

Saving the saviors with robotics

There's one question about the Covid pandemic that the world seems to have forgotten to ask – how are we managing isolation cases? While we seem oblivious to the risks of exposure for healthcare professionals caring for quarantined patients, the opportunity for the widespread adoption of cobots and robots in patient care is in waiting.

In a quarantine facility for instance, robots can be programmed to do almost everything: disinfect-

ing rooms, scrubbing floors, monitoring vital parameters, taking blood samples, and carrying medical supplies and food between floors. This robotisation could be extended to people quarantined at homes – if we could deliver pizzas with robots, why not medical supplies? As we move to a post-Covid world, these adoptions can become the new-normal for patient care at home and on the hospital floor. This tech has the potential to not just save lives of the sick and needy, but the lives of millions of health workers.

