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CIRAS Launches New Web Page with Coronavirus Advice

Roughly one month after the outbreak of coronavirus began, public health officials began to warn Americans that the U.S. could be facing an intensive period of illness and death that could last more than two weeks. To date, thousands of Americans across China have been infected and hundreds have died. New cases are emerging from areas throughout the U.S. via travel and transmission from travelers returning from the Lunar New Year. Tests delays and under-diagnosis of symptoms mean the true number of infected people is unknown. The labor-intensive testing that is currently in progress is not likely to catch all of the infected people. As such, the reporting for new cases that I report reality is not fully understood.

CIRAS recently launched a COVID-19 webpage at www.ciras.iastate.edu/coronavirus. The page, which will be updated frequently, contains links to the authoritative public information about the disease as well as tips for how we can help prevent its spread. Businesses should monitor that website regularly and feel free to contact CIRAS with any concerns. For more information, contact Marc Schneider at maschn@iastate.edu.

Avoid Costs

NDE Testing Helps VT Industries Save Time, Avoid Costs

A Holstein, Iowa, maker of doors and countertops saved time and money working with CIRAS experts to find solutions for both cracking and corrosion. By using the latest research-proven methods and best practices of industry, here are just a few of the ways we plan to do that in the coming month.

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