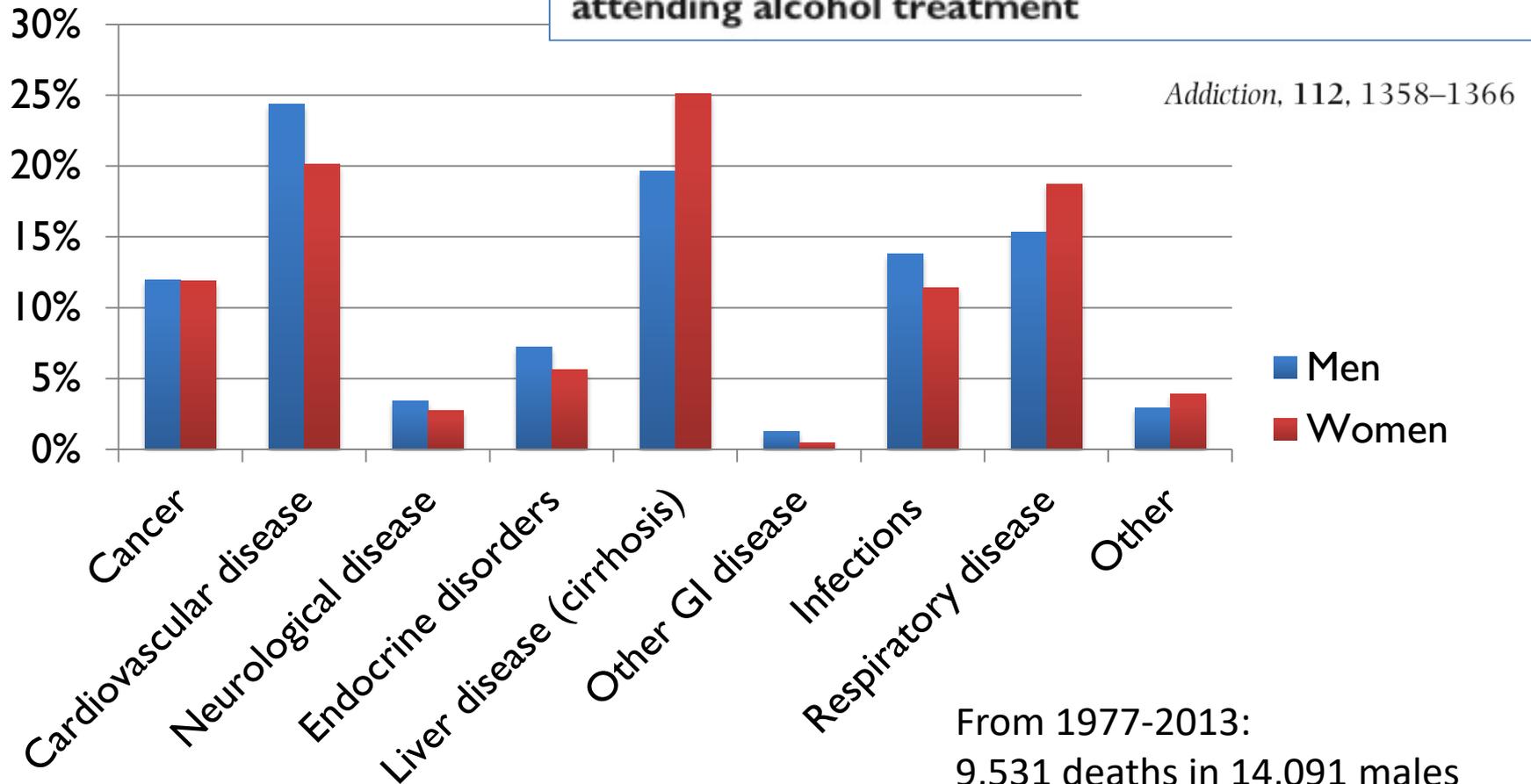


# Nye metoder til tidlig opsporing af alkoholisk leversygdom

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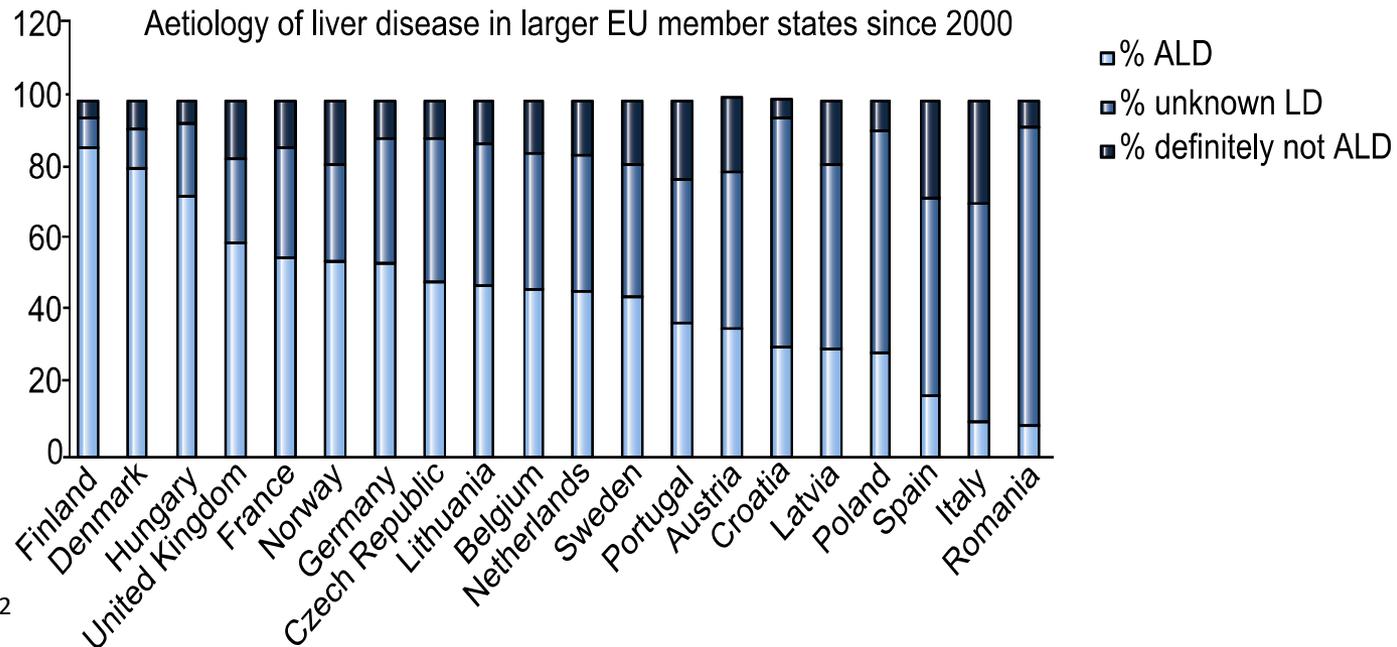
**Alcohol dependence and risk of somatic diseases and mortality: a cohort study in 19002 men and women attending alcohol treatment**



From 1977-2013:  
9,531 deaths in 14,091 males  
2,693 deaths in 4,911 females

# Problemet: Alkohol

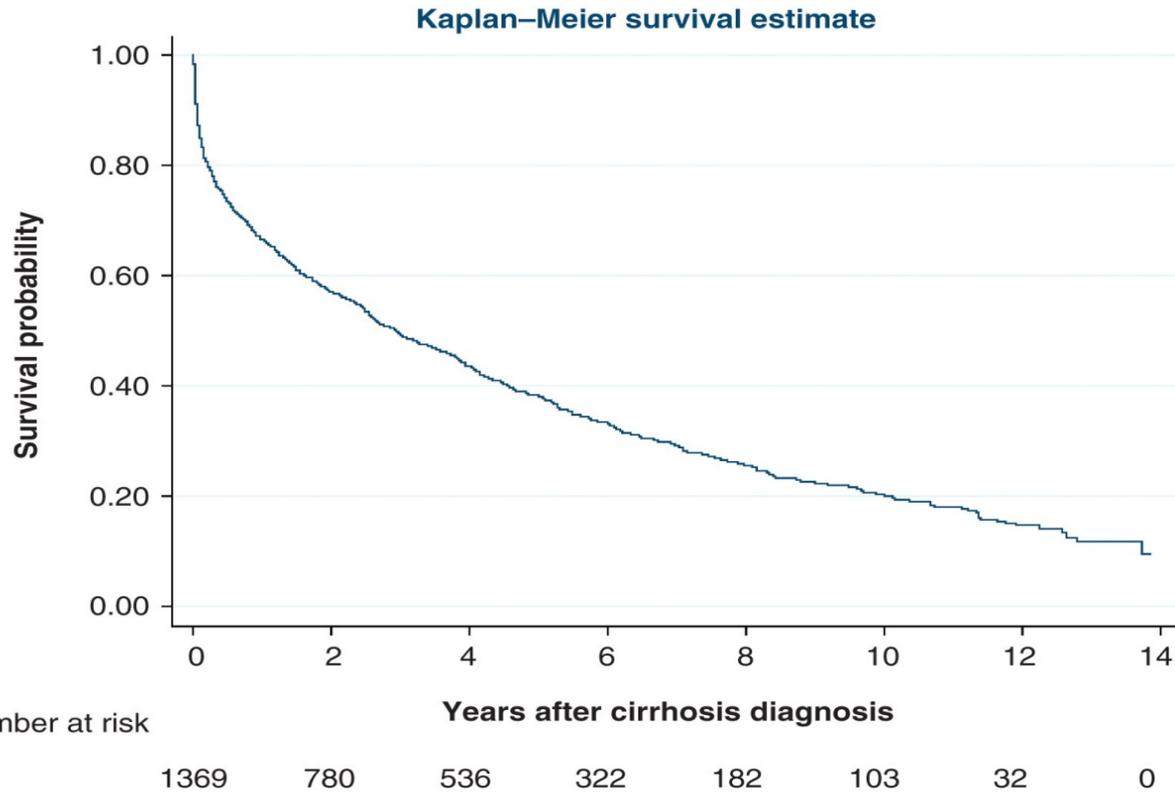
- Europe er verdensmestre i alkoholforbrug<sup>1</sup>
- Alkohol er årsag til halvdelen af alle skrumpeliver-dødsfald i verden<sup>1</sup>
- Tre ud af fire patienter bliver først diagnosticeret når sygdommen er meget fremskreden<sup>2</sup>



