

Medical Helminthology



Trematodes are classified according to their habitat into:





Lung flukes

Intestinal flukes



Blood flukes

Fasciola gigantica

(Giant liver fluke)





Morphology

- Disease: Fascioliasis
- Geographical distribution: Egypt,

Tropical Africa and many parts of the

world especially cattle raising countries.

- Size: 60 x 15mm(you can See by naked eye)
- Shape: Oblong with the lateral borders

of the body parallel to each other.

Vitaline gland part in digestive sys of female+ The lateral Bordal of Adult. the female System One ovary Branche. the male System (2-tested Branches found in the posterior part of the Body+ median Branch of the intestinal SeacaTor Y 4 Shape+ Latral Branched Compound)





*Egg (D.S):-

Size : 140 x 70 µm. (the Bige egg)

Shape : Oval.

Shell : Thin operculated.

Color : Yellowish brown.

Content : Immature (ovum & yolk cells).





(cilia) (sac like full germinal cell) (have a projection at the end) (have a projection at the end)



* Cercaria:-

- Formed of body and tail.
- Body with oral and ventral suckers, simple intestinal caeca & cystogenous glands.
- Tail : Simple (leptocercous cercaria).





in the same host (water) **Encysted metacercaria (I.S):-** (absent of the tail and

- Spherical in shape.
- The cercaria losses its tail and secrete a thick cyst wall.
- Present in green aquatic vegetations and water.

Mode of infection:

- 1- Ingestion of water plants infected with encysted metacercaria.
- 2- Drinking water contaminated with encysted metacercaria.



product of

the cvst)





the egg found in the bile and exited through genital pore to reach to intestine and dedendum finally reach to the stool the most important stage in parasite live reach to the water(freash water) to be mature

how the egg reach to the water? by two way 1) animal can datafication in water 2) some in developed contrary the man will defecation in water

in side the water the egg need 2 week to maturation to product the embryo (miracidium) which go to the snail(lymnaea cailiaudi) which convert to sporocyst ----> Redia----> cercaria when exit from snail convert to encysted metacercaria



Habitat in liver(bililary sys)

Host

- Definitive host adult in man
- Intermediate host snail
- Reservoir host animal

Diagnostic stage immature egg in stool

Infective stage encysted metacercaria in water

Mode of infection

Pathogenesis

- Acute (migratory) phase: hepatitis
 - Young migrating worms lead to enlarged tender liver, eosinophilia and fever
 - Dramatic liver inflammation, frequently resulting in death

• Latent phase:

• The patient is asymptomatic for months or years. However, eggs of *Fasciola* could be detected in the stool.

• Chronic (obstructive) phase:

- More common and rarely fatal
- Adults in bile duct leads to inflammation, fibrosis and obstructive jaundice

Clinical aspects

- Acute (migratory) stage: Fever, abdominal pain, vomiting, hepatomegaly, and ${}^{\bullet}$ allergic manifestations.
- **Chronic (obstructive) stage:** Enlarged tender liver, biliary colic, obstructive •

jaundice, dyspepsia, and anaemia

Complications

- Secondary biliary cirrhosis. ۲
- Cholecystitis, cholangitis, cholelithiasis, and possibly pancreatitis. ٠
- Haemorrhage due to mechanical injury by the flukes. caused anemia ۲
- Ectopic Fascioliasis: Metacercariae which migrate through the peritoneal cavity may ۲ become lodged in different organs such as intestinal wall, pleura, CNS, skin, and subcutaneous tissues leading to abscess formation if fasciola go to the site another to liver= no accur

maturation = absecss in this site

• Pharyngeal fascioliasis (Halzoun):

result from eating liver contaminated by adult fasciola so no fascioliaisis

- Eating raw, infected liver •
- Infects pharynx •
- Causes swelling and obstructs breathing (pharyngitis and laryngeal oedema) ٠



False Fascioliasis or spurious infection: The presence of eggs in the stool not resulting from an actual infection but from recent ingestion of infected liver containing eggs. This can be avoided by stop eating liver several days (3 - 7 days) before a repeat of stool examination.

true infection: not by eating liver contaminated so infection doesn't from liver ---> have a disease

Treatment

- Triclabendazole (Fasinex).
- Dichlorophenol (Bithionol)
- Surgical for ectopic flukes or biliary obstruction.

Treatment of halzoun:-

➤Gargling with strong alcoholic drink paralysis of the adult *Fasciola* or from the mucous membrane of the pharynx.

Administration of emetics.

Tracheostomy is indicated in laryngeal obstruction.









	Fasciola gigantica	Fasciola hepatica
Geographical distribution:	Egypt, West Africa	Egypt, Europe, Asia, Africa
Size:	Larger 60 ×15 mm	Smaller 30 ×12 mm
Shape:	Oblong	Triangular
Suckers:	Oral one is smaller	Equal
Caeca:	Medial T or Y	Simple medial
	branches	branches
Snail intermediate host:	Lymnaea cailliaudi	Lymnaea truncatula



Test Knowledge

Post lecture quiz ????

- Halzoun syndrome pharyngitis +linguistics edema result from ingested of liver contaminated in adult treated by alcohol
- Spurious Fascioliasis Fale fascioliasis---> egg in stool result from ingested of contamination liver not by infected by this
- Give reason:

1. stool examination is not always conclusive in the diagnosis of fascioliasis false fascioliasis patient infected by fasciola but not have egg in stool because have obstructed of biliary duct(very late phase)

2. Anaemia in fascioliasis.