

NEW COVID Strain Will Be Dominant in the U.S. by March

January 15 edition of PEOPLE magazine stated that a new variant of the COVID-19 virus has the potential to replace the original strain of the virus and become the dominant strain in the US. This could potentially drive infections even higher and increase the number of deaths. This new strain, already well out of control is predicted by the CDC to soon overwhelm the country and emphasizes that now more than ever safety measures and guidelines must be maintained. And the dispersal of the new warp speed vaccine sped up.

This strain of the virus, dubbed B117, is feared to rapidly increase infection at a time when hospitals are already overwhelmed and unable to care for patients already in house. More cases lead to a higher demand for health care which leads to less accessible healthcare, and as a result potentially more deaths. The CDC suggests that health protocols and dispersal of the vaccine are crucial at this point to slow the spread and transmission in the coming months. The CDC plans to remain vigilant in monitoring the virus and urges Americans to continue abiding by safety protocols.