

AB129. Prevalence of *ATP7B* mutation hotspots in Thai population

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Background: Wilson disease (WD), an autosomal recessive disorder, is a disease which effects copper excretion from liver, leading to copper deposit in many organs like liver, central nervous system and skin. This disease is one of a common genetic disorder which carrier prevalence approximate one in a hundred people worldwide. However,

there are very few studies in Thai people.

Methods: We identified the prevalence among Thai people by looking at *ATP7B* mutation hotspots in Asian people from more than 500 DNA samples obtained from staff of Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT). We used PCR-restriction enzyme and gel electrophoresis technique to identify each mutation.

Results: According to our study, the prevalence of WD carrier is similar to many Asian countries.

Conclusions: The result will benefit WD carriers for screening and prevention of new cases and decrease the burden of the disease in Thai population.

Keywords: *ATP7B*; Wilson disease (WD); prevalence; Thailand

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