

Ujian Diagnostik Viral Load , Genotyping , Fibroscan

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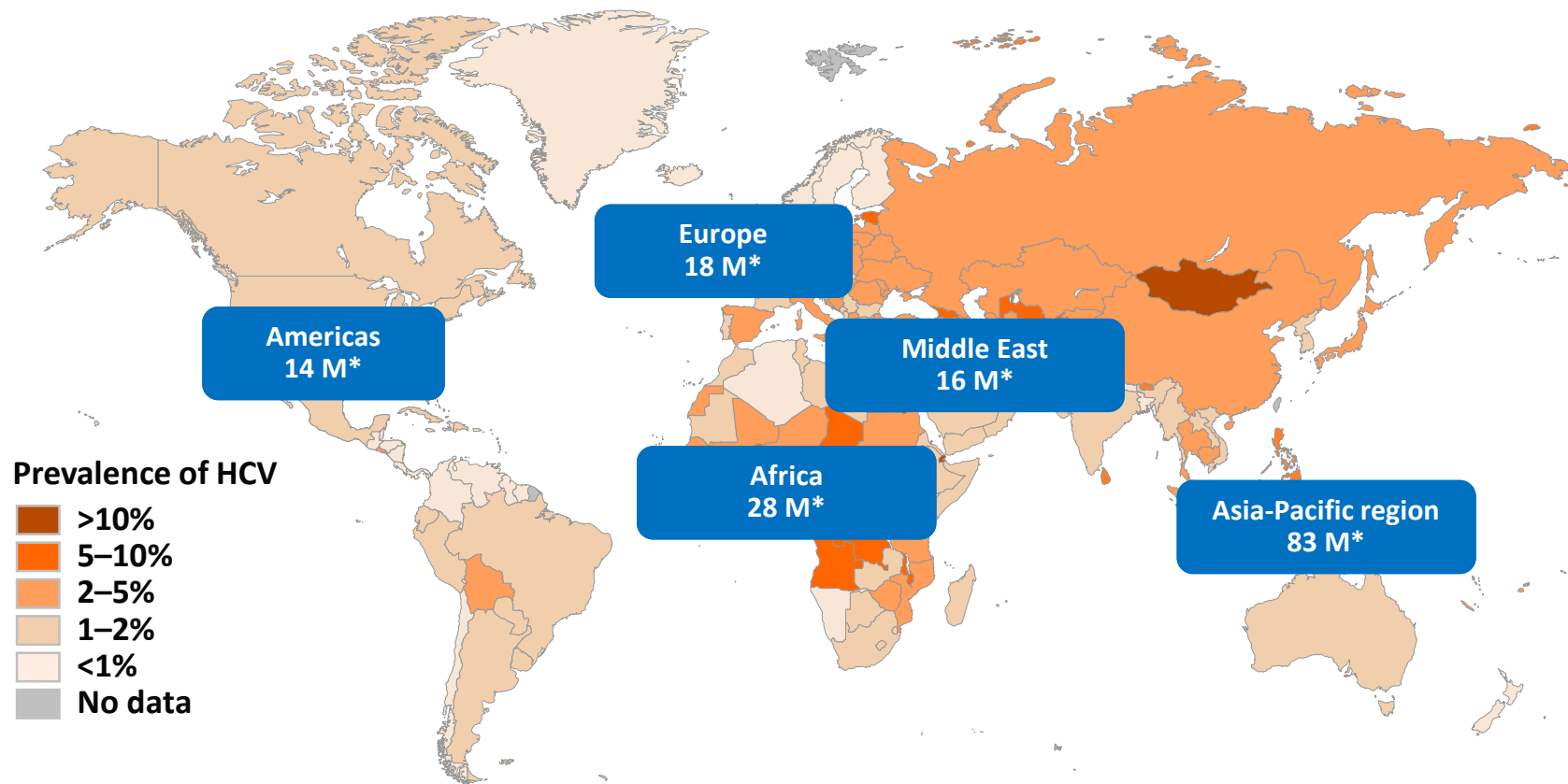
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HCV Distribution Across the World

