A Belgian Randomized Trial in Hepatitis C Virus-Infected Patients with Persistently Normal Alanine Aminotransferase

Persistently normal alanine aminotransferase (PNALT) is present in 30 to 40% of chronic hepatitis patients and it is generally accepted that they have no liver damage. However, some studies suggest that there are some degrees of mild to moderate histological liver damage. We evaluated the fibrosis stage and the virological outcome in treated patients with PNALT.

Coinfection of Influenza Virus and Group A Streptococcus in an Adult Suspected with Infectious Mononucleosis by Epstein-Barr Virus Infection

The patient was a 21 year-old male who showed high fever and an influenza virus B antigen positive nasal specimen. He was initially suspected as influenza-related bronchitis and pharyngitis by group A Streptococcus; however, his fever, sore throat and skin eruption did not improve although he was administered anti-influenza drugs and amoxicillin for four days.