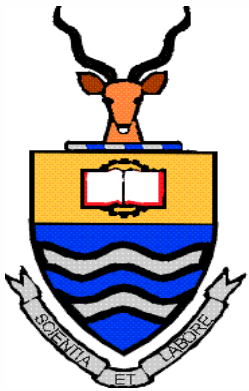


# An Approach to bleeding

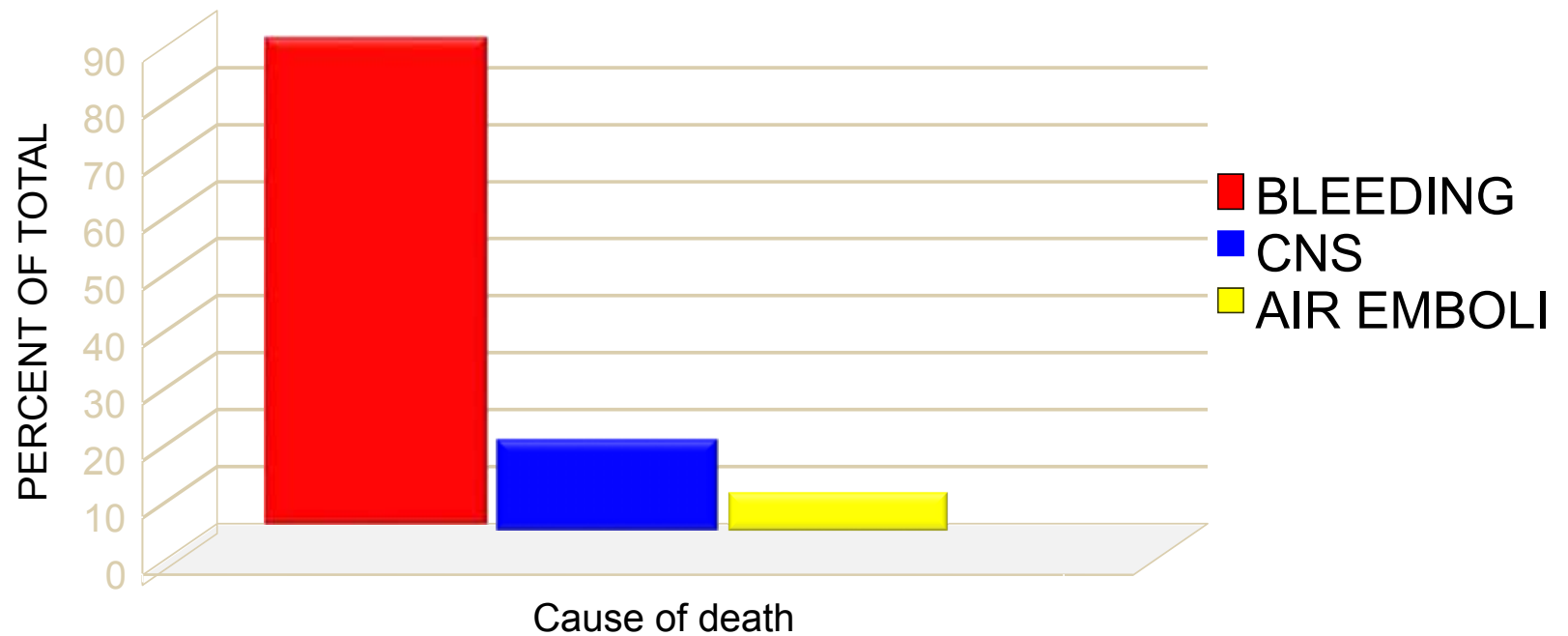


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# Death in the Emergency



Hoyt *et al.* J Trauma 1994;37:426.

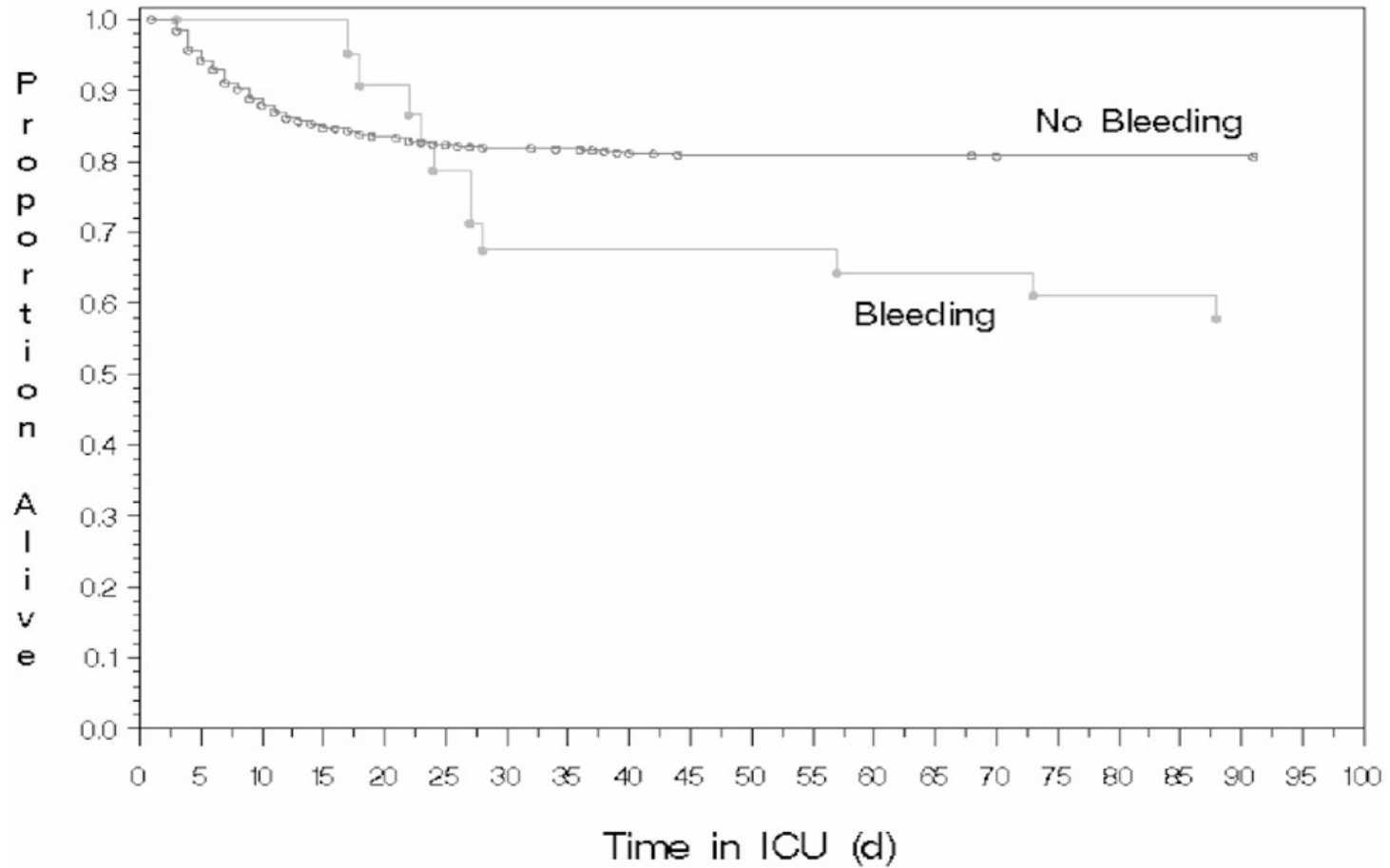
# First 24 hr bleeding is an Independent Predictor

- Mortality
- ICU Admission
- ICU LOSS

(After Controlling for ISS;GCS; Age; Gender; Anemia ;Shock ,Lactate; Base Deficit; Shock Index HR/SBP>0.6)

Malone L *et al. J Trauma* 2003;54:898-907

# ICU mortality



Cook *et al* *Critical care* 2001; 5(6):368-375

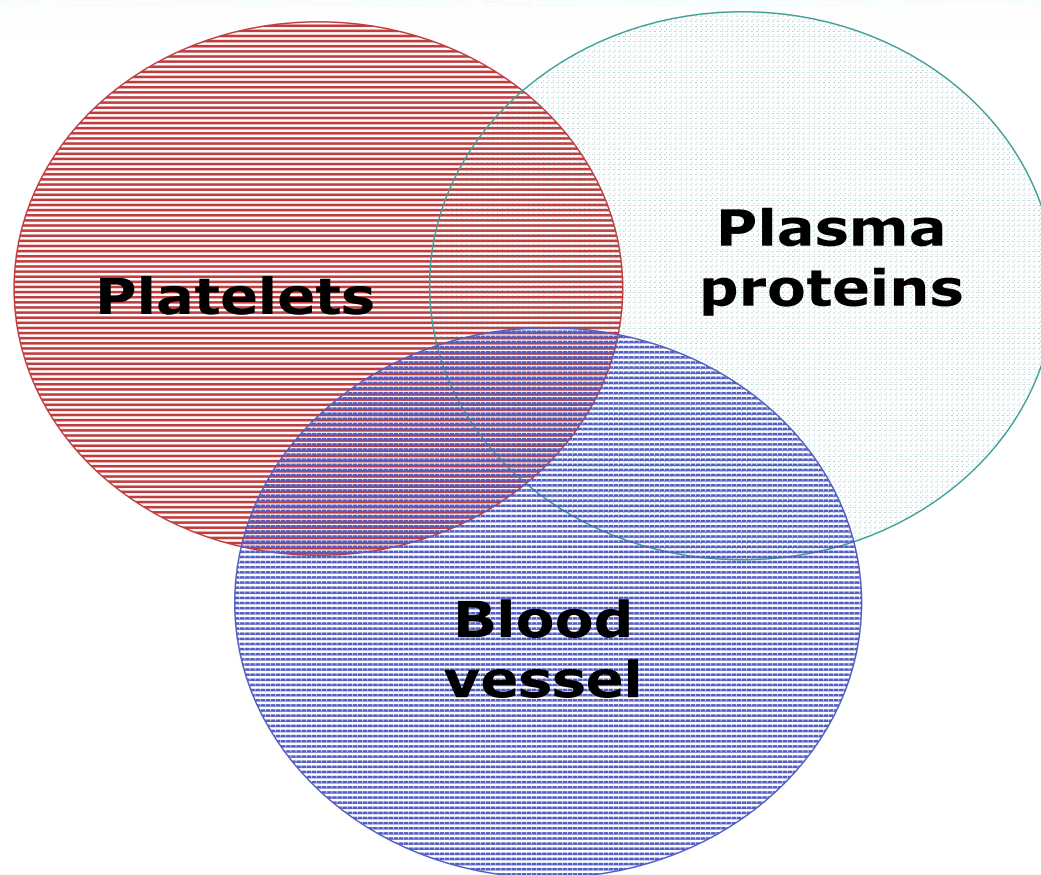
## Which bleeding disorders?

Bleeding **frequency** and bleeding **recurrence** is more common in inherited bleeding disorders than acquired bleeding disorders

## In this talk....

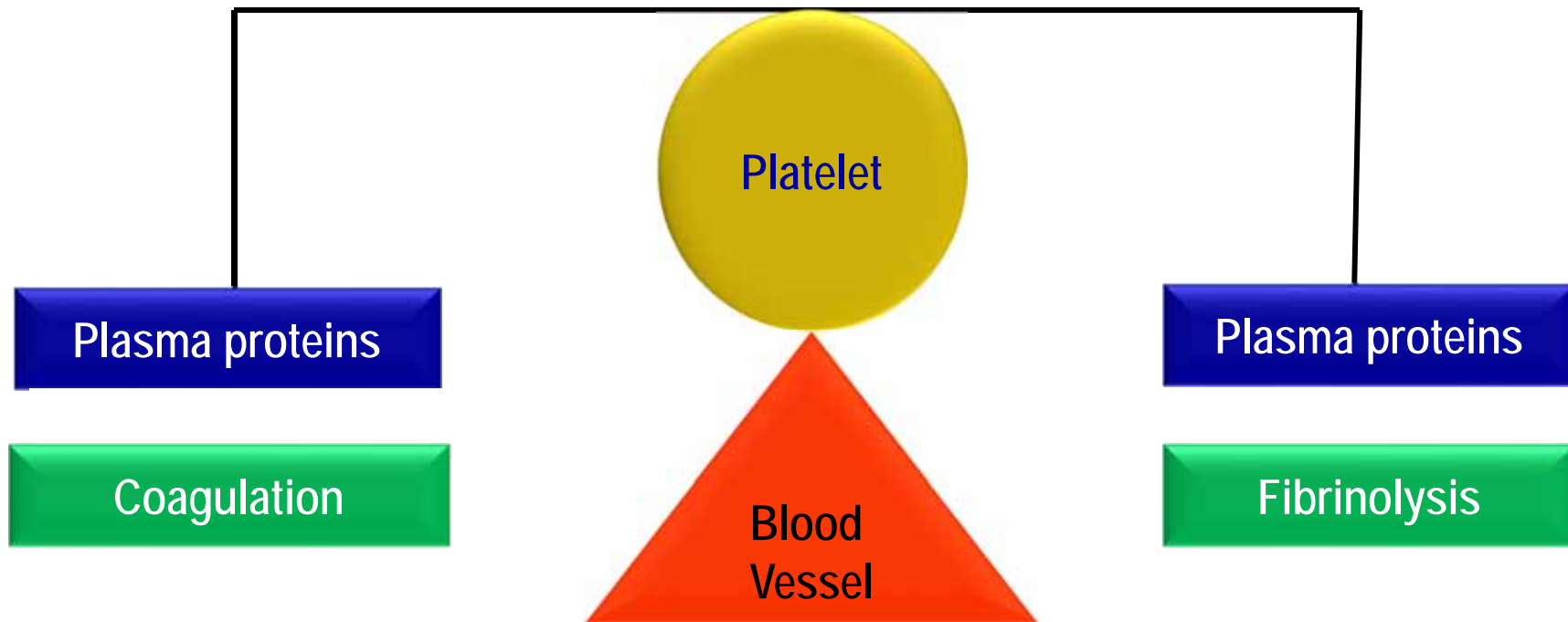
- Mechanism of haemostasis
- Aetiology of inherited bleeding
- Evaluation of inherited bleeding
- Principles of management of bleeding

