



Giardia species exist as motile trophozoites and nonmotile cysts. Both forms are transmitted by ingestion and are passed intermittently in the host's feces.

Giardia

Diagnostic Plan

- History
- Physical examination
- Stool analysis
- Analysis of intestinal scrapings collected during endoscopy
- Blood test (Giardia antigen test)

Therapeutic Plan

- Drugs to kill the parasite

Dietary Plan

A diet based on individual patient evaluation including body condition and other organ system involvement or disease

