

Table S1. Primer used in this study.

Target gene	Forward primer (5'- 3')	Reverse primer (5'- 3')	Product (bp)	References
<i>tetK</i>	TATTTTGGCTTTGTATTCTTTCAT	GCTATACCTGTTCCCTCTGATAA	1159	Trzcinski et al., 2000
<i>tetL</i>	ATAAATTGTTTCGGGTCGGTAAT	AACCAGCCAATAATGACAATGAT	1077	Trzcinski et al., 2000
<i>tetM</i>	GAACTCGAACAAGAGGAAAGC	ATGGAAGCCCAGAAAGGAT	740	Olsvik et al., 1995
<i>tetW</i>	GAGAGCCTGCTATATGCCAGC	GGGCGTATCCACAATGTTAAC	168	Aminov et al. 2001
<i>tetS</i>	GAAAGCTTACTATACAGTAGC	AGGAGTATCTACAATATTTAC	169	Aminov et al. 2001
<i>ermA</i>	TCTAAAAAGCATGTAAAAGAA	CTTCGATAGTTTATTAATAATAGT	645	Sutcliffe et al., 1996
<i>ermB</i>	GAAAAGGTACTCAACCAAATA	AGTAACGGTACTTAAATTGTTTAC	639	Sutcliffe et al., 1996
<i>ermC</i>	TCAAAACATAATATAGATAAA	GCTAATATTGTTTAAATCGTCAAT	642	Sutcliffe et al., 1996