| Data Sharing Statement | | |
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| Item | Question | Authors' Response (place "-" if not applicable) |
| 1 | Would you like to share data collected for your study to others? | No. |
| 2 | If not, would you like to share the reason for your decision? | This study had a number of shortcomings. First, detection efficiency may be affected by microbial adhesion to brush heads or tube walls during sample transportation. Second, as this was a retrospective study with a small sample size, there may be biases in the results. To further verify our conclusion, a well-designed prospective study with a larger sample size should be conducted. |
| 3 | What data in particular will be shared? | - |
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