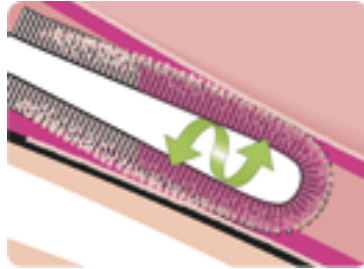


# Taking a Viral Nose Swab (red COPAN)



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## **Step 1:**

Insert swab into the nasopharynx. Liquid secretions are rapidly absorbed between the perpendicular fibres by capillary action.

## **Step 2:**

Rotate the swab two to three times and hold the swab in place for 10 seconds to ensure maximum absorbency.

## **Step 3:**

Put the swab in the transport medium and break the shaft at the painted breakpoint.