

CAS CLINIQUE

Un syndrome de chevauchement CBP-HAI
avec prurit invalidant

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Mme B... F... 55 ans

Poids 47 kg / Taille: 1m 52

- ▶ Pas d'antécédents
- ▶ Ne prenant pas de traitement
- ▶ Prurit inexpliqué depuis 3 ans

DEVANT UN BILAN HÉPATIQUE PERTURBÉ,
SON MÉDECIN TRAITANT
L'ADRESSE EN CONSULTATION D'HÉPATOLOGIE.

Bilan Biologique

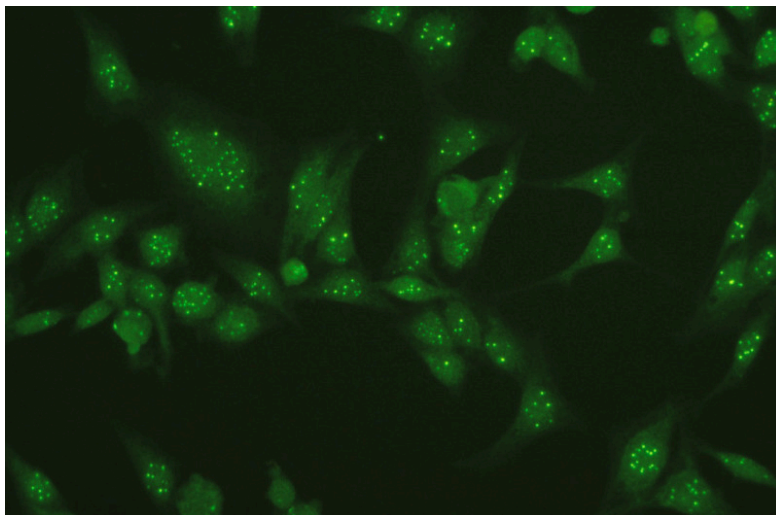
- ▶ Plaquettes 239 000/mm³, TP 100%
- ▶ ASAT 131 UI/L (N:10-35), ALAT 169 UI/L (N:10-35)
- ▶ GGT 1006 UI/L (N:5-36), PAL 525 UI/L (N:35-105)
- ▶ Bilirubine totale 41 µmol/L,
- ▶ Bilirubine conjuguée 38 µmol/L
- ▶ Créatininémie 45 µmol/L, Albumine 40 g/L
- ▶ TSH normale

Bilan Immunologique

- ▶ Electrophorèse des protéines plasmatiques :
Hyper-gammaglobulinémie 21,4 g/L
- ▶ IgG 19,2 g/L (N:7,7-15), IgM 6,8 g/L (N:1-2,2)
- ▶ Anti-nucléaires positifs 1/160 avec présence de dots nucléaires
anti-sp100 positifs
- ▶ Anti-muscles lisses positifs 1/320
- ▶ Anti-LKM1 anti-LC1 anti SLA/LP négatifs
- ▶ Anti-mitochondries négatifs

Anti-sp100 positifs

- ▶ Immunofluorescence indirecte sur cellules Hep-2 montrant une fluorescence mouchetée avec présence de dots nucléaires



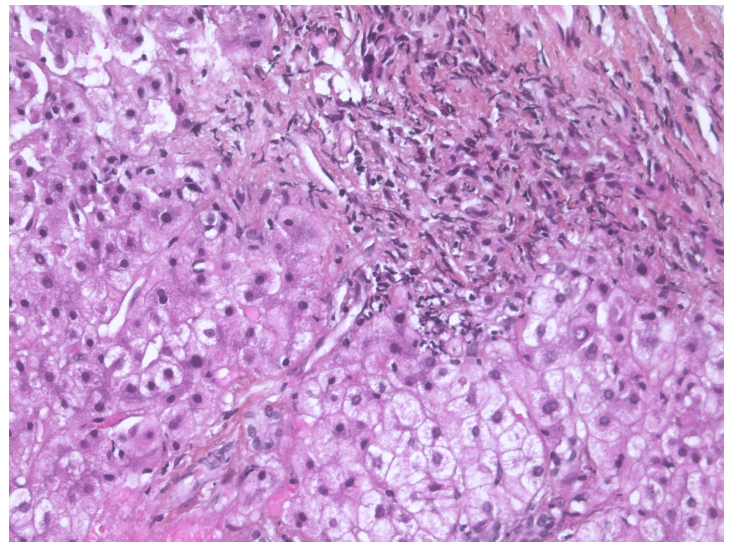
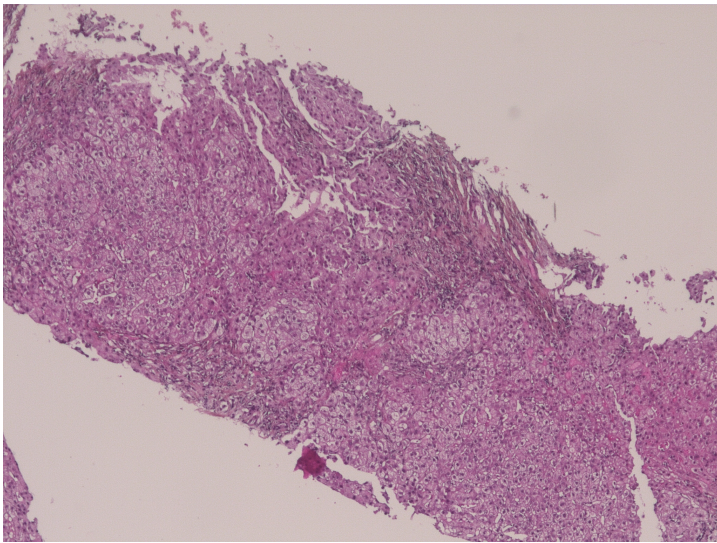
Anti-SP 100 sont présents dans 50 % des CBP sans anti-mitochondries.

