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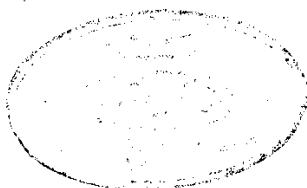
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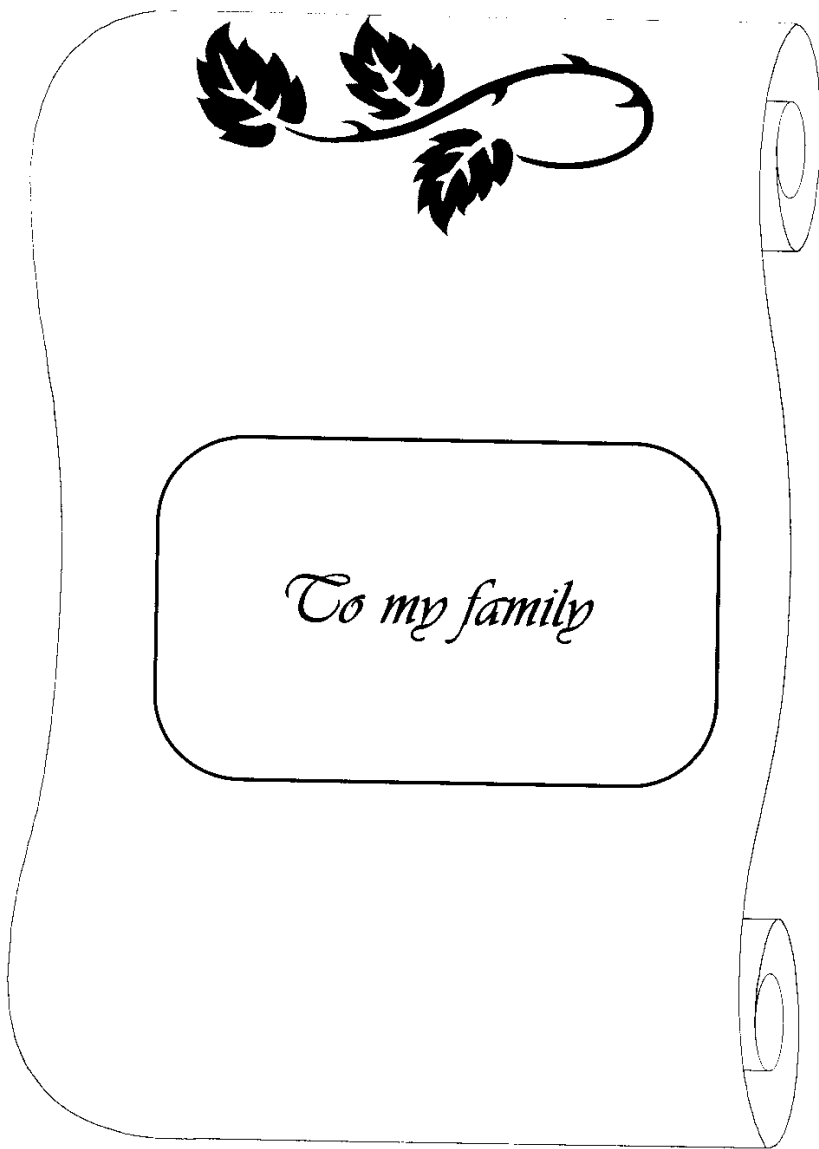
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## List of Abbreviations

I.V.C.	Inferior Vena Cava .
H.C.C.	Hepatocellular carcinoma.
R.E.S.	Reticuloendothelial system.
$\alpha$ .F.P.	Alpha Feto protein.
C.T.	Computed Tomography.
P.T.T.	Partial Thromboplastine time.
P.T.T <sub>C</sub> .	Partial Thromboplastine time.
PHRR	Parenchymal hepatic resection rate.
198 AU.	198 Gold- colloid.
ICG	Indocyanine green dye.
ICG <sub>R15</sub>	Indocyanine green 15 minutes retention rate.
UGT	Upper gastro intestinal tract.
ICG <sub>K</sub>	Indocyanine green disappearance rate.
HGF	Hepatocyte growth factor.
EGF	Epidermal growth factor.
NSILA <sub>s</sub>	Non suppressible insulin-like activites.
PGE <sub>2</sub>	Prostaglandin E <sub>2</sub>
<sup>99m</sup> Tc	<sup>99m</sup> Technetium.
<sup>131</sup> I.	<sup>131</sup> Iodine Rose Bengal.
ECG	Electrocardiography.
SGOT	Serum glutamic oxatoacetic transaminase.
SGPT	Serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase.
Alk.Phos.	Alkaline phesphatase.
PT	Prothrombin time.
ERCP	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreato-graphy.
SPSS	Statistical package for social science.
F.N.H.	Focal nodular hyrerplesia.
L.C.F.	Liver cell failure.
S.D.	Standard deviation.
Min.	Minimum.
Max.	Maximum.
Postop.	Postoperative.
Preop.	Preoperative.
F.H.	Formal hepatectomy.
P.H.	Partial hepatectomy.
HBV	Hepatitis B virus.
ICG <sub>Rmax</sub>	Maximal removal of Indocyanine green dye.
U/S	Ultrasound.
CUSA	Cavitron Ultrasonic Accelerator.

# INTRODUCTION



## Introduction and Aim of the Work

The liver exhibits a remarkable regenerative capacity after major resection provided it is normal. It is commonly assumed that a normal liver tolerates 70 - 80 percent resection safely. On the other hand, it is well Known that cirrhotic livers are less able to regenerate and accordingly that major resection is contraindicated in the presence of liver cirrhosis (*Nagasue et al., 1987*).

Major hepatic resection could be done for some of the patients with well compensated cirrhosis. However for most of the patients with compensated cirrhosis, limited resections particularly segmentectomy are safe, well tolerated by the patients and provide satisfactory long term survival rates (*Suenaga et al., 1992*).

Thus, cirrhosis considered to be a limiting factor to massive resection and extensive surgery may be unduly hazardous and life threatening in such patients (*Kanematsu et al., 1984*).

In conclusion, regeneration of human liver is influenced by the massiveness of resection and severity of coexisting liver disease. So, those cirrhotic livers generally have poor restoration of liver volume and concomitant poor recovery in liver function. However, Few well compensated cirrhotic livers regained approximately 80% of initial liver size with return to preoperative liver function, but with some delay compared with normal liver (*Yamanaka et al., 1993*).

*Lin et al. (1979)* did not detect any change in the size of the cirrhotic remnant on repeated scanning after hepatic lobectomy.

**The aim of this study** is to evaluate the regeneration process of the liver after hepatic resection in terms of liver volume and liver function with evaluation of the regeneration of biliary system.

