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## Life Beyond SVR - It is not just about SVR: The Clinical Benefits of Succesful DAA Therapy Beyond Cure

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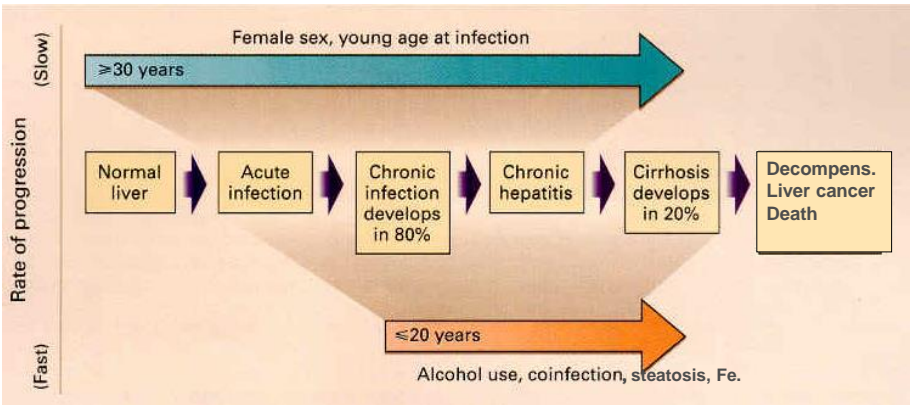
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## The Endpoint of Treatment in HCV: SVR

- To cure HCV infection, in order to:
  - Prevent the complications of HCV-related liver and extra-hepatic diseases, including hepatic necro-inflammation, fibrosis, cirrhosis, decompensation of cirrhosis, HCC and death
  - Improve quality of life and remove stigma
  - Prevent onward transmission of HCV

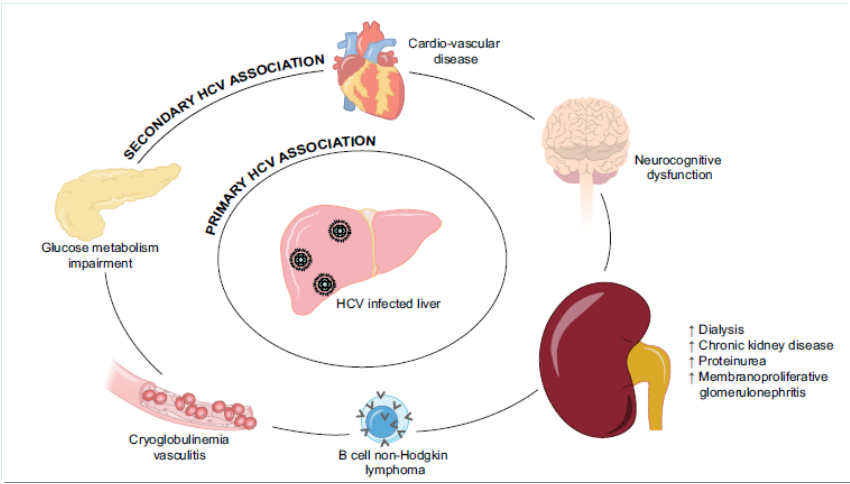
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## Natural History of hepatitis C



(Modified by Lauer and Walker NEJM 2001;345:41-52)

