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Update on knowledge of transmission of *Echinococcus* to humans

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1. Molecular diagnosis of echinococcosis in the definitive host
2. *Echinococcus* as a foodborne parasite?

1. Molecular diagnosis of echinococcosis in the definitive host

CHAPTER 3.1.6.

**ECHINOCOCCOSIS
(INFECTION WITH *ECHINOCOCCUS
GRANULOSUS* AND WITH *E. MULTILOCULARIS*)**

OIE Terrestrial Manual 2019

CoproDNA detection tests OIE manual, 2019

Table 3. PCR primers used for coproDNA detection (modified from Craigie et al., 2019). Tissue indicates that the technique is also compatible with DNA extraction from metacercide tissues

Gene	Species	Copro-sample	Tissue	Reference
cox1	<i>E. granulosus</i>	Eggs	Yes	Cabrer et al., 2002
Forward primer: 5'-TGA-TAT-RTG-TTT-GAG-KAT-VAG-TTC-3'; reverse primer: 5'-GTA-ATG-TAA-AGT-ATA-AAA-GAA-TYM-AC-3'				
EG11219 5'-GAA-TGC-AAG-CAG-CAG-ATG-3' (upstream) EG11223 5'-GAG-ATG-AGT-TAG-AAG-GAG-TG-3' (downstream)	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1	Faeces	Yes	Ancell et al., 2003
12S rRNA Egt1: 5'-CAT-TAA-TGT-ATT-TTG-TAA-AGT-TG-3'; Egt2: 5'-CAT-ATC-ATG-TAA-GAA-TAA-CAC-O-3'	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1	Eggs; Faeces	Yes	Stärk et al., 2004
COI E.gat1fwt: 5'-GTA-TTT-1GT-AA-CTT-GTT-GTA-3' E.gat1r: 5'-ATTT-TAA-AAA-ATG-TTG-GTC-CTG-3' E.gat2fwt: 5'-ATG-TAA-AAA-ATG-ATG-ATG-3' E.gat2r: 5'-ATG-TAA-AAA-ATG-ATG-ATG-3' To discriminate between <i>E. ortleppi</i> and <i>E. granulosus</i> G5/7, semi-nested PCR: first step E.gat1fwt, 5'-ATG-GTO-CAC-CTA-TTA-TTT-CA-3' and E.gat1r; second step E.gat2fwt, 5'-ATG-GTC-CAC-CTA-TTA-TTT-CA-3' and E.gat2r.	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1, G5, G7	No	Yes	Dinkel et al., 2004
Cox1, NAD, m6 Multiple sequences referred to	<i>E. granulosus</i> , Taenia spp.	Eggs	Yes	Trachsel et al., 2007
Real-time multiplex-nested PCR Primers and sequence (5'→3') P65 short for TGG-TAC-A GG-ATT-AGA-TAC-CC TGG-TAC-A GG-ATT-AGA-TAC-CC TGG-TAC-A GG-ATT-AGA-TAC-CC TGA-CGG-GCG-GTG-TGT-TAC GTC-ATG-CC TTA-ATG-CC-AAC-ATT-CGA-AA CVF Inv ACG-ACAG-TAG/C/C/C-CATG-AAA-T-GC Prst for ACG-ACAG-CCA-TAT-TAC-AAT-ATT-CTT-ATC Prst for ATA-T-TGT-AAG-TTG-GTT-CTA CVF Inv TCA-TGCC-T-TGA/G/AAC-TTC-GGS/G-TCC CVF Inv ACT/G-ATT-CCA/ATA/G-TTT-CAT-GTGT/TGT mutate	<i>E. multilocularis</i> , <i>E. granulosus</i> (G1), <i>E. ortleppi</i> , <i>E. canis</i> (G6, G7), other taenias	Faeces	Yes	Dinkel et al., 2011
Gene	Species	Copro-sample	Tissue	Reference
GTA-AAA-C1A-CAC-NAA-CTT-ACA-TTA-CTA-FL emRif725 LCTG-GAA-AAA-TAA-TCA-AAC-CAG-ACA-TAC-ACC-A-PH CaVaf1e-6 ATTC-ATG-ATG-ATC-ACT-TGT-GAC-AC-FL CaVaf2e-6 Lc640-GCT-CTT-GCT-TTC-TCA-TCT-G-FL	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1			
LAMP method EmF191: 5'-GGG-TGG-AAG-CAG-CAG-ATG-EmF191 GAG-AAG-GAG-GTG-TGG-EmRif725 LCTC-CGG-ATG-GTT-AGG-CAT-CAT- GTT-AGG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG-ATG- GTG-GAG-GAG-GTA-CTT-TGC-TCT-TTC-TCA-GTC-GTA-GTC-GAA-AGG	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1	Eggs	Yes	Salaix et al., 2012
N01 EmF181, 5'-TTT-TTC-GGG-TGG-CCG-CAG-AAC-3' and EmF183, 5'- ATT-TAA-AAA-ATG-TTG-CTG-CTG-3' EmF193, 5'-TAG-TTG-TTGATG-AG-CCT-TGT-G-3' and EmRif61, 5'-ATC-AAA-CAT-GAA-AAC-ACA-TAT-ACA-AC-3'	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1; <i>E. multilocularis</i> ; <i>E. shupingae</i>	Faeces	Yes	Bouanfa et al., 2013
Many mitochondrial and nuclear primers	<i>E. granulosus</i> complex G1- G10	(Eggs)	Yes	Bouanfa et al., 2013
Nad5 gene primers Inc. (LAMP method) Primers and sequence (5'→3') FIP TTA-ACG-AAA-CAT-TAA-CAA-CCC-AGT-gaattc-GTG-GTG-TTA- GTT-ATT-TGG-TTA-GG BIP ATG-TCA-GGT-TTG-TGG-TGG-TAG-TTA-gaattc-AAG-AAC-CAC- CAA-AT-TAT-GT-T FT GTC-TGT-TGG-TAT-TAT-GCT-TGT B3 AAC-TTA-AAA-AAA-CAT-A-CAC-CTA-GT	<i>E. granulosus</i> G1 (G1)	Faeces	Yes	Ni et al., 2014
Loopgap casting – PCR m125 RNA gene EmRif10F (5'-TGG-TAT-AAA-GGT-TGT-TAC-TTG-G-3'), EmRif10Rw (5'-ACG-TAA-AAA-CAC-AAC-CTA-TAA-AAA-G-3'), and 2nd step primers: EmF191 (5'-GGG-TGG-AAG-CAG-CAG-3') and EmRif61 (5'-AGG-AAG-AGT-GAT-GAT- CCT-ATT-TTG-TGG-TGG-GTGNBdFq-3')	<i>E. multilocularis</i>	Faeces	Yes	Izquierdo et al., 2014
Real-time PCR target ribosomal small subunit gene (rRNA) EmRif10F (5'-CCT-GAG-TCT-TGG-TAG-ATG-TGA-GAT-TT-3' 5'-CIT-GAG-TCT-TGG-TAG-ATG-TGA-GAT-TT-3' EmRif10Rw (5'-GGG-TGG-TCT-TAA-CTC-3') Em-primer with reporter 6-carboxyfluorescein (FAM) and quencher 6-FAM- 5'-TGG-TAT-GCT-TGG-GTGNBdFq-3'	<i>E. multilocularis</i>	Faeces	Yes	Knap et al., 2014

