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# Standardizing MASH NITs

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# Preparing for cross-trial (and PDB) analyses

*Previous LF work on standardization & definitions*



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## Case Definitions for Inclusion and Analysis of Endpoints in Clinical Trials for Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis Through the Lens of Regulatory Science

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## Standardisation of diet and exercise in clinical trials of NAFLD-NASH: Recommendations from the Liver Forum

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## Defining Improvement in Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis for Treatment Trial Endpoints: Recommendations From the Liver Forum

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## A proposal from the liver forum for the management of comorbidities in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis therapeutic trials

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Trial Phase		Phase IIa/IIb																							
Year		2018	2020	2021	2021	2022	2019	2019	2021	2021	2020	2020	2021	2021	2022	2020	2016	2020	2020	2021	2015	2020	2021	2018	2020
Duration		12	12	12	12	12	12/36	16	16	16	24	24	24	24	24/48	48	52	52	52	52	72	72	72	96	104
		Aldafermin	Aldafermin	TVB-2640 (FASCINATE 1)	Tern-101 (LIFT)	EDP-305 (ARGON-1)	Resmetrom (MGL-3196-05)	Pegbeifermin (FGF21)	Efruxifermin (BALANCED)	Saroglitazar (EVIDENCES IV)	Cilofexor	Combination (ATLAS)	Lanifibranor (NATIVE)	Aldafermin (ALPINE 2/3)	Pegbeifermin (FALCON 1/2)	Tropifexor (FLIGHT-FXR)	Elafibranor (GOLDEN-505)	Seladelpar	MSDC-0602K (EMMINENCE)	Aramchol (ARREST)	OCA (FLINT)	Emricasin	Semaglutide	Simtuzumab	CVC (CENTAUR)
Clinical Chemistry	ALT & AST	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	APRI								✓	✓				✓				✓							✓
Simple Scores & Indirect Biomarkers	NFS					✓								✓		✓			✓				✓		
	FIB4					✓				✓		✓		✓				✓	✓						✓
	CK18			✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓			✓	✓		
Direct Biomarkers	ELF	✓	✓	?			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
	Fibrotest									✓							✓		✓					✓	
	PRO-C3	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓										✓
Fibroscan	VCTE								✓	✓	✓	✓		✓									✓		
	FAST										✓												✓		
MR	MR-PDF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓						
	MR-cT1		✓		✓																				
	MRE							✓			✓	✓			✓										
Liver Biopsy	Histology		✓	✓			✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

From Anstee presentation LF12

# Meta-Thoughts on Response Biomarkers in NASH Drug Development

1. Rapidly attaining a NIT 'response threshold' is not a guarantee of early efficacy.

2. Interpret changes in 'Simple Panels' (APRI, FIB4, NFS) with caution.

**3. In the absence of a single 'gold standard' biomarker, undertake a wholistic assessment of biomarker response and demonstrate change *at the patient level*.**

**4. We should agree and define a common set of biomarkers that will be measured *and reported* in all future clinical trials.**

# Update recommendations

*Initially proposed by Quentin Anstee LF 14 and 15*

- Which biomarkers should be prioritized?
- If not already assessed, are there biobanks available for subsequent testing?
- Should there be a centralized effort?
- Who would lead the effort?