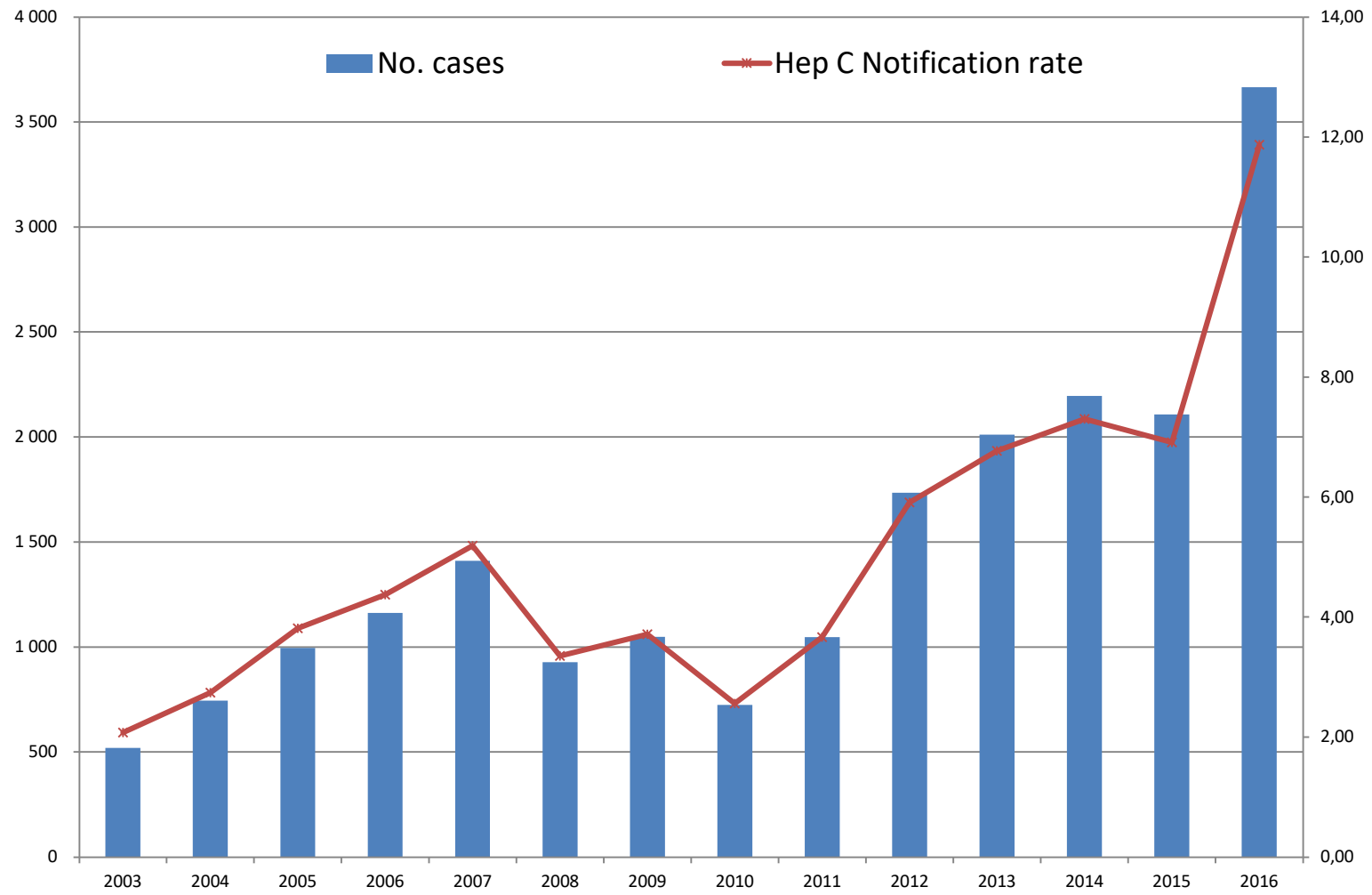


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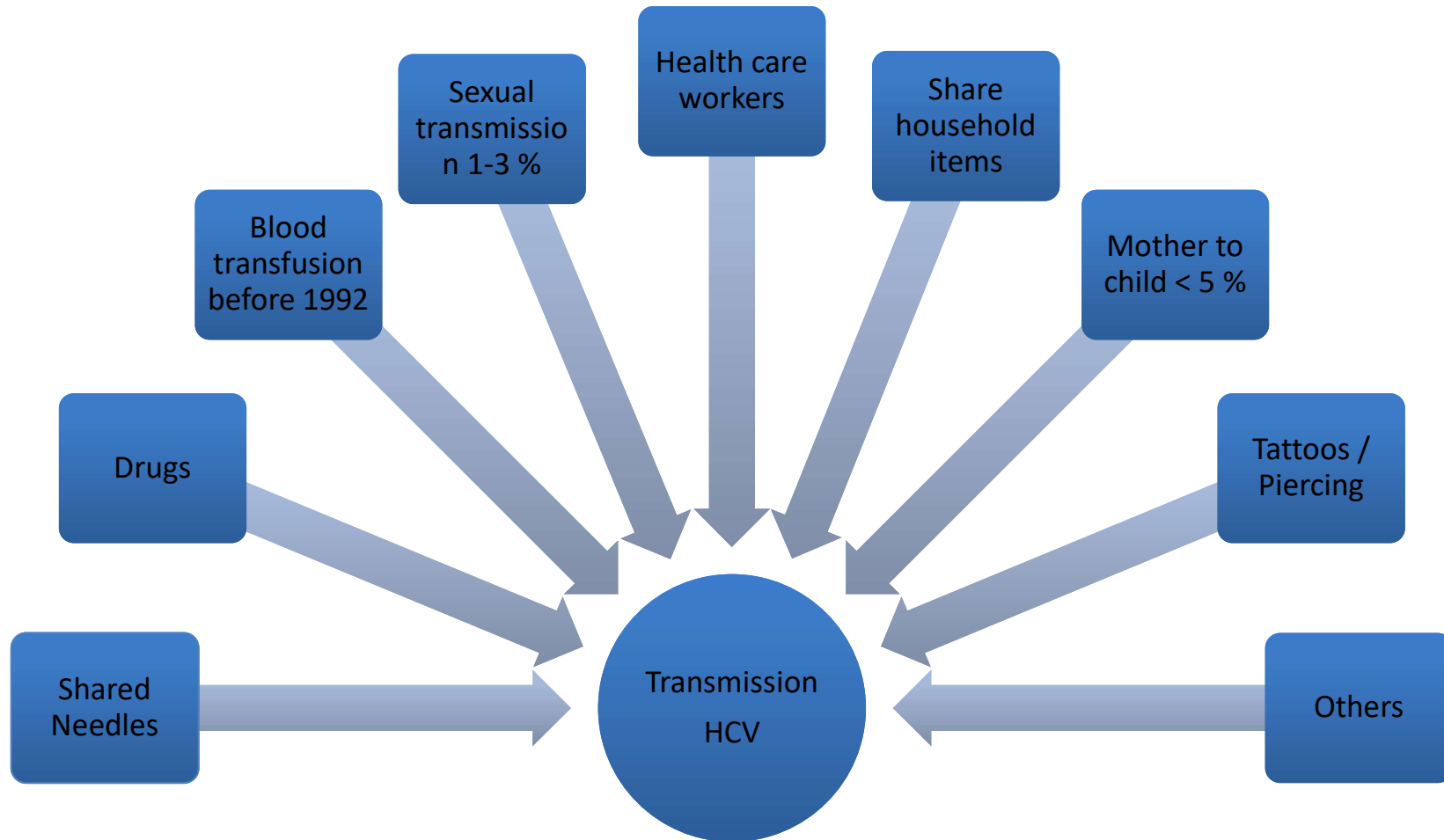
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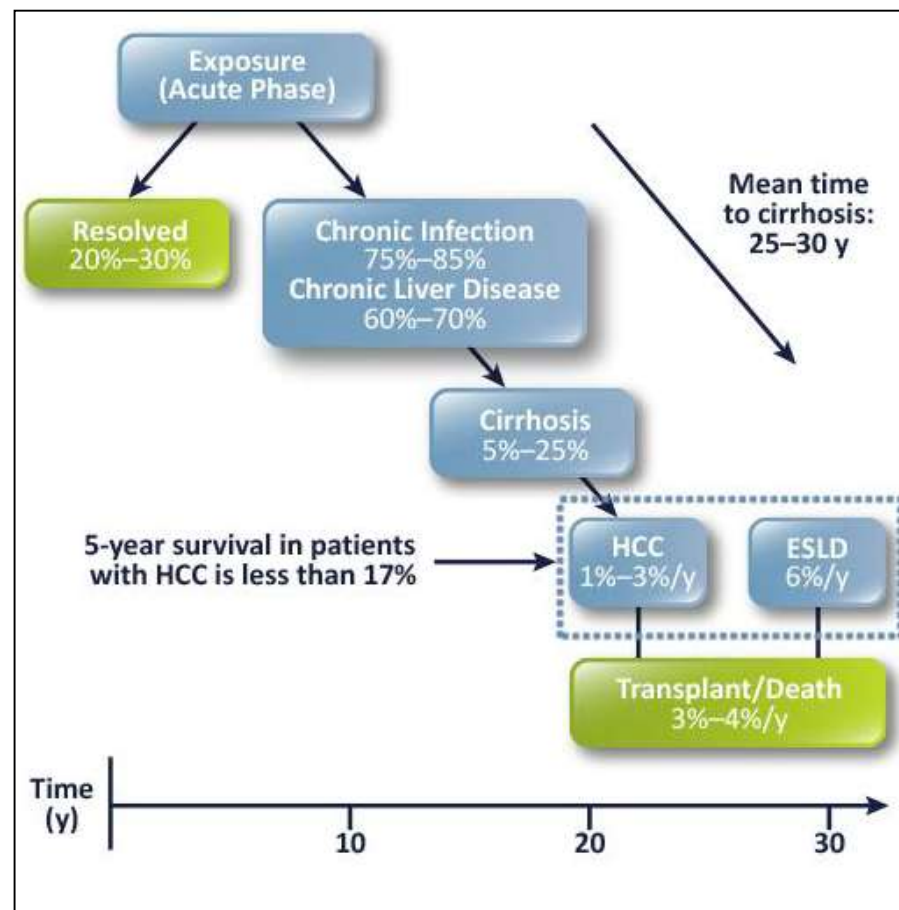
Transmission and Prevention

