

Cryptosporidium spp.

Cryptosporidium spp. are protozoan parasites¹ that can cause foodborne disease. A publication by Scallan et al.² in 2011 estimated that 57,616 human foodborne cryptosporidiosis cases, including 4 deaths, occur annually in the US.

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne cryptosporidiosis **in the US and Canada** include:

[Upton laboratory](#), Kansas State University, USA

[Blagburn laboratory](#), Auburn University, USA

Brent Dixon, Canada Food Inspection Agency, Canada

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne cryptosporidiosis **in Europe** include:

Jose Castro-Hermida, Galician Institute of Food Quality

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne cryptosporidiosis **in South and Latin America** include:

Marcelo V Meireles, Univ Estadual Paulista, Brazil

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne cryptosporidiosis **in Asia and Australia** include:

Grinberg laboratory, Massey University, New Zealand

Additional resources on *Cryptosporidium* spp.:

A number of key sources on *Cryptosporidium* spp. and cryptosporidiosis are available.

References

¹<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cryptosporidium>

²Scallan et al. 2011. Emerging Infectious Diseases 17:7-15 PMID:[21192848](#)