



IRON BACTERIA

National Testing Laboratories is now offering testing for iron bacteria. Iron Bacteria presents many problems for water treatment professionals, so an accurate determination of its presence is crucial to appropriate treatment.

Iron bacteria derived their energy from oxidizing iron commonly found in groundwater. There are no health effects associated with the presence of these bacteria, but they can cause aesthetic problems with the water such as taste, odor and staining of laundry and fixtures.

The most common indication of iron bacteria in the water supply is a reddish-brown or yellowish gelatinous slime in water tanks, faucets, toilet tanks, and plumbing. These nuisance bacteria may cause corrosion to treatment equipment, clog screens and pipes, and have a foul odor.

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