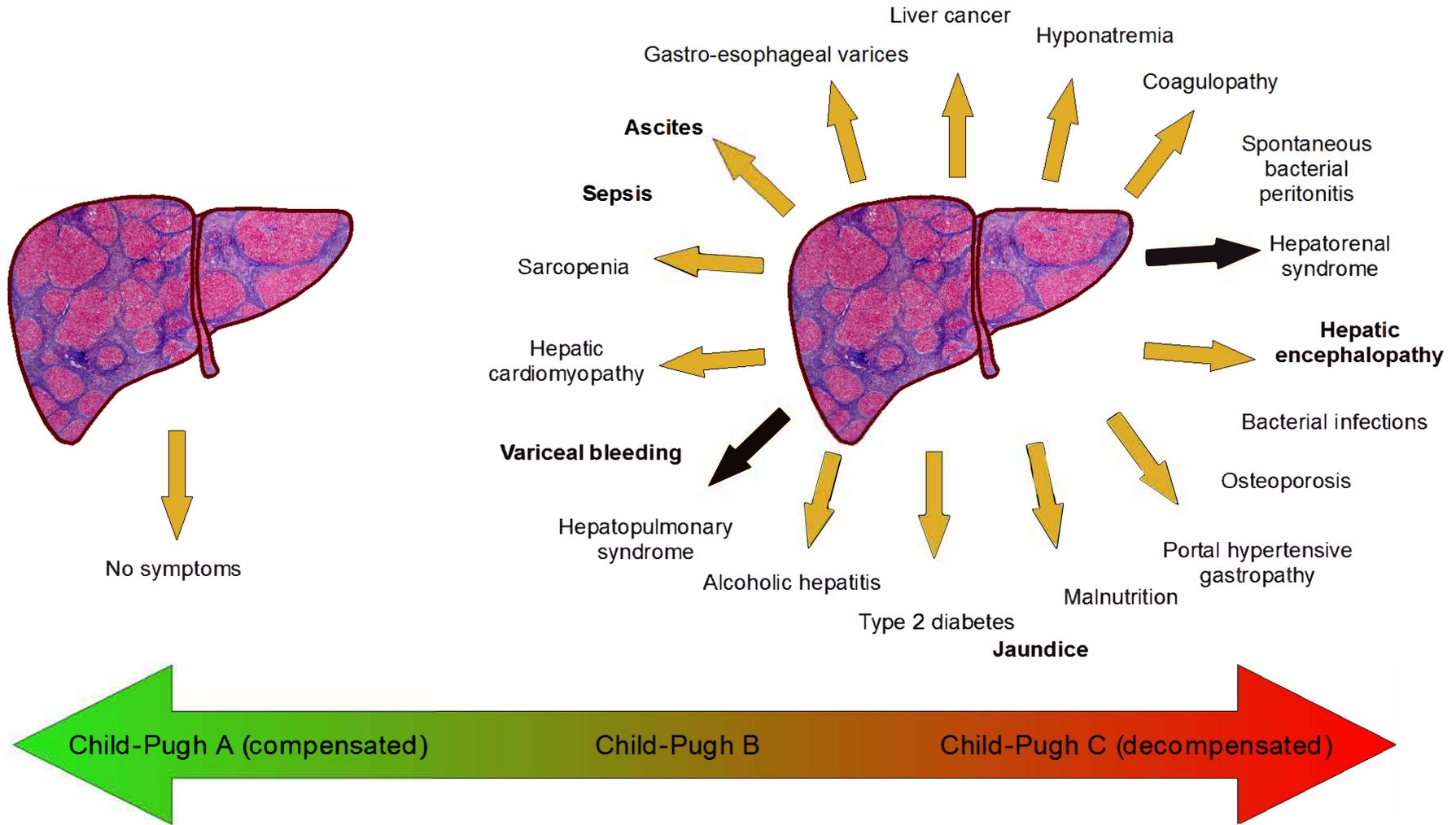
1: Sheron, J Hep 2016, 64:957-967

2: Jepsen, Hepatology 2010, 51(5):1675-82

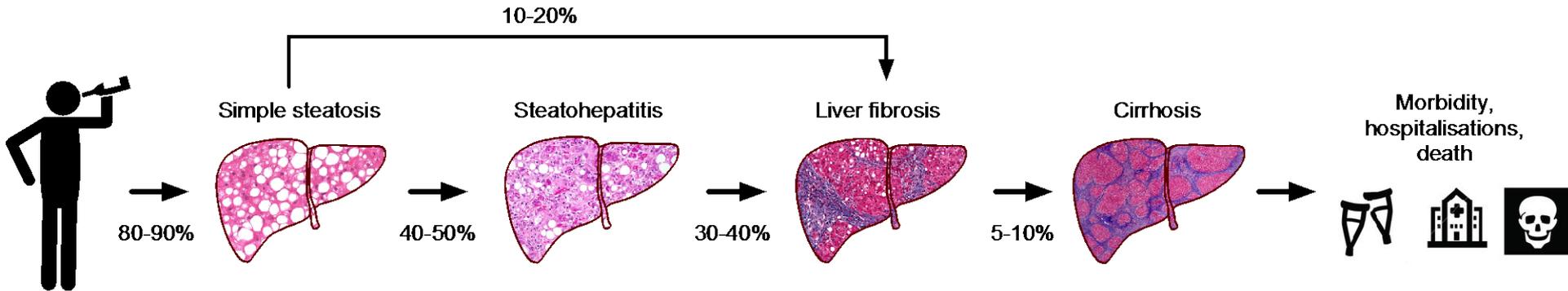
# 20 år uden symptomer, 3 år med



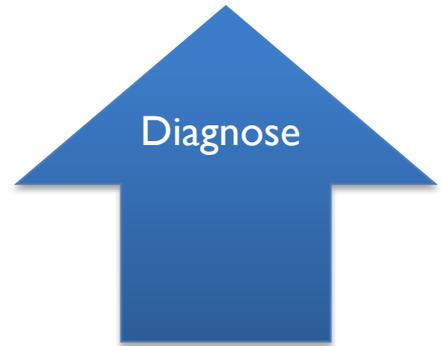
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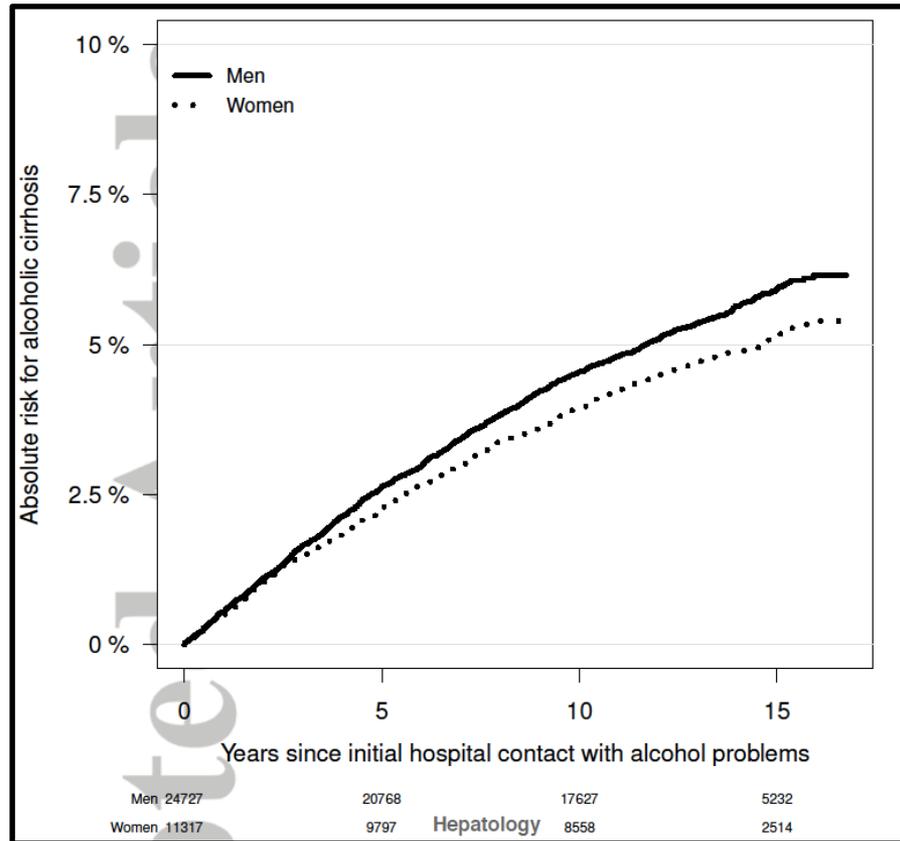
# Alkoholisk leversygdom



Resultat: Omtrent 1/50  
danskere med et alkohol-  
overforbrug udvikler  
cirrose!



