

# Chronic Liver Disease – A Taster Menu

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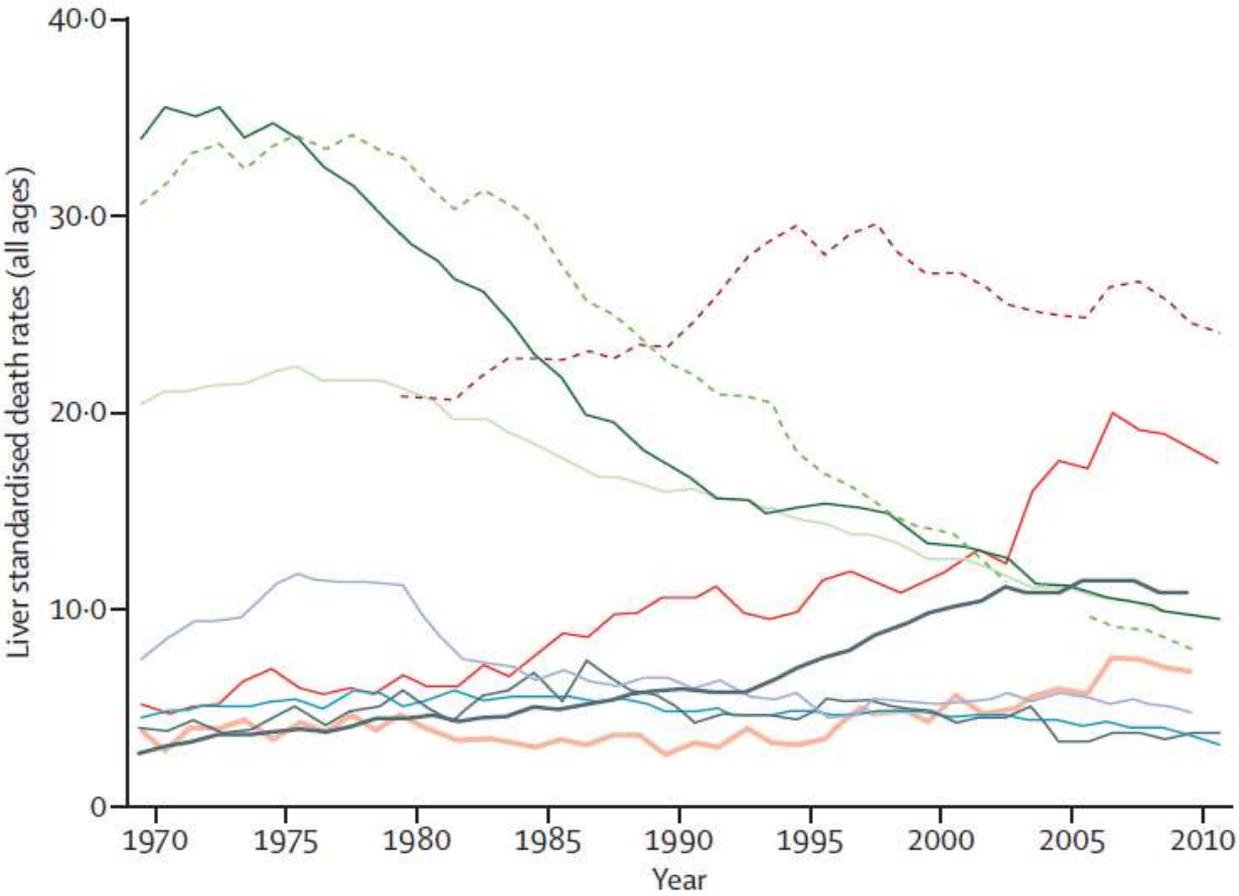
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## A Drinking Song

Wine comes in at the mouth  
And love comes in at the eye;  
That's all we shall know for truth  
Before we grow old and die.  
I lift the glass to my mouth,  
I look at you, and I sigh.

-W. B. Yeats

# The entrée



- Country**
- Finland
  - France
  - Ireland
  - Italy
  - Netherlands
  - Norway
  - Sweden
  - UK
  - EU members before May 2004
  - EU members since May 2004

Lancet Commission 2014







# Alcohol related admissions: all ages

Rate of alcohol related admissions per 100,000 population, by PCT, 2011/12



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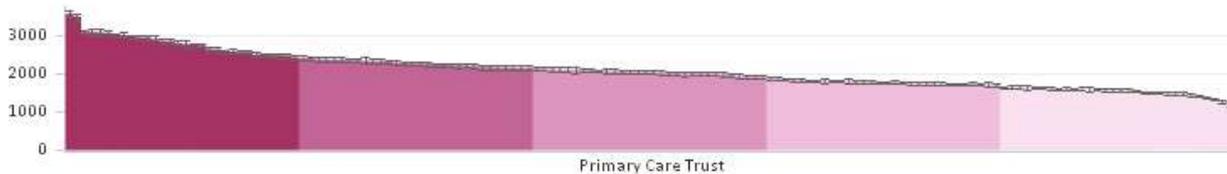
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●	Salford	3,480
●	Manchester Teaching	3,084
●	South Tyneside	3,083
●	Blackburn with Darwen Teachi...	3,076
●	North Tyneside	3,061
●	Liverpool	3,013
●	Heart of Birmingham Teaching	3,011
●	Sunderland Teaching	2,959
●	Blackpool	2,943
●	Newcastle	2,943
●	Knowsley	2,903
●	Redcar and Cleveland	2,848
●	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	2,841
●	Hull Teaching	2,788
●	Hartlepool	2,763



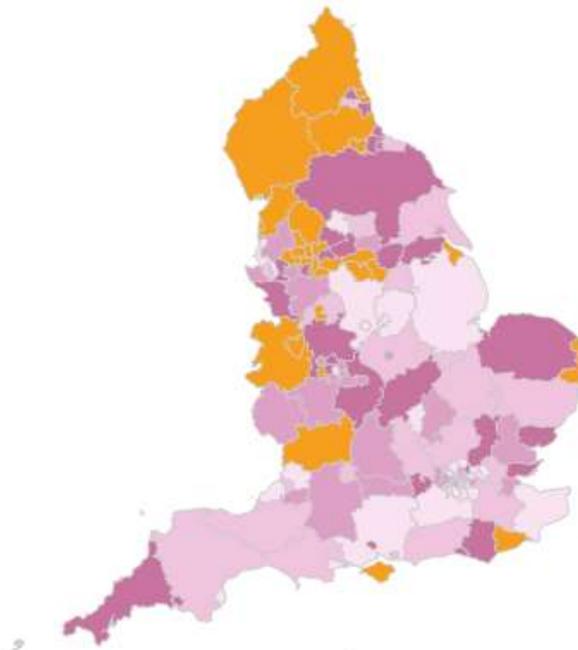
# Prescription of drugs for alcohol addiction

Annual Dose Equivalent per 100,000 population, by PCT, : 2006/7 - 2010/11



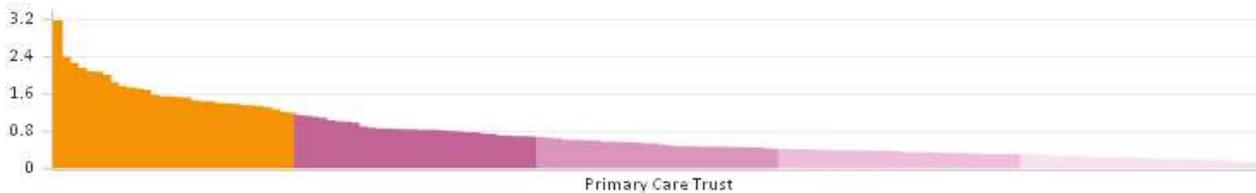
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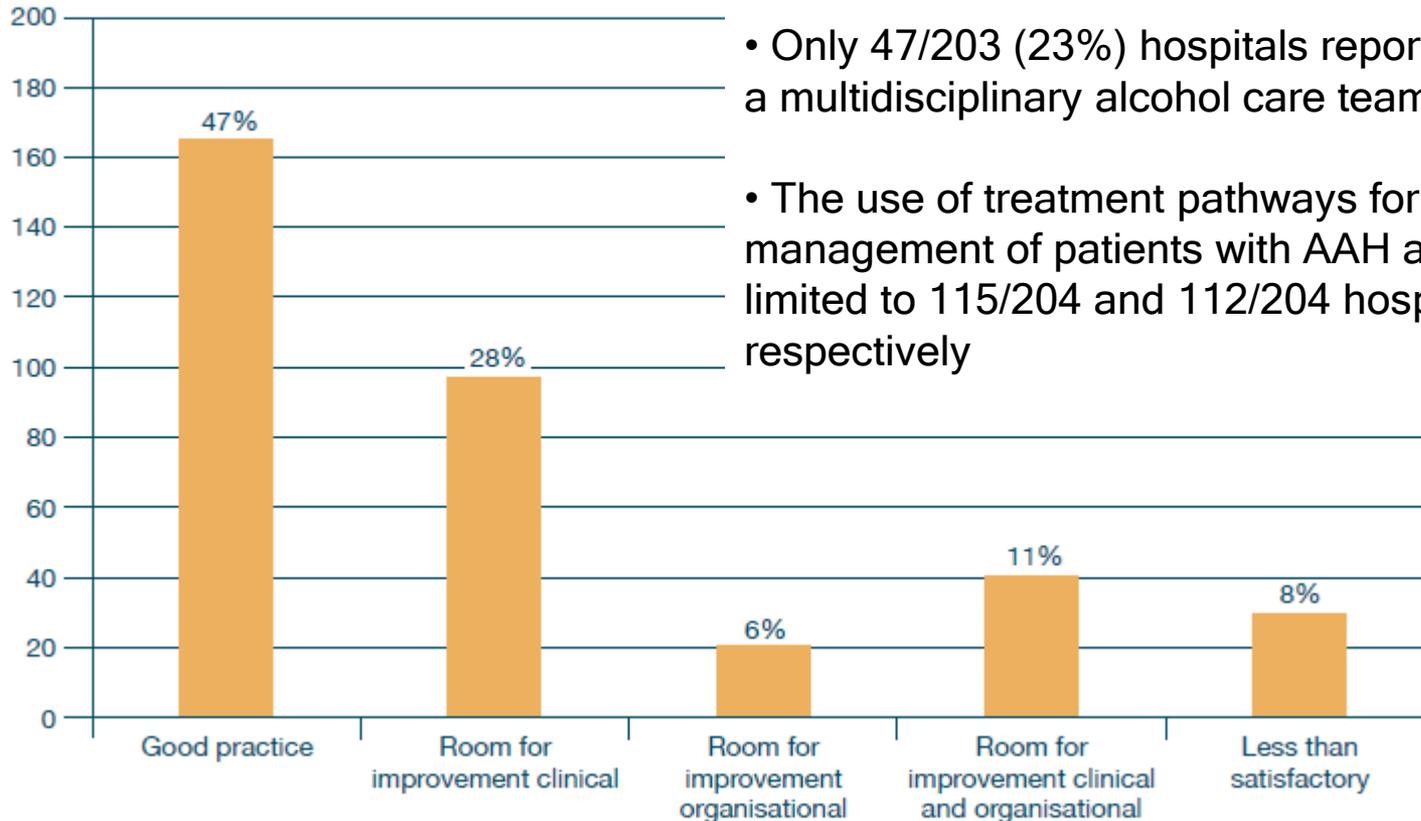
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● 🔍	Western Cheshire	1.103
● 🔍	Northamptonshire Teaching	1.082
● 🔍	Oldham	1.024
● 🔍	Sandwell	1.005
● 🔍	Brighton and Hove City	0.995
● 🔍	Kirklees	0.984
● 🔍	Middlesbrough	0.9
● 🔍	Hartlepool	0.874
● 🔍	Warwickshire	0.853
● 🔍	East Sussex Downs and Weald	0.849
● 🔍	Calderdale	0.844
● 🔍	Southampton City	0.838
● 🔍	Cornwall and Isles Of Scilly	0.837



