

Checklist of the Helminth Parasites of South American Bats

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Abstract

Although the Chiroptera represents a significant proportion (*c.*20%) of the mammalian fauna and South America has the highest diversity of bat species, only about a third of the known species in this region have had helminth parasites reported from them. This work represents the first comprehensive checklist of the helminth parasites (nematodes, acanthocephalans, trematodes and cestodes) of South American bats. The data were extracted from more than 120 references and are presented as a key to each group of parasites down to the generic level, with an indication of how the bats become infected, accompanied by a list of the species recorded for each genus. This is followed, in tabular form, by parasite-host and host-parasite checklists. The parasite-host list also includes their geographical distribution in South America (at the country level) and site data, plus the references in which the parasite records occur. The host-parasite list is arranged according to the classification of the hosts. In all, *c.*370 host-parasite associations are recorded, involving 114 nominal species of helminths from 92 named chiropteran taxa.

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Introduction

The Chiroptera is a large group, representing 20–22% of mammalian species (e.g. Simmons, 2005), and some of the highest chiropteran (bat) species diversity in the world occurs in the Neotropical region (Willig & Selcer 1989). Since the work of Diesing (1850), the helminth parasites of bats in South America have been studied sporadically and locally in more than 120, generally small, investigations with little or no continental or national compilation or evaluation. Given that there is increasing evidence suggesting that there is cryptic diversity in Neotropical bats and that many bat species are endangered, ‘a comprehensive survey of potential diversity is needed on a scale which is taxonomically diverse’ and ‘geographically broad’ (Clare *et al.* 2011). The same is true for their helminth parasites, for, as indicated below, only about a third of the known bat species in South America have had helminths reported from them.

Recorded helminths include members of the phyla Nematoda, Acanthocephala and Platyhelminthes, the latter including the classes Trematoda and Cestoda. These records exclusively represent endoparasites. Bats generally acquire such parasites in the form of a passive infection via their diet, with the result that the alimentary canal and thoracic and abdominal cavities are the most parasitized sites. Infected bats usually represent the ‘definitive (or final) host’, harbouring the parasite as a sexual adult, or, more rarely, as either an ‘intermediate host’, in which one or more larval stages develop, or a ‘paratenic host’, in which a larval stage can survive without further development. In addition to increasing our knowledge in terms of biodiversity and disease, the study of the helminth parasites of bats is important as it contributes to our understanding of feeding habits and other aspects of their biology, and may indicate useful biological markers for bat populations.

Methods

The identification of helminths is best realized using specimens in good condition, which means that the parasites

should be collected from freshly killed hosts and fixed live. The following details may be of interest to readers with no experience of collecting helminth parasites. Live specimens are best cleaned in a 0.8% saline medium, heat-fixed in boiling water or a hot fixative to avoid contraction, and then stored in 70–80% alcohol (the heat-fixation techniques advocated for fish trematodes by Cribb & Bray (2010) can be used for helminths from bats). A slight pressure can be applied to acanthocephalans during fixation to prevent the contraction of the proboscis and to some platyhelminths to make some internal details clearer. After fixation, nematodes and acanthocephalans are generally studied as temporary wet mounts between a slide and a coverslip in a clearing agent, such as glycerine, lactophenol or beechwood creosote, depending on the size of the worm. Plat�helminths are normally mounted as permanent wholermounts on slides in Canada balsam, after being stained by various, usually carmine-based, stains such as Mayer's paracaramine. In some cases serial sections are needed, which are usually stained with haematoxylin and eosin.

The parasite-host and host-parasite checklists for South American parasitic helminths from bats presented in this work were compiled from data acquired from searches of the literature, aided especially by searches of databases such as the *Web of Science* (Zoological Record), *Helminthological Abstracts* and the Host-Parasite Data-base of the Natural History Museum, London (Gibson *et al.* 2005). The chiropteran nomenclature mainly follows Wilson & Reeder (2005), with additional data from Reis *et al.* (2007) and Nogueira *et al.* (2014). Selected data from the CABI Keys (Khalil *et al.* 1994; Gibson *et al.* 2002; Jones *et al.* 2005; Bray *et al.* 2008; Anderson *et al.* 2009) aided the preparation of some of the keys, but were adapted and updated to suit the situation.

Helminth groups

A general view of the groups of helminths (parasitic worms) that parasitize bats is presented below, with an indication of how they are transmitted to or between bats, identification keys to the generic level and a list of the species of parasites for each genus. The keys are designed to distinguish known taxa found in bats and will not necessarily work for taxa from other hosts or for newly recorded taxa from bats. In addition, for each parasite species, a complete checklist of its host species, the South American countries in which it has been found and the sites within the body which it inhabits are tabulated (Table 1), along with the associated bibliographic data. This is followed by a list of chiropteran host, arranged by family, and a compilation of their helminth parasites (Table 2).

Key to the Phyla

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|----|--|-----------------|
| 1. | Body usually dorso-ventrally flattened, acoelomate | Platyhelminthes |
| - | Body cylindrical, pseudocoelomate | 2 |
| 2. | Proboscis at anterior end of body | Acanthocephala |
| - | Proboscis at anterior end of body absent | Nematoda |

Phylum Nematoda

This phylum is one of the most abundant and widespread animal groups, occurring in large numbers in a variety of environments as free-living forms, animal parasites and plant parasites. At least 30,000 species are known, but huge numbers have yet to be described. They are symmetrically bilateral, unsegmented, pseudocoelomate and normally dioecious worms which are usually filiform in shape. All nematodes have five life-history stages, four larval and one adult, and intermediate hosts are usually, but not always, involved in the life-cycle of animal parasitic forms.

Key to Superfamilies

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| 1. | Males with well-developed copulatory bursa, supported by numerous rays; body frequently with longitudinal cuticular ridges | Trichostrongyoidea |
| - | Males without copulatory bursa (small bursa may be present in some capillariids, but with few rays); body normally without | |

	longitudinal cuticular ridges (although lateral alae may be present)	2
2.	Parasites of tissues and/or body cavities of host	3
-	Parasites of digestive tract	4
3.	Parasites of wing tissues of bats	Muspiceoidea
-	Parasitic in other tissues and/or cavities	Filarioidea
4.	Body with two rows of lateral spines; oesophagus clearly divided into two regions	Rictularioidea
-	Body without rows of lateral spines; oesophagus not clearly divided into two regions	5
5.	Body with lateral bacillary bands (longitudinal row of large cells); long oesophagus in form of row of large cells (stichocytes)	Trichinelloidea
-	Body without above features; oeophagus short, claviform	Seuratoidea

Superfamily Filarioidea Weinland

Filaroid nematodes are subcutaneous parasites transmitted by the bite of haematophagous arthropods which harbour a larval stage.

Family Onchocercidae Leiper

1. Buccal cavity long, tubular, with thick walls; vulva postoesophageal or at level of oesophagus. *Litomosoides* Chandler
Species: *L. artibei* Esslinger, 1973; *L. brasiliensis* Almeida, 1936; *L. caliensis* Esslinger, 1973; *L. carolliae venezuelensis* Rodrigo, 1964; *L. chandleri* Esslinger, 1973; *L. colombiensis* Esslinger, 1973; *L. hamletti* Sandground, 1934; *L. molossi* Esslinger, 1973; *L. salazari* Notarnicola, Jiménez Ruiz & Gardner, 2010; *L. serpicula* (Molin, 1858); *L. solarii* Guerrero, Martin, Gardner & Bain, 2002; *L. teshi* Esslinger, 1973; *L. yutajensis* Guerrero, Martin & Bain, 2003; *Litomosoides* sp.
- Buccal cavity not long and tubular, without thick walls; vulva pre-oesophageal. *Migonella* Lent, Freitas & Proença
Species: *M. fracchiai* Lent, Freitas & Proença, 1946

Superfamily Muspiceoidea Brumpt

These subcutaneous parasites have a direct life-cycle. Larvae leave via the skin and are transmitted by ingestion during mutual or individual grooming.

Family Muspiceidae Brumpt

Lukonema Chabaud & Bain

Species: *L. lukoschusi* Chabaud & Bain, 1974

Superfamily Physalopteroidea Railliet

Physalopteroids are gut parasites of all major vertebrate groups, but occur mainly in mammals, birds and reptiles. The final host normally acquires the parasite by ingesting insects harbouring the third-stage larva. As no adult has been found, this group is not included in the key to superfamilies.

Family Physalopteridae Railliet

Physaloptera Rudolphi

Species: *Physaloptera* sp. (juv.)

Superfamily Rictularioidea Hall

Rictularioid nematodes utilize an insect intermediate host. Transmission to bats occurs when they feed on infected insects.

