

# Korean Biotech Firm Wins U.S. Authorization for COVID-19 Test

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Biotech company Seegene said Wednesday that it has received emergency use authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for its latest COVID-19 test

The kit uses the real-time polymerase chain reaction method, which screens for three different target genes to determine whether a patient is infected. It returns a result in at least six hours.

Seegene is the second Korean biotech firm to win emergency use approval from the U.S. FDA, after Osang Healthcare.

Korean health authorities have approved emergency use of test kits from five companies so far.

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