# Gro Askgaard online Hepatology



# Omfanget af det danske alkoholproblem



# Nogle diagnoser er lette

51 year old male, quit drinking 4 weeks ago

Prior to that: 15 years excessive drinking, up to 25 units/day

- BMI 28. BP 133/83
- Albumin = 44 g/L
- ALT = 74 IU/L
- AST = 60 IU/L
- GGT = 150 IU/L
- Alk phosph. = 104 IU/L
- Bilirubin = 12  $\mu\text{mol/L}$
- INR = 1.0
- Platelets = 219  $10^9/\text{L}$

42 year old male, quit drinking 4 weeks ago

Prior to that: 25 years excessive drinking, up to 30 units/day

- BMI 29. BP 131/85
- = 44 g/L
- = 34 IU/L
- = 32 IU/L
- = 57 IU/L
- = 96 IU/L
- = 4  $\mu\text{mol/L}$
- = 1.0
- = 314  $10^9/\text{L}$

F4 vs F1

# Hvad er problemet med de almindelige levertal?

	Øvre normalgrænse	AUROC	Sensitivitet	Specificitet
<b>Basisk fosfatase</b>	105 U/L	0.77	69%	75%
<b>ALAT</b>	70/45 U/L	0.54	9%	85%
<b>ASAT</b>	45/35 U/L	0.72	60%	73%
<b>Bilirubin</b>	25 µmol/L	0.75	29%	96%
<b>GGT</b>	115/75 U/L	0.71	64%	64%
<b>INR</b>	1.3	0.80	43%	96%
<b>Trombocytter</b>	350/400 10 <sup>9</sup> /L	0.76	5%	94%

Hansen & Lindvig, International Liver Congress 2018

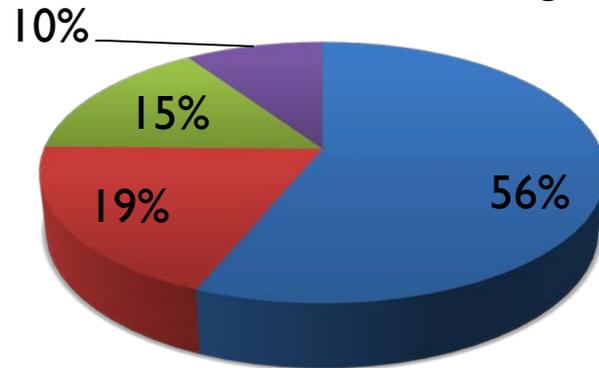
## Hvad med de dygtige praktiserende læger?

Lever biopsi	Praksislæge 1		Praksislæge 2	
	Nej	Ja	Nej	Ja
F0-2 = 177	132	45 (25%)	169	8 (5%)
F3-4 = 58	22 (38%)	36	31 (53%)	27
	154	81	200	35

# Hvad med de dygtige praktiserende læger?

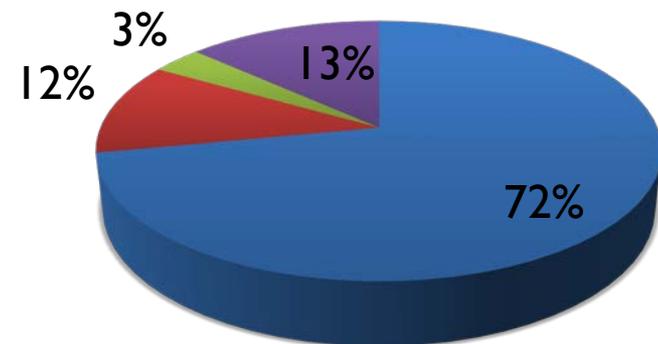
## Læge 1

- Gætter rigtigt: Sandt negativ
- Gætter rigtigt: Sandt positiv
- Gætter forkert: Falsk positiv
- Gætter forkert: Falsk negativ



## Læge 2

- Gætter rigtigt: Sandt negativ
- Gætter rigtigt: Sandt positiv
- Gætter forkert: Falsk positiv
- Gætter forkert: Falsk negativ

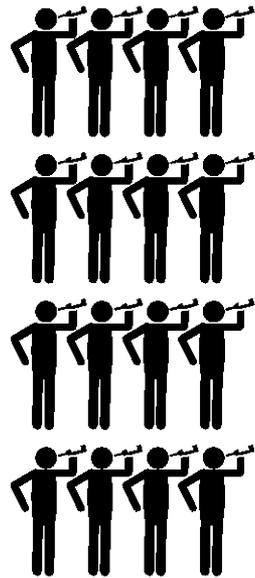


# Hvad med de dygtige leverlæger?

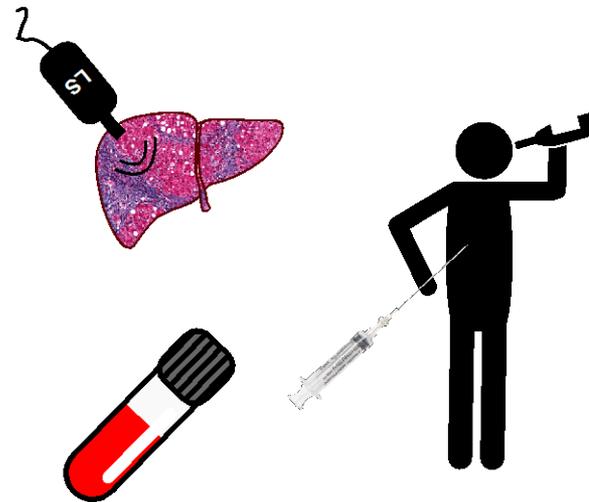
Lever biopsi	Speciallæge		HU læge	
	Nej	Ja	Nej	Ja
F0-2 = 177	164	13 (7%)	162	15 (8%)
F3-4 = 58	20 (34%)	38	29 (50%)	29
	184	51	191	44

# Der er brug for hjælp!

# Leverfibrose-kohorten på OUH

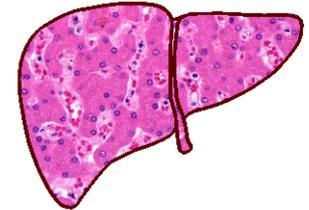


289 patients with  
alcoholic liver  
disease



Investigated on the same day with liver biopsy, enhanced liver fibrosis test (ELF), FibroTest, transient elastography and 2-dimensional shear wave elastography

Not advanced  
fibrosis (F0-2)



Advanced  
liver fibrosis  
(F3-4)



Thiele, Gastroenterology 2016 and 2018

# Tre nye metoder til tidlig opsporing af alkoholisk leversygdom:

- Indirekte fibrosemarkører = algoritmer af rutine-blodprøver
- Direkte fibrosemarkører = blodprøver, som måler på komponenter af leverfibrose
- Elastografi = stivhedsmåling af leveren vha. ultralyd eller MR skanning

# Indirekte fibrosemarkører

	ALT	AST	Platelet count	Age	GGT	Chol.	Albumin	BMI	Diabetes
AST:ALT ratio <sup>1</sup>	✓	✓							
Age-platelet index <sup>2</sup>			✓	✓					
APRI <sup>3</sup>		✓	✓						
FIB-4 <sup>4</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Forns index <sup>5</sup>			✓	✓	✓	✓			
BARD <sup>6</sup>	✓	✓						✓	✓
NAFLD fibrosis score <sup>7</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓

1: Williams: Ratio of serum aspartate to alanine aminotransferase in chronic hepatitis. Relationship to cirrhosis. Gastroenterology 1988

2: Poynard: Age and platelet count: a simple index for predicting the presence of histological lesions in patients with antibodies to hepatitis C virus. J Viral Hepat 1997

3: Wai: A simple noninvasive index can predict both significant fibrosis and cirrhosis in patients with chronic hepatitis C. Hepatology 2003

4: Sterling: Development of a simple noninvasive index to predict significant fibrosis in patients with HIV/HCV coinfection. Hepatology 2006

5: Forn: Identification of chronic hepatitis C patients without hepatic fibrosis by a simple predictive model. Hepatology 2002

6: Harrison: Development and validation of a simple NAFLD clinical scoring system for identifying patients without advanced disease. Gut 2008.