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Initial material

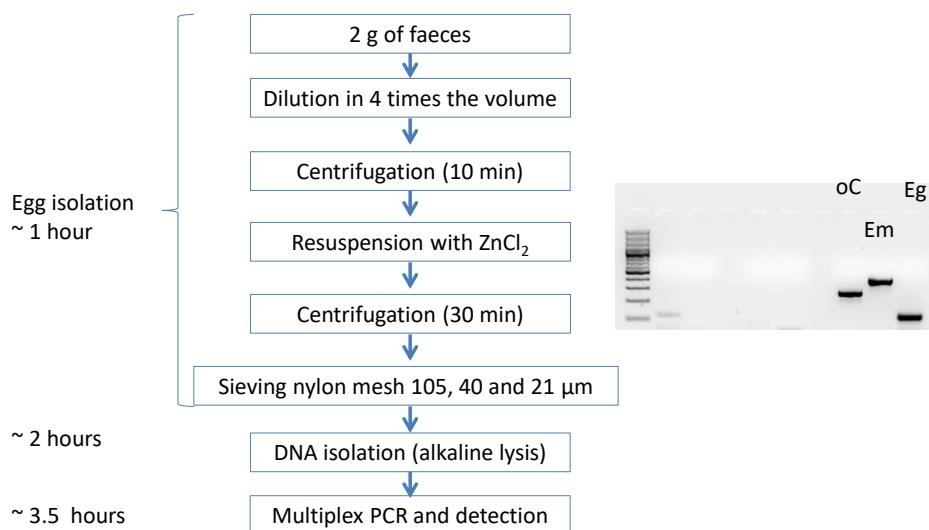


	Total faeces	Eggs isolated from faeces
Starting material	Usually up to 0.5 g	2-20 g
Pre patency detection	Yes	No
Free DNA	Can also detect free DNA	Tests can detect 1 egg
Microscopic confirmation	No	Yes
Inhibition PCR	Possible	Less likely

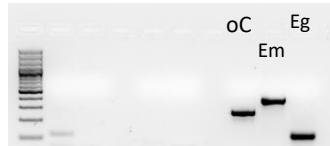
DNA isolation method from eggs

	Method	Reference
Not mentioned	50 µL of lysozyme (10 mg/ml) ON Freezing thaw liqN2 Proteinase K/SDS 10% lysis buffer (100 µL of 5 M ClNa and 100 µL of CTAB/ClNa solution chloroform: isoamyl alcohol (24:1) extraction Isopropanol precipitation	Cabrera et al, 2002
2 g	Alkaline lysis KOH + DTT Tris-HCl+ HCl AL buffer (Qiagen) + proteinase K Chelex Qiaamp DNA mini kit	Stefanic et al 2004
2 g	Same as above	Trachsel et al, 2007

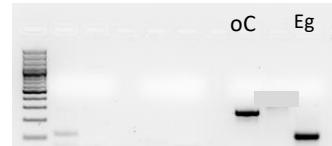
Multiplex PCR for the diagnosis of *E. granulosus*, *E. multilocularis* and other cestodes (Trachsel et al, 2007)



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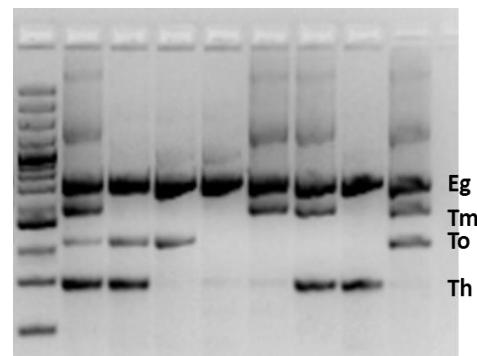
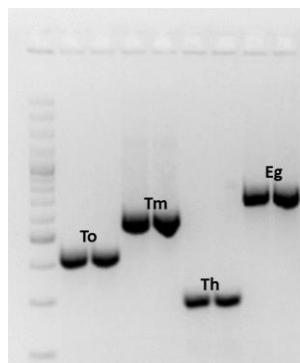


Europe, China, Kyrgyzstan



Europe, South America, Africa and Asia

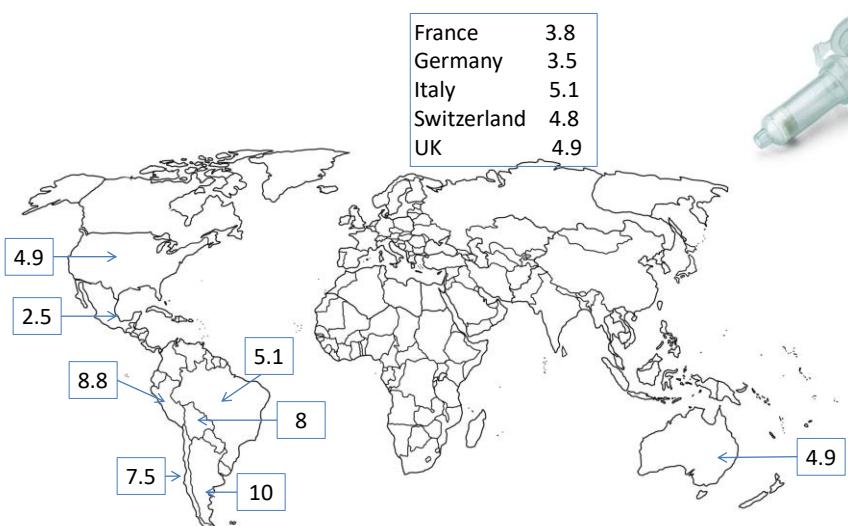
Multiplex PCR for identification of dog-sheep taeniid



DNA isolation method from faeces

Starting material	Method	Reference
0.5g	QIAamp DNA Stool Mini Kit	Abbasi et al, 2003
	Invisorb Spin Stool DNA Kit	
	Alkaline lysis KOH + DTT Tris-HCl+ HCl phenol-chloroform-isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1) Prep-A-Gene purification kit	Dinkel et al, 1998
1-2 g	Alkaline lysis KOH + DTT Tris-HCl+ HCl phenol-chloroform-isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1) Prep-A-Gene purification kit	Dinkel et al, 2011
	QIAamp DNA Mini Stool Kit	Boufana et al, 2013
	QIAamp DNA Stool kit InhibitEX tablet	Knapp et al, 2014
3 g	zirconia beads to get the target DNA streptavidin sepharose a biotinylated DNA hybridization probe streptavidin-coated paramagnetic beads	Isaksson et al, 2014

Cost (USD) DNA isolation/sample (QIAamp DNA Mini Kit)



Feeling creative? Recycling?