Endoscopie / Imagerie

- ▶ **FOGD**: pas de varices oesophagiennes
- ▶ **AFP** normale
- ▶ **Echographie hépatique** : hépatomégalie dysmorphique sans nodule suspect
- ▶ **FS**: 10.3 kPa
- ▶ **Cholangio-IRM** : foie dysmorphique sans dilatation des voies biliaires intra- ou extra-hépatiques

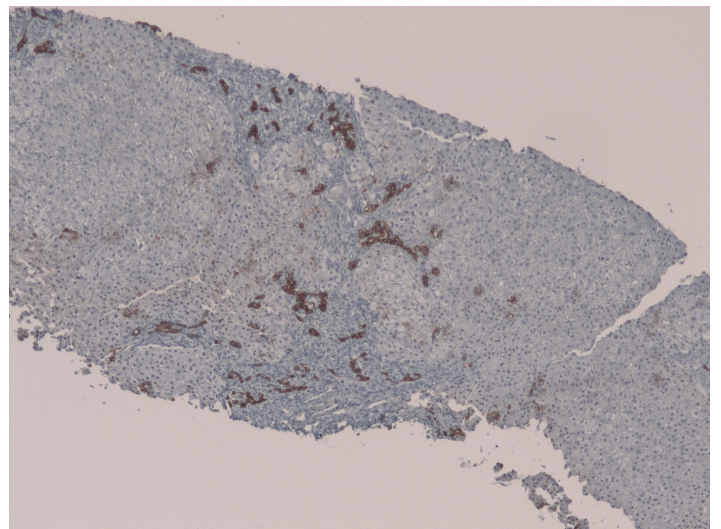
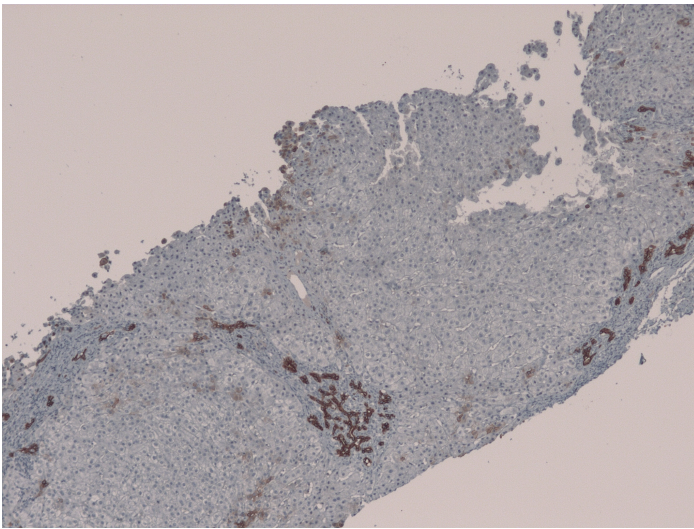
Histologie

- ▶ Ponction biopsie hépatique montrant des lésions d'hépatite chronique active avec piecemeal nécrosis modérée et cirrhose constituée (Classification METAVIR A2F4 - Stade 4 de Scheuer)



Histologie

- ▶ Cholangite destructrice lymphocytaire et Immuno-marquage des canaux biliaires par la Cytokératine 7 montrant une ductopénie et une prolifération ductulaire



Diagnostic de syndrome de chevauchement CBP-HAI au stade de cirrhose

- ▶ Au moins 2 des 3 critères pour la CBP et l'HAI, avec présence obligatoire d'une hépatite d'interface

Critères de CBP		Critères d'HAI	
PAL > 2xN ou GGT > 5xN	✓	ALAT > 5xN	
Anti-mitochondries ≥ 1/40	✓	IgG > 2xN ou anti-muscles lisses positifs	✓
Biopsie hépatique montrant une lésion floride des canaux biliaires	✓	Biopsie hépatique montrant une hépatite d'interface modérée ou sévère	✓

N : limite supérieure de la normale

Traitement

- ▶ Acide ursodésoxycholique (AUDC)
15 mg/kg/jour
- ▶ Cholestyramine 2 sachets par jour

Peu d'efficacité sur le prurit, pas de réponse biochimique.

- ▶ Ajout de Prednisone 30 mg/jour et Azathioprine
50 mg/jour

**Disparition de l'ictère mais prurit invalidant persistant.
Amélioration de la cytolyse et normalisation du taux d'IgG et
de bilirubine. Persistance d'un taux de PAL à 4N.**

Traitement

- ▶ Acide ursodésoxycholique (AUDC) et Azathioprine poursuivis
- ▶ Introduction de Bézafrate 400 mg/jour¹ rapidement interrompu en raison de myalgies invalidantes.²
- ▶ Prurit évalué à 7/10 (échelle visuelle analogique)
- ▶ Patiente réticente à l'introduction d'un traitement potentiellement prurigineux.

1. Usage hors AMM

2. Effet indésirable connu de fréquence comprise entre $\geq 1/1000$ et $< 1/100$ (RCP Befizal)

**Quelle prise
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proposeriez
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Quelle prise en charge du prurit proposeriez vous ?

