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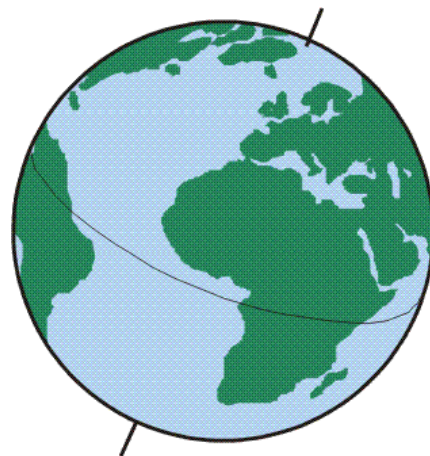
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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Genomic Characterization of a Newly Discovered Coronavirus Associated with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome in Humans

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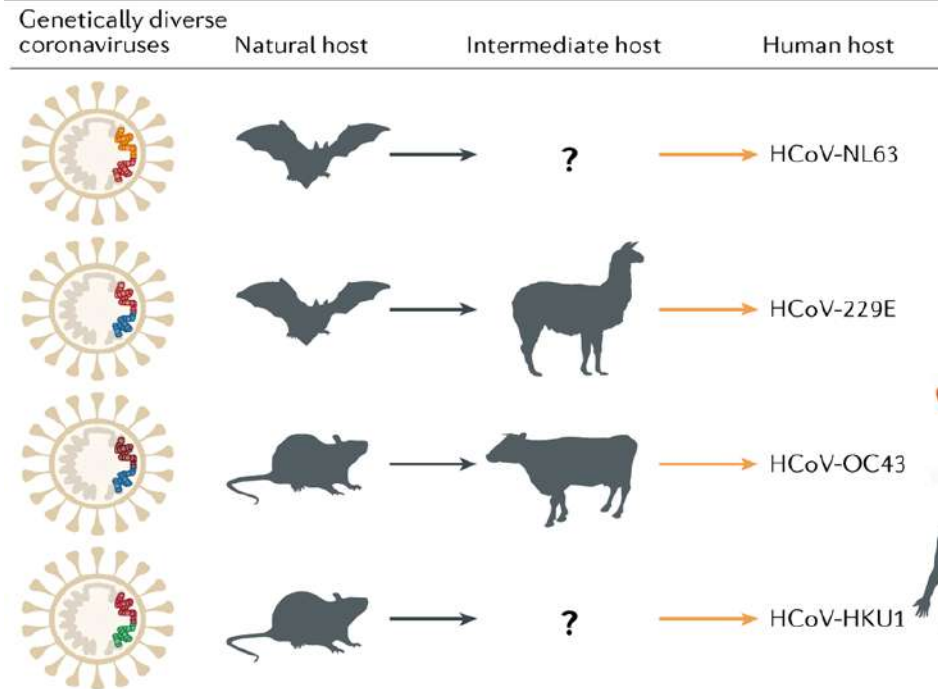
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ABSTRACT A novel human coronavirus (HCoV-EMC/2012) was isolated from a man with acute pneumonia and renal failure in June 2012. This report describes the complete genome sequence, genome organization, and expression strategy of HCoV-EMC/2012 and its relation with known coronaviruses. The genome contains 30,119 nucleotides and contains at least 10 predicted open reading frames, 9 of which are predicted to be expressed from a nested set of seven subgenomic mRNAs. Phylogenetic analysis of the replicase gene of coronaviruses with completely sequenced genomes showed that HCoV-EMC/2012 is most closely related to *Tylonycteris* bat coronavirus HKU4 (BtCoV-HKU4) and *Pipistrellus* bat coronavirus HKU5 (BtCoV-HKU5), which prototype two species in lineage C of the genus *Betacoronavirus*. In accordance with the guidelines of the International Committee on Taxonomy of Viruses, and in view of the 75% and 77% amino acid sequence identity in 7 conserved replicase domains with BtCoV-HKU4 and BtCoV-HKU5, respectively, we propose that HCoV-EMC/2012 prototypes a novel species in the genus *Betacoronavirus*. HCoV-EMC/2012 may be most closely related to a coronavirus detected in *Pipistrellus pipistrellus* in The Netherlands, but because only a short sequence from the most conserved part of the RNA-dependent RNA polymerase-encoding region of the genome was reported for this bat virus, its genetic distance from HCoV-EMC remains uncertain. HCoV-EMC/2012 is the sixth coronavirus known to infect humans and the first human virus within betacoronavirus lineage C.

IMPORTANCE Coronaviruses are capable of infecting humans and many animal species. Most infections caused by human coronaviruses are relatively mild. However, the outbreak of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) caused by SARS-CoV in 2002 to 2003 and the fatal infection of a human by HCoV-EMC/2012 in 2012 show that coronaviruses are able to cause severe, sometimes fatal disease in humans. We have determined the complete genome of HCoV-EMC/2012 using an unbiased virus discovery approach involving next-generation sequencing techniques, which enabled subsequent state-of-the-art bioinformatics, phylogenetics, and taxonomic analyses. By establishing its complete genome sequence, HCoV-EMC/2012 was characterized as a new genotype which is closely related to bat coronaviruses that are distant from SARS-CoV. We expect that this information will be vital to rapid advancement of both clinical and vital research on this emerging pathogen.



Coronavirus nell'uomo



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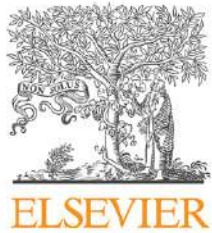
Infectious bronchitis virus (IBV)



Feline infectious peritonitis virus (FIPV)



