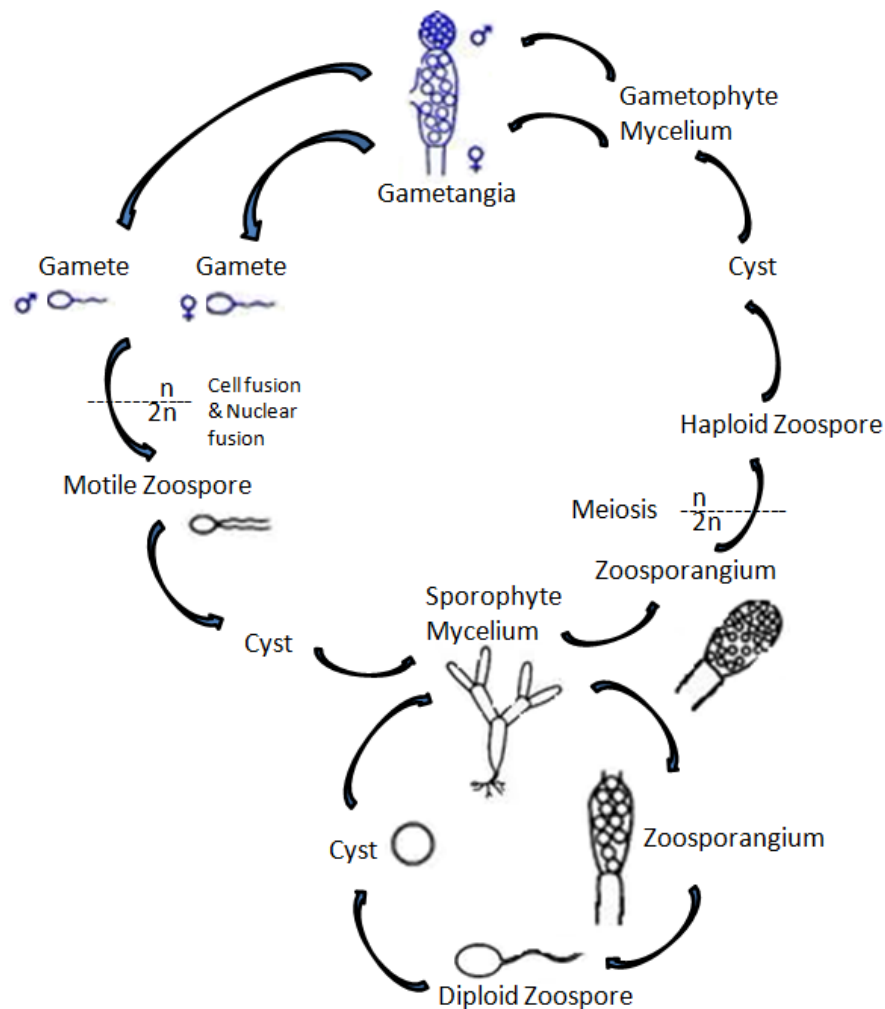


**EXERCISE # 7****GENERALIZED LIFE CYCLE OF CHYTRIDIOMYCOTA**

Chytridiomycota is a division of the Fungi kingdom. The name is derived from the Greek *chytridion*, meaning "little pot", describing the structure containing unreleased spores. Many chytrids are aquatic (mostly found in fresh water). There are approximately 1,000 chytrid species, in 127 genera, distributed among 5 orders. The chytrids are the most primitive of the fungi and are mostly saprobic (degrading chitin and keratin). The species has an interesting life cycle. The thallus (body) is attached by rhizoids, and has an erect trunk on which reproductive organs are formed at the end of branches. The life cycle has the ability to change from haploid and diploid generations (Wikipedia).



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