Family Rictulariidae Hall

1. Mouth oriented dorsally; with single oesophageal tooth *Rictularia* Froelich
Species: *Rictularia* sp.
- Mouth apical; with three oesophageal teeth *Pterygodermatites* Wedl
Species: *P. elegans* (Travassos, 1928)

Superfamily Seuratoidea Hall

There is only one record, of an unidentified species of *Seuratatum*, from South American chiropterans. Intestinal parasites of this genus are normally acquired by small mammals when feeding on insects harbouring a larval stage.

Family Seuratidae Hall

Seuratatum Hall

Species: *Seuratatum* sp.

Superfamily Trichinelloidea Ward

Trichinelloids have a direct life-cycle. Eggs are released with the faeces and are eaten directly or in/on organisms (e.g. plants, insects) which have been in contact with the faeces.

Family Capillariidae Railliet

1. Caudal alae present in male 2
- Caudal alae absent in male 4
2. Spicule with spiny sheath *Pterothominx* Freitas
Species: *P. angrense* (Freitas, 1934); *P. brevidelphis* Freitas & Mendonça, 1960(b)
- Spicule without spiny sheath 3
3. Bursa of male with complex system of symmetrical rays *Tenoranema* Mas-Coma & Esteban
Species: *T. rivarolai* (Lent, Freitas & Proença, 1946)
- Bursa of male with one or more pairs of rays which may be curved *Aonchotheca* López-Neyra
Species: *A. cubana* (Freitas & Lent, 1937); *A. magnifica* Freitas & Mendonça, 1961; *A. pareca* Freitas & Dobbin Jr., 1961(a); *A. pereirai* (Freitas & Lent, 1936); *A. pintoi* (Freitas, 1934); *A. pulchra* (Freitas, 1934); *Aonchotheca* sp.
4. Male with spiny spicular sheath *Capillaria* Zeder²
Species: *Capillaria* sp.
- Male with smooth spicular sheath *Pseudocapillaria* Freitas
Species: *P. pusilla* (Travassos, 1914)

Superfamily Trichostrongyloidea Leiper

Trichostrongyloid nematodes have a direct life-cycle. Eggs leave with the host's faeces. Transmission occurs via larvae ingested with contaminated food. These parasites are especially common in herbivores.

Keys to Families

1. Dorsal external ray of male copulatory bursa absent Molineidae
1. Recently transferred from *Pterothominx* by Cardia *et al.* (2014).
2. It is likely that this report represents another capillariid genus.

-	Dorsal external ray of male copulatory bursa present.....	2
2.	Rays of male copulatory bursa grouped 2-2-1	Ornithostrongylidae
-	Rays of male copulatory bursa grouped 2-3.....	Heligmonellidae

Family Molineidae Skrjabin & Schulz

1.	Cephalic extremity with cuticular spines.....	2
-	Cephalic extremity without cuticular spines.....	5
2.	Cephalic extremity with 2 large ventral spines.....	3
-	Cephalic extremity surrounded by ring of 8 large spines	4
3.	Cephalic spines side by side in ventral field.....	<i>Biacantha</i> Wolfgang Species: <i>B. desmoda</i> Wolfgang, 1954; <i>B. normaliae</i> Oviedo, Ramallo & Claps in Oviedo, Ramallo, Claps & Miotti, 2012
-	Cephalic spines opposite (in dorsal and ventral fields).	<i>Websternema</i> Vaucher & Durette-Desset Species: <i>W. parnelli</i> (Webster, 1971)
4.	Anterior and posterior branches of ovejector vestibule similar in length.	<i>Parahistiostrongylus</i> Pérez Vigueras Species: <i>P. octacanthus</i> (Lent & Freitas, 1940) (also attributed to <i>Stilestrongylus</i>)
-	Anterior branch of ovejector vestibule longer than posterior.....	<i>Histiostrongylus</i> Molin Species: <i>H. coronatus</i> Molin, 1861; <i>H. paradoxus</i> Travassos, 1918; <i>Histiostrongylus</i> sp.
5.	Cephalic extremity with vesicle divided in two regions.....	6
-	Cephalic extremity with simple, undivided vesicle	9
6.	Posterior part of cephalic vesicle equal or longer than anterior part.....	7
-	Posterior part of cephalic vesicle shorter than anterior part	<i>Torrestrongylus</i> Vigueras Species: <i>Torrestrongylus</i> sp.
7.	Spicule undivided distally.	8
-	Spicule divided distally.....	<i>Tricholeiperia</i> Travassos Species: <i>T. leiperi</i> Travassos, 1935; <i>T. peruvensis</i> Vargas, Martinez, Tantaleán, Cadenilas & Pacheco, 2009; <i>T. proencai</i> Travassos, 1937
8.	Dorsal ray of male copulatory bursa long and divided in distal third; ovejector of female without spines	<i>Anoplostrongylus</i> Boulenger Species: <i>A. paradoxus</i> (Travassos, 1918)
-	Dorsal ray of male copulatory bursa short and deeply divided; ovejector of female with spines.....	<i>Molostrongylus</i> Durette-Desset & Vaucher Species: <i>M. acanthocolpos</i> Durette-Desset & Vaucher, 1996; <i>M. mbopi</i> Durette-Desset & Vaucher, 1999
9.	Tail of female without appendices/tubercles.....	<i>Cheiropteronomema</i> Sandground Species: <i>C. globocephala</i> Sandground, 1929; <i>C. striatum</i> Oviedo, Ramallo & Claps, 2010; <i>Cheiropteronomema</i> sp.
-	Tail of female with appendices/tubercles.....	10
10.	Tail of female with two appendices.....	<i>Bidigiticauda</i> Chitwood Species: <i>B. embryophilum</i> (Freitas & Dobbin Jr., 1960 (a)); <i>B. vivipara</i> Chitwood, 1938
-	Tail of female with five to seven tubercles	<i>Carostrongylus</i> Durette-Desset & Vaucher Species: <i>C. touzeti</i> Durette-Desset & Vaucher, 1989

Family Heligmonellidae Skrjabin & Schikhobalova

Stilestrongylus Freitas, Lent & Almeida

Species: *S. octacanthus* (Lent & Freitas, 1940) (also attributed to *Parahistiostrongylus*)

Family Ornithostrongylidae Travassos

Allintoshius Chitwood

Species: *A. bioccaei* Rossi & Vaucher, 2002; *A. nudicaudatus* (Freitas & Mendonça, 1963); *A. parallintoshius* (Araújo, 1940); *A. urumiaca* (Freitas & Mendonça, 1960(a)); *Allintoshius* sp.

Phylum Acanthocephala

The Acanthocephala is a small group of more than a thousand species (thorny-headed worms) which occur as

intestinal parasites of a wide range of vertebrates at the adult stage. They are readily recognisable by the possession of a single large, eversible, armed proboscis at the anterior end, which they use to attach to the wall of their host's intestine. Acanthocephalans are dioecious and have a body-cavity which contains little but their reproductive organs. The lack of a gut means that they absorb nutrients from the host's intestine directly through their body wall.

Acanthocephalans all use arthropods as intermediate hosts. In the case of bats, the rare cases of infection are by the ingestion of insects harbouring a cystacanth larva encysted in its body, or, possibly, in the case of carnivorous bats, by feeding on small vertebrates acting as paratenic hosts. According to Gibson & McCarthy (1987), there are no species specific acanthocephalan parasites of bats, i.e. they tend to be accidentally infected with the parasites of other vertebrates. These worms are usually encysted juveniles and do not develop to maturity, so the bat is likely acting as a paratenic host. Nevertheless, Smales (2007) reported immature specimens from the intestine.

Key to families

1. Proboscis cylindrical; proboscis receptacle double-walled; protonephridial organs absent Moniliformidae
- Proboscis subspherical; proboscis receptacle with single, thick wall; protonephridial organs present . . Oligacanthorhynchidae

Family Moniliformidae Van Cleave

Moniliformis Travassos

Species: *M. moniliformis* (Bremser, 1811); *M. convolutum* Meyer, 1932

Family Oligacanthorhynchidae Southwell & Macfie

Neonicola Schmidt

Species: *N. artibei* Smales, 2007

Phylum Platyhelminthes

The platyhelminths, or flatworms, include free-living and parasitic groups. These worms are bilaterally symmetrical, lack a body cavity, comprise three main cell layers, may lack an intestine and usually lack an anus, and are usually hermaphroditic. Two groups occur as parasites in chiropterans, the trematodes (flukes) and the cestodes (tapeworms).

Key to Classes

1. Body usually in shape of tape, segmented and with multiple set of reproductive organs. Cestoda
- Body not segmented and with a single set of reproductive organs. Trematoda

Class Cestoda Rudolphi

The Cestoda is a relatively large, diverse group of parasites (*c.*8,000 species), almost all of which are found parasitic in the intestine of different groups of vertebrates. They lack a gut and absorb nutrients through their surface layer. The majority are long, tape-like and segmented, with a complete set of reproductive organs in each segment. They anchor themselves to the intestinal wall of their host using an array of different attachment organs (hooks, suckers, etc.).

