

Supplementary Material

1. Supplementary Figures and Tables

Roboter Name	Function	Company	Literature	Source
	Introducing needles and catheters into deformable tissues such as blood vessels to draw blood or deliver fluids by using ultrasound	Department of Biomedical Engineering, Rutgers University of New Jersey	Chen et al. (1)	
SleepSmart	Multi-sensor mattress pad to diagnose chronic sleep disorders by detecting data such as heart rate, breathing rate, body orientation and index of restlessness		Van der Loos et al. (2)	
Morpheus	Mattress actuation system to encourage a person to roll over in bed to alleviate snoring based on acoustic sensor data analysis			
	Measuring vital signs	University of Auckland, New Zealand	Broadbent et al. (3)	
ElliQ	Social tasks: virtual communication, proactive suggestions, entertainment and health activities	Intuition Robotics		
	Organizational tasks: medication reminders, appointment scheduling, cab calls			
ROBEAR	Lifting and carrying patients (nursing robot): elderly and handicapped	RIKEN and Sumitomo Riko Limited		
RIBA / RIBA-II	Lifting and carrying patients (nursing robot)	RIKEN		https://

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SAM	remote monitoring, physical safety (preventing falls), and virtual communication	Luvozo		roboticsbiz.com/top-seven-companions-and-social-robots-for-elderly-people/
Zora	Interactive caregiver: leading physical therapy classes, activities and exercises, entertaining patients (reading, TV etc.), educational tasks	Zora Bots / Oz Robotics		
iPal	Caregiver: social companion, educator, safety monitor, health and emergency service and virtual communication	Avatar Mind		
Care-O-Bot	Household tasks: delivering food, drinks and medications to patient, assisting in cooking and cleaning	Fraunhofer Institute for Manufacturing Engineering and Automation		
	Health care: emergency calls, virtual communication			
BUDDY	Detection of falls or unusual events, alert emergency service, home protection, tracking capabilities	Blue Frog Robotics		
Xenex Germ-Zapping Robot	Disinfection of entire hospital rooms within minutes using pulsed, full-spectrum UV rays that kill a range of infectious bacteria and viruses	XENEX Disinfection Systems		https://online-engineering.case.edu/blog/medical-robots-making-a-difference
PARO Therapeutic Robot	An animal-like robot that provides the benefits of animal therapy as a treatment for depression or other mental illness or as a method to recover better from surgery	National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)		
TUG	Ferrying supplies such as meals, linens, lab samples, waste and other items/materials	Aethon		

GermFalcon	Cleaning robot using UVC light to kill viruses and bacteria	Dimer UVC Innovations	https://www.medicaldevice-network.com/features/coronavirus-robotics/
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Table S1. Examples of assistive medical robots used in various fields of healthcare.

Reproductive number ($R_0 = 4.4$)			
	Non-spreading	Infected individuals	
Scenario	Ratio of non-spreading trials	Mean % of infected individuals	Median % of infected individuals
No robotic assistance	0.10	71	78
Assist Rand 5 NUR	0.16	66	76
Assist Top 5 NUR	0.22	57	71
Assist Top 3 NUR-Rand 2 MD	0.21	60	71
Assist all NUR-PAT contacts	0.23	47	57

Table S2. Effect of robotic interventions in different scenarios. Percentage of non-spreading trials, mean and median percentage of infected individuals in the geriatric. Results for $R_0 = 4.4$ over 100 trials.

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Reproductive number ($R_0 = 4.4$)				
	I_{30} (number of active infections at day 30)			
Scenario	NUR	MD	PAT	ADM
No robotic assistance	11.8 ± 0.4	6.8 ± 0.2	11.3 ± 0.3	2.7 ± 0.1
Assist Rand 5 NUR	9.0 ± 0.4	6.2 ± 0.3	9.2 ± 0.4	2.6 ± 0.2
Assist Top 5 NUR	6.7 ± 0.3	5.2 ± 0.4	5.5 ± 0.4	2.0 ± 0.2
Assist Top 3 NUR-Rand 2 MD	9.4 ± 0.4	4.4 ± 0.3	8.1 ± 0.4	2.5 ± 0.1
Assist all NUR-PAT contacts	10.4 ± 0.4	6.6 ± 0.3	4.3 ± 0.3	2.7 ± 0.1

Table S3. Splitting of infectious cases on day 30 (I_{30}) by category. Results for $R_0 = 4.4$ over 100 trials.

