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# Heterophyes heterophyes

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A species of parasitic flatworms in the family Heterophyidae. The lifecycle of *H. heterophyes* involves snails as the first intermediate host, freshwater fish as the second intermediate host, and humans, fish-eating carnivores, or birds as the definitive host. Infestation causes heterophyiasis.