Keys to Families

1. Absence of rostellum with hooks on scolex Anoplocephalidae
- Presence of rostellum with hooks on scolex Hymenolepididae

Family Anoplocephalidae Cholodkovsky

Bats are generally infected with cestodes by the ingestion of larvae encysted in an intermediate host. In the case of anoplocephalids, this occurs via the ingestion of cysticercoid larvae encysted in oribatid mites.

1. Testes postero-lateral to ovary 2
- Testes pre- and postero-lateral to ovary *Cycloskrjabinia* Spasskii
Species: *Cycloskrjabinia* sp.
2. Genital atrium with poorly developed musculature *Mathevotaenia* Akhumyan
Species: *M. boliviana* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *M. immatura* Rêgo, 1963
- Genital atrium with well-developed radial musculature *Atriotaenia* Sandground
Species: *A. hastati* Vaucher, 1982(a)

Family Hymenolepididae Ariola

The life-cycle of hymenolepidids is similar to that of anoplocephalids, with transmission occurring via the ingestion of cysticercoid larvae in fleas and other insects.

1. Rostellum unarmed; testes separated into two groups by ovary *Hymenolepis* Weinland
Species: *H. dasypteri* Vaucher, 1985; *Hymenolepis* sp.
- Rostellum armed; testes not separated into two groups by ovary *Vampirolepis* Spasskii
Species: *V. artibeui* Zdzitowiecki & Rutkowska, 1980; *V. bihamata* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *V. crassihamata* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *V. christensonii* (Macy, 1931(a)); *V. decipiens* (Diesing, 1850); *V. elongata* Rêgo, 1962; *V. guarany* Rêgo, 1962; *V. longisaccata* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *V. mazanensis* (Vaucher, 1986(b)); *V. pandonensis* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *V. phyllostomi* Vaucher, 1982(b); *V. promopsis* (Vaucher, 1986(a)); *V. santacruzensis* Sawada & Harada, 1986; *V. temmincki* (Vaucher, 1986(a)); *Vampirolepis* sp.

Class Trematoda Rudolphi

The Trematoda is a large class of 15,000–20,000 parasitic species which utilize all of the major vertebrate groups as hosts. The vast majority belong to the subclass Digenea, the members of which are characterised by having multiple generations (usually three) within their life-cycle, i.e. two asexual generations which mature in a molluscan host and one sexual generation which occurs within a vertebrate host. In terms of morphology, life-cycle and site, the group is very plastic, although this is not the case for individual lower taxa. Digeneans are usually parasites of the alimentary canal of their host, usually have a blind intestine and usually attach to the host using two (sometimes one) suckers. Transmission to the vertebrate host is usually by the direct penetration of a larval stage (the cercariae) or, more often, by the ingestion of an encysted larval stage (the metacercaria) with the host's food, e.g. within an intermediate host.

Key to Families

1. Alimentary canal absent Anenterotrematidae
- Alimentary canal present 2
2. Body bipartite, with spatulate anterior and oval posterior regions Diplostomidae
- Body not bipartite 3
3. Anterior body bears proboscis with hooks Rhopalidiidae
- Anterior region of body without proboscis 4
4. Intestinal caeca short to medium, may be restricted to anterior region of body; vitelline fields limited in distribution, often with

limited number of follicles, often restricted to forebody	5
- Intestinal caeca medium to long; vitelline fields usually extensive, with many follicles, entirely or mainly in hindbody	6
5. True cirrus-sac absent; pseudocirrus-sac usually present; genital pore usually median or submedian in forebody	
. Lecithodendriidae	
- True cirrus-sac present; genital pore usually sublateral to lateral at level of ventral sucker	Phaneropsidae
6. Genital pore in posterior region of body	7
- Genital pore in anterior region of body	8
7. Ventral sucker absent	Nudacotylidae
- Ventral sucker present	Urotrematidae
8. Ovary between testes (in forms from the Americas)	Hasstilesiidae
- Ovary anterior or posterior to testes	9
9. Ovary post-testicular	Dicrocoeliidae
- Ovary pre-testicular	Plagiorchiidae

Family Anenterotrematidae Yamaguti

The life-cycle of anenterotrematids is not known, but, judging by related digenean groups, the bats acquire the parasite by the ingestion of arthropods infected with the metacercarial stage. All digeneans utilize molluscs as first intermediate hosts.

1. Body pyriform, less than 1mm in length	<i>Anenterotrema</i> Stunkard
Species: <i>A. eduardocaballeroi</i> (Freitas, 1960); <i>A. liliputianum</i> (Travassos, 1928); <i>A. mesolecitha</i> Marshall & Miller, 1979; <i>Anenterotrema</i> sp.	
- Body elongate, measuring 1–5 mm	<i>Apharyngotrema</i> Marshall & Miller
Species: <i>A. apharyngotrema</i> Marshall & Miller, 1979; <i>A. lenti</i> Santos & Gibson, 1998	

Family Dicrocoeliidae Looss

Dicrocoeliids are parasites of terrestrial mammals and birds, with molluscs and arthropods serving as intermediate hosts. Bats acquire these parasites by feeding on insects harbouring the metacercarial stage.

1. Testes oblique	<i>Metadelphis</i> Travassos
Species: <i>M. alvarengai</i> Travassos, 1955	
- Testes symmetrical	<i>Parametadelphis</i> Travassos
Species: <i>P. compactus</i> Travassos, 1955	

Family Diplostomidae Poirier

Transmission is normally associated with the aquatic environment and effected by the ingestion of a fish or an invertebrate harbouring the metacercarial stage.

Neodiplostomum Railliet

Species: *Neodiplostomum vaucheri* Dubois, 1983

Family Hasstilesiidae Hall

In the Americas, hasstilesiids are parasites of rodents and lagomorphs. The record below is the first from a bat. *Hasstilesia tricolor* is essentially a parasite of rabbits. All of the larval development of this group takes place in the molluscan host. The infection of frugivorous bats may take place when they accidentally ingest infected molluscs in their diet or by drinking water containing cercarial larvae.

Hasstilesia Hall

Species: *H. tricolor* (Stiles & Hassall, 1894)

Family Lecithodendriidae Lühe

The lecithodendriids are closely related to the phaneropsolids, from which they are often difficult to distinguish based on morphology. Together they form the major group of bat parasites. The synonymies indicated are based on Lotz & Font (2008a).

Bats become infected by ingesting insects harbouring the encysted metacercarial stage.

1. Pseudocirrus-sac surrounding seminal vesicle absent *Castroia* Travassos
Species: *C. amplicava* Travassos, 1928; *C. silvai* Travassos, 1928
- Thin-walled pseudocirrus-sac surrounds seminal vesicle 2
2. Genital atrium in forebody armed with spines *Acanthatrium* Faust
Species: *A. fugleri* Marshall & Miller, 1979
- Genital atrium unarmed 3
3. Deep acetabulo-genital sac enclosing separate genital pores and ventral sucker
..... *Gymnoacetabulum* Lunaschi & Drago (= *Suttonia* Lunaschi)
Species: *G. talaveraense* (Lunaschi, 2002)
- Acetabulo-genital sac absent; genital pore usually but not always common 4
4. Pseudogonotyl (thick area of tegument surrounded by gland-cells) lateral to ventral sucker *Ochoterenatrema* Caballero
Species: *O. caballeroi* Freitas, 1957³; *O. diminutum* (Chandler, 1938); *O. fraternum* Freitas & Ibañez, 1963; *O. labda* Caballero, 1943
- Pseudogonotyl absent 5
5. Caeca extend into posterior region of body *Chiropterotrema* Vélez & Thatcher
Species: *C. antioquiense* Vélez & Thatcher, 1992(a)
- Caeca end in forebody 6
6. Testes lateral to ventral sucker; body lacks large ventral cleft *Paralecithodendrium* Odhner (= *Prosthodendrium* Dollfus)
Species: *P. aranhai* Lent, Freitas & Proença, 1945; *P. brachycolon* Freitas & Dobbin Jr., 1960(b); *P. buongerminni* (Lent, Freitas & Proença, 1946); *P. conturbatum* (Freitas, 1960); *P. cordiforme* (Braun, 1900); *P. megovarium* (Marshall & Miller, 1979); *Paralecithodendrium* sp.
- Testes in anterior region of body; body with large ventral cleft *Topsiturvitrema* Vélez & Thatcher
Species: *T. verticalia* Vélez & Thatcher, 1992

Family Nudacotylidae

Nudacotylids occur in the intestines of several, normally vegetarian, groups of mammals in the Americas. Transmission occurs by the ingestion of metacercariae encysted on vegetation or other surfaces.

