



NEISSERIA MENINGITIDIS



Neisseria meningitidis is a coccus shaped bacterium that exists in pairs and can cause bacterial meningitis. Meningitis is an inflammation of the membranes surrounding the brain and spinal cord. Fever, headache, and a stiff neck are the most common symptoms of the infection. *N. meningitidis* can also cause an infection of the blood, known as meningococemia.

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