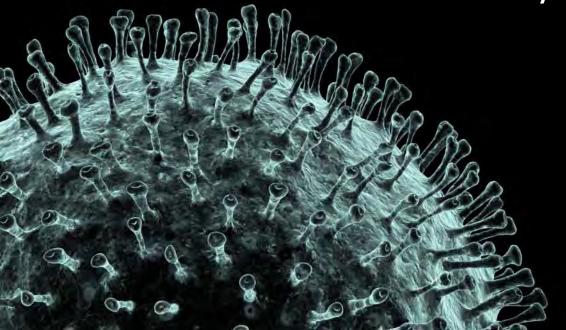
COVID-19 Conversations



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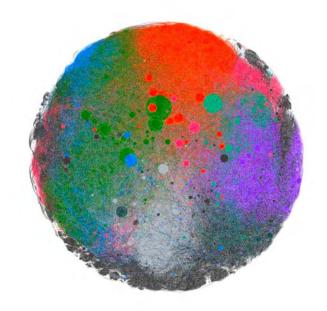






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Target



Modeling to guide test frequency and scheduling

TEST



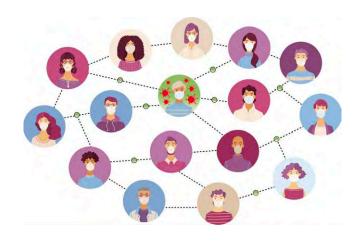
COVID TEST

Direct saliva → PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 that is fast and scalable

Tell



Digital exposure notifications

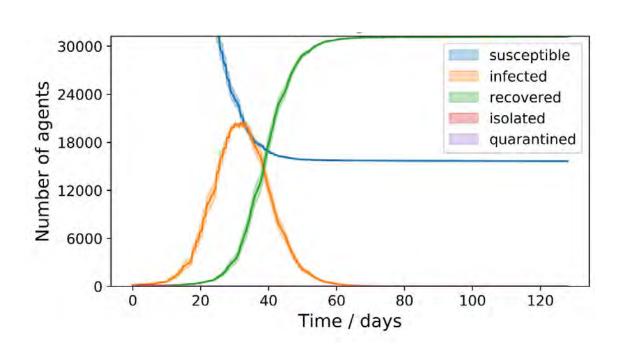


manual contact-tracing



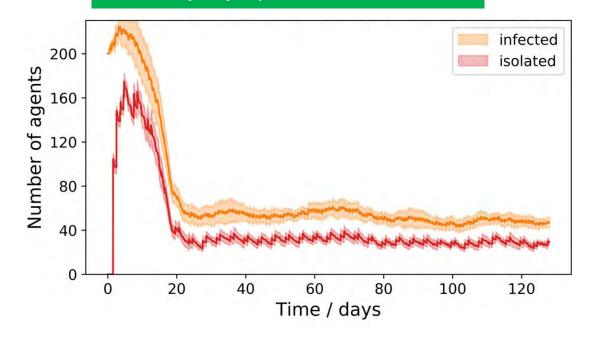
Modeling for SHIELD at UIUC with 2x/week testing, masks, classes >50 online, & manual contact tracing

If we do nothing... 30,000 infections



If we do SHIELD

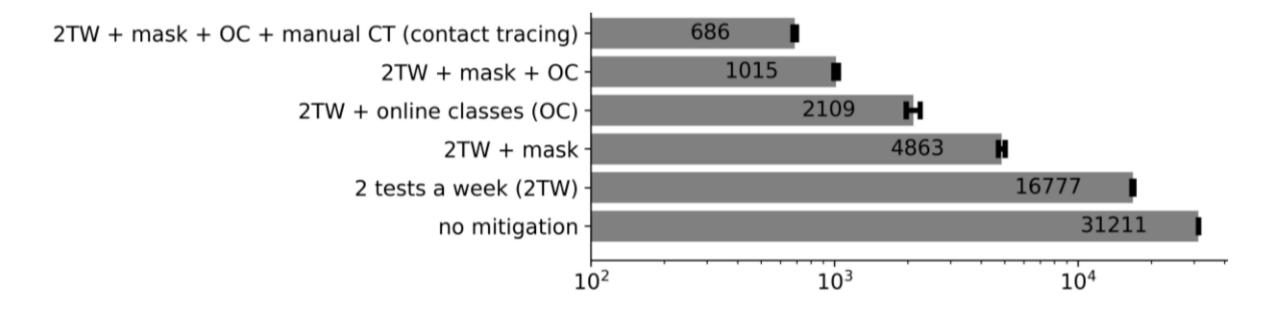
- 700 total infections
- Manageable by public health
- Initial "bump" when students arrive is crushed by SHIELD mitigations
- · Outcome: safer environment
- Students educated in person, local economy stays open





