

《英国开始训练狗检测新冠病毒，全靠鼻子》

Canines have been used for decades to sniff out drugs, bombs, corpses and even cancer.

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Now, a team of British researches are hoping dogs' keen sense of smell can help detect COVID-19, CNN reports.

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The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine is working with specially trained dogs to develop a new kind of coronavirus test, one that doesn't require a swab, but just a sniff.

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The organization recently discovered canines can detect Malaria infections in humans and they are investigating whether the same is true for COVID-19.

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The training began in March and researchers are eyeing six weeks as enough to determine if the dogs are up to snuff.

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If the tests go well, these "super sniffers" could be deployed to screen up to 250 people per hour for the virus.

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According to researchers, the dog tests won't replace traditional coronavirus testing but will be used as a supplement since COVID-19 tests are in short supply and results can take hours, if not days to come back.

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Researchers said the dogs could be used at airports and other public areas in the future to help prevent another outbreak once the current pandemic declines.

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