- 1) Cholestyramine 4 à 16 g/j
(2 à 4 h avant ou après d'autres prises médicamenteuses)
- 2) Rifampicine 150 à 600 mg/jour
- 3) Antagonistes des opiacés
(Naltrexone jusqu'à 50 mg/j)
- 4) Sertraline 75-100 mg/jour
- 5) Photothérapie
- 6) Système MARS™
- 7) Transplantation hépatique

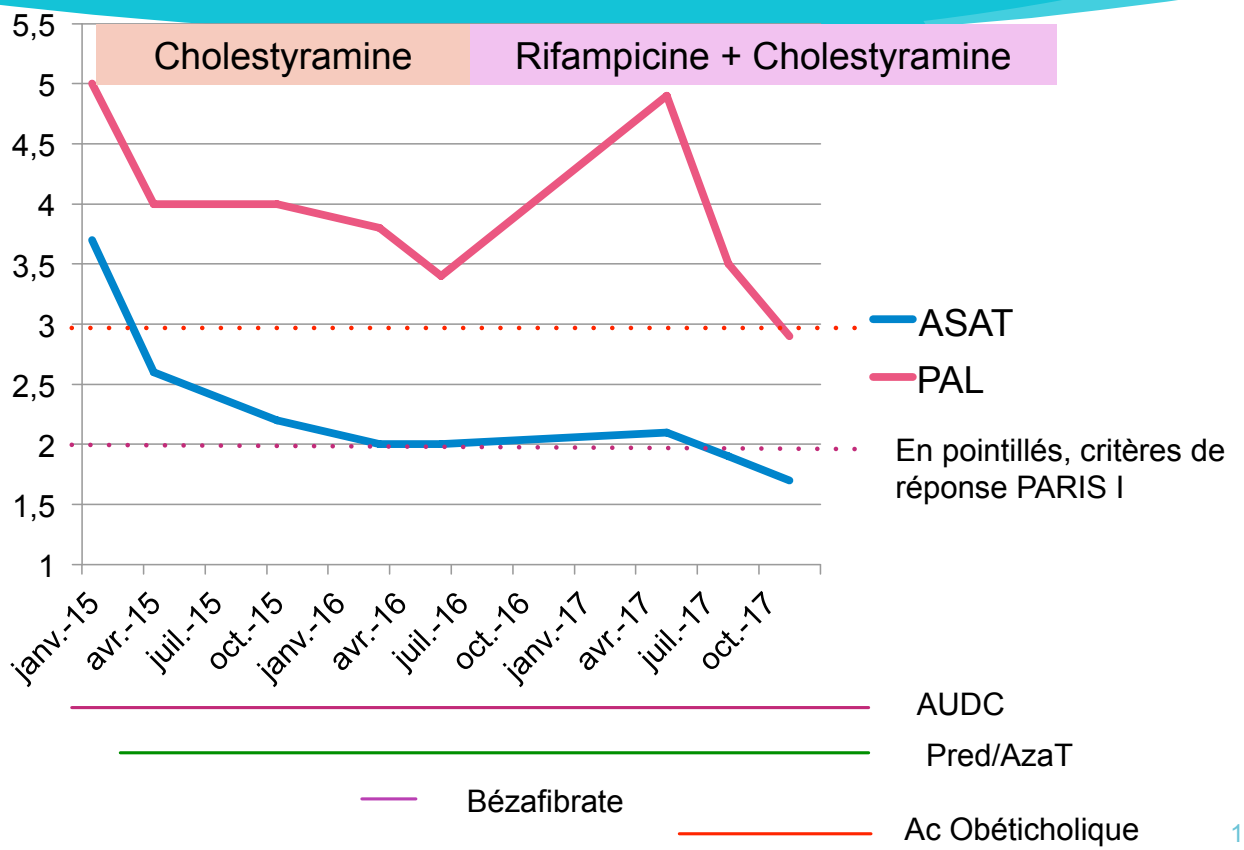
Traitement mis en place chez cette patiente

- ▶ Poursuite de Cholestyramine à 2 sachets par jour, mal toléré
- ▶ Introduction de Rifampicine 150 puis 300 mg/jour

A 3 mois : Prurit évalué à 2/10 (échelle visuelle analogique)

- ▶ Acide ursodésoxycholique (AUDC) poursuivi
- ▶ Introduction d'acide obéticholique à 5 mg/jour
- ▶ Pas de majoration du prurit

A 6 mois, réponse biochimique selon les critères de Paris I



Conclusions

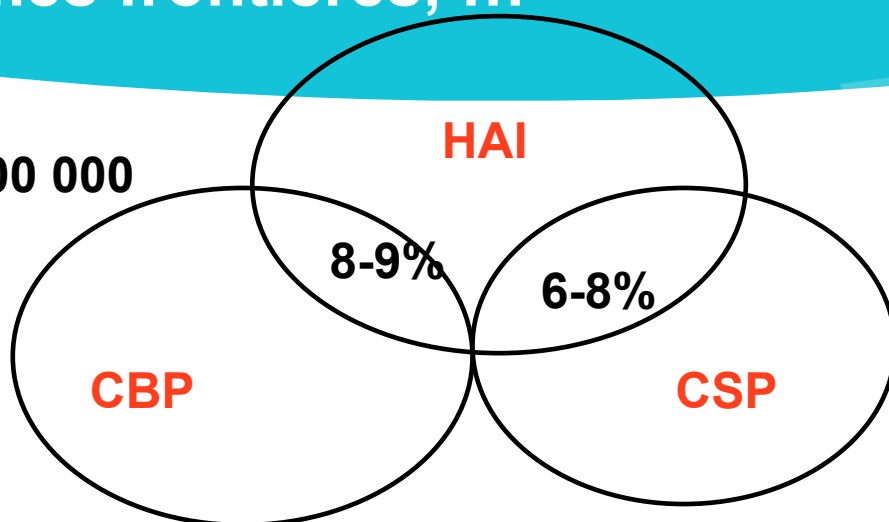
- **Le traitement du syndrome de chevauchement CBP-HAI repose sur l'association AUC-Corticoïdes-Immunosuppresseurs.¹**
- **La prise en charge adéquate du prurit est indispensable au préalable de l'introduction du traitement par acide obéticholique.**
- **En cas de prurit sous acide obéticholique, la posologie peut être réduite transitoirement à 5 mg, 1 jour sur 2.²**

1. EASL Clinical Practice Guidelines 2017 on PBC: Journal of Hepatology 2017 vol. 67 j 145–172
2. RCP Ocaliva

Hépatites Auto-Immunes, CBP, CSP

Formes frontières, ...

