

Figure 13.3 A consensus tree obtained by Littlewood et al.²⁰ using both molecular and morphological characters.

Free-living members of the phylum appear mostly at the base of the tree. A sister-group relationship between Digenea (Trematoda) and Aspidobothrea is supported, as is the basal position of catenulids and monophyly of the Neodermata.

Modified from D. T. J. Littlewood, K. Rohde and K. A. Clough, "The interrelationships of all major groups of Platyhelminthes: Phylogenetic evidence from morphology and molecules," in *Biol. J. Linn. Soc.* 66:75–114.

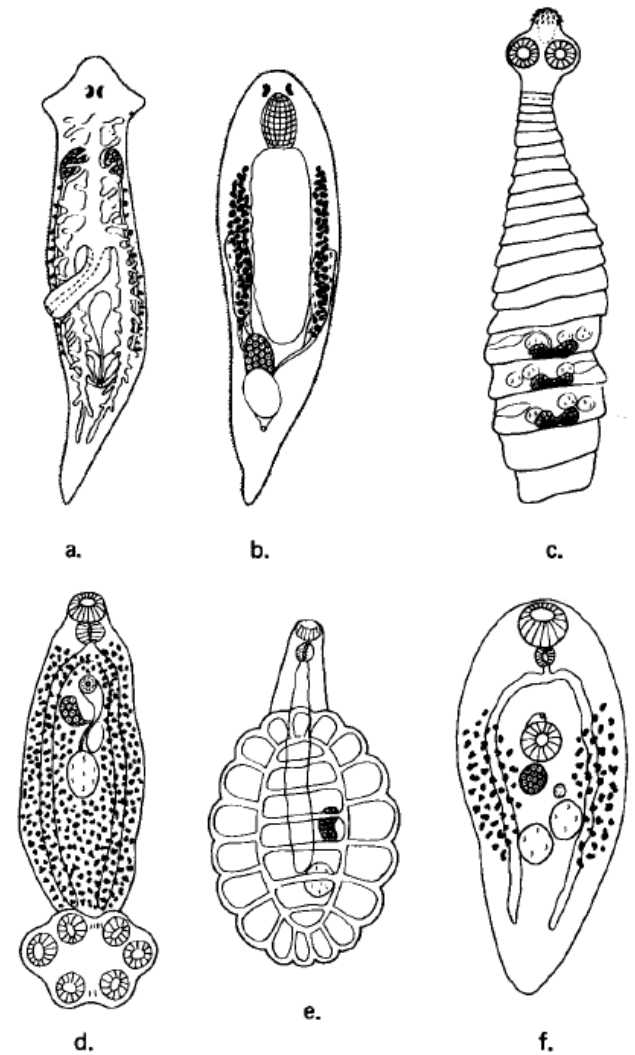
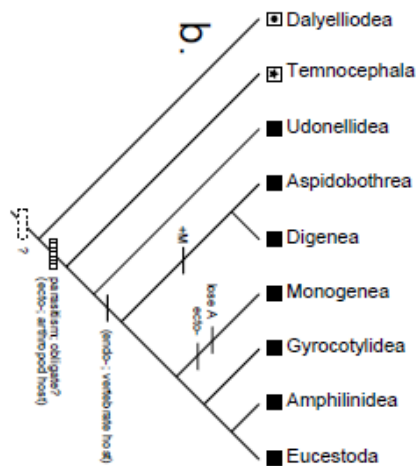
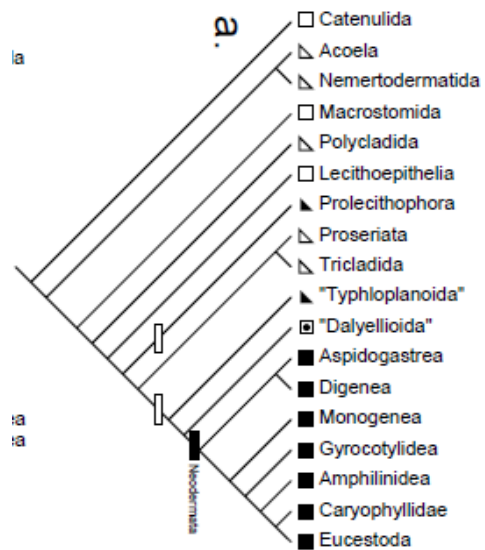
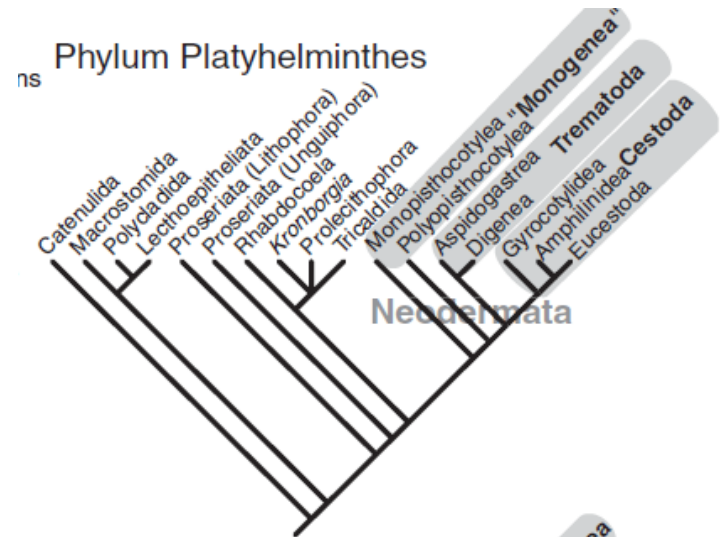


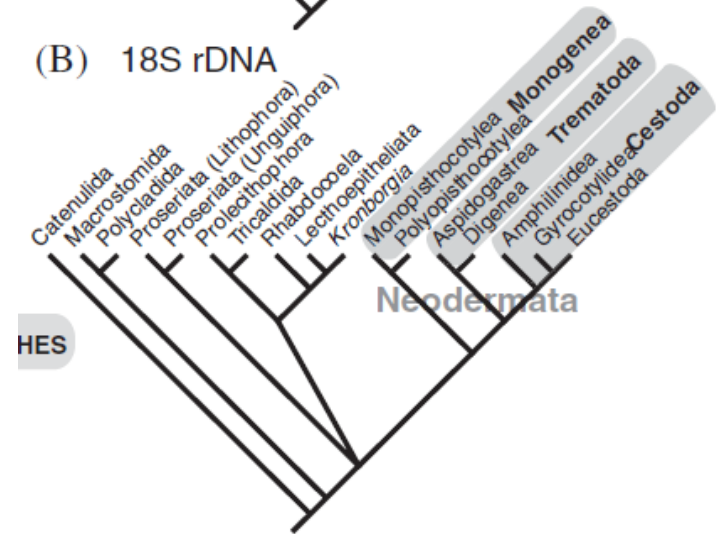
Fig. 1. Representatives of Classes in Phylum Platyhelminthes: a. and b. Turbellaria (a. Tricladida, b. Rhabdocoela); c. Cestoidea (Cestoda); d., e. and f. Trematode (d. Monogenea, e. Aspidogastrea, f. Digenea)



Platyhelminth phylogenetics – a key to understanding parasitism?



(B) 18S rDNA



(C) 28S rDNA

interrelationships of the phylum

- **Definition of digenetic.** :of or relating to a subclass (Digenea) of trematode worms in which sexual reproduction as an internal parasite of a vertebrate alternates with asexual reproduction in a mollusk.
- **Monogenetic:** (of certain trematode worms) having only one generation in the life cycle, without an intermediate asexual generation.

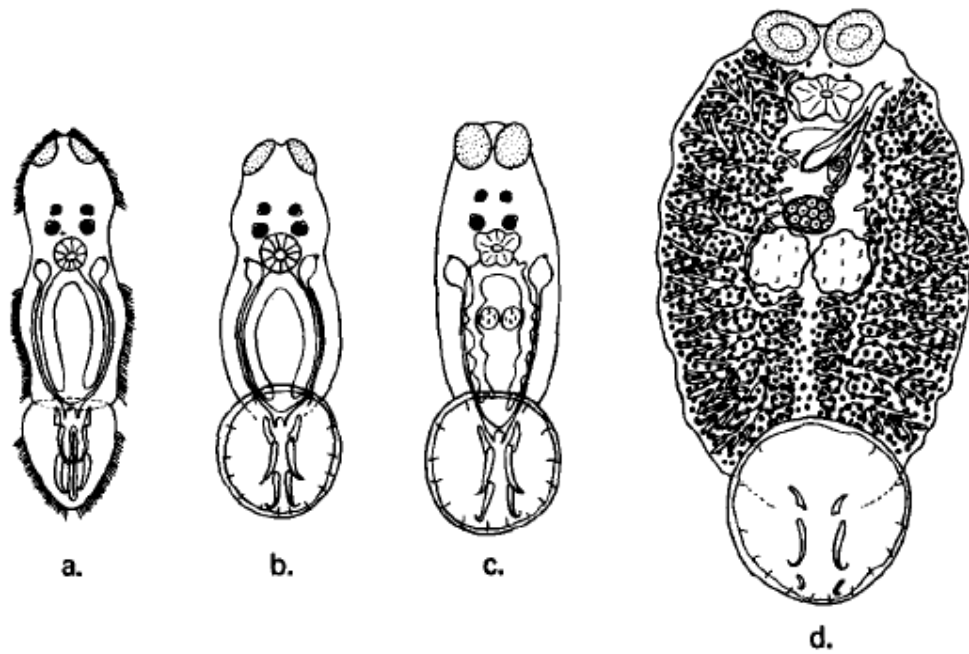


Fig. 2. Example of life cycle of a monogenetic trematode (a. onchomiracidium; b. and c. developmental stages; d. adult of *Neobenedenia melleni*) (Redrawn from Jahn & Kuhn, 1932)

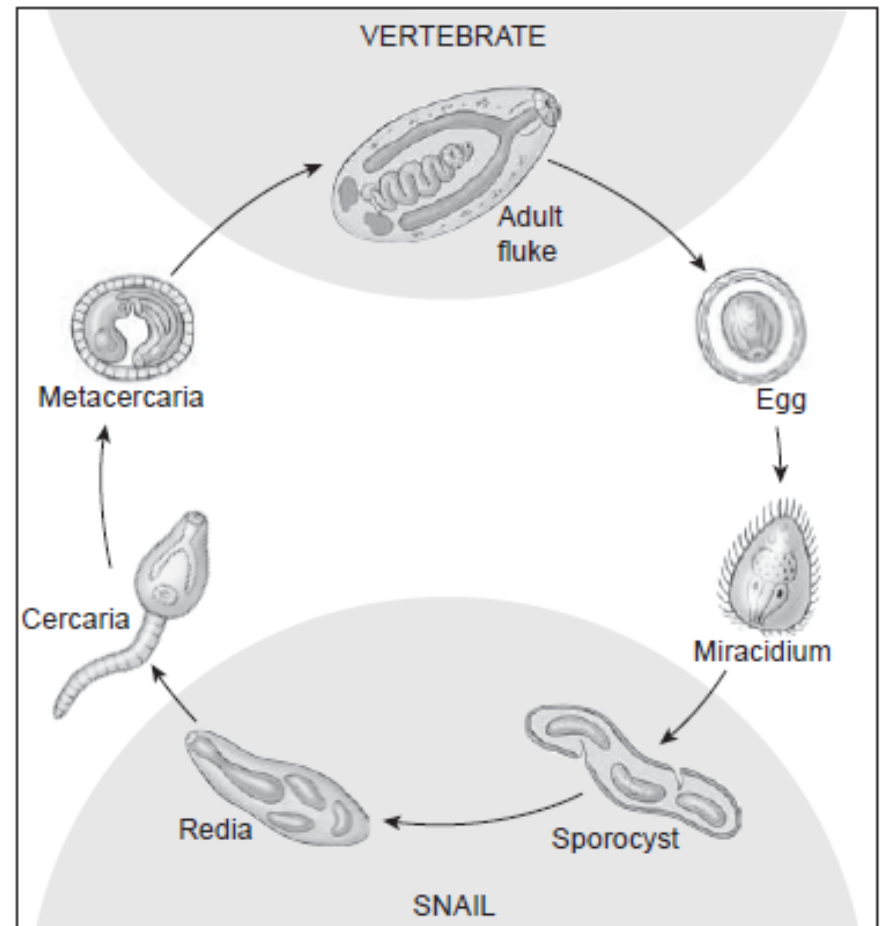


Figure 15.1 Typical trematode life cycle. Many variations occur.

