

# TREMATODES

# Lung Flukes

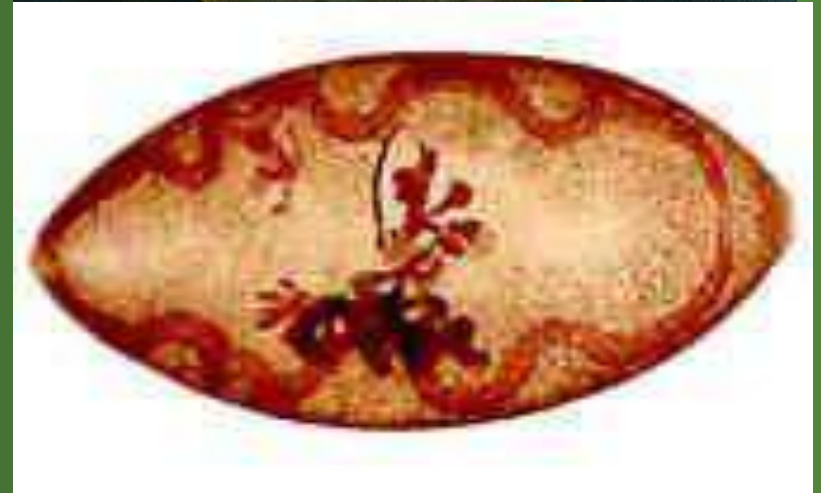
# Lung Flukes

- *Paragonimus westermani*
- Oriental Lung Fluke

# Lung Flukes:

## *Paragonimus westermani*

- *Paragonimus westermani* adult
  - Hermaphroditic
  - Body covered with spines
  - Reddish brown
  - Resembles a coffee bean
  - Adult worms are found in pairs or in threes in fibrotic capsules or cysts in the lungs



# Lung Flukes:

## *Paragonimus westermani*

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- ova



# Lung Flukes:

## Epidemiology of Paragonimiasis

- First Intermediate Host
  - *Brotia asperata* (snail)
  - Where miracidium develops into 1 sporocyst and 2 redial stages of development

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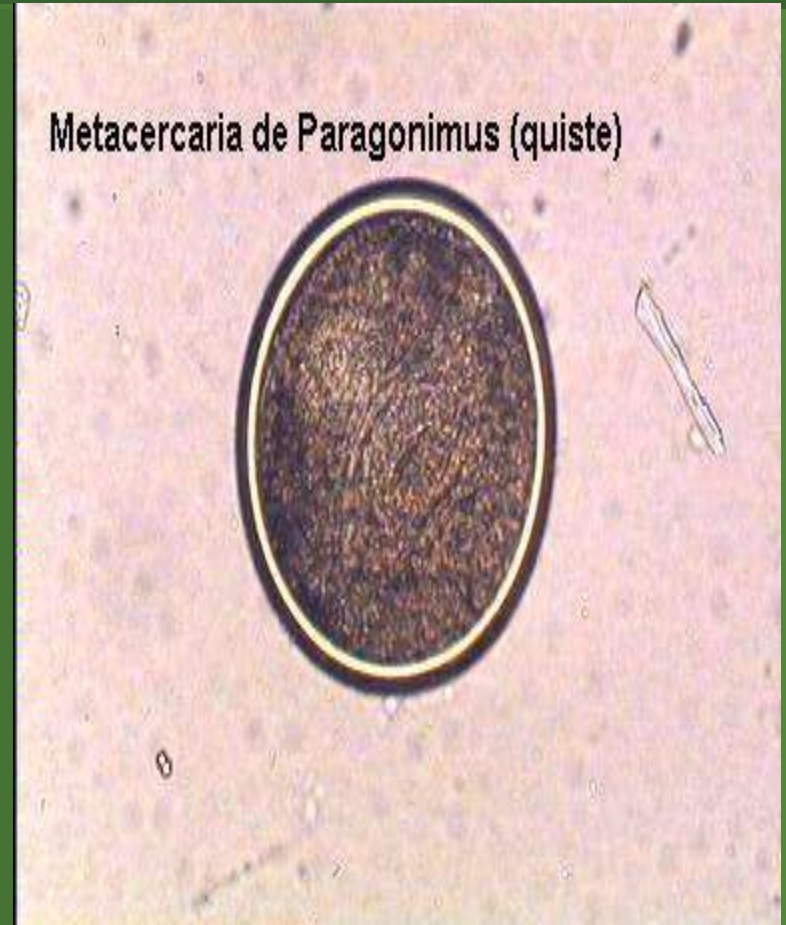
## Epidemiology of Paragonimiasis