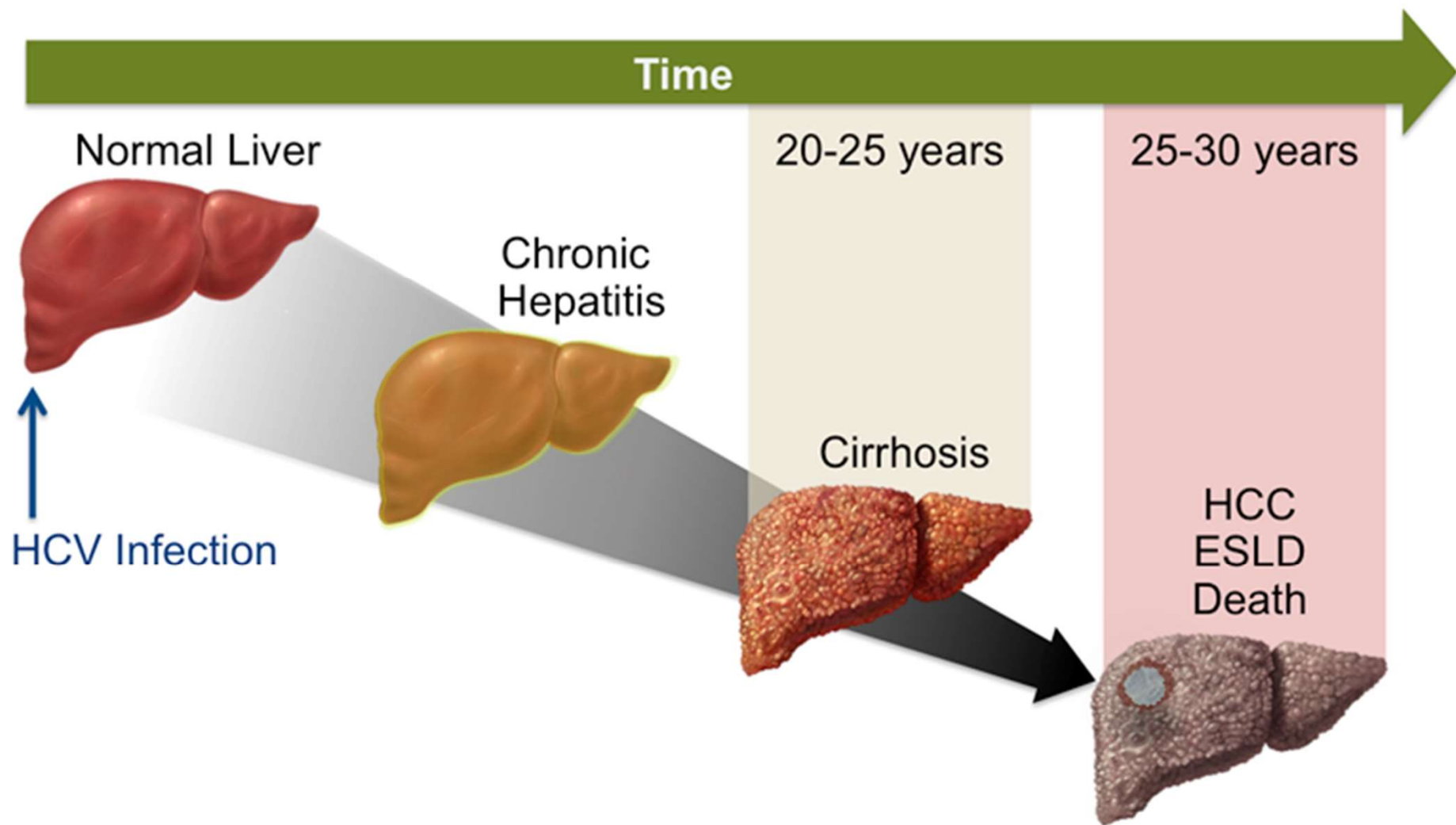


Natural History of HCV Infection

Overview

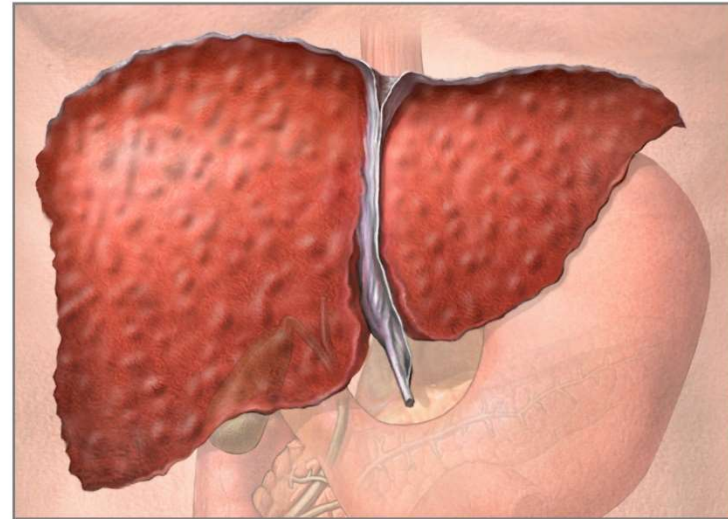
- Majority of patients with acute HCV infection develop chronic hepatitis C
- Chronic HCV infection sequelae
- Progressive liver fibrosis leading to cirrhosis
- End-stage liver disease (ESLD)
- Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)





