

Table S1. Primers used in Real-Time PCR analyses.

Primer	Sequence (5' - 3')	Purpose
16S for	CCCGGCCTCAGTTCAGATT	16S rRNA
16S rev	CGGCGATTACTAGCGATTCC	(MAE_r008)
linC for	CCGGAATGGTGC GTTTTTT	<i>linC</i>
linC rev	CACCATCGACGTTAAAGACTTGAC	(MAE_33900)
prxA for	GATGTGGCCTATCCGTTGGT	<i>prxA</i>
prxA rev	CGCATCAGGATCAAGAACATTG	(MAE_35830)

* Primer pairs for each gene were designed using Primer Express Software Version 3.0 (Applied Biosystems)