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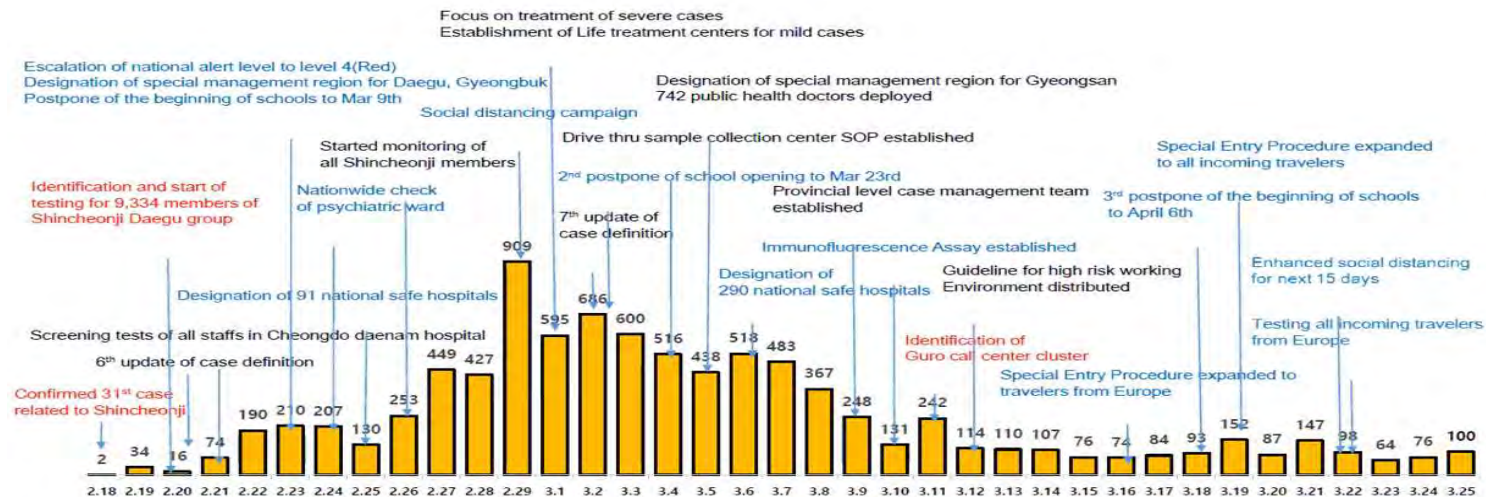
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# Using ICT to Control COVID-19 in Korea

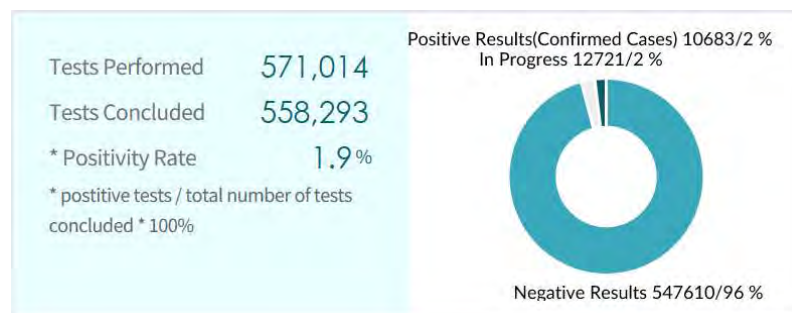
Source : Flattening the curve on COVID-19  
by The government of the Republic of Korea

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# Status Changes of COVID-19 in Korea



- ☞ Detect first confirmed patient from China on Jan. 20, 2020 at the Incheon Airport
- ☞ Peaked at Feb. 29, 2020 with 909 confirmed cases
- ☞ The curve has flattened and down to 9 confirmed cases on Apr. 21, 2020
- ☞ 10,683 confirmed cases and 237 death as of Apr. 21, 2020



