

# Diagnóstico, prevención y manejo terapéutico del NAFLD/MAFLD en las personas con infección VIH

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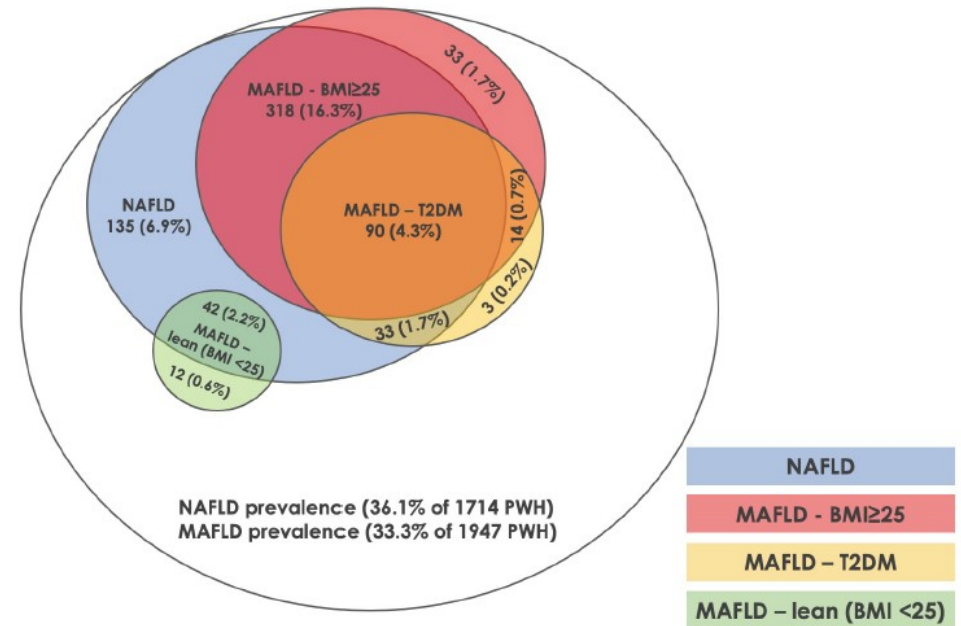
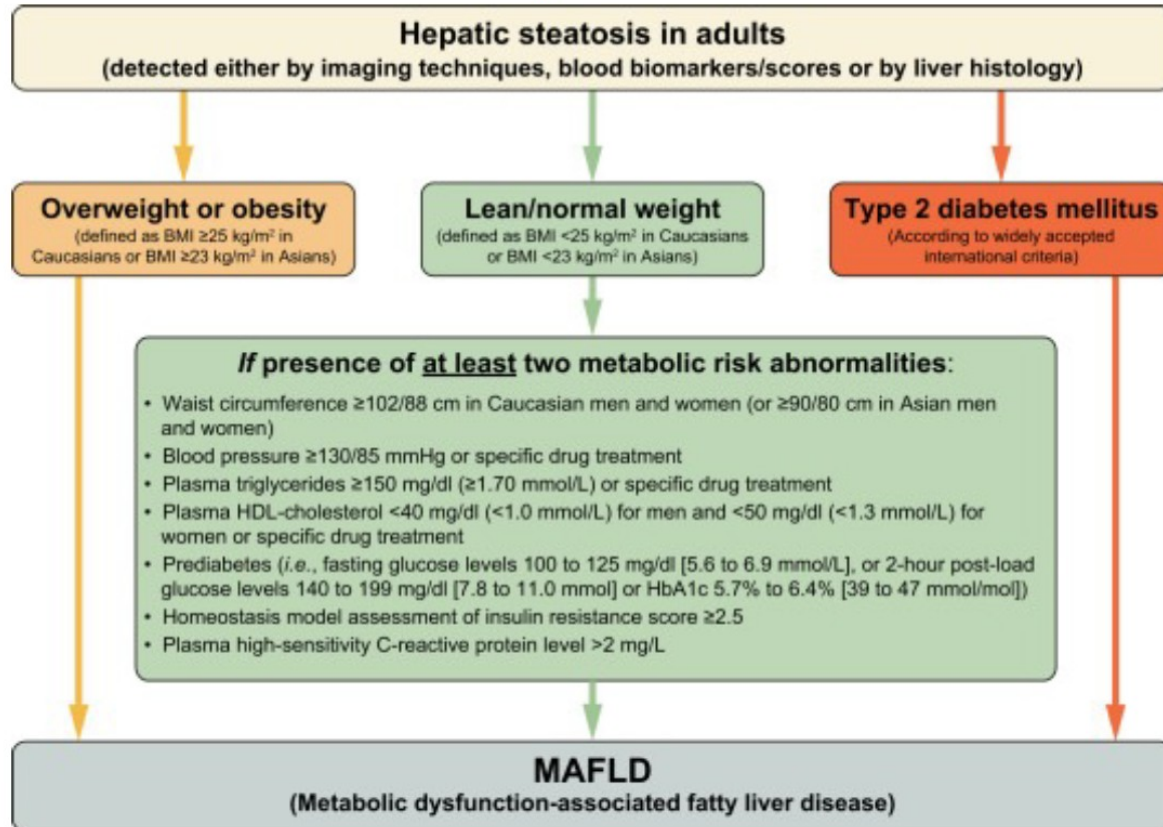
- En los últimos cinco años he recibido honorarios como ponente y/o recibido ayudas para la investigación de:
  - Abbvie
  - Gilead
  - Janssen
  - MSD
  - Viiv
- No tengo ningún conflicto de intereses con esta exposición, recibo honorarios por la misma.

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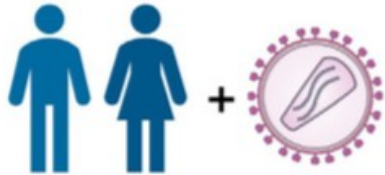


# Magnitud del problema

## Prevalence and characteristics of NAFLD and fibrosis in people living with HIV monoinfection: a systematic review and meta-analysis

### Background

People living with HIV (PLWH) are at increased risk for NAFLD



Prevalence of NAFLD, NASH and fibrosis are unknown

### Key Findings



43 studies



8230 patients

Prevalence estimates:

On imaging:

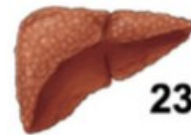


NAFLD  
**33.9%** (CI: 29.6%-38.3%)



Fibrosis ( $\geq 7.1$  kPa)  
**12%** (CI: 10%-14.1%)

On Biopsy:



Fibrosis ( $\geq$  F2 on histology)  
**23.3%** (CI: 14.9%-32.7%)



NASH  
**48.7%** (CI: 34.3%-63.3%)

Potential NAFLD risk factors

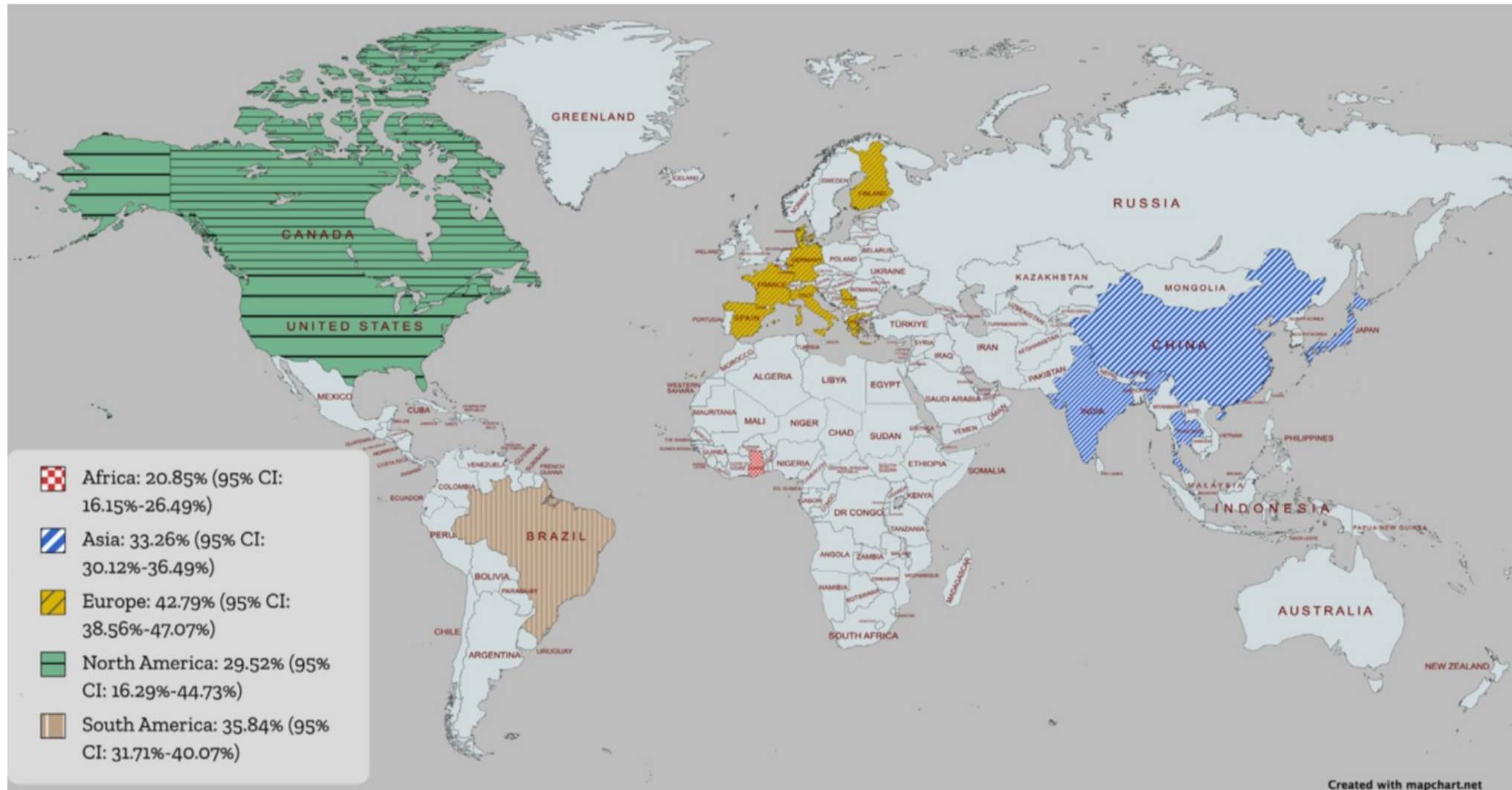


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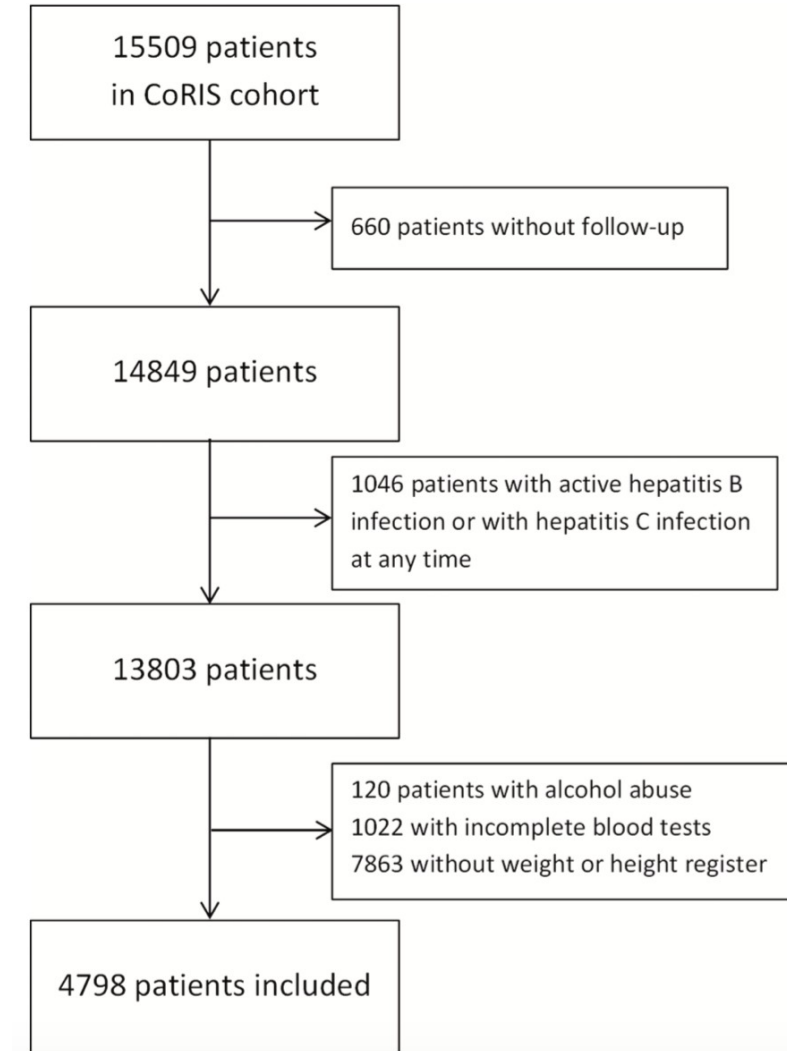
Original article

Prevalence of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease in a multicentre cohort of people living with HIV in Spain.

