

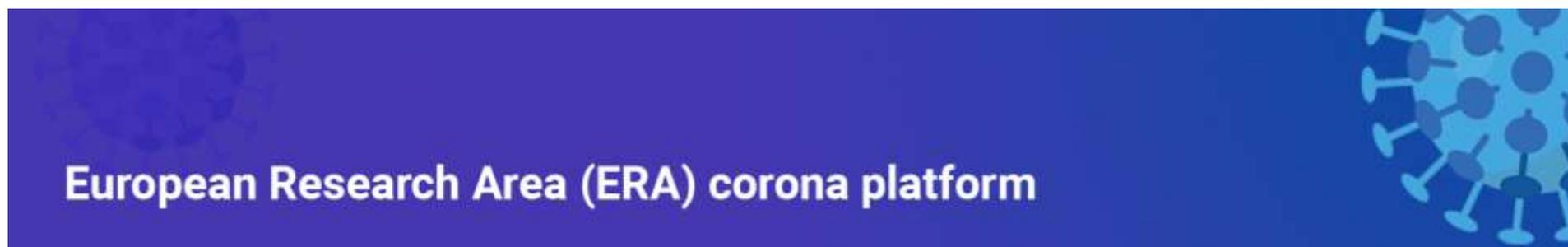
## Funding / networking opportunities for corona virus-related projects:

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Funding opportunities and R&I challenges		
Call title / deadline	Topic / Scope	link
<b>TU DELFT INTERN TU Delft COVID-19 Response Fund</b>  <b>Keywords: TUD intern, charity fund</b>	Project aanvragen TU Delft Covid-19 Response Fund Het TU Delft Covid-19 Response Fund is gericht op het snel kunnen steunen van Delftse initiatieven op het gebied van corona bestrijding. Het fonds is bedoeld voor Delftse projecten die werken aan oplossingen die direct (april en mei 2020) in te zetten zijn in de strijd tegen het coronavirus. Afhankelijk van de opbrengsten van de fondsenwervingscampagne, kunnen bijdragen uit het fonds uitbreiden naar relevante projecten op de midden-lange termijn (mogelijk al vanaf juni 2020).	<a href="https://www.tudelft.nl/universiteitsfonds/tu-delft-covid-19-response-fund/criteria-tu-delft-covid-19-response-fund/">https://www.tudelft.nl/universiteitsfonds/tu-delft-covid-19-response-fund/criteria-tu-delft-covid-19-response-fund/</a>

	<p>Criteria</p> <p>De nadruk ligt op resultaten/werkzaamheden/inzet op de zeer korte termijn (april, mei 2020). Daarom gaat het om projecten die urgente en concrete vragen aanpakken in samenwerking met instanties als RIVM, de overheid, universiteiten, medische centra en anderen die zich momenteel inzetten het coronavirus in (Nederland) te bestrijden. Beoordelingsprocedure – speciale commissie Gezien de urgentie van de crisis is het cruciaal dat aanvragen op een snelle manier beoordeeld kunnen worden. Daarom hebben we een speciale commissie opgericht waarin drie leden de aanvragen gaan beoordelen en het Universiteitsfonds in de besluitvorming kan adviseren. Deze commissie bestaat uit Theun Baller (decaan 3mE), John Schmitz (decaan EWI) en Dirk Jan Veeger (voorzitter department of biomechanical engineering) Aanvragen Aanvragen kunnen per email naar het Universiteitsfonds Delft gestuurd worden via <a href="mailto:c.devisser-1@tudelft.nl">c.devisser-1@tudelft.nl</a> en naar de bovengenoemde beoordelingscommissie: <a href="mailto:J.E.J.Schmitz@tudelft.nl">J.E.J.Schmitz@tudelft.nl</a>; <a href="mailto:T.S.Baller@tudelft.nl">T.S.Baller@tudelft.nl</a> en <a href="mailto:H.E.J.Veeger@tudelft.nl">H.E.J.Veeger@tudelft.nl</a>.</p>	
<p><b>ZonMw Start onderzoeksprogramma COVID-19 ('second wave')</b></p> <p>Will open end of april 2020</p> <p><b>Keywords: NL funding, prevention, diagnostics, societal consequences</b></p>	<p><b>Drie grote aandachtsgebieden voorzien in dit COVID-19 onderzoeksprogramma</b></p> <p>Het programma zal zich richten op drie grote aandachtsgebieden:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Voorspellende diagnostiek en behandeling</li> <li>2. Zorg en preventie, inclusief transmissie</li> <li>3. Maatschappelijke gevolgen van de coronacrisis en de maatregelen daartegen</li> </ol> <p>Nadere duiding van de aandachtsgebieden volgt bij bekendmaking van het programma (zie tijdschema). Op dit moment wordt voor elk aandachtsgebied een expertpanel geformeerd van diverse experts uit het veld. Deze panels bestaan uit wetenschappelijke en praktijk-experts. De panels hebben als taak om binnen hun aandachtsgebied onderzoeksonderwerpen (of thema's) te prioriteren.</p> <p>Tijdschema</p> <p>Eind april is de programmatekst van het gehele programma gereed.</p> <p>De bekendmaking van het programma zal plaatsvinden via een nieuwsbericht eind april/begin mei.</p> <p>De honoreringen van de urgente onderzoeksvragen worden eind mei bekendgemaakt.</p> <p>Openstelling van de thematische subsidierondes is eind april/begin mei.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.zonmw.nl/nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/start-onderzoeksprogramma-covid-19-second-wave/">https://www.zonmw.nl/nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/start-onderzoeksprogramma-covid-19-second-wave/</a></p>
<p><b>Pfizer COVID-19 Competitive Grant Program</b></p> <p>Deadline: 22 May 2020</p>	<p>During this challenging time, Pfizer is committed to doing all we can to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. We recognize the need for the rapid development of educational programs and trainings and the implementation of systemic best practices for COVID19 management. As part of our commitment, we are releasing this Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide financial support for organizations producing independent educational programs and quality improvement initiatives designed to combat this evolving crisis.</p>	<p><a href="https://pfe-pfizercom-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/GMG_2020GMG_G-COVID-19.pdf">https://pfe-pfizercom-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/GMG_2020GMG_G-COVID-19.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.pfizer.co.uk/pfizer-inc-covid-19-">https://www.pfizer.co.uk/pfizer-inc-covid-19-</a></p>

