







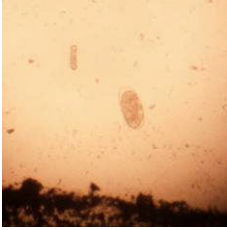


Worm egg size differentiation

The size is measured along the greatest length of the egg

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| <p>Strongyle egg – cannot distinguish species ~ 70 μm</p> | <p><i>Trichuris suis</i> egg ~ 60 μm</p> | <p><i>Strongyloides ransomi</i> has a larvae inside the egg – piglet ~ 70 μm</p> |
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| <p>Metastrongylus eggs (note larva in egg) ~ 55 μm</p> | <p><i>Ascaris suum</i> egg ~ 60 μm</p> | <p><i>Stephanurus dentatus</i> ~ 100 μm</p> |
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| <p><i>Macracanthorhynchus hirudinaceus</i> ~ 100 μm</p> | <p>Coccidiosis (much smaller than worm eggs) – <i>Isospora suis</i> ~ 20 μm</p> | <p>Down the microscope -</p> |