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Toxocariasis

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A parasitic infection caused by *Toxocara*. Humans are infected by the larvae of *Toxocara canis* and *Toxocara cati* from dogs and cats respectively. Most cases remain asymptomatic. The parasites may affect the eye, causing diminished vision, or other major organs, causing hepatomegaly, eosinophilia, wheezing, and coughing.