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Updates on Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

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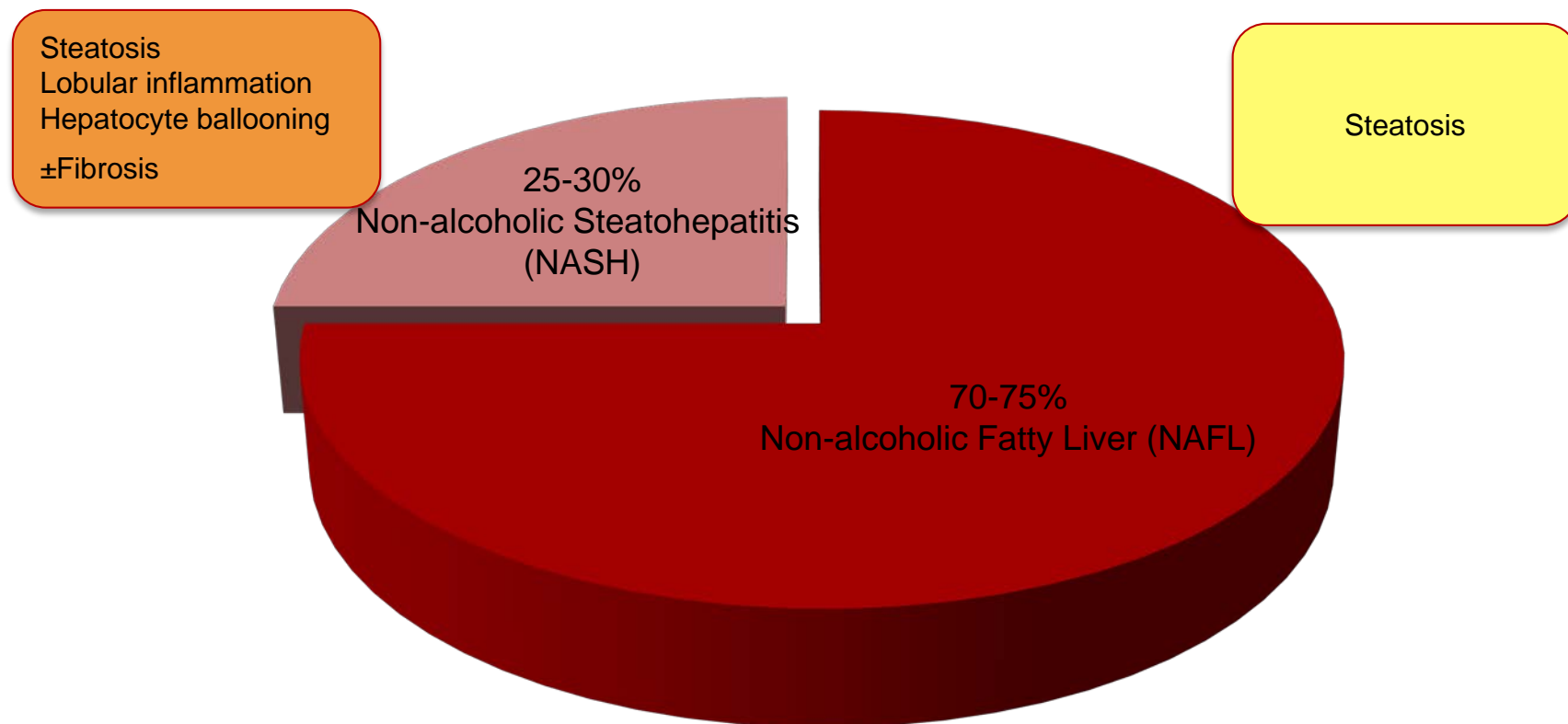


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Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD)

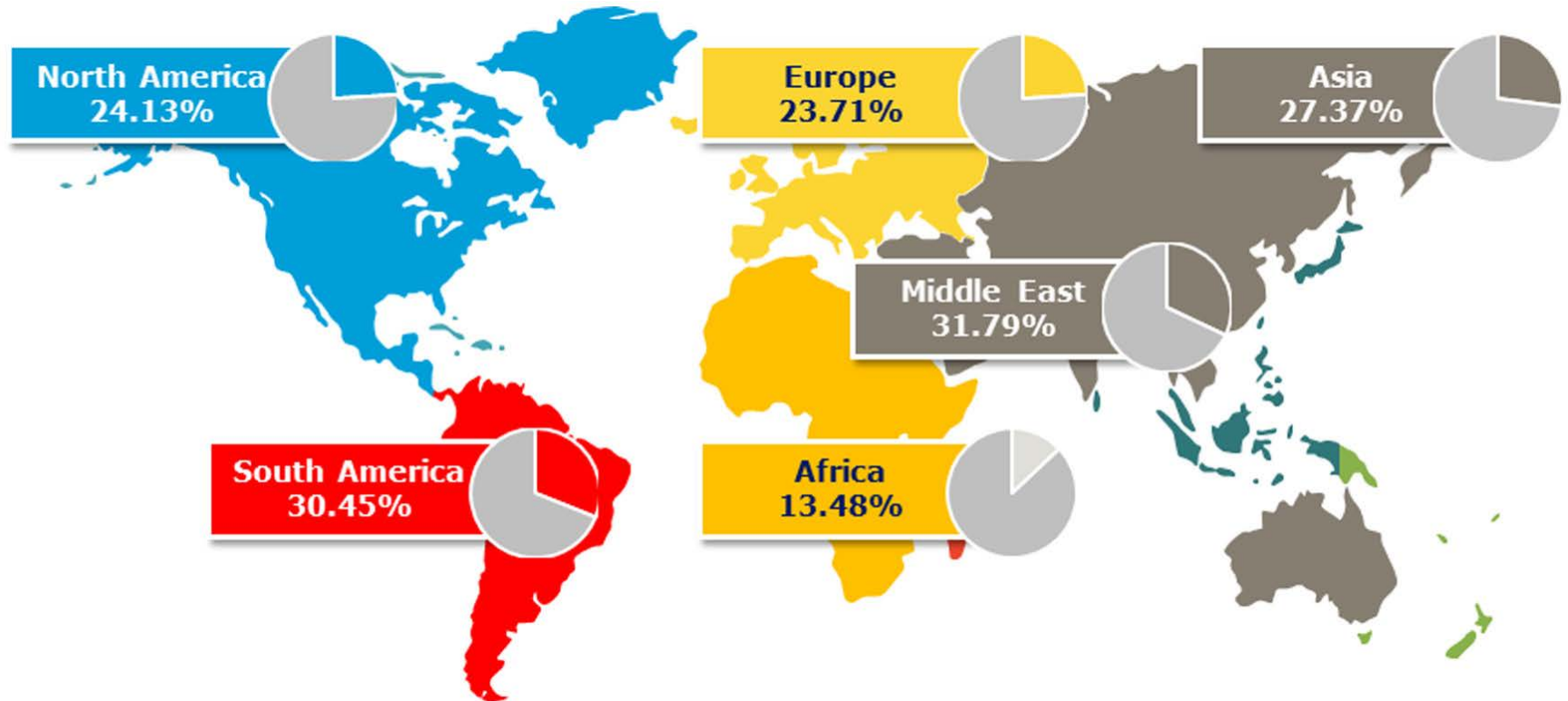


Rinella ME, et al. JAMA 2015;313:2263-73



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Prevalence of NAFLD



- Prevalence of NASH is estimated 1.5-6.45% in the United States
- Projected NAFLD prevalence 76 million in the United States, 52 million in the Europeans

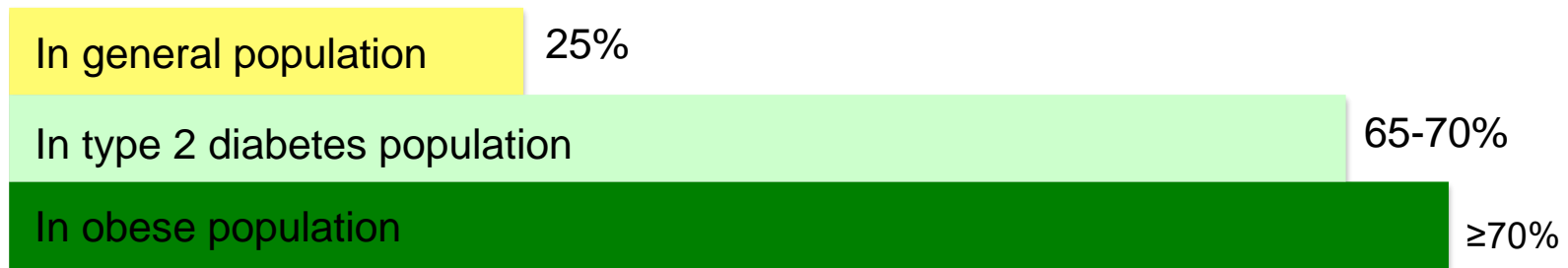
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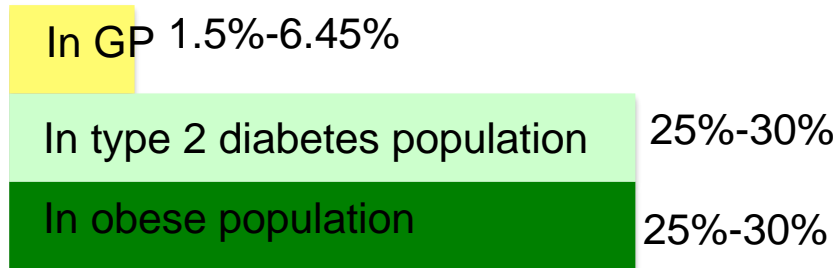
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High prevalence of NAFLD/NASH in high-risk population

