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Molluscum Contagiosum Virus

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Source

National Cancer Institute. *Molluscum Contagiosum Virus*. NCI Thesaurus. Code C112357.

A species of enveloped and brick-shaped viruses in the Poxviridae family and Molluscipoxvirus genus. The genome is composed of non-segmented, linear double-stranded DNA. Molluscum contagiosum viruses are found in humans and can cause the disease Molluscum contagiosum. Molluscum contagiosum viruses are transmitted via direct person-to-person contact and contact with infected fomites.