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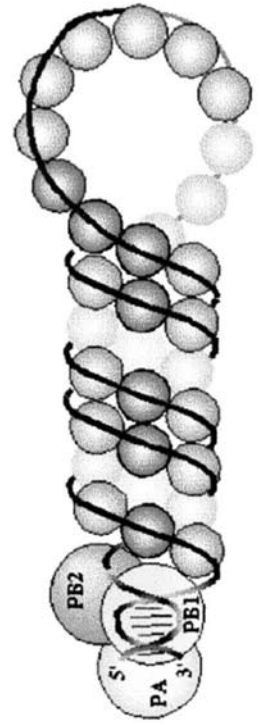
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The alarming emergence in 1997 of a new, highly pathogenic influenza subtype, H5N1, with a 50% mortality rate, provided a major impetus for research into these important viruses. Sustaining this research effort has become even more urgent with the recent emergence of another subtype, H1N1, especially given the ease of human to human transmission of this new subtype. This summer the World Health Organization acknowledged that Influenza H1N1 is now pandemic. That H1N1 could acquire the lethal capabilities of H5N1 is now of major concern: if this were to happen, then ensuing pandemic would be devastating.

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