

XII. Appendix

A. Questionnaire used in paper 3 and 4

Questionnaire translated from Norwegian

Response form <i>Giardia</i> epidemic 1 ½ year after	Personal ID: Name:
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Previous abdominal problems

Did you have abdominal problems BEFORE September 2004 leading to the following actions (you may mark multiple answers)?

- Visiting doctor
- Sick leave
- Abdominal problems without seeking health care
- Did not have abdominal problems before September 2004

- Hospitalisation
- Use of medication

Describe the problems:

Symptoms during *Giardia* infection

Did you have any of the following symptoms when you got the diagnosis *Giardia*? (you may mark multiple answers)

- Loose or frequent stools
- Malaise
- Abdominal pain
- Nausea
- Foul smell from rectum or when burping
- Bloating
- Weight loss
- None of these

Sick leave or lost study progression

Were you on sick leave because of the *Giardia*-infection?

- Yes
- No
- Did not work at the time

If yes: How long were you on sick leave?

- Less than 1 week
- 1-2 weeks
- more than 2 weeks

Did you lose study progression because of *Giardia*?

- Yes
- No
- Was not student at the time

If yes: How much did you lose?

- Less than one semester
- One semester
- More than one semester

The time it took to get well. Number of tablet courses.

Are you NOW well from abdominal problems after the *Giardia*-infection?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

If yes: How long did it take before you got completely well from abdominal problems?

- Well after less than 4 weeks
- Well after 1-3 months
- Well after 4-6 months
- Well after 7-18 months

If yes: Did it coincide with tablet course?

- Well without tablet course
- Well after 1 tablet course
- Well after 2 or more tablet courses
- Well during tablet course, but symptoms came back after

Symptoms now

Do you have abdominal symptoms NOW that you did not have prior to the *Giardia* infection?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

If yes, try to grade your symptoms last month in the table beneath:

Write on a scale from 1 to 10: 0 = no symptoms and 10 = severe symptoms

Question	Answer
Nausea	
Bloating	
Abdominal pain	
Constipation	
Diarrhoea	
Reduced appetite	

	Less than usual	Same as usual	More than usual	Much more than usual
Do you have problems with fatigue?				

I do not want to take part in the study, and do not answer the questions above