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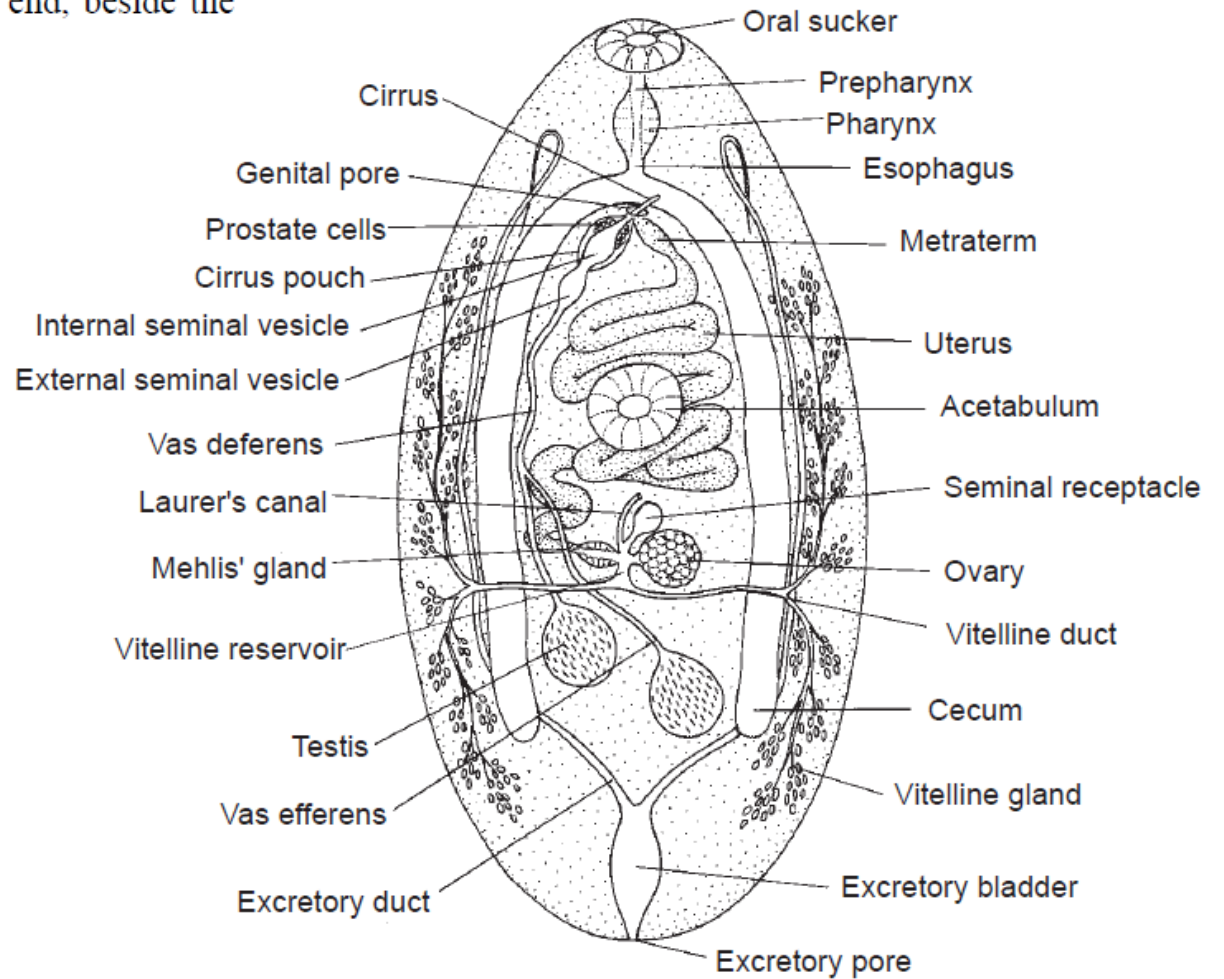
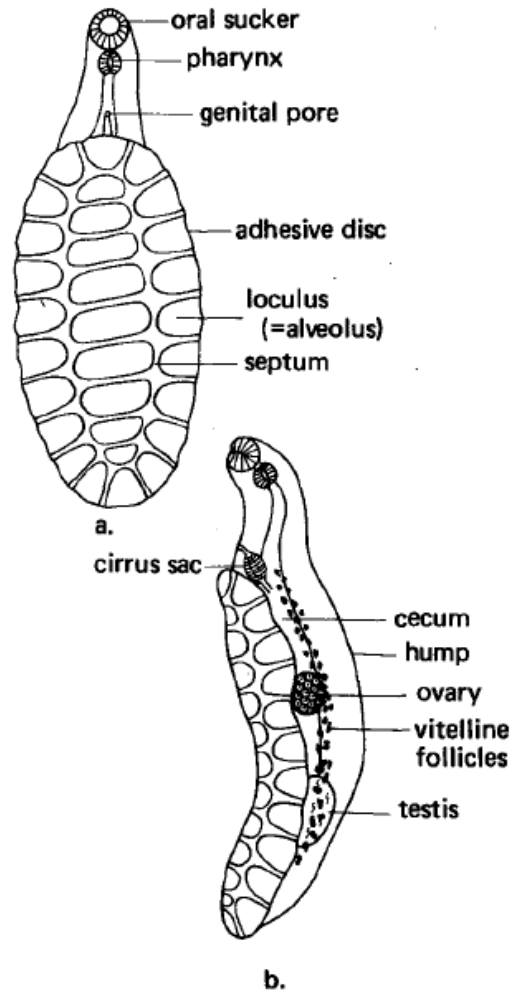
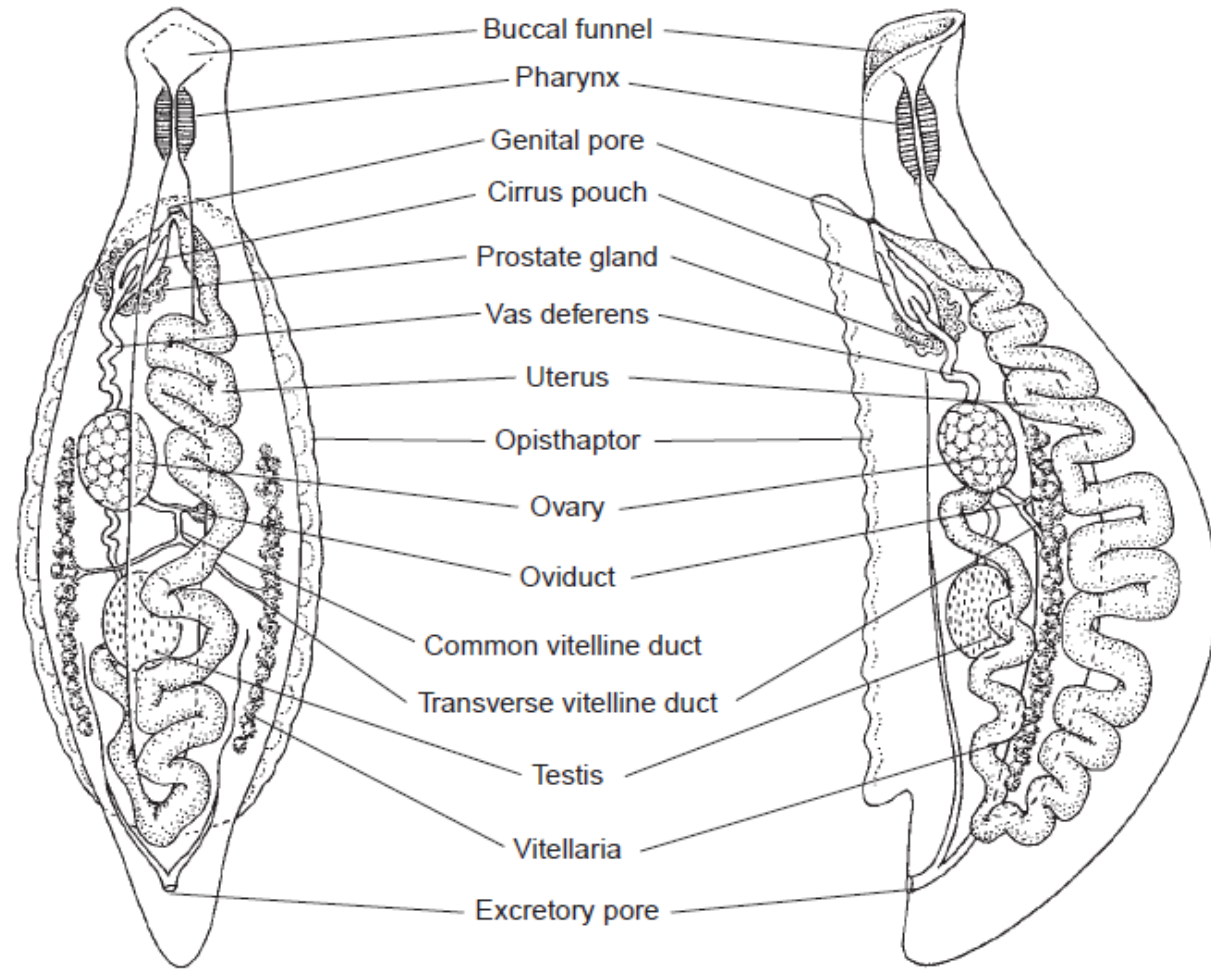


Fig. 5. Subclass Aspidogastrea (a. ventral view; b. lateral view).

Figure 14.6 *Aspidogaster conchicola*, a common parasite of freshwater clams.

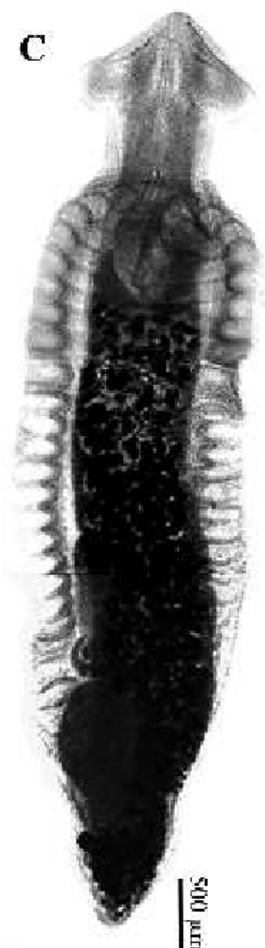
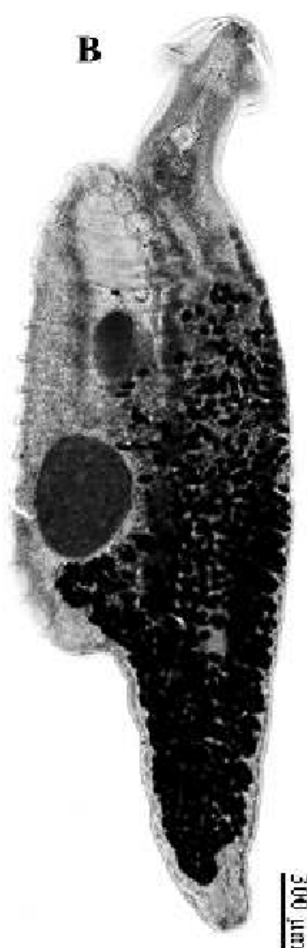
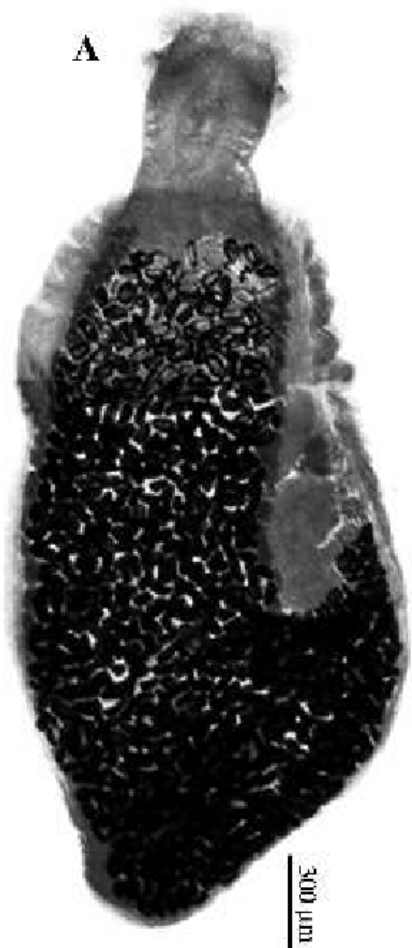
(a) Dorsal view, showing general body form. (b) Lateral view.

