

**Table (1):** Comparison between both pediatric patients on regular HD and the control group regarding symptoms of parasitic infections, lymphadenopathy, organomegaly and exposure to animals, Prevalence of intestinal parasitic infections, and helminths, and seroprevalence of anti-toxoplasma IgM and IgG.

			Control (n=20)		Case (n=50)		Test of sig.		
			N	%	N	%	p-value	sig.	
Symptoms of parasitic infections	Vomiting	No	20	100.0%	41	82.0%	0.052	NS	
		Yes	0	0.0%	9	18.0%			
	Diarrhea	No	19	95.0%	23	46.0%	<0.001	S	
		Yes	1	5.0%	27	54.0%			
	Abdominal Pain	No	5	25.0%	23	46.0%	0.105	NS	
		Yes	15	75.0%	27	54.0%			
Lymphadenopathy, organomegaly and exposure to animals	Lymphadenopathy	No	20	100.0%	42	84.0%	0.095	NS	
		Yes	0	0.0%	8	16.0%			
	Organomegaly	No	20	100.0%	36	72.0%	0.007	S	
		Yes	0	0.0%	14	28.0%			
	Exposure to animals	No	20	100.0%	39	78.0%	0.027	S	
		Yes	0	0.0%	11	22.0%			
	Prevalence of Intestinal parasitic infections	<i>B. hominis</i>	Negative	20	100.0%	35	70.0%	0.004	S
			Positive	0	0.0%	15	30.0%		
<i>C. parvum</i>		Negative	20	100.0%	45	90.0%	0.312	NS	
		Positive	0	0.0%	5	10.0%			
<i>E. histolytica</i>		Negative	14	70.0%	36	72.0%	0.867	NS	
		Positive	6	30.0%	14	28.0%			
<i>G. lamblia</i>		Negative	14	70.0%	40	80.0%	0.366	NS	
		Positive	6	30.0%	10	20.0%			
<i>E. vermicularis</i>		Negative	17	85%	49	98%	0.07	NS	
		Positive	3	15%	1	2%			
<i>V. nana</i>		Negative	19	95%	50	100%	0.3	NS	
		Positive	1	5%	0	0%			
Seroprevalence of anti-Toxoplasma IgM and IgG	Toxoplasma IgM	Negative	20	100.0%	49	98.0%	>0.999	NS	
		Positive	0	0.0%	1	2.0%			
	Toxoplasma IgG	non-reactive	17	85.0%	40	80.0%	0.744	NS	
		Reactive	3	15.0%	10	20.0%			