



Version 2

Viral Structure & Classification

-Important -Extra -In boy's slides

-Notes -In girl's slides

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Objectives:

- ★ General characteristics of viruses.
- ★ Structure & Symmetry of viruses.
- ★ Classification of viruses.
- ★ Steps of virus replication.
- ★ Laboratory diagnosis of viral infection.

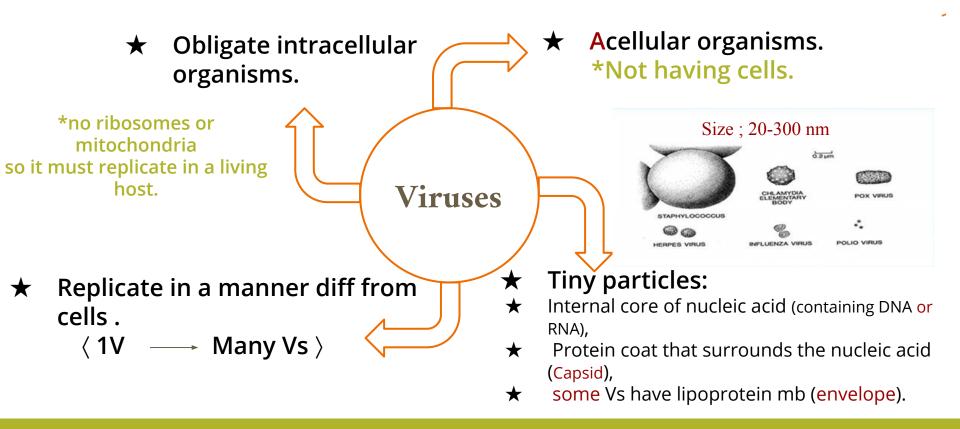
Abbreviations:

- ★ V(s): Virus(es).
- ★ NA: Nucleic Acid.
- ds: double stranded.
- ★ SS: single stranded.
- ★ mb: membrane.
- ★ Ps: proteins.
- Rs: Receptors.
- \star AB(s): Anti-body.
- ★ Ag: Antigen.
- ★ RetroVs: Retroviruses.
- ★ IF: Immunofluorescence.
- ★ ELISA: Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay
- ★ HBV: Hepatitis B virus
- ★ HCV: Hepatitis C virus
- ★ HSV: Herpes simplex virus

Properties of Microorganisms

Characteristic	Parasite	Fungi	Bacteria	Virus
Cell	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Types of Nucleus	Eukaryotic	Eukaryotic	Prokaryotic	-
Nucleic Acid	Both DNA & RNA	Both DNA & RNA	Both DNA & RNA	DNA or RNA (Can't be in both)
Ribosomes	Present	Present	Present	Absent
Mitochondria	Present	Present	Absent	Absent
Replication	Mitosis	Budding or Mitosis	Binary fission	Special

Characteristics of Viruses



Viral Structure

1- Viral genome

(All Viruses have a viral genome either DNA or RNA, **CAN NOT BE BOTH.**)

DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid)	RNA (Ribonucleic acid)	
All DNA Vs have ds <u>except</u> <u>Parvoviruses</u> (Have ss).	All RNA Vs have ss <u>except</u> <u>Reoviruses</u> (ds).	
Single molecule (All of them are haploid).	Single / Double (All of them haploid except Reoviruses are diploid).	
	(+), (-) Polarity	

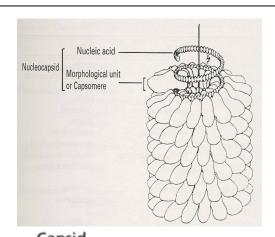
All Vs are **haploid** (single copy of genetic material), **except** retroviruses are **diploid** (two copies of the same genetic material).

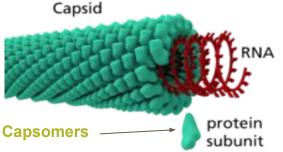
Viral Structure

(All viruses have a capsid.)

