

**Table S1.** Oligonucleotides used for the molecular identification and/or characterization of the enteric protist species investigated in the present study.

Target organism	Locus	Oligonucleotide	Sequence (5'–3')	Reference
<i>Cryptosporidium</i> spp.	<i>ssu</i> rRNA	CR-P1	CAGGGAGGTAGTGACAAGAA	Tiangtip and Jongwutiwes (2002)
		CR-P2	TCAGCCTTGCGACCATACTC	
		CR-P3	ATTGGAGGGCAAGTCTGGTG	
		CPB-DIAGR	TAAGGTGCTGAAGGAGTAAGG	
<i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>	<i>ssu</i> rRNA	Probe	FAM–TCATTGAATGAATTGGCCATTT–MGB	Gutiérrez-Cisneros et al. (2010)
<i>Entamoeba dispar</i>		Probe	VIC–TACTTACATAAATTGGCCACTTTG–MGB	
<i>Entamoeba histolytica/dispar</i>		Ehd-239F	ATTGTCGTGGCATCCTAACTCA	
		Ehd-88R	GCGGACGGCTCATTATAACA	Verweij et al. (2003a)
<i>Giardia duodenalis</i>	<i>ssu</i> rRNA	Probe	FAM–CCCGCGGCGGTCCCTGCTAG–BHQ1	Verweij et al. (2003b)
		Gd-80F	GACGGCTCAGGACAACGGTT	
		Gd-127R	TTGCCAGCGGTGTCCG	
	<i>gdh</i>	GDHeF	TCAACGTYAAYCGYGGYTTCCGT	Read et al. (2004)
		GDHiF	CAGTACACCTCYGCTCTCGG	
		GDHiR	GTTRTCCTTGCACATCTCC	
	<i>bg</i>	G7_F	AAGCCCGACGACCTCACCCGCAGTGC	Lalle et al. (2005)
		G759_R	GAGGCCGCCCTGGATCTTCGAGACGAC	

		G99_F	GAACGAACGAGATCGAGGTCCG	
		G609_R	CTCGACGAGCTTCGTGTT	
	<i>tpi</i>	AL3543	AAATIATGCCTGCTCGTCG	<a href="#">Sulaiman et al. (2003)</a>
		AL3546	CAAACCTTITCCGCAAACC	
		AL3544	CCCTTCATCGGIGGTAACTT	
		AL3545	GTGGCCACCACICCCGTGCC	
<i>Blastocystis</i> spp.	<i>ssu</i> rRNA	BhRDr	GAGCTTTTTAACTGCAACAACG	<a href="#">Scicluna et al. (2006)</a>
		RD5	ATCTGGTTGATCCTGCCAGT	
<i>Enterocytozoon bieneusi</i>	ITS	EBITS3	GGTCATAGGGATGAAGAG	<a href="#">Buckholt et al. (2002)</a>
		EBITS4	TTCGAGTTCTTTCGCGCTC	
		EBITS1	GCTCTGAATATCTATGGCT	
		EBITS2.4	ATCGCCGACGGATCCAAGTG	
<i>Balantioides coli</i>	ITS	B5D	GCTCCTACCGATAACGGGT	<a href="#">Ponce-Gordo et al. (2011)</a>
		B5RC	GCGGGTCATCTTACTTGATTTC	
<i>Troglodytella</i> spp.	ITS	SSU_end)	AAGGTWCCGTAGGTGAACCTG	<a href="#">Vallo et al. (2012)</a>
		LSU_start	TAKTRAYATGCTTAAGTYCAGCG	

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*bg*:  $\beta$ -giardin (*bg*); *gdh*: Glutamate dehydrogenase; ITS: Internal transcribed spacer; *ssu* rRNA: Small subunit ribosomal RNA; *tpi*: Triose phosphate isomerase.