



# **ADB E- Marketplace**

**COVID-19 Portable Field  
Monitoring**



Be the **first** biological platform to revolutionize water analysis for anyone, anywhere

**FREDsense is a portable water quality company moving complex chemistry into the field.**

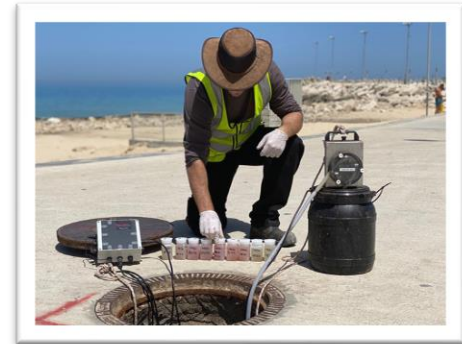
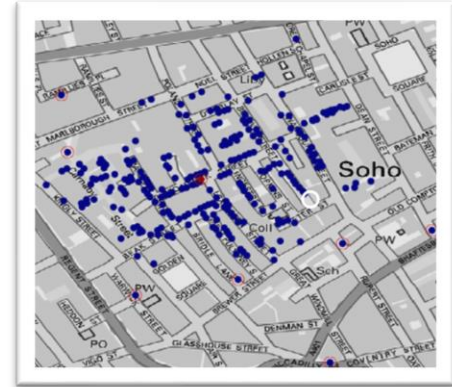


