

Dear Professor Kropinski,

First of all, thank you for all your hard work during retirement in helping to create order in the taxonomy of bacteriophages through the creation of the International Committee of Taxonomy of Viruses (ICTV) Taxonomy Proposals (TaxoProps).

Secondly, I apologize for this late response as I was unsure of what information was required until I was informed by a colleague of the format that was required.

Finally, in response to the Executive Council of ICTV, I am honored and agree to have a subfamily be named Malkevirinae after previous work done in my laboratory. I was born on June 10, 1937.

See below for a short biography.

Sincerely yours,

Horst Malke

Brief Bio:

Horst Malke was born in Alt-Rehfeld, Kreis Crossen/Oder Germany on June 10, 1937.

1955: Paedagogische Hochschule. Potsdam, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Potsdam, GDR

1960: Passed Staatsexamen in Biology and Chemistry.

1961: Postdoctoral training, Institute of Microbiology and Experimental Therapy, Acad. Soc., GDR, Jena.

1962-65: Research Associate, Institute of Microbiology, University of Greifswald, GDR.

1965: A-level doctoral thesis (Dr.rer.nat.), Institute of Microbiology, University of Greifswald, GDR.

1966: Postdoctoral training in Molecular Genetics at Institute of Genetics, University of Cologne, FRG.

1972: B-level doctoral thesis in Microbiology (Dr.sc.nat.), University of Greifswald, GDR.

1973: Head, Streptococcal Genetics Research Unit, Central Institute of Microbiology and Experimental Therapy, Acad. Sci., GDR, Jena.

1974: Rudolf Virchow Prize, Minister of Health, GDR, for work on Streptococcal Genetics.

1976-77: Career Investigator Visiting Scientist Award, Dept. Pediatrics and Microbiology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis Minnesota, USA.

1980: Visiting Scientist Award of the Medical Faculty of Umea, Umea, Sweden.

1980: Facultas docendi, Friederich Schiller University, Jena, GDR.

1980-82: Visiting Research Professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, USA.

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