7: Angulo et al. The NAFLD fibrosis score: a noninvasive system that identifies liver fibrosis in patients with NAFLD. Hepatology 2007.

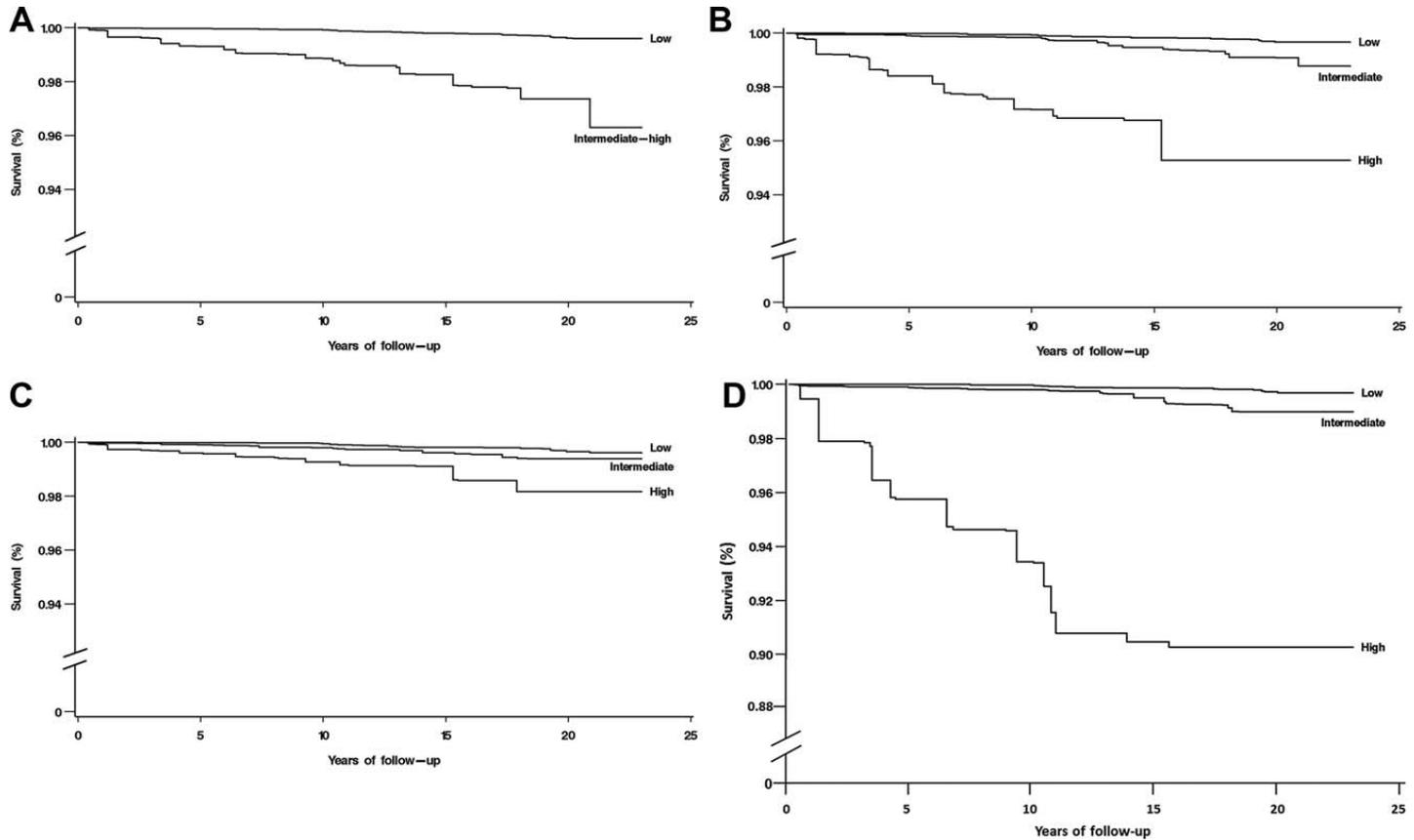
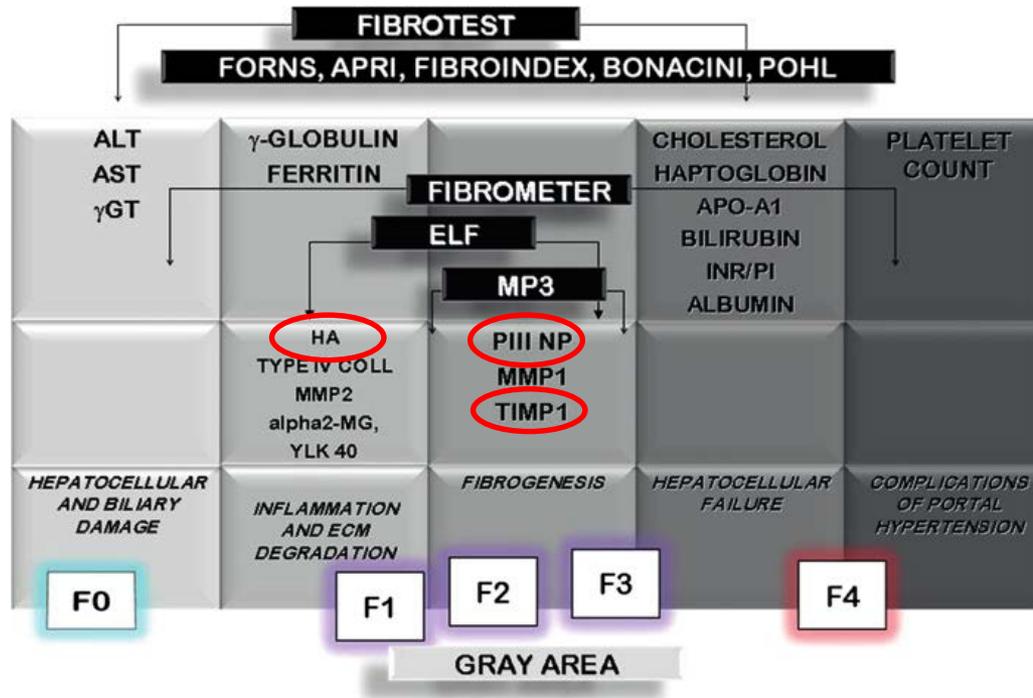


FIG. 3. Multivariate-adjusted cumulative liver disease mortality by liver fibrosis scoring system in NHANES III, United States, 1988-2011. (A) APRI. (B) FIB-4 score. (C) NFS. (D) Forns score.

# Direkte fibrosemarkører



epatitis C.