# Pathophysiology of bleeding



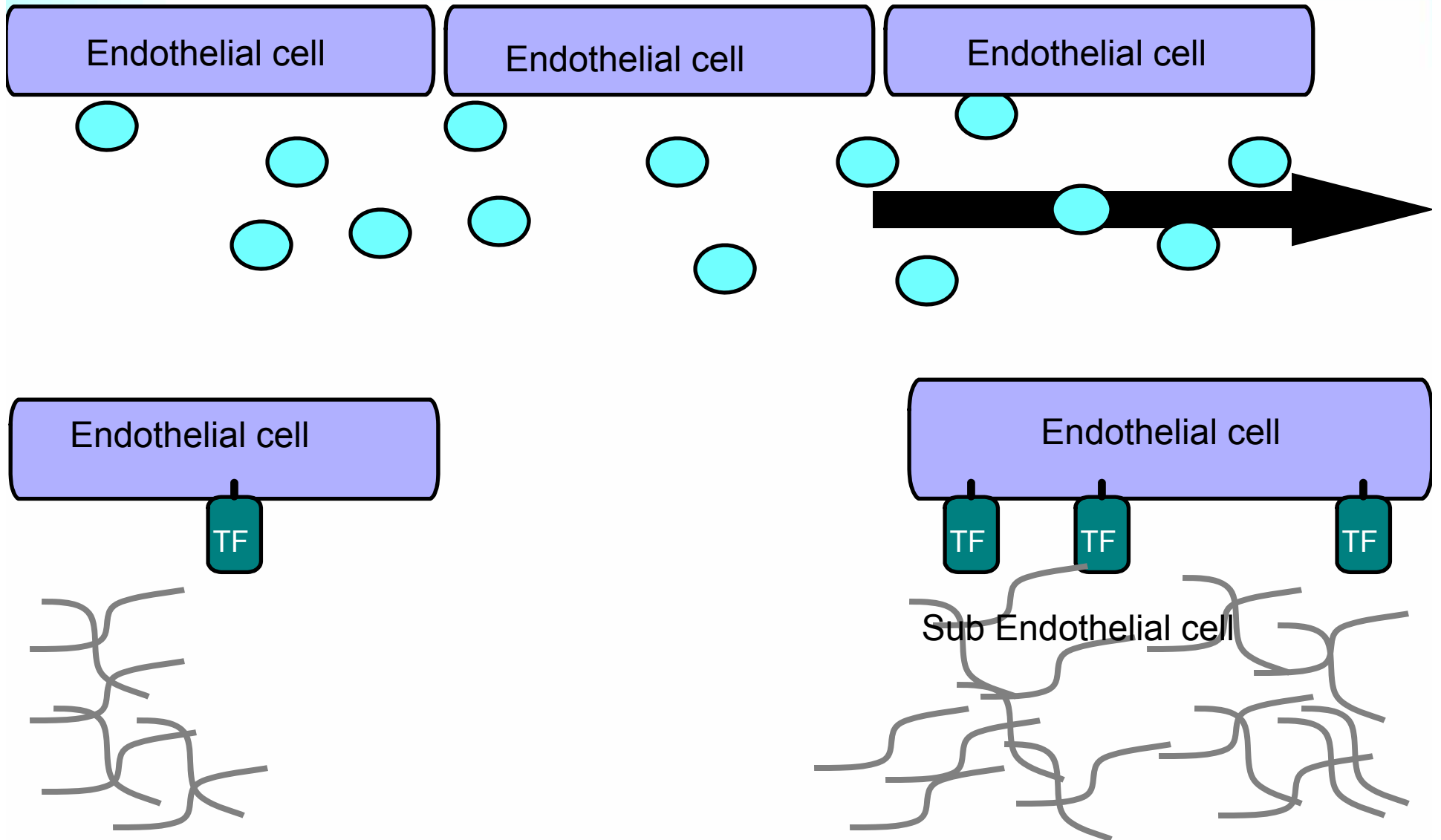
**Any bleeding is a direct consequence of one or more of these three factors**

# Haemostatic balance

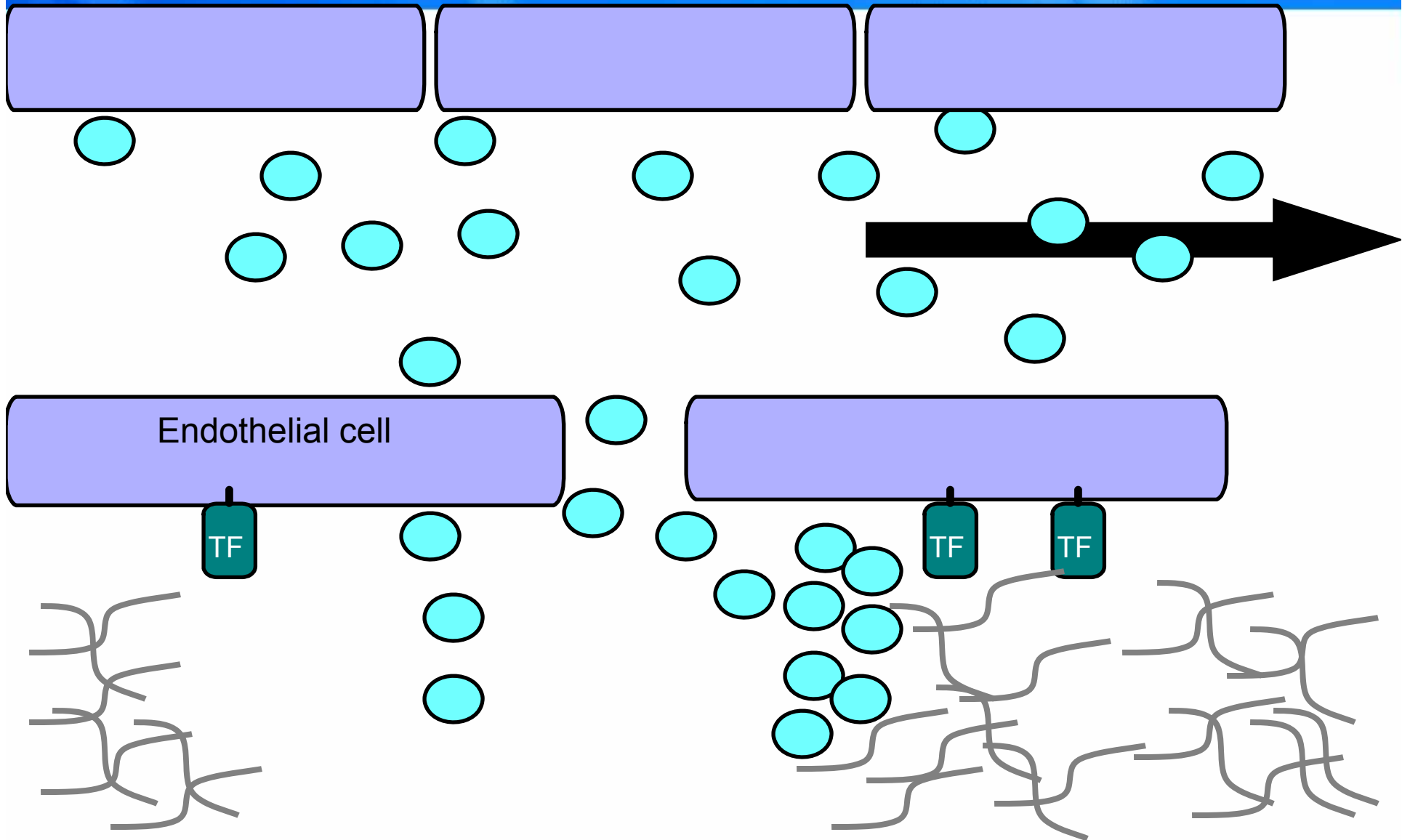




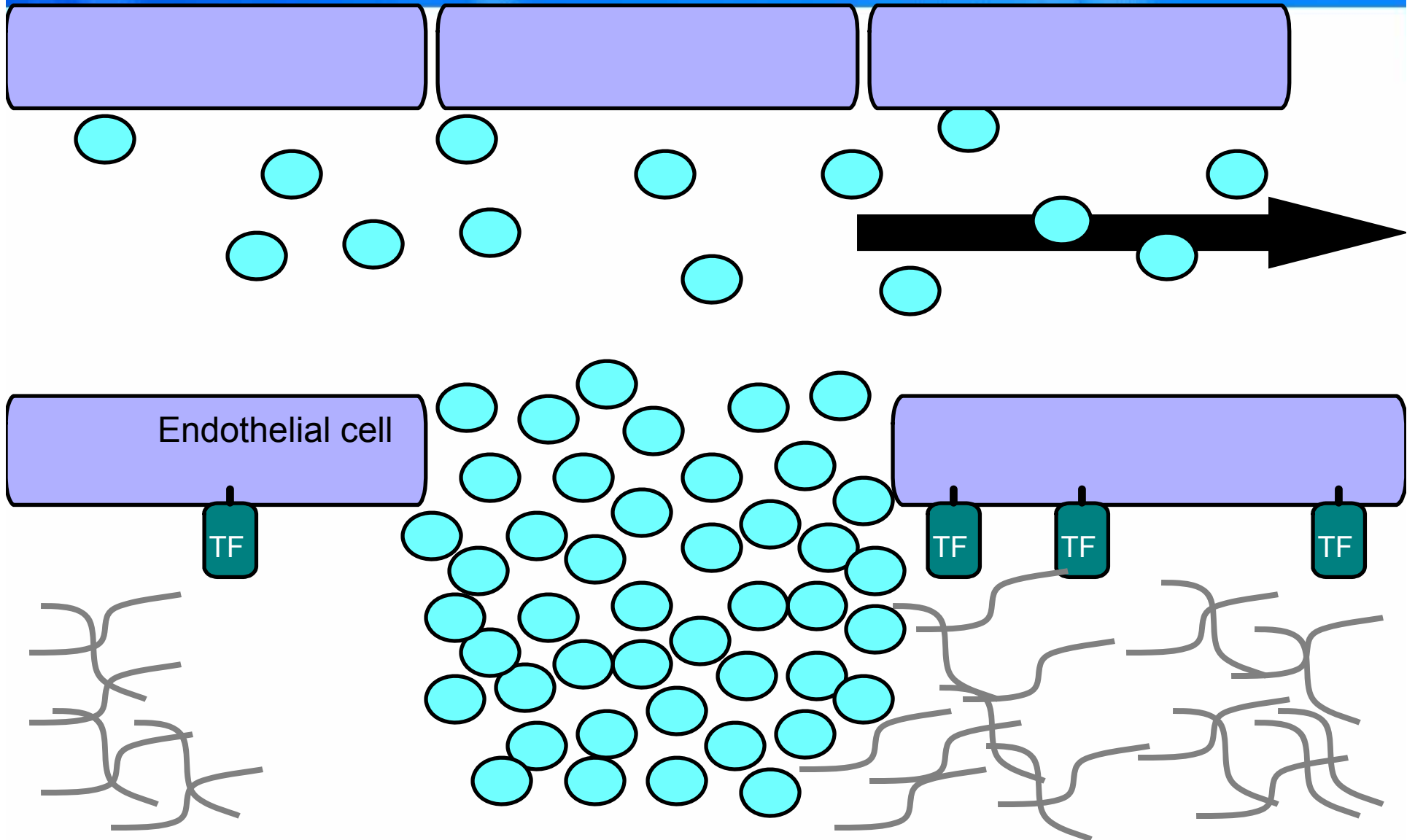
# Vessel injury



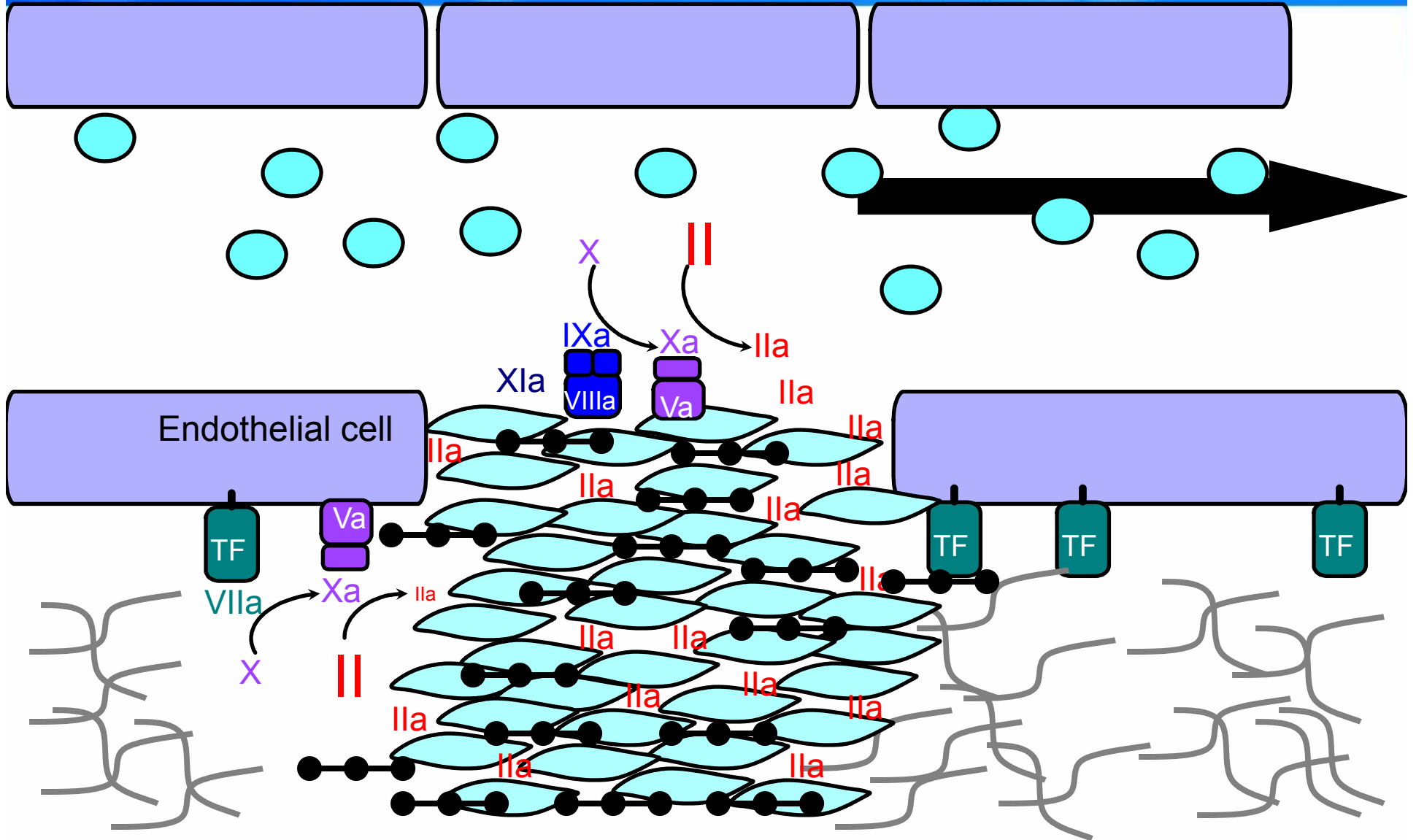
# Vasoconstriction



# Platelet plug



# Blood Clot



# Outline

- Mechanism of haemostasis
- **Aetiology of bleeding**
- Evaluation of bleeding
- Management of bleeding patient

# Blood vessel abnormalities

## Altered vessel wall

- Kasabach Merrit
- Hereditary haemorrhagic telangiectasia

## Connective tissue

- Marfan syndrome
- Ehlers Danlos
- Pseudoxanthoma
- Scleroderma

**Congenital blood vessel abnormalities  
are very rare**

# Inherited platelet disorders

- Adhesion
- Aggregation
- Signal transduction
- Granular secretion
- Cytoskeletal changes

