



GI PATHOLOGY

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Liver diseases are related to storage disorders where the stored material accumulate disturbing the normal function

- **Function:**

1-Metabolic :

Glucose

**2-Synthetic :
factors**

Albumin, clotting

3-Detoxification : Drugs, hormones , NH₃

**4-Storage :
vit**

Glycogen, TG, Fe, Cu,

5-Excretory :

Bile

- Net wt. 1400 —1600gm (2.5% of body wt)

- Blood supply:

Portal v : 60 —70%

Hepatic a : 30 —40%

- Microstructure

- Hexagonal lobules —6 acini

- Acinus is divided into 3 zones:

1-Zone 1

Periportal areas —closest to the vascular supply

2-Zone 3

Pericentral area

3-Zone 2

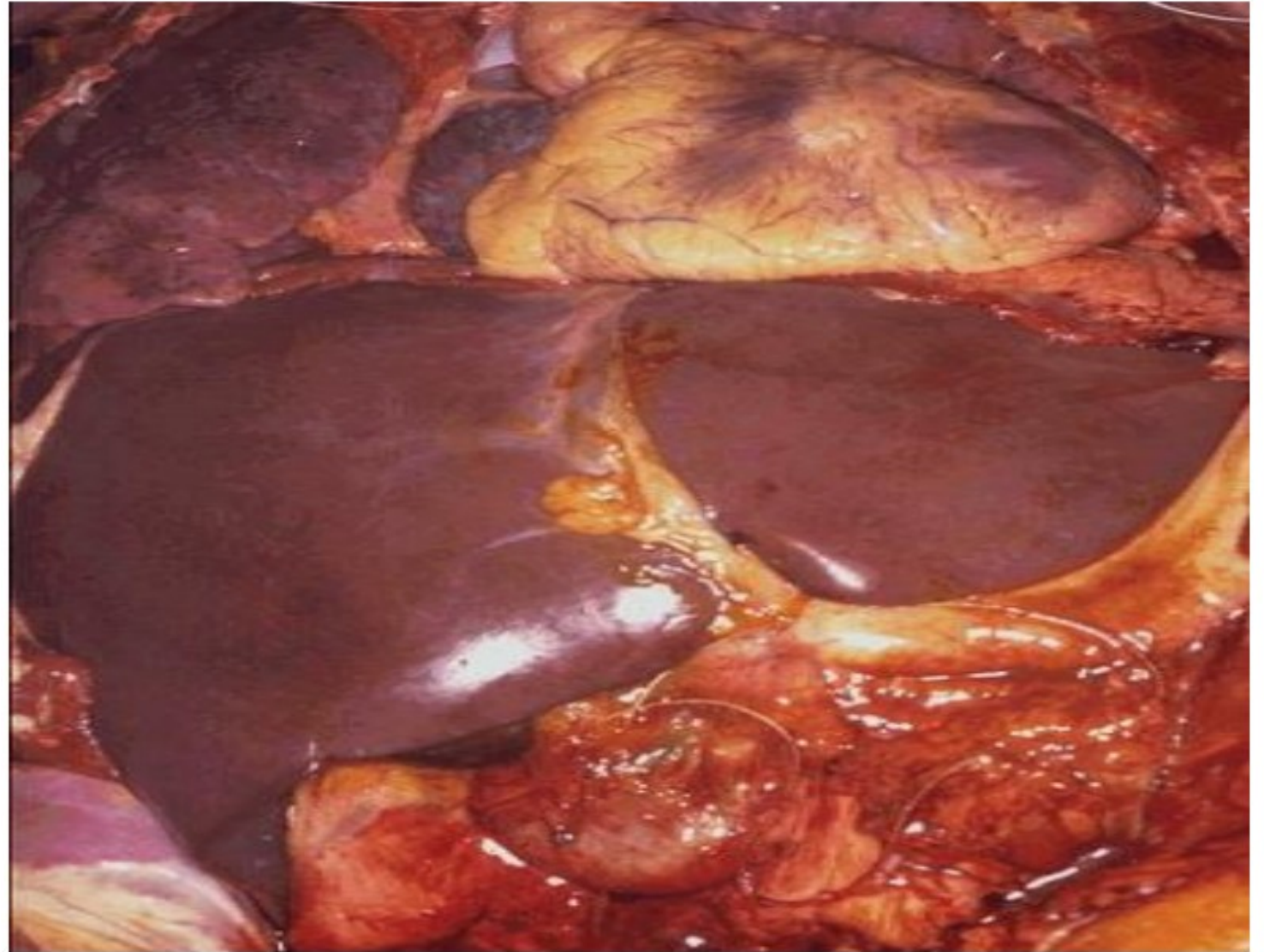
Inrmediate bet. Zone 1&2

Normal Liver

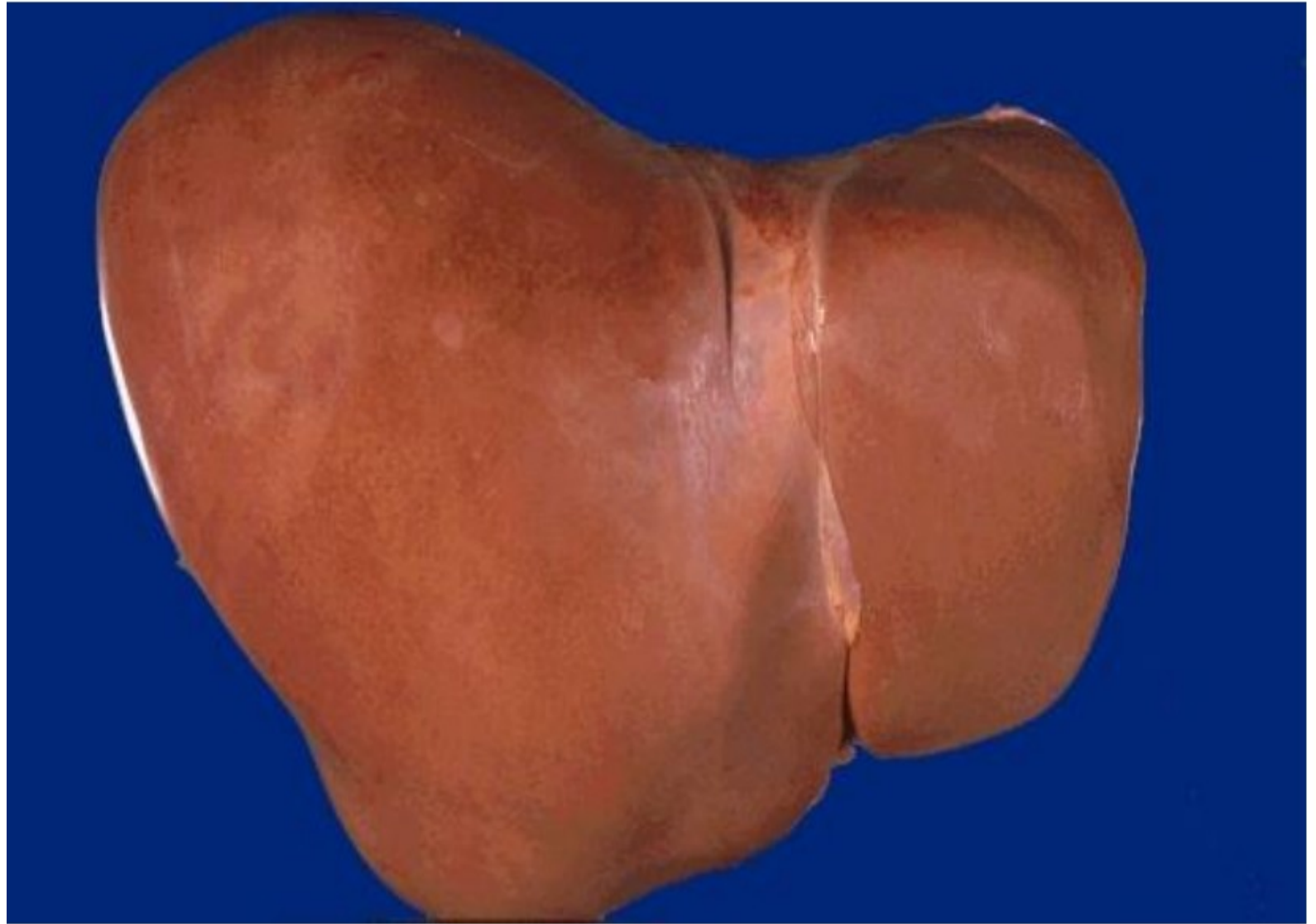
Disease that may affect the liver :

