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Tuberculosis with Drug-Induced Hepatitis: A Narrative Literature Review

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ABSTRACT

Tuberculosis (TB) is an infectious disease that is a global health problem. The problem is that 5-28% of patients receiving tuberculosis treatment suffer from drug-induced hepatitis on antituberculosis drugs (OAT). The clinical picture should be differentiated from other liver diseases. The level of symptoms varies from asymptomatic to symptomatic, such as nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, jaundice, hepatomegaly, and increased liver function. OAT use is stopped if clinical symptoms are found and ALT/AST increases ≥ 3 times, or if there are no symptoms but there is an increase in bilirubin ≥ 2 mg/dl or ALT/AST values ≥ 5 times without clinical symptoms. The use of OAT can be continued, but with supervision, if there are no clinical symptoms and the increase in ALT/AST is < 2 times and the bilirubin value is < 2 mg/dl. Treatment can be carried out again by reintroducing OATs one by one according to ATS recommendations.

1. Introduction

Tuberculosis (TB) is an infectious disease that is a global health problem. Tuberculosis is ranked as the 13th leading cause of death worldwide and the main cause of death due to infectious diseases. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that in 2022, TB will be ranked as the second leading cause of death due to infectious diseases after COVID-19. Data published by the 2021 Global Tuberculosis Report by the WHO shows that Indonesia has the third highest number of TB cases in the world after India and China. The Sustainable Development Goals include WHO's "End Tuberculosis" strategy, which has a 2035 target. The vision of the end-tuberculosis strategy is a TB-free world with zero deaths, illnesses, and suffering due to tuberculosis.^{1,2}

The Global TB Report 2021 data states that a quarter of the world's population suffers from TB

disease. In Indonesia, there are 824,000 cases of TB, and deaths due to TB are 93,000, or the equivalent of 11 deaths per hour. The incidence of multidrug-resistant (MDR) TB is 7900 cases, with the number of patients undergoing treatment being 5200. There were 293 cases of confirmed pre-Extended Detection and Response (XDR) or XDR TB, with 272 cases of patients undergoing treatment. TB sufferers are predominantly male rather than female. Data from the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Indonesia in 2020 shows that only 41.4% of TB patients received treatment, so around 58.6% of cases of TB patients have not received treatment and are at risk of infecting other people around them. One of the reasons for this decrease in treatment rates is the COVID-19 pandemic, so the TB problem is not a priority.^{1,3,4}

Tuberculosis is an infectious disease caused by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. This disease can affect

the lungs and other organs. Tuberculosis can be prevented and cured. Compliance with taking medication is important for achieving recovery. Drug side effects often have a negative impact on compliance with medication, causing morbidity and even death. The Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences (CIOMS) reports that hepatotoxicity accounts for more than 7% of all drug side effects, and 5-28% of patients receiving TB treatment suffer from drug-induced hepatitis (DIH) or anti-tuberculosis drug-induced hepatitis (OAT).^{5,6} Drug-induced hepatitis is a health problem that has its own diagnostic challenges. The development of the world of medicine is characterized by many types of drugs that are used to increase the hope of healing from various diseases. This development also has its own impacts, such as increasing the risk of drug side effects. Hepatotoxicity due to OAT does not occur in every patient but can cause acute liver injury and even death if not detected early. This study aims to discuss the mechanisms and management of TB with drug-induced hepatitis.⁵⁻⁷

Definition of drug-induced hepatitis

Drug-induced hepatitis is an inflammation of the liver caused by a drug reaction. Side effects of drugs can occur in all organs of the body; the liver is the most vulnerable organ because most drugs are metabolized in the liver. The clinical picture of drug-induced hepatotoxicity is difficult to differentiate clinically from hepatitis, cholestasis, and other etiologies. A history of the use of other hepatotoxic drugs or substances should be known. The onset occurs rapidly, with symptoms ranging from malaise and jaundice to severe acute liver failure, especially in patients who are still taking the drug after the onset of hepatotoxicity. Clinical symptoms of drug-induced hepatitis appear

within 5 days to 2 months after starting to take OAT.⁷⁻¹²

Classification of drug-induced hepatitis

The pathophysiological classification of drug hepatotoxicity is divided into two categories: intrinsic hepatotoxicity, direct toxic effect type or influenced by drug dose (predictable hepatotoxicity), and idiosyncratic hepatotoxicity (unpredictable hepatotoxicity). Predictable drugs are drugs that can be guaranteed to always cause liver cell damage if given to each patient at a high enough dose. This class of drugs can directly damage liver cells or indirectly by interfering with the liver's metabolic work. Unpredictable hepatotoxicity is liver damage that occurs not due to the intrinsic toxicity of the drug but due to idiosyncratic reactions that only occur in certain people and are difficult to predict. This only occurs in a small number of susceptible people.¹³⁻²⁰

