## Multidisciplinary Management of NAFLD: The UPMC FLOW Clinic

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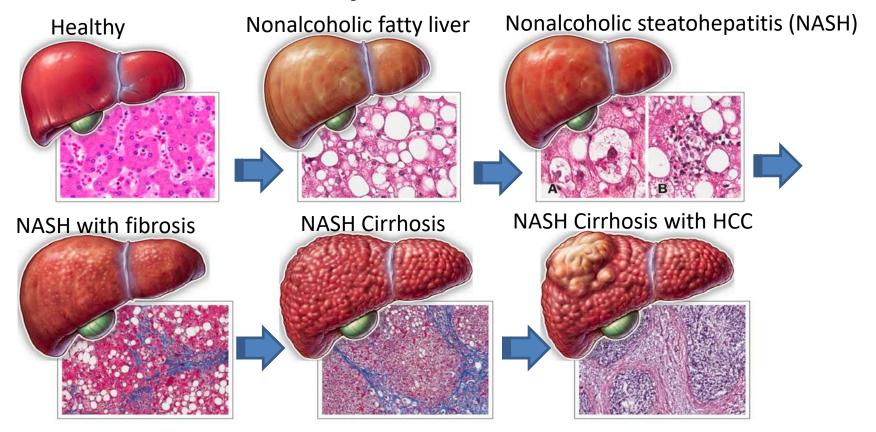
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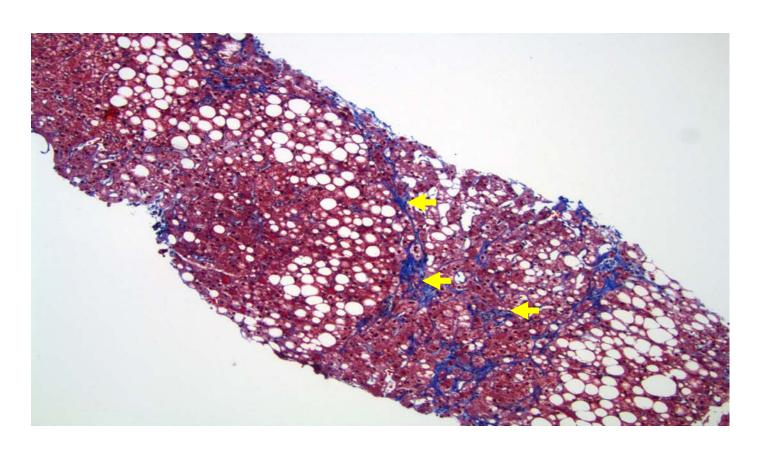
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## Natural history of NASH



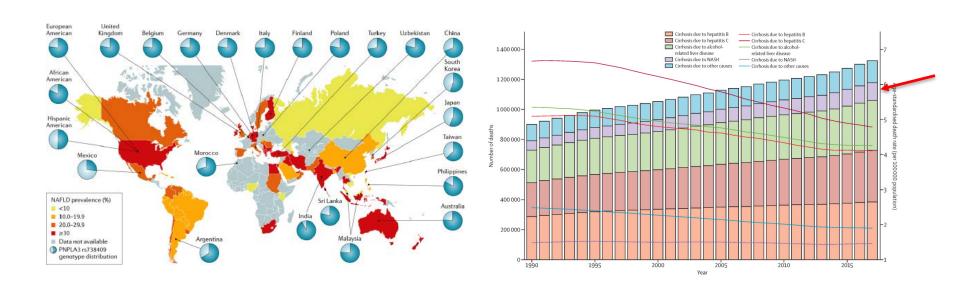
## NASH is characterized by chicken-wire pattern of liver fibrosis



## Part 1

What new for NAFLD in 2020?

