Results The nucleic acid lateral flow immunoassay (NALFIA) for the simultaneous detection of the pathogenic L. monocytogenes in particular and the genus Listeria in general is using the combination of nucleic acid amplification and an immuno– chemical based detection principle. FastStart Taq DNA polymerase is a thermostable, modified form of recombinant Taq DNA polymerase, with which the occurrence of nonspecific amplification products can be substantially reduced. PCR products from other microorganisms (Bacillus, Enterococcus, Entero– bacter, and Lactobacillus), and the primer control (PCR without template DNA) were all negative (Figure 3).