

Table 2. A sample of twenty disease-producing pathogens representing parasitism and parasitoidism in the amber fossil record¹

<i>Phylum, entry</i>	<i>Order</i>	<i>Family</i>	<i>Genus and species</i>	<i>Disease</i>	<i>Host or vector²</i>	<i>Deposit</i>	<i>References</i>
VIRUSES³							
[unrecognized] 1	dsDNA Viruses	Polydnnaviridae	<i>Bracovirus</i>	[none given]	Braconidae, braconid wasps ⁴	Dominican and Baltic Ambers	Poinar, 2014
BACTERIA³							
Proteobacteria 4	Enterobacteriales	Enterobacteriaceae	? <i>Yersinia</i> sp. ⁵	yersiniosis (the Plague)	<i>Rhopalopsyllus</i> sp. (Rhopalopsyllidae), a flea	Dominican amber	Poinar, 2014
Proteobacteria 5	Enterobacteriales	Enterobacteriaceae	<i>Protorhabdus</i> <i>luminescens</i>	angel's glow	<i>Heterorhabditus</i> sp. (Heterorhabditidae), a nematode	Myanmar amber	Poinar, 2011a
EXCAVATA³							
Euglenozoa 6	Kinetoplastida	Trypanosomatidae	<i>Trypanosoma</i> <i>antiquus</i>	Chagas disease	<i>Triatoma dominicana</i> (Reduviidae: Triatominae), a kissing bug	Dominican amber	Poinar, 2005c

Euglenozoa 7	Kinetoplastida	Trypano-somatidae	<i>Paleoleishmania proterus</i>	leishmaniasis	<i>Paleomyia burmitis</i> (Psychodidae: Phlebotominae), a sand fly	Myanmar amber	Poinar, 2004a, 2004b
Euglenozoa 8	Kinetoplastida	Trypano-somatidae	<i>Paleotrypanosoma burmanicus</i>	trypanosomiasis	<i>Leptoconops nosospheris</i> (Ceratopogonidae), a biting midge	Myanmar amber	Poinar, 2008a; see also Poinar, 2008b
CHROMALVEOLATA³							
Apicomplexa 9	Haemosporoida	Plasmodiidae	[inferred from co-eval plasmodium in (10) below]	malaria	<i>Anopheles</i> sp. (Culicidae), an anopheline mosquito	Dominican amber	Zavortink and Poinar, 2000
Apicomplexa 10	Haemosporoida	Plasmodiidae	<i>Plasmodium dominicana</i>	malaria	<i>Culex malariager</i> (Culicidae), a culicine mosquito	Dominican amber	Poinar, 2005b
Apicomplexa 11	Haemosporoida	Plasmodiidae	<i>Velafebrus ovatus</i>	bat malaria	<i>Enischnymia stegosoma</i> (Streblidae), a bat fly	Dominican amber	Poinar 2011b, Poinar and Brown, 2012
Apicomplexa 12	Haemosporoida	Haemoproteidae	<i>Paleohaemoproteus burmacis</i>	malaria	<i>Protoculicoides</i> sp. (Ceratopogonidae), a biting midge	Myanmar amber	Poinar and Telford, 2005
Apicomplexa 13	Eugregarinoiida	Monoductidae	<i>Primgregarina burmanicus</i>	gregarine disease	[indeterminate] cockroach (Blattellidae)	Myanmar amber	Poinar and Boucot, 2010; Poinar, 2012
FUNGI³							
Deuteromycota 14	Sphaeropsidiales	?Sphaeropsidaceae	<i>Leptothyrites dominicanus</i>	leaf spot	monocot, possibly a grass	Dominican amber	Poinar, 2003
Ascomycota 15	Hypocreales	Ophiocordycipitaceae	<i>Paleophiocordyceps coccophagus</i>	zombification ⁶	[species indet], Orthozoidae (Albicoccidae, a scale insect	Myanmar amber	Sung, et al., 2008

ANIMALIA ³							
Nematomorpha 16	Gordioidea	Chordodidae	<i>Paleochordodes protus</i>	hairworm disease	cf. <i>Supella</i> (Blattellidae), a cockroach	Dominican Republic	Poinar, 1999b
Nematomorpha 17	Gordioidea	Chordodidae	<i>Cretachordotes burmiticus</i>	hairworms disease	[undetermined arthropod]	Myanmar amber	Poinar and Buckley, 2006
Nematoda 18	Mermithida	Allantonemataidae	[undetermined]	filariasis	<i>Chymomyza primaeva</i> (Drosophilidae), a pomace fly	Dominican amber	Poinar, 2010
Nematoda 19	Mermithida	Mermithidae	<i>Heydenius myrmecophila</i>	filariasis	<i>Linepithene</i> sp. (Formicidae), an ant	Dominican amber	Poinar et al., 2006
Nematoda 20	Mermithida	Mermithidae	<i>Heydenius trichorosis</i>	filariasis	<i>Triaenodes balticus</i> (Leptoceridae), a caddisfly	Baltic amber	Poinar, 2014

¹Major centered headings in upper-case and bold lettering are kingdoms.

²In fifteen of these associations involving an arthropod (minus the monocot and the nematode), the parasitized taxon is listed in this column. In most of the cases, the parasitized arthropod is probably the only or the ultimate host; however, the possibility remains that some of these arthropods could be vectors that transmit the offending disease.

³Some of these records need confirmation by modern techniques, particularly as the original reports date from the 1990's.

⁴Based on the tight integration of polydnavirus genomes into the braconid wasp genome (Poinar et al., 1976).

⁵Bacteria at the tip of the styletal proboscis "...have the morphological features of *Yersinia* ...", but their identity could not be confirmed (Poinar, 2014).

⁶See Hughes et al. (2011) for an explanation of the process of zombification in an ant from the lower Eocene of Messel, Germany.