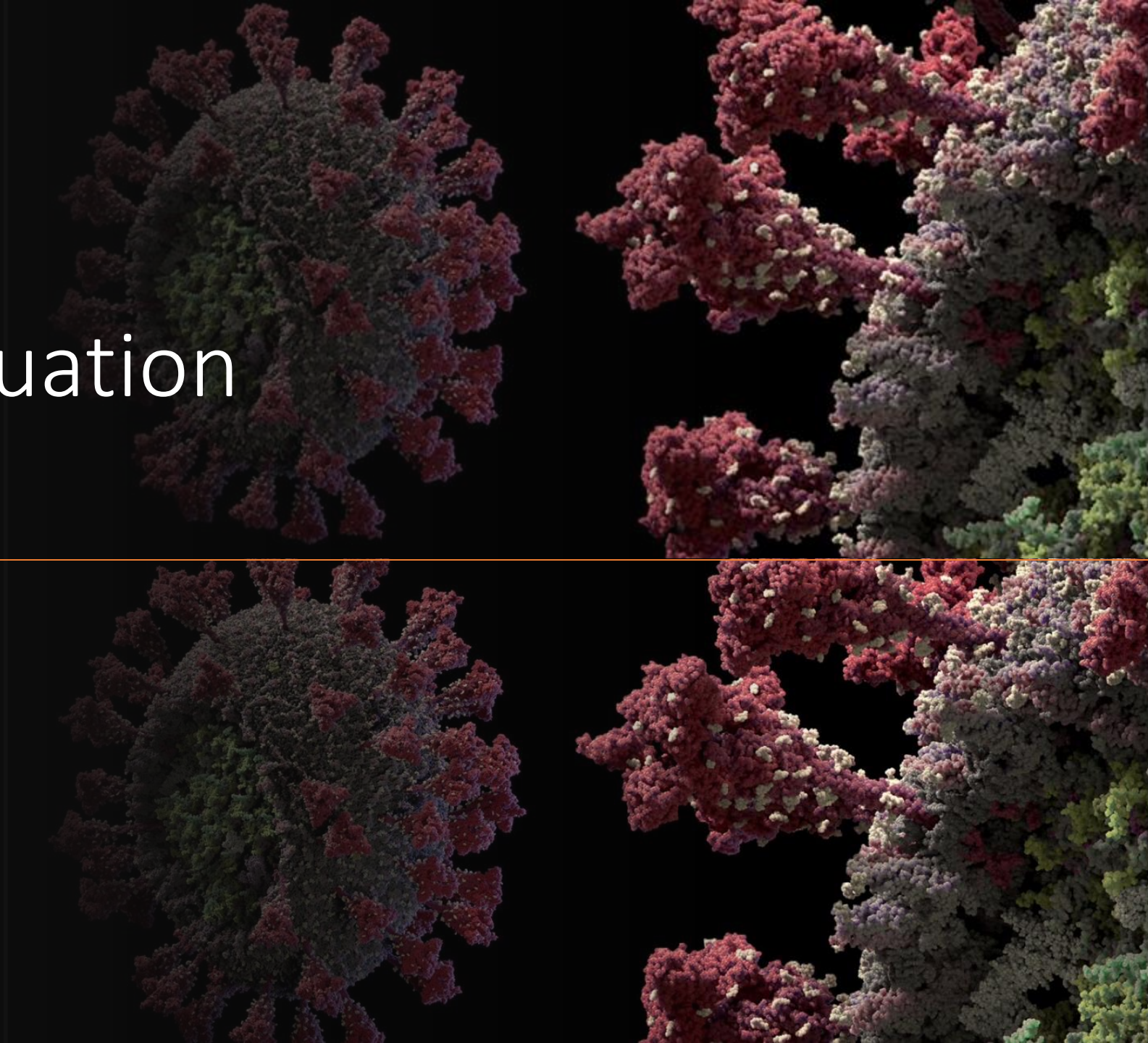


The Coming Flu Season: COVID and Influenza Converge

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The COVID Situation



COVID-19 Cases

- Global
 - 25, 405, 845 confirmed cases
 - 849, 349 deaths
- US
 - 6, 029, 695 cases confirmed
 - 183, 585 deaths
- LA County
 - 241, 768 confirmed cases
 - 5769 deaths

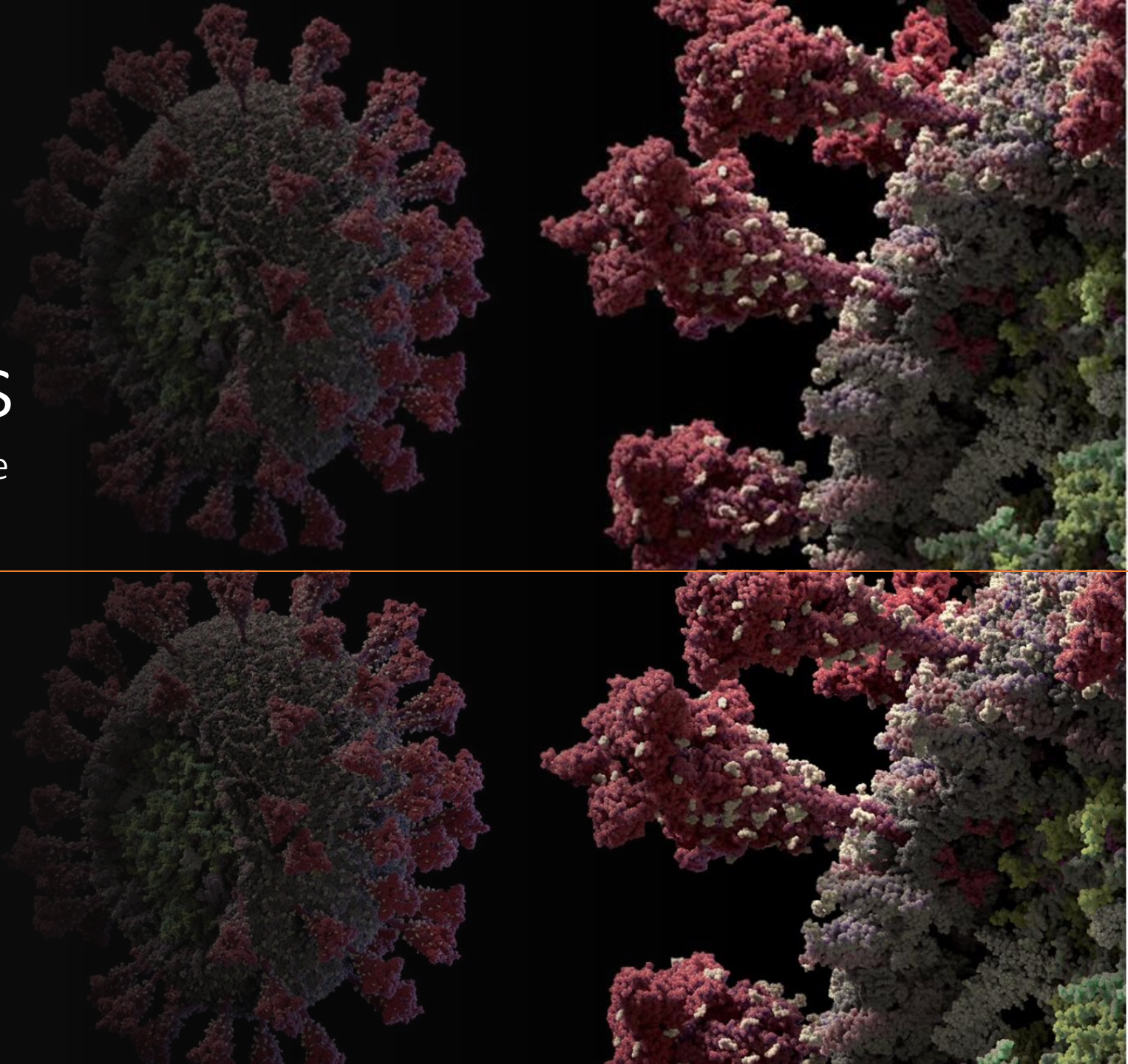
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Pandemics

When pathogens collide



Influenza as a Pandemic Pathogen

- 1918-1919 Spanish Flu : H1N1;
1/3 of world's population
infected
- 1957 H2N2 pandemic
- 1968 H3N2 pandemic
- H1N1 pdm 09 virus pandemic



Mortality

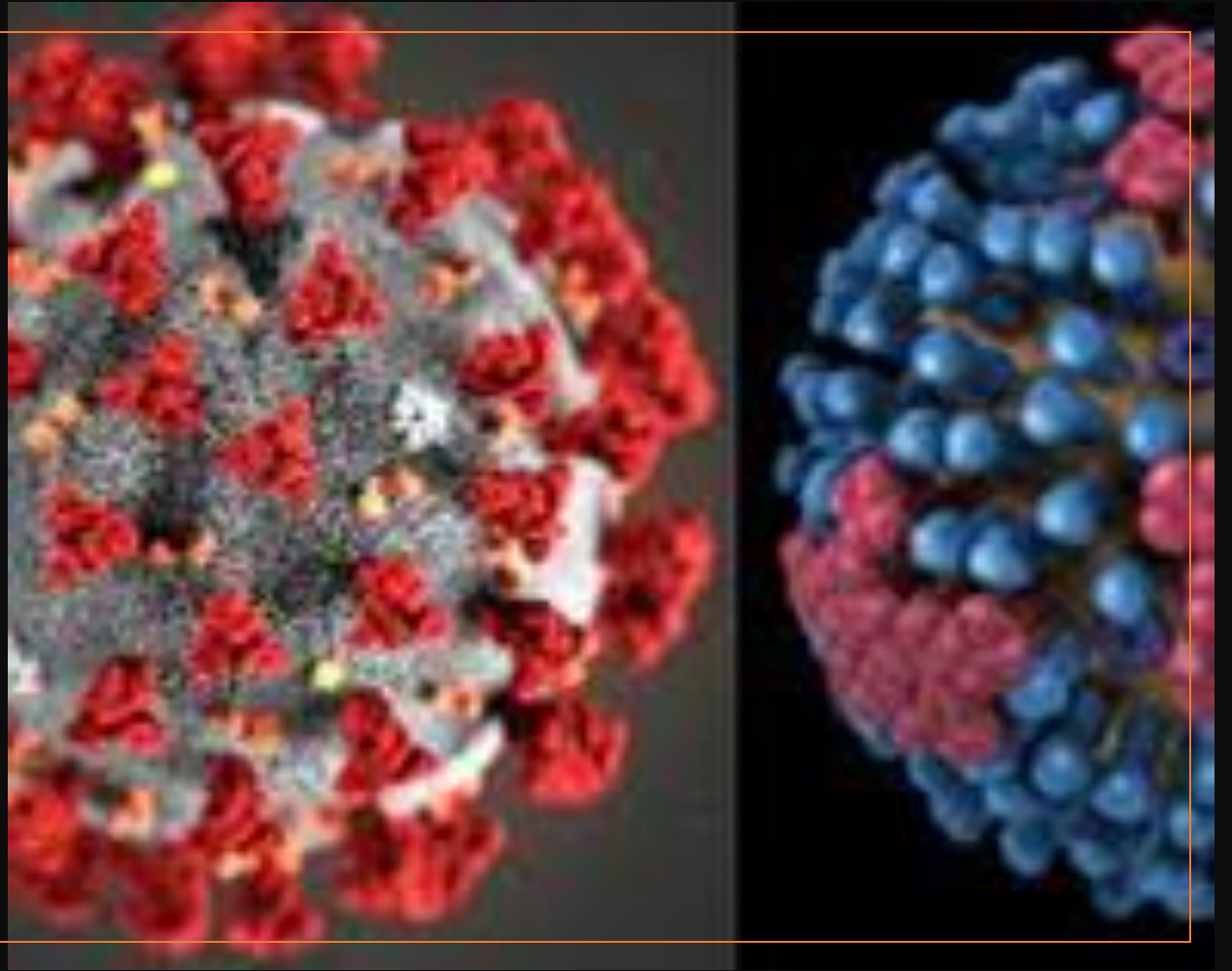
Influenza

- US 2018-2019 Season
- 35 million illnesses
- 16.5 million medical visits
- 490, 600 hospitalizations
- 34, 200 deaths

COVID 19

- January-August “season” US
- 6, 029, 695 cases
- 183, 585 deaths

The Pathogens

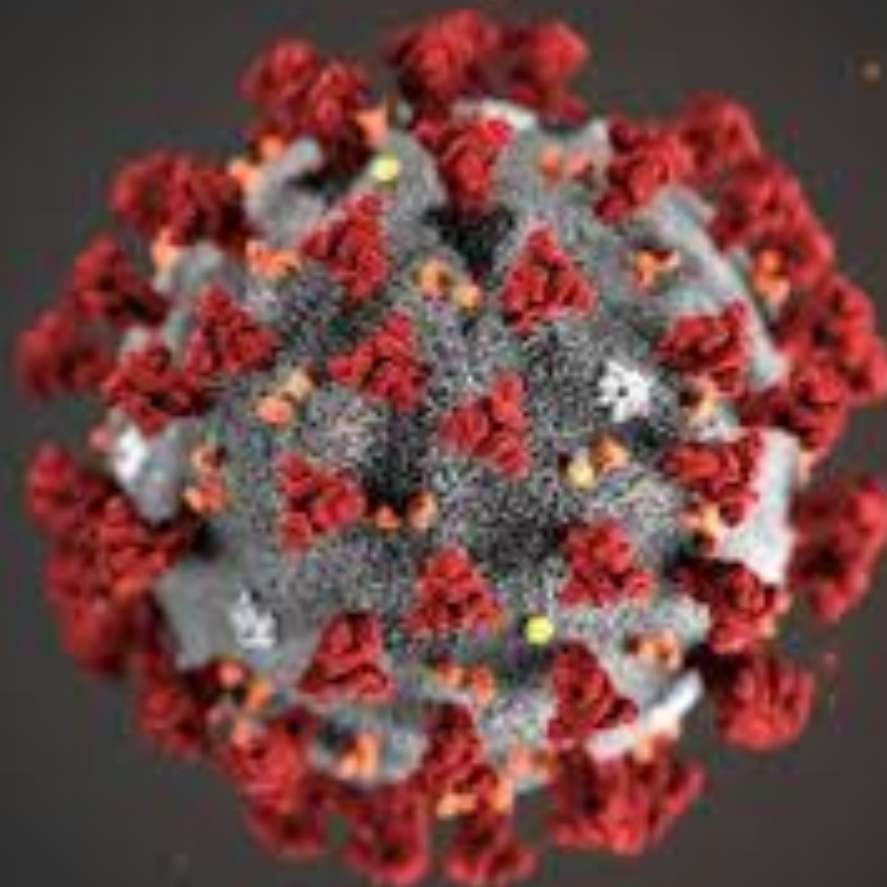


Reporter to Dr. Anthony Fauci: “ What is your nightmare scenario?”

Dr. Fauci: “This is it.”

Fauci said the virus met all four criteria for a nightmare scenario — it is new, respiratory-borne, easily transmissible and has a significant degree of illness or mortality.

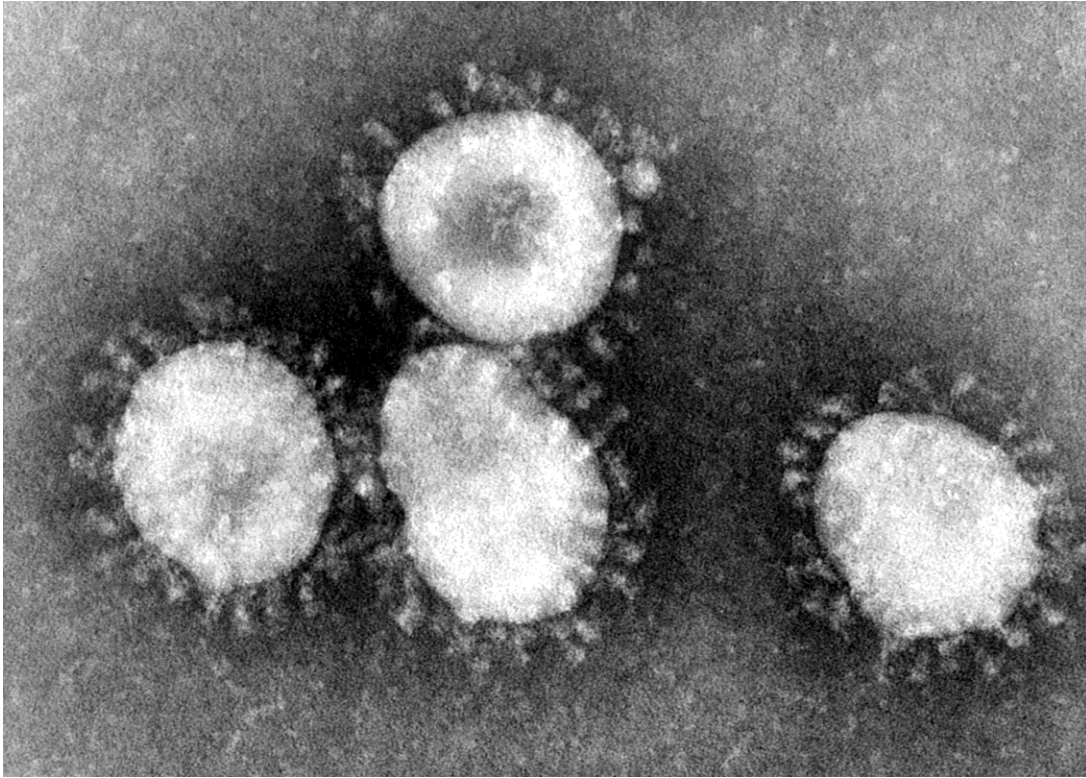
SARS CoV-2



SARS CoV-2

- Highly infectious pathogen,
- Rapid and wide global spread; No country immune
- High density of disease
- Causes very serious illness and frequently death
- Transmitted through even casual human interaction/behaviors
- No one has immunity
- No robust therapies
- No vaccine as yet

Coronaviruses (*Coronavirinae*)

