





# Neurologic Manifestations of Gastrointestinal and Nutritional Disorders

Deficiencies of vit B1,B3, B6, B9, B12, D, A, E, Selenium, Copper

IBDs(Ulcerative colitis and crohn disease), Celiac disease

Hepatic Encephalopathy, Acquired Hepatocerebral Degeneration, Wilson Disease, Whipple disease

## 1. Hepatic Encephalopathy

عدم توانایي کبد در تبدیل آمونیاك به اوره و در ادامه دفع اوره

تضعیف CNS

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مرحله ابتدايي انسفالوپاتي با علايم كاهش هوشياري، گيجي و بي قراري

مرحله نهایی آنسفالوپاتی با علایم از دست دادن هوشیاری، تشنج و کمای غیر قابل برگشت

## Hepatic Encephalopathy

#### Can be present in patient:

- Other end-organ effect
- Abnormal medication metabolism
- Condition that caused the liver disease

Covert encephalopathy to

overt and disabling neurologic dysfunction

Hepatic Encephalopathy previously portosystemic encephalopathy

After a patient experiences an episode of clinical encephalopathy, recurrence is typical

### Hepatic Encephalopathy

Previously thought to be

reversible, recent studies have found evidence of permanent neurologic damage



- ✓ Initiate acute treatment
- ✓ Prophylaxis
- ✓ Avoidance of triggers

#### **Hepatic Encephalopathy classification**



## Hepatic Encephalopathy

- Asterixis video
- Ataxia 1

| TABLE 2-7  | Comparative Grading and Progression of Hepatic Encephalopathy |  |   |  |   |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|
| International Society for Hepatic Encephalopathy and Nitrogen Metabolism | West<br>Haven<br>Criteria                                     | Full Outline of<br>Unresponsiveness<br>Score | Clinical severity   | Mental status examination  | Physical<br>examination                           |
| None   | 0   | 16   | Normal  | Normal   | Normal  |
| Covert   | Minimal   | 16   | No clinical findings  Abnormalities only evident on neuropsychometric or neurophysiologic testing   | Normal   | Normal  |
|  |   |  | Abnormal EEG, evoked potentials  Psychometric Hepatic Encephalopathy Score, number connection test, |  |   |
|  | Grade 1   | 16   | inhibitory control test  Clinical findings detectable but inconsistently present and not obvious    | Detectable changes from<br>baseline in wakefulness,<br>awareness, or<br>attentiveness; behavior or<br>mood including anxiety or<br>euphoria; cognition<br>or processing including<br>simple calculations | Normal  |
| Overt  | Grade 2   | 15 to 8                                      | Clinical findings<br>consistently present,<br>but variable type                                     | Obvious changes including<br>somnolent and apathetic;<br>inappropriate behavior or<br>mood; disoriented,<br>lethargic, or confused   | Asterixis,<br>dysarthria                          |
|  | Grade 3<br>Grade 4  |  | Severe<br>Coma  | Obtunded or stuporous  No response to pain or stimulation  | Ataxia, nystagmus Pyramidal dysfunction, rigidity |

