

On the linguistic productivity of the word spam

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The word *spam* has spawned off its own corner of the English language.

spamdexing	inflating one's rank in a Web index
sping	Trackback spam
splog	A fake blog
spim	Spam instant messages
spasms	Spam SMS messages
spit	VoIP spam
sporgery	Spamming with a forged From line
spambot	A computer which sends spam
blam	spam comments on a blog

I'm impressed by how productive the root word *spam* has become.

Gratuitous cross-promotion: My colleague Terry Zink occasionally writes about spam on his [Cyber Security Blog](#).

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