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Statement from Dr. Samba Ousmane Sow on new data from separate studies in Mexico and Africa on the effectiveness of rotavirus vaccine

“Almost half of all rotavirus deaths in children — roughly 230,000 — are happening here in sub-Saharan Africa. These new data demonstrate the lifesaving potential rotavirus vaccines hold for our region,” said Dr. Samba Ousmane Sow, general director, Mali Center for Vaccine Development and professor of medicine at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. “Children in developing countries in Africa are more likely to die from rotavirus and the severe dehydration it can lead to than children in countries such as the U.S. simply because they lack access to the medical care needed to treat rotavirus. The best way to protect these children is through vaccination.”

For more information, please visit: <http://www.path.org/news/pr100127-nejm-english.php> or <http://www.path.org/news/pr100127-nejm-french.php>

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