Conclusions of evidence from the systematic literature search for hepatic toxicity to inform surveillance for childhood, adolescent and young adult cancer survivors

Who needs surveillance for hepatic toxicity?	
Risk of clinical liver disease in CAYA cancer survivors	Quality of evidence
Unknown risk of clinical liver disease (fibrosis, cirrhosis, liver failure,	No studies
biliary tract injury) confirmed by liver histology and/or imaging	140 Studies
Risk of cellular liver injury (elevated ALT) in CAYA cancer survivors	Quality of evidence
Unknown risk in survivors vs. general population	No studies
Increased risk after radiotherapy to fields exposing the liver vs. no	⊕⊕⊕⊕ HIGH [29, 30]
radiotherapy	ΦΦΦΦ (11 3 11 [23, 30]
Unknown risk after higher doses of radiotherapy to fields exposing the	No studies
liver vs. lower doses	. No studies
Increased risk after larger irradiated liver volumes vs. smaller volumes	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [29]
Increased risk after busulfan vs. no busulfan	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [29, 30]
Increased risk after thioguanine vs. no thioguanine	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [29, 30]
No significant effect of <i>mercaptopurine</i> vs. no mercaptopurine	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
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No significant effect of <i>methotrexate</i> vs. no methotrexate	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
	[29, 30]
No significant effect of <i>dactinomycin</i> vs. no dactinomycin	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
	[29, 30]
Unknown risk after novel agents (tyrosine kinase inhibitors,	No studies
demethylating agents, monoclonal antibodies) vs. no novel agents	
Unknown risk in cancer survivors after <i>HSCT</i> vs. no HSCT	No studies
Increased risk after <i>hepatic surgery</i> vs. no hepatic surgery	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [29, 30]
Increased risk after <i>chronic viral hepatitis C</i> vs. no chronic viral hepatitis C	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [29]
Unknown risk in cancer survivors with <i>iron overload</i> vs. without iron	No studies
overload	
Risk of biliary tract injury (elevated gGT) in CAYA cancer survivors	Quality of evidence
Unknown risk in survivors vs. general population	No studies
Increased risk after radiotherapy with fields exposing the liver vs. no	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
radiotherapy	[30]
Unknown risk after higher doses radiotherapy with fields exposing the	No studies
liver vs. lower doses	
Unknown risk after larger irradiated liver volumes vs. smaller volumes	No studies
No significant effect of busulfan vs. no busulfan	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [30]
No significant effect of thioguanine vs. no thioguanine	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
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Unknown risk after novel agents (tyrosine kinase inhibitors,	No studies
demethylating agents, monoclonal antibodies) vs. no novel agents	
Unknown risk after <i>HSCT</i> vs. no HSCT	No studies
No significant effect of hepatic surgery vs. no hepatic surgery	⊕⊕⊖⊖ LOW [30]
	No studies
Unknown risk after chronic viral hepatitis vs. no chronic viral hepatitis	140 Studies
Unknown risk in cancer survivors with iron overload vs. without iron	No studies

Increased risk with increasing packed red blood cell volume	$\oplus \ominus \ominus \ominus$ VERY LOW [52]
(liver iron concentration by T2* MRI)	
Unknown packed red blood cell volume threshold for increased risk	No studies
Unknown risk after HSCT vs. no HSCT	No studies
No significant effect of TBI vs. no TBI in HSCT survivors	⊕⊖⊖⊖ VERY LOW [57]
(serum ferritin)	
When should surveillance for hepatic toxicity be initiated?	
Latency time in CAYA cancer survivors	Quality of evidence
Unknown latency time of developing clinical liver disease	No studies
At what frequency should surveillance for hepatic toxicity be performed?	
Risk over time in CAYA cancer survivors	Quality of evidence
Unknown course of abnormal liver enzymes and liver disease (fibrosis,	No studies
cirrhosis, liver failure, biliary tract injury) over time after cancer	
treatment	
Transfusion-related increased serum ferritin levels decline over time in	⊕⊕⊕⊖ MODERATE
HSCT survivors*	[56, 57]
What surveillance modality should be used for the detection of hepatic to	oxicity?
Diagnostic value of liver function tests to detect clinical liver disease in	Quality of evidence
CAYA cancer survivors	
Unknown diagnostic value of liver enzymes (ALT, AST, gGT, ALP) and	No studies
bilirubin compared to liver biopsy	
Unknown diagnostic value of liver ultrasound or elastography compared	No studies
to liver biopsy	
Unknown diagnostic value of ferritin compared to liver biopsy or T2* MRI	No studies
What should be done when abnormalities are identified?	
Effectiveness of interventions in CAYA cancer survivors with abnormal	Quality of evidence
liver function tests	
Unknown effect of interventions to improve health	No studies

Abbreviations: CAYA: childhood, adolescent and young adult; ALT: alanine aminotransferase; HSCT: hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; gGT: gamma-glutamyltransferase; TBI: total body irradiation; MRI: magnetic resonance imaging; AST: aspartate aminotransferase; ALP: alkaline phosphatase

^{*} Without any intervention to improve iron status.