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(a) Dorsal view

(b) Lateral view



Lobatostoma albulae
L. Pacificum
L. manteri

Aspidogaster
conchicola

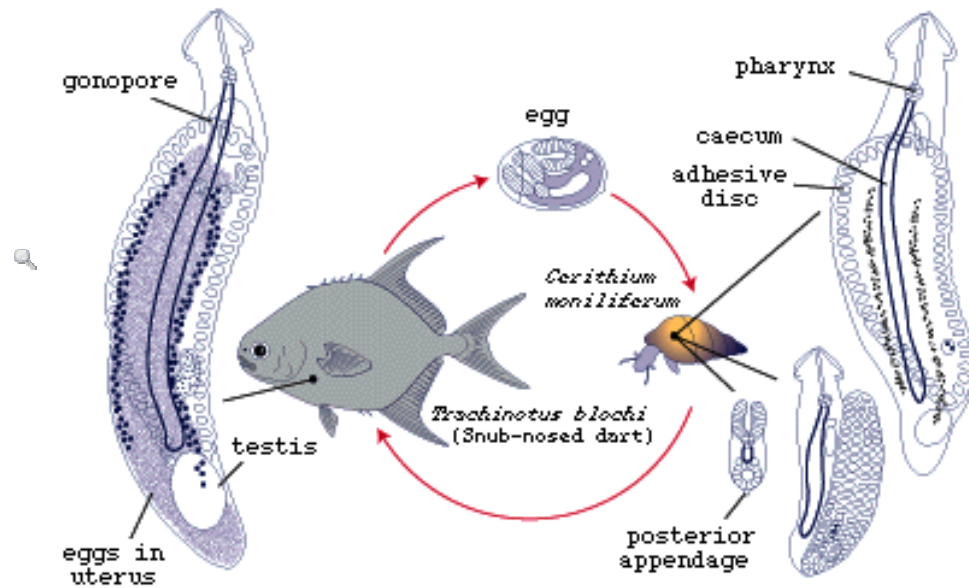
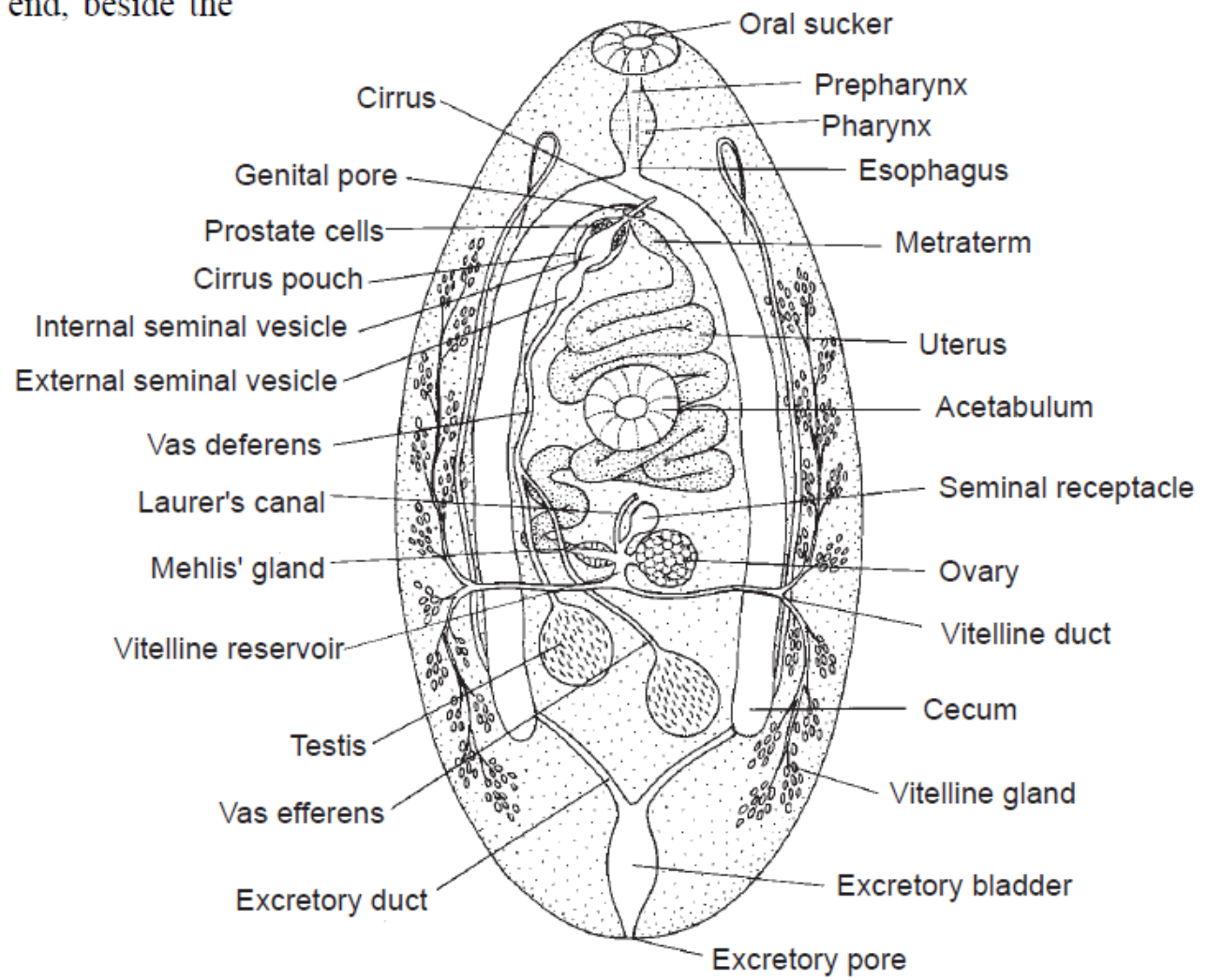


Figure 1. Life cycle of *Lobatostoma manteri*.

Lobatostoma manteri is an example of a species which has obligate vertebrate hosts (Fig. 1). Adult worms live in the small intestine of the snub-nosed dart, *Trachinotus blochi* (Teleostei, Carangidae), on the Great Barrier Reef. They produce large numbers of eggs which are shed in the faeces. If eaten by various prosobranch snails, larvae

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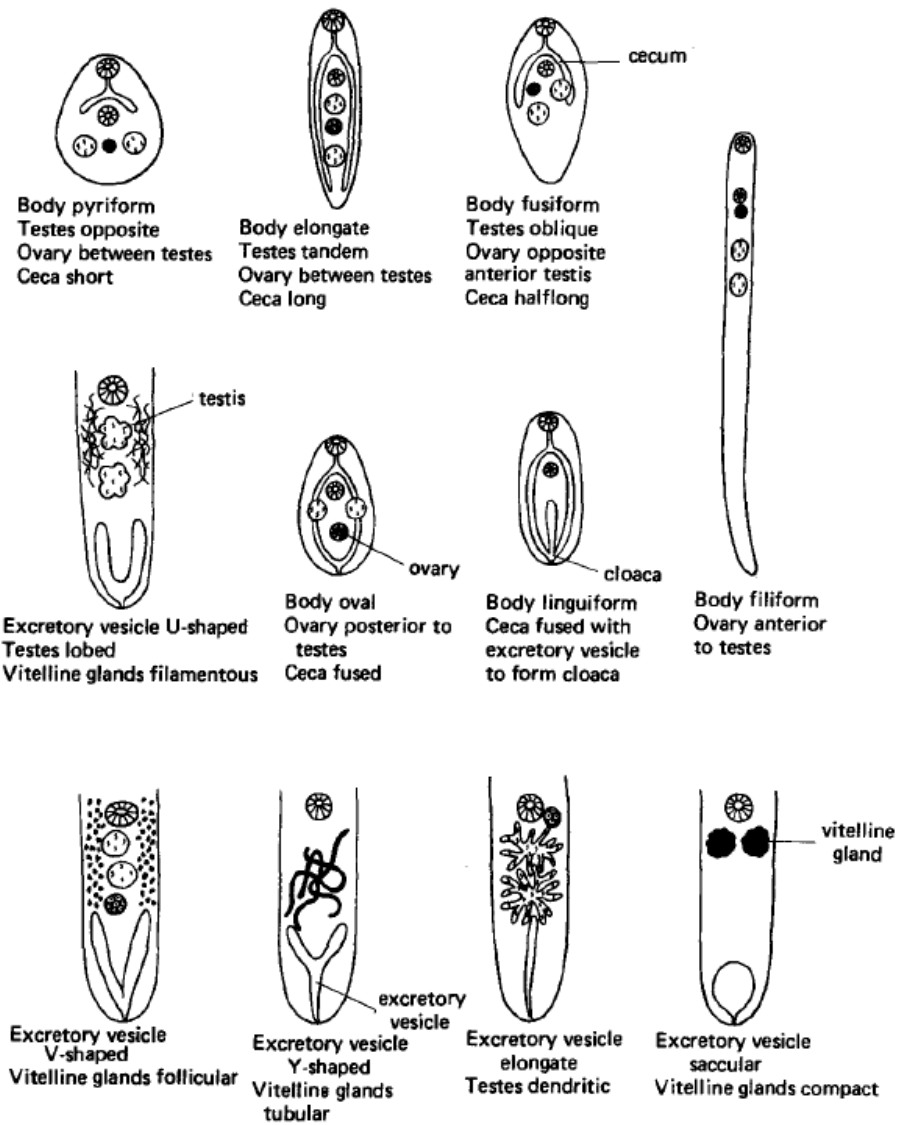


Fig. 6a. Important diagnostic features illustrated.

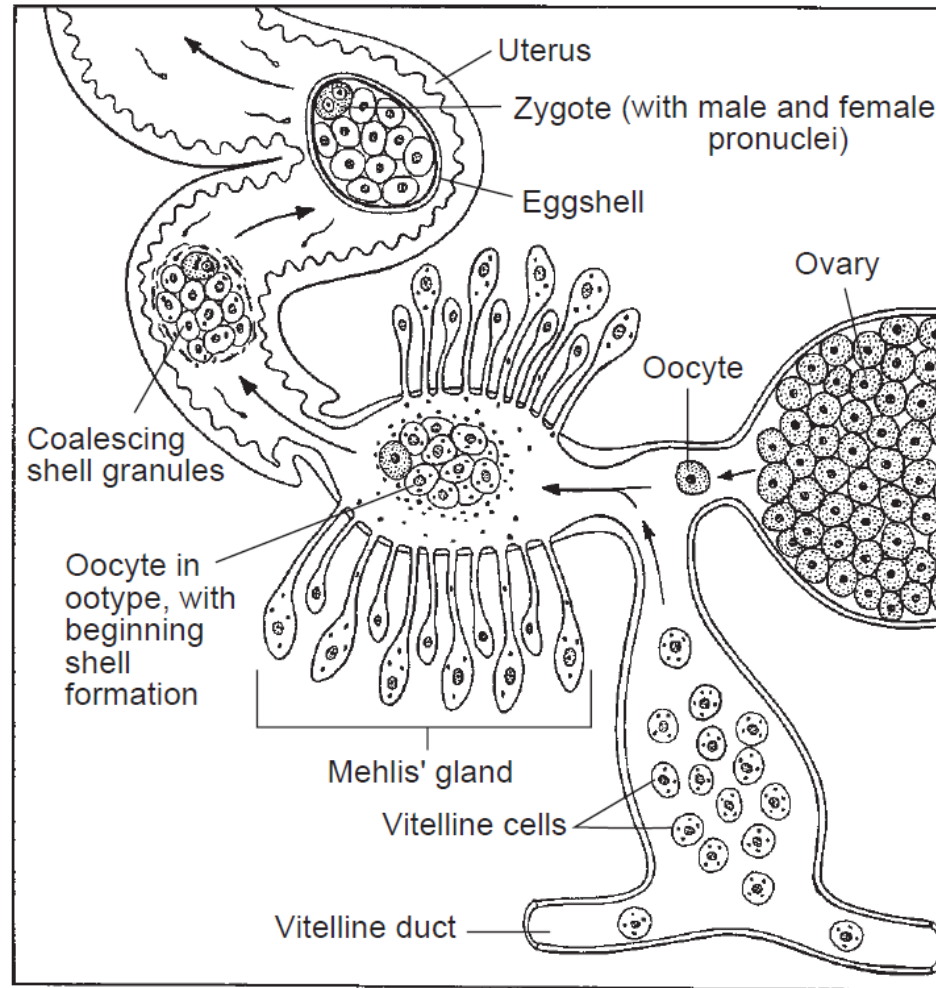


Figure 15.19 Schematic representation of the oogenotop of a digenetic trematode.

