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## Abstract

Protocols for samping and shipping human skin swabs from clinics to lab.



## Wear gloves

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## Break the seal round the tube containing the swab

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## Swabbing

3 Designate a location to be swabbed, taking care to note the size of the area.

Remove the swab from the tube, swab the entire area in a zigzag pattern, rolling the swab over to ensure the entire swab is used.

## Return the swab into the tube and label the sample

4 Carefully insert the swab into the tube, making sure to seat the cap firmly on the tube.

Label the sample with a unique identifier, such as the patient\_ID, location the sample was taken, the date.

## Place the tube into the biohazard bag and seal the bag, store at room temp (or 4°C, if available)

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## Shipping instructions

6 Place samples and all paperwork in Styrofoam container and arrange shipment for next day delivery.

Do not ship over the weekend.