eDNA Manifold-mount Instructions



Manifold set up:



Hammer your waratah into the stream bed, in an area of moderate to high flow.

Attach the passive sampler manifold to the waratah using the provided U-bolt and nuts with the edged section of the manifold facing upstream. Ensure the top of the manifold is approximately 5cm below the stream surface.

Leave the manifold for approx. 5 minutes prior to inserting the filter pods to reduce the risk of cross contamination between sampling events and sites.

Deploying the passive sampler:

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Put on a pair of gloves from the kit, and carefully push each filter pod (up to 6 can be used) into place with the leaf guard facing upstream. Ensure a tight and secure fit.

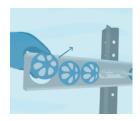


Record the location co-ordinates in WGS84 decimal format (for example -41.30951, 174.82110 as displayed on Google Maps).

Leave the sampler deployed for 24 hours.

Retrieving the passive sampler:

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Put on the remaining pair of gloves. If you have more than one filter pod, work with one at a time: gently remove a filter pod from the manifold by pushing on the edges of the pod from the back.

Pointing the leaf guard to the ground, pull on the easy-pull tag protruding from the back of the filter pod to remove the sponge filter. This motion squeezes out excess water from the sponge filter.

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Avoid touching the filter directly. Holding the tag, flick the filter in a downward motion to rid the filter of even more excess water.

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Take the sample jar out of the kit and place only the sponge filter in the sample jar.

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Take out the small syringe containing preservative and unscrew the cap. Dispense all preservative into the sample jar containing the filter.

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Screw the jar lid on tightly, then shake the sample jar well to ensure distribution of the preservative throughout the filter. 7



Repeat these steps for all filter pods in your manifold. Place all sample jars in the sample bag, and complete the sample information on the back of the bag.



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