Jordi Navarro <sup>a,b,\*</sup>, Adrian Curran <sup>a,b,\*</sup>, Berta Raventós <sup>b,c</sup>, Jorge García <sup>a,b</sup>, Paula Suanzes <sup>a,b</sup>, Vicente Descalzo <sup>a,b</sup>, Patricia Álvarez <sup>a,b</sup>, Nuria Espinosa <sup>d</sup>, Marisa Luisa Montes <sup>e</sup>, Inés Suárez-García <sup>f</sup>, Concha Amador <sup>g</sup>, Roberto Muga <sup>g</sup>, Vicenç Falcó <sup>a,b</sup>, Joaquín Burgos <sup>a,b</sup>, on behalf of the Spanish HIV Research Network (CoRIS)

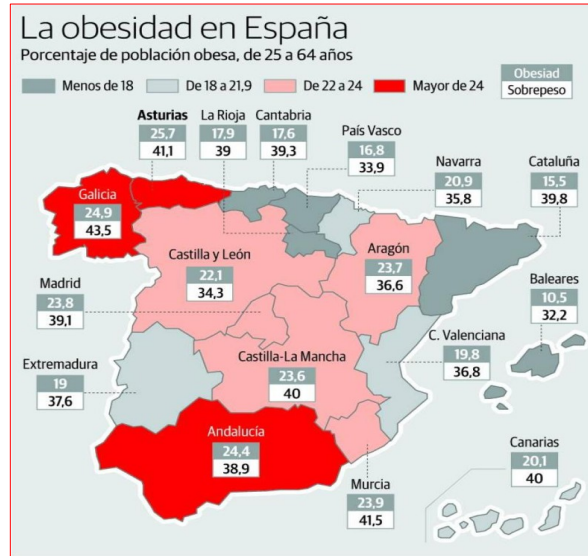
NAFLD (HSI >36) → 30,5%

Fibrosis significativa (NFS >0.675) → 1,1%



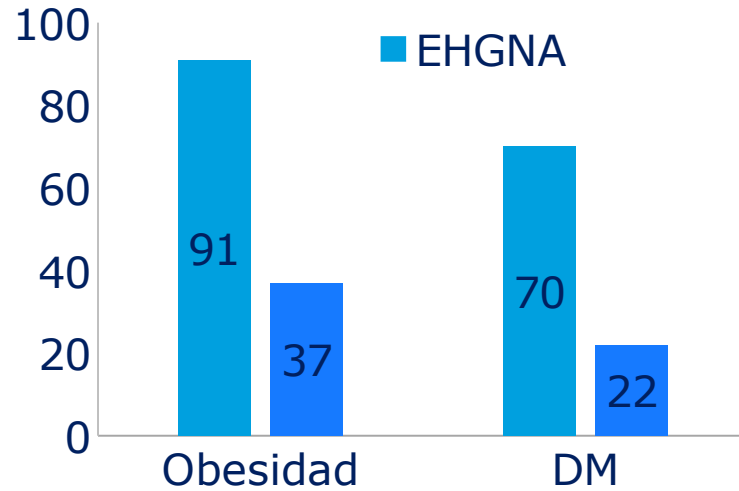
# Prevalencia de EHGNA en pacientes con factores de riesgo. Situación Española

Prevalencia aumenta en paralelo al síndrome metabólico y sus componentes (obesidad, dislipemia y DM)

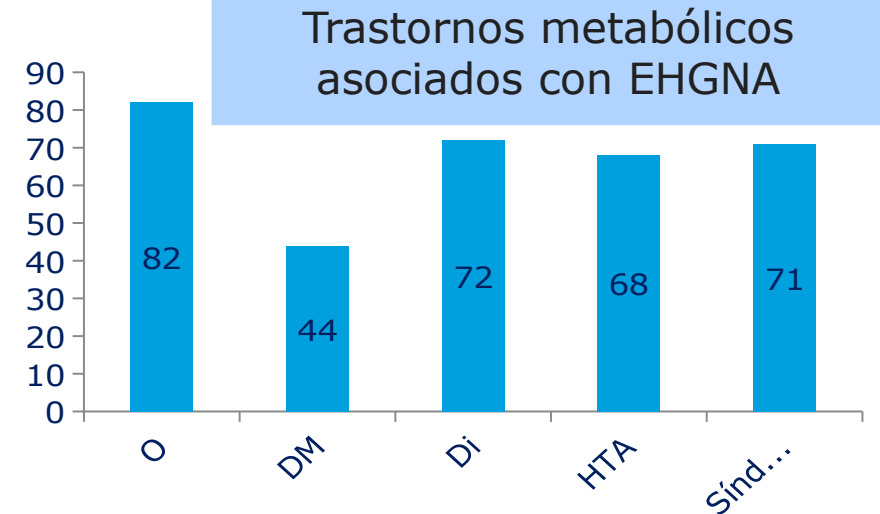


Andalucía y Galicia, Comunidades Autónomas con una mayor prevalencia de Obesidad

En España, obesidad aumento de 2-3 veces en últimas 3 décadas



Machado M et al. J Hepatol 2006;45:600-6  
Soriguer F et al. Diabetología 2012;55:88-93



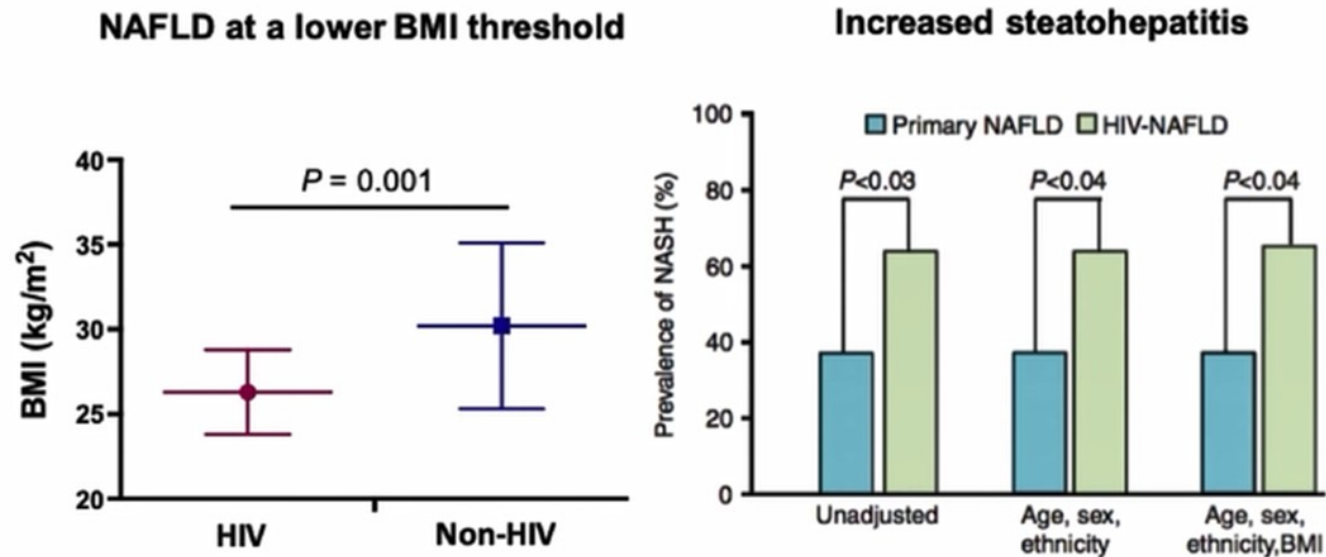
Younossi ZM et al. Hepatology 2016;64:73-84



# NAFLD en PLWH se presenta con un IMC menor

## NAFLD is Exaggerated in HIV

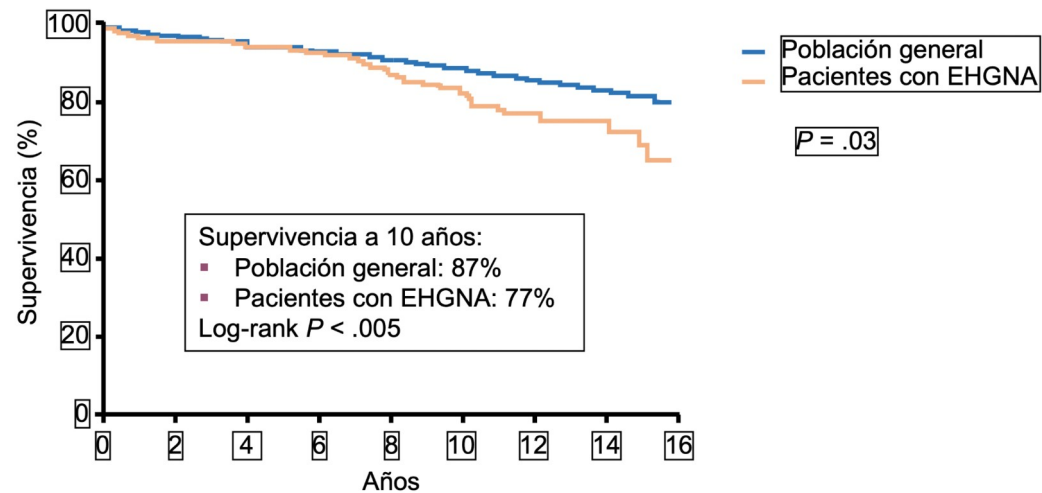
*HIV as a disease model of accelerated NAFLD progression*



# Mortalidad EHGA

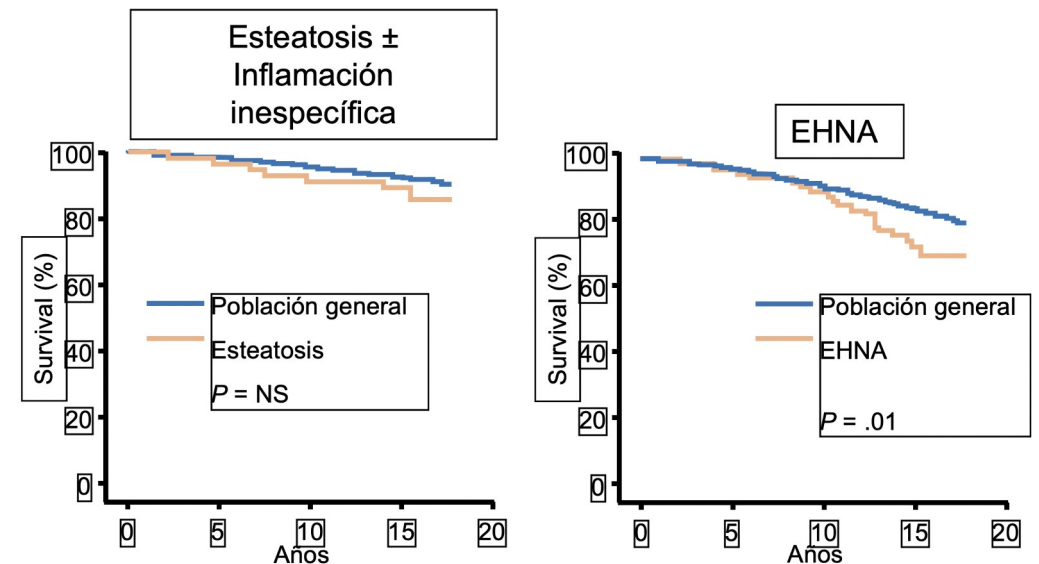
420 pacientes con EHGA ajustados por edad y sexo

