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1] why do we have the portal vein or the liver receiving more blood from the vein than it receives from the artery; A vessel located in the abdominal cavity that is formed by the union of the superior mesenteric and splenic veins that channel blood from the gastrointestinal tract and spleen to the capillary beds in the liver.

The vein is part of the hepatic portal system that receives all of the blood draining from the abdominal digestive tract, as well as from the pancreas, gallbladder, and spleen. The hepatic portal vein carries venous blood drained from the spleen, gastrointestinal tract and its associated organs; it supplies approximately 75% of the liver's blood. The hepatic arteries supply arterial blood to the liver and account for the remainder of its blood flow. However, half of the liver's oxygen demand is met by the hepatic portal vein

2] Explain different disease conditions of the liver;

# A] Hepatitis

Hepatitis is a viral infection of your liver. It causes inflammation and liver damage, making it difficult for your liver to function as it should. All types of hepatitis are contagious, but you can reduce your risk by getting vaccinated for types A and B . There are five types of hepatitis:

## B] Fatty liver disease

Fat buildup in the liver can lead to <u>fatty liver disease</u>.

There are two types of fatty liver disease alcoholic fatty liver disease, which is caused by heavy alcohol consumption

Left unmanaged, both types of fatty liver disease can cause liver damage, leading to cirrhosis and liver failure. <u>Diet</u> and other lifestyle changes can often improve symptoms and reduce your risk of complications.

## **C]** Autoimmune conditions

<u>Autoimmune conditions</u> involve your immune system mistakenly attacking healthy cells in your body. Several autoimmune conditions involve your immune system attacking cells and your liver. This condition causes your immune system to attack your liver, resulting in inflammation. Left untreated, it can lead to cirrhosis and liver failure. It results from damage to the bile ducts in your liver, causing a buildup of bile. PBC can lead to eventual cirrhosis and liver failure. Also this inflammatory condition causes gradual damage to your bile ducts. They eventually become blocked, causing bile to build up in your liver. This can lead to cirrhosis or liver failure.

### D] Cancer

Liver cancers first develop in your liver. If cancer starts elsewhere in the body but spreads to the liver, it's called secondary liver cancer. The most common type of liver cancer is hepatocellular carcinoma. It tends to develop as several small sports of cancer in your liver, though it can also start as a single tumor. Complications of other liver diseases, especially those that aren't treated, may contribute to the development of liver cancer.

### E] Cirrhosis

<u>Cirrhosis</u> refers to scarring that results from liver diseases and other causes of liver damage, such as alcohol use disorder. Cystic fibrosis and syphilis may also lead to liver damage and, eventually, cirrhosis. Your liver can regenerate in response to damage, but this process usually results in the development of scar tissue. The more scar tissue that develops, the harder it is for your liver to function properly.

In its early stages, cirrhosis is often treatable by addressing the underlying cause. But left unmanaged, it can lead to other complications and become life-threatening.