# Prevalence of NAFLD/MAFLD is increasing worldwide



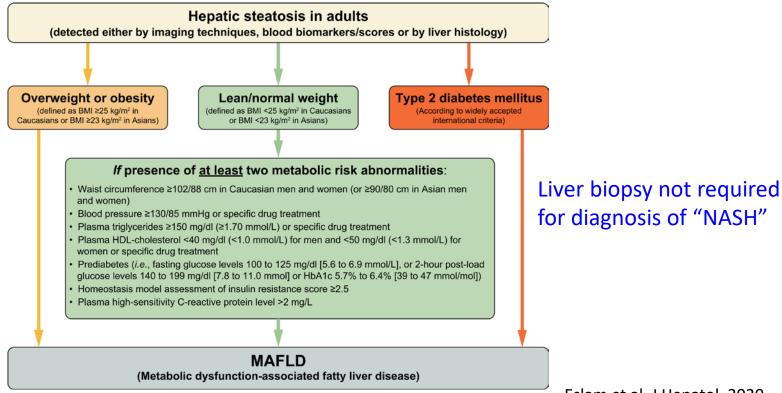
NAFLD prevalence (%)

Global deaths by cause of cirrhosis

Younossi et al, 2017, Nat. Rev. Gastroenterol. Hepatol.

Sepanlou et al, 2020, Lancet Gastroenterol. Hepatol.

# New terminology for 2020: "Positive" diagnostic criteria for MAFLD



Eslam et al, J Hepatol, 2020

### MAFLD-associated cirrhosis

Patient with cirrhosis in the absence of typical histology who meet at least one of the following criteria:

Past or present evidence of metabolic risk factors that meet the criteria to diagnose MAFLD

### With at least one of the following:

- Documentation of MAFLD on a previous liver biopsy
- Historical documentation of steatosis by hepatic imaging

Development of noninvasive tests (NIT) for NAFLD

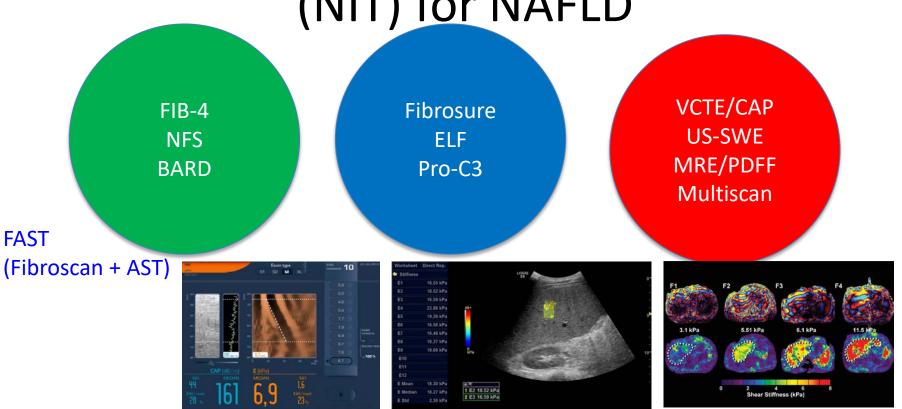
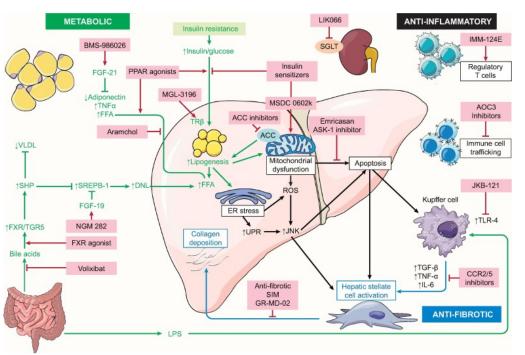


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### Robust drug development pipeline for NASH



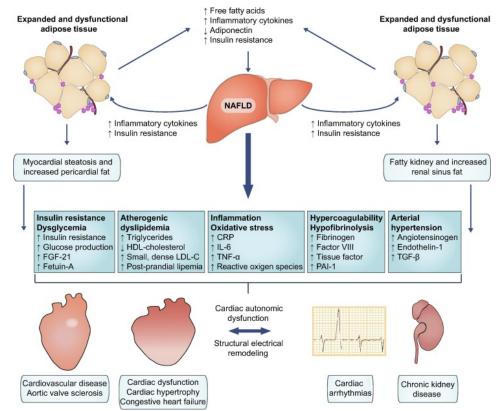
### Phase 3 studies:

- Obeticholic acid (FXR agonist)
- Elafibrinor (PPAR  $lpha/\delta$  agonist)
- Cenicriviroc (CCR2/5 chemokine antagonist
- Resmetirom (Thyroid hormone receptor β agonist)
- Aramchol (Liver targeted SCD1 modulator)
- Belapectin (Galectin-3 inhibitor)

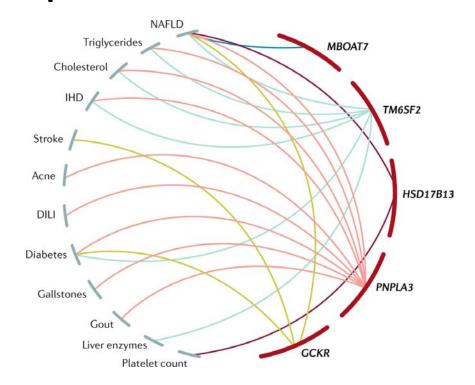
### Part 2

Why is multidisciplinary care needed for NAFLD (MAFLD)?

## NAFLD is a multisystemic disorder with shared pathophysiology with DM, CVD, CKD

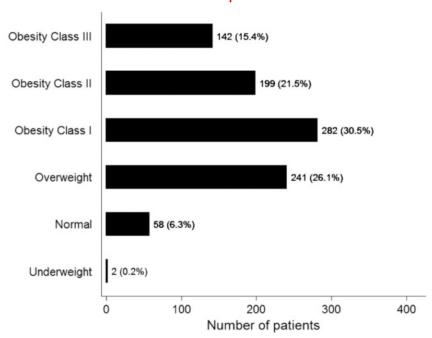


# Genes associated with NAFLD have pleiotropic effects on other traits

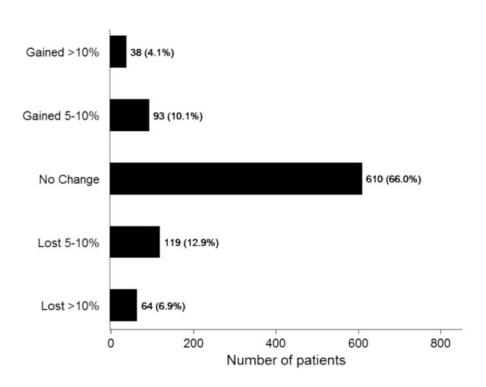


# Most patients in our population have BMI > 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

### 924 non-cirrhotic NAFLD patients in CLD



# Few patients achieve weigh loss with usual care in the liver clinic



### Part 3

The UPMC FLOW Clinic Approach

# Chronic care management model improves care

Delivery system redesign