**....e tanti altri negli
animali domestici e
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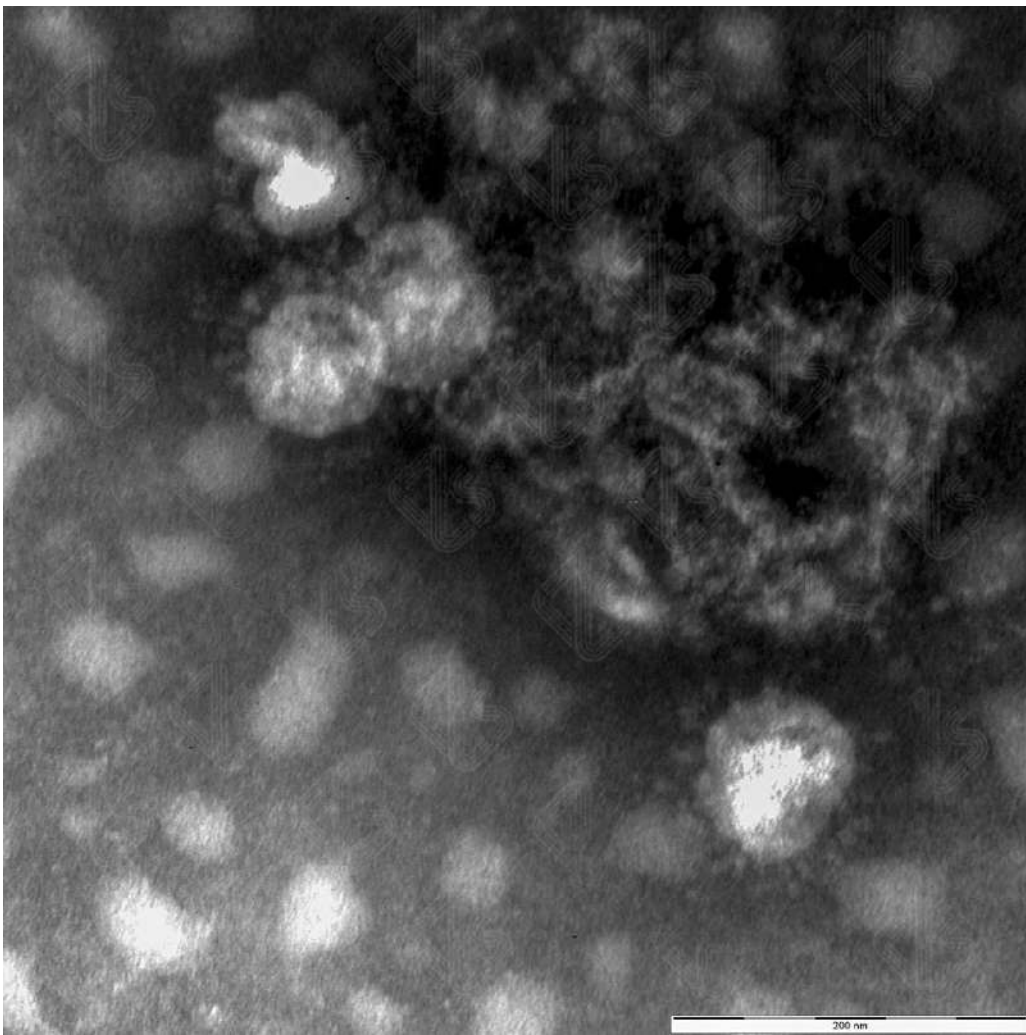
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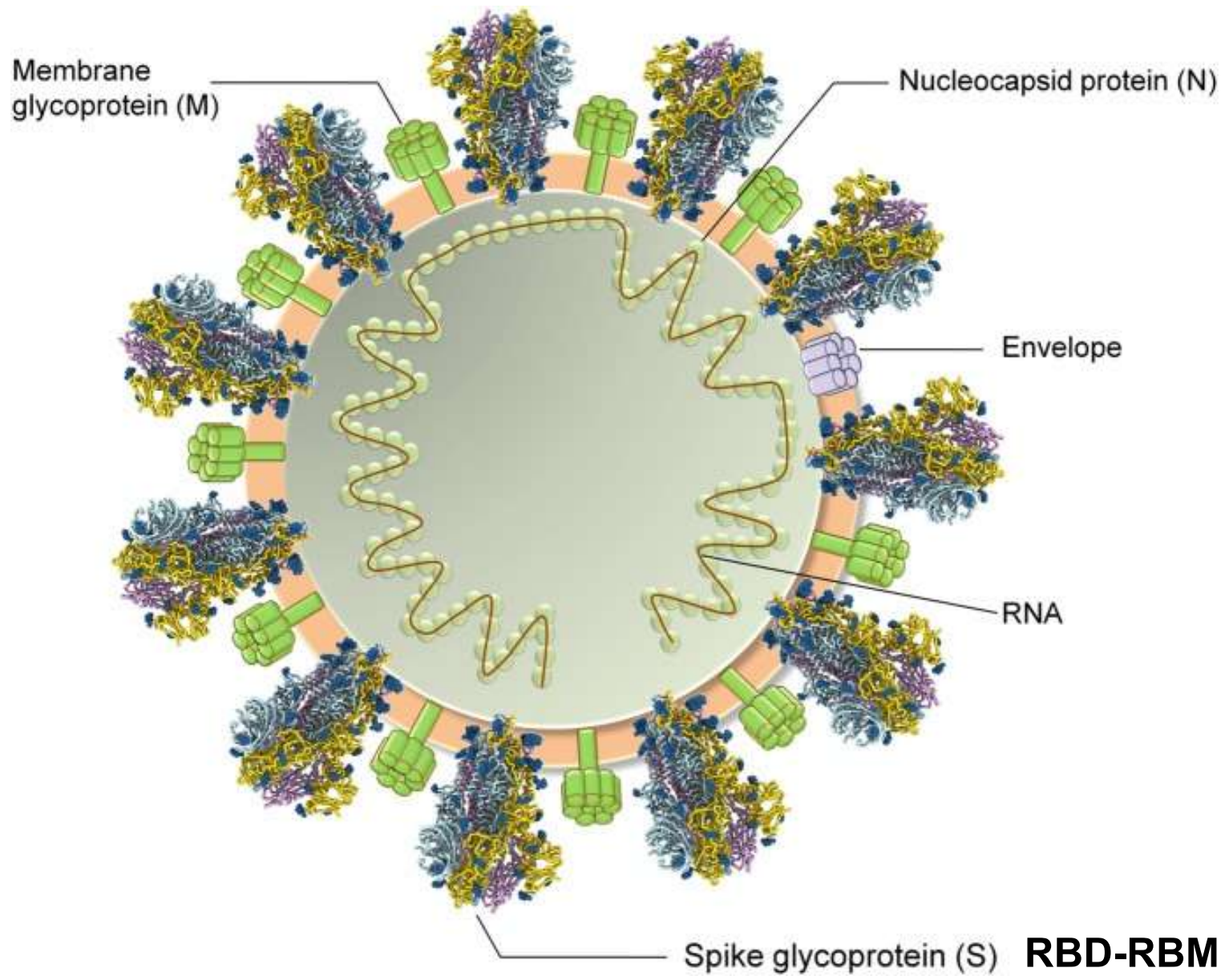
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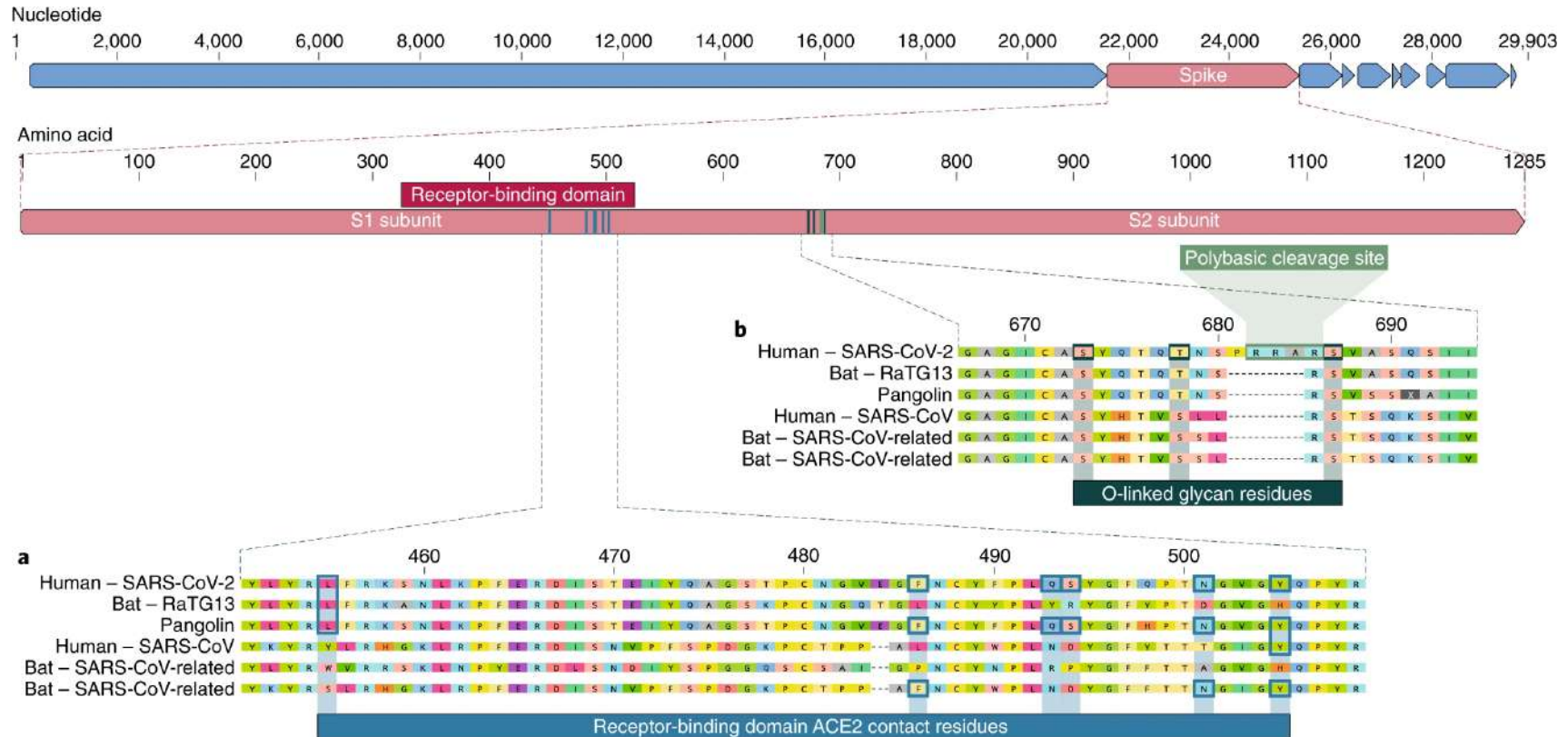