# Key Factors for Managing COVID–19 in Korea

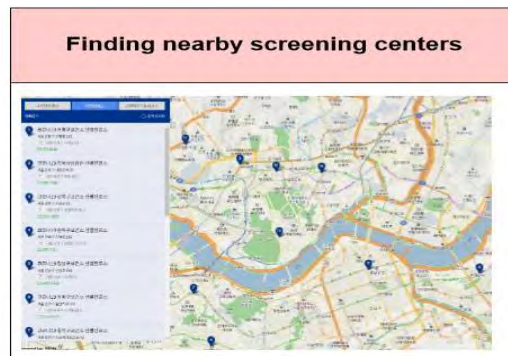
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1. Preventive Measures against COVID-19 in Korea
  - Early lesson from ShinCheonJi Cluster Infection (5,212 : 48.8% of total confirmed cases)
  - Successful Social Distance Campaign
2. Aggressive Use of ICT Infrastructure & Services
  - 100% internet penetration rate (100Mbps) & 99% of population for internet use
  - Contributions of ICT applications to settle down the situation
3. **ICT Software and Services to Cope with COVID-19**
  - **Information provision to promote the status and way to respond**
  - **To stabilize the society from the panic**
  - **Accelerate developing examination Kit & Self-Diagnosis**
  - **Surveillance & Tracking System for tracing move of self-isolators**
4. Selfless Services of Volunteers
  - 66,500 volunteers for medical services & 67,600 for emergency services
  - 390,000 volunteers for administration
  - 4,000,000 volunteers Total

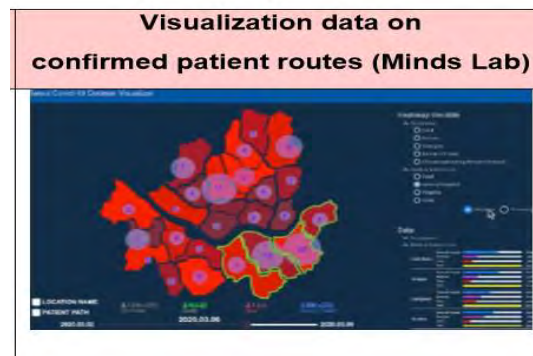
# Information Provision by Government



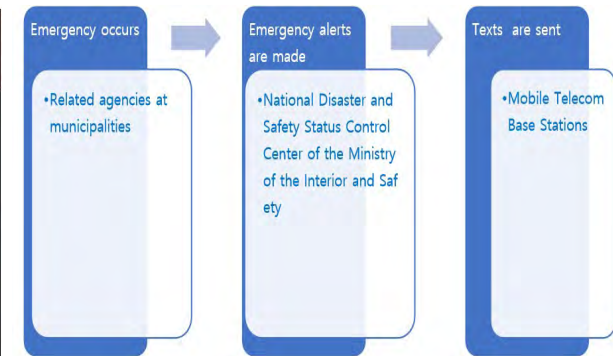
Korean Government's Official Website on COVID-19 to release all relevant information



Data released in API format for private developers to get information about secure hospitals and screening centers



Mind Map : Gathered from local governments' websites and repackaged with additional geographical information



Cellular Broadcasting Service : transmit emergency alert text messages on disasters to cell phones by government in Korea.