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Filter paper-based spin column method for cost-efficient DNA or RNA purification

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Regeneration of commercial nucleic acid extraction columns without the risk of carryover contamination

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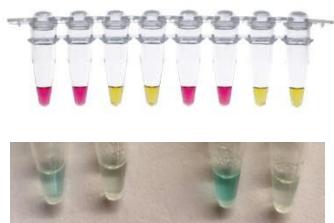
Alternatives for DNA “isolation”

- Frozen hydatid fluid (HF)
 - 1 ml was heated to 100°C for 30 min (**positive PCR**)
- Germinal layers and protoscoleces (frozen and fresh)
 - Alkaline lysis (NaOH and DTT)/HCl and Tris-HCl (**positive PCR with 1:8 or 1:10 dilutions**)

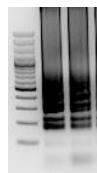
Boubaker et al, 2013

Alternatives to PCR

- Isothermal amplification of DNA
 - Loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP)
 - Strand displacement amplification (SDA)
 - Helicase-dependent amplification (HDA)
 - Nicking enzyme amplification reaction (NEAR)



LAMP



Compared with PCR:

- Cheaper, faster YES
- More sensitive in theory YES
- Easier to perform NO
 - need of trained staff
 - High chance of contamination
- Is a test for the field YES/NO
 - It requires separate rooms as a PCR lab

Detection of *Echinococcus* using LAMP

Species	Faeces	Egg isolation	DNA isolation	Detection limit (DNA)	Detection limit (eggs)	Detection method
<i>E. multilocularis</i> (*)	2 g	NaCl flotation	QIAamp DNA Stool		4 eggs/g faeces	agarose gel with and SYBR Green I
<i>E. granulosus</i> (*)	2 g	NaCl flotation	QIAamp DNA Stool	10 pg	5 eggs/g faeces	agarose gel with and SYBR Green I
Taeniids (**)	NA	NA	QIAamp DNA mini	1 to 10 pg	3 eggs	Real-time turbidimeter
<i>E. granulosus s.s.</i> (***)	NA	NA	Alkaline lysis		1/50 of an egg	agarose gel and UV light
<i>E. equinus</i>						
<i>E. ortleppi</i>						
<i>E. canadensis</i>						
<i>E. felidis</i>						
<i>E. granulosus</i> (****)	0.2 g	NA	Spin Stool DNA Plus extraction	100 fg 1 pg/200 mg feces	1 egg/ 0.2 g (3/6)	agarose gel with and SYBR Green I

(*)Ni et al, 2014, (**) Feng et al, 2017, (***) Wassermann et al, 2014, (****) Salant et al, 2012

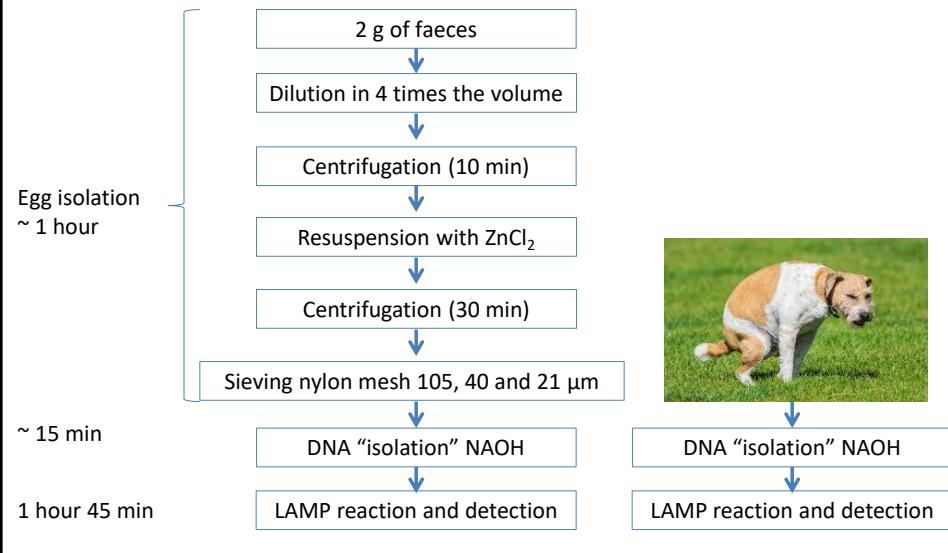
Isolated eggs: LAMP/lateral flow assay

- Detection of *E. granulosus s.s.* and *E. multilocularis*

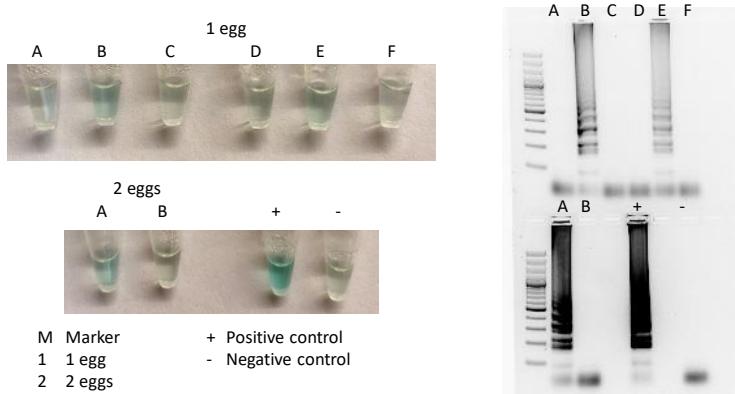


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LAMP detection of *E. granulosus* and *E. multilocularis*

