

## Informed Consent Statement

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**Journal:** World Journal of Hepatology

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**Title: Peptic Ulcer Disease in Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease Hospitalizations:  
A New Challenge on the Horizon in the United States**

The data for this study was collected from the National Inpatient Sample (NIS) database. As the NIS database lacks patient-specific and hospital-specific identifiers, this study did not require informed consent. The NIS database is available at: <https://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov>.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dushyant Singh Dahiya', with a horizontal line underneath.

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