All patients with an HCV\(^1\) diagnosis  
\(N = 34,542\)

Patients with HCV and an ALD diagnosis\(^2\) (Potential Cases)  
\(N = 8,533\)

Incident ALD diagnosis between July 1, 1999 and June 30, 2007  
(first ALD diagnosis the study index date)  
\(N = 6,842\)

No HMO or Medicare eligibility in the study period, and Medicaid eligible 12 months pre- and post-index, or until death (whichever occurs first), with one allowable gap month in eligibility in both the pre- and post-index periods  
\(N = 2,018\)

Presence of an HCV diagnosis within the 12 months prior to index  
(incident ALD diagnosis) (Final Cases)  
\(N = 1,193\)

Patients with HCV and without ALD (Potential Comparison Patients)  
\(N = 26,009\)

Patients with HCV and without ALD matched on age, sex, and race (Final Comparison Patients)  
\(N = 1,193\)