	<p><b>Category A:</b> Independent Medical Education Grants Through this RFP, it is our intent to support educational programs for healthcare providers focused on the recognition, diagnosis, treatment, and overall care management of patients with COVID-19.</p> <p><b>Category B: Quality &amp; Process Improvement Grants</b> The intent of this grant category is to provide support to hospitals or healthcare systems so that they may evaluate and improve their systems-of-care for COVID-19 patients. Funds can be used for staff training or clinical process improvement. While hospitals are dealing with the urgent care of patients with COVID-19, these grants can be used to address procedural challenges and needs. Quality improvement grants can also be used to help facilitate the sharing and exchange of best practices across hospital systems or geographic regions. Our goal is that the quality or process of care of patients will be improved with this additional funding support.</p>	<p><a href="#">competitive-grant-programme</a></p>
<p><b>Eureka: Multilateral call for solutions for COVID-19 Echo Period – Life without a vaccine</b> 15 May 2020</p> <p><b>Keywords/attention: consortium (at least 2 countries), co-matching required</b></p>	<p>Participants are invited to submit research and innovation project proposals aiming to provide <b>short to medium-term responses to COVID-19 specific needs.</b></p> <p>These may include (but are not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infection prevention and protection</li> <li>• Sanitation technology</li> <li>• Diagnostics and testing</li> <li>• Therapeutics, vaccines and medicines</li> <li>• Disease-tracking technology, analytical solutions for health systems</li> <li>• Smart technology for COVID-19 patients</li> <li>• Smart technologies and support systems for critical production and supply chains under lockdown</li> <li>• Safe mobility: migration data and trends, regional risk monitoring, protection of isolated and risk groups, safe use of public transports</li> <li>• Education technologies and digital workplace.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.rvo.nl/subsidie-en-financieringswijzer/eureka/eureka-call-covid-19">https://www.rvo.nl/subsidie-en-financieringswijzer/eureka/eureka-call-covid-19</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.eurekanetwork.org/content/multilateral-call-solutions-covid-19-echo-period">https://www.eurekanetwork.org/content/multilateral-call-solutions-covid-19-echo-period</a></p>
<p><b>EIT Health Business Plan 2021 Calls for Proposals Addressing pandemics</b> 27 May 2020</p>	<p><b>Addressing pandemics:</b> Given the recent coronavirus spread and global pandemic of COVID-19, submissions are also welcome that address one or more topics related to the prevention and management of the current, as well as potential future, pandemics. Expressions of interest for these special proposals are due on 27 May 2020, 4 pm CET (Munich Time).</p> <p><b>Innovation Projects</b> are adding new instrument, the Start-up Amplifier, which allows a defined type of external project partners to drive or be at the core of Innovation projects under specific conditions. This new instrument is optional and can be used by partners when appropriate. Another change for Innovation Projects is an improved and more comprehensive Stage 0 service, which supports applicants</p>	<p><a href="https://www.eithealth-scandinavia.eu/all-about-the-bp2021-call/">https://www.eithealth-scandinavia.eu/all-about-the-bp2021-call/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.eithealth-scandinavia.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/EIT-Health-Business-">https://www.eithealth-scandinavia.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/EIT-Health-Business-</a></p>

<p><b>Keywords: prevention and management of pandemics, business plan</b></p>	<p>in preparation of Innovation Project proposals. Improvements include an enhanced role of CLC/InnoStars Staff in the process.</p> <p><b>Campus proposals</b> will need to put even greater emphasis on certain key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Identify Learners’ Skills and Learning Outcomes</li> <li>-Demonstrate Proposal’s Contribution to Citizen and Patient Engagement</li> <li>-Scalability and Knowledge Transfer: EIT Health Digital Learning Platform for Integration of Campus Digital Learning</li> <li>-Feeding the pipeline: Building a Learner Community</li> </ul> <p><b>The Accelerator Ecosystem</b> Call will give already existing regional or international programmes and initiatives offered by EIT Health partners the opportunity to be both labelled and published as an Accelerator Ecosystem Programme. These Accelerator Ecosystem Programmes must fit into the overall Accelerator scope and provide an added value to the Accelerator start-up pathway.</p>	<p><a href="#">Plan-2021-Calls-Document-1.pdf</a></p>