## Diagnosis of Hepatic Encephalopathy











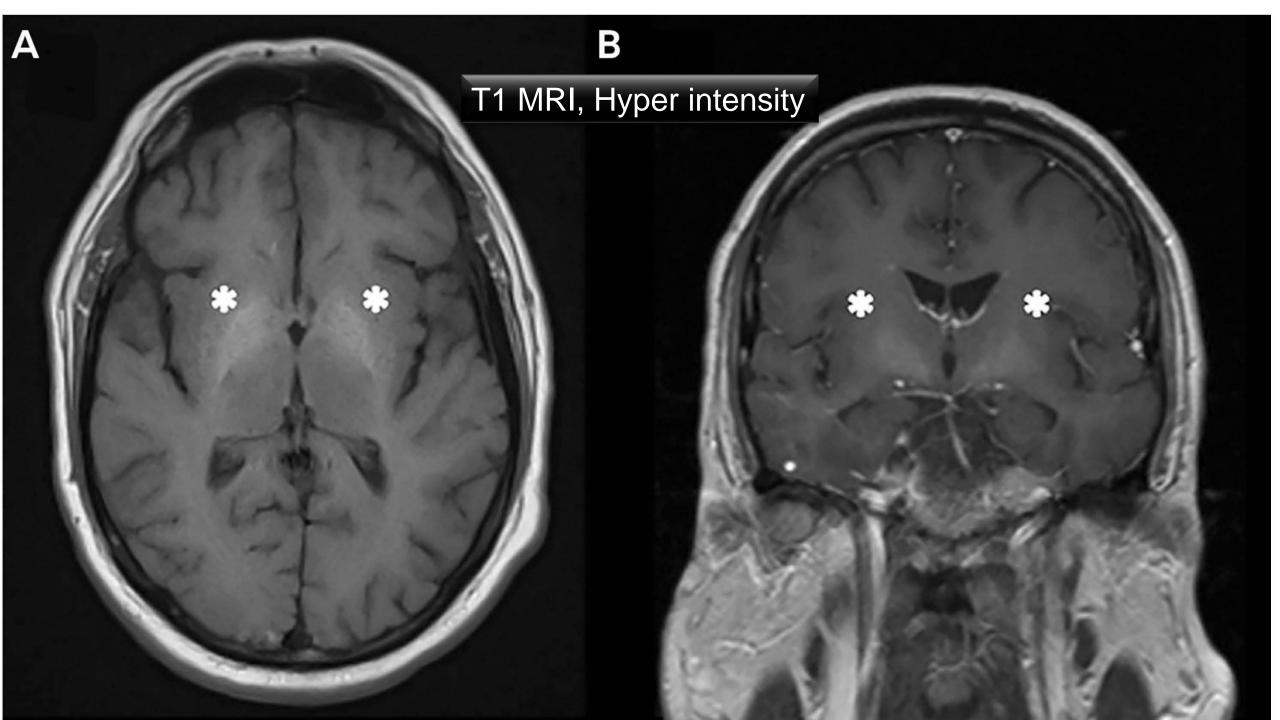
Is clinical

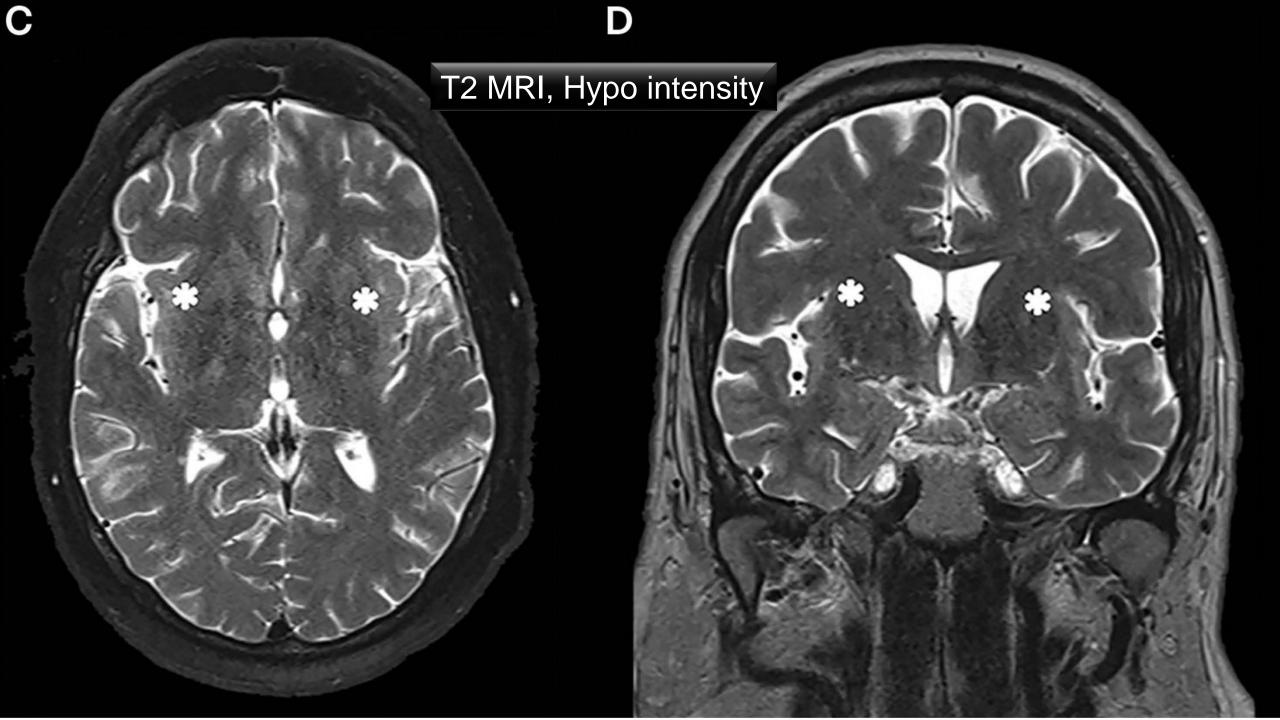
No single test, including ammonia level

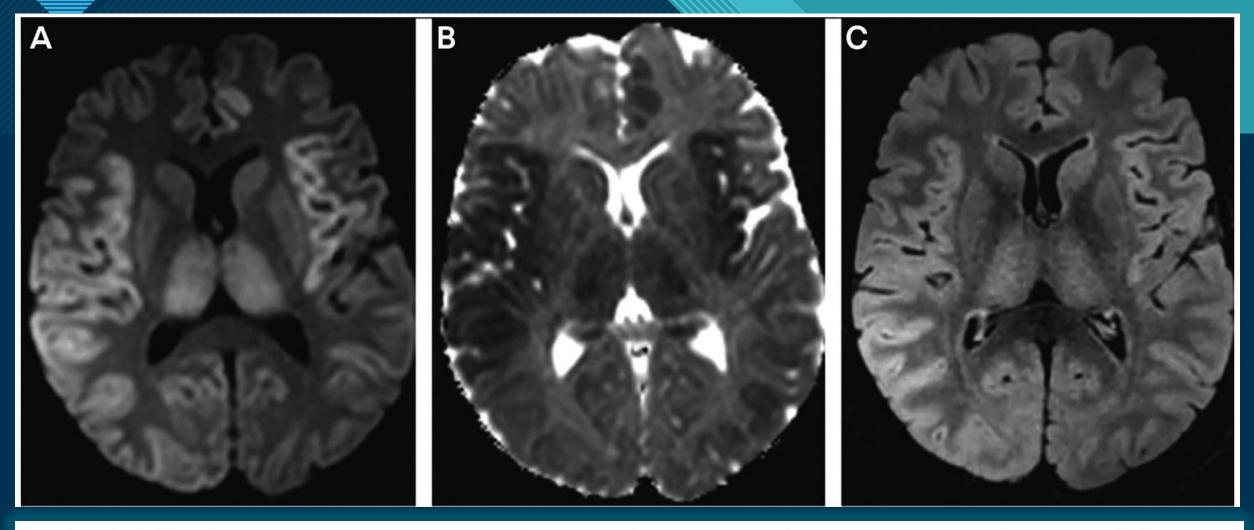
Often shows generalized slowing and triphasic wave

Brain CT is insensitive, Except in severe cases in which cerebral edema

MRI may be show change consistent with chronic hepatic disease or Hepatocerebral degeneration







Brain MRI findings in hyperammonemic encephalopathy. Axial brain MRI showing diffusion-weighted (A), apparent diffusion coefficient (B), and fluid-attenuated inversion recovery (FLAIR) (C) changes in the cortical ribbon and thalami. Note the predilection for the insular cortex.

