



This form should be used for all taxonomic proposals. Please complete all those modules that are applicable (and then delete the unwanted sections).

Code(s) assigned:	2008.027P	(to be completed by ICTV officers)	
Short title: Remove <i>Spiranthes mosaic virus 2</i> from list of approved species (e.g. 6 new species in the genus <i>Zetavirus</i> ; re-classification of the family <i>Zetaviridae</i> etc.)			
Modules attached (please check all that apply):	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
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ICTV-EC or Study Group comments and response of the proposer:

MODULE 6: REMOVE and MOVE

- To remove an existing taxon entirely, complete section (a)
- To remove a taxon from one position and re-assign it elsewhere (e.g. to move an existing species from its current position into a genus THAT ALREADY EXISTS) complete BOTH sections (a) and (b). Please note that if an existing species is being moved into a NEW genus (or family) then you should complete only section (a) in this module but ALSO module 4 (for a new genus) or module 2 (for a new family)

SECTION (a)

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To remove (abolish) the following taxon(s):		
<i>Spiranthes mosaic virus 2</i>		

Old and new composition of the higher taxon that will be depleted by the removal:

Genus *Potyvirus*: 129 species decreased to 128

Argument to justify the removal:

Spiranthes mosaic virus 2 was mistakenly proposed (and accepted) as a new species in 2007. However, it is now clear that SpMV2 is a strain of the existing species *Freesia mosaic virus*. SpMV2 sequences AY685219 and AM748701 (including the entire coat protein) both have 95% aa identity to the corresponding sequence of *Freesia mosaic virus* (EF203688).