- Consultant Hepatologists restricted to 52/191 (28%) hospitals, 34 of which were University Teaching Hospitals.

Number of patients



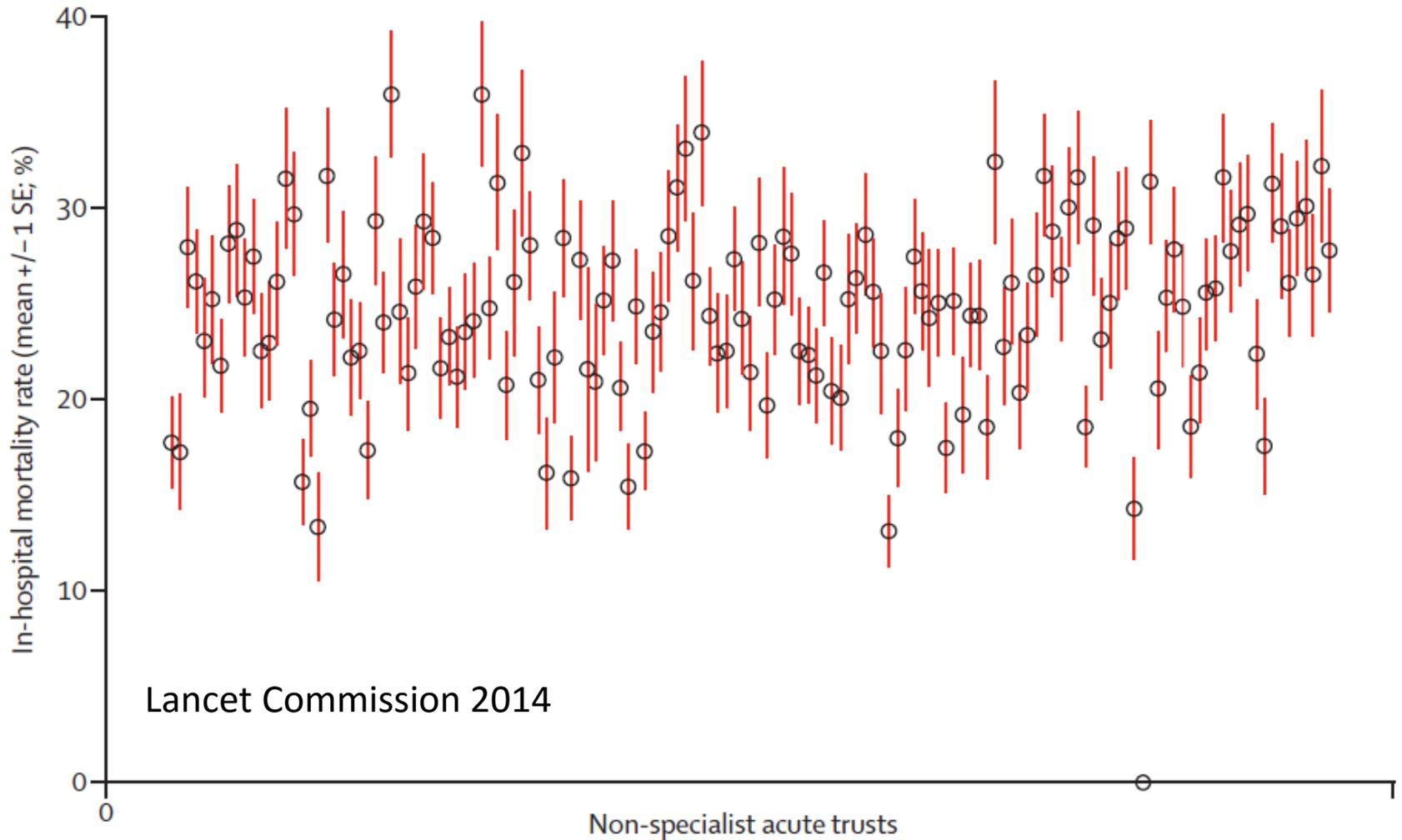
- Only 47/203 (23%) hospitals reported having a multidisciplinary alcohol care team.

- The use of treatment pathways for the management of patients with AAH and/or ArLD limited to 115/204 and 112/204 hospitals respectively



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There is huge variation in the UK in outcomes in liver disease



# At risk drinkers in Birmingham

Population 1.1 million

Increasing Risk Drinkers	130,000
Higher Risk Drinkers	44,000
Dependent	38,000

...but only 13% are in treatment

Department of Health Feb 2011

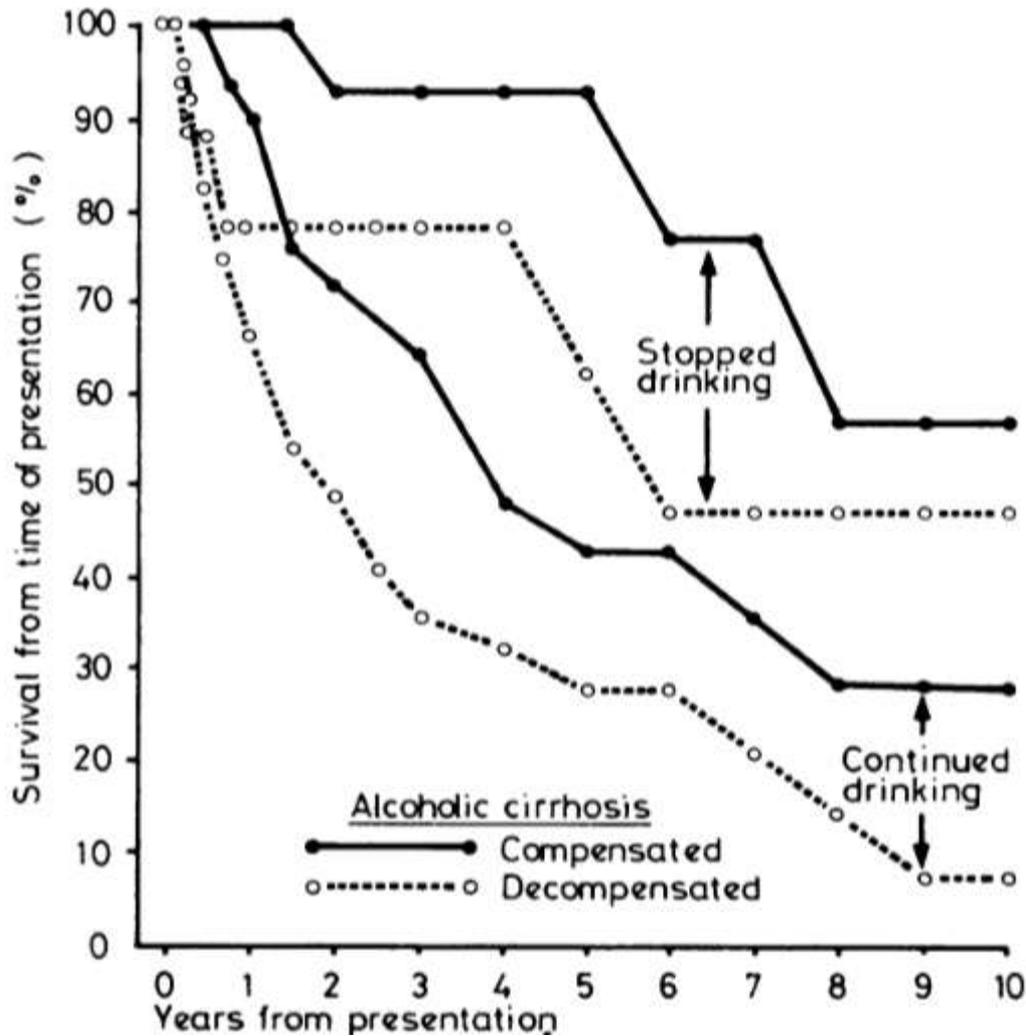




- 1.4 million pensioners drink excessively
- In England during 2010 there were more admissions for >65ys with alcohol related conditions than in 16-24yr olds
- 1:3 alcoholics develop their drinking habit in later life

