

The Brazilian PTO establishes prioritization of technologies associated with the treatment and diagnosis of Covid-19

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By means of publication made in the Official Gazette 2,570, dated April 7th, 2020, the Brazilian Patent Office promulgated [Ordinance No. 149/2020](#), amending Resolution 239/19, which regulates the priority procedure for patent application processes, to allow such prioritization in the examination of patent applications with technology related to Covid-19.

This Ordinance formalizes the prioritization of examination of patent applications related to pharmaceutical products and processes and equipment and/or materials for use in health, aiming at the diagnosis, prophylaxis and treatment of the new coronavirus.

The request for priority procedure must be filed by July 30, 2021, by the Applicant or interested third party, individual or legal entity, and contain a clarification indicating the relationship of the matter of the process with the diagnosis, prophylaxis and/or treatment of Covid-19 patients.

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