HAI:
10 à 17/ 100 000



Formes frontières		Formes séquentielles
HAI-CBP	Cholangite Auto-Immune	AIH \Leftrightarrow PBC
HAI-CSP		
HAI-CSP		AIH \Leftrightarrow PSC

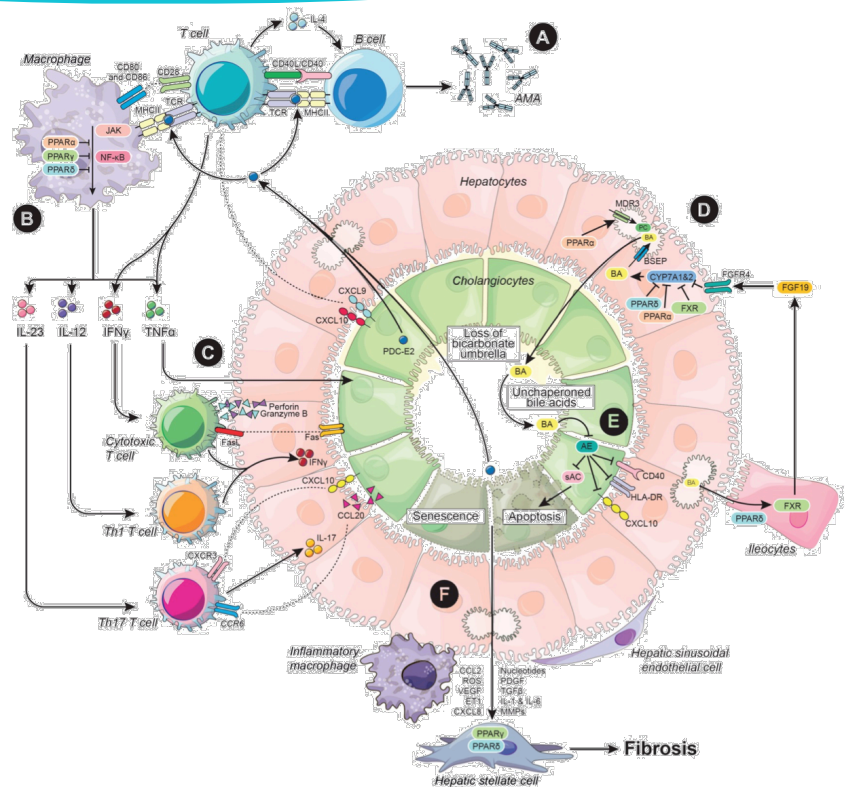
New scoring Classing for PBC-AIH overlap syndrome

TABLE 1. PROPOSED SCORING CLASSIFICATION FOR OVERLAP SYNDROME

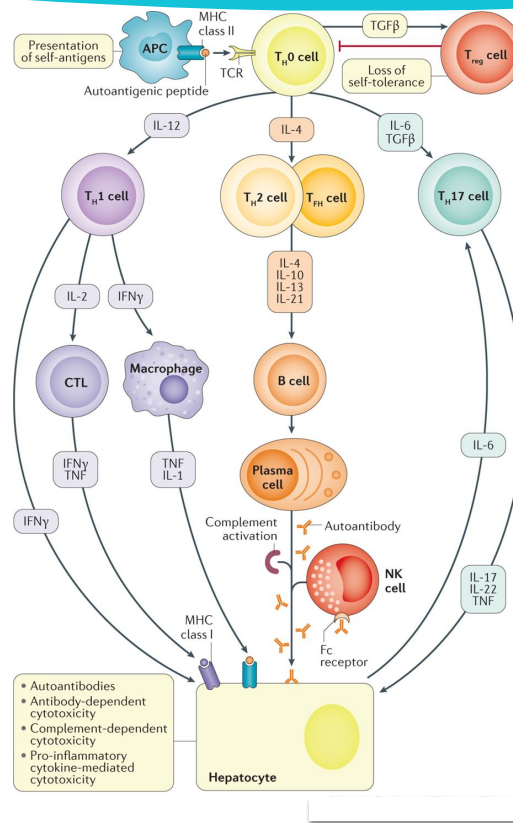
Component	Result	Score
Biochemical category		
AST or ALT above ULN	>2	+3
	1.5-2	+2
	1-1.5	+1
	<1	0
ALP above ULN	>1	+2
	0.75-1	+1
	<0.75	0
Serum globulin above ULN	>1.5	+2
	1-1.5	+1
	<1	0
Immunologic category		
ANA, ASMA, or LKM1	> 1:80	+3
	1:80	+2
	1:40	+1
	<1:40	0
or		
Anti-SLA, pANCA	Positive	+2
AMA	Positive	+3
Histologic category		
	Interface hepatitis	+3
	Lymphoplasmacytic	+1
	Hepatic rosettes	+1
	Biliary damage	
	Granulomas	+3
	Florid ductal lesion	+1
	Ductular proliferation	+1
	Bile duct loss	+1
Others category		
Viral markers	Positive	-3
	Negative	+3
Drugs	Yes	-4
	No	+1
Alcohol	<25 g/day	+2
	>60 g/day	-2
Interpretation of scores		
	Definitive	≥21
	Probable	19 or 20
	Rejected	<19