NAFLD prevalence among adult population



NASH prevalence among adult population

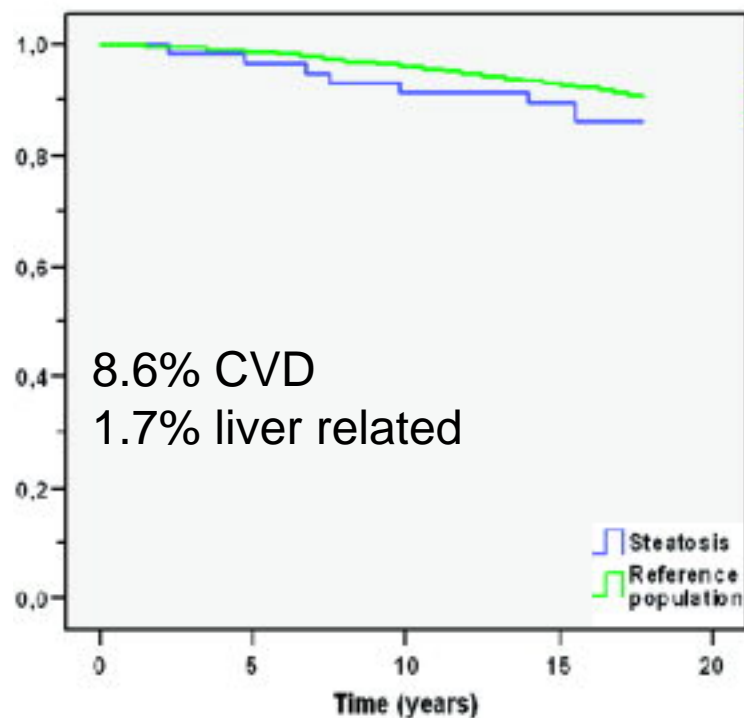


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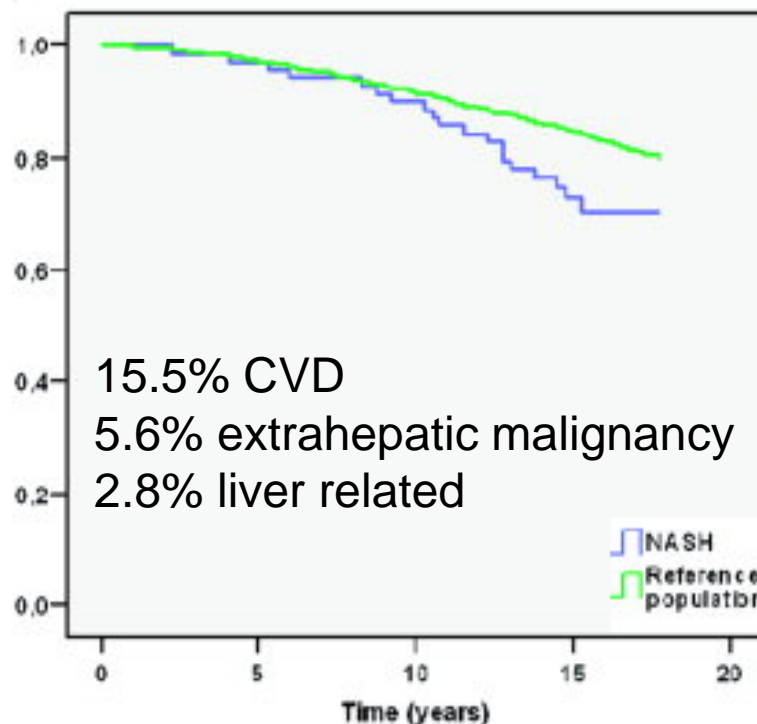


NASH increases all-cause mortality

Isolated hepatic steatosis

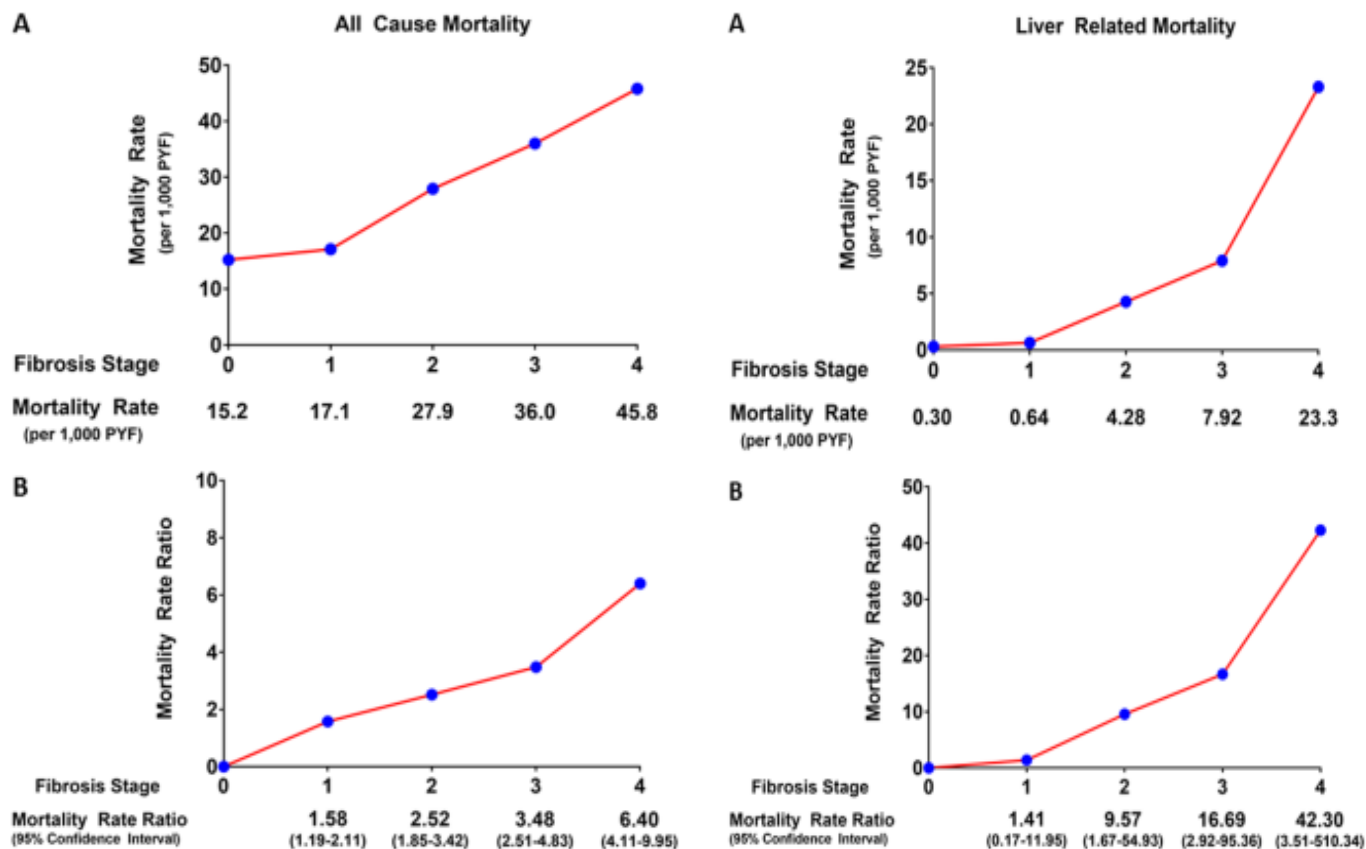


NASH



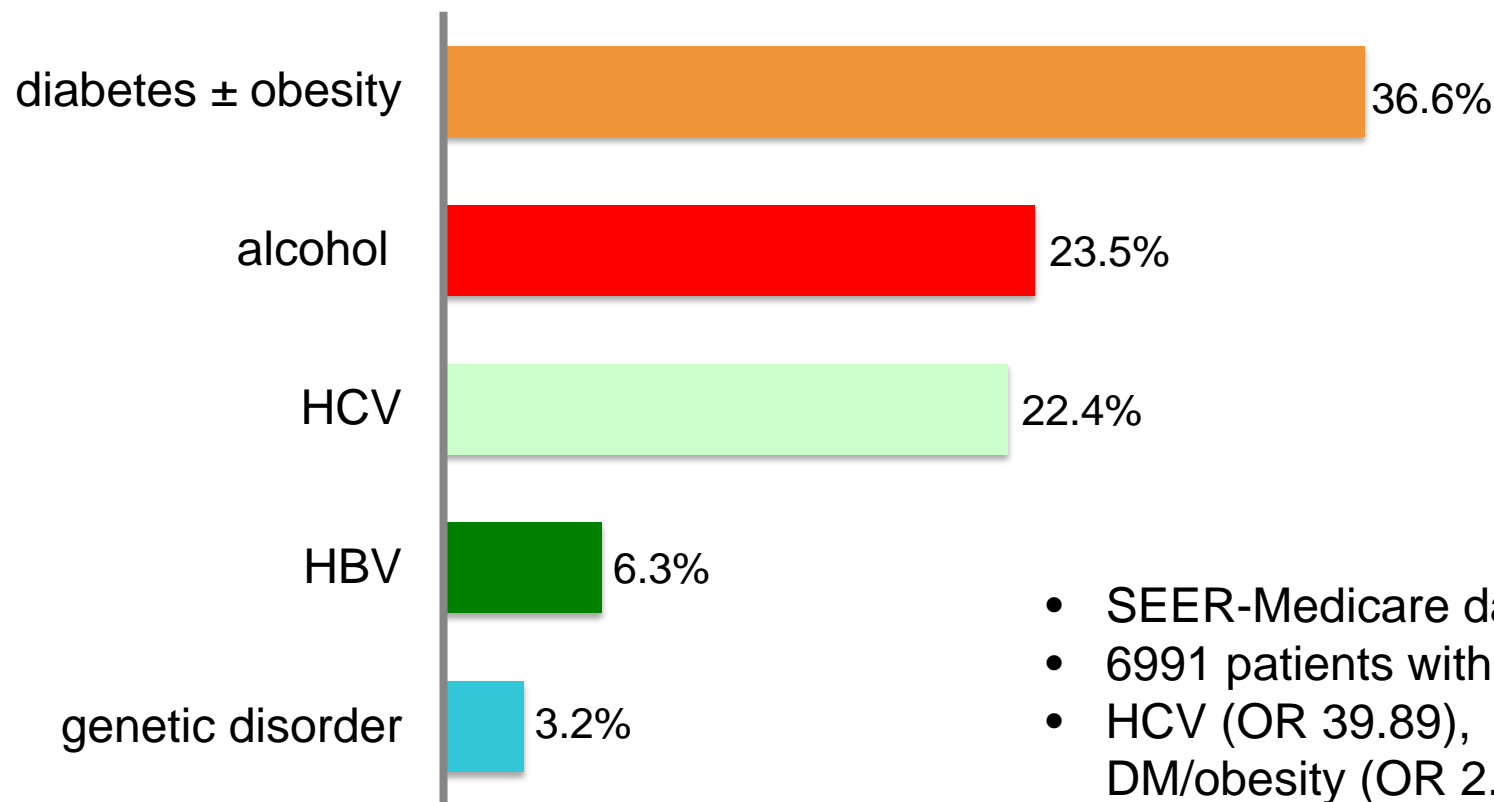
Fibrosis stage correlates with mortality

