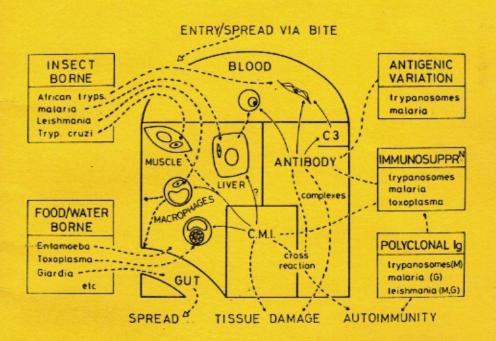
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Microarchitectural changes in the ileum of Eimeria vermiformis-infected mice were studied with a Cambridge Stereoscan scanning electron microscope. Laboratory Mus musculus were inoculated by stomach tube with 5,000, 10,000, 20,000 and 40,000 sporulated cocysts of E. vermiformis. Sections of the lower ileum were removed approximately 1 cm from the fleo-cecal valve 4, 6, 8, 10, 14, and 25 days after inoculation (DAI). The samples were opened longitudinally, rinsed with phosphate buffer (.1M; pH 7.4) and fixed at 22°C for 24 hr in 3% buffered glutaraldehyde. After treatment with 16% glycerol to remove the surface layer of muccus, the tissues were post-fixed at 22°C for 1 hr in buffered osmium tetroxide, processed with osmium-tetroxide-thiccarbonydrazide-osmium tetroxide (OTO technique), dehydrated in standard dilutions of ethanol, critical point dried in COo, and mounted on aluminum stubs for viewing. Additional samples were cryofractured in ethanol. Villous atrophy, fusion, and hypertrophy were observed. Shortening and thickening of the villi were evident at 4 DAI. Severe villous atrophy was observed in several tissue samples 6 DAI. Villous hypertrophy, caused primarily by thickening of the lamina propria, was seen in both surface and cryofracture profiles at 8 DAI. Prosion of the villous surface was most severe 8 and 10 DAI and generally involved only the tips of the villi. Tissue damage did not seem to correlate directly with the number of cocysts given. Resolution of the lesions had begun by 14 DAI. The only evidence of infection at 25 DAI was the presence of some slightly broadened villi. Segmented filamentous microorganisms were present in many tissue samples; they were seen on all days except during peak patency (8 and 10 DAI).

 THE CAT FUR MITE, LYNXACARUS RADOVSKYI (ACARINA:LISTROPHORIDAE), RECENTLY INTRODUCED TO U.S.A. J. H. GREVE, DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY PATHOLOGY, IONA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES 50011.

The listrophorid, Lynxacarus radovskyi Tenorio 1974, has been recovered from 2 cats from extreme southern Florida. This extends the range of the mite from its previously recorded locations of Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Fiji, and Australia. It is believed that immigrants from Caribbean areas introduced the infestation. This species and L. morlani Radford 1951 from Lynx rufus are the only representatives of the genus on felids. The mite clasps the hair shafts and is found in the pelage rather than on the skin surface. Hair from infested cats is earily epilated. Dermatitis and pruritus are not commonly seen with this infestation.

3. ELECTRON MICROSCOPY OF EGG SHELL FORMATION IN HALIPEGUS ECCENTRICUS (TREMATODA: HEMIURIDAE). JON M. HOLY, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE, EAU CLAIRE, WI 54701.

Reproductive organs involved in egg shell formation in the hemiurid trematode Halipegus eccentricus Thomas 1939 were examined with the electron microscope. Vitelline cells contributed egg shell protein but little nutritive material. The Mehlis' gland consisted of two cell types, one producing a dense secretion (DB cells), the other a membranous secretion (MB cells). The more numerous MB cells produced the bulk of the Mehlis' gland secretion in the form of nembranous residues which adhered to the globules of shell protein released by the vitelline cells. Within the ootype, vitelline cells coslesced releasing shell protein around the cocyte to form the egg shell. As the developing egg passed from the ootype to the proximal uterus, the shell became more regular and exhibited narrow channels which extended across and opened on both sides of the egg shell. The parenchyma adjacent to the epithelium of the proximal uterus was filled with large glycogen reserves. It is suggested that the egg may derive its nutrition from these reserves through the shell channels rather than from products elaborated by the vitelline cells. The egg filament was formed by peristaltic sculpturing of the pliable shell material as the egg passed from the ootype into the proximal uterus. Eggs are fully embryonated when laid.

