Proposed revision of Rule 33c to perpetuate the
citation of revived names

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All names published prior to 1980 that were not included in the Approved Lists are available for reuse without reference to their past application. However, the International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria endorses the revival of disused names in the sense in which they were previously used and provides Rules (28a, 33c and 33d) as guidance. Nevertheless, the Code is obscure as to how citations are to be reported for this use to be perpetuated in subsequent nomenclatural revisions. A revision of Rule 33c is proposed.

Rule 33c

It is proposed that Rule 33c be revised to specify citation in this way by changing the example from \textit{Bacillus palustris} sp. nov., nom. rev. to \textit{Pseudomonas cepacia} sp. nov., nom. rev., and amending Note 2 to read:

\begin{quote}
\textit{Note 2}. If authors wish to indicate the names of the original authors of a revived name, they may do so by citation of the name of the taxon, followed by the word ‘ex’ and the names of the original authors and the year of publication, in parentheses, followed by the abbreviation ‘nom. rev’.
\end{quote}

Example: \textit{Pseudomonas cepacia} (Burkholder 1950) sp. nov., nom. rev., proposed by Palleroni\& Holmes 1981. An author who subsequently referred to this revived name should use the citation \textit{Pseudomonas cepacia} (ex Burkholder 1950) Palleroni\& Holmes 1981. If the name is subsequently revised, its origins should be perpetuated by the inclusion of the original citation in the form \textit{Burkholderia cepacia} (Palleroni\& Holmes 1981 ex Burkholder 1950) Yabuuchi et al. 1993.

Where a name has clearly been proposed as a revived name, but the authors did not use this formulation, it may subsequently be introduced by following authors.

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