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## **WORTH LISTENING TO SOME TED TALKS ABOUT MICROBES!**

**TED** is an acronym standing for **Technology, Entertainment, Design**. It has been created in February 1984 by Richard Saul WURMAN as an initial conference, which has then evolved into famous annual events since 1990.

Inspired by *Silicon Valley* mentality, it has expanded from technology and design into the research and practice of scientific (and cultural) topics. All TED speakers must wrap-up their talks within a maximum of 18 minutes. '*Ideas worth spreading*' talks are available online for free at [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com).

Medical talks can show very interesting, as they provide a "*glimpse into the future of healthcare*", attracting prestigious speakers including many winners of the Nobel Prize. I recommend you several short talks about our microbial community, which will show enlightening and motivating.

Start with Rob KNIGHT: "*How our microbes make us who we are*" (more than 1.5 million of views, giving an idea of its quality and attractiveness). Then, you can follow-up with Jonathan EISEN: "*Meet your microbes*" and several others that will confirm two things. In first, our microbial partners are worth discovering and exploring further. In second, they deserve all our respect: antibiotics can be live-saving friends, but also dreadful foes...