## HCV Infection Is a Systemic Disease



Cacoub P, et al. *J Hepatol* 2016; 65: S82-S94

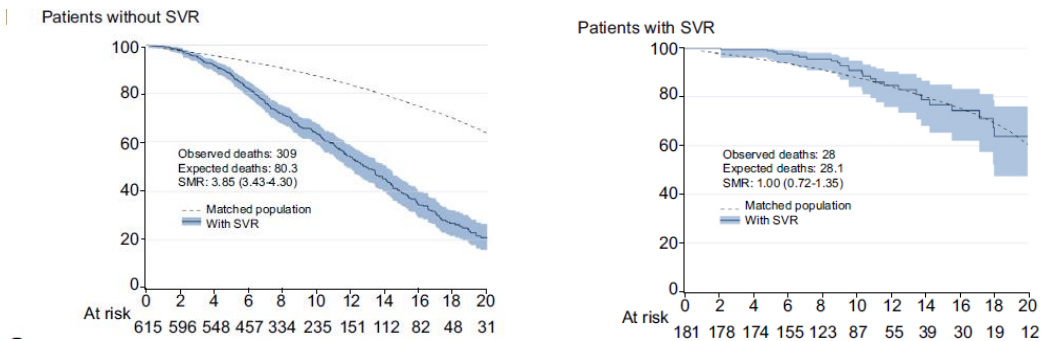
## All-cause Mortality Is Reduced by DAA Veteran Affairs HCV Cohort

- 80.5% reduction of HCC incidence
- 80.5% reduction of all-cause mortality rates
- SVR strongly associated with delayed time to death and development of first HCC ( both  $p<.001$  )

