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## Our actions & contributions to fight COVID-19

(updated 23 April)

We are using our expertise, resources and global reach to contribute to research efforts and support with much needed medical supplies. As new issues continue to develop, we are working with health authorities and international bodies responding to the COVID-19 pandemic to see how we can make meaningful contributions.

Our efforts to support communities are on-going, and we will update this page with new initiatives. Below we have listed some of the actions currently taking place.

### Supporting people affected by COVID-19

- France**  
 Nationwide, we are supporting organisations with DKK 3.7 million (approximately USD 540,000) to help people who are severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. We are supporting the National Food Bank Federation to help immediate and longer-term food delivery for vulnerable people. The Federation is made up of 5000 associations supporting 2 million people across France. For people living with diabetes and obesity, we are working with the National Diabetes Patient Federation to help provide better access to medical care, follow-up consultations, diagnostics as well as towards efforts to prevent diabetes and obesity.  
 (updated 21 April)
- USA**  
 For people living with diabetes experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19, we offer a free 90-day insulin supply to provide support during the pandemic.  
 (updated 15 April)
- Italy**  
 We have given an unconditional contribution to Senior Italy FederAnziani, the largest federation for senior citizens, to establish a national toll-free number to provide psychological support and a listening to senior citizens isolated in their homes. The contribution also goes to support the public awareness campaign: *Seniors & Coronavirus: rules against contagion from fake news and scams*.  
 (updated 1 April)

### Contributing to relief efforts and emergency situations

- India**  
 To support the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for COVID-19, and the police force, our local offices donated insulin vials, masks and hand sanitiser valued at DKK 1 million (approximately USD 145,000). Additionally, employees at our Global Business Service centre in Bangalore collected DKK 300,000 (approximately USD 43,000) for the Prime Minister's Fund for COVID-19.  
 (updated 23 April)



Humanitarian settings

Those humanitarian organisations which we typically provide with insulin will receive this free of charge and without shipping

costs through September 2020 to enable them to maintain their normal operations and uphold their capacity to provide chronic care to patients. In addition, we are providing monetary donations to the appeals of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the Danish Red Cross (DRC).

(updated 16 April)

- **USA**  
We are committing USD 500,000 (DKK 3.4 mil approx.) to national relief organisations as well as to New York City, New Jersey and Philadelphia relief efforts. Additionally, we are supporting emergency assistance requests from our patient and advocacy organizations and our local communities to address basic needs of individuals and families. [Read the press release](#)  
(updated 3 April)
- **Tunisia**  
Employees and our local office jointly donated DKK 56,800 (USD 8,500 approx.) to the National Fund to Fight Against Coronavirus created by the Tunisian Ministry of Finance. Additionally, they have been providing daily meals for the staff and volunteers at the Emergency Medical Aid Care staff in Tunis.  
(updated 23 March)
- **China**  
To help people in areas severely impacted by COVID-19, we have donated more than DKK 3 million (USD 475,000 approx.) to the Red Cross Society of China to support the fight against the COVID-19 outbreak.  
(updated February)

## Supporting COVID-19 testing

- **Denmark**  
To support the urgent need for COVID-19 testing, the Novo Nordisk Foundation has awarded up to DKK 250 million (approximately USD 36.4 million) to help establish a national test centre. The grant will go to the Danish Health Authorities' Statens Serum Institut responsible for Danish preparedness against infectious diseases. Novo Nordisk's contribution consists of personnel, research-based knowledge and relevant technology for the collaboration. [Read the press release](#)  
(updated 21 April)
- **Brazil**  
We have donated equipment from our production site to enable Montes Claros University to perform COVID-19 testing using Real-time Polymerase Chain Reaction.  
(updated 6 April)
- **Brazil**  
Our production site in Montes Claros is purchasing 50.000 kits for COVID-19 testing for the Municipal Health Department.  
(updated 31 March)
- **Denmark**  
Testing is a critical aspect of global efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19, and we are dedicating one of laboratories in Måløv outside Copenhagen to support this task. Employees from Novo Nordisk research department have volunteered to contribute to the fight against COVID-19. Together with staff from the Danish health service, they will be able to increase the testing capacity in Denmark.  
(updated 28 March)
- **United Kingdom**  
Our Research Centre in Oxford is lending out laboratory equipment to the NHS to support COVID-19 testing.  
(updated 25 March)

## Protecting medical staff from COVID-19

- **Portugal**  
We have donated 1000 surgical masks and 2000 gloves to Lisbon City Hall to support a medicines and essential goods home delivery programme for the elderly and chronic disease patients.  
(updated 8 April)
- **Portugal**  
We have donated 500 FFP2 (Filtering Face Piece level 2) protective masks and 2500 surgical masks to the Portuguese National Association for Diabetic Patients.  
(updated 7 April)
- **Saudi Arabia**  
We supported the medication home delivery project of King Faisal hospital with four freezers to increase their storage capacity for ice packs used during insulin transfer.  
(updated 2 April)
- **Italy**  
To help the fight against COVID-19, our employees collected 20,000 euros and our affiliate matched this collection for a total donation of 40.000 euro to Protezione Civile, the Italian authorities coordinating civil protection policies.  
(updated 1 April)
- **Brazil**  
Our production site in Montes Claros has donated 1.300 litres of alcohol (70%) and 305 litres of gel alcohol to the local Municipal Health Department for making hand and hospital equipment sanitiser.  
(updated 31 March)
- **Tunisia**  
We have donated more than 1000 sets of protective masks, protective gloves, hand sanitizers and surgical overcoats to the five main hospitals of the five most affected regions in the country.  
(updated 30 March)



We have made an emergency donation to Turkish University Hospital and Okmeydani Training and Research Hospital to provide