

ICTV Plant Virus Subcommittee

Tombusviridae Study Group

2002.P103.02: To include *Japanese iris necrotic ringspot virus* as species in the genus *Carmovirus*, in the *Tombusviridae* family.

Purpose: To correctly assign Japanese iris necrotic ringspot virus.

When first described, *Japanese iris necrotic ringspot virus* was considered to be a species of the genus *Tombusvirus*. Further molecular characterization of the virus has shown that its affinities are with carmoviruses. It is suggested that it be included in the *Carmovirus* genus.