SARS-CoV-2



Antonio Lavazza, IZSLER





RBM: L455, F486, Q493, S494, N501 and Y505

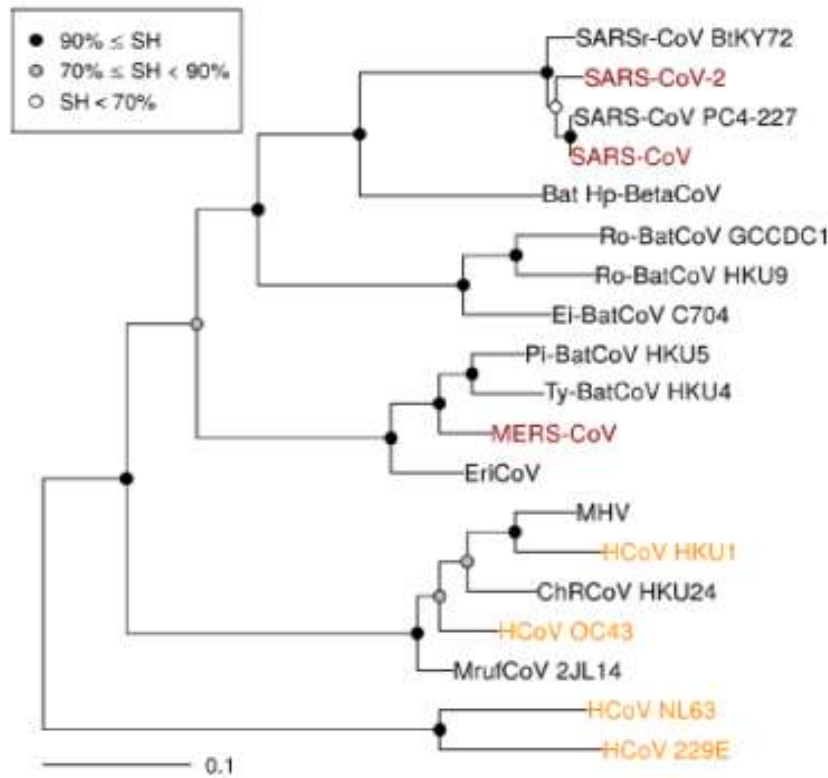
Sito Clivaggio S1/S2 (uncommon): naturale? artificiale? complotto

SARS-CoV-2



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Species

Severe acute respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus

Bat Hp-betacoronavirus Zhejiang2013

Rousettus bat coronavirus GCCDC1

Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9

*Eidolon bat coronavirus C704 **

Pipistrellus bat coronavirus HKU5

Tyonycteris bat coronavirus HKU4

Middle East respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus

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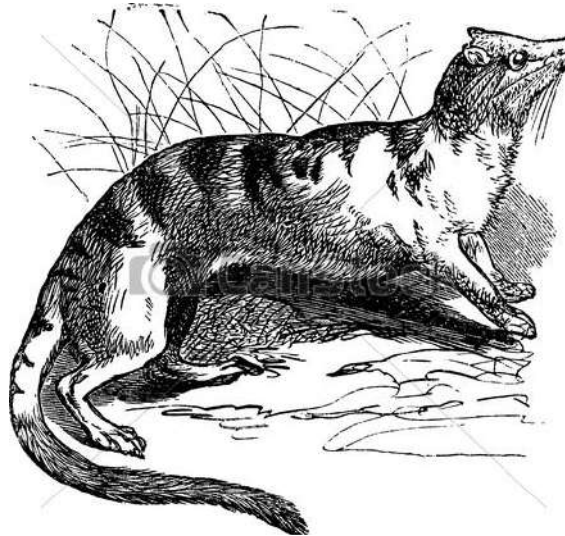
Human coronavirus 229E

Coronavirus study group, Feb 2020, subgenus *Sarbecovirus*, species *SARSr-CoV*





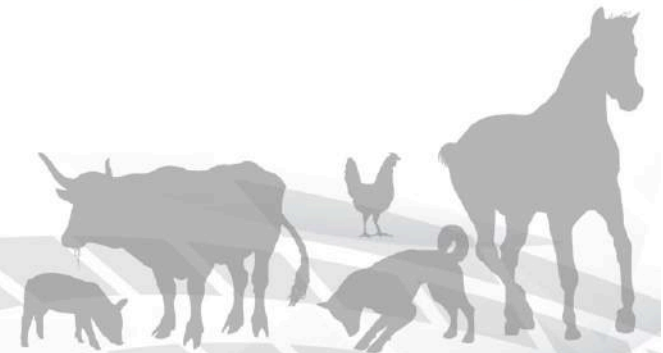
SARS-CoV-1





.....Mai trovato nel pipistrello un virus identico a SARS-CoV-1.....

.....ma una serie enorme di Bat SARS-rCoVs



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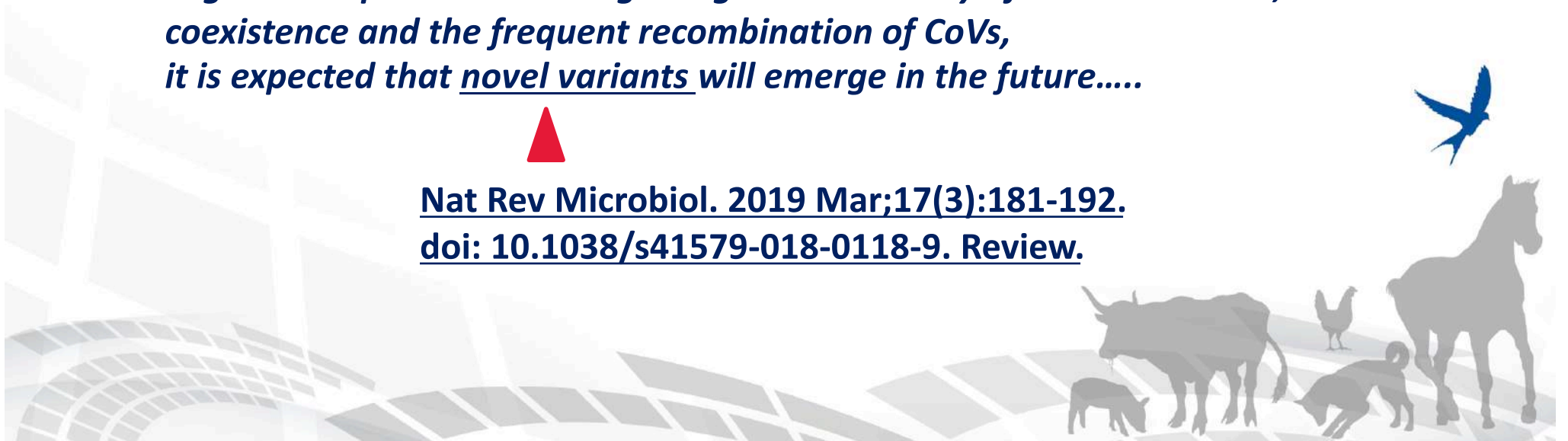
Origin and evolution of pathogenic coronaviruses

Jie Cui¹, Fang Li² and Zheng-Li Shi^{1*}

....given the prevalence and great genetic diversity of bat SARSr-CoVs, their close coexistence and the frequent recombination of CoVs, it is expected that novel variants will emerge in the future.....



