

Pre-existing liver disease and DILI: Putting it all together

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Prior liver disease & DILI

- **Susceptibility**

- Mechanism (s): Enzyme activity, inflammation, pharmacokinetic
- Pro: Methotrexate, niacin, isoniazid
- Con: Glitazones, statins

- **Outcomes**

- Mechanism (s): ↓ regeneration, ↑ fibrogenesis
- Pro: SOS in HCV, INH in chronic HBV

- **Approaches**

- Retrospective case series
- RCT in patients with liver disease
- DILI in patients with and without liver dz

“Idiosyncrasy”

Hippocrates, ~400 B.C.

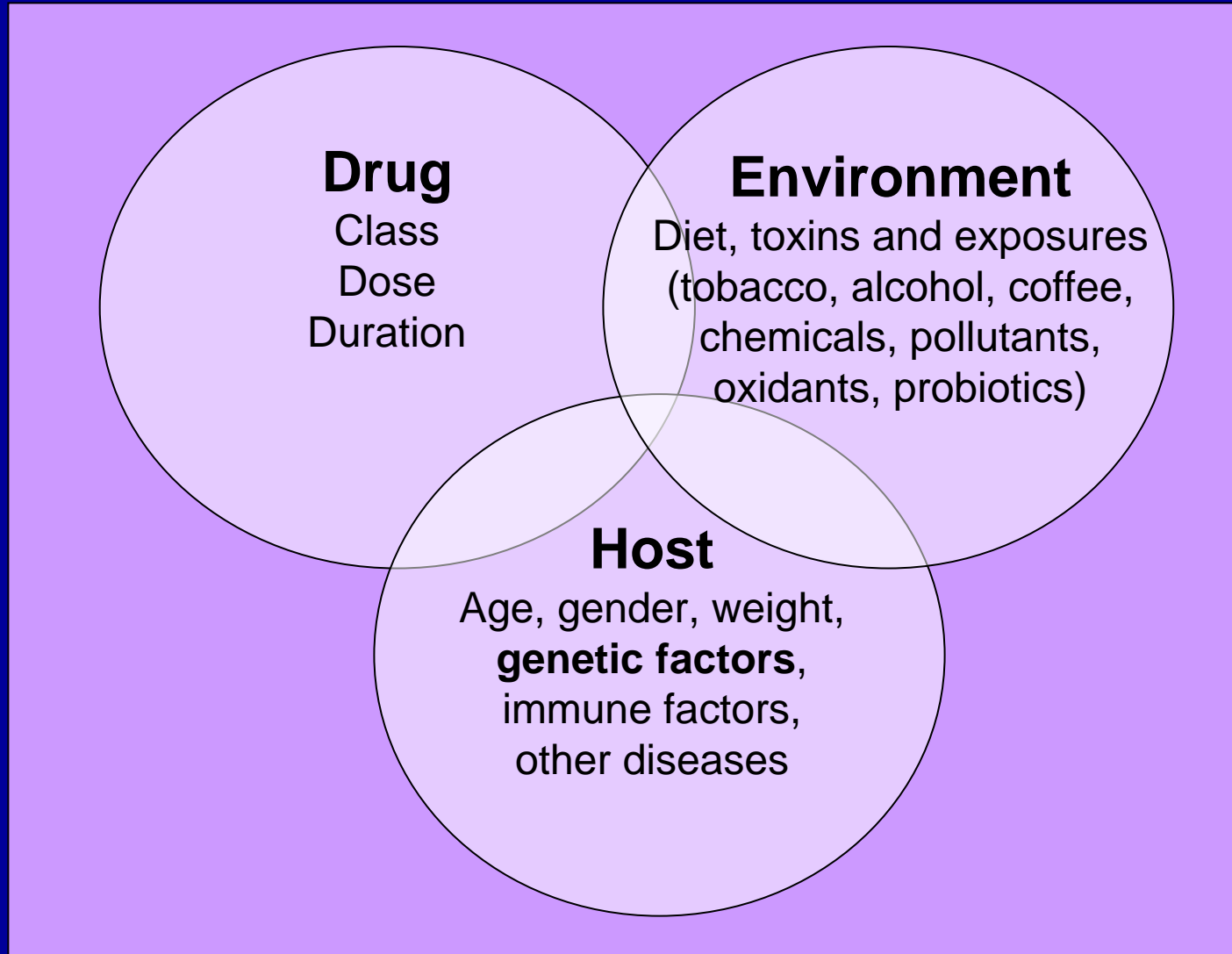
(idios) - one's own, self

(syn) - together

(crasis) - a mixing, mixture

**A person's own mixture of
characteristics, factors, nature and
nurture, uniquely**

DILI pathogenesis



DILI susceptibility

Liver disease rationale

- **Altered bioactivation pathways**
 - ↑ CYP2E1 in ALD, NAFLD
- **Reduced detoxification pathways**
 - ↓ GSH in ALD, advanced cirrhosis
- **Altered immune reactivity**
 - APAP in mice
 - ? Chronic HBV and isoniazid
- **Impaired clearance of parent drug/metabolite**
 - ↓ Blood flow, binding, metabolism