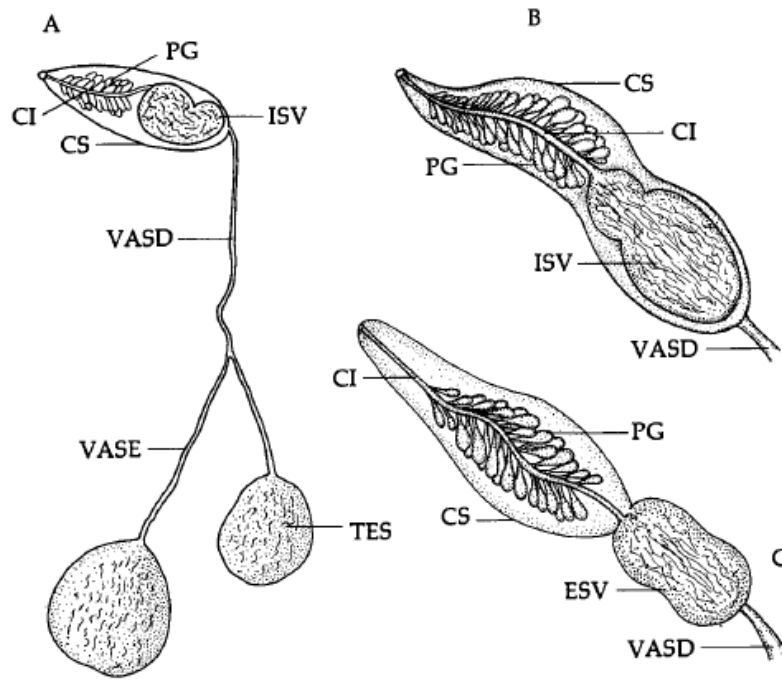
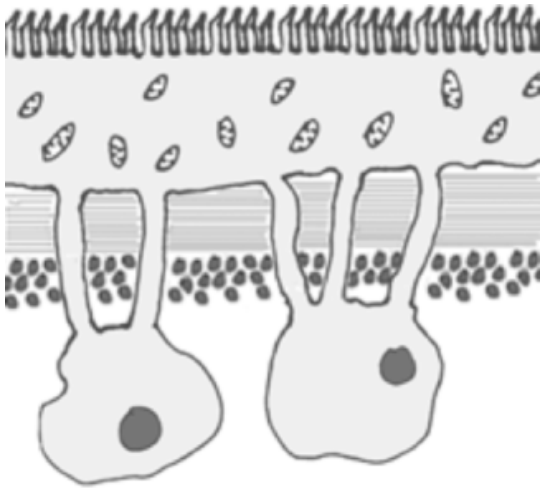
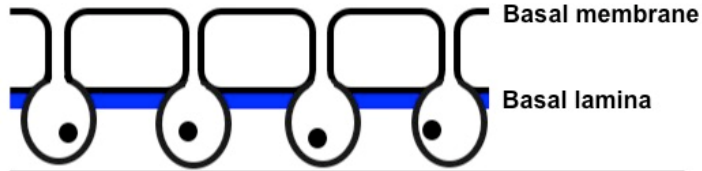


Fig. 10.6. Male reproductive system of digenetic trematode. A. Complete system showing constituent parts. B. Cirrus sac of species with internal seminal vesicle. C. Terminal portion of species with external seminal vesicle. CI, cirrus; CS, cirrus sac; ESV, external seminal vesicle; ISV, internal seminal vesicle; PG, prostate glands; TES, testis; VASD, vas deferens; VASE, vas efferens.

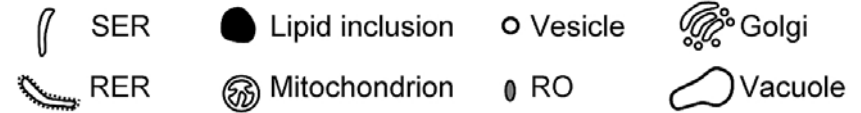
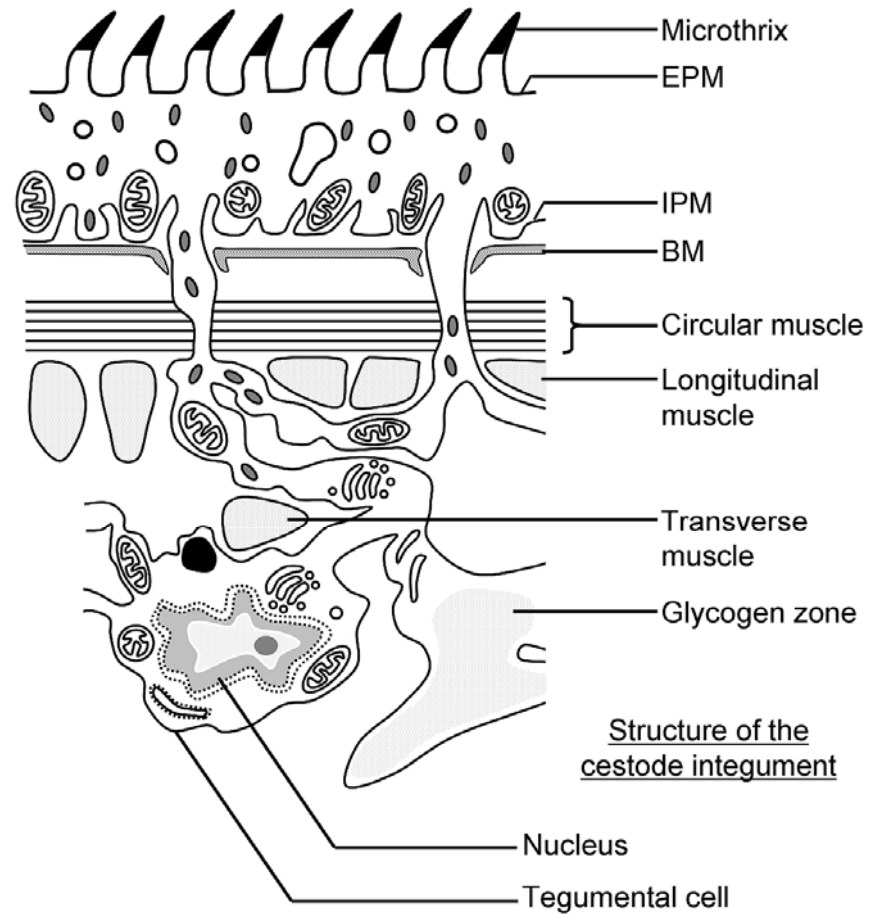
Tegumen: Syncytial epidermis



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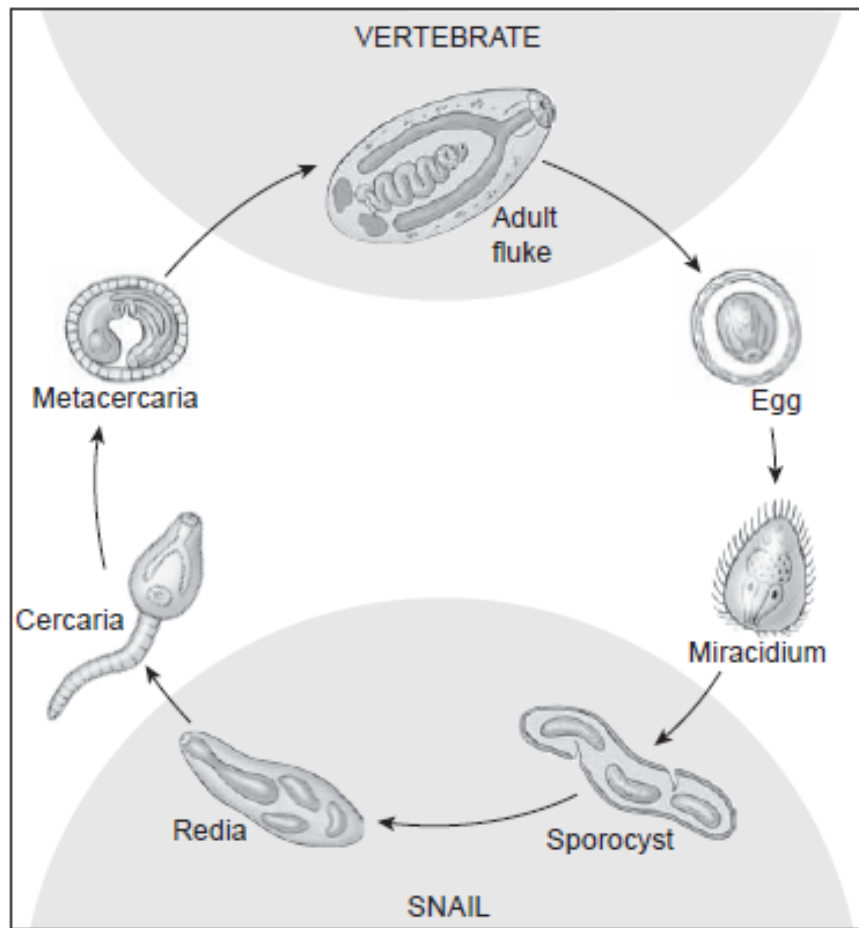
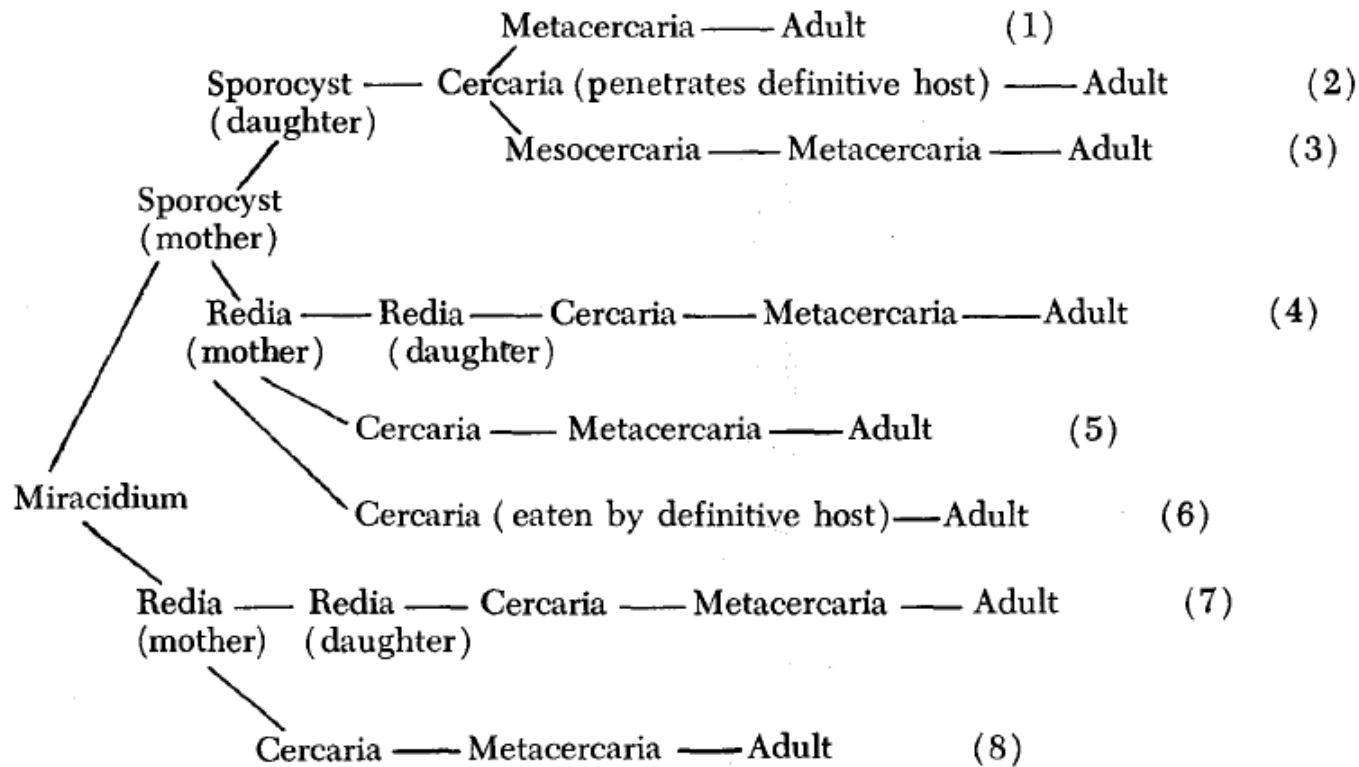


