

# CoviSelf<sup>®</sup> COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test Self Test Kit

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## INTENDED USE

The CoviSelf<sup>®</sup> COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) is an *in vitro* diagnostic test for the qualitative detection of COVID-19 antigen in nasal swab specimens directly from individuals with or without symptoms or with other epidemiological reasons to suspect COVID-19. This test is authorized for non-prescription home use with self-collected nasal swab specimens from individuals aged 18 years and older or with adult-collected samples from individuals aged 2 years or older.

**For Negative Test:** Symptomatic individuals identified negative by RAT should be linked with RT-PCR test facility and subsequently get tested by RT-PCR to rule out COVID-19 infection. In the meantime, such individual will be urged to follow home isolation and treatment as a negative report on RAT may not be true negative in some cases.

**For Positive Test:** A positive test should be considered as a true positive and does not need reconfirmation by the RT-PCR test.

Read the instructions before performing the test. All tests should be conducted by the individuals with own consent and completely at own risk, cost and consequences.

## KIT STORAGE AND STABILITY

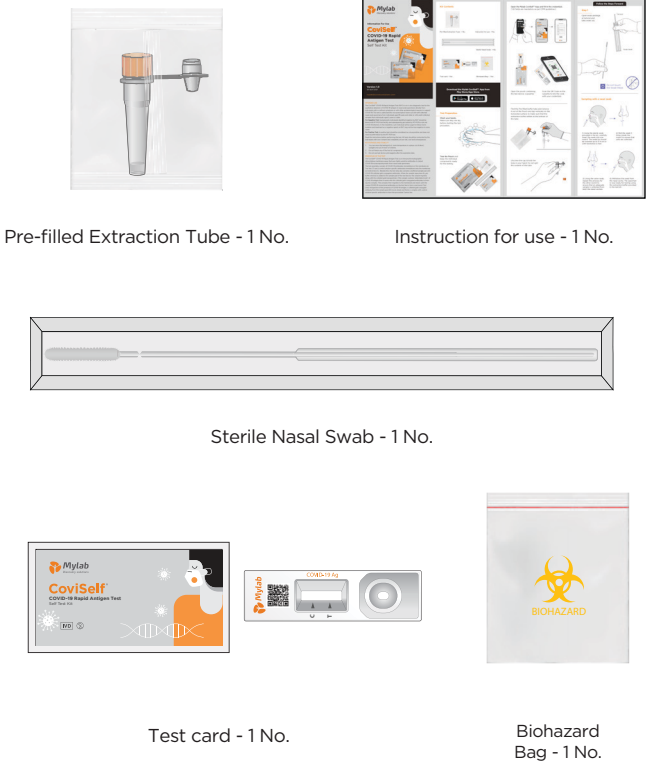
1. You can store the testing kit at room temperature in a place out of direct sunlight and out of reach of children.
2. Do not freeze any of the test kit components.
3. Do not use test device and reagents after the expiration date.

## PRINCIPLES OF THE TEST

The CoviSelf<sup>®</sup> COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test is an immunochromatographic nitrocellulose membrane assay that uses highly sensitive antibodies to detect COVID-19 nucleocapsid protein from nasal swab specimens.

The test assembly consists of COVID-19 antibodies immobilized on the membrane as Test line (T) and a control solution specific antibodies immobilized onto the membrane as Control line (C). Besides this, the test strip also contains a buffered sample pad with COVID-19 colloidal gold conjugated antibodies. When the sample (specimen & Lysis buffer mixture) is added to the sample pad of the test device, the sample migrates along with the colloidal gold nanoparticles. If the sample contains 'detectable levels' of COVID-19 antigen then it reacts with the colloidal gold conjugated antibodies to form Ag-Ab complex. This complex then migrates to the membrane and reacts with the coated COVID-19 monoclonal antibodies on the test line to form a test band (Test Line). Irrespective of the presence of COVID-19 antigen, a colloidal gold conjugate antibody from the sample pad still moves ahead and forms a complex with control solution-specific antibodies to form the procedural Control line.

