

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAMPLING OF FEATHERS FOR SEXAGE BY DNA

If you do not have experience, we recommend that the feathers are collected by a veterinarian or experienced bird staff. This recommendation is to avoid possible damage to the bird and your own safety.

The feathers for DNA analysis should be up to one week of being collected. Do not include feathers that have removed naturally. DNA is contained at the base of the feather, which originates just below the surface of the skin. If you have small birds, we recommend using tweezers to collect the feathers.

Before taking any feather samples, make sure your hands are clean. If you are collecting samples from multiple birds, wash and dry their hands between each collection. Avoid touching the end of the calamus of the feathers (see figure).

Follow the steps below for ensure proper feather collection for DNA testing.

### 1. Label each envelope

Before you start collecting the feather samples, label each envelope with the species of bird collected, and a Bird ID. The Bird ID can be the bird's name, band number, or cage number. Use the same Bird ID on the Avian DNA Sexing Submission Form so that you can match the final DNA results to the correct bird

### 2. Pluck Chest Feathers

Taking the bird immobilized properly, proceed to remove 4-5 breast feathers

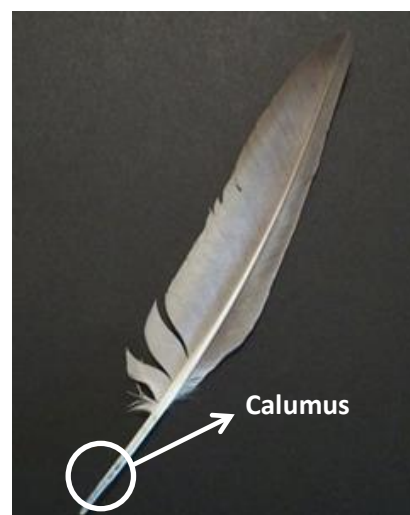
### 3. Place Feathers in the Labeled Envelope

Place the feathers in the envelope that was labeled in Step 1. Avoid touching the ends of the feather shafts. Each envelope should contain feather samples from only **ONE** bird.

### 4. Shipment of samples

Fill the Order Form for Avian Sex DNA identification. Place the envelopes containing the samples labeled with the Order Form in an envelope and mail to the following address:

Av. Javier Prado Oeste 844  
Magdalena - Lima  
Postal Code: 15076  
Lima-PERU



### Cost

N° samples	Cost for Sample (Dollars)	Cost for Sample (Euros)
01 to 10	16.00	15.00
more than 30	14.00	13.00

You can write to us to solve any question you have

Contact: Biologist Martin Gavilan  
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## ORDER FORM SEXAGE SERVICE BY DNA

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

N°	Specie (scientific name)	ID Bird (Bird Name)	Lab Use Only
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Total payment corresponds to:

	dollars	euros
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You must make the payment to:

**Banco BBVA Banco Continental Cta. Cte. soles: 0011-0357-0100009503**  
 SWIFT Code: BCONPEPL

**Banco de Crédito del Perú Cta. Cte. en soles: 193-1742158-054**  
 SWIFT Code: BCPLPEPL

NOTE: Not forget to send the payment voucher by E-mail or attach the receive together with the samples.