Detailed modeling of 45,000 students working and socializing, transmitting SARS-CoV-2 via proximity and aerosol

SHIELD works by multi-layer approach



Estimate for how many students will be infected over the whole semester (including 200 initial imports)



Test – why saliva?

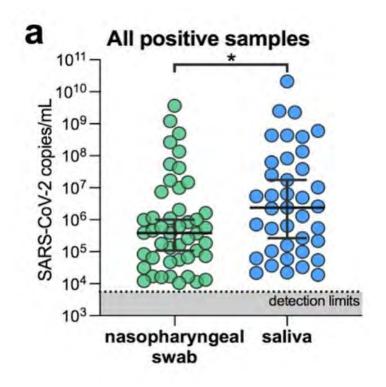
Logistical considerations:

- Avoids swab and VTM (supply chain limiting)
- Easy and rapid self collection
- No/less need for health-care workers
- Much easier on patient
- Compatible with frequent repeat testing



Scientific/medical considerations:

- Saliva likely provides a more relevant indication of infectiousness
- Early report of excellent sensitivity in saliva



Test – addressing bottlenecks

Standard method:



NP swab







Viral Transport Medium

RNA purification kit

RT-qPCR

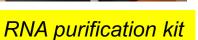
Saliva (FDA EUA approval April 2020):



Saliva collection





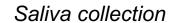




RT-qPCR

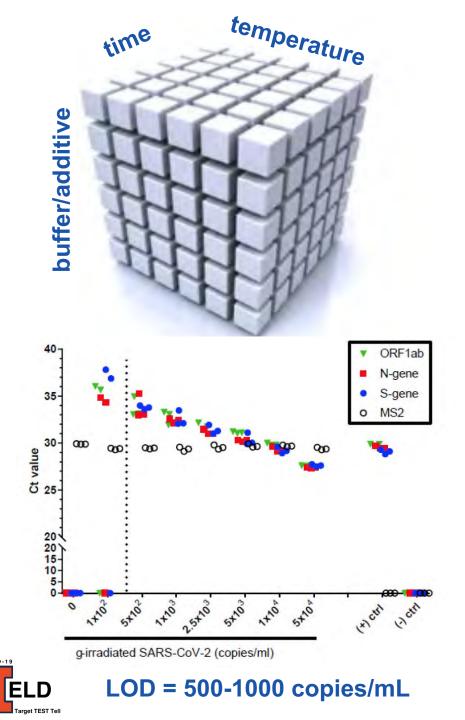
UIUC testing vision (Paul Hergenrother):





