Country perspectives – on COVID technologies needs and availability

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Genomic Research Lab, BCSIR

- Underlying vision 2021, the government of the people's republic of Bangladesh had established a state-of-the-art genomic research laboratory in BCSIR back in 2018.
- It is the only organization in Bangladesh with the facilities to perform sequencing in large numbers and generate data rapidly.
- Establishment of state-of-the-arte genomics research infrastructure to strengthen the country's capacity to address diseases which are of national interest.





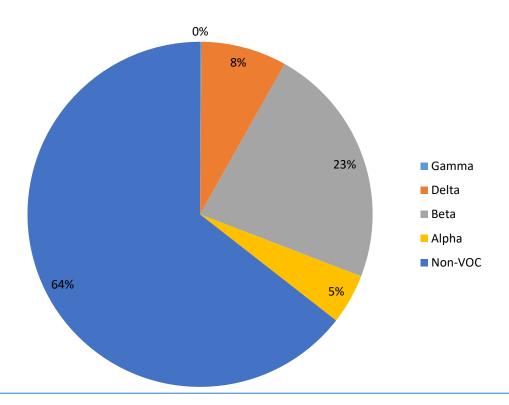




 Whole genome sequencing of 100 full length genome of Bangladeshi population



SARS-CoV-2 Whole genome Sequencing Project



- BCSIR has completed whole genome sequencing of 723 isolates of SARS-CoV-2 from whole Bangladesh
- We have found that among the SARS-CoV-2 viral sample about 36% are variant of concern.

Publication





GENOME SEQUENCES



Coding-Complete Genome Sequences of Three SARS-CoV-2 Strains from Bangladesh

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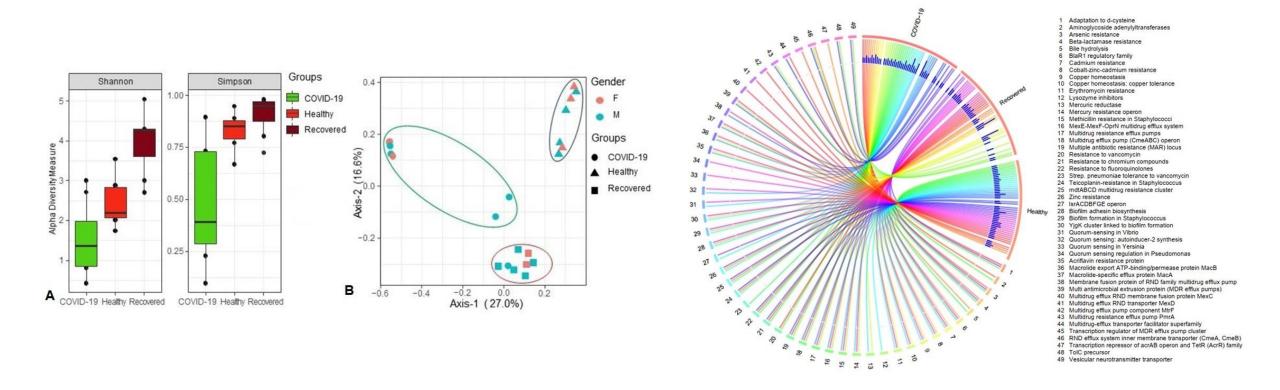
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Genome Sequence of a SARS-CoV-2 P.1 Variant of Concern (20J/501Y.V3) from Bangladesh

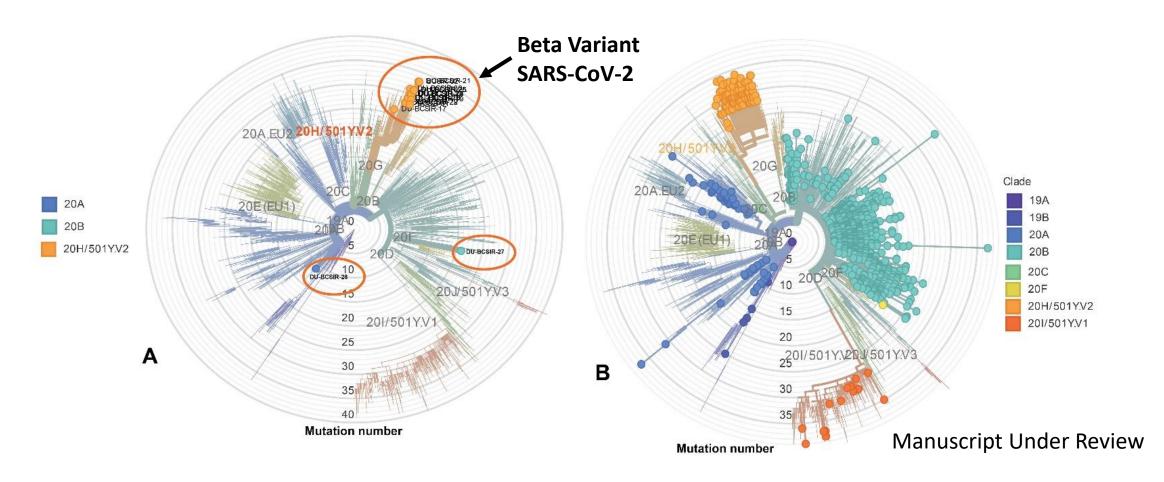
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COVID-19 associated changes in structure and composition of the nasopharyngeal microbiomes



