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Borrelia miyamotoi [bə-rel' e-ə mi' a-mo-to' e]

A genus of gram-negative, anaerobic spirochete bacteria, *Borrelia* was named after French biologist Amédée Borrel. In 1995, Masahito Fukunaga et al. isolated a novel *Borrelia* species and named it *Borrelia miyamotoi*, in honor of

Kenji Miyamoto, who first isolated spirochetes from ixodid ticks in Hokkaido, Japan. Human cases of *B. miyamotoi* infection were subsequently found in Russia in 2011 and North America in 2013.

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