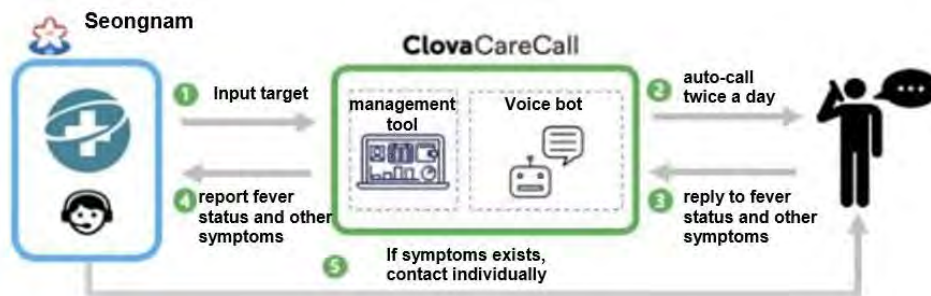


# Information Provision by Private Companies



**Korea Spatial Information & Community :**

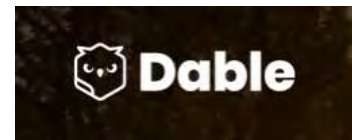
Map for Route of Patients, Place for diagnosis, and places for Attention based on GIS data



**Clover Carecall** : AI based voice robot automatically calls the people under self-quarantine to ask health condition, and informs to public health center



**Corona119 Chatbot** : Public chatting robot service to inform the way of preventing and correctly responding corona virus



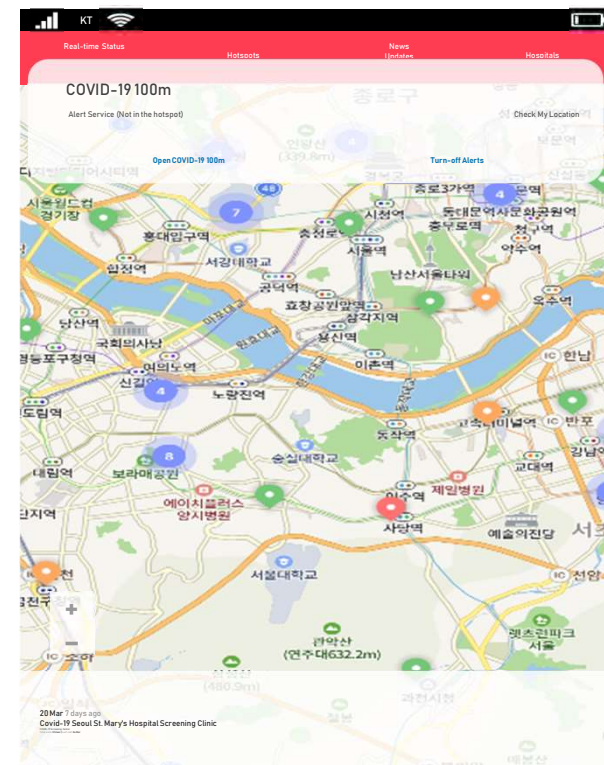
**Dable News** : Information service to provide media trends by analyzing the corona relate articles collected from over 1,800 media companies

# Early Day Mobile Apps Developed by Students


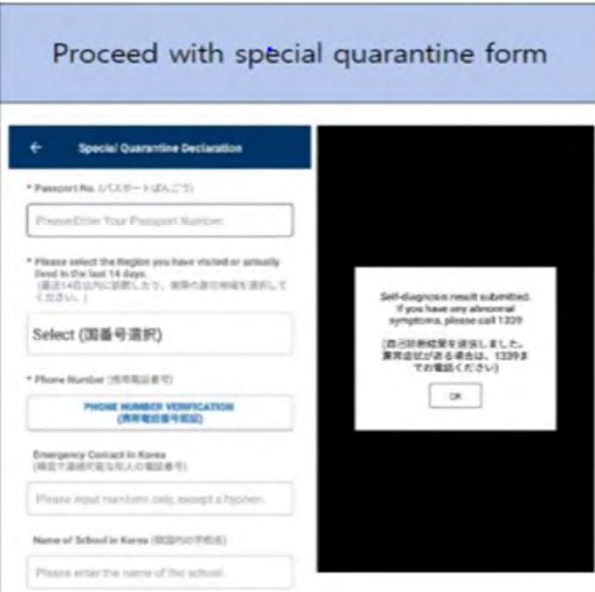


**Corona Now** : Show the status of confirmed cases and perilous places, which was developed by junior high school students in Feb. 3, 2020