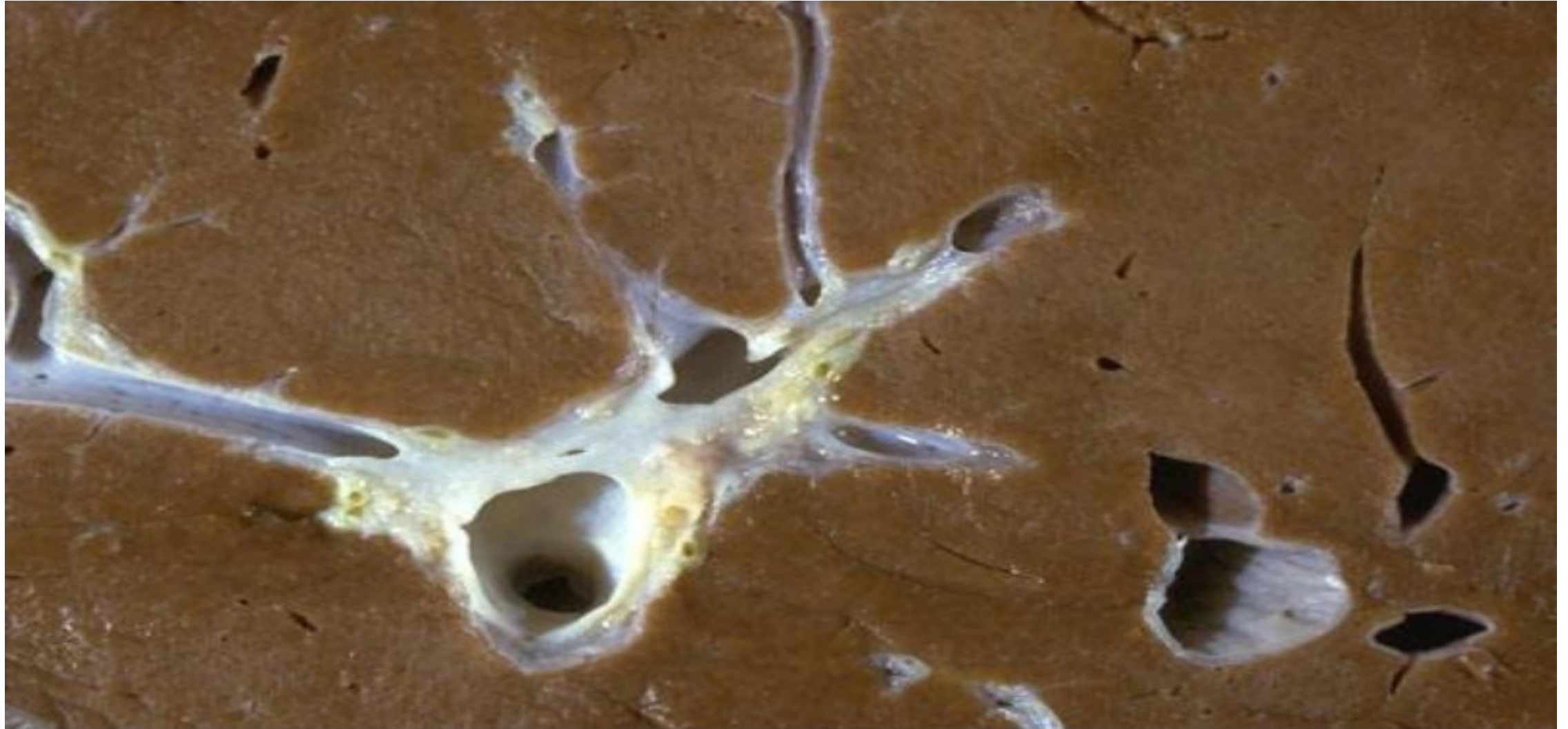
1) primary: each component of the liver can have specific type of disease (parenchyma , vascular).

2) secondary : diseases of liver that results as a consequence of a primary disease



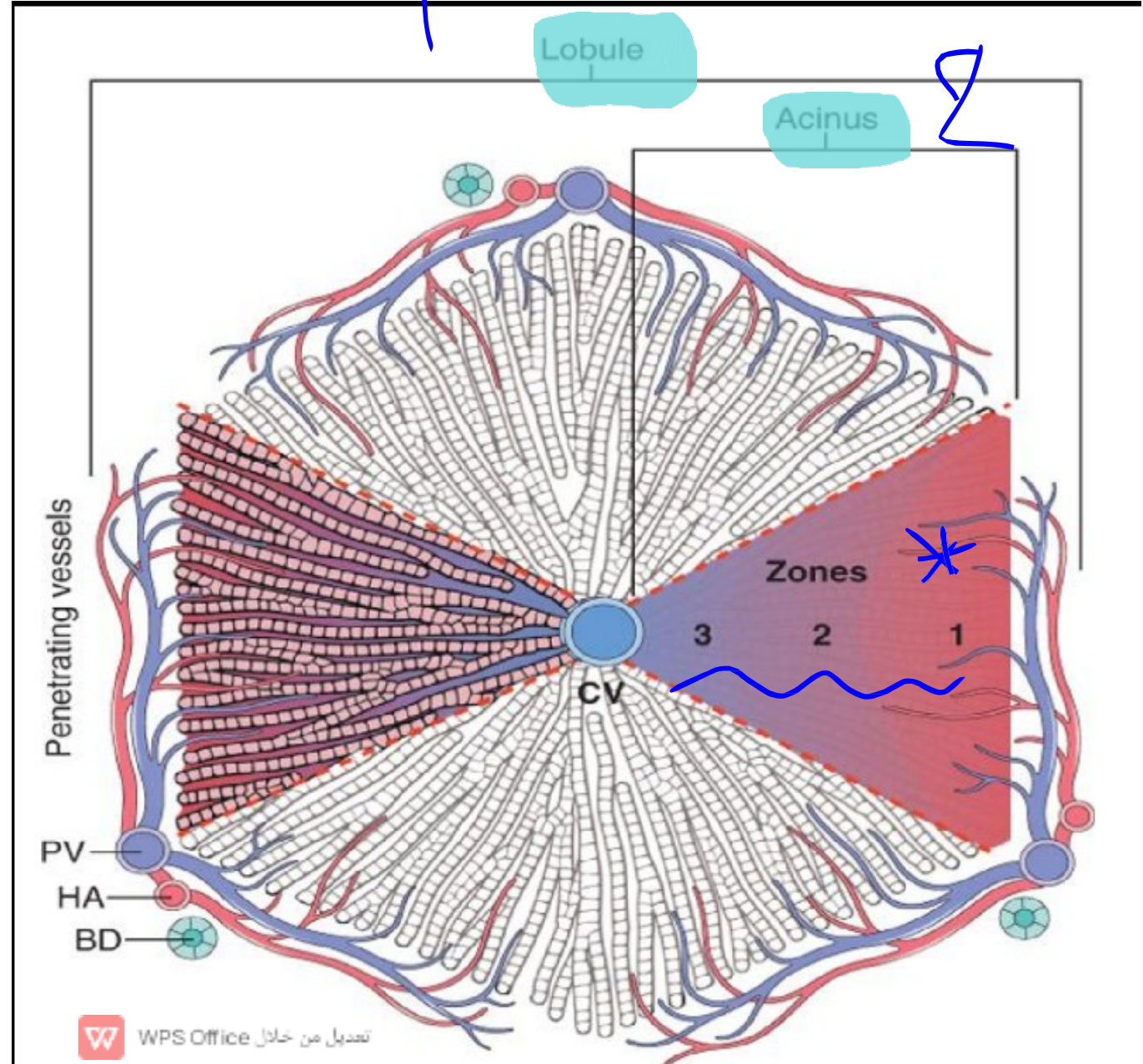
brown ,smooth
and shiny (due to
gisson capule)
structure..
. macroscopic
apperance