- Second Intermediate Host
  - *Sundathelpusa philippina* or *Parathelpusa grapsoides* (former name)
  - Harbors the metacercaria that is infective to man

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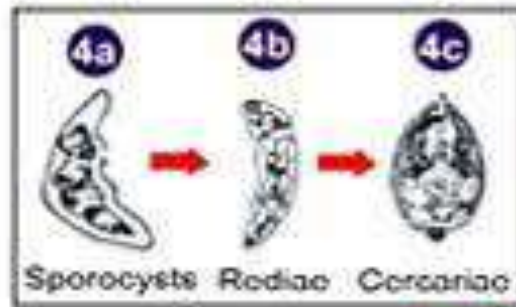
## *Paragonimus westermani*

- Man gets infected after ingestion of raw or insufficiently cooked crabs harboring the metacercariae





**5** Cercariae invade the crustacean and encyst into metacercariae. **i**



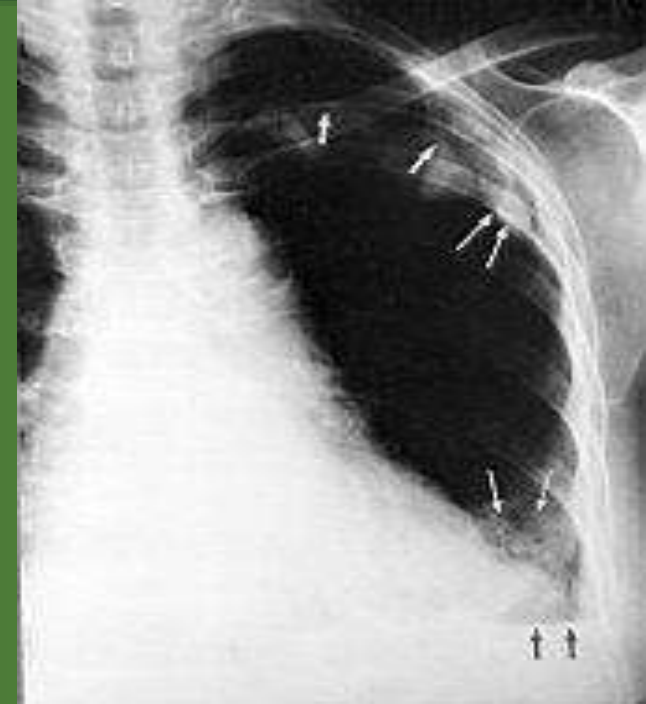
**i** = Infective Stage  
**d** = Diagnostic Stage

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# Lung Flukes:

## Pathogenesis and Clinical Manifestations

- Paragonimiasis
- Acute phase of the disease [period of invasion and migration of larvae]
- may marked by: **Pulmonary abnormality** , **Hepatosplenomegaly** ,
- **Eosinophilia** , **Cough** , **Urticaria** , **abdominal pain** , **Diarrhea** , **Fever** .



- Chronic phase [pulmonary manifestation] include:
- Cough ,Hemoptysis , Chest-radiographic abnormalities ,
- Expectoration of discolored sputum[the color being caused by expectorated clusters of
- reddish brown eggs rather than blood ].
- *Cases may resemble "Pulmonary tuberculosis"* .