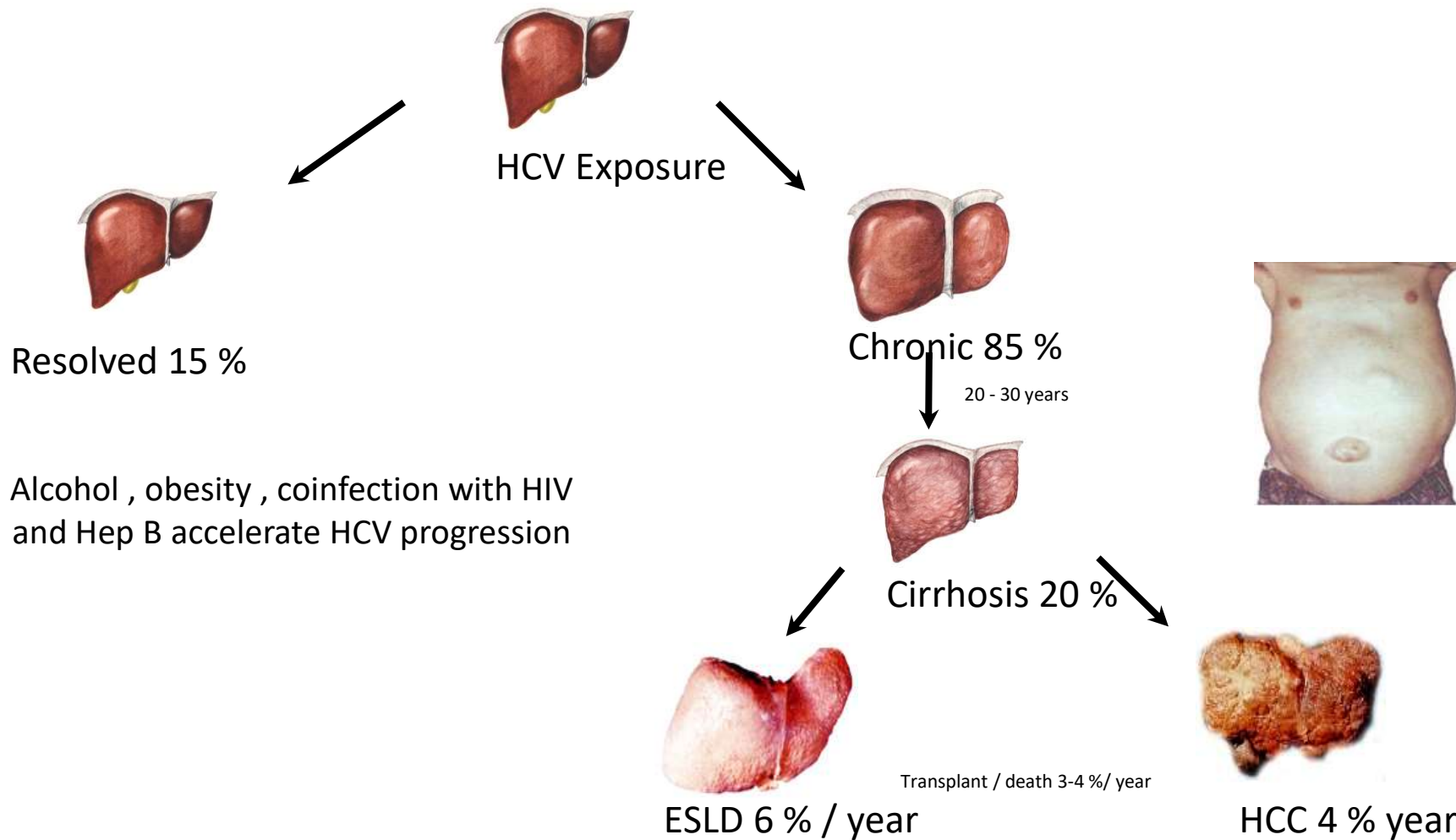
Cirrhosis Overview

- HCV disease progression to cirrhosis is often clinically silent
- Some patients are not diagnosed with HCV until the complications of end-stage liver disease become apparent
- The natural history of cirrhosis is characterized by an initial phase (compensated), followed by a rapidly progressive phase marked by complications (decompensated)



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The NATURAL HISTORY OF HCV INFECTION IN UNTREATED PATIENTS

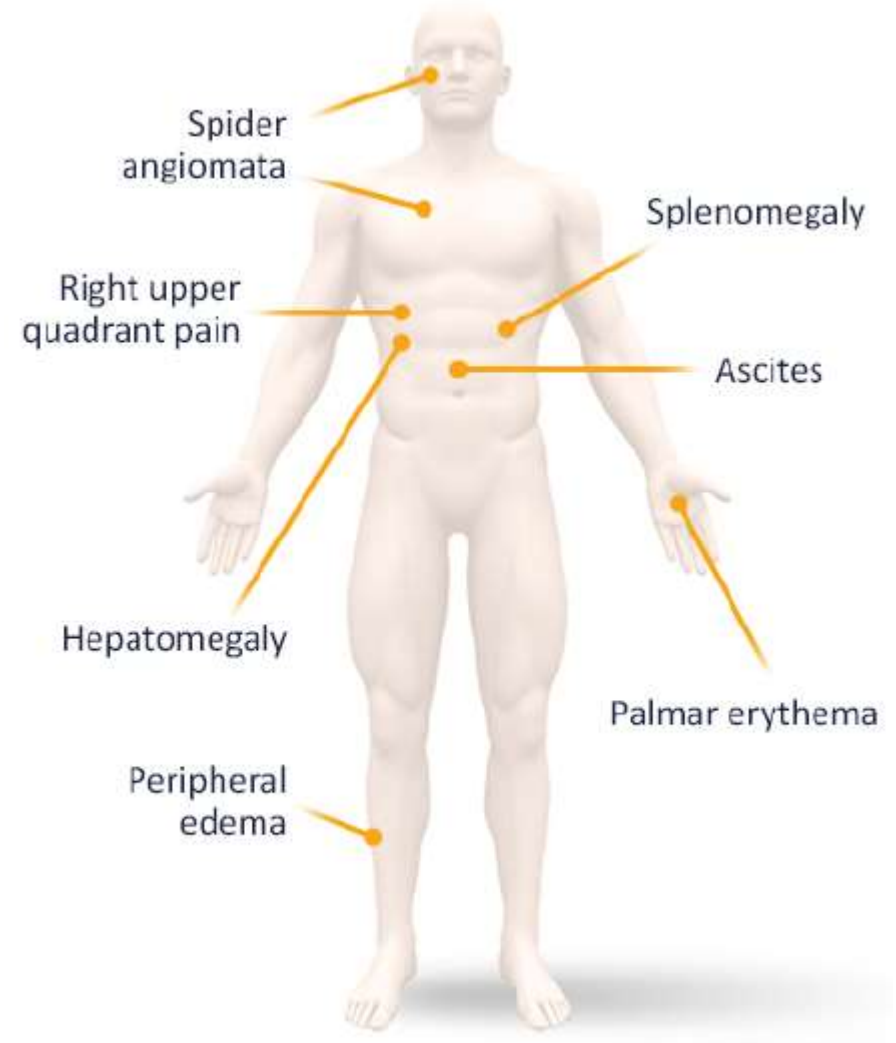


% = percent of original group;
ESLD, End-Stage Liver Disease.

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Signs and Symptoms of Liver Disease

- The signs and symptoms of liver disease are varied and often vague
 - 60-70% no discernable symptoms
 - 20-30% (+) jaundice
 - 10-20% nonspecific symptoms
- Common presenting symptoms and signs of liver disease include:
 - Fatigue
 - Pruritus
 - Jaundice
 - Nausea



HCV Antibody

- When a person is exposed to HCV, the immune system produces proteins called antibodies against the virus. It usually takes the immune system a few weeks to develop enough antibodies to be detected by an antibody test, but it could take as long as six months.
- There are two commercial antibody tests used to detect HCV antibodies— HCV EIA (HCV ELISA) and CIA. The most common HCV antibody test is the HCV EIA or ELISA.
- A positive HCV antibody test will only confirm that someone has been infected with the hepatitis C virus at one time; an HCV RNA viral load test will need to be performed to find out if someone is actively infected with the hepatitis C virus.

HCV Antibody

- Once people are exposed to hepatitis C, they will retain HCV antibodies for life even if the body is able to eliminate the hepatitis C virus either naturally or if the person is cured by medical treatment.
- It is also important to remember that HCV antibodies do not protect people from infection or reinfection of hepatitis C.

Interpretations of HCV assay

Anti-HCV	HCV RNA	Interpretations
Positive	Positive	Acute or chronic HCV infection (to differentiate: history and clinical context)
Positive	Negative	Resolution of HCV-acute HCV already with low viraemia
Negative	Positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Early acute HCV•HCV in immunosuppressed•False positive HCV RNA
Negative	Negative	Absence of HCV infection.

*HCV RNA can be detected by 2 weeks of exposure

*Anti HCV – 8- 12 weeks

HCV Antibody

- HCV ELISA immunoassay (EIA)
 - Most common antibody test
- Positive antibody test indicates exposure
- Does not indicate active Hepatitis C infection

