Autochthonous Disseminated Dermal and Visceral Leishmaniasis in an AIDS Patient, Southern Thailand, Caused by *Leishmania siamensis*

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**Abstract.**

We report the first establishment of *in vitro* cultivation and genotypic characterization of *Leishmania siamensis* isolated from an autochthonous disseminated dermal and visceral leishmaniasis in a Thai acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) patient. The molecular identification has shown that the parasite was identical to *L. siamensis*, a recently described *Leishmania* species reported in the southern provinces of Thailand. The phylogenetic analysis has confirmed *L. siamensis* as closely related to the zoonotic *Leishmania* species *L. enrietti*.

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