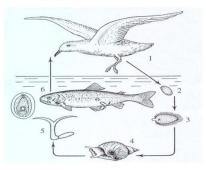


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Why to study parasites?

- 1. They are everywhere
- 2. They are diverse
- 3. They are harmful
- 4. They (can) have complex life cycles
- 5. They show fascinating adaptations
- 6. They alter host evolution etc.



An example: Life cycle of *Diplostomum* sp. with three hosts (and three different immune systems 1,4,6) and various strategies for transmission between hosts (free-swimming larvae 3,5, manipulation of host <u>behaviour</u> 6)





PARASITOLOGY June 2022 Zoology MSc, Module 19 (7.5 ECTS)

ELECTIVE MODULE at Research Department for Limnology, Mondsee (ILIM) in Upper Austria -SS 2022

Structure: VO: 1.5 ECTS, UE: 4.5 ECTS, SE: 1.5 ECTS

Content:

- 1. Diversity and natural history of parasites
- 2. Adaptations of parasites
- 3. Ecology of host-parasite interactions
- 4. Evolution between hosts and parasites
- 5. Human parasites

VO and UE: June, 7-17; Research Department for Limnology, Mondsee

SE: last week of June (details decided together)

<u>UE</u> content: Examination of aquatic organisms (e.g., fish) for parasites and eco-immunological experiments using snails

Teacher: Univ.-Prof. Otto Seppälä

Research focus: Trait evolution under parasitism and environmental change

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