4. SPIRONOURAN NEMATODES FROM THE STOMACH OF THE MALAYAN BOX TURTLE (CUORA AMBOINENIS). R. A. KUYE AND B. T. RIDGENAY, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CHARLESTON, ILLINOIS. 61920

Nematodes of the genus Spironoura spp. were extracted from the stomachs of box turtles (Cuora amboinensis) collected in the Pahang Province of Malaysia. The measurements & morphological details of the worms were compared to those of described species in the genus. Specimens examined varied so widely with regard to key diagnostic features that a further taxonomic analysis was undertaken.

5.PROTEROMETRA MACROSTOMA (DIGENEA): FINE STRUCTURE OF THE TEGUMENTS OF LARVAE AND ADULTS. GARY L. UGLEM AND KOOK J. LEE, PHYSIOLOGY GROUP, BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY 40506

The sugar transporting capacities of larval and adult Proterometra macrostoma have been reported by Uglem (1980; J. Parasitol. 66: 748-758). The teguments of these stages were examined for structural specializations using trans-

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mission electron microscopy. The free surface of rediae is amplified due to the presence of channels giving the tegument a highly vacuolated appearance in thin sections. The channels lie perpendicular to the basement membrane and open to the outside by small pores. A dense population of mitochondria is located in close association with the bases of the channels. The tequment is amplified secondarily by folds and small unbranched microvilli. The tegument of the adult is thick and relatively devoid of such specializations for absorption. In addition to lacking mitochondria it also has a prominent glycocalyx suggesting a protective function. The cercarial tegument represents a transitional stage with regard to both structural specialization and sugar transport capacity. Thus the structural features correlate well with the absorptive properties of the larval tegument during development to an adult. (Supported by grants from the NSF, PCM78-16088, and NIH Biomedical Sciences Support, 5-S05-RR07115-07.)

6.INSTRUCTIONAL USES OF PARASITOLOGICAL MATERIALS. ELIZABETH L. WAFFLE, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, YPSILANTI AND ANN ARBOR BIOLOGICAL CENTER, ANN ARBOR, MI 48103.

 HOST RANGE FOR CEREBROSPINAL NEMATODIASIS AND VISCERAL LARVA MIGRANS DUE TO <u>BAYLISASCARIS PROCYONIS</u>. W.L. WIRTZ, DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY MICROBIOLOGY, PURDUE UNIVERSITY, WEST LAFAYETTE, IN 47907.

Natural outbreaks of cerebrospinal nematodiasis and visceral larva migrans due to Baylisascaris procyonis have occurred in a number of animal species including squirrels, rabbits, woodchucks, chickens, and quail. To investigate these syndromes and the host range susceptible to this parasite, graded doses of embryonated B. procyonis eggs were administered per os to various experimental animals. Cerebrospinal nematodiasis and visceral larva migrans resulted in ducks, chickens, hamsters, mice, rats, squirrels, ferrets, and squirrel monkeys. All animal species exhibited severe central nervous signs including ataxia, torticollis, and circling. Gross lesions observed varied among the species. The avian species had no gross lesions while the mammals had pleural hemorrhages and numerous larval granulomas in various tissues. Histologically, evidence of moderate to severe damage was present in the brains of all animals and consisted primarily of malacic-inflammatory tracks and accompanying necrosis. Baermannization of avian brains yielded low numbers of larvae (Avg. 6). Larvae recovered from the mammalian species ranged from 1-6 in the rats to 149-157 in the squirrels. The hamsters, mice, squirrels and squirrel monkeys had a mortality rate of 100%. The other species exhibited mortality rates of 34-75%. B. procyonis larvae produce cerebrospinal nematodiasis and visceral larva migrans in a variety of animals, however, the migration patterns and syndrome parameters are not identical in all species.

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8. THE EFFECTS OF VARIOUS NATURALLY-OCCURRING SUBSTANCES ON THE SURVIVAL OF SCHISTOSOMA MANSONI MIRACIDIA. LEONARD D. WADE AND PAUL M. NOLLEN, DEPT. OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE, WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, MACOMB, ILL.

