

Characteristics of the samples collected in the study are presented in Table S2. Overall, the percentages regarding the type of transport media used were balanced between men and women, regardless of sample type.

Table S2. Self-sample and HC sample characteristics

	Vaginal		Pharyngeal		Rectal		Urethral/Urine		Total	
	N	n (%)	N	n (%)	N	n (%)	N	n (%)	N	n (%)
Men		–	80		101		66		247	
Sample type										
Self-sample		–	40 (50.0%)		67 (66.3%)		43 (65.2%)		150 (60.7%)	
HC sample		–	40 (50.0%)		34 (33.7%)		23 (34.9%)		97 (39.3%)	
Medium										
Amies		–	39 (51.2%)		34 (33.7%)		23 (34.9%)		96 (38.9%)	
ViCUM®		–	0 (0.0%)		33 (32.6%)		20 (30.3%)		53 (21.5%)	
Healthcare facility ^a		–	41 (48.8%)		34 (33.7%)		23 (34.9%)		98 (39.7%)	
Women	30		20		9		–		59	
Sample type										
Self-sample		20 (66.7%)	10 (50.0%)		6 (66.7%)		–		36 (61.0%)	
HC sample		10 (33.3%)	10 (50.0%)		3 (33.3%)		–		23 (40.0%)	
Medium										
Amies		10 (33.3%)	10 (50.0%)		3 (33.3%)		–		23 (39.0%)	
ViCUM®		10 (33.3%)	0 (0.0%)		3 (33.3%)		–		13 (22.0%)	
Healthcare facility ^a		10 (33.3%)	10 (50.0%)		3 (33.3%)		–		23 (39.0%)	
Total	30		100		110		66		306	
Sample type										
Self-sample		20 (66.7%)	50 (50.0%)		73 (66.4%)		43 (65.2%)		186 (60.8%)	
HC sample		10 (33.3%)	50 (50.0%)		37 (33.6%)		23 (34.9%)		120 (39.2%)	
Medium										
Amies		10 (33.3%)	49 (49.0%)		37 (33.6%)		23 (34.9%)		119 (38.9%)	
ViCUM®		10 (33.3%)	0 (0.0%)		36 (32.7%)		20 (30.3%)		66 (21.6%)	
Healthcare facility ^a		10 (33.3%)	51 (51.0%)		37 (33.6%)		23 (34.9%)		121 (39.5%)	

^a Cobas® PCR Media: ≤ 40% (w/w) Guanidine hydrochloride Tris-HCl buffer.