RT-qPCR





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saliva



1. Heat at 95 C for 30 min

2. Add TBE/Tween buffer





Results in 3-6 h

Saliva-Based Molecular Testing for SARS-CoV-2 that Bypasses RNA Extraction

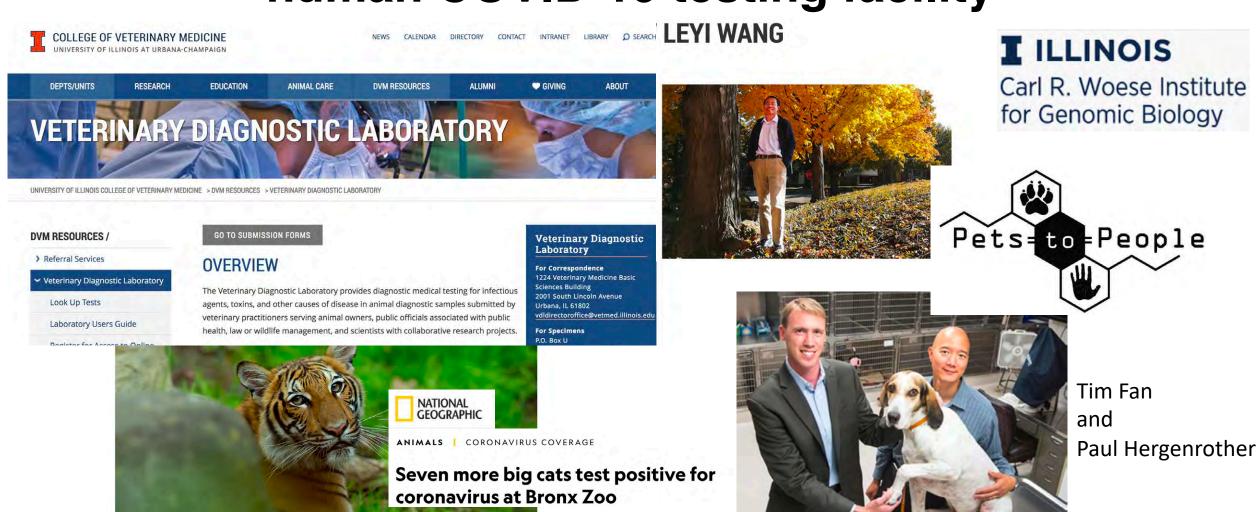
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Complementary method from team at Yale (FDA EUA approved 8-15-2020) https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.08.03.20167791v1

TEST: Transformation of VetMed Diagnostics Lab into human COVID-19 testing facility





A Malayan tiger at the Bronx Zoo, photographed in 2017. Five of the zoo's tigers and three of its lions have tested positive for the virus that causes COVID-19.

Logistics of testing 20,000 students/faculty/staff a day

40 testing lines on campus (20+ locations)

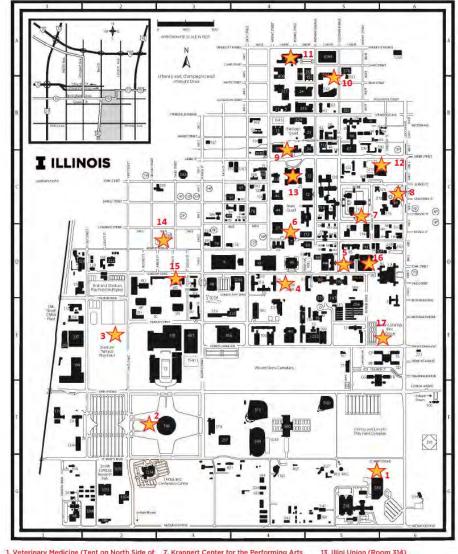
Large tents, allowing for distancing

Easy scan-in system (scan I-card, label printed and affixed to tube)

Samples brought to the vet diagnostic facility every hour

Have run >300,000 tests on students/faculty/staff July-September with this process, typically results within hours not days





- (Tent Near Peabody Dr. & First St.)
- 4. South Quadrangle
- (Tent East of David Kinley Hall)
- Gregory Dr. & Goodwin Ave.)

- 8 Alice Campbell Alumni Cente
- 9. Graziano Plaza (Tent Between Everitt Lab

- 11. Beckman Institute (Atrium)
- 12. ISR (Illinois Street Residence Halls, Lower

- 14. Washington Park (Tent)
- 15. SDRP (Student Dining & Residential Programs Building, Second Floor)
- 6. CRCE (Campus Recreation Center East)
- 18. Illinois Fire Service Institute (11 Gerty Drive) - Not Shown on Map







Join the fight against COVID-19

Track and manage your health to help keep our Illinois community safe

Continue



How it works

Testing and limiting exposure are key to slowing the spread of COVID-19.

You can use this app to:

- Provide any COVID-19 symptoms you experience
- Automatically recieve or enter test results from your healthcare provider
- Allow your phone to send exposure notifications to you ad the people you've come in contact with during the last 14 days

