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De context waarin gezocht wordt naar mogelijkheden om hogere capaciteit te krijgen. Een compleet nieuwe 'testschuur' inrichten zoals in Denemarken is gedaan kan natuurlijk ook.

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From: [redacted] <[redacted]@rivm.nl>
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Informatie van [redacted] uit Denemarken.
 Groet, [redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@minvws.nl>
Sent: dinsdag 1 september 2020 16:48
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@rivm.nl>
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[redacted] dank voor ons gesprek!
 Zoals afgesproken de PCR uit Denemarken.

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Van: [redacted] <[redacted]@ssi.dk>
Verzonden: donderdag 20 augustus 2020 12:12
Aan: [redacted] <[redacted]@minvws.nl>
CC: [redacted] <[redacted]@minvws.nl>; [redacted] <[redacted]@ssi.dk>
Onderwerp: SV: Contact from the Netherlands - Testing

Dear [redacted]

At Test Center Danmark the analysis is a standard RT-qPCR analysis using RNA purified from the samples. We use Bio-Rad CFX96 real time PCR machines and an E-gene primer/probe set recommended by ECDC and WHO. The RNA purification is bead based and performed on Biomek liquid handlers using a commercially available Beckman Coulter RNA/DNA purification kit. The analysis is robust and flexible with regards to changing reagents etc. should this become necessary. Currently, we are not pooling samples and have a capacity of 25.000 samples per 24h. The laboratory has been set up in five temporary buildings equipped for laboratory class 2 use and approved as such. We have experienced shortages where we have had to have certain consumables made by local or semi-local companies, but at large, we are managing with commercially available materials.

Best regards

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Sendt: 20. august 2020 10:51

Til: [redacted] <[redacted]@ssi.dk>

Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]> <[redacted]@minvws.nl>

Emne: FW: Contact from the Netherlands - Testing

[redacted] mit navn er [redacted] og jeg arbejder på det Hollandske ministerie for Sundhed. Efter 18 dejlige år i DK, er vi lige rejst tilbage til Holland.

Lige nu kigger vi med stor beundring til Test Center Denmark og vil derfor høre om i vil dele lidt af jeres viden med os, nu at vi i Holland netop kæmper med vores testkapacitet.

Jeg fortsætter på Engelsk. I would like to ask you something about the PCR test that you are performing:

Is the PCR protocol, that you are using in TCD an ordinary PCR protocol for Roche or Thermofischer machines, or did you modify or simplify it in some way? Do you pool samples? Do you make some of the reagents yourself? I ask this in regard to the testmaterials, of which there is a global shortage I we are wondering how you manage.

It would be great if you could help us out.

Thank you much, and all the best for your beautiful country!

Kind regards [redacted]

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Van: [redacted] <[redacted]@sum.dk>

Verzonden: maandag 17 augustus 2020 23:57

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CC: [redacted] <[redacted]> <[redacted]@minvws.nl>; [redacted] <[redacted]@ssi.dk>

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Dear [redacted]

I will try to help you as best I can. TestCenter Denmark is actually supplementary to the testing that is carried out by the regions. There is a "division of labour" between the two, as the regions test all symptomatic persons, hospital patients and staff, small children and nursing homes etc. in cases of virus spreading in the facility. TestCenter Denmark tests contacts to infected people identified through contact tracing and has open access which is targeted to particular groups and areas using mobile testing facilities. Also, TestCenter Denmark does regular testing of nursing home and home care staff in cooperation with the municipalities.

The regions have labs at hospitals spread around the country. TestCenter Denmark has one lab in Copenhagen.

Some coordination between the two testing tracks takes place in the steering group of TestCenter Denmark in which the regions are represented due to their role in specimen collection.

I've CC'd [redacted] the director of TestCenter Denmark. She will be able to elaborate and answer further questions on the setup of TestCenter Denmark e.g. the technologies used to make testing effective and without relying on the same scarce resources as the regional testing.

Kind Regards,

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Emne: Contact from the Netherlands - Testing

Dear 5.1.2e

My colleagues 5.1.2e and 5.1.2e have spoken with you last week about your testing and tracing policy. My name is 5.1.2e, policy officer testing.

As my colleagues probably have mentioned is that we are experiencing some difficulties with the organization that we've set up to coordinate the testing diagnostics between the labs.

I've understood that Denmark has set up a new organization: Testcentre Denmark, that is coordinating everything with regards to testing? We would really like to learn more about the structure of this organization (organizational chart), what their mandates are, how they are coordinating/dividing their testing stream between the labs, whether there are only big labs, or smaller labs plugged in etc. Can you share this information with us? This is probably much more detailed information which is not really suitable to discuss during the meeting that our Ministers have on Thursday this week.

Would you be able to have a call with me this week? Or would you prefer to do this via email? For me both options are good.

Thank you very much in advance!

Kind Regards,

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