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# Toxocara cati

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A species of parasitic nematodes in the genus *Toxocara* where felids are the definitive host. Paratenic hosts include invertebrates, birds, and rodents. Human infection most commonly occurs in children through accidental ingestion of larvated eggs from a contaminated environment.