

**17. Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms  
for the Purposes of Patent Procedure**

Budapest Treaty (1977), modified in 1980  
(Budapest Union)

**Status on February 20, 2025**

State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty	State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty
Albania	September 19, 2003	Lithuania	May 9, 1998
Antigua and Barbuda	June 25, 2019	Luxembourg	July 29, 2010
Armenia	March 6, 2005	Malaysia	June 30, 2022
Australia	July 7, 1987	Mexico	March 21, 2001
Austria	April 26, 1984	Monaco	January 23, 1999
Azerbaijan	October 14, 2003	Montenegro	June 3, 2006
Bahrain	November 20, 2012	Morocco	July 20, 2011
Belarus	October 19, 2001	Netherlands (Kingdom of the) <sup>1</sup>	July 2, 1987
Belgium	December 15, 1983	New Zealand <sup>4</sup>	March 17, 2019
Bosnia and Herzegovina	January 27, 2009	Nicaragua	August 10, 2006
Brunei Darussalam	July 24, 2012	North Macedonia	August 30, 2002
Bulgaria	August 19, 1980	Norway	January 1, 1986
Canada	September 21, 1996	Oman	October 16, 2007
Chile	August 5, 2011	Panama	September 7, 2012
China	July 1, 1995	Paraguay	August 5, 2023
Colombia	July 26, 2016	Peru	January 20, 2009
Costa Rica	September 30, 2008	Philippines	October 21, 1981
Croatia	February 25, 2000	Poland	September 22, 1993
Cuba	February 19, 1994	Portugal	October 16, 1997
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Qatar	March 6, 2014
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	February 21, 2002	Republic of Korea	March 28, 1988
Denmark	July 1, 1985	Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991
Dominican Republic	July 3, 2007	Romania	September 25, 1999
El Salvador	August 17, 2006	Russian Federation	April 22, 1981 <sup>2</sup>
Estonia	September 14, 1996	Rwanda	December 4, 2023
Finland	September 1, 1985	Saudi Arabia	January 16, 2021
France	August 19, 1980	Serbia <sup>3</sup>	February 25, 1994
Georgia	September 30, 2005	Singapore	February 23, 1995
Germany	January 20, 1981	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Greece	October 30, 1993	Slovenia	March 12, 1998
Guatemala	October 14, 2006	South Africa	July 14, 1997
Honduras	June 20, 2006	Spain	March 19, 1981
Hungary	August 19, 1980	Sweden	October 1, 1983
Iceland	March 23, 1995	Switzerland	August 19, 1981
India	December 17, 2001	Tajikistan	December 25, 1991
Indonesia	October 13, 2022	Trinidad and Tobago	March 10, 1994
Ireland	December 15, 1999	Tunisia	May 23, 2004
Israel	April 26, 1996	Türkiye	November 30, 1998
Italy	March 23, 1986	Ukraine	July 2, 1997
Japan	August 19, 1980	United Arab Emirates	May 17, 2021
Jordan	November 14, 2008	United Kingdom <sup>5</sup>	December 29, 1980
Kazakhstan	April 24, 2002	United States of America	August 19, 1980
Kyrgyzstan	May 17, 2003	Uruguay	January 7, 2025
Latvia	December 29, 1994	Uzbekistan	January 12, 2002
Liechtenstein	August 19, 1981	Viet Nam	June 1, 2021

(Total: 90 States)

**DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE FILED UNDER ARTICLE 9(1)(a) OF THE BUDAPEST TREATY  
BY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATIONS**

Organization	Effective Date
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)	March 15, 2023
African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	November 10, 1998
Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)	April 5, 2000
European Patent Organisation (EPO)	November 26, 1980

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<sup>1</sup> Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba. The Netherlands Antilles ceased to exist on October 10, 2010. As from that date, the Treaty continues to apply to Curaçao and Sint Maarten. The Treaty also continues to apply to the islands of Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba which, with effect from October 10, 2010, have become part of the territory of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Europe.

<sup>2</sup> Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

<sup>3</sup> Serbia is the continuing State from Serbia and Montenegro as from June 3, 2006.

<sup>4</sup> With a declaration that this accession shall not extend to Tokelau unless and until a declaration to this effect is lodged by the Government of New Zealand with the depositary on the basis of appropriate consultation with that territory.

<sup>5</sup> The United Kingdom extended the application of the Treaty to the territories of the Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Ile of Man and Gibraltar with effect from January 1, 2021.

