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Influenza B Virus

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A negative-strand linear single-strand RNA virus with an 8 segment genome. Virions are enveloped and usually spherical or pleomorphic, 50-120 nm in diameter. Influenza B viruses are usually found only in humans. Unlike influenza A viruses, these viruses are not classified according to subtype.