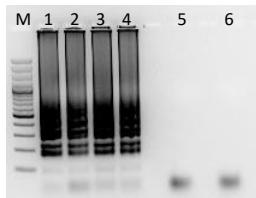


Preliminary results LAMP

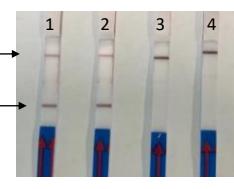
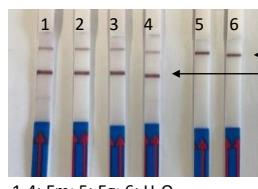
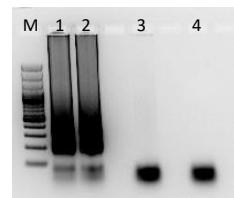


Preliminary results LAMP

E. multilocularis:



E. granulosus:



Echinococcus as a foodborne parasite

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FOODBORNE PATHOGENS (S JOHLER, SECTION EDITOR)



Assessing the Contamination of Food and the Environment With *Taenia* and *Echinococcus* Eggs and Their Zoonotic Transmission

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1. The isolation and molecular identification of taeniid eggs is technically challenging and little standardized
2. Assessment of the environmental contamination is required
3. The detection of taeniid DNA ≠ viability
4. Need of viability tests for eggs

Transmission of *Echinococcus* eggs to humans

Direct contact with infected dogs

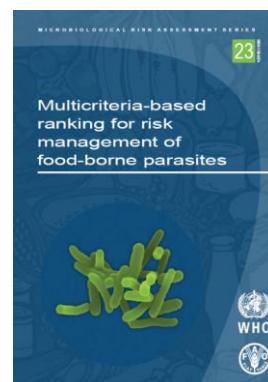


Ingestion through food and water

Direct ingestion of soil

Echinococcus as a foodborne parasite

- *Taenia solium* – Pork
- *Echinococcus granulosus* – Fresh produce
- *Echinococcus multilocularis* – Fresh produce
- *Toxoplasma gondii* – Meat from small ruminants, pork, beef, game (red meat and organs)
- *Cryptosporidium* spp. – Fresh produce, fruit juice, milk
- *Entamoeba histolytica* – Fresh produce
- *Trichinella spiralis* – Pork
- *Opisthorchiidae* – Freshwater fish
- *Ascaris* spp. – Fresh produce
- *Trypanosoma cruzi* – Fruit juices
- *Giardia duodenalis* – Fresh produce
- *Fasciola* spp. – Fresh produce (aquatic plants)
- *Cyclospora cayetanensis* – Berries, fresh produce
- *Paragonimus* spp. – Freshwater crustaceans
- *Trichuris trichiura* – Fresh produce
- *Trichinella* spp. – Game meat (wild boar, crocodile, bear, walrus, etc.)
- *Anisakidae* – Salt water fish, crustaceans, and cephalopods
- *Balantidium coli* – Fresh produce
- *Taenia saginata* – Beef
- *Toxocara* spp. – Fresh produce
- *Sarcocystis* spp. – Beef and pork
- *Heterophyidae* – Fresh and brackish water fish
- *Diphyllobothriidae* – Fresh and salt water fish
- *Spirometra* spp. – Fish, reptiles and amphibians



Evidence of Taeniid eggs in vegetables

Country	Number of samples	Weight of sample	Taeniid eggs
	772	200-300 g	0.9-1.8%
Iran	1,205	200-250 g	1.8-9.2% (unwashed) 0 (washed)
Jordan	133	250 g	6%
Lybia	126	100 g	22%
Nigeria	2,289	200-250 g	0.5-18.3%
	111	100 g	2.7%
Turkey	609	200 g	3.5% (unwashed) 0 (unwashed)

Varmia-Masuria Province, Poland

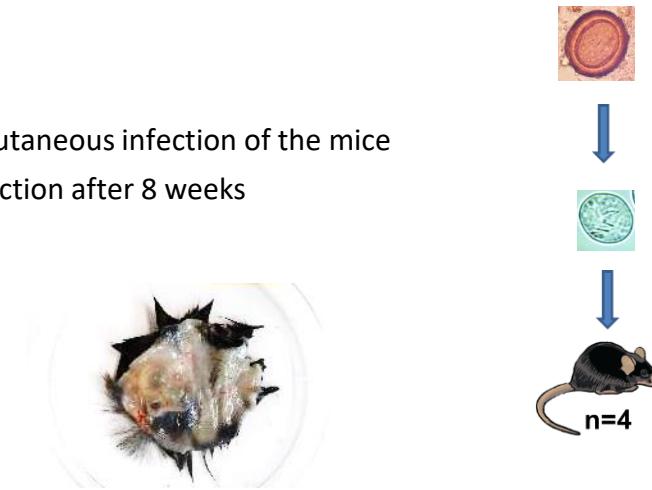
Matrix	Egg isolation	PCR	Detection limit	Field samples
Soil (*)	flotation with ZnCl ₂	Nested PCR 12S ribosomal RNA	1 egg	11.3% (7/62 samples)
Fruits, vegetable and mushrooms (**)	flotation with ZnCl ₂	Nested PCR 12S ribosomal RNA	100 eggs	23.3 %
Fruits, vegetable and mushrooms (***)		Nested PCR 12S ribosomal RNA		
Water (****)	Filtration	nested PCR and real-time (rrnL gene)	10 eggs/10 L	1.9% (2/105)

(*) Szostakowska et al, 2015; (**)(***) Lass et al, 2015; (****)Lass et al, 2019

Detection of DNA ≠ detection of eggs ≠ detection of viable eggs

Viability of *E. multilocularis* eggs

- Subcutaneous infection of the mice
- Dissection after 8 weeks



Federer et al., 2015

Hand-to-mouth contact

- Average frequency in children (Xue et al, 2007)
 - 6.7 to 28.0 contacts/h in indoor situations
 - 2.9 to 14.5 contacts/h outdoors

