



TESTING FOR COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2/CORONAVIRUS)

INFORMATION SHEET

ICMR NO: DANGS001

Q. 1: - Should you get tested?

Ans: As per current guidelines, if you develop acute onset of fever and symptoms of respiratory illness, such as dry cough or shortness of breath, you should visit your doctor, they will decide if you need to be tested for 2019-novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) depending upon your history of travel to affected countries or contact with any suspects.

Q.2:- What documents are to be presented for getting tested for 2019-novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)?

Ans.

1. Duly filled TRF/patient proforma (COVID-19 test request form available on our website www.drdangslab.com).
2. Govt. photo-id (Aadhaar card/ Voter Id/Passport) to support the current address and contact number of the suspect patient to be provided at the time of sample collection.
3. Travel, vaccine, past infection history along with an Indian mobile number and present address to be provided.

Q. 3: - What kind of sample to be given and what is the medium of collection?

Ans. As of now, RT-PCR is the recommended method. The Nasopharyngeal and Oropharyngeal swab will be collected by taking due safety measures.

Q.4:- Can I visit the lab to book the test or give the samples?

Ans. No, you will be required to book the test online via Dr. Dangs Lab website www.drdangslab.com in advance. The sample will be collected from your home (Home collection service available) by an expert and trained collection agent or you can avail of our drive through test services.

Q.5:- What's the sample transportation process?

Ans. Sample is collected in a viral transport medium (VTM) with a swab from your nose & throat. We follow the highest levels of infection control and to preserve sample integrity all samples are placed in a cold chain & transported via air conditioned four wheelers.

Q.6:- What are the guidelines on test report sharing with the Govt.?

Ans. We will share all patient's report with defined Govt bodies as per the guidelines of Govt of India/ICMR.

Q.7: - By when can I get my report?

Ans.

- (i) Report will be available between 24-36 hours of sample collection, in case of home collection.
- (ii) In case of drive through samples will be reported within 12 hours of sample collection.

Q.8:- How do I access my report ?

You can access your report from our website (www.drdangslab.com) by using username and password sent on your registered mobile number. Report will also be sent through registered email and WhatsApp.

Q. 9: - How do I interpret my report?

Ans. You are advised to visit your referring doctor with the report for the final interpretation.

Q. 10: - Where is testing being performed?

Ans. Testing is being performed at molecular laboratory located at C- 2/1, Safdarjung development area, Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi -110016.

Q. 11: - Where is the charge of the test & payment methods available?

Ans. The Govt of India & MOHFW has mandated the cost of Rs 500 for home collection (only available in Delhi) and Rs 300 for Drive Through for Delhi. To prevent the transmission of infection, we are only accepting E-payments (via website). Your receipt will be available on www.drdangslab.com that along with the report can be accessed by using the username & password sent on your registered mobile number.

Q.12: - How do we come to know about Variants (Delta or Omicron) ?

Ans. Positive samples are sent for genomic sequencing to government labs for detection of variants as per current government mandate. The results are not declared to our lab. Private labs are not permitted to conduct genome sequencing.

For further information please refer to:

WHO link: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/>

MOHFW link: <https://www.mohfw.gov.in>