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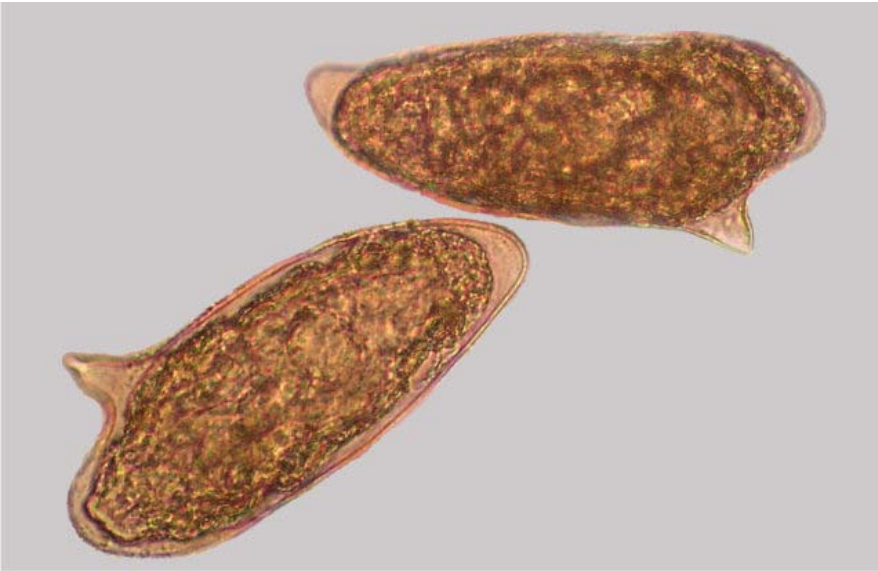
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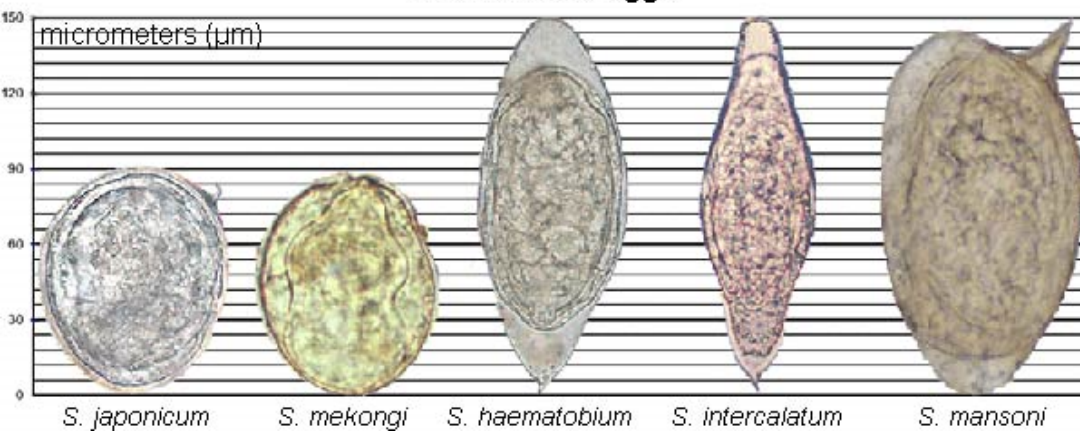
POSSIBLE LIFE CYCLES OF DIGENETIC TREMATODES



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| <p>(1) <i>Diplostomum flexicaudum</i> (Cort and Brooks, 1928)</p> <p>(2) <i>Trichobilharzia physellae</i> (Talbot, 1936)</p> <p>(3) <i>Alaria mustelae</i> Bosma, 1931</p> <p>(4) <i>Fasciola hepatica</i> Linnaeus, 1758</p> | <p>(5) <i>Metorchis conjunctus</i> (Cobbold, 1860)</p> <p>(6) <i>Proterometra dickermani</i> Anderson, 1962</p> <p>(7) <i>Stichorchis subtriquetrus</i> (Rudolphi, 1814)</p> <p>(8) <i>Caecicola parvulus</i> Marshall and Gilbert, 1905</p> |
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Schistosoma eggs



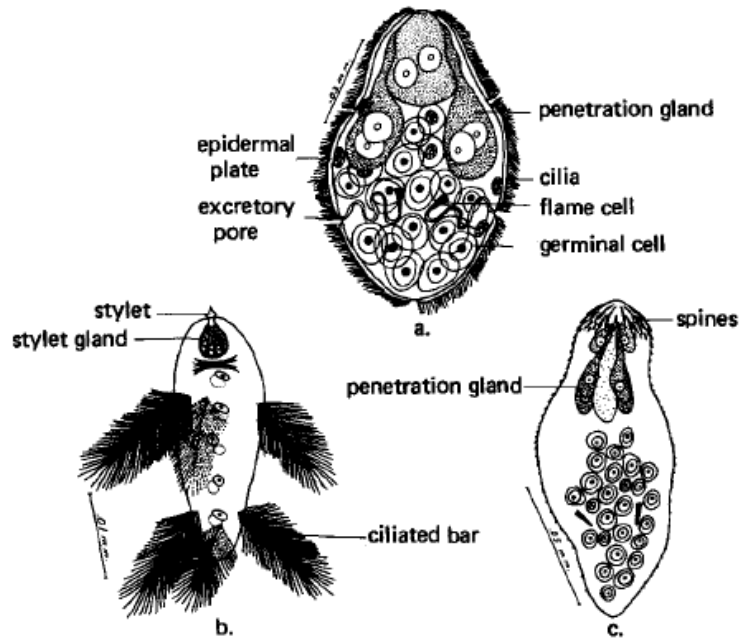


Fig. 8. Miracidia (a. *Phyllodistomum* sp.; b. *Leucochloridiomorpha constantiae*; c. *Halipegus* sp.). (Redrawn from Allison, 1943).



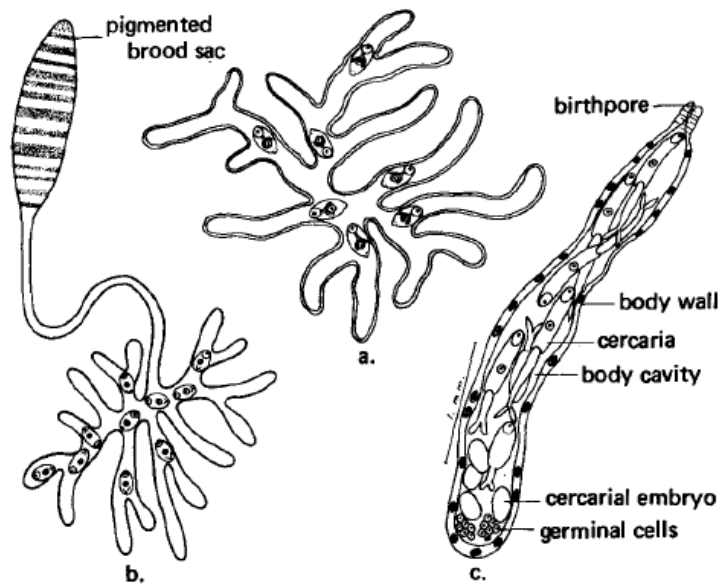


Fig. 9. Sporocysts (a. branched sporocyst of *Postharmostomum* sp.; b. branched with pigmented brood sac, *Leucochloridium* sp.; c. unbranched sporocyst of *Strigea* sp.



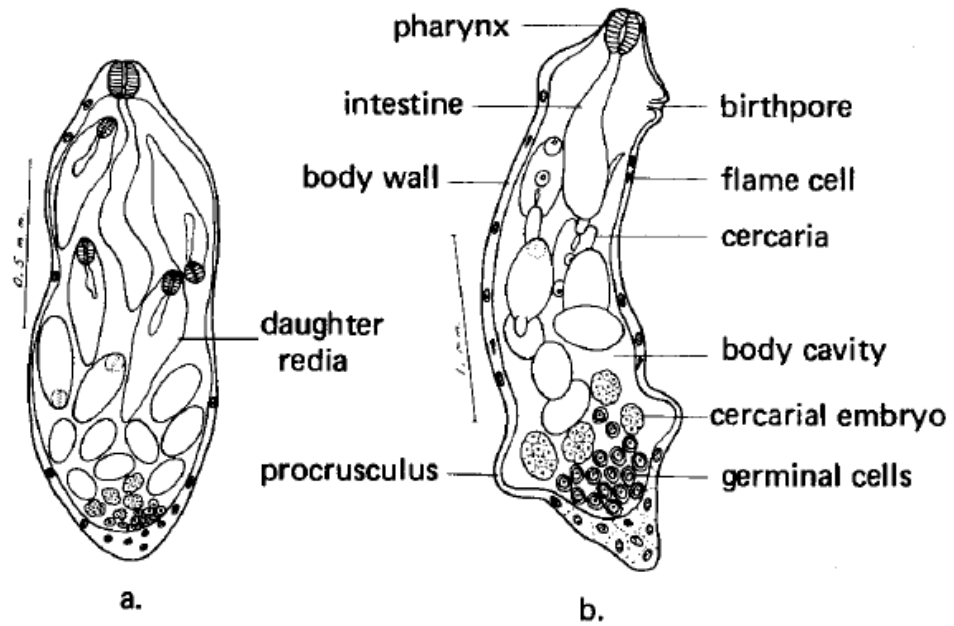
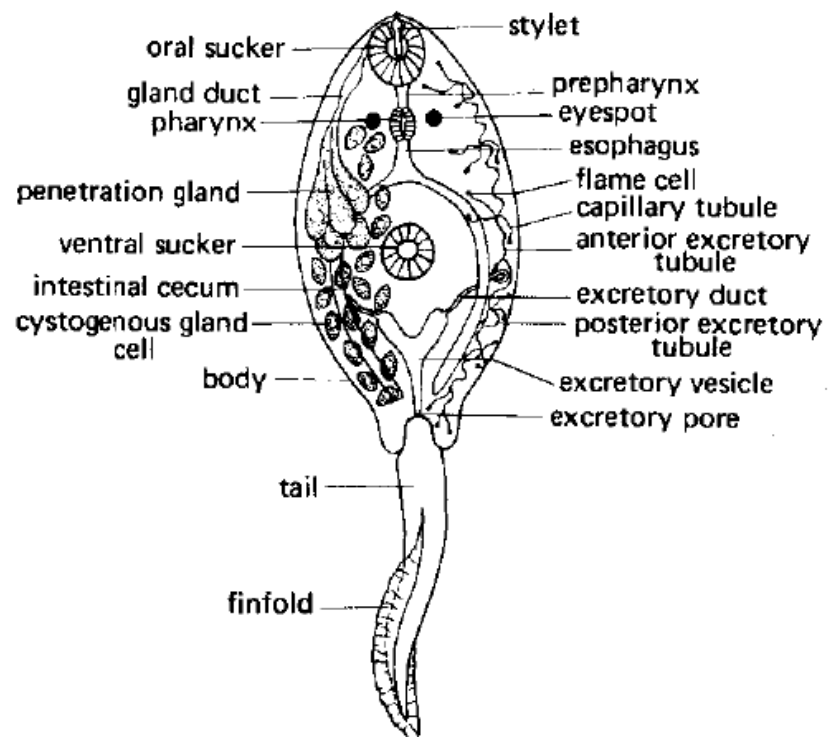


Fig. 10. Mother redia.

Fig. 11. Daughter redia.