Parameter	Description	Value
β	Probability of disease transmission upon contact with Latent or Infected individual	0.0015
α	Proportion of asymptomatic infections	0.8
τ_E	Average latency from Exposed to Latent	2 days
τ_L	Average latency from Latent to Infected	5 days
τ_{Iu}	Average latency from Asymptomatic Infected to Recovered	12 days
τ_{Id}	Average latency from Symptomatic Infected to Recovered	7 days

Table S4. Default model parameters.

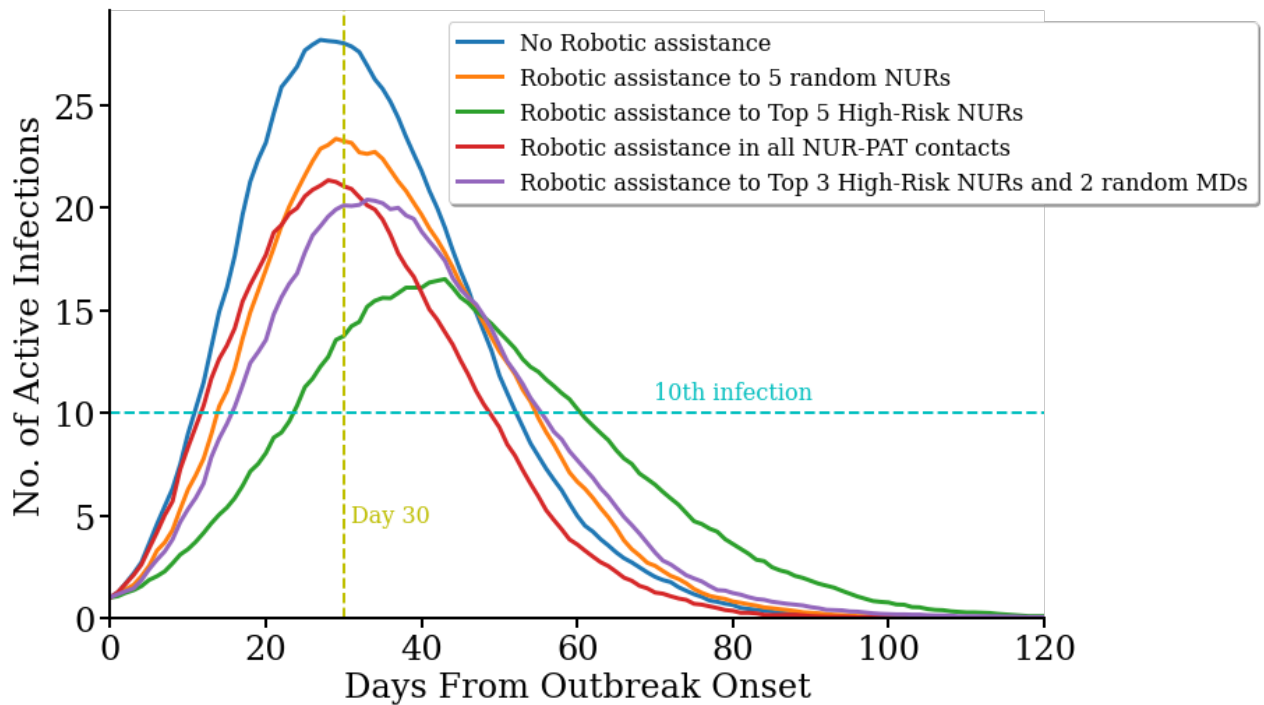


Figure S1. Temporal evolution of infection spread across the network for different scenarios. $R_0 = 3.4$. Number of active infected cases in 5 different scenarios as a function of the days passed since the first infection in the population at day 0. Average over 100 trials.

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