Nudacotyle Barker

Species: *N. carolliae* Vélez & Thatcher, 1992; *N. novicia* Barker, 1916

Family Phaneropsidae Mehra

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1. Caeca medium in length, reach into hindbody 2
 - Caeca short, reach only to level of ventral sucker or retained in forebody 3
 2. Genital pore sublateral to submedian, in forebody *Maxbraunium* Caballero & Zerecero
Species: *M. tubiporum* (Braun, 1900)
 - Genital pore lateral, at level of ventral sucker *Postorchigenes* Tubangui (= *Czosnowia* Zdzitowiecki)
Species: *P. mbopi* Vaucher, 1981; *P. paraguayensis* Fischthal & Martin, 1978
 3. Male and female genital pores widely separated; male pore well anterior to ventral sucker, median or submedian *Tremajoannes* Saoud
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3. Syn. of *Ochoterenatrema diminutum* (Chandler, 1938) according to Cain (1966).

Species: <i>T. buckleyi</i> Saoud 1964	
- Genital pore common or male and female pores close together, submedial to sublateral and close to level of ventral sucker.. .4	
4. Ovary in forebody or at level of anterior region of ventral sucker; cirrus-sac not oriented horizontally.....	
..... <i>Limatulum</i> Travassos (= <i>Stumiratrema</i> Vélez & Thatcher)	
Species: <i>L. brevicoecum</i> Mañé-Garzón & González, 1976; <i>L. gastrooides</i> Macy, 1935; <i>L. oklahomense</i> Macy, 1931(b); <i>L. umbilicatum</i> (Vélez & Thatcher, 1992)	
- Ovary at level of posterior region of ventral sucker or in anterior hindbody; cirrus-sac oriented horizontally.....	
..... <i>Parabascus</i> Looss (= <i>Limatuloides</i> Dubois; <i>Parabascoides</i> Stunkard) ⁴	
Species: <i>P. cephalolecithus</i> (Marshall & Miller, 1979); <i>P. limatus</i> (Braun, 1900)	

Family Plagiorchiidae Lühe

This is a large group, occurring in a wide range of tetrapods. Metacercariae commonly occur encysted in both larval and adult insects; it is likely that bats acquire the parasites from the latter.

Plagiorchis Lühe

Species: *P. parumbursatus* Freitas & Dobbin Jr, 1961

Family Rhopaliidae Looss

Species of this rare group occur mainly in marsupials from the Americas, but occasionally in other in omnivorous mammals (and birds). The life-cycle is not known, but bats likely acquire the parasite by the ingestion of metacercariae encysted on the surface of vegetation or on/in molluscs or other invertebrates.

Rhopalias Stiles & Hassall

Species: *R. coronatus* (Rudolphi, 1819)

Family Urotrematidae Poche

Urotrematids occur in a variety of insectivorous rodents, bats, lizards and fishes. Bats acquire the parasite by the ingestion of encysted metacercariae in their insect prey.

Urotrema Braun

Species: *U. scabridum* Braun, 1900

Records

See Table 1 for a checklist relating to the various species of helminth parasites occurring in South American bats extracted from more than 120 references. The data in the table include the name of the parasite, its chiropteran host(s), the name of the South American countries in which it has been recorded, the site(s) of the parasite within the host and the related reference(s). Table 2 is a host-parasite checklist, listing the groups and species of helminth parasites so far recorded from the individual South American bat species which have been investigated.

Helminth parasites have been reported from 92 named chiropteran species belonging to six families, which is only about a third of the known taxa; Nogueira *et al.* (2014) listed 178 species of bats (from nine families) as occurring in Brazil alone and Wikipedia listed 275 bats (from nine families) as present in the whole of South America (Wikipedia: The free encyclopedia, 2014). The c.370 records of 114 nominal species of helminth parasites include 53 nematode species, three acanthocephalans, 18 cestodes and 40 trematodes. Despite the fact that the Chiroptera is the second largest mammalian order, given that the vast majority are insectivores, it is not surprising that their helminth fauna is not very diverse and tends to be somewhat restricted to those helminth

4. According to recent molecular studies (Kanarek *et al.* 2014), this genus belongs to the Pleurogenidae.

TABLE 1. List of records of helminth species from bats in South America, with their host(s), geographical distribution, site and data-sources.

Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
NEMATODA				
<i>Allintosius biocci</i>	<i>Eptesicus furinalis</i>	Paraguay	-	Rossi & Vaucher 2002
<i>Allintosius nudicaudatus</i>	<i>Myotis nigricans</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Mendonça 1963; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Allintosius parallintosius</i>	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i> , <i>Eptesicus furinalis</i> , <i>Myotis albescens</i> , <i>M. nigricans</i> , <i>M. riparius</i> , <i>M. ruber</i> , <i>M. levis</i>	Brazil, Paraguay, Peru	Small intestine	Araújo 1940; Lent et al. 1946; Vicente et al. 1997; Rossi & Vaucher 2002
<i>Allintosius</i> sp.	<i>Saccopteryx bilineata</i> , <i>Molossops temminckii</i> , <i>Carollia castanea</i>	Colombia	-	Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999
<i>Allintosius urumiaca</i>	<i>Myotis nigricans</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Mendonça 1960a; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Anoplostomylus paradoxus</i>	<i>Nycinomops laticaudatus</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i> , <i>Eumops perotis</i> , <i>Phyllostomidae</i> gen. sp., <i>Molossus currentium</i> (as <i>M. bondae</i>), <i>M. molossus</i>	Brazil, Paraguay	Small intestine	Travassos 1918; Travassos 1920; Lent et al. 1946; Durette-Desset & Pinto 1977; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Anchotheca cubana</i>	<i>Molossus rufus</i>	Colombia	-	Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999
<i>Anchotheca magnifica</i>	<i>Glossophaga soricina</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Mendonça 1961; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Anchotheca parca</i>		Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1961a, 1962; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Anchotheca pereirai</i>	<i>Molossidae</i> gen. sp.	Brazil	Intestine	Freitas & Lent 1935
<i>Anchotheca pintoi</i>	<i>Chiroptera</i> gen. sp.	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas 1934
<i>Anchotheca pulchra</i>	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i> , <i>Nyctinomops laticaudatus</i> , <i>N. macrotis</i>	Brazil, Paraguay	Stomach, stomach mucosa	Freitas 1934; Freitas & Lent 1936; Lent et al. 1946; Travassos & Freitas 1964; Vicente et al. 1997; Cardia et al. 2014
<i>Anchotheca</i> sp.	<i>Chiroptera</i> gen. sp.	Argentina	-	Ramallo et al. 2007
<i>Biacantha desmoda</i>	<i>Desmodus rotundus</i>	Venezuela, Ecuador	-	Guerrero 1985; Vaucher & Durette-Desset 1986
<i>Biacantha normaliae</i>	<i>Desmodus rotundus</i>	Argentina	Intestine	Oviedo et al. 2012
<i>Bidigiticauda embryophilum</i>	<i>Glossophaga soricina</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1960a, 1962; Vicente et al. 1997
<i>Bidigiticauda vivipara</i>	<i>Artibeus lituratus</i>	Venezuela	-	Guerrero 1985
<i>Capillaria</i> sp.	<i>Anoura caudifer</i> , <i>Artibeus jamaicensis</i> , <i>Carollia perspicillata</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i> , <i>Trachops cirrhosus</i> , <i>Sturnira erythromos</i> , <i>S. magna</i>	Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela	Stomach	Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999; Noronha et al. 2002; Nogueira et al. 2004; Drago et al. 2007; Guerrero 1985
<i>Carostromyulus tozeti</i>	<i>Carollia brevicauda</i> , <i>C. castanea</i> , <i>C. perspicillata</i>	Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru	-	Durette-Desset & Vaucher 1989