# What is Wastewater Based Epidemiology (WBE)?

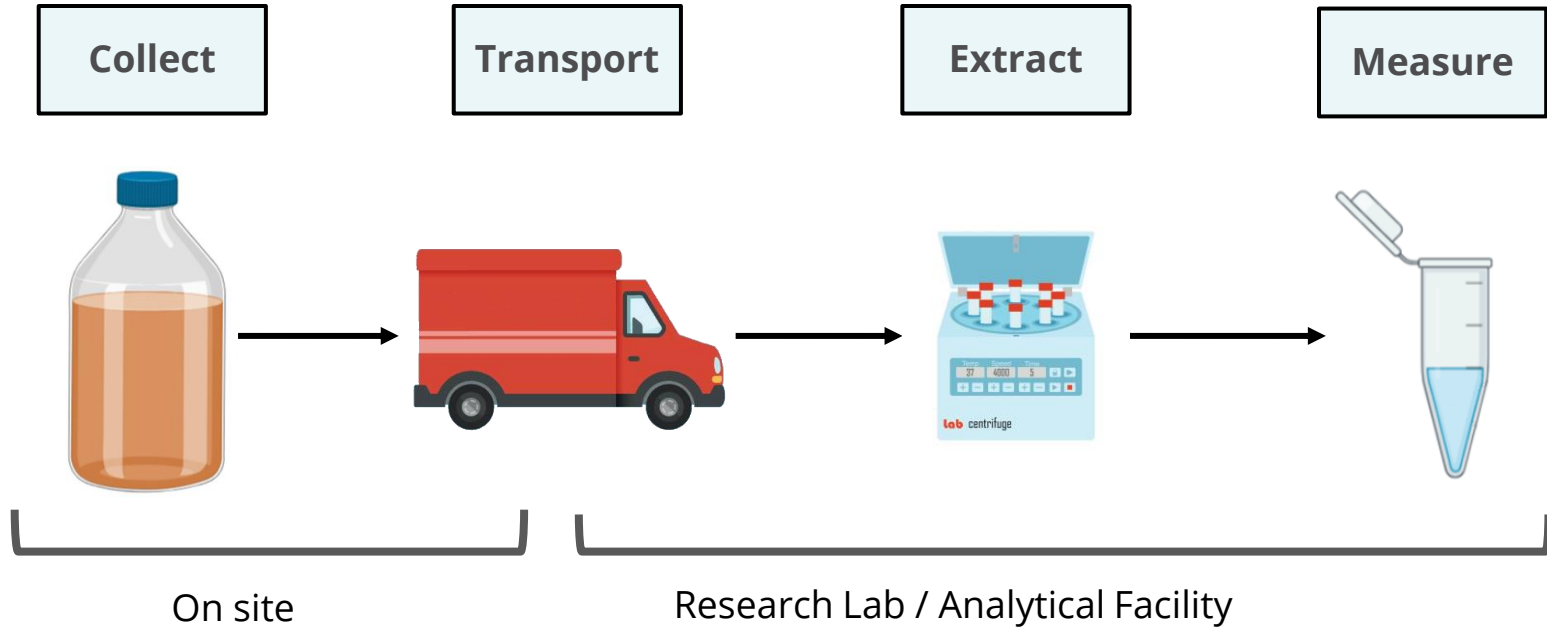
## *It's What You Flush!*

In **1854**, Dr. John Snow was able to connect between the deaths from **cholera** and contaminated drinking water (Soho, London)

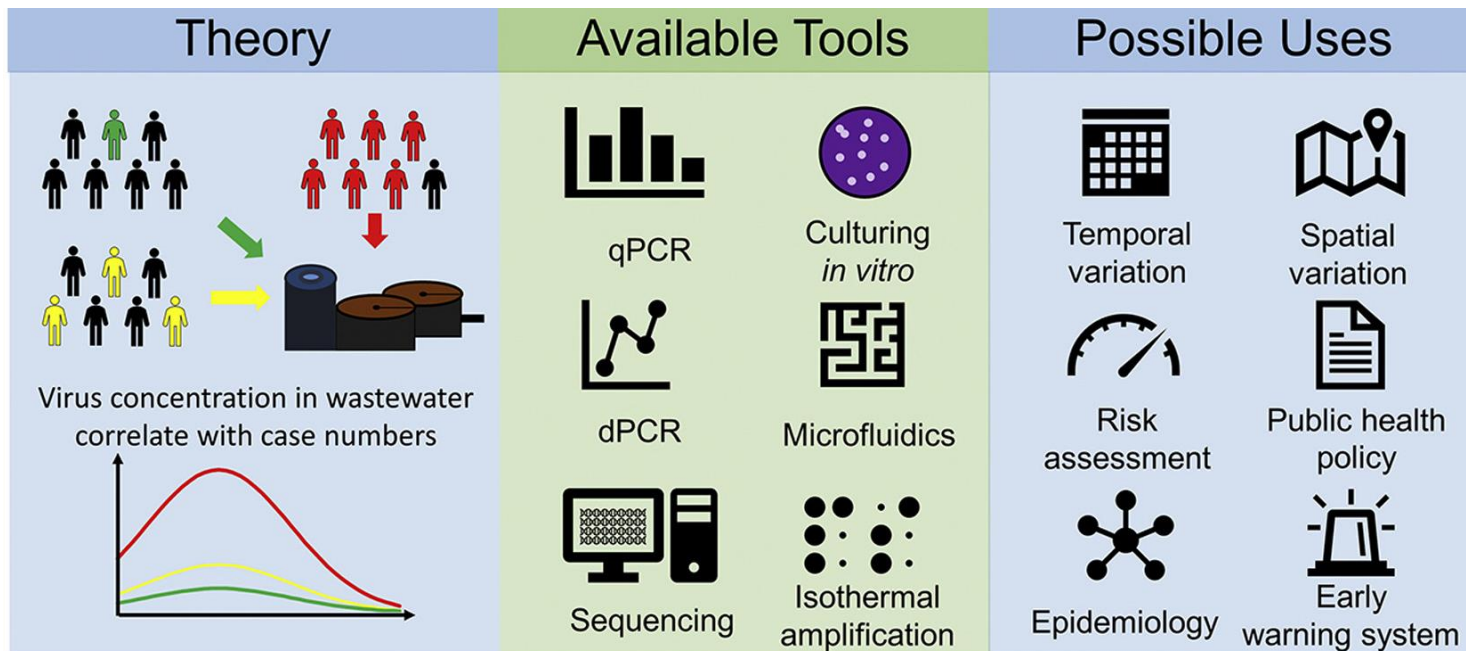
In **2021**, WBE can detect COVID-19 **~2 weeks earlier** than other testing methods!