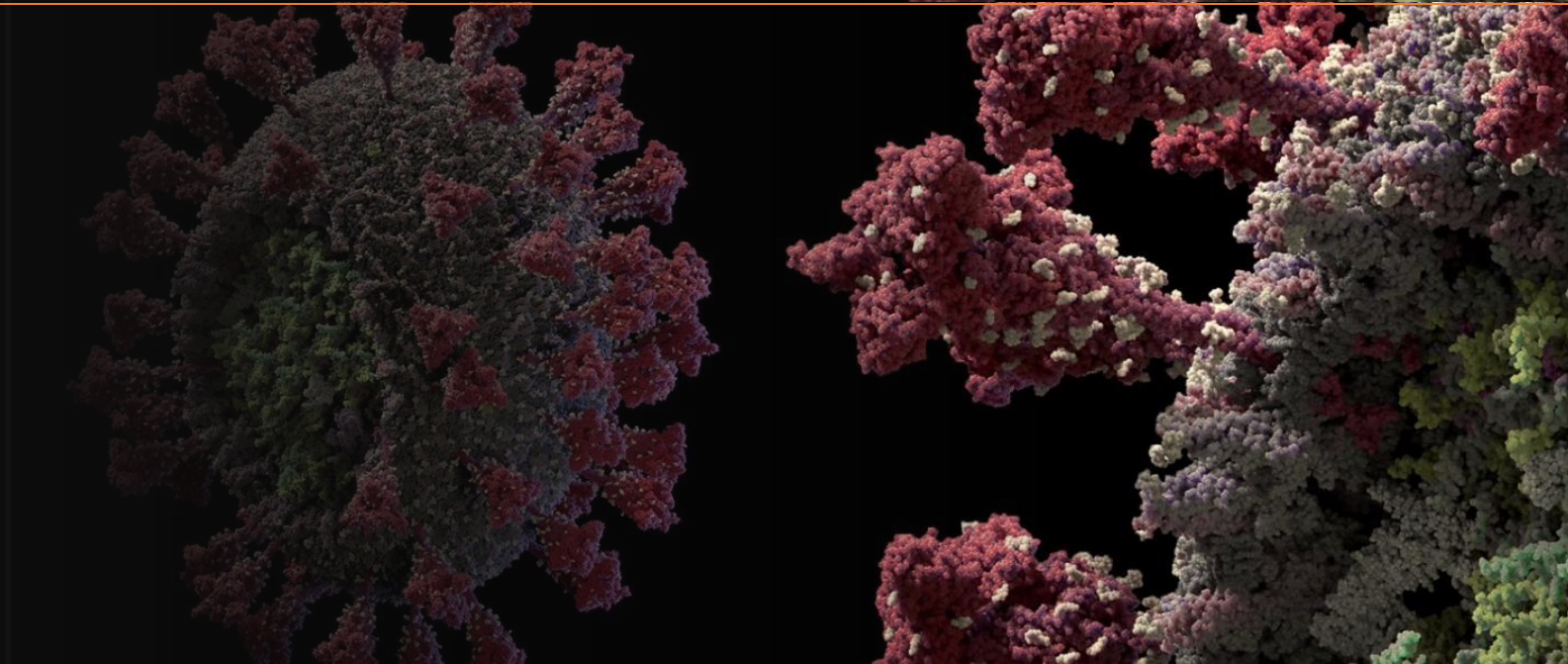
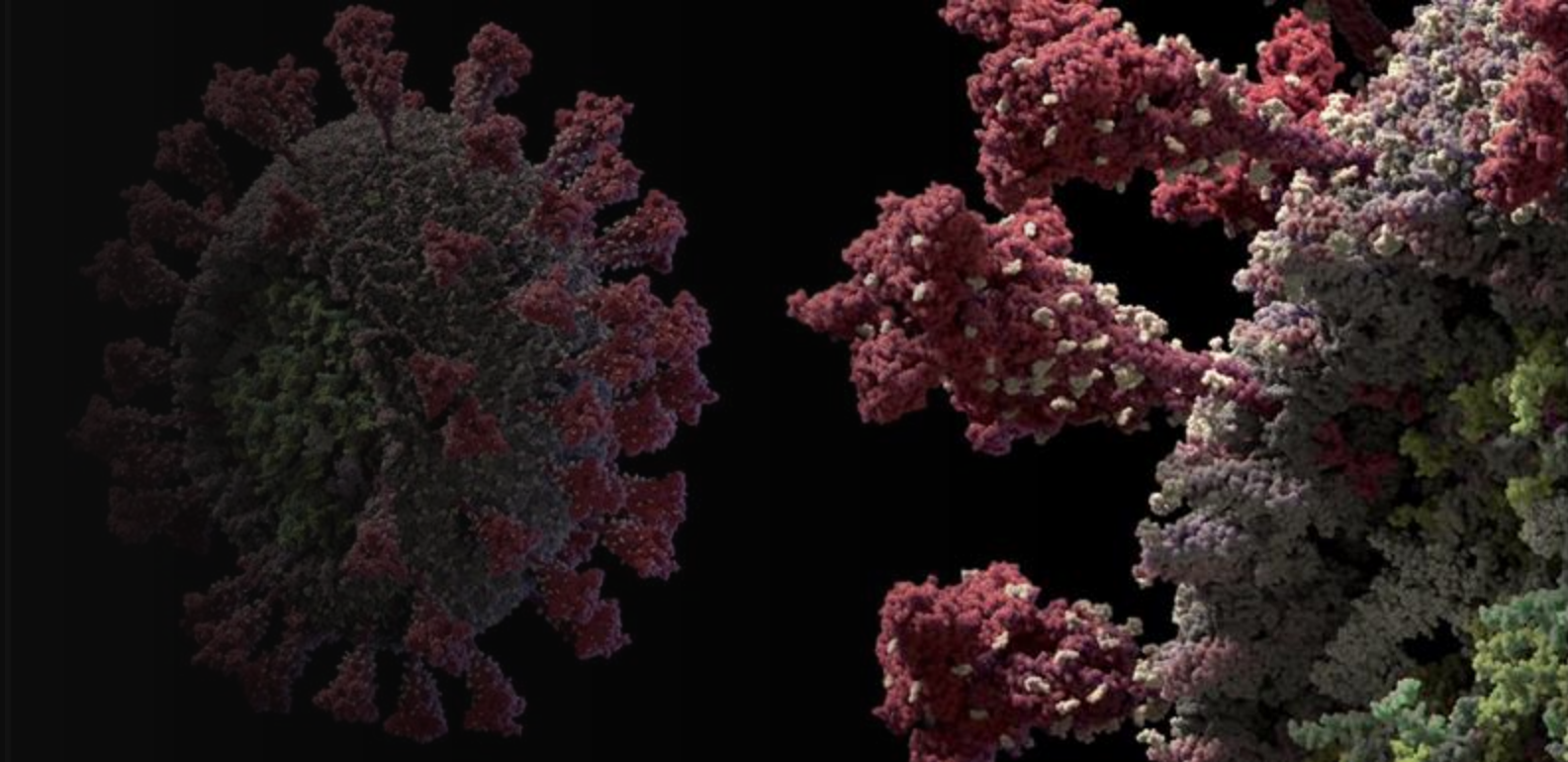


- RNA virus
- Largest genome of any RNA virus
- Usually affect birds and mammals (not reptiles)
- Common cause of upper respiratory infections, lower respiratory infections (bronchitis and pneumonia) and ARDS.

Coronaviruses and their hosts

Genus	Species
<i>Alphacoronavirus</i>	Bat coronavirus CDPHE15 Bat coronavirus HKU10 Human coronavirus 229E Human coronavirus NL63 Miniopterus bat coronavirus 1 Miniopterus bat coronavirus HKU8 Mink coronavirus 1 Porcine epidemic diarrhoea virus Rhinolophus bat coronavirus HKU2 Scotophilus bat coronavirus 512
<i>Betacoronavirus</i>	Betacoronavirus 1 Hedgehog coronavirus 1 Human coronavirus HKU1 Middle East respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus Murine coronavirus Pipistrellus bat coronavirus HKU5 Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 Severe acute respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus Tylonycteris bat coronavirus HKU4
<i>Deltacoronavirus</i>	Bulbul coronavirus HKU11 Common moorhen coronavirus HKU21 Coronavirus HKU15 Munia coronavirus HKU13 Night heron coronavirus HKU19 Thrush coronavirus HKU12 White-eye coronavirus HKU16 Wigeon coronavirus HKU20
<i>Gammacoronavirus</i>	Avian coronavirus Beluga whale coronavirus SW1

Origins



- Not a hoax
- Not a laboratory experiment gone wrong
- Not a bioterrorist weapon



Zoonotic Infection

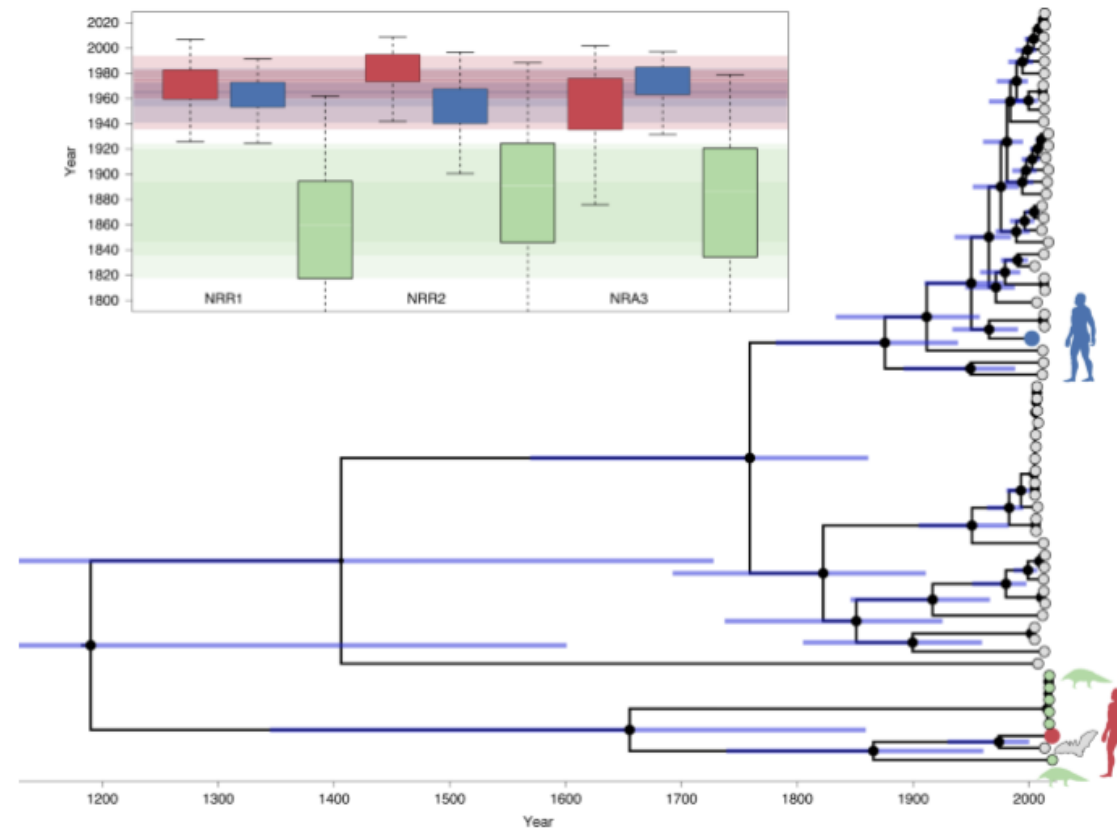
- Anderson et al. *Nature Medicine* April 2020:
- Thorough evaluation of genome of SARS CoV2
- Attention to the unique adaptation of the receptor binding domain (RBD) of the spike protein
- Apparent genetic mutation that allowed avid attachment to human ACE 2 receptors
- Affinity of human ACE 2 binding product of natural selection in animal host *before* zoonotic transfer
- Harbored in bats, but pangolin ACE2 similarity to human ACE 2 receptors may have promoted the natural selection

Evolutionary rates and divergence data show that SARS CoV-2 has been circulating in bats for decades.

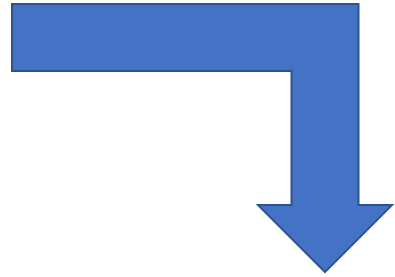


Rhinophilus affinis

Fig. 5: Time-measured phylogenetic estimates and divergence times for sarbecovirus lineages using an HCoV-OC43-centred rate prior.

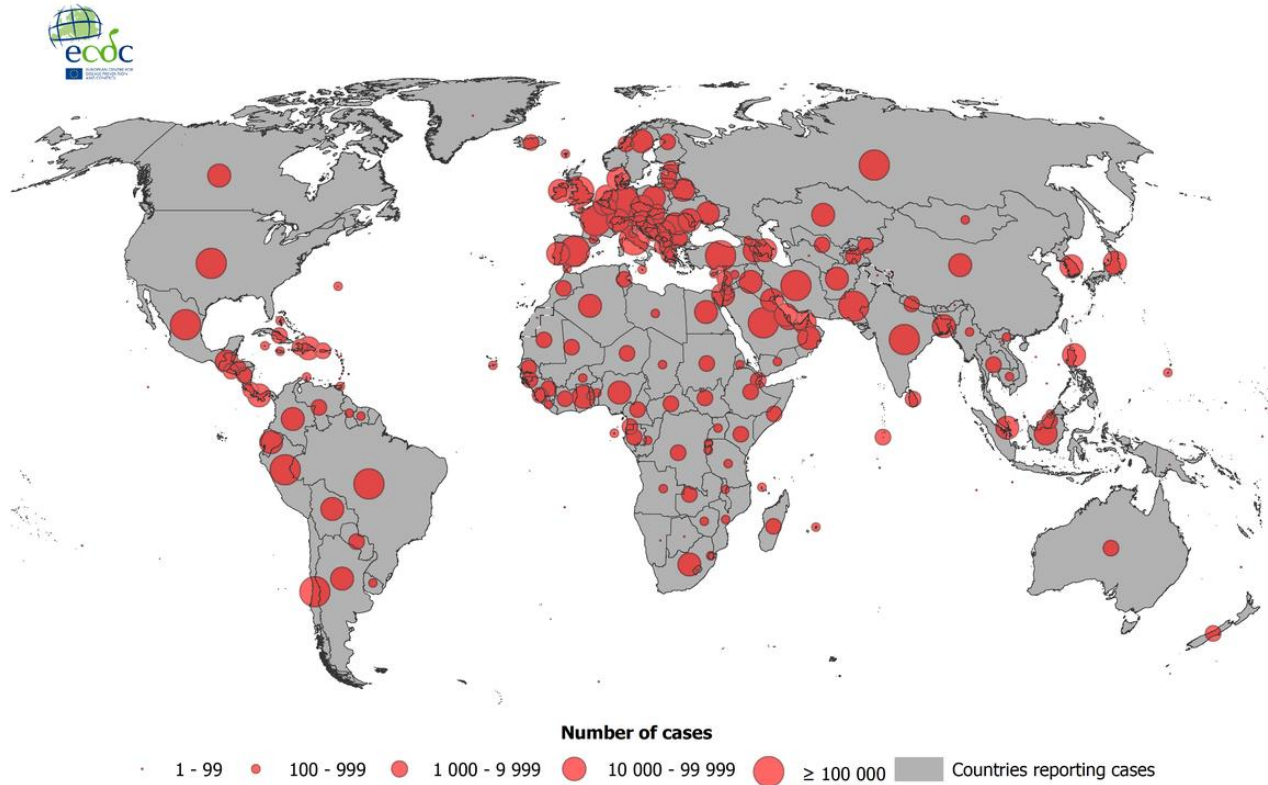


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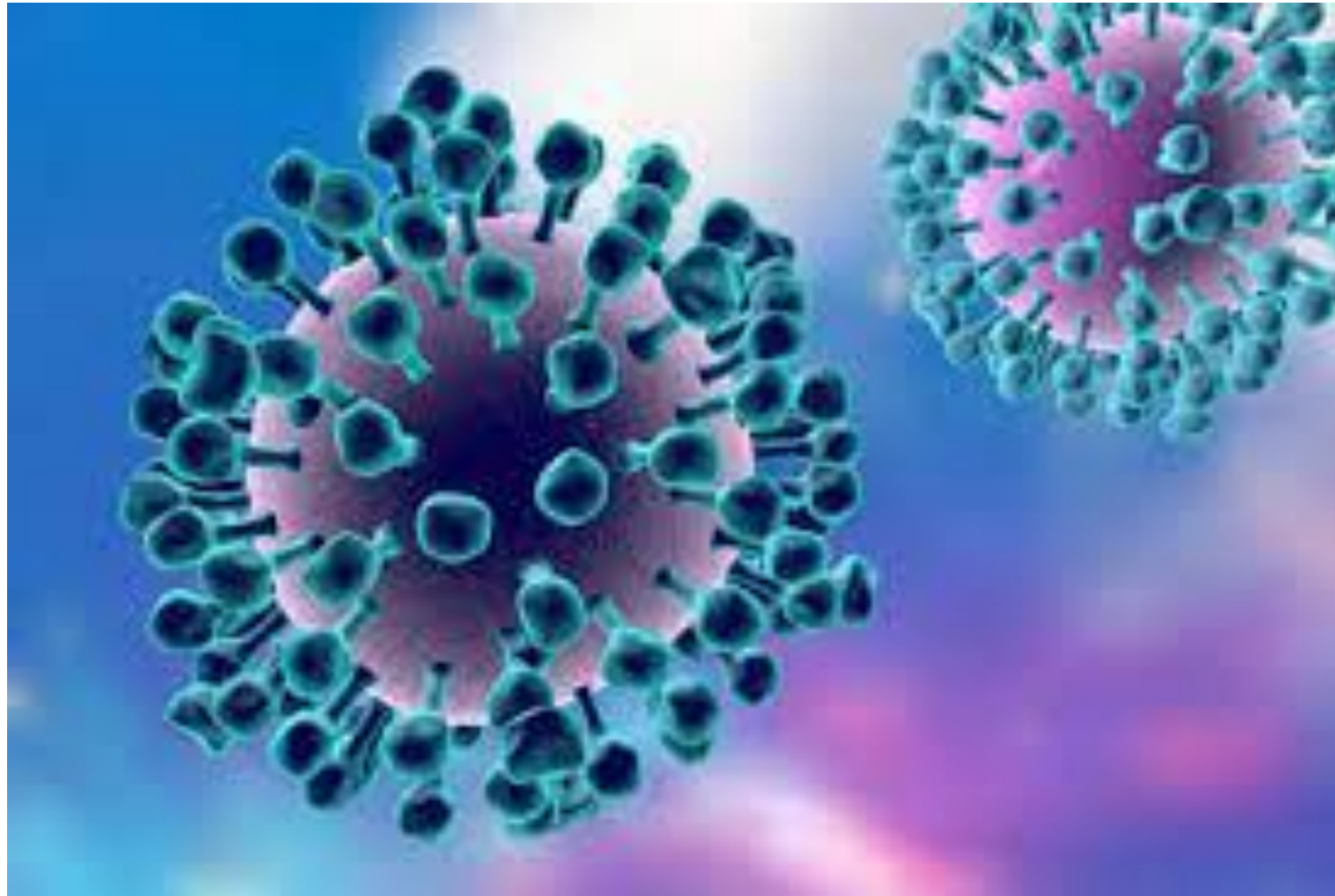
From a Wuhan Wet Market to the rest of the world