Pinzani, Gut 2010, 59(9):1165-67

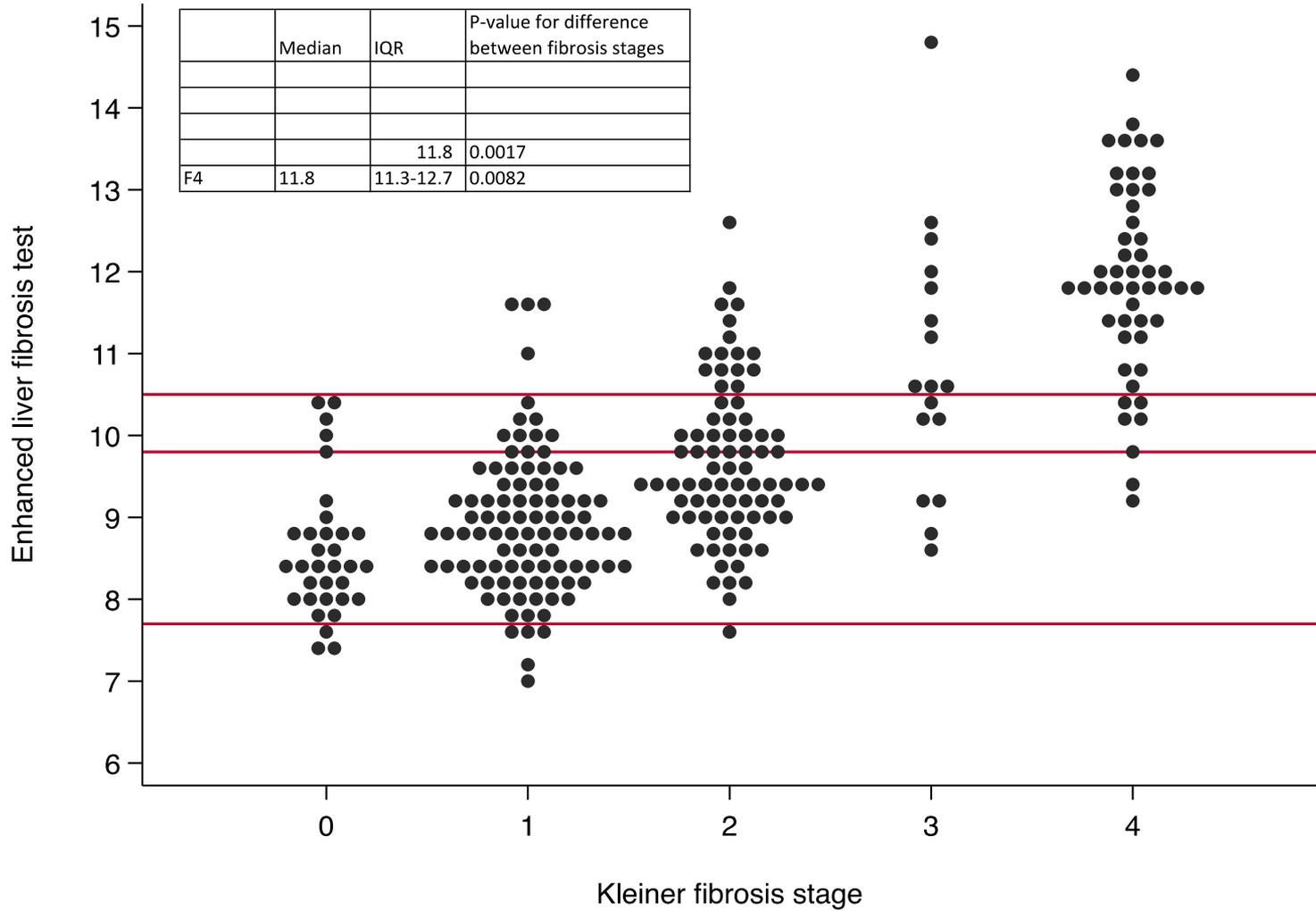
Article in Press

# Accuracy of the Enhanced Liver Fibrosis Test vs Fibrotest, Elastography and Indirect Markers in Detection of Advanced Fibrosis in Patients with Alcoholic Liver Disease

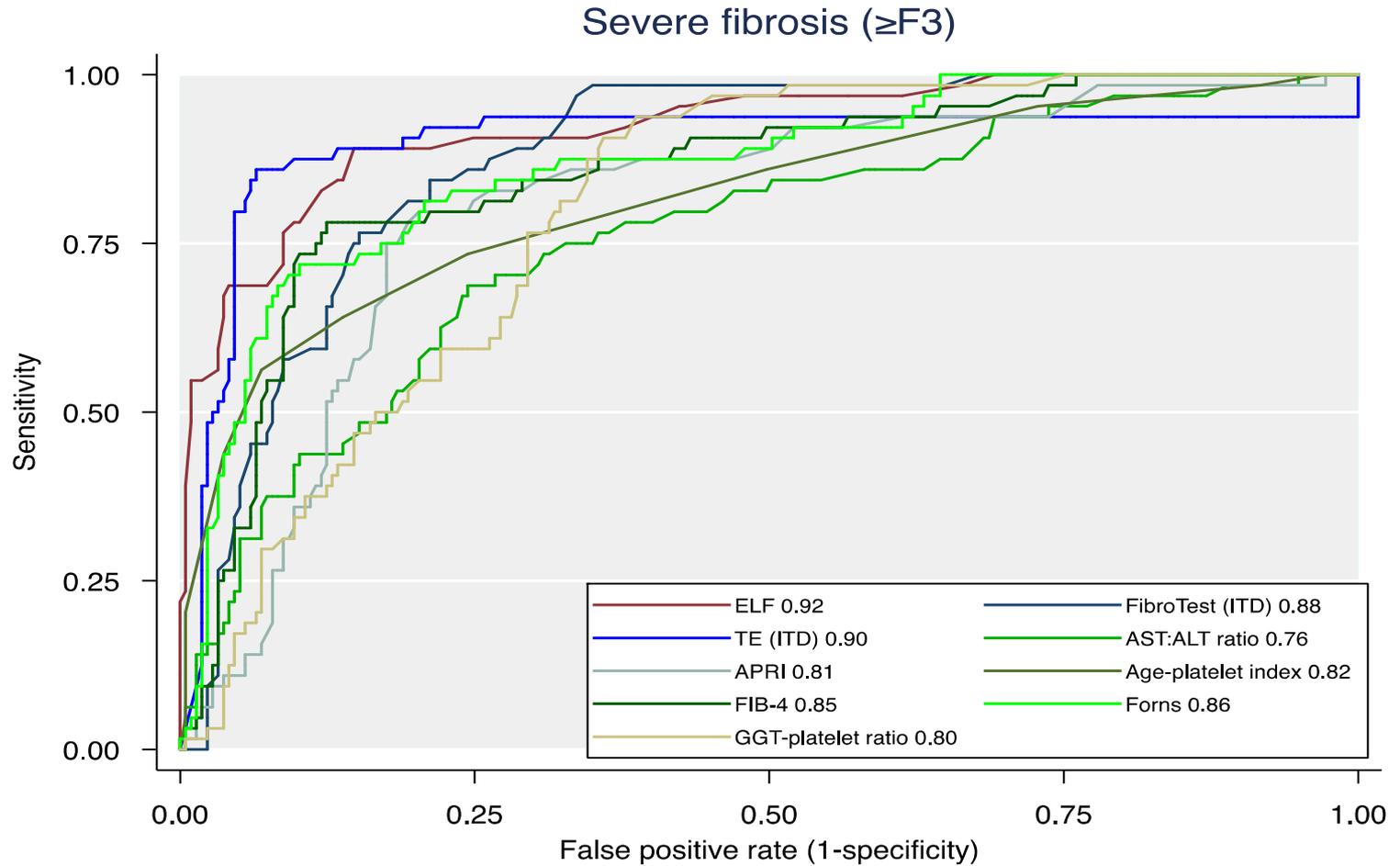
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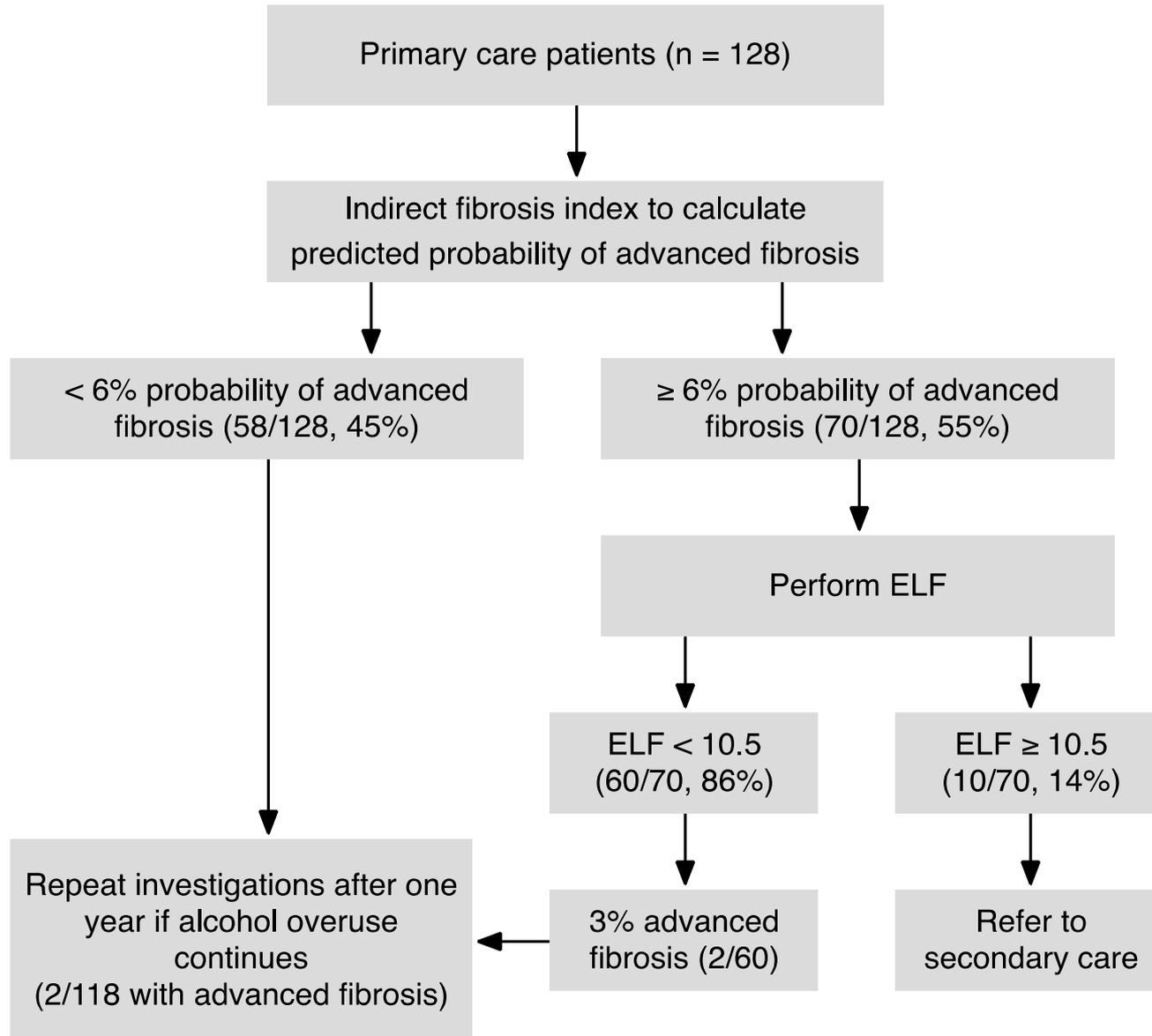
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Thiele, Gastroenterology 2018, in press