# Current Wastewater Monitoring Workflows



# WBE Outcomes and Data Uses



*Jones et al 2020 – Current Opinions in Environmental Science and Health*

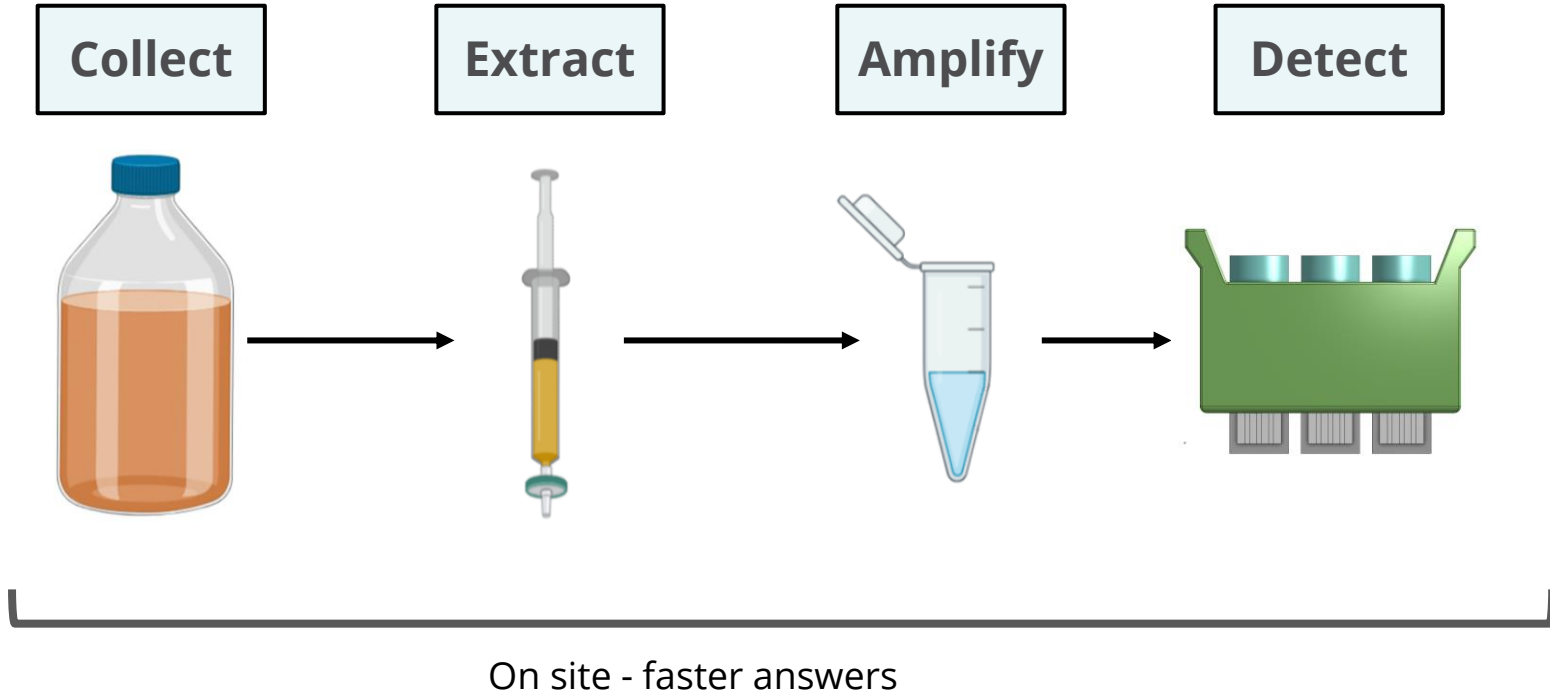
# So, Why Isn't WBE Everywhere?