# A 20-year prospective study of cirrhosis.

Saunders JB, Walters JR, Davies AP, Paton A

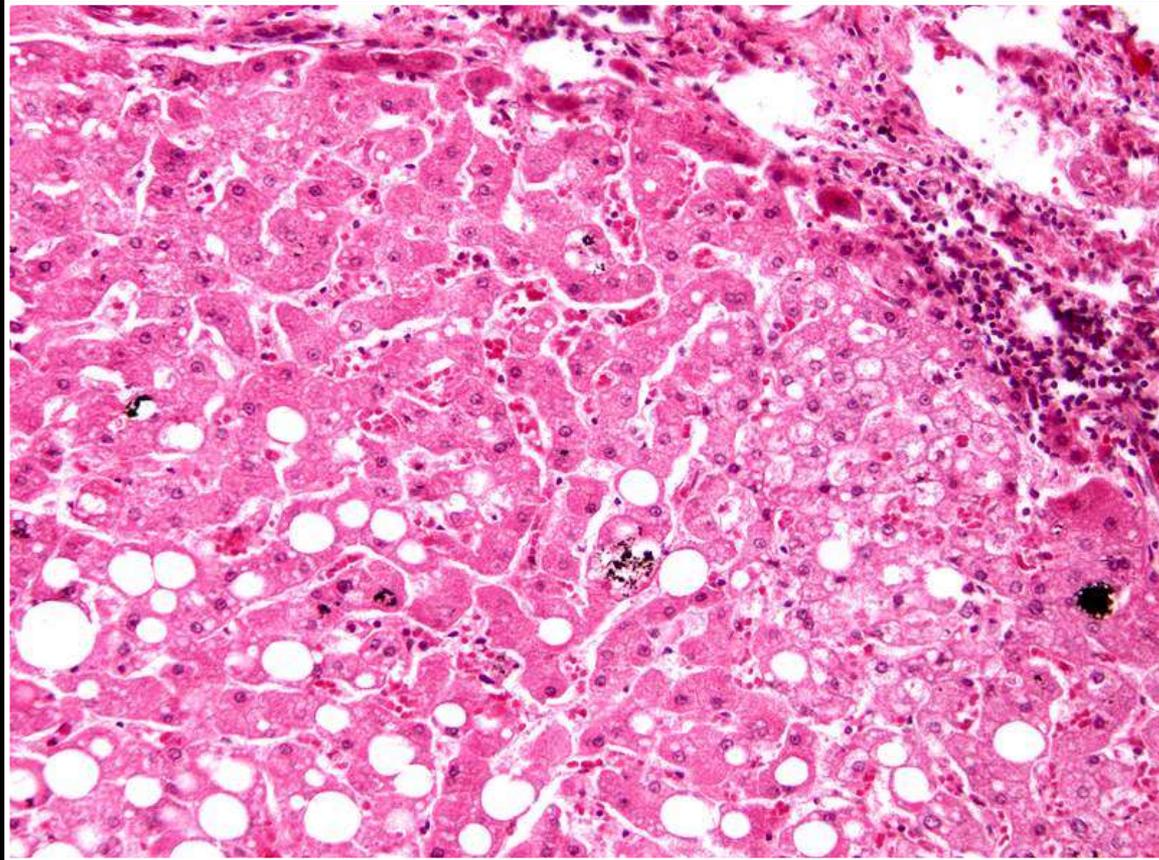


Br Med J (Clin Res Ed). 1981 Jan  
24;282(6260):263-6



Lucien Freud 1995

Alcoholic disease of the liver - Mallory F BJHH 1911;22:69



Fatty Change  
Inflammatory Infiltrate  
Degenerative/Apoptotic Hepatocytes - DAMPs  
FIBROSIS

# Obesity and Dietary Fat – a benign association?

Steatosis is a characteristic feature of ALD

1) Risk of cirrhosis and HCC increased by diets high in fat(1) and CHO(2) which promote inflammation(3)

1. Nanji AA et.al. Lancet 1985; 1:681-83

2. Rotily M et.al. Eur J Clin Nut 1990;44:595-603

3. Park EJ et.al. CELL 2010;140:197-208

2) Obesity and associated hyperglycaemia increase incidence of all stages of ALD in heavy drinkers(4&5)

4. Raynard B et.al. Hepatology 2002;35:635-38

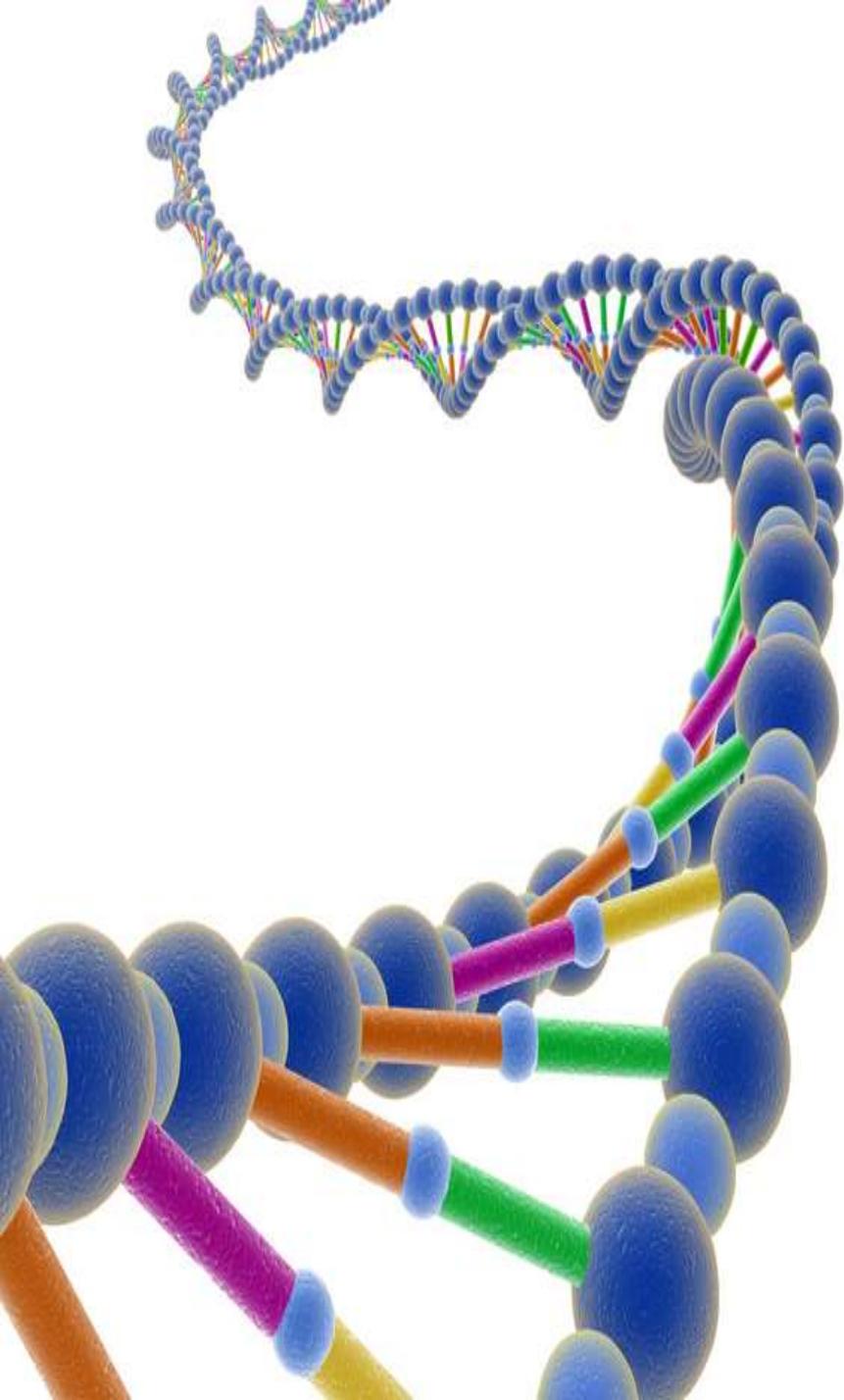
5. Naveau S et.al. Hepatology 1997;25(1):108-11

3) Steatohepatitis *and/or* diabetes are independent risk factors for cirrhosis and HCC (6-8)

6. Stickel F GUT 2010;59:1303-6

7. El Serag et.al. Gastroenterology 2004;126:460-8

8. Jee SH et.al. JAMA 2005;293:194-202



## GENETICS:

*an important modulator of individual risk*

- Twin studies show ALD concordance is 3X as likely in monozygotic than dizygotic twin pairings

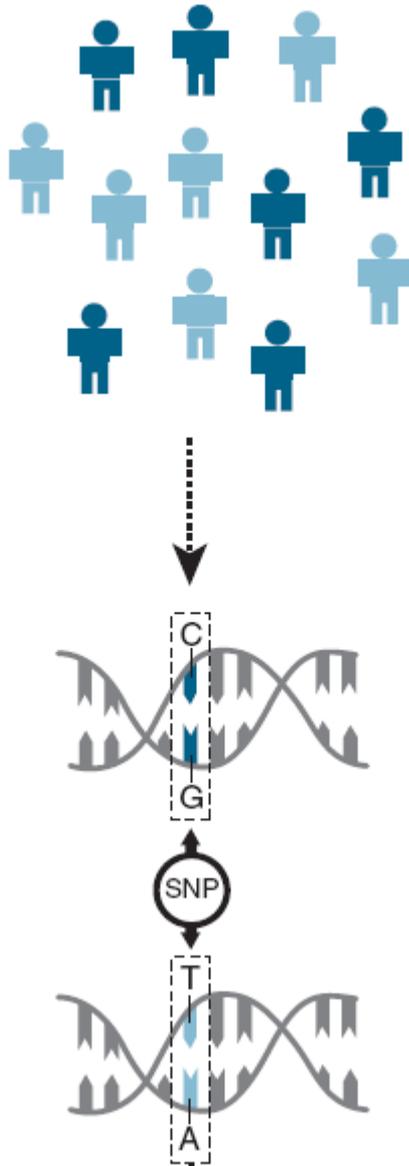
Hrubec Z et.al. Alcohol Clin Exp Res 2002;26(supp):66S-69S

- Women more susceptible than men
- PNPLA3 rs738409(G) the first genetically confirmed risk factor for ALD

