

TestEd COVID-19 Testing Project

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Instructions for Providing a Saliva Sample

Thank you for agreeing to provide a saliva sample. Initially, there will be a trained member of University staff available to answer any questions you may have. Please do not eat, drink, smoke or chew gum for 30 minutes before giving your saliva (spit) sample

1. Make sure that you have available the barcode that is your Personal ID barcode for the TestEd project. You will have been sent this by email on registration. Take this with you to one of the University sample collection sites either on your phone or as a printout.
2. Wash and/or sanitise your hands.
3. Take specimen cup, screwcap tube and sample barcode label from collection point.
4. Remove backing from label and attach to tube **VERTICALLY**.



5. Collect saliva in specimen cup to just over the bottom (1ml).
6. Uncap tube and decant saliva into tube from specimen cup.
7. Recap tube and wipe outside with alcohol(cleaning) wipe. Dispose of specimen cup and alcohol(cleaning) wipe in clinical waste bin, and wipe down the table with a fresh alcohol(cleaning) wipe.
8. At collection computer, scan your personal Participant ID Barcode (from EMAIL).
9. Scan sample barcode on tube and then rescan to confirm submission.
10. Place tube in collection rack.
11. Rewash/sanitise hands.
12. You have now provided your sample and will be notified of the result.

Thank you from the TestEd Team. Please notify us if you have any questions by email at TestEd@ed.ac.uk