# Inherited platelet disorders

Adhesion

- Bernard Soulier

Aggregation

- Glanzman's thrombasthenia

Signal transduction

- TS deficiency, cyclooxygenase

Granules

- Hemansky pudlac; GPS

Cytoskeletal

- Wiskott Aldrich

Primary secretion

- TVA2, ADP, Epinephrine

Production

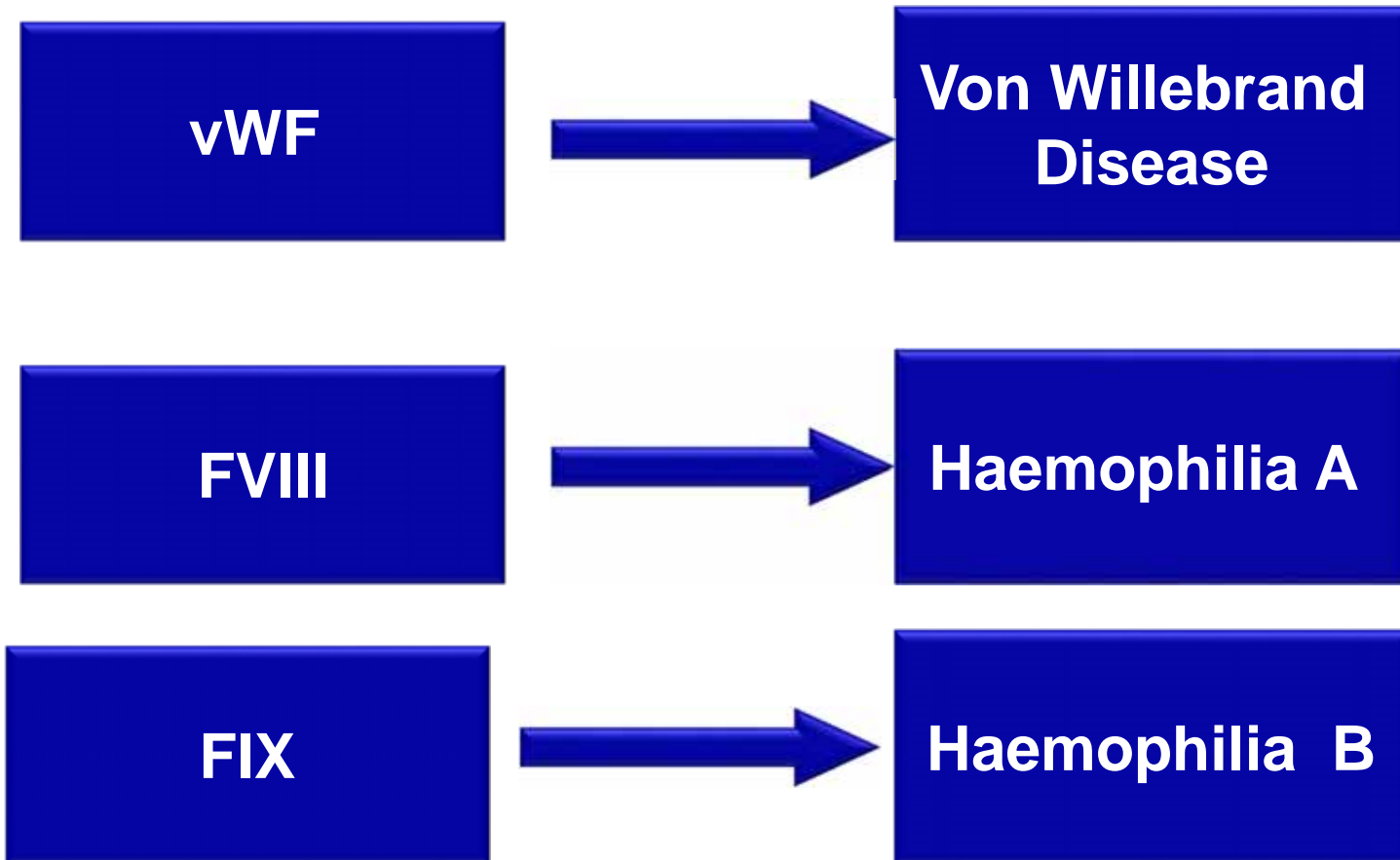
- MYH9; TWAR



# Congenital Plasma proteins

Plasma protein	Inheritance	Prevalence
Factor I	AR/AD	Rare
Factor II	AD	Rare (extremely)
Factor V	AR	1 /1000 000 births
Factor FVII	AR	1/500 000 births
Factor FVIII	X linked	1/10 000 male births
Factor IX	X linked	1/60 000 male births
Factor X	AR	1/500 000 births
Factor XI	AD	4% AJ, rare otherwise
Factor XIII	AR/AD	Rare
vWF	AR/AD	1/100

# Congenital Plasma proteins



# Outline

- Pathophysiology of haemostasis
- Aetiology of bleeding
- **Evaluation of bleeding**
- Management of bleeding

# Bleeding evaluation

- History
- Physical examination
- Screening tests
- Confirmatory tests

# Bleeding evaluation

## History

- Main differential diagnosis
- Congenital or acquired
- Drugs

# Bleeding evaluation

## History

- Type of bleed
- Extent of bleed
- Site
- Amount
- Spontaneous or induced
- Immediate or delayed

# Skin bleed

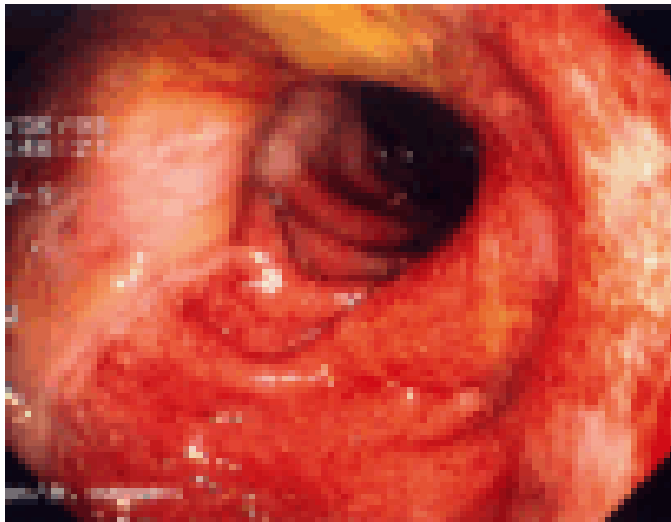
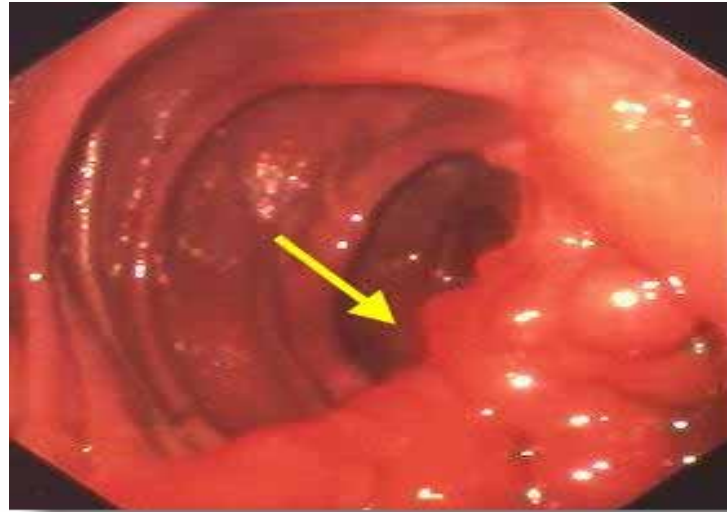


# Joint bleed

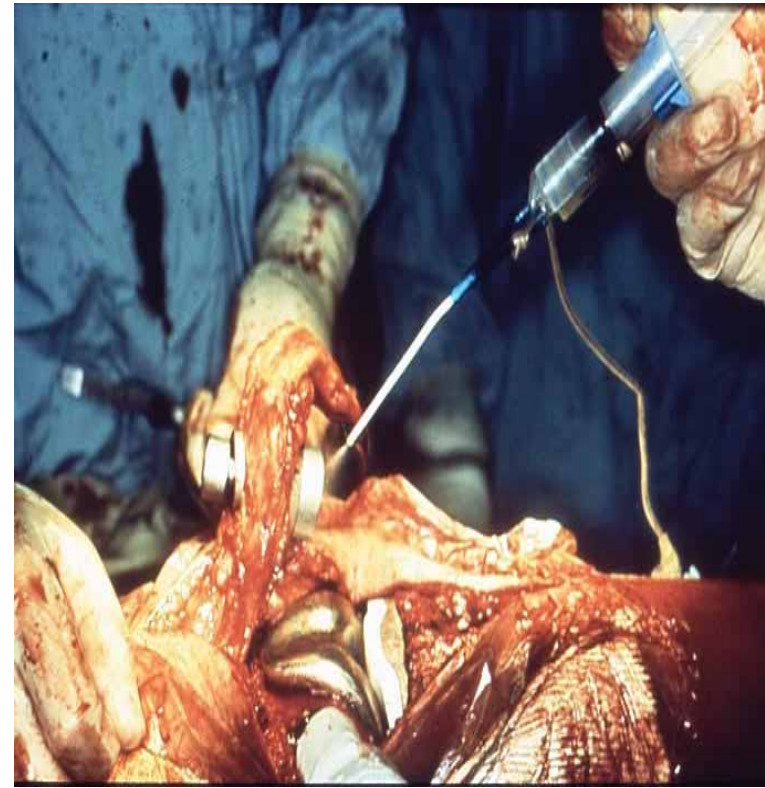




# Mucous membrane bleed



# Traumatic bleed



# Bleeding evaluation

## Examination

- Pallor , jaundice
- Petechiae, purpura, ecchymoses,
- Haemarthrosis, haematomas
- Melaena, haematochezia
- Neuropathy, blindness, respiratory compromise

## Who to test?

- Definite family history
- Spontaneous bleeding
- Induced uncontrolled bleeding
- Life threatening bleed
- Minor recurrent bleed
- Prior to major surgery
- Prior to biopsy or invasive procedure



# **Von Willebrand Disease**

# Von Willebrand disease(vWD)

## Definition

- Commonest inherited heterogeneous group of bleeding disorders
- Due to mutation in vWF gene
- Resulting in qualitative and/or quantitative deficiency of Von Willebrand factor
- May or may not present with bleeding

# vWD - Prevalence

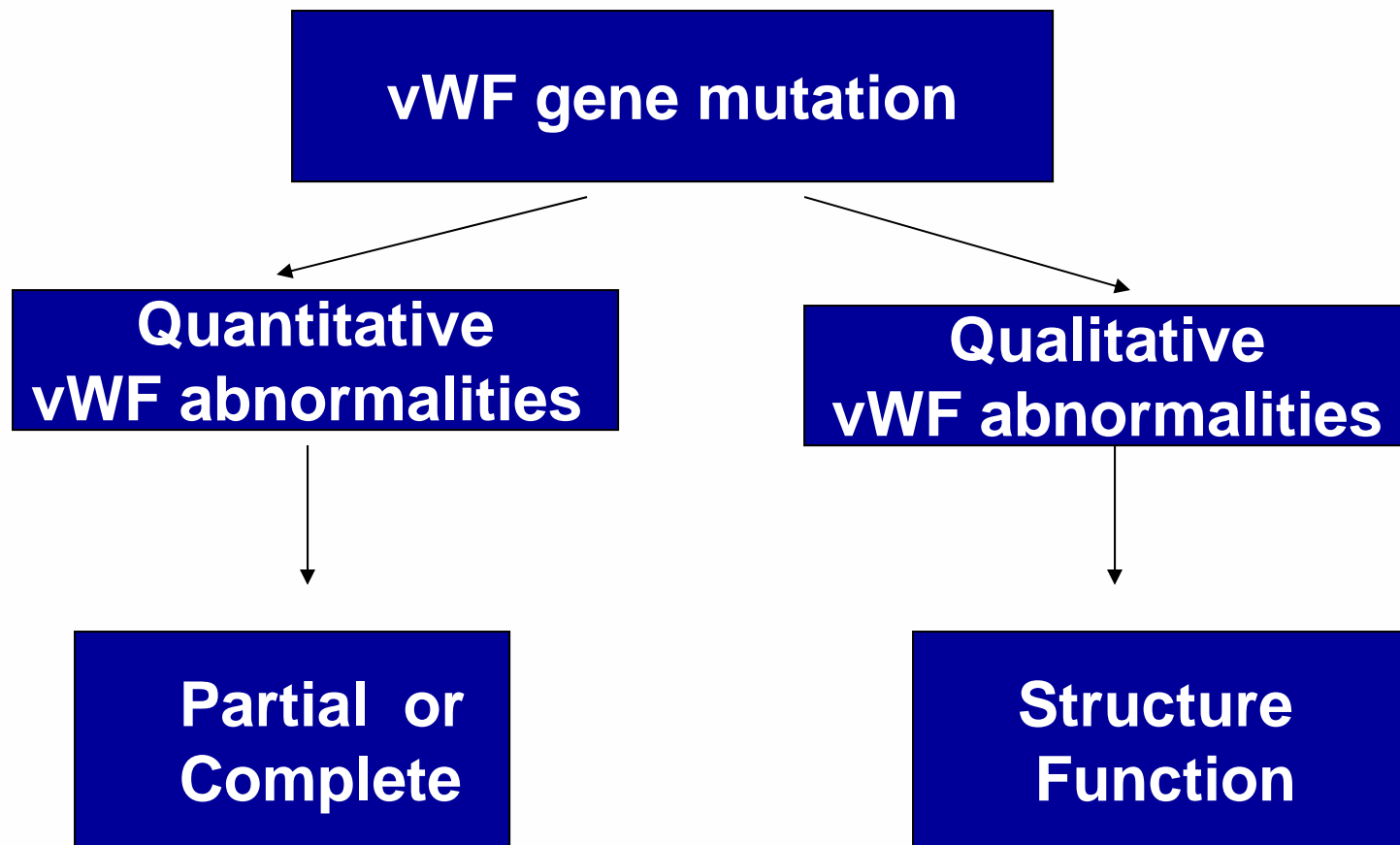
## **Estimated frequency**

- 1 in 100
- No race, sex or age predilection

## **Accurate prevalence estimation precluded**

- Variable expressivity
- Reduced penetrance
- New mutations

# vWD -Aetiology





# vWD - Classification

	<b>Abnormality</b>	<b>vWD Type</b>
<b>Quantitative</b>	Partial absence	1
	Total absence	3
<b>Structure</b>	Abn assembly/secretion	2A1
	Multimer proteolysis	2A2
<b>Function</b>	↑binding to platelets	2B
	↓binding to platelets	2M
	↓binding to FVIII	2N

## vWD – frequency

	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Inheritance mode</b>
<b>Type 1</b>	70-80%	AD
<b>Type 2</b>	20-30%	AD/AR
<b>Type 3</b>	<5%	AR

# vWD- clinical features

Mucocutaneous  
bleeding

Symptom	Frequency(%)
Epistaxis	60
Dental surgery	50
Easy bruising	40
Menorrhagia	35
Gum bleeding	35
Post[artum	25
Postoperative	20
GIT bleeding	10

# Diagnostic Testing

## Tests to establish the diagnosis

- 1-vWF antigen
- 2- vWF:R:Co
- 3- Factor VIII
- 4-PTT
- 5-Bleeding time

## Tests to subtype vWD

- 1- RIPA
- 2-Multimer analysis
- 3-vWF- Factor VIII binding (Type 2N)

# Diagnostic Typing

	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
<b>vWF-Ag</b>	40-60	N	0
<b>vWF-Activity</b>	decreased	N	decreased
<b>Factor VIII</b>	40-60	N	2-3%
<b>PTT</b>	Normal	N	Prolonged
<b>Bleeding time</b>	Prolonged	N	Prolonged

# Diagnostic subtyping

	<b>HMW MULTIMER</b>	<b>RIPA</b>	<b>FVIII</b>
<b>2A</b>	Absent	Decreased	Normal
<b>2B</b>	Normal	Increased	Normal
<b>2M</b>	Normal	Decreased	Normal
<b>2N</b>	Normal	Normal	Reduced

# Treatment of vWD

## **Non replacement therapy**

- DDAVP
- Antifibrinolytic therapy
- Oestrogen therapy

## **Replacement therapy**

- vWF plasma concentrate
- Cryoprecipitate
- Recombinant vWF



# **The Haemophilias**



# Classification

## Factor level

- Factor  $<1\%$  -Severe
- Factor 2-5% -Moderate
- Factor  $>5-50\%$  -Mild
- Factor  $>50\%$  -Normal