- Meta-analysis
- 5 adult NAFLD cohorts
- 1495 patients with 17452 patient years of follow up



Dulai PS, et al. Hepatology 2017;65:1557-1565

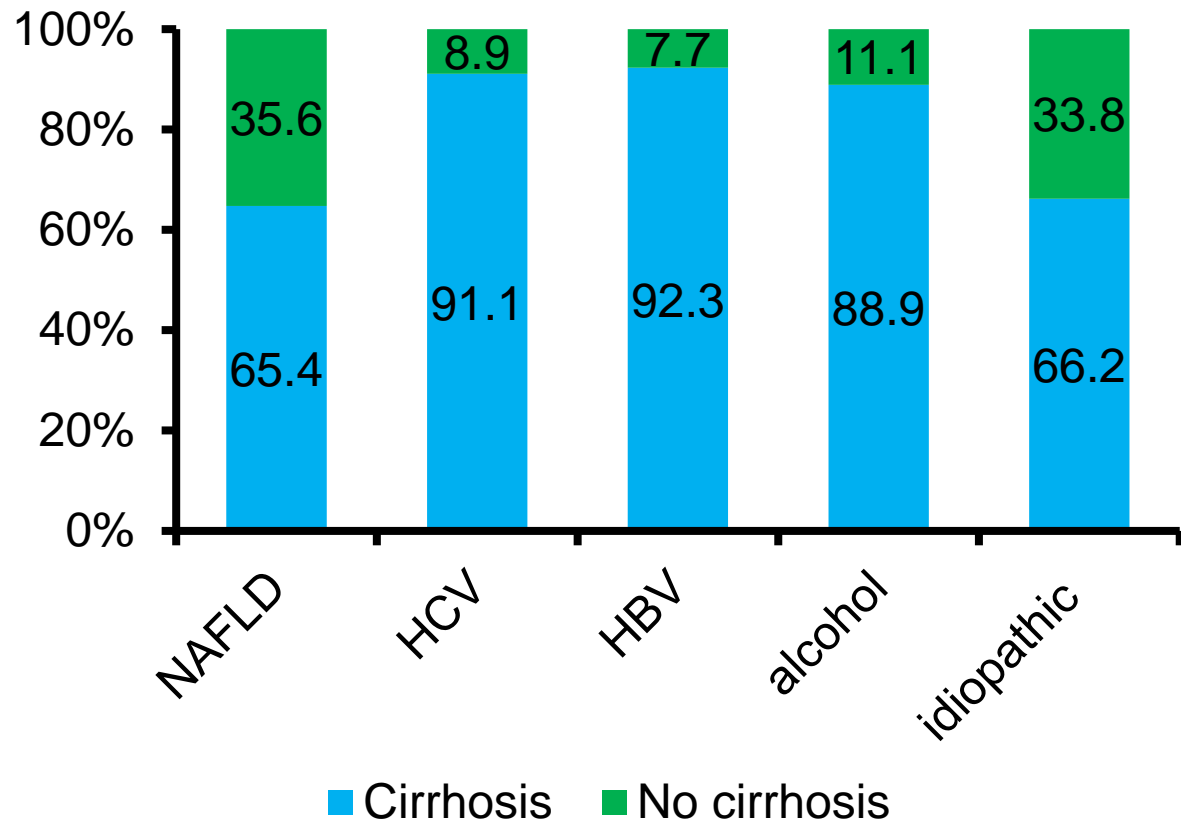
Population attributable fractions for HCC



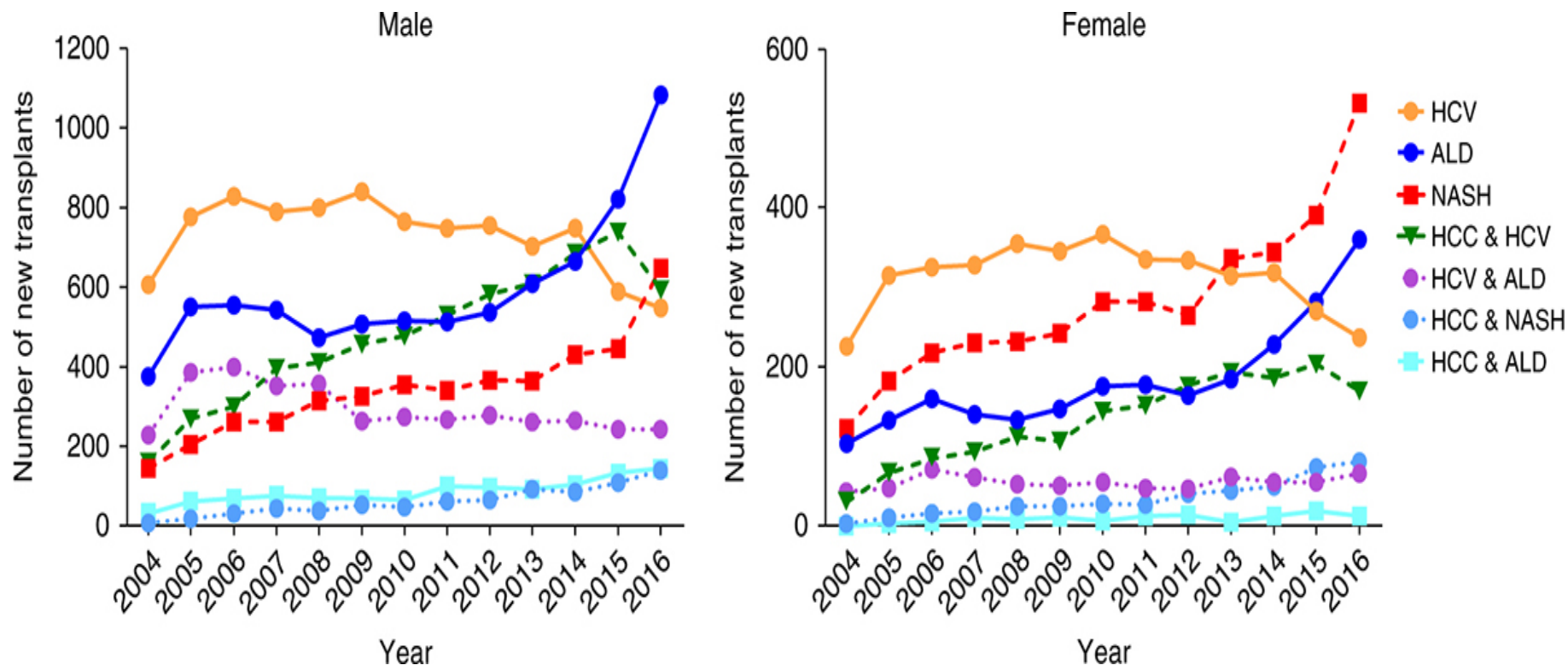
- SEER-Medicare database
- 6991 patients with HCC
- HCV (OR 39.89),
DM/obesity (OR 2.47)

Occurrence of HCC with or without cirrhosis

- 1500 VA patients with HCC (2005-2010)
- 13% of patients with HCC do not have cirrhosis
- Risk of HCC in absence of cirrhosis: NAFLD (OR 5.4), metabolic syndrome (OR 5.0)



NASH is the leading cause for liver transplant in females and the second leading cause in males



