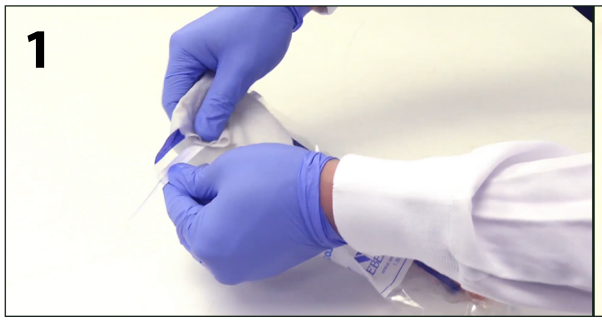
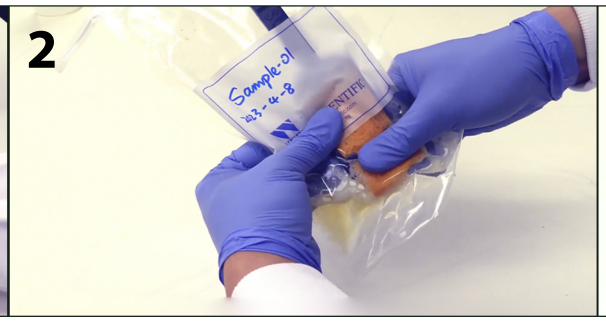
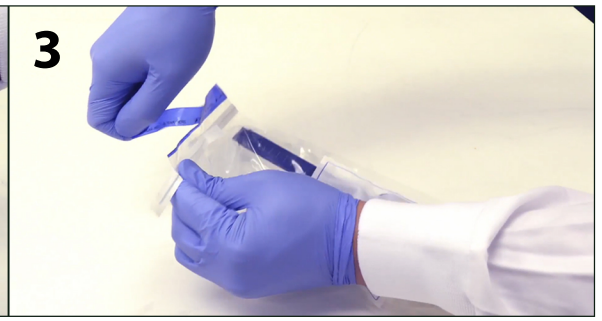
How to Take Environmental Surface Samples with the MegaSampler Sponge Sampling System



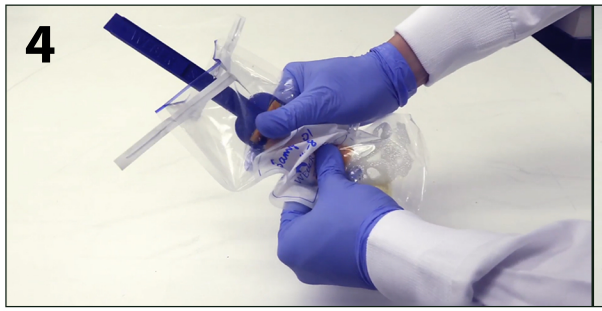
Label the bag and sanitize the opening area



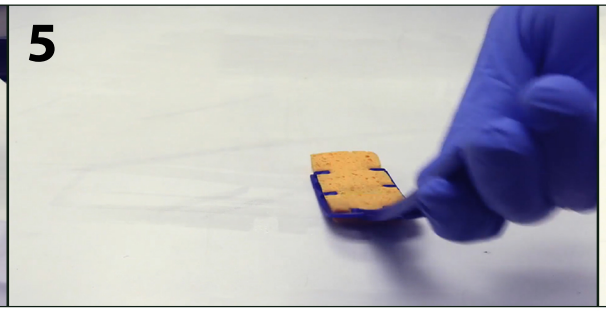
Hold the bag and squeeze on the sponge to push out as much solution as possible



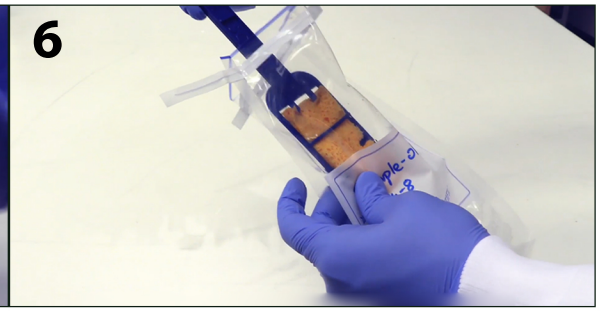
Tear open the bag at the dotted line, and open the bag by holding the white tags on both sides. Do not touch the inside of the bag to avoid contaminating the sample.



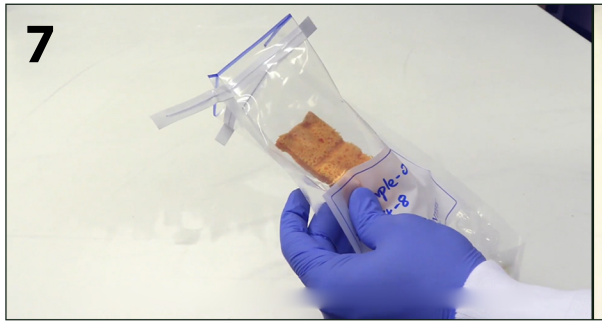
Push the sponge up so the handle extends outside of the bag. Squeeze again on the sponge to push out as much remaining solution as possible.



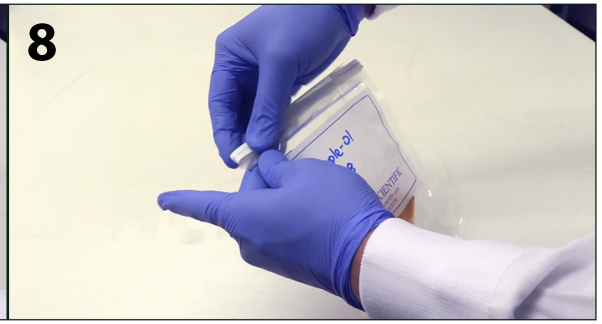
Start sampling with the biofilm scraper down. Hold from the handle and swab a 12x12 inch area in a crosshatch pattern. Apply pressure when swabbing to ensure the sponge is fully contacting the environmental surface.



After swabbing, return the sponge to the bag



Grab the sponge from the bottom and pull the handle off the sponge, releasing just the sponge into the bag.



Close the bag by rolling at the top and folding in the tabs.

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