Allomyces

*aquatic fungus *strictly aerobic

*spores can swim using flagellae

*decomposes dead plants & animals

Anabaena

*blue-green algae (cyanobacteria; phototrophic)

*large cells process nitrogen, and small cells do photosynthesis *can form a mutualism with mosquito fern

*strict aerobe, phototroph

Beggiatoa

*a microaerophile bacterium found in sulfur-rich environments *can detoxify hydrogen sulfide in soil

*oxidizes sulfur

*can form large mats

*chemoorganotroph or chemoheterotroph

Caldilinea

*green non-sulfur bacteria (phototrophic)

*facultative anaerobe

*found in hot springs and other high-temperature environments *non-motile

Chthoniobacter

*green non-sulfur bacteria (phototrophic)

*yellow color

*strict aerobe involved in soil decomposition

*can use methane as fuel

Clostridium

*strict anaerobe bacteria

*decomposer

*forms long-lasting, heat-resistant spores

*some species produce toxins to cause botulism or tetanus

Dechloromonas

*can decompose chlorine-containing pollution

*can decompose organic pollutants (benzene, toluene) found in oil & paint

*strict aerobe bacteria, can swim

Desulfobacter

*strict aerobe decomposer (bacteria)

*high sulfur environments

*reduces sulfate, producing black precipitate hydrogen sulfide *motile, curved rods

Flavobacterium

*strict aerobe, decomposer, non-motile bacteria

*can cause fish diseases / decompose pollution from nylon manufacture

Fusibacter

*strict anaerobe bacteria
*can tolerate high-salt environments
*can produce acetate (found in nail polish remover)





Geobacter

*electrogenic bacteria (may power your Mudwatt!) *can reduce sulfur compounds *strict anaerobe

*motile

Luteimonas

*one of the green non-sulfur bacteria *yellow color, non-motile *facultative anaerobe *often found in tidal flats

Nitrosococcus

*purple sulfur bacteria

*aerobic

*can oxidize ammonia

*swims

Parabacteroides

*strictly anaerobic bacteria

- *can decompose chlorine-containing pollution
- *non-motile

Phormidium

*blue-green algae (cyanobacteria) *phototroph

*strict aerobe

Rhodobacter

*purple bacteria (phototrophy) *can switch between phototrophy (in light) and chemoheterotrophy (in darkness) *can fix nitrogen, making nitrogen available to other organisms

*facultative anaerobe

Thiobacillus

*aerobic bacteria

*grow using sulfur as an energy source (chemoautotrophy) *colorless

Treponema

*microaerophile bacteria

*some species cause disease but the aquatic species are decomposers of plant matter

*distinctive spiral shape

*swims with a corkscrew motion

Tricladium

*aquatic fungus (non-motile) *decomposes dead plant matter (heterotroph) *spores float but do not actively swim *strict aerobe

Trichococcus

*can grow at very low temperatures (same as in refrigerator) *decomposer bacteria (heterotroph, facultative anaerobe) *can form long chains and "flocs" or clumps in wastewater