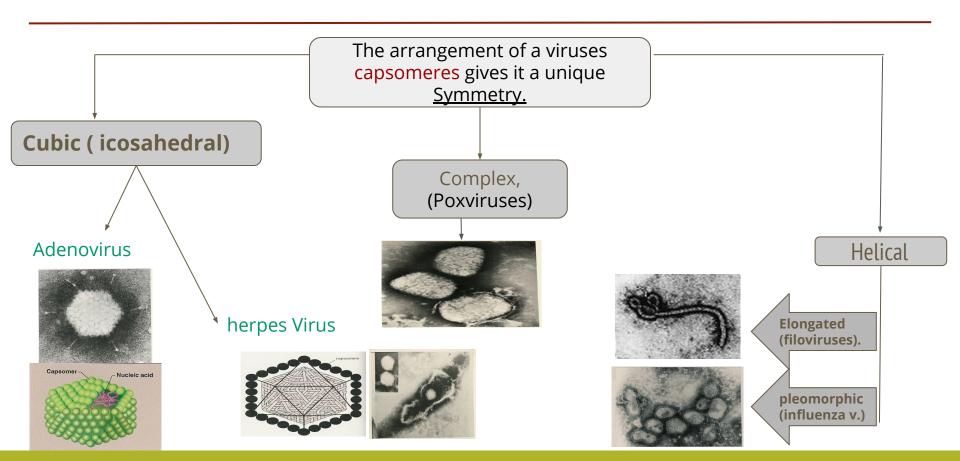
2- Capsid

- ★ a protein coat.
- ★ Subunits (capsomers) (It's the building unit for Capsid).
- ★ Genome (NA) + capsid = nucleocapsid.
- **★** Function:
- ★ Protects NA,
- ★ Facilitates its entry into cell. (for non-enveloped viruses)





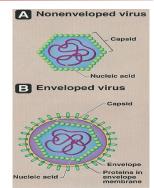
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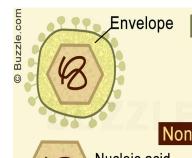


3- Envelope

in SOME viruses only.

- ★ it is a lipoprotein mb (membrane),
 (host lipid + virus specific protein) which contains: Protein and Glycoprotein.
- ★ During viral budding:
- ★ Envelope is derived from host cell mb (membrane),EXCEPT, Herpesviruses from nuclear mb (membrane).
- ★ Enveloped Vs (viruses) are more sensitive to heat, dry & other factors than non-enveloped Vs (viruses).
- ★ Glycoprotein attaches to host cell receptors, usually in the form of spikes / finger like projection.

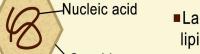




Enveloped Virus

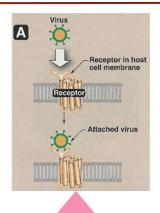
- Enclosed within a lipid membrane
- Sensitive to heat

Non-enveloped Virus



- Lacks a bilayer lipid membrane
- ■Heat-resistant

Viral Proteins

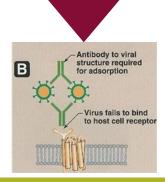


The outer viral Ps (proteins):

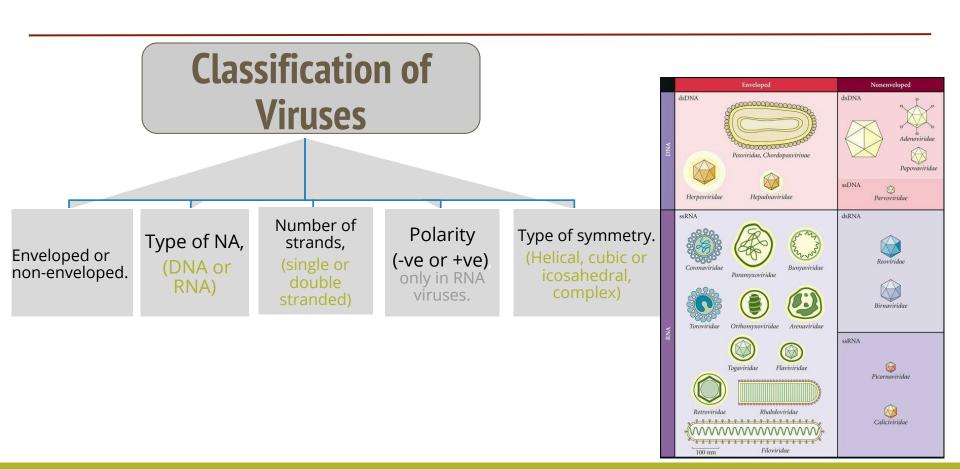
- ★ Mediate attachment to specific Rs (receptors).
 - ★ Induce neutralizing Abs (Anti-Bodys).
 - ★ Target to Abs.