#### 2.Acquired Hepatocerebral Degeneration



Wilson disease

Non Wilson disease

Is a chronic irreversible
neurologic condition seen in
patient with chronic liver
disease that manifests as
combination of movement and
neuropsychiatric disorders

| Hepatic Encephalopathy                 |
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| More common episode                    |
| Non progressive                        |
| Decrease level of consequences         |
| Asterixis and myoclonus is less common |

#### **Acquired Hepatocerebral Degeneration** Uncommon progressive Not associated to L.O.C Asterixis and myoclonus is common Movement disorders( Parkinson and ataxia-plus) are most common Resting tremor is rare, kinetic tremor is common Dystonia, dyskinesia, myelopathy and chorea have been reported Frontal lobe dysfunction and memory

impairment

#### 2. Acquired Hepatocerebral Degeneration



- Pathophysiology and why only a fraction of patient with chronic liver disease develop this complication are not completely understand
- incidence, nature, duration and severity of the liver disease
- Accumulation of manganese
- Manganese transporters are highly expressed in basal ganglia, which may explain why
  these areas are particularly vulnerable and why blood manganese levels are not
  reliable marker

3.Wilson disease

Is a rare type of Hepatocerebral degeneration due to a mutation in the ATP7B gene on chromosome 13 that encodes for the cupper-binding protein ceruloplasmin

Clinically disease manifests:

psychiatric

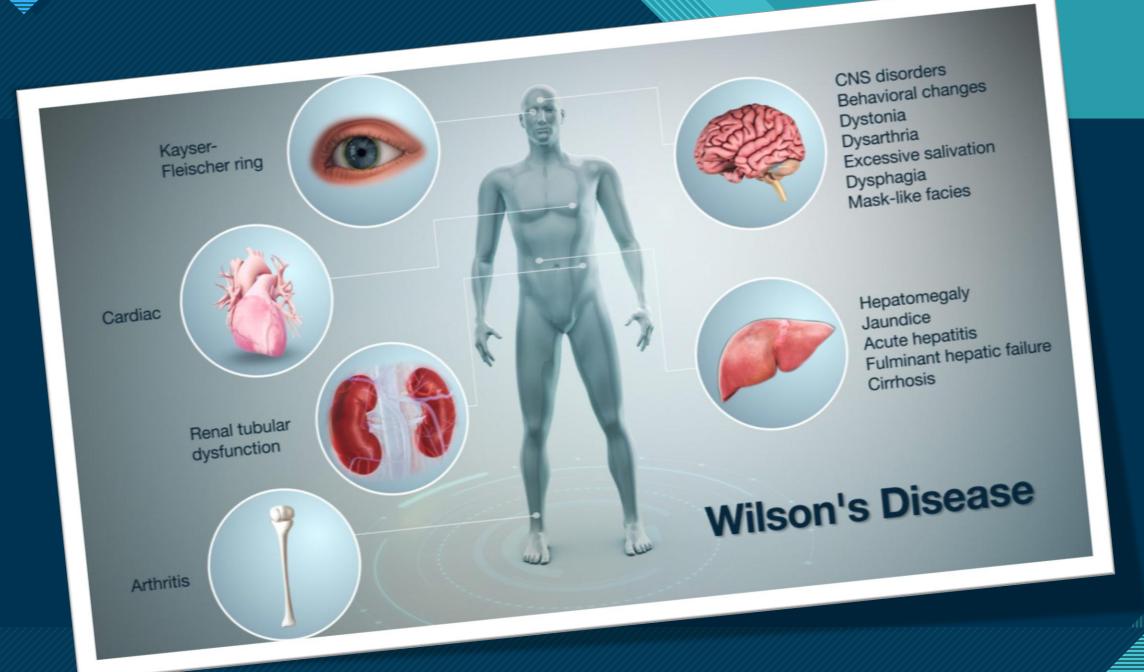
Non specific mood, anxiety and behavioral disorder