**Current limitations of WBE sampling and lab analysis involve:**

- Complex Supply Chains
- Travel To Centralized Labs
- Minimum 24 Hour Turn Around
- High Cost \$500-\$1000 USD.
- Heavy Infrastructure Requirements

**We need lower cost, faster and more robust approach!**

# Main Steps of the FRED Detection System





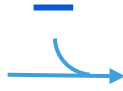
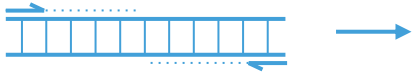
# Method of Detection – How Are We Different

## Traditional Methods



qPCR N1/N2 CDC Targets

## FREDsense Method



qPCR N1/N2 &  
Gene Specific Electrochemical  
Detection

## Advantages

High Accuracy, Lower Detection Limit, Field Enabled



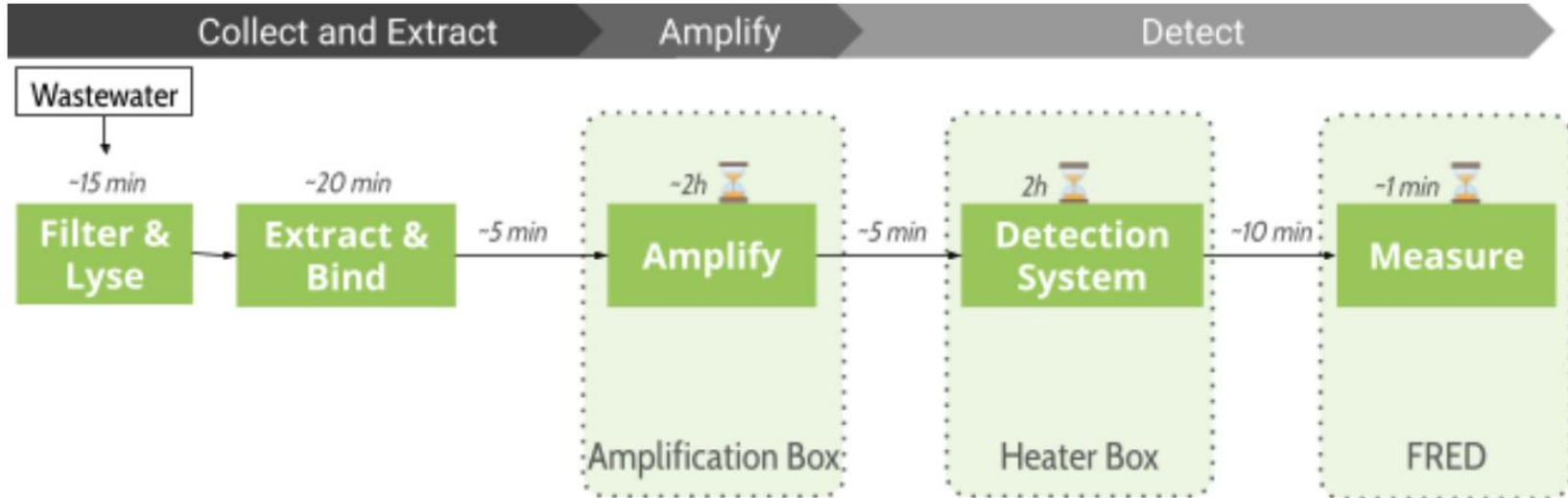
# A Field Based Approach to WBE

## Field Based Analysis Equipment

- Portable
- Battery Operated
- No Lab Equipment Necessary
- 20-30 minutes of operator time
- Results in <4 hours
- Detection as low as 5 gene copies / mL
- Simple results anywhere

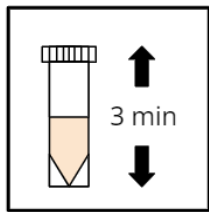
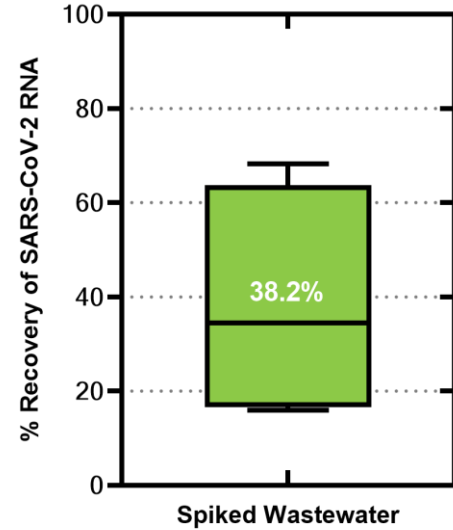


