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1. Requesting ethics statement:
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2. Requesting consent statement:
Answer: An informed consent was used to collect the samples and it is stated in the methods.