Guidelines for sample collection

Tonsil swabs for *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae* and/or *Actinobacillus suis* PCR testing:

1. Moisten a Dracon swab with sterile saline.

2. Vigorously rub the swab across the tonsils and posterior pharynx.

3. Place the swab in an empty tube (blood tube, for example) and send it refrigerated overnight.

** Whole tonsils can also be submitted. Tonsils should be sent refrigerated overnight. Whole tonsils may generate better results than tonsil swabs.

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