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Roche Diagnostics India launches COVID-19 At-Home test

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The test delivers results in 15 minutes



Roche Diagnostics India has announced its latest diagnostic solution– the COVID-19 At-Home Test. The over-the-counter test is intended to be used for detection of SARS CoV-2 infection in individuals with symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 and is approved by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

The company has already brought a wide range of COVID-19 testing solutions to the country including the gold standard RT-PCR test, a lab-based antigen test, and Rapid Antigen tests for professional use.

COVID-19 At-Home Test can successfully detect SARS-CoV-2 virus including the Omicron variant.

The Test collects the sample from the front area of the nose instead of the nasopharynx, resulting in a simplified and more comfortable sampling procedure. The test will be available in e-pharmacies and local pharmacies and requires no prescription.

The self-test kit includes a test cassette, a sterile swab, a tube with liquid and nozzle cap, along with a step-by-step self-test guide and QR code to access the instruction video. Users will have to download the ‘My Covid-M’ app using the QR code which will help them read and interpret the test results and also update the results to the ICMR database (as mandated by ICMR).

The tube with liquid neutralizes the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The test kit will also include a biomedical waste disposal bag for the kit following testing.