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 Triton X-100

Sigma Catalog #93426

 DPBS 10X with Calcium and Magnesium **Gibco - Thermo**

Fischer Catalog #14-080-055

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- 1 For each clinical sample to be processed, label 1 screwcap tube with the patient's ID. Make  **300 µl** aliquots of Lysis buffer in each tube.

Lysis buffer:
 **1 % volume Triton X - 100** in 1x PBS
- 2 Take out the swabs out of the  **-80 °C** freezer immediately before the analysis. Leave to thaw at RT for  **00:05:00** and insert into the respective screw-cap tube. Note: handling times within a CL3 lab may be longer than expected, so do not take the swabs out of the freezer until all tubes are properly labelled and containing  **400 µl** Lysis buffer in them.
- 3 'Plunge' each swab up and down in Lysis Buffer for  **00:15:00**, constantly 'twisting' the swab so its sides are brushed against the side of the tube. Note: Ideally, do not handle more than 3-4 swabs at a time so as to spend enough time twisting each of them to 'encourage' maximum dissociation of Nucleocapsid protein from the swab and lysis of virions.
- 4 After  **00:15:00**, discard the swabs appropriately (e.g. in a second container that will then need to be autoclaved before disposal), making sure to recover as much volume out of the swab as possible ( **100 µl** will be lost as absorbed by the swab foam) and re-cap the tube.
- 5 Samples can be tested immediately by lateral flow device or stored at  **-80 °C** for further analysis.
- 6 Lateral flow assay could be performed directly inside a CL3 lab or within a Class I cabinet after decontamination of the outside of the tubes before taking them out of the CL3 lab. For the lateral flow assay, follow the lateral flow assay operation protocol.