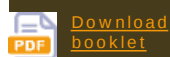


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Everybody needs a metal called copper properly. We get copper from food to the liver to be sorted. The liver is needed by the body to grow and be got rid of. In people with Wilson's disease the liver is not able to get rid of copper; therefore there is too much copper in the liver. When the liver is full it overflows and goes to other parts of the body. This means that there is a lot of copper in the body.

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Wilson's disease for patients and families

What is Wilson's disease?

What are the signs and symptoms of Wilson's disease?

Metabolic pathway of copper

How have I or my child got this condition?

How does this occur?

Diagnostic tests for Wilson's disease

What is the treatment?

Treatment compliance

Pregnancy

Is carrier detection available?

Glossary of terms used

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1. Why has it got such a funny name?
2. What is Wilson's disease?
3. How did I get Wilson's disease?
4. Is it catching?
5. Am I different from everybody else?
6. What does my liver do?
7. If my liver gets worse, will it hurt?
8. Why do some people with Wilson's disease eyes go yellow?
9. Why do I have to keep taking medicines?
10. How long will I have to keep on taking medicines?
11. What will happen if I take my medicines every day?
12. What will happen if I stop taking my medicines?
13. Why did the eye doctor look at my eyes with a special light?
14. Why do some people with Wilson's disease have a tremor or shake?
15. Why does my doctor look at my handwriting?
16. Why does my doctor keep doing blood tests?
17. Am I allowed to...?
18. Do other people need to know?
19. Do my friends need to know?



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getting rid of the excess cop
copper it needs to live and grow
the rest.

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