Classification of drug hepatotoxicity based on the pattern of liver damage or injury, namely hepatocellular, cholestatic, and mixed. This classification assesses the increase in levels of the liver enzymes ALT, AST, ALP, and bilirubin. Damage to hepatocyte cells is what causes the hepatocellular type. Cholestatic type due to damage to the bile and bile ducts. A mixed type is a combination of both. Assessment of the pattern of liver injury is very important because certain drugs tend to cause damage or injury with a characteristic pattern. This type of hepatocellular injury can cause fever, nausea, vomiting, anorexia, increased transaminase levels, and, if accompanied by jaundice, a poor prognosis. The cholestatic type is generally asymptomatic, and the increase in bilirubin is reversible (Table 1).^{14,15,19,21}

Table 1. Pattern of liver damage or injury

Damage pattern	Liver enzyme	Drugs example	Pathogenesis	Biochemical value
Hepatocellular	Increased ALT	Isoniazid, Pyrazinamide, Ketoconazole, Omeprazole, Statin, Risperidone	Hepatocyte damage	ALT/ULN ALP/ULN = ≥ 5
Cholestatic	Increased ALP and bilirubin	Amitriptyline, Captopril, Carbamazepine, Clindamycin, Phenobarbital, Phenytoin, Sulfonamides, Sulfamethoxazole	Bile damage and obstruction of bile flow	ALT/ULN ALP/ULN = ≤ 2
Mixed	Increased ALP and ALT	Rifampicin, Amoxicillin, Clavulanic acid, Steroid, Chlorpromazine, Clopidogrel, Erythromycin, Estrogen, Irbesartan	Hepatocyte cell damage and bile flow obstruction	ALT/ULN ALP/ULN = 2-5

ULN: upper limit of normal

Mechanisms of drug-induced hepatitis

Drug-induced hepatitis occurs through three pathways. The first pathway is the initial mechanism of toxicity, namely drug metabolites and parent drugs, which cause direct cell stress, disrupt mitochondrial function, and trigger specific immune reactions. Cytochrome P450 (CYP450) is the most important drug metabolism enzyme for making hepatotoxic reactive metabolites. It does this by acting as a bridge for phase 1 oxidative drug metabolism. Conjugate metabolism in phase 2 can also produce hepatotoxic metabolites such as acyl glucuronides, which are known to cause drug-induced hepatitis.^{14,15,22} Reactive metabolites can cause cell stress through the mechanism of decreasing glutathione and binding to enzymes, fats, nucleic acids, or other cell structures.

Reactive metabolites or parent drugs can specifically inhibit hepatocellular function. Reactive metabolites inhibiting the mitochondrial metabolic chain can cause a decrease in adenosine triphosphate (ATP) and increase the concentration of reactive oxygen species (ROS), inhibit β -oxidation, which causes deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) damage or disrupt replication, or directly disrupt mitochondrial permeability by forming pores. Pores are located on the inside of the membrane so that electron transport in the mitochondria is inhibited to a severe stage, accompanied by an increase in ROS and c-jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) in the cytosol, resulting in liver damage.^{15,20,22}

In the second pathway, cell stress occurs, causing mitochondrial permeability disorders. If the initial

mechanism does not directly disrupt mitochondrial function, it can occur in two steps: through the direct pathway mediated by severe cell stress (intrinsic pathway) or through the indirect pathway of amplified death receptors, which is triggered by mild cellular stress (extrinsic pathway). Intrinsic pathway: severe cell stress activates the endoplasmic reticulum pathway, lysosomal permeabilization, and JNK, followed by activation of pro-apoptotic signals and inhibition of anti-apoptotic signals, thereby disrupting mitochondrial permeability.^{14,15,21,22}

