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Summary

Chronic liver diseases are the continuity of clinical or biochemical evidence of hepatic dysfunction for longer than six months. Chronic liver diseases in children are relatively common disorders with minimal symptoms but long-term risk of significant morbidity and mortality particularly in developing countries.

Intestinal parasites are among the most common infections worldwide, constituting major public health problem in developing countries. Intestinal parasites are linked to diarrhea, dysentery, abdominal pain and related gastrointestinal manifestations.

Many parasites may inhabit the upper or lower gastrointestinal tract, pancreas, liver, gallbladder and biliary tree. The extent of the disease depends on the parasite burden and stage of infestation, the type of tissue response and host immunity.

The aim of our work was to study the common intestinal parasites among children with chronic liver diseases.

This study was conducted on 100 children, 50 children with chronic liver diseases of different etiologies recruited from



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List of Abbreviations

| α1-ΑΤ | Alpha 1-antitrypsin |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| ALP | Alkaline phosphatase |
| ALT | Alanine transaminase |
| AMA | Anti-mitochondrial antibody |
| ANA | Anti-nuclear antibody |
| ASMA | Anti-smooth muscle antibody |
| AST | Aspartate transaminase |
| BASM | Biliary atresia splenic malformation |
| BMI | Body mass index |
| CBC | Complete blood count |
| CD4 | Cluster of differentiation 4 |
| CD8 | Cluster of differentiation 8 |
| CF | Cystic fibrosis |
| CLD | Chronic liver disease |
| CMV | Cytomegalovirus |
| СРК | Creatinine phosphokinase |
| CT | Computed tomography |
| E.histolytica | Entamoeba histolytica |
| EBV | Epstien barr virus |
| EEG | Electroencephalography |
| ELISA | Enzyme-linked immuno-sorbent assay |
| ERCP | Endoscopic retrograde |
| | cholangiopancreatography |
| GGT | Gamma-glutamyl transpeptidase |
| HAI | Histological activity index |

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| HAV | Hepatitis A virus |
|-----------|---|
| HBcAb | Hepatitis B core antibody |
| HBcAg | Hepatitis B core antigen |
| HBeAg | Hepatitis B envelope antigen |
| HBsAb | Hepatitis B surface antibody |
| HBsAg | Hepatitis B surface antigen |
| HBV | Hepatitis B virus |
| HBV DNA | Hepatitis B virus DNA |
| HCC | Hepatocellular carcinoma |
| HCV | Hepatitis C virus |
| HDV | Hepatitis D virus |
| HEV | Hepatitis E virus |
| HIV | Human immunodeficiency virus |
| LKM | Anti-liver kidney microsomal antibody |
| MRI | Magnetic resonance imaging |
| OLT | Orthotopic liver transplantation |
| PAIR | Puncture aspiration injection respiration |
| TC | Triangular cord |
| WD | Wilson's disease |
| WHO | World health organization |
| Z.N stain | Zeihl-neelsen stain |
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