## Note

- Biochemical-clinical phenotypic discrepancy

# Clinical features

## Haemorrhagic manifestation

- Severe -Bleed spontaneously
- Moderate -Bleed with minor trauma
- Mild -Bleed with surgery or trauma

## Sites of bleeding

- Joints - knees > ankles > elbows  
>shoulder > wrist > hips
- Muscles - Psoas muscle, quadratus,
- Mucous membranes- oral, nasal, GIT, GUT
- Organ systems – GUT, GIT, CNS,

# Laboratory Diagnosis

## Screening tests

- INR
- PTT
- Platelet count
- Hess test /bleeding time

## Confirmatory tests

- Correction studies
- Factor assay
- Inhibitor assay
- Genetic family studies

# Differential diagnosis

	<b>Coagulation defect</b>	<b>Plt/ capillary defect</b>
<b>Bleeding onset</b>	Spontaneous	Induced
<b>Site of bleeding</b>	Joints/muscles	Skin/ mucous
<b>Type of bleeding</b>	Haemarthrosis/ haematoma	Petechiae/echymoses/ purpura
<b>Time to onset</b>	Delayed	Immediate
<b>INR/PTT</b>	Prolonged	Normal
<b>Bleeding time</b>	Normal	Prolonged
<b>Platelet count/fx</b>	Normal	Abnormal

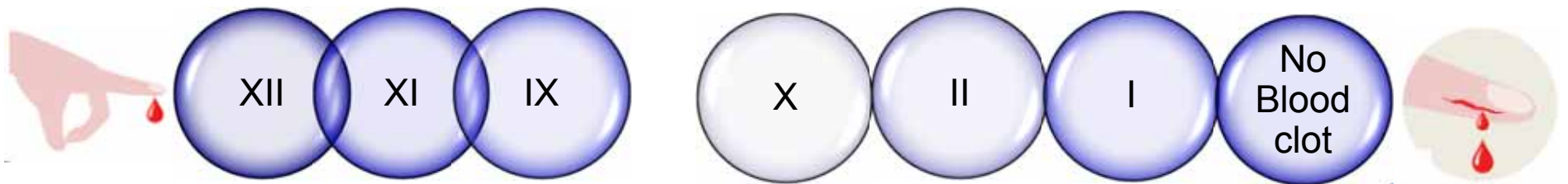
# Principles of Management

- Treat bleeds with specific product
- Treat bleeds early
- If in doubt, treat
- Treat veins with care
- Avoid product causing platelet dysfunction
- Avoid intramuscular injections
- Do not aspirate joints before treatment
- Apply local measures
- Multidisciplinary approach

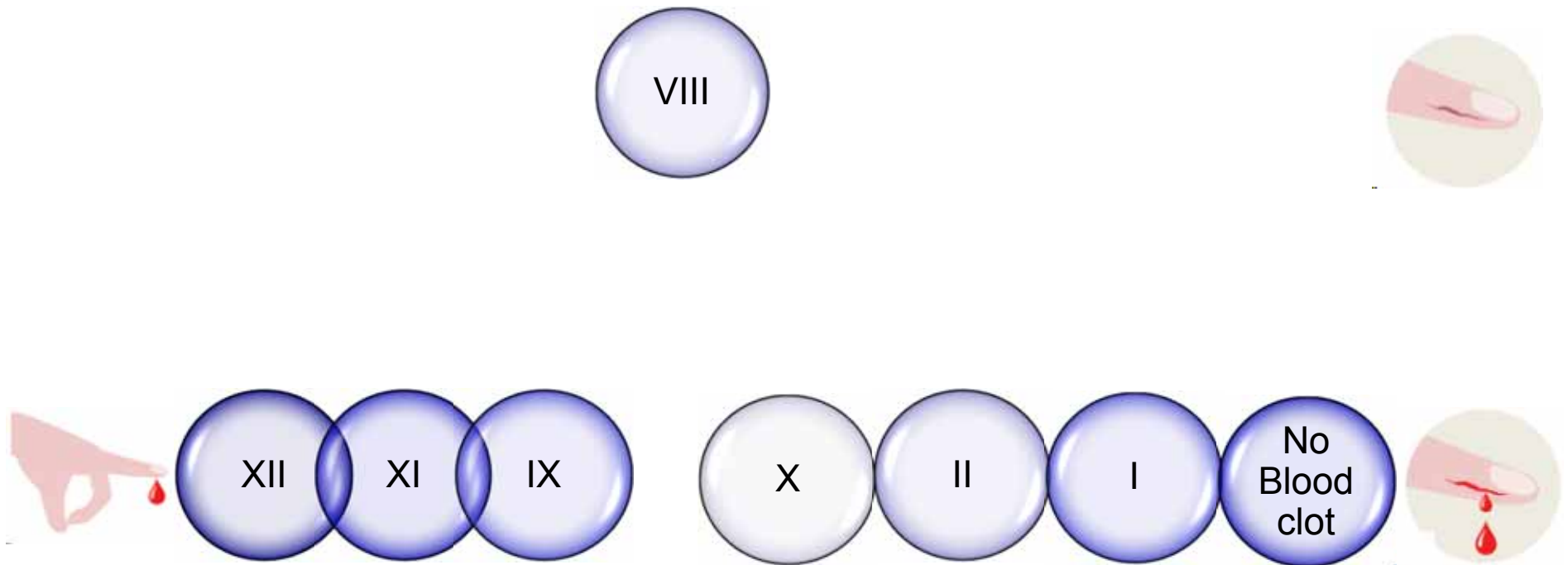


# **Advances in management of bleeding disorders**

# Standard of care is replacement of missing clotting factor

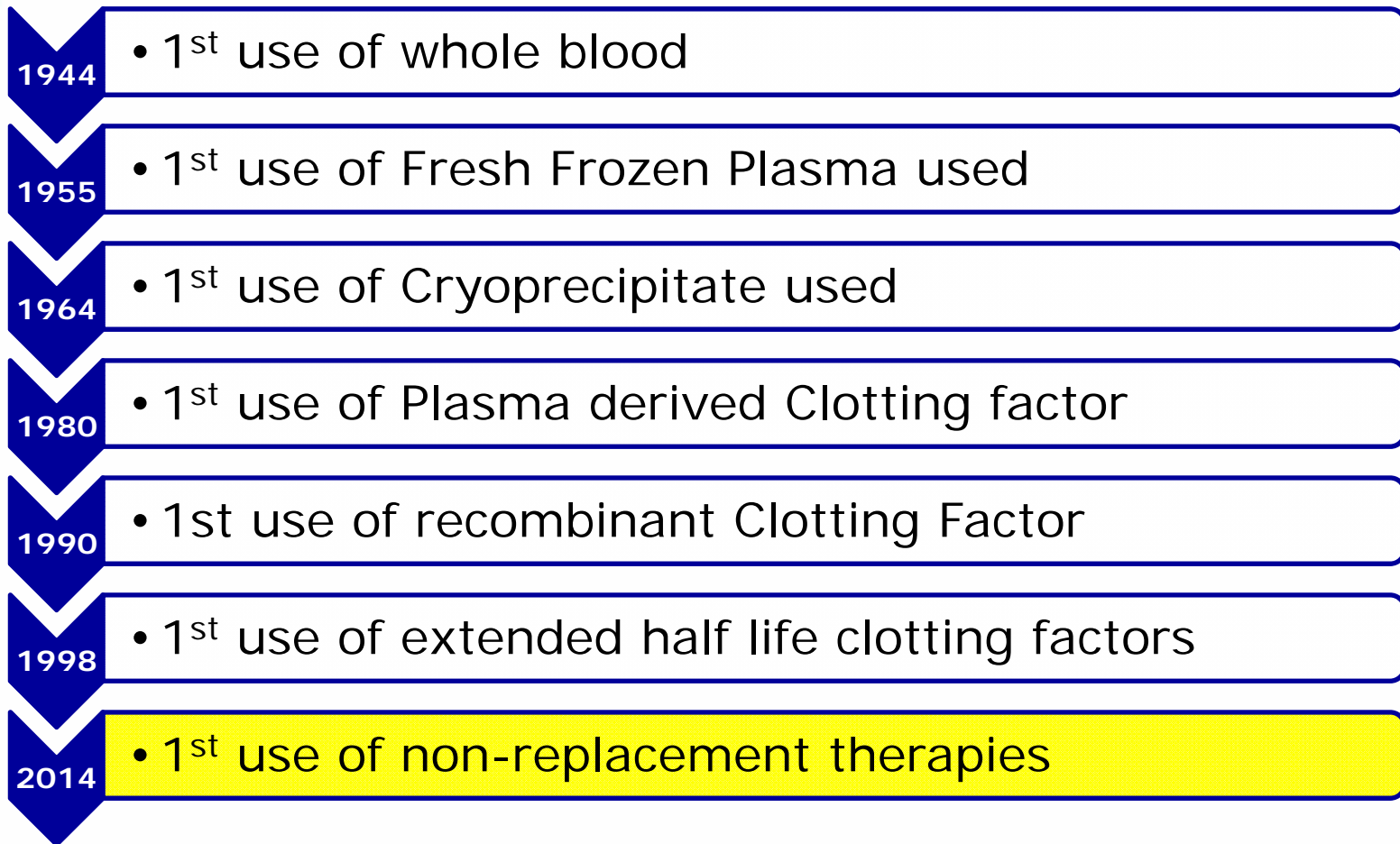


# Standard of care in haemophilia is replacement of missing clotting factor





# Remarkable progress in haemophilia bleed management therapies



# CFC replacement approaches

## New CFC replacement therapies

- Fusion technology
- PEGylation technology
- Sequence modification CFC

## Non CFC replacement therapies

- Anti-TFPI
- AT3 RNAi
- Anti IXa/X
- Gene therapy

CFC- Clotting factor concentrate; AT3- antithrombin 3; TFPI-tissue factor pathway inhibitor; RNAi – interfering ribonucleic acid

# CFC replacement technologies

## Fusion technology

1. FC fusion

2. Albumin fusion

3. CTP fusion

4. PSA fusion

FVIII-FC

FIX-FC

FVIII-FP

FIX-FP

FVII-FP

FVII-CTP

Bax-826

Mahlangu et al 2014

Powell et al 2013

FVIII-FP

Santogostino 2016

Ongoing

Ongoing

Ongoing

## PEGylation technology

1. Site directed

2. Random

3. GlycoPEGylation

Bay-94 9027

Bax-855

N8-GP

N9-GP

Shah et al 2016

Konkle et al 2015

Giangrande 2016

Young et al 2016

## Sequence modification

1. Heavy+light chain fusion

SingleChain  
FVIII

Mahlangu 2016

# Non-replacement therapies in haemophilia

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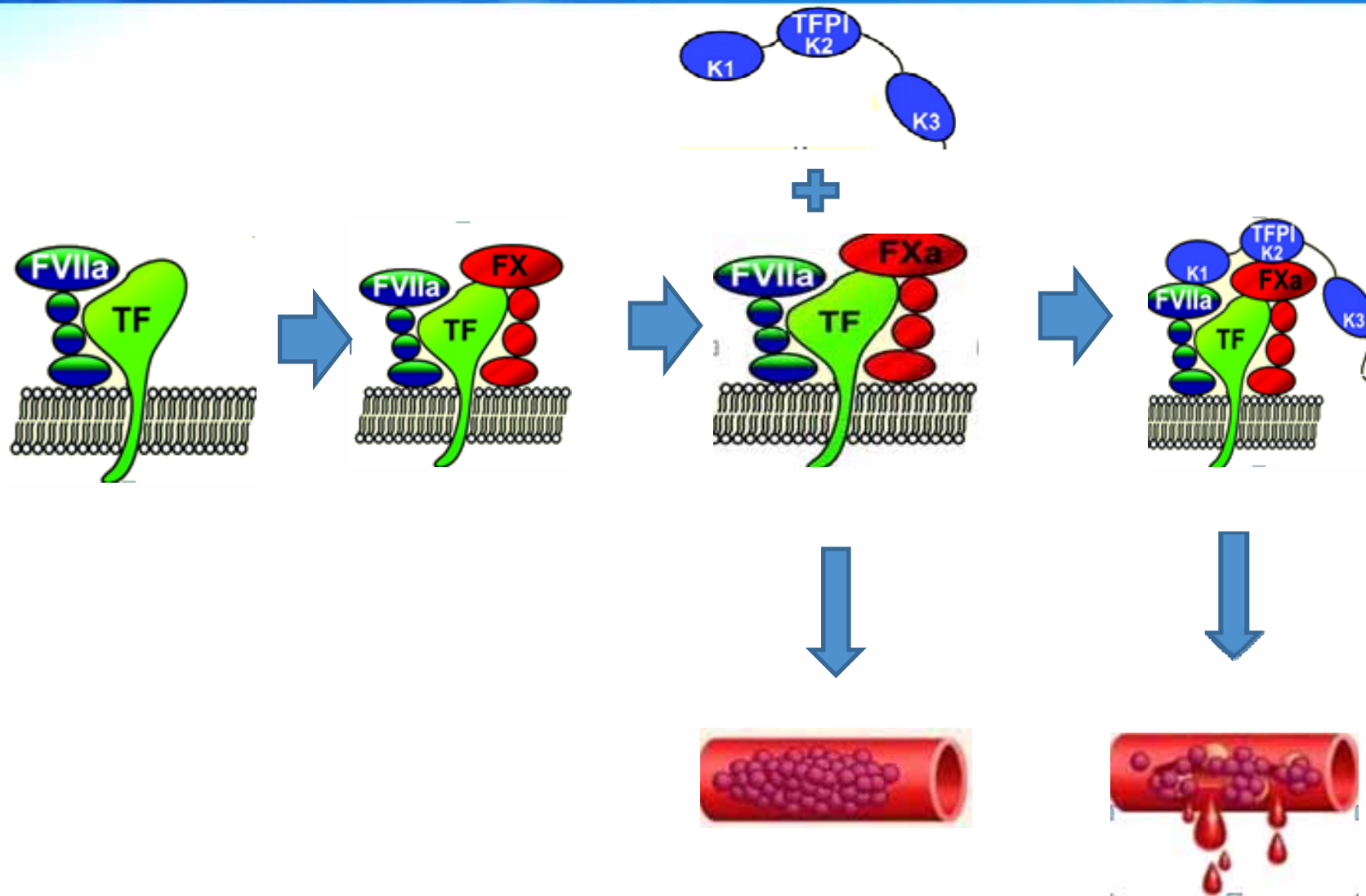
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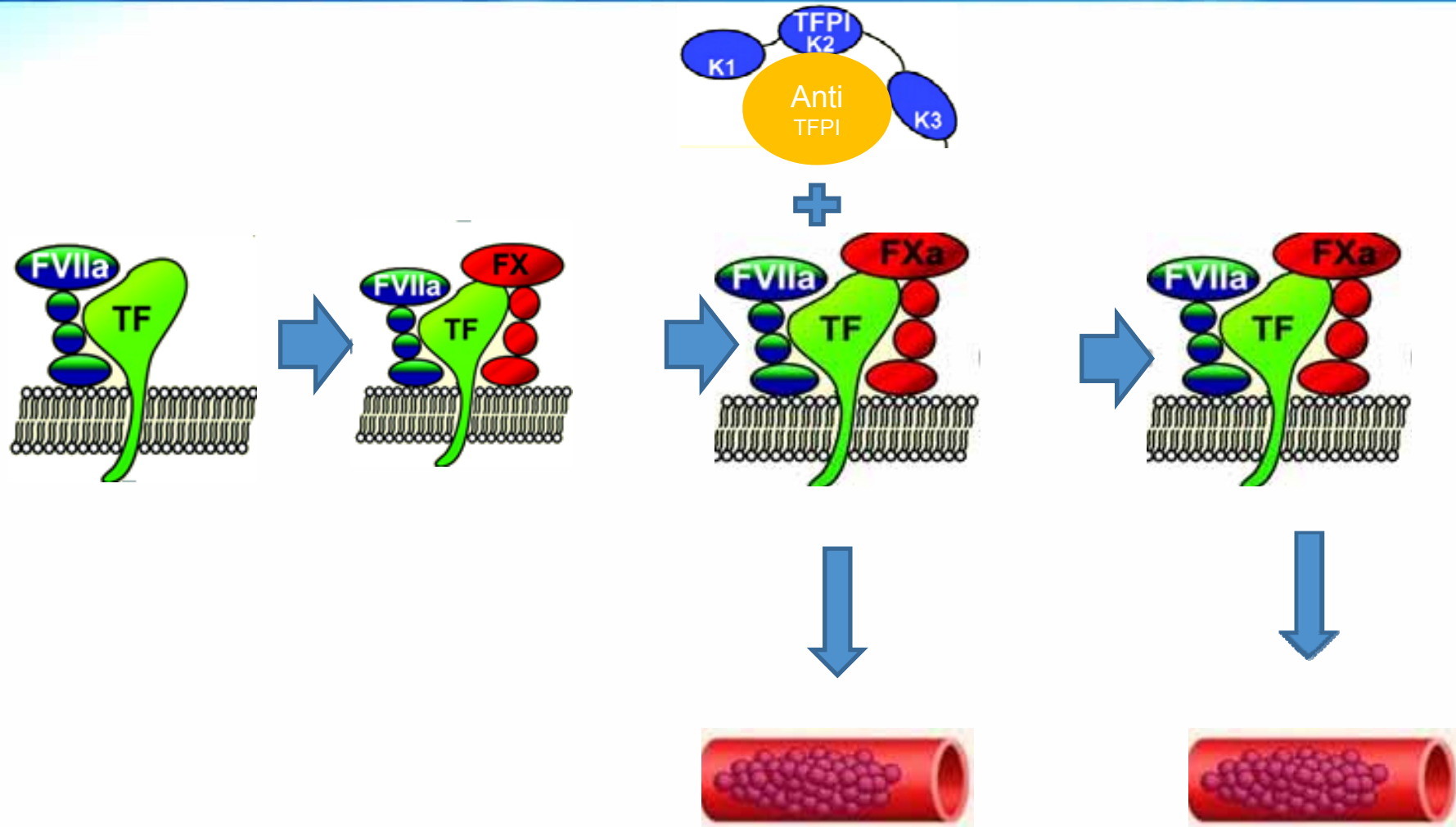
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# Rationale for anti-TFPI use in haemophilia





