

USING DIRECT SWAB METHOD ON THE ID NOW™ PLATFORM

The direct swab method provides 15 times more virus in the sample receiver than the viral transport medium (VTM) method. Using this method helps ensure the most optimal result and avoids dilution that may lead to less reliable results.

DIRECT SWAB

Samples are taken from patient and put directly into the instrument.



Swab collects approximately 1,000 viral particles.



Swab is added into instrument's sample receiver. Roughly 1,000 viral particles remain.

VIRAL TRANSPORT

Samples are added to a vial containing a solution that helps maintain the virus activity. The solution is added to the instrument using a pipette.



Swab collects approximately 1,000 viral particles.



Swab is added to VTM solution.



Pipette transfers 1/15th of solution into instrument's sample receiver. Dilution results in roughly 66 viral particles remaining.

IMPORTANT TEST INFORMATION

The ID NOW COVID-19 EUA has not been FDA cleared or approved. It has been authorized by the FDA under an emergency use authorization for use by authorized laboratories and patient care settings. The test has been authorized only for the detection of nucleic acid from SARS-CoV-2, not for any other viruses or pathogens, and is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostic tests for detection and/or diagnosis of COVID-19 under Section 564(b)(1) of the Act, 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3(b)(1), unless the authorization is terminated or revoked sooner.







