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Kobuvirus

The Japanese term *kobu* (kō' bü), meaning hump or knob, was chosen to designate this genus in the family *Picornaviridae* because of the distinctive icosahedral structure of the viruses in this group. The genus contains the species *Aichi virus* and *Bovine kobuvirus*, and a candidate porcine kobuvirus has been identified. *Aichi virus*, the type species, was first recognized in 1989 as the cause of oyster-associated nonbacterial gastroenteritis in persons in the Aichi Prefecture in Japan.

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