Pathogenesis of Primary Biliary Cholangitis

- ▶ Effective biliary secretion is essential for adequate hepatic detoxification and is integral to digestive function
- ▶ PBC reflects the consequences of immune and cellular injury to biliary epithelial cells, resulting in cholestasis and progressive liver fibrosis



Pathogenesis of Auto-Immune Hepatitis



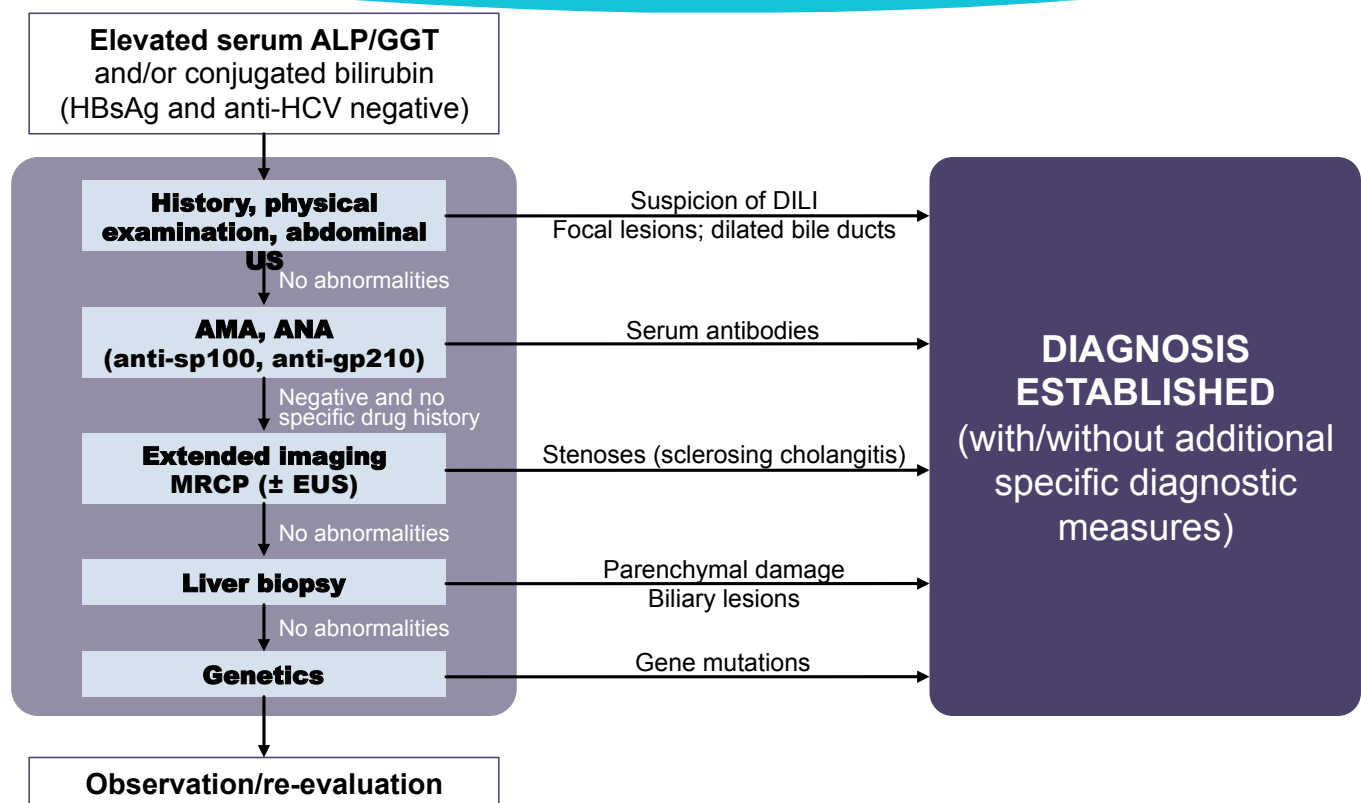
Diagnostic approach to cholestasis

- ▶ A systematic approach to diagnosis of PBC is recommended

Recommendations*	Grade of evidence	Grade of recommendation
Take detailed history and physical examination when evaluating patients with biochemical tests that suggest cholestatic liver disease	III	1
Ultrasound should be the first-line non-invasive imaging procedure to differentiate intra- from extrahepatic cholestasis	III	1
Perform serological screening for AMA and PBC-specific ANA by immunofluorescence in all patients with unexplained cholestasis	III	1
Image using MRCP in patients with unexplained cholestasis. EUS can be an alternative to MRCP to evaluate distal biliary disease	III	1
Consider liver biopsy after serological screening and extended imaging in patients with ongoing unexplained intrahepatic cholestasis	III	1
Consider genetic tests for inherited cholestatic syndromes in patients where clinically appropriate	III	1

*Statements 1–6
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Structured algorithm to diagnose chronic* cholestasis



*Lasting for >6 months
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Overview of utility of investigations in PBC

► Elevated ALP is typical of PBC

Test	Finding	Notes
ALP	↑	Values associated with disease progression
AST/ALT	↑	↑↑ May be suggestive of PBC with features of AIH
GGT	↑	Reflects cholestatic liver injury
IgM	↑	Elevated values associated with disease
AMA (>1/40)	+	Diagnostic in >90% of cases in correct clinical context
Specific ANA	+	Specific immunofluorescence patterns* present in 30%
Anti-gp210	+	Specific immunoassays available
Anti-sp100	+	Specific immunoassays available
Anti-centromere	+	Associated with portal hypertensive phenotype
Bilirubin	↑	Elevation at late stages frequently indicative of cirrhosis [†]
Platelets	↓	Indicative of cirrhosis
INR	↑	Indicative of cirrhosis
Albumin	↓	Indicative of cirrhosis

