

### Supplementary Data

**Figure S1: Melting curve analyses with the MT1 and MT 3 probes and DNA from patients without *H. pylori* infection.** RT-PCR specificity analyses were performed with the probes MT1 (A) and MT3 (B) and DNA from six patients without *H. pylori* (NEG1-NEG6), an additional negative (NEG) control lacking DNA, and a non-mutated QRDR sequence of a *H. pylori* as a positive control (POS).

