

PRESS RELEASE

## COVID-19 outbreak: Alfasigma donates over 100.000 euros to Romanian Hospitals

- Alfasigma has supported more than 75 hospitals to purchase the protective materials they urgently need.
- Alfasigma is an international pharmaceutical company headquartered in Italy
- This donation is part of a larger effort in favor of Health Care stakeholders in their fight against COVID-19

**Bucarest, 6 April 2020** – Alfasigma Romania SRL, local subsidiary of **Alfasigma group** has decided to donate more than 100.000 euros to more than 75 Romanian Hospitals all around the country.

This donation is part of a larger program of support and helps in favor of national healthcare systems and their stakeholder, in their fight against the COVID-19 Pandemic, all around the world. While in Italy Alfasigma is supporting in particular “family doctors”, together with other Italian firms, providing personal protective equipment and funds to some local areas severely affected by the contagion, in other countries the company has taken part to industry contributions.

From China to Italy, from Belgium to Romania, Alfasigma has immediately started a number of preventive measures in order to counteract Coronavirus outbreak. Employees in all the countries has been placed in remote working, visits and travels were suspended, offices and manufacturing plants have been secured with strict sanitary precautions and a task -force is in place all the countries in order to safeguard the life of employees, their families and HealthCare stakeholders.

Alfasigma is also participating to Research and Development of new drugs, as announced recently with **GEFACOVID project**, a massive aggregation of subjects between universities (Padova, Brescia, Torino, Trieste, Essex, Essen, Madrid, Munich, Maastricht, Isfahan), Institutions (Istituto Nazionale Malattie Infettive-Spallanzani, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, INSERM Brest, SINH-Shanghai), Foundations (Aviralia, Lorenzini), private companies (ThermoFisher, BBraun, ABBVIE, Alfasigma, DaVinciDigital Therapeutics, Novartis), Start-ups (Bioscience Genomics, Personal Genomics, Diatheva, TOMA Impact Lab Group, GenDx, PharmGenetix GmdH), that aims to find the right answers to what is still unknown about SARS-CoV-2 virus, responsible for over 40 thousand deaths in 192 countries.

Alfasigma Country Manager, Carmela Negulescu, comments: *“We are proud to make our part in this fight against COVID-19, not only continuing to supply medicines to hospitals and pharmacies but also through this donation, that is a concrete sign of our social responsibility. We are deeply*

*grateful to the dedication, courage, sacrifice and the professionalism of our doctors who fight in the front line against the terrible invisible enemy- Covid-19, which took so many lives around the world”.*

### **About Alfasigma.**

Alfasigma is one of the top Italian pharmaceutical companies, present in over 90 countries, through distributors and subsidiaries. As per March 2020, the company employs a workforce of around 3,000 people, R&D laboratories, and 5 production plants.

Alfasigma is known for the strong focus on Gastroenterology and Cardiovascular, while the company is present in many primary care therapeutic areas. It also produces and markets self-medication products, nutraceuticals and food supplements. Present in 90 countries around the world, the company is quickly growing in several markets through its subsidiaries, mainly marketing proprietary molecules. In 2019 sales exceeded one billion euros, half of which coming from international fast-growing market such as US, China and Russia.

Alfasigma is building on the two legacies of Alfa Wassermann and Sigma-Tau groups, with a strong transformational plan, aiming to become the first Italian pharma specialty company within 2025:

- investing in R&D through new facility and networking with innovation hubs,
- hiring talents from all over the world,
- engaging with primary business partners through licensing and acquisition of new molecules.

This solid vision is deeply rooted in a culture made of passion, tenacity and integrity: three core values that shape business behavior of Alfasigma at all levels. For more information please visit [www.alfasigma.com](http://www.alfasigma.com) or email to [CorporateCommunication@alfasigma.com](mailto:CorporateCommunication@alfasigma.com).

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