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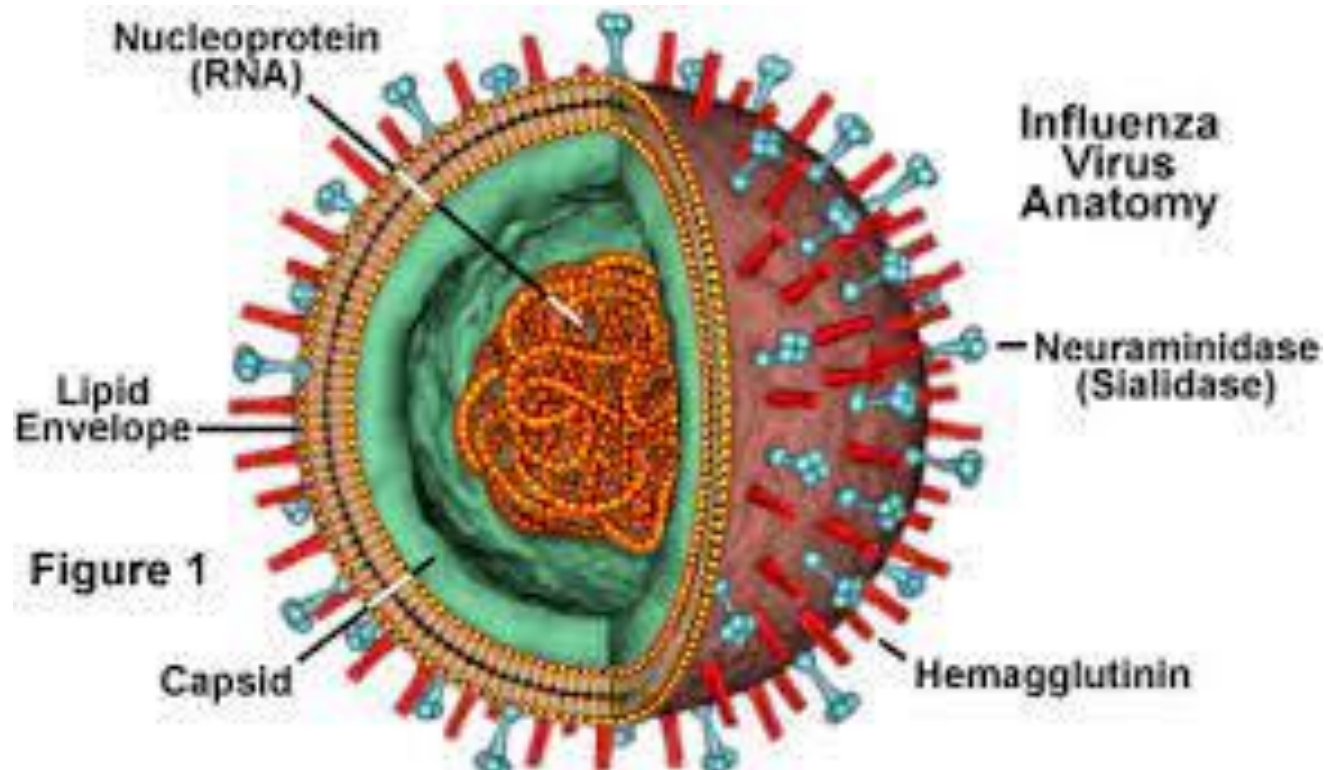
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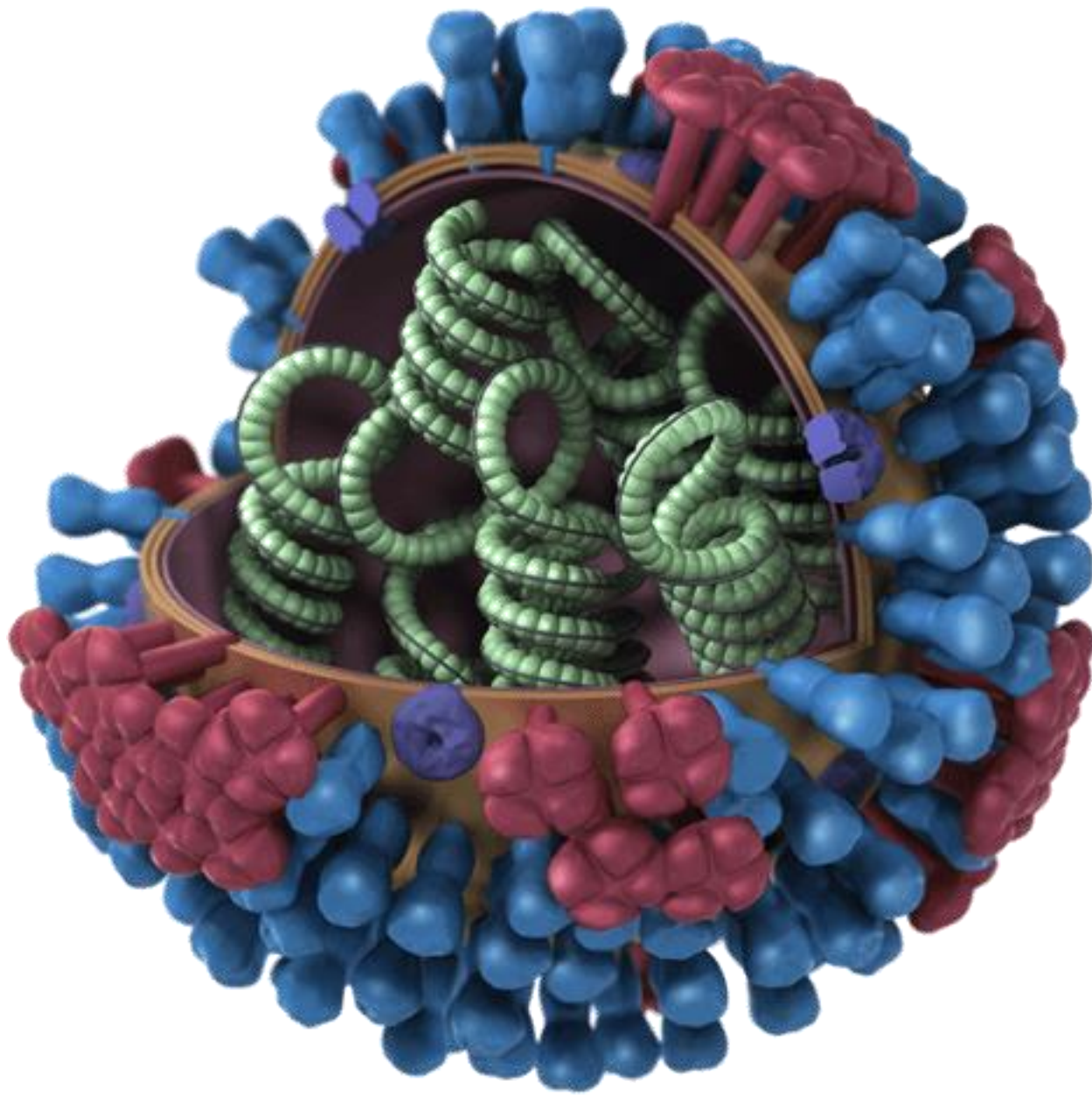


Influenza

Influenza



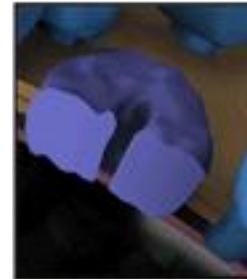
- 4 types: Influenza A, B, C, D
- Human Influenza A and B cause seasonal epidemics
- Influenza A only type that is known to cause flu pandemics.
- INFLUENZA A:
- 18 different hemagglutinin subtypes and 11 different neuraminidase subtypes



Hemagglutinin



Neuraminidase

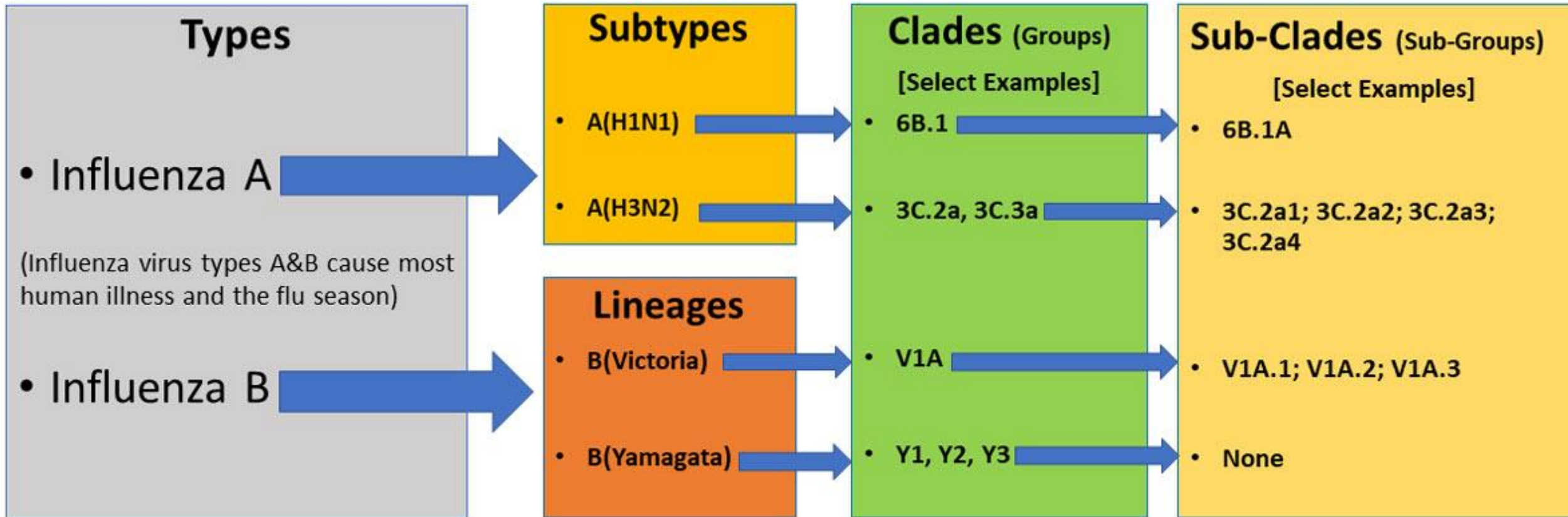


M2 Ion Channel



RNP

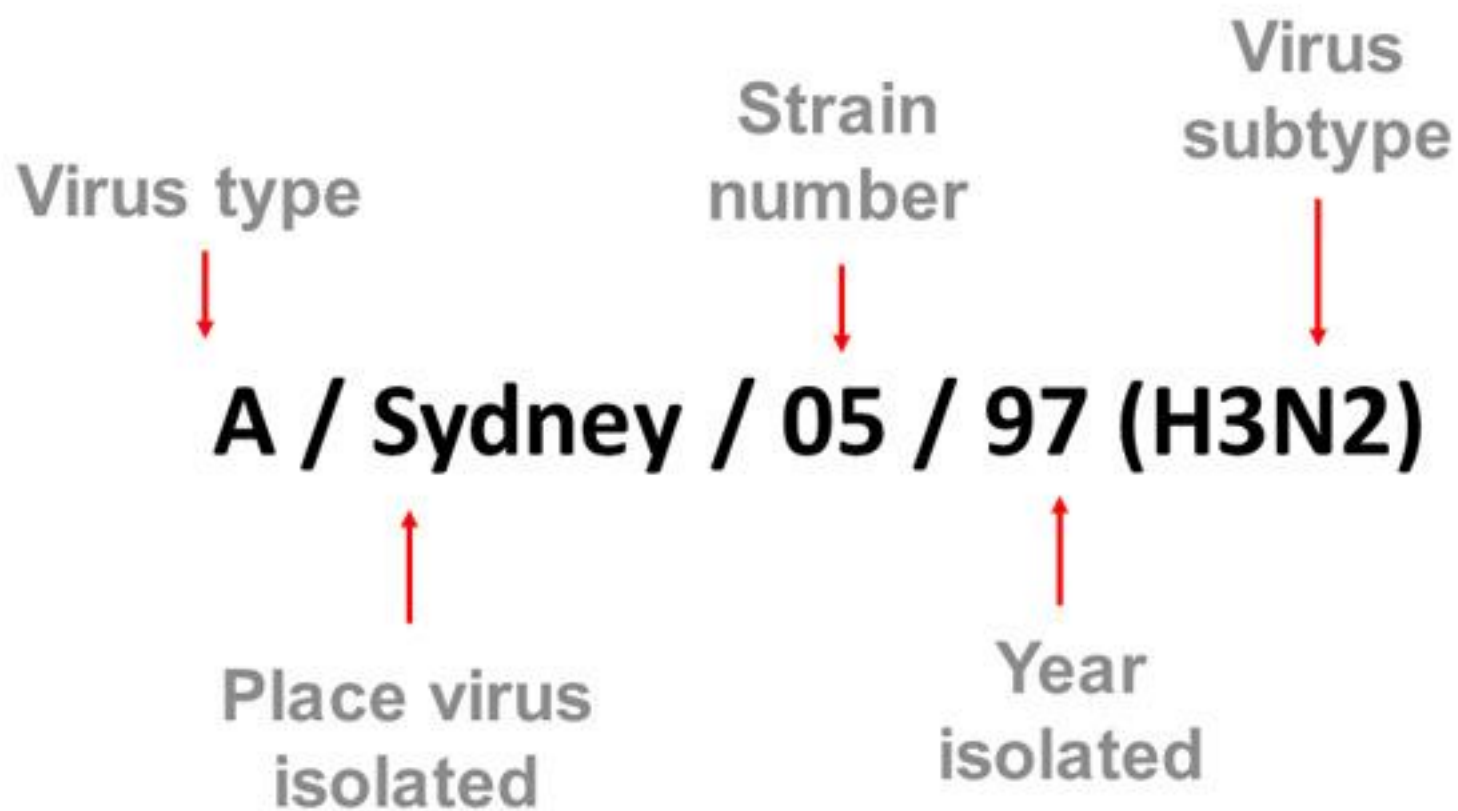
Human Seasonal Influenza Viruses



Influenza Viruses

- Currently circulating H1N1 influenza viruses are related to the previous 2009 H1N1 virus that emerged in 2009 and caused a pandemic
- H3N2 tend to be more virulent and change more rapidly, both antigenically (related to receptors on the surface of the virus) or genetically
- Influenza antigens are the molecules that trigger an immune response and are the targets for annual vaccine production