Economic burden of NAFLD related care

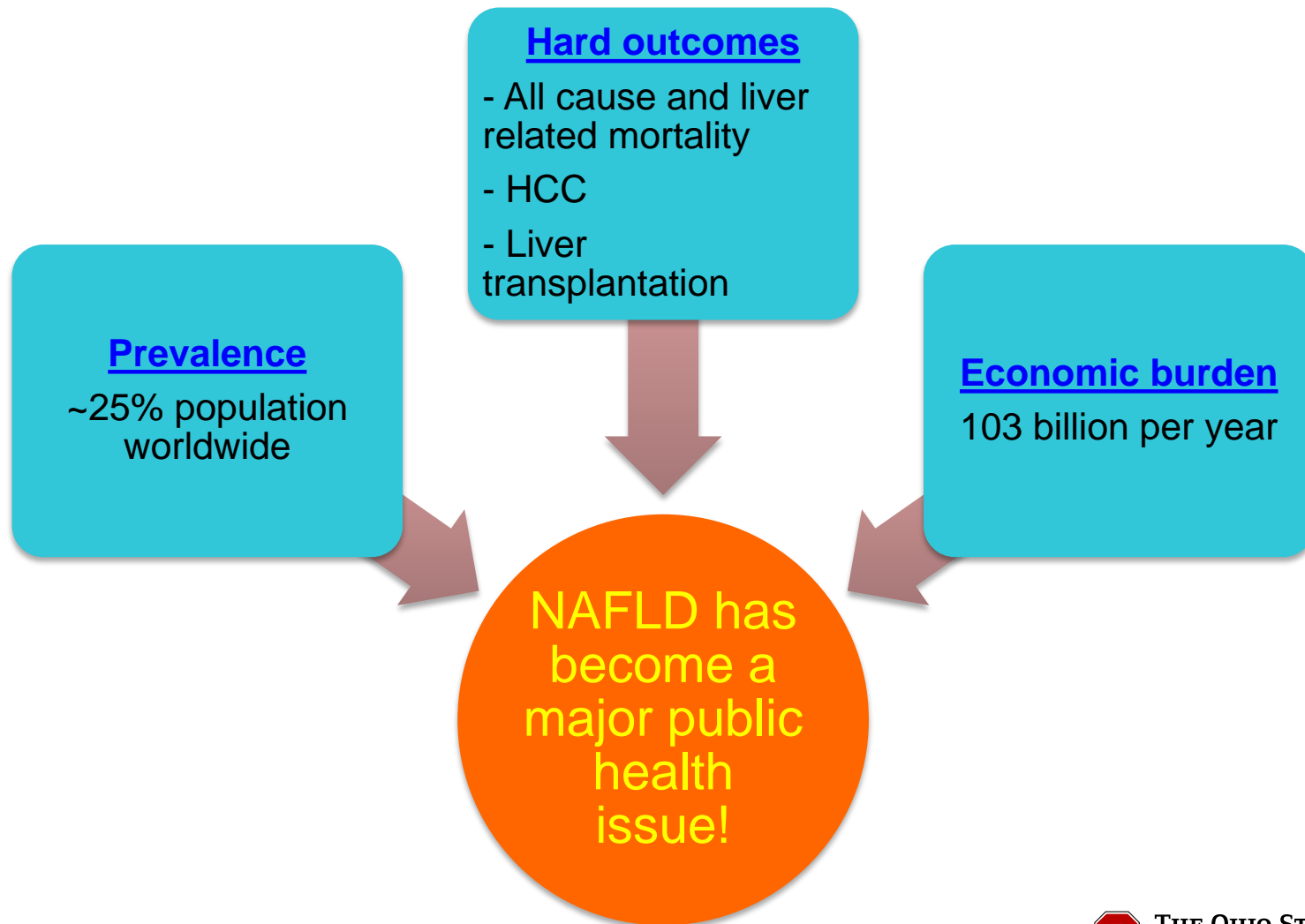
| | United States | Germany | France | Italy | United Kingdom |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| Total costs (in billions) | | | | | |
| Direct costs | \$103.31 | €4.33 | €11.40 | €11.95 | £5.24 |
| Societal costs | \$188.88 | €51.94 | €64.31 | €44.14 | £26.03 |
| Total costs | \$292.19 | €56.27 | €75.72 | €56.09 | £31.26 |
| Costs (in millions) due to | | | | | |
| NAFL | \$86,564.2 | €3,492.43 | €9,163.92 | €9,776.54 | £4,326.86 |
| NASH no FB | \$5,483.6 | €244.07 | €759.79 | €701.42 | £301.79 |
| NASH FB | \$1,866.3 | €87.86 | €242.90 | €250.94 | £110.21 |
| CC | \$6,573.3 | €312.74 | €916.78 | €900.07 | £362.66 |
| DCC | \$1,765.5 | €90.33 | €268.63 | €260.60 | £103.06 |
| HCC | \$522.7 | €31.30 | €25.78 | €15.50 | £17.60 |
| LT | \$161.6 | €30.09 | €18.24 | €15.25 | £11.09 |
| PLT | \$375.7 | €43.97 | €8.08 | €30.35 | £4.26 |

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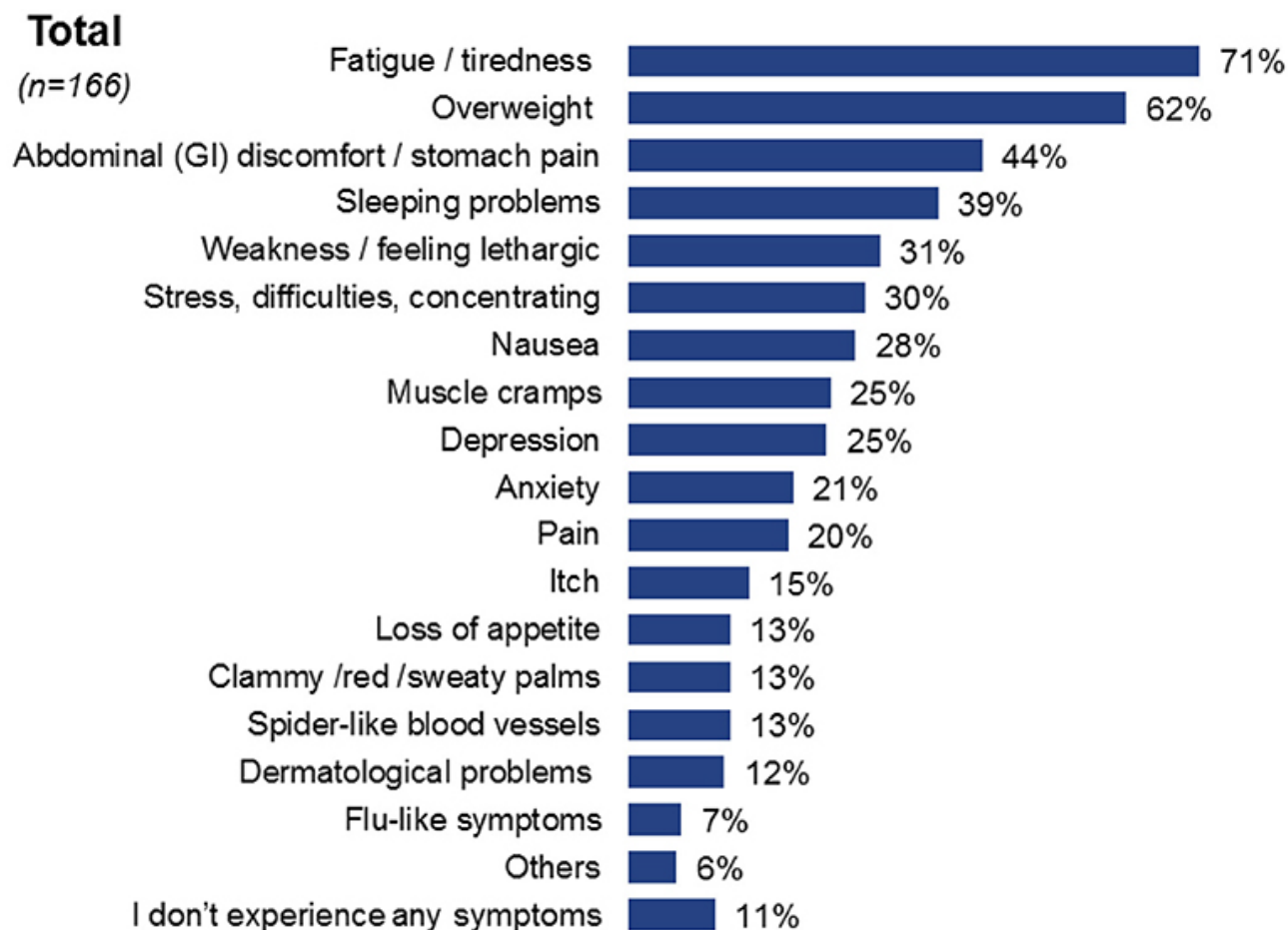


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Clinical significance of NAFLD



Symptoms related to NASH



Cook N, et al. Front Med 2019;6:61

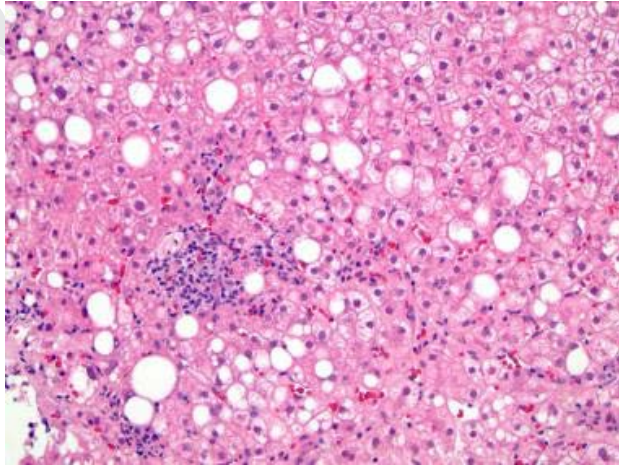


Diagnosis of NAFLD

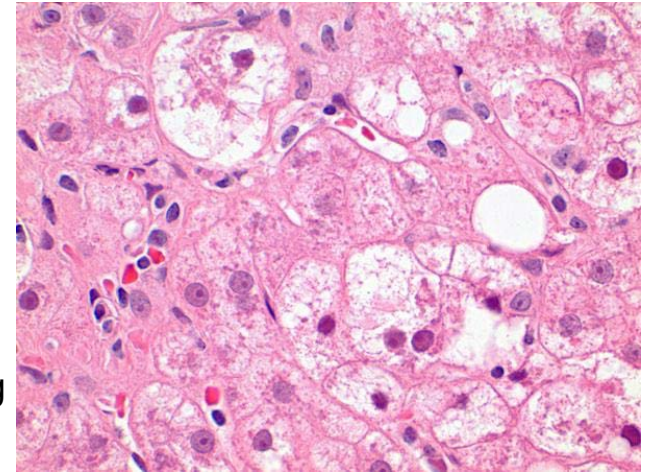
| Steatosis | NASH | Fibrosis |
|----------------------|---|--|
| >5% fat in the liver | <p>NAFLD activity score (NAS):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steatosis (0-3)• Lobular inflammation (0-3)• Hepatocyte ballooning (0-2) <p>0-2: Non-NASH 3-4: Possible NASH 5-8: NASH</p> | <p>F1: Perisinusoidal or periportal fibrosis F2: Perisinusoidal and portal/periportal fibrosis F3: Bridging fibrosis F4: Cirrhosis</p> |



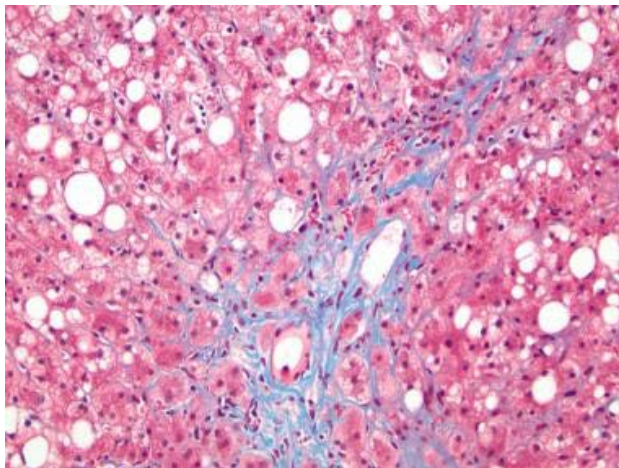
Liver biopsy – “gold standard”



