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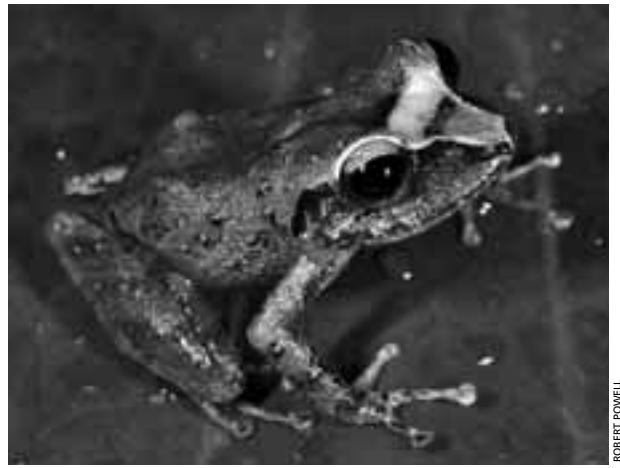
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Editors' Remarks

Although our focus remains on reptiles and their conservation, we will include from time-to-time references to amphibians (as indicated in this space in the previous issue). The plight of the Earth's amphibians is eloquently summarized in the "Commentary" by Jeffrey P. Bonner (p. 122). Faced with a host of perils that range from fungal diseases to habitat destruction and global climate changes, amphibians may well serve as indicators of human-mediated changes that threaten entire ecosystems. We would be wise to closely monitor the situation for the sakes of frogs and salamanders, all wildlife, and even our own futures.

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ROBERT POWELL

The St. Vincent Frog (*Eleutherodactylus shrevei*) is listed on the IUCN Red List as "endangered," primarily due to a very restricted range on a single island, where it appears to depend on increasingly threatened rainforest habitats. However, the discovery of the chytrid fungus in the West Indies, its almost inevitable introduction onto St. Vincent, and the fact that amphibians that occupy habitats at high elevations appear to be most vulnerable to its effects speak clearly and sadly to an uncertain future for this tiny frog.

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