

# Plate Growth Distribution Training Guide

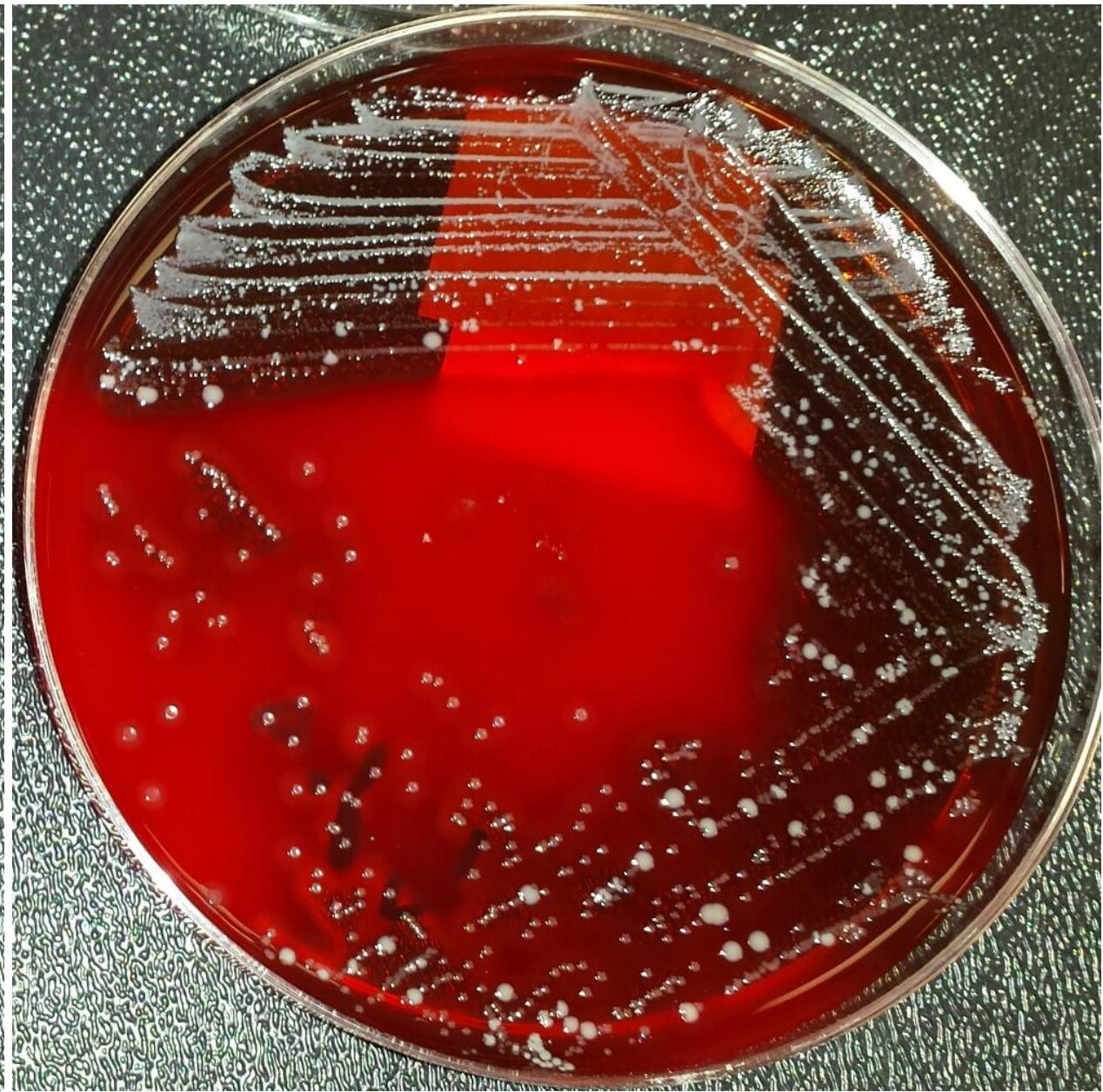
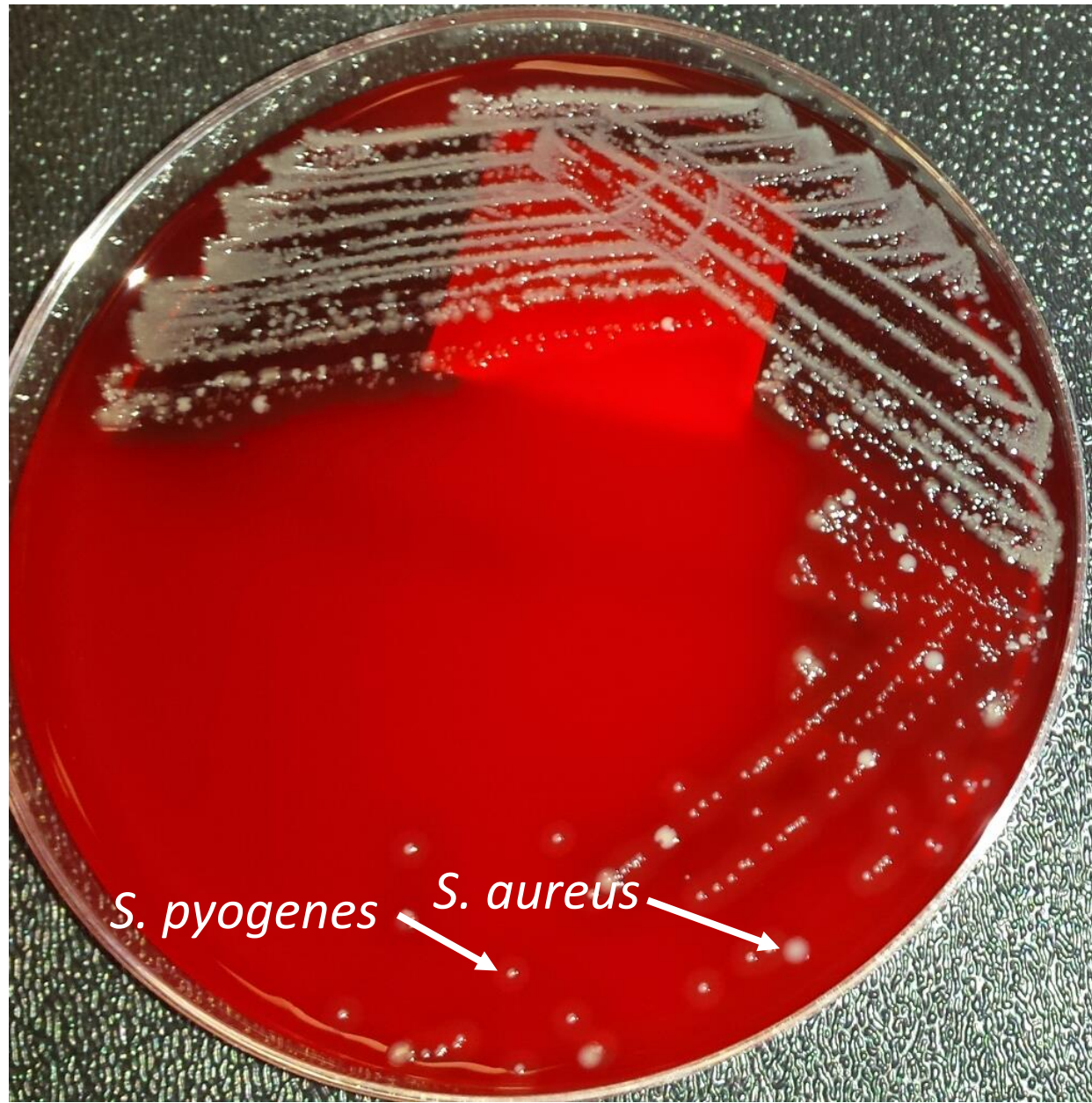