Extrinsic pathway occurs when mild cell stress can increase the inflammatory response associated with cell stress or other factors that can modulate the natural immune system. The major histocompatibility complex (MHC)-dependent antigen protein will release tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF α), Fas ligand (FasL), and interferon gamma (IF γ) from Kupffer cells (macrophages in the liver) and cytotoxic T cells as an initial immune response. Reactive metabolites cause cell stress or inflammation, which occurs together with the release of cytokines, which will form a "danger signal," which increases MHC class II-dependent antigens so that hepatocytes are more easily injured (autoimmune hepatotoxicity).^{14,15,16,22} This extrinsic pathway causes TNF α and FasL to bind to their respective receptors, TNF Receptor and Fas Receptor Associated Death Domain Proteins (FADD), bind to them, they turn on

the initiator caspase 8. This sets off the apoptosis process by increasing the activity of proteins that help cells die. The third pathway is damage to mitochondrial function, causing apoptosis and cell damage. Disruption of mitochondrial permeability causes a massive influx of protons through the inner mitochondrial membrane that stops ATP synthesis. A decrease in ATP due to impaired mitochondrial permeability results in matrix expansion, mitochondrial outer membrane permeability, and rupture, accompanied by the release of cytochrome C and pro-apoptotic mitochondrial proteins from the intermembrane space into the cytosol.^{15,22,23}

Drug-induced hepatitis due to OAT

Hepatotoxicity associated with OAT is difficult to predict because most TB patients use a combination of drugs during the therapy period. The first line of OAT that is hepatotoxic is pyrazinamide, isoniazid, and rifampicin. 2nd-line OATs that can cause hepatotoxicity are Ethionamide, Prothionamide, Levofloxacin, Moxifloxacin, Bedaquiline, P-aminosalicylic acid, Clofazimine, and Delamanid. Hepatotoxicity can be characterized by increased levels of transaminase enzymes. Risk factors for drug-induced hepatitis due to OAT include drug factors, age, gender, nutritional status, alcohol intake, and comorbidities.²⁴⁻²⁷

Table 2. Hepatotoxic OAT

OAT Line 1		Pyrazinamide (Z)
		Isoniazid (H)
		Rifampicin (R)
OAT Line 2	Group A	Levofloxacin/Moxifloxacin (Lfx/Mfx)
		Bedaquiline (Bdq)
	Group B	Clofazimine (Cfz)
	Group C	Ethionamide (Eto)
		Prothionamide (Pto)
		P-aminosalicylic acid (PAS)
		Delamanid (In)

Diagnosis of drug-induced hepatitis

The diagnosis of drug-induced hepatitis can be

confirmed through history-taking, physical examinations, and supporting examinations. The level

of symptoms varies from asymptomatic to symptomatic. Anamnesis obtained from TB patients who were undergoing OAT treatment for 5 days to 2 months gave symptoms such as decreased appetite, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, fever, and dark tea-colored urine. Physical examination revealed jaundice of the eyes and skin; hepatomegaly was also found. Liver function can return to normal if OAT is stopped, but drug reactions can reappear if used again.²⁷⁻³³ This can be used as a basis for suspicion of the symptoms of drug-induced hepatitis due to OAT. Laboratory tests that can be carried out include examination of the liver

enzymes ALT, AST, and bilirubin. The criteria for drug-induced hepatitis, based on the Indonesian Lung Doctors Association (PDPI), are liver function abnormalities due to the use of hepatotoxic OAT. The use of OAT is stopped if 1) clinical symptoms such as jaundice, nausea, and vomiting are found; 2) clinical symptoms and an increase in ALT or AST ≥ 3 times; 3) there are no symptoms but there is an increase in bilirubin ≥ 2 mg/dl or an ALT/AST value ≥ 5 times. Guidelines for cut-off values for drug-induced hepatitis are explained in Table 3.

