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Denmark injects 4 M Danish kroner in Korea's International Vaccine Institute

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IVI and the Embassy of Denmark in Korea co-organized a seminar on vaccine development and AMR

The Danish Minister for Health, H.E. Magnus Heunicke, recently visited the South Korea-based International Vaccine Institute (IVI), an international organization with a mission to discover, develop, and deliver safe, effective, and affordable vaccines for global health, during his official visit to the Republic of Korea and announced that the Government of Denmark will contribute funding to IVI this year.

The Minister was joined by a delegation from Denmark including Statens Serum Institut, International Centre for Antimicrobial Resistance Solutions, and Aarhus University, and met with Dr Jerome Kim, Director General of IVI, for a bilateral meeting and tour of IVI's facilities.

As part of the Health Minister's visit, the Embassy of Denmark in Korea and IVI co-organized a seminar to initiate discussion and coordinated action around vaccine solutions for pandemic preparedness and antimicrobial resistance (AMR). The seminar featured presentations from the Danish delegation as well as IVI, Institut Pasteur Korea, and Seoul National University.

"Denmark is following the work of IVI closely, and we are very impressed with IVI's mission to discover, develop and deliver safe, effective and affordable vaccines for global health. Covid-19 has shown us the importance of international cooperation in addressing cross-border health threats, and IVI is playing a very important role in ensuring global health", said H.E. Magnus Heunicke, Minister for Health.

Image caption- Dr Jerome Kim, Director General of IVI (left), and H.E. Magnus Heunicke, Minister for Health of Denmark.