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Cheiropteronema globocephala</i>	<i>Sturnira lilium, Aribaeus anderseni, A. cinereus, A. obscurus</i> (as <i>A. fuliginosus</i>), <i>A. jamaicensis, A. lituratus, A. planirostris, A. watsoni</i>	Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Peru Venezuela	Stomach, Intestine	Durette-Desset & Vaucher 1988; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999; Nogueira <i>et al.</i> 2004; Guerrero 1985
<i>Cheiropteronema striatum</i>	<i>Aribaeus planirostris</i>	Argentina	Intestine	Oviedo <i>et al.</i> 2010
<i>Cheiropteronema sp.</i>	<i>Aribaeus planirostris, Carolla perspicillata</i>	Peru, Venezuela	-	Durette-Desset & Vaucher 1988; Guerrero 1985
<i>Histiostrongylus coronatus</i>	<i>Phyllostomus discolor, Myotis nigricans, Myotis sp.</i>	Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela	Small intestine	Molin 1861; Travassos 1937; Diaz-Ungria 1973, 1979; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999; Guerrero 1985
<i>Histiostrongylus paradoxus</i>	<i>Aribaeus jamaicensis</i>	Colombia	Intestine	Travassos 1918; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999
<i>Histiostrongylus sp.</i>	<i>Phyllostomus hastatus, Carollia brevicauda, C. perspicillata</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Small intestine	Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999
<i>Litomosoides artibei</i>	<i>Aribaeus cinereus, Aribaeus sp.</i>	Colombia	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Esslinger 1973; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999; Brandt & Gardner 2000
<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>	<i>Anoura caudifer, A. geoffroyi, Myotis sp., Phyllostomus discolor, P. elongatus, P. hastatus, Phyllostomus sp., Carollia brevicauda, C. castanea, C. perspicillata, Carollia sp., Sturnira lilium, Liopteryx spurrelli, Glossophaga soricina, Glossophaga sp., Lonchophylla thomasi, Trachops cirrhosus</i>	Brazil, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, French Guyana, Bolivia	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Almeida 1936; Rêgo 1961; Diaz-Ungria 1963; Esslinger 1973; Padilha & Barros-Araújo 1976; Guerrero <i>et al.</i> 2002; Brandt & Gardner 2000; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997; Mourão <i>et al.</i> 2002; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999; Notarnicola <i>et al.</i> 2010; Guerrero 1985
<i>Litomosoides californicus</i>	<i>Sturnira lilium, S. tildae</i>	Colombia	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Esslinger 1973; Brandt & Gardner 2000; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999
<i>Litomosoides caroliiae venezuelensis</i>	<i>Carolla sp.</i>	Venezuela	-	Rodrigo 1964
<i>Litomosoides chandleri</i>	<i>Aribaeus jamaicensis, A. planirostris, Nyctinomops laticaudatus, Sturnira lilium, S. oporaphilum, Lasiorhynchus ega, Phyllonycteris poeyi</i>	Colombia, Bolivia, Brazil, French Guiana, Venezuela, Peru	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Esslinger 1973; Brandt & Gardner 2000; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arangó 1999; Bain <i>et al.</i> 2003; Notarnicola <i>et al.</i> 2010; Guerrero 1985
<i>Litomosoides colombiensis</i>	<i>Platyrrhinus (as Vampyrops) dorsalis, P. (as V.) helleri, Aribaeus jamaicensis</i>	Colombia	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Esslinger 1973; Brandt & Gardner 2000; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Litomosoides salazari</i>	<i>Lasiurus ega</i>	Bolivia	Body-cavity	Notarnicola <i>et al.</i> 2010
<i>Litomosoides serpiciata</i>	<i>Phyllostomus</i> sp.	Brazil	Abdominal cavity	Molin 1858
<i>Litomosoides solarii</i>	<i>Trachops cirrhosus</i>	Peru	Body-cavity	Guerrero <i>et al.</i> 2002
<i>Litomosoides</i> sp.	<i>Sturnira lilium</i> , <i>Myotis riparius</i>	Argentina, Brazil	Abdominal cavity	Boero & Delpietro 1970; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1987, 1997
<i>Litomosoides teshi</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata</i>	Colombia	Thoracic & abdominal cavities	Esslinger 1973; Brandt & Gardner 2000; Marinelle & Garcia-Castañeda 1999; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999
<i>Litomosoides yutajensis</i>	<i>Pteronotus parnellii</i>	Venezuela	Microfilariae in blood	Guerrero <i>et al.</i> 2003, 2006
<i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>	<i>Noctilio labialis</i> (= <i>N. leporinus</i> or <i>N. albiventris</i>) <i>Lophostoma</i> (as <i>Tonatia</i>) <i>carrikeri</i> , <i>Carollia perspicillata</i> , <i>Desmodus rotundus</i> , <i>Saccopteryx leptura</i> , <i>Eptesicus brasiliensis</i> , <i>melanopterus</i>	Suriname, French Guiana	Uropatagium system	Chabaud & Bain 1974
<i>Migonella fracciai</i>	<i>Myotis nigricans</i>	Paraguay	Mesenteries	Lent <i>et al.</i> 1946
<i>Molostrongylus acanthocolpos</i>	<i>Molossops temmincki</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Durette-Desset & Vaucher 1996, 1999
<i>Molostrongylus mbopi</i>	<i>Cynomops abrasus</i> , <i>C. planirostris</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Durette-Desset & Vaucher 1999
<i>Parahistiostrongylus octacanthus</i>	<i>Molossops temmincki</i>			Guerrero 1985
<i>Physaloptera</i> sp. (juv.)	<i>Pteronotus parnellii</i> , <i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i>	Venezuela	-	Ramallo <i>et al.</i> 2007
<i>Pseudocapillaria pusilla</i>	Chiroptera gen. sp.	Argentina	-	Travassos 1914; Freitas 1934; Freitas & Lent 1936, Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997; Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999
<i>Litomosoides</i> sp.	<i>Sturnira lilium</i> , <i>Lonchophylla robusta</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Small intestine	Freitas 1934; Freitas & Lent 1936; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Mallochomacquartia angrensis</i>	<i>Molossus rufus</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas 1934; Freitas & Lent 1936; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Pterothominx brevidelphis</i>	<i>Myotis nigricans</i>	Brazil	Stomach	Freitas & Mendonça 1960b; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Pterygodermatites elegans</i>	<i>Eumops perotis</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Travassos 1928; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Rictularia</i> sp.	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i> , <i>Micronycteris megalotis</i> , <i>Myotis nigricans</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Intestine	Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999; Noronha <i>et al.</i> 2002
<i>Seuratum</i> sp.	<i>Myotis keaysi</i>	Venezuela	-	Guerrero 1985
<i>Stilesstrongylus octacanthus</i>	<i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Lent & Freitas 1940; Vicente <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Tenoranema rivarolai</i>	<i>Nyctinomops laticaudatus</i>	Paraguay	Small intestine	Lent <i>et al.</i> 1946
<i>Torrestrongylus</i> sp.	<i>Sturnira bidens</i> , <i>Micronycteris schmidtorum</i>	Colombia	Small intestine	Cuartas-Calle & Muñoz-Arango 1999

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Websternema parnelli</i>	<i>Pteronotus parnelli</i>	Venezuela	-	Guererro 1985
ACANTHOCEPHALA				
<i>Moniliformis convolutum</i>	<i>Vampyrum spectrum</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Meyer 1932; Gibson & McCarthy 1987
<i>Moniliformis moniliformis</i>	<i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Machado Filho 1946; Gibson & McCarthy 1987
<i>Neonicola arribei</i>	<i>Artibeus lituratus</i>	Paraguay	Small intestine	Smales 2007
CESTODA				
<i>Atriotaenia hastati</i>	<i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i>	Paraguay, Peru	Intestine	Vaucher 1982a; Vargas <i>et al.</i> 2009b
<i>Cycloskrjabinia</i> sp.	<i>Phyllostomus</i> sp.	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986
<i>Hymenolepis dasypteri</i>	<i>Lasiorus ega argentinus</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Vaucher 1985; Nama 1990
<i>Hymenolepis</i> sp.	<i>Noctilio leporinus</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Schmidt & Martin 1978
<i>Mathevotaenia boliviensis</i>	<i>Glossophaga soricina</i>	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1997
<i>Mathevotaenia immatura</i>	<i>Glossophaga soricina</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Rêgo 1963
<i>Vampirolepis artipei</i>	<i>Glossophaga soricina</i>	Peru	Intestine	Mendoza <i>et al.</i> 1997
<i>Vampirolepis bimaculata</i>	<i>Micronycteris minuta</i>	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990, 1997
<i>Vampirolepis christensoni</i>	<i>Nyctinomops laticaudatus</i> , Molossidae gen.	Brazil, Paraguay,	Small intestine	Rêgo 1962; Travassos 1965
<i>Vampirolepis crassihamata</i>	<i>Eumops</i> sp., Chiroptera gen. sp.	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990, 1997
<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i>	Bolivia	Intestine	Diesing 1850; Linstow 1904; Joyeux 1945; Rêgo 1962; Travassos 1965; Boero & Delpietro 1970; Vaucher, 1982b, 1986a; Nama 1990; Sawada 1990
<i>Vampirolepis patagonicus</i> (as <i>E. bonariensis beckeri</i>), <i>E. glaucius</i> , <i>E. peroisi</i> , <i>Molossops temminckii</i> , <i>Pteronotus parnelli</i>	<i>Cynomops abrasus brachymeles</i> , <i>Eumops</i> sp., <i>Chiroptera</i> gen. sp.	Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay	Intestine	
<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>	<i>rubiginosus</i> (as <i>Chilonyceteris rubiginosa</i>), <i>Epitesicus fuscus</i> , <i>Nyctinomops laticaudatus</i> , <i>Myotis albescens</i>	Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Bolivia, Peru	Small intestine	Rêgo 1962; Sawada 1990; Travassos 1965; Boero & Delpietro 1970; Nama 1990; Vaucher 1982b, 1986a, 1992; Nogueira <i>et al.</i> 2004; Vargas <i>et al.</i> 2009b
	<i>Molossus rufus</i> , <i>Glossophaga soricina</i> , <i>Artibeus obscurus</i> (as <i>A. fuliginosus</i>), <i>A. planirostris</i> , <i>A. lituratus</i> , <i>Pygodermabilabiatum</i> ; <i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i> , <i>Platyrrhinus helleri</i> , Chiroptera gen. sp.			

