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DESIGNATION OF THE TYPE STRAIN OF
BACTEROIDES CORRODENS EIKEN 1958

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ABSTRACT. The strain 333/54-55, a facultatively anaerobic strain from the collection studied by Eiken, is designated as the type strain of Bacteroides corrodens. The strain has been deposited in the National Collection of Type Cultures and in the American Type Culture Collection.

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In 1958 Eiken (1) described a Gram-negative rod which could frequently be isolated from pus from actinomycotic abscesses and from other clinical material by anaerobic culture. The organism was characterized by growing with depressed, "corroding" colonies. Some strains were strict anaerobes, others could be adapted to aerobic growth. A few other authors have also described this organism (2, 3, 5, 6). Eiken did not designate a type strain of the species. In a paper, which is being published elsewhere (4), it is proposed that the strain 333/54-55, a facultatively anaerobic strain from the collection studied by Eiken should be designated as the type strain of the species Bacteroides corrodens Eiken 1958. The strain has been deposited in the National Collection of Type Cultures, London, and in the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland.

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