

# Differential diagnosis

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This includes all causes of cholestatic jaundice in a neonate; namely,  $\alpha$ -antitrypsin deficiency, cholestasis associated with 1 intravenous feeding, choledochal cyst and inspissated bile syndrome. The most common differential diagnoses are Alagille syndrome (biliary atresia, congenital heart disease, skeletal and other abnormalities), progressive familial intra-hepatic cholestasis and cystic fibrosis. Neonatal hepatitis is the most difficult to differentiate. Liver biopsy and radionuclide excretion scans are helpful.

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