<p><b>Internet tegen Corona SIDN fonds tot 30 juni 2020</b></p>	<p><b>Oproep sterke initiatieven</b></p> <p>We zijn op zoek naar sterke initiatieven van teams die met inzet van hun expertise en kennis de coronacrisis te lijf willen gaan. Met name op het gebied van:</p> <p><b>Inzicht &amp; grip op de situatie</b></p> <p>Initiatieven die op een verantwoordelijke manier inzicht en grip proberen te krijgen op wat nu gebeurt. Met betrekking tot de pandemie zelf en hoe we hier mee omgaan. Door nu goede data en kennis te verzamelen (op een verantwoorde manier), kunnen we daar beter op inspelen. Denk aan citizen science of andere vormen van slim georganiseerde, hoogwaardige en verantwoordelijke (realtime) vormen van dataverzameling en data delen. In combinatie met de inzet van AI kunnen we een bijdrage leveren aan om de missie van kennisinstututen en overheden om de uitbraak te vertragen en goed inzicht te krijgen in de pandemie. Zowel op medisch gebied, als daarbuiten.</p> <p><b>Betrouwbare en veilige digitale oplossingen</b></p> <p>Oplossingen die zorgvuldig omgaan met data en waarop we echt kunnen vertrouwen qua privacy en veiligheid nu we op grote schaal gebruik maken van internet om thuis te werken, leren en te leven. De crisis geeft een enorme, positieve impuls aan de digitalisering van allerlei processen die voorheen op locatie plaatsvonden en zal er vermoedelijk toe leiden dat al die digitale platforms en omgevingen na de crisis niet meer weg te denken zijn uit ons dagelijks leven. We roeien nu allemaal met de riemen die we hebben en maken gebruik van beschikbare middelen en platforms die er al zijn. Dat zijn er gelukkig heel veel. Een risico is echter dat we daarbij andere belangen, zoals veiligheid en privacy, uit het oog verliezen door juist die platforms en apps te gebruiken die onveilig zijn dan wel onze gegevens voor allerlei doeleinden gebruiken. Met name in het publieke domein is het goed om hier kritisch naar te kijken.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.sidnfonds.nl/internet-tegen-corona">https://www.sidnfonds.nl/internet-tegen-corona</a></p>

<p><b>Elrha is launching an urgent funding call for research proposals to support the COVID-19 response in humanitarian settings.</b>  <b>Round 1: 13 April 2020</b>  <b>Round 2: 20 April 2020</b>  <b>Round 3: 4 May 2020</b></p> <p><b>Keywords: Low-income countries, humanitarian settings</b></p>	<p>10.000 euro-max 75.000 euro</p> <p>Elrha is launching an urgent funding call for research proposals to support the COVID-19 response in humanitarian settings. The call aims to fund public health research that will produce robust findings that will contribute to the effectiveness of the current humanitarian response and increase the evidence base for future responses to similar infectious disease outbreaks.</p> <p>KEY INFORMATION</p> <p>This Call focuses on identified priorities related to the current COVID-19 outbreak in humanitarian settings in low and middle-income countries (LMICs). Proposals will be eligible for research that targets: Refugees or IDPs in camps or urban humanitarian settings, or conflict-affected people in humanitarian settings in LMICs. Health systems and health care workers supporting the COVID-19 response in humanitarian settings in LMICs.</p> <p>Proposals addressing any of the below topics will be eligible (see the full Call Guidelines below for further detail):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Innovative solutions</li> <li>Supporting existing health care delivery</li> <li>Predicting outbreaks</li> <li>Social science behavioural research</li> <li>Co-ordination and sharing</li> </ul> <p>Proposals must demonstrate how findings will directly inform the response to the current COVID-19 outbreak in humanitarian settings.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.elrha.org/funding-opportunity/research-to-support-covid-19-response-in-humanitarian-settings/">https://www.elrha.org/funding-opportunity/research-to-support-covid-19-response-in-humanitarian-settings/</a></p>
<p><b>MIT Solve Challenge</b>  <b>18 June, 2020</b></p> <p><b>Keywords: innovative, challenge, tech-based solutions</b></p>	<p>The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, under its Solve programme, invites applications for its health security and pandemics challenge. This supports innovative, human-centred, technology-based solutions to the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic. Projects may involve technology innovations that can slow and track the spread of an emerging outbreak or solutions that focus on preventative and mitigation measures that strengthen access to affordable primary healthcare systems, enhance disease surveillance systems and improve healthcare supply chains.</p> <p>Individuals, teams or organisations from anywhere in the world are eligible to apply.</p> <p><b>Challenge Overview</b></p> <p>Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is the latest in a series of infectious disease emergencies, including cholera, Ebola, SARS, Chikungunya, HIV/AIDS, and influenza. While scientists and drug developers, with support from governments and multilateral organizations, have been rushing to produce, test, and deliver vaccines and treatments, tech innovators also have a crucial role to play, both in the near term and to prevent and mitigate future disease outbreaks.</p>	<p><a href="https://solve.mit.edu/become-a-solver">https://solve.mit.edu/become-a-solver</a></p> <p><a href="https://solve.mit.edu/challenges/health-security-pandemics#challenge-subnav-offset">https://solve.mit.edu/challenges/health-security-pandemics#challenge-subnav-offset</a></p>

