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Taenia solium

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A species of parasitic cestodes in the genus *Taenia* that is acquired through the ingestion of infected porcine tissue. Humans are the definitive host of the adult cestodes, resulting in taeniasis. *Taenia solium* also causes cysticercosis, a tissue infection caused by larval cysts, which results when humans serve as an intermediate host.