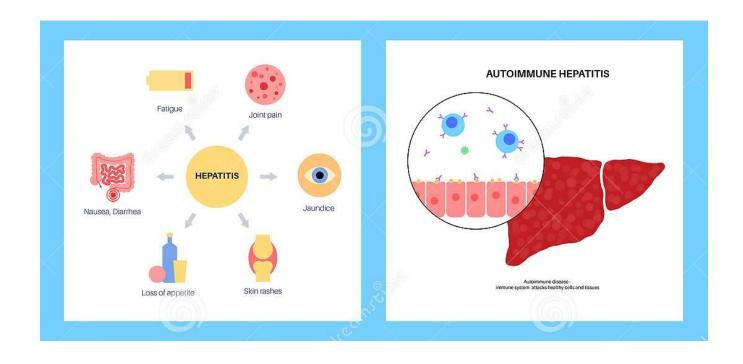


In the Name of GOD





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Important clues:



- Recent HAV hepatitis
- Nonspecific symptoms
- ? Chronic liver dx
- ? Extrahepatic manifestations
- FHX of autoimmune dx





The most probable diagnosis:









Clinical presentations:

Variable: Asymptomatic Fulminant liver failure.



- 1. Acute onset: resembling that of viral hepatitis: 1/3
- 2. Insidious onset: AIH-1 > AIH-2: 1/3
- 3. Complications of cirrhosis and portal hypertension: 10%
- 4. Acute liver failure: AIH-2 > AIH-1
- 5. Incidental finding of raised hepatic aminotransferases
- 6. Triggered by HAV infection





Clinical presentations:



- Children with AIH often present before puberty
- Relapsing course with flares and spontaneous remissions: delayed or missed diagnosis.
- A more aggressive phenotype in children
- AIH should be suspected in all children with symptoms & signs of liver disease.
- AIH should always be suspected when known causes of acute hepatitis are excluded
- It is essential to inquire about symptoms and signs of the associated autoimmune diseases.
- Physical examination:
 - Jaundice
 - Enlarged liver or spleen
 - Ascites, coagulopathy, and encephalopathy in decompensated disease





Associated Al disorders:



- A family history of autoimmune disease is frequent (40%)
- 20% of patients: associated AI disorders: at diagnosis or during follow-up:
 - Thyroiditis/ Hypoparathyroidism
 - IBD
 - hemolytic anemia
 - Vitiligo
 - coeliac disease
 - insulin-dependent diabetes
 - Behcet disease/ Sjögren syndrome
 - Glomerulonephritis
 - idiopathic thrombocytopenia
 - urticaria pigmentosa
 - Addison disease





Associated immunodeficiency:



- AIH-2 can be part of the APECED:
 - Hypoparathyroidism
 - Addison disease
 - mucocutaneous candidiasis
 - Ectodermal dysplasia
- Other immune-dysregulated states associated with AIH:
 - IPEX
 - common variable immunodeficiency
 - hyper-IgM syndrome
 - Partial IgA deficiency: 40% of patients





AIH-1 vs AIH-2



	AIH-1	AIH-2
Prevalence	2/3	1/3
Age	higher	younger
Female	75%	75%
Acute hepatitis	++	+
Acute liver failure	+	+++
Insidious onset	++	+
Complication of chronic liver disease	+	+
Associated immune disease	+	+
IBD	++	+
Family history of AI dx	++	++
Refractory to treatment withdrawal	+	+++
Cirrhosis	+++	+





Minocycline:



a known trigger of an "auto- immune-like hepatitis"

- Minocycline-induced AIH-like liver injury:
 - usually occurs acutely within 2 years after drug initiation: range of 3 days to 6 years.
 - Jaundice, lethargy, anorexia, and abdominal discomfort
 - Signs of serum sickness (fever, rash, joint pains)
 - Over 90% of patients: ANA positive with hypergammaglobulinemia
 - Only 25%: ASMA positive
 - ALKM positivity has not been described
 - Histologically: mimics classical AIH: cirrhosis at presentation has not been reported.
 - Treatment: stop minocycline + corticosteroids

