

## Supplemental Online Content

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This supplemental material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.

**eTable 1. Forms Used to Observe Home Antigen Test Use and Acceptability**

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <b>Observed user administration error form</b> (one per household) | Did any household members drop, touch, or otherwise contaminate the swab before letting the swab sit in the solution? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Did all household members swab both nares?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Did all household members insert the swab ½ to ¾ inch?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Did all household members use a 1 minute duration to let the swab sit in the solution?                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Did all household members remove the swab before placing the test strip?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Did all household members wait 10 minutes before removing and reading the test strip?                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Any other observations?   | Free text   |
| <b>User acceptability survey</b> (one per individual)              | Did you have any difficulties collecting their own nasal swabs at home?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | What were the difficulties?   | Free text   |
|  | Now that you have been doing this test for two weeks, what improvements do you think could be made in the directions? | Free text   |
|  | If you were able to choose to provide only one specimen, which one would you prefer to provide?                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Nasal swab at home<br><input type="checkbox"/> Saliva<br><input type="checkbox"/> NP swab<br><input type="checkbox"/> No preference<br><input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable<br><input type="checkbox"/> Refused |
|  | If this test was available over the counter, would you be more likely to test yourself for COVID-19?                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
|  | Any additional comments or notes?   | Free text   |

**eTable 2. Home Antigen Tests and Nasopharyngeal Swabs Completed by Participants with RT-PCR–Confirmed SARS-CoV-2 Infection, by Days from Illness Onset**

| Days from illness onset         | No. (%)                      |                              |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                 | Home antigen tests (n=3,044) | Nasopharyngeal swabs (n=642) |
| <-5 (before illness onset)      | 25 (1)                       | 3 (<1)                       |
| -5 to -1 (before illness onset) | 42 (1)                       | 17 (3)                       |
| 0                               | 28 (1)                       | 20 (3)                       |
| 1 to 5                          | 468 (15)                     | 167 (26)                     |
| 6 to 10                         | 935 (31)                     | 165 (26)                     |
| 11 to 15                        | 911 (30)                     | 98 (15)                      |
| 16 to 20                        | 529 (17)                     | 124 (19)                     |
| >20                             | 106 (3)                      | 48 (7)                       |

Abbreviation: RT-PCR, reverse transcription–polymerase chain reaction.

**eTable 3. Home Antigen Test Results by Participant Case Status**

| Home antigen test result <sup>b</sup> | Participant case status <sup>a</sup> |            |       |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|-------|
|                                       | Case                                 | Not a case | Total |
| Positive                              | 840                                  | 7          | 847   |
| Negative                              | 2,193 <sup>c</sup>                   | 1,929      | 4,122 |
| Invalid                               | 5                                    | 3          | 8     |
| Total                                 | 3,038                                | 1,939      | 4,977 |

<sup>a</sup>This table includes all participants in the household transmission investigation who collected at least one home antigen test, regardless of their case status. Cases were defined as participants who had at least one positive reverse transcription–polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) test during the investigation.

<sup>b</sup>Test results displayed are the participant interpretation of the home antigen tests. For 51 home antigen tests where the participant did not provide an interpretation of the result, the investigator interpretation was used.

