

Additional file 1: Table S1 Primers used for validation of microfluidic real-time PCR results

Species	Target gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer	Reference
<i>Babesia/Theileria</i>	18S rRNA	GAGGTAGTGACAAGAAATAACAATA	TCTTCGATCCCTAACCTTC	[1]
<i>Anaplasma/</i> <i>Ehrlichia/</i>	16S rRNA	GAACGAACGCTGGCGGCAAGC	AGTAYCGRACCAGATAGC CGC	[2]
<i>Rickettsia</i> spp.	Citrate synthase	GGGGCCTGCTCACGGCGG	ATTGCAAAAAGTACAGTGAAC	[3]
<i>Hepatozoon</i> spp.	18S rRNA	ATACATGAGCAAAATCTCAAC	CTTATTATTCCATGCTGCAG	[4]
<i>Bartonella</i> spp.	Citrate synthase	GGGGACCAGCTCATGGTGG	AATGCAAAAAGAACAGTAAACA	[5]

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