

Rhizopus

Effect on Human Health:

- Severe Ear Infections
- Skin Infections
- Severe Allergic Complications
- Lung Infections

Symptoms Include:

- Ear Aches
- Congestion
- Sore Throat
- Wheezing
- Skin Rashes
- Abrasions
- Shortness of Breath
- Mucus in Lungs

Method of Transmission

- Airborne
- Contact with Skin

Clinical Information

- This mold is feces dependant and thrives on or near natural fertilizers or organic fertilizers. Rhizopus also thrives in crawlspaces where rodent excrement is found.
- This mold which is responsible for food spoilage has a severe affect on those with debilitated immune systems such as children, the elderly and post-op patients.
- Lowers and suppresses the whit blood cells in the lungs which leads to oppportunistic infections.
- Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) are attributed to this mold at certain stages of its existence.
- This mold, which is normally found growing on animal feces, can get into our food supply to reproduce. It also causes a wide variety of ear infections.