

PATH UltraRice®



PATH, an international, nonprofit organization based in Seattle, Washington, has developed a fortified food called UltraRice®. This synthetic grain which has the size, shape, and color of milled rice, can be manufactured to contain the micronutrients most needed by local populations. In addition, the grain can be customized to mimic, for example, the short-grained rice of China, or the longer, thinner rice of Brazil, while still delivering completely different combinations of micronutrients.

This technology addresses the micronutrient deficiencies that threaten millions of people worldwide, including folic acid deficiency, which is responsible for approximately 200,000 severe birth defects in 80 developing countries, and Vitamin A deficiency, which causes about 1,000,000 deaths in the developing world.

For more information, please visit the http://www.path.org/projects/ultra_rice.php