

Rare liver diseases



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Conclusion

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Rare disease – definition: 1 : 2000



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COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS**

on Rare Diseases: Europe's challenges

Rare diseases are diseases with a particularly low prevalence; the European Union considers diseases to be rare when they affect not more than 5 per 10 000 persons in the European Union. This still nevertheless means that between 5 000 and 8 000 different rare diseases affect or will affect an estimated 29 million people in the European Union.

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Table 1. Standard death rates for men and women per 10 000 from chronic liver disease in Europe

Country	Men	Women
Belgium	14.2	7.5
Denmark	18.2	7.7
Germany	30.0	11.9
Greece	7.0	2.4
Spain	23.3	7.9
France	23.4	9.3
Ireland	3.7	3.1
Italy	23.5	11.5
Luxembourg	26.7	12.9
Netherlands	6.2	3.6
Austria	37.9	12.6
Portugal	35.3	10.9
Finland	17.6	5.6
Sweden	7.0	2.8
UK	9.6	5.5
Iceland	0.9	2.0
Norway	5.9	2.6
Switzerland	3.5	5.1

Prevalence/Incidence of liver disease

Alcoholic liver disease

4% Dionysos study, northern Italy

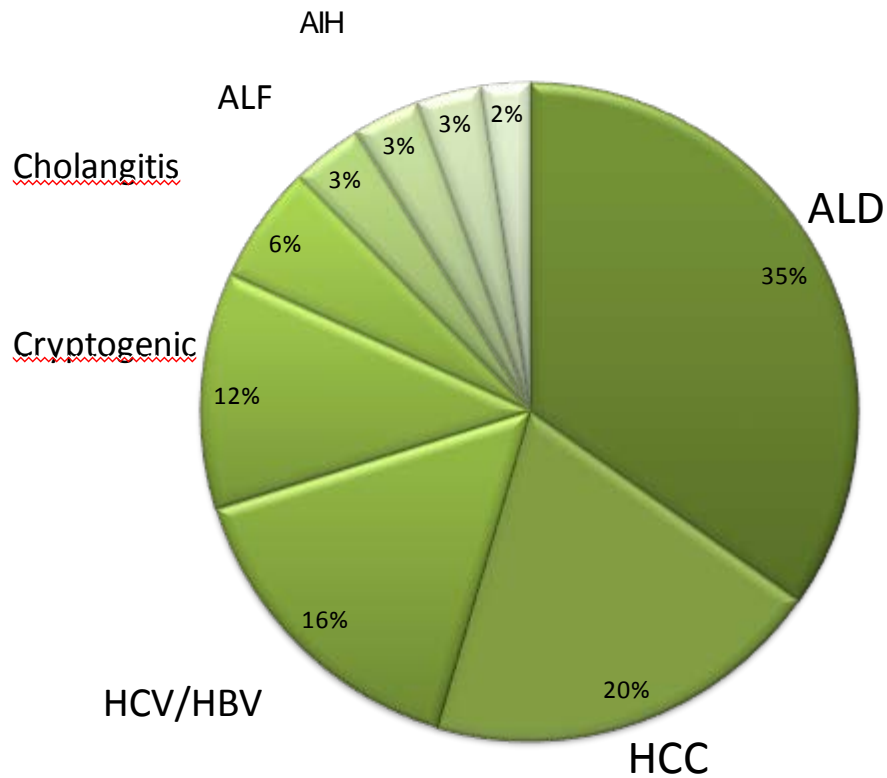
HCC: 25.000 new cases per in Europe

HCV 1 : 500

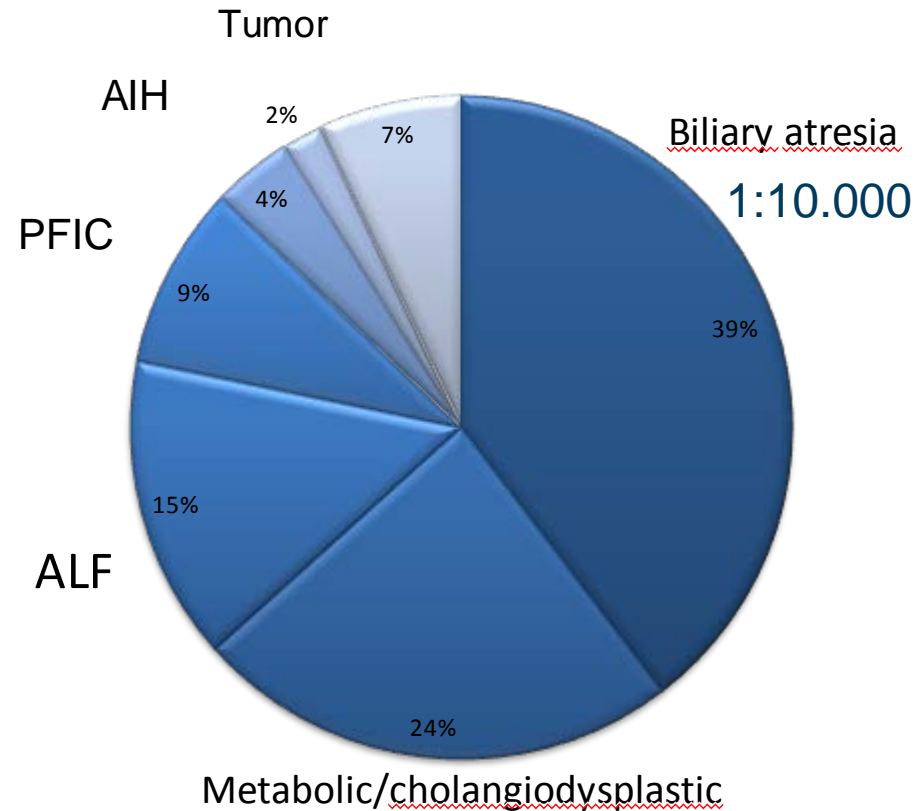
Hereditary hemochromatosis 1 : 1000

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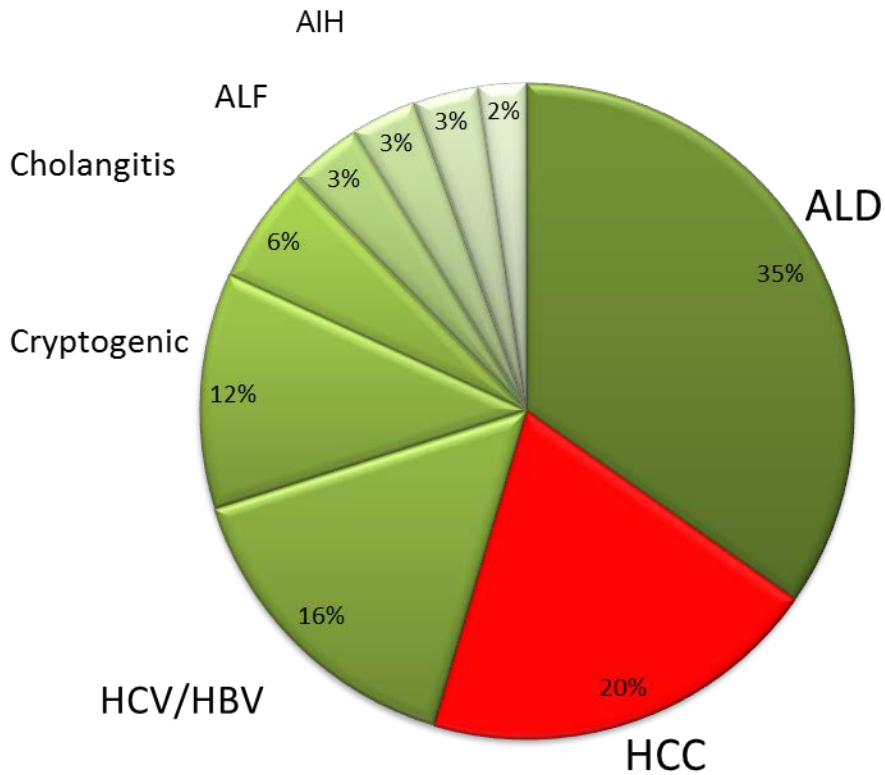