# Lung Flukes:

## Diagnosis of Paragonimiasis

- Radiographs aid in diagnosis
- Definitive diagnosis is based on the finding of ova in the sputum, stool or less frequently in aspirated material from abscesses or pleural effusions
- Multi-dot ELISA





# Lung Flukes:

## Treatment of Paragonimiasis

- Praziquantel
- Bithionol

# Intestinal Flukes

## Heterophyids

- Many species live in the intestine of fish-eating hosts:
  - *Heterophys heterophyes*
  - *Metagonimus yokogawai*
  - *Haplorchis taichui*
  - *Haplorchis yokogawai*

# Intestinal Flukes

## Heterophyids

- Mode of transmission is by ingestion of metacercariae encysted in fish
- Metacercariae in the abdomen excysts, liberating a larva that attaches to the intestinal wall

# Intestinal Flukes

## Heterophyids

- ***Heterophyes heterophyes***  
**Adult**
  - Elongated
  - Oval or pyriform
  - Measures less than 2 mm in length
  - Integument has fine scale-like spines
  - Some species have gonotyl or genital sucker



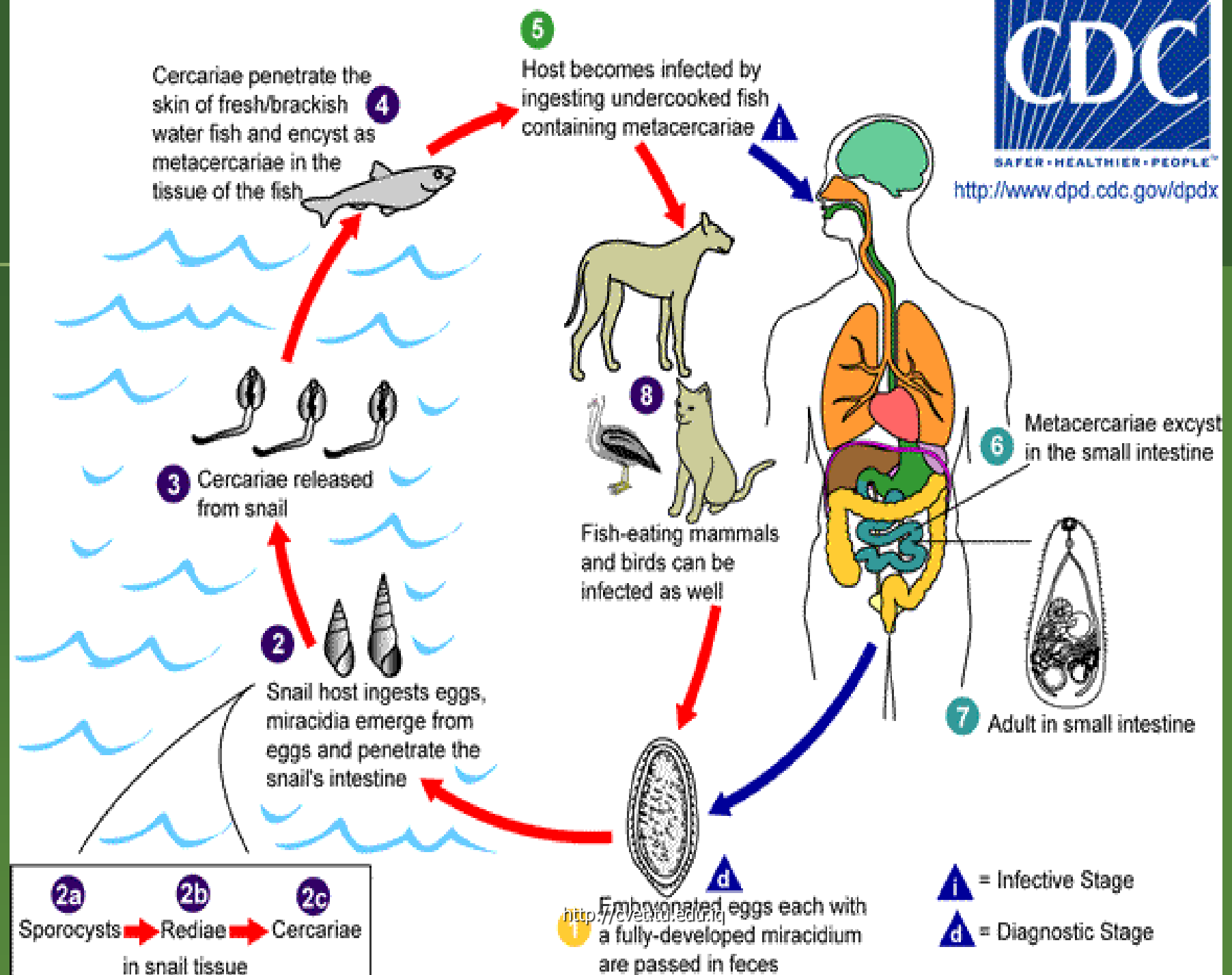


# Intestinal Flukes

## Heterophyids

- *Heterophyes heterophyes*
- Ova
  - Light brown in color
  - Ovoid in shape
  - Operculated
  - A fully developed symmetrical miracidium is already present
