Citation of the Bacteriological Code (1975 Revision)

It has been pointed out (1) that there are inconsistencies in the citation of the date of the *International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria*. (2). The current revision of the Bacteriological Code was both copyrighted and published in 1975. Furthermore, rule 1a states that this revision should be cited as the 1975 Revision and that it was to apply "from the date of publication (1 January 1976)." Clearly, the intent was to have the code available before 1 January 1976, so that it could become effective on that date. Therefore, the terms "Bacteriological Code 1976 Revision" on the title page and "Bacteriological Code 1976" on the spine of the book are in error. The correct citation remains "Bacteriological Code (1975 Revision)," as directed by rule 1a.

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