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## Update to buccal and saliva sample for FH gene testing

We have now completed the relevant risk assessment for acceptance of saliva and buccal swab samples for DNA extraction. We will be able to accept these samples again from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. However, we remain unable to process any known Covid positive samples. Please refrain from genetic testing until the patient is Covid negative.

Due to mitigations of risk and extraction methods, we will only be able to accept samples in the following collection kits:- DNA Genotek Oragene OG-500 and DNA Genotek Oragene OG-575. Please ensure that samples are sent in these collection kits which can be ordered through <a href="https://www.dnagenotek.com/row/products/collection-human/oragene-dna/500-series/OG-500.html">https://www.dnagenotek.com/row/products/collection-human/oragene-dna/500-series/OG-500.html</a>. Samples sent in any other kit will unfortunately be rejected.

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