Seguimiento durante  $7,6 \pm 4$  años



129 pacientes suecos con EHGA ajustados por edad y sexo

Seguimiento durante 13,7 años

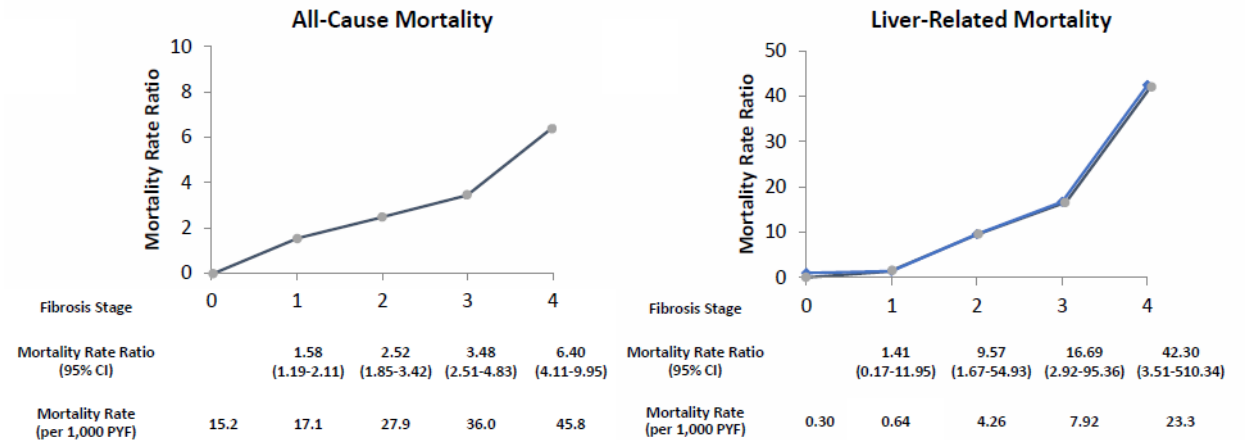


Menor supervivencia en pacientes con EHGA que en población general

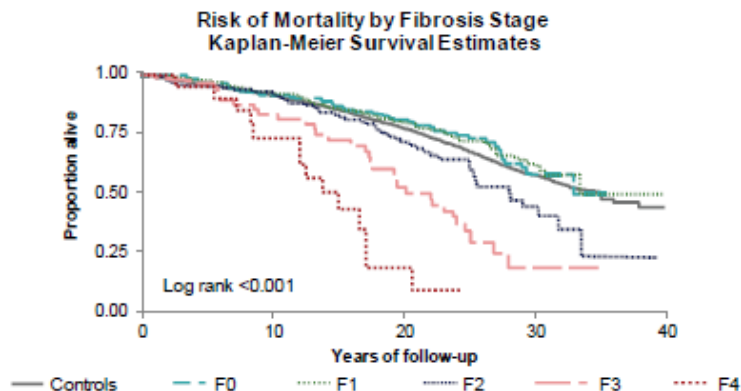
# Mortalidad EHGA

La fibrosis es el único predictor independiente de mortalidad

Fibrosis Stage	Liver-Related Events	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
0	1.6%	1.0 (reference)
1	2.8%	2.3 (0.6-8.7)
2	7.1%	6.7 (2.0-22.0)
3	13.7%	13.4 (4.2-42.6)
4	23.5%	52.9 (13.3-210)



Retrospective cohort study of 646 biopsy-proven NAFLD patients

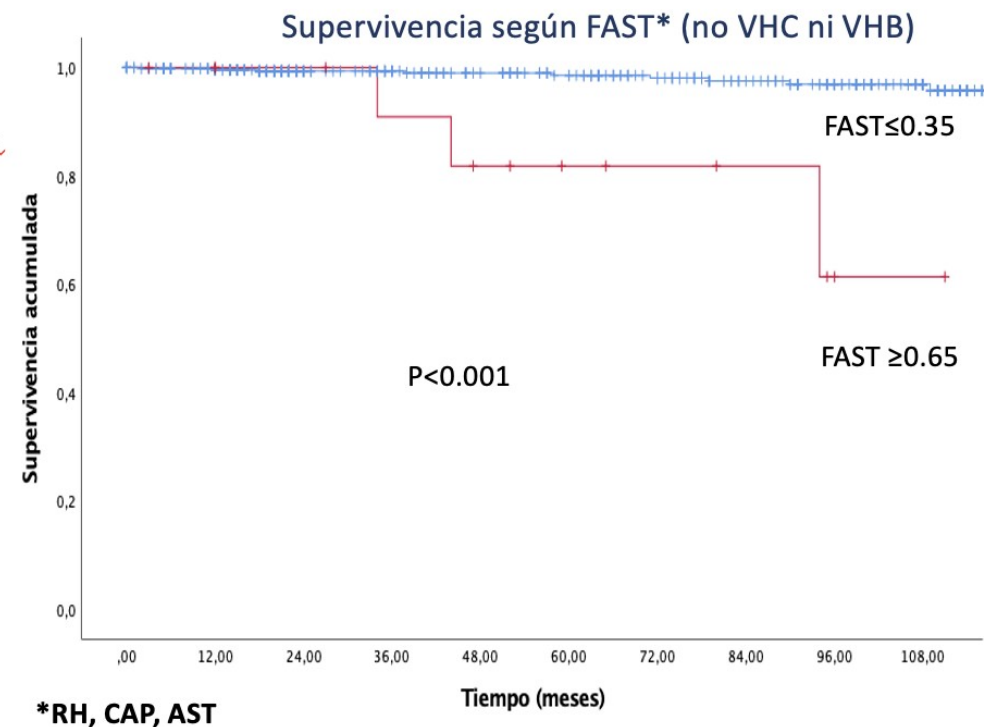
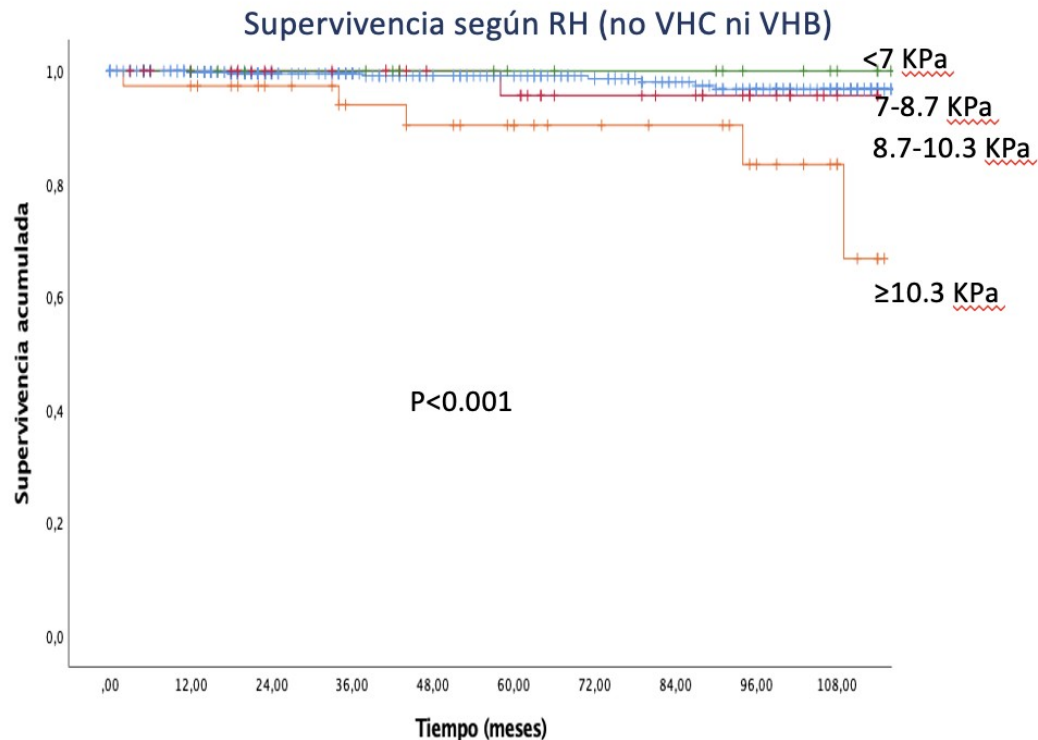


Risk of mortality increased per stage of fibrosis, with significant increases for F3 and F4; NASH did not significantly change these estimates

El riesgo de mortalidad hepática aumenta exponencialmente con cada estadio de fibrosis

# Mortalidad EHGA en PVVIH. Rigidez y FAST

- Estudio multicéntrico prospectivo de cohortes. España.
- N=1570 PVV con NAFLD probada por CAP; 614 no VHC ni VHB
- Seguimiento: 63 (22-100) meses



# Progresión de la fibrosis en PVVIH

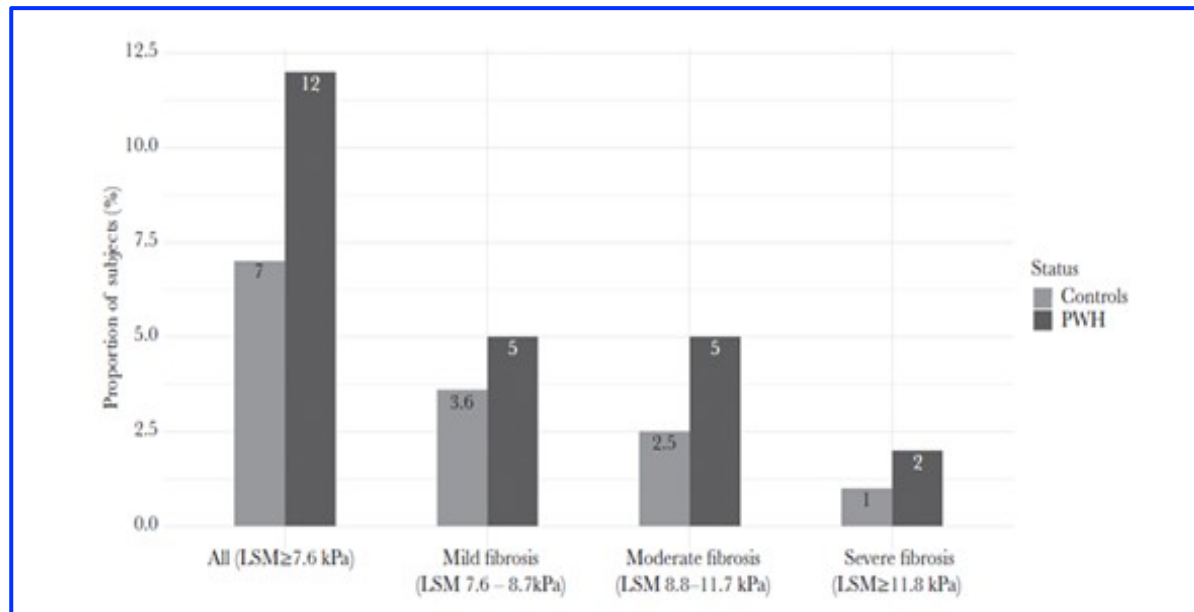
The Journal of Infectious Diseases

MAJOR ARTICLE



## Increased Prevalence of Liver Fibrosis in People Living With Human Immunodeficiency Virus Without Viral Hepatitis Compared to Population Controls

