

Table S1. Primers for the amplification of sequences of ticks and tick-borne pathogens

Organism	PCR method	Gene	Primer name	Sequences	References
ticks	nested PCR	<i>COI</i>	TCOIF1*	GGAGCYCCWGATATAGCTTCCC	[55]
			TCOIR1*	CCTGGTAAAATTAAAATATAAACTTC	
			TCOIF2#	TTTACCGCGATGAHTWTTYT	
			TCOIR2#	WGGRTGRCCAARAATCAAATA	
<i>Rickettsia</i>	qPCR	<i>rrs</i>	R-rrs-F	GGAGCATGCGGTTAACATTG	[56]
			R -rrs-R	GCCATGCAACACACTGTGTGT	
			R -rrs-Probe	VIC-CGGATCGCAGAGATG-MGB	
	semi-nested PCR	<i>rrs</i> fragment 1	R-rrs1-147F*#	GTACGGAATAACTTTAGAAAT	[57]
			R-rrs1-1175R1*	CATGATGACTTGACRTCGT	
			R-rrs1-1034R2#	CATCTCACGACACGAGCTG	
		<i>rrs</i> fragment 2	R-rrs2-693F1*	GAAGGCGRTCATYTRGGCT	
			R-rrs2-699F2#	GRTCATYTRGGCTRCAACTG	
			R-rrs2-1427R*#	CTGCCTTTGCGTTAGCT	
semi-nested PCR	<i>gltA</i>		R-gltA-T151F1*	CCGGGYTTTATGTCTACTGC	[57]
			R-gltA-T156F2#	CTTTATGTCTACTGCKTCTTG	
			R-gltA-T1239R*#	AGCTGTCTWGGTCTGCTGATT	
nested PCR	17kD		R-r17-F1*	TTTACAAAATTCTAAAAACCAT	[13]
			R-r17k-R1*	TCAATTACAACCTGCCATT	
			R-r17k-F2#	GCTCTTGCAACTTCTATGTT	
			R-r17k-R2#	TCAATTACAACCTGCCATT	
Semi-nested PCR	<i>ompA</i>		R-r190k-F*#	TGGCGAATATTCTCCAAAA	[58,59]
			R-r190k-R1*	TGCATTGTATTACCTATTGT	
			R-r190k-R2#	AGTGCAGCATTGCTCCCCCT	

Anaplasmataceae	qPCR	23S rRNA	Ana-F Ana-R Ana-Probe	TGA CAG CGT ACC TTT TGC AT GTA ACA GGT TCG GTC CTC CA GGA TTA GAC CCG AAA CCA AG	[60]
	nested PCR	<i>rrs</i>	A&E-rrs-F1* A&E-rrs-R1* A&E-rrs-F2# A&E-rrs-R2#	GAA CGA ACG CTG GCG GCA AGC AGT A(T/C)C G(A/G)A CCA GAT AGC CGC TGC ATA GGA ATC TAC CTA GTA G CTA GGA ATT CCG CTA TCC TCT	[61]
<i>Anaplasma</i> spp.	semi-nested PCR	<i>rrs</i> fragment 1	ANArrs1-F1*# ANArrs1-R1* ANArrs1-R2#	GGATAGCCACTRGAARTGGTG CGTGCTGACTTGACATCAT CATCTCACGACACGAGCTG	[62]
	semi-nested PCR	<i>rrs</i> fragment 2	ANArrs2-F1* ANArrs2-F2# ANArrs2-R1*#	CTGTCTGGTCCGGTACTGAC TGGTCCGGTACTGACRCT TGCCTCCTDCGGTTGGC	
	nested PCR	<i>gltA</i>	ACS-F1* ACS -R1* ACS-F2# ACS -R2#	GCGATTAGAGTGYGGAGATTG TACAATACCGGAGTAAAGTCAA GGGTTCMTCYACTGCTGCGTG TTGGATCGTARTTCTTAGACC	[62]
	Nested PCR	<i>groEL</i>	HS1-F* HS6-R* HS3-F# HSV-R#	CGYCAGTGGGCTGGTAATGAA CCWCCWGGTACWACACCTTC ATAGTYATGAAGGAGAGTGAT TCAACAGCAGCTCTAGTWG	[63]
<i>A. bovis</i>	semi-nested PCR	<i>groEL</i>	Ab gro-ELF1* Ab gro-ELF2# Ab gro-ELR*#	TTTCGCACTATTTGCCAGT ATCTGGAAGRCCACTATTGAT CTGCRTTCAGAGTCATAAATAC	[64]
<i>A. capra</i>	nested PCR	<i>groEL</i>	Ac gro-ELF1* Ac gro-ELR3*	GCGAGGCGTTAGACAAGTCCATT TCCAGAGATGCGAGCGTGTATAG	[65]

