Table 2. Ten randomly chosen urban microbiome samples from the MetaSUB New York dataset along with metadata such as their dates and locations of origin.

## 2 samples from D train 3 samples from 6 train

## and Major train stations

- Grand central
- Flushing-Main St and **Minor train** stations
- Van Siclen
- Halsey St
- 36th St
- 33rd St

Note: Samples 4 & 7 have a high number of reads compared to the rest of the samples

Sample ID	Full Sample Name	Sampling Time	Train Line	Transit Station (Borough)	Swabbed Surface	Num. Read Pairs	]
0	haib17CEM5106_ HCY5JCCXY_SL269539	Winter 2014	D	NA	Subway train seat	5933694	
1	haib17CEM5106_ HCV72CCXY_SL269726	Winter 2014	6	59 St. (Manhattan)	NA	2002519	
2	haib17CEM5106_ HCVMTCCXY_SL269540	Winter 2014	D	NA	Subway train seat	2864273	
3	haib17CEM5106_ HCV72CCXY_SL269724	Winter 2014	6	Grand Central (Manhattan)	NA	1814764	1
4	haib17DB4959_ H3MGVCCXY_SL259896	June 2017 (City Sampling Day)	NA	Van Siclen Av. (Brooklyn)	Transit station bench	8285289	
5	haib17CEM5106_ HCV72CCXY_SL269741	Winter 2014	6	NA	Subway train ceiling handrail	3864641	
6	haib17CEM5106_ HCY5JCCXY_SL269601	Winter 2014	NA	36th St. (Queens)	Transit station turnstile	3760124	
7	haib17CEM4890_ H2NYMCCXY_SL254808	June 2016 (City Sampling Day)	NA	Halsey St. (Brooklyn)	Transit station	23076691	
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8	haib17DB4959_ H3MGVCCXY_SL259845	June 2017 (City Sampling Day)	NA	Flushing-Main St. (Queens)	Transit station escalator handle	5349073	
9	haib17CEM4890_ HMCMJCCXY_SL335779	June 2016 (City Sampling Day)	NA	33rd St. (Manhattan)	Transit station kiosk	4834819	

## Quality control and preprocessing of sequencing data. (A) Number of reads and (B) Bases retained