The internal viral Ps (proteins):

- \star Structural Ps (Capsid Ps of enveloped Vs).
 - ★ Non-structural Ps (enzymes).
- All ssRNA Vs (-) Polarity have transcriptase (RNA dependent RNA polymerase) inside virions.
- Retroviruses & HBV (Hepatitis B viruses) contain reverse transcriptase.



Classification of Viruses



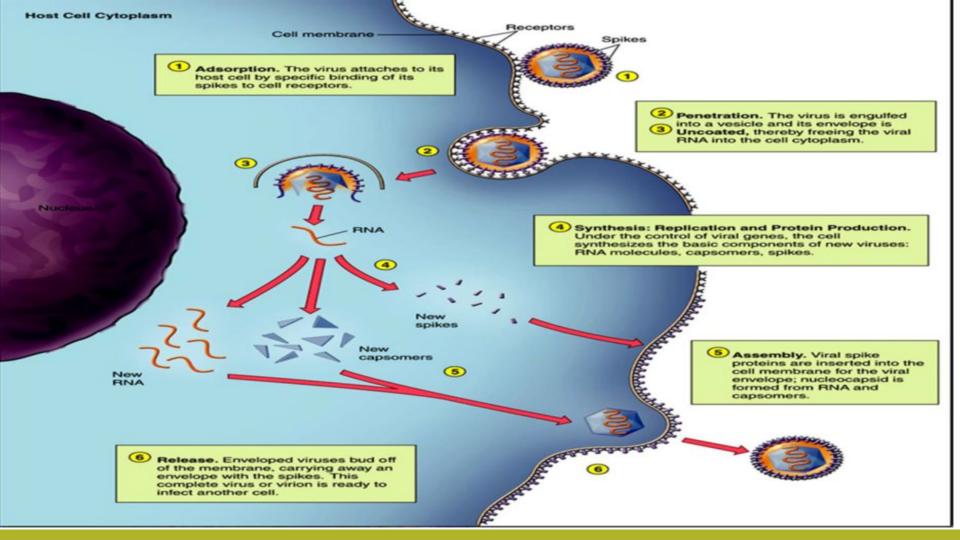
Medically Important Viruses:

1- DNA			
Single Stranded Double Stranded			
Non- Enveloped	Enveloped		Non- Enveloped
<u>lcosahedral</u>	Complex	<u>lcosahedral</u>	<u>Icosahedral</u>
Parvoviridae	Poxviridae	Herpesviridae	Adenoviridae

2- RNA			
Single Stranded			Double Stranded
Neg-Strand	Pos-Strand		Non-Enveloped
Enveloped	Enveloped	Non-Enveloped	<u>Icosahedral</u>
<u>Helical</u> Filoviridae	Helical Coronaviridae lcosahedral Retroviridae	<u>Icosahedral</u> Hepeviridae	Reoviridae

VIRUS REPLICATION STEPS

1-Adsorption	Attachment site: Glycoprotein (if enveloped) Folding in the capsid proteins (if non-enveloped)
2-Penetration	 Fusion (if enveloped): viral envelope fuses with host cell membrane and enters cell. Endocytosis (if enveloped: viruses fuse with endosome mb), (if non-enveloped; vesicles form and transfer the virus inside the cell).
3-Uncoating	o Release of viral genome in cytoplasm (for RNA viruses) or nucleus (for DNA viruses).
4-Synthesis of viral components	 For -ve RNA viruses, the viral genome is transcribed into mRNA and then translated to make viral proteins (indirect). For +ve RNA viruses, their viral genome (ssRNA) can be translated directly to make viral proteins (direct). The viral genome is replicated in both cases.
5-Assembly	Nucleic acid and viral proteins assemble to make virions (an entire viral particle). Millions of virions are produced.
6-Release	o For enveloped viruses: the virus "buds" & gets their membrane from the cell membrane (in RNA viruses) or nuclear membrane (in DNA viruses). o For non-enveloped viruses: the virus lysis or ruptures from the cell membrane.(cell is damaged)

