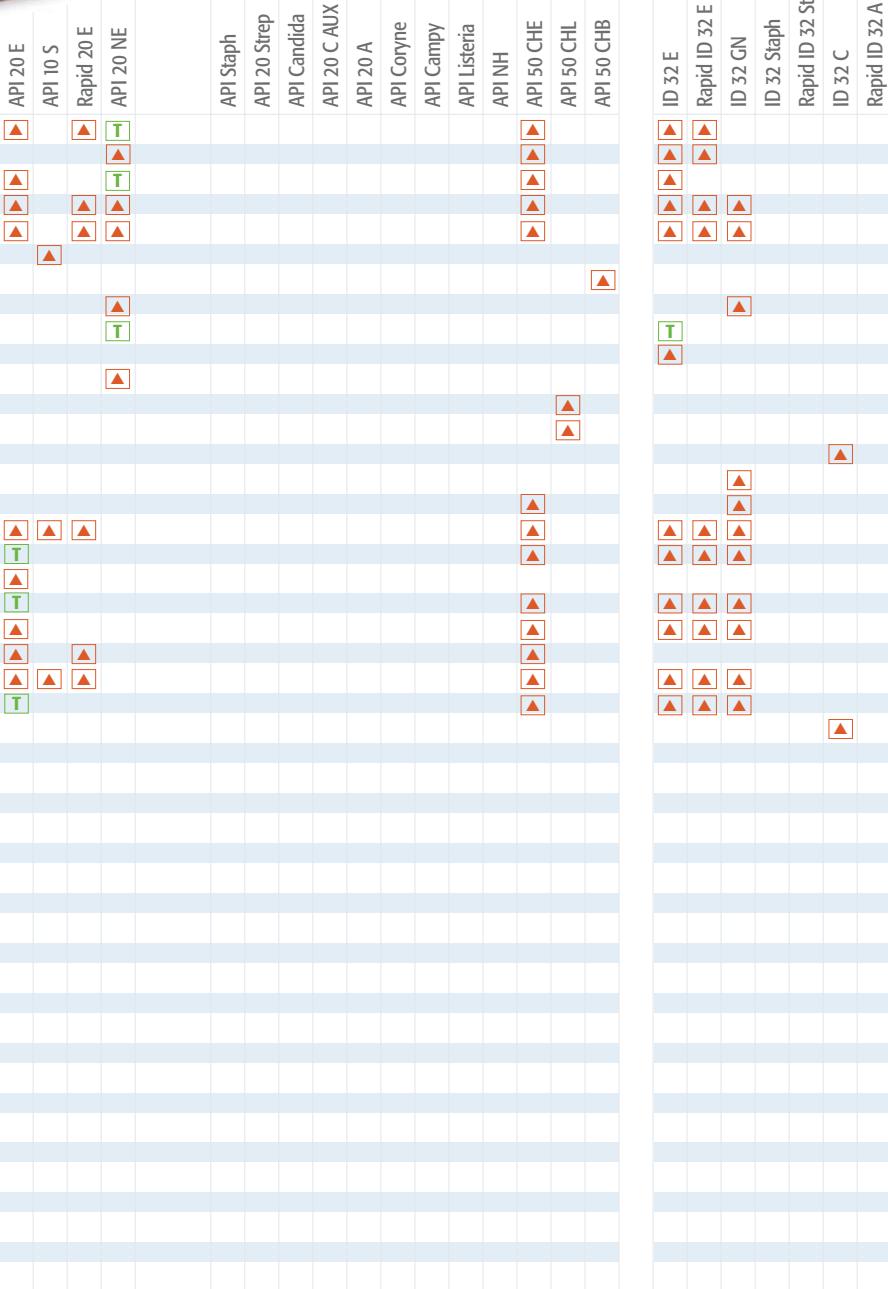
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Vibrio vulnificus
Vibrio vulnificus/cholerae
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Wautersia paucula CDC gr.IV C-2 - *Ralstonia paucula*
Weeksella virosa
Weeksella virosa/Bergeyella zoohelcum
Weeksella virosa/Empedobacter brevis
Weissella confusa "Lactobacillus coprophilus"
Weissella viridescens
Williopsis saturnus *Hansenula saturnus*
Xanthomonas campestris
Yersinia alvdovae
Yersinia enterocolitica
Yersinia frederiksenii
Yersinia frederiksenii/intermedia
Yersinia intermedia
Yersinia kristensenii
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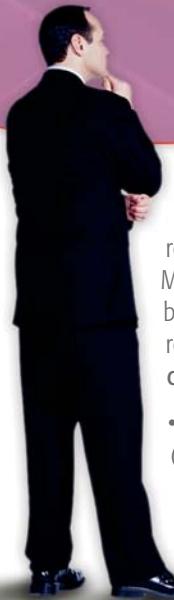
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DESCRIPTION OF SPECIES RECENTLY INTEGRATED INTO THE DATABASES