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# ELF og FibroScan som prognostiske markører

Predictive method	Harrell's C
elf	0.8729
te	0.9020
swe	0.8794
kleiner	0.8358
contDrink	0.5993

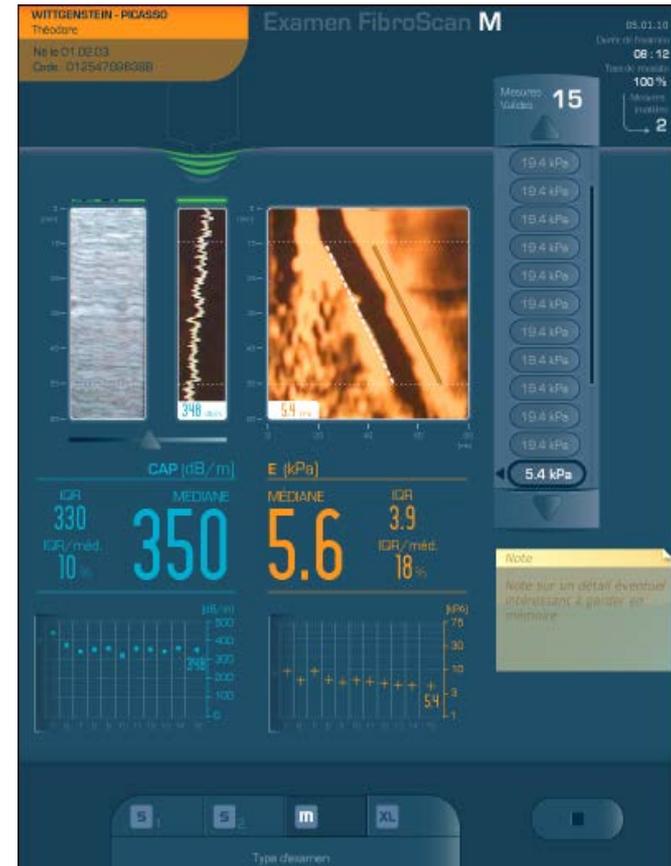
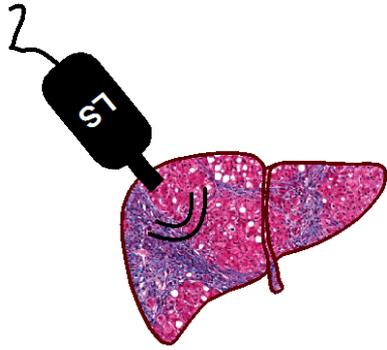
The measures of discrimination for each of the variables used in univariate predictors as calculated by Harrell's C are shown.

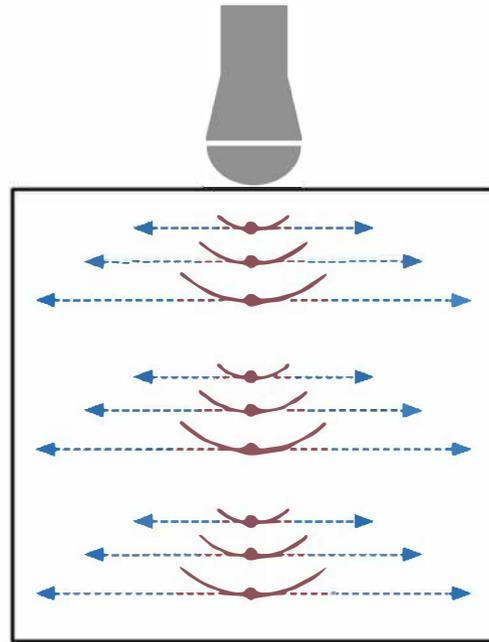
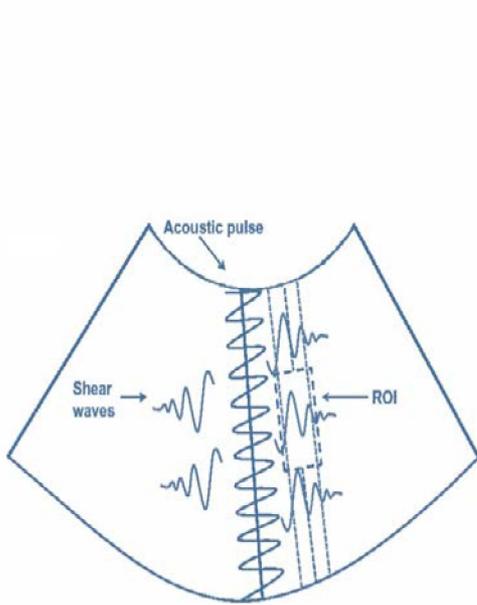
_t	Haz. Ratio	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
elf	2.018594	.149691	9.47	0.000	1.74553	2.334376
contDrink	2.021825	.63724	2.23	0.026	1.090088	3.749952

Ditlev Rasmussen, unpublished

Elastografi = leverstivhedsmåling

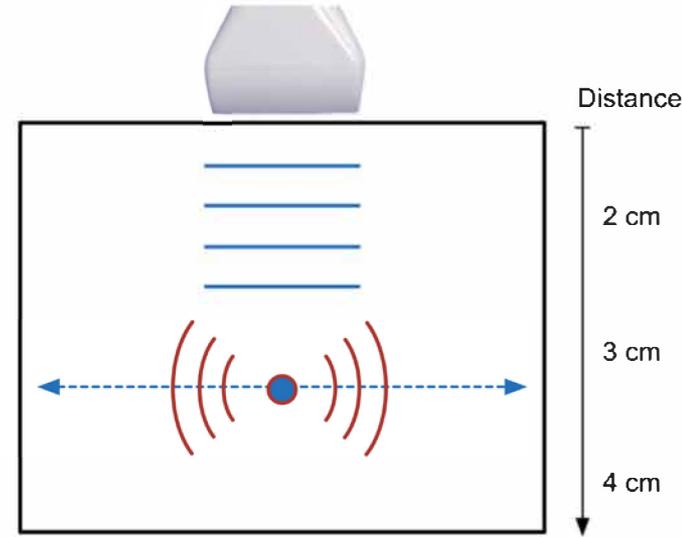
# Transient elastografi





Time and distance

Distance



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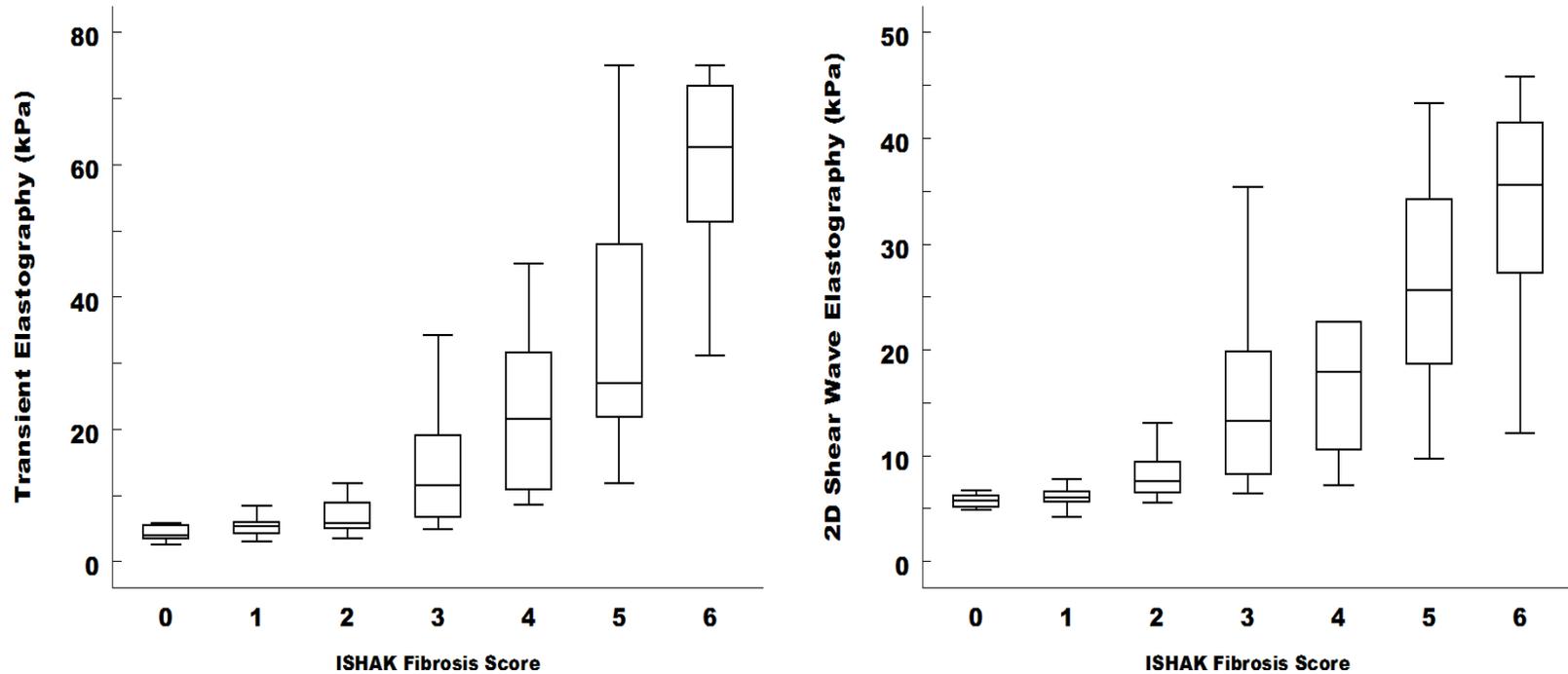
4 cm