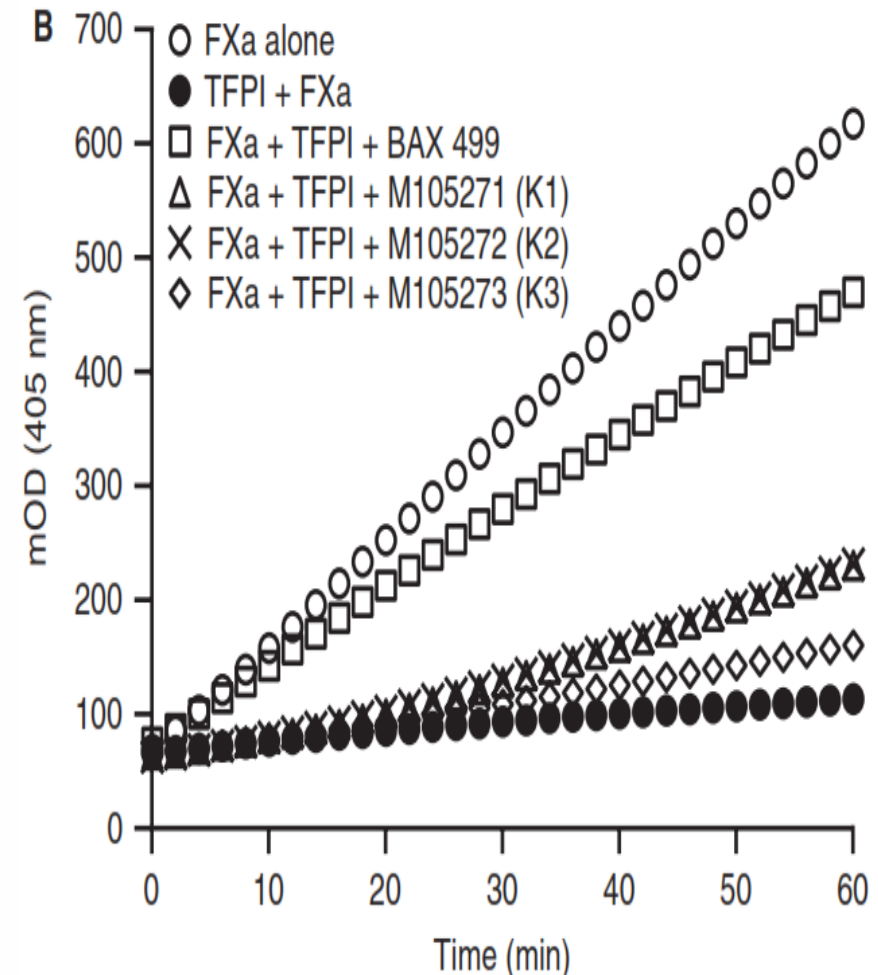
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# Anti-TFPI Clinical studies

## PEG-Aptamer

- Bax 499
- Phase I/II
- Increased TFPI level and decreased thrombin
- Stopped due to excessive bleeding





# Phase 1 anti-TFPI study

*Journal of Thrombosis and Haemostasis*, 13: 743–754

DOI: 10.1111/jth.12864

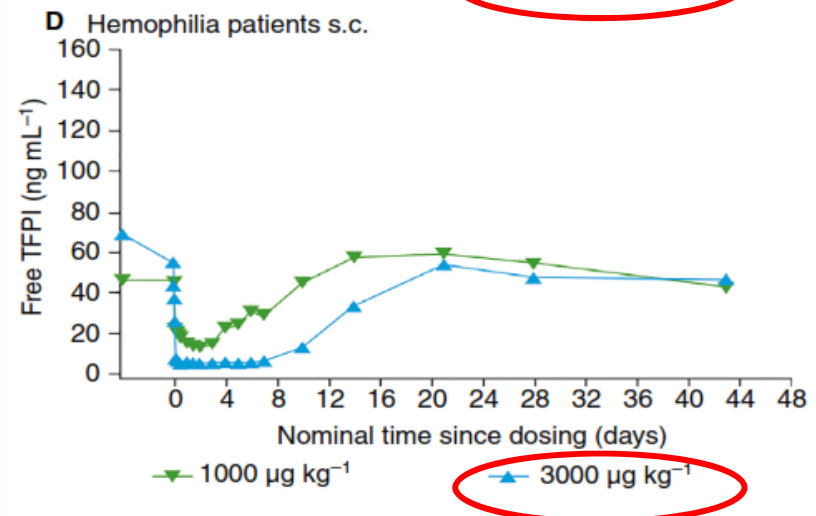
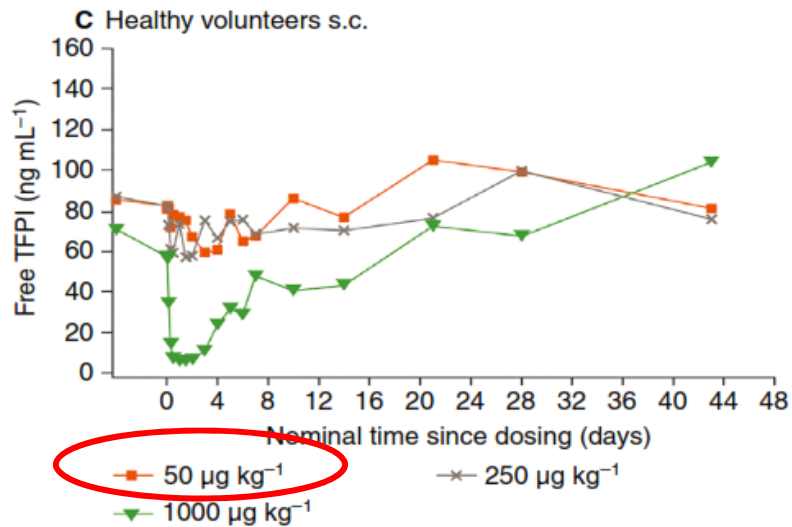
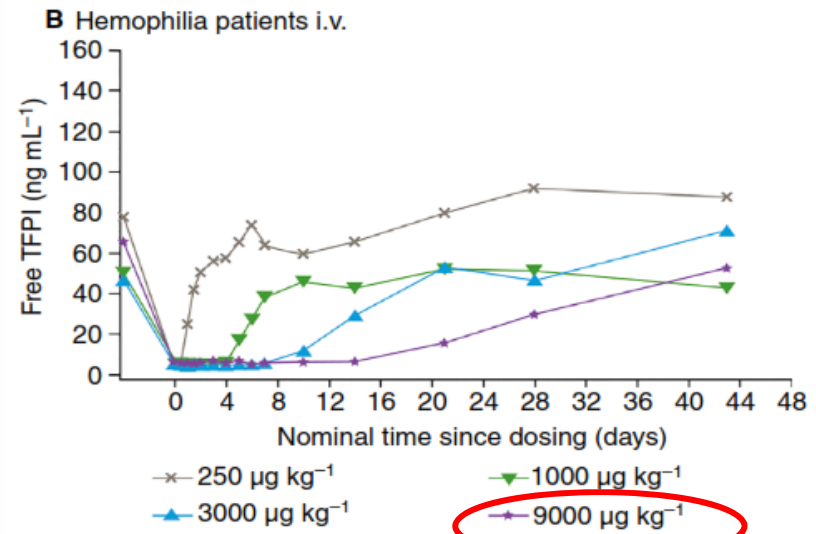
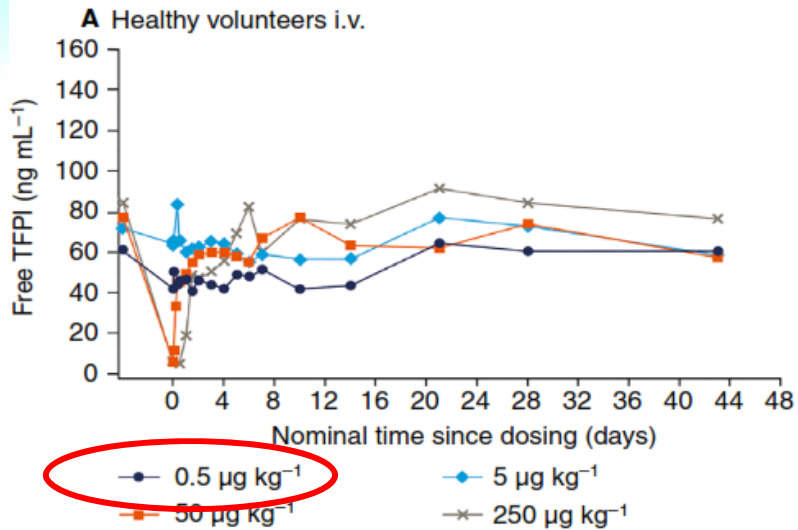
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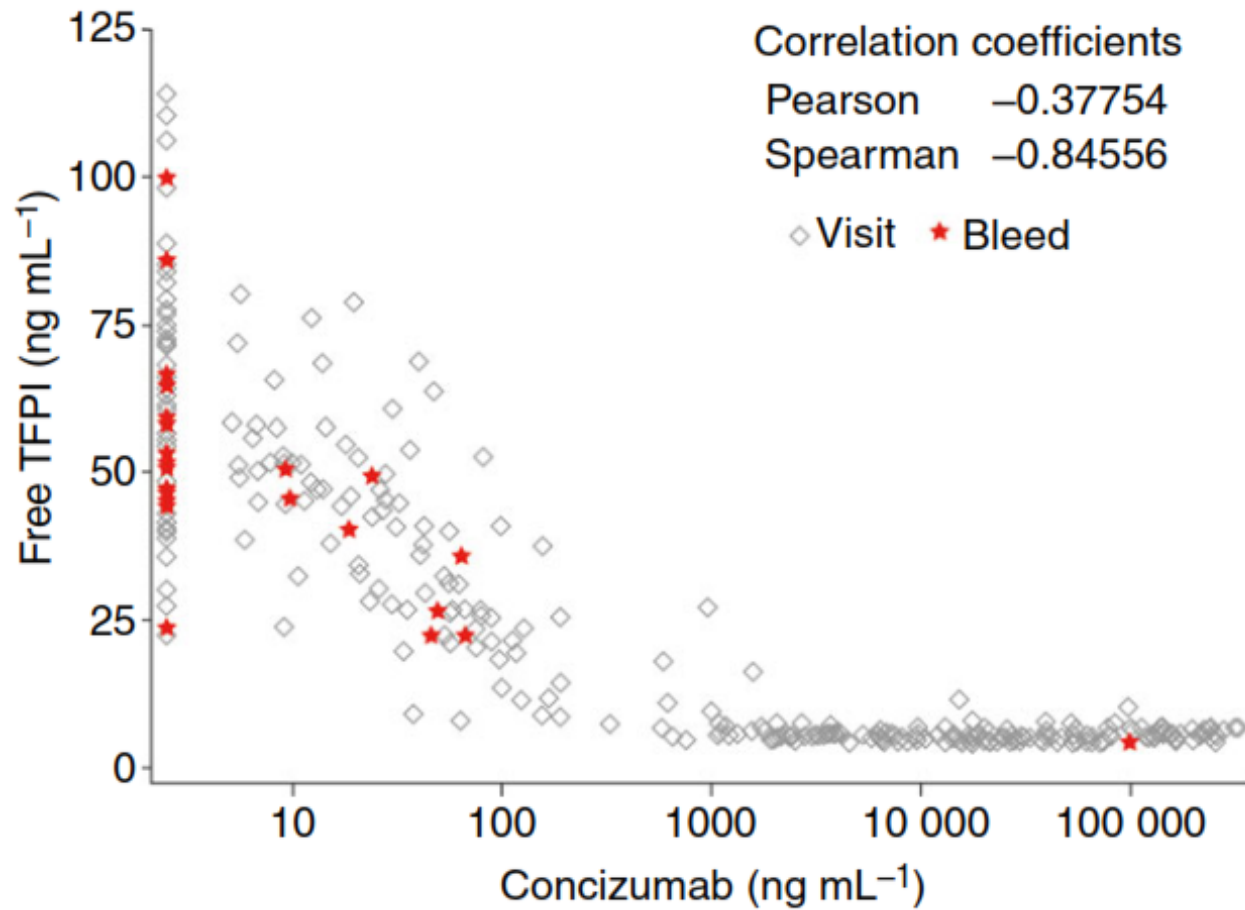
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# Pharmacokinetics sc vs iv



