# Trial of New Antiviral Drugs in Patients With Decompensated Liver Cirrhosis Due to HCV Infection

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#### Summary

Egypt has the largest burden of Hepatitis C virus in the world, the overall prevalence for positive HCV Ab in Egypt was 14.7%. 9.8% of the population continues to have HCV RNA, which means that 7.8 millions of the Egyptians continue to have chronic active hepatitis (According to Egyptian demographic health survey) (*Kamel et al.*, 1992).

Cirrhosis represents the end stage of any chronic liver disease, it can remain compensated for many years prior to development of decompensating events; decompensated cirrhosis is marked by the development of jaundice, variceal hemorrhage, ascites or encephalopathy (Sakib and Garcia-Tsao., 2003).

According to the NIH Consensus Conference Statement, the primary therapy recommended for patients with decompensated liver disease due to HCV infection is referral for liver transplantation (National Institute Of health consensus development conference statement, 2002).

Interferon and ribavirin therapy (the standard antiviral therapy for HCV infection) is potentially dangerous in the setting of decompensated cirrhosis because of the increased risk of life threatening complications and because of the concern that it might accelerate hepatic decompensation (*Crippen et al.*, 2002).

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## List of Abbreviations

aa Amino Acid

**AASLD** American Association For The Study Of Liver

Disease

**AFP** Alpha Fetoprotein

**AFP-L3** Lens Culinaris Agglutinin-Reactive AFP

Ag Antigen

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrom

**AKI** Acute Kidney Injury

**AP** Alkaline Phosphatatase

**ALT** Alanine Aminotransferase

**AST** Aspartate Aminotransferases

**AT** Antithrombin

**BMI** Body Mass Index

**CD4** Cluster Of Differentiation 4

CD 81 Cluster Of Differentiation 81 (Target Of Anti

Proliferation Antibody)

**CHC** Chronic Hepatitis C

Cr Cl/min Createnine Clearance Per Minute

**CTP** Child –Turcotte -Pough

**CT** Computed Tomography

**DAA** Direct-Acting Antiviral Agent

**D. Bil** Direct Bilirubin

DC-SIGN Dendritic Cell-Specific Intercellular Adhesion

Molecule-3-Grabbing Nonintegrin

**DCP** Desgamma Carboxy Prothrombin

**DNA** De-Oxy Ribonucleic Acid

**DVR** Delayed Virological Response

**E1** Envelope Protein 1

**E2** Envelope Protein 2

**ECM** Extra Cellular Matrix

**EDHS** Egyptian Demographic Health Survey

**EIF** Eukaryotic Translation Initiation Factor

**EIA** Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Essay

**ER** Endoplasmic Reticulum

**EVR** Early Virologic Response

**FDA** Food And Drug Administration

**G-CSF** Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factor

**GGT** Gamma Gluteryl Transferase

**GH** Growth Hormone

GM-CSF Granulocyte Macrophage Colony-Stimulating

Factor

Gpc 3 Glypican 3

**GTP** Guanosin Triphosphate

**HBeAg** Hepatitis B E Antigen

**HBsAg** Hepatitis B Surface Antigen

**HBV** Hepatitis B Virus

**HCV** Hepatitis C Virus

**RNA** Riboneucleic Acid Of Hepatitis C Virus

**HCC** Hepatocellular Carcinoma

**HIV** Human Immune Deficiency Virus

**HDL** High Density Lipo Protien

**Hgb** Hemoglobin

**HLA** Human Leucocyte Antigen

**HPS** Hepato-Pulmonary Syndrom

**HRS** Hepato-Renal Syndrom

**HVAP-A** Human Vesicle Associated Membrane Protein A

**HVR1** Hyper Variable Region 1

**INF** Interferon

**IFN** α Interferon A

**IGF-1** Insulin Growth Factor-1

**IgM** Immunoglobulin M

IL 28B Interleukin 28b

INR International Normalization Ratio

**IRES** Internal Ribosomal Entry Site.

**ISGs** Interferon Stimulated Genes

ITP Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura

IU International Unit

**KD** Kilo Dalton

**LDL** Low Density Lipoproteins

**LOLA** L-Ornithin, L-Aspartate

**MELD** Model For End-Stage Liver Disease

**MHC** Major Histocompatibility Complex

**MRCP** Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography.

MRI Magnetic Resonance Imaging

m RNA Messenger Ribonucleic Acid

NH<sub>4</sub> Ammonia

NI Nucleoside Analogue Inhibitor

NNI Non Nucleoside Inhibitor

NS Non Structural

**PCR** Polymerase Chain Reaction

**PEG-IFN** Pegylated Interferon

**PFOR** Pyruvate Ferrodoxin Oxireductase

**PHTN** Portal Hypertension

**PKR** Protein Kinase R

PLT Platelets

**Pphtn** Porto- Pulmonary Hypertension

**PT** Prothrombin Time

**PVT** Portal Vein Thrombosis

**RVR** Rapid Virologic Response

**SBP** Spontaneous Bacterial Peritonitis

**SVR** Sustained Virologic Response

**SR-BI** Scavenger Receptor Class B Type I

**RBC** Red Blood Cell

**RBV** Ribavirin

**RDRP** RNA Dependent RNA Polymerase

**RNA** Ribonucleic Acid

**SOC** Standerd Of Care

**STAT-C** Specially Targeted Antiviral Therapy For HCV

**TE** Transient Elastography

**TIPS** Transjugular Porto Systemic Shunt

**TRIF** Toll-Like Receptor Signaling In The Liver

**TSH** Thyroid Stimulating Hormone

**T.bil** Total Bilirubin

Te Transient Elastography

**TGF** Tumor Growth Factor.

**TMA** Transcription Mediated Amplification

U/S Ultra Sound

**USA** United States Of America

**UTR** Untranslated Regions

**VAMP** Vesicle Associated Membrane Protein

**WBC** White Blood Cells

WHO World Health Organization

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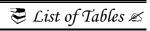


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