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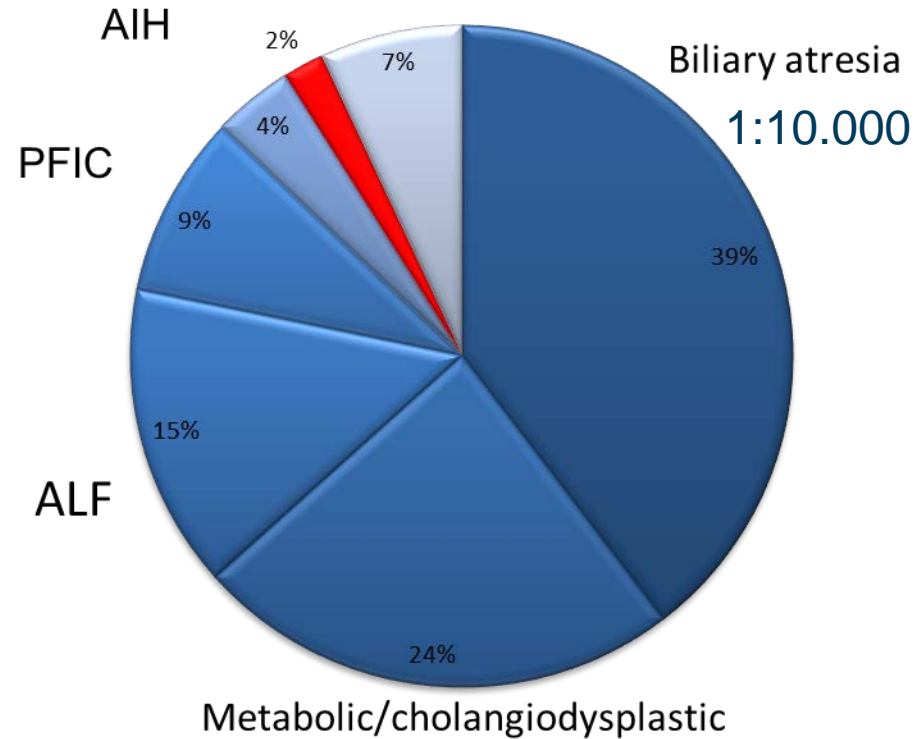


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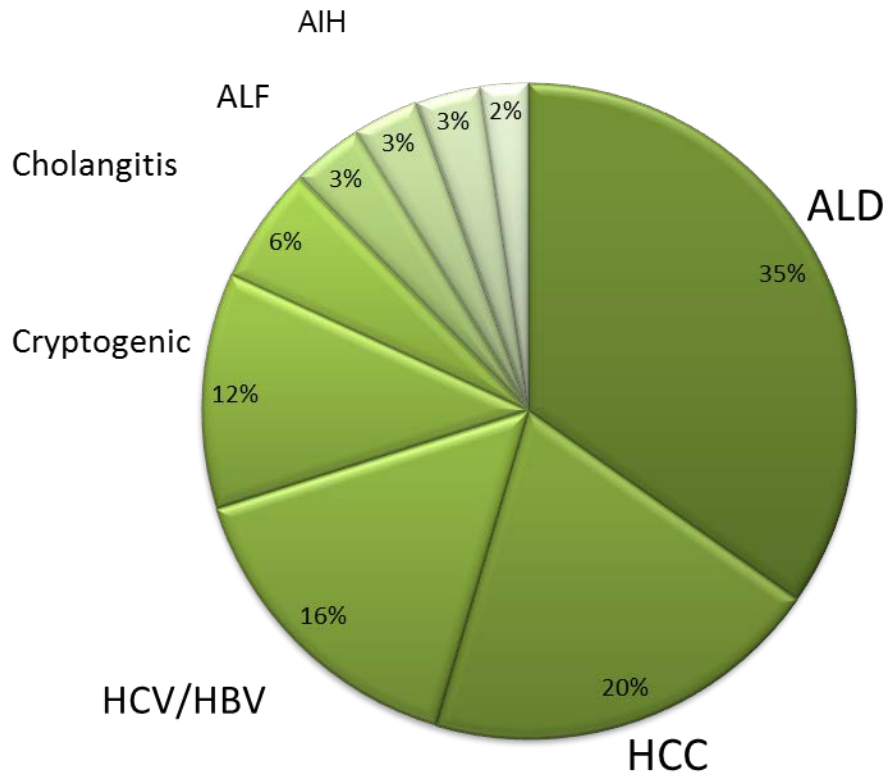