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INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITIES UNDER ARTICLE 7 OF THE BUDAPEST TREATY

Institution	Country	Date status acquired
Agricultural Research Service Culture Collection (NRRL)	United States of America	January 31, 1981
All-Russian Collection of Industrial Microorganisms (VKPM)	Russian Federation	August 31, 1987
American Type Culture Collection (ATCC)	United States of America	January 31, 1981
<i>Banco Español de Algas</i> (BEA)	Spain	October 28, 2005
Belgian Coordinated Collections of Microorganisms (BCCM)	Belgium	March 1, 1992
CABI Bioscience, UK Centre (IMI)	United Kingdom	March 31, 1983
China Center for Type Culture Collection (CCTCC)	China	July 1, 1995
China General Microbiological Culture Collection Center (CGMCC)	China	July 1, 1995
<i>Colección Chilena de Recursos Genéticos Microbianos</i> (CChRGM)	Chile	March 26, 2012
<i>Colección de Microorganismos del Centro Nacional de Recursos Genéticos</i> (CM-CNRG)	Mexico	August 25, 2015
<i>Colección Española de Cultivos Tipo</i> (CECT)	Spain	May 31, 1992
<i>Collection nationale de cultures de micro-organismes</i> (CNCM)	France	August 31, 1984
Collection of Industrial Yeasts DBVPG	Italy	January 31, 1997
Collection of Plasmids and Microorganisms (KPD)	Poland	January 26, 2023
Culture Collection of Algae and Protozoa (CCAP)	United Kingdom	September 30, 1982
Collection of Eubiotic and Epiphytic Microorganisms (CEEM)	Russian Federation	August 29, 2024
Culture Collection of Switzerland AG (CCOS)	Switzerland	January 16, 2017
Culture Collection of Yeasts (CCY)	Slovakia	August 31, 1992
Czech Collection of Microorganisms (CCM)	Czech Republic	August 31, 1992
European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC)	United Kingdom	September 30, 1984
Guangdong Microbial Culture Collection Center (GDMCC)	China	January 1, 2016
IAFB Collection of Industrial Microorganisms	Poland	December 31, 2000
International Depository Authority of Canada (IDAC)	Canada	November 30, 1998
International Patent Organism Depository (IPOD), National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)	Japan	May 1, 1981
<i>Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale della Lombardia e dell'Emilia Romagna "Bruno Ubertini"</i> (IZSLER)	Italy	February 9, 2015
Korean Agricultural Culture Collection (KACC)	Republic of Korea	May 1, 2015
Korean Cell Line Research Foundation (KCLRF)	Republic of Korea	August 31, 1993
Korean Collection for Type Cultures (KCTC)	Republic of Korea	June 30, 1990
Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM)	Republic of Korea	June 30, 1990
Lady Mary Fairfax CellBank Australia (CBA)	Australia	February 22, 2010
<i>Leibniz-Institut DSMZ - Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH</i> (DSMZ)	Germany	October 1, 1981
<i>Micoteca da Universidade do Minho</i> (MUM)	Portugal	February 20, 2025
Microbial Culture Collection (MCC)	India	April 9, 2011
Microbial Strain Collection of Latvia (MSCL)	Latvia	May 31, 1997
Microbial Type Culture Collection and Gene Bank (MTCC)	India	October 4, 2002
Moroccan Coordinated Collections of Microorganisms (CCMM)	Morocco	February 20, 2018
National Agriculturally Important Microbial Culture Collection (NAIMCC)	India	July 28, 2020
National Bank for Industrial Microorganisms and Cell Cultures (NBIMCC)	Bulgaria	October 31, 1987
National Collection of Agricultural and Industrial Microorganisms (NCAIM)	Hungary	June 1, 1986
National Collection of Type Cultures (NCTC)	United Kingdom	August 31, 1982
National Collection of Yeast Cultures (NCYC)	United Kingdom	January 31, 1982
National Collections of Industrial, Food and Marine Bacteria (NCIMB)	United Kingdom	March 31, 1982
National Institute for Biological Standards and Control (NIBSC)	United Kingdom	December 16, 2004
National Institute of Technology and Evaluation, Patent Microorganisms Depository (NPMD)	Japan	April 1, 2004
National Measurement Institute (NMI)	Australia	September 30, 1988
<i>Ospedale Policlinico San Martino IRCCS</i>	Italy	February 29, 1996
Polish Collection of Microorganisms (PCM)	Poland	December 31, 2000
Provasoli-Guillard National Center for Marine Algae and Microbiota (NCMA)	United States of America	April 26, 2013
Russian Collection of Microorganisms (VKM)	Russian Federation	August 31, 1987
University of Coimbra Bacteria Culture Collection (UCCCCB)	Portugal	April 25, 2024
VTT Culture Collection (VTTCC)	Finland	August 25, 2010
Westerdijk Fungal Biodiversity Institute (CBS)	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	October 1, 1981

(Total: 52 Authorities)