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## Drive to create bird flu vaccine

INTERNATIONAL health experts said today they were seeking a vaccine for the bird flu that has killed five people in Vietnam and millions of chickens across Asia.

The World Health Organisation said that because of "mounting concern" over the five deaths, it is working on a new vaccine to protect people from the avian flu that has struck poultry farms in Vietnam, South Korea and Japan.

Laboratories in Hong Kong and Japan are working with flu virus samples from two of the victims in Vietnam.

### Web links

- [Dept of Health - pandemic flu](http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/EmergencyPlanning/PandemicFlu/fs/en)  
<http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/EmergencyPlanning/PandemicFlu/fs/en>
- [WHO - Bird Flu fact sheet](http://www.who.int/csr/don/2004_01_15/en/)  
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