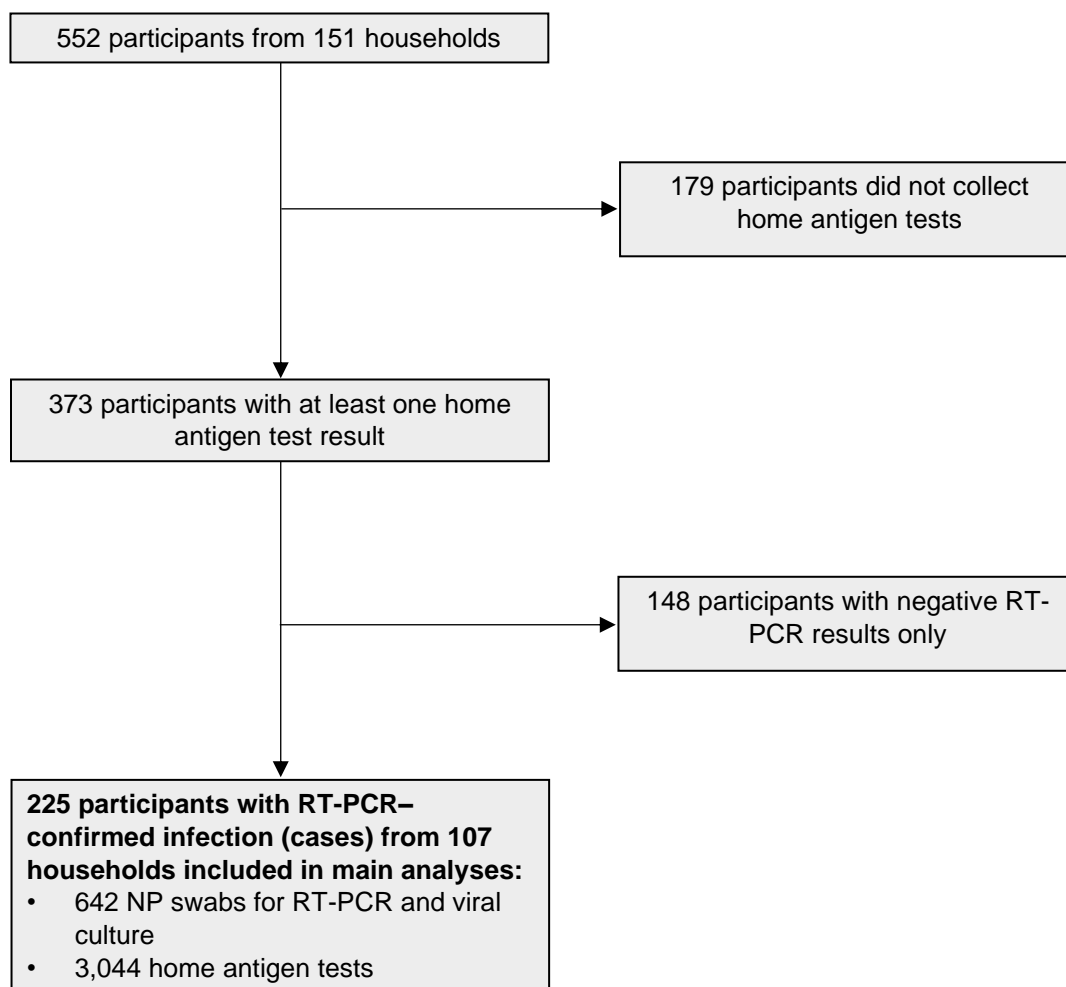
<sup>c</sup>Of the 2,193 negative home antigen test results among cases, only 602 (27%) were performed during the infectious period (2 days before illness onset through 10 days after illness onset). Only tests performed during the infectious period were included in sensitivity calculations. Illness onset was defined as symptom onset date if symptomatic or first positive RT-PCR test collection date if asymptomatic.