*Perinuclear rims, nuclear dot, centromere;

[†] Except in patients with ductopenic non-cirrhotic variant

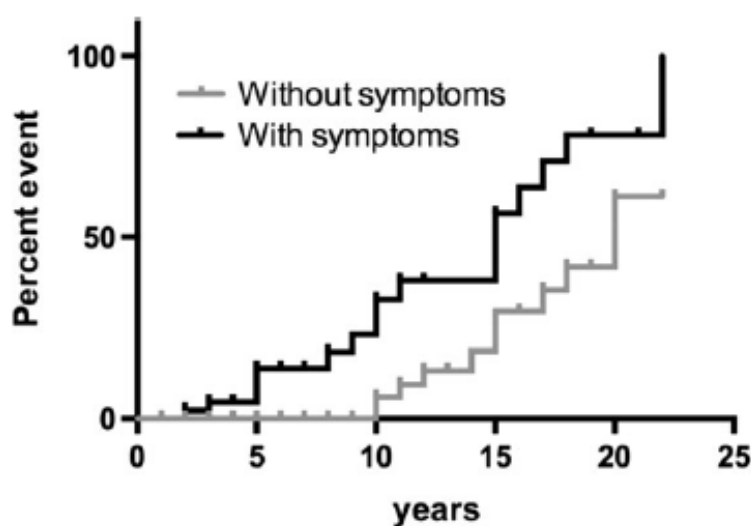
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Stratification of risk in PBC

Recommendations*	Grade of evidence	Grade of recommendation
Recognize that patients at greatest risk of complications from PBC have inadequate biochemical response to therapy , and cirrhosis	II-2	1
Actively recognize that the strongest risk factors for inadequate biochemical response to therapy are early age at diagnosis (e.g. <45), and advanced stage at presentation	III	1
Evaluate all patients for stage of disease using a combination of non-invasive tests (bilirubin, alkaline phosphatase, AST, albumin, platelet count and elastography) at baseline, and during follow-up	III	1
Elevated serum bilirubin and ALP can be used as surrogate markers of outcome for patients with PBC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routine biochemistry and haematology indices should underpin clinical approaches to stratify individual risk of disease progression 	II-2	1
Recognize that transplant-free survival for early-stage patients with ALP <1.5x ULN and a normal bilirubin after 1 year of therapy with UDCA, is not significantly different to a control healthy population	II-2	1
Use elastography and risk scores (eg, GLOBE and UK-PBC score) for patients with PBC, to help better define individual risk of developing complications of advanced liver disease in the future	III	1