Pharmacokinetics & DILI

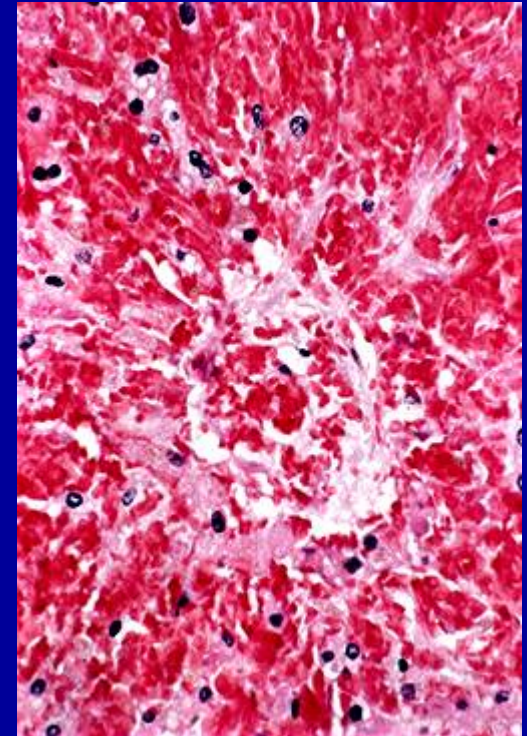
Drug	Risk factor
Acetaminophen	Total dose
Tetracycline	Total dose (renal fcn)
Methotrexate *	Total dose, alcohol, DM, liver dz
Pehexilene	Total dose, slow hydroxylator
Amiodarone	Dose over time
Cyclophosphamide	Total dose
Valproic acid	Total dose, young age
Oral contraceptives	Total dose (Adenomas)
Aspirin	Dose
Niacin *	Total dose
Bromfenac	Total dose

**Liver disease alters clearance of drug/ toxic early metabolite
or reduces protein binding in serum**

(Schenker J Hepatology 1999; 31)

Sinusoidal Obstruction Syndrome

- 30- 40% of BMT recipients
- Independent predictors (355)
 - Abnormal AST
 - Prior liver disease
 - HCV (+) OR: 9
 - Abdominal XRT
 - Donor/ recipient mismatch



Altered drug pK vs endothelial cells (↑ ICAM)

Isoniazid in chronic HBV

Vietnamese immigrants in the US

	sAg +/ eAg + N=22	sAg +/ eAg – N=33	sAg – N=103
Completed INH	38% *	81%	88%
↑ ALT	48% *	7%	3%
INH hepatitis	13% *	0%	0%

* P < 0.05 vs eAg – and sAg –.

(Patel Am J Gastroenterol 2002)

Isoniazid in chronic HBV

	HBsAg + INH rx N=43	HBsAg – INH rx N=276	HBsAg + No INH N=86
Age	44.9	45.8	44.9
% eAg +	21%		20%
% abnormal BL ALT	23%	6%	17%
% Hepatotoxicity *	35% ^	9%	8%
% Hepatotoxicity **	23% ^	9%	2%
% Hospitalized	18% ^	6%	0%

* ALT > 1.5 x BL ** anti-HBe conv/ ↑ BL ALT removed

^ p < 0.05

- Age and HBsAg + independent predictors of hepatotoxicity
- Most episodes of hepatotoxicity associated with ↑ HBV DNA

(Wong Hepatology 2000; 31)