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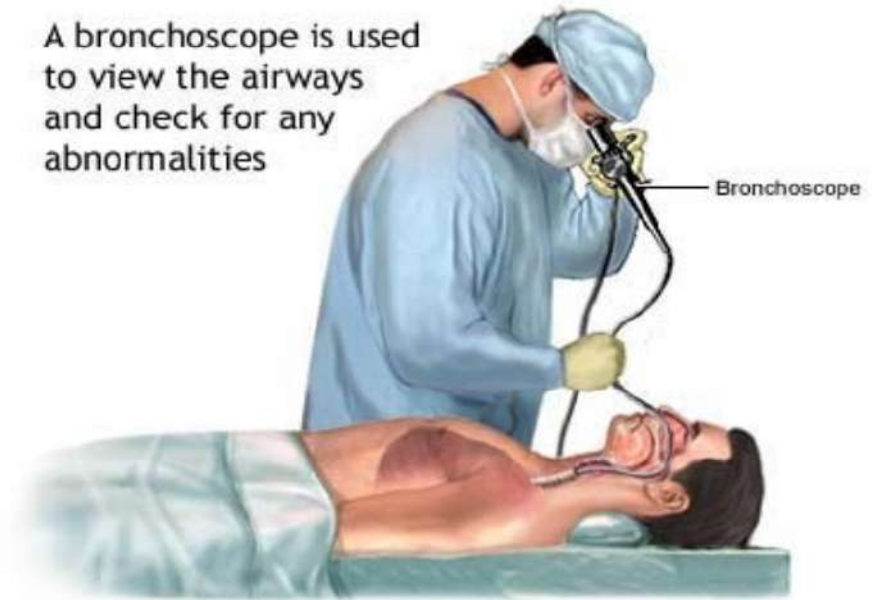
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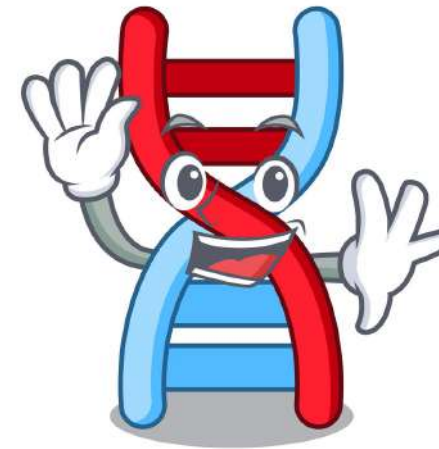




A bronchoscope is used to view the airways and check for any abnormalities



Influenza e altri patogeni respiratori assenti



Next Generation Sequencing





....Of the 384,096 contigs assembled by Megahit8, the longest (30,474 nucleotides [nt]) had high abundance and was closely related to a bat SARS-like coronavirus isolate - bat-SL-CoVZC45 (GenBank Accession MG772933) - previously sampled in China, with a nt identity of 89.1%.....



....a leader transcription regulatory sequence (TRS) and nine putative body TRSs which appeared in two forms – the ACGAAC or CUA AAC



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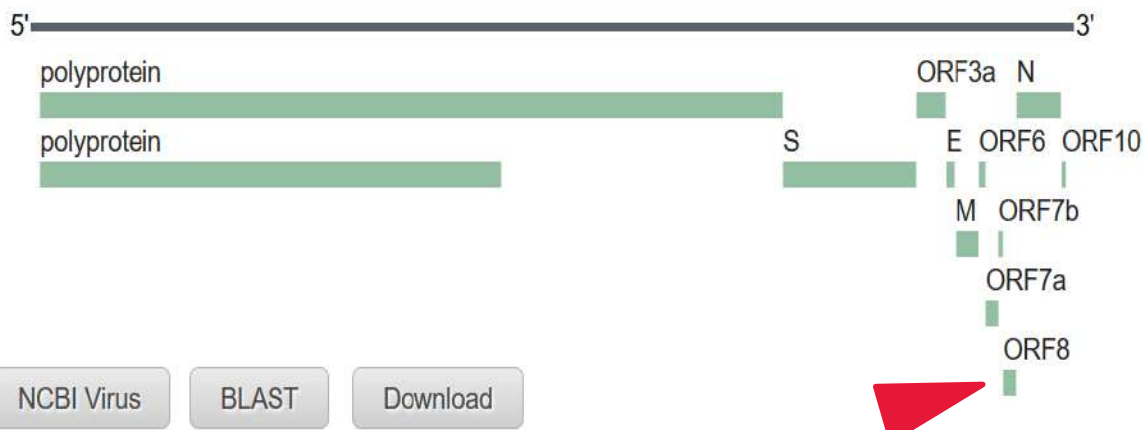
Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 genome

Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (Host: human,vertebrates)

ssRNA(+)

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Ongoing SARS-CoV-2 outbreak

Results by taxon

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- Porcine epidemic diarrhoea virus (113)
- Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (113)
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- Bat coronavirus (76)
- Rousettus bat coronavirus (76)
- All other taxa (361)

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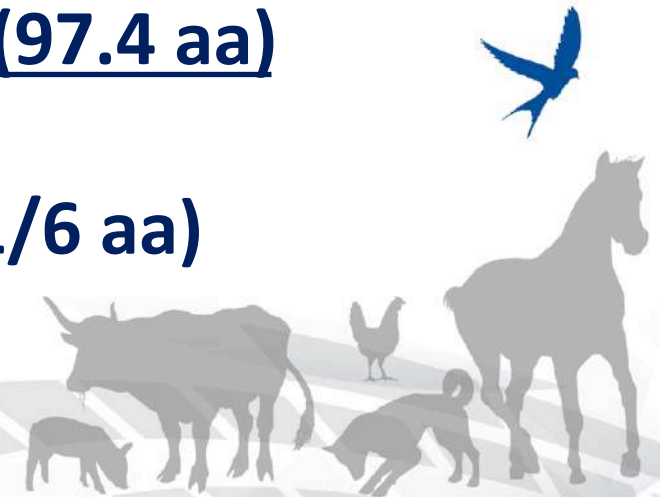


**Likely bat is the animal
reservoir of SARS-CoV-2**





- **Campioni di archivio**
- **Bat SARS-rCoV RaTG13, frammento della polimerasi**
- **96.1% (tutto il genoma)**
- **92.9% nt in the S protein (97.4 aa)**
- **RBM is totally different (1/6 aa)**





- **field collection**
- **Bat SARS-rCoV RmYN02**



Eddie Holmes

- ***93.3% (tutto il genoma)***

- **But extremely similar in most genomic regions (3a, E, 6, 7a, N and 10) including the polimerase (97.2%)**

- **But...very low in the S protein (71.8)**

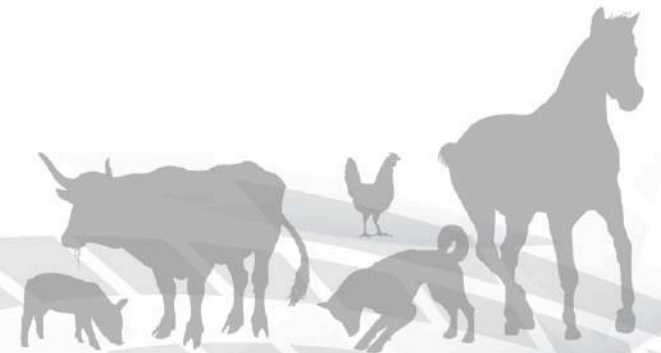
- **Sito clivaggio PAA !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

- **RBM is totally different (1/6 aa)**



SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2

Le origini..