Miracidia of Schistosoma mansoni were exposed to various dilutions of two bacterial cultures. These were Bacillus sphaericus, which has larvicidal activity toward various species of mosquitoes, and Bacillus moratai, a species found to be inactive against mosquitoes and black flies. Cultures of B. sphaericus and B. moratai diluted 1:10 and 1:50 markedly shortened the normal life span of miracidia. However, miracidia subjected to media in which the bacteria were growing lived longer than those in pond water controls suggesting they were capable of absorbing energy-providing substances from their environment. Water in which snails had been sequestered (snail-conditioned water) had no effect on miracidial longevity, but did cause a short-lived and frenzied non-directional turning activity. The lethal action of the bacterial cultures was considered too slow for practical use as a biological control agent for miracidia.

 RHYTHMS OF LOCOMOTORY ACTIVITY AND EMERGENCE OF SCHISTOSOMA MANSONI CERCARIAE FROM BIOMPHALARIA GLABRATA SNAILS. CAROL L. WILLIAMS, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY AND BEHAVIORAL BIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS. 55455

The relationship between locomotory activity and emergence of Schistosoma mansoni cercariae from Biomphalaria glabrata snails was examined. One group of snails was maintained in individual containers for 70 days under a 600-1800 photoperiod. Another group of snails was maintained in individual containers for the same period of time under continuous light. One half of the snails in each group were exposed to 5-10 S. mansoni miracidia per snail on day 10. Cercarial release and locomotory activity were measured on day 50. Locomotory activity was determined by taking time lapse films of the snails and then analyzing the film with a film analyzer. Cercarial release was measured by counting the number of cercariae released during consecutive three hour intervals in a 24 hour period. Snails maintained in the 600-1800 photoperiod had increased locomotory activity at night while snails maintained in continuous light showed no discernible pattern of locomotory activity. Ninety-five per cent of the cercariae released by snails under a 600-1800 photoperiod emerged between the hours of 600-1800 while only 55% of the cercariae released by snails in continuous light emerged during this time. There was no significant difference in the number of cercarise released by the snails in each group and there was no obvious relationship between the locomotory activity and cercarial release by snails in either group.

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10.CARBONIC ANHYDRASE: ACTIVITY AND EFFECTS OF INHIBITION IN SCHISTOSOMA MANSONI-INFECTED BIOMPHALARIA GLAERATA. R. A. SIDNER, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, 0810. 45221

Our previous studies have shown that the carbonic anhydrase inhibitor, acetazolamide (AZA), suppresses shell growth of B. glabrata. Further, AZA was shown to alter hemolymph Ca and Cl ions, and reduce cercarial output of S. mansoni-infected snails. The current study demonstrates that AZA treatment (0.01 mM) results in marked hemolymph alkalosis (pH 7.9 vs 7.7) and that carbonic anhydrase (CA) activity is present in the hepatopancreas (22.8 uncles pnitrophenol/min/g protein) and mantle (15.6), but is absent from hemolymph. Patent infection with S. mansoni did not alter levels of CA activity in the mantle or hepatopancreas, but activity was enhanced in smalls incubated in distilled water or 7% artificial seawater. Snail hemolymph osmolality, 53 days post-infection, was reduced (92 vs 103 mOs/kg) due primarily to declines in Na (42.6 vs 49 mM) and Cl (40.5 vs 48 mM) and to a lesser extent Ca (13.1 vs 16.5 mg%). We infer that carbonic anhydrase plays a vital role in shell formation, electrolyte balance, and acid-base regulation in B. glabrata and that its inhibition indirectly causes reduction of cercarial output by altering hemolymph composition and/or snail metabolism. Alternatively, CA inhibitors may act directly on a putative parasite CA, the existence of which is suggested by the unchanged CA activity observed in S. mansoni-infected hepatopancreas tissue.

11. COMPUTER SIMULATION OF SCHISTOSOMA MANSONI MIRACIDIA BEHAVIOR. GORDON G. PLORIN, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY AND BEHAVIORAL BIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.

Behavioral parameters from observations of <u>Schistosoma</u> <u>mansoni</u> miracidia were simulated using a programmable Hewlett-Packard desktop calculator. Speed and turning angles were chosen using a piecewise inverse method. Turning distances were exponentially distributed. Departure angles from surfaces were normally scattered about a logarithmic relationship between arrival and departure angles. Four random number generators were used to produce five independent sets of trials for each of three investigations.

Comparison of real and simulated miracidia under parallel conditions produced only one significant difference (p = 0.013) from twenty statistical tests.

Previous work (Chernin and Dunavan, 1962) which showed increased miracidial concentrations near the perimeters of circular dishes was modeled. Similar results were obtained, showing that attraction to solid surfaces is probably not involved.