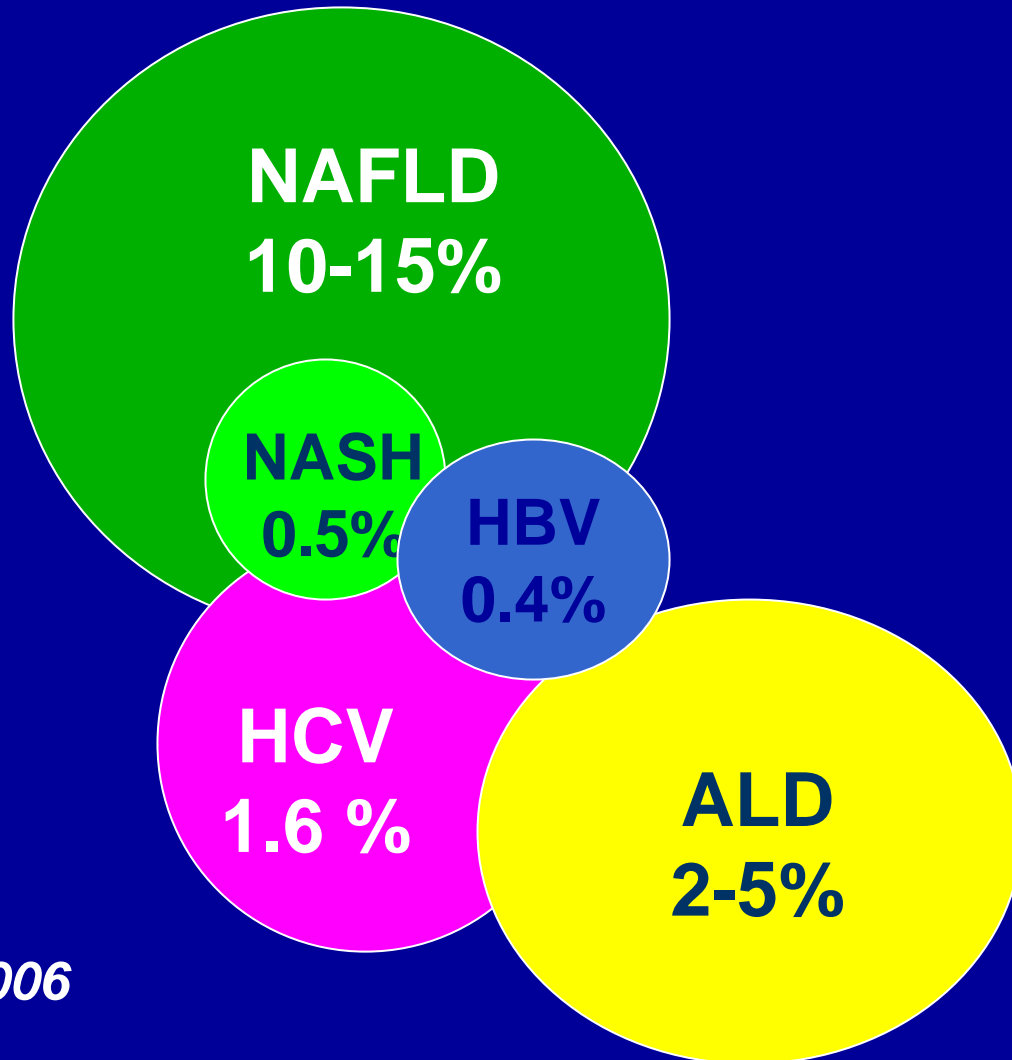
Hepatic steatosis and liver injury

- Oxidative stress may ↑ susceptibility to mitochondrial toxins
 - Tamoxifen: DM, hyperlipidemia (OR:3.6) ¹
- **Methotrexate:** Obesity, diabetes, alcohol, & liver dz ²
- **US ALFSG:** Obese had greater txp/death (OR: 1.63) ³
- **LDLT:** Post-op cholestasis, delayed graft fcn ~ steatosis ^{4,5}
 - (Bruno BMJ 2005)
 - (Langman J Gastroenterol Hepatol 2001; 16)
 - (Rutherford Clin Gastro Hep 2006)
 - (Hayashi Trans Proc 1998)
 - (Lo Liver Transpl 2003; 9)

US Liver Disease

Diabetes
70-80% NAFLD

Obese
30-50% NAFLD



NHANES IV, 2006

Contraindicated in Liver Disease*

Methotrexate

Pemoline

Tolcapone

Valproate

Dantrolene

Clonazepam

Felbamate

Tacrine

Estrogens

Metformin

Niacin

Gemfibrozil

Lovastatin & others

*** Package Insert**

LFT monitoring recommended

Amiodarone

Flutamide

Tretinoin

Fluconazole

Pemoline

Labetalol

Disulfiram

Methyldopa

Diclofenac

Carbamazepine

Valproic acid

Methotrexate

Nitrofurantoin

Allopurinol

Cyclosporine

Mercaptopurine

Ritonavir

Pyrazinamide

Isoniazid

Mirtazapine

Clonazepam

Ketaconazole

Nicotinic Acid

Gemfibrozil

Statins

Fenofibrate

Pioglitazone

Rosiglitazone

Tamoxifen

*** Per package insert**

Hepatotoxicity of thiazolidindiones

	Drug ALT > 3X	Placebo ALT > 3 X
Troglitazone	1.9%	0.6%
Pioglitazone	0.26%	0.25%
Rosiglitazone	0.25%	0.18%