## Kit Contents

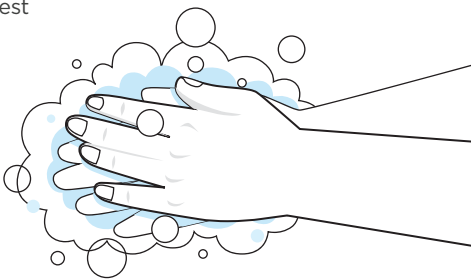


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Play Store/App Store.



## Test Preparation

**Wash your hands.**  
Make sure they are dry  
before starting the test  
procedure.



**Tear the Pouch** and  
keep the individual  
components ready for  
the testing.



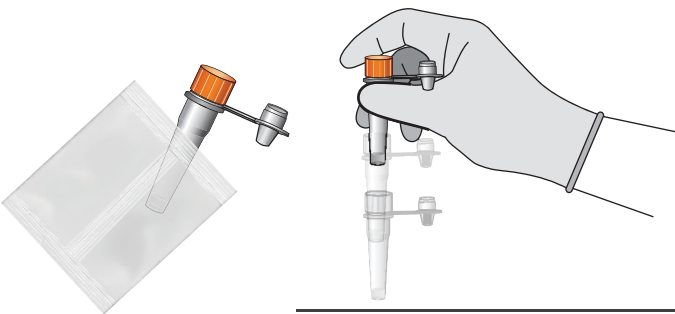
Open the Mylab CoviSelf<sup>®</sup> App and fill-in the credentials.  
(\*All fields are mandatory as per ICMR guidelines.)



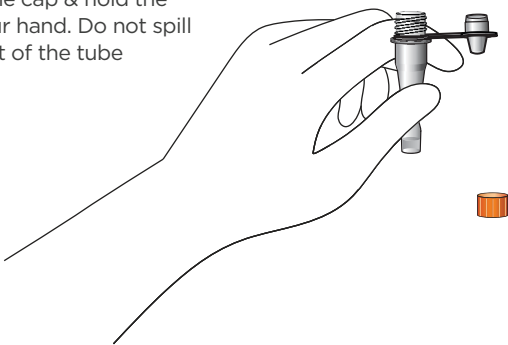
Open the pouch containing  
the test device. (cassette)

Scan the QR Code on the  
cassette to link the code  
with your credentials.

Find the Pre-filled buffer tube and remove  
it out of the Pouch and tap vertically on the  
horizontal surface, to make sure that the  
extraction buffer settles at the bottom of  
the tube



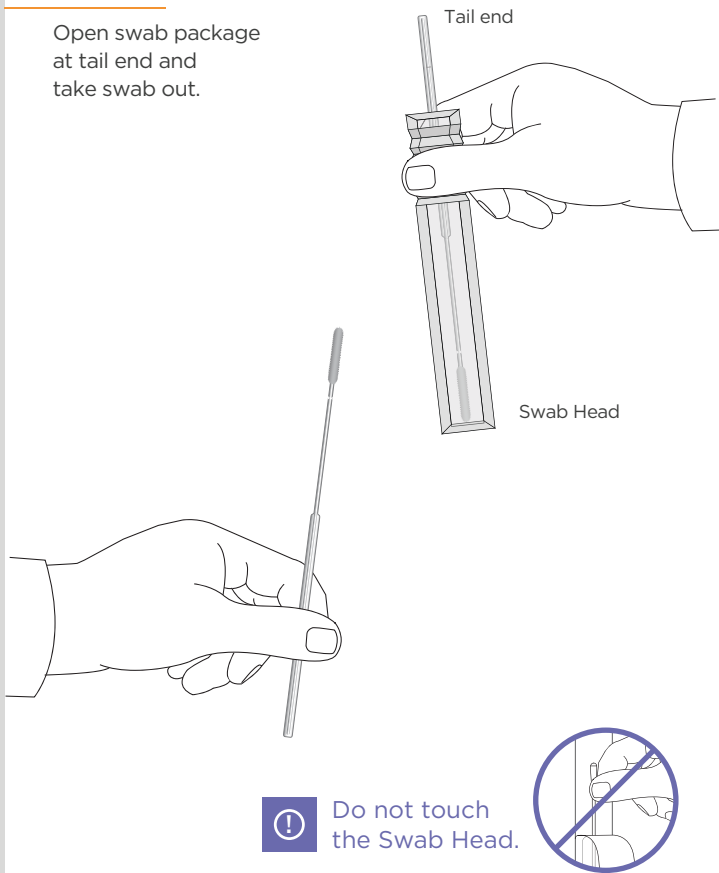
Unscrew the cap & hold the  
tube in your hand. Do not spill  
the content of the tube