Stickel F et.al. GUT 2012;61:150-9

# Genome wide association studies

*1148M adiponutrin/patatin-like phospholipase domain-containing 3 gene (PNPLA3)*



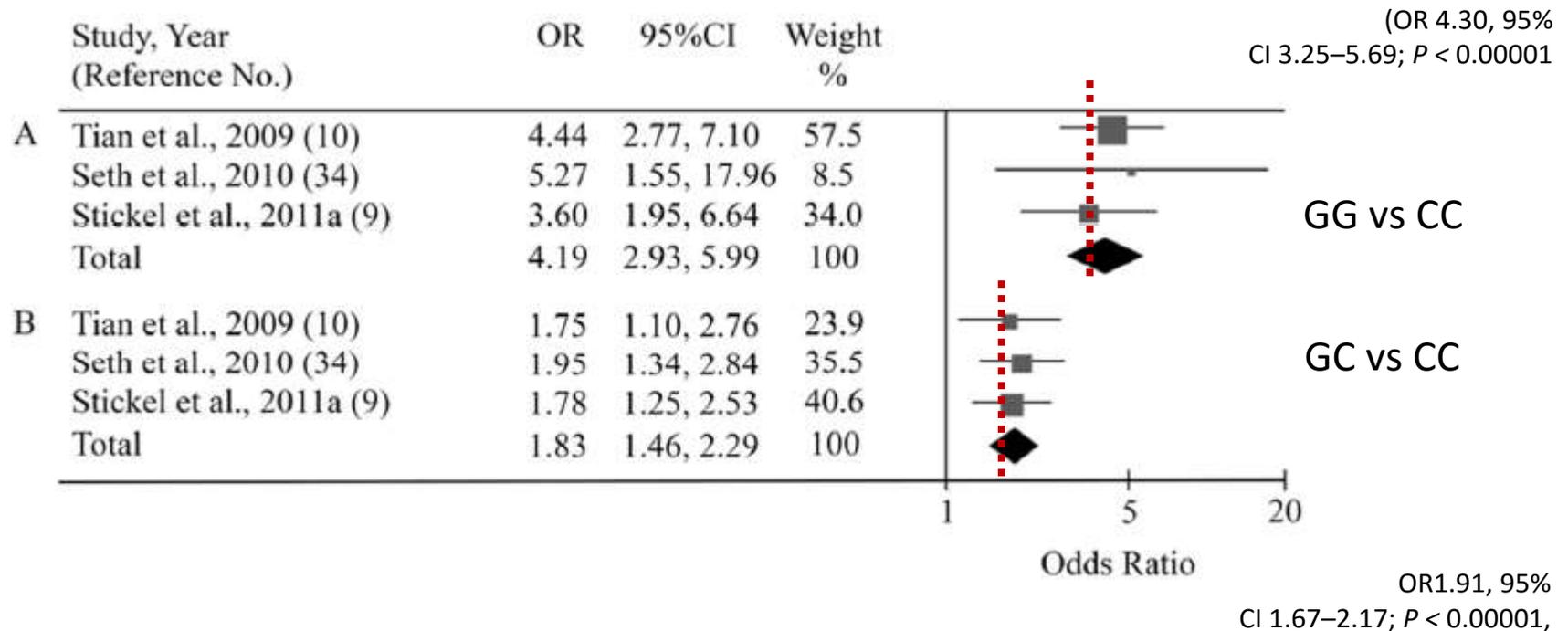
1. **NAS:** Romeo S, et al.. *Nat Genet* 2008; **40**:1461-5.
2. **ALD:** Stickel F, et al. *Hepatology* 2011; 53:86-95.  
Tian C, et.al. *Nat Genetics* 2010; **42**:21-23.  
Trepo E, et al. *J Hepatology* 2011; **55**:906-912
3. **NAFLD&HCC:** Sookoian S et.al. *Hepatology* 2011; **53**:1883-94.  
Trepo E, et al.. *Hepatology* 2013; Oct 1.

G allele confers a *higher risk of steatosis and/or fibrogenesis* in liver diseases, including:

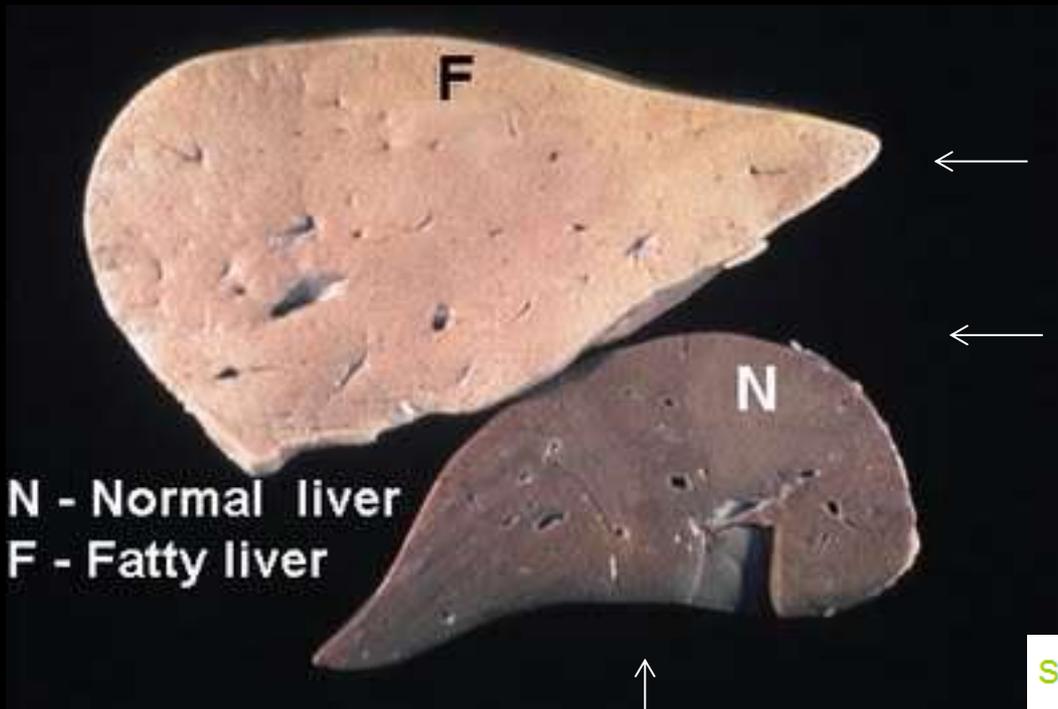
- ALD
- Chronic hepatitis B and C infection, and
- Hereditary hemochromatosis.

**The C>G SNP seems to be a risk factor in the development of advanced liver disease and hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)**

## I148M (G>C Allele) association with Alcoholic Cirrhosis (ALC)



Meta-analysis of the association of the rs738409 PNPLA3 polymorphism with ALC.  
*Patients with ALC as cases compared with alcoholics without liver disease.*



N - Normal liver  
F - Fatty liver

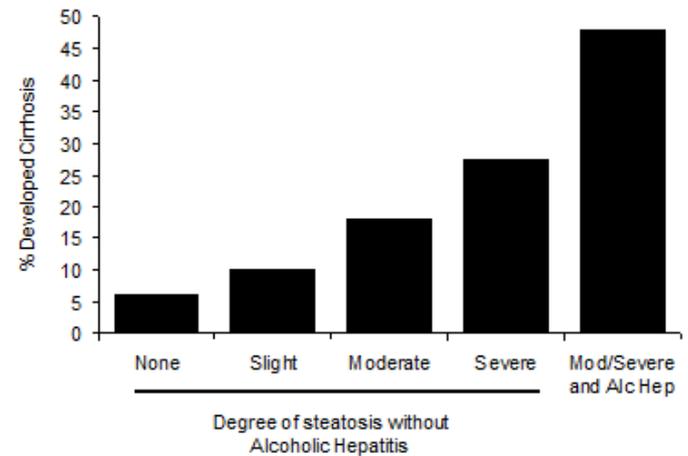
I148M is a major determinant of liver fat content and disease risk in ALD