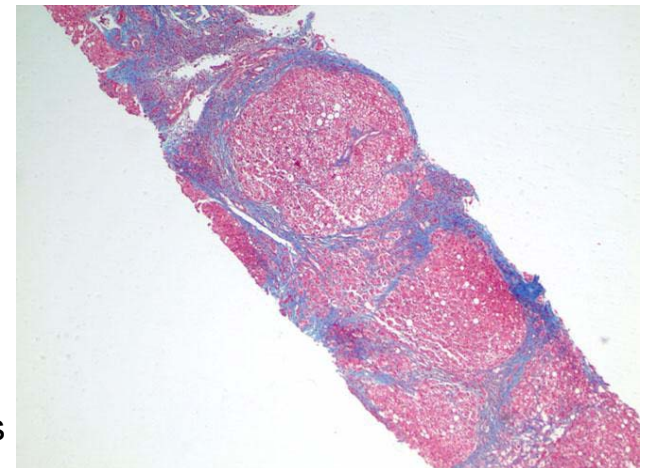
Macrovesicular steatosis
Lobular inflammation



Hepatocyte ballooning
Mallory-Denk body



Perivenular/pericellular (chicken wire) fibrosis



cirrhosis

Yeh MM. <http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/2038493-overview>



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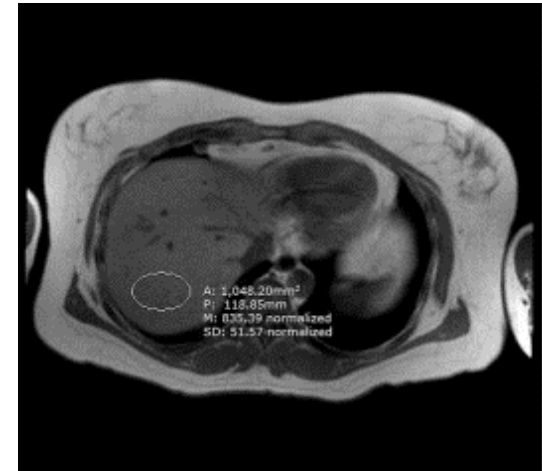
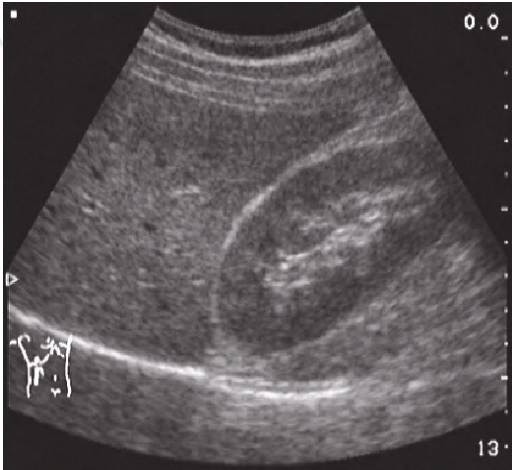
Non-invasive tests (NITs) - Steatosis

| Test | Components | Accuracy (AUC) |
|-------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Fatty liver index (FLI) | BMI, WC, TG, GGT | 0.85 |
| Hepatic steatosis index (HSI) | Sex, diabetes, BMI, ALT, AST | 0.82 |
| NALFD liver fat score | Metabolic syndrome, diabetes, insulin, AST, ALT | 0.86 |
| SteatoTest | ALT, α 2 macroglobulin, apo-A1, haptoglobin, sex, BMI, bili, GGT, cholesterol, TG, glucose, age | 0.70 |

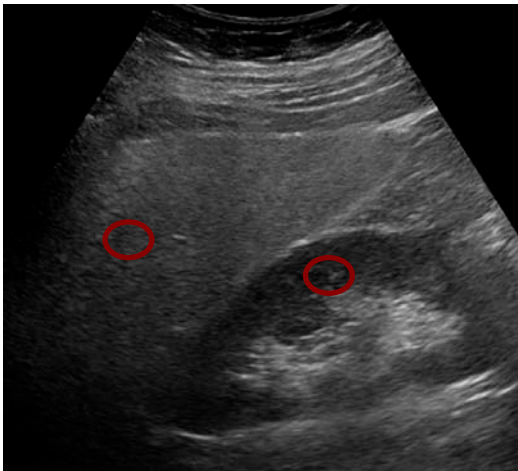
WC=waist circumference; TG=triglyceride;



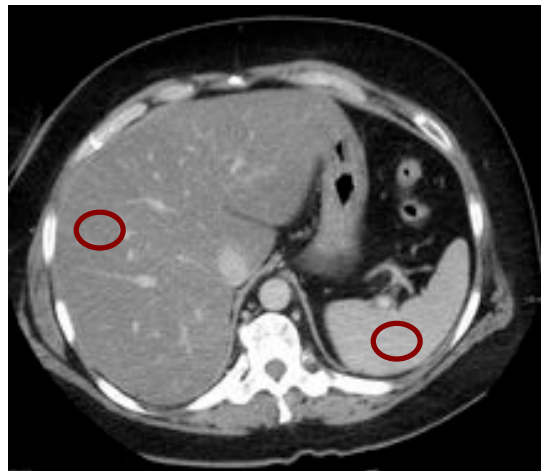
Steatosis on imaging



Normal
liver



Ultrasound



CT



steatosis



Steatosis on imaging

- ☐ Controlled Attenuation Parameter (CAP)
 - ☐ Point of care technique
 - ☐ Quantification
 - ☐ Needs more validation
- ☐ MRI Proton Density Fat Fraction (MRI-PDFF)
 - ☐ High diagnostic accuracy
 - ☐ Quantify steatosis of the entire liver
 - ☐ Not widely available



Non-invasive tests (NITs) - Steatohepatitis

| Test | Components | Accuracy (AUC) |
|----------|--|----------------|
| NashTest | Age, sex, height, weight, TG, cholesterol, α 2 macroglobulin, apo-A1, haptoglobin, total bilirubin, GGT, AST, ALT | 0.84 |

Biochemistry:

- Mildly raised ALT >AST
- ALT < 250 usually
- 40-60% patients normal range ALT
- ALT value does not correlate with histological findings



Non-invasive tests (NITs) - Fibrosis

- Routine labs (thrombocytopenia, low albumin, prolonged INR)
- ALT/AST ratio (AAR) <0.8

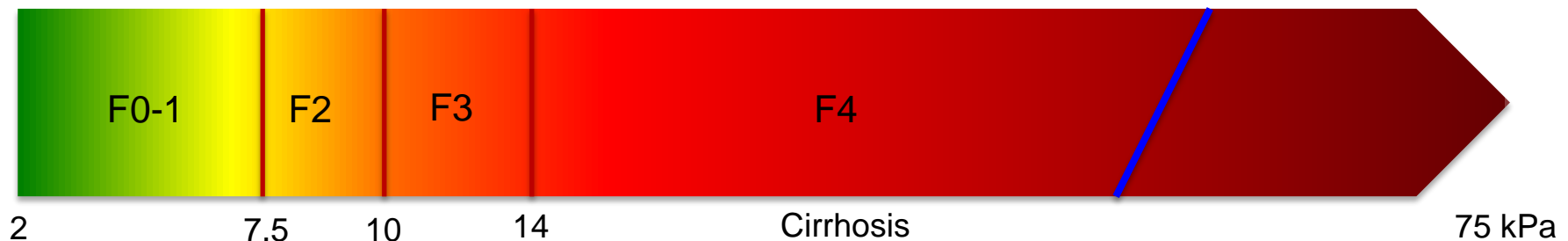
| Test | Components | AUROC |
|-------------------|--|-------|
| Simple | | |
| FIB4 | Age, platelet, AST, ALT | 0.80 |
| NFS | age, BMI, diabetes, platelet, AST/ALT ratio, albumin | 0.77 |
| APRI | platelet, AST | 0.73 |
| BARD score | BMI, diabetes, AST/ALT ratio | 0.70 |
| Proprietary | | |
| FibroTest | Age, sex, BMI, α 2 macroglobulin, apo-A1, haptoglobin, total bilirubin, GGT | 0.81 |
| FibroMeter | Age, platelet, AST, ALT, glucose, ferritin, weight | 0.81 |
| ELF | Hyaluronic acid, PIIINP, TIMP-1 | 0.87 |



Vibration Controlled Transient Elastography (VCTE) – FibroScan®

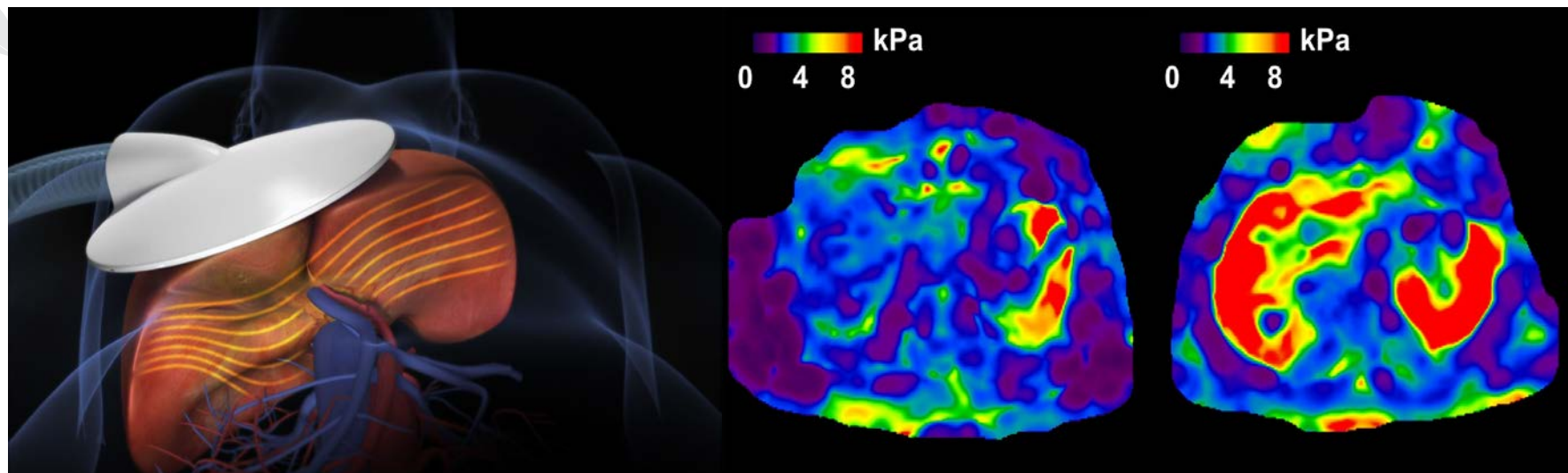


| VCTE Cutoff | NPV | PPV | Sensitivity | Specificity |
|-------------|--------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 7.6kPa | 92.5% | 43.2% | 84.2% | 63.8% |
| 14.6kPa | 96.8% | 64.3% | 81.8% | 92.4% |



