

Liver enzymes

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In the article by Agganis B, Lee D, Sepe T (Liver enzymes: No trivial elevations, even if asymptomatic. *Cleve Clin J Med* 2018; 85(8):612–617, doi:10.3949/ccjm.85a.17103), an error occurred on page 613, in the second paragraph in the section about alcohol intake. The words ALT and AST were reversed. The paragraph should read as follows:

The exact pathogenesis of alcoholic hepatitis is

incompletely understood, but alcohol is primarily metabolized by the liver, and damage likely occurs during metabolism of the ingested alcohol. AST elevations tend to be higher than ALT elevations; the reason is ascribed to hepatic deficiency of pyridoxal 5'-phosphate, a cofactor of the enzymatic activity of ALT, which leads to a lesser increase in ALT than in AST.

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