250 MIC Course: General Virology



#### Lecture 6: Virus Replication & Infectious Cycle By Dr. Maaweya E. Hamed Assistant professor of medical virology & immunology

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**Learning Objectives** 

- Describe the replication (infectious) process of human and animal viruses.
- Describe unique replication characteristics of different viruses.
- Discuss human viruses and their virus-host cell interactions.



#### **Steps of Virus Replication Cycle**

- **2** > Penetration (entry) from cell membrane.
- $\mathbf{3} \succ \mathsf{Uncoating.}$
- **5** > Replication of the viral nucleic acid.
- $\mathbf{6} >$  Virus assembly.
- $\bigcirc$  > Maturation.
- $\mathbf{8} \succ \text{Release from infected cell.}$



#### **Virus-Cell Interaction**





#### **Steps of Virus Replication Cycle**



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#### 1 ≻ Attachment

To initiate replication (infection) the virus must be able to bind to target cell.

#### **Binding occurs between:**

- Ligands on the virus surface (viral attachment proteins)

- Receptors on cell membrane





#### 1 > Attachment

To initiate infection, the virus must be able to bind to target cell.

Binding is highly specific. So, each virus can infect only special types of cells.





#### 2 > Penetration

Following attachment, the virus should enters its genetic material into the target cell.





#### 2 > Penetration

- A- Endocytosis: Enveloped and naked viruses
- Receptor mediated
  endocytosis is a normal cell
  mechanism for the uptake of
  macromolecules.
- Many enveloped and nonenveloped viruses use this essential cell function to initiate infection.



#### **Steps of Endocytosis:**

- 1- Virion attachment to receptors, which cluster at clathrin-coated pits.
- 2- Endocytosis into clathrin-coated vesicles.
- 3- Vesicles enter the cytoplasm
- 4- After removal of the clathrin coat, vesicle fused with the endosome (acidic prelysosomal vacuoles).
- 5- Acidification within the vesicle triggers changes in virion proteins and surface structures.
- 6- These changes lead to the release of virus in the cytoplasm (e.g. fusion with the endonsomal membrane in influenza).





#### > Penetration

#### **Enveloped viruses**

#### **B- Fusion:**

- F (fusion) glycoprotein present in some viruses causes the envelope of these viruses to fuse directly with the plasma membrane of the cell.
- This allows the nucleocapsid to be released directly into the cytoplasm.e.g. Paramyxoviruses and some other enveloped viruses





#### **3** ≻ Uncoating

The virus coat is removed to expose viral genes for transcription and replication.

Partial







#### **3** ≻ Uncoating

#### Aim:

To expose viral genes for transcription and replication

- 1- Complete uncoating:
- Occurs in enveloped viruses that enter the cell by fusion with plasma or endosomal membrane.
- The nucleocapsid is discharged directly into the cytoplasm and transcription occurs directly.
- 2- Partial uncoating:
- Occurs with some naked viruses (e.g. reovirus).
- Only certain capsid proteins are removed and the viral genome expresses all its functions without ever being released from the virion core.

## **45** > Replication Strategy

#### Genetic material present in the virion





### 6 > Virus Assembly

The viral components are organized to form complete new virus particles

#### 1. Non-enveloped Viruses:

- All of them have icosahedral capsids.
- The structural components (protomers) associate spontaneously to form capsomers, which self assemble to form capsid, into which viral NA is packaged.
- Packaging of NA occurs through binding of a particular protein to a nucleotide sequence at the end of viral NA (packaging sequence); which enables the NA to enter the procapsid bound to basic core proteins.



#### 6 ≻ Virus Assembly





#### **6** > Virus Assembly

#### **2- Enveloped Viruses:** helical or icosahedral.





#### > Maturation

# Changes that occur in the virus components before release from the infected cell:

- Glycosylation: Addition of carbohydrate side changes to the viral protein (e.g. most peplomeres are glycoproteins).
- Phosphorylation: Addition of phosphate group to the viral protein (e.g. phosphoprotein (P) of paramyxoviruses).
- Oligomerization: Gathering of two or more units of the viral protein (e.g. hemagglutinin of influenza virus).
- Cleavage: Splitting of a viral protein into two active fractions (e.g. fusion protein of parainfluenza viruses).

Exit of newly formed mature virus particles (virions) from infected cells.







**Naked viruses** 



Exit of newly formed mature virus particles (virions) from infected cells.

2- Budding

Occurs mostly by enveloped viruses that acquire the outer envelop from cell plasma membrane



#### **Enveloped viruses**



#### **3- Exocytosis**

- Budding that occurs from the membranes of internal organelles such as:
- 1- Nuclear membrane (viruses replicate in nucleus like herpes viruses).
- 2- Golgi apparatus (viruses replicate in cytoplasm near Golgi membranes like (RVF).
- 3- Endoplasmic reticulum (many viruses like hepatitis B).



#### **Some Enveloped viruses**



#### **3- Exocytosis**

Family	Virus	Replication site	<b>Budding location</b>
Arteriviridae	Equine arteritis virus	ER DMV	ERGIC
Bunyaviridae	Bunyamwera virus	Golgi tubes	Golgi
Coronaviridae	Human SARS coronavirus	ER DMV	ERGIC
Flaviviridae	Dengue virus	ER spherules	ER
Hepadnaviridae	Hepatitis B virus	Cytoplasm	ER
Herpesviridae	Herpes simplex virus	Nucleus	Golgi
Poxviridae	Vaccinia virus	Viroplasm	Trans-Golgi network, or early endosome
Reoviridae	Rotavirus	Viroplasm	ER
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#### **Viral replication site**

- All RNA virus replication takes place within the cytoplasm <u>EXCEPT</u> the influenza virus.
- The type of the viral genome determines how the viral genome is replicated and expressed as viral proteins.



RdRP = viral RNA-dependent RNA polymerase

+ssRNA = positive (+) single strand

-ssRNA = negative (-) single-strand RNA

RNA viruses can contain +ssRNA that can be directly read by the ribosomes to synthesize viral proteins. Viruses containing-ssRNA must first use the -ssRNA as a template for the synthesis of +ssRNA before viral proteins can be synthesized.



#### Questions

- 1. What occurs after a virus attaches to a host cell in the viral replication process?
- 2. In the host cell, replication of RNA virus took place in------.
- 3. For many viruses to penetrate the cell membrane and complete their replication inside the cell, the virus must attach to their host cells. Describe how a virus attaches to a host cell.
- 4. What happens in the viral replication cycle during the budding process?
- 5. What happens in the viral replication cycle during the maturation process?
- 6. What happens during the release step in the viral replication cycle?
- 7. What factor determines how the viral genome replicate and express as viral proteins?
- 8. A virus obtains its envelope during which of the following phases?
- 9. A positive-strand RNA virus must first be converted to \_\_\_\_\_\_before it can be translated.
- 10. Viruses containing-ssRNA must first use the -ssRNA as a template for the synthesis of\_ before viral proteins can be synthesized.
- 11. The Viral replication (infectious) process consists of 6 main steps. Motion and provide the definition of each step.
- 12. What are the steps of viral endocytosis?

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