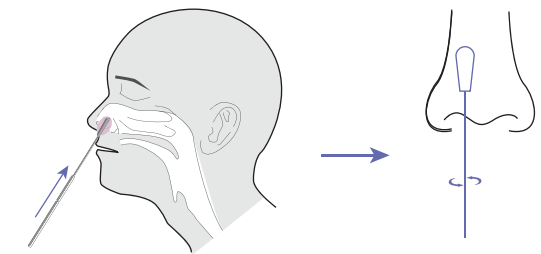
## Follow the Steps Forward

### Step 1

Open swab package  
at tail end and  
take swab out.

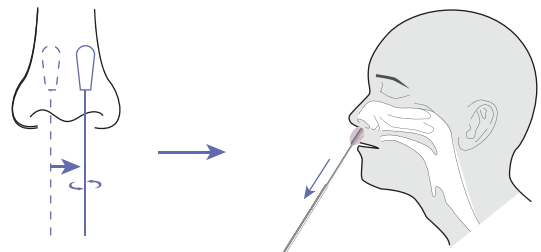


## Sampling with a nasal swab



1) Using the sterile swab  
provided in the kit, carefully  
insert the swab into one  
nostril. The swab tip should  
be inserted up to 2-4 cm or  
until resistance is met.

2) Roll the swab 5  
times inside the  
nostril to ensure that  
cells are collected.

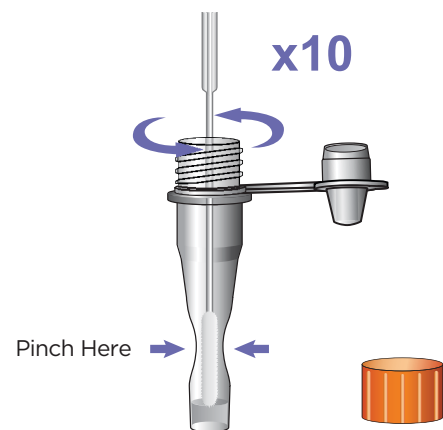


3) Using the same swab,  
repeat this process for  
the other nostril to  
ensure that an adequate  
sample is collected from  
both the nasal cavities.

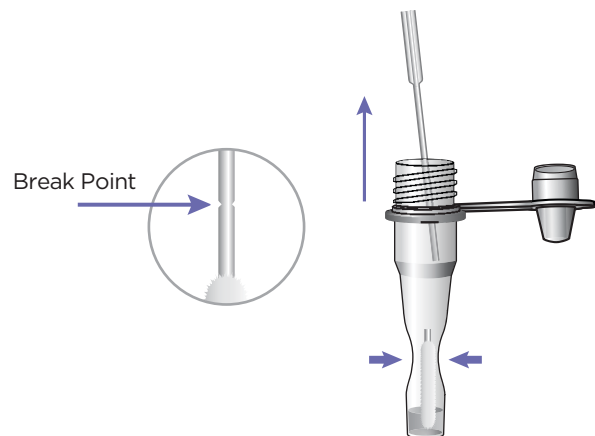
4) Withdraw the swab  
from the nasal cavity. The specimen  
is now ready for testing using  
the extraction buffer provided  
in the test kit.

