

Saudi Arabia reports one more death from new virus

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Saudi Arabia says a man has died from a new respiratory virus related to SARS, bringing to 62 the number of deaths in the kingdom at the center of the outbreak.

The Health Ministry says the latest victim died in a Riyadh hospital on Thursday. The ministry also reported that a chronically ill Saudi man who was admitted to a hospital in Riyadh became a new positive case of the virus, bringing to 150 the number of people infected in the kingdom since September 2012.

The <u>new virus</u> is related to SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome, which killed some 800 people in a global outbreak in 2003. It belongs to a family of viruses that most often causes the common cold.

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