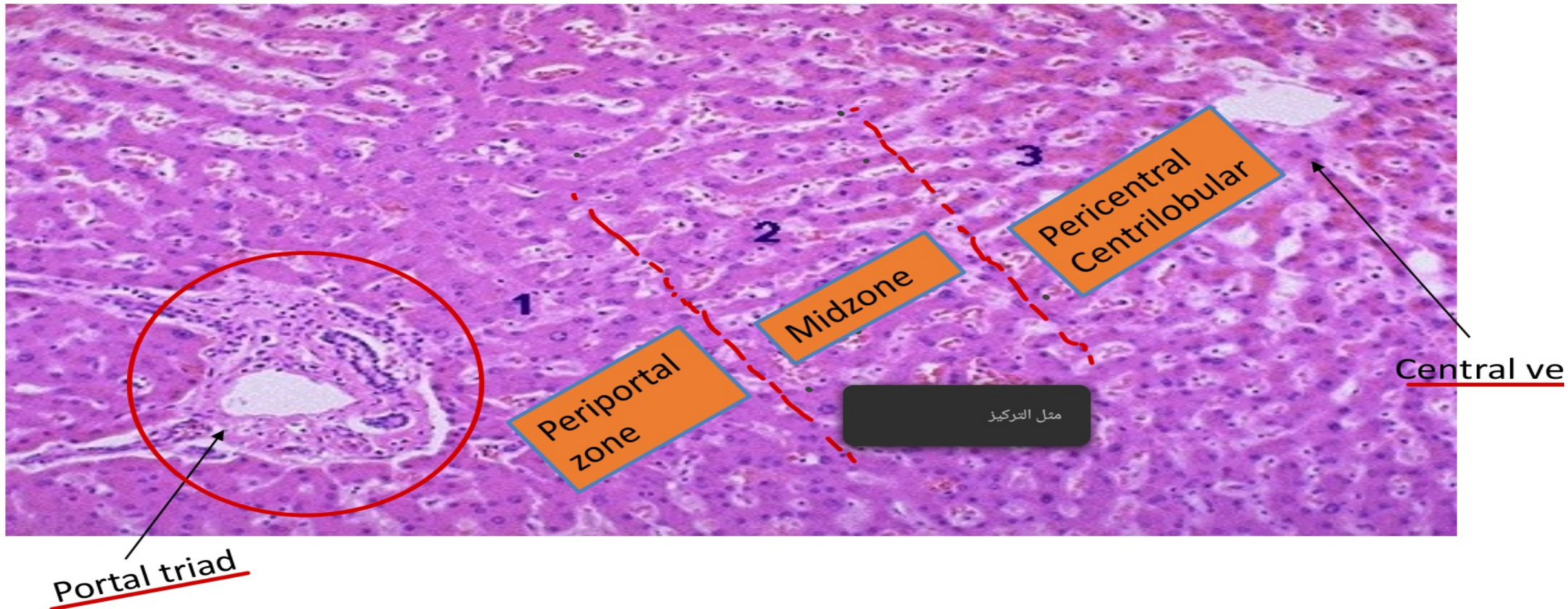


The liver can be divided into :

Zones are so important concept as each zone differ with respect to its metabolic activity .. so the susceptibility to certain forms of hepatic injury .. significant in early stage of the disease



This is a microscopic image of an acinus :-



(It is important to look at each zone as certain diseases occur in particular zones rather than the other. However, aggressive diseases affect all three zones)

The parenchyma is organized into plates of hepatocytes

Hepatocytes are radially oriented around terminal hepatic vein (central v.)

- Hepatocytes show only minimal variation in the overall size but nuclei may vary in size, number & ploidy esp. with advancing age
- Vascular sinusoids present bet. cords of hepatocytes

*correct diagnosis: histo ,clinical manifestations then lab test.

*Laboratory evaluation of liver disease : measures hepatocyte integrity (AST ,ALT)Biliary excretory function (urine bilirubin , serum bile acids).



Hepatic injury

Usually it starts in the peripotal areas (zone1)

Can be: 1) chronic or acute 2) severe or milddepends on the cause and the extent of inflammation

1-Inflammation (Hepatitis)

2-Ballooning degeneration :

-irregularly clumped cytoplasm showing large, clear spaces.