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Vampirolepis pandonensis</i>	<i>Eptesicus furinalis</i>	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990, 1997
<i>Vampirolepis phyllostomi</i>	<i>Phyllostomus hastatus hastatus, Eumops bonariensis beckeri</i>	Peru, Paraguay, Bolivia	Intestine	Vaucher 1982b; Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990; Nama 1990
<i>Vampirolepis promopsis</i>	<i>Promops centralis</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Vaucher 1986a
<i>Vampirolepis sanctacruzensis</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i>	Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990, 1997
<i>Vampirolepis</i> sp.	<i>Artibeus fraterculus, Noctilio leporinus</i>	Peru, Bolivia	Intestine	Sawada & Harada 1986; Sawada 1990; Vargas <i>et al.</i> 2009b
<i>Vampirolepis temmincki</i>	<i>Molossops temmincki</i>	Paraguay	Intestine	Vaucher 1986a, 1992; Sawada 1990; Nama 1990
TREMATODA				
<i>Acantharium fugleri</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Anenterotrema eudardocaballeroi</i>	<i>Molossus rufus rufus, M. molossus, Phyllostomus elongatus, P. hastatus, Eumops glauciinus, Eumops sp., Histiotus velatus</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Small intestine	Freitas 1960; Caballero 1961; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1962; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993; Lunaschi 2002; Caro <i>et al.</i> 2003
<i>Anenterotrema lilipitatum</i>	<i>Histiotus velatus, Molossus molossus (also as <i>M. obscurus</i>), M. rufus (also as <i>M. ater</i>), Molossidae gen. sp., Molossops temminckii, Myotis nigricans, Phyllostomus elongatus, Peropteryx macrotis</i>	Brazil, Argentina	Small intestine	Travassos 1928; Freitas 1961; Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1962; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993; Ferreira & Brasil-Sato 1998; Lunaschi & Notarnicola 2010
<i>Anenterotrema mesolecitha</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata perspicillata</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Anenterotrema</i> sp.	<i>Anoura caudifer, Saccopteryx bilineata</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Santos & Gibson 1998
<i>Apharyngotrema apharyngotrema</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Apharyngotrema lenti</i>	<i>Anoura caudifer, Saccopteryx bilineata</i>	Brazil	Gall-bladder	Santos & Gibson 1998
<i>Castroia amplicava</i>	<i>Molossidae gen. sp., Peropteryx kapleri</i>	Colombia, Brazil	Intestine	Travassos 1928; Martin 1969; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993; Caro <i>et al.</i> 2003
<i>Castroia sylvai</i>	<i>Anoura caudifer, Peropteryx macrotis, P. kapleri</i>	Colombia	Small intestine	Travassos 1928; Martin 1969; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Vélez & Thatcher 1992a
<i>Chiropertoirementa antioquiense</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata perspicillata</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Small intestine	Vélez & Thatcher 1992a; Boeger <i>et al.</i> 1985
<i>Gymnoacetabulum talaveraense</i>	<i>Molossus molossus, Tadarida brasiliensis, Myotis levis</i>	Argentina	Intestine	Lunaschi 2002; Lunaschi & Drago 2007; Drago <i>et al.</i> 2007; Lunaschi & Notarnicola 2010
<i>Hasstilesia tricolor</i>	<i>Artibeus anderseni, A. lituratus, A. obscurus, Chiroderma trinitatum, Mesophylla macconnelli, Vampyressa (Vampyriscus) bidens, Vampyrodes caraccioli</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Noguiera <i>et al.</i> 2004

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Limatulum umbilicatum</i>	<i>Sturnira lilium</i>	Colombia, Argentina	Small intestine	Vélez & Thatcher 1992a; Lunaschi <i>et al.</i> 2003; Drago <i>et al.</i> 2007
<i>Maxbrauniun tubiporum</i>	<i>Lasiurus blossevillii</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Braun 1900; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993
<i>Metadelphis alvarengai</i>	<i>Eptesicus furinalis</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Travassos 1955; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993
<i>Neodiplostomum vaucherii</i>	<i>Chiropterus auritus</i>	Peru	Intestine	Dubois 1983
<i>Nudacotyle carolliae</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata perspicillata</i>	Ecuador, Colombia	Small intestine	Vélez & Thatcher 1992b
<i>Nudacotyle novicia</i>	<i>Artibeus lituratus</i> , <i>Molossus molossus</i>	Ecuador, Colombia	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979; Caro <i>et al.</i> 2003
<i>Ochoterenatremma caballeroi</i>	<i>Cynomops planirostris</i> , <i>Molossops sp.</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Freitas 1957; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993
<i>Ochoterenatremma diminutum</i>	<i>Myotis nigricans</i> , <i>Molossus molossus</i>	Brazil	Intestine	Ferreira & Brasil-Sato 1998
<i>Ochoterenatremma fraternum</i>	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Peru	Intestine	Freitas & Ibañez 1963; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Tantaleán <i>et al.</i> 1992; Thatcher 1993
<i>Ochoterenatremma labda</i>	<i>Myotis levis</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Argentina	Anterior intestine	Drago <i>et al.</i> 2007; Lunaschi & Notarnicola 2010
<i>Parabascus cephalolecithus</i>	<i>Carollia castanea</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Parabascus limatus</i>	<i>Molossus sp.</i> , <i>Myotis nigricans</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina	Small intestine	Braun 1900; Travassos 1921; Lent <i>et al.</i> 1945; Lunaschi 2004; Drago <i>et al.</i> 2007; Lunaschi & Drago 2007
<i>Paralecithodendrium aranhai</i>	<i>Nyctinomops laticaudatus</i> , <i>Molossus molossus</i>	Paraguay	Small intestine	Lent <i>et al.</i> 1945; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993
<i>Paralecithodendrium brachycolon</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i> , <i>Molossus rufus rufus</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1960b, 1962; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969
<i>Paralecithodendrium buongermini</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i> , <i>M. rufus</i> (as <i>M. ater</i>)	Brazil, Paraguay	Small intestine	Lent <i>et al.</i> 1946; Dubois 1960; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Ferreira & Brasil-Sato 1998
<i>Parametadelphis compactus</i>	<i>Glyphonycteris</i> (as <i>Micronycteris</i>) <i>behnii</i>	Brazil	Small intestine	Travassos 1955; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993
<i>Paralecithodendrium conturbatum</i>	<i>Noctilio albiventris</i> , <i>Molossus molossus</i> , <i>Myotis nigricans</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Brazil, Ecuador, Argentina	Small intestine	Freitas 1960; Travassos & Freitas 1964; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Marshall & Miller 1979; Thatcher 1993; Boero & Led 1971; Lunaschi & Drago 2007
<i>Paralecithodendrium cordiforme</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i> (also as <i>M. major</i>), <i>Miniopterus schreibersii</i>	Brazil, Colombia	Small intestine	Braun 1900; Travassos 1921; Dubois 1960; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Thatcher 1993; Caro <i>et al.</i> 2003
<i>Paralecithodendrium megovarium</i>	<i>Molossus molossus</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979

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Parasite	Host(s)	Locality	Site	Reference(s)
<i>Postorchigenes paraguensis</i>	<i>Eumops bonariensis beckeri, Noctilio leporinus</i>	Brazil, Paraguay	Intestine	Fischthal & Martin 1978; Boeger <i>et al.</i> 1985
<i>Rhopalics coronatus</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata</i>	Ecuador	Small intestine	Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Topsisuritrema verticalia</i>	<i>Carollia perspicillata perspicillata, Myotis levis</i>	Colombia, Argentina	Small intestine	Vélez & Thatcher 1992a; Lunaschi 2006; Lunaschi & Drago 2007
<i>Tremajoannes buckleyi</i>	<i>Pteronotus davyi fulvus, Mormoops megalophylla, Molossus molossus</i>	Ecuador, Colombia	Small intestine	Saoud 1964; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Martin 1969; Marshall & Miller 1979
<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>	<i>Noctilio albiventris, Noctilio sp., Myotis nigricans, M. ater</i> (as <i>M. chiloensis ater</i> – syn. of <i>M. chiloensis</i> or <i>M. levis</i>), <i>M. levis</i> , <i>Molossops temminckii</i> , <i>Molossus molossus</i> , <i>M. rufus</i> , <i>Molossus sp.</i> , <i>Eumops bonariensis</i> , <i>Lasiurus cinereus</i> , <i>Lasiurus intermedius</i> , <i>Lasiurus (Dasypterus) sp.</i> , <i>Promops nasutus</i> , <i>P. centralis</i> , <i>Phyllostomus sp.</i> , <i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Brazil, Paraguay, Ecuador, Uruguay, Argentina, Colombia	Small intestine; large intestine	Braun 1900; Lent <i>et al.</i> 1945; Freitas & Dobbin Jr. 1962; Travassos & Freitas 1964; Mañé-Garzón & Telias 1965; Travassos <i>et al.</i> 1969; Caballero & Caballero 1969; Marshall & Miller 1979; Thatcher 1993; Caro <i>et al.</i> 2003; Drago <i>et al.</i> 2007; Lunaschi & Notarnicola 2010
Negative result				Pinheiro <i>et al.</i> , 2013
No helminth eggs found in faeces		<i>Carollia perspicillata, Sturnira lilium, Aribaeus lituratus, A. obscurus, Platyrhinus recifinus</i>	Brazil	

TABLE 2. Host-parasite list of South America bats with their helminth species.