	<p>In the near term, we need improved solutions for prevention, accurate detection, and rapid response. MIT Solve is seeking tech innovations that can slow and track the spread of an emerging outbreak, for example by improving individual hygiene, developing low-cost rapid diagnostics, analyzing data that informs decision making, and providing tools that support and protect health workers.</p> <p>At the same time, we cannot solely treat disease outbreaks reactively. Climate change and globalization leave us ever more vulnerable to future epidemics and pandemics, and it's critical to be prepared. Solve is also seeking solutions that focus on preventative and mitigation measures that strengthen access to affordable primary healthcare systems, enhance disease surveillance systems, and improve healthcare supply chains.</p>	
<b>Funding for access to infrastructure</b>		
<p><b>SURF COVID-19 Fast Track for Computing Time Call</b>  up to and including 30 June 2020</p>	<p>If you are doing research on COVID-19, you can apply for accelerated access to the national high performance computing and data infrastructure for research.</p> <p>Computing time on National Computer Facilities is a funding scheme that grants researchers and research groups access to national advanced computational facilities, CPU and GPU cores including the necessary storage, software and technical expertise.</p> <p>Fighting COVID-19 requires extensive research contributing to our understanding of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and our ability to respond to the pandemic.</p> <p>Given the urgency and overall public importance of COVID-19 research, NWO and SURF launch a COVID-19 Fast Track as part of this Compute Call. For research on this topic, a shortened application process will operate, aiming to provide access to national high performance computing and data infrastructure for research.</p> <p><b>What can you apply for?</b></p> <p>The same national advanced facilities are available as described in the regular call for Computing Time. The computing facilities are: HPC Cloud CPU/GPU, Lisa compute cluster, Cartesius Supercomputer (or successor) CPU/GPU, Data Processing (Grid/Spider) and/or Custom Cloud Solutions (Kubernetes/MS4). The necessary storage, assistance with software setup and technical expertise can also be requested with each of these facilities.</p> <p>Please be aware that this call is exclusively focussing on studies supplementary to existing RIVM and WHO studies. At the moment RIVM and WHO are overwhelmed by COVID-19 research. Therefore, the studies applied for should not interfere with or duplicate the RIVM and WHO studies, nor should they call on resources of these organizations.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.surf.nl/en/coronavirus-and-surf/covid-19-fast-track-for-computing-time-call">https://www.surf.nl/en/coronavirus-and-surf/covid-19-fast-track-for-computing-time-call</a></p>

<p><b>PRACE support to mitigate impact of COVID-19 pandemic</b> PRACE (Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe)</p> <p><b>This call is open until further notice. Applications are evaluated within one week and start as soon as possible if awarded.</b></p>	<p>Fast Track Call for Proposals</p> <p>PRACE is welcoming project proposals requesting computing resources to contribute to the mitigation of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. This applies, without being exhaustive, to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Biomolecular research to understand the mechanisms of the virus infection</li> <li>-Bioinformatics research to understand mutations, evolution, etc.</li> <li>-Bio-simulations to develop therapeutics and/or vaccines</li> <li>-Epidemiologic analysis to understand and forecast the spread of the disease</li> <li>-Other analyses to understand and mitigate the impact of the pandemic</li> </ul> <p>This call for proposals will follow a fast track review process to provide swift feedback to the applicants. PRACE has established a Scientific Committee which will discuss the merit of the proposals, and is supported by external scientific experts, and a technical team.</p>	<p><a href="https://prace-ri.eu/prace-support-to-mitigate-impact-of-covid-19-pandemic/">https://prace-ri.eu/prace-support-to-mitigate-impact-of-covid-19-pandemic/</a></p>