-Substances may accumulate in viable hepatocytes, including fat, iron, copper, and retained biliary material

Indicates the chronicity of that disease

Hypoxia ↓ O₂... ↓ ATP generation disturbances in the function of Na K pump ↑ Na inside hepatocyte ...osmotic pressure ...draws water toward the cell.

3-Steatosis (fatty change) REVERSIBLE initially

microvesicular:ALD,Reye syndrome,acute fatty change of pregnancy

macrovesicular:DM,obese

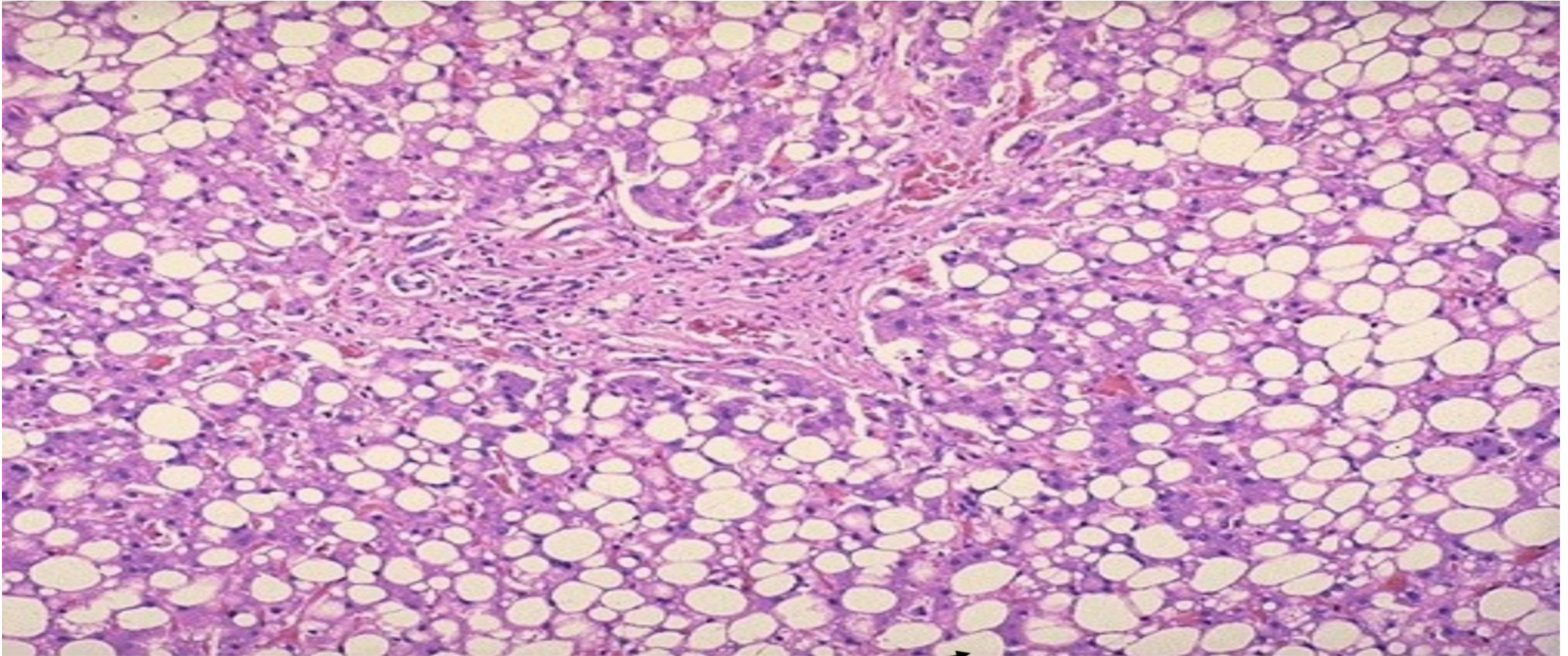
The complication are similar

fatty change

Yellow, greasy
and enlarged
organ (4-6)KG

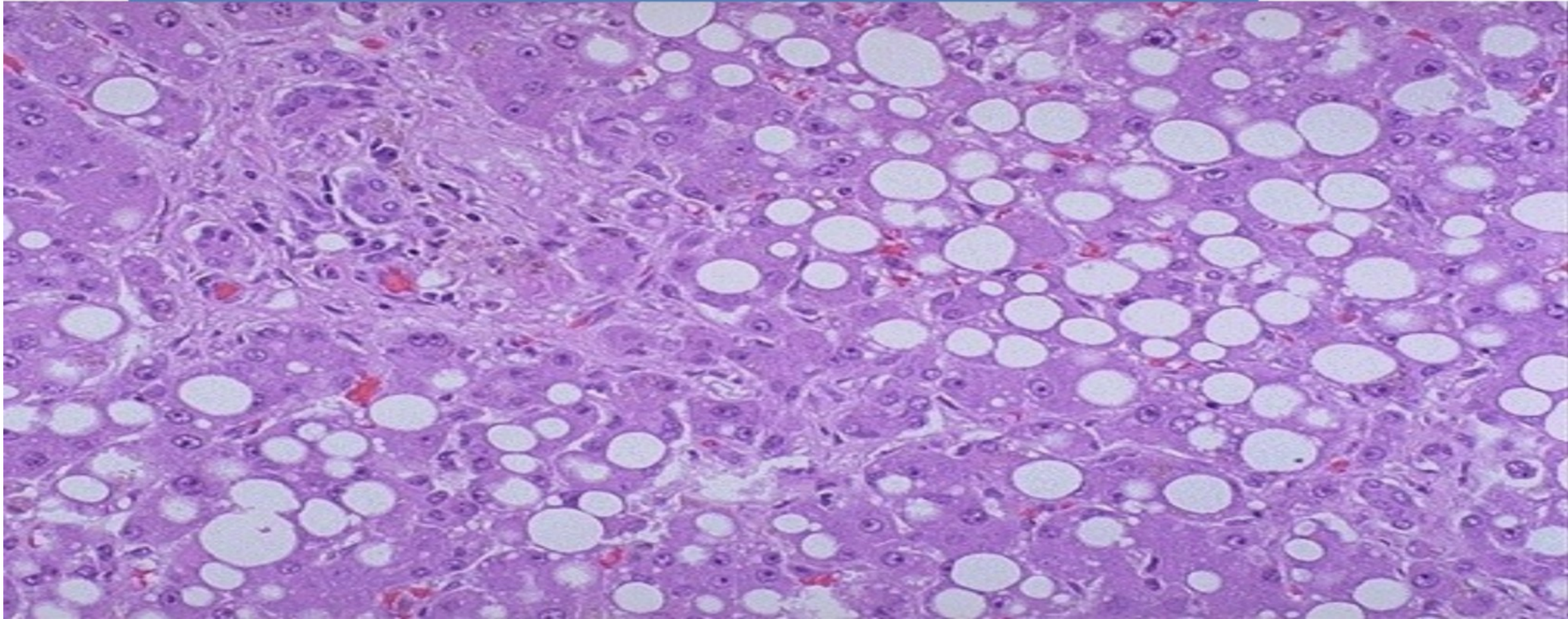


— Microscopic image of fatty liver:—
-this is a severe form (you can see that almost all hepatocytes has fat accumulation).



8 Look at the fat infiltration within the cytoplasm of the hepatocytes @ 'A'°SC*'''_'' '*
An arrow points from the text to a hepatocyte in the lower right quadrant of the image above.