Chen J, et al. Radiology 2017;283:418

MR Elastography (MRE)



| MRE cutoff | NPV | PPV | Sensitivity | Specificity |
|------------|--------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 3.60kPa | 94.1% | 61.5% | 84.2% | 82.8% |
| 4.52kPa | 96.8% | 60.0% | 81.8% | 90.9% |

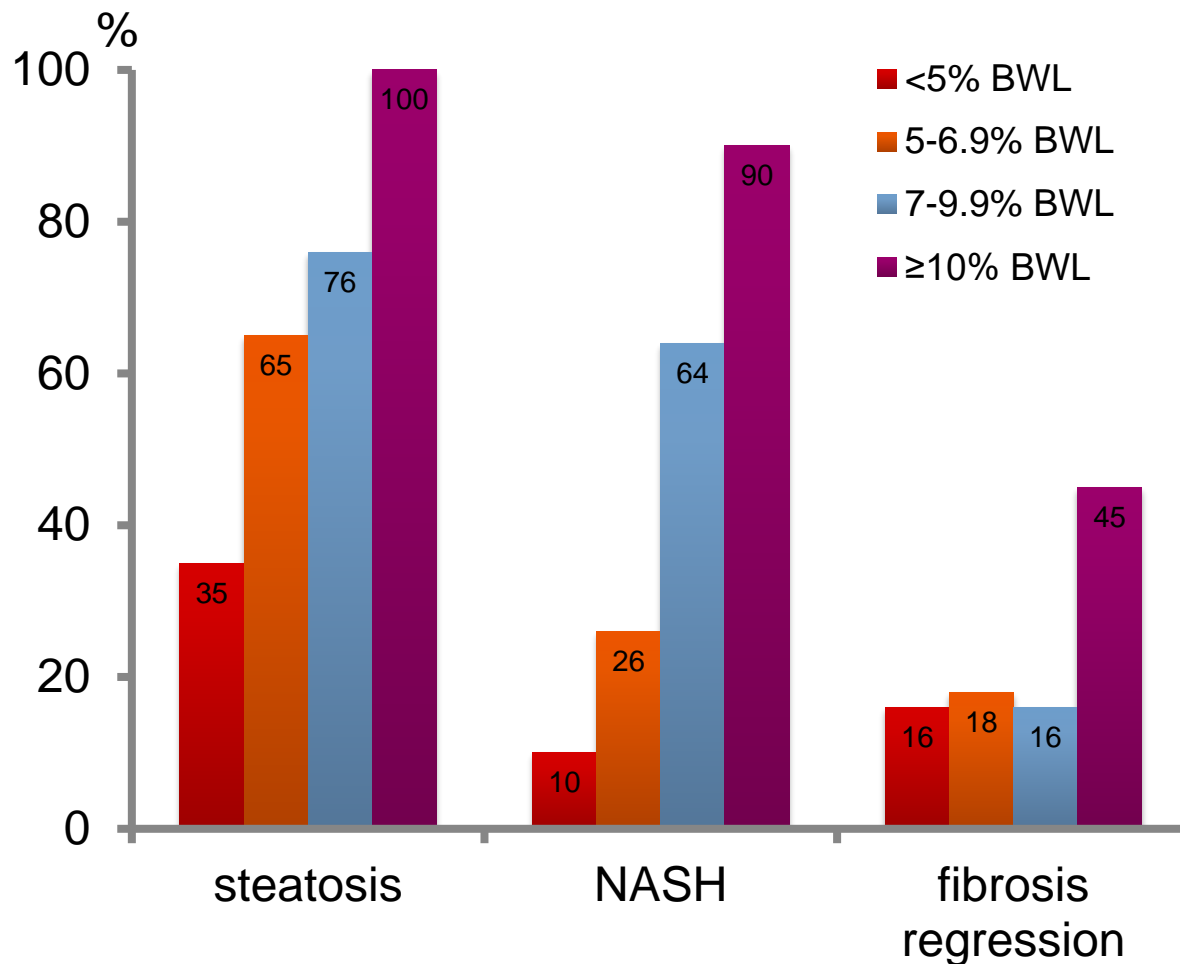
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We are what we eat



Weight loss improves NASH and fibrosis

- Biopsy proven NASH
- 52 weeks lifestyle change (low fat 22% hypocaloric diet and walk 200 min/week)
- N=261 paired biopsy



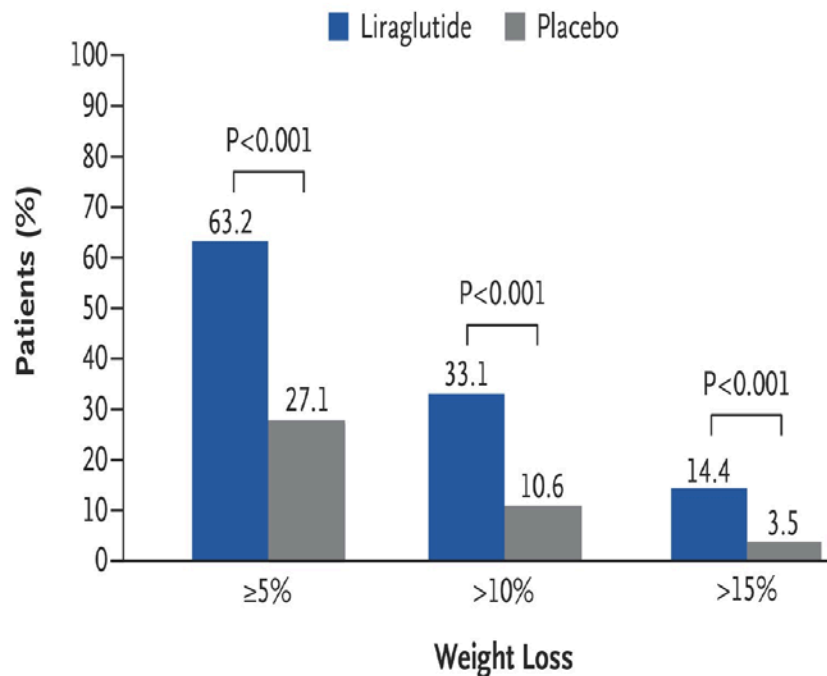
Vilar-Gomez E, et al. Gastroenterology 2015;149:367



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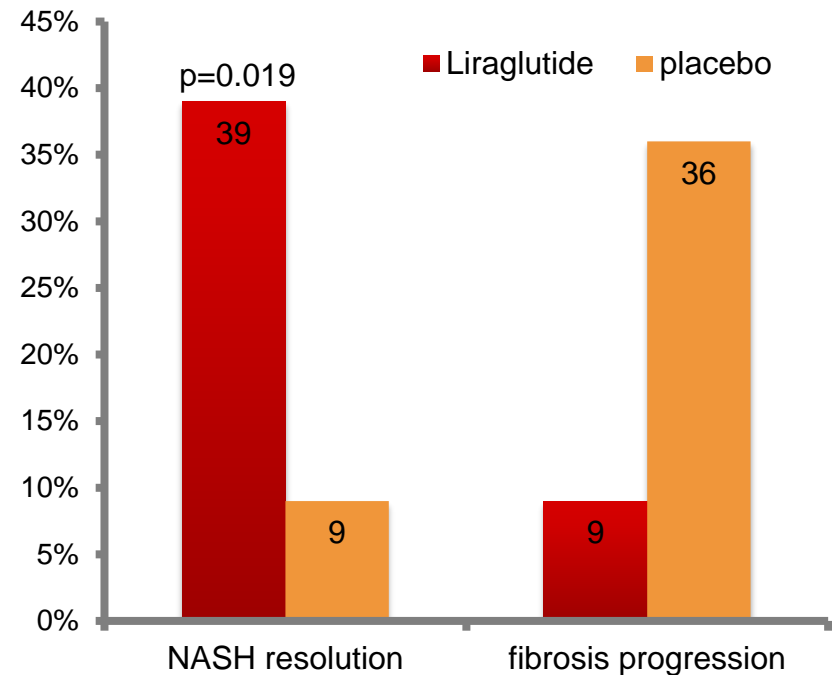
Effect of Liraglutide on body weight and liver pathology

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N=373, BMI>30, non-DM, 3.0mg

