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virusoids are ssrnas that require other helper viruses to establish an infection prions are proteinaceous infectious particles that cause transmissible spongiform encephalopathies prions are extremely resistant to chemicals heat and radiation there are no treatments for prion infection

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prion disease sometimes called transmissible spongiform encephalopathy causes brain damage that leads to dementia these symptoms develop suddenly and worsen quickly it s rare affecting about 1 in 1 million people worldwide prion diseases are terminal illnesses

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interferons coordinate the antiviral response interferons are a class of proteins induced in animal cells in response to virus infection clinical treatment with interferons is used to treat viral infections in a few cases e g against hepatitis b and hepatitis c infections

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prions so called because they are made of a protein are infectious particles smaller than viruses that contain no nucleic acids neither dna nor rna historically the idea of an infectious agent that did not use nucleic acids was considered impossible but pioneering work by nobel prize winning biologist stanley prusiner has convinced

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a prion is a type of protein that can cause disease in animals and humans by triggering normally healthy proteins in the brain to fold abnormally the prion mode of action is very different to bacteria and viruses as they are simply proteins devoid of any genetic material

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key points prion diseases are a family of illnesses that affect people and animals these diseases are rare but always lead to death in the person or animal within months to years of symptoms beginning there is no treatment or vaccine

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unlike other infectious agents such as bacteria viruses and fungi prions do not contain genetic materials such as dna or rna the unique traits and genetic information of prions are believed to be encoded within the conformational structure and posttranslational modifications of the proteins

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research on viral infections of the human brain with a focus on hsv 1 sars cov 2 and prion disease single stranded rna ssrna including sars cov 2 mirna mirna mrna and ssrna mrna interactions involving neuronal atrophy altered synaptic signaling ad innate immune response and neuro inflammation was supported through translational

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prion is a term first used to describe the mysterious infectious agent responsible for several neurodegenerative diseases found in mammals including creutzfeldt jakob disease cjd in humans

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diseases caused by prions that affect humans include creutzfeldt jakob disease gerstmann sträussler scheinker disease fatal familial insomnia and kuru prion diseases affecting animals include scrapie bovine spongiform encephalopathy commonly called mad cow disease and chronic wasting disease of mule deer and elk

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key points a virus is an infectious particle that reproduces by commandeering a host cell and using its machinery to make more viruses a virus is made up of a dna or rna genome inside a protein shell called a capsid some viruses have an external membrane envelope viruses are very diverse

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prions are unprecedented infectious pathogens that cause a group of invariably fatal neurodegenerative diseases by an entirely novel mechanism prion diseases may present as genetic infectious or sporadic disorders all of which involve modification of the prion protein prp

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a prion is a type of protein that can trigger normal proteins in the brain to fold abnormally prion diseases can affect both humans and animals and are sometimes spread to humans by infected meat products the most common form of prion disease that affects humans is creutzfeldt jakob disease cjd prion diseases are rare

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get to know nonliving infectious agents like viruses and subviral particles understand the traits of viruses viroids and prions and their methods of reproduction and infection learn to distinguish between viroids and virions and grasp the concept of prions the proteins that can infect

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here we offer a concise account of the discovery of prions the causative agent of tses in the wider context of protein biochemistry and infectious disease we highlight the discovery of prions in yeast and

discuss the implication of prions as epigenomic carriers of biological and pathological information

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