

The liver is the largest internal organ of the body. It is a wedge-shaped organ located underneath the right rib cage. Everything that is eaten by mouth, breathed through the lungs, and absorbed through the skin has to be processed by the liver: food is converted into nutrients, vitamins, minerals and sugars are stored, bile is produced, and substances that are harmful to the body are destroyed in the liver. Over time, hepatitis viruses such as hepatitis B or C can lead to major liver damage such as cirrhosis and even death.

