# **New Test Offering in Parasitology**

### Feline/Canine Diarrhea PCR Panel

(Tritrichomonas foetus and Giardia spp.)

#### **Intended Use:**

This test is designed for the qualitative and rapid detection of *Giardia* spp. and *Tritrichomonas foetus* (syn. *T. blagburni*) DNA in feline and canine fecal samples.

## **Advantages:**

- Rapid turnaround: Detects *T. foetus* DNA significantly faster than traditional methods. The feline TF InPouch™ culture system may require up to 12 days, whereas this PCR assay provides results within 24–48 hours.
- **High sensitivity:** Limit of detection is **1,000 copies/mL** for both *Giardia* spp. and *T. foetus*.
- **Simultaneous detection:** Reports the presence or absence of *Giardia* spp. and *Tritrichomonas* sp. individually, with clear identification of single or co-infections.

## Sample Requirements:

- **Fecal sample:** 2–3 grams of fresh feces
- Container: Leakproof plastic container
- Storage:
  - o Refrigerate at 4°C for up to 3 days
  - o Or freeze at **-20°C** for up to 6 months
- Shipping: Ship overnight on ice packs
- Fee \$80.00

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