Rosiglitazone in diabetics

	Abnormal BL ALT * n=210	Normal ALT N=628	p
% chronic HBV/ HCV	4.5%	2%	
Peak ALT < 10 X ULN	10%	6.6%	0.2
Peak ALT > 10 X ULN	0.9%	0.6%	0.9
Bili > 3.0	0%	0.3%	0.9
Discontinuation over 12 months	8.6%	8.1%	1.0

* 61% normal ALT at 12 mon vs 51% in untreated liver controls p=0.02

Statin hepatotoxicity

	Normal ALT N=1437	Abn ALT * N=342	Liver dz N=2245
Age	57 + 12	54 + 12	48 + 18
Weight	201 + 51	205 + 53	196 + 60
Base AST	22 + 7	55 + 37	57 + 49
Base ALT	20 + 8	43 + 23	61 + 47
Chol (mg/dl)	245 + 44	240 + 82	213 + 51
Atorvastatin	47%	43%	
Simvastatin	50%	55%	
Fluvastatin	3%	2%	

*** Alcohol, HCV, HBV excluded**

(Chalasani Gastroenterology 2004)

Statin hepatotoxicity

	Normal ALT	Abn. ALT	Liver dz
Statin duration (yr)	0.48±0.08	0.48±0.08	
Statin discontinue	10.7%	11.1%	
↑ AST/ALT 1-10 xULN	1.7%	4.7%	6.4%
	p=0.002		p=0.2
↑ AST/ALT >10 xULN	0.2%	0.6%	0.4%
	p=0.6		p=0.6

RCT of pravastatin in patients with liver disease

- Inclusion
 - LDL > 100 mg/dl
 - Chronic liver dz: **64% NAFLD** 24% HCV 12% other

	Pravastatin (n=160)	Placebo (n=160)
% ↓↓ T cholesterol	20%*	3%
% ↓↓ LDL	31% *	3%
% ↑↑ ALT > 2X BL	7.5%	12.5%

Time to ALT ↑↑ and cumulative % at week 36 similar

(#446 Lewis DDW 2006)



Prospective Entry Criteria

- Children ≥ 2 years and adults
- Within 6 months of liver injury onset
 - AST or ALT > 5 ULN or BL
 - Alk Phos > 2 ULN or BL
 - Bilirubin ≥ 2.5 mg/dl
- Prior HCV, HBV, NAFLD encouraged
 - **Exclude:** Liver txp, known AIH, PSC, PBC



Prospective study

- **35** of 215 (**16%**) cases had prior liver dz
 - **15** of 99 (**15%**) adjudicated cases had prior liver dz
 - 15 adjudicated similar to other 18
- **PMH liver disease (n=15)**
 - 8 chronic HCV
 - 5 abnormal LFT's
 - 1 chronic HBV
 - 3 NAFLD
 - 1 ALD
 - 1 PBC

Adjudicated cases

	Prior Liv dz n=15	No Liv dz N=84
Female	67%	58%
Caucasian	80%	80%
Age at onset	53 + 10	46 + 19
Prior drug allergies	27%	54%
Single Rx drug *	46.7%	72.6%
Single CAM	6.7%	4.8%
Multiple drug/CAM	46.7%	22.6%

