Micro-organisms Sampling Method

1. Using sticky tape, seal one petri dish without opening it. Label this underneath of the dish with the word “control” and the date.
2. Rub the cotton bud over the first surface to be sampled for 10 seconds.
3. Open the petri dish and gently wipe the cotton bud over the surface of the agar gel in the petri dish in a zig-zag pattern.
4. Close the petri dish and seal with sticky tape.
5. Label the underneath of the petri dish with the location swabbed and the date.
6. Repeat steps 2 to 6 for all locations.
7. Once all samples are taken, place petri dishes upside down in a white tray and leave for a few days.
8. Record your results in a table.