

Genus *Defluviibacillus*

Etymology

[De.flu.vi.i.ba.ci'llus] **L. neut. n.** *defluvium*, sewage; **L. masc. n.** *bacillus*, rod-shaped bacterium; **N.L. masc. n.** *Defluviibacillus*, indicating a rod-shaped bacterium from sewage

Nomenclatural type

Species *Defluviibacillus avedoerensis*^{Ts}

Description

A genus of rod shaped bacteria found in activated sludge. Type species is *Defluviibacillus avedoerensis*.

The type species is a rod shaped bacteria ($2.1 \pm 0.4 \times 0.6 \pm 0.1 \mu\text{m}$) abundant in activated sludge globally.

Based on genome-wide gene annotation it has the potential for full glycolysis, pentose phosphate pathway, citric acid cycle and glyoxylate pathway. It furthermore showed potential for transportation of polar amino acids and branched amino acids.

Presence of *narGHI* genes showed potential to reduce nitrate along with potential for further conversion via *norB*. It also had the potential to reduce nitrite to nitric oxide via nitrite reductase, *nirS*.

Defluviibacillus avedoerensis had predicted all genes of the three pathways (polyP, glycogen and PHA) associated with Pao metabolism.

Classification

Bacteria » *Pseudomonadota* » *Betaproteobacteria* » *Burkholderiales* » *Burkholderiaceae* » *Defluviibacillus*

References

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