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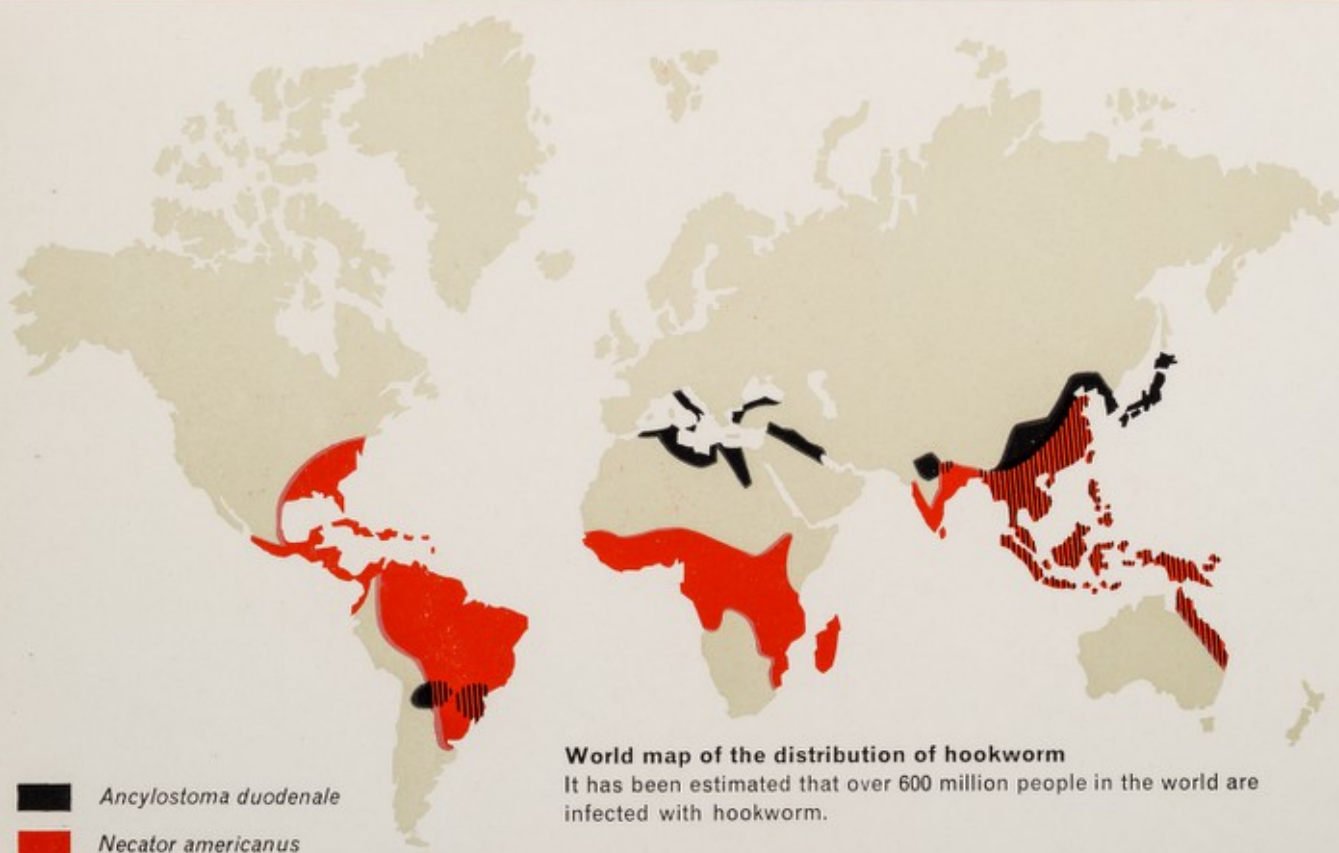
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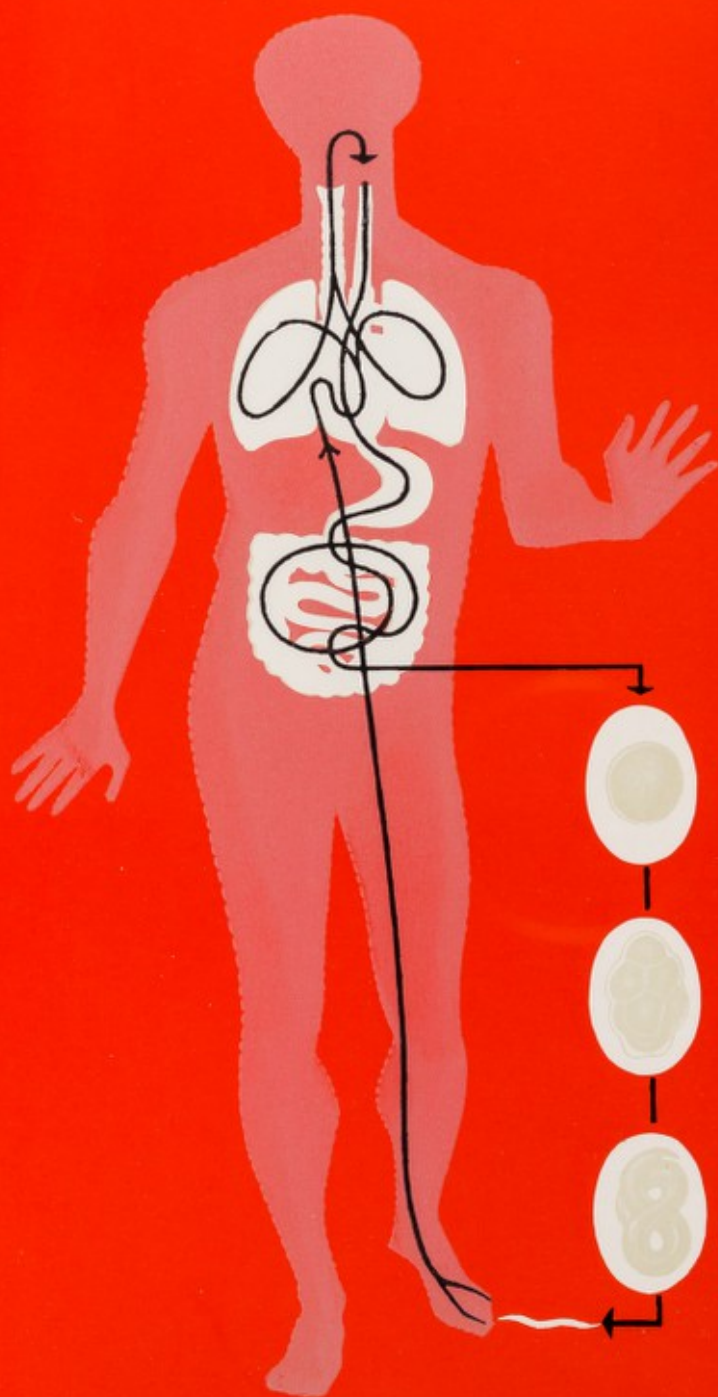