Team-based program, goal-oriented, shared decision making

Clinical information systems

EMR-based patient tracking, bidirectional communication

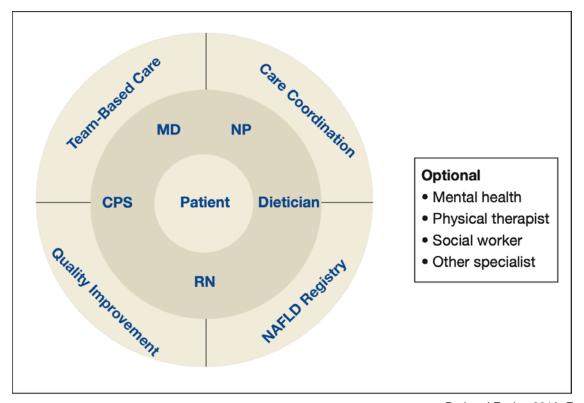
**Decision support** 

Evidence-based treatment algorithms, frequent team-based feedback

Self management support and community resources

Patient self-management program, community resources

## A proposed model of NAFLD clinic

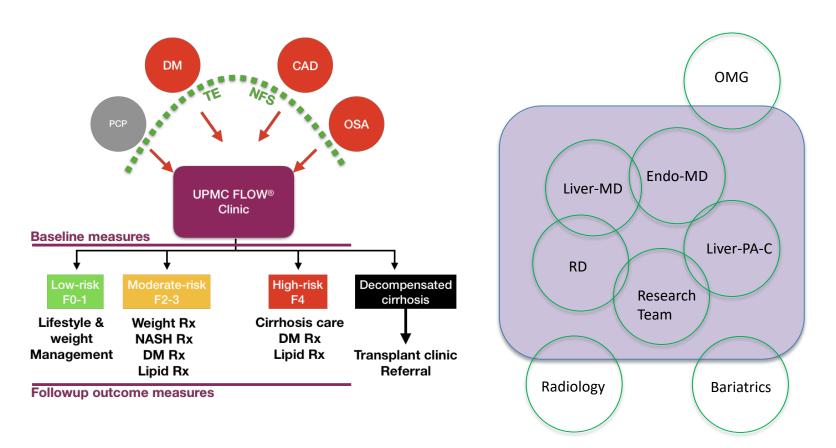


# Is NASH underdiagnosed in our community?

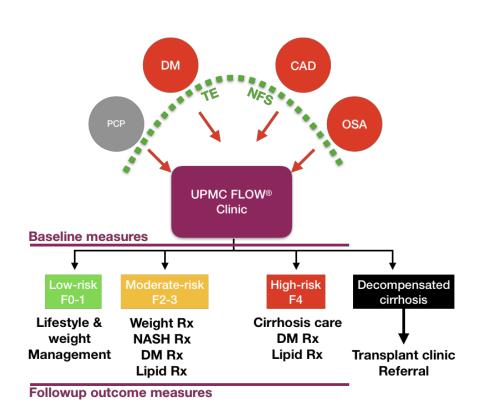
### 11 million patients across 7 sites in the Northeast and Midwest US

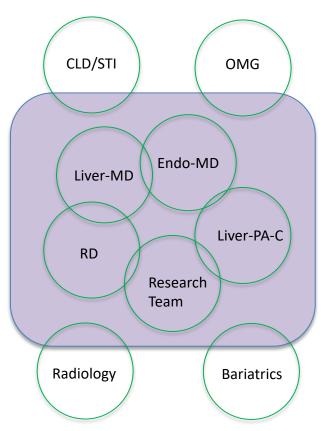
	NASH	NASH + Fibrosis	NASH + Cirrhosis	Total NASH	No NASH
N	3,820	233	3,139	7,192	11,072,655
FIB-4 category					
Low (%)	54.4	53.8	9.7	32.9	63.3
Intermediate (%)	34.4	36.2	22.8	28.9	28.8
High (%)	11.2	10.0	67.5	38.2	7.9

