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Recently a company in the philippines has released the first ever vaccine to dengue fever. Dengue fever is potentially deadly disease that affects as many as 390 million people per year and kills over 250,000. Although it is now commercially available it is only being administered to high-risk people. Researchers predict the number of cases will decrease by 24% over the next five years.

I think that this achievement is very a important in medical research. I also think that this will lead to more powerful and more types of vaccines. This could be incorporated into a play by having the vaccine save the lives of someone who was going to die.