Understanding the naming of flu viruses



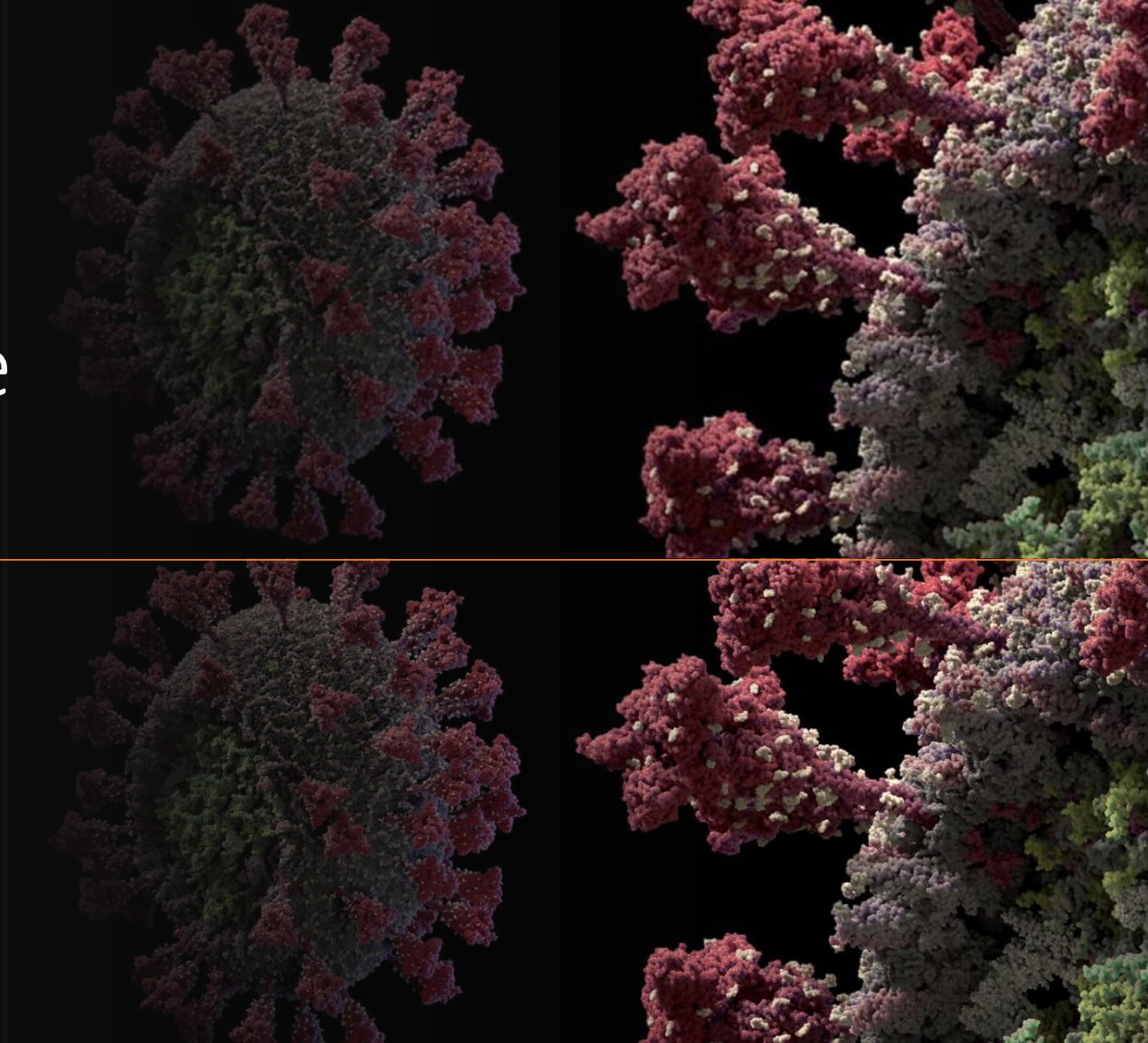


Influenza in other animals



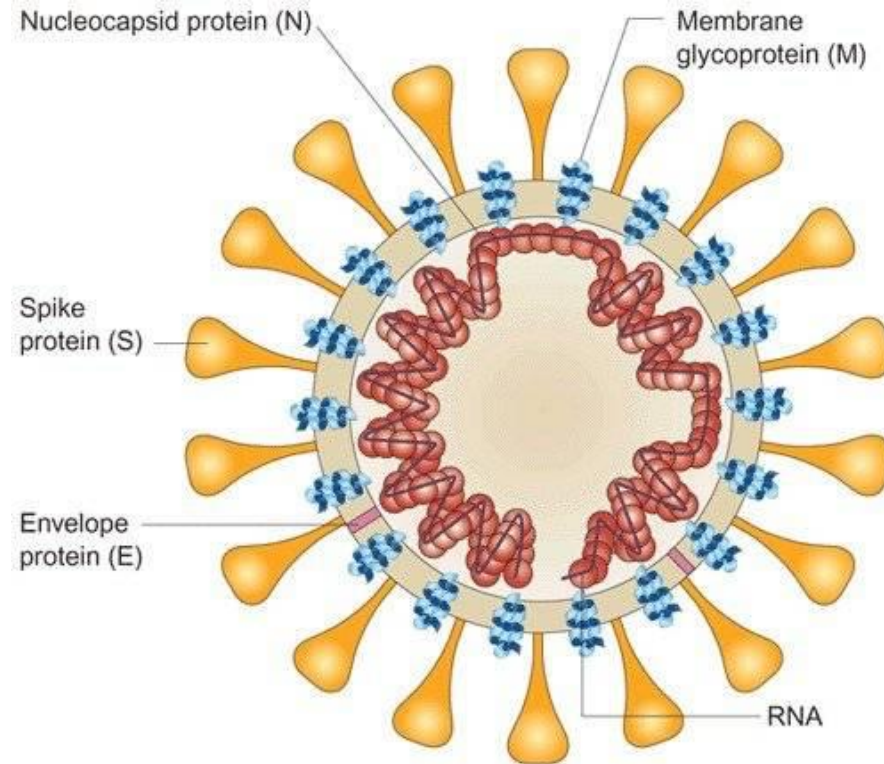
Viral Structure

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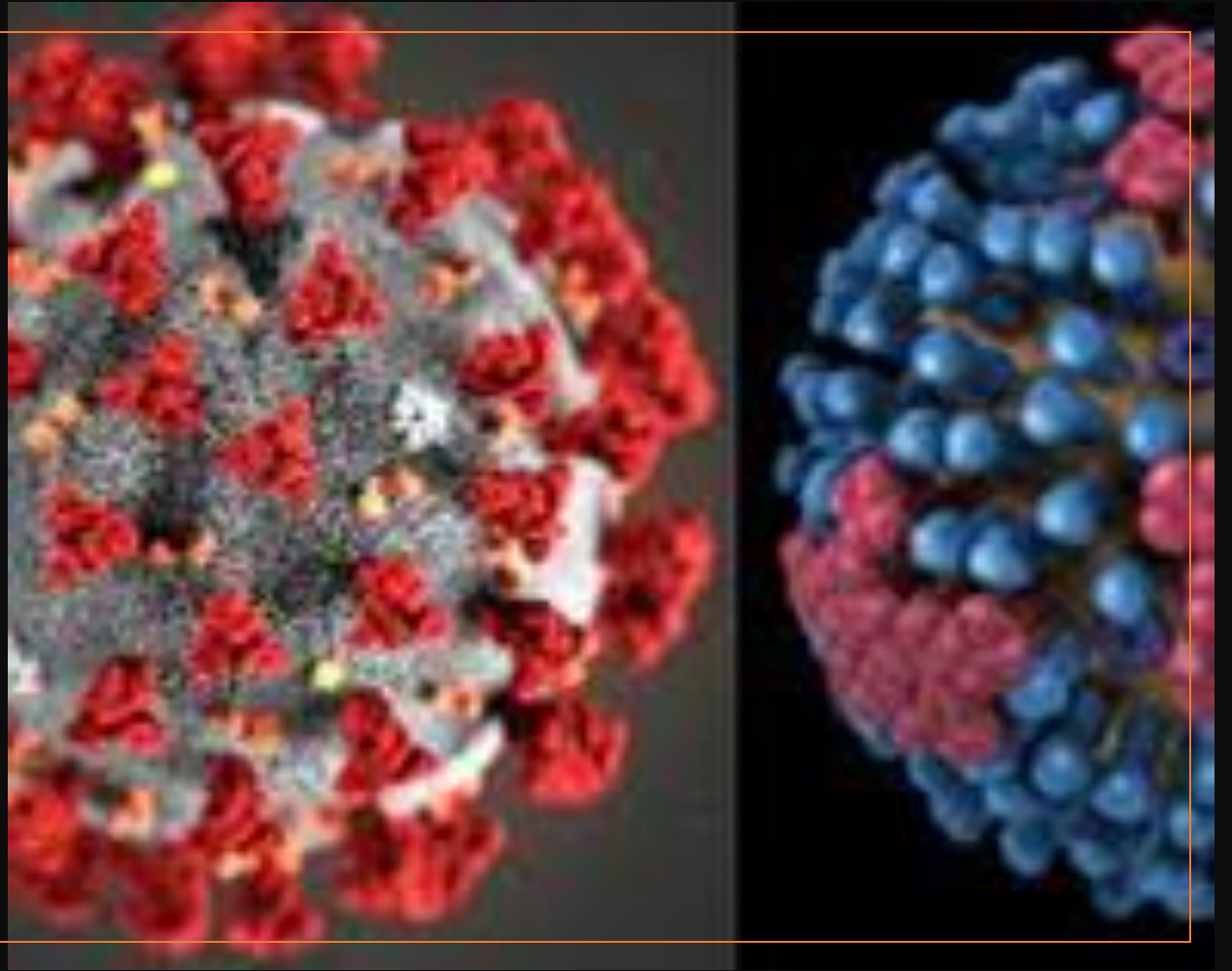


Coronaviruses (CoV)

- 4 major structural proteins:
 - 1) Spike protein (S)
 - 2) Nucleocapsid protein (N)
 - 3) Membrane protein (M)
 - 4) Envelope protein (E)



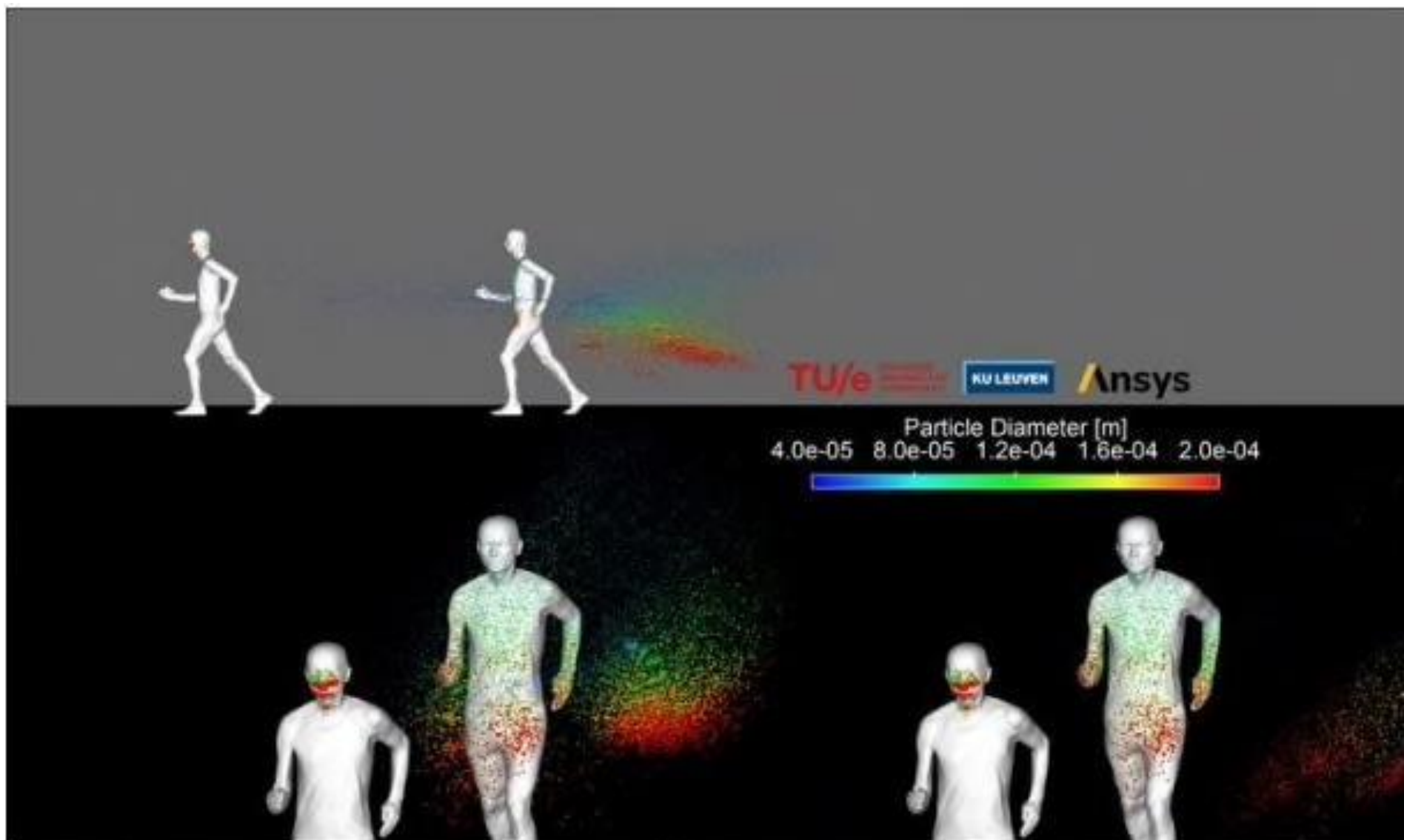
Transmission



Highly Infectious

- Droplet borne usually
- Aerosolized occasionally
- Contaminated surfaces to mucus membranes
- Viral load/inoculum at time of exposure important
- Length of time of exposure important





TU Eindhoven and KU Leuven CFD simulation of the slipstream with microdroplets for running (fast) at 14.4 km/h. Snapshot at given moment in time.

Spike Protein Mutation and Circulating SARS CoV-2



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New Results

Spike mutation pipeline reveals the emergence of a more transmissible form of SARS-CoV-2

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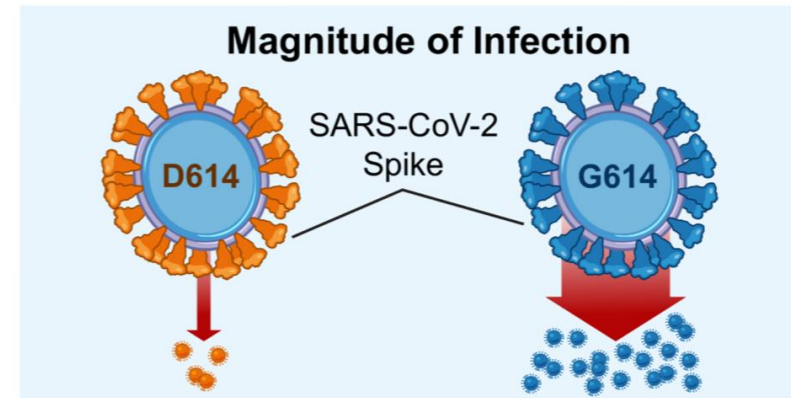
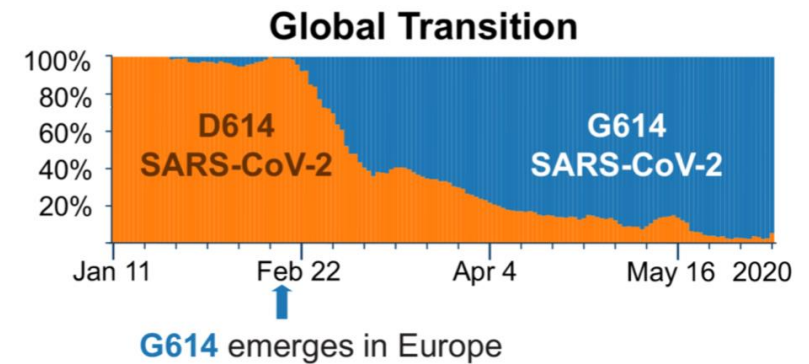
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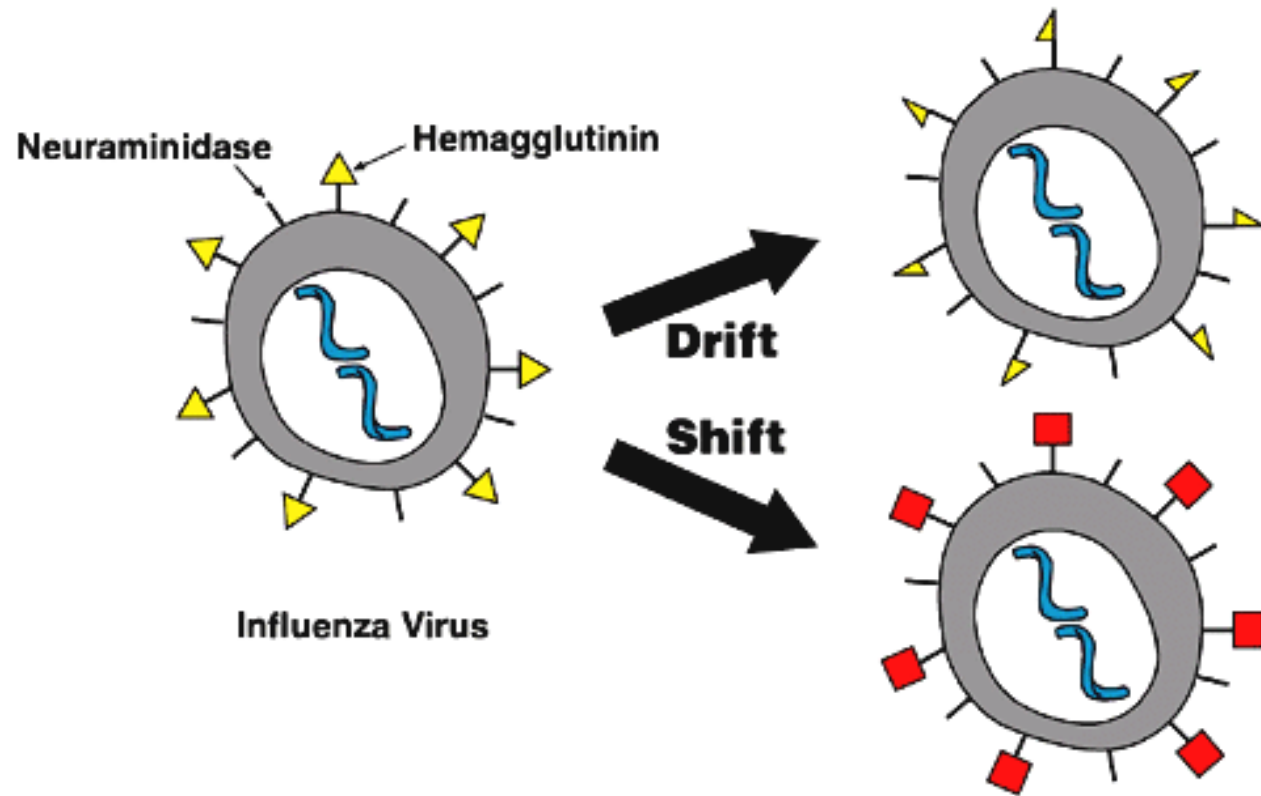
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Infectivity

- R_0 (R naught) value
 - Term from demographic data; refers to “reproduction” and “zeroth generation” or patient zero. Basic reproduction number
 - For pandemics, represents the number of new infections estimated to stem from a single case
 - For SARVSCoV2 around 2-5 but 2-2.5 more realistic
 - Influenza 1.3 vs measles 5
- Serial Interval: how fast does it spread?
 - SARVSCoV2 estimates 4-4.5 days (faster than SARS 1)

Infectivity

- Highly infectious: Basic reproductive number, R_0 value 2.5-5, depending on studies
- Higher R_0 value means more of the population needs to have antibodies to the disease to achieve herd immunity
- R_0 value less than one may dictate loosening of social distancing

Importance of Household Transmission SARS CoV -2

- Contact tracing study in South Korea
- 59, 073 contacts of 5,706 index COVID 19 patients
- Household contacts: 11.8%
- Nonhousehold contacts: 1.9%
- Highest COVID rate for household contacts of school aged children attending school (18.6%) and lowest rate during school closure children 0-9 yrs (5.3%)
- Concurrent findings other studies in China, France and Hong Kong:
 - Estimated rates of secondary infection within household 35%

Risk Factors for Transmission

Situation

- Encounter infected individual
- Congregant living situations
- Crowds
- Duration of exposure
- Inoculum size of exposure

