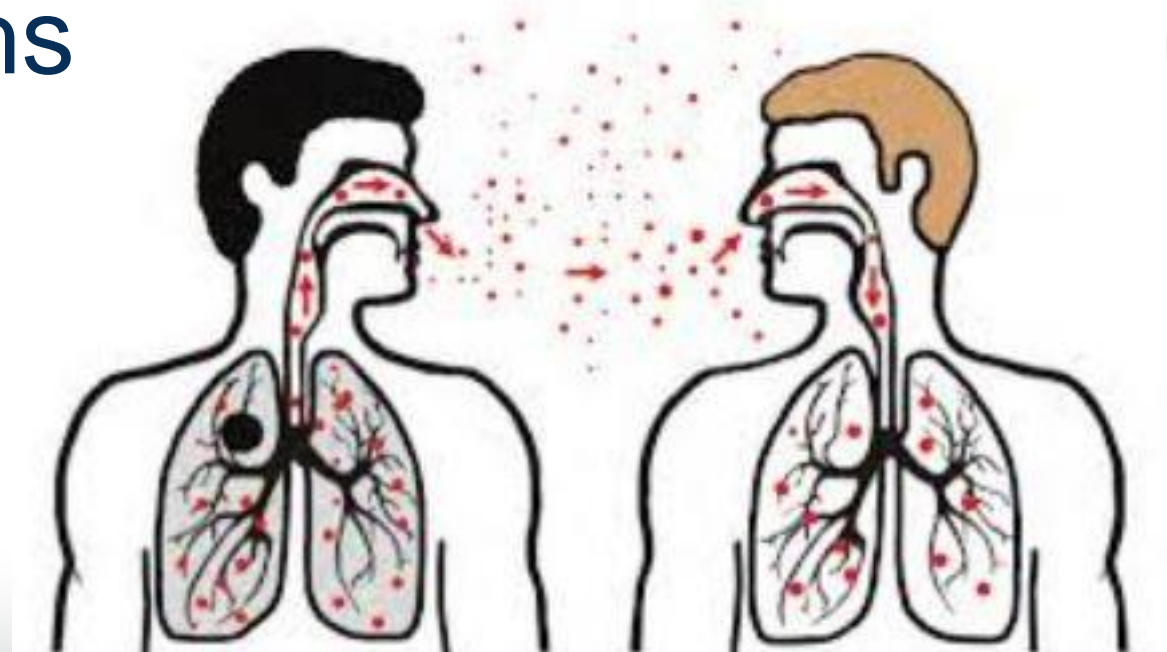


How is the Virus Transmitted?

This virus probably originally emerged from an animal source but now seems to be spreading from person-to-person, mainly via **respiratory droplets** produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes, similar to how influenza and other respiratory pathogens spread. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.



How is the Virus Transmitted?

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- Most often, spread from person-to-person happens among close contacts (about 6 feet).
 - Coughing
 - Sneezing
 - Talking
- It's currently unclear if a person can get 2019-nCoV by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes.

How is the Virus Transmitted?

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- Typically, with most respiratory viruses, people are thought to be most contagious when they are most symptomatic (the sickest).
- With 2019-nCoV, however, there have been reports of spread from an infected patient with no symptoms to a close contact.