Table S1. PCR cycling conditions used for the molecular identification and/or characterization of *Cryptosporidium* spp. and *Giardia duodenalis* in the present study.

		Temperature and time						
Target pathogen	**Locus**	**Initial denaturation**	**Denaturation**	**Annealing**	**Extension**	**No. cycles**	**Final extension**	**Reference**
Cryptosporidium spp.	*ssu* rRNA	94 °C 3 min	94 °C 40 s	50 °C 40 s	72 °C 1 min	35	72 °C 10 min	[57]
Cryptosporidium spp.	*gp60*	94 °C 5 min	94 °C 45 s	59 °C 45 s	72 °C 1 min	35	72 °C 10 min	[58]
Giardia duodenalis	*ssu* rRNA	95 °C 15 min	95 °C 15 s	60 °C 1 min	72 °C 30 s	45	–	[59]
	ssu rRNA	95 °C 2 min	95 °C 45 s	58/55 °C 30 s	72 °C 45 s	35	72 °C 4 min	[60]
	gdh	95 °C 3 min	95 °C 30 s	55 °C 30 s	72 °C 1 min	35	72 °C 7 min	[62]
	bg	95 °C 7 min	95 °C 30 s	65/55 °C 30 s	72 °C 1 min	35	72 °C 7 min	[63]
	tpi	94 °C 5 min	94 °C 45 s	50 °C 45 s	72 °C 1 min	35	72 °C 10 min	[64]

bg: β-giardin; *gdh*: Glutamate dehydrogenase; *gp60*: 60 kDa glycoprotein; *ssu* rRNA: Small subunit ribosomal RNA; *tpi*: Triose phosphate isomerase.