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Metapneumovirus

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A genus of nonsegmented, negative-strand ssRNA viruses in the Pneumovirinae subfamily that uniquely accomplishes cell fusion without the help of an attachment protein. This virus has a genome of about 13 kb, encoding eight proteins. The virion is enveloped and spherical with a diameter of about 150 nm