# Protocol For Use

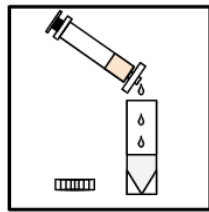


# Collect and Extract RNA

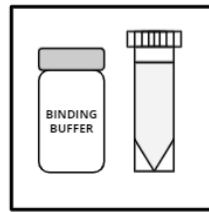
- Rapid on-site extraction of SARS-CoV-2 RNA
- ~40% RNA recovery of SARS-CoV-2
- Simple Syringe Based Method For Detection



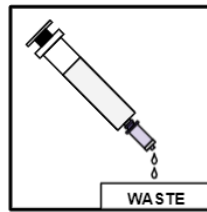
Step 1-2



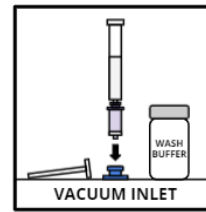
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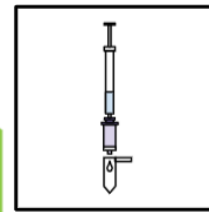
Step 4



Step 5-6



Step 7-8

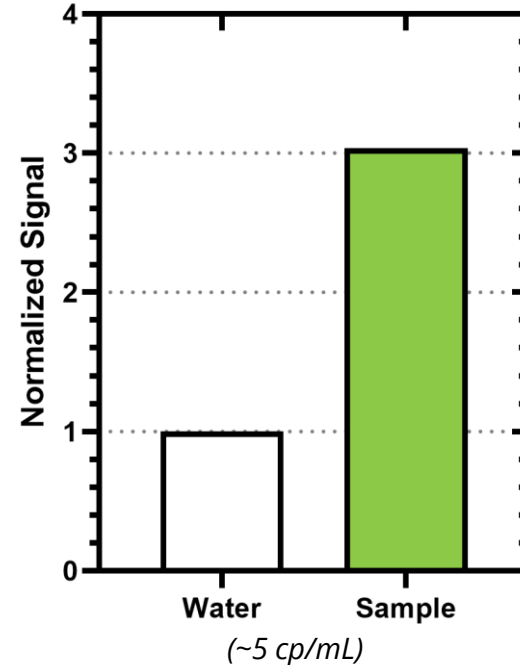


Step 9-10

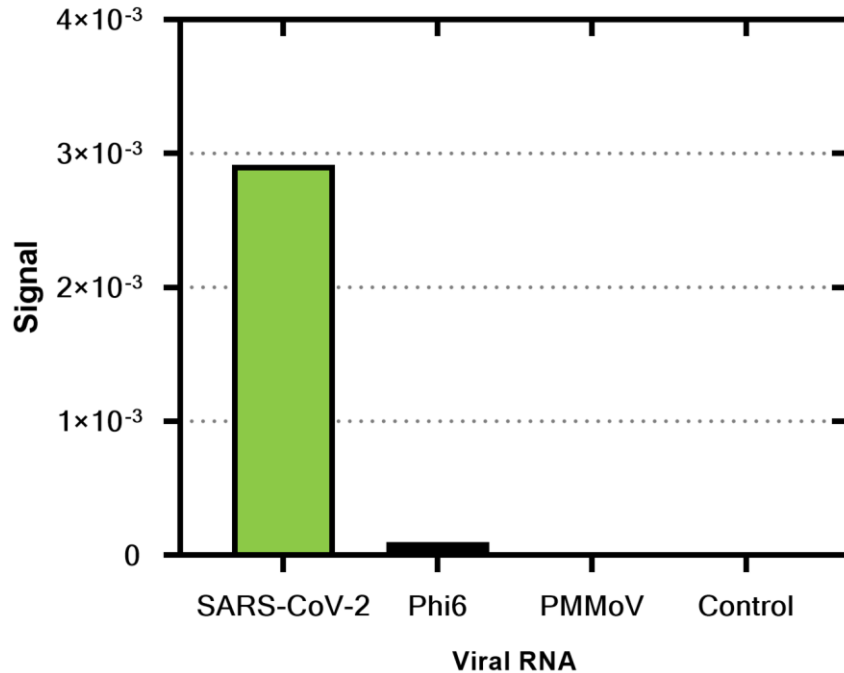
# Limit of Detection

The FRED-COVID system has been demonstrated in a range of wastewater matrices, from large cities (>1 M population) to small villages (<100 population).

FRED-COVID has been able to successfully detect COVID-19 in these real-world wastewater matrices at levels below 10 copies/mL.



# Sensor Specificity



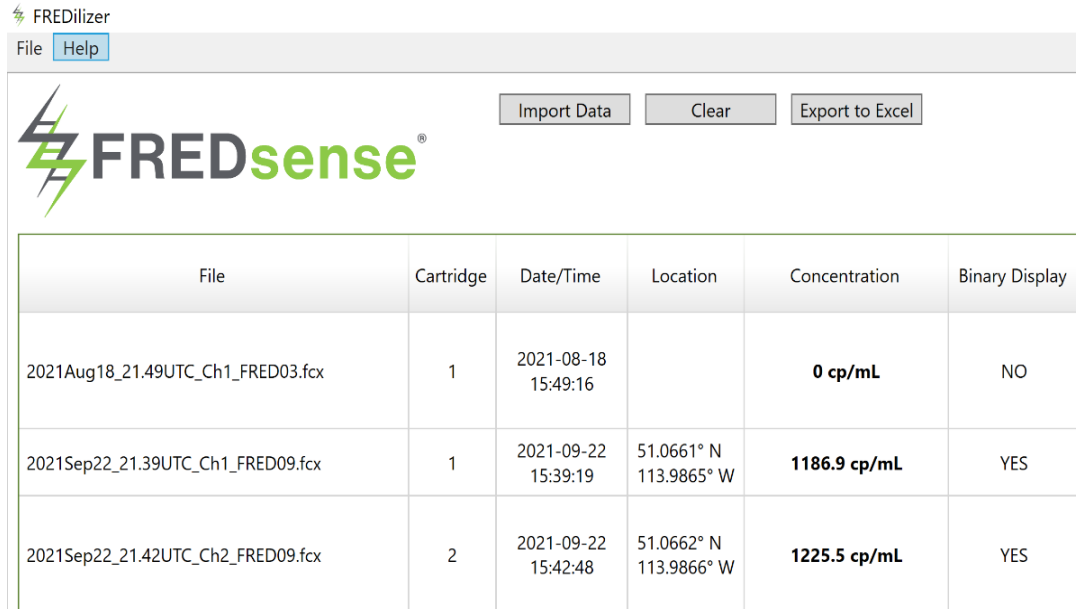
