









Orf is a viral infection caused by the parapoxvirus, which is a member of the Poxviridae family. It is characterized by the formation of a characteristic nodule on the skin, which is often surrounded by a red, inflamed area. The lesion is typically found on the hands and fingers, but it can also occur on other parts of the body. The infection is highly contagious and can be transmitted from an infected animal to a human. The incubation period is usually between 10 and 14 days. The lesion is self-limiting and usually resolves within a few weeks. Treatment is not necessary, but the infection can be prevented by avoiding contact with infected animals and using protective clothing. The following table summarizes the key features of Orf:

Feature	Description
1. Etiology	Parapoxvirus
2. Incubation period	10-14 days
3. Clinical presentation	Characteristic nodule on the skin, often surrounded by a red, inflamed area
4. Location	Typically found on the hands and fingers, but can also occur on other parts of the body
5. Contagiousness	Highly contagious
6. Transmission	From an infected animal to a human
7. Self-limiting	Yes
8. Resolution	Usually resolves within a few weeks
9. Treatment	Not necessary
10. Prevention	Avoiding contact with infected animals and using protective clothing