6 cm





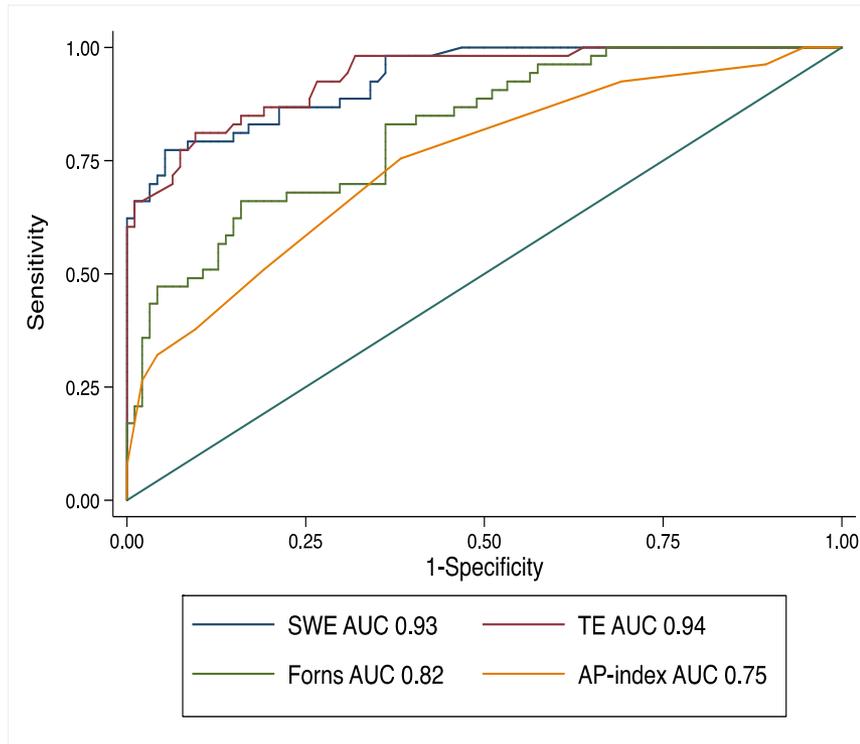
# Stigende leverstivhed over fibrosegrad 0-6



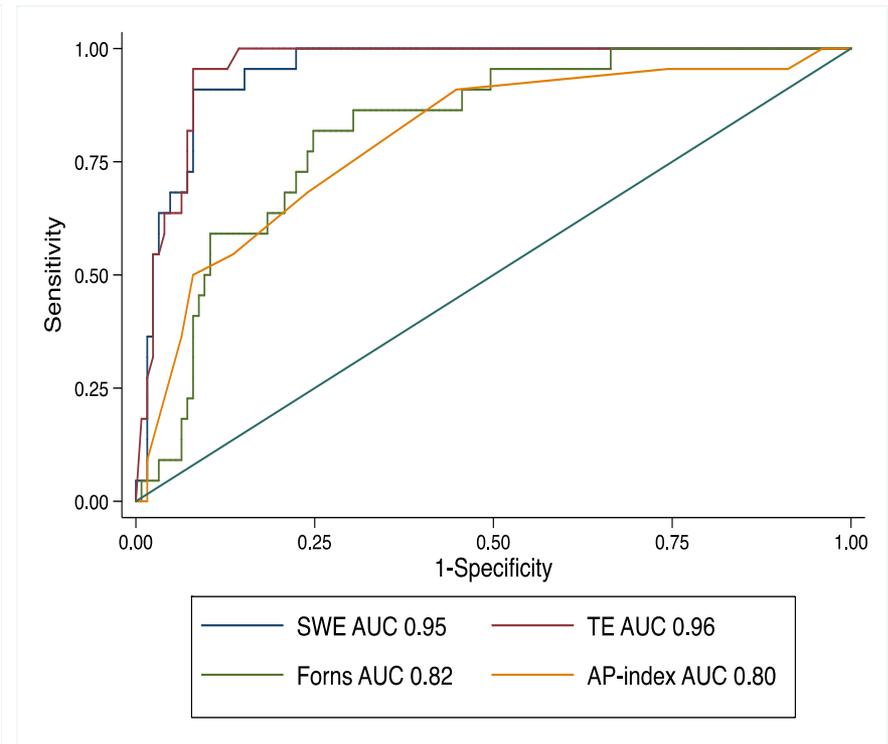
Thiele, Gastroenterology 2016, 150(1):123-133

# Diagnostic accuracy of TE and 2D-SWE

## Significant fibrosis



## Cirrhosis



Thiele, Gastroenterology 2016, 150(1):123-133

# HUSK: Falsk positive er et problem for både elastografi og blodprøvemarkører

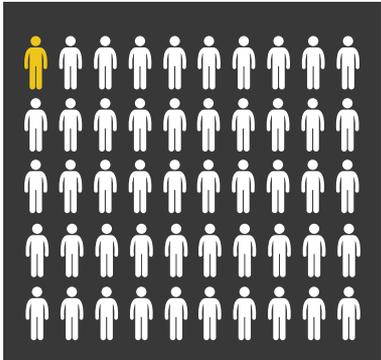
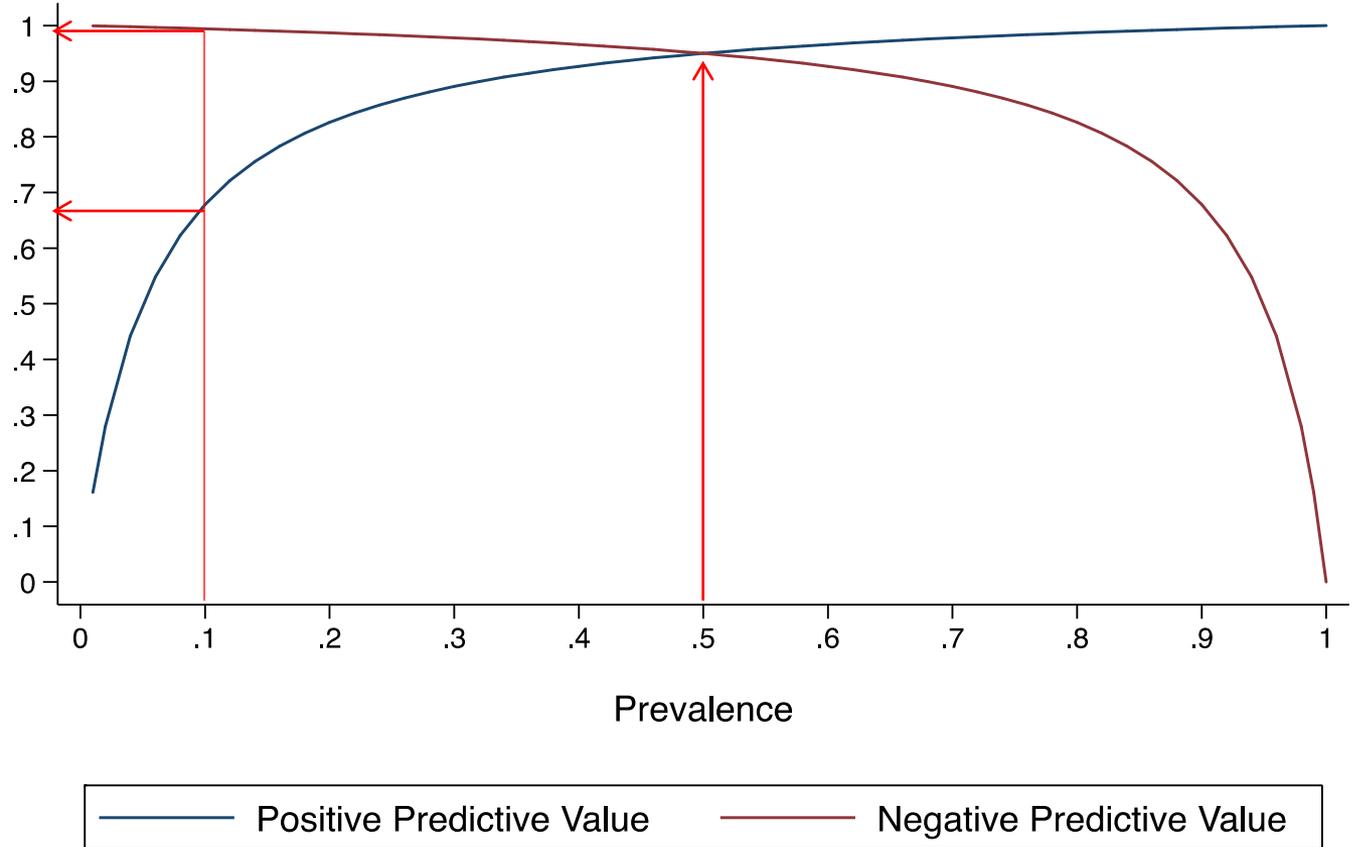
## Elastography