## Step 2

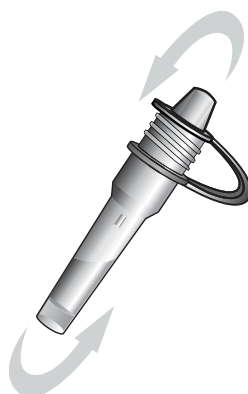
Take the nasal swab and dip in the pre-filled extraction tube. Pinch the tube at the bottom and swirl nasal swab 10 times ensuring the swab is immersed well in the extraction buffer



Find the Breakpoint of the swab. Break the swab at the breakpoint. Discard the remainder of the swab. Mix well.

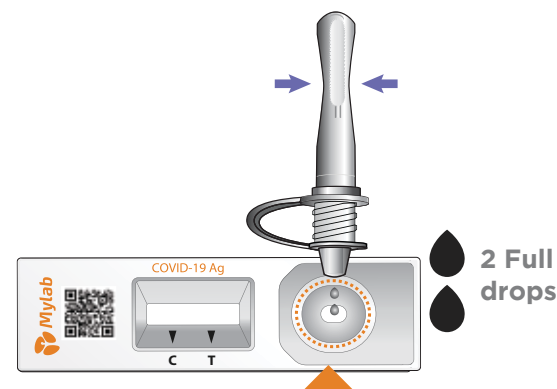


Cover the tube with attached nozzle cap and tighten the lid.



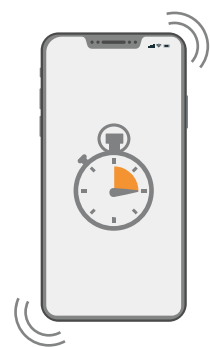
## Step 3

Add 2 full drops of extracted antigen buffer mixture into the sample well of the test device, by pressing the tube, and wait for 10-15 mins for the results to appear



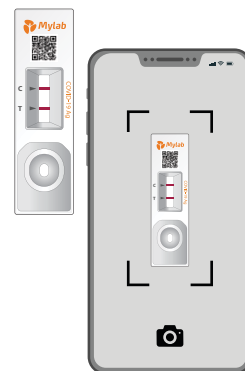
Read the results within 15 minutes. Strong positive results can be reported within 10-15 minutes. Results that appear after 20 minutes are not valid.

Phone will give you the alarm to capture the test result



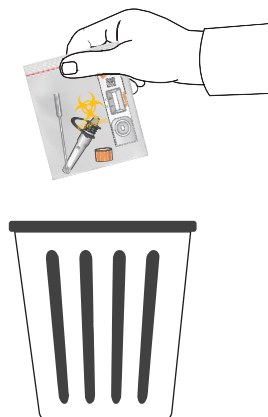
## Step 4

Take the test device and click the picture



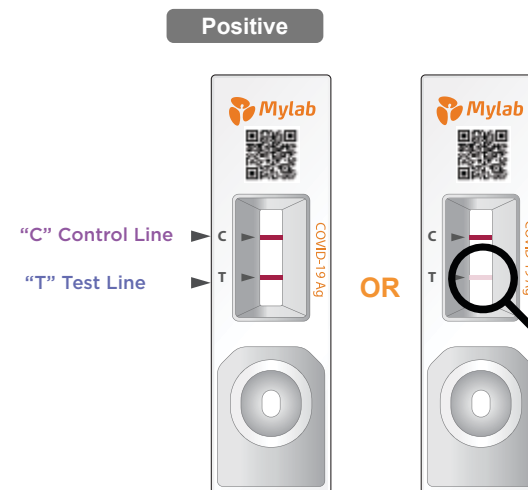
Wait for the App to analyse and display your Covid-19 Test results.

Swab is inserted in the lysis buffer tube which kills COVID-19 and other viruses. This tube with broken swab head inside, along with other components of the test, should be put inside the biohazard bag and dispose according to local regulations. Disinfect all surfaces that the specimen may have touched, and wash your hands after disposal.



