Revised Nomenclature of *Campylobacter laridis*, *Enterobacter intermedium*, and “*Flavobacterium branchiophila*”

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The names *Campylobacter laridis*, *Enterobacter intermedium*, and “*Flavobacterium branchiophila*” are revised to *Campylobacter lari*, *Enterobacter intermedius*, and “*Flavobacterium branchiophilum*,” respectively, according to Rule 12c of the *International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria*.

The specific epithets for three species that have been named since 1980 are in violation of Rule 12c of the *International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria* (5). These are *Campylobacter laridis* (1), *Enterobacter intermedium* (4), and “*Flavobacterium branchiophila*” (6). The first two were validated in 1984 (3) and 1980 (2), respectively; the third has not been validated yet.

The specific epithets in *E. intermedium* and “*F. branchiophila*” are adjectives. According to Rule 12c (1) of the *International Code*, they must agree in gender with the generic names and, thus, should be revised to *Enterobacter intermedius* and “*Flavobacterium branchiophilum*.” In the case of *C. laridis*, the specific epithet is a substantive indicating the occurrence of the organism in the intestinal tracts of gulls, *Larus* sp. Since the latter is a Latin word (nom. *larus*), the epithet in the genitive case must be *lari*, and the revised name should be *Campylobacter lari*.

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