  - Operculum fits into the egg smoothly
  - No abopercular protuberance like that of *Clonochis sinensis* ovum





# Intestinal Flukes

*Heterophyes heterophyes*

## Pathogenesis and Clinical Manifestations

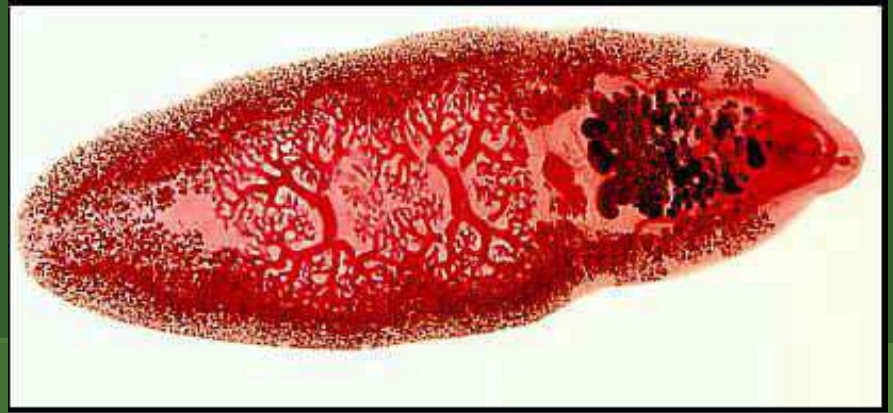
- Heterophyiasis
- Inflammation at the site of attachment
- Manifestations are consistent with peptic ulcer
  - Upper abdominal discomfort
  - Gurgling abdomen

# **Fasciolopsis Buski**

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Fasciolopsis buski is prevalent in Southeast Asia and lives in humans and pigs' intestines, so it is also called Asia Giant Intestinal Fluke. The prevalence of fasciolopiasis is related to growing water plants and feeding pigs on water plants.

# I. morphology



**1. Adult: the body is long elliptic, flesh-colored, looks like a slice of raw meat. The size is about 20-75× 8-20 ×1-3mm, the largest one of human trematodes. The ventral sucker is near by the much smaller oral sucker. Two coral-liked testes are located in the posterior half of the body.**

**2. egg is oval in shape,  
slight yellow in color,  
130-140×80-85μ(the  
largest helminth egg).  
The thinner shell with an  
operculum encloses an  
ovum and 20-40 yolk  
cells.**