# Non-linear pharmacokinetics



# Safety profile

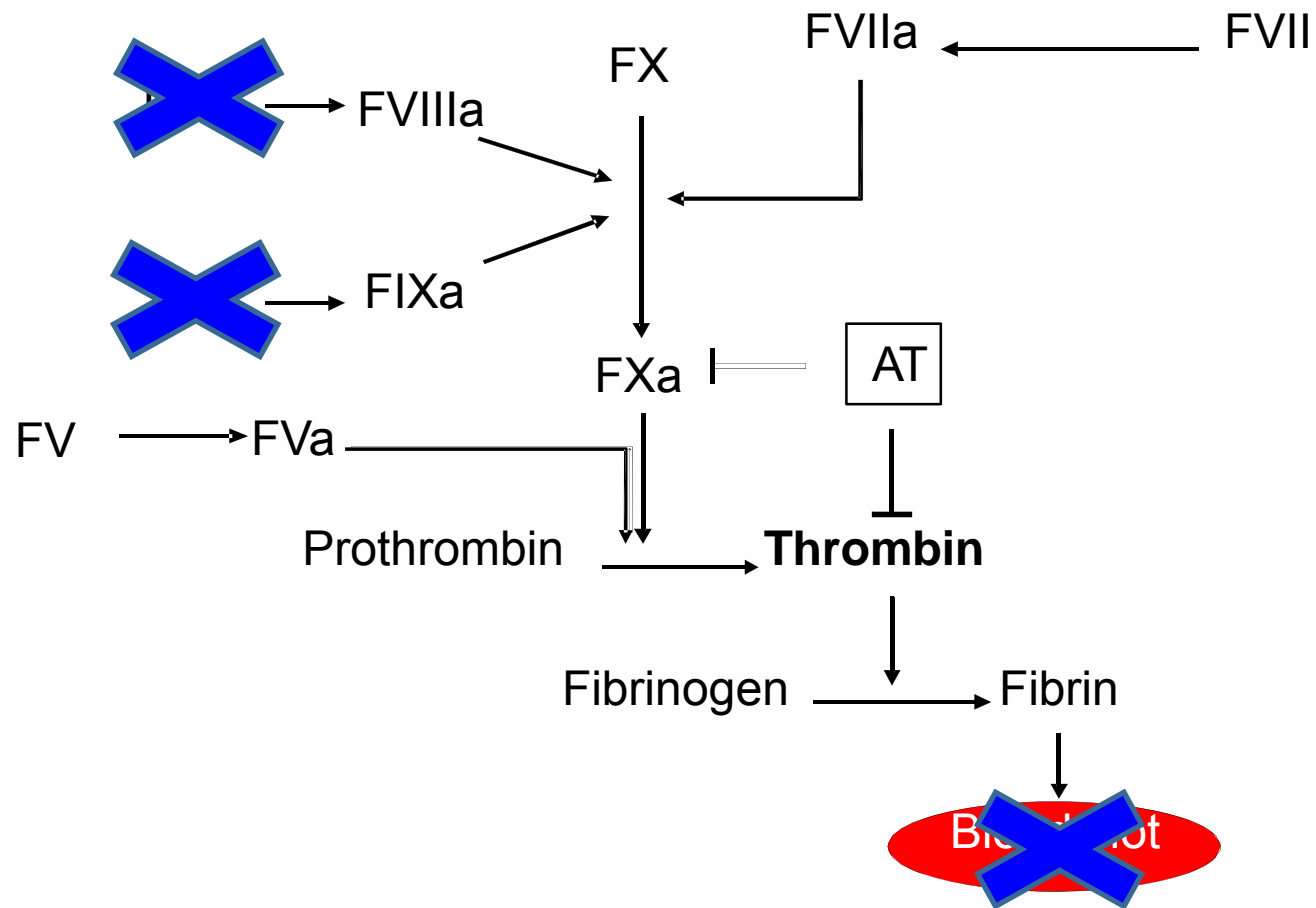
- No SAE
- No thrombosis or vascular events
- No allergy
- No anti-concizumab antibodies
- No inhibitors
- No clinically relevant changes in
  - TT, aPTT, fibrinogen, antithrombin
- Dose dependent changes in
  - Ddimers
  - Prothrombin fragment 1+2

# Non-replacement therapies in haemophilia

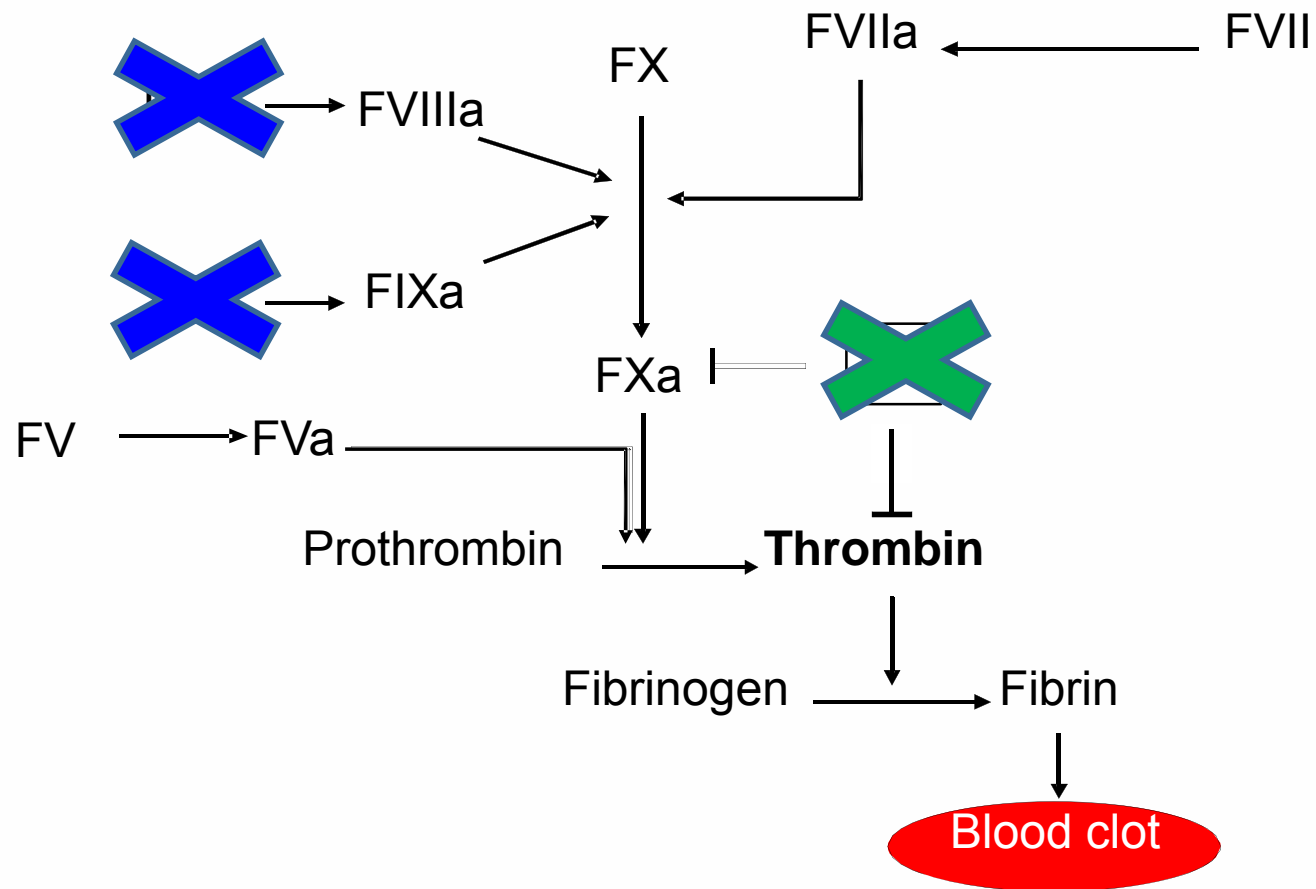
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# Haemostasis in normal and PWH