<p><b>EGI Advanced computing call for COVID-19 research projects: specialized technical support, specialized simulation tools, and compute and storage resources, to accelerate progress on COVID-19 research.</b></p>	<p>As the coronavirus, and its related consequences, spread across the globe, EGI and Open Science Grid (OSG) in the USA are joining forces to commit specialized technical support, specialized simulation tools, and compute and storage resources, to accelerate progress on COVID-19 research.</p> <p>The EGI Federation brings together hundreds of research data centres at research institutes and national and international laboratories in Europe, Africa, the Asia Pacific region, Canada and Latin America, who collaborate to support advanced data-driven research projects. The EGI Federation includes the largest research cloud federation in Europe, with over 20 research cloud providers connected from across the whole continent.</p> <p>The OSG facilitates access to distributed high throughput computing for US based researchers and their international collaborators. Researchers can submit batch jobs from their home institutions, or receive accounts on OSG supported submit points, to run simulations or analyze data across more than 100 clusters, HPC centers, and commercial cloud providers.</p> <p>By joining their efforts EGI and OSG are opening their infrastructures to respond together to computational and data intensive COVID-19 research projects.</p> <p>EGI and OSG encourage COVID-19 research projects to apply to this call and take advantage of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-sponsored access to computing and storage facilities of EGI and OSG to perform high-performance simulations and data analytics</li> <li>-support from cloud, compute and data architects to port scientific applications and datasets to EGI compute and storage resources</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.egi.eu/egi-call-for-covid-19-research-projects/">https://www.egi.eu/egi-call-for-covid-19-research-projects/</a></p>

	<p>-catalogue of ready-to-use, pre-configured virtual machine images that can run on any of the federated EGI cloud centres</p> <p>-Jupyter notebook and other interfaces to access scientific data and to define, run and refine data analysis code and workflows</p>	
<p><b>The ESRF is ready to provide access to its facilities for covid-19 related research projects.</b></p>	<p>The ESRF, in collaboration with its EPN Science campus partners, ILL, EMBL, IBS, provides a unique combination of state-of-the-art facilities and common platforms for structural biology and bio-imaging and can play a full part in the collective response of the research community to the challenges posed by Covid-19.</p> <p>In order to contribute to the international scientific effort on Covid-19, the ESRF is willing to consider any priority research on Covid-19 that may need the exceptional use of ESRF facilities, including its cryo-electron microscope and its structural biology beamlines, which can be made available exceptionally.</p> <p>For any urgent project on Covid-19 that may need the support of the ESRF expertise and the exceptional use of ESRF facilities, please contact Jean Susini (susini@esrf.fr) or Harald Reichert (reichert@esrf.fr), Directors of Research, or Gordon Leonard (leonard@esrf.fr), Head of the Structural Biology Group. All proposals will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and followed up rapidly.</p> <p>Research community work on Covid-19 on a longer timescale with the new EBS facility, can be submitted at any time through the ESRF User portal.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.esrf.eu/home/news/general/content-news/general/covid-19-scientific-research.html">http://www.esrf.eu/home/news/general/content-news/general/covid-19-scientific-research.html</a></p>
<p><b>The Deuteration &amp; Macromolecular Crystallisation (DEMAX) platform at ESS is offering prioritised access to laboratory services for scientists and researchers working on COVID-19-related research projects.</b></p>	<p>The Deuteration &amp; Macromolecular Crystallisation (DEMAX) platform at ESS is offering prioritised access to laboratory services for scientists and researchers working on COVID-19-related research projects.</p> <p>DEMAX, which is currently running on a small scale, is able to provide expertise, advice and limited materials to support research aimed at the critical need to gain a better understanding of COVID-19.</p> <p>ESS will provide prioritised access to the laboratory services for COVID-19-related proposals.</p> <p>INFORMATION ABOUT PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submission and review of COVID-19 related proposals will be continuous.</li> <li>▪ ESS will re-evaluate the need for prioritised support of proposals related to COVID-19 at the end of 2020.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://europeanspallationsource.se/article/2020/03/27/ess-demax-lab-prioritise-proposals-covid-19-related-research">https://europeanspallationsource.se/article/2020/03/27/ess-demax-lab-prioritise-proposals-covid-19-related-research</a></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Each proposal will be reviewed by DEMAX and prioritised at the discretion of the ESS Science Director.</li> <li>▪ The acceptance of your proposal will also be subject to capacity at DEMAX.</li> <li>▪ We strongly encourage applicants to get in touch with us via email: <a href="mailto:useroffice@ess.eu">useroffice@ess.eu</a> before submitting a request.</li> </ul>	