## Upper Respiratory Tract Culture



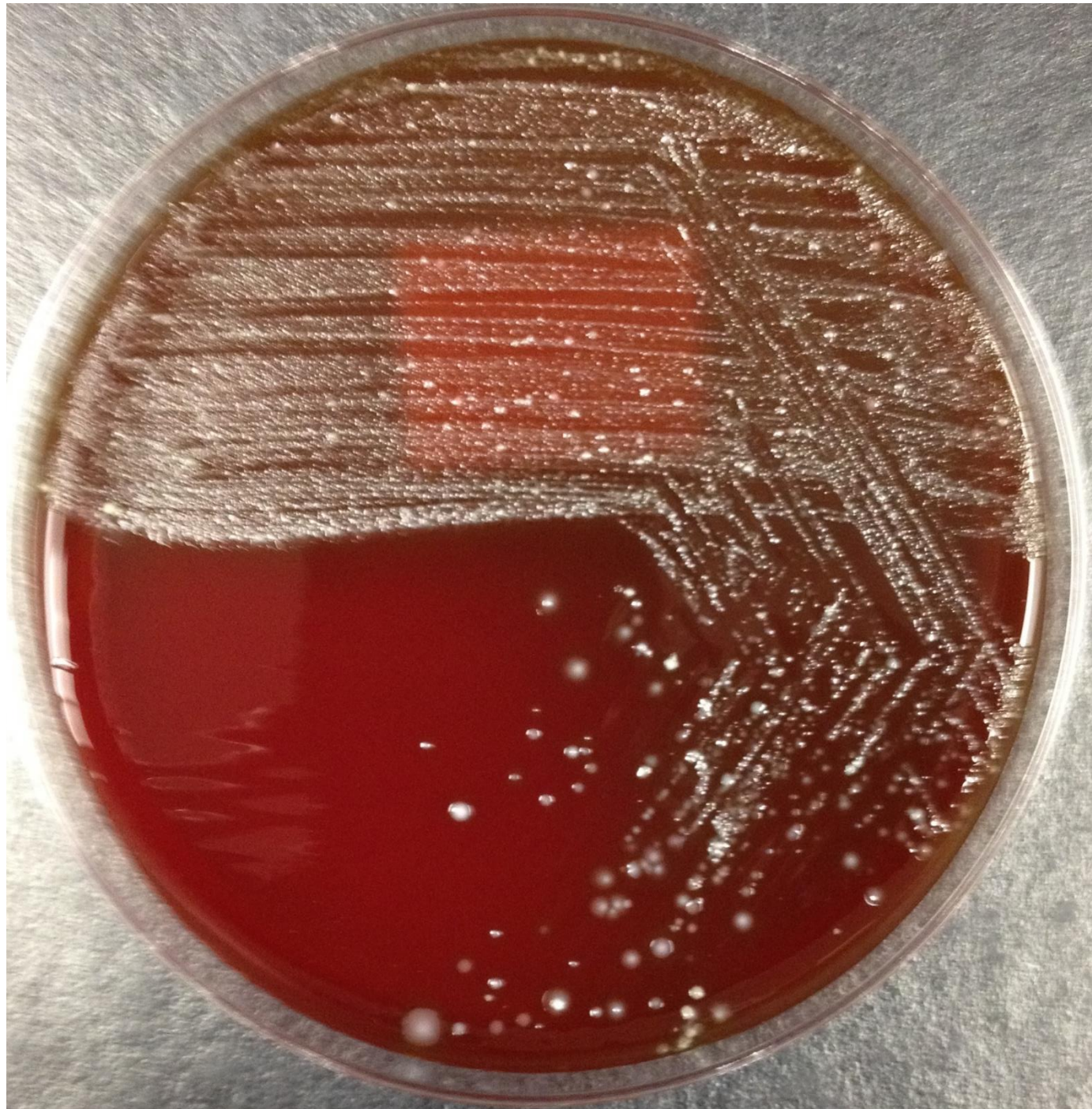
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