**Corona Near-by** : Show the status of confirmed cases and perilous places within 100M which was developed by college students in Feb. 3, 2020

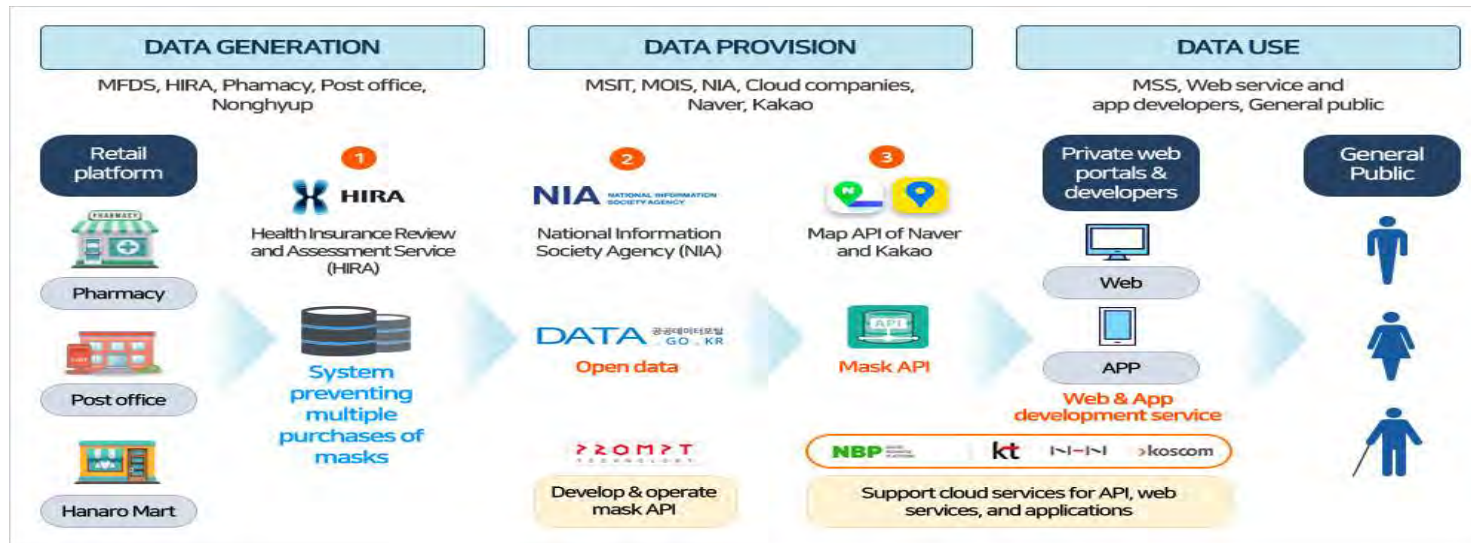


# Self-Diagnosis Mobile App

Start to Mobile app	Proceed with special quarantine form	Proceed with daily Self Health Check	Check screening clinics
			

- ☞ To prevent the spread of COVID-19 by monitoring all inbound travelers from abroad
- ☞ Require all inbound travelers to install and report their health condition (body temperature, cough, sore throat, or difficulty breathing) using the application once a day during their 14 days of quarantine.
- ☞ Installed by 170,000 users and 9,000 appropriate actions taken
- ☞ Provide various necessary information : phone numbers to contact for consulting or emergency

