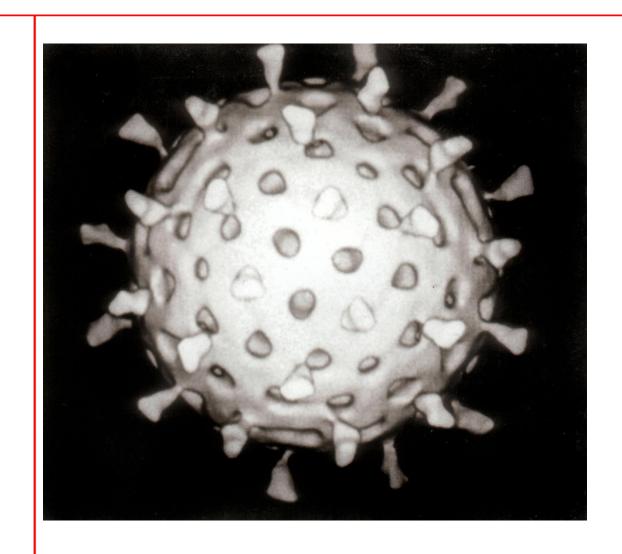
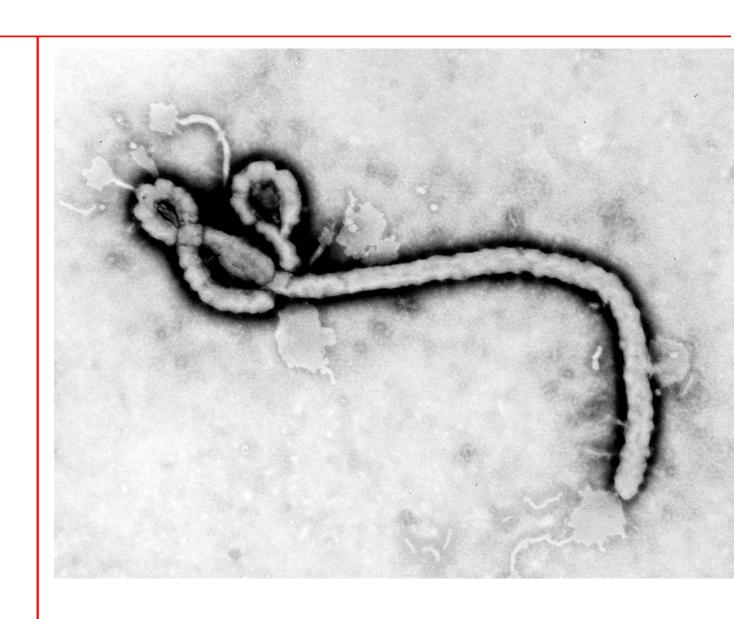
# Levels of Organization Specialization



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 A virus (from the Latin virus meaning toxin or poison) is a microscopic organism consisting of genetic material (RNA or DNA) surrounded by a protein, lipid (fat), or glycoprotein coat. Viruses are unique because they cannot reproduce without a host cell.

#### Levels of Organization of a Multicellular Organism

1 Cell – basic unit of life 2 Tissue – groups of the same type of specialized cells working together do a job 3 Organ – group of different tissues working together to do a job

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4 Organ System - a group of different organs working together to do a job
5 Organism – group of organ systems working together

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In a multicellular organism the individual cells CANNOT survive on their own.

Why? The cells are SPECIALIZED which means that they have a special JOB and can only do that job

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The specialized cells are ORGANIZED so that they can work together as a TEAM to get all the NEEDS of the cells (and the whole organism)