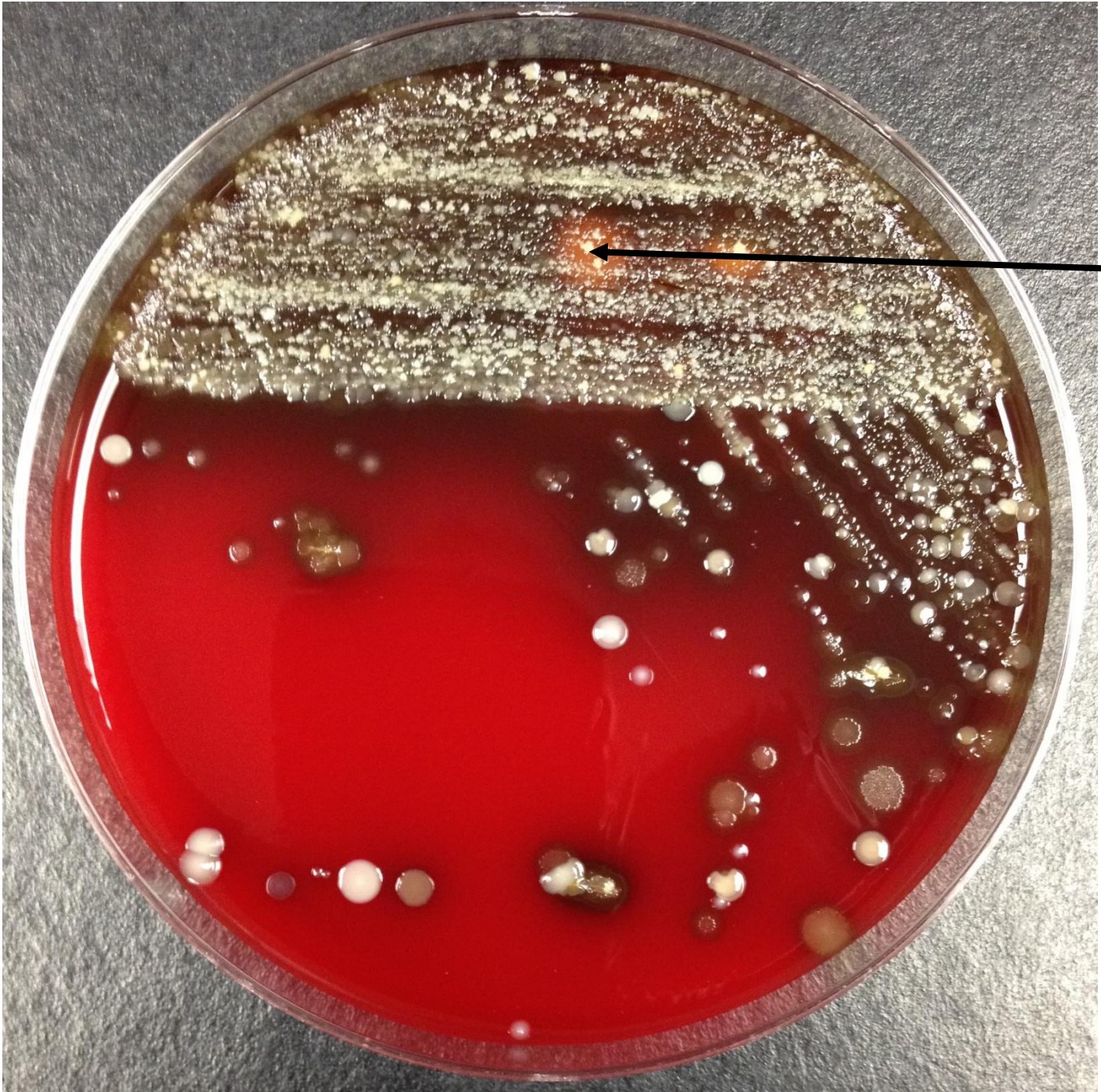
Throat culture (blood, Strep selective agar):  
Abundant *Streptococcus pyogenes*  