Table 3. Cut-off points for drug-induced hepatitis

Guidelines	The cut-off value of drug-induced hepatitis and discontinuing treatment
American Thoracic Society (ATS)	ALT >200 IU/l, or ALT >120 IU/l, symptoms.
British Thoracic Society (BTS)	ALT or AST >200 IU/l, increased bilirubin.
European Respiratory Society (ERS), World Health Organization (WHO), International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung (IUATLD)	ALT or AST >200 IU/l, icteric
IUATLD, Hongkong Tuberculosis Service (HKTBS)	ALT >200 IU/l, bilirubin >40 μ mol/l

Laboratory evaluation

Antinuclear antibodies test (ANA) can help rule out a diagnosis of autoimmune liver disease. Hepatitis A was excluded if anti-HAV was negative. Hepatitis B is excluded if a negative value is obtained on the hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) or hepatitis B core antigen (anti-HBc) examination. Hepatitis C was excluded with anti-HCV negativity. This test may remain negative for several weeks after the onset of hepatitis C. Hepatitis E is excluded from anti-HEV negativity.^{7,9,29} Abdominal ultrasonography (USG) is effective for evaluating gallbladder, biliary tract, and liver tumors. Computerized tomography (CT) scans

can help detect liver lesions measuring one cm or more and several other conditions.^{7,9,29} This examination can visualize other structures in the abdomen. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) can be used to detect cysts, hemangiomas, and primary and secondary tumors. The portal vein, hepatic vein, and biliary tract can be seen without contrast injection. Biopsy aims to detect the presence of abnormal cells in the liver, such as tumor tissue or cancer. A biopsy can be performed if laboratory and radiological examinations show liver problems. Histopathological evaluation is an important examination in diagnosis.^{6,9,8}

Table 4. Supporting examinations

Differential diagnosis	Supporting examination
Hepatitis A,B,C,E	IgM anti-HAV; HBsAg, IgM anti-HBc, anti-HCV, IgM & IgG anti-HEV.
Autoimmune hepatitis	ANA
Hepatitis cirrhosis, liver cyst or tumor, gallbladder disease	USG, CT scan or MRI.
Detect the presence of abnormal cells in the liver, such as tumor tissue or cancer	Biopsy

The severity scale for drug side effects consists of ratings from 1 to 5. Scale 4 is called serious adverse events (SAEs), and scale 5 is death. The term SAEs in Active Drug Safety Monitoring (aDSM) side effects is defined as side effects that result in one of the risks, including: 1) hospitalization or extended hospitalization to manage adverse events; 2) permanent disability; 3) congenital abnormalities; and 4) threatening soul or death. ADSM consists of the following three core activities: 1) Patients undergoing

TB treatment must undergo systematic clinical and laboratory assessments during TB treatment to detect drug toxicity and drug side effects; 2) all detected side effects must be managed in a timely manner to provide the best treatment for patients; 3) all serious side effects (scale 3 and above) and SAEs must be systematically collected in the patient document. The severity rating scale for TB drug side effects is summarized in Table 5.

Table 5. Drug side effect severity rating scale

Scale 1	Mild	Symptoms cause no disturbance or minimal disturbance. Do not interfere with activities such as going to work, shopping, cooking, or using transportation.
Scale 2	Moderate	Symptoms cause greater disruption and interfere with activities such as going to work, shopping, cooking, using transportation
Scale 3	Severe	Symptoms cause the inability to carry out daily activities such as going to work, shopping, cooking, using transportation
Scale 4	Very severe	Symptoms result in the inability to perform basic activities such as bathing, dressing, going to the toilet, eating and walking or requiring medical intervention or surgery to prevent permanent impairment, disability or death.
Scale 5	Death	Death, regardless of cause or relationship to TB drugs.

Medication supervisors (PMOs) also carry out daily supervision of patients and report to health workers about the side effects of medications experienced by patients. Health workers will carry out data collection in accordance with the recording and reporting that

apply to the national TB program, and the overall data will be reported to the National Pharmacovigilance Center (NPC). This data collection is from all countries to assess the safety of TB regimens during treatment and create future policies. Health workers must

actively document and monitor drug side effects (MESO) and evaluate them based on the severity scale.³⁶

Management of TB with drug-induced hepatitis

Non-pharmacological

Medication side effects often have a negative impact on medication adherence. Patients can decide unilaterally on treatment if they do not have good education about the side effects of drugs. This has a negative impact on healing. Education about the side effects of drugs and the treatment that will be carried out by doctors needs to be provided from the start of treatment to patients and PMOs, so that patients and PMOs can report if they feel side effects from drugs and can continue treatment so they don't drop out of the drug. Malnutrition in TB patients will result in decreased OAT metabolism, resulting in liver cell damage and, as a result, increasing the risk of hepatotoxicity. Therefore, it is necessary to provide education about nutritional intake from the start of treatment. Other risk factors that can be controlled, such as comorbidities and drug interactions, must also be considered.^{9,14,21}