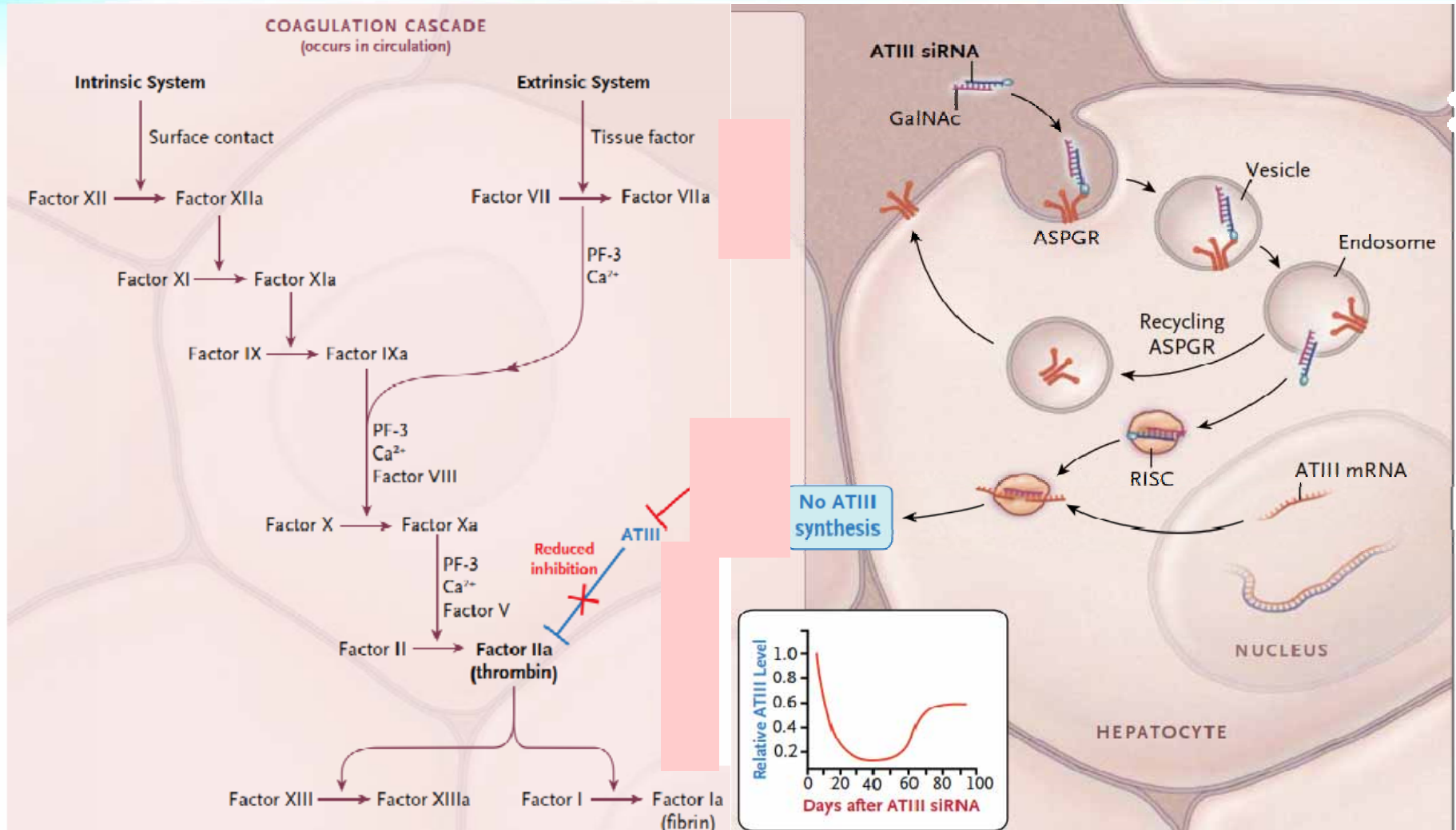


# AT role





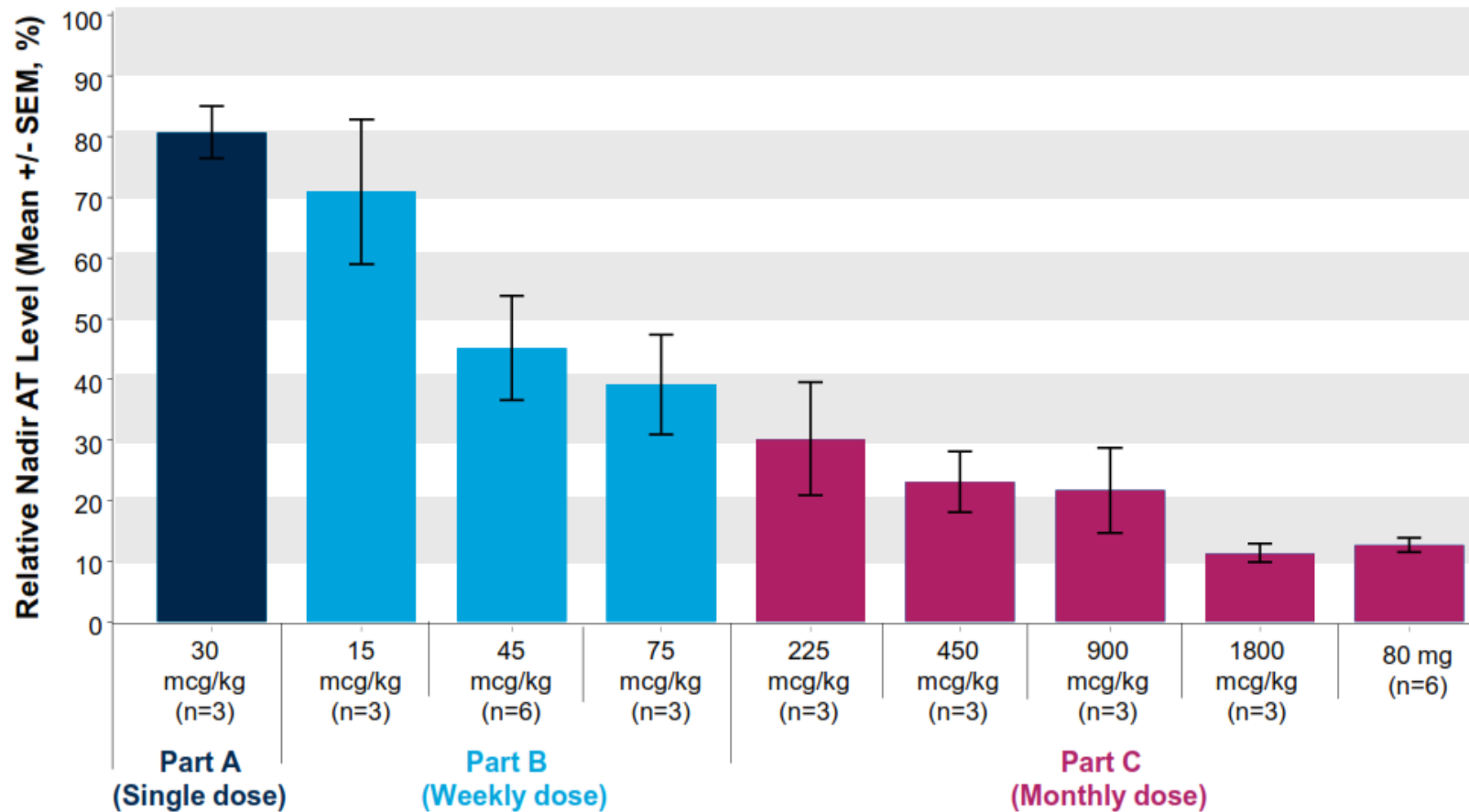
# AT3 RNAi Mechanism of action





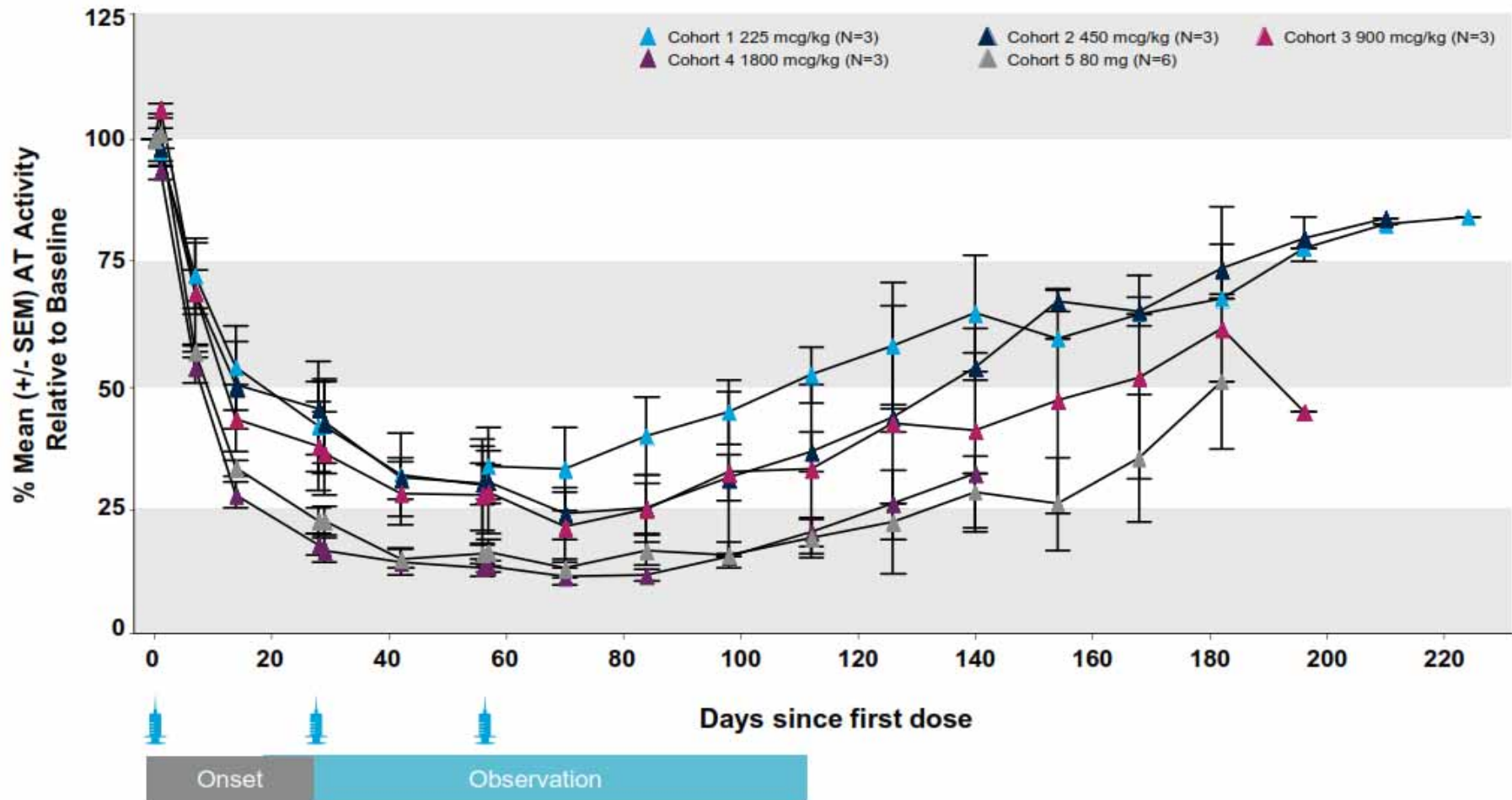
# Phase 1 Results: Dose dependent response

Mean maximal AT lowering of  $87 \pm 1\%$  at 80 mg fixed dose



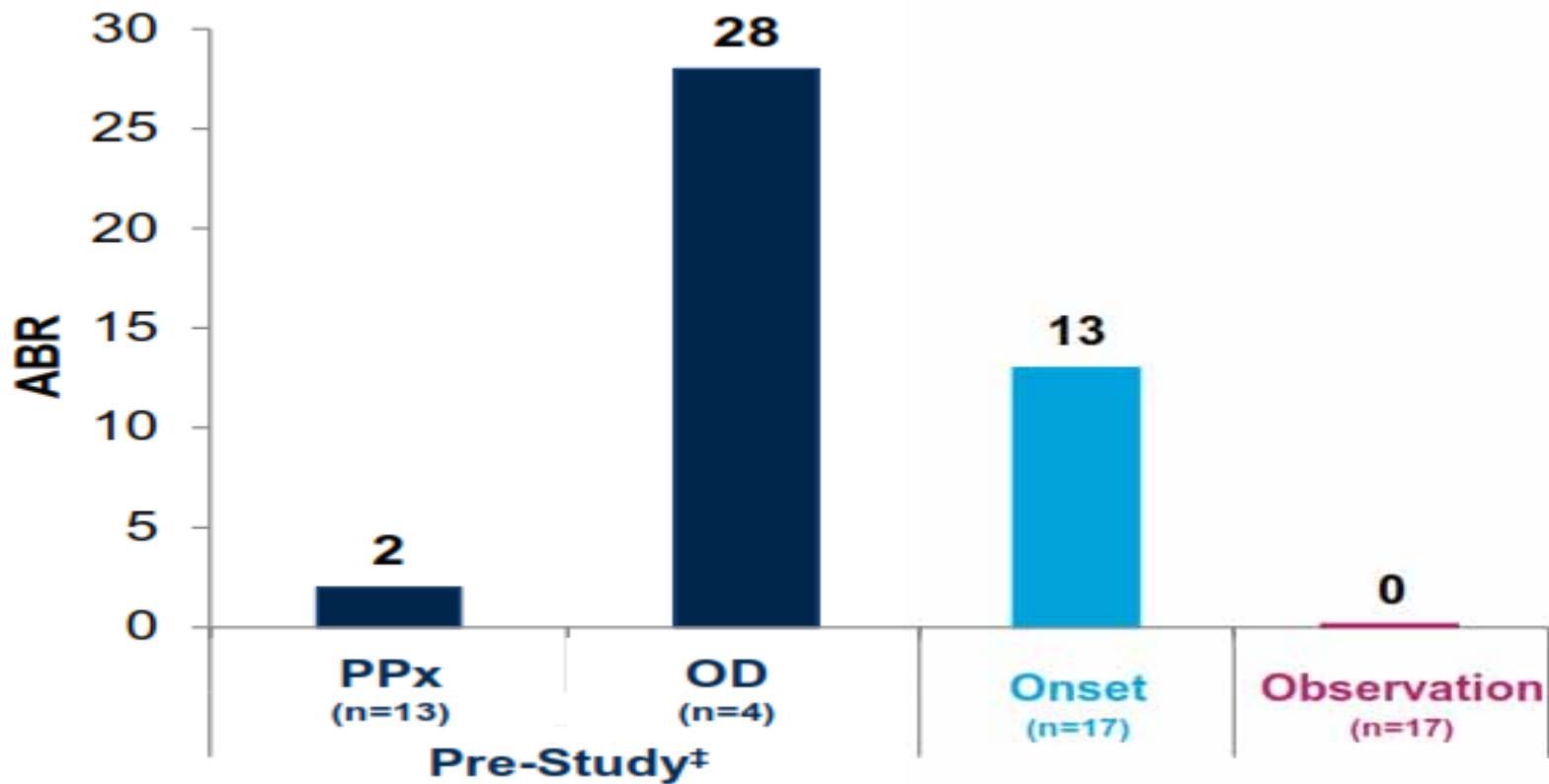
Sehgal et al Nature med 2015; 21(5) :492-497

# AT after monthly dosing of ALN



Pasi et al WFH congress 2016, Orlando

# Summary of Median ABR (All Cohorts, n=17)



Pasi et al WFH congress 2016, Orlando

# Safety profile based on current data

- Fitusiran generally well tolerated in hemophilia A and B patients with and without inhibitor
- No SAEs related to study drug;
- No thromboembolic events
- 11 (35%) patients reported mild drug-related ISRs
  - Mostly pain and/or erythema at the injection site
- AEs (excluding injection site reactions(ISRs)) in  $\geq 10\%$  of patients:
  - upper respiratory tract infection (10%) and arthralgia (10%);
  - majority mild or moderate in severity
  - 1 discontinuation due to AE; event resolved in this patient with symptomatic management

## Summary on ALN-RNAi

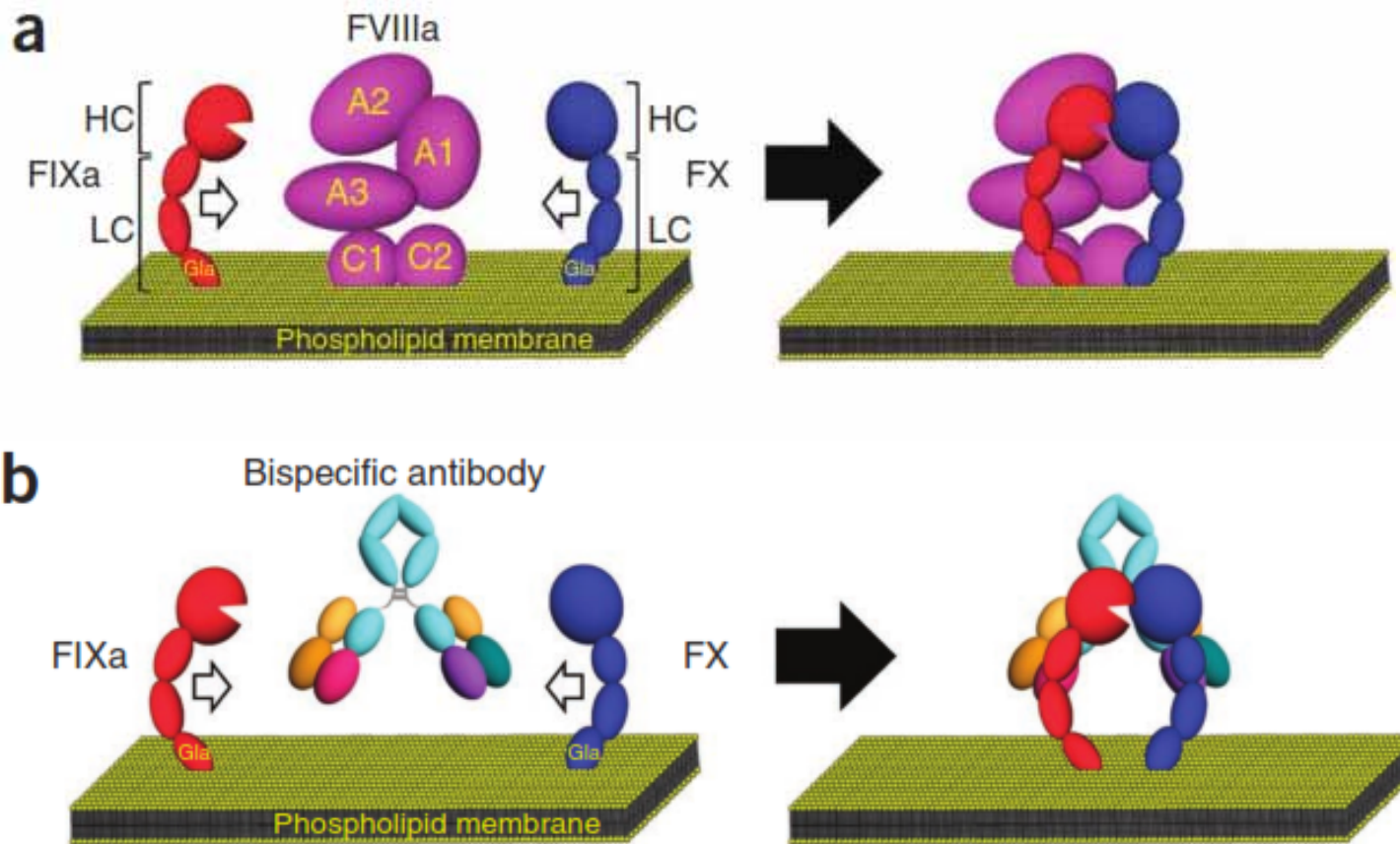
- Dose-dependent AT lowering and thrombin generation increase achieved, with once-monthly subcutaneous
- dose regimen; fixed 80 mg dose provides consistent AT lowering >75%
- Evidence of clinical activity and potential correction of hemophilia phenotype in non-inhibitor patients
- In exploratory post-hoc analysis in monthly dose cohorts, fitusiran achieved median ABR = 0, with
  - 53% patients bleed-free and
  - 82% patients experiencing zero spontaneous bleeds

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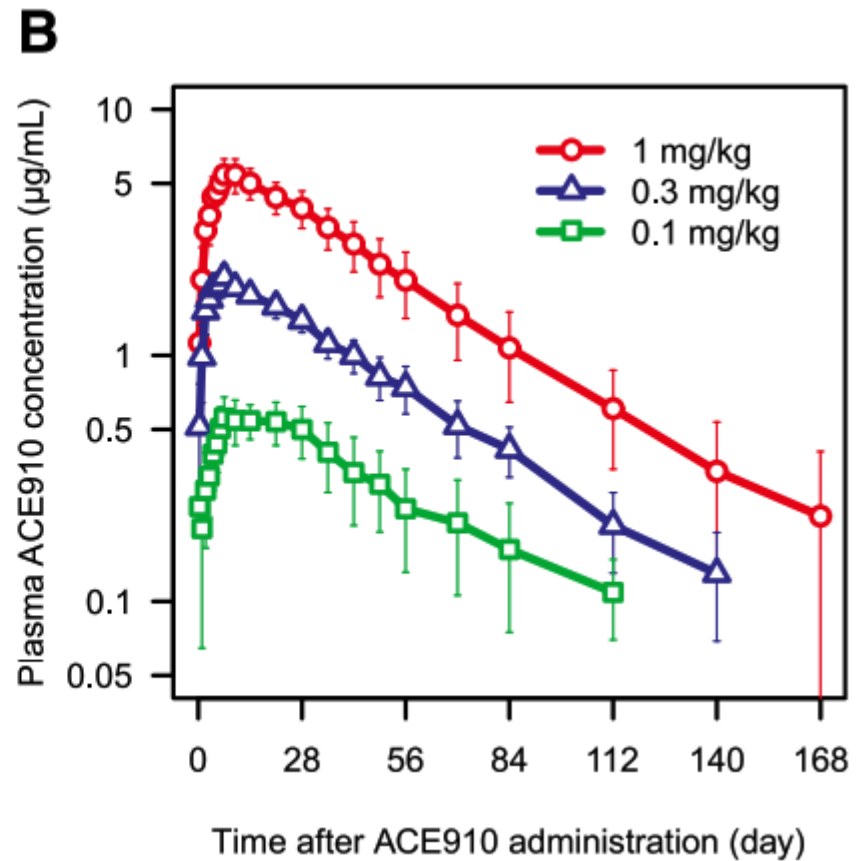
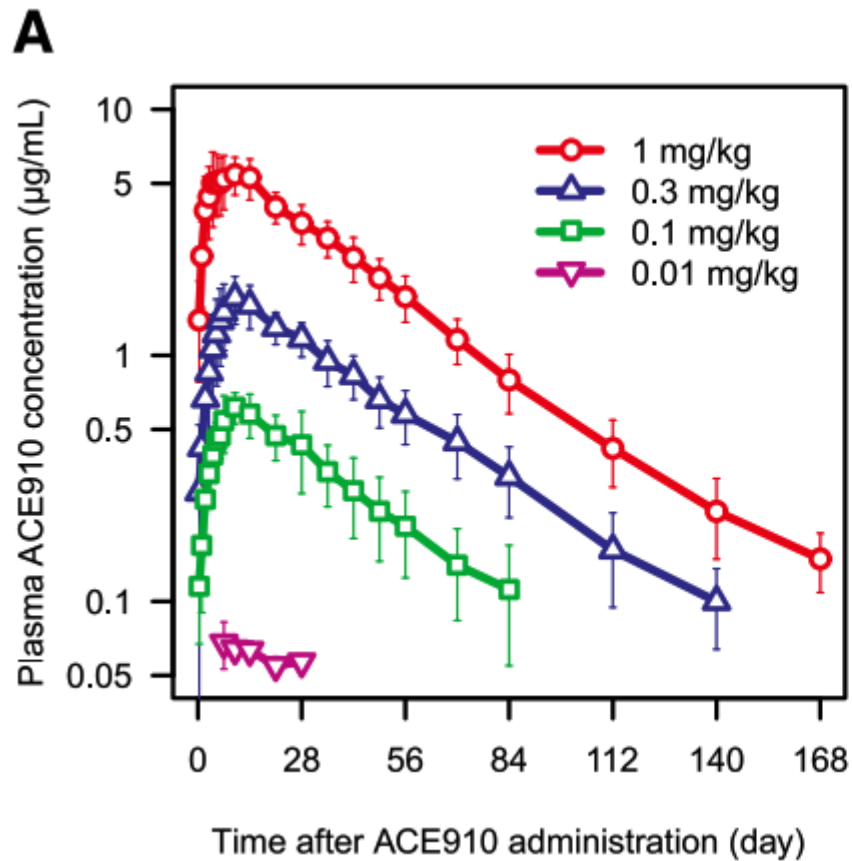
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# ACE910 Bispecific antibody

