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This list focuses especially on the items that, by experience, could be easily forgotten to pack. It is neither meant to be exhaustive; neither may all items be necessary in your specific use case.

Beeswax (to cover drill holes, if allowed/desired by the institution)
Brush (for cleaning)
Cardboard paper, glossy black paper recommended for sampling of metal objects (to collect sample material that flew off the weighing paper)
Centrifuge tubes, size according to sampling medium. Don't use glass vials for metal chips or curls; they will cling to the vials because they are statically charged (to store and transported sampled material)
Cling film (to cover surfaces for sampling)
Ethanol (for cleaning)
Gloves, single-use gloves or (white) cotton gloves (for general handling of objects)
Magnifier, handheld or as headband, combination with lighting is useful
Paper wipes (for cleaning)
Permanent marker, waterproof and abrasion-resistant (to label vials and/or bags)
Pointed tweezers
Power adapter
Power extension cord
Precision pocket balance (to weigh objects before and after sampling)
Sample bags, plastic, sealable (to store e.g. centrifuge tubes with sampled material)
Sample labels for institutions, see example in the appendix (to document which institution
carried out the sampling and the subsequent analyses)
Scale, combination with colour scale/colour checker is useful (for photography)
Scalpel
Scissors
Self-adhesive labels
Spatula
Tape
Voltage converter
Weighing paper (to collect material during sampling by drilling and tweezing, clipping, sawing etc.)