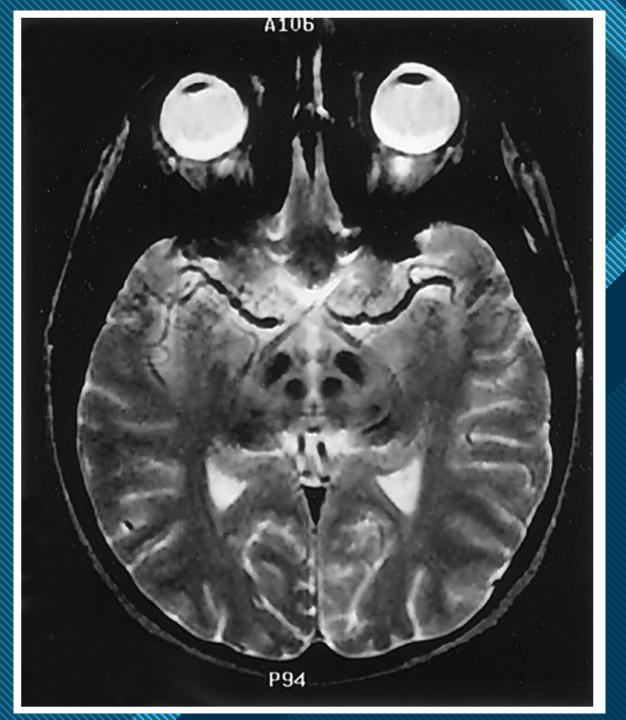
hepatic problem

Very widely from asymptomatic stenosis to acute liver failure

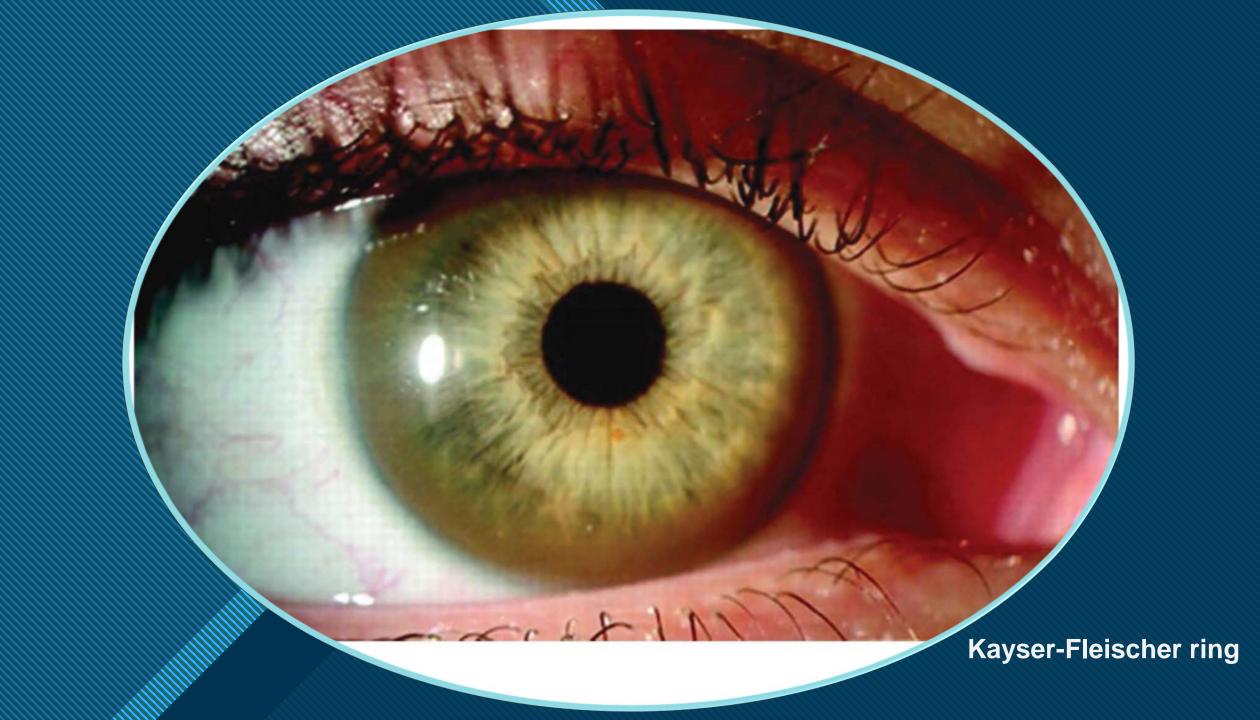
neurologic

Most often movement disorder: tremor, dystonia and ataxia. Wing-beating tremor and facial dystonia of risus sardonicus. Kayser-Fleischer ring





Face of the giant panda sign in Wilson disease. Axial MRI of the brain in Wilson disease demonstrating the face of the giant panda sign. Increased T2 hyperintensity is seen in the midbrain tegmentum. The red nuclei and substantia nigra are unaltered and resemble the eyes and ears of a giant panda.



#### Leipzig criteria

| Criteria                  | Result                                 | Points      |
|---------------------------|--|-------------|
| Kayser-Fleisher rings     | Present                                | 2           |
|                           | Absent                                 | 0           |
| Neurologic symptoms       | Severe                                 | 2           |
| or brain MRI findings     | Mild                                   | 1           |
|                           | Absent                                 | 0           |
| Serum ceruloplasmin level | <0.1 g/L                               | 2           |
|                           | 0.1-0.2 g/L                            | 1           |
|                           | Normal (>0.2 g/L)                      | 0           |
| Coombs-negative           | Present                                | 1           |
| hemolytic anemia          | Absent                                 | 0           |
| Liver copper              | >4 µmol/g                              | 2           |
|                           | 0.8-4 µmol/g                           | 1           |
|                           | Normal (<0.8 µmol/g)                   | -1          |
|                           | Rhodamine-positive granules            | 1           |
| Urinary copper            | >2× upper limits of normal             | 2           |
|                           | 1-2× upper limits of normal            | 1           |
