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**From:** Kusnick, Chelsea (SPAC/PSPC)  
**Sent:** May 19, 2020 3:26 PM  
**To:** Gordon2, Travis (HC/SC)  
**Subject:** RE: Face shields and gowns

Thanks Travis, that is very informative. Let me know what you find out.

Thank you!

Chelsea

**From:** Gordon2, Travis (HC/SC)  
**Sent:** May 19, 2020 3:25 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Face shields and gowns

Hey Chelsea,

I've asked my officials for clarity on the regulatory pathway this would follow.

To be clear, it would not be HC doing the confirmatory testing. It is an applicant's responsibility to generate the data required for a submission for regulatory approval. So if they need testing to confirm it works, they will need to contract with a private testing laboratory for that.

I'll follow up with you when I have a bit more clarity from my officials on what approvals this would need. It may well be that, unless antimicrobial gowns are common and we have a clear pathway I'm unaware of, it needs registration as both a medical device (under an MDEL— gowns are class I) and a pesticide if my initial read is correct.

Thanks,  
Travis

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**Subject:** FW: Face shields and gowns

Hey Travis,

Sorry to bother you with this one again.

Is there a way to fast track testing of the gowns described below?

Thanks,

Chelsea

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**Subject:** RE: Face shields and gowns

Hi Chelsea,

Thanks for the information on the homologation, but that part I already knew about it.

My request was for antiviral testing.

We are working on a new kind of disposable surgical gown covered by an active antibacterial and antiviral agent. That gown will give an added protection to the wearer, but will also significantly reduce the transmission vector from passing to one room (or patient) to another.

The gown could be worn for more than once, hence reducing the number of gowns needed in a time of shortage.

We are looking to do the testing as soon as possible so that we can start production of these gowns.

I hope you can find someone to help us help Canadian caregivers.

Here are more information.

- This new gowns will respect the norms for level 3 and 4 (liquid and blood penetration)
- Our product is composed of silver nanocrystals with a bounding agent to fix it to different surfaces.
- It already passes the AATCC 100 tests for bacteria, and has shown its great efficiency.
- Studies presented in the NBC' gives us reasons to believe that the silver can also be a great antiviral protection.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6264685/> <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3459690/>

If you or your colleagues need more information, they can reach me anytime.

Cordially,

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**Objet :** RE: Face shields and gowns

Hi Serge-Eric,

My colleague was very speedy in getting back to me.

All the information you need can be found here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/medical-devices/covid19-personal-protective-equipment/gowns.html>

You already have an MDEL, so it's just a matter of making sure the gowns meet the standards outlined on the website.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thanks,

Chelsea

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**Subject:** RE: Face shields and gowns

Hello Mrs Kusnick,

I'm sorry for the delay in responding for your request. I've tried to do an amendment to our previous form, but the system didn't want to accept our reference number. So I made another submission.

You can find our product information under the number 57738 or 459921.

We are offering face shields for now:

Face shields

- **100% Canadian**
- 9\$/units for minimum order of 10000units.
- 20000 units/ week production capacity
- 10000 units in stock
- Meet and surpass CSA standards Z94.3:20
- **Made of recycled plastic, the shields are recyclable**

Our licence is 7450, and the product ARN 314198

We are here to stay and sale around to world. It would be nice to become an official supplier of the Canadian government. We are local!

We also have a new product for disposable surgical gowns. The gowns can be use for more then one time and are covered with and active anti-viral (and anti-bacterial) agent. **We need an official homologation, can you help us fast track the testing?**

Cordially,

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Hello Mr. Biais,

Thank you for reaching out.

I invite you to fill out the form on this portal: <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/calling-all-suppliers-help-canada-combat-covid-19>. Once you've submitted the form, please send me the reference number you receive so I can follow up with the department for you.

I will pass along your details to our procurement experts who will reach out to see if we can work together to provide protective equipment to our frontline workers across Canada.

Thank you very much for your support. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Chelsea Kusnick

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Hi There,

I've CC'ed my colleagues Chelsea and Anthony who will be able to assist with your offer.

Thanks,

**Joel Tallerico**

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Good day M. Tallerico,

Since the government is looking for PPE made in Canada we would like to offer our products.

We are Les concepts orthopédiques Turtlebrace, Santé-Canada #7450. We can provide face shields and single use protectives gowns that meets and surpass Health Canada standards.

All our products are made in Québec.

Face shields

Production capacity : 20 000 units/week

9 \$ /unit. Minimum order 10 000 units.

Gowns

Production capacity: 750 units /week

Minimum order: 1500 units

Price for one unit according to order volume :

Gowns	Unit price	by volume				
Size	750	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000
Large	57,26\$	53,30\$	49,36\$	45,95\$	42,99\$	40,38\$
X-Large	58,69\$	54,73\$	50,67\$	47,18\$	44,13\$	41,46\$
XX-Large	59,91\$	55,95\$	51,80\$	48,23\$	45,12\$	42,38\$

#### **Additional details**

Face shields

- Size adults and children
- Thickness : 0,36mm
- Anti-fog
- Can be personalized

Gowns

Certified by CTT group to be grade 2 and 3

Cordially,

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