Backus LI et al *Hepatology* 2018 x 2

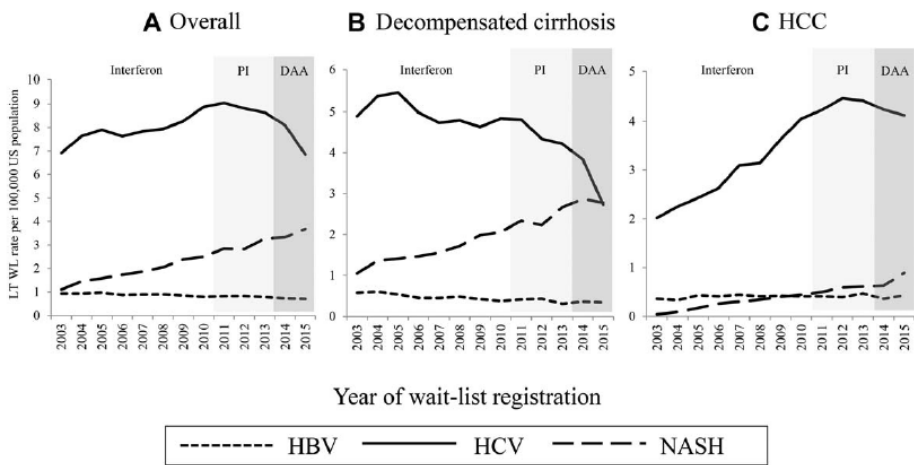
\* x 100 Patient/yr ; f-up 1.3 yrs

## Survival of HCV Cirrhotics with an SVR Is Comparable to the General Population



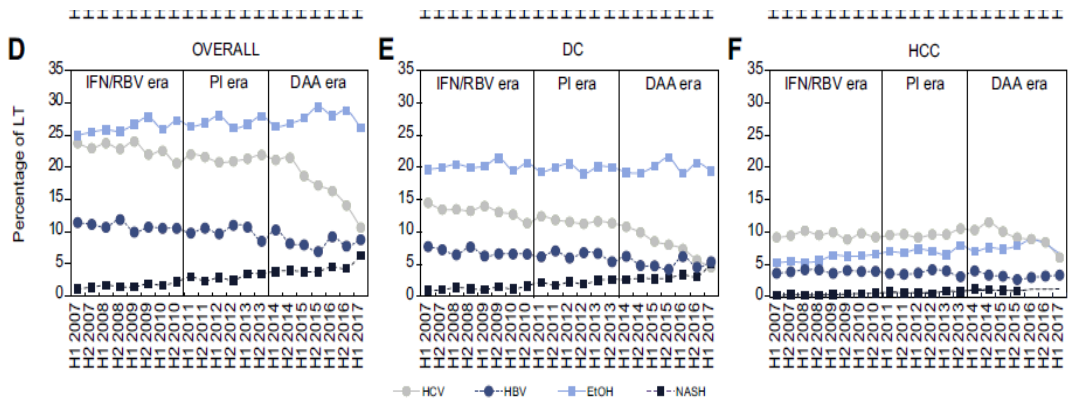
Bruno S et al J Hepatol 2017

## The Impact of DAAs on LT Wait-Listing: US



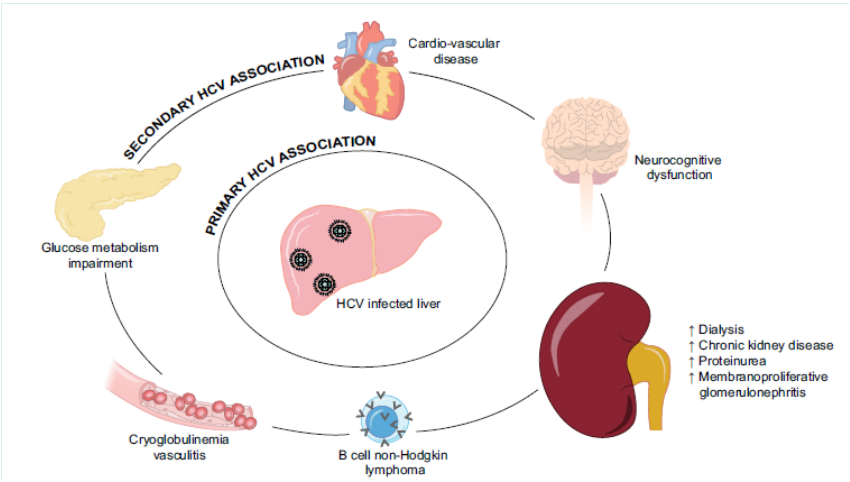
Flemming J et al, Hepatology 2018

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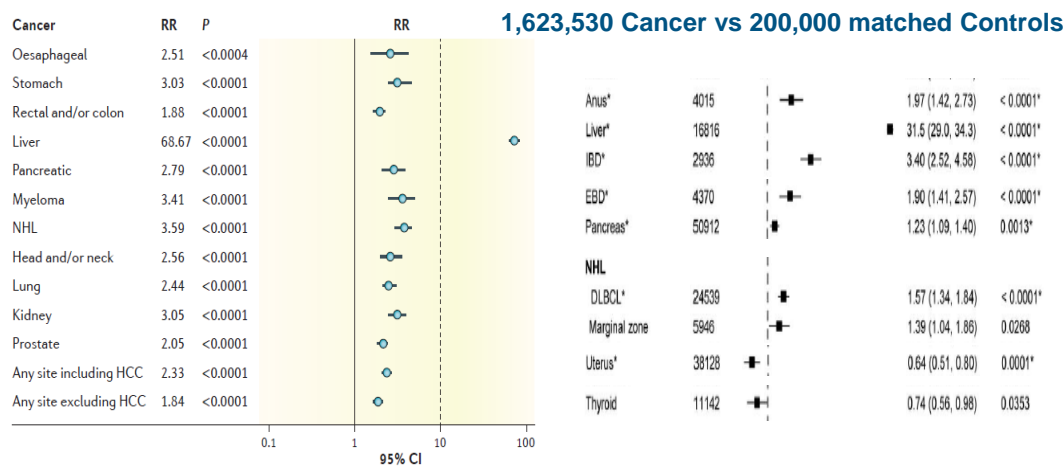
Belli L et al, Journal of Hepatology in press

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## HCV infection and Risk of Non Hepatic Cancer



