A Checklist of Parasites and Commensals Reported for the Taiwan Macaque (Macaca cyclopis SWINHOE, 1862)*

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The Taiwan macaque, the only nonhuman primate indigenous to Taiwan, is a member of a widely distributed and very successful group of cercopithecids which constitute the genus Macaca. This genus geographically occupies extensive ranges in Southeast Asia (including Malaysia and a number of islands of the Indian Ocean and the South China Sea), parts of India, Ceylon, the Orient (China, Taiwan and Japan) and the Philippine Islands. Although more than a century has passed since Swinhoe (1862) assigned the name Macaca cyclopis to this monkey, it is perhaps among the least known of the macaques. Its taxonomic position has been a point of question in the minds of vertebrate zoologists although Swinhoe, at the time he obtained living specimens in 1862, recognized distinct differences between this mammal and the well known rhesus (M. mulatta) of Mainland Asia. A recent evaluation of skins and skeletal materials taken in the course of survey type studies on the parasites of vertebrates of Taiwan indicates that this macaque is sufficiently different from other members of the genus to warrant specific designation (Johnson, unpublished).

In a rather general, original description of *M. cyclopis*, SWINHOE (1862) referred to the rock inhabiting tendencies of this monkey and stated that it fed upon insects, crustacea and molluscs, as well as on berries and vegetation. Mention was also made of its preference for living at the lower altitudes and especially on grassy hills near

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the sea. In zoological literature there has been repeated reference to the Taiwan macaque as a crab-eating monkey which inhabits caves, frolics in the surf, and, in general, is associated with the sea.

Recent observations tend to indicate that this mammal, due perhaps in part to the pressures of civilization and expanding human populations, has changed its habits drastically in the past few decades. Bergner and Jachowski's (1968) study on this macaque and its parasites, along with the ecology of certain host-parasite relationships, tends to substantiate this surmise. As intimated by these authors, most of the macaques have been driven into the highlands which run the length of the island.

There are a number of scattered references to *M. cyclopis* in the Chinese and especially in Japanese literature. Much of this information, however, is quite brief and repetitive. Tadao Kano (1940), on the other hand, contributed much to the vertebrate zoology of Taiwan at the time it was a part of the Japanese empire. In his ecological investigations he listed the Taiwan macaque as a part of the mammal complex in habitats from near sea level up to approximately 10000 feet, the animal being more common, however, at elevations of 2000 to 6000 feet.

M. cyclopis has long been recognized by the peoples of Taiwan and it apparently figures, to a certain extent, in the folklore of some of the aborigines. It is referred to as "Futton," "Nubon," "Rodon," "Yogai," etc., in the dialects common to the different tribes of the island. The 'monkey' on Taiwan as in other parts of China constitutes one of the years in the cycle of the Chinese calendar, thus the year 1968 is designated as the "year of the monkey." The macaque is maintained by families as a pet and is considered a symbol of good luck. It has been stated that the aborigines are forbidden to kill the animal due to its likeness to man. However, it is used as an item of food. In recent years the flesh has been served in village restaurants and after removal of meat from carcasses, the skeletal system is processed to prepare Chinese medicinal mixtures with aphrodisiac attributes.

It is assumed, even though references are few, that macaques have been used for biomedical and related work in the laboratories of Chinese and Japanese investigators, and it seems likely that there are hidden references to *M. cyclopis* in scientific papers written in Oriental languages. Even though numbers of these animals were sent from Taiwan to Japan in the 1950's and have since been exported to other parts of the world, only limited reference is made to this macaque in the literature of primatology. Parasites have been reported from *M. cyclopis* by Chinese and Japanese biologists, but most of the parasitological information has been derived from studies made in the past few years. The lack of basic information on the parasites of the Taiwan macaque became apparent with the recent preparation of a report on the parasites of this vertebrate (Kuntz et al., 1968).

A paucity of specific or even general information on known and recognized parasites and a lack of compilations of data indicating disease potentials as well as

host-parasite relationships constitute one of the major shortcomings in the developing field of primate parasitology. The need for a listing of parasites which infect specific hosts has become more apparent with the expanded use of primates as models in wide range biomedical investigations. The present checklist has been prepared with the hope that it may lend assistance to parasitologists and other biologists concerned with the parasitic and commensal fauna of the Taiwan macaque. It is the second in a series intended as a contribution toward a better understanding of the primates and their parasites. The first was a checklist of the parasites of baboons, commonly used cercopithecids exported from Africa to laboratories throughout the world (Myers & Kuntz, 1965).