HCV Viral Load

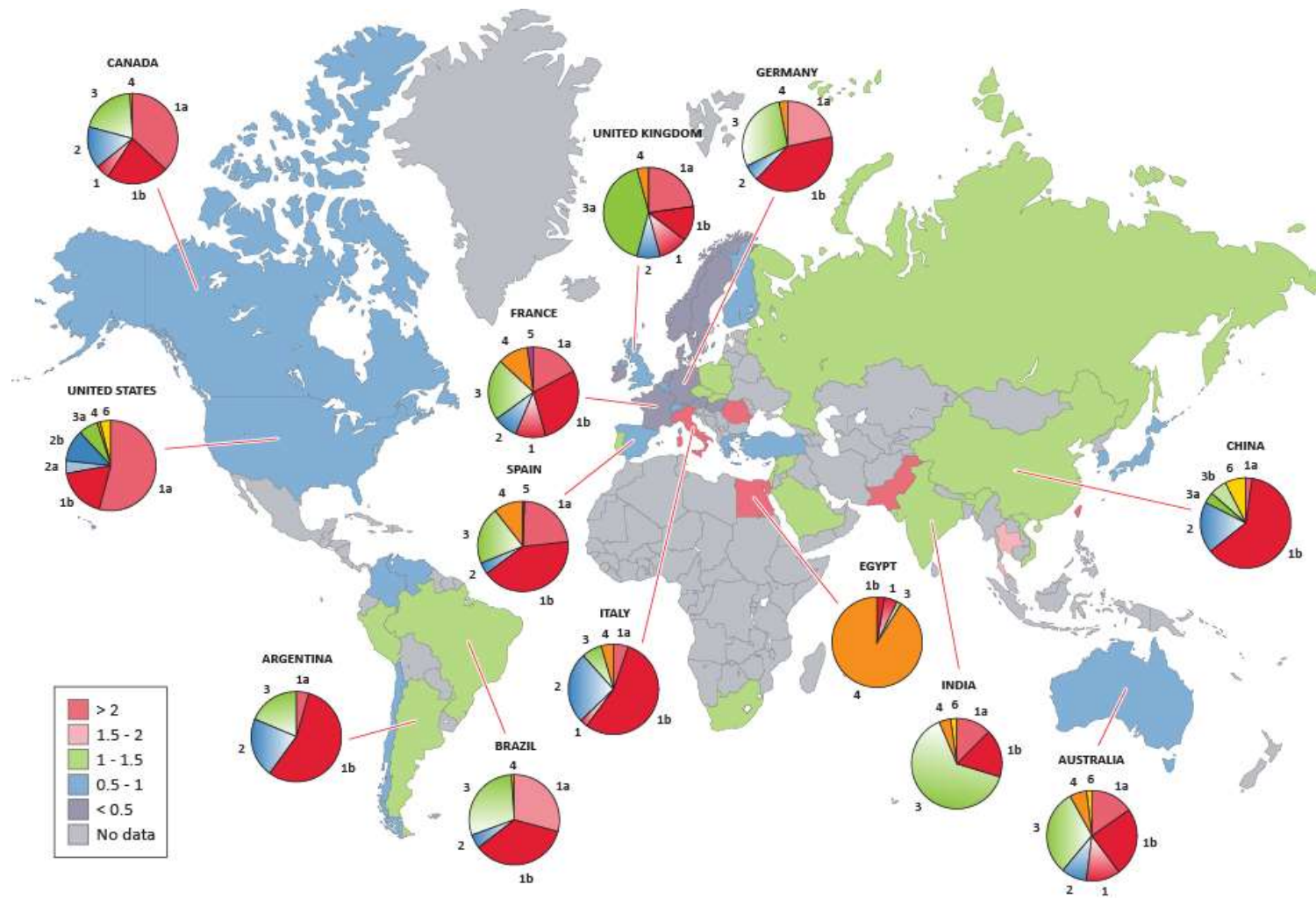
- A viral load test measures the amount of HCV RNA (genetic material) in the blood. This test is used to confirm active HCV infection.
- There are two types of viral load tests:
 1. Qualitative:

Measures the presence of the virus in the blood. This type of test is usually used to confirm initial and chronic infection with HCV.

 - If HCV RNA is detected, a positive result is reported
 - If HCV RNA is not detected, the test result is negative
 2. Quantitative:

Measures the amount of virus in the blood. This test generally is used for HCV treatment to determine if a patient is responding or has responded to treatment.
- Scientific studies have not found any correlation between viral load and disease progression.
- A viral load test requires a blood sample.

Geographical Distribution of HCV Genotypes 1–6*



* The region of endemicity for GT7 remains to be definitively established⁵

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HCV Genotype/Subtype

- There are several strains of hepatitis C, called genotypes. These strains are very similar but have enough genetic diversity to classify them into seven major genotypes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- Genotype 1 is the most common genotype (70-75%) in the United States, followed by genotypes 2 and 3 (25-30%). Genotypes 4, 5, 6 and 7 are less prevalent in the United States.
- In Malaysia the most common Genotype is Genotype 3 , followed by Genotype 1

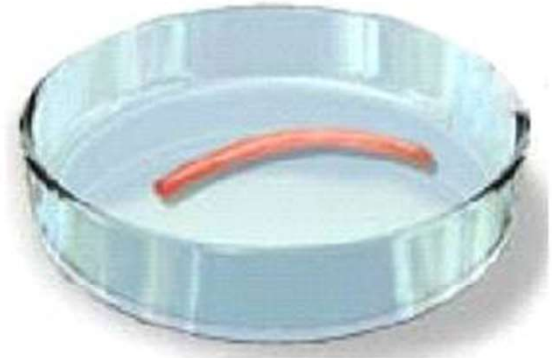
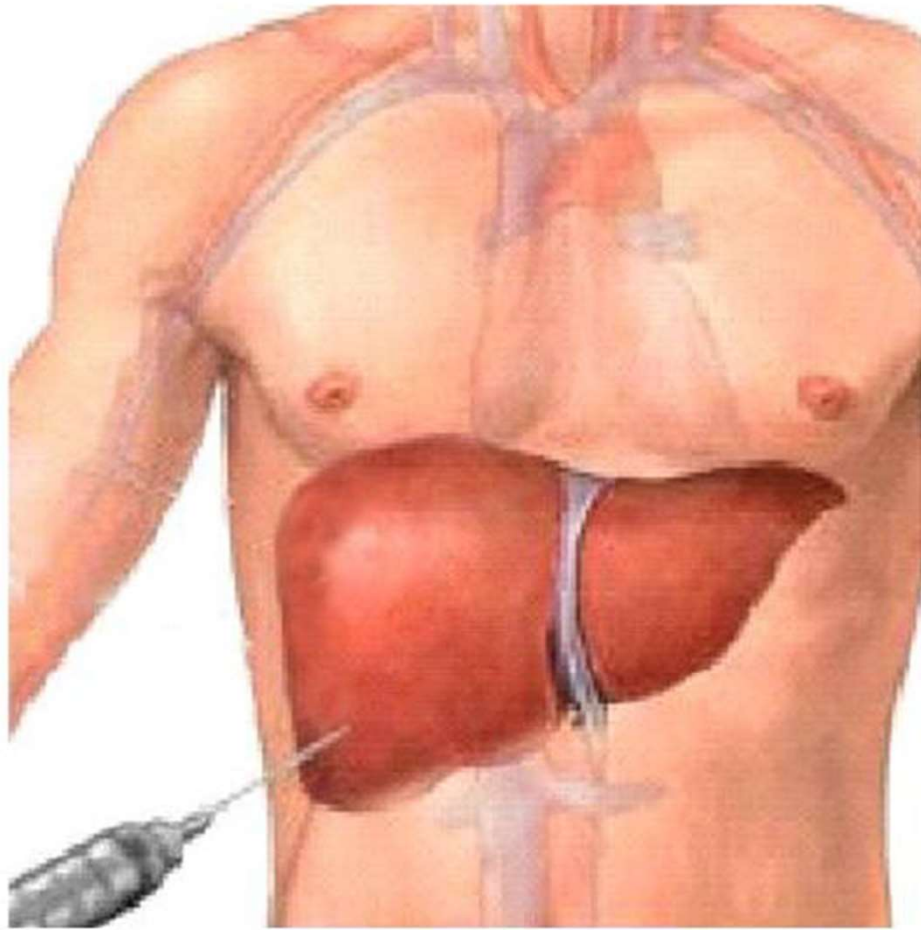
HCV Genotype/Subtype

- A genotype/subtype test is generally given to someone who is considering HCV medical treatment and is only performed once since a person's genotype remains the same throughout the course of the disease unless they become re-infected with another genotype.
- Genotype and subtype tests require a blood sample

Liver Biopsy

- The actual procedure to extract the liver specimen only takes a few seconds. After the procedure a patient will be required to lie on their right side (where the needle was inserted) for a few hours so that they can be monitored. About 30-50% of people experience mild to moderate pain.
- Complications from a liver biopsy rarely occur (1 in 1,000 biopsies or less). If necessary, people can ask their medical professional for a mild tranquilizer before a biopsy and for pain medication after the procedure.