Emballonuridae Gervais			
<i>Peropteryx kappleri</i> Peters	Trematoda	<i>Castroia amplicava</i> , <i>C. silvai</i> , <i>Limathulum gastroides</i>	
<i>Peropteryx macrois</i> (Wagner)	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema liliputanum</i> , <i>Castroia silvai</i>	
<i>Rhynchonycterus naso</i> (Wied-Neuwied)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis mazanensis</i>	
<i>Saccopteryx bilineata</i> (Temminck)	Nematoda	<i>Allintosius</i> sp.	
	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis mazanensis</i>	
<i>Saccopteryx leptura</i> (Schreber)	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema</i> sp., <i>Apharyngotrema lenti</i>	
	Nematoda	<i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>	
Molossidae Gervais			
<i>Cynomops abrasus</i> (Temminck)	Nematoda	<i>Molostrongylus mbopi</i>	
<i>Cynomops abrasus brachypterus</i> (Peters)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>	
<i>Cynomops planirostris</i> (Peters)	Nematoda	<i>Molostrongylus mbopi</i>	
	Trematoda	<i>Ochoterenatrema caballeroi</i>	
<i>Eumops bonariensis</i> (Peters)	Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>	
<i>Eumops glaucinus</i> (Wagner)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>	
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i>	
<i>Eumops patagonicus</i> Thomas (as <i>E. bonariensis</i>)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i> , <i>V. guarany</i> , <i>V. phyllostomi</i>	
<i>beckeri</i> Sanborn)	Trematoda	<i>Postorchigenes paraguayensis</i>	
	Nematoda	<i>Anoplostomoides molossi</i> , <i>Pterygodermatites elegans</i>	
<i>Eumops perotis</i> (Schinz)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>	
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i>	
<i>Eumops</i> sp.	Nematoda	<i>Allintosius</i> sp., <i>Molostrongylus acanthocolpos</i> , <i>M. mbopi</i>	
<i>Molossops temminckii</i> (Burmeister)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i> , <i>V. temmincki</i>	
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema liliputanum</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>	
<i>Molossops</i> sp.	Trematoda	<i>Ochoterenatrema caballeroi</i>	
<i>Molossus currentium</i> Thomas (as <i>M. bondae</i>)	Nematoda	<i>Aonchotheca cubana</i> , <i>Litomosoides molossi</i>	
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<i>Molossus molossus</i> (Pallas) (some as <i>M. m. crassicaudatus</i> Geoffroy, <i>M. major</i> Kerr and <i>M. obscurus</i> Geoffroy)	Nematoda Cestoda Trematoda	<i>Aonchotheca cubana</i> , <i>Litomosoides molossi</i> <i>Vampirolepis crassihamata</i> , <i>V. guarany</i> , <i>V. longisaccata</i> , <i>V. santacruzensis</i> <i>Acanthatrium fugleri</i> , <i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i> , <i>A. liliputia</i> , <i>Apharyngotrema apharyngotrema</i> , <i>Gymnoacetabulum talaverense</i> , <i>Limatulum gastroides</i> , <i>Nudacotyle novicia</i> , <i>P. ochoterenae</i> , <i>P. diminutum</i> , <i>Paralecithodendrum aranhai</i> , <i>P. brachycolon</i> , <i>P. buongermanni</i> , <i>P. conturbatum</i> , <i>P. cordiforme</i> , <i>P. megovarium</i> , <i>Paralecithodendrum</i> sp., <i>Plagiorchis parumbursanus</i> , <i>Tremajoannes buckleyi</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Molossus rufus</i> Geoffroy (some as <i>M. ater</i> Geoffroy)	Nematoda Cestoda Trematoda	<i>Aonchotheca magnifica</i> , <i>Pierohomix angrensis</i> , <i>Paralecithodendrum brachycolon</i> <i>Vampirolepis elongata</i> <i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i> , <i>A. liliputia</i> , <i>Paralecithodendrum buongermanni</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Molossus</i> sp.	Trematoda	<i>Parabascus limatulus</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Nyctinomops latilobatus</i> (Geoffroy)	Nematoda Cestoda Trematoda	<i>Anoplostrongylus paradoxus</i> , <i>Aonchotheca pulchra</i> , <i>Litomosoides chandleri</i> , <i>Tenoranema rivarolai</i> <i>Vampirolepis christensi</i> , <i>V. decipiens</i> <i>Paralecithodendrum aranhai</i>
<i>Nyctinomops macrotis</i> (Gray)	Nematoda	<i>Aonchotheca pulchra</i>
<i>Promops centralis</i> Thomas	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis promopsis</i>
<i>Promops nasutus</i> (Spix)	Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
Molossidae gen. sp.	Nematoda Cestoda Trematoda	<i>Aonchotheca pereirai</i> <i>Vampirolepis christensi</i> <i>Anenterotrema liliputianum</i> , <i>Castroia amplicava</i> , <i>Limatulum oklahomense</i>
Mormoopidae Saussure		
<i>Mormoops megalophylla</i> (Peters)	Trematoda	<i>Tremajoannes buckleyi</i>
<i>Pteronotus davyi fulyus</i> Thomas	Trematoda	<i>Tremajoannes buckleyi</i>
<i>Pteronotus parnellii</i> Gray	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides yutajensis</i> , <i>Parahistiostrongylus octacanthus</i> , <i>Websterinema parnelli</i>
<i>Pteronotus parnellii rubiginosus</i> (Wagner) (as <i>Chilonycetes rubiginosa</i> Wagner)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>

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Noctilionidae Gray				
<i>Noctilio albiventris</i> Desmarest	Nematoda	Trematoda	<i>Tricholeipera proenciai</i>	
			<i>Paralecihodendrium conturbatum</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>	
<i>Noctilio leporinus</i> (Linnaeus)	Nematoda	Nematoda	<i>Tricholeipera proenciai</i>	
	Cestoda		<i>Hymenolepis</i> sp., <i>Vampirolepis</i> sp.	
	Trematoda		<i>Postorchigenes paraguayensis</i>	
<i>Noctilio labialis</i> Kerr (= <i>N. leporinus</i> or <i>N. albiventris</i>)	Nematoda	Nematoda	<i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>	
<i>Noctilio</i> sp.		Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>	
Phyllostomidae Gray				
<i>Anoura candifer</i> (Geoffroy)	Nematoda		<i>Capillaria</i> sp., <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>	
	Trematoda		<i>Anenterotrema</i> sp., <i>Apharyngotrema lenti</i> , <i>Castrota silvai</i>	
<i>Anoura geoffroyi</i> Gray	Nematoda	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. hamletti</i>	
<i>Aribaeus anderseni</i> Osgood	Nematoda	Trematoda	<i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i>	
			<i>Hassistlesia tricolor</i>	
<i>Aribaeus cinereus</i> (Gervais)	Nematoda		<i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i> , <i>Litomosoides arrbei</i>	
<i>Aribaeus fraterculus</i> Anthony	Cestoda		<i>Vampirolepis</i> sp.	
<i>Aribaeus jamaicensis</i> Leach	Nematoda		<i>Capillaria</i> sp., <i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i> , <i>Histiostylylus paradoxus</i> , <i>Litomosoides chandleri</i>	
<i>Aribaeus lituratus</i> (Olfers)	Nematoda	Nematoda	<i>L. colombiensis</i> , <i>L. hamletti</i> , <i>Tricholeipera prencai</i>	
	Acanthocephala		<i>Bidigiticauda vivipara</i> , <i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i>	
	Cestoda		<i>Neoniccola arrbei</i>	
			<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>	
<i>Aribaeus obscurus</i> (Schinz) (sometimes as <i>A. fuliginosus</i> Gray)	Trematoda	Nematoda	<i>Hassistlesia tricolor</i> , <i>Nudacotyle novicia</i>	
		Cestoda	<i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i>	
<i>Aribaeus planirostris</i> (Spix)	Trematoda	Nematoda	<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>	
		Cestoda	<i>Hassistlesia tricolor</i>	
<i>Aribaeus watsoni</i> Thomas	Nematoda	Nematoda	<i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i>	
<i>Aribaeus</i> sp.	Nematoda		<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>	
			<i>Cheiropteronomema globocephala</i>	
			<i>Litomosoides arrbei</i>	

