

# HHV-8

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- **HHV-8** (Human Herpesvirus 8), also known as **KSHV** (Kaposi sarcoma-associated herpesvirus), is a dsDNA virus of the Herpesviridae family.
- Described in patients with immune defects (HIV).
- In immunodeficiency, it causes Kaposi's sarcoma (mesenchymal malignant vascular tumor).
- Other diseases caused by the virus include primarily exudative lymphoma (when malignant B-lymphoma develops) or Castleman's disease.
- It also occurs in immunocompetent individuals, causing only latent infection.
- Diagnostics of the current state only by PCR.
- Serological diagnostics: IgG antibodies - anamnestic<sup>[1]</sup>.

## Sources

### External sources

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