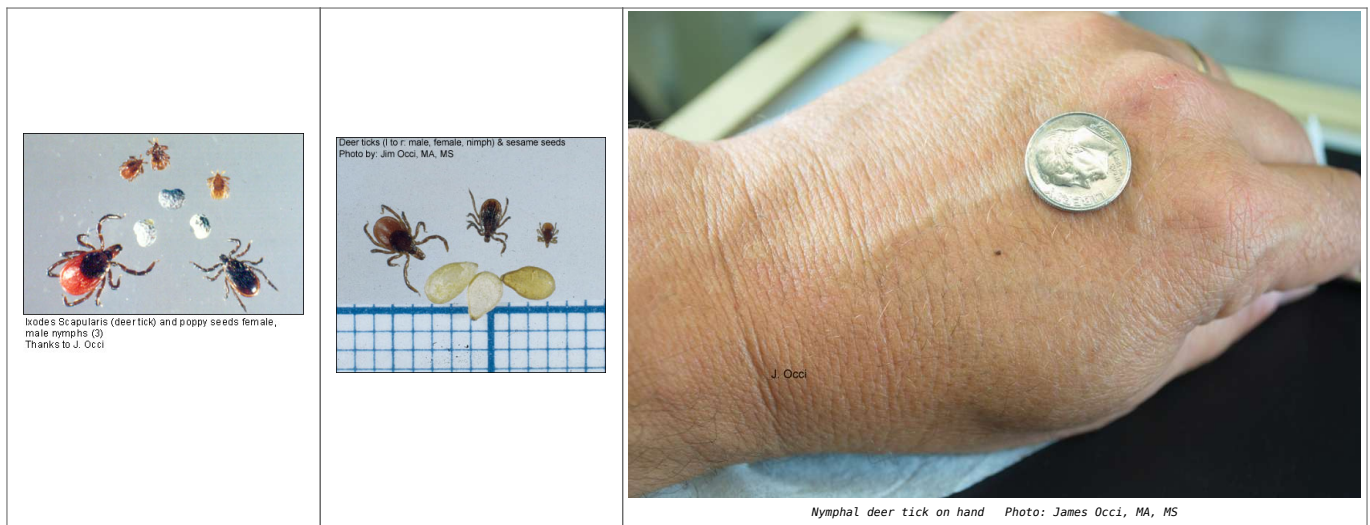


# How Small is a Deer Tick? Check It Out.

Everyone needs to take precautions to prevent against tick exposure. This is especially true when it comes to the *Ixodes scapularis*, the deer or blacklegged tick. The adult tick is about the size of a sesame seed, and the nymph the size of a poppyseed. Check out the nymph on the hand. Can you see it?



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