I148M may independently determine fibrogenesis c.f its effects on liver fat

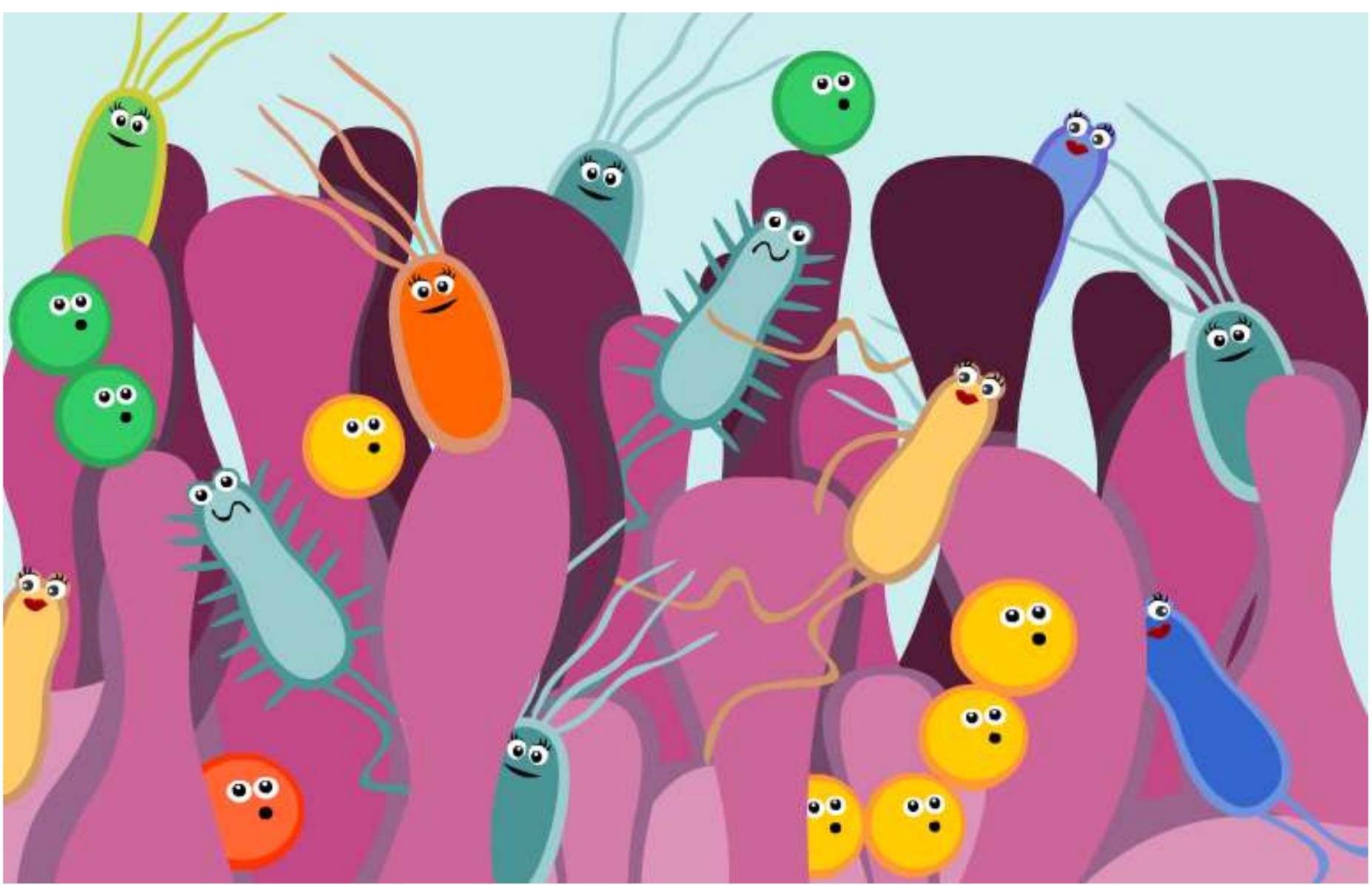
PNPLA3 increases risk of HCC

I148M modifies progression to steatohepatitis in alcoholic liver disease

### Steatosis, alcoholic hepatitis and risk of cirrhosis



Time ~ 12ys



# Microbiome and Dysbiosis

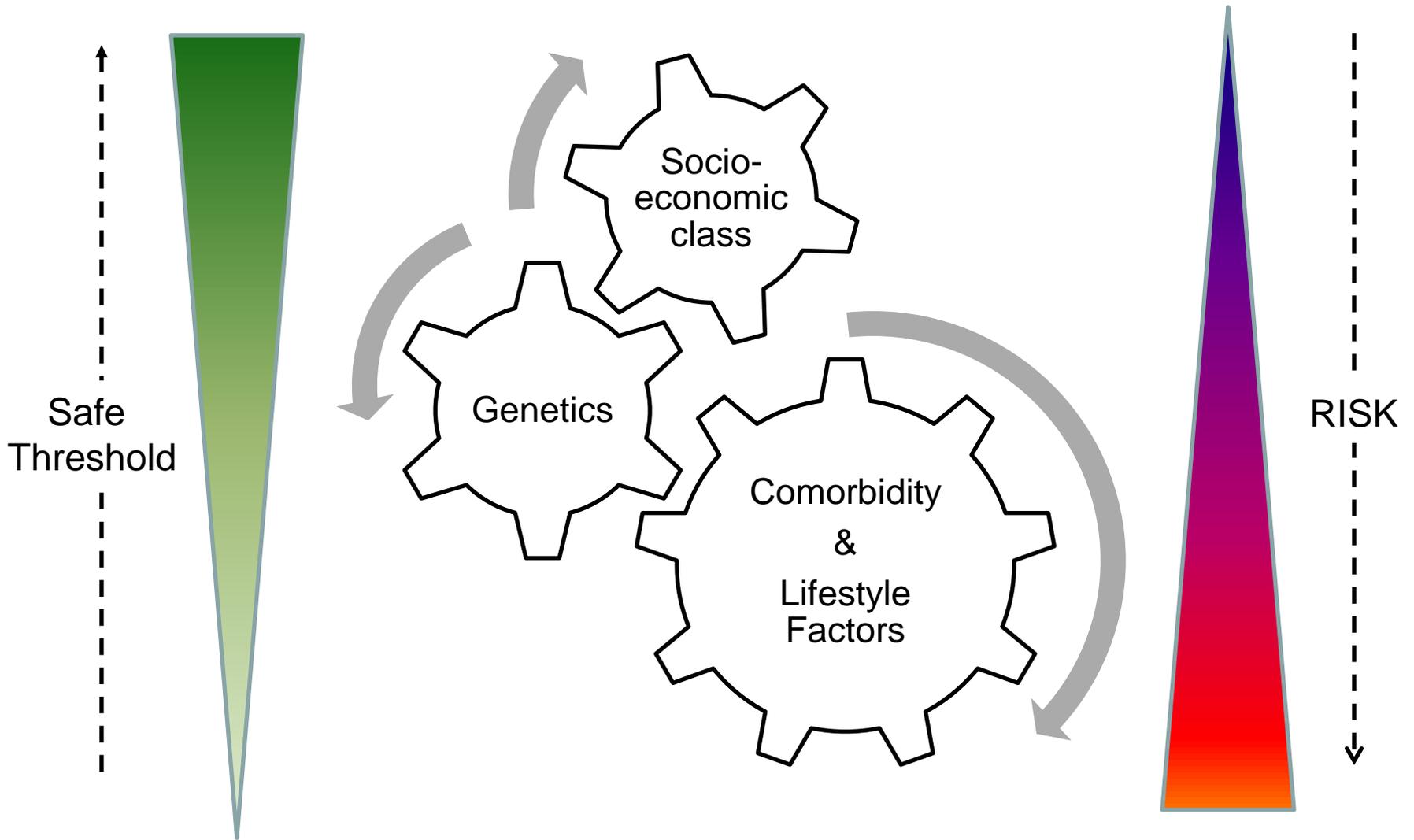
- CTP B8-C10 liver disease associated with increased gut permeability and translocation
- Microbiome dysbiosis increased in more advanced disease
- ArLD has a unique bile acid metabolome
- At similar MELD scores infected vs non-infected cirrhotics have very different flora
- Dysbiosis associated with increased IL-6, IL-1b & Secretory IgA

# Inflammation

- IL-17/ENA/IL-8 – Neutrophil infiltrate
- IL12 signalling
- IL-17 levels correlate with mortality
- Actions on the target receptor IL-22R signals through STAT-3 upregulated in Alcoholic Hepatitis

Persistent inflammation/immunosuppression  
catabolism syndrome = immune senescence

# Alcohol Thresholds, Risk and Liver Disease

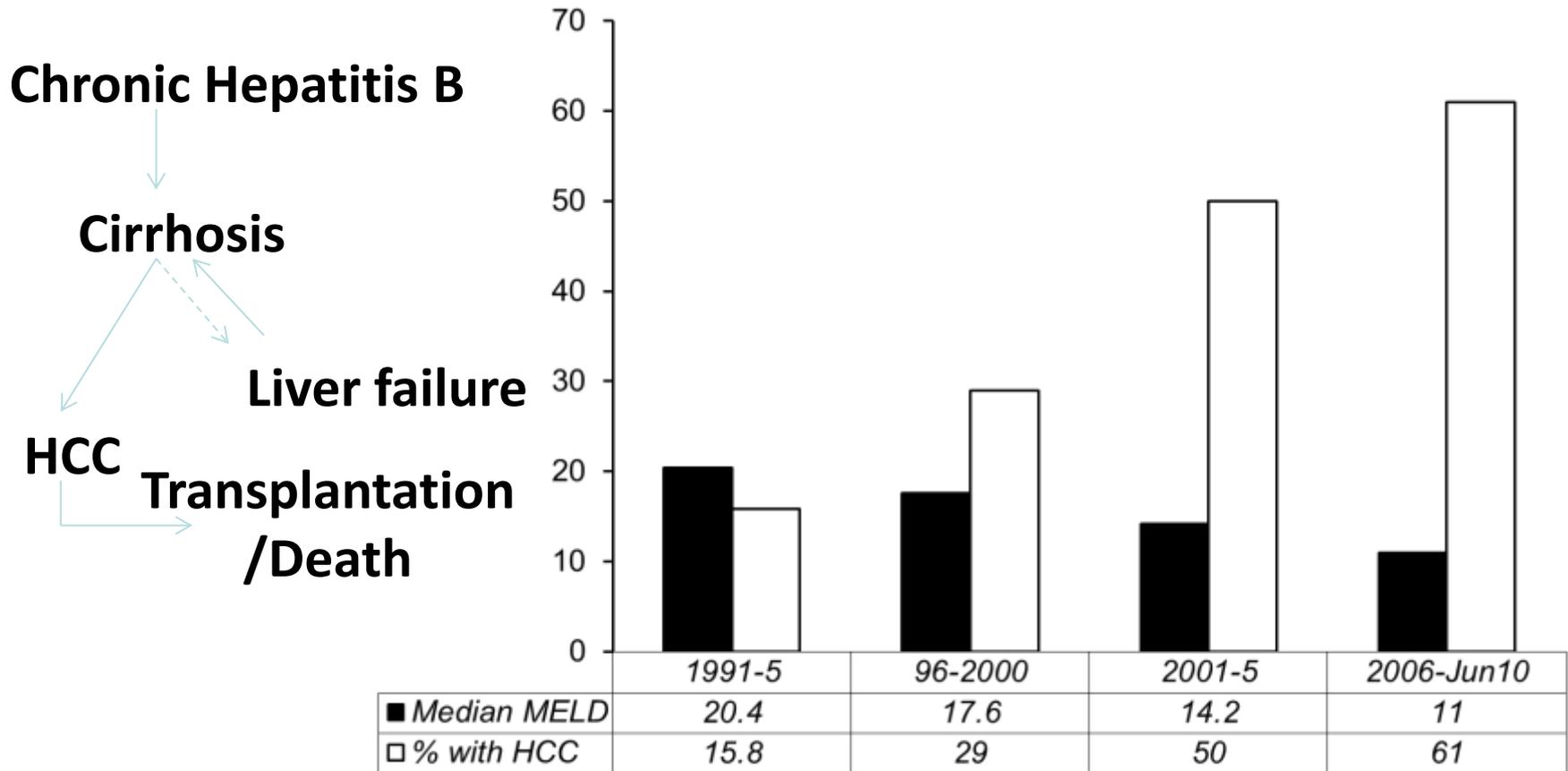


## Viral liver disease

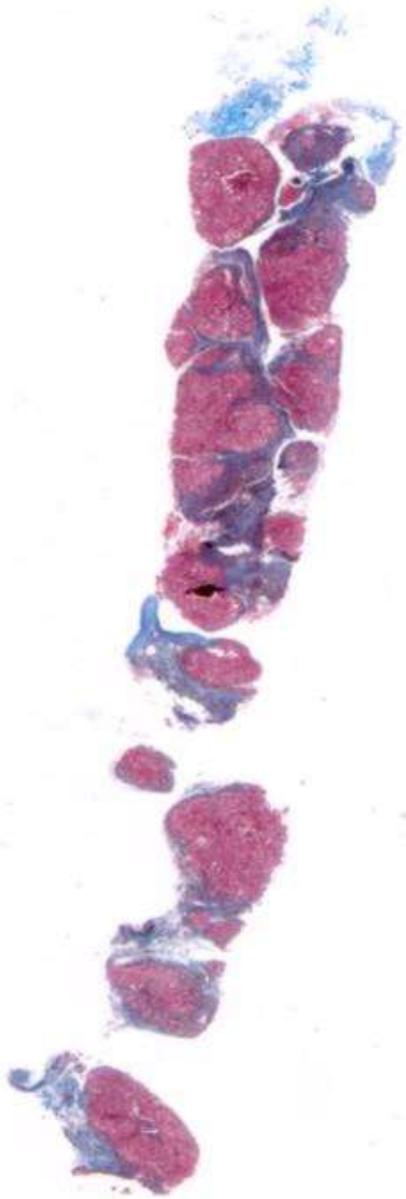
- Hepatitis B infection
- Hepatitis C infection
- Hepatitis D infection
- Hepatitis E