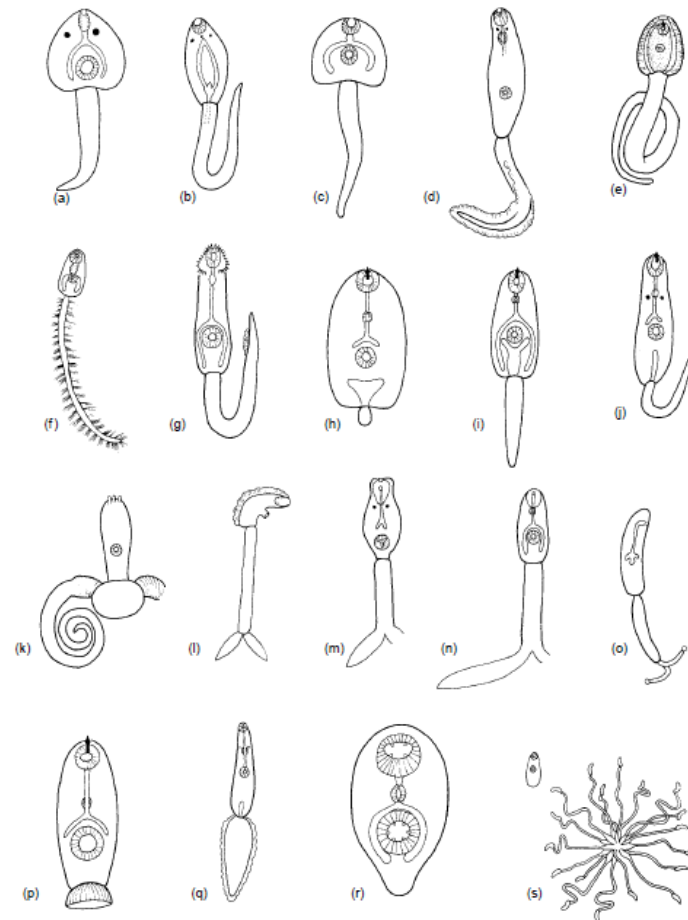
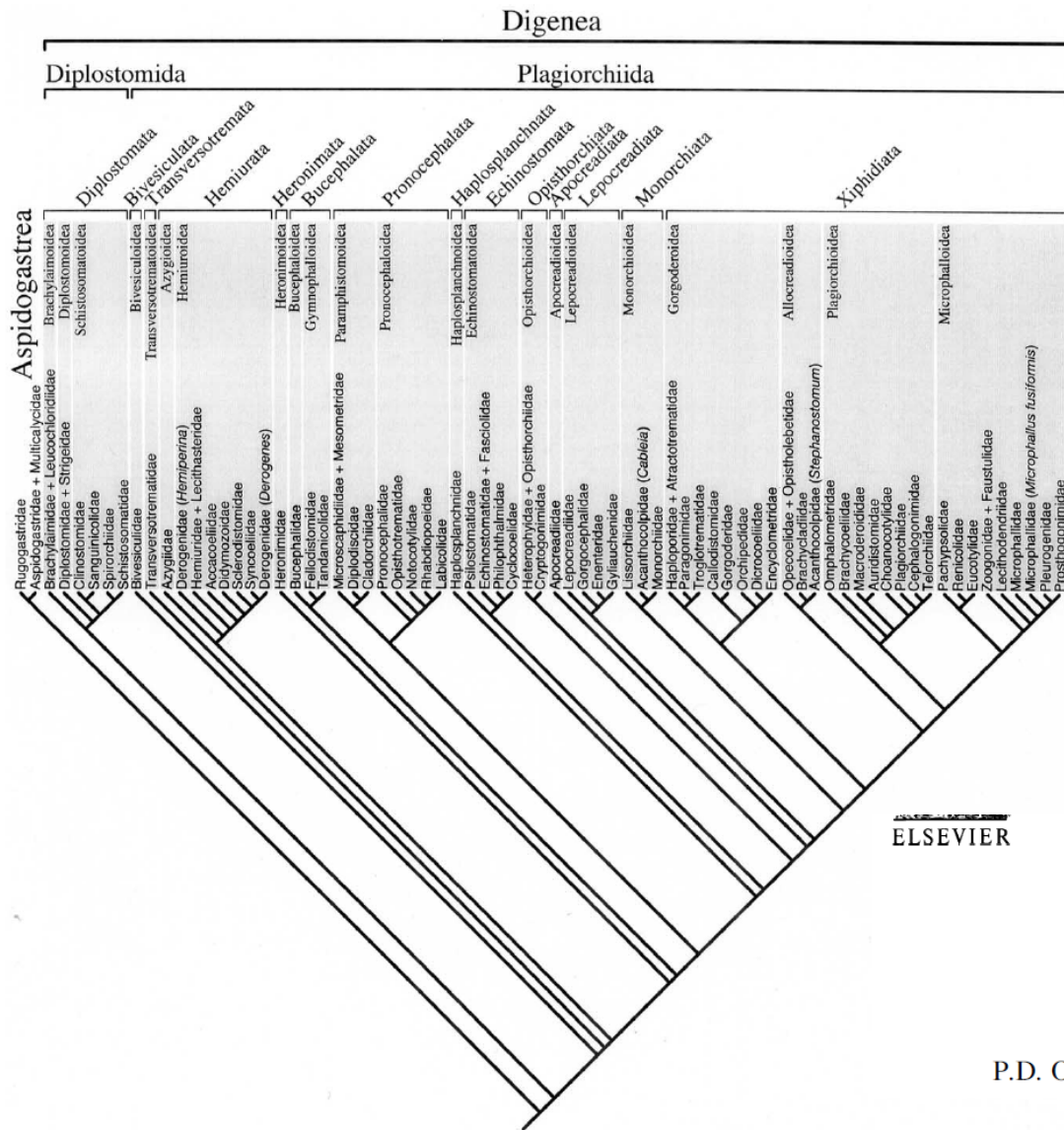


Figure 15.24 A few of the many types of cercariae.

(a) Amphistome cercaria; (b) monostome cercaria; (c) gymnocephalous cercaria; (d) gymnocephalous cercaria of pleurolophocercous type; (e) cystophorous cercaria; (f) trichocercous cercaria; (g) echinostome cercaria; (h) microcercous cercaria; (i) xiphidocercaria; (j) ophthalmoxiphidocercaria; (k–o) furcocercous types of cercariae: (k) gasterostome cercaria; (l) lophocercous cercaria; (m) apharyngeate furcocercous cercaria; (n) pharyngeate furcocercous cercaria; (o) apharyngeate monostome furcocercous cercaria without oral sucker; (p) cotylocercous cercaria; (q) rhopalocercous cercaria; (r) cercariae; (s) rattenkönig, or rat-king, cercariae.

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Phylum: Platyhelminthes
 Class: Trematoda
 Subclass: Digenea
 Order:a
 Families:ae

Phylogeny and classification of the Digenea (Platyhelminthes: Trematoda)¹

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Fig. 6. Revised classification of the Digenea based on the results of Bayesian inference of *lsrDNA* and *ssrDNA* combined (see Fig. 3).

O. Paramphistomiformes → cercaria with eyespots, encyst in the open, body elongated, ventral sucker large, hind part of the body

O. Echinostomatiformes → cercaria encyst in open, spines on body or spiny collar (mostly but not always) includes Fasciolidae

O. Hemiuriformes → tadpole like tail hind body section (tail+ecsoma)

O. Strigeiformes → cup shaped forebody (Diplostomidae: Alaria americana), some classifications include Schistosomatidae)

O. Opisthorchiformes → general oval shape (small/weak suckers) no cirrus sac and cirrus adult body often with spines, Clonorchis sinensis

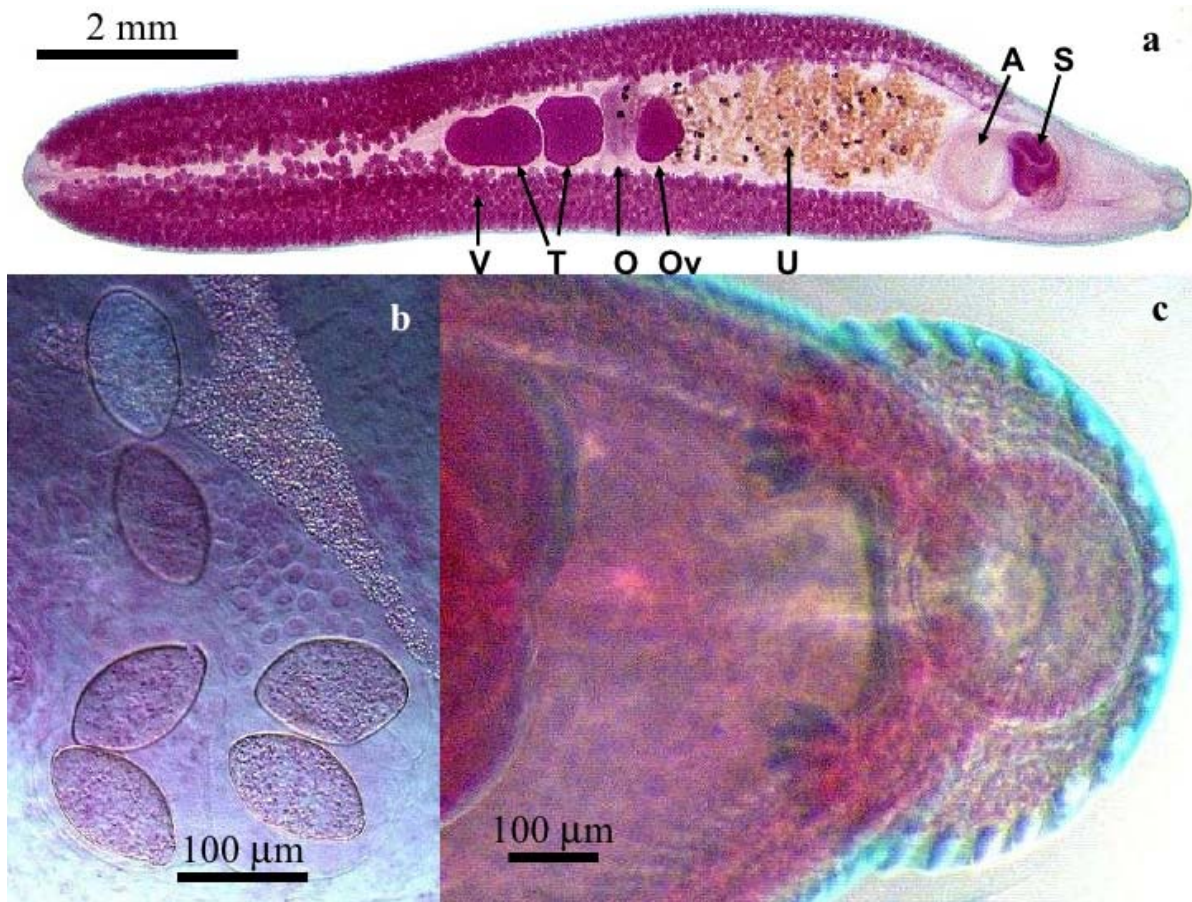
O. Plagiorchiformes → general oval shape, large suckers, small spines on body (Paragonomius westermani)

Paramphistomatidae



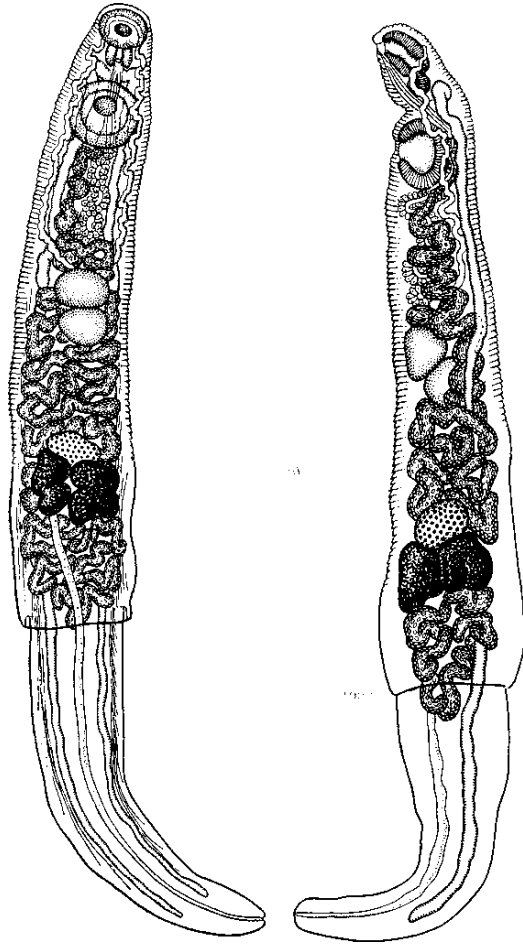
Megalodiscus temperatus
(rectum / bladder of frogs)
Heliosoma as intermediate
host.

