majority of patients were symptomatic (92%): jaundice (68%), abdominal pain (35%), fever (17%) and rash (15%). Hepatic encephalopathy was present in 32%. Laboratory patterns of DILI were: hepatocellular (R value >5) 54%, cholestatic (R <2) 28% and mixed (R = 2–5) 19%. Hy's law was met in 48% while 26% had ALF (encephalopathy + INR > 1.5). The median admission MELD score was 21. 35% of patients received corticosteroids, and 15% received ursodeoxycholic acid. ICU admission and haemodialysis occurred in 35% and 11%, respectively. During the study period, there were 12 deaths and 12 LT. The 90-day LT-free survival was 71%. Univariate predictors for LT or mortality at 90 days were: jaundice (HR 9.77, P=0.027), encephalopathy (HR 2.70, P=0.036), hepatocellular pattern (HR 2.85, P=0.047), fulfilling Hy's Law (HR 2.71, P=0.046) and MELD (HR 1.14, P<0.001). On multivariable analysis, only MELD remained predictive of worse 90-day LT-free survival (HR 1.14 per point increase, P<0.001).

Conclusions At this LT centre, 30% of patients hospitalised for non-paracetamol DILI experienced death or LT at 90 days. The proportion of cases due to non-prescription drugs increased over time. MELD score predicted for adverse outcomes.

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DEVELOPMENT OF VIROLOGICAL BREAKTHROUGH IN TREATMENT NAÏVE HEPATITIS B PATIENT RECEIVING TENOFOVIR: A CASE REPORT

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Background Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) is a nucleotide analogue that is widely used to treat chronic hepatitis B infection. This treatment is currently considered to be effective in achieving good virological, serological, and biochemical response with a high barrier of resistance. We reported a case of a virological breakthrough in a patient with chronic hepatitis B and cirrhosis receiving TDF.

Methods We presented a case of a 48-year-old male who had been treated with TDF for the last 10 months.

Results The patient was diagnosed with decompensated cirrhosis with variceal bleeding and was tested positive for hepatitis B. His initial viral load prior to treatment was 4.38×10^4 IU/mL. Four months after the initiation of the antiviral, his serum HBV DNA level was undetectable, and there were improvements in biochemical parameters. However, the serum HBV DNA level rebounded to 1.28×10^3 IU/mL at 10 months after treatment. The patient was compliant with the treatment program, was monitored regularly, and took his medication every day. No prior history of other antiviral agents was noted, and he didn't have any specific comorbidity. He is in otherwise stable clinical condition. We are planning on switching his treatment to entecavir.

TDF is one of the only 2 antiviral agents (along with entecavir) that was thought to have a high barrier of resistance. A longitudinal study of TDF therapy demonstrated no resistance development throughout 8 years of treatment, although several case reports have identified resistance cases. Several studies had pointed out possible mutations' points for TDF resistance, including A181T/V, A194T, M204V/I, Y9H, L91I, S106C,

S106G, T118C, T118G, Q267L, I269L, A317S, K333Q, and N337H. Switching treatment to entecavir seemed to show good results in previous reports.

Conclusions The virological breakthrough might still occur in patients receiving TDF. Further evaluation of such resistance mechanism was needed.

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ACUTE LIVER FAILURE: OUTCOME AND PROGNOSTIC PREDICTORS

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Background Acute liver failure (ALF) is defined as a rapid hepatic dysfunction and encephalopathy in the absence of pre-existing liver disease. Globally, viral hepatitis is responsible for the majority of cases of ALF. This study aimed to determine the etiology, outcome, and predictive factors for in-hospital mortality in ALF patients.

Methods A descriptive study was conducted at the Gastro-Hepatology Department of Asian Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad from May 2018 to September 2019. A total of 31 patients were included in the study and evaluated for etiology, prognostic factors, and outcome during the hospital stay. International Normalized Ratio (INR), sepsis (2 SIRS + confirmed or suspected infection), prognostic scores {King College Criteria (KCC), and Model End-Stage Liver Disease (MELD)} and other prognostic factors were compared.

Results Thirty-one patients with a mean age of 22 years, 21 (67.7%) were males. Most common etiology was indeterminate 21 (67.7%) while 5 (16.15%) had Hepatitis B and 5 (16.15%) had Hepatitis E. The in-hospital mortality was 19 (61.3%), out of which 14 (73.3%) were males and 12 (38.7%) recovered spontaneously. INR > 5.00 (Mean = 3.12 and 4.02 in both groups respectively, $p=0.02$), MELD score >32 (Mean = 29.58 and 33.31 in both groups respectively, $p=0.049$), KCC 2 or more out of 5 (Mean = 0.83 and 1.31 in both groups respectively, $p=0.068$), and sepsis ($p=0.008$) were independently associated with in-hospital mortality.

Conclusions The in-hospital mortality of ALF was significantly high with raised INR, MELD (>32), KCC (2/5), and sepsis. Hence, they are poor prognostic factors.

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THIRTY-DAY READMISSION AFTER ESOPHAGEAL VARICEAL HEMORRHAGE AND ITS IMPACT ON OUTCOMES IN THE TERTIARY CARE HOSPITAL

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Background Esophageal variceal hemorrhage (EVH) is a potentially fatal Gastro-intestinal emergency. The aim of this study was to evaluate the in-hospital mortality rate, 30-day readmission rate, and its impact on mortality and morbidity in EVH patients.

Methods A descriptive study (prospective) was conducted at the Gastro-hepatology department of AIMS Hyderabad from