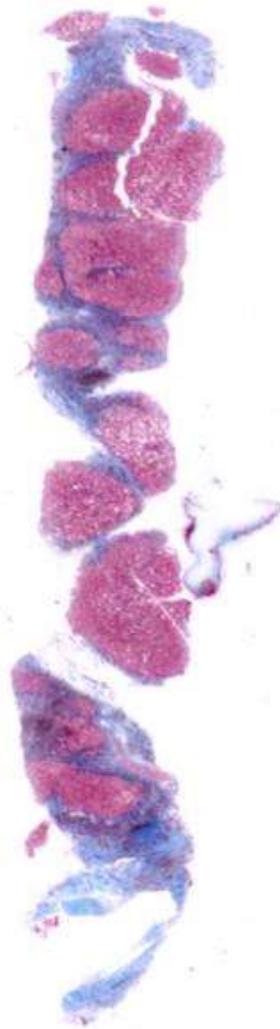
# How NUCs have changed liver transplantation



Entecavir 



Baseline  
Ishak fibrosis=6



Week 48  
Ishak fibrosis=6



Week 268 (5ys)  
Ishak fibrosis=2

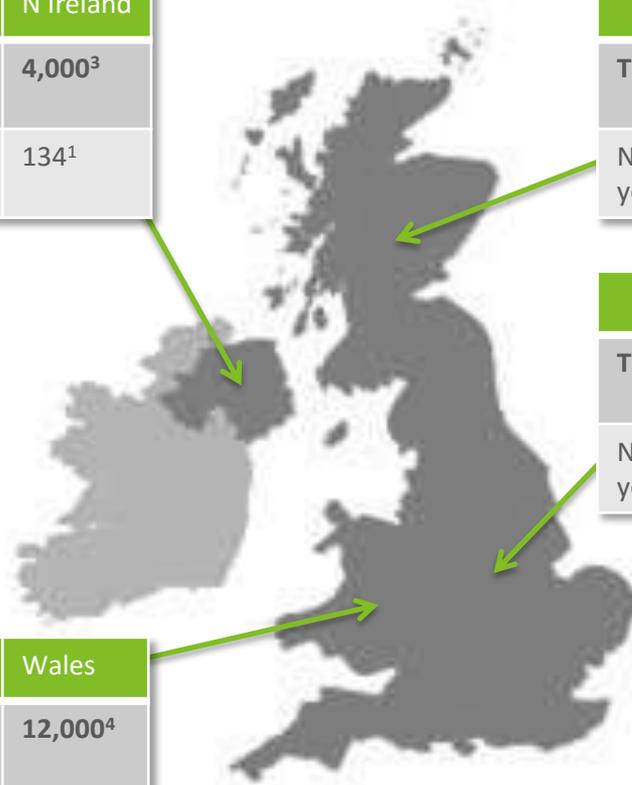
# HCV impacts significant patient numbers in the UK<sup>1</sup>

	N Ireland
Total HCV Infection	4,000 <sup>3</sup>
New diagnosis per year (2012)	134 <sup>1</sup>

	Scotland
Total HCV Infection	37,600 <sup>1</sup>
New diagnosis per year (2012)	1,991 <sup>1</sup>

	England
Total HCV Infection	160,000 <sup>1</sup>
New diagnosis per year (2012)	10,873 <sup>1,5</sup>

	Wales
Total HCV Infection	12,000 <sup>4</sup>
New diagnosis per year (2012)	480 <sup>1</sup>



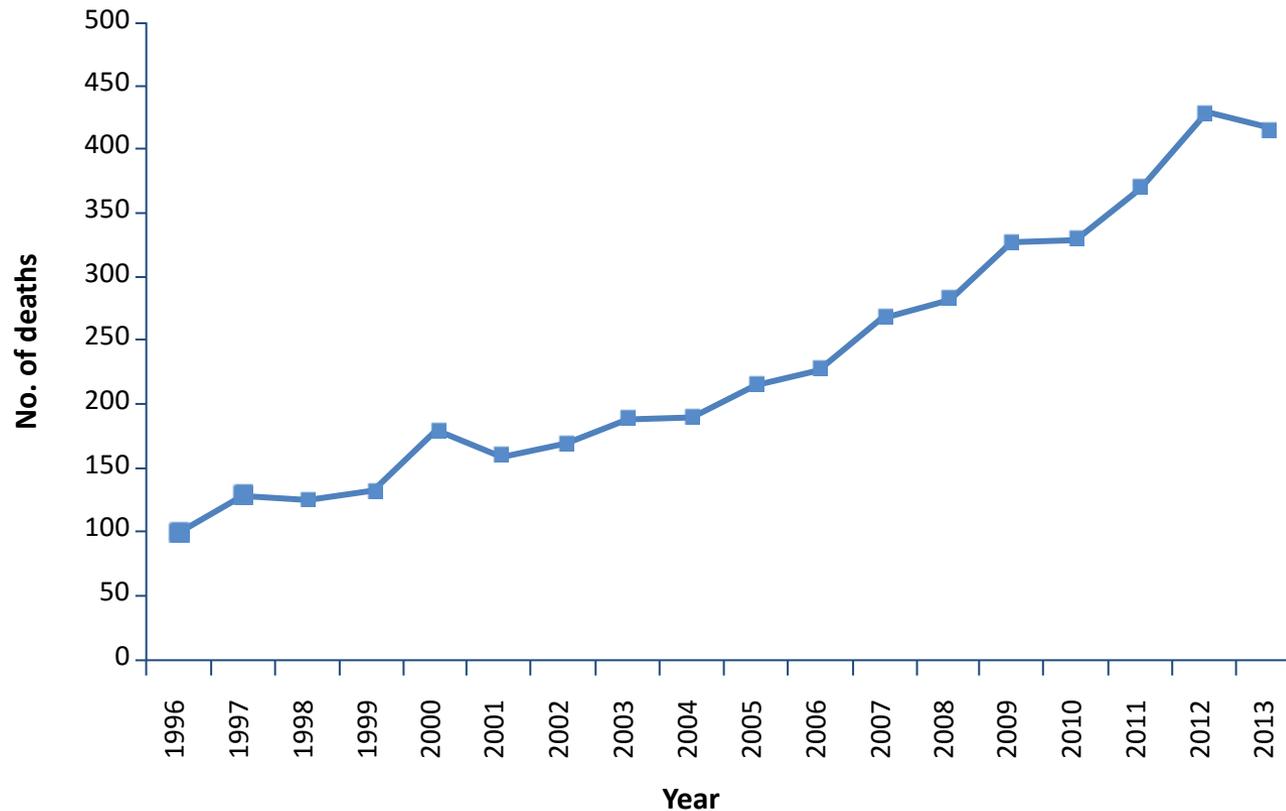
- 'Hot-spots' for HCV include<sup>2</sup>**
- London
  - Manchester
  - Bristol
  - Lancashire
  - Blackburn
  - Blackpool
  - Liverpool
  - Birmingham

90% G1 or G3

1. Health Protection Agency, Hepatitis C in the UK 2013. Accessed June 2014  
 2. HVA Action, Health and Wellbeing Boards & Hepatitis C: A review of the evidence from Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies, May 2014  
 3. Health and Safety Executive (HSE) website, Available at <http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/blood-borne-viruses/hepatitis-c.htm> Accessed June 2014  
 4. Public Health Wales website, Available at: <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/888/page/43746>. Accessed June 2014  
 5. NHS Choices website. Available at: <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/hepatitis-c/pages/introduction.aspx> Accessed on 8 May 2014