With specificity as one of the core design principles behind this sensor system, an initial specificity test was performed against common viral controls.

<5% signal error was recorded to off-target controls, with no false positives yet encountered in wastewater samples.

# Sensor Interface

Easy Reporting of COVID-19 Information in Dashboard

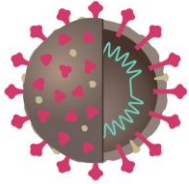
- Time
- Date
- Concentration
- Binary Output
- Easy quantitative output



The screenshot shows the FREDilizer software interface. At the top, there is a menu bar with 'File' and 'Help' options. Below the menu bar is the FREDsense logo and three buttons: 'Import Data', 'Clear', and 'Export to Excel'. The main area contains a table with the following data:

File	Cartridge	Date/Time	Location	Concentration	Binary Display
2021Aug18_21.49UTC_Ch1_FRED03.fcx	1	2021-08-18 15:49:16		<b>0 cp/mL</b>	NO
2021Sep22_21.39UTC_Ch1_FRED09.fcx	1	2021-09-22 15:39:19	51.0661° N 113.9865° W	<b>1186.9 cp/mL</b>	YES
2021Sep22_21.42UTC_Ch2_FRED09.fcx	2	2021-09-22 15:42:48	51.0662° N 113.9866° W	<b>1225.5 cp/mL</b>	YES