Host

- Age
- Occupation
- Socioeconomic status
- Comorbidities

Aerosolization of SARS CoV2

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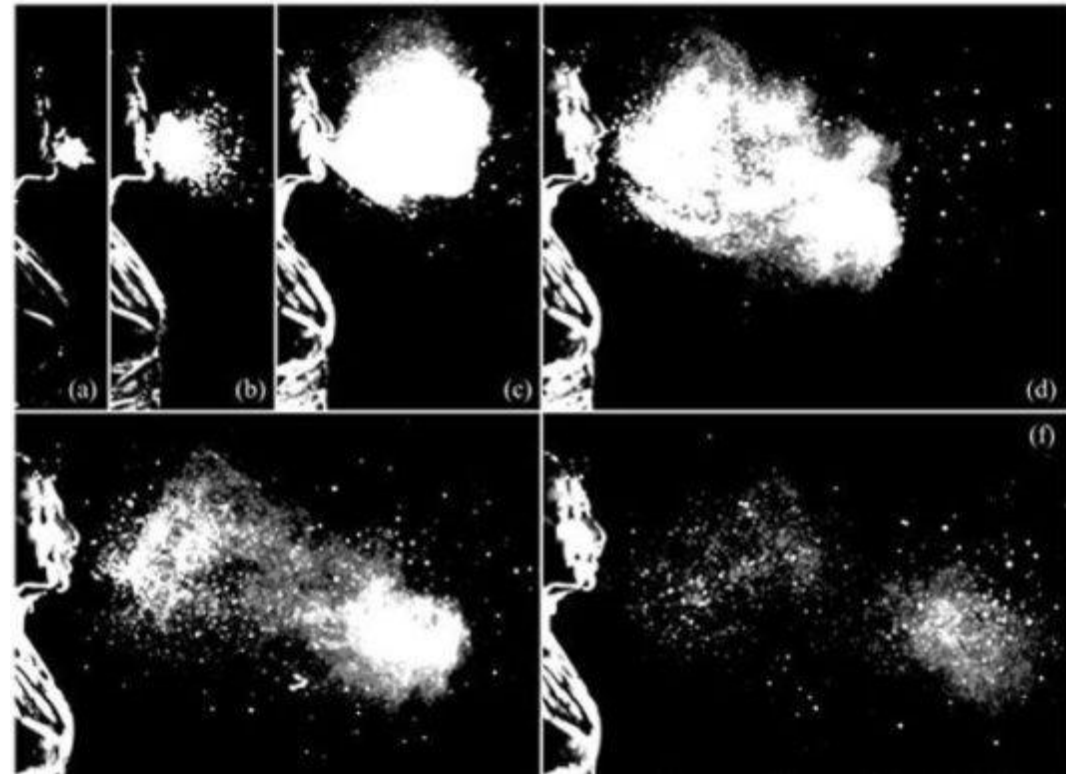
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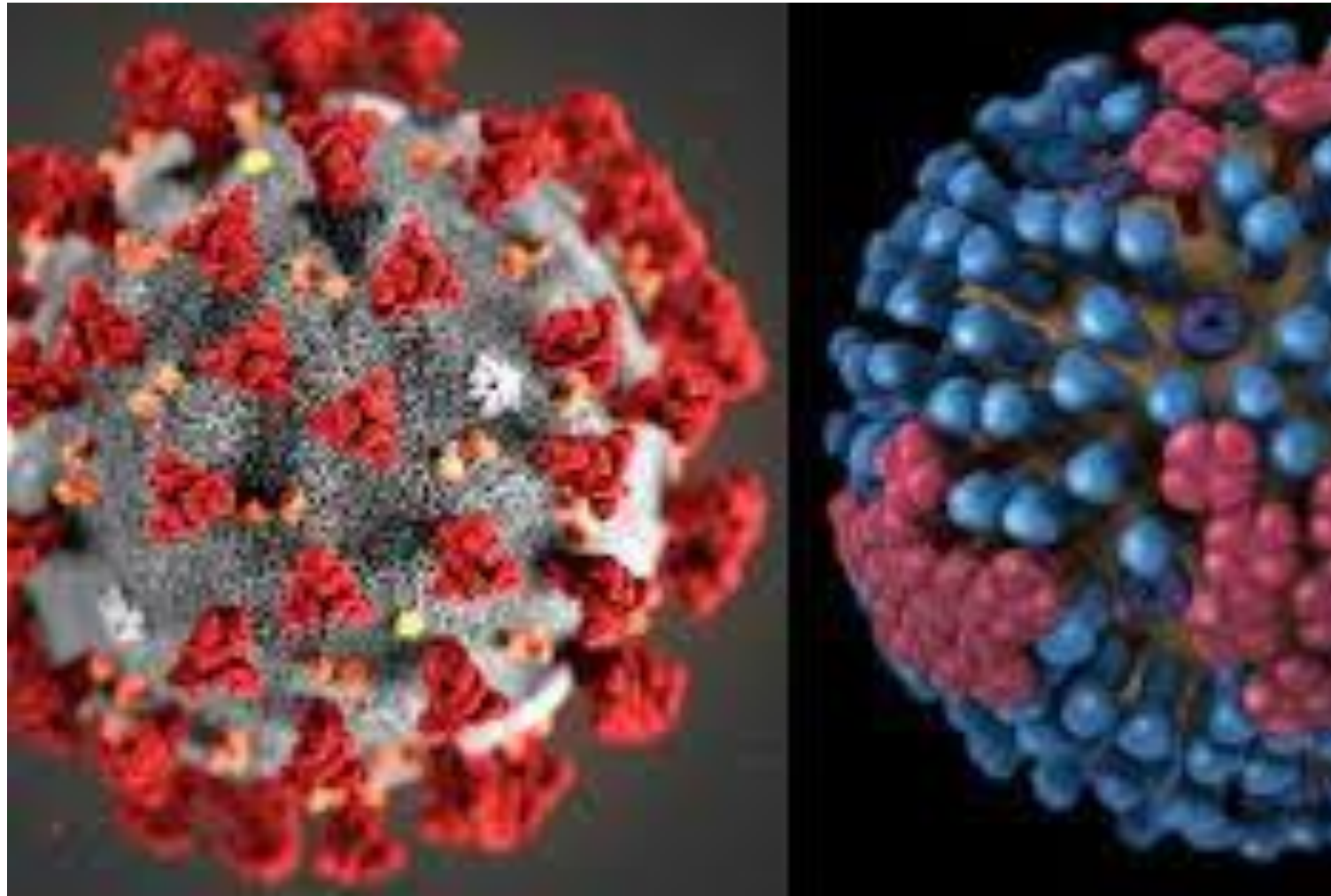
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Reducing
Transmission

Influenza Vaccine 2020-21 Composition

- The egg-based vaccines for the 2020-2021 Northern Hemisphere vaccine season contain the following components:
 - A/Guangdong-Maonan/SWL1536/2019 (H1N1)pdm09–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
 - A/Hong Kong/2671/2019 (H3N2)–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
 - B/Washington/02/2019 (B/Victoria lineage)–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
- The quadrivalent egg-culture influenza vaccines contain an additional B strain, B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata lineage) (no change from prior season), in addition to the 3 viral strains listed above.
- The recombinant or cell-culture quadrivalent vaccine composition is as follows:
 - A/Hawaii/70/2019 (H1N1)pdm09–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
 - A/Hong Kong/45/2019 (H3N2)–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
 - B/Washington/02/2019 (B/Victoria lineage)–like virus (new for 2020-2021)
 - B/Phuket/3073/2013–like (Yamagata lineage) virus (no change from the prior season)

U.S. INFLUENZA VACCINES FOR THE 2020-21 SEASON

INACTIVATED INFLUENZA VACCINES (IIVs) and RECOMBINANT INFLUENZA VACCINE (RIV4)

Trade name <i>Manufacturer</i>	Presentation	Age indication	HA, µg/dose (each virus)	Thimerosal Yes/No (If yes, Mercury, µg/0.5mL)
Quadrivalent IIVs (IIV4s)—Standard-dose—Egg-based				
Afluria Quadrivalent	0.25 mL prefilled syringe*	6 through 35 mos	7.5/0.25 mL	No
Seqirus	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥3 yrs	15/0.5 mL	No
	5.0 mL multidose vial*	≥6 mos (needle/syringe) 18 through 64 yrs (jet injector)	See note for dosing*	Yes (24.5)
Fluarix Quadrivalent <i>GlaxoSmithKline</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥6 mos	15/0.5mL	No
FluLaval Quadrivalent <i>GlaxoSmithKline</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥6 mos	15/0.5mL	No
Fluzone Quadrivalent <i>Sanofi Pasteur</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe†	≥6 mos	15/0.5 mL	No
	0.5 mL single-dose vial	≥6 mos	See note	No
	5.0 mL multidose vial	≥6 mos	for dosing†	Yes (25)
Quadrivalent IIV (IIV4)—Standard-dose—Cell culture-based (ccIIV4)				
Flucelvax Quadrivalent <i>Seqirus</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥4 yrs	15/0.5mL	No
	5.0 mL multidose vial	≥4 yrs		Yes (25)
Quadrivalent IIV (IIV4)—High-dose—Egg-based (HD-IIV4)				
Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent <i>Sanofi Pasteur</i>	0.7 mL prefilled syringe	≥65 yrs	60/0.7mL	No
Quadrivalent IIV (IIV4)—Standard-dose—Adjuvanted—Egg-based (aIIV4)				
Fluad Quadrivalent <i>Seqirus</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥65 yrs	15/0.5mL	No
Trivalent IIV (IIV3)—Standard-dose—Adjuvanted—Egg-based (aIIV3)				
Fluad <i>Seqirus</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥65 yrs	15/0.5mL	No
Quadrivalent RIV (RIV4)—Recombinant HA				
Flublok Quadrivalent <i>Sanofi Pasteur</i>	0.5 mL prefilled syringe	≥18 yrs	45/0.5mL	No

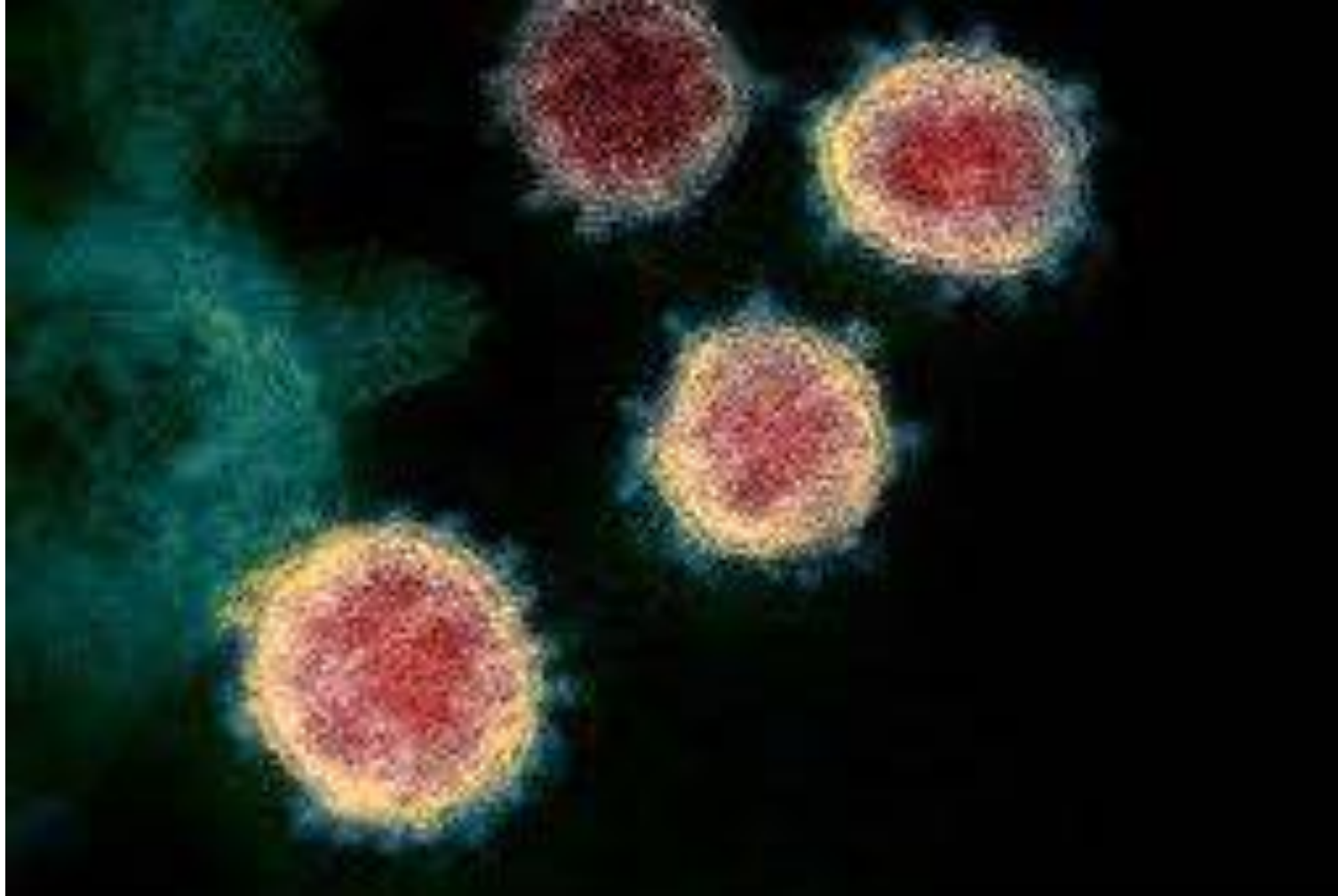
Abbreviations: IIV=inactivated influenza vaccine; RIV=recombinant influenza vaccine; HA=hemagglutinin; mos=months; yrs=years.

* For Afluria Quadrivalent, children aged 6 through 35 mos should receive 0.25mL per dose. Persons ≥36 mos (≥3 yrs) should receive 0.5mL per dose.

† For Fluzone Quadrivalent, persons ≥36 mos (≥3 yrs) should receive 0.5mL per dose. Children aged 6 through 35 mos may receive either 0.25mL or 0.5mL per dose per

Influenza Vaccination

- All individuals > 6 months in age
- Should be administered by end of October, but can be given throughout the season (not too early as may wane in effectiveness)
- High dose quadrivalent vaccine may be of benefit in adults > 65 years
- Healthy, non immune compromised individuals ages 2-49 may receive the live attenuated intranasal spray

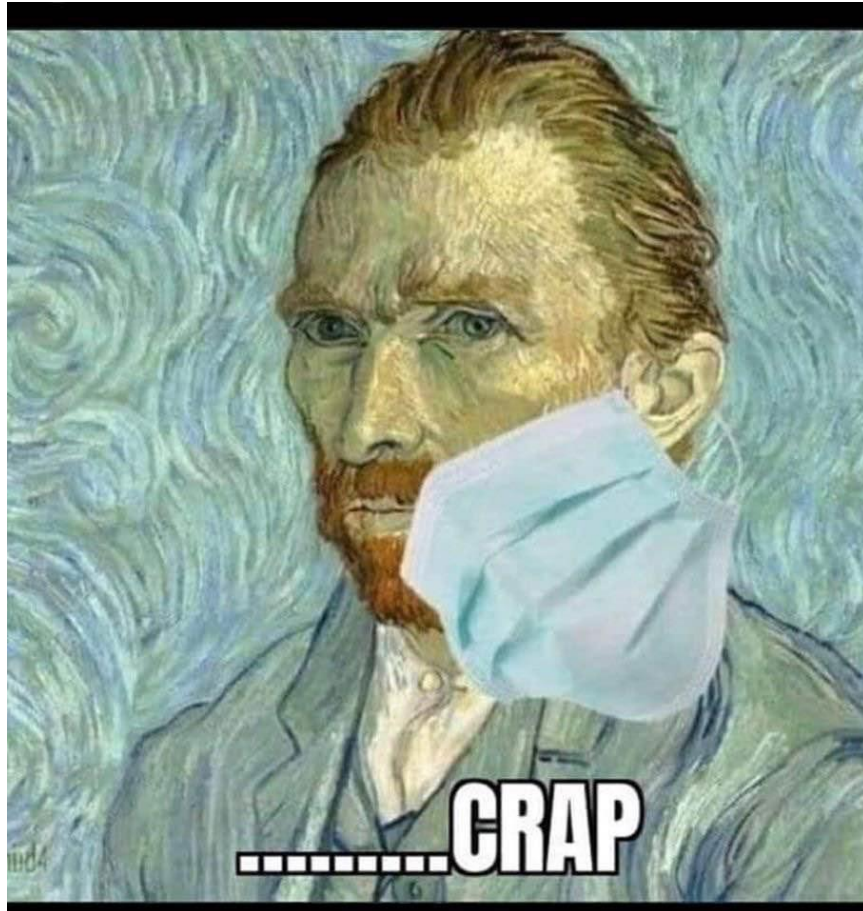


SARS CoV0-2

How to prevent transmission



Personal Protection



- Hand Hygiene
- Social Distancing
- Masks
- Gloves
- Gowns
- PAPRs

PPE

- Droplet



- Airborne



Reducing transmission of SARS-CoV-2

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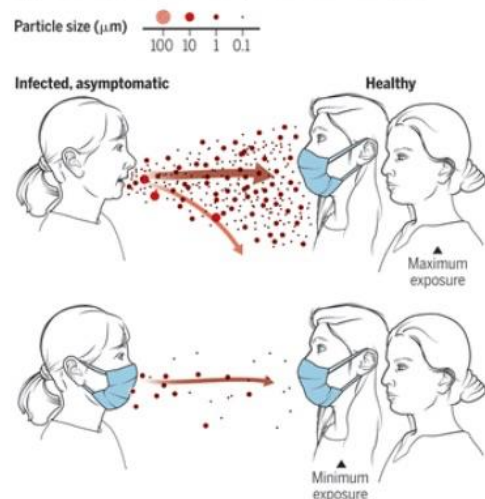
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Infectious aerosol particles can be released during breathing and speaking by asymptomatic infected individuals. No masking maximizes exposure, whereas universal masking results in the least exposure.



