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Cover photograph (Copyright © 2016 Tytgat et al. All Rights Reserved.): *Enterococcus faecium* E1165 expresses pili on its cell surface with remarkable sequential, immunological, and functional similarity to the pili of the model probiotic *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* GG. *L. rhamnosus* GG SpaC pilin antibodies colocalize with *E. faecium* PilB pilin antibodies on E1165 pili. The image depicts *E. faecium* E1165 cells incubated with gold particles that were labeled with either PilB antibodies (10 nm) or SpaC antibodies (15 nm). Both labels colocalize on the pili of E1165, indicating the similarity of the pili of both species. (See related article on page 5756.)