

**Supplementary Material S1.** Sequences of oligonucleotide primers used for the detection and distinction of *Brucella* spp. using the 16S-23S ribosomal DNA interspacers region (ITS), AMOS, and Bruce-ladder PCR assays.

PCR name	Primer name	Sequence (5'-3')	Targets	Size (bp)	Conc. (μM)	References
ITS	ITS66 f	ACATAGATCGCAGGCCAGTCA	16s-23s rRNA	214	0.2	(Keid et al., 2007)
	ITS279r	ACATAGATCGCAGGCCACTCA				
A M O S	<i>B. abortus</i>	GAC GAA CGG AAT TTT TCC AAT CCC	<i>IS711</i>	498	0.1	
	<i>B. melitensis</i>	AAA TCG CGT CCT TGC TGG TCT GA		731	0.1	
	<i>B. ovis</i>	CGG GTT CTG GCA CCA TCG TCG GG		976	0.1	(Bricker & Halling, 1994)
	<i>B. suis</i>	GCG CGG TTT TCT GAA GGT GGT TCA		285	0.1	
	<i>IS 711</i>	TGC CGA TCA CTT AAG GGC CTT CAT		-	0.2	
BRUCE-LADDER	BMEI0998f	ATC CTA TTG CCC CGA TAA GG	<i>wboA</i> <i>bp26</i> <i>omp31</i> <i>Deacetylase</i> <i>eryC</i> <i>ABC Transporter</i> <i>rpsL</i> <i>CRP Regulator</i>	1682 450 1071 794 587 272 218 152	6.25	(Garcia-Yoldi, Marín, & Lopez-Goni, 2005; Vemulapalli et al., 1999) (Cloeckaert, Grayon, & Grépinet, 2000) (Vizcaino, Verger, Grayon, Zygmunt, & Cloeckaert, 1997) (Rajashekara, Glasner, Glover, & Splitter, 2004) (Sangari, García-Lobo, & Agüero, 1994) (Halling et al., 2005) (Cloeckaert, Grayon, & Grépinet, 2002) (Rajashekara et al., 2004)
	BMEI0997r	GCT TCG CAT TTT CAC TGT AGC				
	BMEI0535f	GCG CAT TCT TCG GTT ATG AA				
	BMEI0536r	CGC AGG CGA AAA CAG CTA TAA				
	BMEII0843f	TTT ACA CAG GCA ATC CAG CA				
	BMEII0844r	GCG TCC AGT TGT TGT TGA TG				
	BMEI1436f	ACG CAG ACG ACC TTC GGT AT				
	BMEI1435r	TTT ATC CAT CGC CCT GTC AC				
	BMEII0428f	GCC GCT ATT ATG TGG ACT GG				
	BMEII0428r	AAT GAC TTC ACG GTC GTTCG				
	BR0953f	GGA ACA CTA CGC CAC CTT GT				
	BR0953r	GAT GGA GCA AAC GCT GAA G				
	BMEI0752f	CAG GCA AAC CCT CAG AAG C				
	BMEI0752r	GAT GTG GTA ACG CAC ACC AA				
	BMEII0987f	CGC AGA CAG TGA CCA TCA AA				
	BMEII0987r	GTA TTC AGC CCC CGT TAC CT				

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