In the present compilation parasites and commensals are listed as they appear in the original articles and there has been no attempt to clarify, justify or make reference to other taxonomic considerations. Genera are listed in alphabetical order under the major taxonomic groupings of parasites. In a few instances it has been necessary to use only generic designation and in still others, although undesirable, employ general names, e.g. "microfilaria," "malaria," etc. Even though *M. cyclopis* has been used for attempted information with several parasites under experimental conditions, only those in which infections were established have been listed and designated as "experimental" in this host.

In a separate category, under Taxonomic References, we have provided several pertinent works which may be used as guides for additional information and for descriptions of parasites which occur in primates or mammals other than the Taiwan macaque. Such works as Skrjabin and Yamaguti have not been used as specific sources of host-parasite information for the present checklist.

PARASITES AND COMMENSALS OF THE TAIWAN MACAQUE

ANNELIDA-LEECHES

Dinobdella ferox (Blanchard, 1896)

Kuntz et al. 1968

ARTHROPODA-LICE

Pedicinus (Pedicinus) eurygaster (Burmeister)

Pedicinus longiceps (PIAGET, 1880)

Kuhn and Ludwig, 1967a,b Kuntz et al. 1968

Ansari, 1958

Kuhn and Ludwig, 1967b

NEUMANN, 1913

STILES and Nolan, 1929*

^{*} The asterisk (*) is used to indicate that this author has cited an earlier study in which the parasite may have been described, discussed or merely mentioned. It is *not* the original reference to the parasite.

Pedicinus obtusus (Rudow, 1869)

ANSARI, 1958

KUHN and LUDWIG, 1967b

Kuntz et al. 1968

Pedicinus obtusus subsp.

Kuhn and Ludwig, 1967a,b

ARTHROPODA-TICKS

Boophilus annulatus (SAY, 1812) Margaropus annulatus SAY, 1812 STILES and NoLAN, 1929*

NEUMANN, 1913

CESTODA

Bertiella studeri (Blanchard, 1891)

STILES and HASSAL, 1902

Taenia hydatigena PALLAS, 1766

Kuntz, et al. 1968

Kuntz and Myers, 1967

Kuntz et al. 1968*

Taenia solium LINNAEUS, 1758 (larva)

(Cysticercus cellulosae) (Experimental)

Hsieh, 1960b

Kuntz et al. 1968*

et al. 1968 et al. 1968

PROTOZOA

(Digestive Tract)

Balantidium coli (MALMSTEN, 1857) STEIN, 1862	Kuntz
Endolimax nana Wenyon and O'Connor, 1917	Kuntz
Entamoeba coli (Malmsten, 1857) Stein, 1862	Kuntz
Entamoeba hartmanni von Prowazek, 1912	Kuntz
Entamoeba histolytica Schaudinn, 1903	Kuntz
Entamoeba polecki von Prowazek, 1912	Kuntz
Entamoeba sp.	Kuntz
Iodamoeba bütschlii (von Prowazek, 1912)	

DOBELL, 1919 Kuntz et al. 1968

Giardia sp. Trichomonas sp.

Kuntz et al. 1968 KUNTZ et al. 1968

Trichomonas hominis (DAVAINE, 1860) LEUCKART, 1879

Kuntz et al. 1968

PROTOZOA (Blood)

Hepatocystis taiwanensis (Yokogawa, Kobayashi,

Ro and Yumoto, 1941)

Bray, 1963* GARNHAM, 1966*

Kuntz et al. 1968*

Hepatocystis sp.

Manwell, 1965, 1968 Manwell and Kuntz, 1966 TOKURA and Wu, 1961* Kuntz et al. 1968*

"Malaria"-like organisms

Plasmodium cyclopis INOKI, TAKEMURA,

BERGNER and Jachowski, 1968

Makiura and Hotta, 1941

Bray, 1963*

Plasmodium cynomolgi Mayer, 1907
Plasmodium cynomolgi cyclopis (Inoki,
Takemura, Makiura and Hotta, 1941)

Plasmodium cynomolgi ceylonensis DISSANAIKE,
NELSON and GARNHAM, 1965
Plasmodium inui var. cyclopis (INOKI, TAKEMURA,
MAKIURA and HOTTA, 1942) HSIEH, 1960

Plasmodium inui (Halberstadter and von Prowazek, 1907)

Plasmodium knowlesi SINTON and MULLIGAN, 1932 Plasmodium knowlesi arimai YOKOGAWA, 1941

Plasmodium shortti Bray, 1963 Plasmodium taiwanensis Yokogawa, Kobayashi, Ro and Yumoto, 1941 Plasmodium sp.

