**Table S1: Summary of Enteric protozoa, Laboratory Tests, and frequency with which tests are conducted in four Sydney hospitals.**

|  | **Hospital A** |  | **Hospital B** |  | **Hospital C** |  | **Hospital D** |  |
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| **Organism** | **Microbiology Test done** | **Frequency** | **Microbiology Test done** | **Frequency** | **Microbiology Test done** | **Frequency** | **Microbiology Test done** | **Frequency** |
| *Blastocystis* sp. | Microscopy | S | Microscopy | S\*\* | modified IHS | R | Microscopy | S |
| *Cryptosporidium* | EIA | S | Microscopy | R | modified IHS | R | EIA | R |
| *Cyclospora* | IHS stain | S | Microscopy | S\*\* | modified IHS | R | Microscopy | S |
| *Cystoisospora* | (on request) | S | Microscopy/ IHS | R | modified IHS | R | N/A | N/A |
| *Dientamoeba fragilis* | IHS stain | S | Microscopy | S\*\* | modified IHS | R | reject | N |
| *Entamoeba histolytica*/ *dispar* complex. | Microscopy | S | Microscopy | S\*\* | modified HIS, PCR | R | EIA/Microscopy | S |
| *Enteromonas* | Microscopy | S | N/A | N/A | modified IHS | R | Microscopy | N |
| *Giardia* sp. | EIA | S | Microscopy | S\*\* | modified IHS | R | EIA | R |

Microscopy= microscopic examination of wet preparation; EIA – enzyme immunoassay; IHS- haematoxylin staining; mIHS- modified iron haematoxylin staining technique incorporating a carbol fuschin step. S= sometimes, R= routinely, N= rarely; N/A Not Applicable.