**Table 1**  Primer sequences used in the study

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| Gene | Primers (5′ to 3′) | Reference |
| 16S rRNA | AGAGTTTGATCCTGGCTCAG | Scarpellini et al.[13]  |
| CTACGGCTACCTTGTTACGA |
| *rpo*D | ATYGAAATCGCCAARCG | Rajwar et al.[14]  |
| CGGTTGATKTCCTTGA |
| *apr*X | AAATCGATAGCTTCAGCCAT | Caldera et al.[15]  |
| TTGAGGTTGATCTTCTGGTT |