Pi-Sunyer X, et al. NEJM 2015;373:11-22



LEAN-phase 2 trial: n=52, non-cirrhotic NASH, 1.8mg, 48 weeks

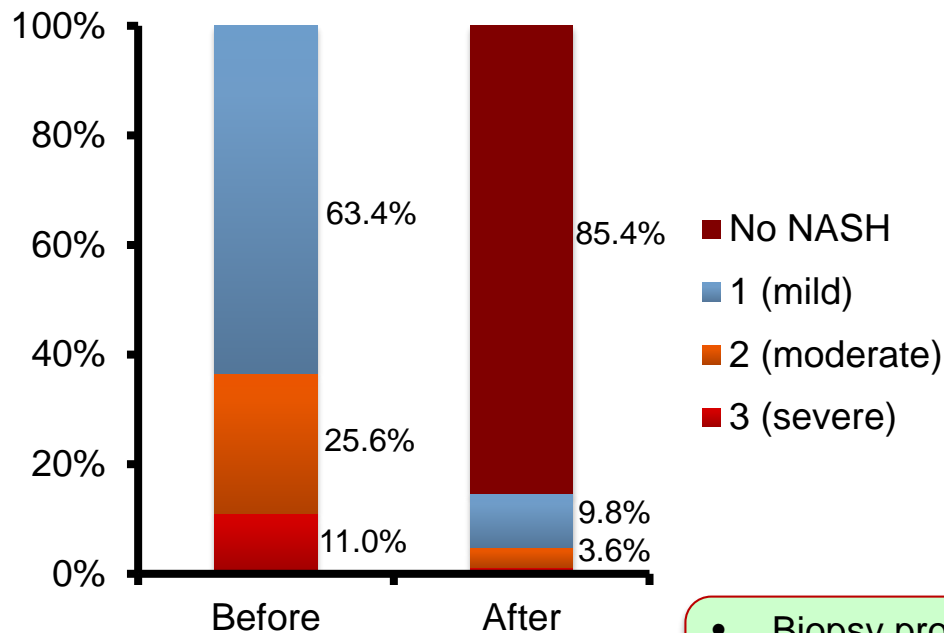
Armstrong MJ, et al. Lancet 2016;387:679



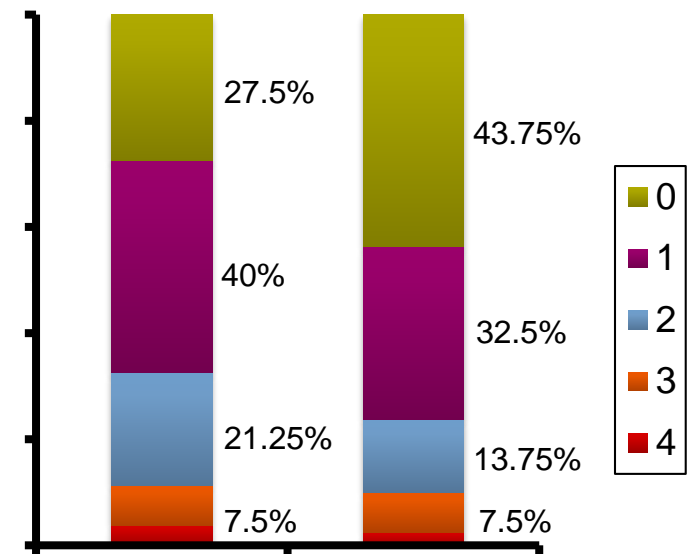
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Bariatric surgery improves NASH and fibrosis

Distribution of NASH inflammatory activity grade before and 1 year after surgery



Distribution of fibrosis stage before and 1 year after surgery



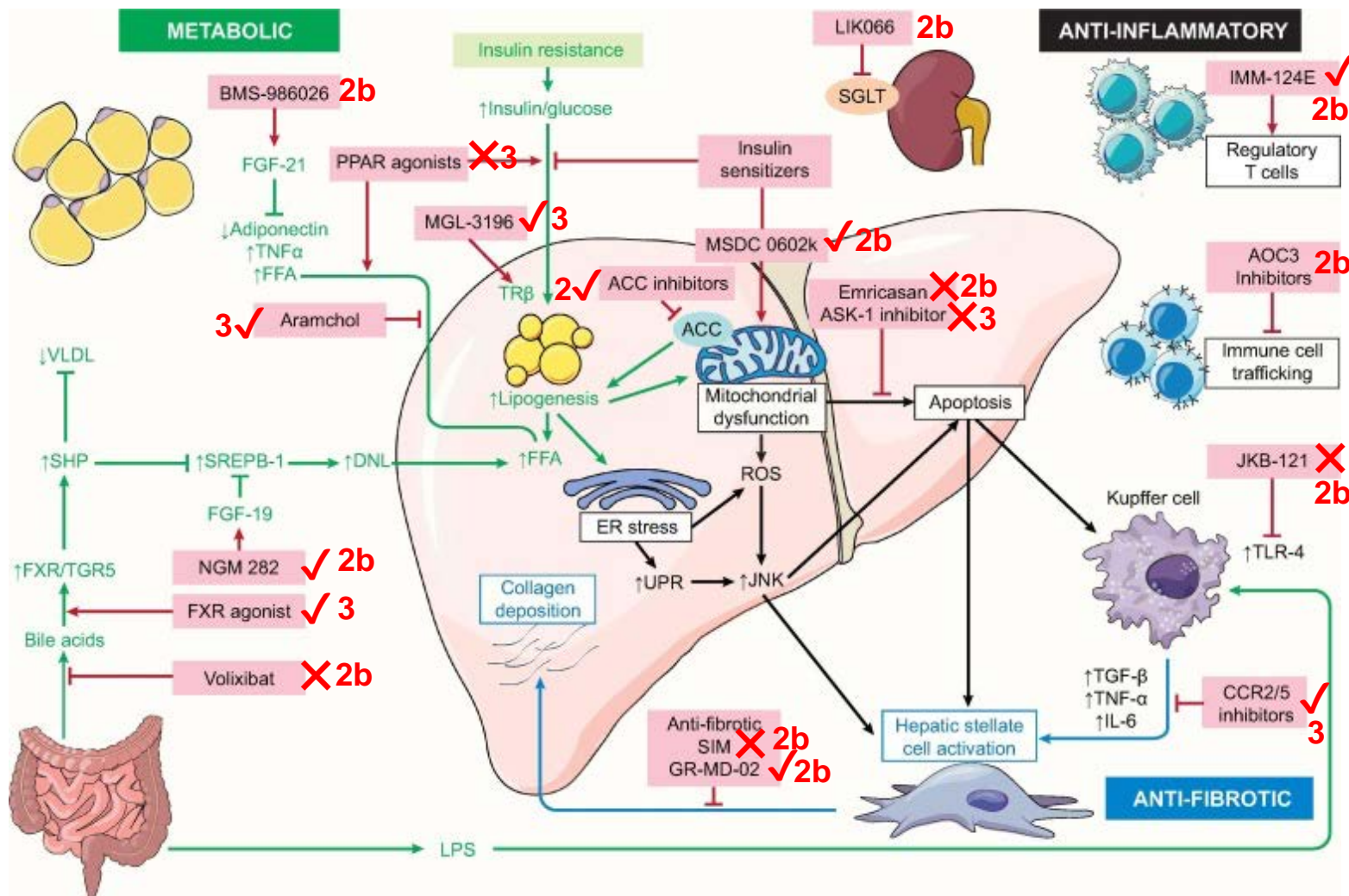
- Biopsy proven NASH
- n=109

Lassailly G, et al. Gastroenterology 2015;149:379

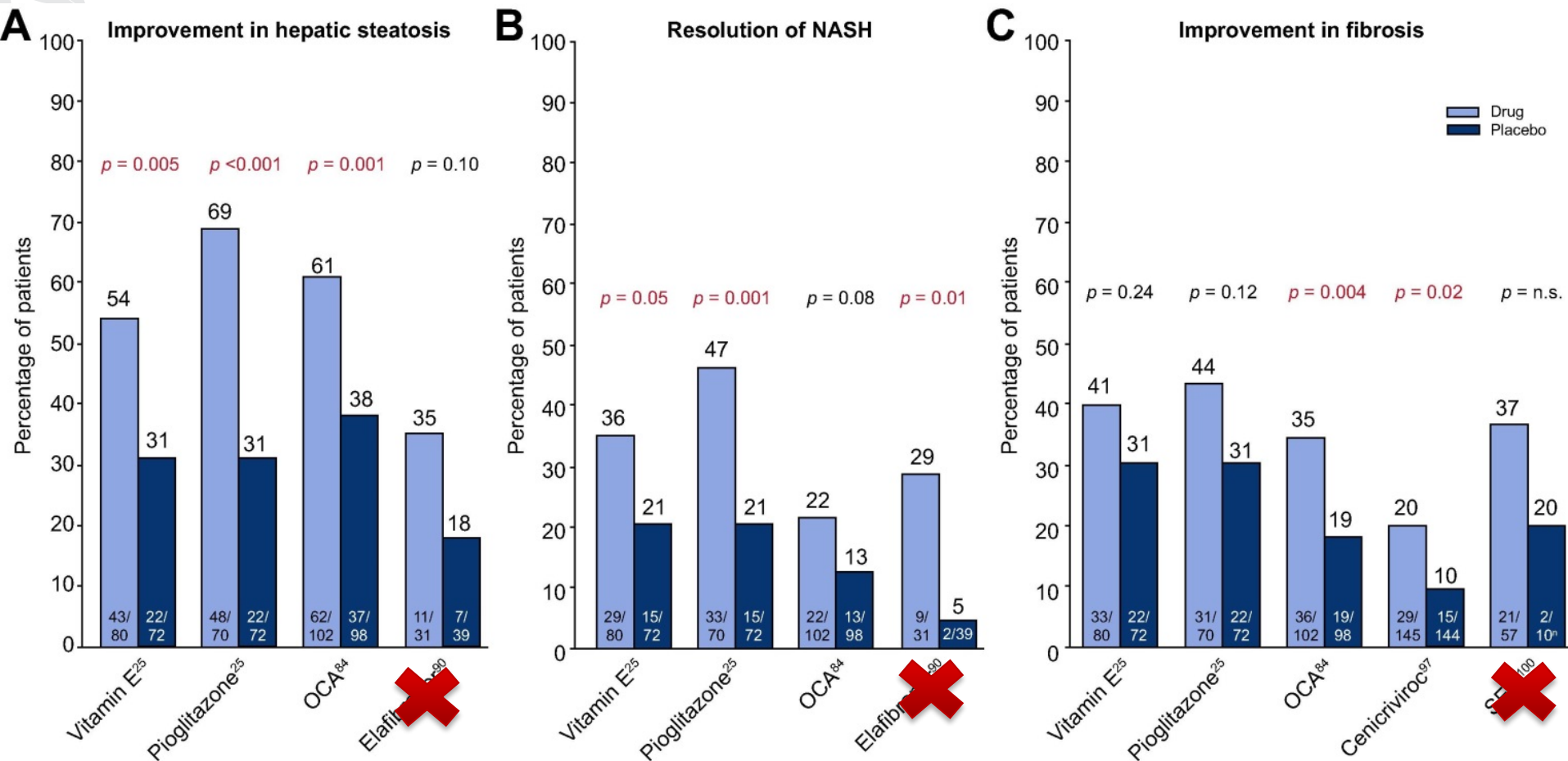


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Mechanism of action of pharmacologic treatments for NAFLD and NASH