Soil and sediment ingestion

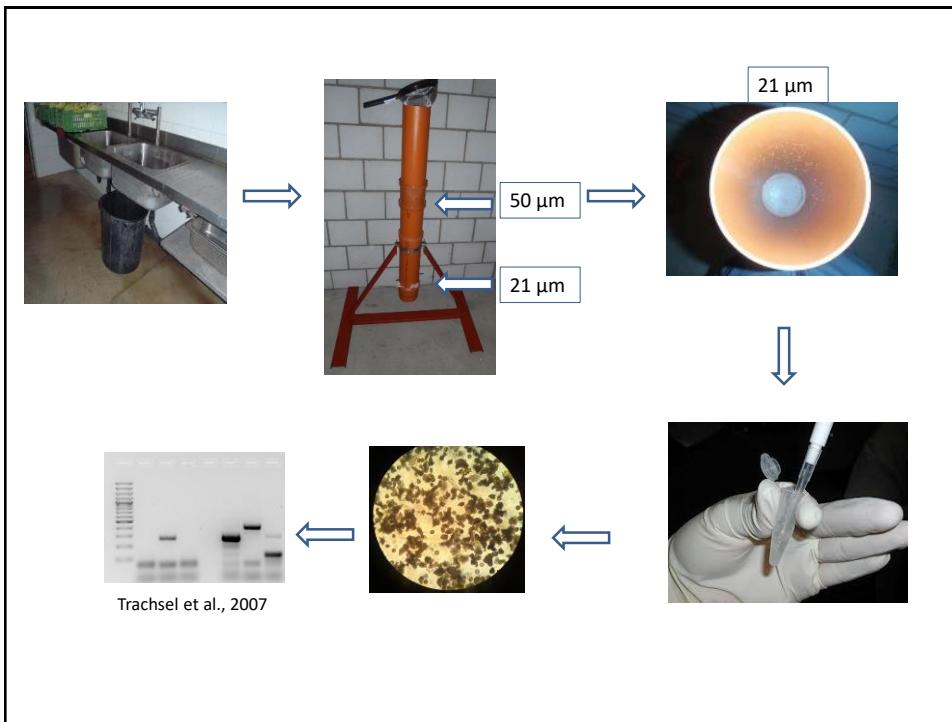
- 26 mg soil/day for children (1–8 years) faecal tracer studies (Stanek et al, 2012)
- 80 mg soil/day for children (7 months-4 years) (Health Canada, 2010)
- 18 to 72 mg sediment/h in aquatic areas (Wilson et al, 2014)

Detection of taeniid (*Taenia* spp., *Echinococcus* spp.) eggs contaminating vegetables and fruits sold in European markets



- 141 samples
- 60 kg per sample
- Each sample:
 - 40 heads of lettuce
 - carrots, bell pepper, leek, beetroot, fennel
- Rinsing water from the vegetables/fruits
 - 240 L per sample

Federer et al, 2016



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Location	Number of samples	Taeniids	Number of positives
Basel	95	<i>T. hydatigena</i> <i>T. polyacantha</i> <i>T. ovis</i> <i>T. taeniformis</i> Other cestodes	4 2 3 5 3
		Total	17
Various European countries and Switzerland	46	<i>T. hydatigena</i> <i>T. saginata</i> <i>T. crassiceps</i> <i>T. taeniformis</i> <i>T. multiceps/T. serialis</i> <i>E. granulosus</i> Other cestodes	2 1 1 5 2 2 2
		Total	13

Detection of taeniid eggs in vegetables sold in Zurich 2019

- Standardization of the method at a lower scale
- Detection of other parasites



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<https://www.travelistas.info/home/ein-tag-zurich-oerlikon/attachment/markt-in-zurich-oerlikon/>



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Material and methods



Processing the salad



Washing with 500 ml 0.02%
Tween water per 300g

Sample size: 9 salad heads,
900-1500g from the
outer/dirty leaves

Material and methods

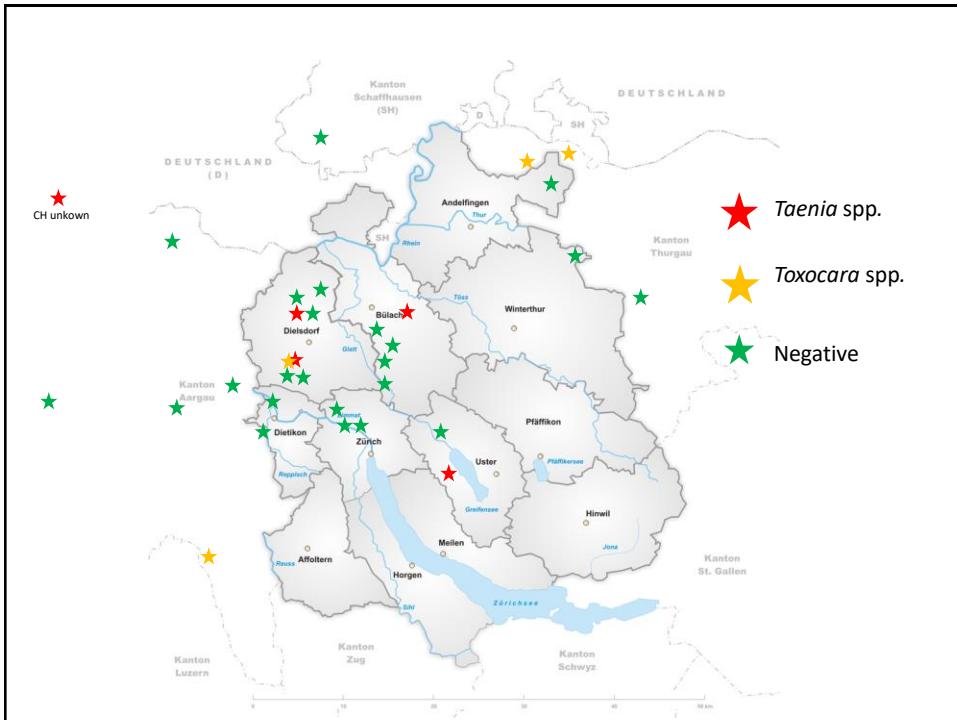


Recovery experiments

Substrate	No. of taeniid eggs	PCR <i>E. multilocularis</i> No. positives	Inverted Microscopy No. of positives	Metacestode growth
Water	40	5/5	4/5	0/5
Water	8	5/5	4/5	0/5
Salad	40	5/5	5/5	0/5
Salad	8	5/5	1/5	1/5

Preliminary results from 119 samples= >1,000 lettuce heads = >100 kg

Parasite species	Number of positives
<i>Taenia taeniformis</i>	2
<i>Taenia martis</i>	1
<i>Taenia polyacantha</i>	2
<i>Toxocara cati</i>	4
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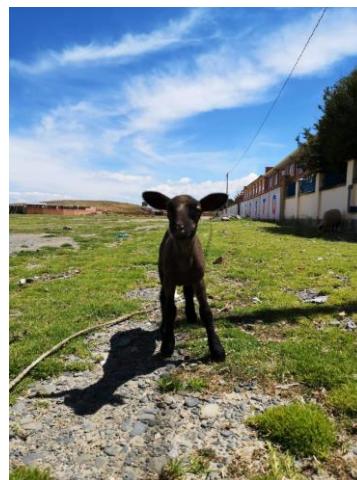
Conclusions

- A standardized method for the detection of taeniid and other parasites in salad had been developed.
- We have not found *E. multilocularis* in vegetables sold in Swiss markets.