Trypanosoma sp.

NEMATODA

Edensofilaria sp.
Filaria
Globocephalus asmilius RAILLIET, HENRY
and JOYEUX, 1913
Macacanema formosana SCHAD and ANDERSON, 1963

Microfilaria

Oesophagostomum aculeatum (LINSTOW, 1879)
Oesophagostomum bifurcum (CREPLIN, 1849)
RAILLIET and HENRY, 1906

Oxyurid

Garnham, 1963* Inoki et al., 1942 Warren and Wharton, 1963*

GARNHAM, 1966* MANWELL, 1968*

BRUCE-CHWATT, 1965* GARNHAM, 1966* Нѕієн, 1960а INOKI et al., 1951 INOKI, 1949 INOKI et al., 1942 GARNHAM, 1963*, 1966* Нѕієн, 1960а Kuntz et al. 1968* WARREN and WHARTON, 1963* Warren and Wharton, 1963* GARNHAM, 1966* Yokogawa et al., 1941 **Hsieн**, 1960a Bruce-Chwatt, 1965* **Н**ѕієн, 1960a Yokogawa et al., 1941 ARIMA, 1933 **Н**ѕієн, 1960a Kuntz et al. 1968* WANG and HSIEH, 1950 Yokogawa et al., 1941 Bergner (unpubl.)

Wongsathyaythong, 1961 Kim and Bergner, 1964 Morishita, 1925

Kuntz et al. 1968*

BERGNER and JACHOWSKI, 1968
KUNTZ et al. 1968*
MYERS and KUNTZ, 1964
SCHAD and ANDERSON, 1963
HSIEH, 1961
KIM and BERGNER, 1964
KUNTZ et al. 1968*
YAMASHITA, 1963*

Kuntz et al. 1968* Kuntz et al. 1968* Physaloptera tumefaciens HENRY and BLANC, 1912 Myers and Kuntz, 1964 Kuntz et al. 1968* Streptopharagus pigmentatus (LINSTOW, 1897) MYERS and KUNTZ, 1964 RAILLIET and HENRY, 1918 Kuntz et al. 1968* Strongyloides fülleborni LINSTOW, 1905 Томіта, 1939 Ternidens sp. Kuntz et al. 1968 Trichostrongylid Kuntz et al. 1968 Trichuris trichuris (LINNAEUS, 1771) BLANCHARD, 1895 Myers and Kuntz, 1964 Trichurid Kuntz et al. 1968 Trichuris sp. Kuntz et al. 1968

TREMATODA

Ogmocotyle indica (Bhalerao, 1942) Ruiz, 1946 COIL, 1965 Kuntz et al. 1968 Clonorchis sinensis (COBB, 1875) Kuntz et al. 1968 Paragonimus westermani (KERBERT, 1878) Kim et al., 1964 (Taiwan strain) (Experimental) Kuntz (unpubl.) Kuntz et al. 1968* Schistosoma haematobium (BILHARZ, 1852) WEINLAND, 1858 Kuntz and Myers (unpubl.) (Iran strain) (Experimental) Schistosoma japonicum Katsurada, 1904 Hsü and Hsü, 1956a, b (Taiwan strain) 1957, 1962 (Experimental) Kuntz, 1955 Kuntz et al. 1968* SWANSON and WILLIAMS, 1963 WILLIAMS and SWANSON, 1963 Schistosoma japonicum KATSURADA, 1904 Hsü and Hsü, 1956a Kuntz, 1955 (Japanese strain) (Experimental) Kuntz (unpubl.) SWANSON and WILLIAMS, 1963

Schistosoma japonicum Katsurada, 1904

(Philippine strain) (Experimental)

Hsü and Hsü, 1956a, 1957 Kuntz, 1955, (unpubl.) Kuntz et al. 1968*

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- (Lib. Hall) Library of Dr. Maurice C. Hall, Zoological Division, United
 States Bureau of Animal Industry, Washington, D. C.
- (Lib. McIntosh) Library of Dr. Allen McIntosh, Animal Disease and Parasite Research Division, Beltsville, Maryland.
- (Wa) (Ransom Coll.) Washington, D. C. United States Department of Agriculture Library. Collection of the library of the late Brayton Howard Ransom. (Reprints from this collection are filed in Lib. Animal Parasite Lab.)
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