Heartworm-infected Dog

In the Bloodstream and Heart

Mature Adult producing larvae / 5–7 years

In the Tissue

Prevention Effective

Developing Adult / 4–5 months

In the Bloodstream and Heart

Prevention Effective

Developing Larvae / ~2 months < transmits larvae

Mature Adult seldom producing larvae / 2–3 years

In the Tissue

Mature Adult / 4–6 months

In the Mosquito

Larvae develop to infective stage

In the Mosquito

Mosquito bites your pet

Developing Larvae / 21/2 months

transmits larvae > Developing Larvae