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(57) Abstract: The complete nucleic acid sequence of a new human hepatitis B virus genotype, provisionally named genotype G, is reported. This genotype was found with a high prevalence in patients chronically infected with HBV and residing in Europe and the USA. The present invention further relates to polypeptides encoded by said nucleic acid sequence and to antibodies recognizing said polypeptides. The present invention also relates to the use of said nucleic acid, polypeptides and antibodies in HBV diagnosis, prophylaxis and therapy.