Echinostomatidae



Echinostoma ilocanum

Hemiuridae



Hemiurus rugosus, Looss, 1907
(fish gut)

Strigeidae

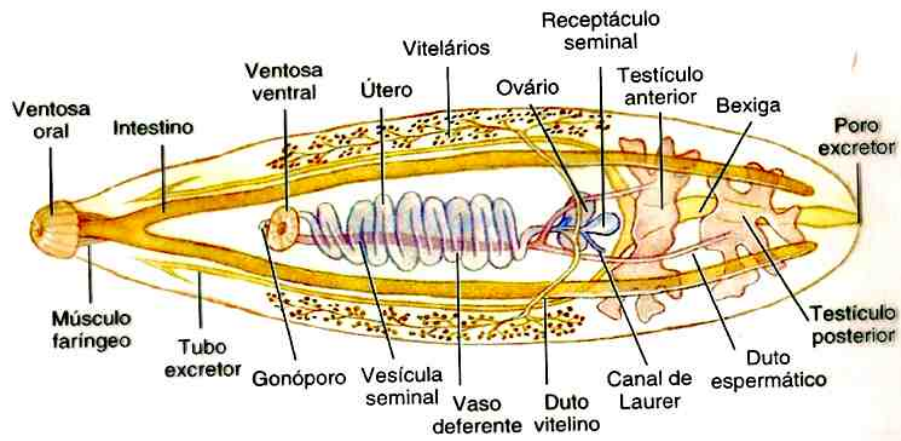


Strigea elegans (snail, tadpole, garter snake/duck, owl)



Alaria canis (snail, tadpole/frog, (mouse), fox/dog)

Opisthorchiidae



Clonorchis sinensis



Plagiorchiidae

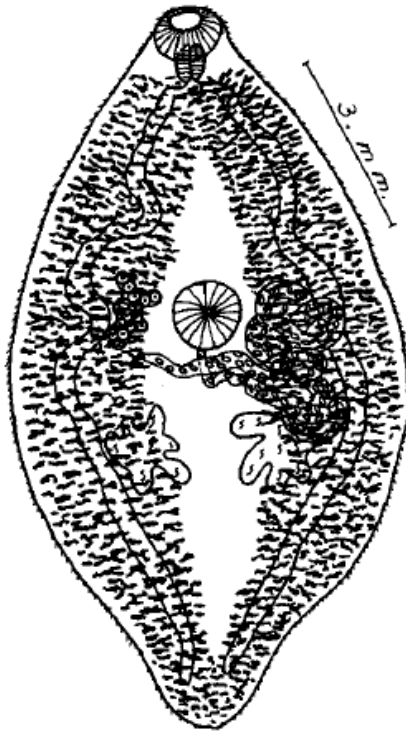
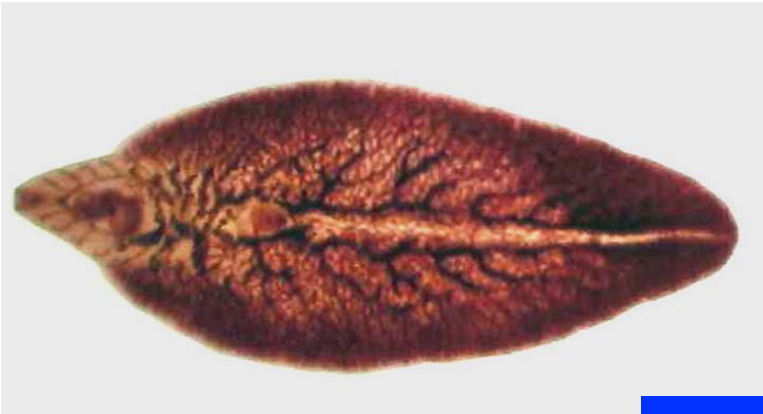


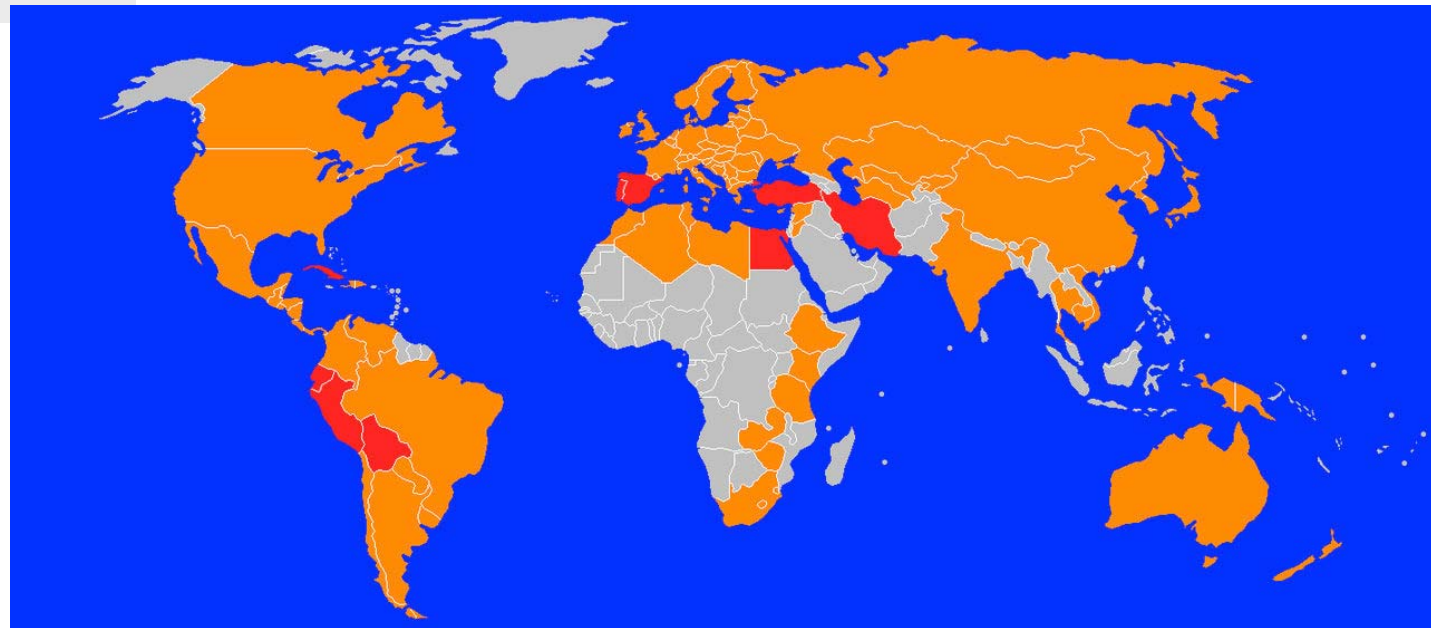
Fig. 580. *Paragonimus kellicotti*.

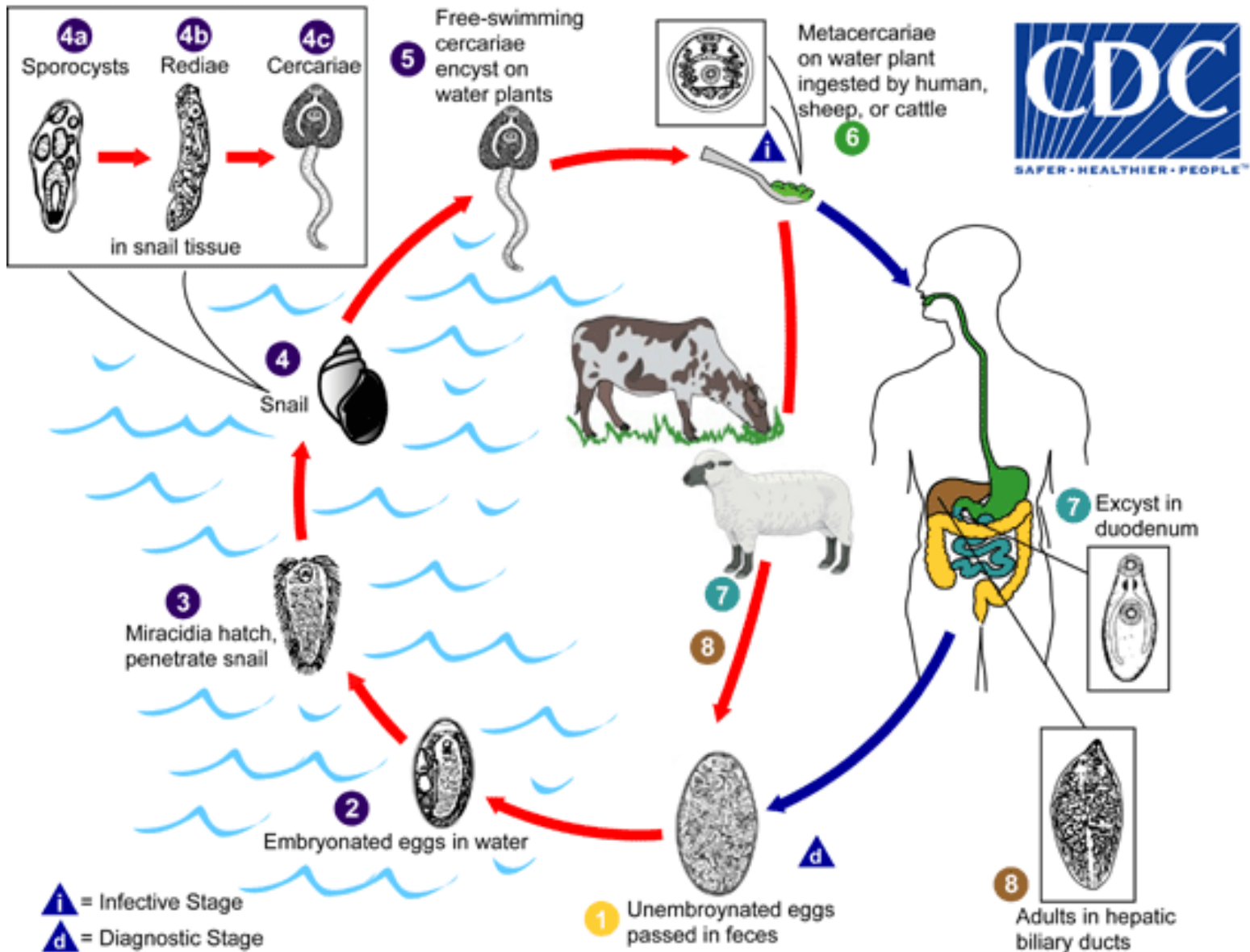
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Lung worm of minks in
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crayfish)

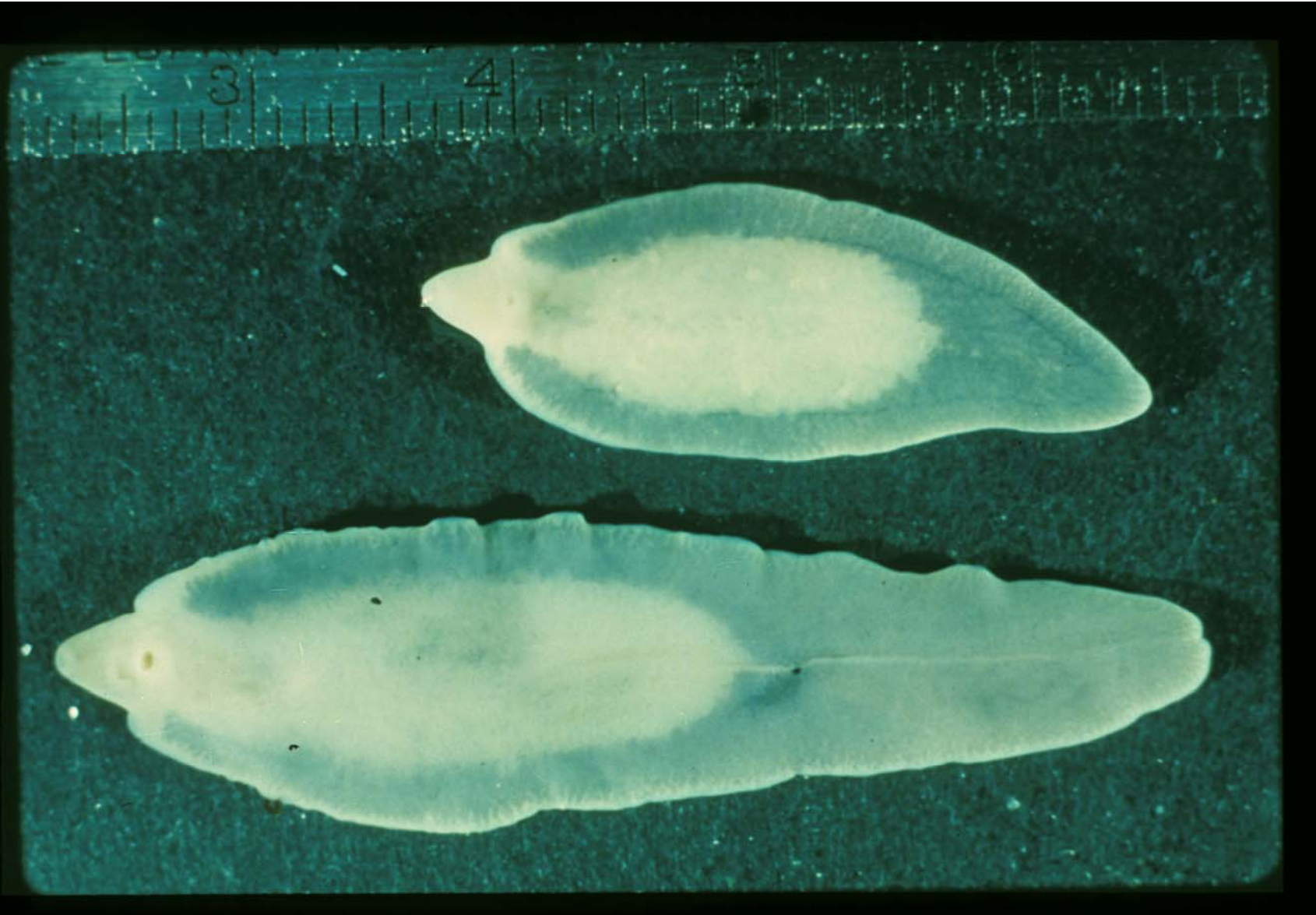
Fasciolidae



Fasciola hepatica (snail,
herbivor)







Fasciola hepatica and gigantica. Ventral view of formalin fixed, unstained specimens. Compare size and note the ventral suckers in both parasites.