STREPTOCOCCUS GROUP

- *Aerococcus urinae* (ref. 42).
New species of the *Aerococcus* genus isolated from patients with urinary tract infections.
- *Globicatella sanguinis* (ref. 44).
New gram-positive catalase-negative bacterium isolated from human sources.
The strains were isolated in cases of **bacteremia, urinary tract infections** and **meningitis**.
- *Streptococcus constellatus* ssp *constellatus* (ref. 45).
The strains of this species are often beta-hemolytic and belong to Lancefield group F or are non-hemolytic and not serologically groupable.
Certain strains react to Lancefield group A, C and G antisera.
They are found in the oral cavity and upper respiratory tract.
The strains were isolated in cases of **purulent infections** including **appendicitis** in humans.
- *Streptococcus constellatus* ssp *pharyngis* (ref. 45).
The strains of this species are beta-hemolytic and belong to Lancefield group C.
The strains were isolated from human throat samples (**pharyngitis**) and clinical samples (e.g. abdominal mass).
- *Streptococcus gallolyticus* ssp *gallolyticus* (ref. 41).
This sub-species includes strains identified as *S. bovis* biotype I.
Most of the strains were isolated from the feces of marsupials (koalas, kangaroos, brushtail possums, opossums) and other mammals including cows, horses, pigs, dogs and guinea pigs.



Certain strains were isolated from sheep rumens and it has been shown that some are responsible for **bovine mastitis**. Most of the human strains were isolated from blood or stool samples; they were often responsible for **endocarditis** associated with colon cancer.

- *Streptococcus gallolyticus* ssp *pasteurianus* (ref. 41).

This new sub-species comprises strains formerly identified as *S. bovis* II.2.

The strains of this species were isolated in miscellaneous human infections, primarily **bacteremia** and **endocarditis**.

Certain strains were isolated in cases of urinary tract infections or purulent infections.

- *Streptococcus infantarius* (ref. 39).

Formerly identified as *S. bovis* biotype II.1.

(*infantarius* relating to infants, the source of the reference strain). Lancefield group D antigen is present in 40% of strains.

- *Streptococcus infantarius* ssp *infantarius*.

The reference strain was isolated from the stools of a human infant.

Others were isolated from **clinical samples** (blood samples, including cases of **endocarditis**) or **food products** (dairy products and frozen peas).

- *Streptococcus infantarius* ssp *coli*.

The strains of this species were isolated from **human samples**, including infant stools, urine samples and blood samples including some from cases of **endocarditis**.

- *Streptococcus pluranimalium* (ref. 43).

(*Pluranimalium* relating to numerous animals).

The strains of this species were found from sub-clinical **mastitis**, the genital tracts and amygdala of farm animals, the amygdala of goats and cats and lastly from the crops and respiratory tract of canaries.

The reference strain of *S. pluranimalium* was isolated from the mastitic milk of a dairy cow.



BACILLUS AND RELATED GENERA

Gram-positive rods which form an endospore are generally assigned to the genus *Bacillus*.

In recent years, the genus has been divided and over a dozen new genera of aerobic endospore-forming bacteria have been proposed:

Alicyclobacillus

Amnophilus

Amphibacillus

Aneurinibacillus

Brevibacillus

Filobacillus

Geobacillus

Gracibacillus

Halobacillus

Jeotgalibacillus

Marinibacillus

Paenibacillus

Salicibacillus

Sporosarcina

Sulfobacillus

Thermobacillus

Ureibacillus

Virgibacillus

Most of the species in these genera are saprophytic and many are widespread in natural settings.

Although certain species are opportunistic or obligate pathogens in animals (humans, mammals, insects), the primary habitats of these microorganisms are soils of all types, fresh and salt water and sediments.

The spores survive easily in habitats other than their original environment, such as food products and industrial sites.

As they are ubiquitous in the environment and resistant, these microorganisms pose real contamination problems:

- They can colonize entire facilities and become true competitors in fermentation processes, potentially leading to costly stoppages while contaminated production facilities are cleaned.
- Moreover, the spores adhere strongly to surfaces, making cleaning operations particularly difficult.
- The spores withstand certain manufacturing processes and can contaminate or deteriorate end products consumed by at-risk populations (children, elderly people, immunodepressed subjects).