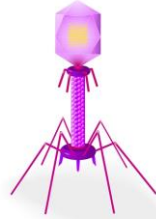
# Sensors For SARS-CoV-2 Testing



## SARS-CoV-2 N & S genes

Targeting the CDC N1 and N2 regions as well as the conserved S protein

- 37 sensors



## *Pseudomonas* Φ6 Bacteriophage

Process control virus with similar extraction behavior to SARS-CoV-2

- 5 sensors



## Pepper mild mottle virus (PMMoV)

Normalize signal for environmental factors

- 6 sensors



# City Scale WBE Public Health Platform

## Project Goal:

**Lab Validation** and **field implementation** pilot, in Japan, Israel, Philippines, a first ever, field-based COVID-19 analysis system across a municipality infrastructure for real-time monitoring of community risk.

## Project Aims:

1. Prepare a series of FREDsense COVID-19 analyzers
2. Implement, test and gather metrics on impacts of field analysis compared to status quo.
3. Work with partners to develop a full integration into a sewershed

# How It Works



## Key Values

- **Drive cost** – Reduce 90% of cost compared to current methods
- **Drive access** – for low-income communities
- **Drive engagement** – field analysis empowers local communities
- **Drive impact** – faster turn around time to decision

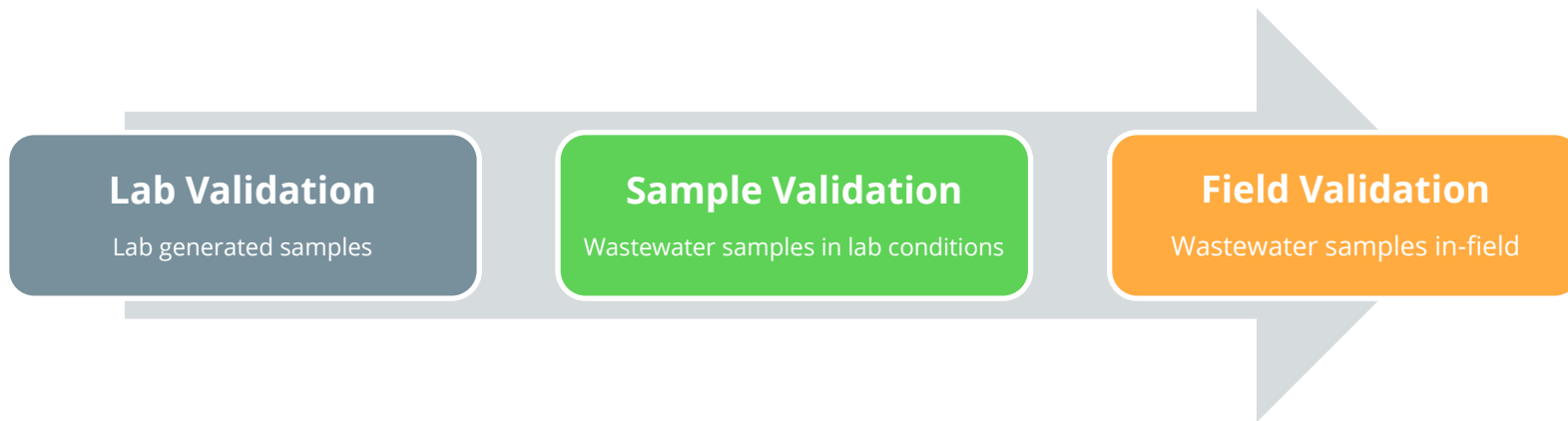
# Metrics, Outcomes and Viability

## Validation and Demonstration

- Validate project approach
- Build key datasets for Health Agency
- Generate case studies

## Project Long-Term Viability

- Implement solutions in new areas
- Build new targets (Ebola, Cholera, etc.)
- Reduce infrastructure requirements





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