Ditte Marie Kirkegaard-Klitbo,<sup>1</sup> Flemming Bendtsen,<sup>2,3</sup> Jens Lundgren,<sup>3,4</sup> Robert J. de Knegt,<sup>5</sup> Klaus Fuglsang Kofoed,<sup>6,7</sup> Susanne Dam Nielsen,<sup>3,8</sup> and Thomas Benfield<sup>1,3</sup>, for the Copenhagen Co-Morbidity in HIV Infection (COCOMO) Study Group



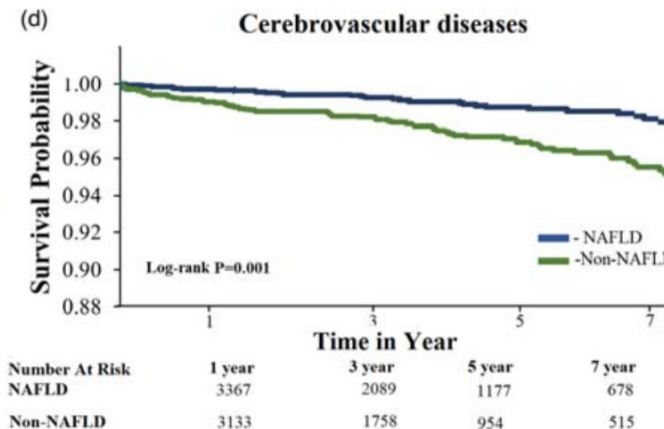
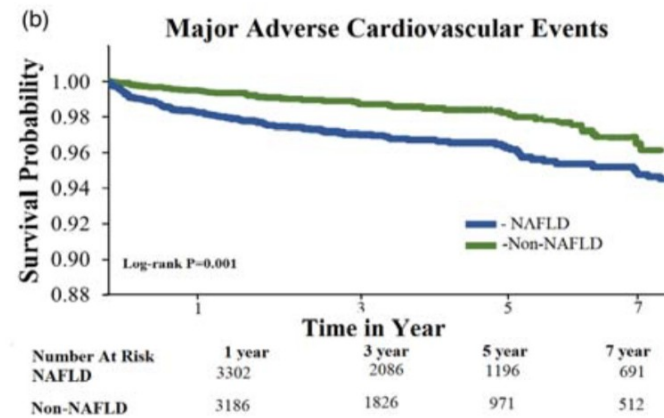
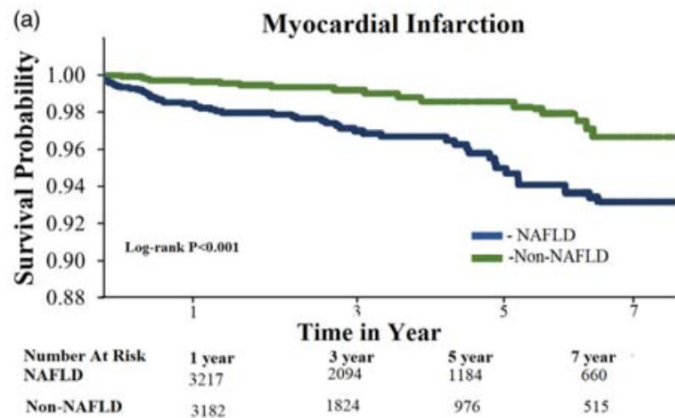
Mayor prevalencia y progresión de fibrosis en VIH

# Mortalidad EHGA

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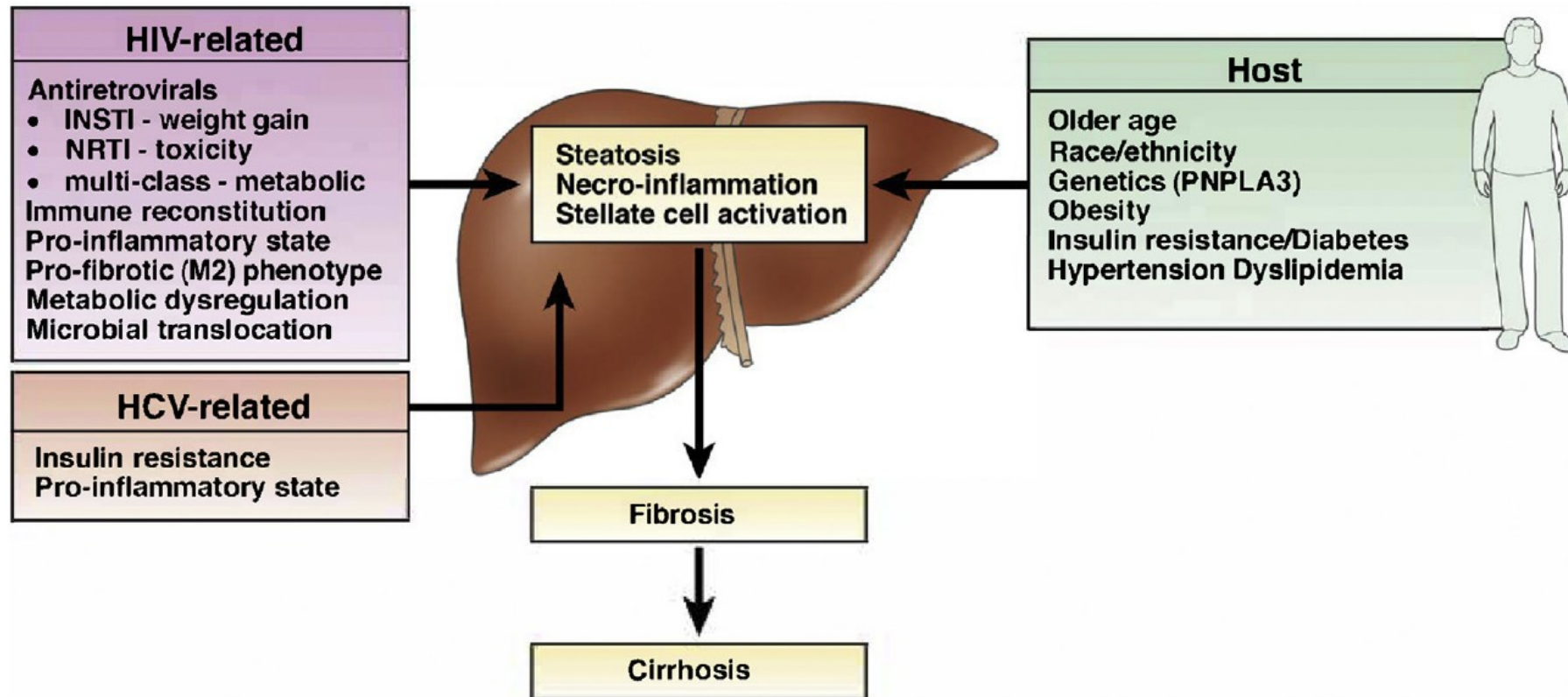
DOI: 10.1097/QAD.00000000000003537

## Risk of Adverse Cardiovascular Outcomes Among Persons living with HIV and Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: A Multicenter Matched Cohort Study

