Genus: Trueperella old name (Arcanobacterium)

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Genus
Actinobacteria	Actinobacteria	Actinomycetales	Actinomycetaceae	Trueperella

Etymology: Genus name: named after the German microbiologist Hans Georg Trüper

Species epithet: pus producing

Old Species Corynebacterium pyogenes,

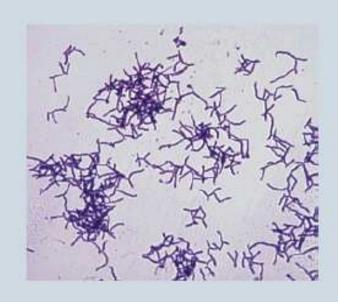
Name(s): Actinomyces pyogenes,

Arcanobacterium pyogenes.

Clinically important Gram positive bacilli

- Spore forming
- 1. Bacillus
- 2. Clostridium
- Non-spore forming
- 1. Corynebacterium
- 2. Listeria
- 3. Lactobacillus

- Bacilli with branching filaments
- 1. Actinomyces
- 2. Nocardia



- The Arcanobacterium comprise a heterologous group of prokaryotes that have the ability to form gram positives ,branching filaments of less than 1 μ m in diameter .
- Arcanobacterium genera includes: Trueperella ,Nocardia, ,Streptomyces ,Actinomadura and Dermatophilus

The main animal pathogens in the Arcanobacterium are in the genera Trueperella, Nocardia and Dermatophilus.

Fungi are eukaryotes and their filaments (hyphae) are always greater than 1 μm in width

Nocardia is closely related to Corynebacterium, Mycobacterium and Rhodococcus but Trueperella differs from these in its DNA guanine /cytosine ratio and in the chemical composition of its cell wall

Natural Habitat

- The Arcanobacterium species are present on mucous membrane of the host animals, often in the oral cavity or nasopharynx.
- ➤ Arcanobacterium pyogenes is a commensal in the oral cavity of cattle.
- Nocardia species are soil microorganisms The pathogenic Arcanobacterium have a worldwide distribution.

Arcanobacterium species

- ➤ Infections by these organisms tend to be endogenous and most of the species cause Polyogranulomatous reactions in animal tissues.
- Acanobacterium pyogenes (formerly Actinomyces pyogenes) often cause severe clinical mastitis characterized by thick, purulent secretion.

- ➤ Sources include wound infections, teat injuries, udder infections, abscesses, and genital tracts.
- ➤ Spread appears due to contact of teats with a contaminated environment, such as calving areas and dry cow housing.
- Mastitis caused by *A. pyogenes* is more common in humid weather.

- Arcanobacterium pyogenes also gains access to the alveolar region of the jaw in cattle from the oral cavity, probably through trauma to the mucosa.
- ➤ It initiates a rarefying osteomyelitis and soft tissue reaction, the condition being referred to as (lumpy jaw).





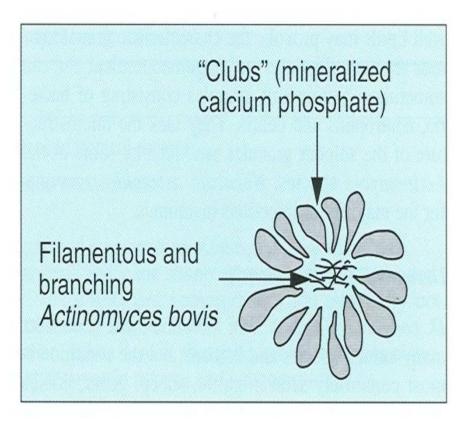






➤ Bacterial colonies form in the tissue with clubs of mineralized calcium phosphate forming around them to create microscopic (club colonies) or (rosettes)

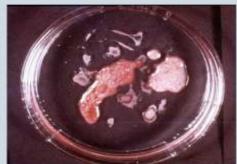
Fig:1.the result of phosphates activity and is a host reaction to a chronic infection. Granulation ,mononuclear infiltration fibrosis occur in the lesions with sinus tract leading to the outside Exudate form the tracts contains pus with (sulphur granules) that are about 1-2 mm in diameter, within which club colonies can be found in the granules are crushed and examined microscopically.



Lab Diagnosis

 Specimens – open biopsy, aspiration material containing Sulphur granules (yellowish mycelial masses)









Nocardia species

Genus: Nocardia

Nocardia species

Named after Edmond Nocard, in 1888 described the organism in cattle with bovine farcy. There is another name (L-form bacteria) bacteria lack classical cells wall composition

Bovine Nocardiosis

- **❖**Bovine mastitis,
- cutaneoussubcutaneous abscesses,
- and pneumonia in companion animals are the most common clinical manifestations of Nocardiosis





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