Next



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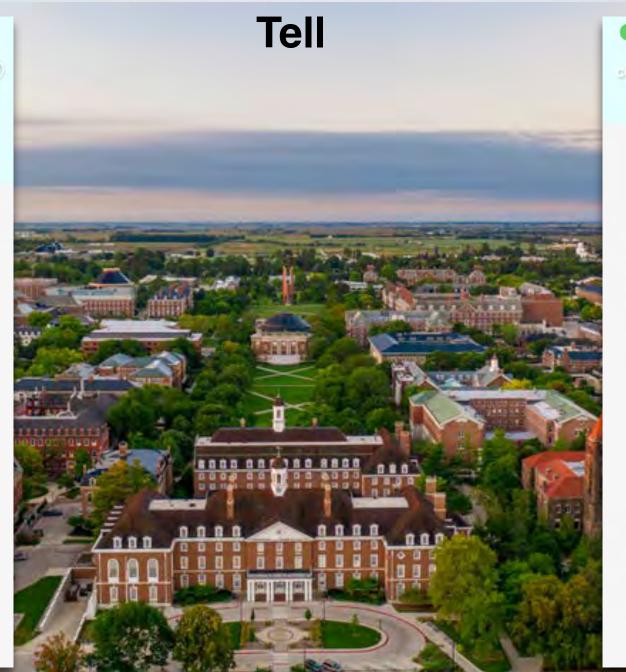


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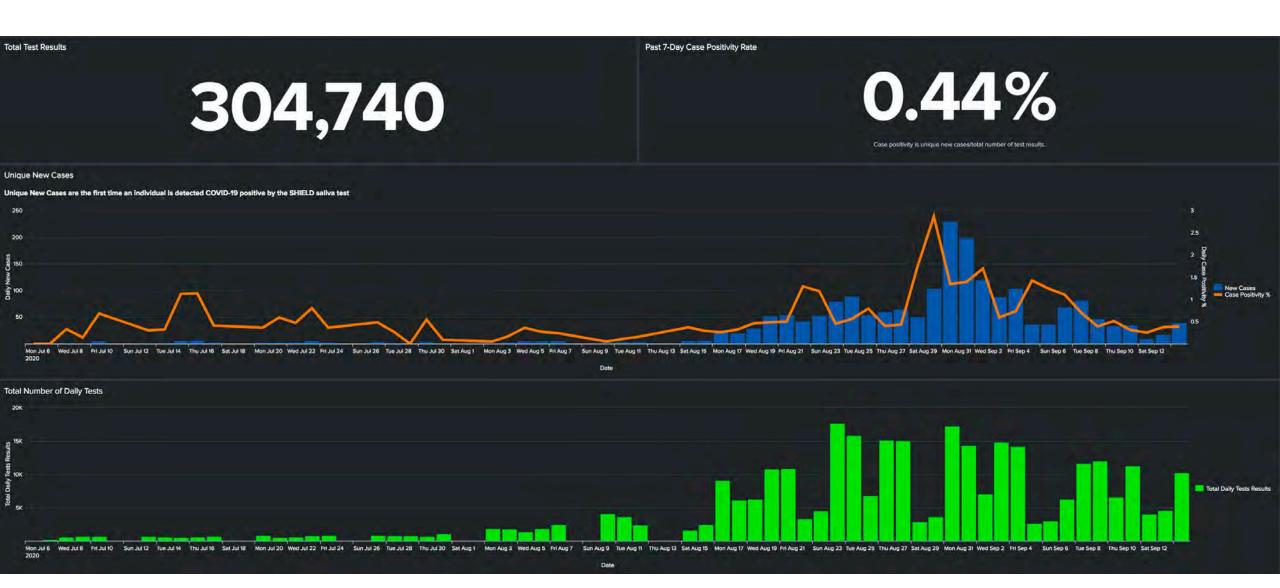
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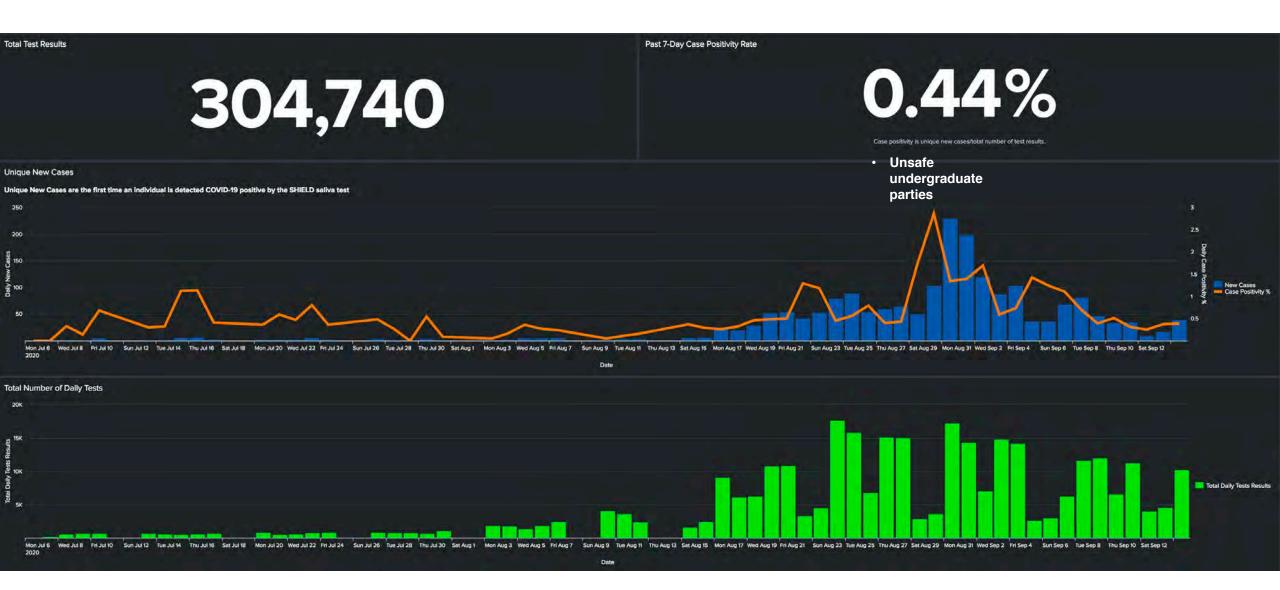


