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con·ge·ner  (kŏn jə-nər)

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n.

1. A member of the same kind, class, or group.
2. An organism belonging to the same taxonomic genus as another organism.
3. *Chemistry* A compound produced in the same process that produces another, often structurally similar compound.

[From Latin, of the same race : *com-*, *com-* + *genus*, *gener-*, race; see **gena-** in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

con'ge·ner ic (-nĕr ĭk), **con·gen er·ous** (kən-jĕn ər-əs, kŏn-) *adj.*

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