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Romanian bird flu fear as tests prove positive

ROMANIA confirmed cases of deadly bird flu in five villages in and around the Danube delta today after test results from a British laboratory detected the H5N1 virus, officials said.

Romania does not have the capacity to test for the disease and instead sends samples to the UK for confirmation.

H5N1 has killed 71 people in Asia since late 2003, but experts say a flu pandemic among humans could kill millions.

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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