



## Bacteria: The Benign, the Bad, and the Beautiful (Paperback)

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John Wiley Sons Inc, United States, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 1. Auflage. 229 x 155 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A comprehensive, reader-friendly introduction to the world of bacteria When most people hear the word bacteria they think of food poisoning; infections; and acute, debilitating, or fatal diseases. Yet, while E. coli, strep, and other bacterial pathogens certainly cause their share of misery in the world, they are only a tiny portion of a vast universe of microorganisms the most basic of life forms. Without them, nothing else could live or grow on Planet Earth. Bacteria: The Benign, the Bad, and the Beautiful introduces you to this diverse, microscopic world and explains the fundamental microbiological concepts you need to explore the life and behavior of bacteria. Even if you have no previous background in the subject, the book's clear, jargon-free language tells you what you need to know about:

- \* The origins and evolution of bacteria
- \* Some of the fundamental ways in which bacteria have shaped the world
- \* Bacteria commonly found in the healthy human body
- \* Antibiotics and the growing problem of resistance
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