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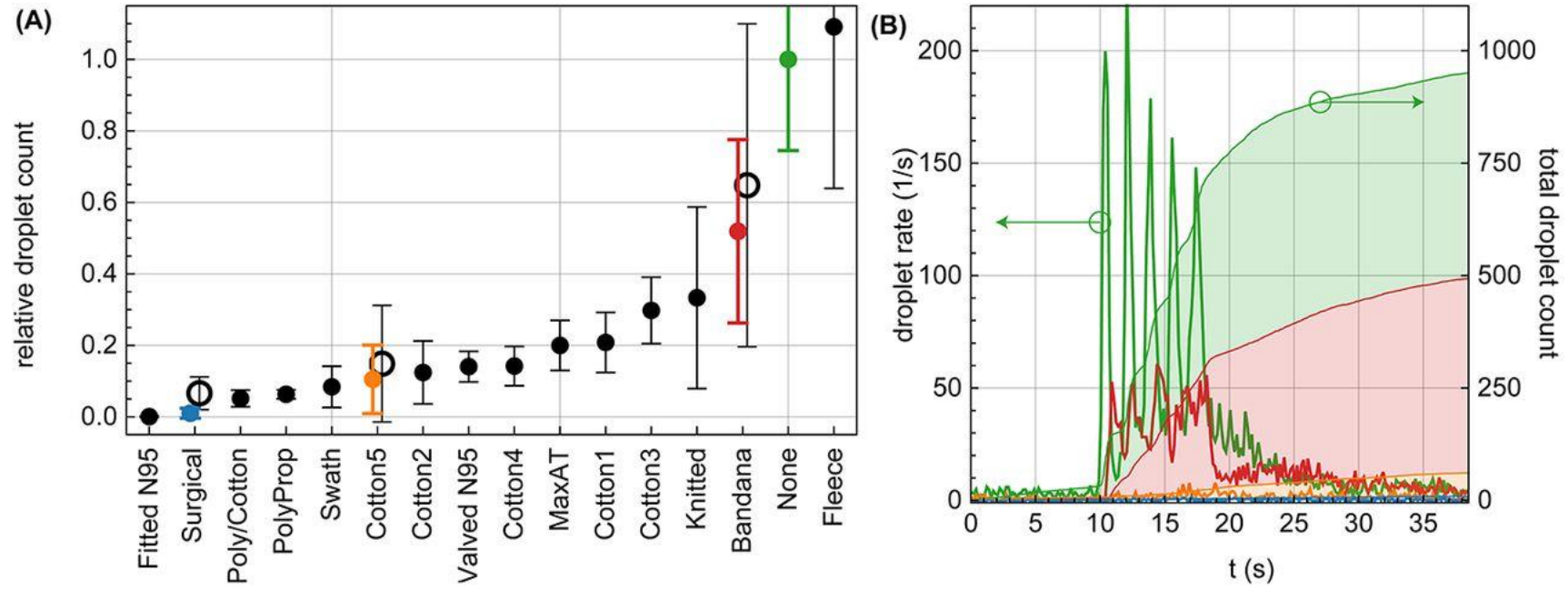
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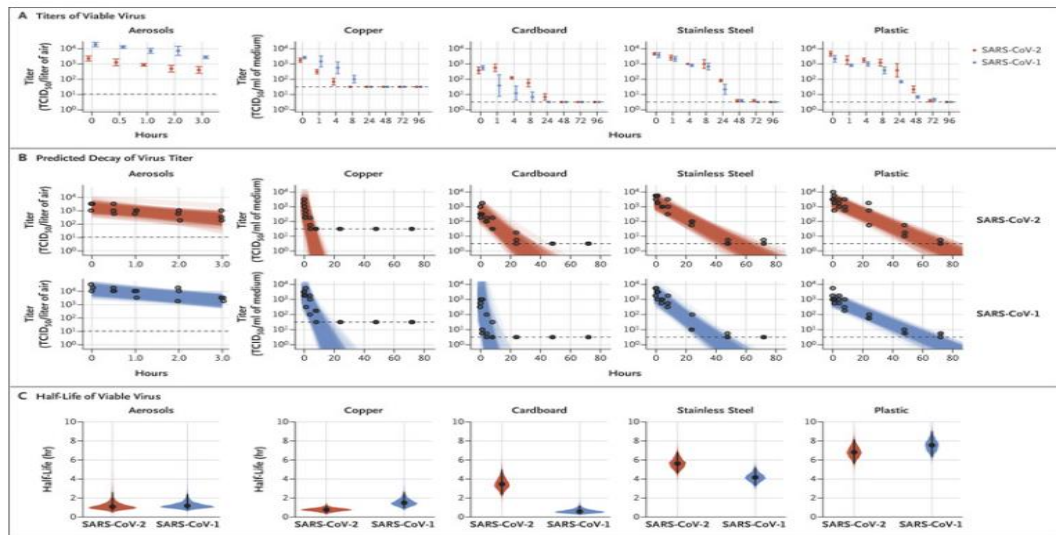
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Good Hand Hygiene





Viability of SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2 in Aerosols and on Various Surfaces.

SARS-CoV-2 remained viable in aerosols throughout the duration of our experiment (3 hours), with a reduction in infectious titer from $10^{3.5}$ to $10^{2.7}$ TCID₅₀ per liter of air. This reduction was similar to that observed with SARS-CoV-1, from $10^{4.3}$ to $10^{3.5}$ TCID₅₀ per milliliter (Figure 1A).

SARS-CoV-2 was more stable on plastic and stainless steel than on copper and cardboard, and viable virus was detected up to 72 hours after application to these surfaces (Figure 1A), although the virus titer was



If you feel sick, stay home

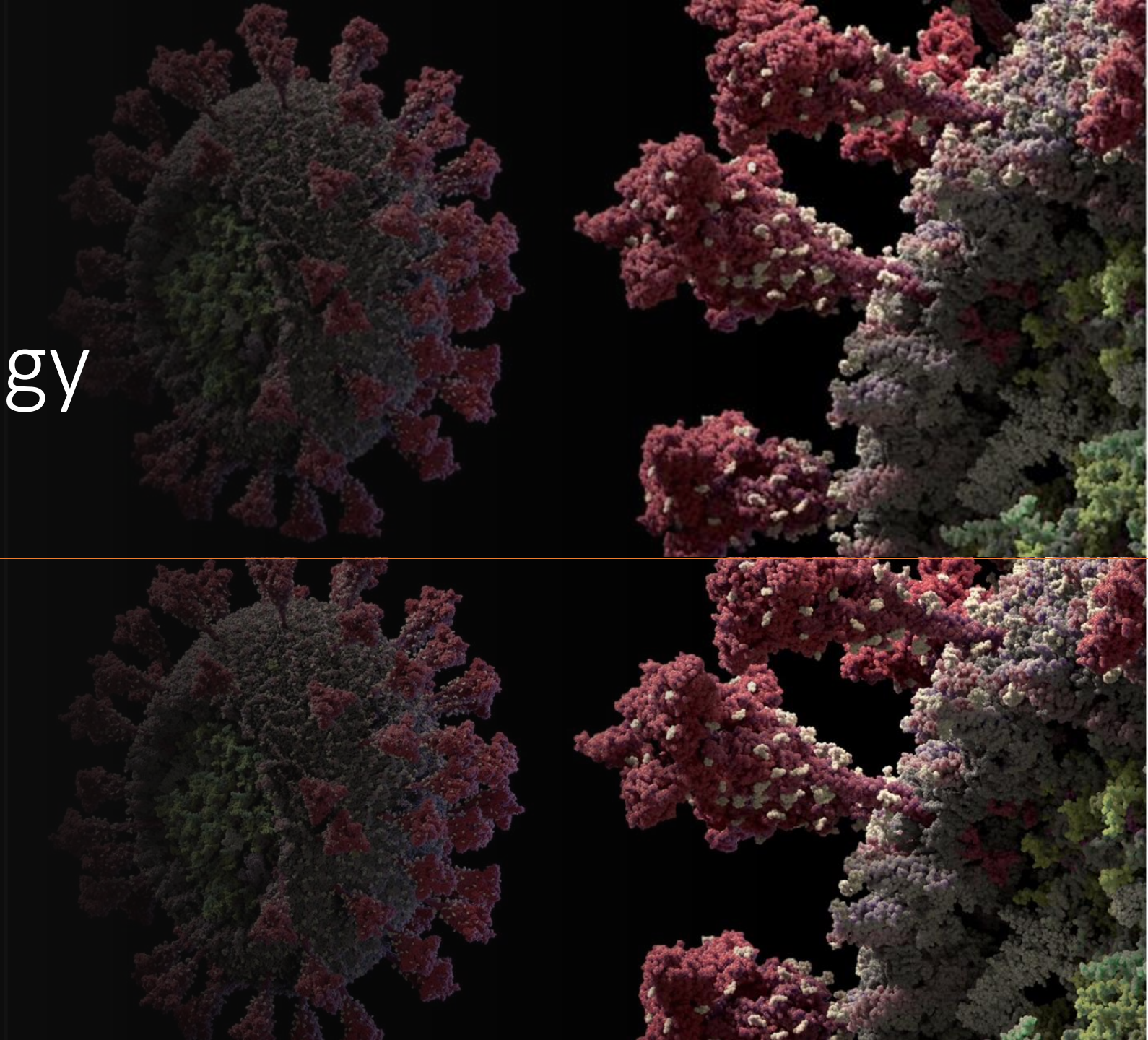


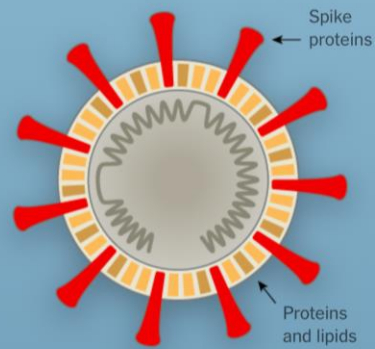
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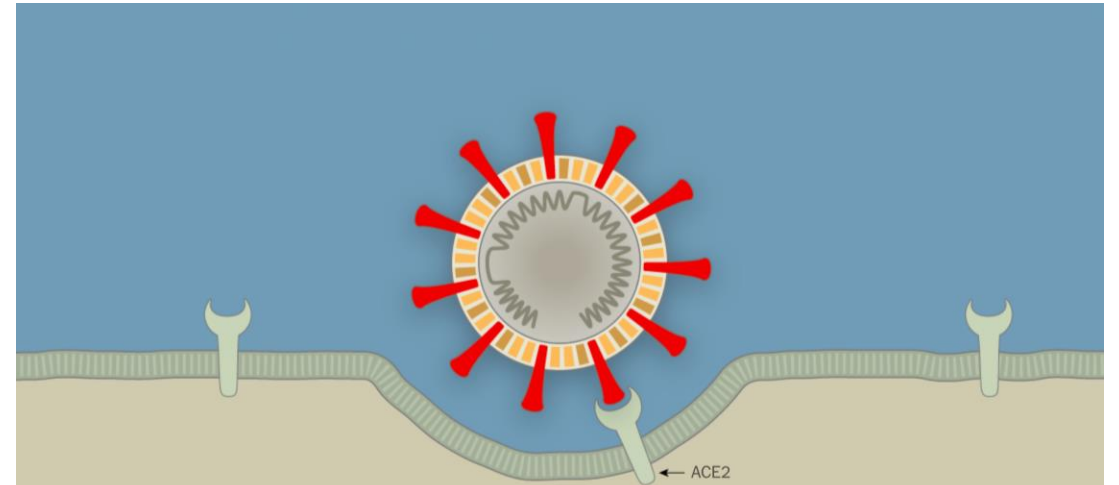
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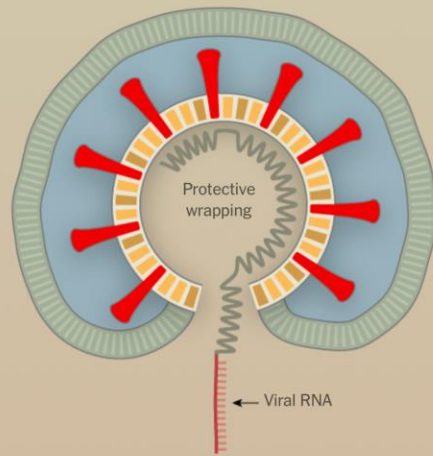
Covered With Spikes

The coronavirus is named after the crownlike spikes that protrude from its surface. The virus is enveloped in a bubble of oily lipid molecules, which falls apart on contact with soap.



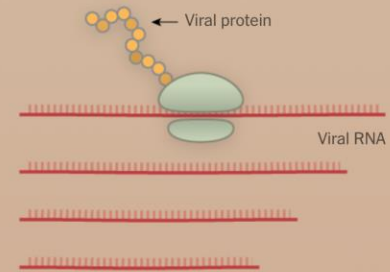
Entering a Vulnerable Cell

The virus enters the body through the nose, mouth or eyes, then attaches to cells in the airway that produce a protein called ACE2. The virus is believed to have originated in bats, where it may have attached to a similar protein.



Releasing Viral RNA

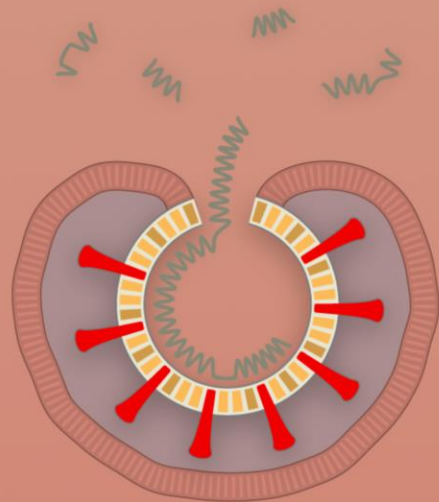
The virus infects the cell by fusing its oily membrane with the membrane of the cell. Once inside, the coronavirus releases a snippet of genetic material called RNA.



Hijacking the Cell

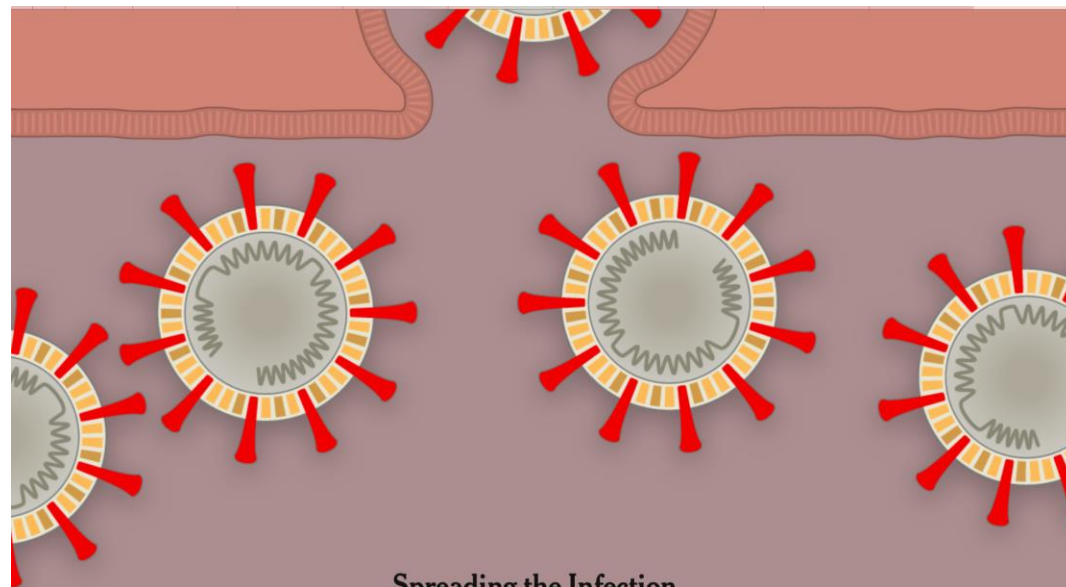
The virus's genome is less than 30,000 genetic "letters" long. (Ours is over 3 billion.) The infected cell reads the RNA and begins making proteins that will keep the immune system at bay and help assemble new copies of the virus.

Antibiotics kill bacteria and do not work against viruses. But researchers are testing antiviral drugs that might disrupt viral proteins and stop the infection.



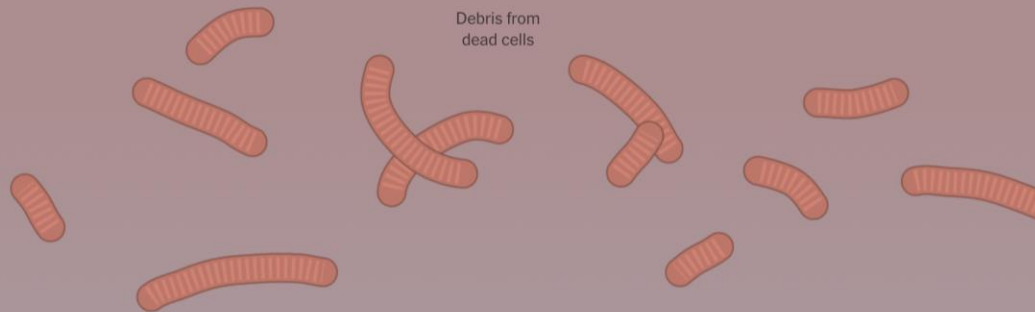
Assembling New Copies

New copies of the virus are assembled and carried to the outer edges of the cell.



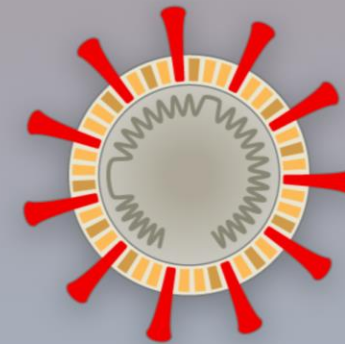
Spreading the Infection

Each infected cell can release millions of copies of the virus before the cell finally breaks down and dies. The viruses may infect nearby cells, or end up in droplets that escape the lungs.



Immune Response

Most Covid-19 infections cause a fever as the immune system fights to clear the virus. In severe cases, the immune system can overreact and start attacking lung cells. The lungs become obstructed with fluid and dying cells, making it difficult to breathe. A small percentage of infections can lead to acute respiratory distress syndrome, and possibly death.



Leaving the Body

Coughing and sneezing can expel virus-laden droplets onto nearby people and surfaces, where the virus can remain infectious for several hours to several days. The C.D.C. recommends that people diagnosed with Covid-19 wear masks to [reduce the release of viruses](#). Health care workers and others who care for infected people should wear masks, too.