Pharmacological

Patients with hepatitis virus-carrier conditions, a history of acute hepatitis, and alcohol consumption can be given OAT as long as it is confirmed that there is no evidence of chronic liver disease. Prevention of the risk of hepatotoxicity in these conditions should be

considered. TB treatment should be postponed if there is acute disease in the liver due to the virus. Treatment should be postponed until the situation improves. For patients with liver disorders, liver function tests should be performed before treatment begins. If SGPT levels increase more than three times, the regimen in Table 4 needs to be considered. The principle of managing TB with drug-induced hepatitis is to reduce the amount of hepatotoxic drugs used.^{8,14,29}

Drug-sensitive tuberculosis

First step, stop OAT that is hepatotoxic (RHZ). For TB patients who experience hepatotoxicity, after it is resolved with liver function returning to normal (SGPT <2 times) and clinical symptoms disappearing, treatment can be restarted by reintroducing OAT one by one with serial liver function monitoring. OAT administration should be postponed for 2 weeks after clinical symptoms if it is not possible to carry out liver function tests. Drug administration begins with rifampicin, with or without ethambutol. Giving rifampicin 150 mg on the first day, 300 mg on the second day, and 450 mg on the third day until continued to the full dose (according to body weight), then isoniazid can be given. Isoniazid is given with an initial dose of 100 mg on the first day, 200 mg on the second day, and 300 mg on the second day. third, after rifampicin, can be tolerated. Patients receive a regimen of rifampicin, isoniazid, and ethambutol for 9 months if it is proven that after 3–7 days of reintroduction there is no improvement in liver function.^{37,39}

Table 6. Combination of drug-sensitive TB with drug-induced hepatitis

Two hepatotoxic drugs	Rifampicin, isoniazid, and ethambutol for 9 months.
One hepatotoxic drugs	Rifampicin, ethambutol, fluoroquinolone for 2 months followed by rifampicin and ethambutol for 10 months.
No hepatotoxic drugs	Ethambutol, aminoglycosides, fluoroquinolones, ethionamide, cycloserine and other new drugs. At least 3 OAT combinations. Duration of therapy 18-24 months.

The process of reintroducing the medication might lead to a rise in SGPT levels. Therefore, it is imperative to discontinue the last medicine that was reintroduced, as it is the underlying cause of drug-induced hepatitis. Intensify the monitoring of liver function in cases of liver abnormalities and drug-induced hepatitis. Conduct tests specifically twice weekly for the first two weeks of treatment, then once weekly for the remaining two months of therapy. Afterward, maintain monthly monitoring until the treatment is finished. Individual OAT combinations may be administered upon re-initiation or rechallenge. It's crucial to be on the lookout for any potential OAT resistance that could arise from improper dosing and administration techniques. Patients with jaundice should avoid taking pyrazinamide as part of their medication regimen. Streptomycin is no longer

employed as an initial choice for oral antibiotic therapy.^{29,35} The British Thoracic Society (BTS) advises administering isoniazid at an initial dosage of 50 mg per day, gradually increasing it to 300 mg per day, in order to resume OAT treatment in patients experiencing hepatotoxicity. If there is no hepatotoxic reaction within 2–3 days, the medication will be continued. Administer Rifampicin initially at a dosage of 75 mg per day, then gradually increase to 300 mg after 2-3 days, and further adjust to 450 mg based on the patient's body weight (50 kg). Proceed with medication if there is no hepatotoxicity. Pyrazinamide can be administered initially at a dosage of 250 mg per day, which can be increased to 1 g after 2-3 days and then further increased to 1.5 g for a person weighing 50 kg.³³

Table 7. The recommendations for reintroducing OAT in tuberculosis (TB) patients who have developed drug-induced hepatitis.

