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Maine Public interviewed Rob Wheeler, a University of Maine associate professor of microbiology, about testing campus wastewater for coronavirus. "Testing the whole population every week is something that is really logistically and financially quite demanding, and we're not able to do that at this time," said Wheeler. He notes that testing wastewater before it enters municipal systems gives a snapshot of the campus population. "I never would have thought before this that that's what I would be doing, but it turns out to be a really powerful tool."

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