

Errata

Virus Taxonomy – 1999

C. R. Pringle [Arch Virol (1999) 144: 421–426]

The following amendments are necessary to the text of the article reviewing the updated version of the Universal System of Virus Taxonomy recently ratified by the International Committee on Taxonomy of Viruses.

1. On page 427, the dashes signifying “unassigned” adjacent to the genera *Polerovirus* and *Enamovirus* should not be there. These two genera, together with the genus *Luteovirus*, comprise the family *Luteoviridae*.
2. On page 424, standard English spelling has been applied to the names of several viruses included in the family *Retroviridae*. In fact, it is customary to employ the non-standard English spelling of these names used by the virologists who described these viruses originally. Therefore, Avian leucosis virus should be *Avian leukosis virus*, Mouse mammary tumour virus should be *Mouse mammary tumor virus*, Murine leukaemia virus should be *Murine leukemia virus*, and Bovine leukaemia virus should be *Bovine leukemia virus*.

How to write the names of virus species

M. H. V. Van Regenmortel [Arch Virol (1999) 144: 1041–1042]

Two printing errors occurred in above-mentioned paper: on p. 1041, 3rd paragraph, the sentence beginning with “However, taxonomic names ...” should have been printed as follows (amendments highlighted):

However, taxonomic names are not appropriate when referring to physical entities like the virions found in a preparation *or* seen in an electron micrograph.

In addition, the reference on p. 1042, 3rd paragraph, line 3 should be [3], not [4].