Per capire SARS-CoV-2 bisogna guardare al SARS-CoV-1

- **Similarità e differenze**
- **Animal exposure**
- **SARS-CoV and Abs in masked palm civets and animal handlers**
- **Probably transmitted to palm civets from other animals**



..... la genesi sembra essere la stessa.....

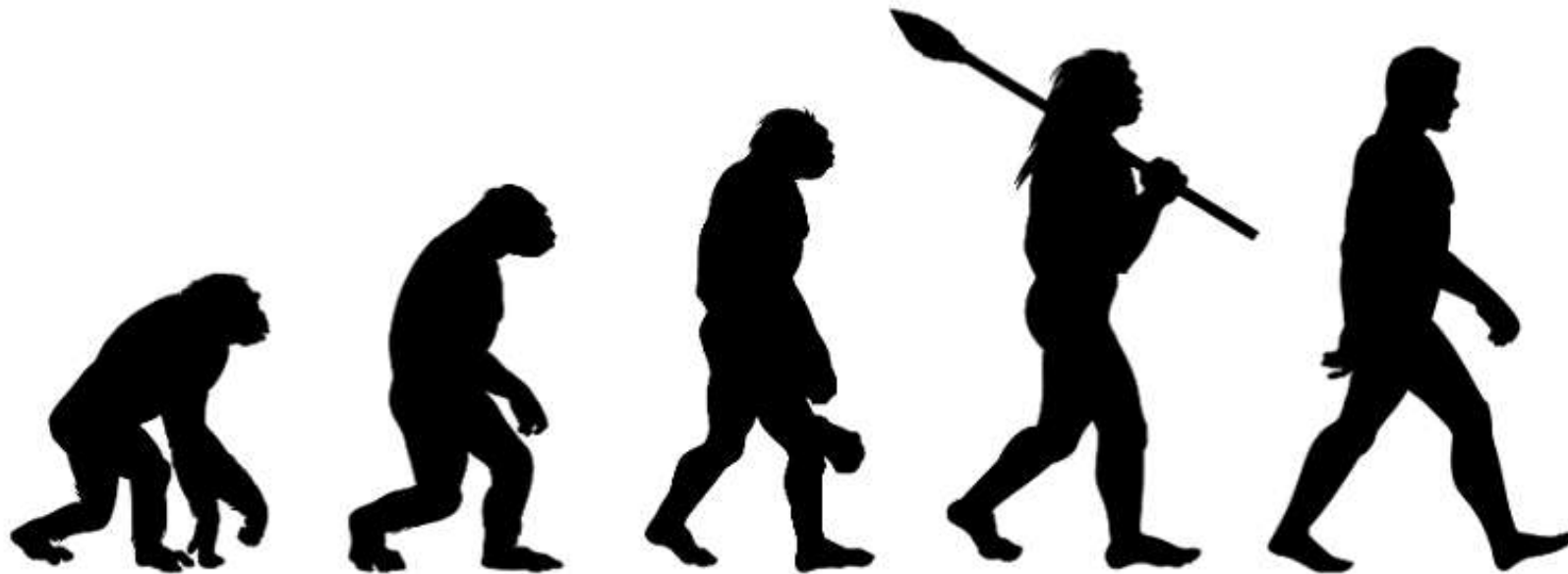


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Coronaviruses: recombination events, cross species jumps, insertions/deletions



Nicola Decaro



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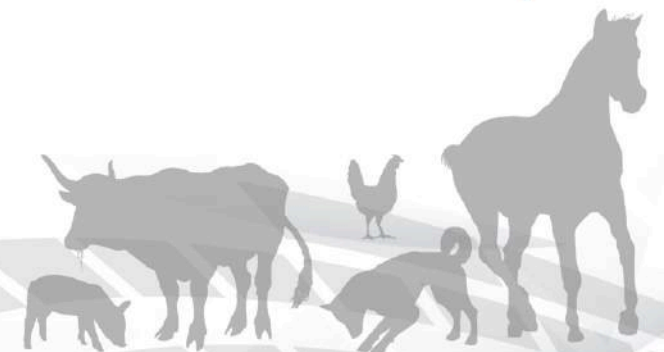
Discovery of a rich gene pool of bat SARS-related coronaviruses provides new insights into the origin of SARS coronavirus

Ben Hu¹✉, Lei-Ping Zeng¹✉, Xing-Lou Yang¹✉, Xing-Yi Ge¹, Wei Zhang¹, Bei Li¹, Jia-Zheng Xie¹, Xu-Rui Shen¹, Yun-Zhi Zhang^{2,3}, Ning Wang¹, Dong-Sheng Luo¹, Xiao-Shuang Zheng¹, Mei-Niang Wang¹, Peter Daszak⁴, Lin-Fa Wang⁵, Jie Cui^{1*}, Zheng-Li Shi^{1*}

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- **Highly diverse SARS-rCoVs in one cave**
- **CoVs strains in this cave contain all genetic elements needed to form SARS-CoV**
- **...direct progenitor of SARS CoV-1 originated by recombination within bats and then transmitted to civets or other mammals**



..e SARS-CoV-2 ??



- SARS-rCoVs in pangolins (Guanxi and Guandong)
- Identical RBM (6/6 aa)



So far.....

- Bat SARS-rCoV as backbone (RmYN02 like virus)
- Homologous recombination with other SARS rCoV..(RaTG13 like virus)
- ..of bats and pangolins providing the S, the RBD and the cleavage site





ACE2



S1-NTD

S1-CTD...RBD

318

510



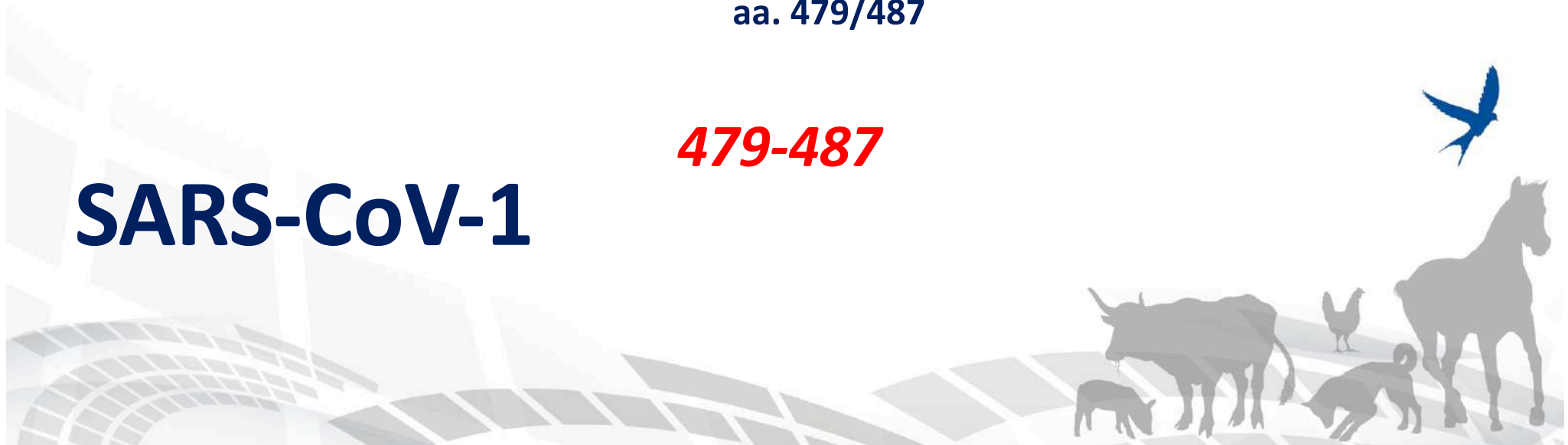
S1

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479-487

SARS-CoV-1



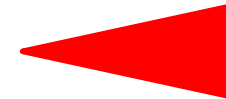
- **HUMAN SARS-CoV 2002/3 (virulent phase) 479 (N); 487 (T). High affinity for ACE2**
- **CIVET SARS-CoV 2003 479 (K or R); 487 (S). K and R similar biochemical properties- Low affinity for human ACE2 but high to civet ACE2**
- **HUMAN SARS-CoV 2004 (much less virulent phase) 479 (K o R); 487 S**

K/R-479 and S-487 function as the entry barrier for animal-to-human transmission of the SARS-CoV





.....The maintenance of this entry barrier requires the conservation of both K-479 and S-487. Once one substitution at positions 479 or 487 occurred in animal SARS-CoV, the virus could greatly increase its affinity toward the human receptor ACE2 and even cross the species barrier to cause animal-to-human transmission.....