<b>Calls for joining/sharing initiatives and access / network opportunities</b>		
Name	Topic / scope	link
<b>Join the AI-ROBOTICS vs COVID-19 initiative of the European AI Alliance</b>	<p>The European Commission launches an initiative to collect ideas about deployable Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Robotics solutions as well as information on other initiatives that could help face the ongoing COVID-19 crisis.</p> <p>The initiative aims to create a unique repository that is easily accessible to all citizens, stakeholders and policymakers and become part of the common European response to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Access the Solutions Repository</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Access the Initiatives Repository</a></li> </ul> <p><b>How to contribute?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have developed an AI system or built a robotic tool that can be deployed either immediately or in the short to mid-term in the context of disease prevention, diagnosis or treatment.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Suggest your AI or robotic solution here</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You are an individual or part of an organisation that has already launched an initiative involving your community and other stakeholders in a discussion on the role that technology and AI in particular could play during the current healthcare crisis.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Insert your initiative here</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have further ideas or would like to share relevant Information (including other initiatives).</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Suggest your ideas via the European AI Alliance</a></p>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/join-ai-robotics-vs-covid-19-initiative-european-ai-alliance">https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/join-ai-robotics-vs-covid-19-initiative-european-ai-alliance</a>
<b>eHealth Hub is looking for digital solutions to fight Coronavirus. We will share them with the European</b>	<p>We have been asked to <b>gather technologies already available in the market</b> and that can help to manage the healthcare crisis that Coronavirus has created. Examples include telemedicine, diagnostics or patients follow-up.</p> <p>All the solutions are being gathered in our free eCatalogue: <b><i>eHealth Hub Platform, the map of European</i></b></p>	<a href="https://mailchi.mp/969105885d1f/urgent-looking-for-digital-solutions-to-fight-">https://mailchi.mp/969105885d1f/urgent-looking-for-digital-solutions-to-fight-</a>

<p><b>Commission and European healthcare providers</b></p>	<p><b>eHealth.</b> We have created the tag <b>#Coronavirus</b> so that the authorities and health organizations that are interested <u>can find you in a single click</u></p> <p>And then, what?</p> <p>In the coming days, we will share the list of companies with the European Commission and various healthcare organizations at the regional, national and international level. Of course, the final decision to contact will depend on them, but at eHealth Hub, we want to make it easy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do you know anyone with a digital solution already in the market and that can help to manage coronavirus? Forward them this email.</li> <li>• Questions? Contact <a href="mailto:admin@ehealth-hub.eu">admin@ehealth-hub.eu</a></li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.ehealth-hub.eu/coronavirus?e=6b4f457cfa">coronavirus?e=6b4f457cfa</a></p>
<p><b>Health-RI, Dutch public-private partnership call for COVID-19 related data initiatives</b></p>	<p>Health-RI is actively collecting COVID-19 related initiatives, both starting and ongoing. This will promote collaboration and prevent fragmentation of research efforts.</p> <p>We need your input to provide a comprehensive overview. Please <a href="#">send an email</a> with a short outline of the project and a link to a webpage if possible. These will then be included in the overview on our website. Or submit your project by filling in the form below.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.health-ri.nl/news/call-covid-19-data-initiatives">https://www.health-ri.nl/news/call-covid-19-data-initiatives</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.health-ri.nl/news/health-ri-facilitating-covid-19-research">https://www.health-ri.nl/news/health-ri-facilitating-covid-19-research</a></p>