Pol S et al, Nat Rev Gastro and Hep 2018  
Mahale P et al, Cancer 2017

## Competing Risks of Death in Compensated Cirrhosis A Multicenter Study in France

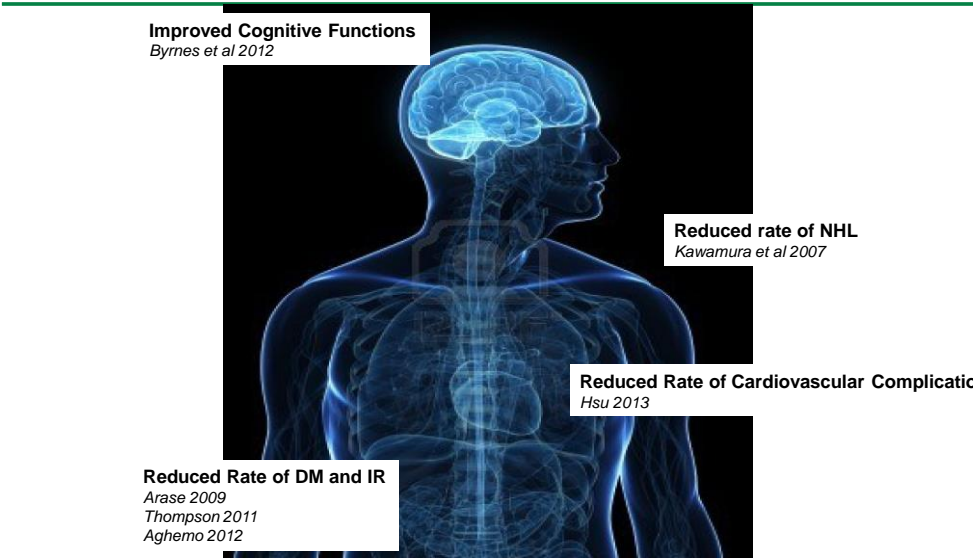
35 Centers : follow-up 34 months from 2006 to 2012

	HCV (n=1308)	HBV (n=315)	HCV and HBV (n=31)	Whole cohort (n=1654)
<b>Death</b>	<b>93 (7.1%)</b>	<b>6 (1.9%)</b>	<b>3 (10%)</b>	<b>102 (6.2%)</b>
<b><u>HCC-related</u></b>	<b><u>17 (19.5%)</u></b>	<b>1 (16.6%)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18 (18.7%)</b>
<i>Non-HCC liver-related</i>	27 (30.7%)	2 (33.3%)	1 (50%)	30 (31.2%)
<i>Bacterial infection</i>	13 (14.7%)	0	0	13 (13.5%)
<i>Extrahepatic cancer</i>	7 (7.9%)	3 (50%)	0	10 (10.4%)
<i>Cardiovascular disease</i>	5 (5.7%)	0	0	5 (5.2%)
<i>Other extrahepatic dis.</i>	19 (21.5%)	0	1 (50%)	20 (20.8%)
<i>Missing data</i>	5 (5.4%)	0	1 (33.3%)	6 (5.8%)

Trinchet et al, Hepatology. 2015;62:737-50

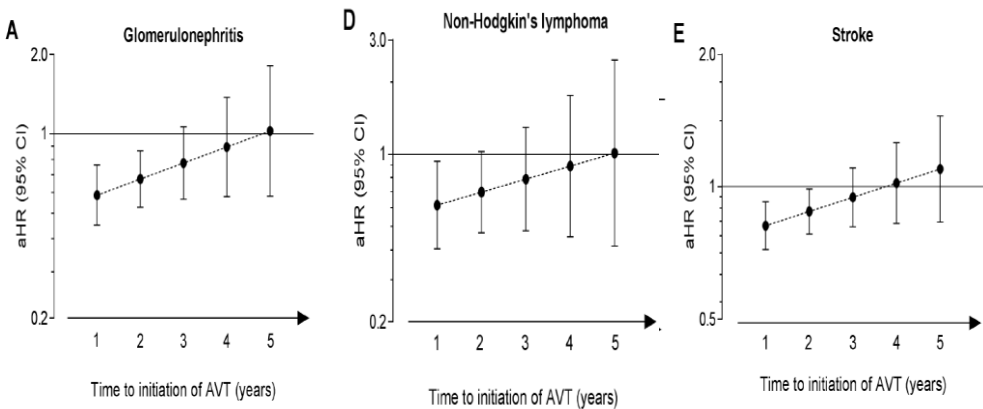
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# Extra-Hepatic Manifestations of HCV: The Benefit of an SVR