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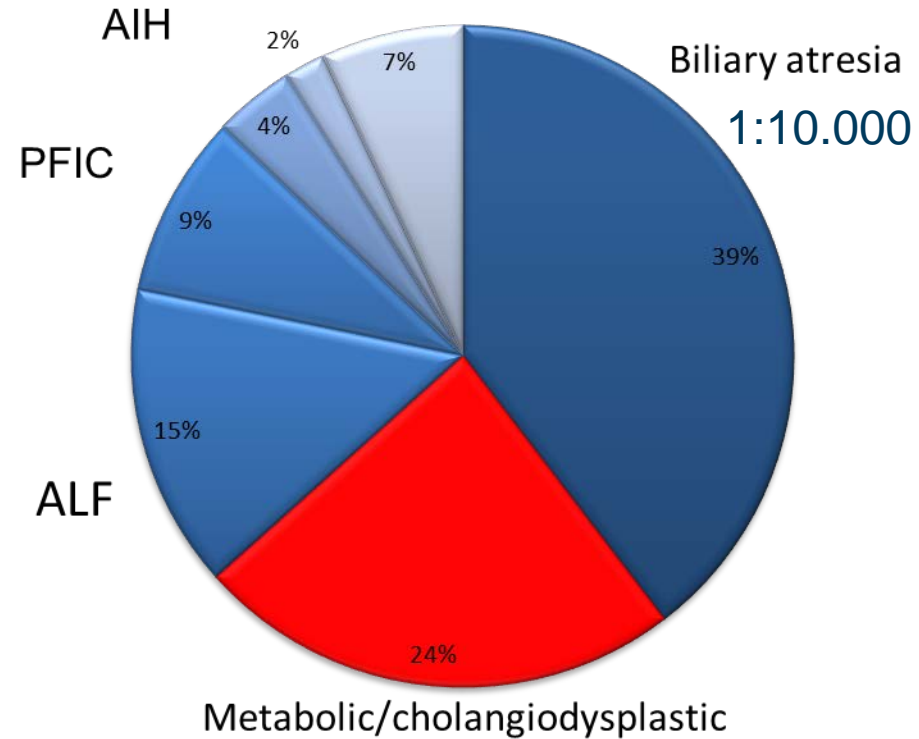


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Rare liver disease

- May be
 - metabolic
 - congenital
 - aquired
 - infectious
 - other

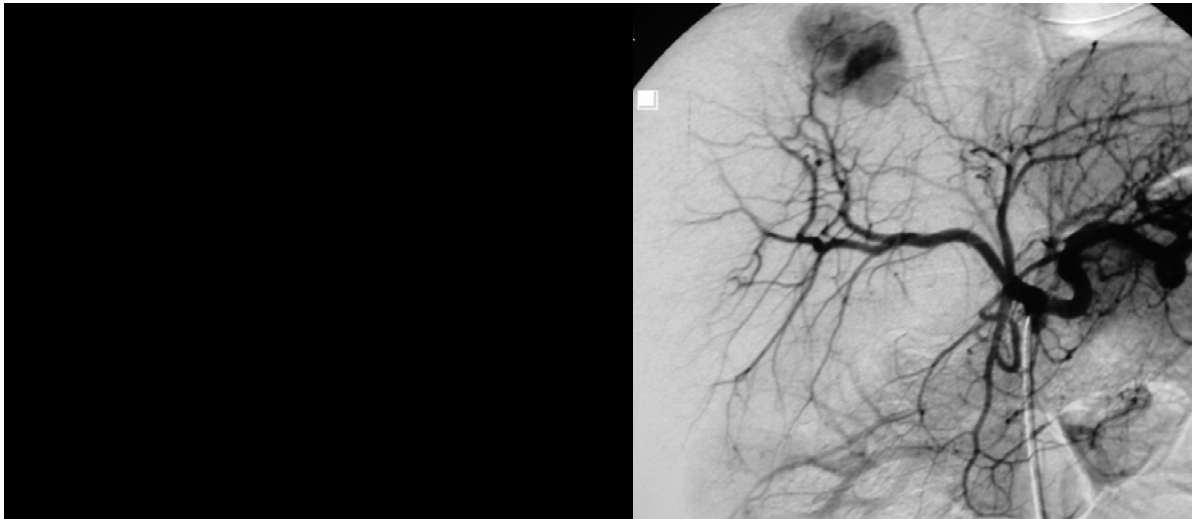
is a diverse and heterogenous entity

How rare is rare....?