Conclusions

- The contribution of food sources for the transmission of *Echinococcus* species requires critical assessment.
- Similar studies could be performed in endemic areas for *E. granulosus*.
- Similar investigations using other substrates as soil are needed.

Gracias



Vigilancia de Equinococosis quística en PERROS
Surveillance of CE in DOGS

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DEFINICION DEL PROBLEMA

- **DIAGNOSTICO INDIVIDUAL DE EQ EN UN PERRO ?**
- **(INDIVIDUAL DIAGNOSES)**
- **DIAGNOSTICO POBLACIONAL / TENDENCIA ?**
- **(POBLATIONAL DIAGNOSES TENDENCY)**

Test de arecolina, unidad de análisis perro, tasa x 100 (dog analysis unit, rate x 100)

100% especificidad



80% sensibilidad



- **Bajo valor predictivo a prevalencias bajas (Low predictive value at low prevalences)**
- **Impacto educativo positivo (Positive educational impact)**
- **No aleatorizado (not randomized)**

COPROANTIGENOS / ELISA

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Reacciones cruzadas con otras tenias.
FALSOS POSITIVOS (Cross reactions with other tapeworms)

FALSOS NEGATIVOS (si hay pocos parásitos)

sensibilidad (78%-100%) especificidad (85%)

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Sensitivity and specificity for the copro ELISA, computed by laboratory processing the samples and the sample source.

Laboratory processing the samples	Laboratory #1		Laboratory #2		Laboratory #3		Laboratory #4	
	Se	Sp	Se	Sp	Se	Sp	Se	Sp
Laboratory #1	-	-	40	40	20	20	33.3	42.9
Laboratory #5	0	60	60	100	0	80	0	71.4

CoproELISA atención con el “n”

* Si el número de muestras fecales es representativo, la clasificación de un establecimiento como positivo será útil para la vigilancia en un programa de control, para determinar los campos donde se deben aumentar las medidas de control

CoproELISA

* * Marcador de alimentacion del perro con visceras y No desparasitacion (Marker of food of the dog with viscera and not deworming)

Screening con Test de coproELISA, unidad de analisis establecimiento ganadero, tasa x 100 de campos con transmision presente (farms analysis unit, rate x 100 of fields with present transmission)



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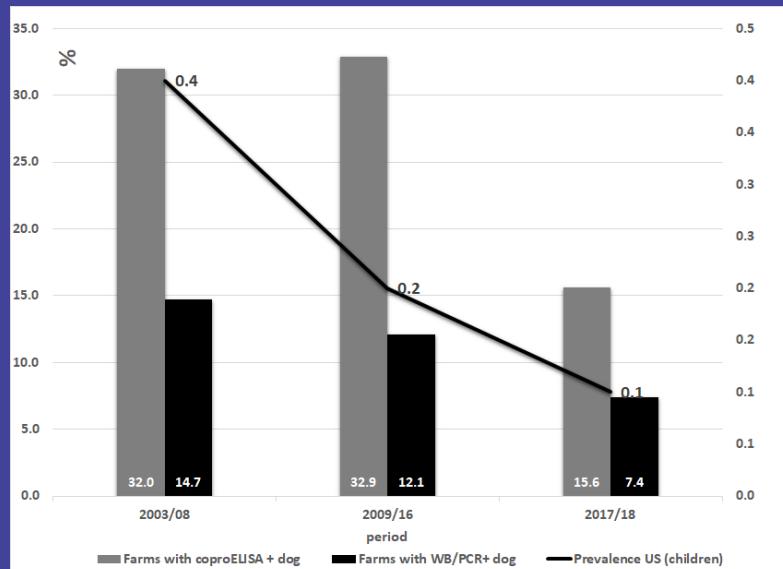
Sensitivity (Sn) and specificity (Sp) for the copro PCR, computed by laboratory processing the samples and sample source.

Laboratory processing the samples		Laboratory #1		Laboratory #2		Laboratory #3		Laboratory #4		Laboratory #5	
		Se	Sp								
Laboratory #1	Estimate	-	-	40	60	20	40	33.3	42.9	20	66.7
Laboratory #1	95% CI	-	-	5.3 - 85.3	14.7 - 94.7	0.5 - 71.6	5.3 - 85.3	0.8 - 90.6	9.9 - 81.6	0.5 - 71.6	9.4 - 99.2
Laboratory #2	Estimate	0	100	-	-	60	80	33.3	57.1	50	60
Laboratory #2	95% CI	0 - 52.2	47.8 - 100	-	-	14.7 - 94.7	28.4 - 99.5	0.8 - 90.6	18.4 - 90.1	6.8 - 93.2	14.7 - 94.7
Laboratory #3	Estimate	20	80	80	80	-	-	33.3	42.9	20	80
Laboratory #3	95% CI	0.5 - 71.6	28.4 - 99.5	28.4 - 99.5	28.4 - 99.5	-	-	0.8 - 90.6	9.9 - 81.6	0.5 - 71.6	28.4 - 99.5
Laboratory #4	Estimate	0	60	60	100	100	100	-	-	20	80
Laboratory #4	95% CI	0 - 52.2	14.7 - 94.7	14.7 - 94.7	47.8 - 100	47.8 - 100	47.8 - 100	-	-	0.5 - 71.6	28.4 - 99.5
Laboratory #5	Estimate	0	100	25	100	20	100	100	100	-	-
Laboratory #5	95% CI	0 - 52.2	47.8 - 100	0.6 - 80.6	47.8 - 100	0.5 - 71.6	47.8 - 100	29.2 - 100	59.0 - 100	-	-

Kappa coefficient for the copro PCR results across laboratories

	Laboratory #1		Laboratory #2		Laboratory #3		Laboratory #4		Laboratory #5	
	Kappa	p-value								
Laboratory #1	-	-	-0.25	0.96	-0.04	0.62	-0.16	0.88	-0.2	0.93
Laboratory #2			-	-	0.51	<0.001	0.26	0.03	0.21	0.06
Laboratory #3					-	-	0.38	<0.01	0.03	0.41
Laboratory #4							-	-	0.34	<0.01
Laboratory #5									-	-

Screening con coproELISA-Wb/PCR





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Epidemiological unit - the micro environment of rural housing