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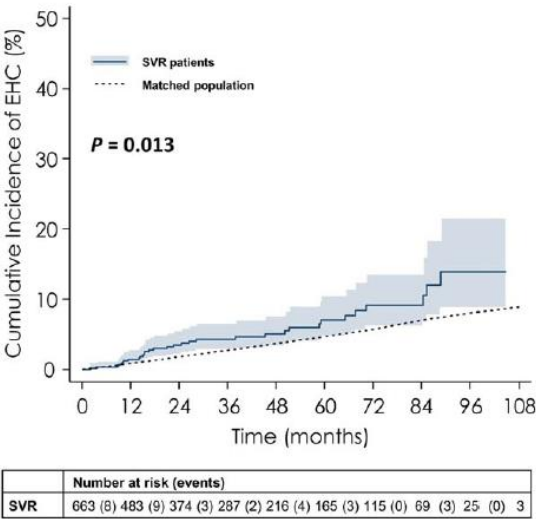


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## Hepatitis C virus eradication by direct-acting antiviral agents improves carotid atherosclerosis in patients with severe liver fibrosis

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# Extra-Hepatic Manifestations of HCV: SVR and Extrahepatic Cancer



Nahon P et al, Gastroenterology 2017 & Allaire M et al, Hepatology in press



## Who Should be Followed After an SVR?

- Patients with no to moderate fibrosis (METAVIR score F0-F2), with SVR and no ongoing risk behaviour should be discharged, provided that they have no other comorbidities (A1).
- Patients with advanced fibrosis (F3) or cirrhosis (F4) with SVR should undergo surveillance for HCC every 6 months by means of ultrasound (A1).

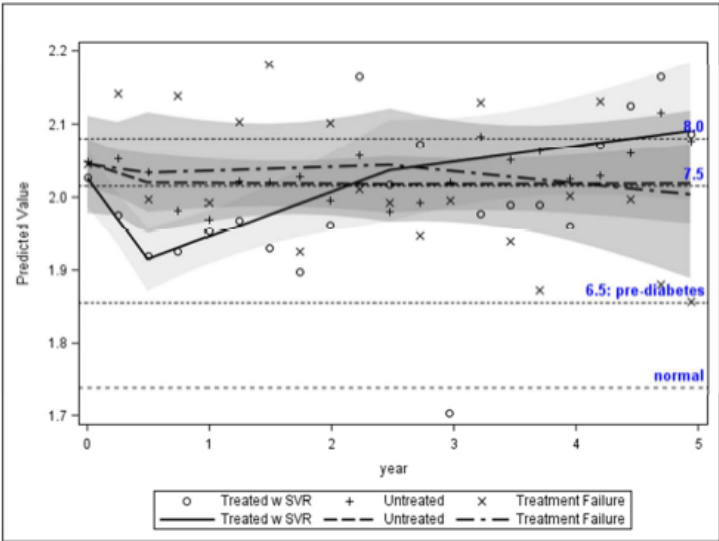
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## Increased Body Weight in Patients with an SVR

