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PRESS RELEASE

LIVERHOPE SAFETY STUDY

The Liverhope Safety study has been made available online in The Lancet Gastroenterology and Hepatology the 14th of October 2019, together with a comment on the impact of this study.

The study is the result of 3 years work of the Liverhope Consortium, developing the first clinical trial of the Liverhope Project a European H2020 backed project. The direct results from the trial show that the safe dose of simvastatin to use in combination with rifaximin for patients with decompensated cirrhosis is Simvastatin 20 mg.

This study has laid the groundwork for selecting a safe dose of simvastatin for the Liverhope Efficacy Trial, that is currently ongoing and will hopefully ellucidate if the combination of these two drugs is useful as a treatment for the prevention of the progression of cirrhosis and development of Acute-On-Chronic Liver Failure.