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# Strongyloidiasis

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An infection that is caused by nematodes of the genus *Strongyloides*, most commonly *Strongyloides stercoralis*, which is a soil-transmitted helminth, and which is characterized by a variety of gastrointestinal, dermatologic, and, occasionally, pulmonary manifestations. The worm's autoinfective life cycle can lead to hyper-infection and life-threatening dissemination in immunocompromised hosts decades after initial infection.