



Presenting manifestations

LATENCY PERIOD → short ,intermediate ,long

-In Direct dose-dependent Hepatotoxicity → Latency period is **SHORT** as it occurs after a threshold of toxicity is reached e.g : acetaminophen (Paracetamol) (toxic dose)

-In Direct cumulative or In Indirect Immunoallergic Idiosyncratic Hepatotoxicity → Latency period is **INTERMEDIATE** , but may continue to evoke even after drug withdrawal e.g : amiodarone (cumulative) / phenytoin, isoniazid (idiosyncratic)

-In Indirect Metabolic Idiosyncratic Hepatotoxicity → Latency period is **USUALLY LONG** , Unpredictable , most problematic (it takes months to years and may cause carcinogenesis) e.g : tetracyclines, oral contraceptives

A clinical pattern or particular pathological finding

- * The clinical presentation could be of variable intensity, ranging from **asymptomatic** with **increase of liver enzymes** up to **fulminant hepatic failure**.
- * Some drugs just induce: **Asymptomatic** ↑ In Aminotransferases e.g: **Phenytoin, Statins, Sulfonamides, Sulfonyleureas**
- * Other drugs induce **Symptomatic manifestations**
- ★ If injury targets both hepatocytes & biliary system : **Mixed type**

Some patterns of symptomatic drug-induced liver disease

Hepatic injury	Hepatocellular	Cholestatic	Mixed
	Flu-like, malaise, m. aches weakness, <u>loss of appetite</u> , GIT symptoms, diarrhea, jaundice, urine discolored,	Yellowish discoloration of skin, dark urine, rash, <u>pruritus</u> , stool may be light	
<u>ALT</u>	≥ 3 fold rise	Normal or slight	≥ 3 fold rise
<u>ALP</u>	Normal	≥ 2 fold rise	≥ 2 fold rise
Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acetaminophen • NSAIDs • Isoniazid • Amiodarone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chlorpropamide • Erythromycin • Rifamycin • Oral contraceptives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phenytoin • Carbamazepine • Sulfonamides • ACE Inhibitors

- ★ If injury targets hepatocytes : apoptosis or necrosis → **Hepatitis** (cytotoxic) develops : rapid onset of malaise, severe anorexia and jaundice + ↑ in **alanine aminotransferases (ALT)**
- ★ If injury targets biliary system (canalicular or ductal) : **Cholestasis** develop : jaundice ± severe **pruritis** predominate → ↑ in **alkaline phosphatase (ALP) ± hyperbilirubinaemia**