Nora virus, a persistent virus in *Drosophila*, defines a new picorna-like virus family

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Our recent data show that the Nora virus may not be distributed as widely as we first reported. The low titre of Nora virus RNA that we detected in many *Drosophila melanogaster* stocks and *Drosophila simulans* is an artefact. We were misled by an unspecific PCR product of similar size and melting point to the virus-specific band. The Nora virus can only be verified with certainty in the limited number of fly stocks where it was detected at a high titre (10^5–10^{10} genomes per fly).

The main conclusions of the paper are not affected by this mistake: the Nora virus is a novel picorna-like virus, which can cause high-titre persistent infections in *Drosophila* without apparent pathological effects.