SARS-CoV-2 infection cause the microbial dysbiosis among the COVID-19 patients even after few month of their recovery

Infection After Vaccination



We found that most of the COVID-19 positive patients after vaccination were infected with Beta variant (South African variant)

On going Technology development

• COVID-19 testing is critical for:

- ➤ For surveillance and screening efforts
- >To monitor effectiveness of control measures
- To inform public health and economic decisions

Obstacles for COVID-19 testing

- ≥100% import based
- **≻**Expensive
- ➤ Shortage of supply
- ➤ Might not be able to identify all variants circulating in the country

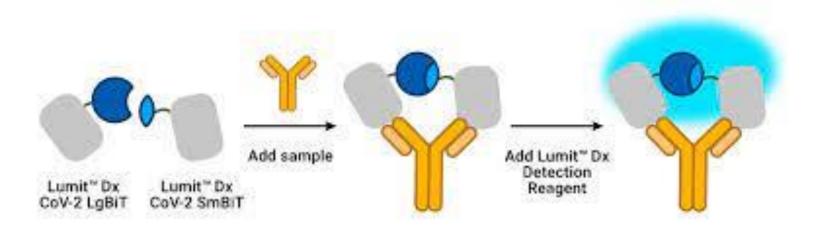
• **Objective**: Capacity build up for molecular test kit development

• **Short term vision**: COVID-19 real time PCR kit development

• Long term vision: Real time PCR kit development for tropical infectious disease, Cancer screening marker

R&D project by Institute of Technology Transfer and Innovation, BCSIR

Institute of Technology and Innovation, BCSIR has taken another initiative on the "Evaluation of the development of anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgG antibodies in COVID-19 infected, uninfected and vaccinated people



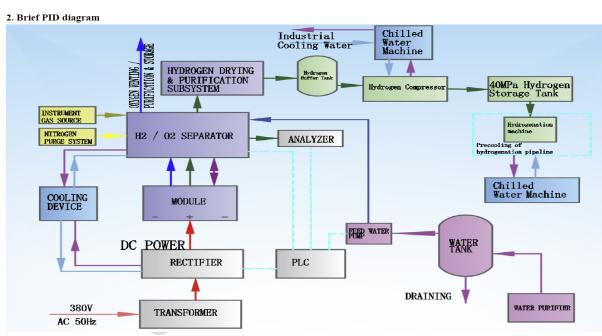
This study would anticipate the immunological status of general population of Bangladesh in response to the newly found deadly virus, SARS-CoV-2 for 1000 cases.

An effective single-dose mRNA vaccine against SARS-CoV-2

Globe Biotech Limited, a pioneer biotech company in Bangladesh, has developed a first effective single-dose vaccine based on mRNA technology that has shown strong protection in human cells and animal models against SARS-CoV-2 virus with a single dose. The proposed commercial names for GBPD060 vaccine are BANCOVID® and BANGAVAX®



Intelligent High Pressure On-site Hydrogen & Oxygen Generation, Storage and Refueling System in Chattogram, Bangladesh.



System Specification

Rated Hydrogen flow rate : 2.5Nm 3 /h (0°C,1atm)

Rated Oxygen flow rate : 1.25Nm3/h (0°C,1atm)

Delivery hydrogen purity : ≥99.999% (after Purification)

Delivery oxygen purity :≥99.3%

System operation pressure : 3.2Mpa(Gauge pressure)

Hydrogen dew point :≤-70°C

Rated DC consumption :≤4.8KWh/Nm3H2

Control Design PLC + touch screen + unattended automatically

D.I. Water Flow :2.5Kg/h

Cooling water consumption :0.5m3/