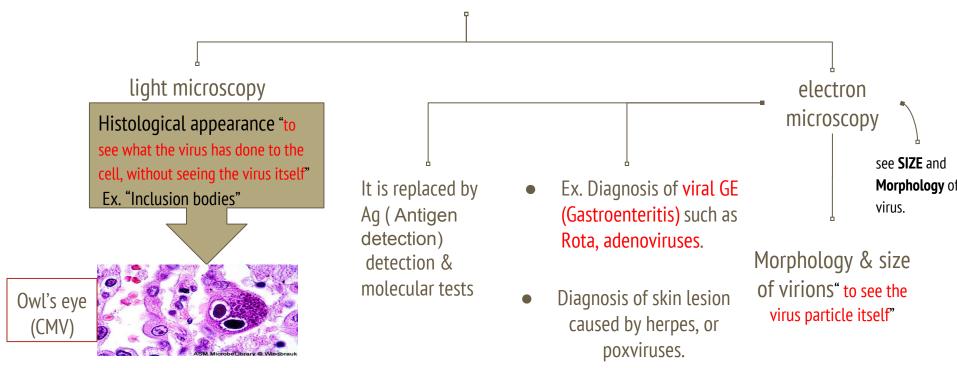


laboratory diagnosis of viral infections

- ★ Microscopic examination.
- ★ Cell culture.
- ★ Serological test.
- ★ Detection of viral Ag.
- ★ Molecular method.

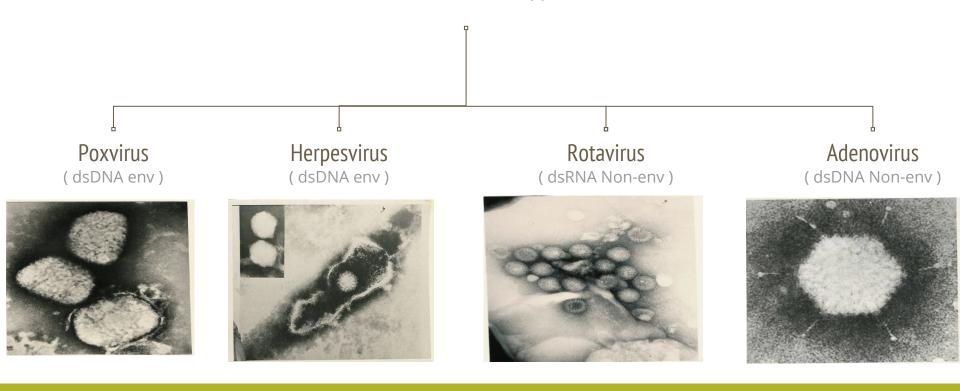
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Microscopic examination

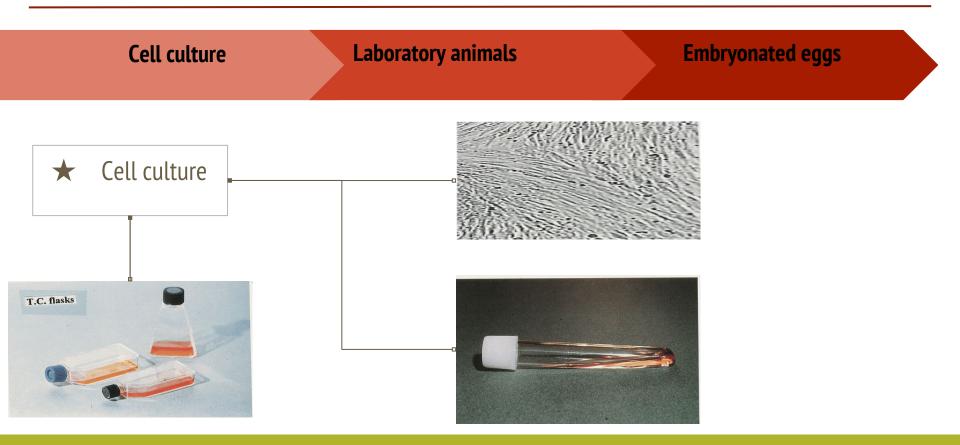


Microscopic examination





Virus cultivation

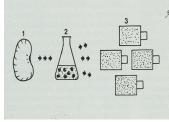


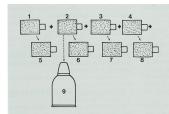
cell culture

- Cell culture refers to the removal of cells to see their subsequent growth under suitable environment.
- \star After isolating the cells from the tissue, it has 3 types of sub passages

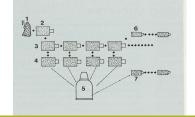
Cell culture No of sub passages 1 OR 2 (it lasts for Primary C/C very short period

Diploid C/C 20 TO 50 (it lasts for few weeks





Continuous cell line Indefinite



Variation in Sensitivity of cell cultures to infection by viruses commonly isolated in clinical virology laboratories