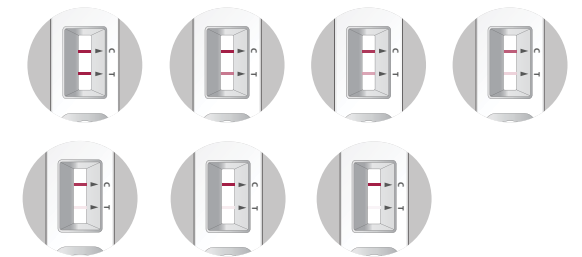
## Positive Result

If both the quality control line "C" and the detection line appear, novel coronavirus antigen has been detected and the result is positive for antigen.



Look very closely! The bottom line can be very faint. Any pink/purple line visible here indicates a positive result.

## Different Possibilities of Positive Result



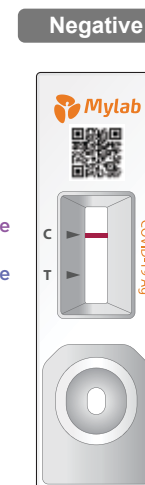
**ICMR Guidelines:**

- All individuals who test positive may be considered as true positives and no repeat testing is required.
- All test positive individuals are advised to follow home isolation and care as per the ICMR & Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoH&FW) protocol which can be accessed at: <https://www.icmr.gov.in/chome-care.html>.

## Negative Result

If there is only a quality control line "C", and no test line "T" it indicates that the result is negative.

"C" Control Line  
"T" Test Line



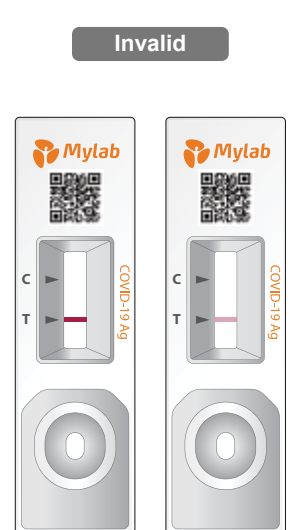
**ICMR Guidelines:**

- All symptomatic individuals who test negative by RAT should get themselves immediately tested by RTPCR. This is especially important as the RATs are likely to miss few positive cases presenting with a low viral load.
- All RAT negative symptomatic individuals may be treated as suspect COVID-19 cases and are advised to follow the ICMR/MoH&FW home isolation protocol while awaiting the RTPCR test result.

## Invalid

If the quality control line "C" is not observed, it will be invalid regardless of whether there is detection line "T"

"C" Control Line  
"T" Test Line



## FAQ

### 1. What are the known and potential hazards and benefits of this test?

- No Potential hazard is associated with the test, however there might be
  - Possible discomfort during sample collection.
  - Possibility to interpret incorrect test results (see results section).

#### Potential benefits include:

- The results, along with other information, can help your healthcare provider make informed recommendations about your care.
- The results of this test may help limit the spread of COVID-19 to your family and others in your community.

### 2. Will this test hurt?

No, the nasal swab is specially designed by Mylab which is not sharp and it should not hurt. Sometimes the swab can feel slightly uncomfortable or tickly. If you feel pain, please stop the test and seek advice from a healthcare provider.

### 3. Difference between an antigen and molecular test?

Molecular tests (also known as RT-PCR tests) detect the genetic material of the virus. Antigen tests detect proteins from the virus. Antigen tests are very specific for the virus, but are not as sensitive as molecular tests. This means that a positive result is highly accurate, but a negative result does not rule out infection.

## Limitation Of The Procedure

1. This reagent is only used for *in vitro* diagnosis.
2. This reagent is only used for qualitative detection and cannot indicate the level of novel coronavirus antigen in the specimen.
3. Failure to follow the test procedure and interpretation of test results may adversely affect test performance and produce an invalid result.
4. A negative result may occur if the level of extracted antigen in a specimen is below the sensitivity of the test or if a poor quality specimen is obtained.
5. Positive results, do not rule out co-infections with other pathogens.



Scan for a video demonstration of how to use the kit

\*IOS: Scan from a normal camera.  
Android: Scan through any QR code scanner app.



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