This is a higher magnification of the last slide :
it represents a macrovascular fatty change



Note:-

Microvascular fatty change may lead to
macrovascular with more accumulation of fats

*The liver has a high capacity of regeneration therefore it's a result of severe injury.

*It indicates dead cells (nuclear changes: pyknosis (condensation of chromatin) ,and Karyolysis (fading of basophilia) And karyorrhexis (fragmentation)).

4-Necrosis

- Depending on the type:

Coagulative necrosis :around central v.

Councilman bodies Form during apoptosis

Lytic necrosis Focal liquifactive necrosis , leukocytes digest liquify the tissues .

Depending on the cause

Ischemic

Toxic

Mostly they are consequences of infection

A wedge shaped infarct (ischemic injury) yellow

Coagulative preserves shape, lytic dose not

-depending on location

Centrilobular necrosis:

Mid zonal :

Periportal : interface hepatitis

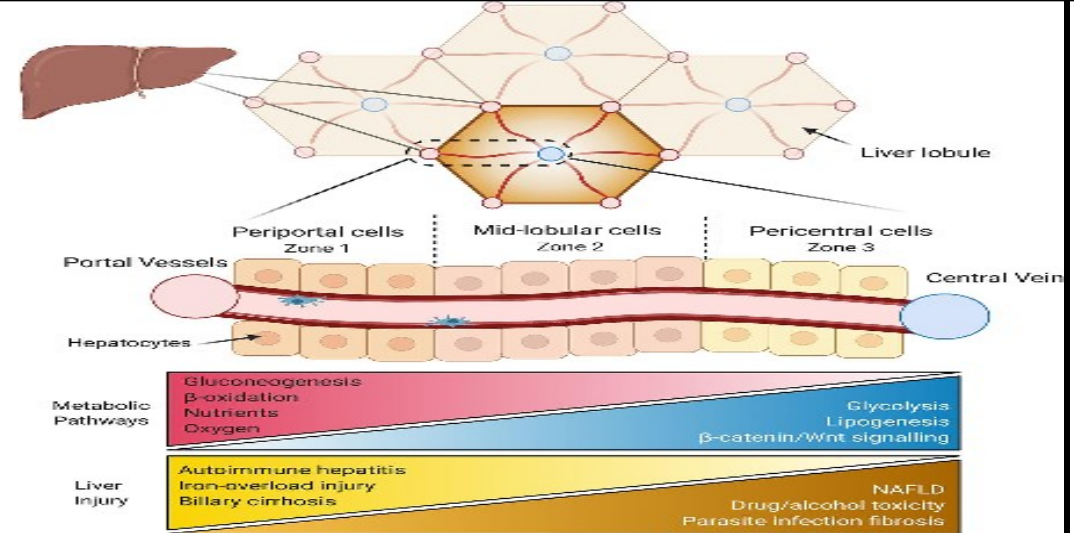
Focal:

Piece meal necrosis

bridging necrosis

Diffuse: Related to drug and toxin exposure

massive & submassive necrosis

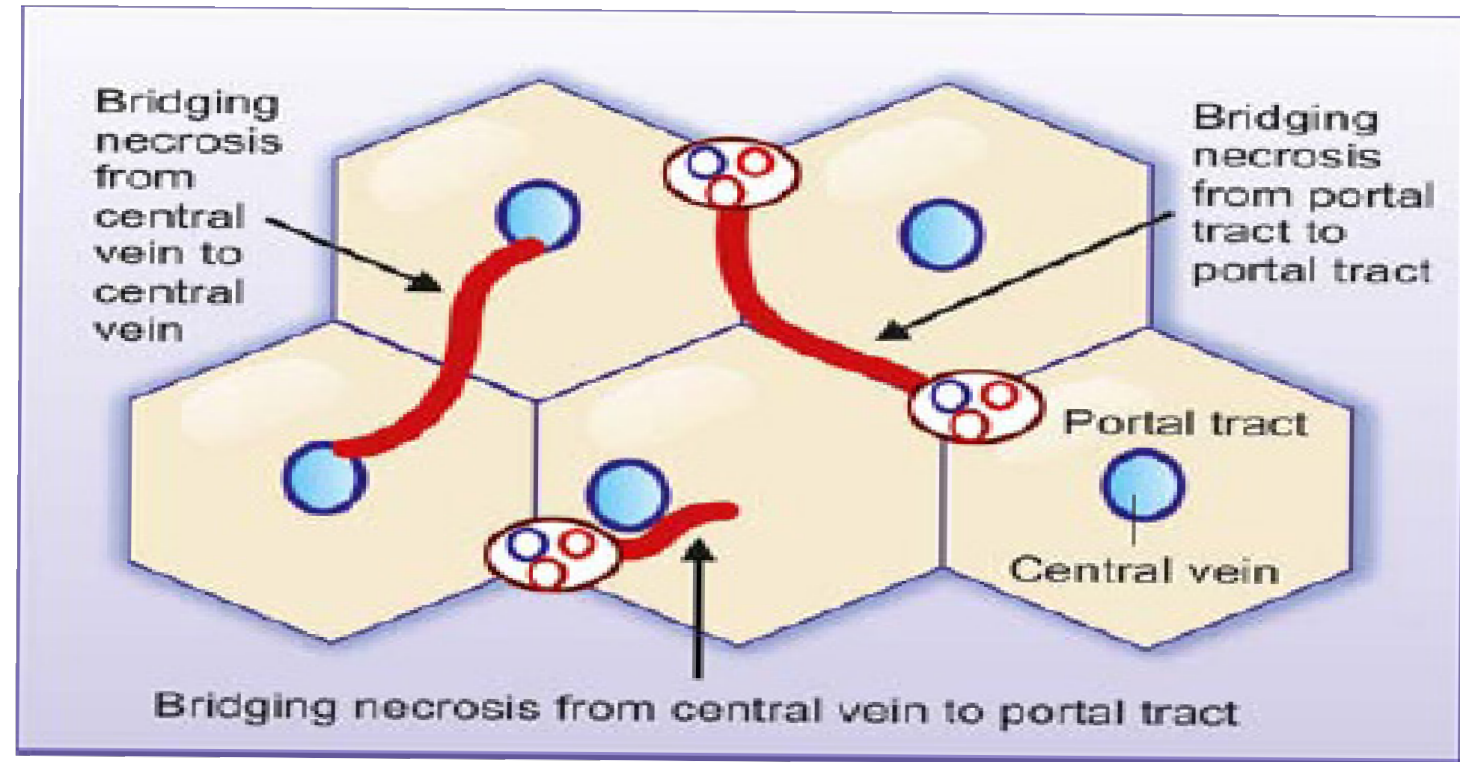


Individual, small group of cells

Bridging necrosis can be replaced by fibrosis (irreversible)

BRIDGING NECROSIS: involves vascular structure ..centrilobular veins and liver portal tract... connect different lobule with each other
central-central
Portal-portal
Central-portal

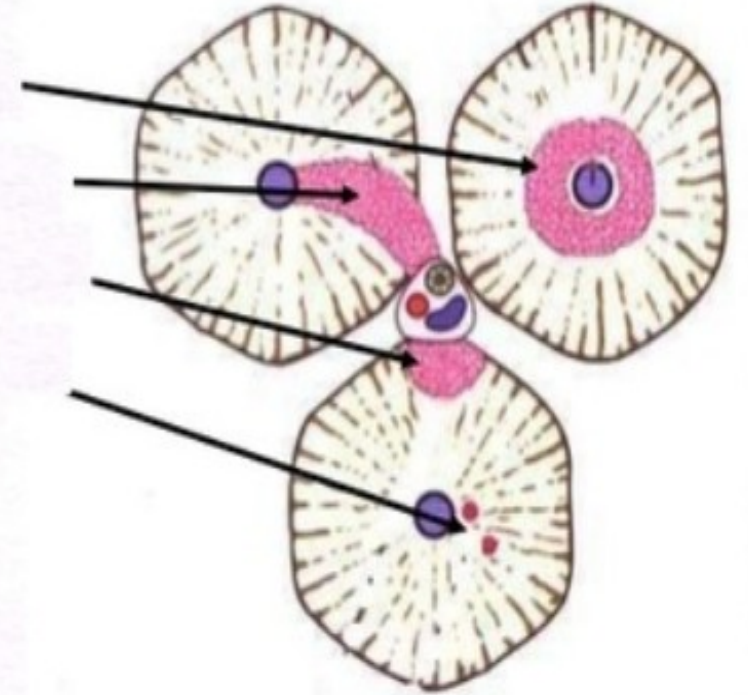
So extension into parynchema means the disease is now going to chronicity .

