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Abstract

Objectives: In China, the epidemic pattern of acute hepatitis E virus (HEV) infection has changed from waterborne outbreaks to foodborne sporadic cases. However, the clinical course of sporadic acute hepatitis E has not been well defined.

Methods: Consecutive AHE inpatients who were admitted to the Jinan Infectious Disease Hospital, Jinan, Shandong Province, between January 2003 and December 2014 were evaluated and followed. Demographic data, clinical manifestations, results of laboratory tests, and outcomes were recorded. Risk factors of liver failure and

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