.....that the S487T amino acid switch may reflect the virus adaptation to human host and that the presence of the SN479/T487 protein is essential for causing the pandemic, i.e. the successful transition from animal-to-human transmission to human-to-human transmission.....





- **STUDI POSSIBILI PERCHE' avevano SARS-CoV-1 da uomo e zibetti!**

- **Per SARS-CoV-2 ancora non è così**





IS THE ADAPTATION TO OTHER MAMMALS BEFORE BEING ABLE TO INFECT HUMANS ESSENTIAL?



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A SARS-like virus in bats

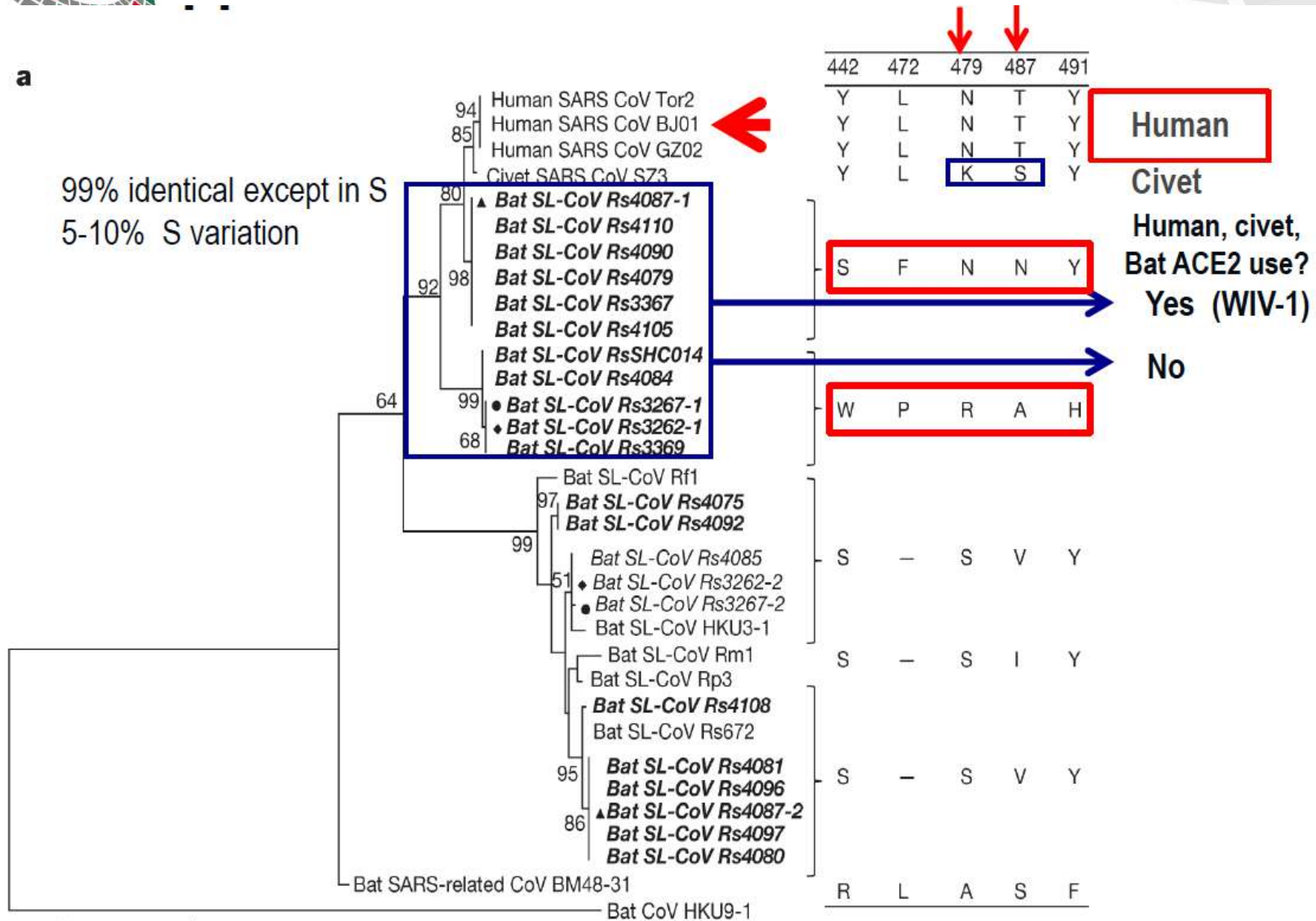
Peter Daszak and colleagues identify two novel coronaviruses from Chinese horseshoe bats that are closely related to severe acute... [show more](#)



Direct transmission from bats ?

a

99% identical except in S
5-10% S variation



Could Mustelids spur COVID-19 into a panzootic?

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- **Mutations in the S protein (Y453F, I692V, M1229I)**
- **Deletion in the S protein (69-70)**
- **Loss of neutralization**
- **Transmission to humans**



