

Gene	Direction	Sequence
<i>rpoD</i>	Forward	5' - TGG CAT TAG AGA AACTGA CAC – 3'
	Reverse	5' - CGA ATC CACCAT ACA GCA TAA C – 3'
<i>gapdh</i>	Forward	5' - GAA AAC ATC ATCCG TCT TC – 3'
	Reverse	5' - AGC CAT TGT AGC AGC TTT TT – 3'
<i>nimA</i>	Forward	5' - GTA AAG CCC GTA TCC TGA CC – 3'
	Reverse	5' - CGT CCC ACC TGT TAT TTC CC – 3'
<i>nimE</i>	Forward	5' - TCC TTA TGC CGT TCC TCT C - 3'
	Reverse	5' - CAC CAG CAA AGT CAT AGC C – 3'
<i>hmuY</i>	Forward	5' - TTT ATC ATC ACC GCT TGC TC – 3'
	Reverse	5' - CTC CAC CTT TTC CTT TGC C – 3'
<i>feoAB</i>	Forward	5' - GAG ACT TTT ACC GAT AACCACC – 3'
	Reverse	5' - GAT AAC TCC TCC TAC TCC ACC – 3'

Supplementary table 1. RT-qPCR primer sequences