Moderate *Staphylococcus aureus*



Abscess culture (anaerobic blood agar):  
normal oral flora



Throat culture (blood agar):  
normal oral flora with rare  $\beta$ -hemolytic colonies



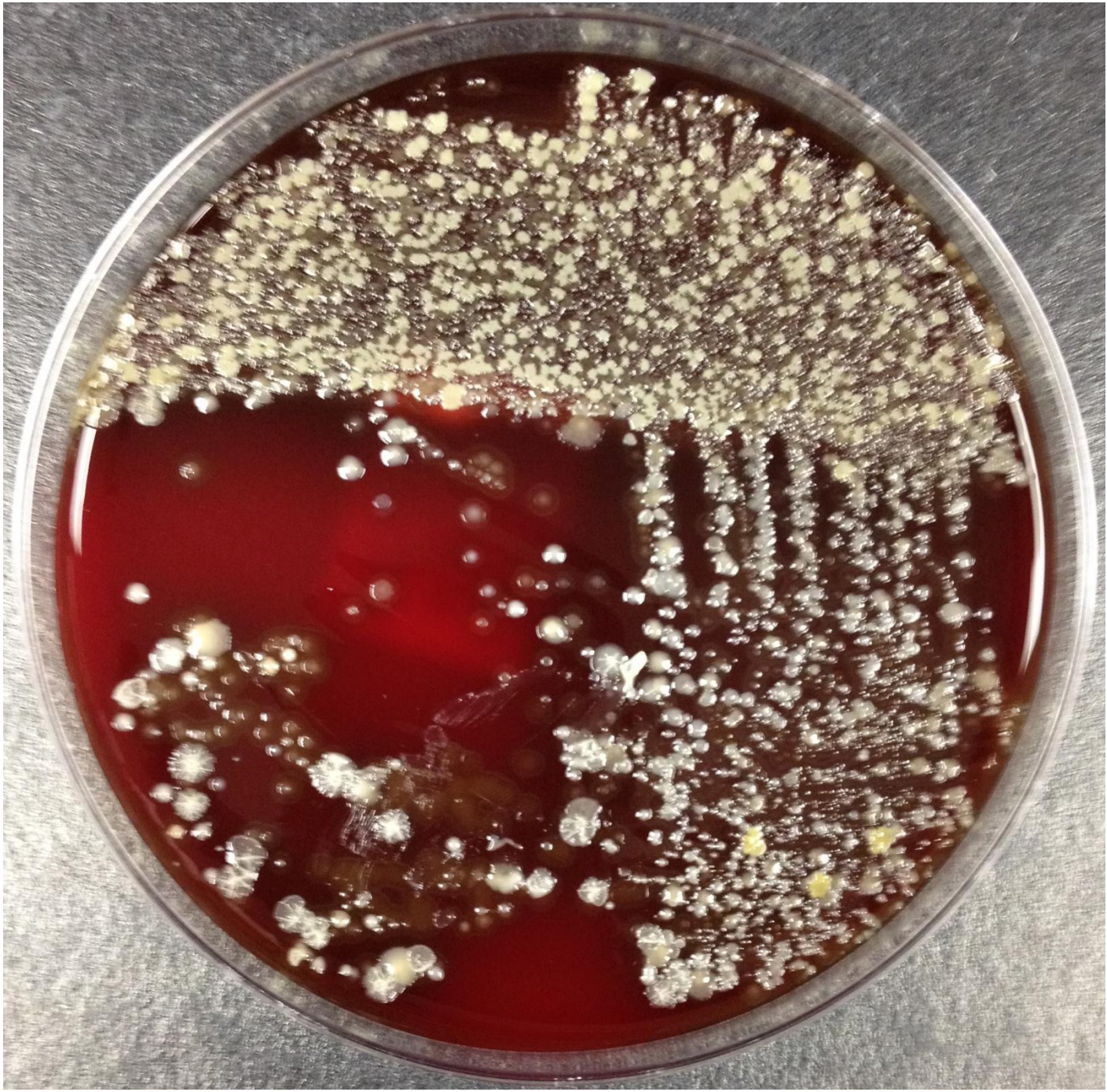
evidence of  $\beta$ -hemolysis