Inflammatory Response

- Profound immune activation and dysregulation
- Clear association with excessive morbidity and mortality
- High levels of circulating inflammatory chemicals
- Profound reduction in protective lymphocytes
- Cell infiltration of multiple organs
- Hyperactivation of monocytes/macrophages increasing cytopathologic effects in end organs
- Presence of fibrosis inducing macrophages
- Microemboli

Risk Factors

- Age
- Congregant Living Situations
- Occupation
- Gender
- Socioeconomic
- Duration of virus exposure
- Comorbidities: DM, HTN, cardiopulmonary disease, obesity
- Blood type?

The End Result



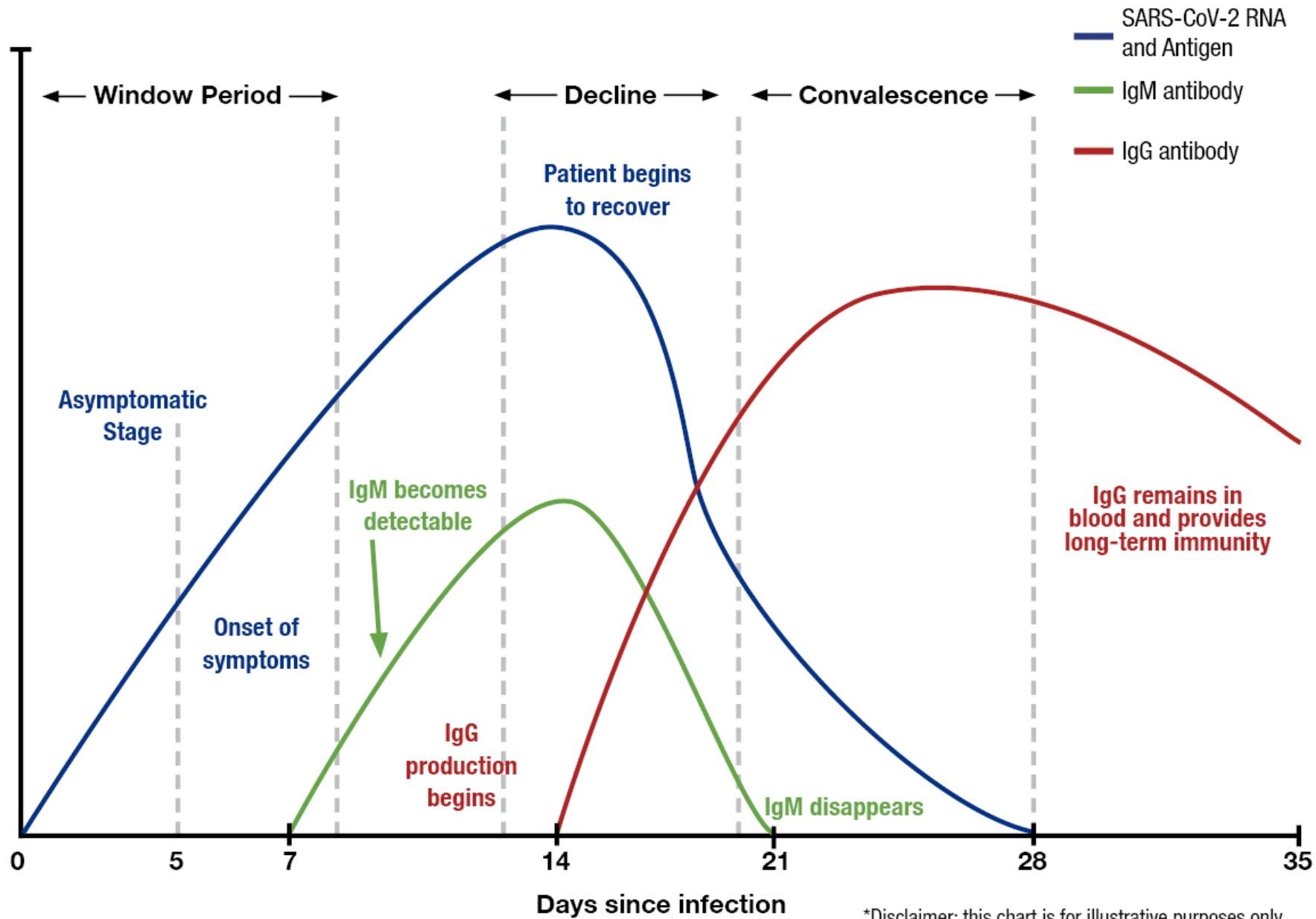
Organ Systems infected and affected

- Lungs
- Heart
- Kidneys
- Brain
- Immune System
- Coagulation System
- Reproductive? Testes as sanctuary for virus



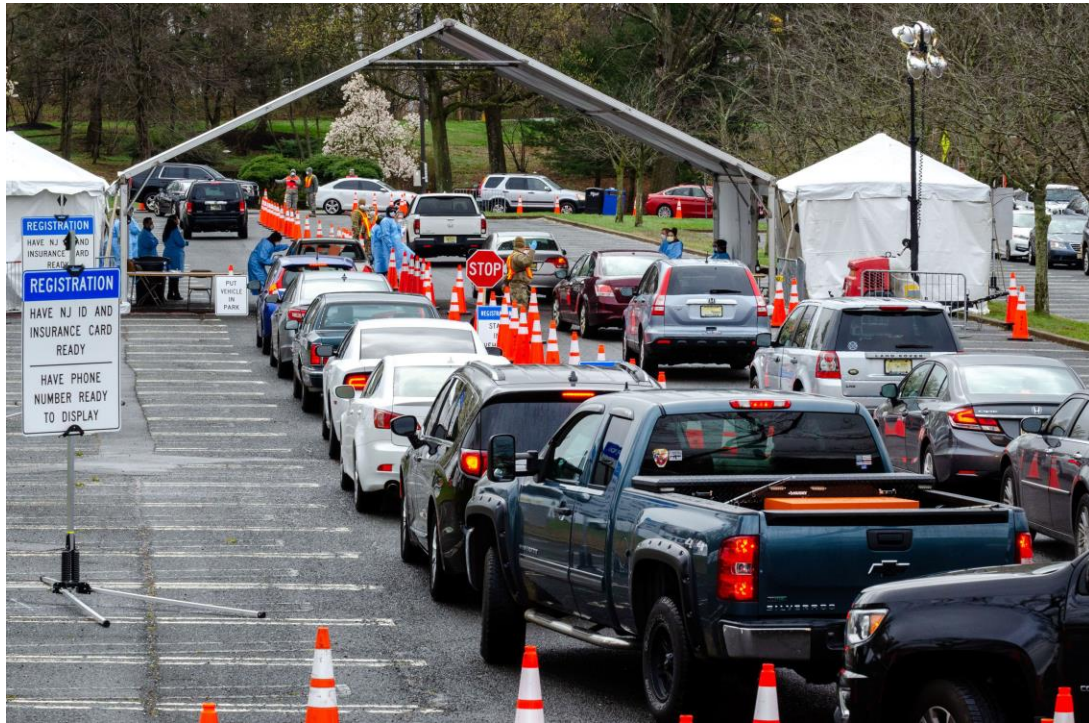
One of the lungs removed from the patient. The surgeon said the damage was among the worst he'd seen.

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Testing



Testing

What we need

- Essential to control pandemic and assess disease density
- Needs to be highly accurate
- Need plenty of supplies
 - Swabs
 - Testing platforms
- Inexpensive
- No transmission risk to collector
- FAST RESULTS

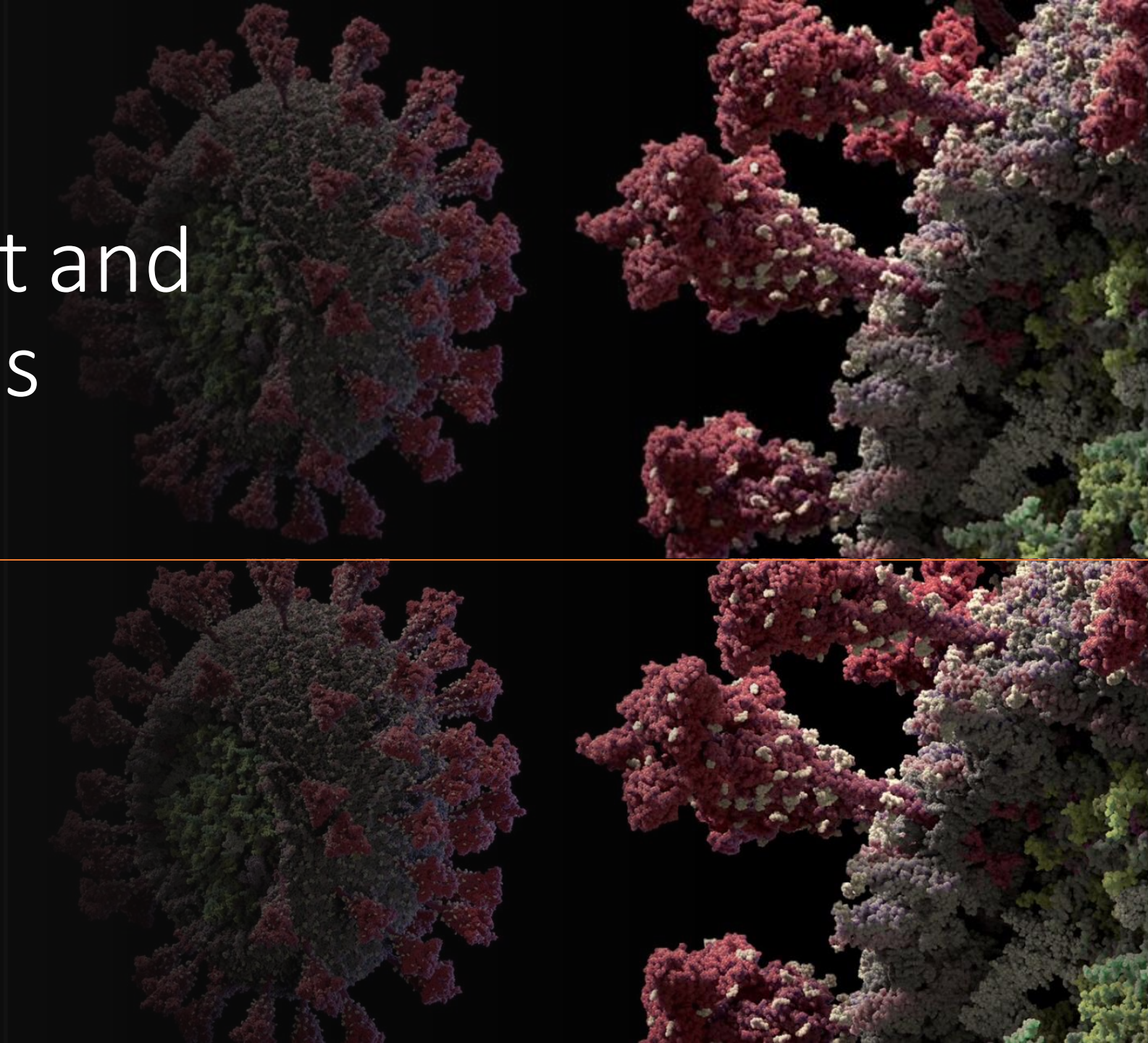
What we have

- Many different companies making accurate tests
- Still not available in the numbers needed
- Some not accurate
- Require skill and PPE for collection
- Turnaround time often delayed

Testing

- Molecular
 - Active Infection
 - Nasopharyngeal swabs: PCR
 - Good specificity
 - Reasonable sensitivity
 - Collection dependent
 - Many providers now
 - Includes influenza and other respiratory viruses
 - Yale Saliva Test
 - Promising
 - Inexpensive
 - No PPE for collector
 - Rapid
 - Acceptable Sensitivity /Specificity
 - Antigen/Antibody Tests
 - Poor performance
 - False negatives
- Serologic
 - Presence of antibodies

Management and Therapies





Treatments and Management

- Supplemental oxygen/delay ventilation
- Antivirals
- Antiinflammatory drugs
- Convalescent Plasma
- Supplemental medications
- Neutralizing antibodies
- Novel agents

Remdesivir

- Gilead Pharmaceuticals
- Novel antiviral: nucleotide analogue
- Interrupts viral replication
- Broad spectrum activity against RNA viruses, including MERS and SARS
- Intravenous (200 mg day 1 then 100 mg daily for 5 days)
- FDA fast track approved

Remdesivir for the Treatment of Covid-19- Preliminary Report - NEJM

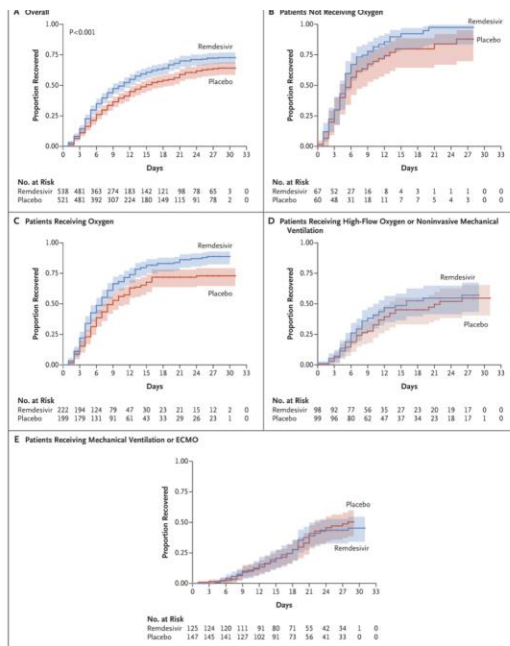


Figure 2. Kaplan–Meier Estimates of Cumulative Recoveries

Cumulative recovery estimates are shown in the overall population (Panel A), in patients with a baseline score of 4 on the ordinal scale (not receiving oxygen; Panel B), in those with a baseline score of 5 (receiving oxygen; Panel C), in those with a baseline score of 6 (receiving high-flow oxygen or noninvasive mechanical ventilation; Panel D), and in those with a baseline score of 7 (receiving mechanical ventilation or ECMO; Panel E).

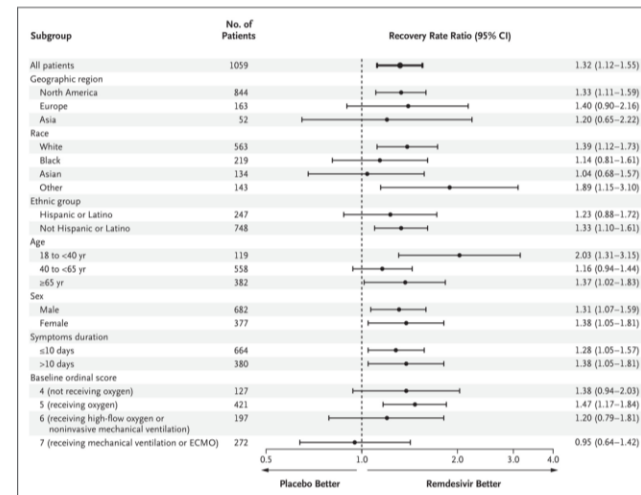


Figure 3. Time to Recovery According to Subgroup.

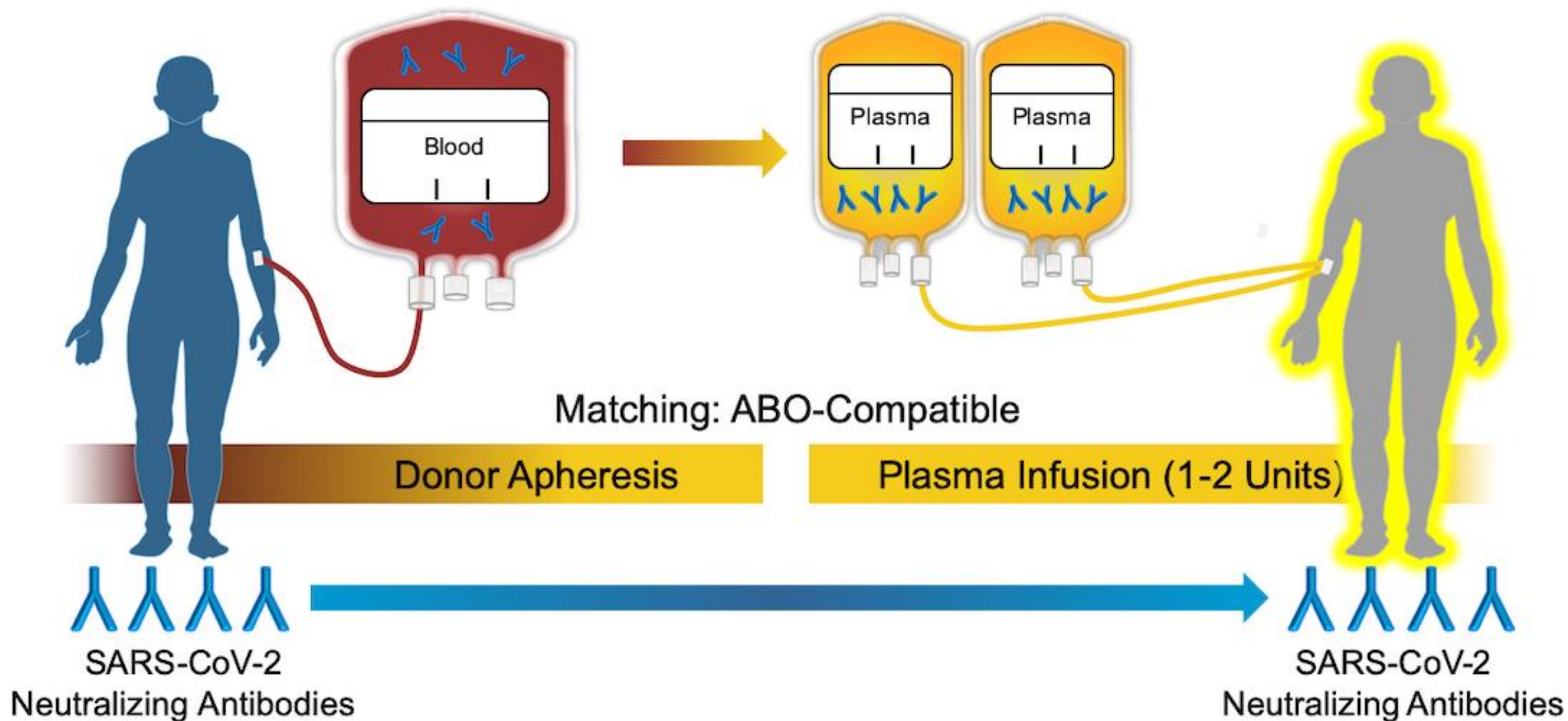
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Convalescent Plasma

