

*Online self-sampling kits to screen multipartner MSM for HIV and other STIs: Participant characteristics and factors associated with kit use in the first three months of the MémoDépistages program, France, 2018*

Supplemental material 1. Description of the intervention

The self-sampling kit 'MéMoDépistages' contained a microtube for the blood sample (BD Microtainer® blood collection tube), rectal and throat swabs (cobas® PCR Dual Swab Sample Kits) and a urine swab (Copan UriSwab™) (Fig.S1).



Figure S1. Kit for HIV and STI self-sampling, MémoDépistages, France, 2018

Kits were shipped from a logistical platform to the participant within 72h after the order. They were delivered using national postal service (2 to 4 working days).

All the samples were collected by users and posted directly to the laboratory in a pre-paid envelope. Samples were shipped using the national post service accord to the WHO/HSE/GCR/2015.12 regulation for infectious material shipping.

Participant were informed that their samples were received in the laboratory by text message, email and a specific information in their personnel account.

The laboratory sent test results to a partner sexual health clinic. The clinic disclosed results to the participant according to their preference: postal mail, text message or email if all the tests were negative; and postal mail to a medical advisor, phone call or text message invitation to call back the sexual health clinic in case of any positive result.

If samples were not received, a first SMS and email reminder were sent 15 days after shipping, and a second one 20 days after shipping. If participant did not receive their kit at the time of the reminder, they were invited to confirm their address and they could order a new one through their personal account.