Modeling of unobstructed swimming found that 90% of simulated miracidia dispersed less than one meter in thirty minutes.

12.CLINICAL PREVALENCE OF THE CANINE HEARTWORM DIROFILARIA IMMITIS LEIDY, 1356 IN THE MICHIANA AREA. J. H. ADAMS\* and B. L. BLAGBURN, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The survey for Dirofilaria immitis was submitted for 1978 to veterinarians in St. Joeseph and Elkhart Counties, Indiana and Berrien, Cass and Van Buren Counties, Michigan, Modified Knott's test, membrane filter and microhenatocrit technique were used for diagnosis. The prevalence of infection 6.3% represented 125 positives of 1985 dogs examined. Males had a higher prevalence of infection 7.7% (76 of 981) than females 4.9% (49 of 1004). Smaller animals had a much lower prevalence of infection 1.7% (8 of 491) than medium 6.8% (57 of 842) and large animals 9.2% (60 of 652). Dogs less than 3 years old had a prevalence of infection of 3.6% (24 of 664), dogs 3 to 7 years old 7.8% (75 of 966) and dogs older than 7 years 6.5% (23 of 355). Of the most common breeds the Collie, Great Dane and Irish Setter had the highest percentage of infected animals 21.3% (13 of 61), 17.2% (5 of 29) and 16.7% (14 of 84), respectively, Poodles and Cocker Spaniels had prevalences of infection of 1.1% (2 of 185) and 0% (0 of 52), respectively. Differences in hair length had no effect on the prevalence of infection. Large outdoor dogs were more often infected than small indoor dogs.

13.INCIDENCE OF BAYLISASCARIS PROCYONIS IN RACCOON SCATS FROM AN URBAN AND A RURAL COMMUNITY. J. E. JACOBSON, DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND NATURAL BESOURCES, PURDUE UNIVERSITY, WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA. 47907

The incidence of Baylisascaris procyonis in an urban and a rural community, and the feasibility of monitoring this ascarid's incidence by collecting raccoon(Procyon lotor) scats were investigated. During October and November of 1980, 97 urban raccoon scats were collected within a 342 ha study area in West Lafayette, Indiana, and 121 rural raccoon scats were collected within a 299 ha study area 9.4 km west of the urban study area. Each scat's age was estimated to be less than or greater than one-week-old. The presence of B. procyonis in each scat was determined by using a fecal flotation method to identify eggs. Twenty-six of 97 (26.8%) urban scats and 37 of 121 (30.6%) rural scats contained B. procyonis eggs. Each scat with this ascarid was visually classified as having rare, few, moderate, many, or numerous eggs. The major occurrence of B. procyonis eggs was in levels rare to moderate, with 84.6% and 81.0% for the urban and the rural community, respectively. Monitoring the incidence of B. procyonis by collecting and analyzing raccoon scats appears to be a successful method which can be used in any area populated with raccoons.

 ECOLOGICAL AND PHYLOGENETIC INFLUENCES ON HOST SPECIFICITY. GUNTHER O.W. KRUSE, HAROLD W. MANTER LABORATORY, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA STATE MUSEUM, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA 68588 U.S.A.

Fifteen families of marine fishes are endemic to southern Australian and New Zealand waters. A small family, Arripidae, containing two species, Arripis trutta Whitley, and A. georgeanus (Cuvier and Valenciennes), was surveyed for trematode parasites in the South Australian Sea. The distribution of the arripids ranges from Western Australia to New Zealand crossing the eastern and western boundaries of the zoogeographical "Flindersian Province", in which South Australia is located. Newly described genera and species of trematodes support the endemicity of the host and lead to interesting implications in the zoogeography of the parasites.

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 SEASONAL DISTRIBUTION AND ECOLOGY OF THREE HELMINTH SPECIES INFECTING CARP IN NW IOWA. D. R. SUTHERLAND, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES. 50011

Between June 1978 and February 1981, 518 Cyprinus carpio from the Little Sioux River and Lower Gar Lake, Dickinson Co., were examined for intestinal helminths. Length, weight, age and sex were determined for each fish. The intestinal tract of each carp was divided into eight sections of equal length. Numbers of each parasite species from every section were recorded. Data were statistically analyzed to ascertain correlations between parasite mix and host parameters. Site selection and intra- and inter-specific interactions of the three predominant helminths (Khawia lowensis, Pomphorhynchus bulbocolli and Capillaria sp.) were demonstrated. Between April 1979 and February 1981, carp of the Little Sioux River were examined monthly to determine if a seasonal periodicity was exhibited by any of the three helminths. Maturity and length of all Khawia and the sex of each P. bulbocolli were determined. A pronounced seasonal periodicity exists for Khawia. Recruitment of young cestodes occurs throughout spring, summer and fall. Egg production occurs primarily during summer and fall. Infection levels with Khawia are lowest during winter and early spring. Seasonal distribution was not observed for either Pomphorhynchus or Capillaria.

