

MANY WAYS ONE AIM...

The conquest of all liver disease

The European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL) is the leading professional organisation for clinical and scientific hepatologists in Europe. A membership based organisation, with over 3,000 members, EASL's mission includes raising awareness of the impact of liver disease in the health and lives of European citizens:

- Liver disease is estimated to affect 6% of the EU's population
- Liver disease is reported to be the EU's 5th most common cause of death, accounting for at least one in six deaths
- Liver cancer is the third most common cause of cancer-related mortality globally
- Hepatitis, the most common liver disease, is estimated to affect over 10 million people in Europe
- Alcohol consumption is the 3rd largest cause of early death and illness in the EU, just behind tobacco and high blood pressure. Excessive and chronic alcohol consumption leads to increased prevalence of liver cirrhosis and liver cancer

The new EASL publication



★ ★ THE BURDEN OF **LIVER DISEASE**
★ IN EUROPE: **A review of Available Epidemiological**
★ **Data** will be published on 20th February 2013.
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This report reviews 260 epidemiological studies published in the last five years to survey the current state of evidence on the burden of liver disease in Europe and its causes. The report looks at the leading causes of cirrhosis and primary liver cancer in Europe: alcohol consumption, viral hepatitis B and C and metabolic syndromes related to overweight and obesity. In addition the report also looks at the incidence and prevalence of Hepatitis A, D, and E, of Drug induced liver injuries (DILI), Haemochromatosis, Autoimmune hepatitis, Primary biliary cirrhosis (PBC) and Primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC).

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