

# STRIVING FOR SYSTEM CHANGE FOR Greater sustainability outcomes and Net zero



## Karolinska University Hospital's Sustainability Programme

This programme provides a structured framework for integrating sustainability into daily operations, balancing environmental, social and economic sustainability.

### Social sustainability

- Equitable health and work environment.
- Promote public health.
- Increased accessibility and collaboration with patients and their relatives.

### Environmental sustainability

- Reduced health and environmentally hazardous emissions from chemicals and pharmaceuticals.
- Increased circularity to reduce our climate impact by 40 percent.

### Economic sustainability

- Integration of sustainability in governing processes.
- Actively counteract corruption and conflicts of interest.

## A balanced and holistic approach

A key objective is to foster a sense of sustainability ownership within the various departments. This enables the development of targeted, high-impact initiatives tailored to each department.

## Measurement and evaluation

Data visualization tools are integrated into the process, allowing departments to track trends over time, such as medical waste and chemicals, travels, or consumption of single use items.

By combining these methods, Karolinska ensures continuous improvement, fostering a data-driven approach.

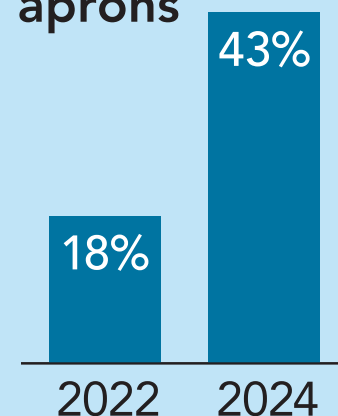
Circular aprons  
CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

**-66%**

Reduction  
compared to  
traditional  
alternatives



Biobased  
aprons



Climate  
impact

**0%**

Net zero  
target by  
2035

### Circularity projects

- Circular MedTech equipments
- Redistributing 1,700 pieces of furniture in 2022–2023
- Circular disposable gloves



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