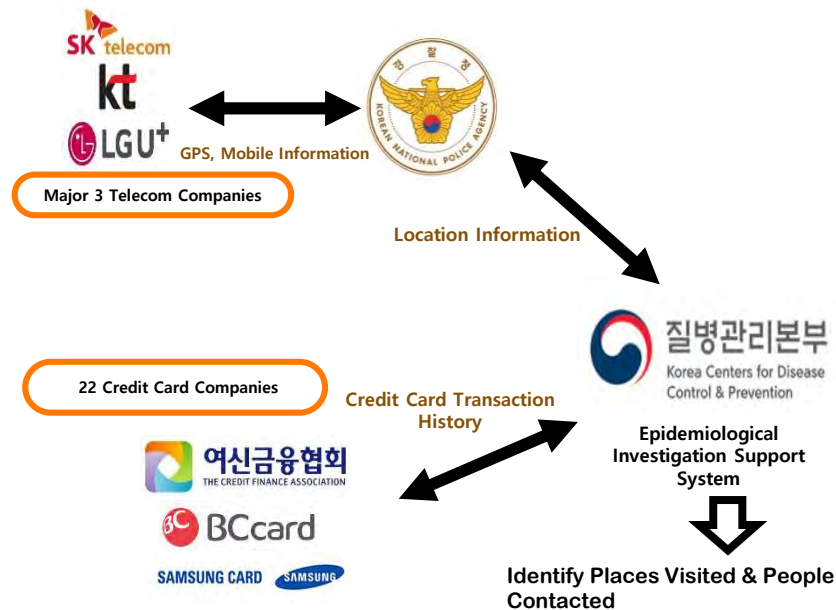
# To stabilize the society from the panic



- ➡ Promote the retailers to buy masks : public and private sector collaborate to use public data for people to buy limited number of masks conveniently
- ① Face mask sales and inventory data from the retailers are collected in HIRA(Health Insurance Review and Assessment Service : government subsidiary)
- ② NIA(National Information Society Agency : government subsidiary) modify the data to add store name, address, amount in stock, date etc.
- ③ Naver, Kakao, KT(Private Portals) provide API and Cloud for development and operation
- ④ Web-App based 'Mask App' services are published (more than 30 launched within 2 weeks)

