



This form should be used for all taxonomic proposals. Please complete all those modules that are applicable (and then delete the unwanted sections). For guidance, see the notes written in blue and the separate document "Help with completing a taxonomic proposal"

Please try to keep related proposals within a single document; you can copy the modules to create more than one genus within a new family, for example.

MODULE 1: **TITLE, AUTHORS, etc**

<b>Code assigned:</b>	<b>2016.004aG</b>	(to be completed by ICTV officers)
<b>Short title:</b> Modify ICVCN to allow classification of satellite nucleic acids (e.g. 6 new species in the genus <i>Zetavirus</i> )		
<b>Modules attached</b> (modules 1 and 11 are required)	6 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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**List the ICTV study group(s) that have seen this proposal:**

A list of study groups and contacts is provided at <http://www.ictvonline.org/subcommittees.asp> . If in doubt, contact the appropriate subcommittee chair (there are six virus subcommittees: animal DNA and retroviruses, animal ssRNA-, animal ssRNA+, fungal and protist, plant, bacterial and archaeal)

**ICTV Study Group comments (if any) and response of the proposer:**

Date first submitted to ICTV:

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Date of this revision (if different to above):

**ICTV-EC comments and response of the proposer:**

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MODULE 10: **NON-STANDARD**

Template for any proposal not covered by modules 2-9.

non-standard proposal

Code	<b>2016.004aG</b>	(assigned by ICTV officers)
<b>Title of proposal:</b> Modify ICVCN to allow classification of satellite nucleic acids		

**Text of proposal:**

A proposal to formally classify the betasatellite and deltasatellite molecules associated with infection by some geminiviruses has recently been submitted to the ICTV (2016.021a-kP.N.v1.Tolecusatellitidae).

The International Code of Virus Classification and Nomenclature (ICVCN) would need modification to expressly permit this and to specify the word endings for genera and higher taxa.

**The current ICVCN rules 3.32 and 3.33:**

Viroids

3.32

Rules concerned with the classification of viruses shall also apply to the classification of viroids.

3.33

The formal endings for taxa of viroids are the word "viroid" for species, the suffix "-viroid" for genera, the suffix "-viroinae" for sub-families (should this taxon be needed) and "-viroidae" for families.

**Proposed ICVCN rules 3.32 to 3.34 (additions shown in red):**

Viroids and satellite nucleic acids

3.32

Rules concerned with the classification of viruses shall also apply to the classification of viroids and satellite nucleic acids.

3.33

The formal endings for taxa of viroids are the word "viroid" for species, the suffix "-viroid" for genera, the suffix "-viroinae" for sub-families (should this taxon be needed) and "-viroidae" for families.

3.34

The formal endings for taxa of satellite nucleic acids are the suffix "-satellite" for genera, the suffix "-satellitinae" for sub-families (should this taxon be needed) and "-satellitidae" for families.