**eTable 4. Participant and Investigator Interpretation of Home Antigen Test Results**

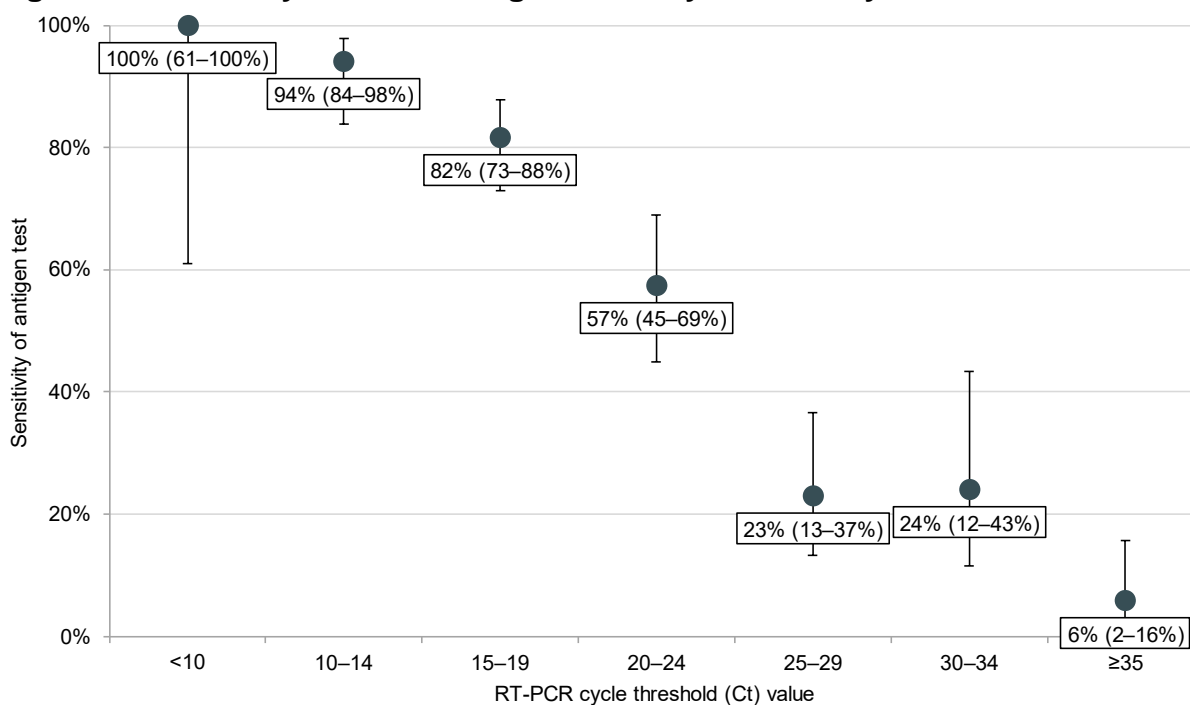
| Participant interpretation | Investigator interpretation |          |                      |                            |       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------|
|                            | Positive                    | Negative | Invalid <sup>a</sup> | Not available <sup>b</sup> | Total |
| Positive                   | 754                         | 33       | 0                    | 41                         | 828   |
| Negative                   | 13                          | 2,007    | 1                    | 152                        | 2,173 |
| Invalid <sup>a</sup>       | 0                           | 0        | 0                    | 6                          | 6     |
| Not available <sup>b</sup> | 12                          | 25       | 0                    | 0                          | 37    |
| Total                      | 779                         | 2,065    | 1                    | 199                        | 3,044 |

<sup>a</sup>Per the manufacturer's instructions, antigen tests were invalid if the positive control line on the antigen test strip did not appear. <sup>b</sup>Participant interpretation was not available if the participant did not submit their interpretation of the antigen test result. In these instances, investigator interpretation was still available if the participant submitted a photo of the antigen test strip. Investigator interpretation was not available if no photo was submitted and the investigator was unable to review the antigen test strip.

**eFigure 1. Flow Diagram for Participants with RT-PCR–Confirmed SARS-CoV-2 Infection and At Least One Home Antigen Test Result**



Abbreviation: RT-PCR, reverse transcription–polymerase chain reaction; NP, nasopharyngeal.

**eFigure 2. Sensitivity of Home Antigen Tests by RT-PCR Cycle Threshold Value**

Dots represent the sensitivity of home antigen tests to detect a positive reverse transcription–polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) test collected on the same day. Results are stratified by the RT-PCR cycle threshold (Ct) value for the N-gene target. Error bars and numbers in parentheses represent 95% confidence intervals, calculated using the Wilson score interval method.