

Dracunculiasis

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Dracunculiasis, more commonly known as Guinea worm disease, is an infection caused by the parasite *Dracunculus medinensis*. The parasite is alternately known in English as "Guinea worm", "Medina worm", and finally "fiery serpent" which reflects the Latin root word *Dracunculus* meaning "little dragon". ([From the Wikipedia article Dracunculiasis](#).)

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