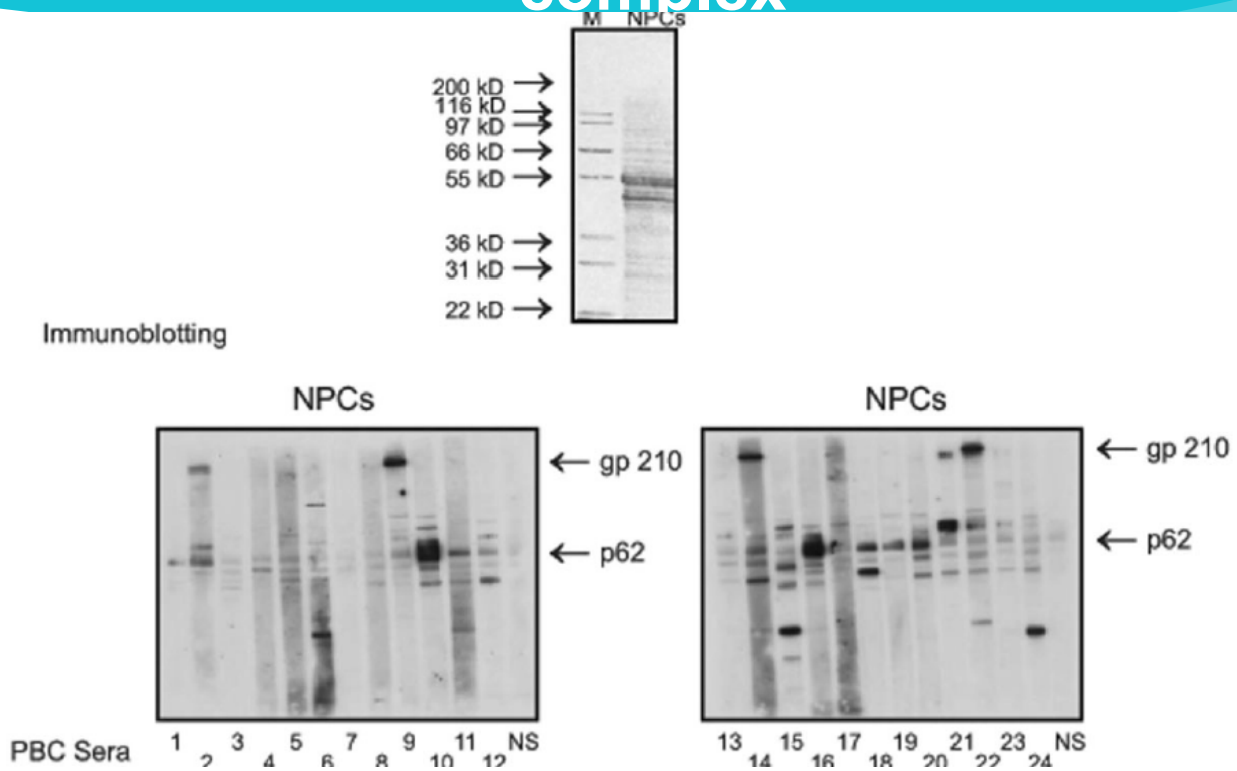
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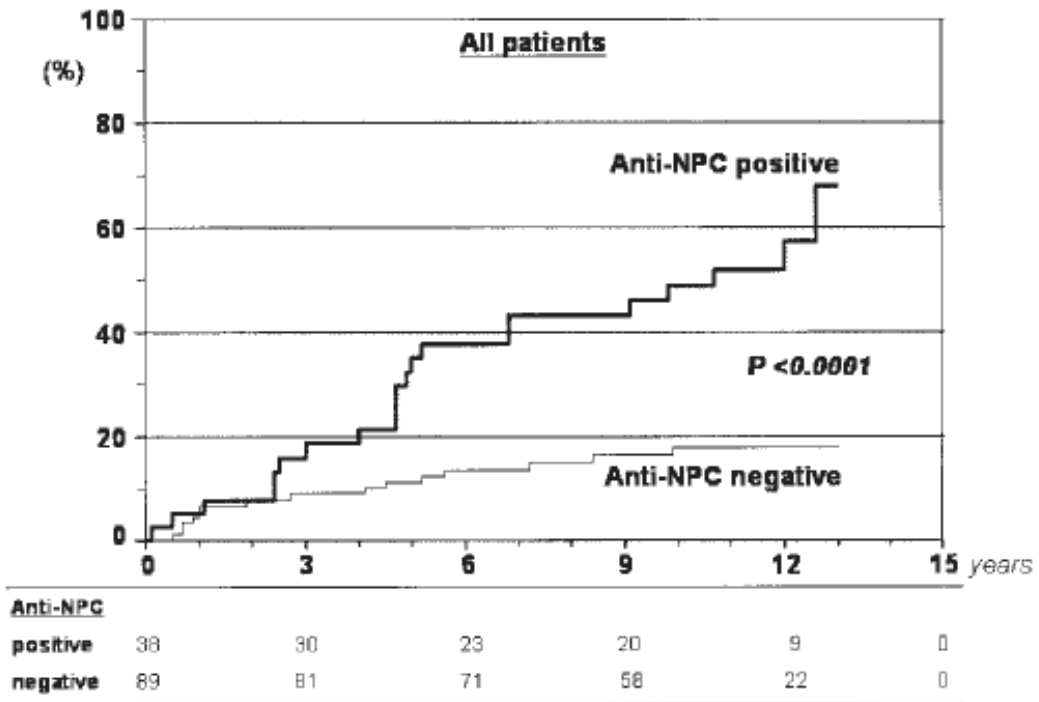
PBC patients presenting with symptoms such as fatigue and pruritus present a severe evolution



# of patients at risk	5 yrs	10 yrs	15 yrs	20 yrs	22 yrs
With symptoms (75 pts)	37	16	10	3	1
Without symptoms (141 pts)	67	34	15	6	1

Immunoreactivity of serum of patients with PBC with Nuclear pore complex



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Defining inadequate response to treatment

- ▶ **Treatment failure must be defined on validated surrogate endpoints**
 - ▶ To account for the slow progression of disease
- ▶ **Qualitative biochemical response to UDCA assessed using binary definitions or continuous scoring**

Binary definitions	Time (months)	Treatment failure
Rochester ¹	6	ALP ≥ 2 ULN or Mayo score ≥ 4.5
Barcelona ²	12	Decrease in ALP $\leq 40\%$ and ALP $\geq 1x$ ULN
Paris-I ³	12	ALP $\geq 3x$ ULN or AST $\geq 2x$ ULN or bilirubin >1 mg/dl
Rotterdam ⁴	12	Bilirubin $\geq 1x$ ULN and/or albumin $<1x$ ULN
Toronto ⁵	24	ALP $>1.67x$ ULN
Paris-II ⁶	12	ALP $\geq 1.5x$ ULN or AST $\geq 1.5x$ ULN or bilirubin >1 mg/dl
Ehime ⁷	6	Decrease in GGT $\leq 70\%$ and GGT ≥ 1 ULN
Continuous scoring	Time (months)	Scoring parameters
UK-PBC ⁸	12	12 months: bilirubin, ALP and AST (or ALT); Baseline: albumin and platelets
GLOBE ⁹	12	12 months: bilirubin, ALP, albumin, and platelet count; Baseline: age

Treatment: therapies to slow disease progression

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Oral OCA: Biochemical efficacy in patients with ALP >1.67x ULN and/or bilirubin elevated <2x ULN demonstrated in a Phase 3 study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditionally approved for patients with PBC in combination with UDCA for those with an inadequate response to UDCA, or as monotherapy in those intolerant to UDCA • Consider use in such patients (initial dose 5 mg; dose titration to 10 mg according to tolerability at 6 months) 	I	2
Data from Phase 3 randomized trials for budesonide (in non-cirrhotic patients), and bezafibrate , both in combination with UDCA , not yet published; currently, a recommendation for therapy cannot be made	II-2	2

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 - ▶ Variable inclusion criteria without reference to disease risk or stage

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PBC with features of autoimmune hepatitis

- ▶ ~8–10% of patients with PBC have features characteristic of AIH
 - ▶ ‘AIH-PBC overlap syndrome’, ‘hepatitic form of PBC’, or ‘PBC with secondary AIH’
- ▶ With non-response to UDCA after 6-12 months additional AIH features should be investigated
 - ▶ Paris criteria used most commonly[†]

Recommendations*		
Liver biopsy is mandatory in confirming the features of AIH, and should be considered in patients with disproportionate elevations in ALT and/or IgG	III	1
Patients with PBC and typical features of AIH may benefit from immunosuppressive treatment in addition to UDCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use immunosuppressive treatment in patients with severe interface hepatitis, and consider in patients with moderate interface hepatitis • Counsel patients about immunosuppressive treatment side effects 	III	2

*Statements 24, 25;

[†]According to these criteria, a diagnosis can be made in a patient with PBC with at least two of the following: 1. ALP >2x ULN or GGT >5x ULN. 2. AMA >1:40. 3. Florid bile duct lesion on histology AND two of the following three features: 1. ALT >5x ULN.