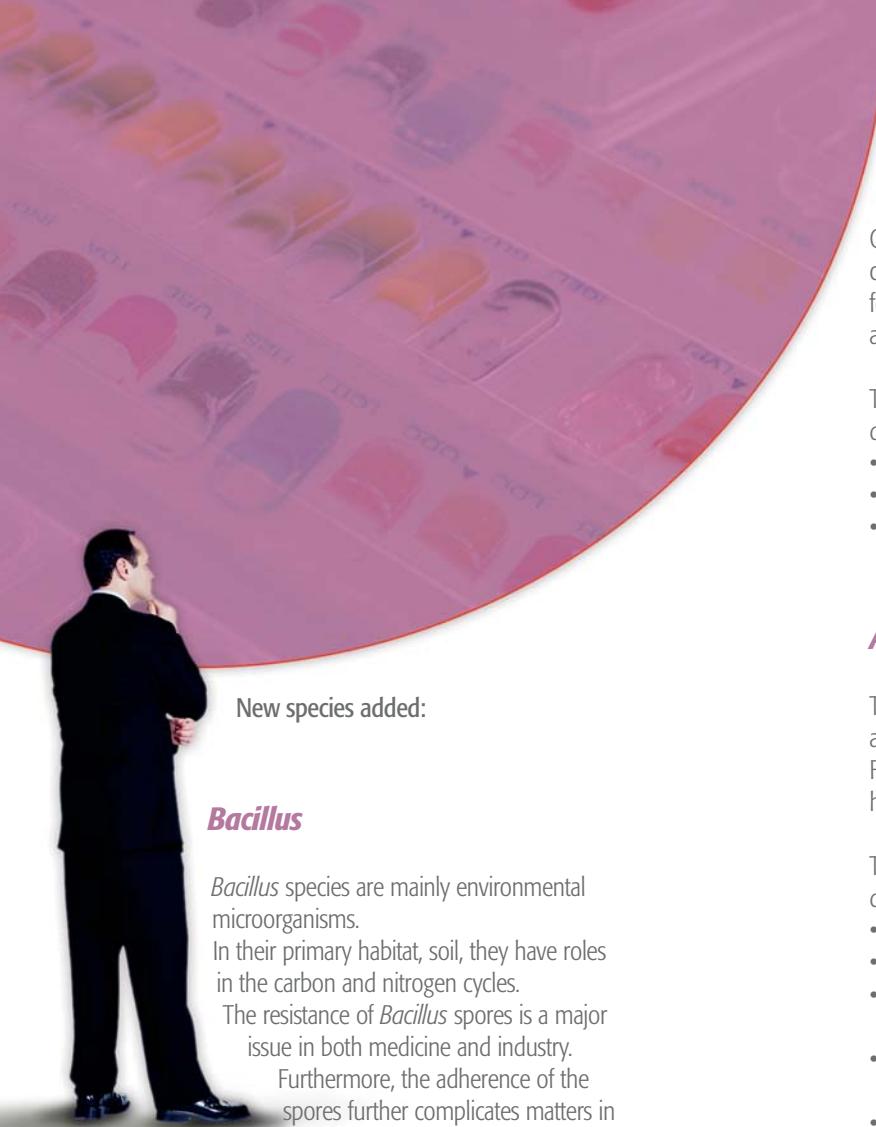
Dried foods such as spices, powdered milk and flour products are often highly contaminated by spores.

Conversely, some of these microorganisms are used in industrial manufacturing processes.

For example, strains of *Bacillus*, *Paenibacillus* and *Brevibacillus* are used in a variety of industries, from foodstuffs to detergents and leather treatment processes.

Certain antibiotic molecules (polymyxin B, bacitracin, etc.) are produced by specific *Bacillus* strains.

In agriculture, the insecticidal or antifungal activity of certain species is harnessed to protect crops.



New species added:

Bacillus

Bacillus species are mainly environmental microorganisms.

In their primary habitat, soil, they have roles in the carbon and nitrogen cycles.

The resistance of *Bacillus* spores is a major issue in both medicine and industry.

Furthermore, the adherence of the spores further complicates matters in industrial processes (food processing, medicinal products, disposable sterile equipment). *Bacillus cereus* spores, for example, adhere well to stainless steel surfaces and cause serious problems in food processing plants.

