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**Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans**

*Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans* is a recently discovered fungus that kills amphibians. It is related to *B. dendrobatidis*, which also kills amphibians (from the Greek *dendron*, “tree,” and *bates*, “one who climbs,” referring to a genus of poison dart frogs). *Batrachochytrium* is derived from the Greek words *batrachos*, “frog,” and *chytra*, “earthen pot” (describing the structure that contains unreleased zoospores); *salamandrivorans* is from the Greek *salamandra*, “salamander,” and *vorans*, “eating,” which refers to extensive skin destruction and rapid death in infected salamanders.

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