16. MYXOBOLUS OSBURNI (MYXOZOA:MYXOSPOREA) FROM THE PANCREAS OF THE PUMPKINSEED, LEPOMIS GIRROSUS (LINNAEUS), IN IOWA. K.M. INGRAM, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES, IOWA 50011

119 (79.3%) of 150 pumpkinseed sunfish captured from June through September, 1980 from West Lake Okoboji, lowa were infected with the myxozoanparasite Myxobolus osburni. Infection was characterized by a large multi-lobed cyst within pancreatic tissue adjacent to the gall bladder. Cysts contained encapsulated and free mature spore masses. Sporulating plasmodia were observed for the first time in an M. osburni infection. Plasmodial development within a cyst was typically synchronous. Inflammatory responses were observed in endocrine and exocrine tissue and were most severe in cysts containing free spore masses. Host response was characterized by pyknosis of endocrine cell nuclei, proliferation of fibroblasts and fibrosis, and leukocytic infiltration. Transmission electron microscopic studies of these cysts are in progress.

 STRUCTURE AND EXCYSTATION OF SARCOCYSTIS MURIS SPOROCYSTS USING LIGHT AND ELECTRON MICROSCOPY. B. MOHAMAD-PANAHI, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES, IOWA 50011

Sporocysts of <u>S. muris</u> excysted when treated with bovine, feline and murine bile. The percentage of excystation was higher when trypsin was used with bile, but trypsin alone failed to excyst the sporocysts. Although excystation started at  $27^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ , the highest percentage of excystation was obtained at  $39^{-4}2^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ . The sporozoites started excysting as early as four minutes after treatment of the sporocysts with trypsin plus bile, and the number of excysted sporocysts increased rapidly in the first 30-60 minutes. The wall of <u>S. muris</u> sporocyst collapsed during excystation, and the sporozoites escaped randomly. The sporocyst

wall consisted of four curved plates. Each plate was triangular and was surrounded by the other three plates. Four major layers were seen in the sporocyst wall; also, liplike thickenings were observed around the edges of the plates.

RENAL COCCIDIOSIS IN CANADA GEESE OF THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLYWAY,
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The unsporulated oocysts and/or gametocytes of <u>Bimeria clarkei</u> (were) found in kidney tissue in 19 of 310 free-flying Canada geese randomly collected from three geographical locations in the Mississippi valley flyway, were considered to cause the death of one goose at Horicon Wildlife Refuge, Wisconsin. This marks the first report of <u>E. clarkei</u> as a renal coccidian in Canada geese. Fourteen of the 19 infected free-flying geese were immature and 6 were adults. In extreme cases infected kidneys were mottled in color and were often enlarged with minute (<1 mm) localized white foci on the surface of the organ. <u>E. clarkei</u> gametocytes most commonly infected tubular epithelial cells and often occurred extracellularly or within mononuclear inflammatory cells. Oocysts were often present in the lumen of tubules in areas contiguous with infected tubular cells. The pathologic damage to renal tubule cells caused by <u>E. clarkei</u> and a description of its gametocytes and oocysts will be discussed.

- Time lapse photography of cleavage of <u>Ascaris lumbricoides suum.</u> BEHEDICT J. JASKOSKI, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, LOYOLA UNIVERS**T**IY, CHICAGO, ILLENOIS 60626
- 20. SOME ASPECTS OF IMMUNE RESPONSES OF MICE TO INFECTION WITH

  SARCOCYSTIS MURIS. C.F. GUPTILL-YORAN, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY,

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A ten-week experiment was conducted using mice infected with Sarcocystis muris to determine the presence and quantity of IgG in the serum and to assay for delayed-type hypersensitivity (DTH) using a footpad reaction to Sarcocystis antigen.

