

Dematiaceous mold (de-mat-ee-ay-shus)

A very generic morphological description used for various brown molds that cannot be identified because of undistinguishable spores \ structures or because of too much environmental damage to the mold structures. This identification generally excludes many of the common toxic and more infectious molds found indoors, but on some occasions when the mold is very weathered or damaged, this category could potentially include mold from *Alternaria*, *Epicoccum*, *Ulocladium* or others.