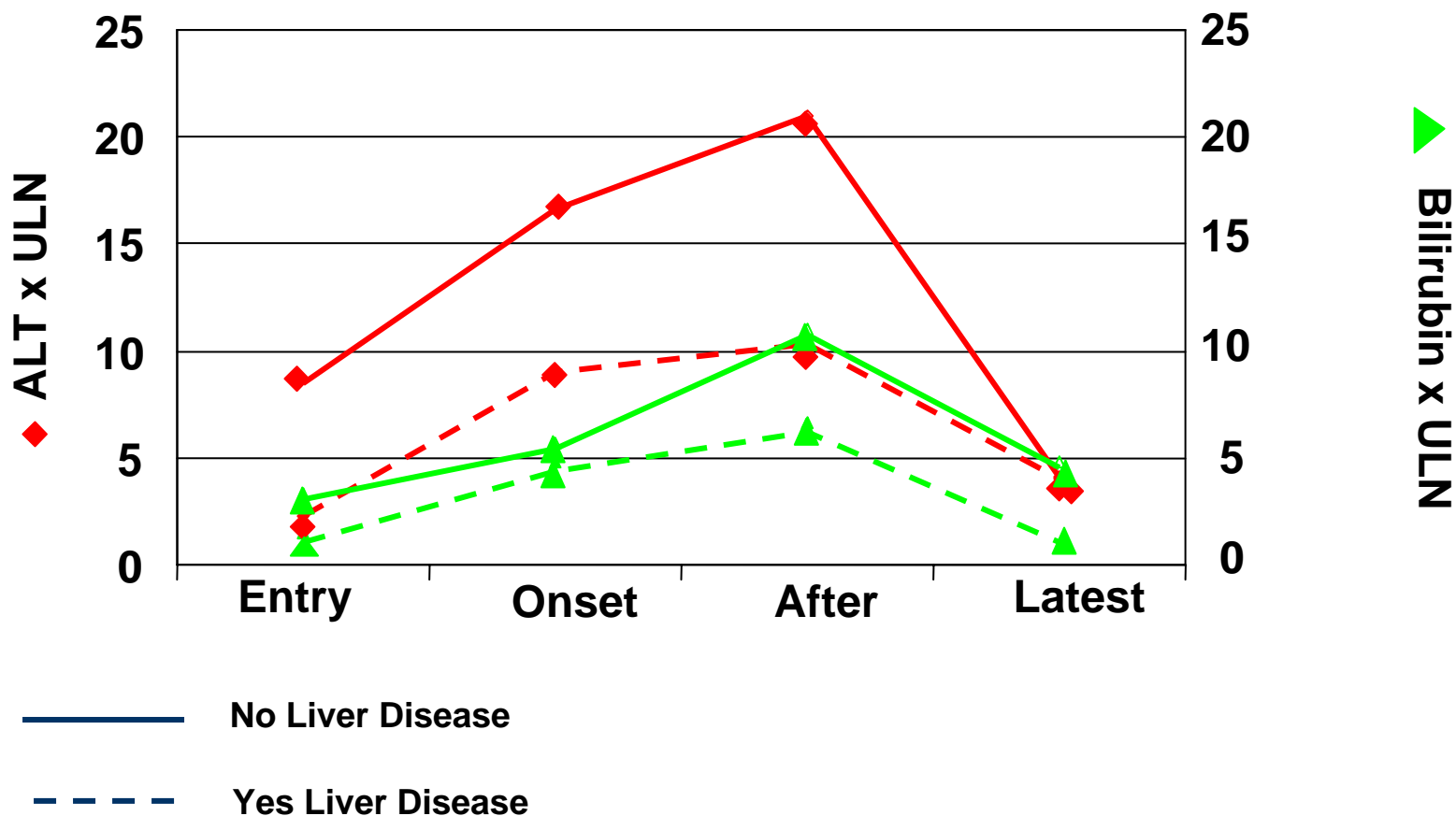
* Antibiotics most common (50% and 37%)

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Adjudicated cases

	Prior Liv dz n=15	No Liv dz N=84
Jaundice	60%	70%
Pruritis	40%	48%
Fever/ rash	7%/ 20%	37%/ 24%
Ascites	0%	11%
Liver biopsy	47%	44%
Hepatocellular/ mixed-cholestatic	62%/ 38%	56%/ 44%
Hospitalized	47%	70%
Steroids	7%	23%
Liver transplant	0%	1%

Adjudicated cases



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Causality assessment

A panel of study hepatologists assess the strength of causal relationship between the implicated drug and liver injury

	Prior Liv dz n=15	No Liv dz N=84
Definite (> 95%)	33.3%	32.1%
Very Likely (75-95%)	26.7%	42.9%
Probable (50-75%)	20.0%	13.1%
Possible (25-50%)	20.0%	9.5%
Unlikely (< 25%)	0%	2.4%

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Idiosyncratic DILI

- “The oft-cited warning that drugs known to produce hepatic injury should not be given to patients with liver disease has little foundation in fact” ¹
- Beyond isoniazid “underlying hepatic disease appears to have no **significant** effect on **most** forms of hepatic injury ”

(¹ Zimmerman Hepatotoxicity 1999)