Eighteen male CF-1 mice were used; 10 were infected with 10 sporocysts of S. muris and 8 served as uninfected controls. Mean IgG levels in infected mice, as determined by radial immunodiffusion, rose in the first 3 weeks of infection, dropped in week 4, then peaked in week 7 and remained high through week 10. A two-tailed t-test showed IgG concentration to be significantly higher in sera of infected mice than in sera of uninfected mice throughout the experiment. DTH as represented by footpad swelling 18 to 24 hours after intradermal injection of S. muris antigen into footpads appeared approximately 2-3 weeks after infection and continued to appear through week 10. Histological studies indicated that these were true DTH reactions. Sera of infected mice were negative for Toxoplasma antibody in IHA and fluorescent antibody tests.

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21. FATAL CEREBROSPINAL NEMATODIASIS AND VISCERAL LARVA MIGRANS IN SQUIRREL MONKEYS INFECTED WITH BAYLISASCARIS PROCYONIS. K.R. KAZACOS\*, W.L. WIRTZ, C.S. CHRISTMAS, DEPT. OF VETERINARY MICROBIOLOGY, PATHOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH, PURDUE UNIVERSITY, W. LAFAYETTE, IN 47907.

To investigate the zoonotic potential and possible public health importance of Baylisascaris procyonis, four adult squirrel monkeys were inoculated intragastrally with 5,000 or 10,500 infective eggs. All monkeys developed dyspnea within 3-5 days post-inoculation (PI) and fulminating central nervous system disease in 12-19 days PI. Clinical signs included severe ataxia, falling, torticollis, an inability to maintain balance or an upright posture, intention tremors of the head and forelimbs, and loss of manual dexterity. All progressed to stupor and recumbency and died or were euthanized. Electroencephalography and cerebrospinal fluid analysis indicated severe, generalized encephalitis. Extensive visceral larva migrans (VLM) was evident grossly and microscopically; larval granulomas were present throughout the body, and especially in the head, neck and thorax. Many hemorrhagic tracks were present in coronal brain slices. Histologically, brains and spinal cords contained numerous malacic-inflammatory track lesions and larvae, along with extensive necrosis, perivascular cuffing and inflammation. Based on these results, B. procyonis should be considered a significant potential zoonosis as a cause of ocular and visceral larva migrans and cerebrospinal nematodiasis, and considered dangerous to man until proven

22. CHEMOTAXIS OF MALE <u>NIPPOSTRONGYLUS</u> <u>BRASILIENSIS</u> TO CYCLIC NUCLEOTIDES. RICHARD M. NORDSTROM, JONI B. WARD, AND LEON W. BONE, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS 62901.

The response of adult male <u>Nippostrongylus</u> <u>brasiliensis</u> to various dosages of cyclic nucleotides were examined. A linear, dose-dependent response was obtained for c-AMP from 1 mM to 5 mM. Higher dosages were repellent while lower dosages were apparently subthreshold. In contrast, c-GMP was repellent over a 1000-fold dosage range from 0.01 to 10 mM. Additional testing employed c-TMP, c-UMP, c-CMP, and c-IMP.

Female incubate did not contain any identifiable cyclic nucleotides according to ion-exchange chromatography with UV detection at 210 NM. Maceration of females revealed the presence of only c-AMP.

23.EFFECTS OF JUVENOIDS ON FECUNDITY AND LARVAL DEVELOPMENT OF NIPPOSTRONGYLUS BRASILIENSIS. G.H. GLASSBURG, M. PAPADEMETRIOU, AND L.W. BONE, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS 62901.

The synthetic juvenile hormones MV-678 (Stauffer Chemical Corp.) and ZR-512 (Zoecon) were tested to determine their effects on egg-hatching and adult fecundity of Nippostrongylus brasiliensis. Eggs were treated with various dosages of the juvenoids for four days after which the percentage hatching and subsequent larval development was assessed. No effect on egg hatching was noted, but MV-678 inhibited larval development at 1.2 X 10<sup>-5</sup> M.

Treatment of third-stage larvae showed no influence on subsequent adult establishment in the mouse. However, exposure to MV-678 at 6  $\times$  10 $^{-3}$  M and ZR-512 at 2.8  $\times$  10 $^{-4}$  M reduced the fecundity of the adult worms, based on egg recovery from the feces.

