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Supporting our clients and workforce during the spread of COVID-19 – Update 21st April 2020

As the UK enters its 5th week of lockdown, it appears that the measures are working with the number of new Covid-19 cases flattening in line with other European countries. With little end in sight to the easing of the restrictions, I want to let all Arcinova's valued customers, suppliers and service providers know that we continue to be fully open for business with little or no disruption from staff illness and self-isolation, excessive supply chain delays or interruptions to critical services. In fact staff absence due to sickness fell to less than 1% last week.

As an agile single site company, we quickly adapted our work processes to fully comply with Government advice and we are used to our "new normal" ways of working. I would like to thank our loyal customers, suppliers, contractors and their staff for their ongoing support for us in these challenging times.

As the COVID-19 outbreak continues, the race is on to develop effective treatments. In our latest whitepaper, we explore how we can support the use of investigational drugs by developing fit-for-purpose formulations in a timely manner. Read it here:
https://bit.ly/Arcinova_WP_Covid19

70% of our staff are laboratory based and therefore have to work on site. We have implemented stringent social distancing and sanitisation practices for staff working "at work", with any staff that can, working "at home". We have, obviously, cancelled all business travel and non-essential visitors to the site with a significant increase in our use of virtual meeting applications. I am extremely proud of my team's commitment, work ethic and the pace at which they have adapted to these changes.

Our staff have also been involved in supporting our local community in these challenging times. We have a regular collection for local foodbanks, daily activities on Facebook for home-schoolers with our most recent "what does a scientist look like" competition receiving nearly 50 entries which will be independently judged this week.

Finally, please continue to look after yourself and each other to stay safe and well. Should you need any further information please do not hesitate to reach out to either myself or your usual contact at Arcinova.

Roger Kilburn
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