PMK, primary MK. Degree of sensitivity: +++, highly sensitive;++, moderately sensitive; +, low sensitivity; +/-, variable; -, not sensitive

Virus		Cell culture		
RNA virus		PMK	HDP	HEp-2
	Enterovirus Rhinovirus Influenza virus RSV	+++ + +++ ++	++ +++ +	+/- + - +++
DNA virus	Adenovirus HSV VZV CMV	+ + +	++ ++ +++ +++	+++ ++ - -

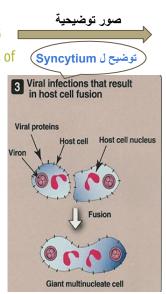
Detection of viral growth

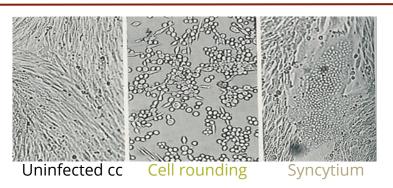
• Cytopathic effects The affected cell will have "Rounding, shrinkage, aggregation(تشبه بنتيه). Syncytium(giant multinucleate cell) and loss of adherence

- IF (Immunofluorescence)
- other

Problems with cell culture:

- Long incubation (up to 5 days) can be solved with rapid culture technique.
- Sensitivity is variable.
- Susceptible to bacterial contamination (عرضة للتلوث البكتيري).
- Some Viruses do not grow in cell culture e.g. HCV (hepatitis C virus).





★ Rapid culture technique :

Shell viral assay. It detect viral <u>antigens</u> within 1-3 days.

Antigens proteins appear stained



Fig. 2, CMV centrifugation culture fixed and stained 16 hrs after inoculation showing viral proteins in nuclei of infected human fibroblast cells

Serological tests

Antibody detection

- ★ Complement fixation test (CFT).
- ★ Immunofluorescence (IF).
- ★ Enzyme- linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).

Antigen detection

It is a test that looks for (antibodies) from a sample to determine the availability of (antigen)

Test	Sample	Virus	
IF	Nasopharyngeal aspirate	Influenza V	
	Skin scrapings	HSV	
ELISA	Faeces	Rotavirus	
	Blood	HBV(HBsAg)	

Serological Tests

★Immunofluorescence (IF)

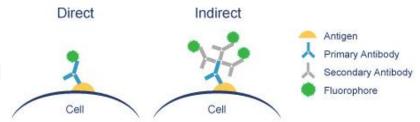
 Uses fluorescent dye and fluorescent microscope to detect infection, either through antigens or antibodies.

★ Direct: antigen detection

-add antibodies labeled with fluorescent dye and look through a fluorescent microscope; if fluorescent then the result is positive.

★ Indirect: antibody detection

-add patient serum then add secondary-antibodies labeled with fluorescent dye.

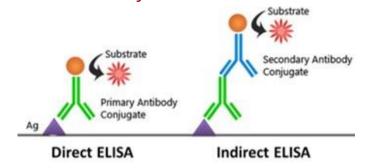


Serological Tests

★Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELIZA):

Same principle as IF, but uses antibodies labeled with enzymes instead of fluorescent dye and is read through a spectrometer.

Direct: antigen detection Indirect: antibody detection



★Molecular Test:

Detects the nucleic acid of the virus.

Uses polymerase chain reaction and amplification of viral nucleic acid and viral genome.

- -Used for diagnosis.
- -ls the only way to monitor a patient's treatment response by measuring viral load/concentration.

MCQs:

SAQs:

Q1: in virus replication, in which step the release of the viral genome either in the cytoplasm or nucleus?

a) release. b) adsorption c) uncoating. d) assembly.

Q2: which of the following is false about the viral?

- a) all viruses must have capsid.
- b) all viruses are haploid.
- c) all viruses have either RNA or DNA can't be Both.
- d) some of the viruses have an envelope.

Q3: Poxviruses are:

- a) ds(DNA) env.
- b) ds(DNA) non-env.
- c) ds(RNA) env.

Q4: It's a protein coat for viruses?

a) envelope. b) Capsid. c) viral genome. d) the outer viral protein.

1/ what the right step for (Nucleic acid and viral proteins assemble to make virions (an entire viral particle). Millions of virions are produced)?

Assembl

2/ Give me an example of complex viruses:

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