# Deaths from HCV in the UK

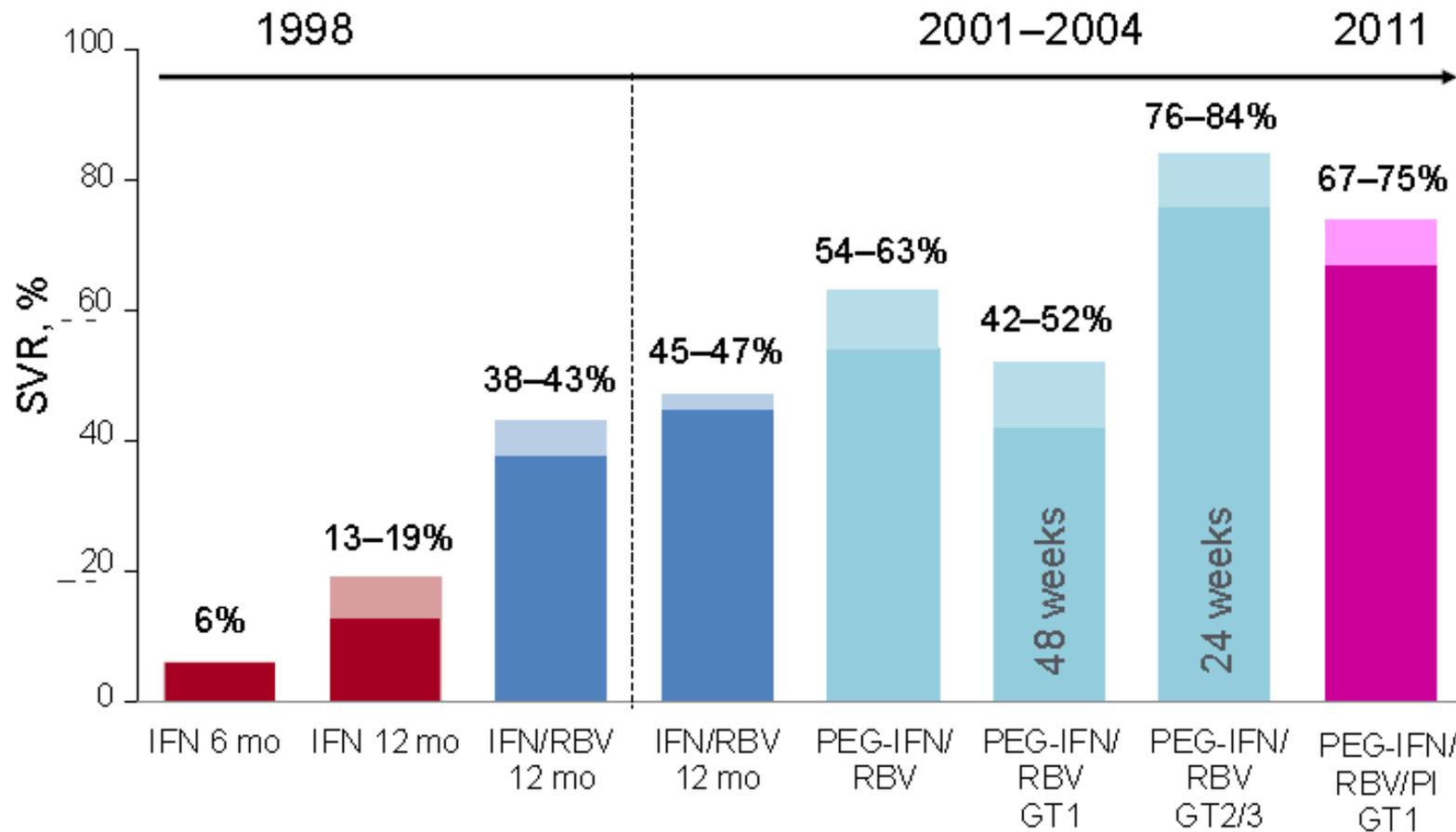
ESLD\* or HCC mentioned on the death certificate in the UK: 1996–2013



ESLD = end-stage liver disease; HCC = hepatocellular carcinoma

\* Defined by codes or text entries for ascites, bleeding oesophageal varices, hepatorenal syndrome, hepatic encephalopathy or hepatic failure

# Treatment timeline of chronic hepatitis C



## PEG-IFN trials

PEG-IFN2b: Manns Lancet 2001  
 PEG-IFN2a: Fried NEJM 2002;  
 Hadziannis Ann Int Med 2004

## PI trials

Boceprevir: Poordad NEJM 2011 (non-black cohort)  
 Telaprevir: Jacobsen NEJM 2011

## IFN trials

USA trial: McHutchison NEJM 1998  
 International trial: Poynard Lancet 1998

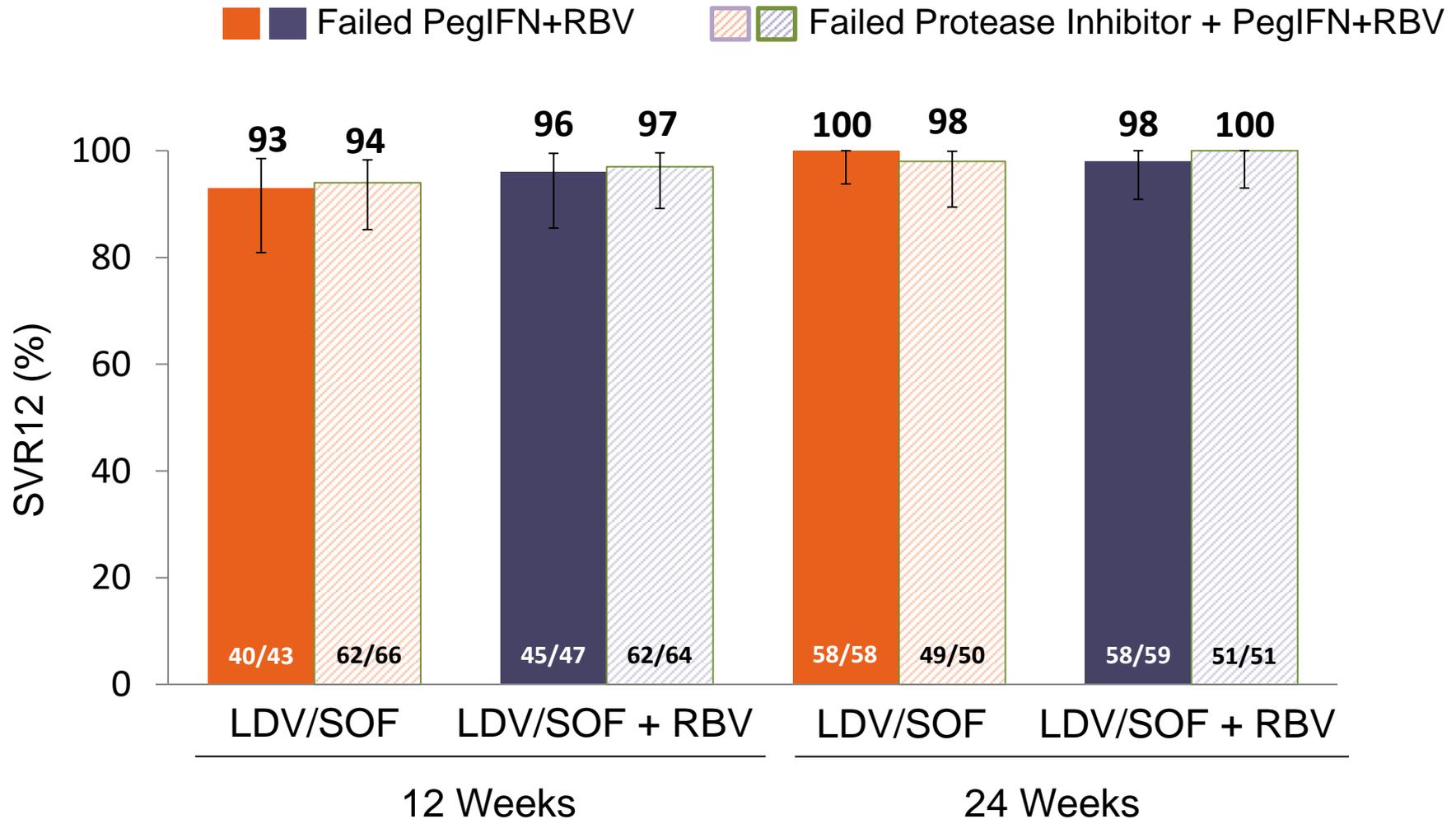
Adapted from Cornberg et al Hepatology 2013

*“The past is a foreign country: they do things differently there...”*

L.P. Hartley

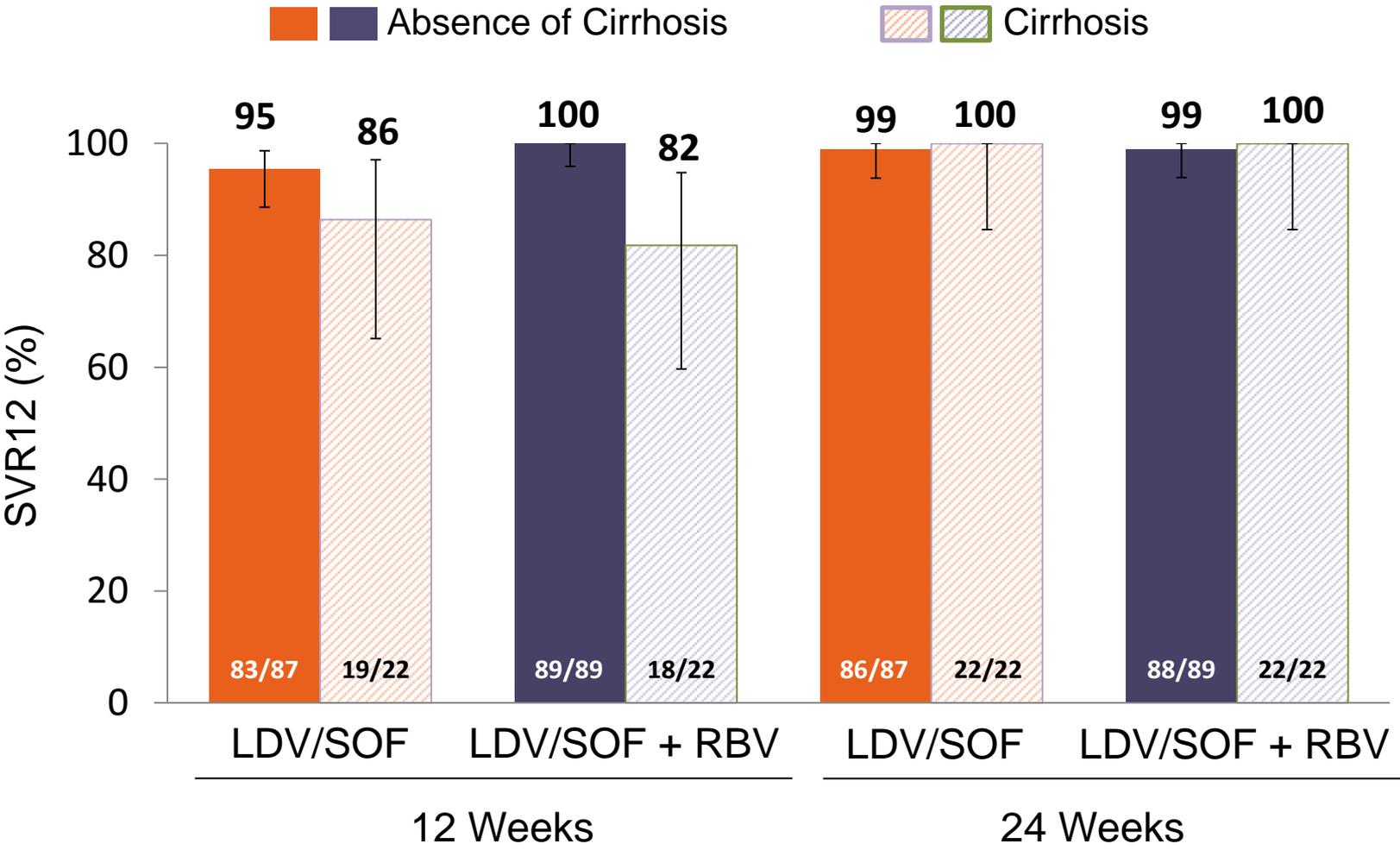
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# ION-2 Treatment Experienced