Throat culture (blood agar):  
normal oral flora

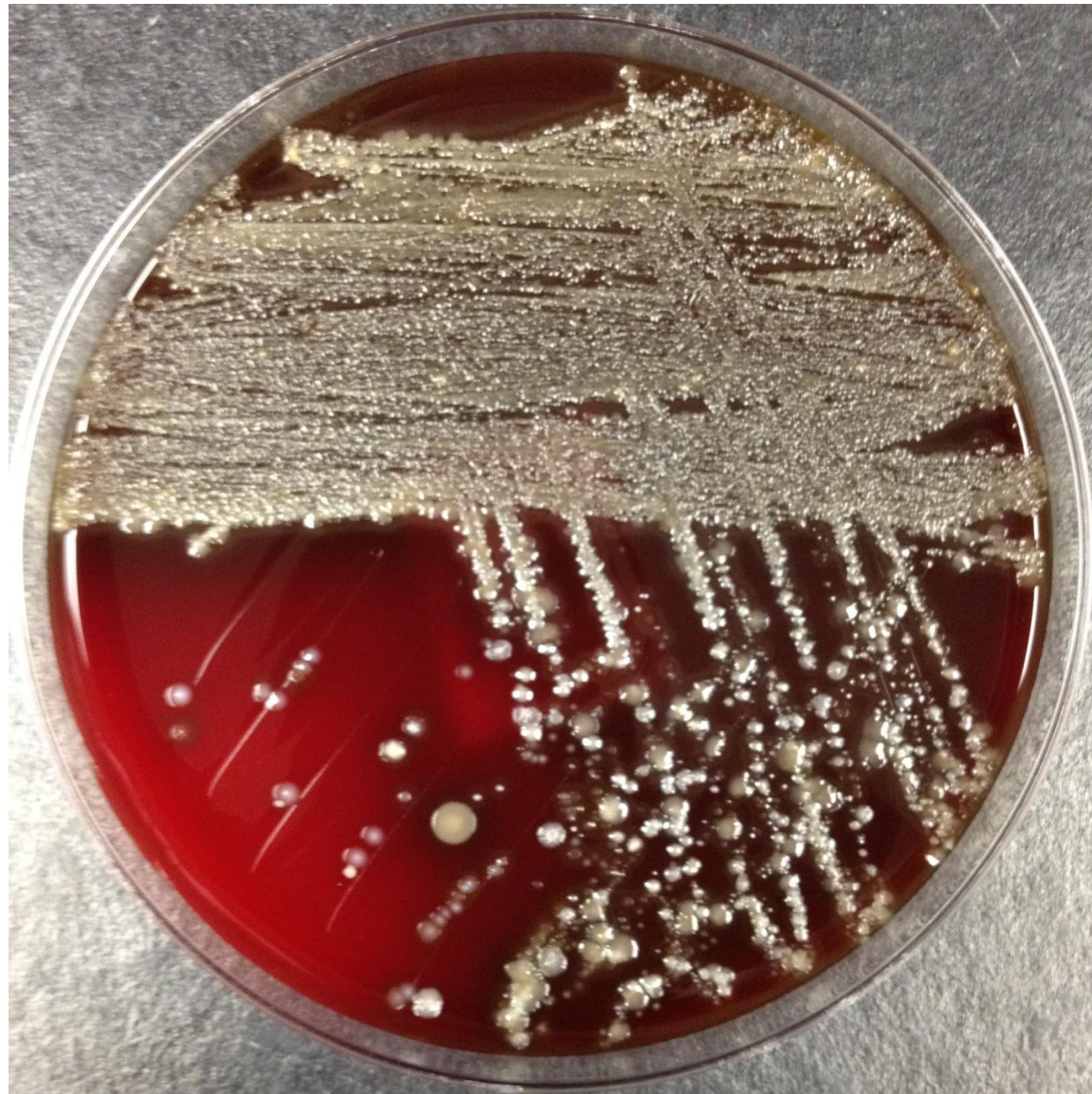




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