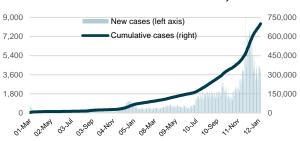
COVID-19 Client Bulletin

Status as at: 19 January 2022

South Korea COVID-19 Snapshot

	South Korea		United States		
	#	Δ^1	 #	Δ^1	
Confirmed Cases	700,102	+86%	67.6m	+43%	
Deaths	6,378	+117%	874,321	+13%	
Deaths per 1M	124	+118%	2,618	+13%	
Testing rate per 1M	307,848	-	2,582,225	-	
Population with at least one vaccination	~87		~75%		



(1) change versus previous month

South Korea Clinical Trial Insights

Feasibility	Majority of sites continue to be very interested in new studies.
Ethics and Governance	Review and approval of non-COVID-19 clinical trials are continuing as scheduled.
Recruitment	Clinical trial sites are open, and recruitment is ongoing at all trial sites.
Participant visits	Subject visits are available at all sites with social distancing measures implemented.
Monitoring	• Monitoring visits are limited in a few top sites, very competitive monitoring room booking found with limited capacity.
IP Supply and delivery	 Normal operation of air couriers and local delivery. Contingency in place ensure sufficient IP stock in the country to mitigate any delays with international IP supply chain. Multiple vendors available for direct to patient IP delivery as per MFDS guideline.
General	 Electronic signature accepted. Sites, Industry, Health Authority and ECs coordinating activities to ensure subject safety and trial continuity. 100% of Novotech staff can work remotely with office access if required. State-of-the-art IT infrastructure with ISO 27001 Information Security accreditation.
COVID-19 Trials	 The South Korean Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) has announced "GO-expedite" program where they are expediting the review process for COVID-19 treatment and vaccine trials with specific timelines. A Novotech client's COVID-19 trial was approved in under 9 days in South Korea. High levels of investigator interest and institutional support to participate in COVID-19 trials. Currently there are 63 COVID-19 trials approved in South Korea. Novotech is involved on two of these projects. 7 Covid-19 new drug approval by MFDS: 5 vaccines (2 AstraZeneca, Pfizer, Janssen, Moderna), 2 treatments (Gilead, Celltrion).

Top 10 sites: High level status										
	Ethics/ Gov	Site Initiation	Recruitment	Participant visits	Monitoring	COVID- 19 trials				
Asan Medical Center	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available	Expedited				
Samsung Medical Center	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available (limited seats)	Expedited				
Seoul National University Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available	Expedited				
Seoul National University Bundang Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available	Expedited				
Severance Hospital, Yonsei University Health System	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available	Expedited				
The Catholic University of Korea Seoul St.Mary's Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available (limited seats)	Expedited				
Pusan National University Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available	Expedited				
Gachon University Gil Medical C.	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available (limited seats)	Expedited				
Chonnam National University Hwasun Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available (limited seats)	Expedited				
The Catholic University of Korea, St. Vincent Hospital	Available	On site or Remote	Available	Available	Available (limited seats)	Expedited				

Novotech monitors activity for all sites. Please contact your project manager for an update

Sources: Worldometer, Ourworldindata.org



South Korea: New and cumulative COVID-19 cases by notification date