Effects of pharmacotherapy on NASH and fibrosis

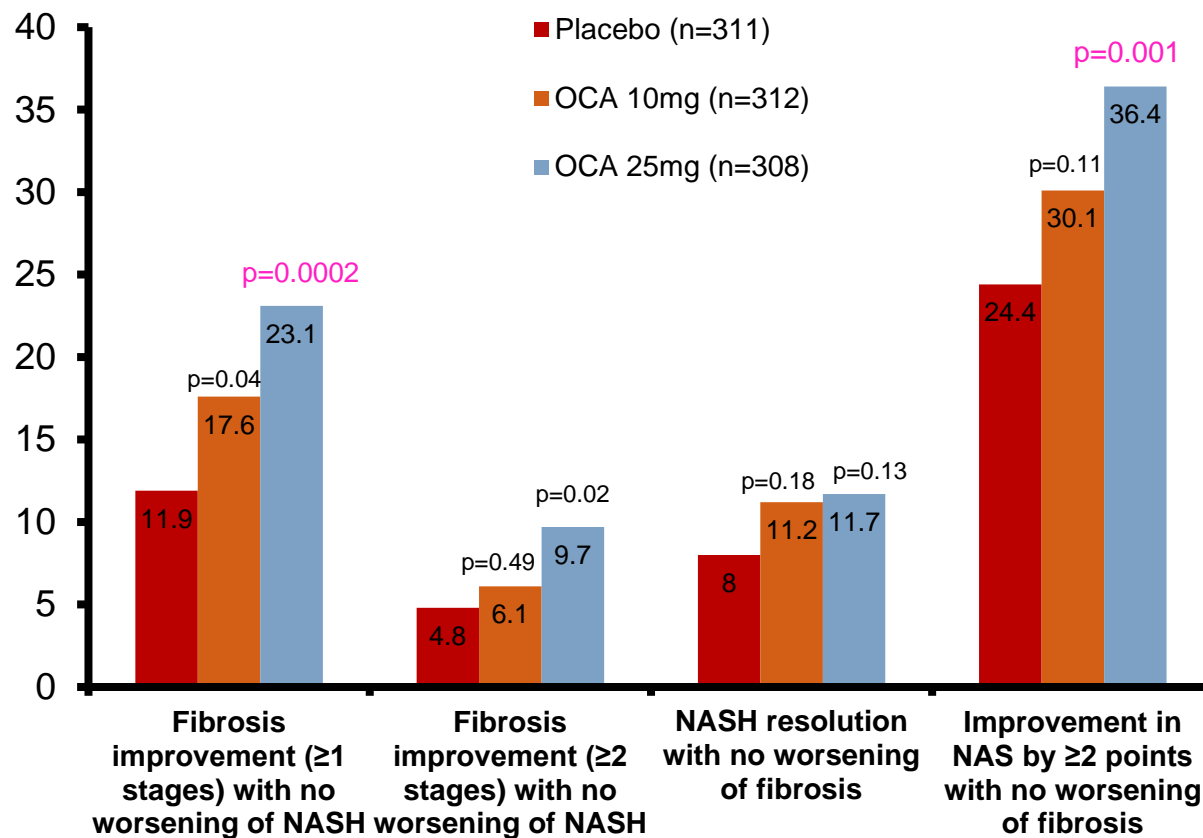


Konerman MA, et al. 2018;68:362



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REGENERATE Trial (Phase 3 study of OCA on NASH)- Interim Efficacy Analysis at 18 months



- 51% patients reported pruritus, 9% discontinued medication due to pruritus
- The first medication showed histological benefit in a phase 3 study

Younossi Z et al. Lancet 2019;384:2184-96



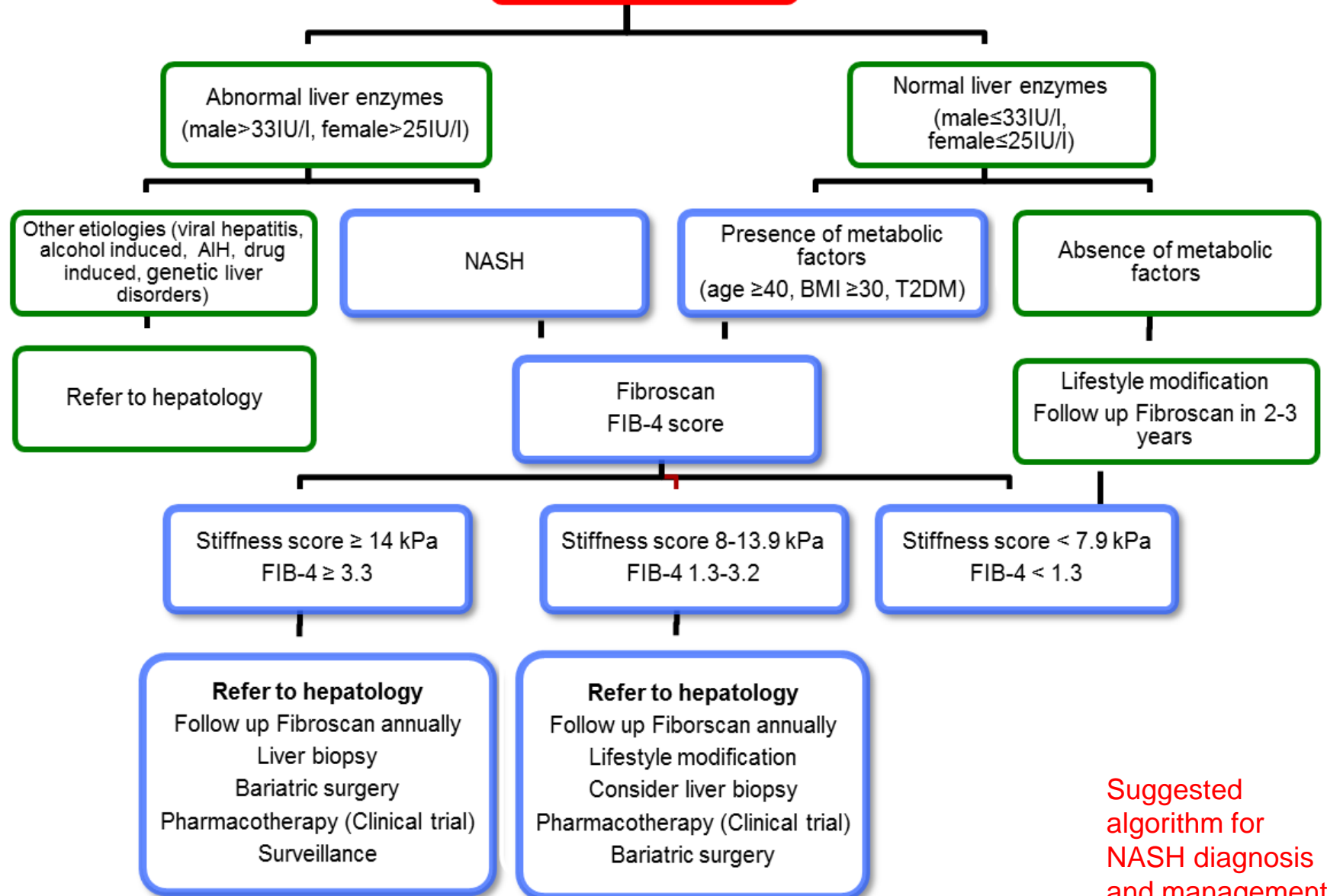
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Other clinical trials for NASH

| Drug | MOA | Phase | Results | Reference |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|--------|--|-------------------------------------|
| NGM282 | FGF 19 | 2 | Improves NAS, fibrosis score | Harrison SA, et al. Lancet 2018 |
| Pegbelfermin | FGF21 | 2 | Reduce liver fat (6.8% vs. 1.3%) | Sanyal AJ, et al. Lancet 2019 |
| Resemtirom | Thyroid receptor β agonist | 2 to 3 | Reduces liver fat; NASH resolution (27% vs 6%) | Harrison SA, et al. Hepatology 2018 |
| Semaglutide | GLP-1 agonist | 2 | NASH resolution (59% vs 17%) | Just released in May, 2020 |
| Aramchol | Stearoyl CoA desaturase modulator | 2 to 3 | Reduce liver fat (47% vs. 24%) | AASLD 2018 |
| Cilofexor | FXR agonist | 2 | pending | |
| Tropifexor | FXR agnoist | 2 | pending | |



Ultrasound steatosis



Suggested
algorithm for
NASH diagnosis
and management

NAFLD care at OSU

| Diagnostic modality | NASH treatment | Care for advanced liver disease |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Steatosis • US, CAP , MRI-PDFF | Multispecialty care | HCC Liver transplant |
| Fibrosis • Fibroscan , USE , MRE , biopsy | Pharmacotherapy • Multiple Phase 2 & 3 Clinical Trials | |



Summary

- ❖ NAFLD has become a major health issue due to high prevalence, increased mortality, and hard outcomes
- ❖ NAFLD is a hepatic component of metabolic disorders
- ❖ Presence of fibrosis and NASH are key factors associated with mortality
- ❖ Combination of non-invasive tests including labs and elastography improves diagnostic accuracy
- ❖ Liver biopsy remains the definitive diagnosis and staging for NASH and required for clinical trials
- ❖ Lifestyle change with a goal of >10% weight loss should be encouraged
- ❖ Pharmacotherapy for NASH with fibrosis likely will be available in the near future and combined medical therapy is likely required
- ❖ Primary care centered multispecialty care model