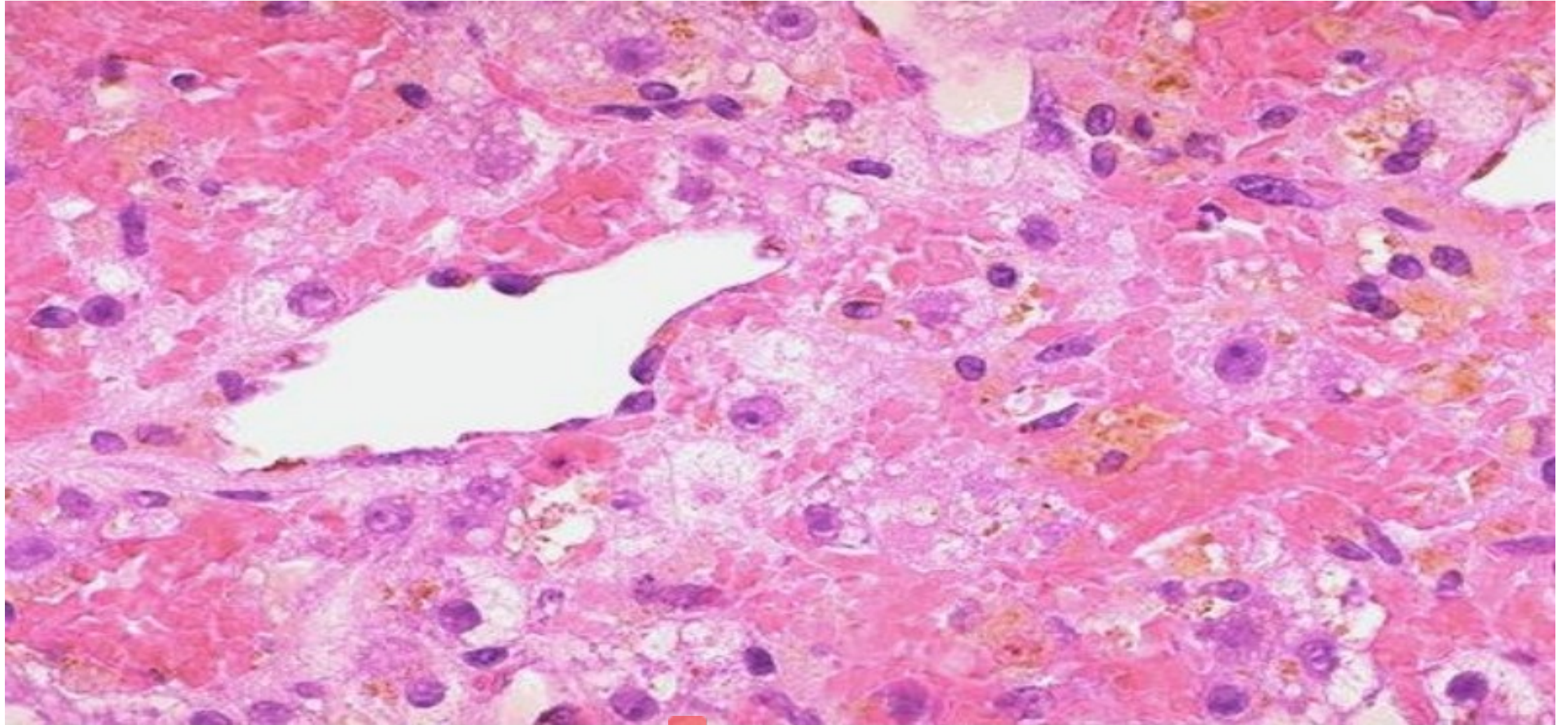


Interface hepatitis ..
inflammation..inflammatory cells
extend through limiting plate
between portal tract and liver
parynchema causing death of
indiviual or group of cells .

Pattern of Liver Damage

- Zonal
- Bridging
- Interface
- Apoptotic





Compensatory hyperplasia

5-Regeneration

- evidenced by increased mitosis or cell cycle markers.
- the cells of the canal of Hering are the progenitor for hepatocytes & bile duct cells (oval cells).

Again it has a high capacity of regeneration therefore more than (90-95)% of hepatocyte should be lost in order to lose its function

6-Fibrosis

-portal or periportal fibrosis

-pericentral- around the central vein.

-pericellular fibrosis or fibrous tissue may be deposited directly within the sinusoids around single or multiple hepatocytes

-bridging fibrosis

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7-Cirrhosis

micronodular

Macronodular

8- ductular proliferation

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