The combinations *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *enzymogenes* Christensen and Cook 1978, *L. enzymogenes* subsp. *cookii* Christensen 1978 and *Streptococcus casseliflavus* (Mundt and Graham 1968) Vaughan *et al.* 1979 were in accordance with the International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria at the time of publication in the International Journal of Systematic Bacteriology, but are not to be considered to be included on the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names. Opinion 95

Judicial Commission of the International Committee on Systematics of Prokaryotes

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The Judicial Commission affirms that, according to information presented to it, the combination *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *enzymogenes* Christensen and Cook 1978, the combination *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *cookii* Christensen 1978 (Christensen & Cook, 1978) and the combination *Streptococcus casseliflavus* (Mundt & Graham, 1968; Vaughan *et al.*, 1979) were in accordance with the wording of the 1975 and 1992 revisions of the International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria but they are not to be considered to be included on the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names.

Tindall & Euzéby (2006) presented evidence that the combination *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *enzymogenes* Christensen and Cook 1978, the combination *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *cookii* Christensen 1978 (Christensen & Cook, 1978) and the combination *Streptococcus casseliflavus* (Mundt & Graham, 1968; Vaughan *et al.*, 1979) were in accordance with the wording of the 1975 and 1992 revisions of the International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria (Lapage *et al.*, 1975, 1992) and that according to Rule 24a, Note 1 from the 1975 revision:

‘Names validly published between 1 January 1978 and 1 January 1980 were included in the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names’.

and from the 1992 revision:

‘Names validly published between 1 January 1978 and 1 January 1980 were included in the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names’.

At its meetings in 2008 at the IUMS Bacteriology and Applied Microbiology Congress in Istanbul, the Judicial Commission of the International Committee on Systematics of Prokaryotes ruled that based on information presented by Tindall & Euzéby (2006) these names were in accordance with the rules of the Code and, therefore, are to be considered to have been validly published at the time the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names (Skerman *et al.*, 1980) were published. However, these names were not included on those Lists.

The Judicial Commission also came to the conclusion that according to additional wording in Rule 24a, Note 1:

‘No further names will be added to the Approved Lists. Those names validly published prior to 1 January 1980 but not included in the Approved Lists have no further standing in nomenclature’;
the **combination** *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *enzymogenes* Christensen and Cook 1978, the **combination** *Lysobacter enzymogenes* subsp. *cookii* Christensen 1978 and the **combination** *Streptococcus casseliflavus* (Mundt & Graham, 1968) Vaughan *et al.* 1979 were not included on the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names (Skerman *et al.*, 1980, 1989), are not to be added and are, therefore, not validly published.

Opinion compiled on behalf of the Judicial Commission by B. J. Tindall.

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The author is employed by an organization that offers commercially both taxonomic services and biological material to the scientific community. This may be perceived as a potential conflict of interest.

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