



Norway's response to COVID-19

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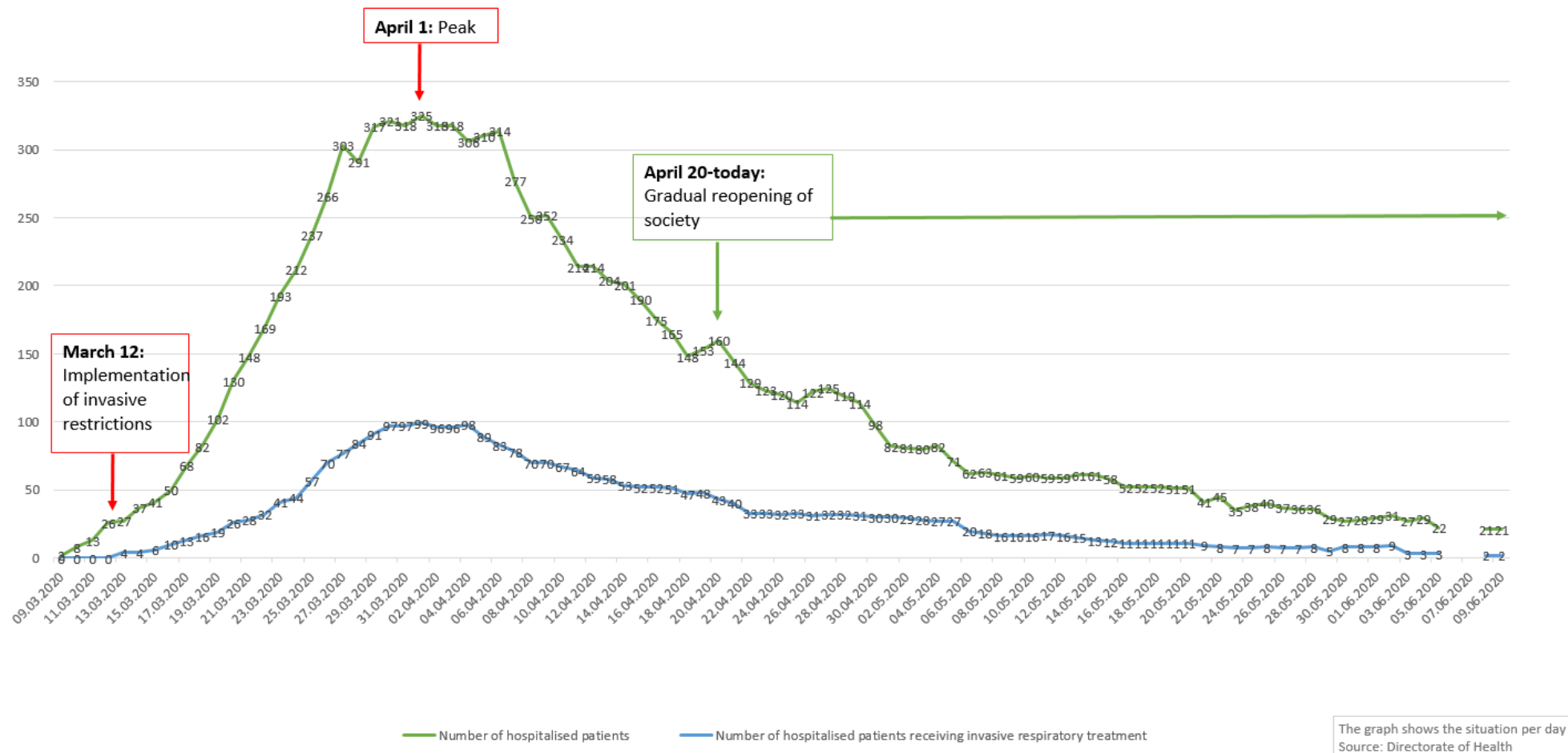
The current situation

- Population 5.3 million
- Reproduction rate = 0.6
- 8000 confirmed COVID-19 cases in total
- 239 deaths
- 21 patients in hospital
- 2 patients in hospital receiving invasive respiratory treatment



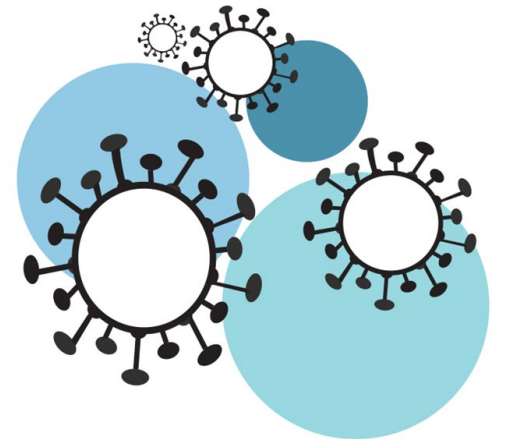
Development and key milestones

COVID-19: Number of hospitalised patients and patients receiving invasive respiratory treatment



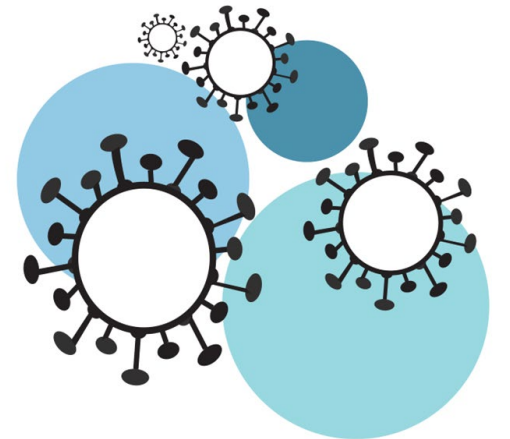
The Norwegian strategy

- Shift from suppressing to **controlling** the virus
- Low disease burden and sufficient health capacity
- Recommendations of the WHO and ECDC
- Priority given to lifting restrictions affecting children, followed by workplaces



Key factors in the response

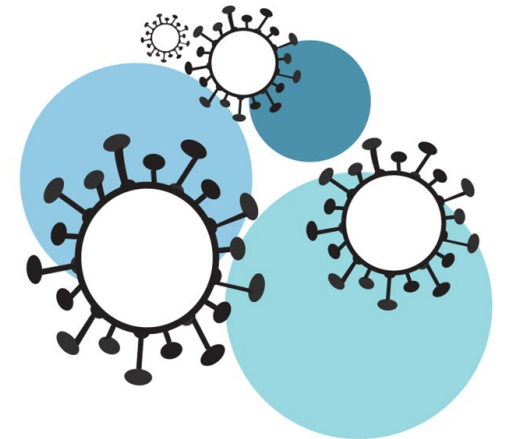
- Public trust
- Openness
- Clear, understandable, honest and accurate communication
- Acting together
- Testing, tracing, isolation & quarantining
- Increased health care capacity in ICU



International collaboration

- Dialogue at Nordic, European and global level
 - Procurement of medical equipment
 - Development of vaccine (CEPI)
 - Fair distribution and global accessibility of vaccine
 - WHO Solidarity Trial

- Solidarity



**Thank you for your
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