**Most polluted sites, where
dogs spend an amount of
time**



PERI-DOMICILE

Definite host

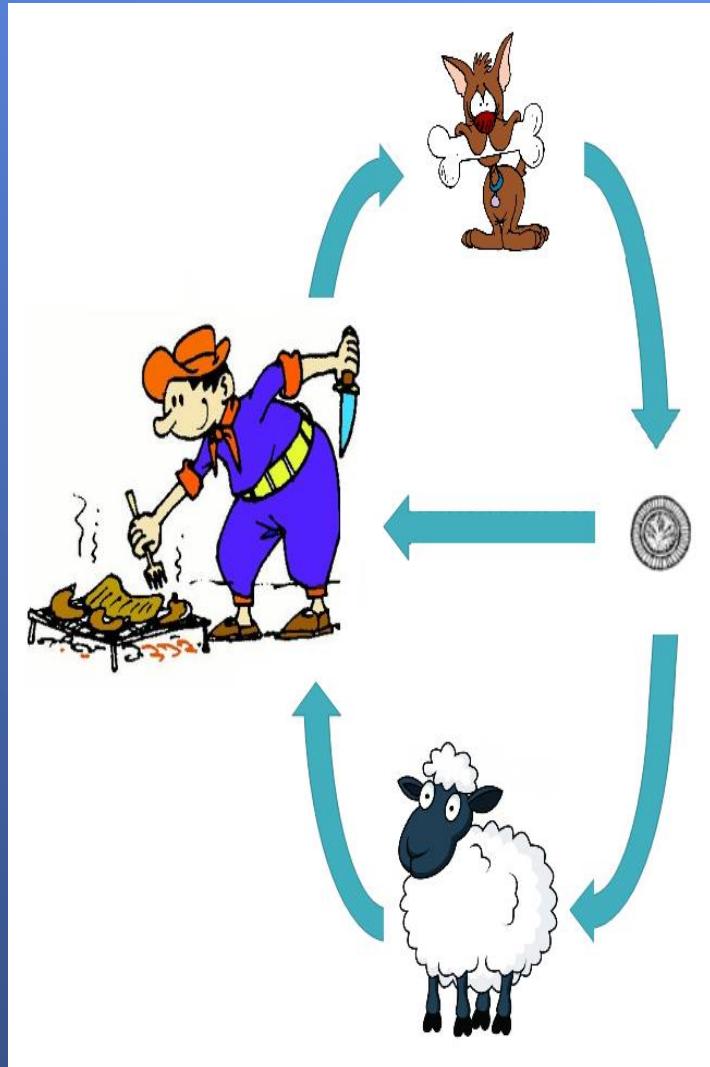
Zoonitic cycle

Intermediate slaughtered host

Definite host

Environmental cycle

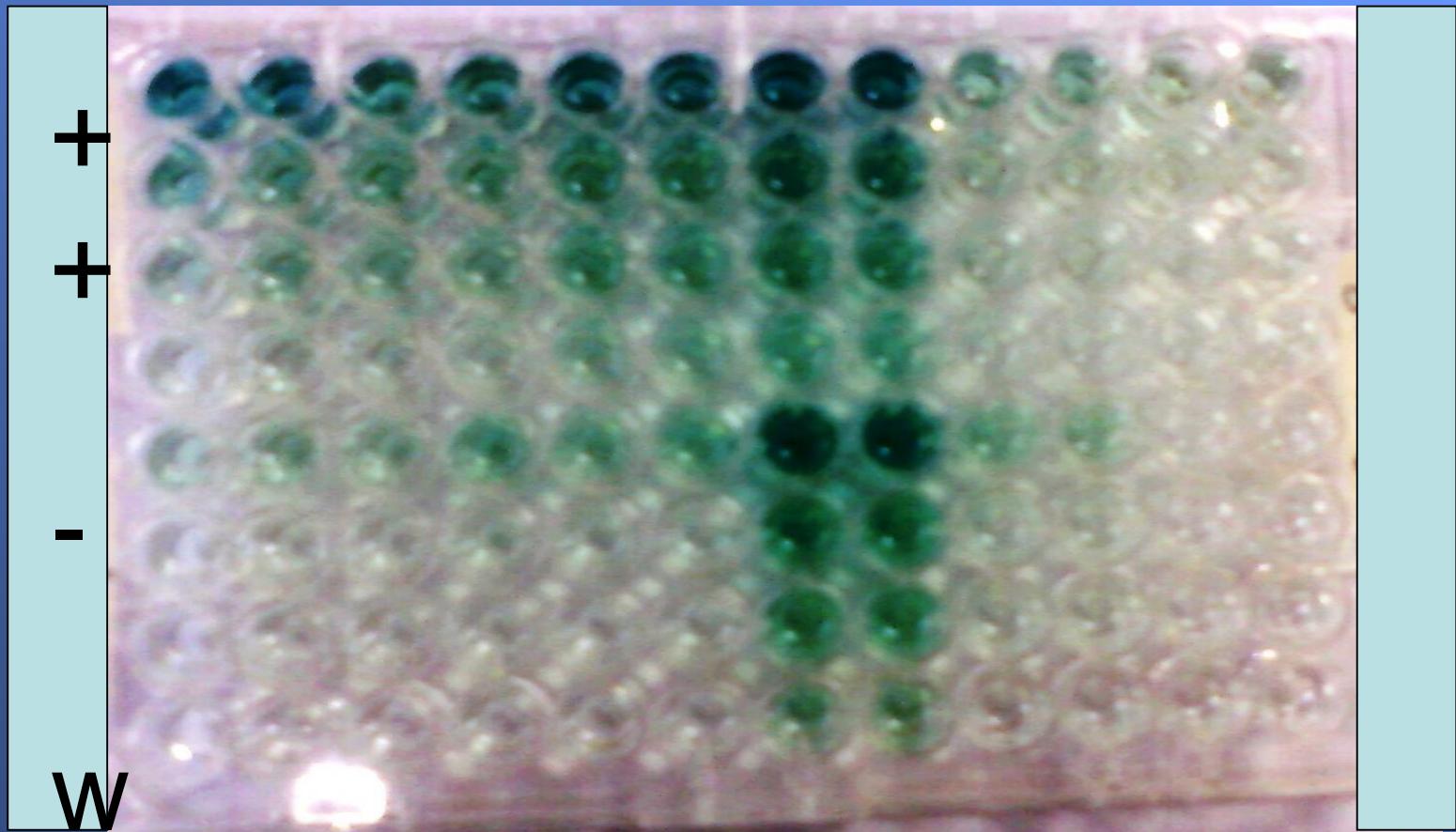
Environment



COPROANTIGENS

- Feces of dogs newly emitted or previously emitted and collected from the environment.
- Surveillance.
- Control programmes.
- It is not recommended for the individual diagnosis of dogs.