Pathogenic species:

Bacillus anthracis (anthrax), *Bacillus cereus* (food poisoning), *Paenibacillus larvae* (pathogenic for honey bees) have known pathogenic properties.

Other species are isolated less frequently, in infections caused by accidental or surgical traumas, food poisoning or, more seriously, in cases of endocarditis and septicaemia (ref. 65).

The following new species have been added to the API 50CHB database:

- *Bacillus smithii*
- *Bacillus fusiformis* (in the "non-reactive *Bacillus*" group)
- *Bacillus badius* (in the "non-reactive *Bacillus*" group)

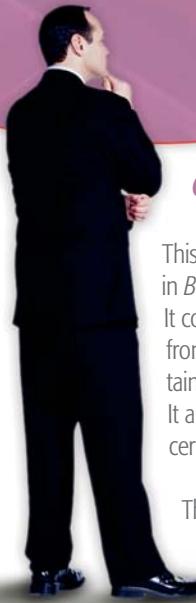
Aneurinibacillus and *Brevibacillus*

These two genera stem from the reclassification of *Bacillus brevis* and *Bacillus aneurinilyticus*.

Five species of *Aneurinibacillus* and 13 species of *Brevibacillus* have been described to date.

The following new species have been added to the API 50CHB database:

- *Aneurinibacillus aneurinilyticus*
- *Brevibacillus agri*
- *Brevibacillus choshinensis*
(in the "non-reactive *Brevibacillus*" group)
- *Brevibacillus centrosporus*
(in the "non-reactive *Brevibacillus*" group)
- *Brevibacillus borstelensis*
(in the "non-reactive *Brevibacillus*" group)



Geobacillus

This new genus (ref. 13) was formerly classified in *Bacillus* group 5.

It comprises thermophilic species isolated from various sources such as geothermal water, tainted foodstuffs and organic compost.

It apparently plays a role in the equilibrium of certain thermal biotopes and temperate soils.

The following new species has been added to the API 50CHB database:

- *Geobacillus thermoglucosidasius*

Paenibacillus

This genus comprises species formerly classified in *Bacillus* group 3 (ref. 50-53).

Paenibacillus species are soil bacteria, though certain species are pathogenic for insects and can occasionally be responsible for infections in mammals.

The most important species in veterinary bacteriology is *Paenibacillus larvae* ssp *larvae* which causes American foulbrood in capped honey bee larvae.

The following new species have been added to the API 50CHB database:

- *Paenibacillus amylolyticus*
- *Paenibacillus glucanolyticus*
- *Paenibacillus laetus*
- *Paenibacillus thiaminolyticus*
- *Paenibacillus validus*
- *Paenibacillus pabuli* (associated with *Paenibacillus polymyxa*)

Virgibacillus

The genus *Virgibacillus* was proposed (ref. 62) to accommodate *Bacillus pantothenticus* and members of this genus show salt tolerance, or their growth is stimulated by salt.

Bacillus pantothenticus was initially isolated in various soil samples from the south of England and was subsequently detected in food products, water and bile samples.

The following new species has been added to the API 50CHB database:

- *Virgibacillus pantothenticus*

OTHER SPECIES

- *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae* (ref. 55).

Contains two provisional biotypes:
Biotype 1 comprises factor V-dependent strains previously classified as *Haemophilus pleuropneumoniae*.
Biotype 2 comprises factor V-independent strains represented by the *Pasteurella haemolytica* strains described by Bertschinger.

This organism causes **porcine necrotic pleuropneumonia**.

- *Fusobacterium necrophorum* ssp *necrophorum* (ref. 46).

Fusobacterium necrophorum ssp *funduliforme*:

This sub-species was previously known as biovar A and B.
Fusobacterium necrophorum ssp *necrophorum* was used for animal strains and *Fusobacterium necrophorum* ssp *funduliforme* for human strains: a hemagglutination

test and Lipase activity can be used to distinguish between them. *Fusobacterium necrophorum* ssp *necrophorum* strains were isolated primarily from **pathological animal lesions** and *Fusobacterium necrophorum* ssp *funduliforme* strains from **animal digestive tracts**.

- *Haemophilus paragallinarum* (ref. 56).

Formerly *Haemophilus gallinarum*.

- *Photobacterium damsela* ssp *piscicida* (ref. 25).

Piscida, meaning fish-killer, from *piscis* (fish) and *cida* from *caedo* (to cut or kill).

