

**Table 1 Comparison of the immunofluorescent antibody test and the rK39 strip test for visceral leishmaniasis in 17 patients with confirmed visceral leishmaniasis and 161 control patients with other diseases**

| <b>Group</b>              | <b>rK39 positive</b> | <b>rK39 negative</b> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>VL confirmed cases</i> |                      |                      |
| IFA positive              | 14                   | 3                    |
| IFA negative              | 0                    | 0                    |
| <i>Controls</i>           |                      |                      |
| IFA positive              | 0                    | 10                   |
| IFA negative              | 0                    | 127                  |