- Inflammation
- Cholestasis
- Food
- Right heart failure
- Physical activity

## ELF test

- Inflammation
- Bilirubin
- Age <30 or >60 years
- Comorbidity with other fibrogenic diseases
- Gender
- Time-of-day

Positive and negative predictive values according to disease prevalence  
for a test with 95% sensitivity and specificity



# Ph.D. Cup 2017 - Det Danske Hjernemesterskab

LÆSETID 3 MIN.

**Maja har fundet en metode, der kan revolutionere behandlingen af skrumpelever**

## Hvem har svær leverfibrose?

- 57-year old female
- Excessive alcohol use for 11-20 years
- Drank 15 units (180 g) per day when at max abuse
- Still drinks
- BMI 27
- Blood pressure 174/85

- 62-year old male
- Excessive alcohol use for 21-30 years
- Drank 12 units (144 g) per day when at max abuse
- Abstinent for 1-5 years
- BMI 34
- Blood pressure 120/74

# Hvem har svær fibrose?

57 year old female

62 year old male

# Hvad nu?

Blodprøver

Ultralyd af leveren

## 57 year old female

57 årig kvinde, med 11-20 år varende alkohol overforbrug. Da forbruget var på sit højeste, drak vedkommende 15 genstande om dagen.

Drinker stadig .

BMI er 27. Blodtryk er 174/85

Blodprøvesvar		Normalværdi
Albumin	40	36-45 g/L
ALAT	21	10-70 U/L (mænd) 10-45 U/L (kvinder)
ASAT	35	15-45 U/L (mænd) 15-35 U/L (kvinder)
Basisk fosfatase	107	35-105 U/L
Bilirubin	6	5-25 µmol/L
GGT	132	10-80 U/L (mænd <40 år) 15-115 (mænd ≥40 år) 10-45 (kvinder <40 år) 10-75 (kvinder ≥40 år)
INR	0,9	0,9-1,2
Kreatinin	63	60-105 µmol/L (mænd) 45-90 µmol/L (kvinder)
Kolesterol, total	5,8	<5,0 mmol/L
Natrium	131	137-145 mmol/L
Trombocytter	302	145-350 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L (mænd) 165-390 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L (kvinder)

## 62 year old male

62 årig mand, med 21-30 år varende alkohol overforbrug. Da forbruget var på sit højeste, drak vedkommende 12 genstande om dagen.

Er nu stoppet med at drikke, og har holdt sig ædru i 1-5 år.

BMI er 34. Blodtryk er 120/74

Blodprøvesvar		Normalværdi
Albumin	45	36-45 g/L
ALAT	24	10-70 U/L (mænd) 10-45 U/L (kvinder)
ASAT	27	15-45 U/L (mænd) 15-35 U/L (kvinder)
Basisk fosfatase	45	35-105 U/L
Bilirubin	7	5-25 µmol/L
GGT	42	10-80 U/L (mænd <40 år) 15-115 (mænd ≥40 år) 10-45 (kvinder <40 år) 10-75 (kvinder ≥40 år)
INR	1,0	0,9-1,2
Kreatinin	71	60-105 µmol/L (mænd) 45-90 µmol/L (kvinder)
Kolesterol, total	5,9	<5,0 mmol/L
Natrium	138	137-145 mmol/L
Trombocytter	301	145-350 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L (mænd) 165-390 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L (kvinder)

## 57 year old female

- AST:ALT ratio =
  - 1.67
- Age-platelet index
  - 3
- APRI
  - 0.3
- FIB-4
  - 1.44
- Forns index
  - 4.6

## 62 year old male

- AST:ALT ratio
  - 1.13
- Age-platelet index
  - 4
- APRI
  - 0.2
- FIB-4
  - 1.14
- Forns index
  - 4.0

# Hvem har svær fibrose?

57 year old female

62 year old male

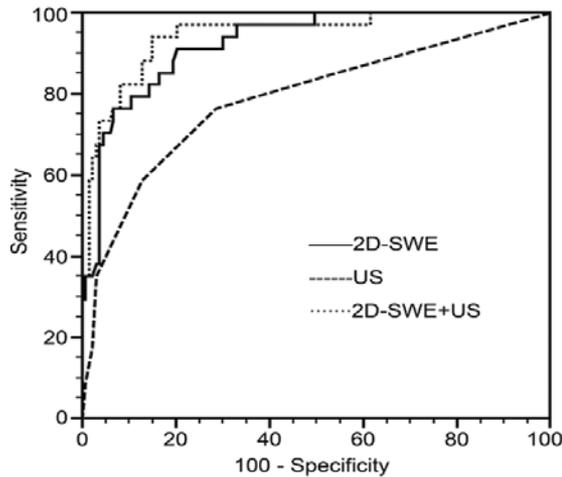
# Hvad nu?

MR-Elastografi

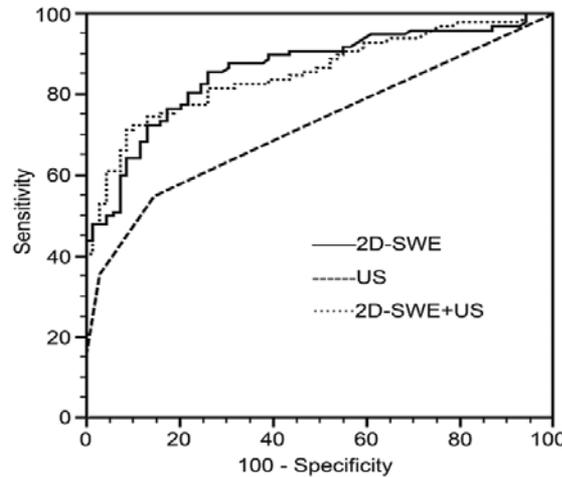
Ultralyd af leveren



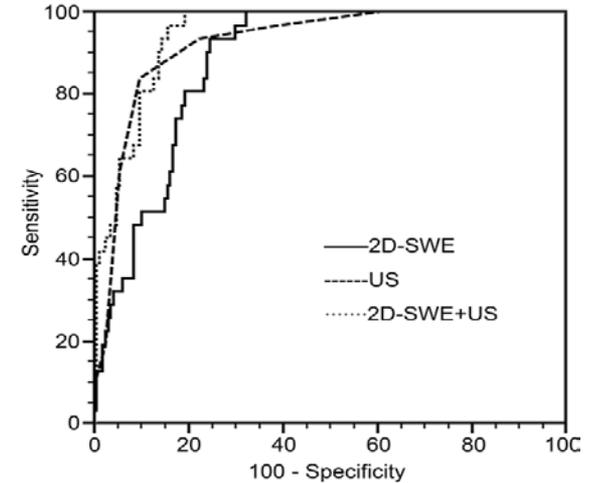
# Poor diagnostic value of abdominal ultrasound in compensated disease



Significant fibrosis



Compensated cirrhosis



Decompensated cirrhosis

Zheng, Radiology 2015, 275(1):290-300

# Hvad nu?

MR-Elastografi

Direkte fibrosemarkør

## 57 year old female

- Enhanced liver fibrosis test (ELF)
  - 8.3

## 62 year old male

- Enhanced liver fibrosis test (ELF)
  - 9.2

# Who has advanced fibrosis?

57 year old female

62 year old male

# What next?

FibroScan

2D elastografi

## 57 year old female

- ELF
  - 8.3
- FibroScan (TE)
  - 5.7 kPa
- 2-dimensional shear wave elastography (2D-SWE)
  - 8.2 kPa

## 62 year old male

- ELF
  - 9.2
- FibroScan (TE)
  - 16.2 kPa
- 2-dimensional shear wave elastography (2D-SWE)
  - 20.2 kPa



# Hvem har svær fibrose?

57 year old female

62 year old male

# Hvem har svær fibrose?

57 year old female  
Kleiner F1

62 year old male  
Kleiner F3