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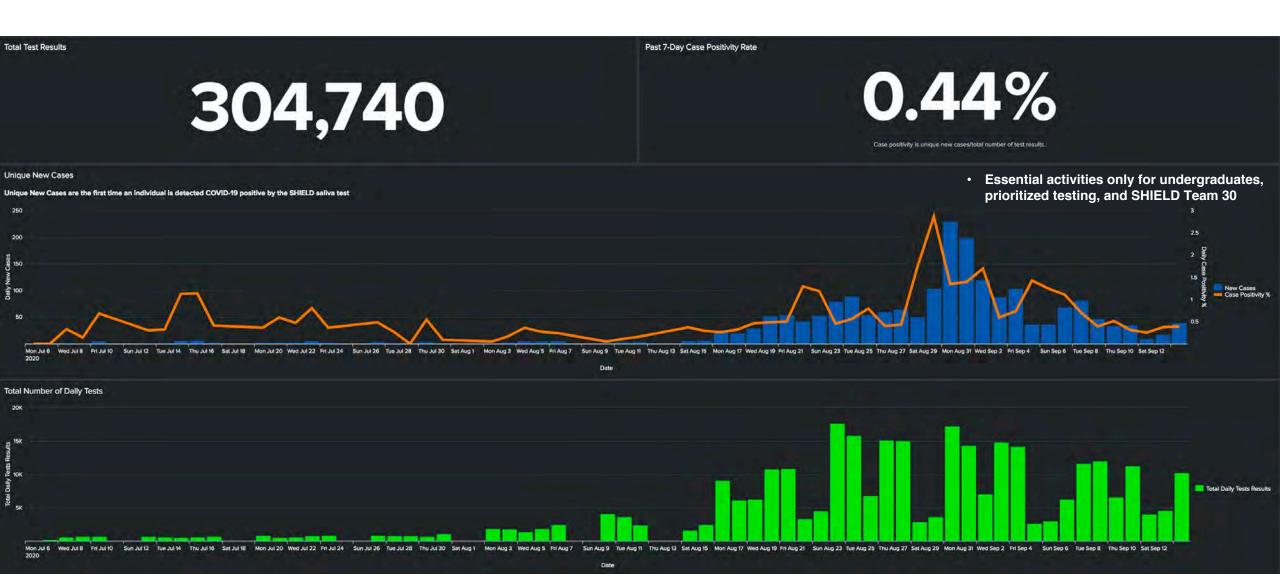


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Key Takeaways

- Fast/frequent testing can help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in a large university community
- Testing is not a silver bullet; it should be integrated into a wholistic approach that includes epidemiological modeling, contact tracing, masks, social distancing, and community engagement.
- I-COVID direct saliva→PCR test enables fast/frequent testing on scale
- Prioritized testing can maximize impact
- Mechanisms to help people that test positive get safely isolated quickly, and to support/enforce isolation and quarantine are important