Biliary atresia
1 : 10.000

Tyrosinaemia Type 1
1 : 100.000

Crigler Najjar Syndrome
1 : 1.000.000



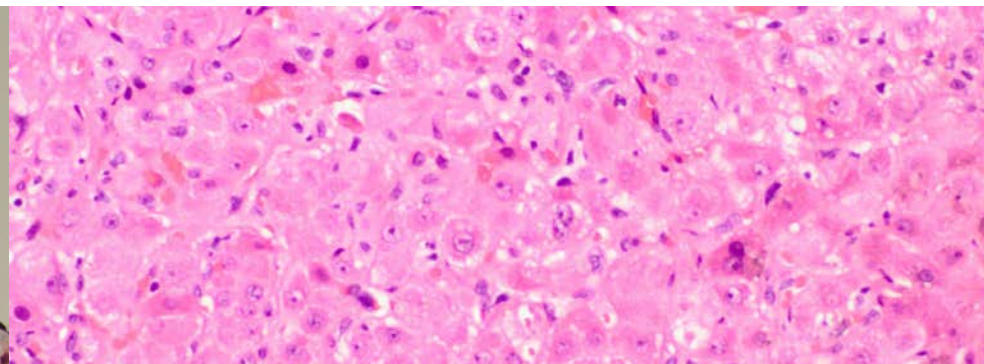
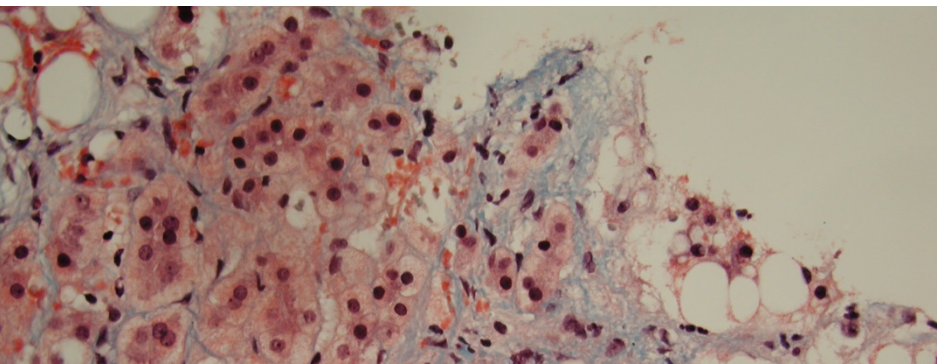
Liver-based metabolic disease

With structural damage to the liver

- Alpha-1-antitrypsin deficiency (1:2500)
- Tyrosinemia Type 1 (1:100.000)
- Bile salt export pump def.
- MDR3 deficiency (cumulative 1:50.000)