	Group 1 (101 patients)			Group 2 (21 patients)		
	Baseline	End of study	P	Baseline	End of study	P
AST (IU/mL) <sup>a</sup>	42.3 ± 37.6	28.2 ± 11.0	0.02	40.3 ± 38.4	42.2 ± 39.8	0.85
ALT (IU/mL) <sup>a</sup>	81.2 ± 77.2	36.0 ± 12.0	<0.001	78.7 ± 67.3	82.2 ± 71.6	0.74
GGT (IU/mL) <sup>a</sup>	87.8 ± 81.0	62.5 ± 73.2	0.02	65.2 ± 64.0	67.0 ± 68.1	0.43
Bilirubin (mg/dL) <sup>b</sup>	1.0 (0.6-1.8)	0.8 (0.7-1.1)	0.12	0.9 (0.6-1.3)	1.0 (0.7-1.4)	0.52
Albumin (g/L) <sup>b</sup>	42 (31-48)	44 (33-49)	0.09	43 (34-47)	42 (33-48)	0.78
INR <sup>b</sup>	1.3 (1.0-1.8)	1.0 (1.0-1.5)	0.08	1.2 (1.0-1.7)	1.3 (1.0-2.1)	0.33
Leukocytes (x10 <sup>3</sup> /μL cells) <sup>b</sup>	4.2 (2.2-7.8)	5.4 (3.3-8.2)	0.07	4.4(2.8-6.2)	4.1 (2.3-7.3)	0.64
Platelets (x10 <sup>3</sup> /μL cells) <sup>b</sup>	155 (62-287)	173 (52-274)	0.08	164 (73-245)	162 (68-274)	0.35
Glucose (mg/dL) <sup>a</sup>	152.4 ± 56.4	134.3 ± 41.3	0.002	145.3 ± 30.2	140.0 ± 47.9	0.71
HbA1c (mmoL/mol) <sup>a</sup>	52.2 ± 15.4	46.5 ± 16.2	<0.001	53.4 ± 9.5	55.3 ± 20.6	0.78
HOMA-IR <sup>a</sup>	5.2 ± 2.5	3.1 ± 1.6	<0.001	4.9 ± 2.6	4.6 ± 2.3	0.29
Body weight (kg) <sup>a</sup>	75.3 ± 13.7	77.9 ± 19.8	0.02	76.6 ± 19.3	76.9 ± 20.7	0.56

Ciancio A et al, J Med Virol 2017

## SVR Does Not Improve Long Term Glycemic Control in HCV Patients



Lia Ji et al, *Liver International* in press

## Causes of ALT Elevations Post SVR

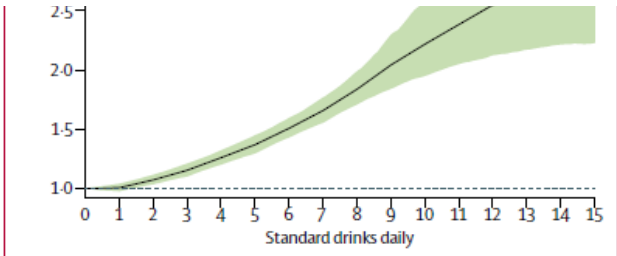
(%)	PALT population N = 130	HCV-monoinfected N = 45	HIV-coinfected N = 85	P (HIV- vs HIV+)
Alcohol	30 (23.1)	6 (13.3)	24 (28.2)	.079
Drugs	19 (14.6)	3 (6.7)	16 (18.8)	.072
Idiopathic	11 (8.5)	4 (8.9)	7 (8.2)	1.000
NAFLD	47 (36.2)	24 (53.3)	23 (27.1)	.004
Other <sup>a</sup>	10 (7.7)	3 (6.7)	7 (8.2)	1.000
NAFLD + alcohol	4 (3)	1 (2.2)	3 (3.5)	1.000
NAFLD + drugs	6 (4.6)	1 (2.2)	5 (5.9)	.664
Autoimmune hepatitis	3 (2.3)	3 (6.7)	0	.040

Oliveira A et al, *J Viral Hepatitis* in press

## What is the Role of Alcohol Consumption Post-SVR?



### No level of alcohol consumption improves health



GBD 2016 Alcohol Collaborators. *Lancet*. 2018 Aug 23. pii: S0140-6736(18)31310-2.

## Conclusions

- SVR is associated with Clinical Benefits in all HCV Patients
- Patients with advanced fibrosis or cirrhosis with SVR need to remain under lifelong surveillance for HCC
- The best model of care for patients with mild fibrosis who achieved an SVR needs to be determined