

FOI 23/711

Dear

Thank you for your email of 18 September 2023, where you submitted an FOI request for the following: ***"What genomic sequence the PCR test is looking for, to determine if a person is positive with covid 19?"***

There are numerous PCR tests available and each one will use different primers and probes as they target different sequences of the SARS-CoV2 genome. You can find a list of COVID-19 test validation approved products

here <https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2F covid-19-test-validation-approved-products&data=05%7C01%7CMHRACustomerServices%40mhra.gov.uk%7Cb41e1ba1ed594468c3c708dbcef1addf%7Ce527ea5c62584cd2a27f8bd237ec4c26%7C0%7C0%7C638331309642854471%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoijMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=CMX%2FhXgefNOueDxiAsjUCzSk5meVdrxEEGEoc0QzCC4%3D&reserved=0>

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