

Actinomycosis is an unusual chronic infection caused by a group of anaerobic Gram-positive bacilli from the **Actinomyces** genus. *Actinomyces israelii* is the mainly microorganism involved in human diseases, while *Actinomyces meyeri*, in dissimilarity to other species of *Actinomyces*, is a rare cause of human actinomycosis. *A. meyeri* regularly causes pulmonary disease, but instead there are few cases of empyema, displaying a predisposition for dissemination to distant organs. *A. meyeri* respiratory infection grants nonspecific symptoms or radiological characteristic findings. Consequently, microbiological and histological examinations are imperative for diagnosis.

see [Intracranial actinomycosis](#).

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