



Green Chemistry & Commerce Council

# MEMBER UPDATE

The list goes on...we have received great feedback about all the positive news from members of our GC3 community. Please keep sending items in – you are inspiring our entire distribution list.

The GC3 team has finalized our decision to convert the US GC3 Innovators Roundtable, originally scheduled for fall 2020, to a virtual gathering. We will be back with details in the coming weeks as we design substantive, interactive sessions for the virtual Roundtable. We still plan to hold our in-person Roundtable next spring in the Detroit area. So, two Roundtables over the next year – a virtual meeting this fall, and then being able to see all of you in person next spring. Our first European Innovators Roundtable, which was to take place this week, was also postponed. We are planning a smaller, more strategic meeting for late fall (if conditions allow) that would provide input on needs and opportunities to build a more formalized GC3 presence in Europe. More info to come. In the meantime, from all of us to all of you – stay safe and healthy!

## GC3 Members in Action

### Arkema

Arkema has [devoted a production line to manufacture an alcohol-based solution](#), with the goal of producing 20 tons per week and distributing the product free of charge to hospitals in France.

### Cargill

The Cargill Foundation is [offering its kitchen facilities to the MN Central Kitchen, and \\$1 million to that and other organizations](#), to help feed the growing number of food-insecure people in the Twin Cities area. The company has also [donated 100,000 liters of disinfecting alcohol to the Belgian government](#) to help produce disinfectant hand gel for use by the emergency services.

### Covestro

Covestro has [donated money and supplies of medical equipment to help countries around the world](#) contain the coronavirus. The company is also providing its 3D printing expertise and software to help produce PPE supplies, and is helping to explore the use of that technology for printing ventilator components.

### CVS Health

CVS Health has [opened rapid COVID-19 testing sites in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Georgia](#), using large, open spaces such as movie theater and casino parking lots to handle capacity and ensure distancing. CVS stores also [donated \\$5 million worth of treats to local community organizations](#) across the U.S. to help families celebrate the spring holidays in these unusual times.

## LEGO

The Lego Foundation has [donated \\$50 million to organizations that are helping children most in need](#) retain access to play and learning opportunities throughout the pandemic crisis. The company has also tapped its staff of STEM, play and learning experts to develop [a play-based learning resource for all children](#) now learning at home.

## Lowe's

Lowe's has [committed \\$25 million to help communities affected by the coronavirus](#). This effort includes donations of respirators and other protective gear to hospitals nationwide, and working with national healthcare supply distributors to allocate product where it's needed most.

## P&G

P&G has [donated more than \\$15 million in product and in-kind support to communities around the world](#), and has offered cash support to aid the work of relief agencies such as the International Federation of the Red Cross and United Way. The company is also producing, or gearing up to produce, face masks at its facilities in several countries.

## MilliporeSigma

MilliporeSigma is working with the Jenner Institute [to rapidly develop the ability to produce a potential COVID-19 vaccine at the scale](#) needed to conduct clinical trials. The company has also launched [a video series of fun science experiments](#) parents and kids can do while kids are learning from home.

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## GC3 Startup Showcase

Revised Application Deadline: June 15, 2020

The [GC3 Startup Showcase](#) is a pitch competition that gives GC3 members the chance to hear from startup companies about their promising green chemistry innovations. The competition is driven by [technology needs](#) identified through input provided by manufacturers, brands, and retailers who participate in the GC3. The Showcase takes place at the annual GC3 Innovators Roundtable, and each year the event has led to exciting opportunities for GC3 member companies and the startups alike. Joint development agreements, investment opportunities, and fruitful ongoing discussions have all emerged from past events.

The 2020 GC3 Startup Showcase was originally scheduled to be held this fall in conjunction with the GC3 Innovators Roundtable. The Showcase will now move with the Roundtable, and will be held in Spring 2021. Specific details are forthcoming.

**[BUT PLEASE NOTE that applications for the Showcase are due June 15, 2020.](#)**

This summer, the applicants who will be invited to participate in the 2021 Showcase will be selected, so don't delay! If you know of promising green chemistry startups, encourage them to apply. Once those startups are selected, GC3 will engage them in a series of virtual programs designed to help them make the most of the Showcase pitch competition and their related interactions with the GC3 community.

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