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MIRUS transport package and Covid-19

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Background

Due to the currently growing Sars-Covid-19 pandemic we received questions regarding a possible contamination of Covid-19 via the transport package:

- Is a transport package a possible contamination transfer of Covid-19?
- Can I get contaminated by touching a transport carton?
- Is it safe to receive a package from any area where COVID-19 has been reported?

In an official statement given on March 9th 2020, the WHO takes a stand on these issues and provides information. We will share this information with you in this bulletin to clarify the legitimate open questions.

WHO-Statement

Link:

https://www.who.int/news-room/q-a-detail/q-a-coronaviruses?cmp=EMT-1004395-5-1-200-1111110-GLBL-US-EN-CCMZNOTIZCOVID0&ET_CID=764021&ET_RID=29203781&LINK=WHO_CORONAVIRUS&cmp=EMT-1005827-1-10-200-1000000-EU-DE-DE-FDXCOVIT19EDM10&ET_CID=768115&ET_RID=29887606&LINK=answered+that+question+for+us

How long does the virus survive on surfaces?

It is not certain how long the virus that causes COVID-19 survives on surfaces, but it seems to behave like other coronaviruses. Studies suggest that coronaviruses (including preliminary information on the COVID-19 virus) may persist on surfaces for a few hours or up to several days. This may vary under different conditions (e.g. type of surface, temperature or humidity of the environment).



Additional Note: On cardboard and paperboard, the Covid-19 can only survive for a maximum of 24 hours. However, it is almost unlikely that the virus can be held liable.

<https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.03.09.20033217v2>

Is it safe to receive a package from any area where COVID-19 has been reported?

Yes. The likelihood of an infected person contaminating commercial goods is low and the risk of catching the virus that causes COVID-19 from a package that has been moved, travelled, and exposed to different conditions and temperature is also low.

TIM-Statement

We are aware of our responsibility towards our customers and strictly follow all hygiene regulations, control the observance of these and regularly disinfect the service and production area. We do everything to avoid simple mistakes due to carelessness and to ensure a Covid-19 free transport.

We recommend disinfection of the MIRUS with alcohol-based surface disinfectants with the declaration "limited virucidal" when in contact with a Covid-19 positive patient.

Protect yourself, protect your employees.