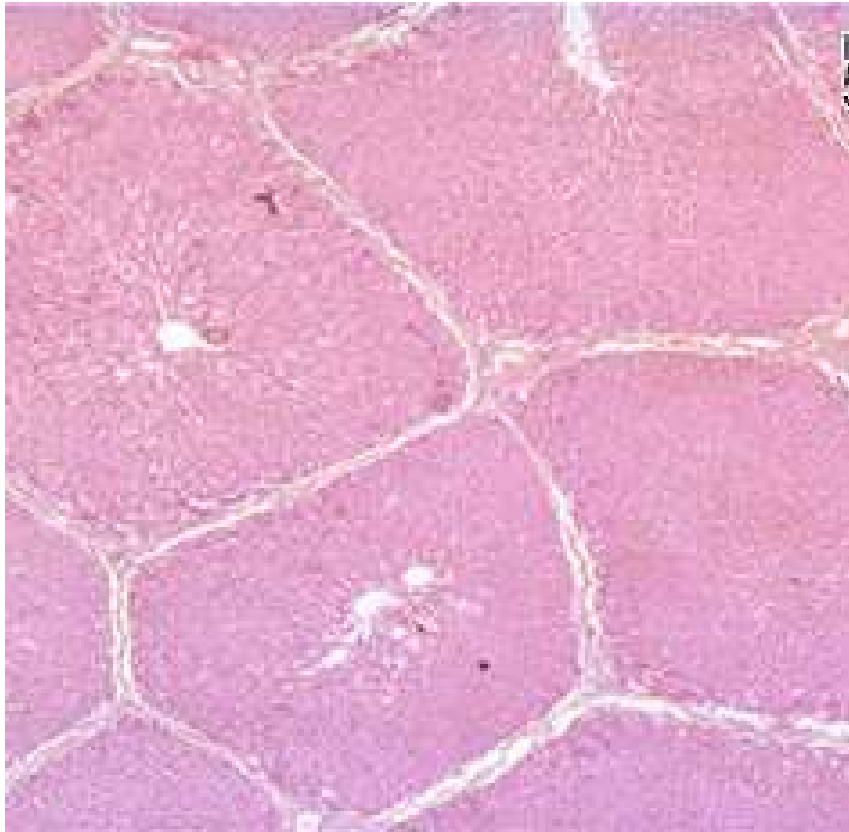




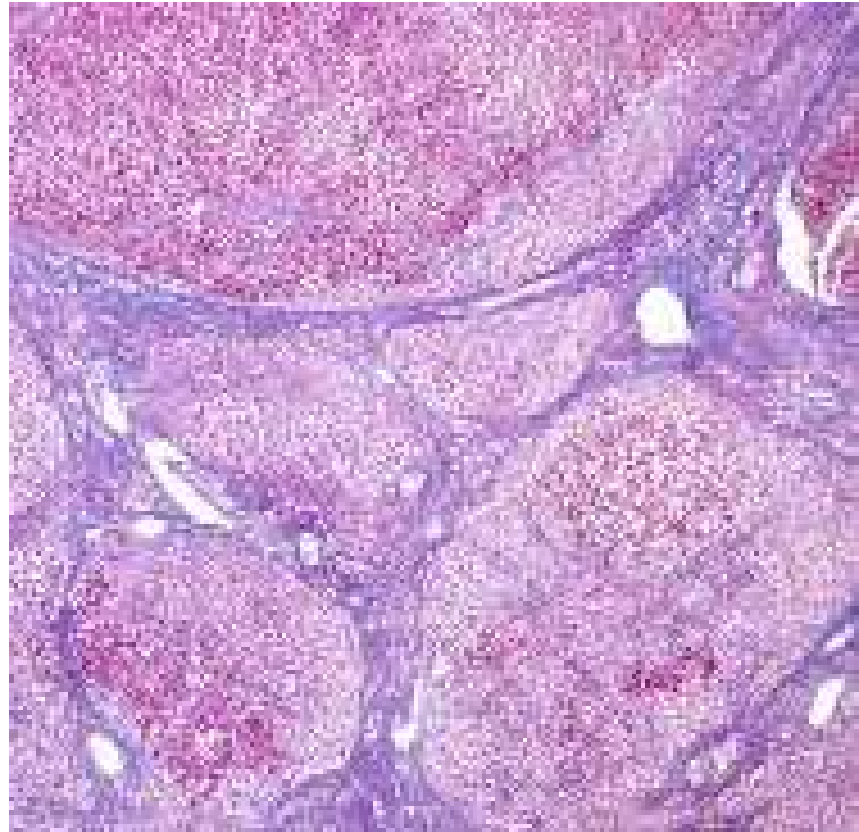
Liver Biopsy

- The liver biopsy is generally only performed once, but it may be performed every 5-7 years to gauge disease progression. Due to the cost and the potential health risks the alternatives listed below are replacing the percutaneous liver biopsy.