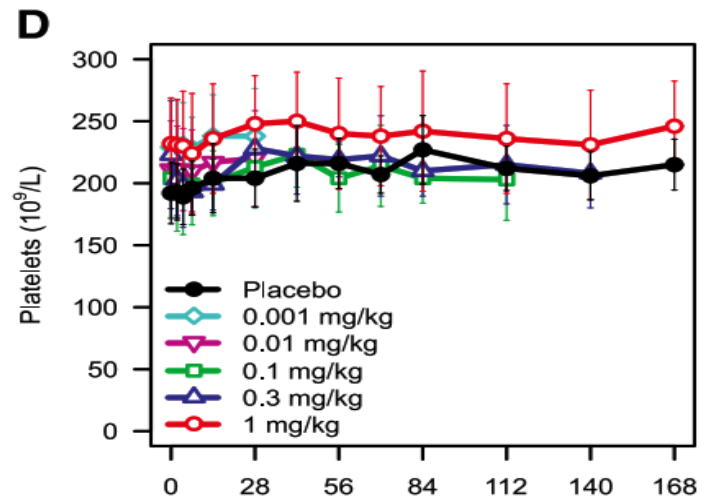
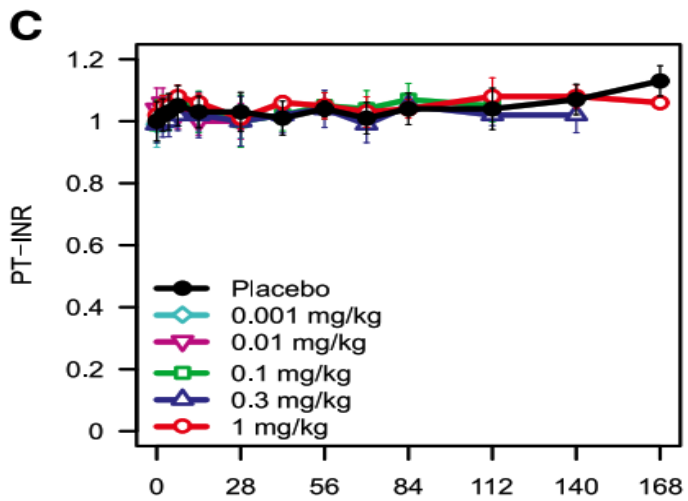
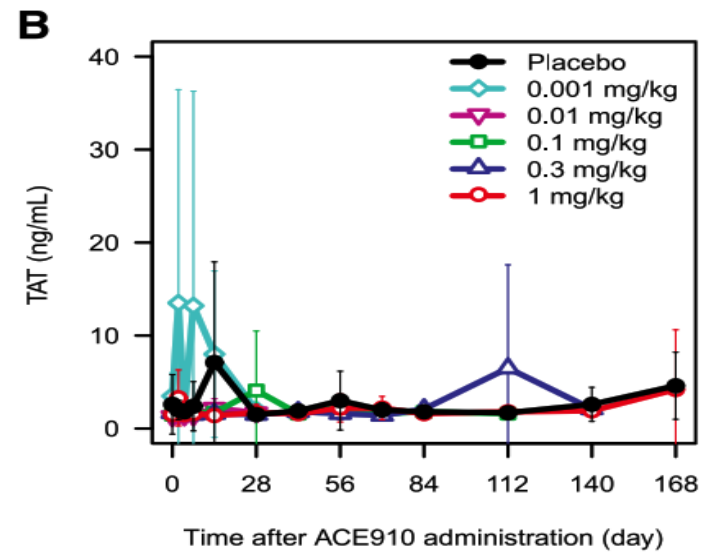
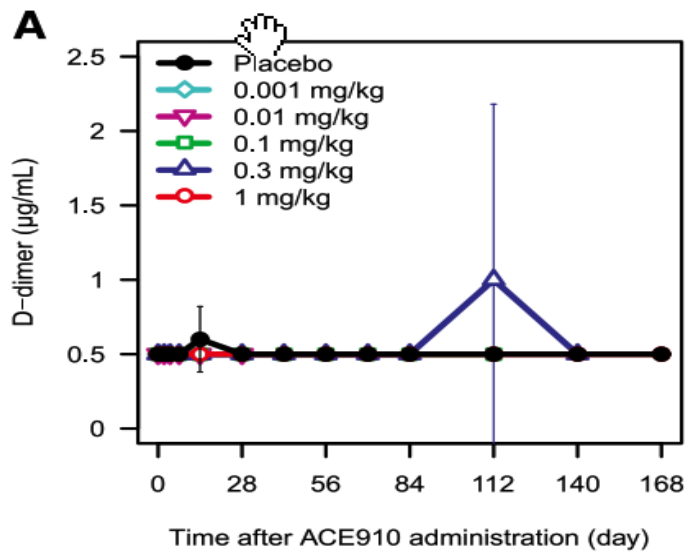




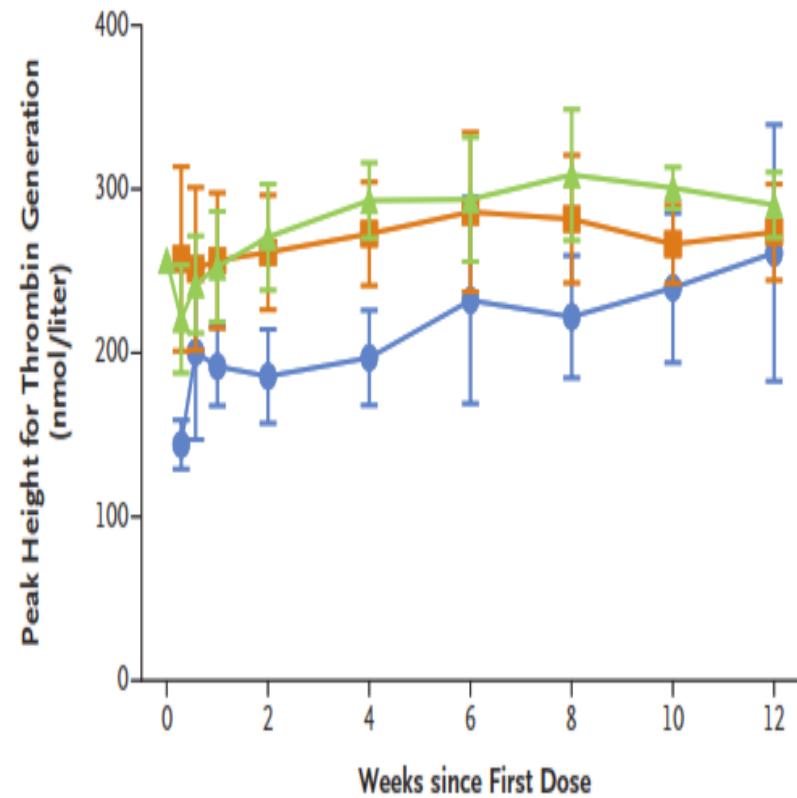
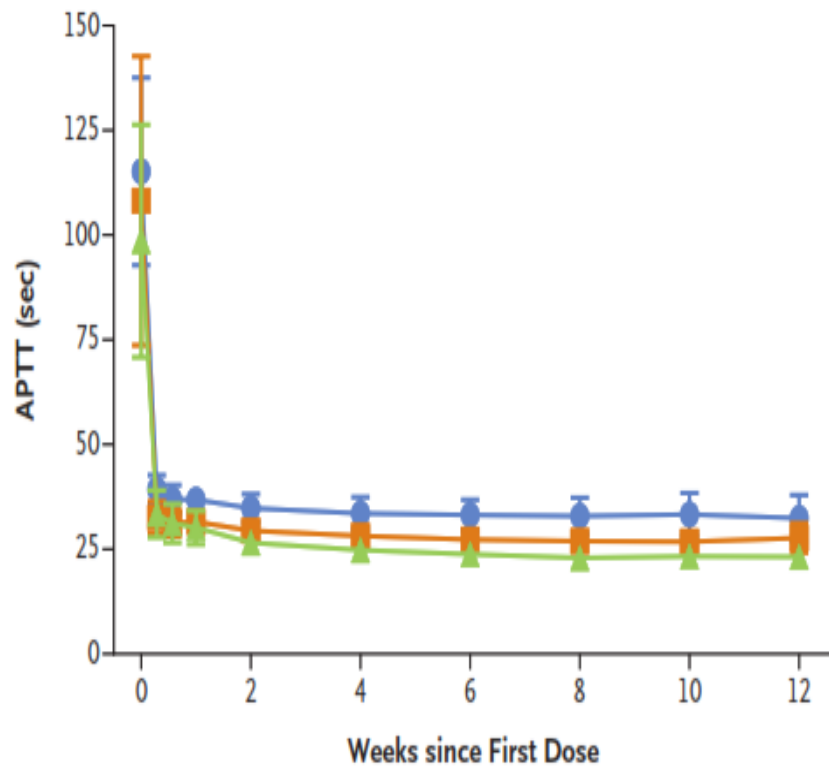
# Plasma ACE910 concentration







# Impact on aPTT and thrombin generation



# Summary on Emicizumab

- Emicizumab was associated with neither serious adverse events nor clinically relevant coagulation abnormalities.
- Plasma concentrations of emicizumab increased in a dose-dependent manner.
- Activated partial-thromboplastin times remained short throughout the study.
- The median annualized bleeding rates in cohorts 1, 2, and 3 decreased from 32.5 to 4.4, 18.3 to 0.0, and 15.2 to 0.0, respectively.
  - There was no bleeding in 8 of 11 patients with factor VIII inhibitors (73%) and in 5 of 7 patients without factor VIII inhibitors (71%). Episodic use of clotting factors to control bleeding was reduced. Antibodies to emicizumab did not develop

# Scepticism about gene therapy



**nature**

[www.nature.com/nature](http://www.nature.com/nature)

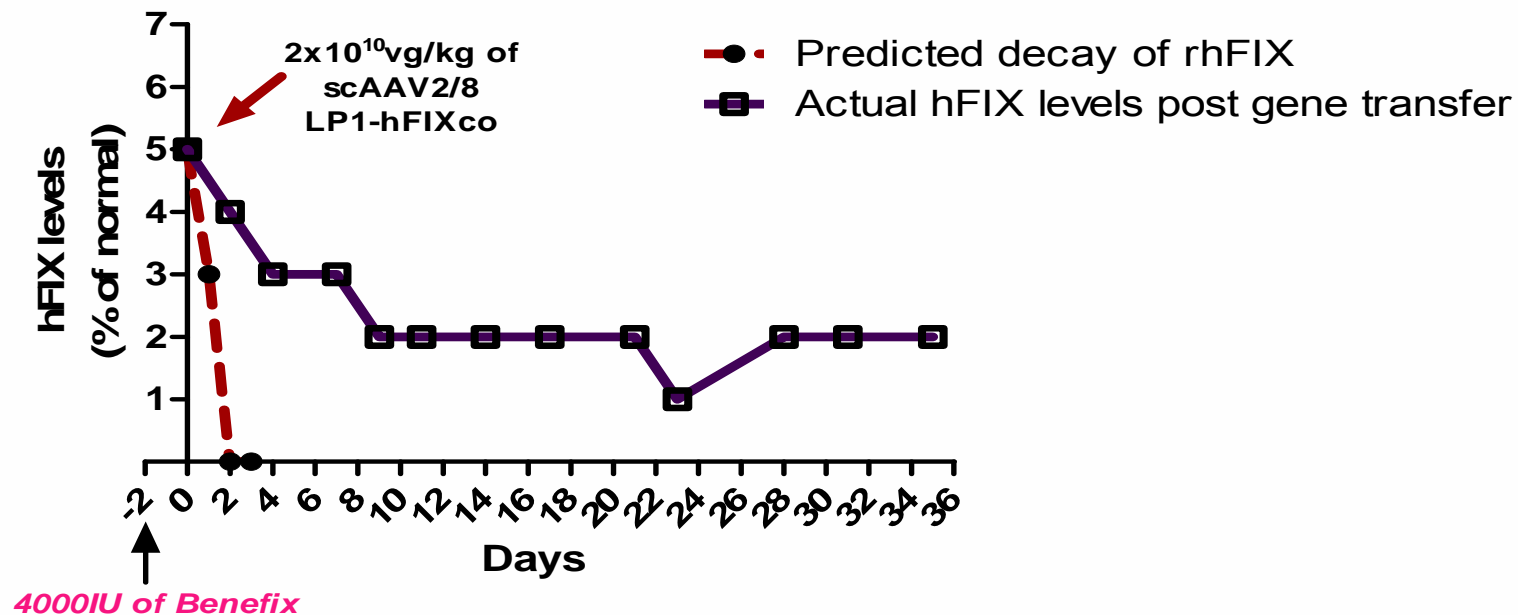
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## Gene therapy deserves a fresh chance

Initial interest in gene therapy waned after the technology failed to live up to expectation. Progress made since has received little attention, but suggests that the pervading sense of disillusionment is misplaced.

# First successful FIX gene therapy in man

- Phase 1
- 6 patients, 2 in each of 3 dose escalations
- Durable FIX levels 1–6%
- 2/6 transient ALT elevation



# Haemophilia B longer term follow up data

- Long-Term Safety and Efficacy of Factor IX Gene Therapy in Hemophilia B.
- Long-term follow up of original 6 patients
  - Each of 3 dose escalations
- Plus 4 additional subjects
  - at high dose:  $2 \times 10^{12}$  vector genomes/kg
- Long term FIX levels 1–6% – median 3.2 years follow up

# FVIII gene therapy?

- Bigger protein than FIX- Packaging more complex
- Platelet directed FVIII gene therapy
  - Animal model, lentiviral
- Hybrid porcine / human sequence
  - Lentiviral

Du, et al. *Nature Comm* 2013;4:2773

Johnston, et al. *Gene Ther* 2013;20(6):607–615

# FVIII Clinical trials

- BMN 270: AAV 5-factor VIII vector
  - Trial due to start Q2/3 2015
  - First in man phase 1 FVIII trials
- UCL/St Jude (Nathwani/Davidoff)
  - Imminent



# Summary

- Significant progress has been made in the development of therapies for haemophilia
- Extended half life products promise to make prophylaxis a reality
- Evolving alternative therapies are beginning to emerge
- All therapies have limitations in that they may not apply to all patients with haemophilia
- Gene therapy remains the choice option for cure of haemophilia



**Thank  
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