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## Detection of Parasites Using Traditional and Advanced Molecular Techniques

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The global death toll from parasitic diseases has been reduced, partly due to the widespread use of molecular tests in the diagnosis, therapy, and epidemiological research of these illnesses. Techniques, such as optical microscopy, are employed in the laboratory for the morphological identification of parasites, which is the standard practice in parasitology. The inconsistency in detecting these parasite forms may reduce the sensitivity of such approaches. To overcome these obstacles, molecular techniques are used to identify parasites that cause parasitic illnesses. The utility of molecular techniques in epidemiological studies is particularly striking because studies of this nature involve the genetic diversity of populations, their susceptibility to infection and the possibility of mutation, the geographical spread of parasite illnesses, and their association with hosts and clinical manifestations.

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