24. IN VITRO EXCYSTMENT OF THE BLACK SPOT TREMATODE NEASCUS PYRIPORMIS CHANDLER, 1851 (TREMATODA: DIPLOSTOMATIDAE). A.D. JOHNSON, D.J. SCHROEDER AND K.H. MOHAMMAD, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA, VERMILLION. 57069

Maximum in vitro excystment with Neasous pyriformis metacercariae required two treatments; 1) a low pH pretreatment [acidified pepsin or acidified Locke's balanced salt solution (BSS)], and 2) a trypsin-sodium cholate excystment medium at pH 7.4. The excystment rate, however, was higher with acidified Locke's BSS than with acidified pepsin. No enhancement of excystment was observed with a 0.03% sodium dithionite pretreatment between acidified Locke's BSS and the excystment medium. Excystment occurred in trypsin alone and in all trypsin containing media with or without pretreatment, but not in Locke's BSS, bile salts or sodium cholate alone. Excystment of N. pyriformis was primarily an active process with the larva breaching the narrow end of the parasite cyst, although digestion of the host cyst and some wrinkling of the parasite cyst occurred in excystment media.

25. ECHINOCOCCOSIS ON ISLE ROYALE. LEWIS PETERS, MARK WOLOWIEC, AND L. DAVID SIBLEY, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN 49855.

Echinococcus granulosus and Taenia bydatigena were identified from a wolf on Isle Royale. Wolf scats were examined and found infected with eggs of Alaria, Toxocara, Toxoscaris, Capillaria, and hookworms, as well as taeniids. Taeniid eggs were not found in fox scats, indicating that E. multilocularis does not currently occur on Isle Royale.

We recovered one taeniid egg from a water sample and five eggs from soil samples. Some taeniid eggs from wolf scats and <u>Echinococcus</u> eggs from adults measured less than 30 micrometers in at least one dimension; water filters with a nominal pore size of 30 micrometers may not remove all <u>Echinococcus</u> eggs.

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26. PARASITE FAUNA IN SOME WISCONSIN LAKES. OMAR M. AMIN, SCIENCE DIVISION, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN PARKSIDE, KENOSHA, WI 53141

Thousands of leech and crustacean ectoparasites and endo parasitic helminths, among other disease agents, have been removed from 40 species of fish of 10 families and two species of turtles since 1976 from two eutrophic lakes in southeastern Wisconsin. More than 40 parasite species and one viral agent have been identified so far. Parasitic groups include: lernaeidid and argulid crustaceans; digenetic tremstodes; caryophyllseid, cyathocephalid, and segmented cestodes; camuallanid and other nematodes; echinorhynchid, neoechinorhynchid, fessisentid, and pomphorhynchid acanthocephalans; glossiphonid piscicolid, erpobdellid, and hirudinid leeches; and viruses, e.g., lymphocyctis.

Some of the major findings and recent progress will be reported and relationships to the distinct ecology of both lakes will be highlighted.

27. A COLEOPTERAN ECTOPARASITE (PLATYPSYLLUS CASTORIS RITSEMA) OF THE BEAVER; AN EXTENSION OF ITS DISTRIBUTION AND A REVIEW OF ITS LIFE HISTORY. R. D. DAVIS AND M. A. GOODRICH, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CHARLESTON, ILL. 61920

Platypsyllus castoris Ritsema is an ectoparasite of the beaver (Castor canadensis Kuhl). The published distribution records suggest, but do not document, an overlapping distribution with that of its host; this is the first record of this beetle from Illinois. A brief morphological description and a summary of its life history will be presented.

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the 32nd Annual Midwestern Conference of Parasitologists (Prepared by George Garoian, Sec./Treas.)

The 32nd Annual Midwestern Conference of Parasitologists was held on campus of Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti, 12-14 June, 1980.

#### Business Session I

The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer, Dr. Allen D. ason at 4:05 p.m. June 13, 1980.

Minutes of AMCOP 31 as appearing in <u>The Journal of Parasitology</u> 65(6): , December 1979 were approved with correction of typographical errors t the dates were 31 May to 2 June, 1979 and "Awards to graduate students supported by Ann Arbor <u>Biological Center and Eli</u> Lilly Co. (Herrick rd)."

Dr. Coil followed by Dr. Garcian presented a Treasurer's report covering period from June 1979-June 1980. It was moved and passed to accept report.

Dr. Johnson read a letter from Dr. Esch of the Southeastern Society Parasitologists noting their opposition to any change in ASP Bylaws sising Council approval of Nominating Committee actions. After brief cussion of the motion that we also oppose such a change in ASP Bylaws quesiton was called and the vote was unanimous (44). The secretary instructed to inform Dr. M. Voge, Bylaws Committee Chairperson.

