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## Korean Researchers Develop Washable Mask

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Korean researchers have developed a washable face mask amid a severe shortage of masks due to coronavirus.

The Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology said Monday that its researchers succeeded in developing a mask with a nanofiber filter that can be used for month

The researchers said the filter inside the cotton mask maintained 94 percent of its original effectiveness after 20 washes. It is capable of blocking out small particles virus as well as air pollutants.

They said they hoped the mask would help alleviate the shortage, as well as environmental problems caused by discarded single-use masks.

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