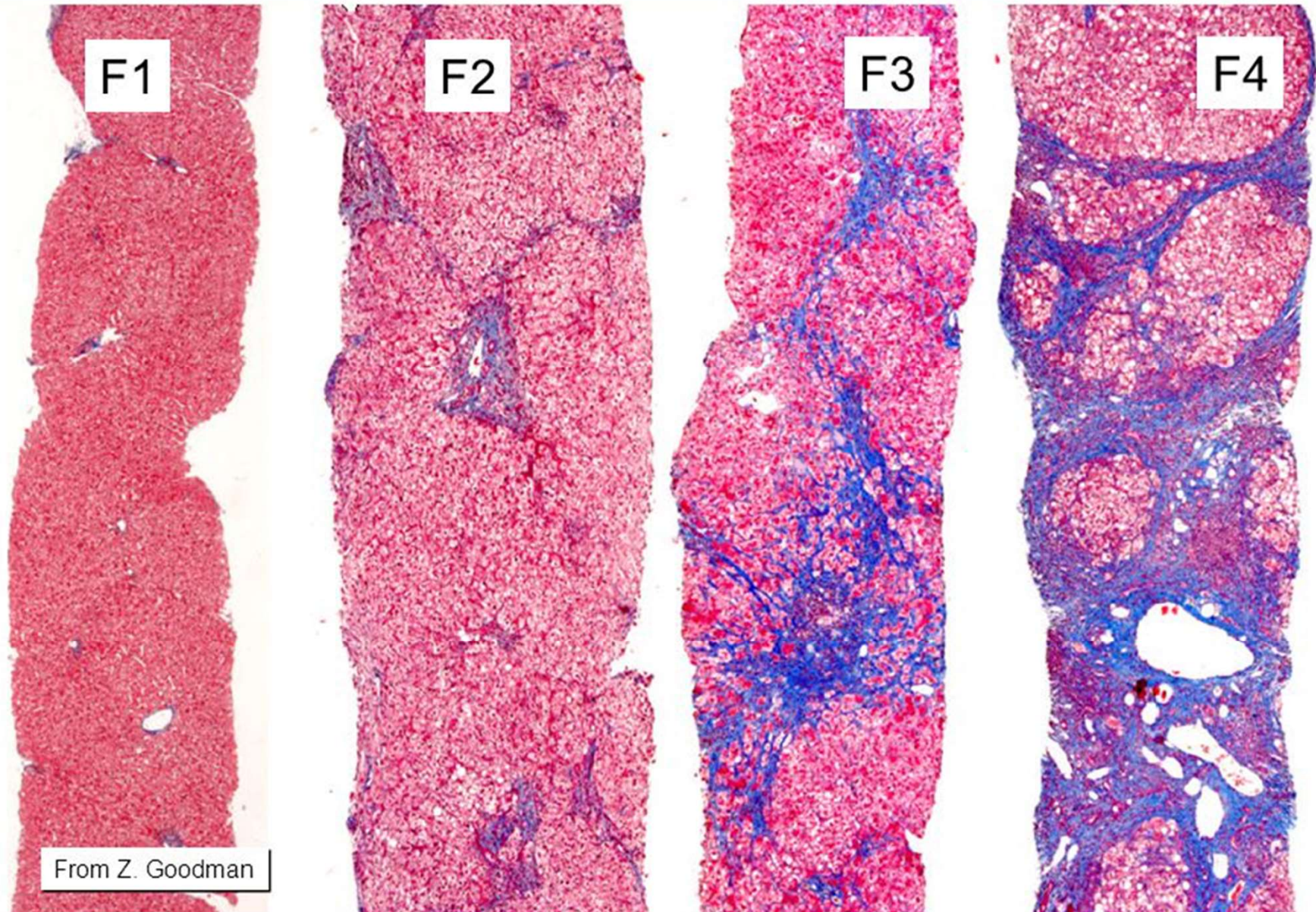
Normal



Cirrhosis



Liver biopsy : METAVIR scoring system



METAVIR Grading and Staging System

- Most popular staging system
- Quantifies inflammation and fibrosis
 - Inflammation is graded from 0 to 3 (none, mild, moderate, severe)
 - Fibrosis is scored from 0 to 4
 - 0: No fibrosis
 - 1: Portal fibrosis
 - 2: Portal fibrosis with septa formation
 - 3: Bridging fibrosis (can be focal, diffuse, or marked)
 - 4: Cirrhosis

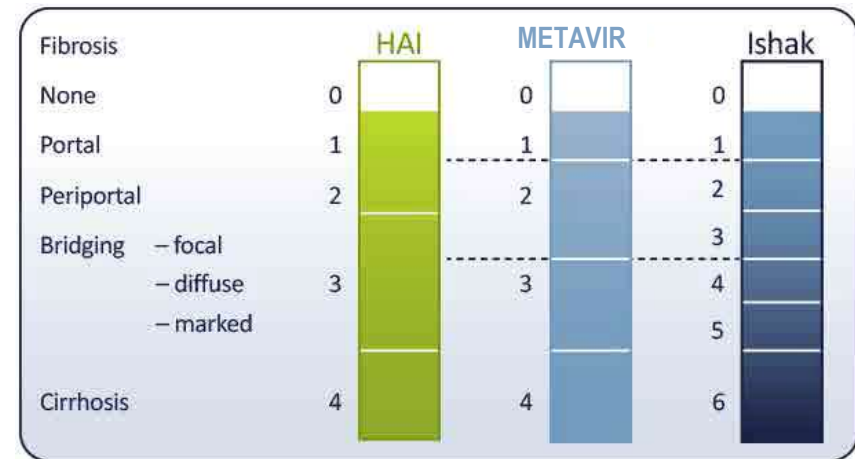


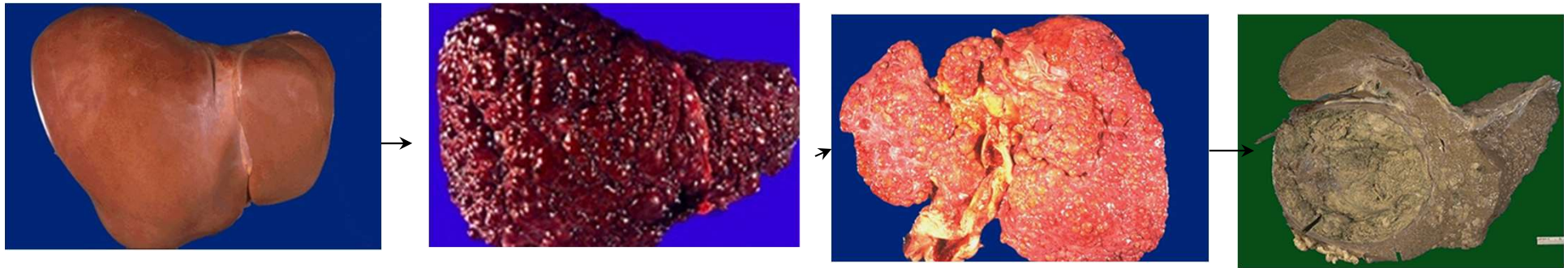
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Staging of Liver Disease

- There are various models used to grade and stage the degree of liver damage.
- The Metavir is widely used because it is simple, and easy to use and understand.
- There are, however, other scoring systems available such as the Knodell that are much more complex.

PROGRESSION OF CIRRHOSIS



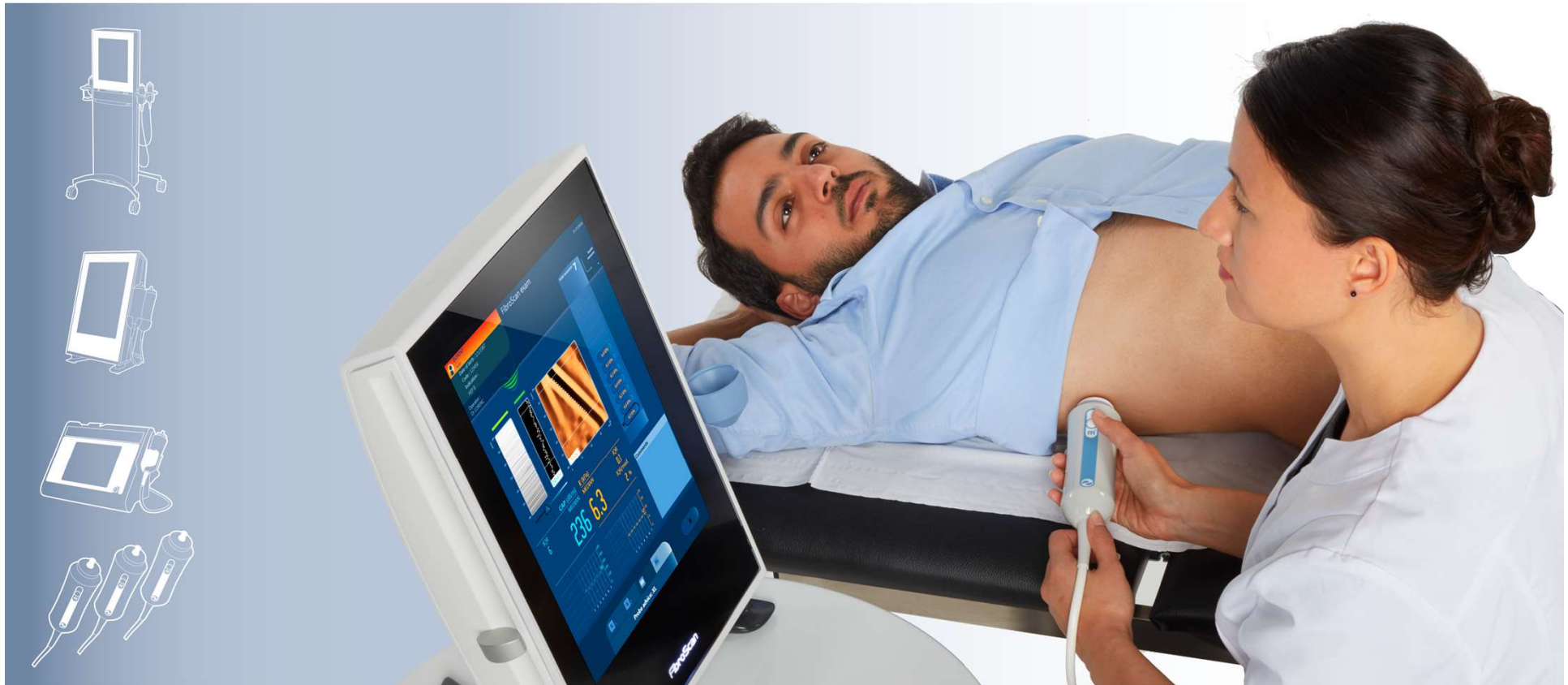
Liver Biopsy

- Gold Standard in determining health of the liver
 - Measure of inflammation
 - Extent of scarring
- Non Invasive tests – may not be as accurate

