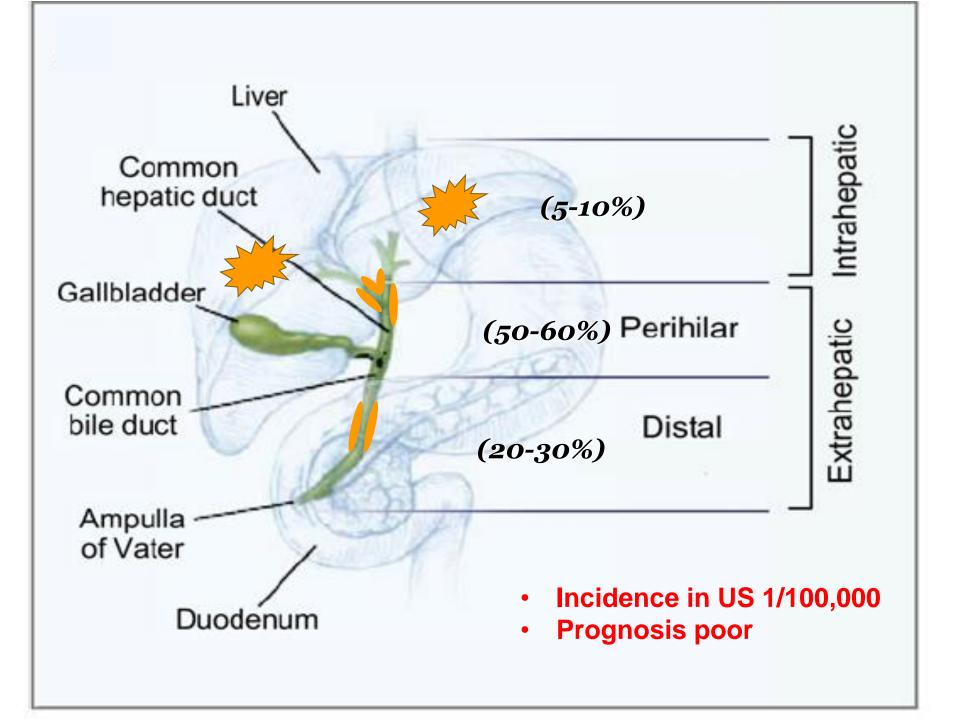
LIVER TRANSPLANTATION FOR CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA



Liver Transplant for Cholangiocarcinoma

- Patients who are not surgical resection candidates AND/OR
- Have underlying liver disease (PSC)
 AND
- Meet highly selective criteria

Liver Transplant for Cholangiocarcinoma

- Protocols for liver transplantation for CCA primarily focus on unresectable peri-hilar CCA
- Patients are eligible for standard MELD exception points if the center has a United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)-approved protocol

 Most protocols include: Neoadjuvant chemoradiation therapy and staging laparotomy/laparoscopy

Peri-Hilar CCA

Age 18+ years

Must satisfy UNOS criteria for diagnosis of CCA:

- Malignant appearing peri-hilar stricture plus at least one of the following:
- Malignant cytology or histology (not just dysplasia)
- CA 19-9 > 100 U/mL (no cholangitis)
- Polysomy by FISH
- If a peri-hilar mass is present, it is not > 3cm in radial direction on cross-sectional imaging

The peri-hilar CCA is

Peri-Hilar CCA

- Negative metastatic work-up (Cross sectional imaging and EUS with node sampling)
- Patient must otherwise be a suitable LT candidate as per the standard UW LT evaluation criteria

Peri-Hilar CCA Exclusion Criteria

- Mass lesion on cross-sectional imaging > 3 cm in radial direction
- Intrahepatic CCA
- Metastatic disease outside the liver
- Prior biliary resection or surgery with disruption of the tumor plane
- Trans-peritoneal biopsy of the primary tumor (very high risk for tumor recurrence post-LT)

Peri-Hilar CCA Neoadjuvant Therapy

- External beam radiation therapy
- 5FU/Leucovorin
- Capecitabine

Peri-Hilar CCA

As patient nears time for liver transplant

Staging laparotomy/laparoscopy

 Assess for peritoneal or nodal metastatic disease that would preclude complete resection of the tumor

 If staging lap is negative, then patient is cleared for allograft offers

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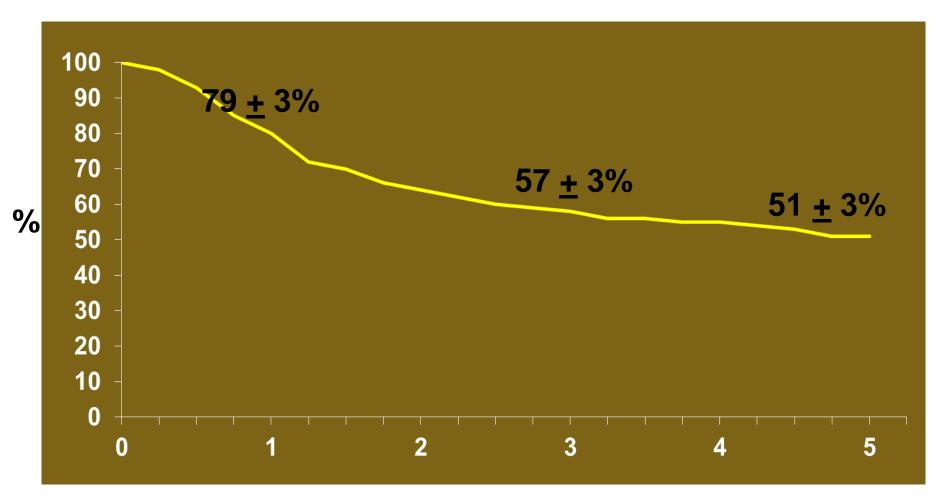
Peri-Hilar CCA

Drop-Out Criteria

- Evidence of metastatic disease on interval imaging
- Positive node on EUS
- Positive staging lap
- Disease progression on treatment protocol
- Fails transplant evaluation

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PATIENT SURVIVAL AFTER START OF THERAPY 1993 – 2016 (INTENTION TO TREAT)



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Years after start of therapy

PATIENT SURVIVAL AFTER TRANSPLANTATION 1993 - 2016N = 181