			Ac gro-ELF2#	TGCACTGCTGGTCAAAGGGGCT	
			Ac gro-ELR2#	CAACTTCGCTAGAGCCGCCAAC	
<i>A. phagocytophilum</i>	semi-nested PCR	<i>groEL</i>	Ap&p groELF*#	ATGGTATGCAGTTGATCGC	[65]
			Ap&p gro-ELR1*	TCTACTCTGTCTTGCGTTC	
			Ap gro-ELR2#	TTGAGTACAGCAACACCACCGGAA	
			EHRrrs1-F1*#	GAATAGCCATTAGAAATGATG	
<i>Ehrlichia</i> spp.	semi-nested PCR	<i>rrs</i> fragment 1	EHRrrs1-R1*	GTCAGTATCGAACAGATAG	[62]
			EHRrrs1-R2#	GTATCGAACAGATAGCCG	
		<i>rrs</i> fragment 2	EHRrrs2-F1*	CGGCTATCTGGTTCGATAC	
			EHRrrs2-F2#	CTATCTGGTTCGATACTGAC	
			EHRrrs2-R1*#	GCTTCCTTKCGGTTAGCAC	
nested PCR		<i>gltA</i>	ECS-F1*	TATGRTCRAAGAACAGTATT	[66]
			ECS-R1*	GGAATATTAACCTATGATCC	
			ECS-F2#	CTGACGTGGACGACATATCT	
			ECS-R2#	TGGGCTGGYAATGAAATTGA	
nested PCR		<i>groEL</i>	HS1-F*	CGYCAGTGGGCTGGTAATGAA	[67]
			HS6-R*	CCWCCWGGTACWACACCTTC	
			GROEL-F#	TGGCAAATGTAGTTGTAACAGG	
			GROEL-R#	GCCGACTTTAGTACAGCAA	
semi-nested PCR		<i>ftsZ</i>	Eh_ftsZ_703_R1*	CWGCTTCTCCTGTRCCCACATCAT	[68]
			Eh_ftsZ_313_F2#	ACTGCYGGAATGGGTGGWGGAA	
			Eh_ftsZ_679_R2*#	TTTRCCCCATYTCRCTCATTATTGC	
nested PCR		conP28	conP28-F1	AT(C/T)AGT(G/C)AAA(A/G)TA(T/C)(A/G)T(G/A)CCAA	[68]
			conP28-R1	TTA(G/A)AA(A/G)G(C/T)AAA(C/T)CT(T/G)CCTCC	
			conP28-F2	CAATGG(A/G)(T/A)GG(T/C)CC(A/C)AGA(AG)TAG	
			conP28-R2	TTCC(T/C)TG(A/G)TA(A/G)G(A/C)AA(T/G)TTTAGG	

	PCR	<i>dsb</i>	Eh-dsb-330 F Eh-dsb-728 R	GATGATGTCTGAAGATATGAAACAAAT CTGCTCGTCTATTACTTCTTAAAGT	[69]
<i>Borrelia spp.</i>	qPCR	23S rRNA	Bo23S-F	GAGTCTAAAAGGGCGATTTAGT	[70]
			Bo23S-R	CTTCAGCCTGCCATAAATAG	
			Bo23S-Probe	AGATGTGGTAGACCCGAAGCCGAGT	
<i>Francisella tularensis</i>	nested PCR	<i>ospA</i>	Bor-ospA-F1*	GGGAATAGGTCTAACATTAGCC	[53]
			Bor-ospA-R1*	CACTAATTGTTAAAGTGGAAGT	
			Bor-ospA-F2#	GCAAATGTTAGCAGCCTTGAT	
			Bor-ospA-R2#	CTGTGTATTCAAGTCTGGC	
<i>Coxiella burnetii</i>	qPCR	<i>fopA</i>	Fr-fopA-F	GGCAAATCTAGCAGGTCAAGC	[70]
			Fr-fopA-R	CAACACTTGCTGAACATTCTAG	
			Fr-fopA-Probe	AACAGGTGCTTGGGATGTGGGTGGT	
<i>Bartonella</i>	qPCR	<i>IS1111</i>	Co-IS111-F	TGGAGGAGCGAACCATGGT	[70]
			Co-IS111-R	CATACGGTTGACGTGCTGC	
			Co-IS111-Probe	ATCGGACGTTATGGGATGGGTATCC	
<i>Babesia-Theileria-Hepatozoon</i>	nested PCR	18S rRNA	Bar-ssrA-F	GCTATGGTAATAATGGACAATGAAATAA	[71]
			Bar-ssrA-R	GCTTCTGTTGCCAGGTG	
			Bar-ssrA-Probe	ACCCCGCTTAAACCTGCGACG	
<i>Babesia-Theileria-Hepatozoon</i>	nested PCR	18S rRNA	BTH18S-F1*	GTGAAACTGCGAATGGCTCATTAC	[33]
			BTH18S-R1*	AAGTGATAAGGTTCACAAACTTCCC	
			BTH18S-F2#	GGCTCATTACAACAGTTAGTTATTG	
			BTH18S-R2#	CGGTCCGAATAATTACCGGAT	

\*Primers using in first round of nested PCR or semi-nested PCR

# Primers using in second round of nested PCR or semi-nested PCR