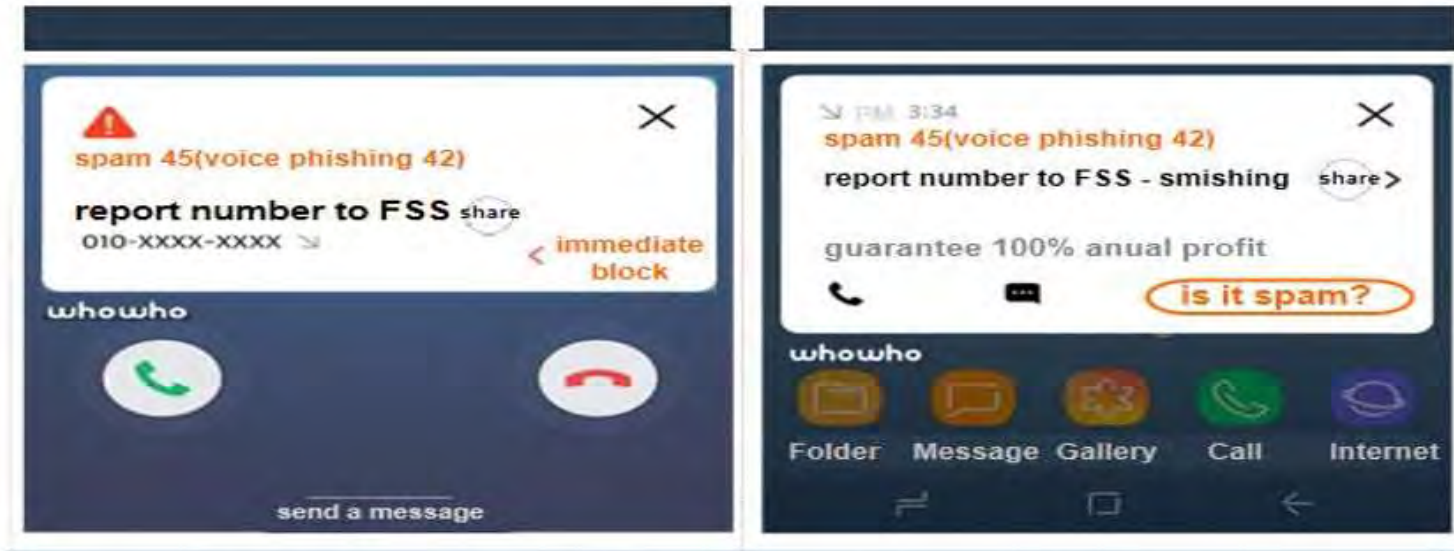


# Surveillance & Tracking Confirmed and Suspected



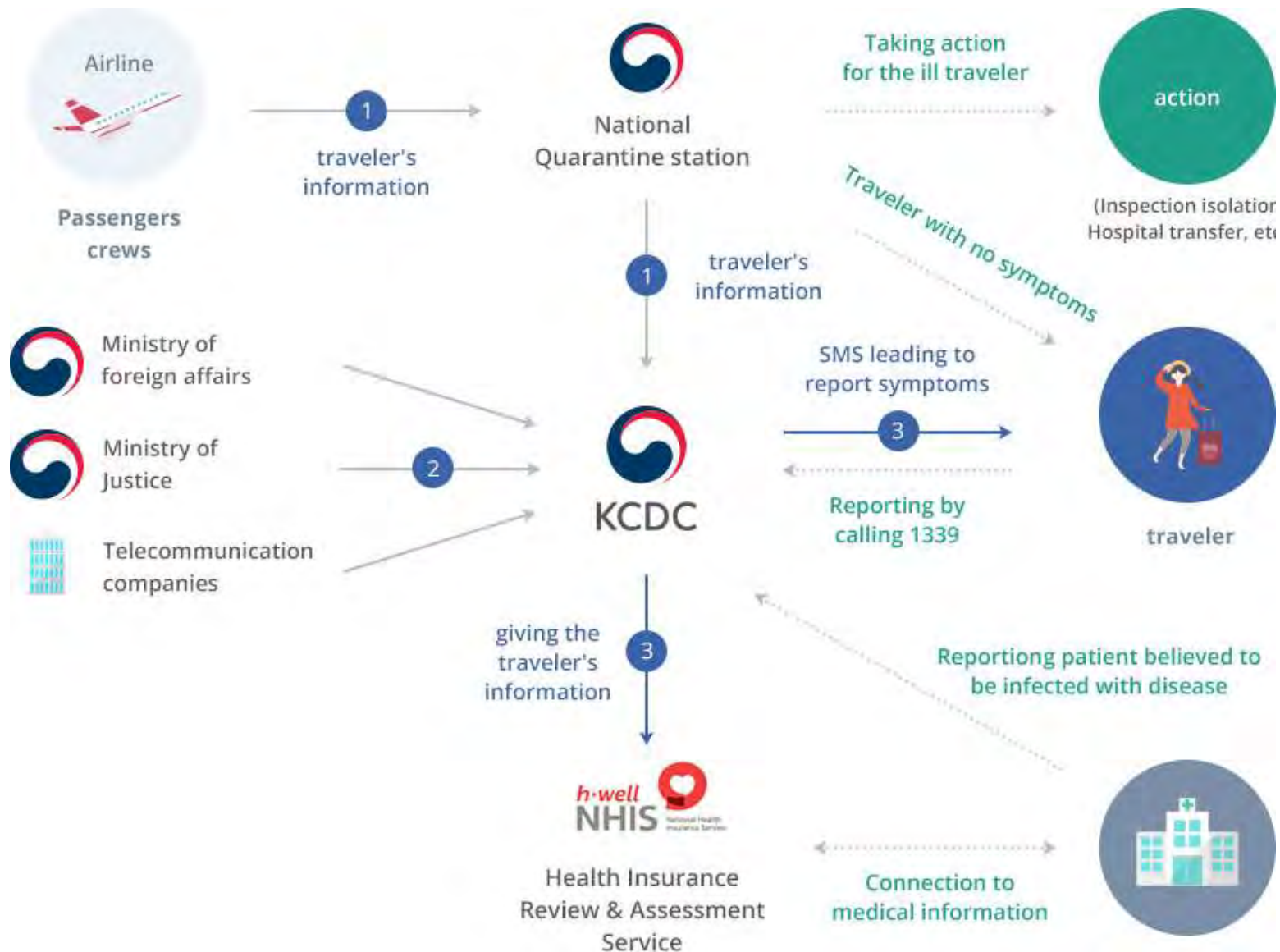
- ☞ Deploy Epidemiological Investigation Support System(EISS)
  - Use of city hub of the Smart City project in Daegu, Korea
  - Support Epidemiological Investigations based on the temporal and spatial analysis to identify "where to visit and whom to meet" of the infected
- ☞ Detect incidents of cluster infection and the source of transmission