Dr. Johnson reported the results of a recent survey of the interests members. Results from 88 respondents showed the following interests:

34 Protozoans

18 Acanthocephalans

48 Flukes 30 Tapeworms 7 Arthropods 28 Nematodes

53 Biology, ecology, life history

41 Disease, pathology, treatment 26 Physiology, biochemistry

25 Taxonomy, anatomy

Other: Mollusks (2), Hirudinea (1), Public Health (1), Biol. control (1), Pop. genetics (1), Behavior (1), Med. Parasit. (1).

Dr. Coil speaking for the Nominating Committee requested guidance from membership regarding whether or not there should be more than one fidate listed for each position. A motion was made, seconded, and sed for the Nominating Committee to continue as in the past with a gle slate with any additional candidates nominated from the floor.

The meeting then recessed until 11 a.m. Saturday, June 13.

#### Session II

Dr. Donal Meyer reported that he had audited the treasurer's records and found all in order. The motion to accept his report was approved.

Dr. Donal Meyer reported for the Meeting Site Committee that they recommended the invitation from Eastern Illinois University, Charleston be accepted for 1981. Motion was made and approved.

Dr. Raymond Dillon reported for the Program Committee recommending these topics for program consideration: a) immunity to protozoan parasites; b) nematode behavior patterns; and c) biological control of parasites. The Committee requested membership assistance in providing names of people appropriate to these topics to the Program Officer. Motion to accept the report was made and passed.

The following Resolutions were reported by Gordon Plorin for the Resolutions Committee:

Whereas: Dr. Elizabeth Waffle, Frogram Chairman, coordinated the many aspects of this meeting at Eastern Michigan University in a commendable manner, and

Whereas: Eastern Michigan University and Wendy Duvall, Director of Hoyt Conference Center, provided needed services, and

Whereas: Eli Lilly & Co. has graciously continued to provide full funding for the Herrick Award, and Ann Arbor Biological has supported the La Rue Award, along with a number of anonymous contributions from AMCOP members, and

Whereas: Dr. George Garoian provided registration and program materials in an efficient and timely manner and also sought out former and prospective members, and

Whereas: Drs. Tom Dunagan, Don Miller, and Jeffrey Williams provided superb presentations, and

Whereas: The papers and demonstrations were of high caliber, and

Whereas: Dr. Allen Johnson, presiding officer, provided a smooth format for the presentations of papers and the business meetings,

Be it hereby resolved,

That the membership of the 32nd AMCOP meeting express their deep gratitude and sincere appreciation to all of the above on this occasion.

Dr. Waffle presented the G.R. La Rue Award for the outstanding paper presentation by a graduate student. This year there were co-winners and the \$200 prize was equally divided between H. Ray Gamble, Ohio State University and Michael Goldman, Purdue University.

Milo Brandt of the Eli Lilly Co. presented the C.A. Herrick Award \$200 to Carol L. Williams, University of Minnesota for the outstanding onstration by a graduate student.

Dr. William Coil of the Nominating Committee presented the following te of candidates to the membership: Presiding Officer - Dr. Donald Miller of Southern Illinois University and Program Officer - Dr. Bill Ridgeway of Eastern Illinois University. There being no other nominations me the floor a unanimous ballot was cast for their election.

There being no further business placed before this 32nd annual ting, Dr. Johnson presented the gavel to Dr. Miller who adjourned meeting at 12 noon, June 14, 1980.

Respectfully submitted.

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George Garcian, Secretary/Treasurer AMCOP

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#### THE ONCHOSPHERE

#### by Walter Garstang

The Onchosphere or Hexacanth was not designed for frolic,

His part may be described perhaps as coldly diabolic: He's born amid some gruesome things, but this should count for virtue,

That steadily, 'gainst fearful odds, he plies his task--to hurt you!

He's very small, a mere pin's head, beset with six small hooklets,

Is whirled about by wind and rain through puddles, fields and brooklets;

But if a pig should swallow him, as many porkers do, He's made a start with no mistake: he's on the road to you!

Again I say, don't blame the brat--he hasn't any head!
It isn't any fault of his--he wasn't painted red!
But once inside, he burrows through, and gropes his way about.

Then swells and sprouts a head at last, though this is inside out!

He's now a Cysticercus in the muscles of a pig,
With just a sporting chance of getting out to grow up big.
If you'll consent to eat your pork half-raw or underdone,
His troubles will be over, and a Tapeworm will have won:
He'll cast his anchors out, and on your best digested food
Will thrive, and bud an endless chain to raise a countless
brood.

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