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Introduction

In this book we have tried to review current knowledge of hepatitis A and to trace the sequence of events which led to each of the major advances in this field. When we started work on hepatitis A in the early 1970s neither of us dreamed how quickly events would unfold. Since that time the etiological agent has been identified and characterized, sensitive, serological tests have been developed, the epidemiology of the disease has been defined, animal models have been developed, the genome has been molecularly cloned and sequenced, and a range of vaccines are now being evaluated. It is hard to imagine a more exciting or rewarding period.

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