## The UPMC FLOW clinic model

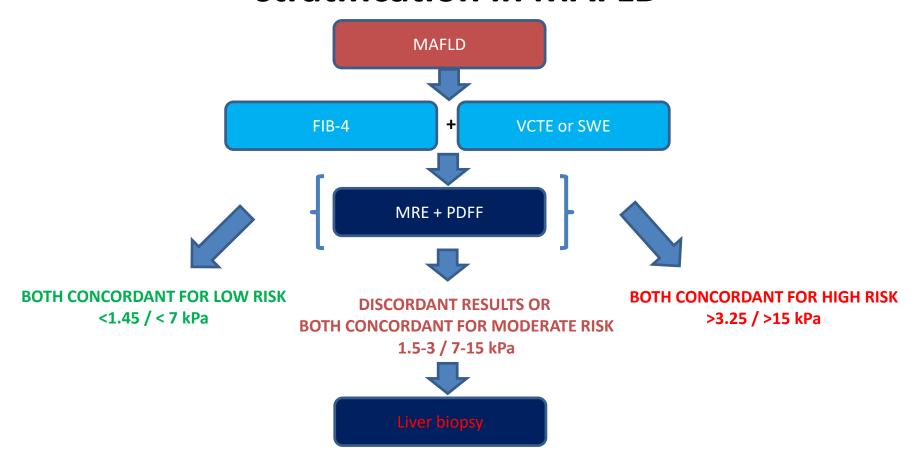


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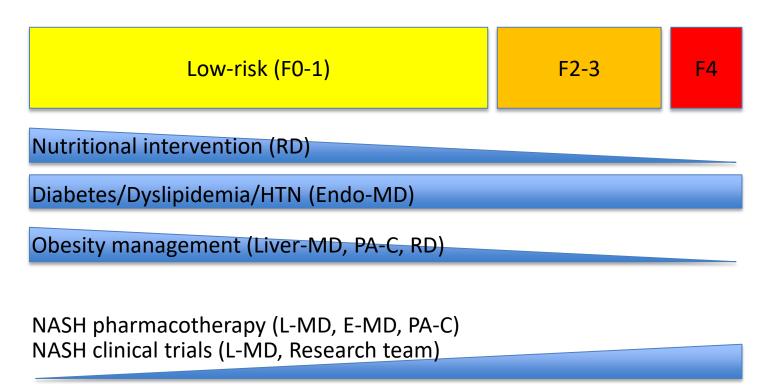




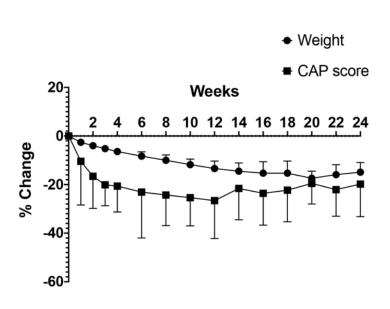
# UPMC FLOW clinic simplified algorithm for risk stratification in MAFLD

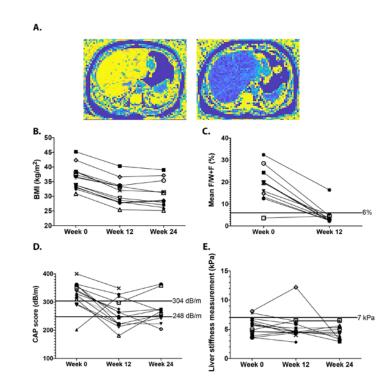


# Management based on disease stage and comorbid conditions



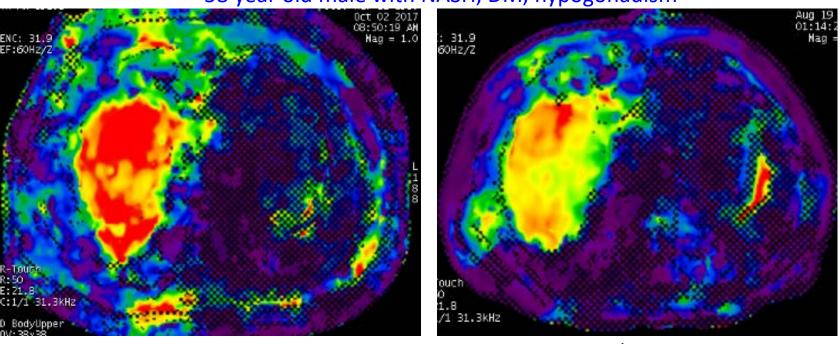
## Diet-induced weight loss can achieve rapid and complete steatosis resolution





# Multidisciplinary management of NASH- An example from the FLOW clinic

58 year old male with NASH, DM, hypogonadism



10/2017 8/2019

## Key takeaways

### What's new for NAFLD in 2020?

- New Definition of MAFLD
- Focus on NITs
- Exciting drug development pipeline

### Why is multidisciplinary care needed for NAFLD?

- NAFLD is a multisystem disorder
- Shared pathophysiology
- Chronic care disease management model improves care

### The UPMC FLOW clinic approach

- Integrating multidisciplinary care with clinical research
- Focus on lifestyle and weight management
- Outreach to other specialties and primary care practices

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