

## The buccal swab specimen collection

1. Complete the Form about animal (information about animal - name of animal, registration N<sub>o</sub>, chip ) for each individual. Perform the collection of buccal swab samples from only one individual at a time. For one animal, use both swabs (collection of buccal swabs contains two samples)
2. Wash and dry hands thoroughly.
3. Carefully peel apart the sleeve containing the sterile buccal swab. Remove buccal swab carefully, holding the swab by the stick.
4. Rotate gently the swab on the inside of the right cheek of the appropriate individual for approximately 15 seconds.
5. Repeat for remaining swab, this time collecting from the left cheek.
6. Dry the swabs outside without any contact at room temperature for at least 30 minutes.
7. After the swabs are completely dry, immediately place the swabs directly into the appropriate envelope from collection kit.
8. After completing the collections, double check to ensure that the information has been correctly filled in on the collection kit's surface (name of animal, registration N<sub>o</sub>, chip ) together with the completed Form about animal