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Table 4. Blood Culture Results from IE Cases

Documented and Common Oral Species Group*	Number Reported
<i>Streptococcus mitis</i> †	6
<i>Streptococcus sanguis (sanguinis)</i>	4
<i>viridans group streptococci</i>	3
<i>Streptococcus anginosus</i>	2
<i>Streptococcus oralis</i> †	2
<i>Streptococcus mutans</i>	2
<i>Streptococcus salivarius</i>	2
<i>Streptococcus gordonii</i>	1
<i>Haemophilus parainfluenzae</i>	1
<i>Granulicatella adiacens</i>	1
<i>Cardiobacterium spp.</i>	1
<i>Lactobacillus spp.</i>	1
<i>Rothia dentocariosa</i>	1
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	<i>Subtotal</i> 27 (44%)
Indeterminate‡	
Streptococcus not otherwise specified (NOS)	2
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	<i>Subtotal</i> 2(3%)
Unlikely Oral Species§	
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	11
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	10
Group B <i>Streptococcus/Streptococcus agalactiae</i>	5
<i>Enterococcus species</i>	1
<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i>	1
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i>	1

<i>Corynebacterium diphtheriae</i>	1
<i>Corynebacterium</i>	1
Group A beta hemolytic <i>streptococcus</i>	1
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	1

Subtotal 33 (53%)

Total 62 (100%)

* Documented oral species indicates that these are common to the mouth, and some are particularly common in dental plaque, or a gingival or periodontal pocket.³²

† Three cases had both *S. mitis* and *S. oralis* in their blood culture.

‡ Indeterminate indicates that the bacteria could not be categorized without further identification.

§ Unlikely oral species indicates that these bacteria are generally recognized as being from non-oral anatomical regions. However, some of these species have been cultured from specific regions of the mouth (*e.g.*, *S. epidermidis*^{32,33} and *Enterococcus faecalis*).³⁵