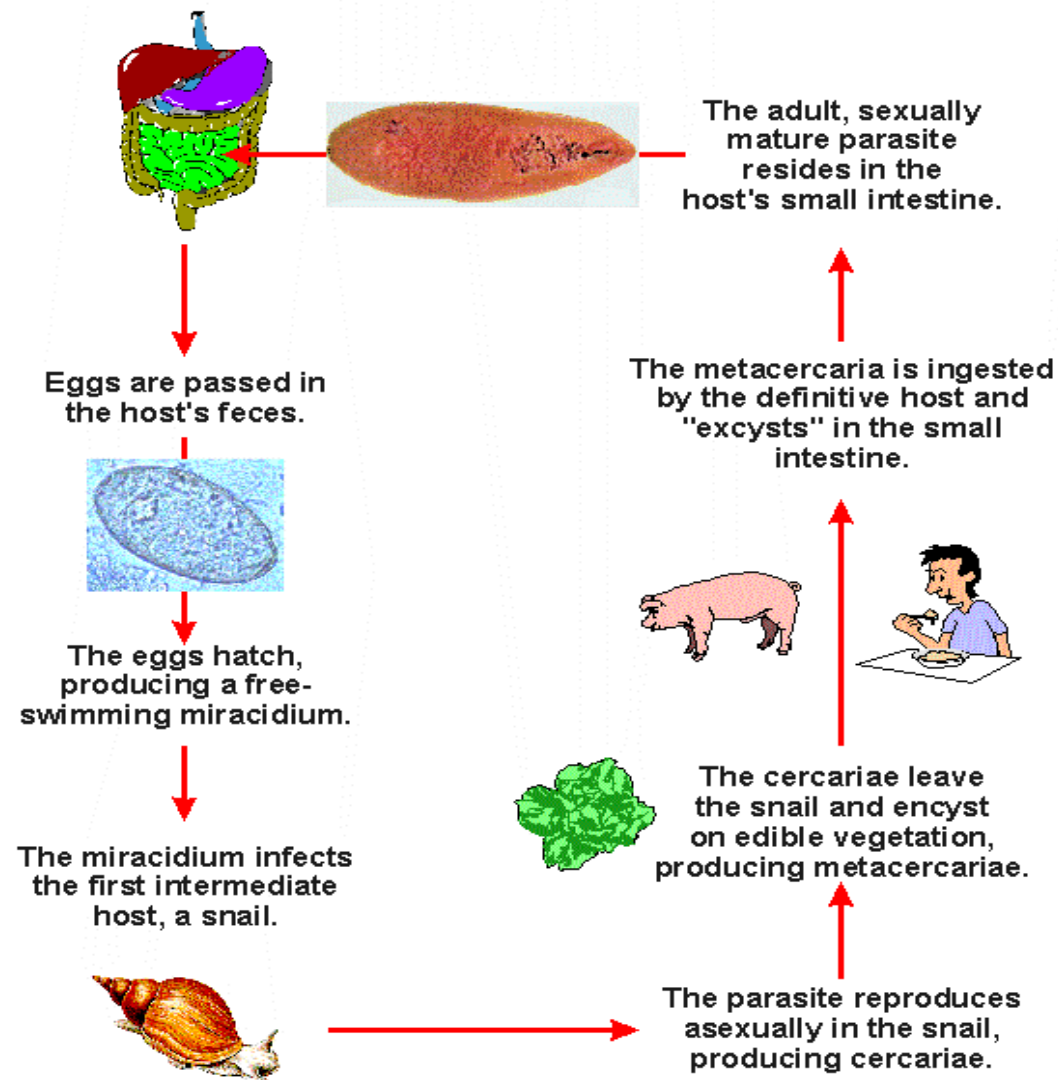


## **II. Life cycle**

- 1. Site of inhabitation: small intestine**
- 2. Infective stage: metacercaria**
- 3. Infective mode: eating raw water plants with metacercariae**
- 4. Medium of water plants: chestnut, water bamboo and caltrop**
- 5. Intermediate hosts: Planorbis snail**
- 6. Reservoir host: pig**
- 7. Life span: 1-4 years**



# THE LIFE CYCLE OF *FASCIOLOPSIS BUSKI*



# III. Pathology and Symptomatology

- Pathogenicity; *the disease called ' Fasciolopsiasis' .*
- due to Traumatic, Mechanical, and Toxic effects .

**1. Enteritis due to the attachment of the adults manifests abdominal discomfort, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.**

**2. Malnutrition results from the worms sharing food with the host and diarrhea . Manifests anemia, edema of leg and face even ascites.**

# Intestinal Flukes

## Diagnosis

## Pathogenesis and Clinical Manifestations

- Detection of eggs in the stool using Kato Katz method
- Care must be taken to distinguish them from *Clonorchis* and *Opisthorchis* ova

# Intestinal Flukes

## Treatment

## Pathogenesis and Clinical Manifestations

- Praziquantel
  - 25 mg/kg in 3 doses for 1 day



# Thanks