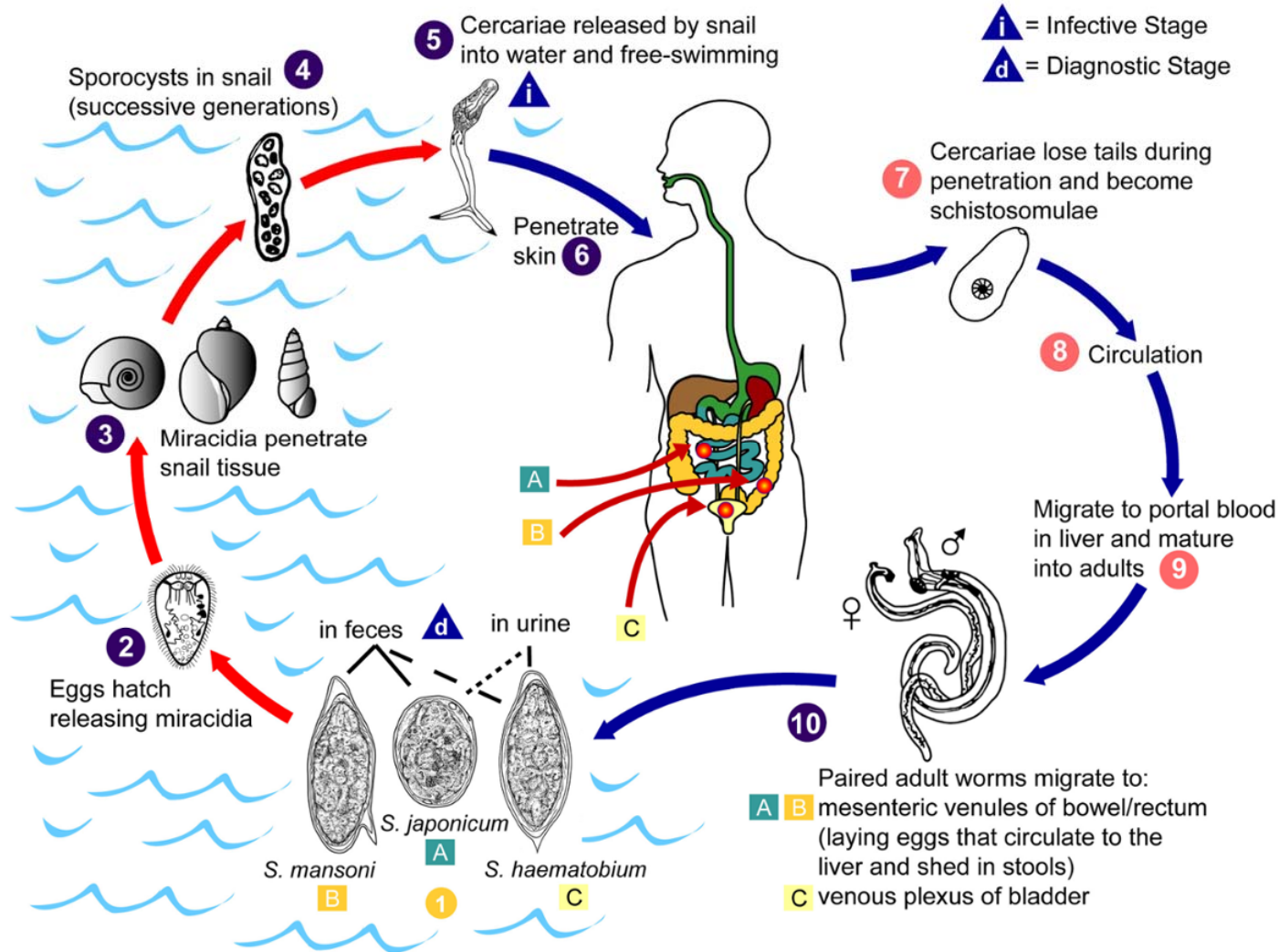


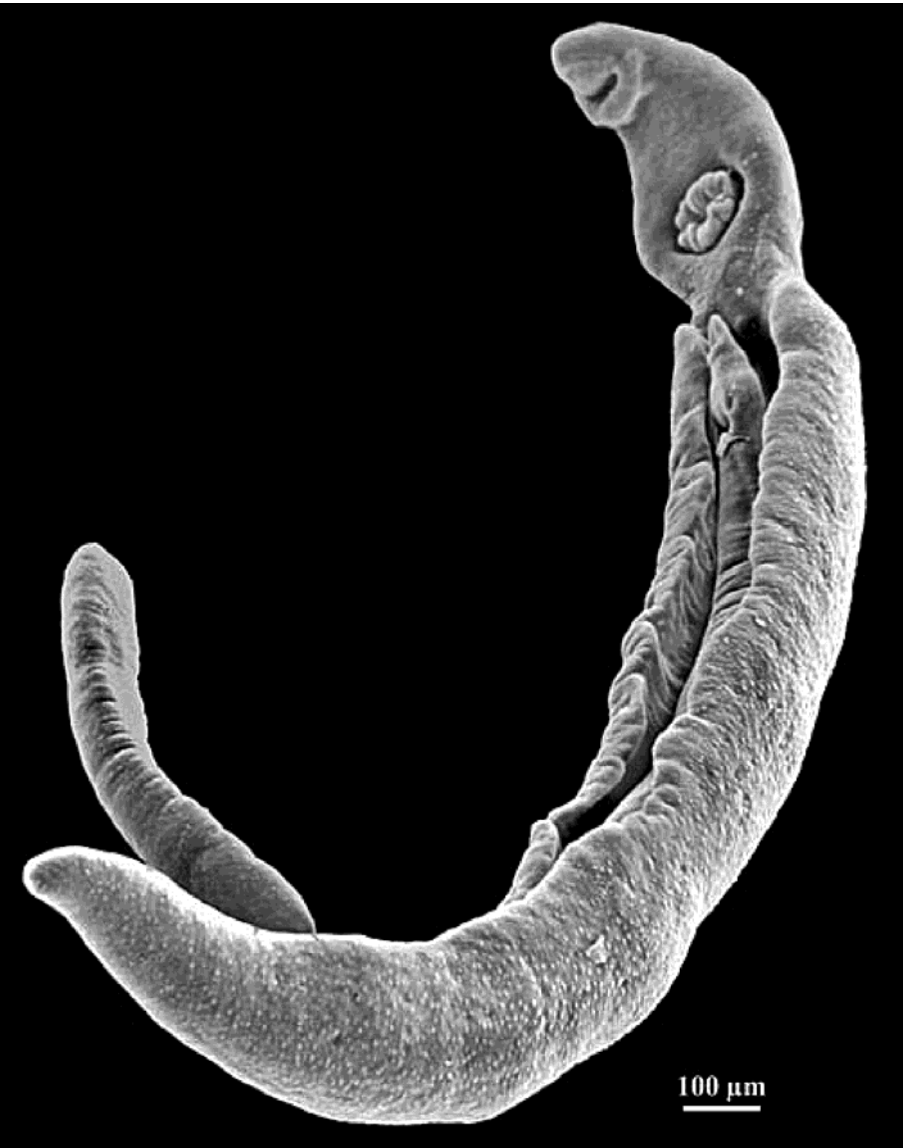


Fasciolopsis buski



Schistosomiasis









Schistosoma japonicum, Liver and splenic enlargement. Nearly 800 worms were removed from this patient.

Plagiorchiformes

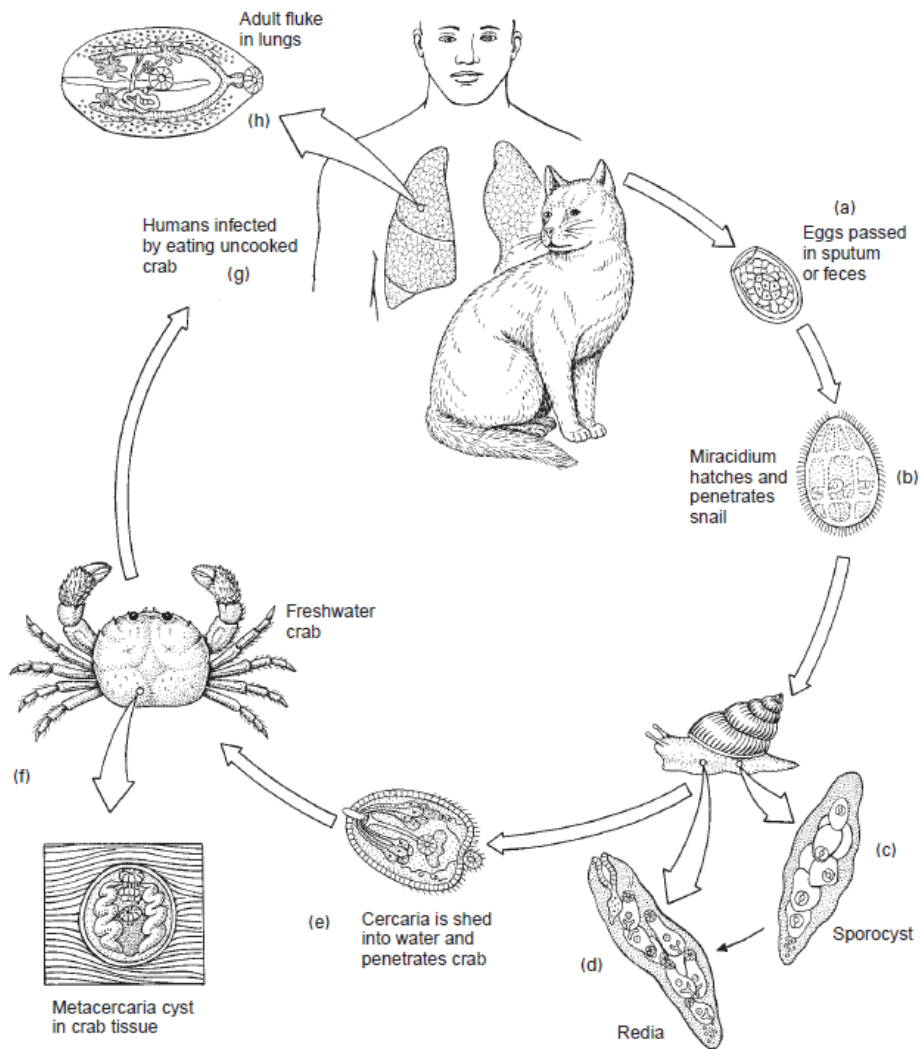


Figure 18.8 Life cycle of *Paragonimus westermani*.

(a) Shelled embryo passed in feces or sputum. (b) After development miracidium hatches spontaneously and penetrates snail. (c) Sporocyst. (d) Redia. (e) Cercaria is shed into water and penetrates crab. (f) Metacercarial cyst in tissue of freshwater crab. (g) Cats or humans infected by eating uncooked crab. (h) Adult fluke in lungs.

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