

Supplementary material

Appendix 1

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Table 1 Survival of cross-fostered eggs/chicks of foreign species. Verditer flycatchers either served as hosts (i.e., being experimentally parasitized by cuckoos and other sympatric passerines) or parasites (i.e., being transferred to foreign sympatric heterospecific passerine nests).

Hosts	Parasites	Original clutch size (hosts)	Experimental period (hosts)	Cross-fostering target	No. cross-fostered offspring	Success (parasites)	Duration of time surviving (parasites)
Asian verditer flycatcher <i>Eumyias thalassinus</i>	common cuckoo	4	early incubation	egg	1 egg	dead	< 2 days
	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	5	early incubation	egg	1 egg	dead	< 1.5 days
	Himalayan cuckoo	4	incubation	egg	1 egg	dead	< 1 day
	<i>Cuculus saturatus</i>						
	ashy-throated parrotbill	4	early nestling	nestling	1 nestling	dead	< 1.5 days
	<i>Paradoxornis alphonsianus</i>						
	daurian redstart	3	incubation	egg	3 eggs	dead	< 2 days
	<i>Phoenicurus aureoreus</i>						
	green-backed tit	4	early nestling	nestling	4 nestlings	dead	< 1-2 days
	<i>Parus monticolus</i>						
	grey bushchat	5	early nestling	nestling	1 nestling	dead	< 1.5 days
	<i>Saxicola ferrea</i>						
	red-billed leiothrix	3	egg laying	egg	1 egg	dead	< 2 days
	<i>Leiothrix lutea</i>	4	early incubation	egg	4 eggs	dead	< 2 days
russet sparrow	5	egg laying	egg	1 egg	dead	< 1.5 days	
<i>Passer cinnamomeus</i>	4	early nestling	nestling	4 nestlings	dead	< 1.5 days	
white-bellied redstart	5	early nestling	nestling	5 nestlings	dead	< 2 days	
<i>Hodgsonius phoenicuroides</i>							

Daurian redstart <i>Phoenicurus aureoreus</i>		4	incubation	egg	4 eggs	fledged	> 13 days
green-backed tit <i>Parus monticolus</i>		5	early nestling	nestling	1 nestling	fledged	> 14 days
grey bushchat <i>Saxicola ferrea</i>	Asian verditer flycatcher	4	early nestling	nestling	4 nestlings	predated	>= 4 days
red-billed leiothrix <i>Leiothrix lutea</i>	<i>Eumyias thalassinus</i>	3	early nestling	nestling	1 nestling	fledged	> 12 days
russet sparrow <i>Passer cinnamomeus</i>		4	egg laying	egg	1 egg	predated	>= 6 days
white-bellied redstart <i>Hodgsonius phoenicuroides</i>		3	nestling	nestling	3 nestlings	predated	>= 8 days