Without structural damage to the liver

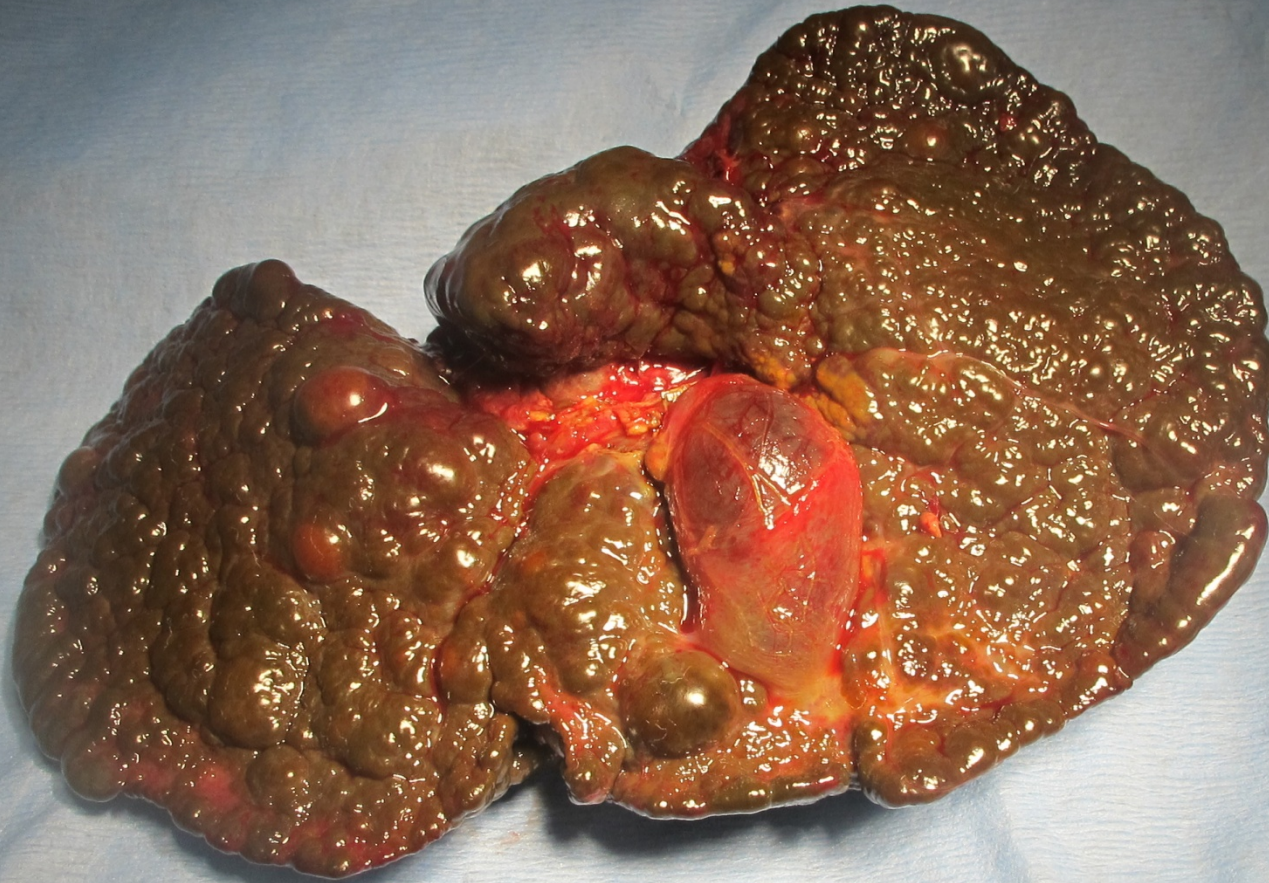
- Crigler Najjar Syndrome (1:100.000)
- Ornithine transcarbamylase def (1:14.000)
Primary hyperoxaluria (1:100.000)



Once in a life time....?

Presenting in the neonatal period:

Acquired, allo-immune liver disease: ***Neonatal Haemochromatosis***



Girl, 2 1/2 months
Weight 5,9 kg

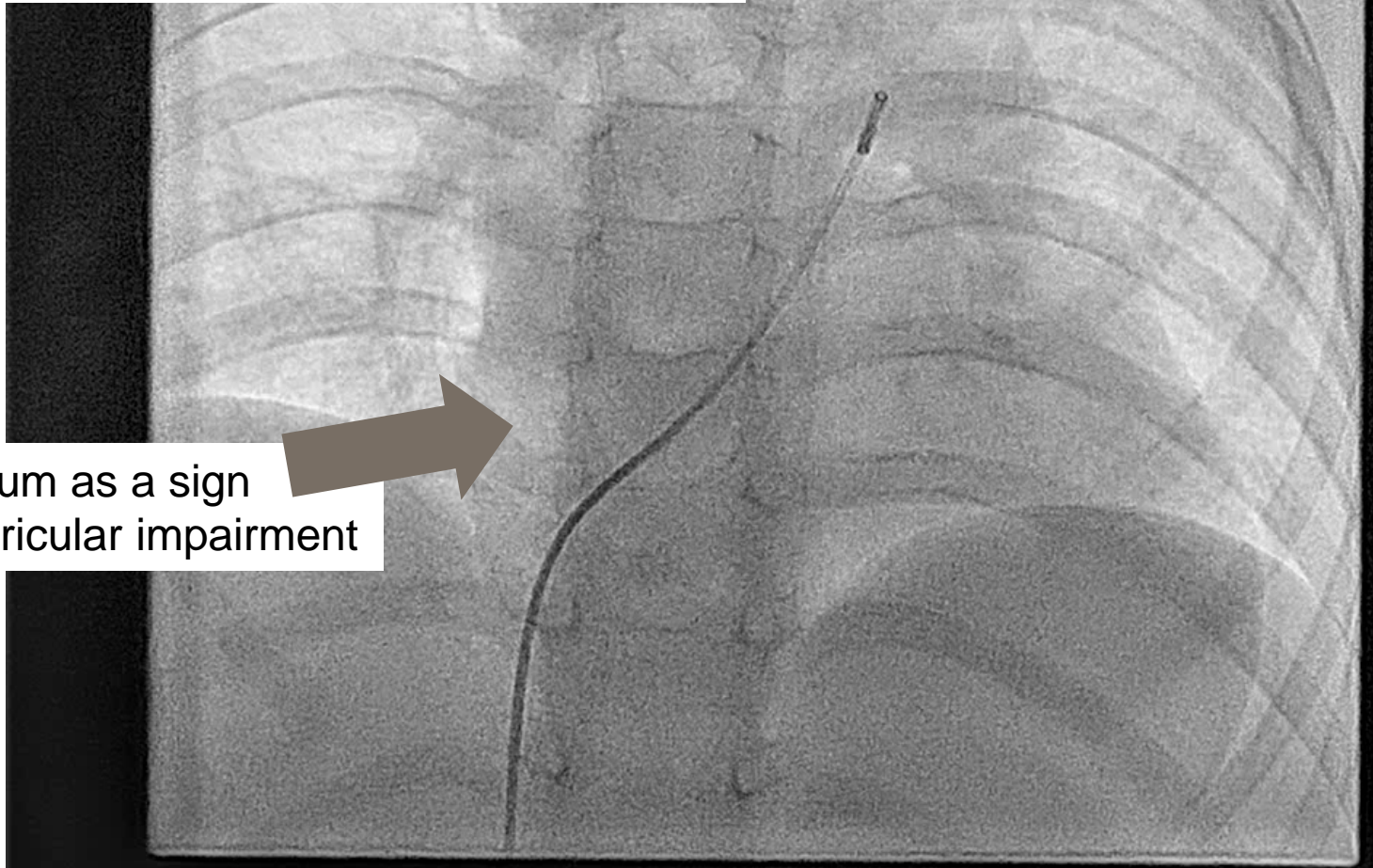
Explanted liver 190g

Incidence: 1 : 3.000.000 (Germany)

Multisystemic disease:

Cardiomyopathy in propionic acedaemia

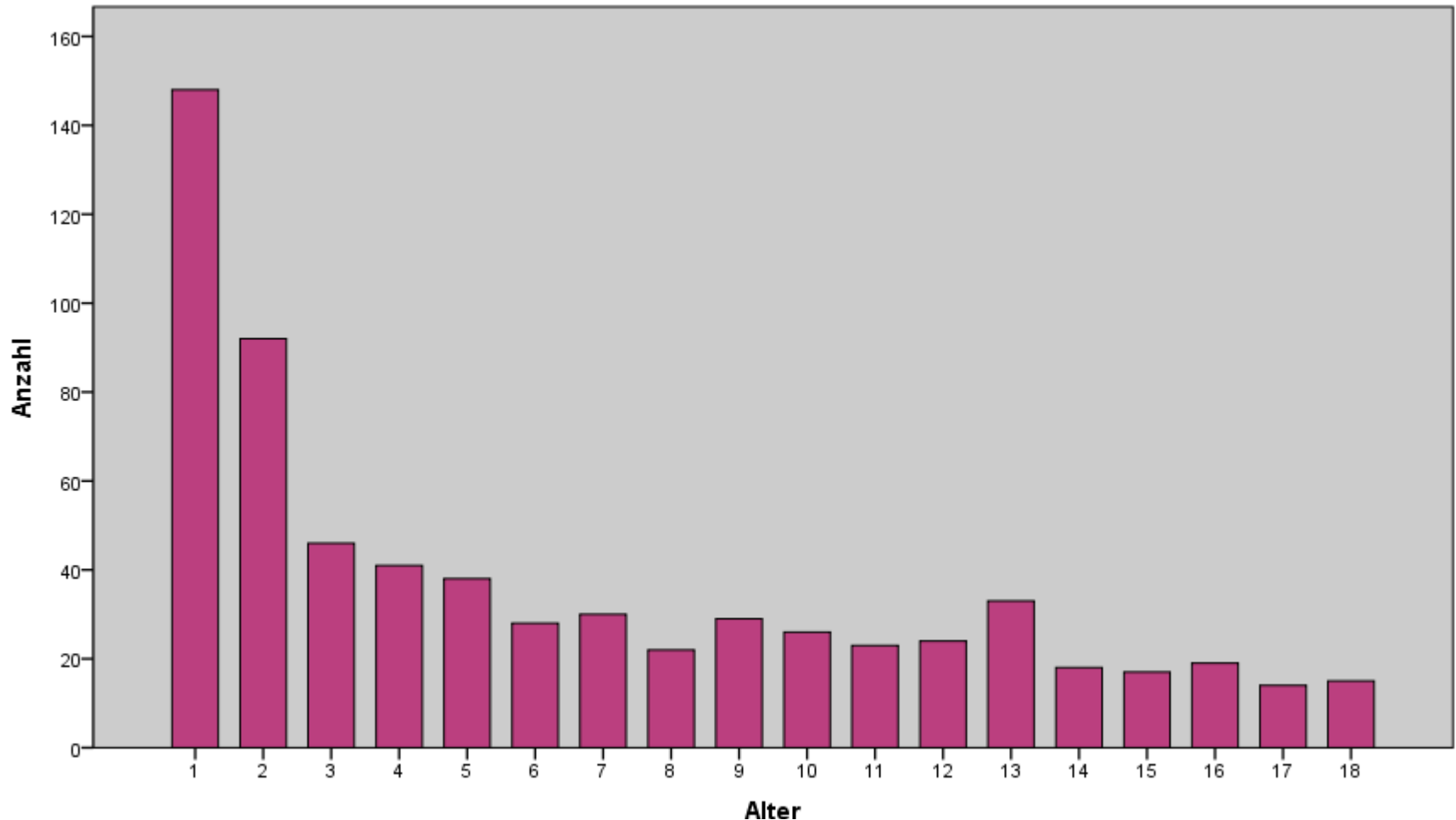
1:150.000



Enlarged atrium as a sign
of right venricular impairment



Age at liver transplantation, single centre experience 1972-2013 (n=669)



Transplantationsmedizin
2011, 23. Jahrgang

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Die Auswirkungen der Organallokation auf die Wartezeit zur Lebertransplantation bei Kindern und ...

Paediatric Hepatology

- Small sub-subspecialty – distinct differences to adult hepatology
- Metabolic and congenital disease - with emerging new challenges
- Many small children – impact on interventions
- Focus on transplantation – centre based medicine
- Need for collaboration and networking

European Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

Strengthening collaborative research

European Paediatric Liver Transplantation Network EPLTN



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A network of European specialist centres for paediatric liver transplantation

Funding:

- Network grant ESPGHAN 2012

Aims:

- To foster excellence in research and clinical practice
- To obtain meaningful patient numbers

Current projects:

ChiSFree study

PLTQL study

Cardiovascular
comorbidity trial



Adeno-associated virus vector-mediated liver gene therapy for Crigler-Najjar Syndrome

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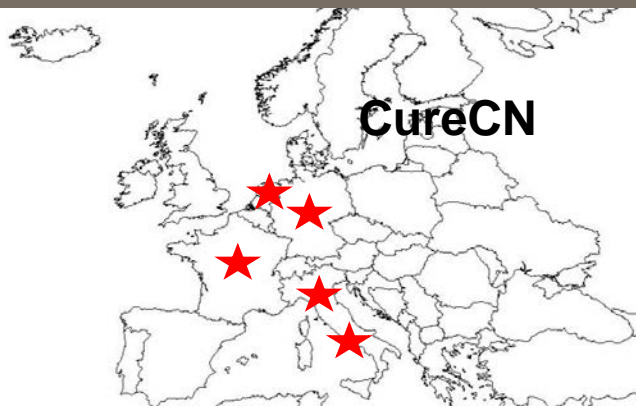
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setting out criteria and conditions that European Reference Networks and healthcare providers wishing to join a European Reference Network must fulfil

(Text with EEA relevance)

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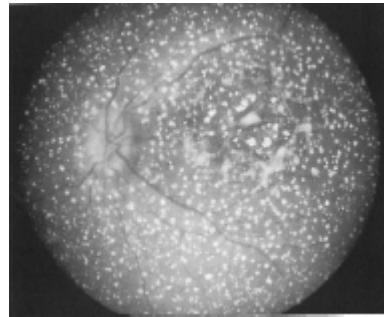
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Debilitating multisystemic oxalate deposits