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Novartis to take stake in Israel's Gamida Cell

JERUSALEM: Swiss drugmaker Novartis has agreed to take a 15 per cent stake in Gamida Cell, an Israeli developer of stem cell therapies, in a deal that could reach more than \$600 million, Gamida's parent said on Tuesday. Under the agreement, Novartis would immediately invest \$35 million in Gamida for the stake and receive an option to fully acquire the company, parent Elbit Imaging said. The option expires in the first-half of 2016. – Reuters



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