ELISA



ANTIGENS

- ◎ Are detected between 6 and 13 days p.i.
- ◎ Levels decrease seventy-two hours after administration of Albendazole/Praziquantel.
- ◎ Administration of Arecholine Bromide does not eliminate all parasites.
- ◎ Coproantigens are detected in the pre-patent period of infection before the proglotids are eliminated into the environment.

Cross reaction:

Trichuris vulpis,

Uncinarias

Taenia hydatigena.

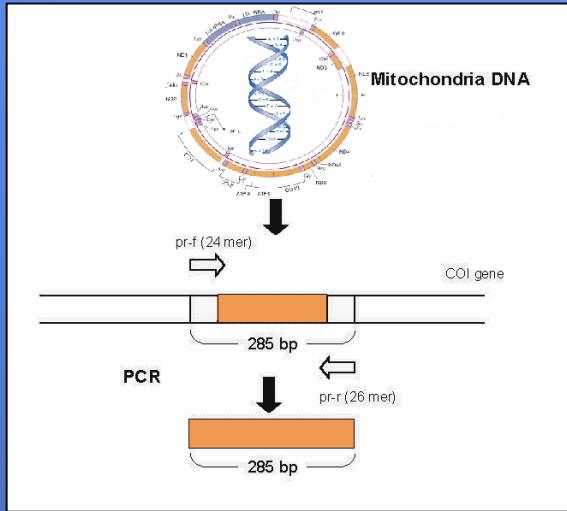
ADVANTAGES

- Process at the same time a large number of samples.
- Detect antigens in the pre-patent period.

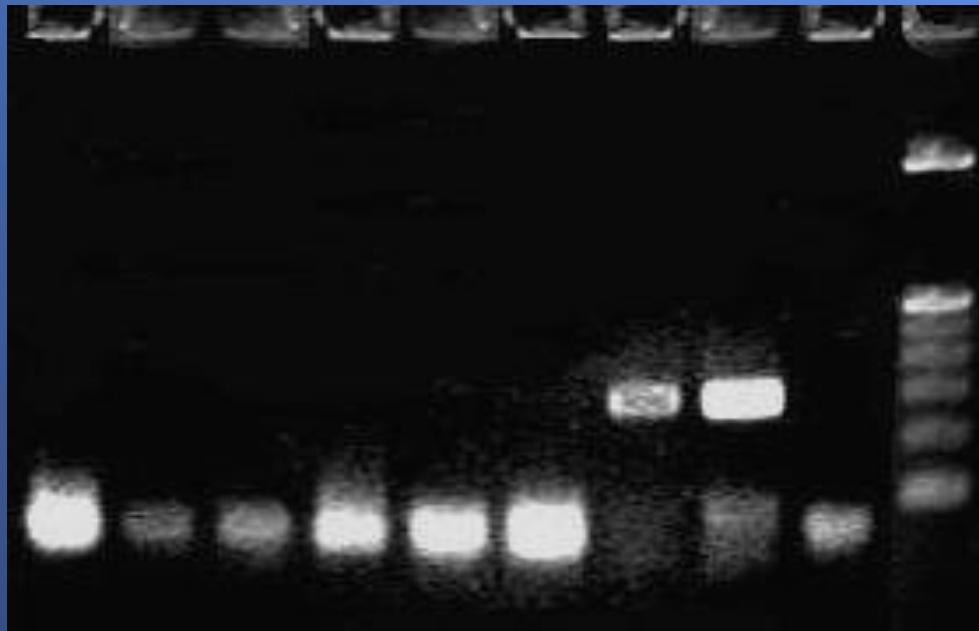
Relative Diagnostic Sensitivity : 90%

Relative Diagnostic Specificity: 88.37%

PCR



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



MRx TS Hn Th Dc Em Eg Eg MRx 100bp

ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES

- ✓ dog coat swab
- ✓ fresh feaces
- ✓ dry dog feaces
- ✓ soil
- ✓ vegetables
- ✓ water

DOG COAT SWAB



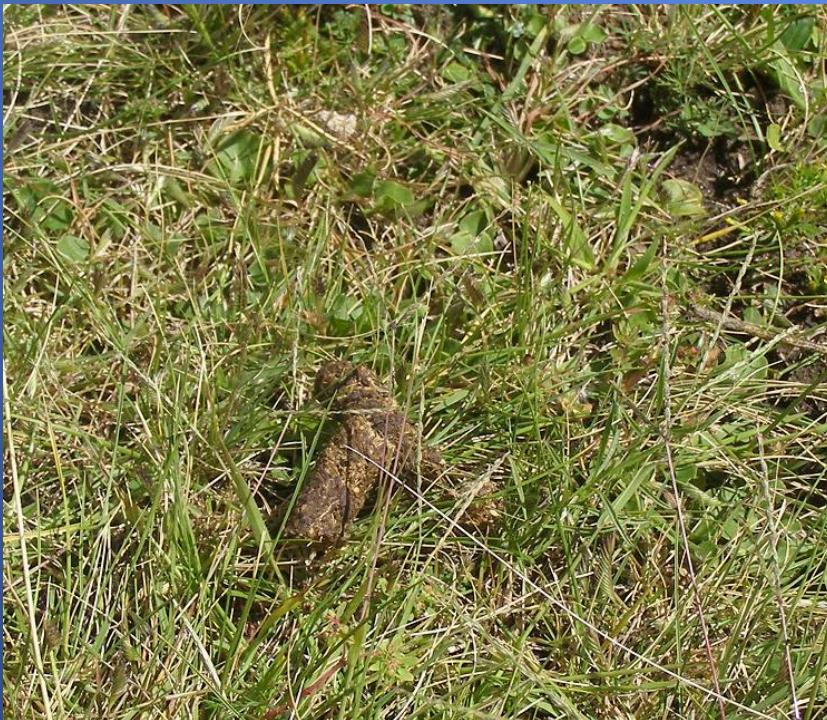
FRESH STOOL FEACES



SOIL



DRY FAECES



GRASS AND VEGETABLES



WATER



The positive reaction in samples taken from the environment surrounding the rural home, such as the soil , the grasses and pastures and a water course and the material extracted from the fur of dogs, suggest the magnitude of environmental pollution in a rural housing located in the endemic area.

The importance of diagnosis in housing is due to the fact that the two cycles of transmission, zoonotic and environmental, occur in the house and, from there, extend to the environment.

Muchas Gracias!!!



Thank you very much !!!!!