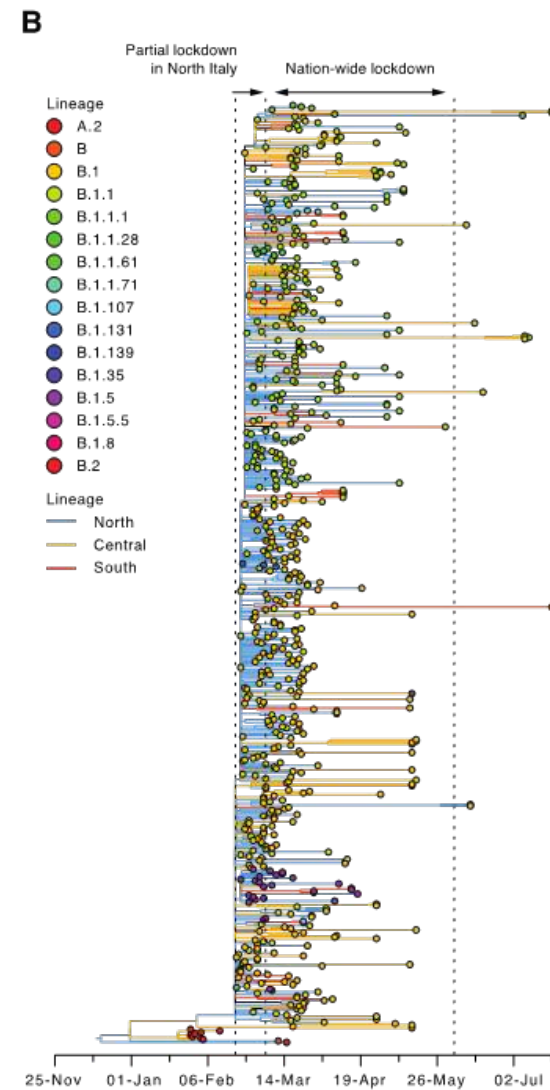
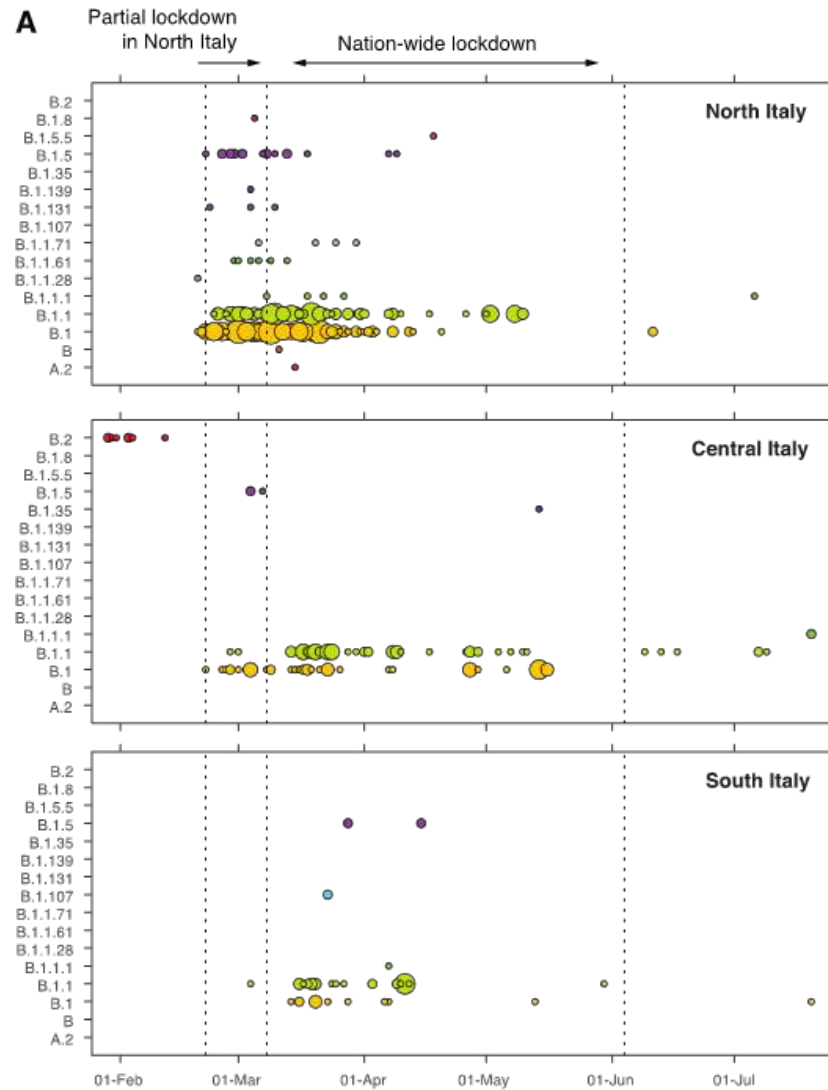
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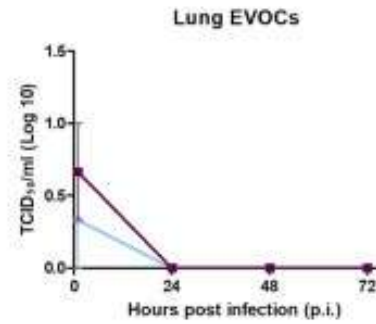
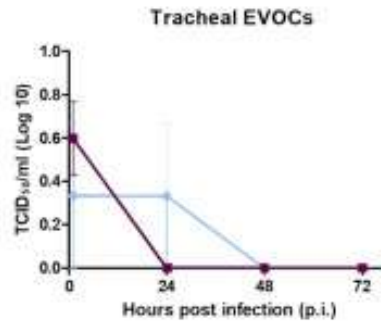
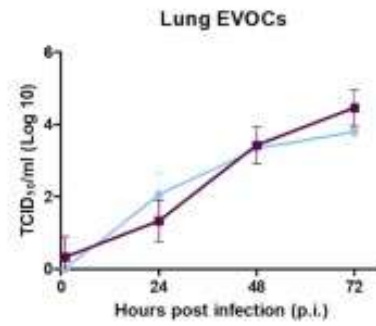
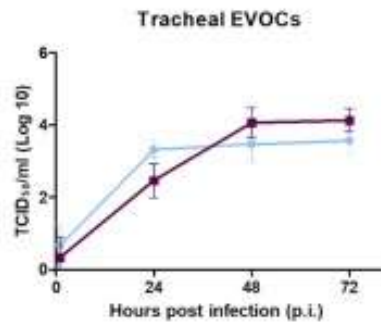
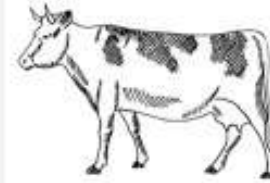
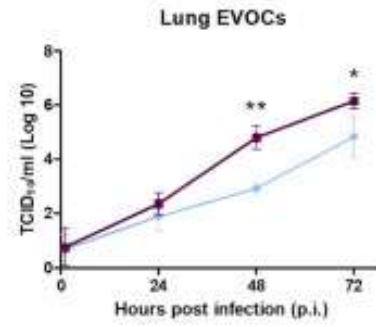
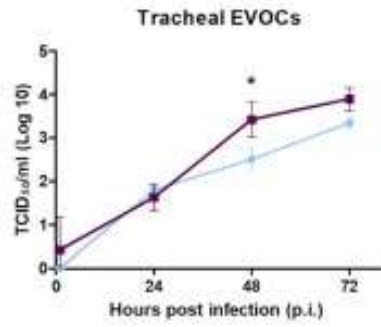
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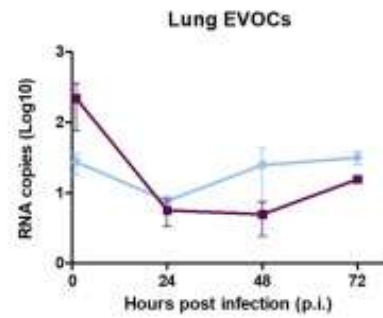
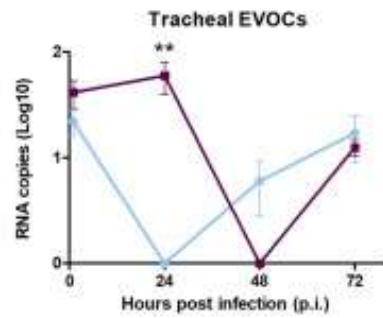
