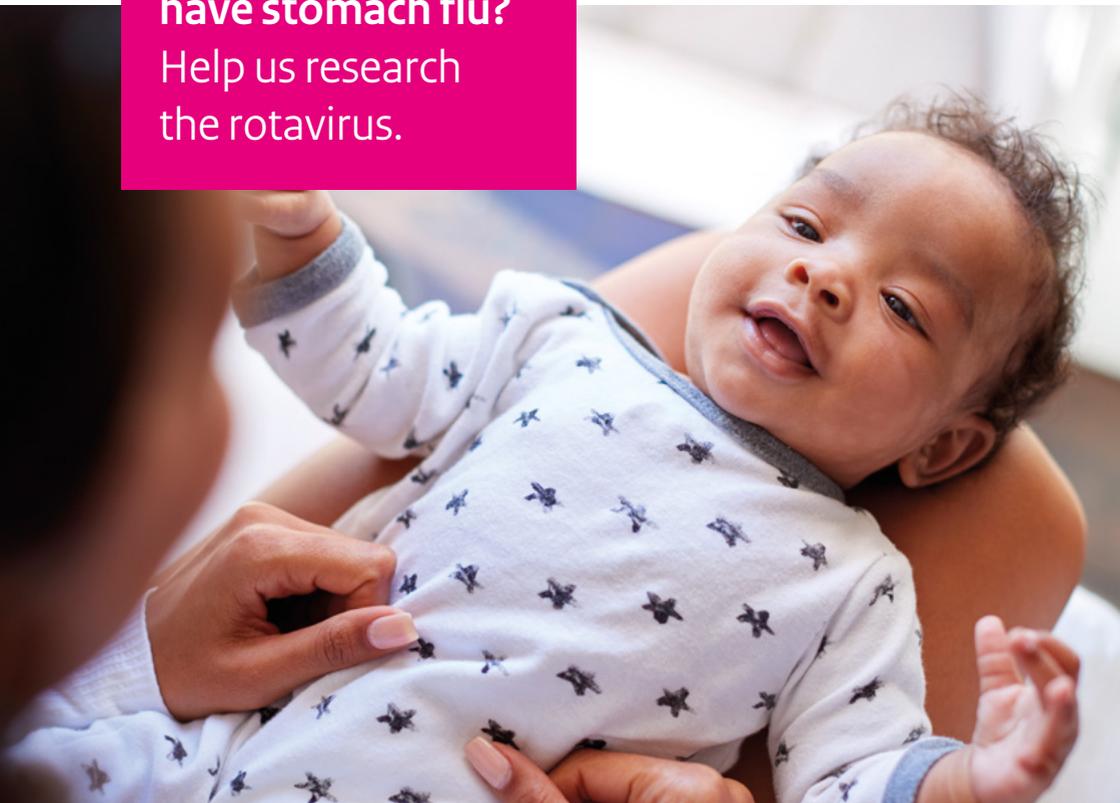




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Study on stomach flu symptoms

**Does your child
have stomach flu?**
Help us research
the rotavirus.



Study on rotavirus

Thousands of children are admitted to hospital every year in the Netherlands with serious stomach flu. Rotavirus is the main cause of stomach flu in children.

Since 1 January 2024, babies in the Netherlands can get a vaccination against rotavirus.

In the RotaVIRus (ROVI) study, we are researching how this vaccination affects the number of children with a severe rotavirus infection.

How does it work?

1. Register your child through the website. Scan the QR code at the bottom right to register.
2. Complete a questionnaire about your child's health.
3. Follow the instructions to collect a bit of your child's stool (poop) and send it in. The kit and instructions for this will be provided along with this leaflet at the hospital.
4. About two weeks later, complete one more short questionnaire.

Why does it help if I participate?

Was your child brought to the Accident and Emergency Department with stomach flu symptoms? Or was your child admitted to hospital with stomach flu symptoms? Then you can offer valuable information for our research. Your participation makes it possible for us to research how vaccination affects severe rotavirus infection.

Who can take part?

For the purposes of this study, it does not matter if your child had the rotavirus vaccination, or not. The study is for children born after 1 January 2024 who went to the Accident and Emergency Department or were admitted to hospital with stomach flu symptoms. This means vomiting, diarrhoea, fever and abdominal pain.

More information?

Would you like to know more about stomach flu, rotavirus or vaccination against rotavirus? Go to: rijksvaccinatieprogramma.nl/en/infectious-diseases/rotavirus

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