Opinion

The adjectival form of the epithet in *Tannerella forsythensis* Sakamoto *et al.* 2002 is to be retained and the name is to be corrected to *Tannerella forsythia* Sakamoto *et al.* 2002. Opinion 85

Judicial Commission of the International Committee on Systematics of Prokaryotes

The Judicial Commission rules that the adjectival form is to be conserved in the specific epithet *forsythia* in *Tannerella forsythia*.

References


At its meetings in July 2005, at the IUMS Congress in San Francisco, the Judicial Commission of the International Committee on Systematics of Prokaryotes ruled that, on the transfer of *Bacteroides forsythus* Tanner *et al.* 1986 to the genus *Tannerella* Sakamoto *et al.* 2002, the adjectival form of the specific epithet is to be conserved. The Request for an Opinion of Maiden *et al.* (2003) has provided ample background to explain the basis on which the original name was formed (Tanner *et al.*, 1986). The altered form proposed on transfer to the genus *Tannerella* Sakamoto *et al.* 2002 was based on a misunderstanding of the intent of the original authors. The authorship of the species name *Tannerella forsythia* corrig. is to be attributed to Sakamoto *et al.* (2002).