Whereas heavy hookworm infection makes itself apparent by the marked anaemia and debility of the patient—sometimes leading to cardiac failure, oedema, ascites, mental deterioration and perhaps death—light infections are often overlooked. Yet such light infections, symptomless though they may be, often lower a person's resistance to other diseases. Thus in places where hookworm is prevalent and where the population uses no footwear, there are sound reasons for administering 'Alcopar' to all patients whose condition may be influenced by a latent hookworm infection. Clearance of hookworm from the gut by mass treatment, together with active measures to improve sanitation, offers an opportunity for eradicating the disease in endemic areas.

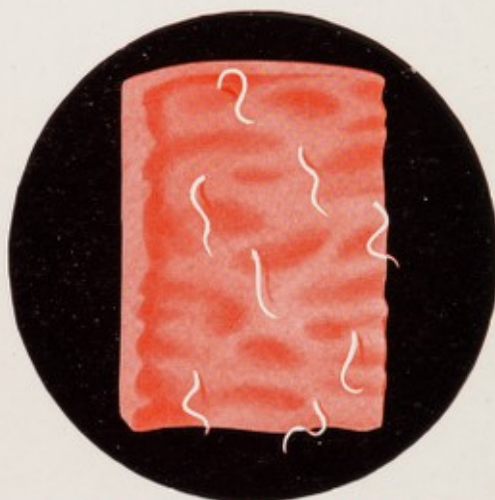
'Alcopar' dispersible granules

'Alcopar' removes hookworms swiftly and without risk. A single dose early in the morning suffices to remove both hookworm and roundworm from most patients; where there is persistent diarrhoea, three doses in one day usually suffice. The dose for everyone over 2 years of age and over 10 kgm. (20 lb. approx.) in weight is the contents of one sachet in water; younger patients may receive half this dose. No toxic effects have been reported from the use of 'Alcopar'. In view of the bitter flavour of the drug, the dose should be mixed with syrup when given to children, and may be administered in two half doses on the same or successive days.





The life cycle of the hookworm



Adult hookworms attached to the wall of the gut. In heavy infections from 50 to 1500 worms may be present in the small intestine.



The hookworm grasps the wall of the gut, holding on with its mouthparts and sucking blood from a minute tear in the mucous membrane.



'Alcopar'

**dispersible
granules**

**the proven treatment
for hookworm**

Single-dose sachets of 5 gm.,
containing bephenium hydroxynaphthoate
equivalent to 2.5 gm. bephenium (base).
Issued in packs of 25 sachets.



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