<p><b>BlueMorpho/EuroScan: A call for solutions #UnitedAgainstCovid19 is open with no limitations.</b></p>	<p>The Covid-19 pandemic has led to an unprecedented health and social crisis. We can all contribute to limiting Covid-19's transmission and impact. BLUMORPHO, EuroScan international network and co-operation partners has decided to offer their resources in the call #unitedagainstcovid19.</p> <p>A call for solutions #UnitedAgainstCovid19 is open with no limitations.</p> <p>To learn more about EuroScan and its partners, please click here: <a href="https://www.euroscan.org/index.php/en/general-informations">https://www.euroscan.org/index.php/en/general-informations</a></p> <p>We are encouraging you to showcase your solutions to contribute to help citizens and health organizations in the fight against covid-19. Your solutions will be evaluated by EuroScan international networks members and cooperation partners from Health Authorities and experts to disseminate and facilitate their use. All solutions that will contribute to limit covid-19 transmission and impact are expected #handwashing #desinfection #stayhome #social links... and be creative!</p>	<p><a href="https://www.blumorpho.com/unitedagainstcovid19.html">https://www.blumorpho.com/unitedagainstcovid19.html</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.blumorpho.com/unitedagainstcovid19-application.html">https://www.blumorpho.com/unitedagainstcovid19-application.html</a></p>
<p><b>CrowdHelix Call for Expert Collaborators: COVID-19 Response</b></p>	<p>CrowdHelix collaboration platform / The COVID-19 Helix Community</p> <p>CrowdHelix is seeking researchers &amp; innovators worldwide with a strong track record of excellence in fields relevant to the global effort to tackle the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.</p>	<p><a href="https://network.crowdHelix.com/covid-19">https://network.crowdHelix.com/covid-19</a></p>

	<p>We are offering free access to Crowdhelix, our online Open Innovation platform, to experts seeking to collaborate across continents and disciplines in developing R&amp;D funding proposals to help tackle COVID-19.</p>	
<p><b>COVID-19 EIT Health connecting innovators</b></p>	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic is having a devastating impact on our society. The EIT Health community is at the forefront of healthcare innovation, and are well placed to play a role in responding to the crisis.</p> <p>There are many organisations within our community (such as hospitals) that require support in their fight against COVID-19. There are also many in our community who are primed and ready to help such organisations where possible and appropriate. With that in mind, at EIT Health we can make the right connections between those that ‘need’ and those that ‘have’, so we can facilitate collaborations between members of our community and beyond.</p> <p>Please complete this form and tell us whether you are looking for help in fighting COVID-19, or if you have something that could help other organisations or individuals working on the front line. This could be organisations who need, or who are offering, equipment, services, advice, knowledge, collaboration opportunities etc.</p>	<p><a href="https://eithealth.wufoo.com/forms/covid19-eit-health-connecting-innovators/">https://eithealth.wufoo.com/forms/covid19-eit-health-connecting-innovators/</a></p> <p><a href="https://eithealth.eu/covid-19/">https://eithealth.eu/covid-19/</a></p>
<p><b>Virus Outbreak Data Network (VODAN)</b></p>	<p>Active GO FAIR Implementation Network</p> <p>The spread of the virus causing the COVID-19 outbreak is far from over. During this epidemic and in earlier occasions, we have seen severely suboptimal data management and data reuse. Moreover, access to the immensely valuable data of past and current epidemics is not always equally accessible for different affected populations and countries. For instance, the data from the past Ebola epidemics are very difficult to find, to access, and if accessible, they are not interoperable, let alone reusable. In the case of Ebola this is even more harrowing and ironic as the data are least available to the population that were most affected by the disaster. Under the urgent need to harness machine-learning and future AI approaches to discover meaningful patterns in epidemic outbreaks, we need to do better and ensure that data are FAIR (in this sense also meaning Federated, AI-Ready).</p>	<p><a href="https://www.go-fair.org/implementation-networks/overview/vodan/">https://www.go-fair.org/implementation-networks/overview/vodan/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.zonmw.nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/start-datanetwerk-coronavirus/">https://www.zonmw.nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/start-datanetwerk-coronavirus/</a></p>
<p><b>Crowdfight COVID-19</b></p>	<p>An initiative from the scientific community to put all available resources at the service of the fight against COVID-19. This is a service for COVID-19 researchers. They only need to state a wish or a task, which can go from a simple time-intensive task to be performed (e.g. transcribe data, manually annotate images), to answering a technical question which is beyond their expertise, or to setting up a collaboration. They</p>	<p><a href="https://crowdfightcovid19.org/">https://crowdfightcovid19.org/</a></p>

	only need to explain their request in a few lines. Then, another scientist makes the effort of understanding that request and making it reality.	