Source	Stop OAT	When to start OAT	Starting OAT	Liver function observation recommendation	When recurrent hepatitis drug induced occurs
ATS	Yes	ALT ≤80 IU/L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R +/- E full dose. • After 3-7 days H (full dose) • P only if mild hepatitis drugs induced. 	Evaluate ALT after 3-7 days of H administration	Stop adding the last drugs.
BTS	Yes	ALT on normal limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H initial 50 mg/day • Slow titration 2-3 days to 300 mg/days • Add R 75 mg/days • Slow titration 2-3 days to 300 mg/days • Next, 450 mg to suit body weight • Add Z 250mg/day • Slow titration on 2-3 days until 1 gr • Titration until 1,5 gr to suit body weight 	Monitor liver function everyday	Stop suspected drugs, alternatif regimen referred to trained doctor.
ERS, WHO, IUATLD	Yes	ALT on normal limit	Start drugs with full dose.	Liver function monitoring (no frequency recommended)	Stop all drugs.

Rifampicin is the most effective OAT against TB germs, and rifampicin should be used in combination

with OAT. However, if drug-induced hepatitis occurs due to Rifampicin, then the OAT combination

recommended by the American Thoracic Society (ATS) is isoniazid, pyrazinamide, ethambutol, and ofloxacin for 2 months, followed by isoniazid, ethambutol, and ofloxacin for 10 months. Pyrazinamide is the most hepatotoxic OAT. Without following pyrazinamide in the OAT combination, it should consist of isoniazid, rifampicin, and ethambutol for 9 months. Without isoniazid, patients can be treated with a combination of rifampicin, ethambutol, and pyrazinamide for 6 to 9 months.^{38,39}

Drug-resistant tuberculosis

Some drugs used in drug-resistant TB (TB-RO) treatment regimens can cause hepatotoxicity. Temporary increases in ALT values can be seen during TB RO treatment and are usually self-limiting. In some cases, more serious hepatotoxic problems may occur, and early identification and good management are essential to prevent more severe liver injury. Patients undergoing TB-RO treatment must have a liver function test carried out before treatment begins and

repeated every month, or it can be repeated if they have hepatotoxic symptoms after taking the medication. The recommended monitoring criteria and cut-off points for drug-induced hepatitis in TB-RO patients are the same as explained in Table 4. The Department of Health of the Republic of South Africa recommends that reintroduction of RO TB drugs be sequential, every 5 to 7 days, with monitoring of liver function before reintroduction of the next drug. The drug with the lowest hepatotoxicity is given first, namely linezolid, delamanid, and fluoroquinolone, as the main drug in the regimen. Sequential reintroduction of potentially hepatotoxic drugs can be performed with one drug added every 5 to 7 days. The next order of reintroduction is clofazimine, bedaquilin, etionamid, and isoniazid. Monitor liver function after the addition of each drug to identify drugs that may be causing liver injury. Pyrazinamide should not be reused. Perform liver function checks every month. This is explained in table 8.³⁶

Table 8. TB-RO combination in drug-induced hepatitis

Regimen	Hepatotoxic drugs	Treatment strategies	Recommendation
Short-term	Bdq, Lfx,/Mfx, Cfz, Eto, INH ^{DT}	Move to long-term treatment.	Make sure there are at least three effective drugs in the continuation phase
Long-term	Bedaquilin	Use Linezolid; select from OAT line 2 group C, add delamanid	Make sure there are at least three effective drugs in the continuation phase
	Linezolid	Use bedaquilin; select from OAT line 2 group C, add delamanid	Make sure there are at least three effective drugs in the continuation phase
	Levofloxacin	Use bedaquilin; select from OAT line 2 group C, add delamanid	Make sure there are at least three effective drugs in the continuation phase
	Clofazimine	Use bedaquilin; select from OAT line 2 group C, add delamanid	Make sure there are at least three effective drugs in the continuation phase

2. Conclusion

Drug-induced hepatitis is an important thing that needs to be considered in the treatment of tuberculosis because it is related to the success of TB treatment. Anamnesis, physical examination, and support, especially liver function, are needed to prove suspicions and understand the mechanism of drug-induced hepatitis due to OAT. The management of TB with drug-induced hepatitis is to stop OAT or continue according to the liver function cut-off value. Reintroduction of OAT and serial liver function evaluations were carried out to determine the appropriate regimen for TB patients with drug-induced hepatitis.

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