2. IgG serum levels >2x ULN or smooth muscle autoantibody positive. 3. Moderate or severe interface hepatitis on histology

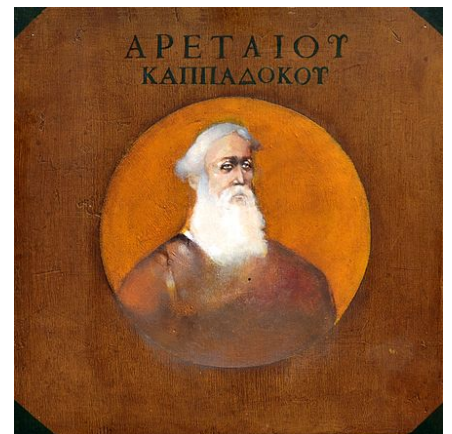
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Therapy of overlap – EASL guidelines – Autoimmune Hepatitis

50. In AIH patients with features of PBC (“AIH-PBC variant syndrome”), combined therapy with UDCA and immunosuppressants is recommended (III). In AIH patients with PSC features (“AIH-PSC variant syndrome”) addition of UDCA to immunosuppressant can be considered (III)
In patients with dominant AIH features, an alternative approach is to start with immunosuppressants only and then add UDCA if response is insufficient (III)

« Le prurit est causée par des particules bilieuses épineuses »

Aretaeus le Cappadocien (2nd Century B.C.)



Current suggested pharmacological therapy for pruritis associated with jaundice

Treatment	Agent	Dosage
Initial	UDCA	10-15 mg/kg.d (PO)
First line	Cholestyramine	4-16 g/d (PO)
Second line	Rifampicin	300-600 mg/d (PO)
Third line	Naltrexone	50 mg/d (PO)
Fourth line	Sertraline	100 mg/d (PO)

UDCA: Ursodeoxycholic acid; PO: Oral administration.

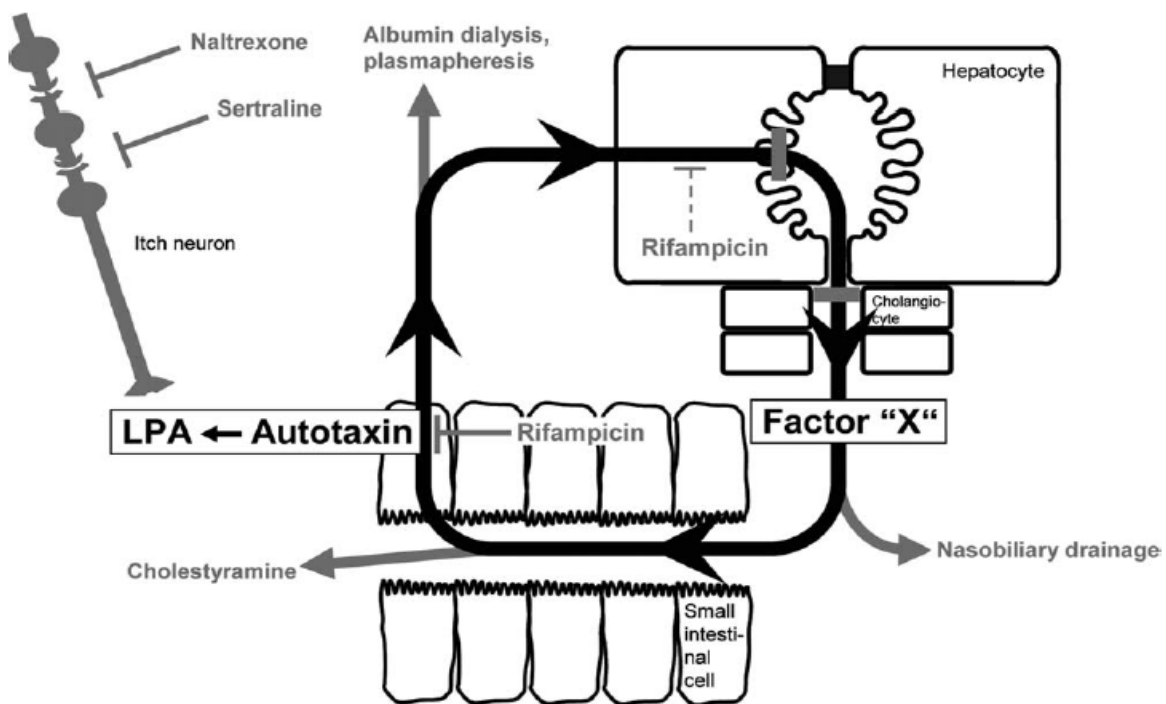
Lysophosphatidic Acid Is a Potential Mediator of Cholestatic Pruritus

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The itch neuron

Schematic representation of receptors and neurotransmitters that may play a role in itch transmission





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