

SARS-CoV-2: a respiratory threat

SARS-CoV-2 is a novel coronavirus which causes the disease COVID-19. Spread of coronaviruses including SARS-CoV-2 occurs through respiratory droplets which are dispersed during coughing and sneezing. **Medical devices that make direct contact with the respiratory system could be carriers of the virus.**



HELP TACKLE THE SPREAD OF SARS-CoV-2

Medical devices which come in direct contact with the respiratory system such as laryngoscope blades **could be carriers of SARS-CoV-2.**

Current advice from health organisations states the incubation period of SARS-CoV-2 is 14 days¹, however a recent paper suggests an incubation period of up to 24 days². **Patients who do not display symptoms could still be infectious. As a result further spread of the virus may be caused by improper disinfection of medical devices.**

To prevent the spread of viruses and reduce laryngoscope blade reprocessing time **use the Tristel Trio Wipes System and Tristel Protect.**

¹UK Government (2020) 'Coronavirus: latest information and advice' Online: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public?gclid=EAlaQobChMIoMqRyaLH5wVlLHtCh2oXwwVEAAYASAAEgKv_PD_BwE Accessed: 10/02/2020.

²Guan et al. (2020) 'Clinical characteristics of 2019 novel coronavirus infection in China' *medRxiv*. Available online: <https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.02.06.20020974v1> Accessed: 10/02/2020

FOR MEDICAL DEVICE DISINFECTION



TRISTEL TRIO WIPES SYSTEM

For the decontamination of non-lumened semi-critical medical devices such as laryngoscope blades, in a contact time of **30 seconds.**



TRISTEL PROTECT

For the transportation and short-term storage of medical devices such as laryngoscope blades, with traceability in mind.