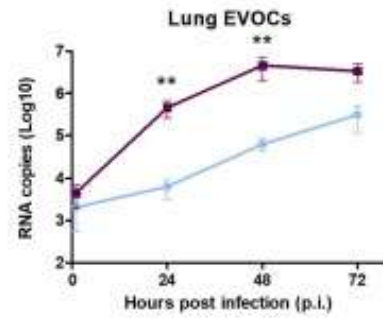
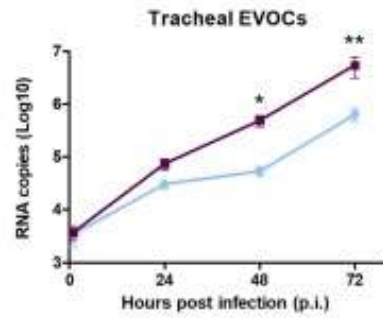
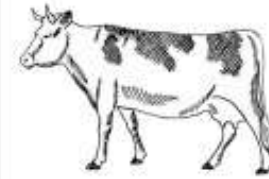
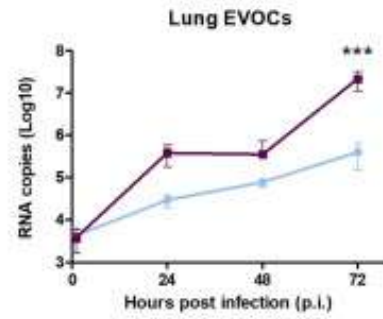
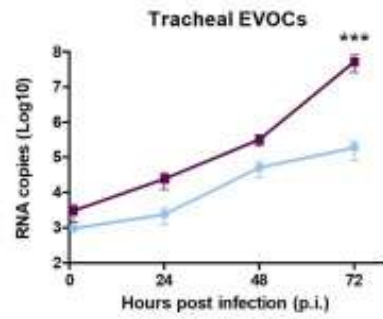
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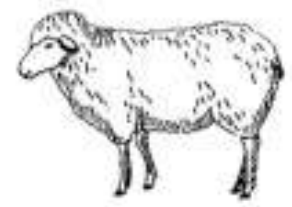
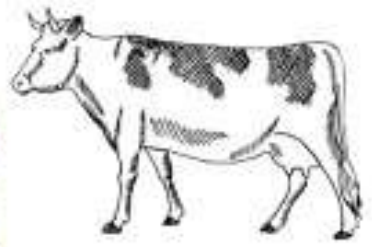
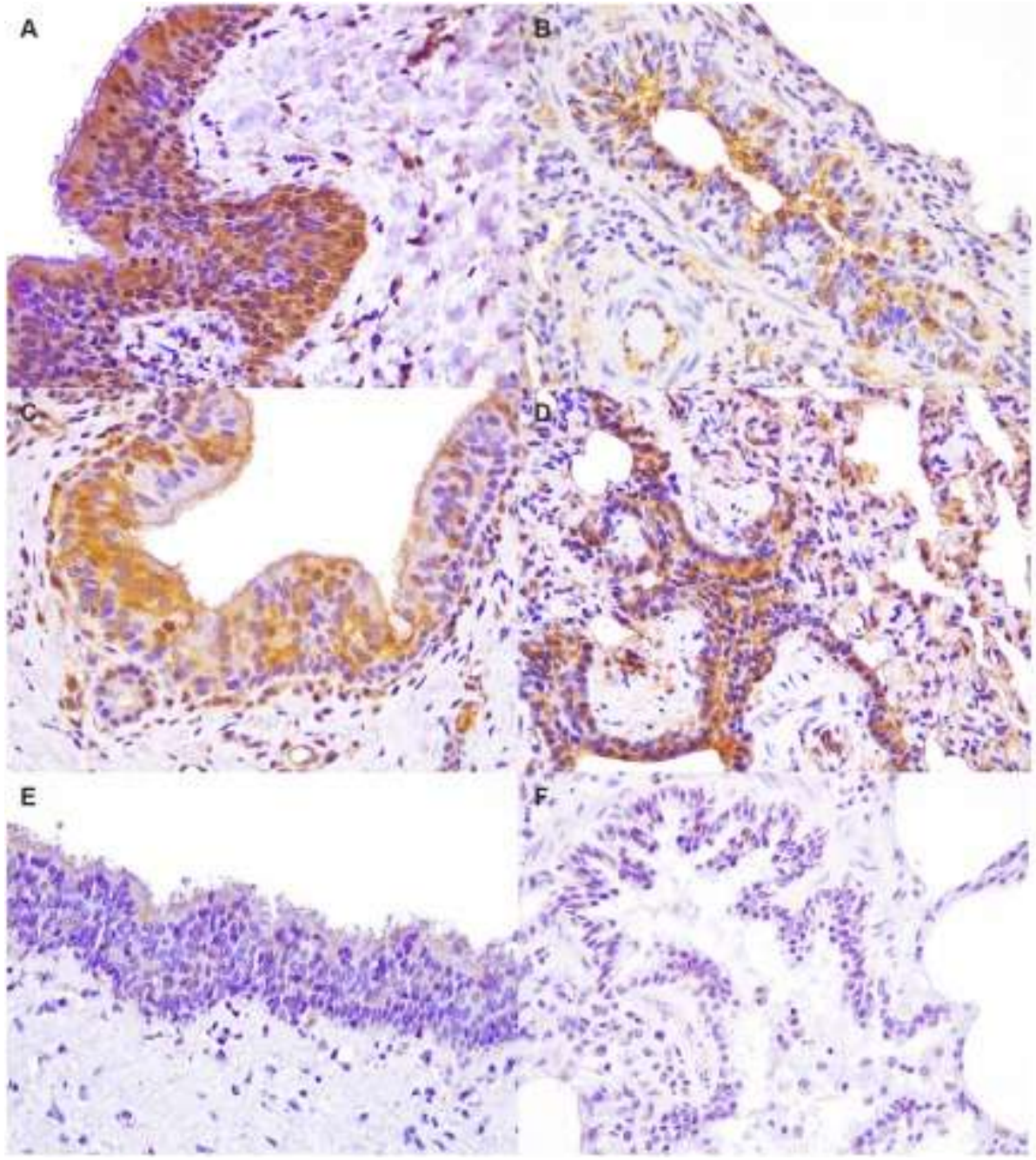
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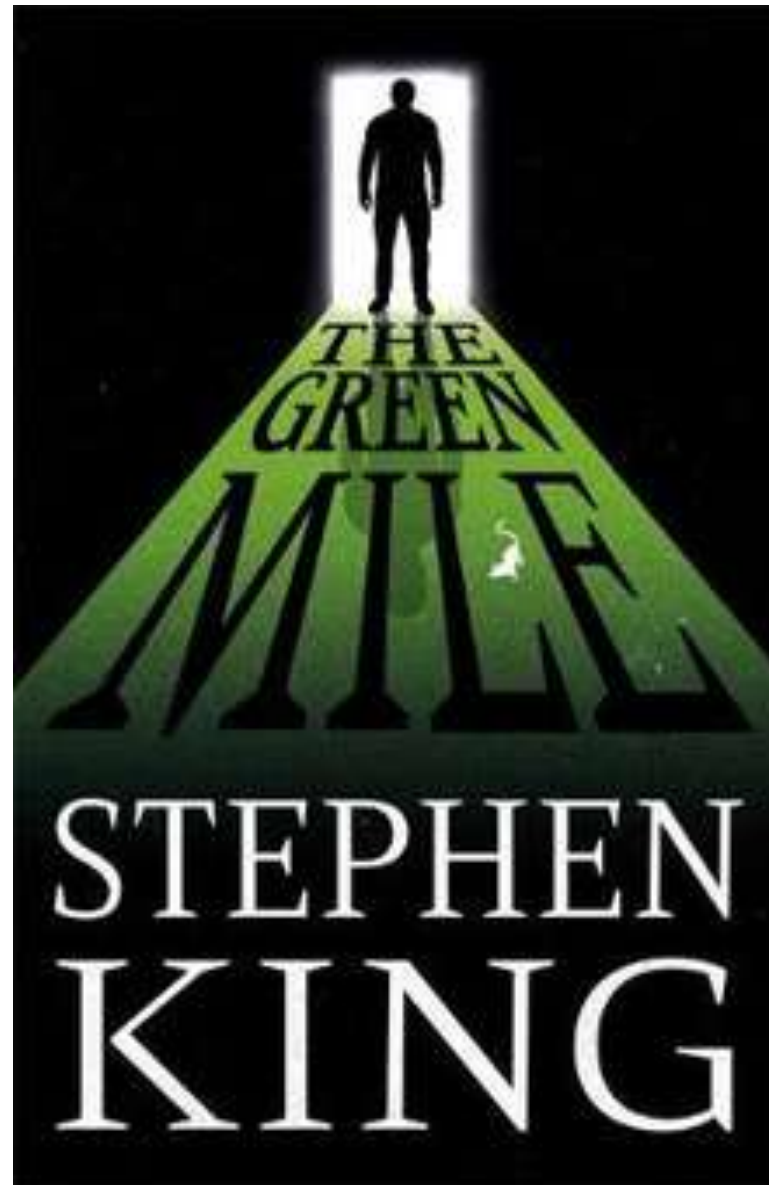


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