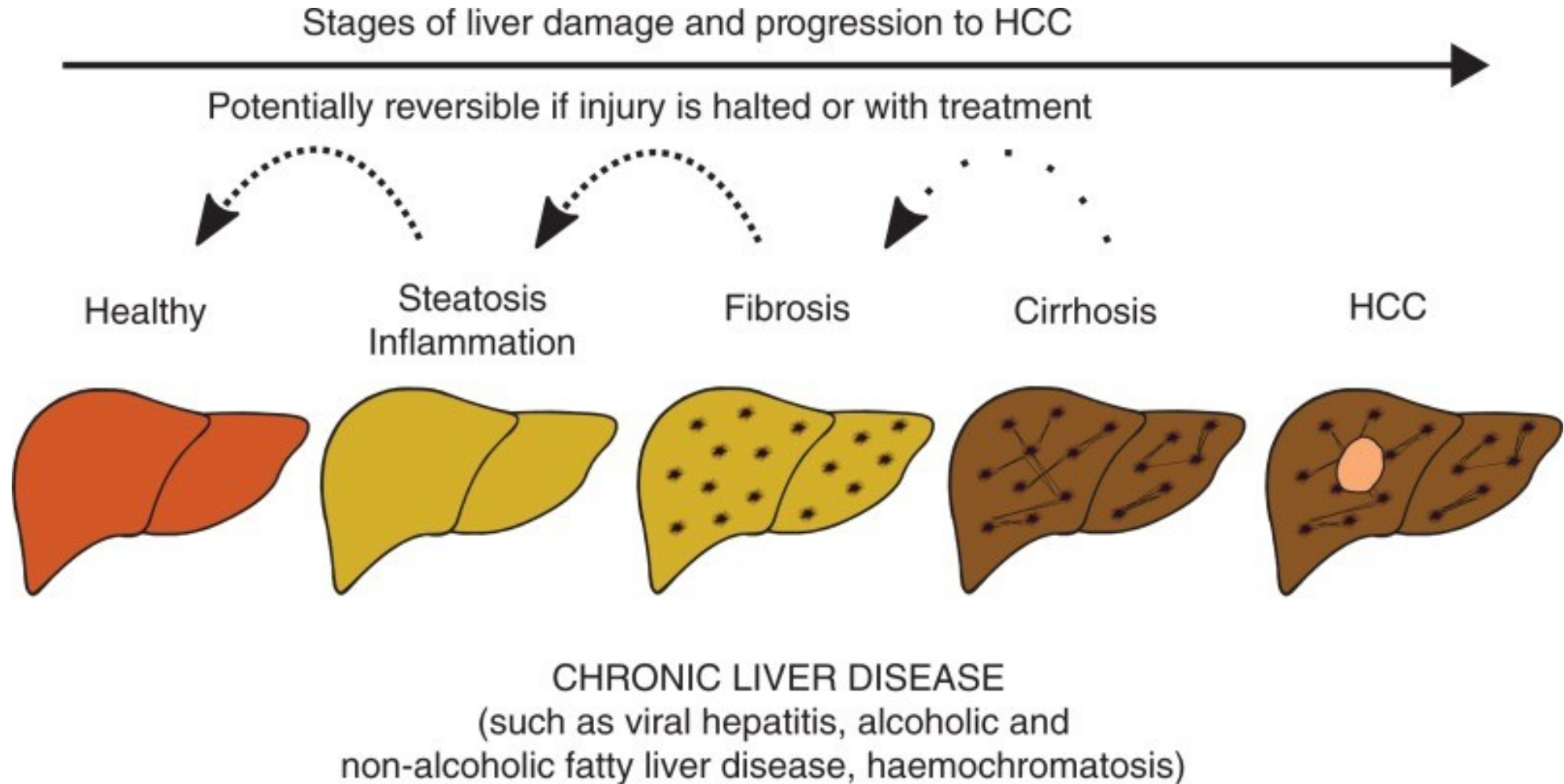




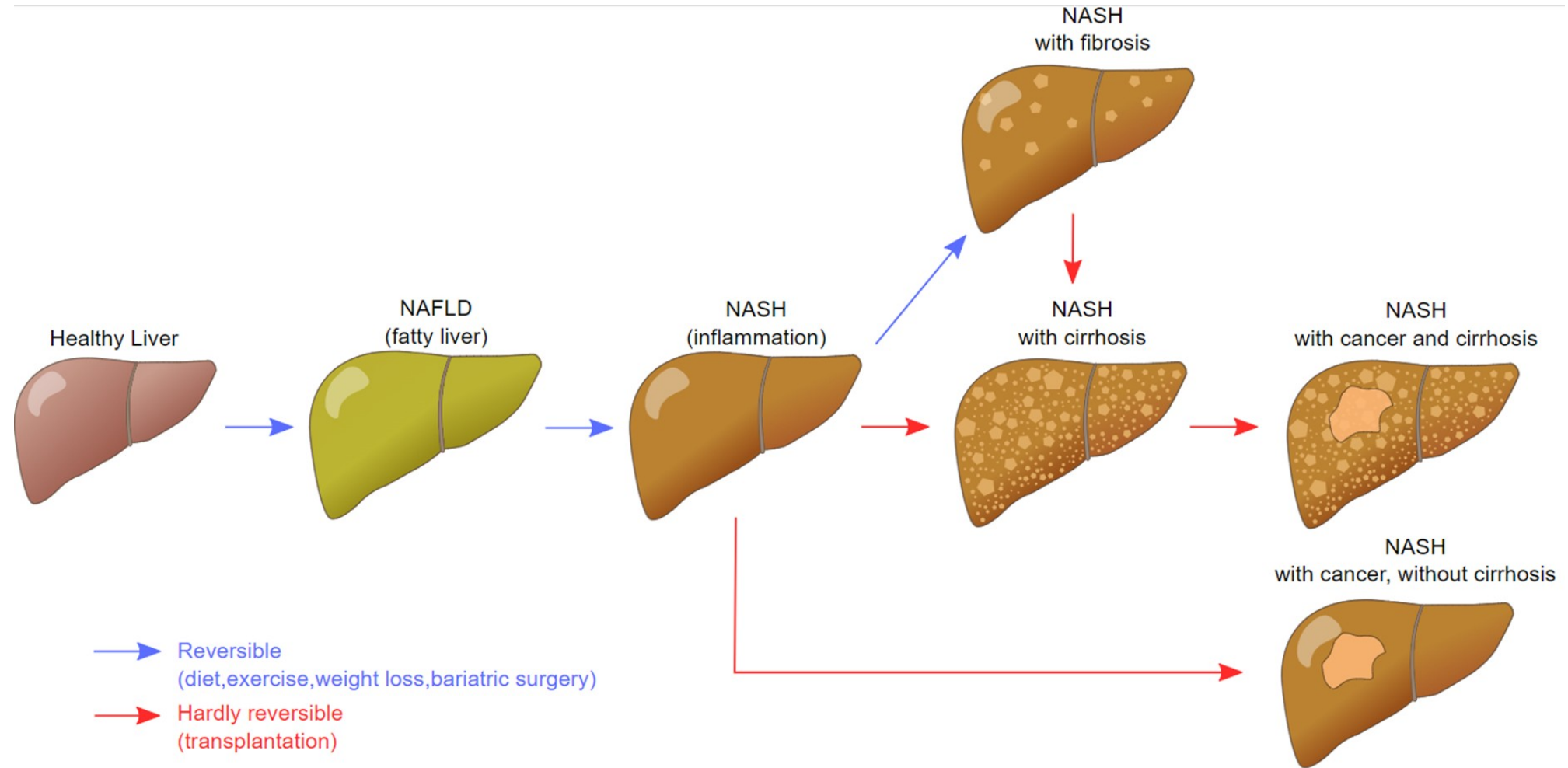
# NAFLD en PVVIH



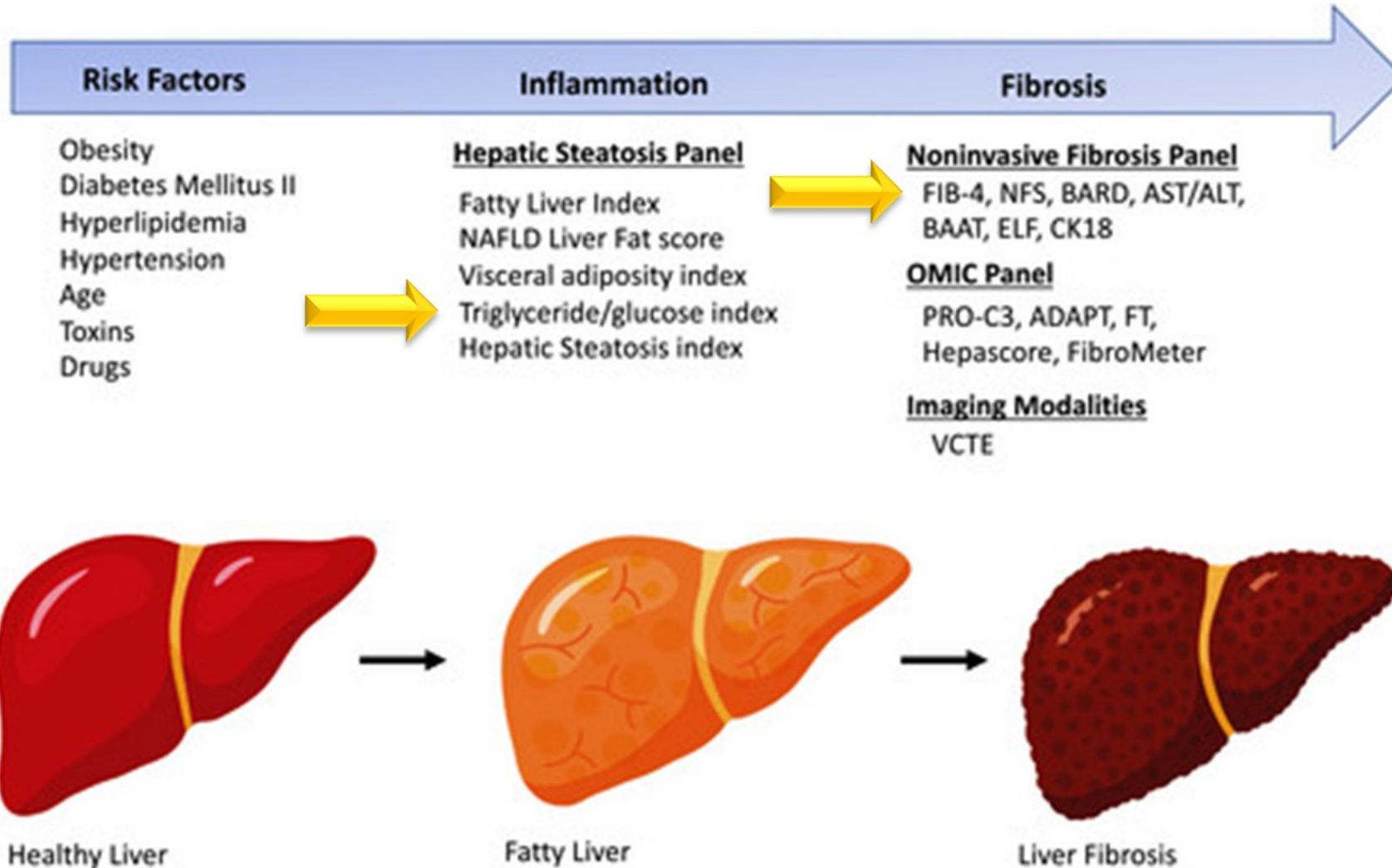
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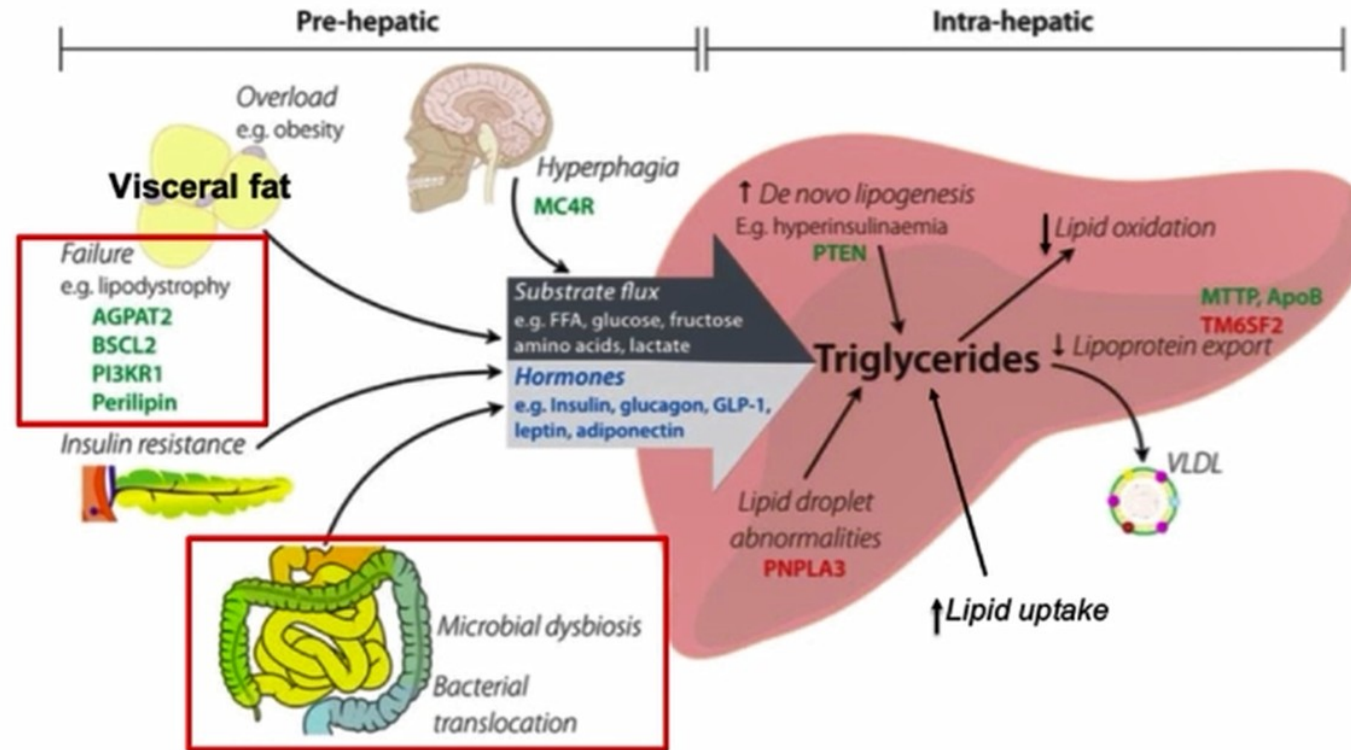
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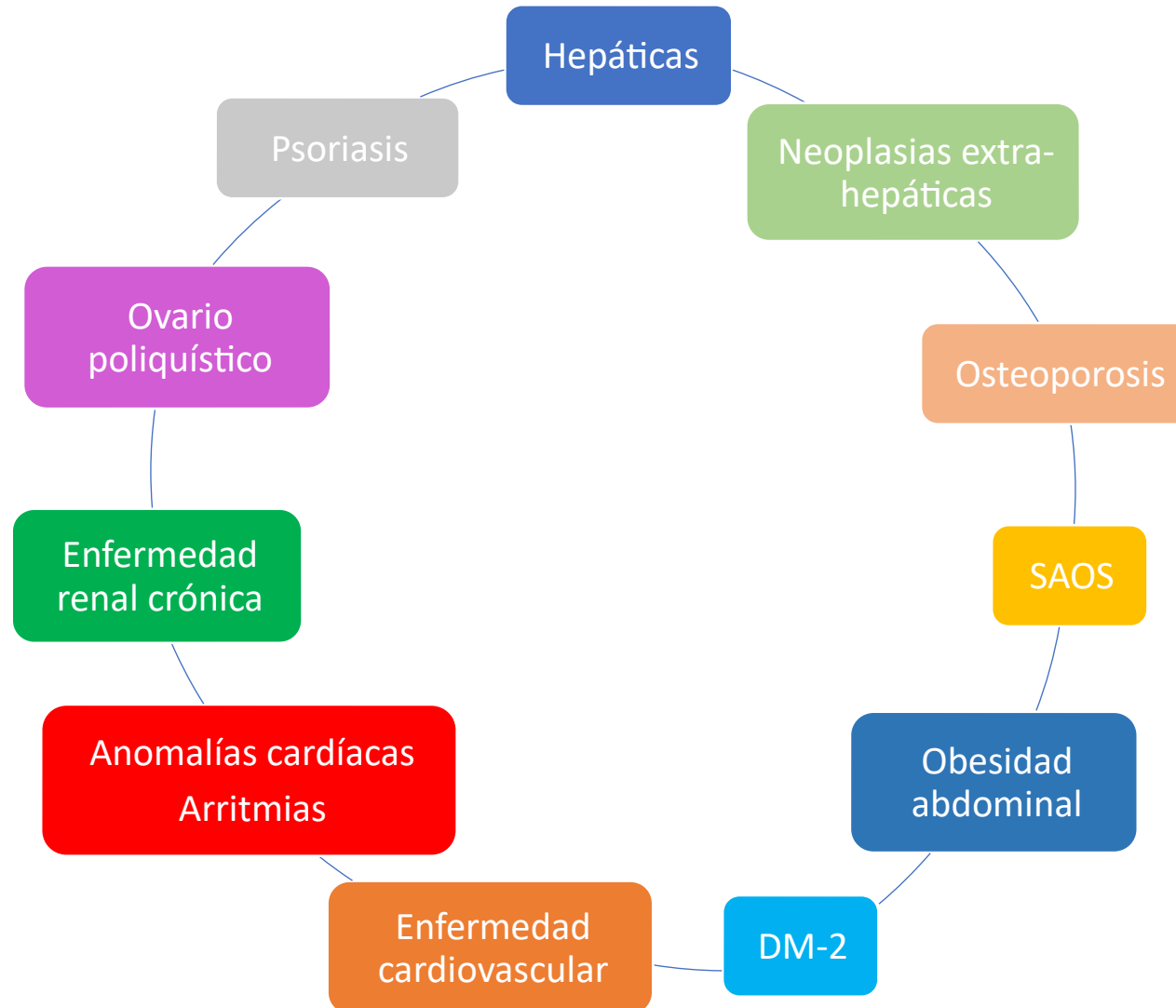
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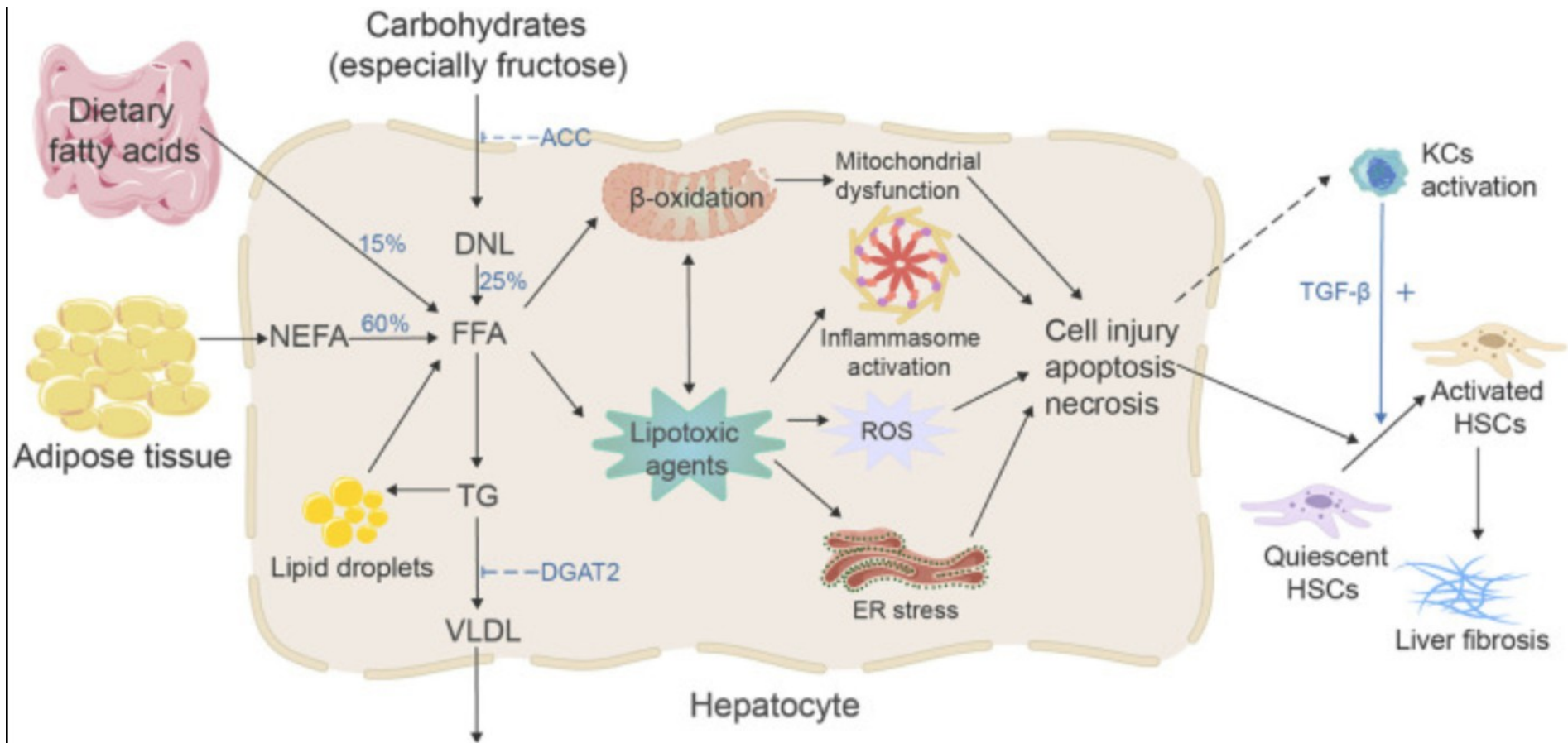