<b>Useful information / data bases</b>		
<b>WHO Database of publications on coronavirus disease (COVID-19)</b>	You can search the WHO database of publications on coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Articles are searchable by author, key word (title, author, journal), journal, or by general topic. To see the most recently added citations, select "Newest updates". The database is updated daily, Monday through Friday.	<a href="https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/global-research-on-novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov">https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/global-research-on-novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov</a>
<b>EVA, European Virus Archive</b>	EVA is a non profit organisation that mobilises a global network with expertise in virology to collect / amplify / characterise / standardise / authenticate / distribute / track viruses and derived products. A unique biological resource in the field of virology, readily available online. Users may benefit from special funding to access to products of interest, do not hesitate to apply.	<a href="https://www.european-virus-archive.com/">https://www.european-virus-archive.com/</a>
<b>Opstart initiatief Landelijk Consortium Hulpmiddelen</b>	Het ministerie van VWS heeft samen met een team van professionals uit ziekenhuizen, academische centra, leveranciers en producenten een gezamenlijk initiatief opgericht, het 'Landelijk Consortium Hulpmiddelen'. Dit consortium heeft als doel om verschillende medische hulpmiddelen waaraan een tekort dreigt, gezamenlijk in te kopen, zonder winstoogmerk, in het landsbelang. We doen dit in deze uitzonderlijke situatie bewust samen omdat we snel resultaten willen boeken: Daarom maakten we afspraken over welke hulpmiddelen het gaat. Daarom kopen we die hulpmiddelen samen in, met aandacht voor prijs en kwaliteit. Daarom hebben we inzicht in de landelijke, dagelijkse behoefte aan hulpmiddelen. Daarom maakten we afspraken over de verdeling van de beschikbare hulpmiddelen en over de distributie ervan.	<a href="https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2020/03/24/opstart-initiatief-landelijk-consortium-hulpmiddelen">https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2020/03/24/opstart-initiatief-landelijk-consortium-hulpmiddelen</a>
<b>Coronavirus: harmonised standards for medical devices to respond to urgent needs</b>	The Commission adopted decisions on harmonised standards which will allow manufacturers to place on the market high performing devices to protect patients, health care professionals and citizens in general. The standards will facilitate a faster and less expensive conformity assessment procedure. The revised harmonised standards play a pivotal role in the current coronavirus pandemic because they relate to critical devices* such as: medical face masks surgical drapes, gowns and suits washer-disinfectors sterilisation	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_522">https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_522</a>

<p><b>European Union official website for Coronavirus research</b></p>	<p>Research projects and initiatives to tackle the spread of coronavirus and preparedness for other outbreaks</p>	<p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-area/health-research-and-innovation/coronavirus-research_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-area/health-research-and-innovation/coronavirus-research_en</a></p>
<p><b>Commission postpones application of the Medical Devices Regulation to prioritise the fight against coronavirus</b></p>	<p>European Commission has adopted a proposal to postpone by one year the date of application of the Medical Devices Regulation to allow Member States, health institutions and economic operators to prioritise the fight against the coronavirus pandemic. This decision takes into account the unprecedented challenges of the coronavirus pandemic and the need for an increased availability of vitally important medical devices across the EU whilst continuing to ensure patient health and safety until the new legislation becomes applicable.</p>	<p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_589">https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_589</a></p> <p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/medical-devices_en">https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/medical-devices_en</a></p>
<p><b>Citizen science resources related to the COVID19 pandemic</b></p>	<p>This is a selection of resources related to the current COVID19 pandemic. It contains links to citizen science and crowdsourcing projects that might be of interest to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• citizens wanting to help tackle the virus</li> <li>• researchers looking for support during interruptions to their fieldwork</li> <li>• parents looking for ideas to support children who are homeschooling</li> <li>• anyone looking for useful ways to fill their time while self-isolating.</li> </ul> <p>This list was initiated by the <a href="#">CSA</a> and includes inputs from <a href="#">ACSA</a>, <a href="#">CitizenScience.Asia</a>, <a href="#">ECSA</a> and <a href="#">RICAP</a>. This is not an exhaustive list, and we will add new links in the coming weeks.</p>	<p><a href="https://eu-citizen.science/citizen-science-resources-related-covid19-pandemic/">https://eu-citizen.science/citizen-science-resources-related-covid19-pandemic/</a></p>