RIGHT Foundation: Mandate, Funding Model and Instruments to Fund Biomedical R&D

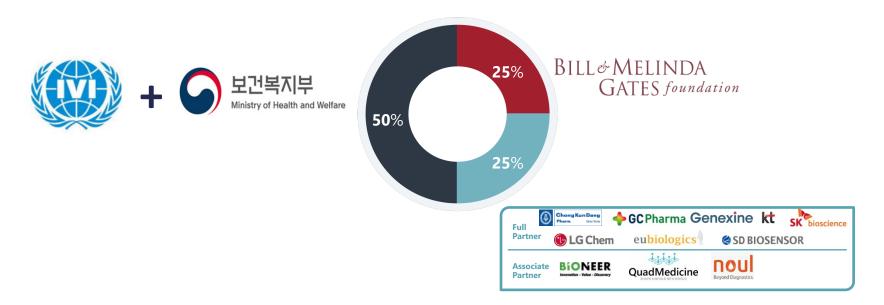
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RIGHT foundation: Korea's first non-profit organization dedicated to funding global health R&D

- Established in 2018 with the intent to engage Korean life science partners to develop and make available essential medical countermeasures as global public goods
- Supported by the Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare (MOHW), Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Korean life science companies
- Utilizes Korea's Official Development Assistance (ODA) to support R&D with the goal of contributing to global public health





Mission, Strategic Objectives, Investment Criteria

Investment Criteria:

- 1) Infectious diseases with a disproportionate burden in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs)
- 2) Unmet medical needs for new or improved health products in LMICs
- 3) Insufficient commercial incentives to drive R&D innovation
- 4) Opportunity to contribute Korea's strengths in R&D

MISSION: Alleviate the burden of infectious diseases that disproportionately affect the people in the low- and middle-income countries

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	#1 Product Development	#2 Collaboration	#3 Evidence Generation	#4 Training
	Develop essential health technologies as global public good	Catalyze international Collaboration	Strengthen evidence base reflecting the LMIC context	Train work force in manufacturing essential health technologies
	 Commit to global access Aim for public procurement Support technology transfer to enable local production 	 Foster an exchange of knowledge and skills (i.e. co-develop) Leverage Korea's strengths (e.g. process optimiz ation, engineering) 	 Let the local context guide product development efforts Learn from the LMIC partners 	 Support regional- level self-sufficiency in developing essential medical countermeasures (e. g. vaccines, biologics, diagnostics)

RIGHT's Funding Programs

	Product Development Award	Evidence Generation Award	Training Award
Objectives	 Develop essential medical countermeasures as global public goods 	 Strengthen evidence base reflecting the LMIC context 	 Train work force in manufacturing essential medical countermeasures
Development Stage	 From or near the initiation of the clinical development to regulatory approval and/or WHO prequalification 	• n/a	 Basics for biopharmaceuticals and bioprocessing Vaccine manufacturing bioprocessing Regulatory process for biopharmaceuticals
Product Types	Vaccines, therapeutics/biologics, diagnostics		vaccines
Requirements	 At least one Korean partner, 50% co-funding from applicants with a commercial partner 	 Local institutions from the countries that the proposed activities focus on 	 Individuals from LMICs holding positions related to vaccine manufacturing
Funding Amount & Duration	 Up to 4 billion KRW/project (approximately 3.4M USD) for 3 years 	 Up to 200 million KRW/ project (approximately 165,000 USD, 1 yr) 	 3-week on-line and 5-week hands-on training in Korea including travel expenses and accommodation



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