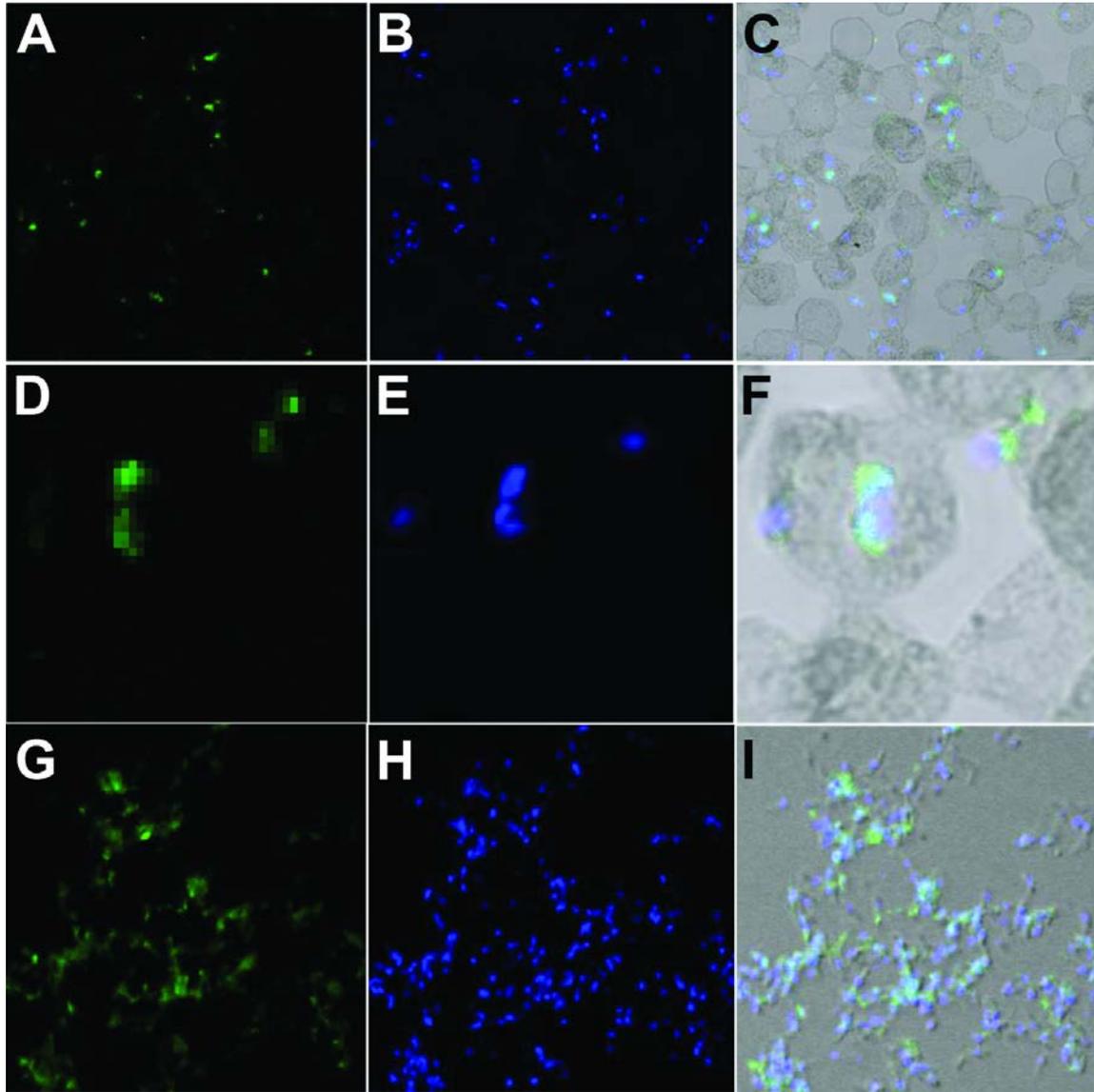


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Technical Appendix



Technical Appendix Figure. Immunofluorescent assays of intra-erythrocytic and free parasites were performed by using antibodies and *Babesia divergens* smears of a 46-year-old man that were prepared from in vitro human erythrocyte cultures (Bd Rouen 1986 strain). Bound antibody was detected by using fluorescein isothiocyanate-conjugated anti-human IgG. The preparations were counterstained with DAPI and examined by confocal microscopy. Samples were laser-stimulated at 488 and 405 nm. Intraerythrocytic parasites probed with patient IgG are shown in panels A and B and isolated free extracellular merozoites in panel C. Panels D, E, and F show the DNA of these same parasites stained with DAPI. Panels G, H, and I show both images overlaid. The immunofluorescent assays, using serum from healthy volunteers, were negative (data not shown).