# EHGNA como enfermedad sistémica





# Prevención y tratamiento



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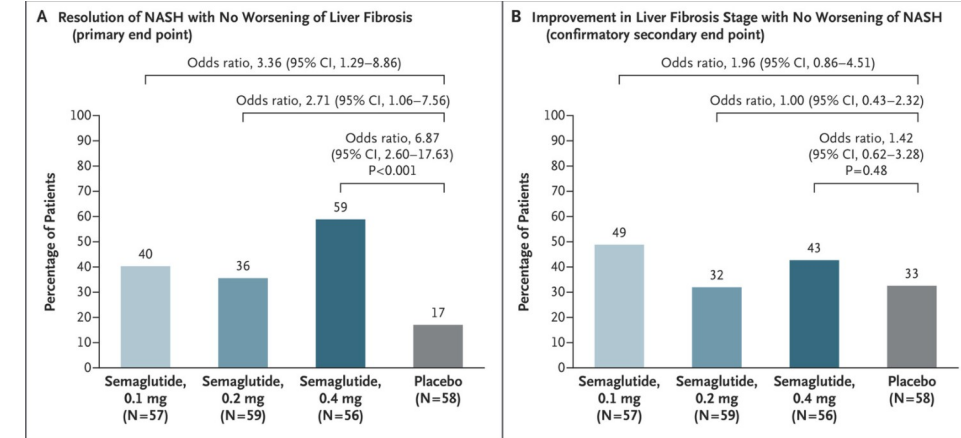
Therapeutics	Superiorities	Shortcomings
Lifestyle intervention	Applicable to the whole population Reduces all-cause mortality	Difficult to persist Failed to control the prevalence of MAFLD effectively
Bariatric metabolic surgery	Surgery is becoming less invasive Gets rid of taking medicines every day	Risk of post-operative complications Lack of adequate clinical research Is excluded as the first-line treatment of MAFLD
Liver transplantation	A life-saving method	Expensive Lack of liver resources Immune rejection, MAFLD relapsing
Pharmacological therapies	Convenient Affordable Various mechanisms of disease progression can be targeted	No specific drugs Drug side effects The impact of single-drug therapy is minimal

# Prevención y tratamiento

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## A Placebo-Controlled Trial of Subcutaneous Semaglutide in Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis

Philip N. Newsome, M.B., Ch.B., Ph.D., Kristine Buchholtz, M.D., Ph.D., Kenneth Cusi, M.D., Martin Linder, M.Sc., Takeshi Okanoue, M.D., Ph.D., Vlad Ratziu, M.D., Ph.D., Arun J. Sanyal, M.D., Anne-Sophie Sejing, M.D., Ph.D., and Stephen A. Harrison, M.D. for the NN9931-4296 Investigators\*

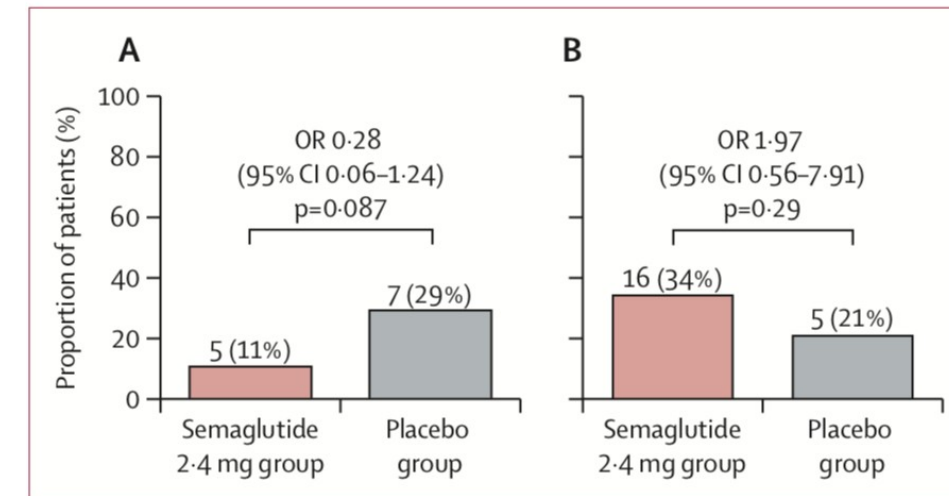
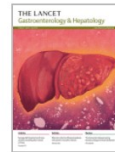


