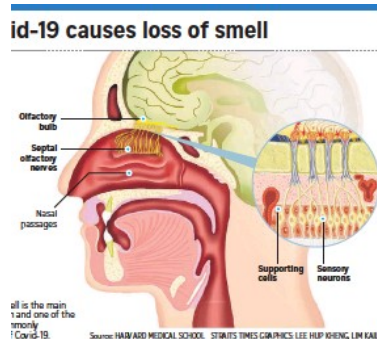


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## How Covid-19 causes loss of smell

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The coronavirus causes a loss of smell by affecting the olfactory cell types in the upper nasal cavity. Strangely, sensory neurons that detect and transmit the sense of smell to the brain are not vulnerable.



### Anosmia

Temporary loss of smell is the main neurological symptom and one of the earliest and most commonly reported indicators of Covid-19.