# Security & Privacy Protection



- ➡ Frequent phishing & smishing attacks to health authorities and patients
- ➡ Minimum data collected and deleted right after official response ended
- ➡ Require approval & permission for investigators to access private data
- ➡ Security Clearance needed for KCDC and local government officials
- ➡ Modern security solutions applied and monitored by security experts

# Information Flow to Control COVID-19



# Developing Examination Kit Using AI and Big Data



Speed up the development of diagnosis kit up to 2 weeks using AI technology (deployed in more than 50 countries.)



Examine Lung Disease within seconds using AI technique (being used in Hospitals)



Classify intensive patients by examining X-ray of Lung with in 3 seconds with AI technique(used in public health centers)



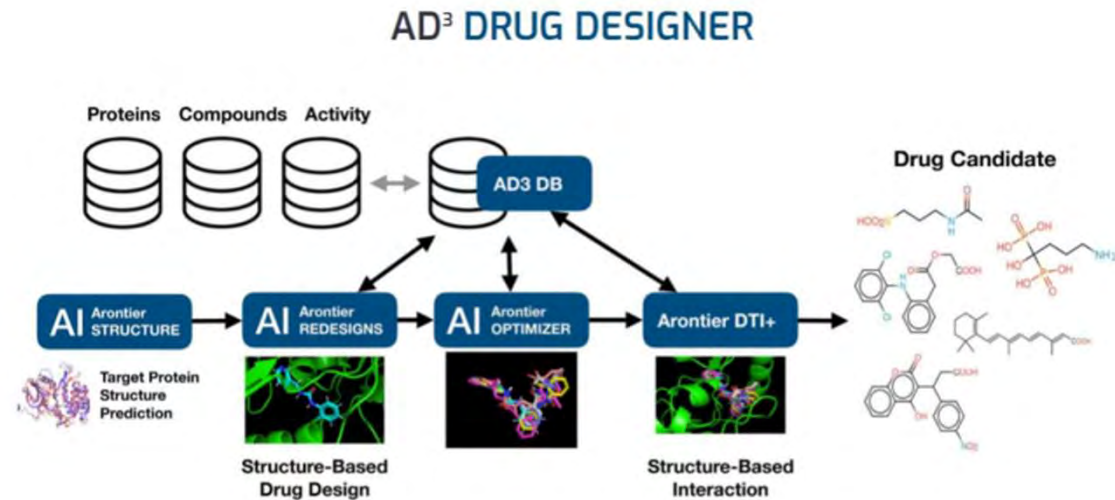
Aims to assist the private sector in achieving economic and social innovation by collecting, processing, and using large-scaled data and ICT technologies in the field of Healthcare such as remote medicine platform and digital therapeutics



