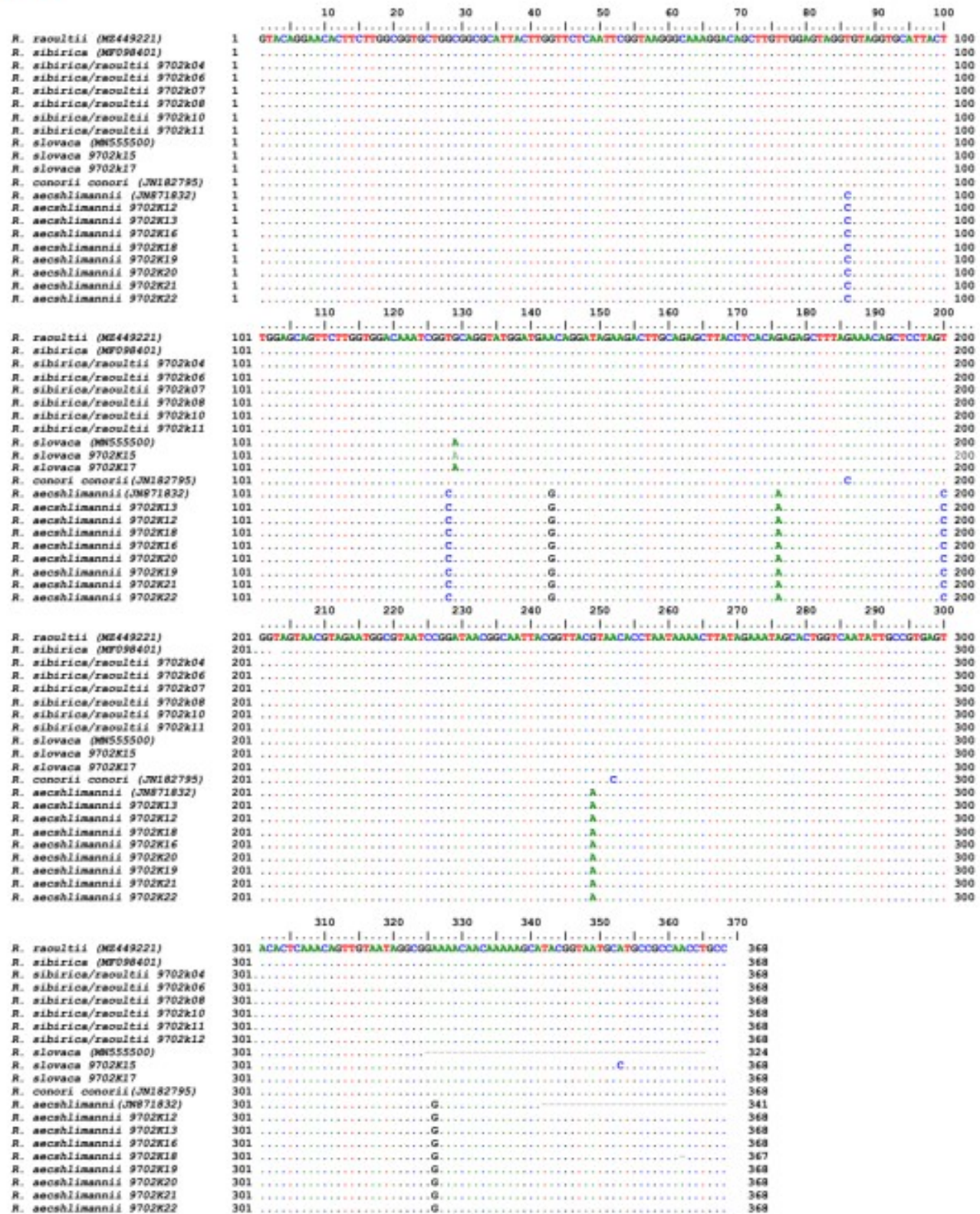


**Figure 2** Multiple alignment of nucleotide sequences of *Rickettsia* htrA gene fragments in studied samples against reference *Rickettsia* species



Note: Accession number of reference strains is indicated in parentheses.