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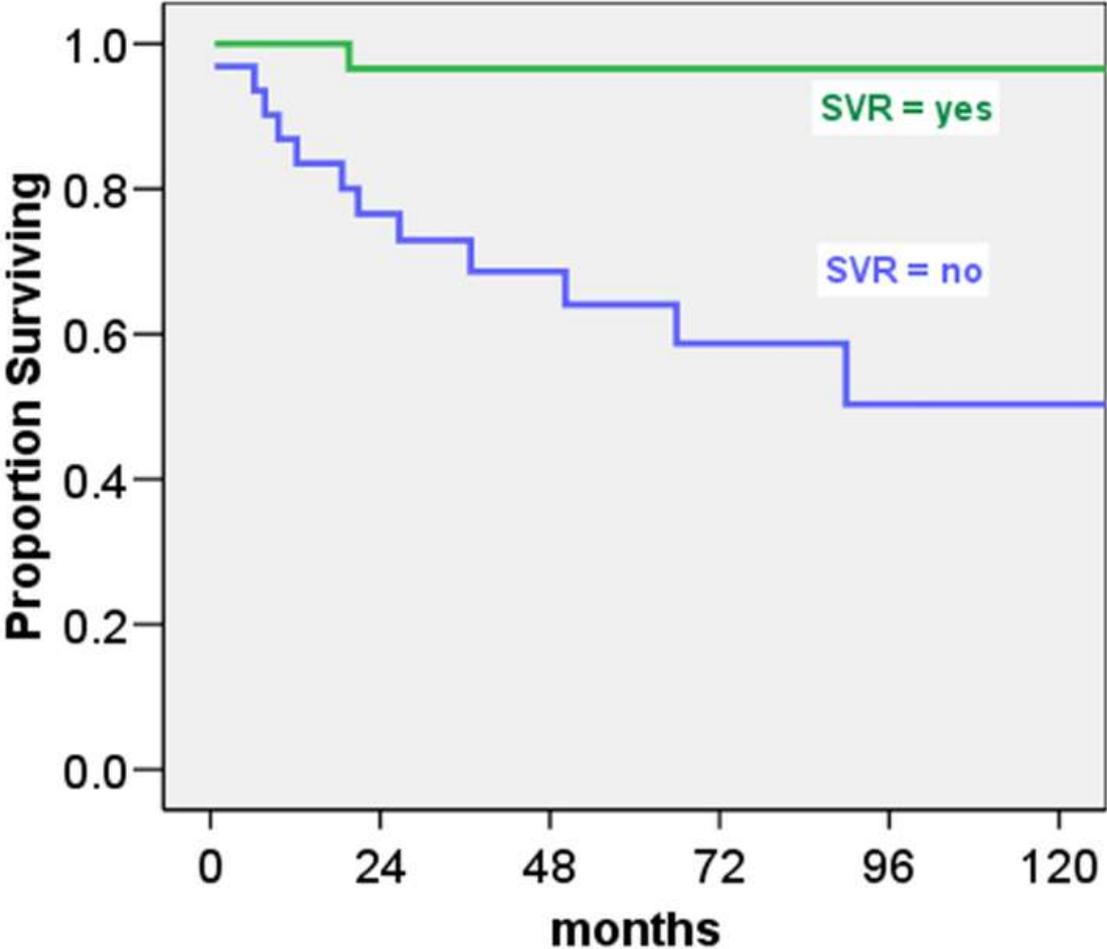


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# HCV Treatment Post-LT

Patient survival vs treatment outcome



(Birmingham unpublished)

pharma	Protease Inhibitor	NS5A inhibitor	Polymerase Inhibitor	ribavirin	duration (weeks)	cure rate	comments
MSD	MK 5172	MK 8742		not needed	12	>90%	including prior IFN non-responders
Gilead ION-1		Ledipasvir	Sofosbuvir	not needed	12	>90%	treatment-naïve
Gilead ION-2		Ledipasvir	Sofosbuvir	not needed	12 - 24	80-100%	including prior PI non-responders
AbbVie	ABT450 /ritonavir	Ombitasvir	Dasabuvir	always included	12	>90%	including prior IFN non-responders
Gilead Janssen	Simeprevir		Sofosbuvir	not needed	12	>90%	including prior IFN non-responders



## Child–Pugh score and prognosis

### Child–Pugh A

Prolonged survival expected in most patients – referral premature



- Variceal haemorrhage
- Sepsis
- Portal vein thrombosis
- Liver cancer

Graftable

Ungraftable

### Child–Pugh B

Suitable time for patient referral – good results predicted

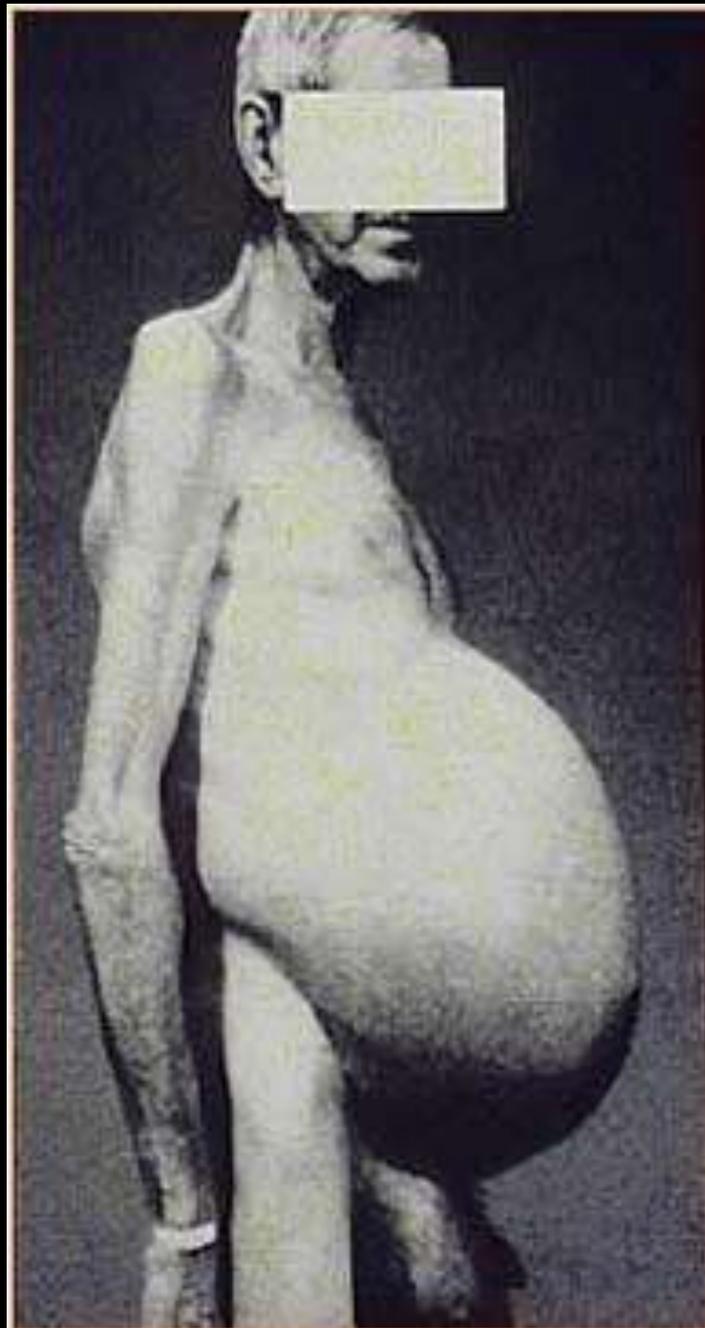


- Variceal haemorrhage
- An unpredictable event – patient may die or may decompensate rapidly, precluding transplantation

### Child–Pugh C

Transplantation becoming a higher-risk procedure  
Successful transplantation still possible but likelihood of survival reduced







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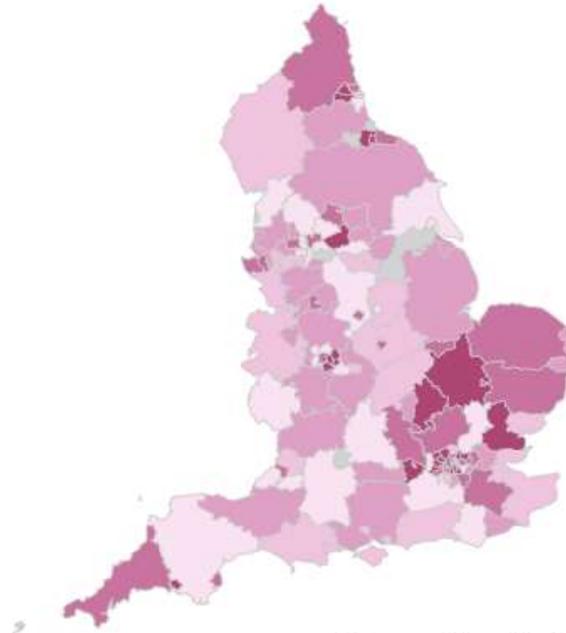
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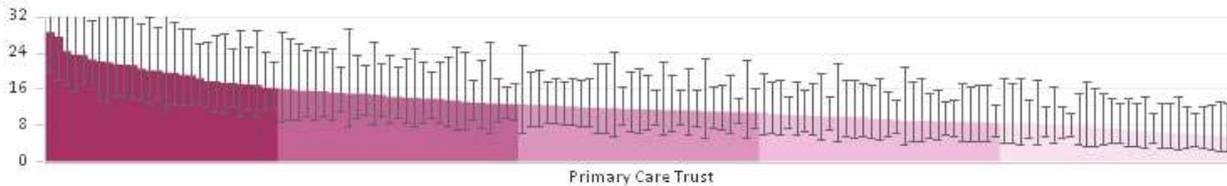
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# Liver Transplant by residence in PCT

Rate of liver transplantation per 100,000 population, by PCT, : 2006/7 - 2010/11



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