Sample collection: As simple as 1, 2, 3…

**Nasal swab**

1. **What you’d need:**
   - One helper to restrain the pig
   - Gloves
   - Pig snare
   - Sterile swab
   - Permanent marker

2. **How you’d collect it:**
   - Restrain the pig using a snare
   - Introduce the swab into each nostril at a 45° angle latero-medial towards the nasal septum, then straightened and inserted carefully as rostral as possible
   - Rotate the swab clockwise and counterclockwise upon entry and exit
   Note: temporary bleeding may occur

3. **How you’d process it:**
   - Identify the sample(s) (date, animal ID, etc.)
   - Refrigerate the samples
   - Pack in a leak proof container
   - Fill out the submission form(s)
   - Ship to: University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
     1333 Gortner Ave
     St. Paul, MN 55108