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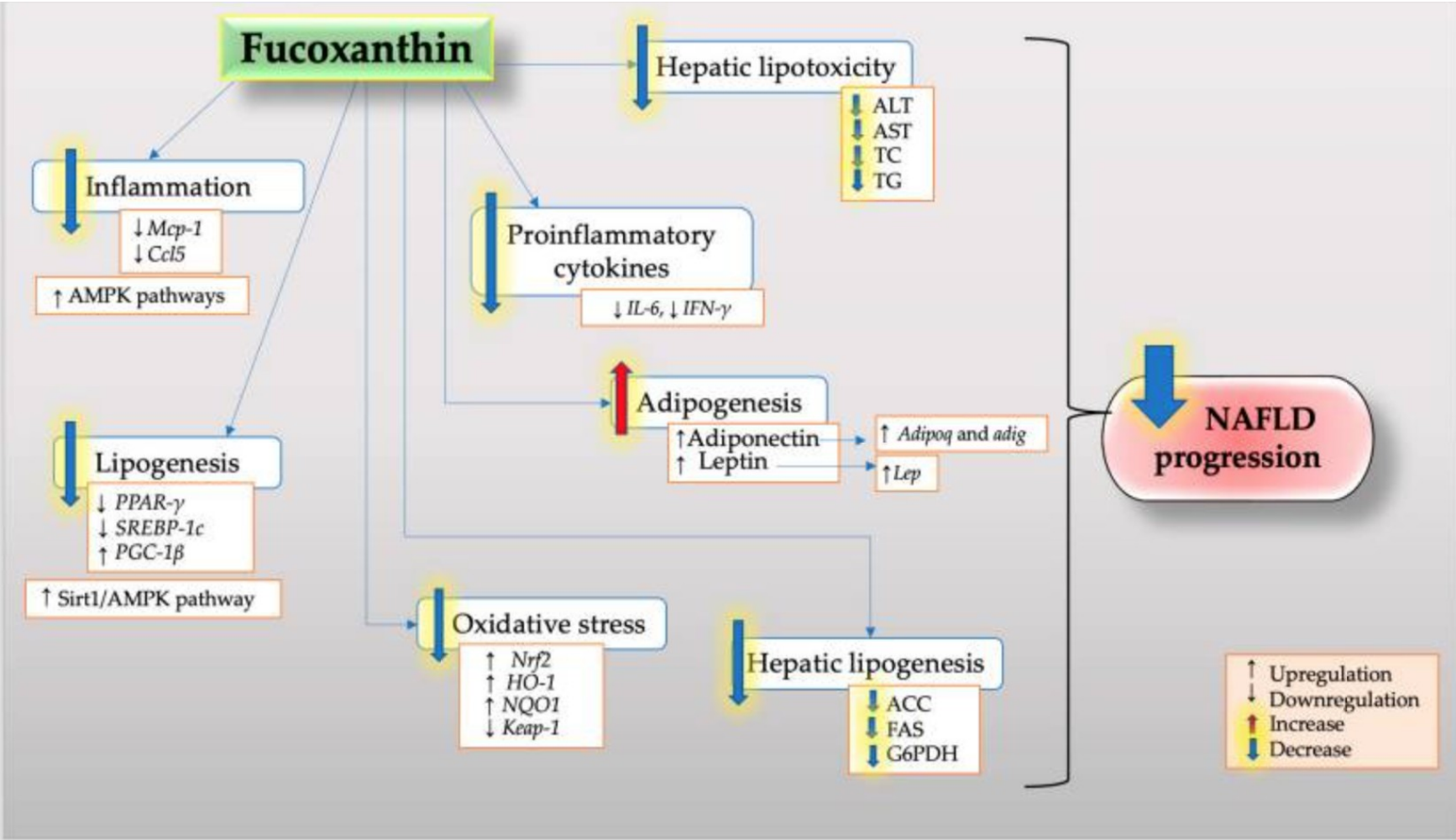
Semaglutide 2.4 mg once weekly in patients with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis-related cirrhosis: a randomised, placebo-controlled phase 2 trial



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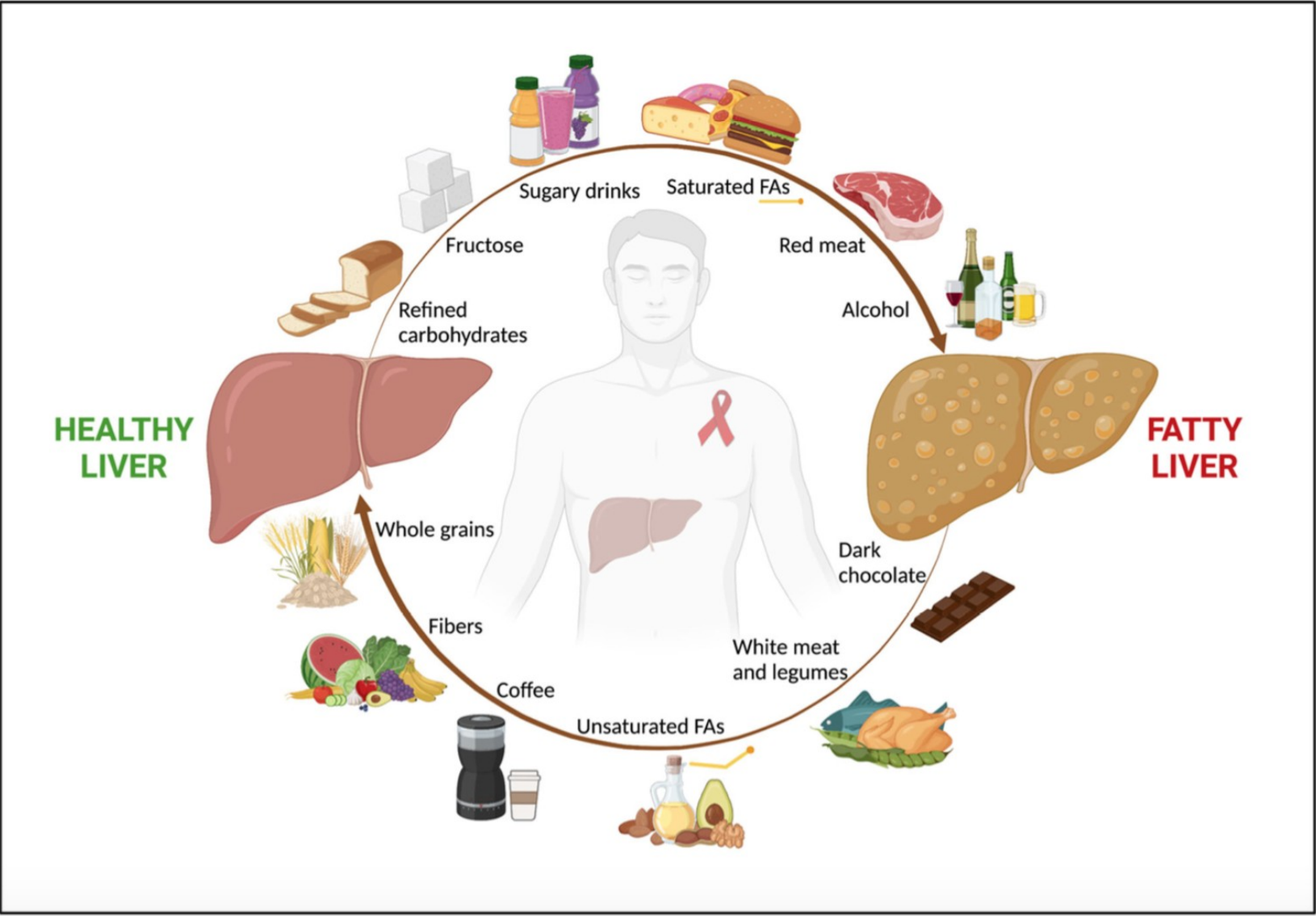
Agents	Primary mechanism	Patients	Pros and cons of combined therapy	NCT number (and Phase)
Cilofexor + firsocostat	FXR agonist ACC inhibitor	392 patients with bridging fibrosis or compensated cirrhosis (F3–F4)	Combined therapy has better anti-fibrosis potential but still induces hypertriglyceridemia	NCT03449446 (Phase 2b)
Cilofexor + firsocostat + semaglutide	FXR agonist ACC inhibitor GLP-1 receptor agonist	Patients with NASH	Cilofexor and firsocostat-induced hypertriglyceridemia is alleviated by semaglutide	NCT03987074 (phase 2)
Cilofexor + firsocostat + fenofibrate	FXR agonist ACC inhibitor PPAR $\alpha$ agonist	Patients with NASH with elevated TG ( $\geq 150$ and $< 500$ mg/dL)	Fenofibrate was safe and effectively mitigated increases in TG associated with ACC inhibitor	NCT02781584
PF-05221304 + PF-06865571	ACC inhibitor DGAT2 inhibitor	Adults with NAFLD	ACC inhibitor-mediated serum TG elevation was mitigated	NCT03776175 (phase 2a)
OCA + atorvastatin	FXR agonist HMGR inhibitors	84 participants with NASH	Atorvastatin attenuates OCA-induced LDL-C elevation	NCT02633956 (Phase 2)
Pioglitazone + tofogliflozin	PPAR $\gamma$ agonist SGLT-2 inhibitor	Patients with NAFLD with T2DM and a hepatic fat fraction of $\geq 10\%$	Therapeutic potential to prevent the progression of NASH to HCC	/
HXT + vitamin E	Natural compounds Antioxidant	Children with biopsy-proven NAFLD	Ameliorate steatosis and hypertriglyceridemia, reducing the fibrosis stage	NCT02842567

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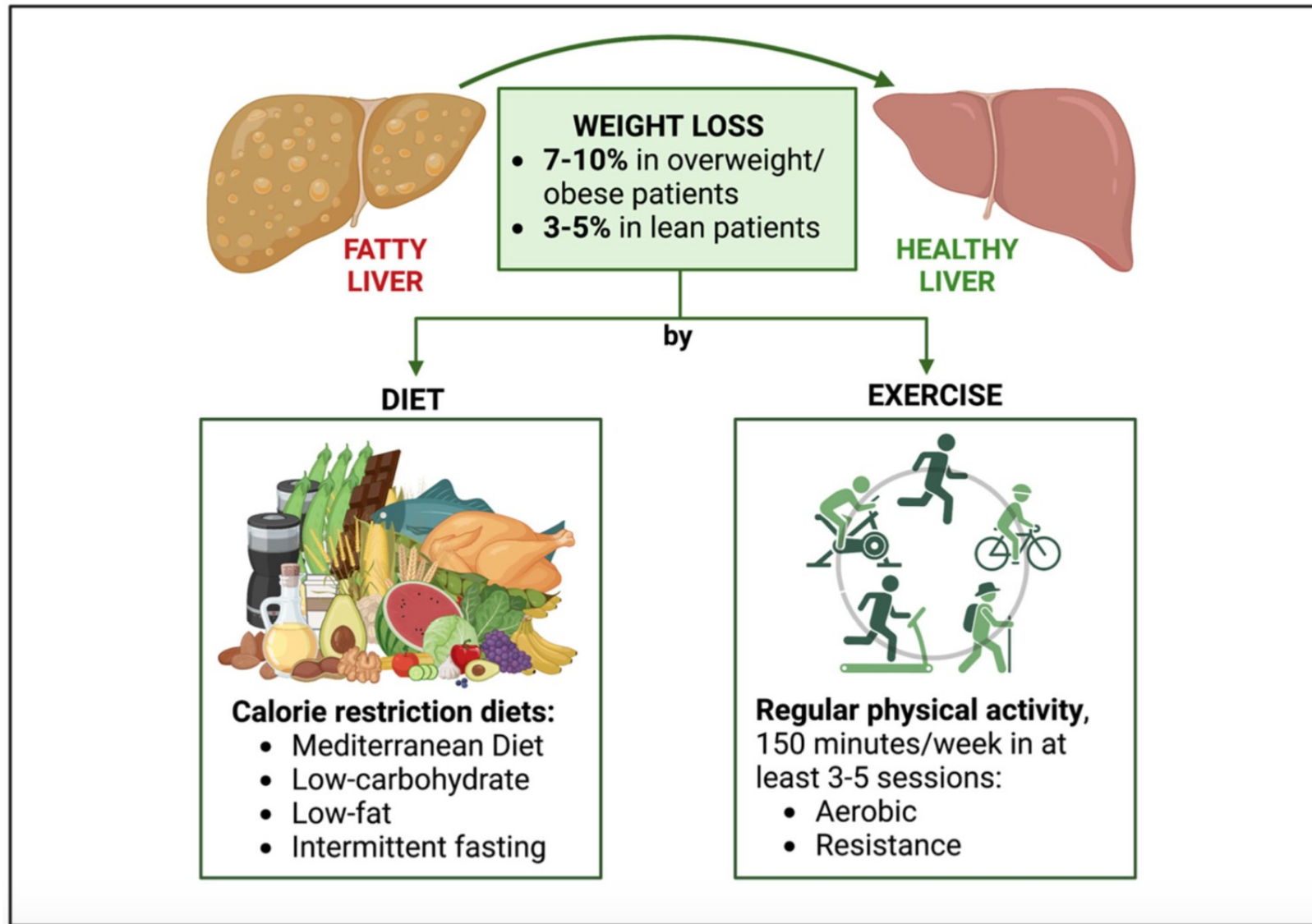


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# ¿Papel del TAR?

