



Cuba may become the first Latin American country to produce its own vaccine against COVID-19

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"The Pan American Health Organization affirmed that Cuba can become the first Latin American country to produce its own vaccine, and once the proposals are concluded, they could also benefit the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean."

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In this sense, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) also recently said that "the country is one step closer to producing the first vaccine in Latin America against the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which causes COVID -19 ».

According to information published by the Prensa Latina (PL) agency, UNIDO considered that, in an international context marked by disputes over the equitable distribution of vaccines, and the immunization of a few, compared to the rest, Cuban candidates could provide a potential lifeline to developing countries.

Likewise, several international media have recognized these days, the progress of Cuban science in confronting the pandemic.

A PL report said today that the Business Insider web portal, one of the main US financial and economic news sites, highlighted the progress of the Sovereign 01 and Sovereign 02 proposals, from the Finlay Institute; as well as Abdala and Mambisa, from the Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.

"Cuba is working on a 'homegrown' anticovid-19 vaccination program and aims to be one of the first in the world to immunize its entire population by the end of 2021, without the help of the West," said the article cited by PL .

The information also alluded to an interview conducted by Business Insider with Professor Beate Kampmann, director of the Vaccine Center at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, who stated that the Caribbean island has been producing safe drugs for years, and there is confidence in their ability to deliver candidates against Covid-19.