|                           | Normal                                 | 0           |
| Genetics                  | Mutation on both chromosomes           | 4           |
|                           | Mutation on one chromosome             | 1           |
|                           | Normal                                 | 0           |
|                           | Diagnosis                              | Total score |
|                           | Established                            | 4 or more   |
|                           | Possible, additional evaluation needed | 2-3         |
|                           | Very unlikely                          | 0-1         |

#### Wilson disease treatment

Drug: D-penicillamine or Trientine

Diet: low-copper diet

Competitive: zinc salts





4.Whipple disease

Tropheryma whipplei gram positive bacillus

Tetrad: Arthralgia, abdominal pain, diarrhea and weight loss

Neurologic manifestation in 10-40%

CNS involvement is common, 50-90%

In 2022 large systemic review of CNS whipple disease:

Supranuclear ophthalmoplegia 42%

Disorder of sleep 38%

Myoclonus 19%

Myorhytmia 23%

Ataxia and nystagmus are common

Myorhytmia video

## Diagnosis of Whipple disease

1.Whipple Tetrad

2.Identification of T.Whipplei duodenal biopsy

3.In CNS manifestation LP: (PCR+)

Mild to moderate increase of WBC and Protein

4. Brain MRI do not have uniquely identifying

In 2022 large review:

Normal MRI 11%

Single nonspecific parenchymal lesion 14%

Multifocal lesion 56%

Meningeal involvement 3%

Spinal cord involvement 1.4%

#### CONCLUSION

Gastrointestinal and neurologic diseases have complex interrelationships. These include neurologic syndromes due to poor intake or absorption of nutrients, neurologic manifestations of inflammatory or immune-mediated gastroenteropathies, neurologic disease caused by hepatic insufficiency, and the coexistence of neurologic and gastrointestinal disease resulting from a mutual genetic, degenerative, or infectious etiology.

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