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I review recent progress in the determination of the collinear fragmentation functions (FFs). I focus on the role of new data, improved theory and increased methodological sophistication in recent global QCD fits of light charged hadron FFs. I outline issues that are still open, and I discuss possible ways to assess the interplay between FFs and parton distribution functions (PDFs) in semi-inclusive observables.

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