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<i>Carollia brevicauda</i> (Schinz)	Nematoda	<i>Carostrongylus touzeti</i> , <i>Histiostyngylus</i> sp., <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
<i>Carollia castanea</i> Allen	Trematoda	<i>Allintoshius</i> sp., <i>Carostrongylus touzeti</i> , <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
<i>Carollia perspicillata</i> (Linneaus)	Nematoda	<i>Parabascus cephalolecithus</i>
		<i>Capillaria</i> sp., <i>Carostrongylus touzeti</i> , <i>Cheiropteronomia</i> sp., <i>Histiostyngylus</i> sp., <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. hamleti</i> , <i>L. teshi</i> , <i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema mesolechia</i> , <i>Chiropoterrema antioquiense</i> , <i>Nudacotyle carollia</i> , <i>Rhopalias coronatus</i> , <i>Topsisiturivirema verticalia</i>
<i>Carollia</i> sp.	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. carolliae venezuelensis</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Hastylesia tricolor</i>
<i>Chiroderma trinitatum</i> Goodwin	Trematoda	<i>Neodiplostomum vaucheri</i>
<i>Chrotopterus auritus</i> (Peters)	Nematoda	<i>Biacantha desmoda</i> , <i>B. normaliae</i> , <i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>
<i>Desmodus rotundus</i> (Geoffroy)	Nematoda	<i>Anchotheca parca</i> , <i>Brigiticanda embryophilum</i> , <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. guiterasi</i> , <i>L. hamleti</i>
<i>Glossophaga soricina</i> (Pallas)	Cestoda	<i>Mathevoatenia boliviana</i> , <i>M. immature</i> , <i>Vampirolepis artibei</i> , <i>V. elongata</i>
<i>Glossophaga</i> sp.	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. hamleti</i>
<i>Glyptonycteris</i> (as <i>Micronycteris</i>) <i>bennii</i> (Peters)	Trematoda	<i>Parametadelphis compactus</i>
<i>Lionycteris spurrelli</i> Thomas	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
<i>Lonchophylla robusta</i> Miller	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides hamleti</i> , <i>Pseudocapillaria pusilla</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Limatum gastroides</i>
<i>Lonchophylla thomasi</i> Allen	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
<i>Lophostoma</i> (as <i>Tonatia</i>) <i>carrikeri</i> (Allen)	Nematoda	<i>Lukonema lukoschusi</i>
<i>Lophostoma silvicolum occidentalis</i> Davis & Carter	Nematoda	<i>Tricholeperia peruvensis</i>
<i>Mesophylla macconnelli</i> Thomas	Trematoda	<i>Hastylesia tricolor</i>
<i>Micronycteris megalotis</i> (Gray)	Nematoda	<i>Ricularia</i> sp.
<i>Micronycteris minuta</i> (Gervais)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis bilamata</i>
<i>Micronycteris schmidtorum</i> Sanborn	Nematoda	<i>Torrestryngylus</i> sp.
<i>Phyllonycteris poeyi</i> Gundlach	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides chandleri</i>
<i>Phyllostomus discolor</i> Wagner	Nematoda	<i>Histiostyngylus coronatus</i> , <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
<i>Phyllostomus elongatus</i> (Geoffroy)	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i> , <i>A. liliputianum</i>

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<i>Phyllostomus hastatus</i> (Pallas)	Nematoda	<i>Histiostyngylus</i> sp., <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>Parahistiostrongylus octacanthus</i> , <i>Stilestrongylus octacanthus</i>
	Acanthocephala	<i>Moniliformis moniliformis</i>
	Cestoda	<i>Ariotaenia hastata</i> , <i>Pygoderma bilabiatum</i> , <i>Vampirolepis phyllotomi</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. serpulosa</i>
	Cestoda	<i>Cycloskrjabinia</i> sp.
	Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Phyllostomus</i> sp.	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides colombiensis</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides colombiensis</i>
	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>
	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis elongata</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Torrestrongylus</i> sp.
	Nematoda	<i>Capillaria</i> sp.
	Nematoda	<i>Cheiropteronema globocephalum</i> , <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. calliensis</i> , <i>L. chandleri</i> , <i>L. guiterasi</i> , <i>Litomosoides</i> sp., <i>Pseudocapillaria pusilla</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Limatulum umbilicatum</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Capillaria</i> sp.
	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides chandleri</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides caliensis</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Allintoshius parallintoshius</i> , <i>Anoplostrostrongylus paradoxus</i> , <i>Onchotheca pulchra</i> , <i>Capillaria</i> sp., <i>Rictularia</i> sp.
	Trematoda	<i>Gymnoacetabulum talaverae</i> , <i>Ochoterenarema fraternum</i> , <i>O. labda</i> , <i>Parabascus limatus</i> , <i>Paraleciithodendrium conturbatum</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Capillaria</i> sp., <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> , <i>L. solarii</i> , <i>Tricholeipera leipperi</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Hassilesia tricolor</i>
	Trematoda	<i>Hassilesia tricolor</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Moniliformis convolutum</i>
	Nematoda	<i>Anoplostomidae</i> gen. sp.
		<i>Trachops cirrhosus</i> (Spix)
		<i>Vampyressa (Vampyressus) bidentis</i> (Dobson)
		<i>Vampyrodes caraccioli</i> (Tomas)
		<i>Vampyrum spectrum</i> (Linnaeus)

Vesptilionidae Gray
Eptesicus brasiliensis melanopterus Jentink

Lukonema lukoschusi

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<i>Eptesicus firminalis</i> (d'Orbigny)	Nematoda Cestoda	<i>Allintosius bioccai</i> , <i>A. parallintosius</i> <i>Vampirolepis guarany</i> ; <i>V. pandonensis</i>
<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i> (Beauvois)	Trematoda Nematoda	<i>Metadelphis alvarengai</i> <i>Litomosoides hamletti</i>
<i>Histiotus velatus</i> (Geoffroy)	Cestoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>
<i>Lasiorurus blossevillii</i> (Lesson & Garnot)	Trematoda	<i>Anenterotrema eduardocaballeroi</i> , <i>A. liliputianum</i>
<i>Lasiorurus cinereus</i> (Beauvois)	Trematoda	<i>Maxbraunium tubiporum</i>
<i>Lasiorurus ega</i> (Gervais)	Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Lasiorurus ega argentinus</i> Thomas	Nematoda	<i>Litomosoides chandleri</i> , <i>L. salazari</i>
<i>Lasiorurus intermedius</i> (Allen)	Cestoda	<i>Hymenolepis dasypteri</i> , <i>Vampirolepis guarany</i>
<i>Lasiorurus (Dasypterus) sp.</i>	Trematoda	<i>Postorchigenes mbopi</i>
<i>Miniopterus schreibersii</i> (Kuhl)	Trematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Myotis albescens</i> (Geoffroy)	Nematoda	<i>Paralecithodendrium cordiforme</i>
<i>Myotis ater</i> (Peters) (as <i>M. chiloensis</i> ater – syn. of <i>M. chiloensis</i> (Waterhouse) or <i>M. levis</i>)	Cestoda	<i>Allintosius parallintosius</i>
<i>Myotis levis</i> (Geoffroy)	Trematoda	<i>Vampirolepis decipiens</i>
<i>Myotis nigricans</i> (Schinz)	Nematoda	<i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Myotis riparius</i> Handley	Nematoda	<i>Gymnoacetabulum talayerense</i> , <i>Limatumbum brevicoecum</i> , <i>Ochoterentrema labda</i> , <i>Topsiurytrema verticalia</i> . <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
<i>Myotis ruber</i> (Geoffroy)	Trematoda	<i>Allintosius nudicandatus</i> , <i>A. parallelintosius</i> , <i>A. urumiaca</i> , <i>Histiostrongylus coronatus</i> , <i>Litomosoides molossi</i> , <i>Migonella frachchiae</i> , <i>Pterohominx brevidelphis</i> , <i>Rictularia</i> sp.
<i>Myotis sp.</i>		<i>Anenterotrema liliputianum</i> , <i>Limatumbum oklahomense</i> , <i>Ochoterentrema diminutum</i> , <i>Parabascus limatus</i> , <i>Paralecithodendrium conturbatum</i> , <i>Urotrema scabridum</i>
Chiroptera gen. sp.	Nematoda Cestoda	<i>Allintosius parallintosius</i> , <i>Litomosoides brasiliensis</i> <i>Aonchotheca pintoi</i> , <i>Aonchotheca</i> sp., <i>Physaloptera</i> sp. (juv.) <i>Vampirolepis christensonii</i> , <i>V. elongata</i>

groups which involve insects as intermediate hosts. Consequently, it would appear that the endoparasitic fauna of this group in South America appears rather depauperate when compared to the rich ectoparasitic fauna reported by Frank *et al.* (2014), i.e. 273 species. Thus, in terms of those chiropteran taxa examined so far, the diversity of helminth parasites is only slightly greater than that of their hosts.

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