# Developing Medicine using AI

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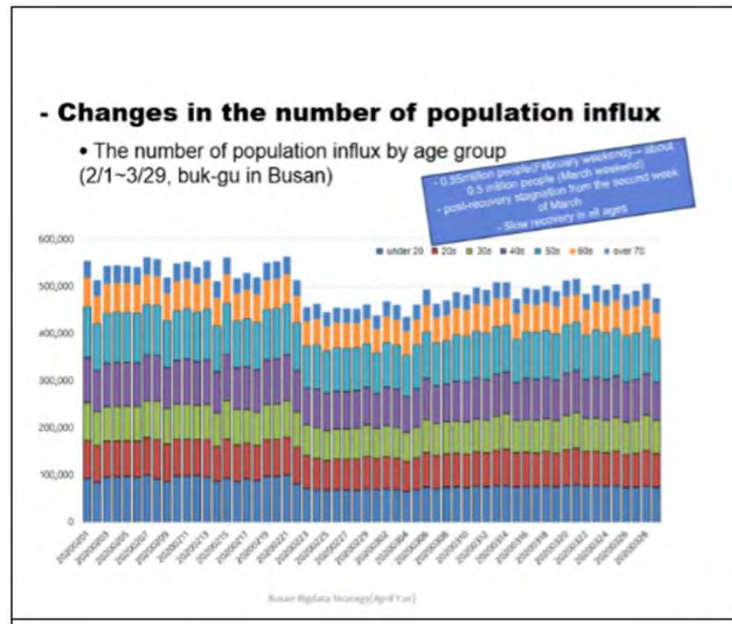
Using AI deep learning Algorithm to predict the interaction of Drug-Protein, propose candidate medicine such as medicine for HIV virus



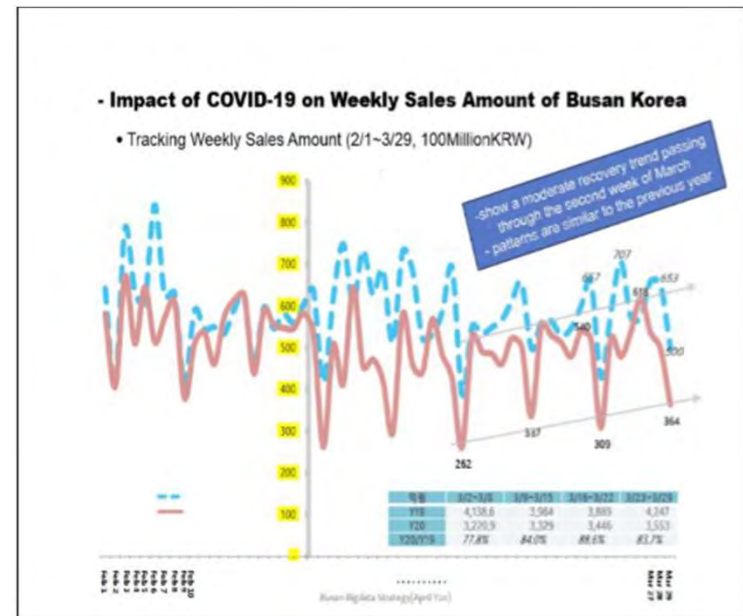
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Developing Platform to find candidate substances to treat corona virus more quickly

# Policy Making based on AI & Big Data Analysis



Set the social policy based on the number of population influx by age group (2/1~3/29, buk-gu in Busan)



Set the economic policy based on impact of COVID-19 on weekly sales amount of Busan, Korea by tracking weekly amount

# Conclusion : Lessons and Issues

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- ☞ Even though we are paying so much tuition to learn from COVID-19, we should together make best efforts to **turn the crisis into opportunity** because the tragedy will be ended soon or later.
- ☞ Corona Virus is not the last, we may face more severe disease soon or later; thus, we all need to **prepare another combat**.
  - Build ICT Infrastructure and e-government centered digital society
  - Collaborative preparation of public and private sectors
  - Reform law and regulation for remote work, remote education, remote medicare, etc.
  - Organize International Information sharing community among the nations for preventing another global disaster
- ☞ We can not escape from the past, but can **build the future** by well managing the present.



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