Fibroscan

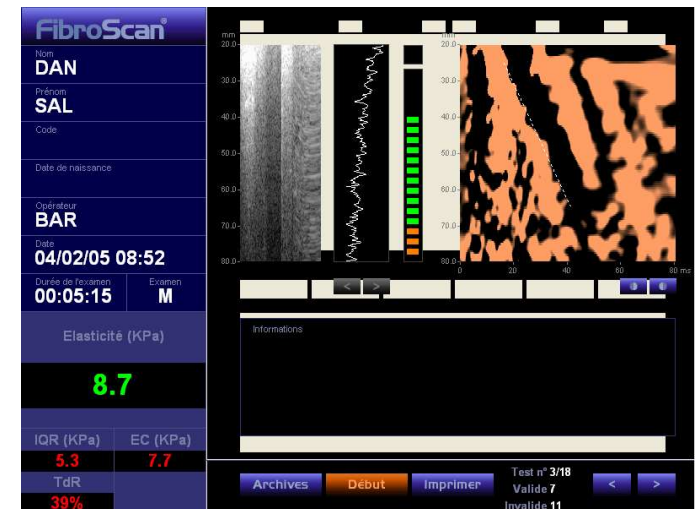
- The Fibroscan is an approved painless imaging test that is used to evaluate the amount of scarring (if any) of the liver.
- While the Fibroscan isn't 100% accurate, it has been shown to have a very high degree of accuracy for predicting mild fibrosis, severe fibrosis and cirrhosis.
- It is less likely to distinguish between no or minimal fibrosis.
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Fibroscan



Interpretation of fibroscan

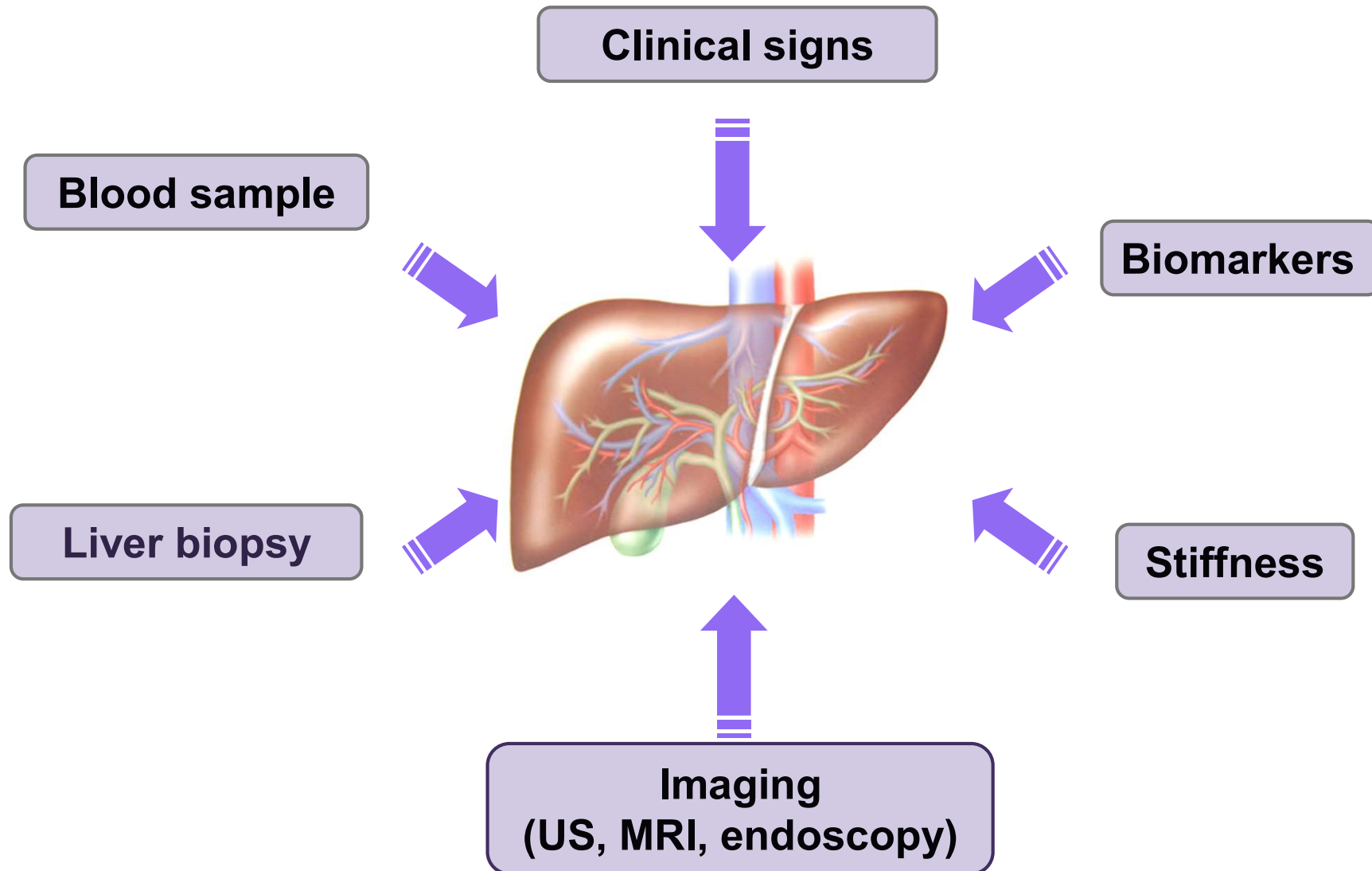
- Median value
- IQR < 21 - 30% of median value
- Number of measurements - 10



In Clinical Practise

- Interpretation is always by an expert according to clinical context
- Quality criteria of fibroscan (10 values, IQR)
- Quality criteria of biomarkers (haemolysis..)
- Combination
- Repeat if discordance
- Useful for diagnosis , follow up , prognosis

Today: useful with other parameters



Challenges in fibrosis staging for patients with HCV infection: invasive versus non-invasive tests

Invasive tests

Liver biopsy

- ✓ Considered by some as the Gold standard
- ✗ Patient burden of invasive procedure
- ✗ Expensive
- ✗ Carry risk of potentially life-threatening complications
- ✗ Difficulties obtaining patient consent
- ✗ Misclassification of Metavir stage as high as 25%

Non-invasive tests

Transient elastography

APRI

FIB-4

FibroSURE™ (US) or FibroTest™ (Europe)

ARFI

MRE

- ✓ Reduces burden for patients
- ✗ Less clinical experience
- ✗ Lack of distinction between different stages of intermediate fibrosis (F0–3)

APRI = aspartate aminotransferase/platelet ratio index;

ARFI = acoustic radiation force impulse imaging;

FIB-4 = Fibrosis 4 score; MRE = magnetic resonance elastography.

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QUIZ 1

- Presence of HCV Antibody always indicate active Hepatitis C infection.

QUIZ 2

- What is the most common Genotype in Malaysia ?

QUIZ 3

- Fibroscan is a simple and painless procedure to evaluate amount of scarring .