J Antimicrob Chemother  
doi:10.1093/jac/dkab157

Journal of  
Antimicrobial  
Chemotherapy

## Liver stiffness change with HCV cure in HIV-infected patients on non-nucleoside analogues

A. Gonzalez-Serna<sup>1</sup>, A. Corma-Gomez<sup>1</sup>, F. Tellez<sup>2</sup>, S. García-Martin<sup>3</sup>, A. Rivero-Juarez <sup>4</sup>, M. Frias<sup>4</sup>, F. J. Vera-Méndez<sup>5</sup>, I. De los Santos<sup>6</sup>, D. Merino<sup>7</sup>, L. Morano<sup>8</sup>, A. Imaz<sup>9</sup>, C. Galera<sup>10</sup>, M. Serrano<sup>11</sup>, J. Macías <sup>1</sup> and J. A. Pineda <sup>1\*</sup>

## CHANGES IN LIVER STEATOSIS AFTER SWITCHING FROM EFAVIRENZ TO RILPIVIRINE AMONG HIV-INFECTED PATIENTS: THE RIFLE STUDY

Sayago, C; Macías, J; Conde M; Merchante, N; Gómez-Mateos, J; Pineda, JA.  
Unit of Infectious Diseases and Microbiology. Hospital Universitario de Valme. Seville, Spain

## RPV ACTIVATES STAT1 IN STELLATE CELLS TO REGULATE LIVER INJURY IN PLWHIV AND NAFLD

- Maria Luisa Montes<sup>1</sup>, Carmen Busca<sup>1</sup>, Angela B. Moragrega<sup>2</sup>, Nadezda Apostolova<sup>2</sup>, Antonio Oliveira<sup>1</sup>, Luz Martin Carbonero<sup>1</sup>, Eulalia Valencia<sup>1</sup>, Victoria Moreno<sup>1</sup>, Jose I. Bernardino<sup>1</sup>, Ignacio Perez-Valero<sup>1</sup>, Juan González-García<sup>1</sup>, Juan V. Espluges<sup>2</sup>, Jose R. Arribas<sup>1</sup>, Ana Blas-García<sup>2</sup>.

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Nothing to declare

Hepatology

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Rilpivirine attenuates liver fibrosis through selective STAT1-mediated apoptosis in hepatic stellate cells

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## Determinants of liver steatosis in people living with HIV on antiretroviral therapy

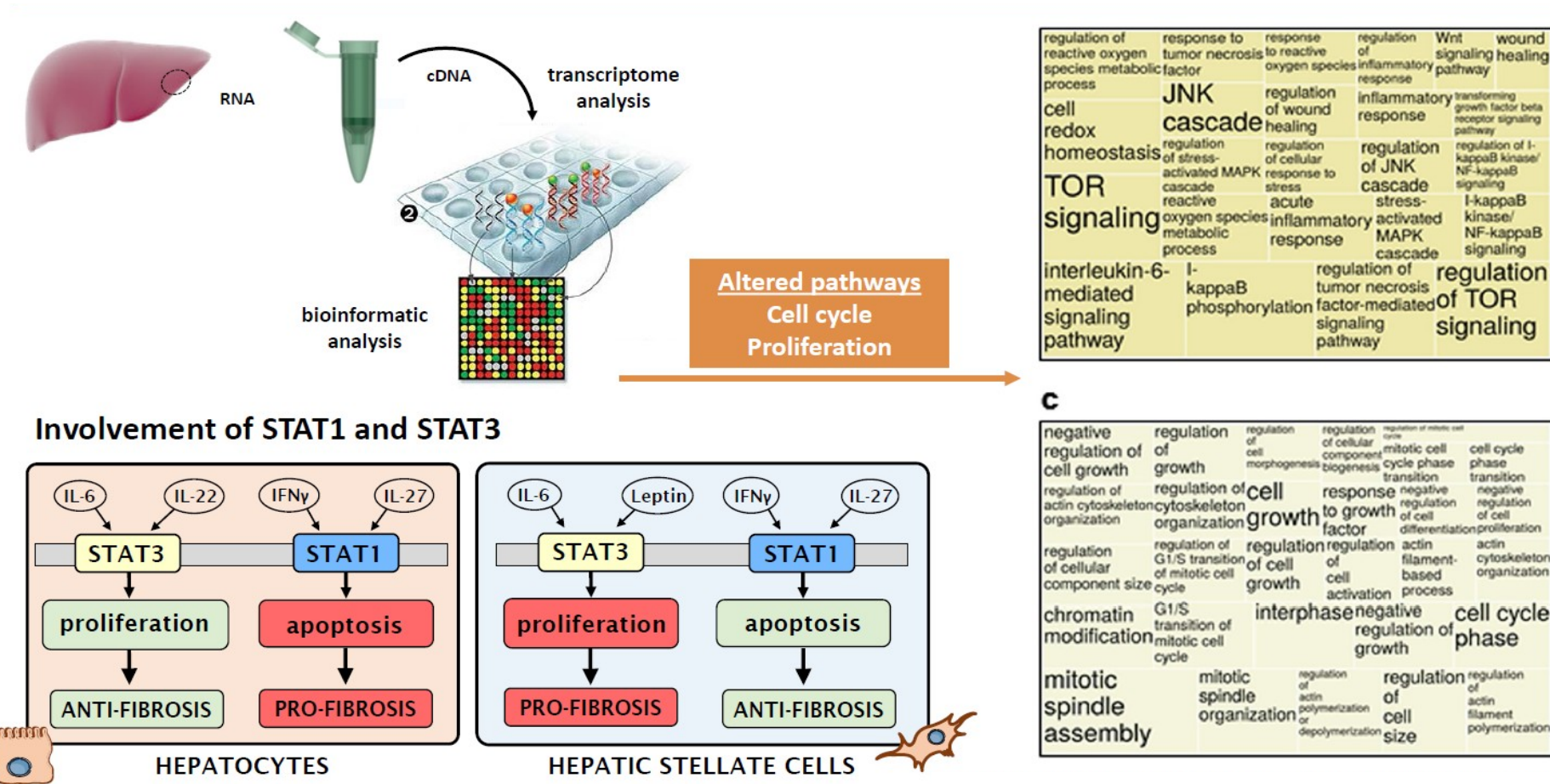
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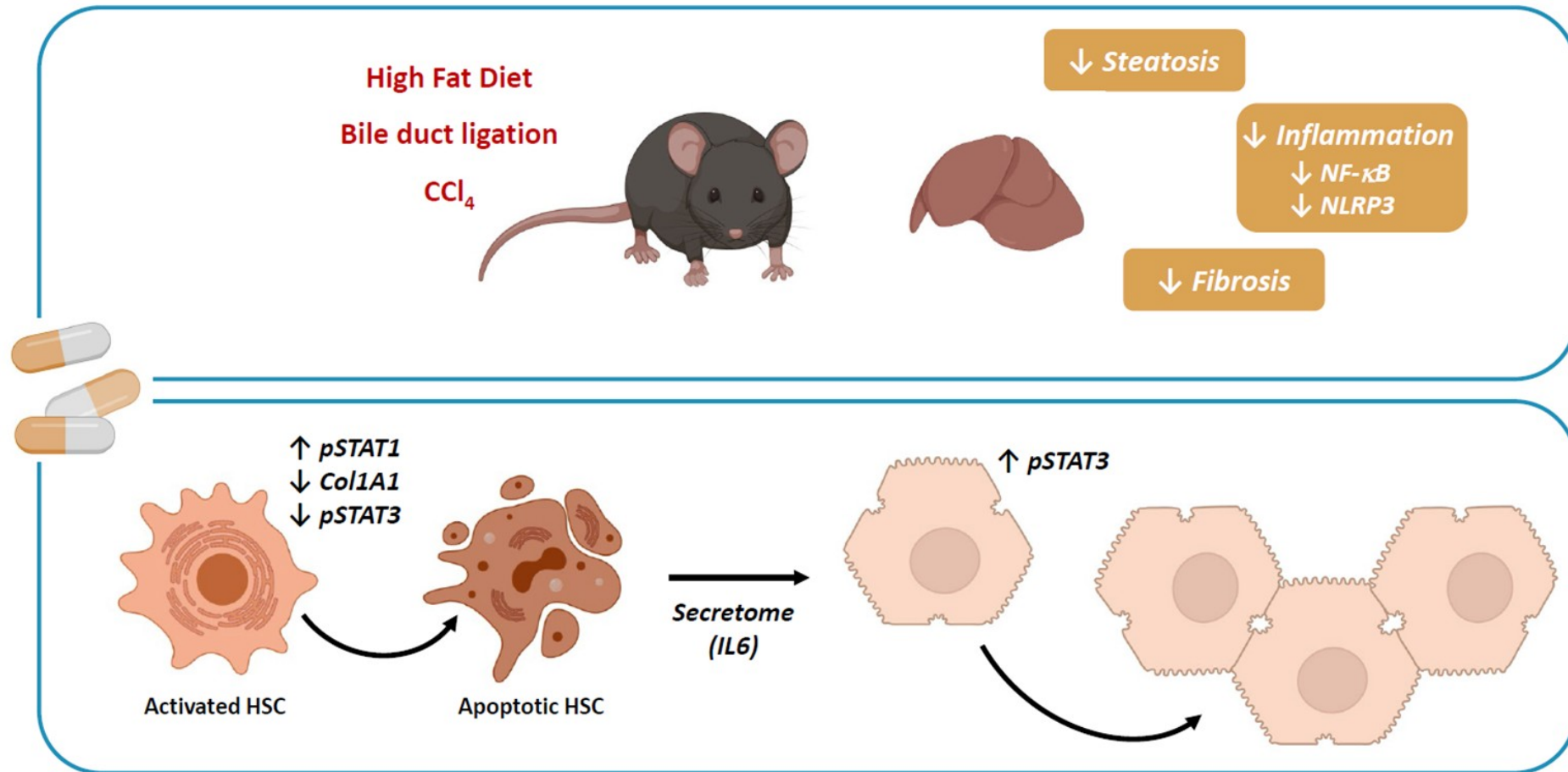
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Analysis of STAT-1 levels considering RPV-exposition

			<b>LnSTAT-1 Mean (CI 95%)</b>	<b>LnSTAT-1 Mean difference (CI 95%)</b>	<b>p</b>
Steatosis > 30%	No	RPV non-exposed	9.2 (8.2; 10.2)	1.12 (-0.50; 2.74)	0.17
		RPV exposed	10.3 (9.3; 11.3)		
	Yes	RPV non-exposed	8.9 (7.9; 9.9)	2.06 (0.25; 3.87)	
		RPV exposed	10.9 (9.7; 12.2)		
Steatohepatitis	No	RPV non-exposed	9.7 (8.5; 10.8)	0.5 (-0.8; 1.7)	0.447
		RPV exposed	10.2 (9.1; 11.3)		
	Yes	RPV non-exposed	8.8 (8.0; 9.7)	2.07 (0.46; 3.67)	
		RPV exposed	10.9 (9.8; 12.0)		
Fibrosis ≥ F1	No	RPV non-exposed	9.0 (8.2; 9.9)	1.66 (0.21; 3.11)	0.03
		RPV exposed	10.7 (9.7; 11.7)		
	Yes	RPV non-exposed	8.9 (7.8; 9.9)	1.77 (0.02; 3.53)	
		RPV exposed	10.6 (9.5; 11.7)		

\* Marginal mean (95% CI) adjusted for exposure time to RPV (months) and BMI



# En resumen

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- La EHGNA es un problema creciente en población general y más en PVVIH, debido fundamentalmente al estilo de vida.
- La EHGNA es una enfermedad sistémica, muy relacionada con el perfil lipídico y el metabolismo de los HC.
- La fibrosis hepática es el principal predictor de mortalidad.
- Las intervenciones más eficaces son la dieta y el ejercicio.
- El TAR puede jugar un papel en el desarrollo o prevención de EHGNA bien de manera directa, bien alterando los factores RCV.

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