



## *Cryptosporidium* oocyst in sea water samples in Thailand: A small survey

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To the Editor,

Sir, the contamination of *Cryptosporidium* species in water is an important concern. There are many reports in this issue. For the coastal area, the contamination might mean the risk for disease transmission via sea food. In Thailand, the problem of contamination in sea food has just been raised by Srisupanant *et al*[1]. There are some following researches on this topic. The identification of *Cryptosporidium* has been reported in water samples from some coastal areas[2–7]. However, there is only one report on the sea water sample (from a province next to Bangkok, capital of Thailand[3]. Here, the authors report on the prevalence of *Cryptosporidium* species collected from Petchaburi province, a costal province about 120 km from Bangkok. The standard collection and parasite determination technique was used[8]. Overall 100 sea water samples were sporadically collected from different sites in the focused area. Of interest, based on the present report, the null prevalence of parasite can be derived. This is concordant with the local report that there is no problem of cryptosporidiosis in the studied area.

### Conflict of interest statement

We declare that we have no conflict of interest.

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