The strains were isolated from **diseased fish**.
Formerly known as *Pasteurella piscicida*.

- *Photobacterium damsela* ssp *damselae* (ref. 27).

Formerly known as *Photobacterium damsela*.

The strains were isolated from **diseased fish**.



NOTE

We have been unable to take the most recent update of the *Salmonella* nomenclature into account in our knowledge base (bibliographic references 63 and 64).

For your information, the current nomenclature is as follows:

- *Salmonella choleraesuis*
Salmonella enterica
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *salamae*
Salmonella enterica ssp *salamae*
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *indica*
Salmonella enterica ssp *indica*
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *houtenae*
Salmonella enterica ssp *houtenae*
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *diarizonae*
Salmonella enterica ssp *diarizonae*
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *choleraesuis*
Salmonella enterica ssp *enterica*
- *Salmonella choleraesuis* ssp *arizona*
Salmonella enterica ssp *arizona*
- *Salmonella typhimurium*
Salmonella ser. *Typhimurium*
- *Salmonella typhi*
Salmonella ser. *Typhi*
- *Salmonella enteritidis*
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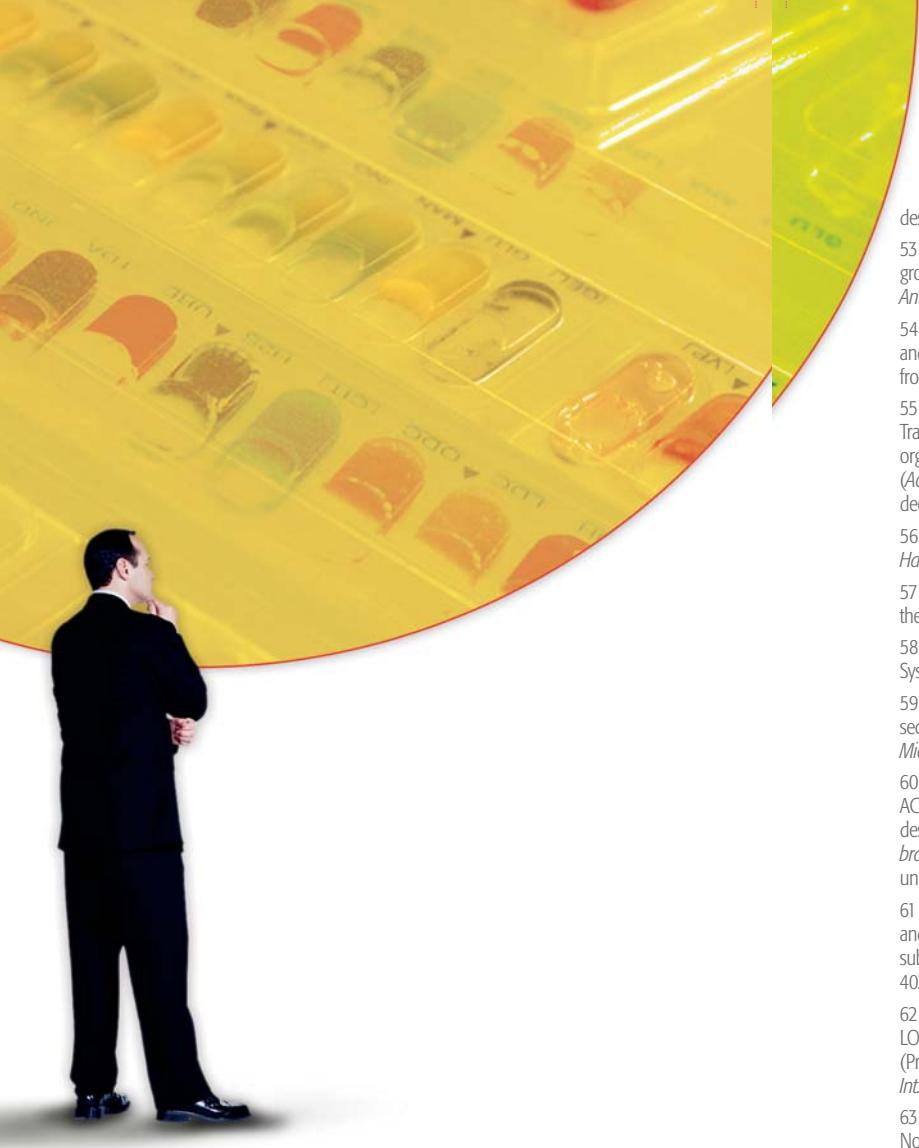
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