Donors Recovered from COVID-19

Patients with COVID-19

Convalescent Plasma



Convalescent Plasma

Convalescent plasma treatment of severe COVID-19: A matched control study

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- 39 patients
- Matched control patients identified in retrospective cohort
- CP recipients more likely to have steady or improved oxygenation
- CP recipients had improved survival compared to controls (p.039)
- Covariates adjusted cox model-CP showed better survival for non-intubated patients than intubated patients.
- CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW AS TO EFFICACY
- PERHAPS MORE EFFECTIVE EARLIER IN DISEASE

Novel Therapies

- EIDD 2108
 - Novel antiviral causes terminal mutation in SARSCoV2 replication
 - Oral
 - Could be used as therapy and PROPHYLAXIS
 - Studied in mouse model; on to primates

Immunotherapy

- Dexamethasone
 - RECOVERY TRIAL IN UK
 - 2100 enrolled-6 mg /d for 10 days
 - Compared to 4300 patients with “standard care”
 - Marked reduction in death in critically ill patients on ventilators or with moderate disease
 - No effect with mild disease
 - Not yet published/peer reviewed
 - ?timing of initiation of steroid.
- Anti-inflammatories
 - Il-6 inhibitors
- Cytokine inhibitors

Anticoagulation

- ASA
- Low molecular weight heparin
- ?therapeutic intensity anticoagulation
 - Studies in progress
- Recurrent Clotting
 - Consider increased intensity of anticoagulation
 - Switch anticoagulants
- **HAVE TO ASSESS THE BLEEDING RISK WITH ALL OF THE ABOVE.**

Hydroxychloroquine (plaquenil)

- Multinational Registry Study

- 96,032 patients
- No benefit of hydroxychloroquine; decreased in hospital outcomes and decreased survival in hydroxy recipients
- Published in Lancet
- Subsequent critique about how data gathered and track record of principal investigator (NY Times 7.27.20)

- VA Study

- Retrospective analysis of 368 patients
- Patients receiving hydroxychloroquine had higher rates of death

- DON'T USE IT

Neutralizing Antibodies may be protective

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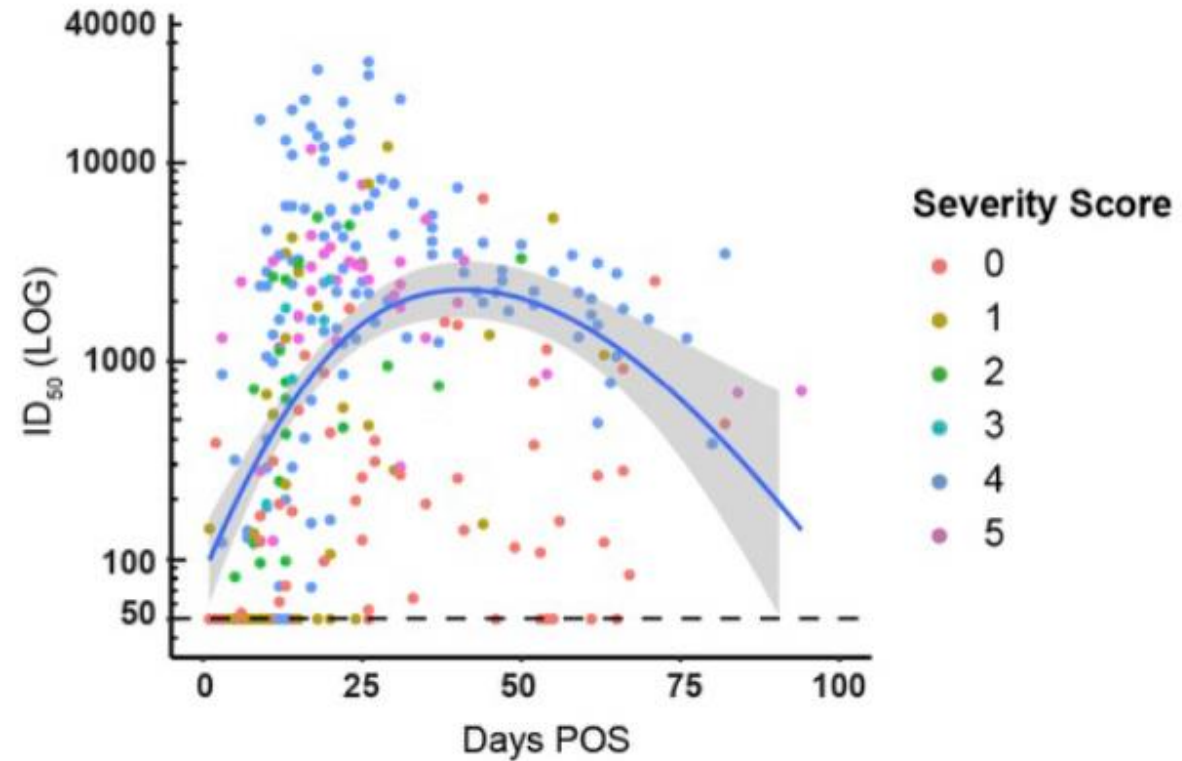
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SARS-CoV-2 Neutralization titers post-infection



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Monoclonal Antibodies-Investigational Regeneron

- Promising data based on humanized mouse studies and observation of convalescent humans
- Spike protein antibodies generated through mouse immunization and B cell clonal proliferation
- Humanized mouse model and genetic engineering can lead to large array of potentially effective neutralizing antibodies creating an antibody cocktail while minimizing odds of viral escape
- UCLA study participant

Do some people have some immunity to SARS-CoV2?



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Post COVID considerations

- Plasma donation
 - Durability/longevity of convalescent antibodies
- Long term sequelae
 - Clinical
 - psychological
- Can a recovered patient have a second infection?

Vaccines

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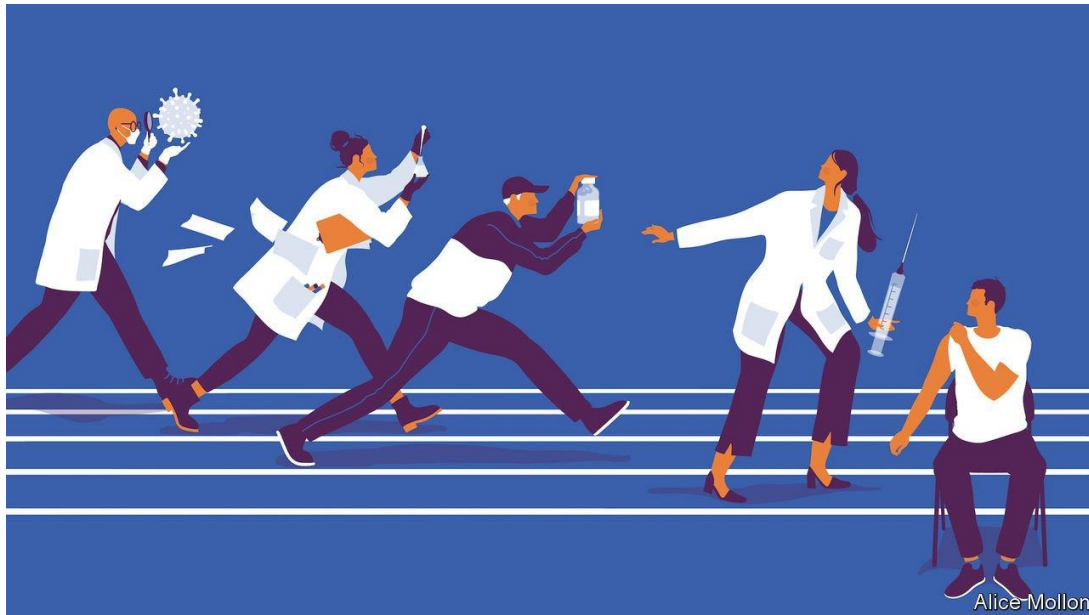
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Vaccine candidates-importance of spike protein



Moderna-

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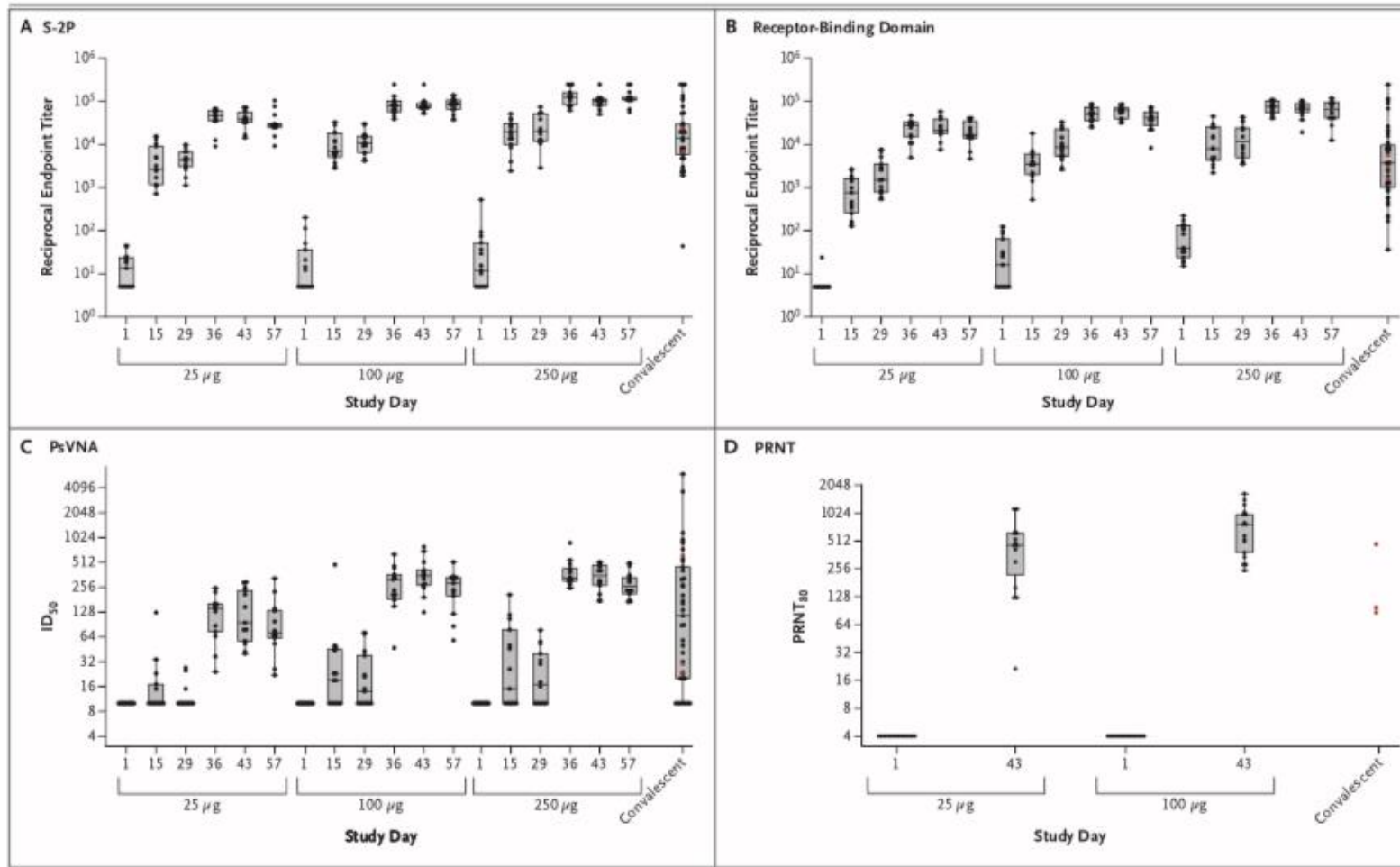
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Novavax NVX-CoV2373-
nanotechnology

Sanofi/GSK-recombinant protein
adjuvant vaccine

Pfizer BNT 162-mRNA

Moderna mRNA vaccine Prelim results



“Mild to moderate side effects”

- Associated with higher dose or second dose
- Fever > 103 degrees
- Severe myalgias
- Injection site pain
- syncope

Oxford/AstraZeneca: ChAdox1nCoV-19 vaccine

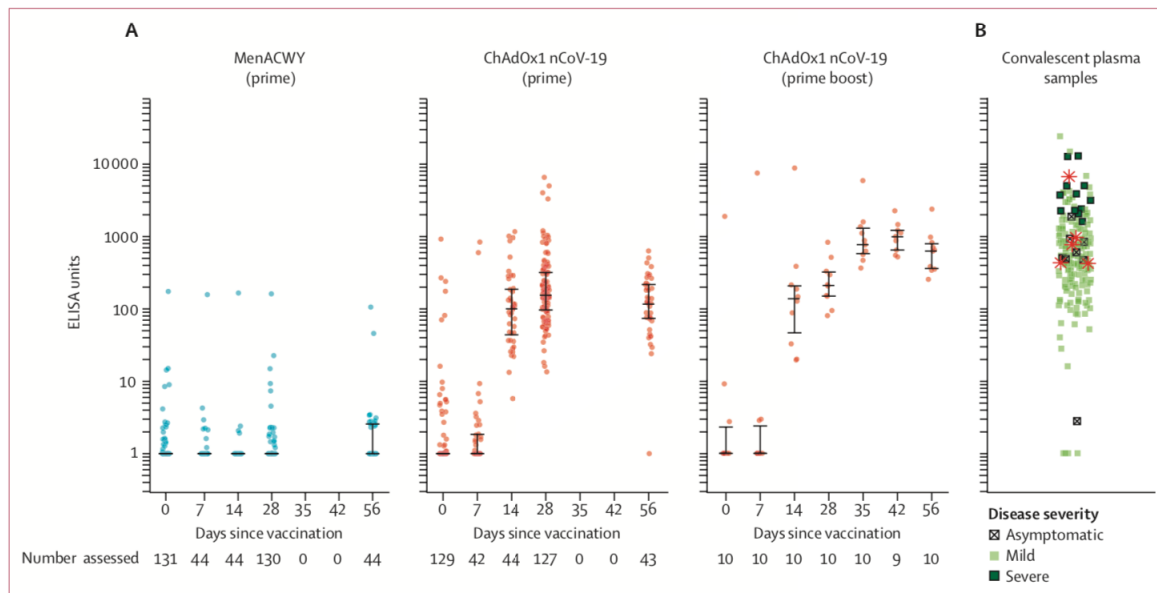


Figure 3: SARS-CoV-2 IgG response by standardised ELISA to spike protein in trial participants (A) and in 180 convalescent plasma samples from 172 patients with PCR-confirmed COVID-19 and eight asymptomatic health-care workers (B). Error bars show median (IQR). Participants in the prime boost group received their second dose at day 28. Lower limit of quantification is 1 ELISA unit. Red stars in panel B show five samples also tested on the Marburg VN assay (see figure 4). MenACWY=meningococcal group A, C, W-135, and Y conjugate vaccine. SARS-CoV-2=severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2.

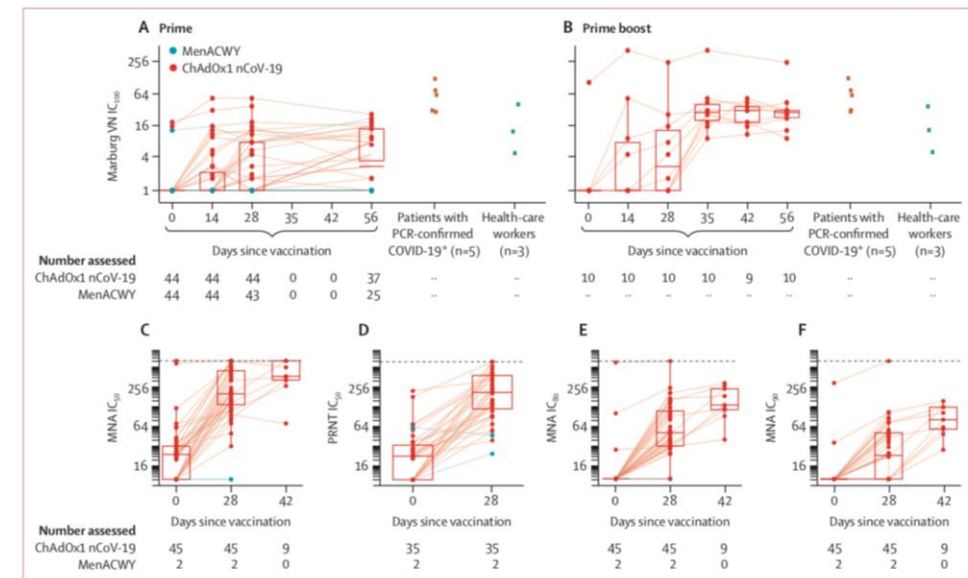


Figure 4: Live SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assays (Marburg VN and PHE PRNT₅₀) and microneutralisation assays (PHE MNA). Panels A and B show live SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation (Marburg VN) in prime (A) and prime boost (B) trial participants (boosted at day 28) and convalescent plasma from patients with PCR-confirmed COVID-19 and asymptomatic health-care workers. Panels C, E, and F show the PHE MNA (at IC₅₀, IC₂₅, and IC₁₀, respectively) and panel D the PHE PRNT₅₀. The day 42 timepoint was only measured in participants who received a booster dose at day 28. Solid lines connect samples from the same participant. Boxes show median (IQR). Dotted lines show upper limits of detection. MenACWY=meningococcal group A, C, W-135, and Y conjugate vaccine. PHE=Public Health England. MNA=microneutralisation assay. PRNT=plaque reduction neutralisation test. VN=virus neutralisation. IC=inhibitory concentration. SARS-CoV-2=severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2. *ELISA results for these five convalescent plasma samples are shown in figure 3 as red stars.




Going Forward




Recommendations for staying healthy during the winter of 2020-2021

- Get a flu shot
- Wear a mask
- Practice social distancing
- Weigh your risks
- Stay informed and follow the science
- Be creative
- Be thoughtful
- Be patient, we will get through this




INFLUENZA
WEAR
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It May Save Your Life!



However long the night,
the dawn will break.

~ African proverb

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