



Approach to Bleeding Tendency

Simple and Direct



Causal Conditions

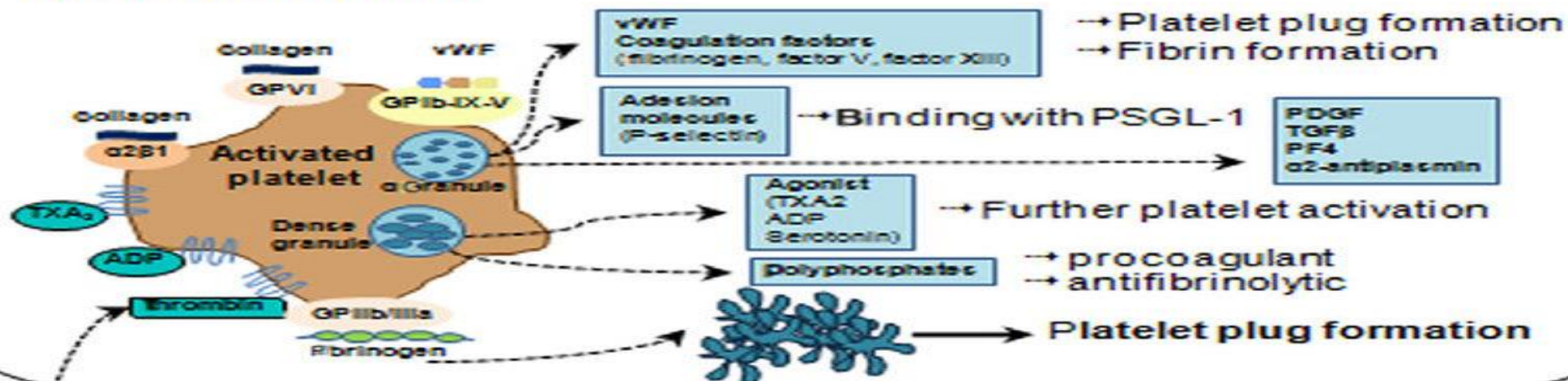
- ▶ Primary Hemostasias:
 - ▶ Purpuric disorders
- ▶ Secondary Hemostasias:
 - ▶ Disorder of Coagulation

(A)

Primary hemostasis

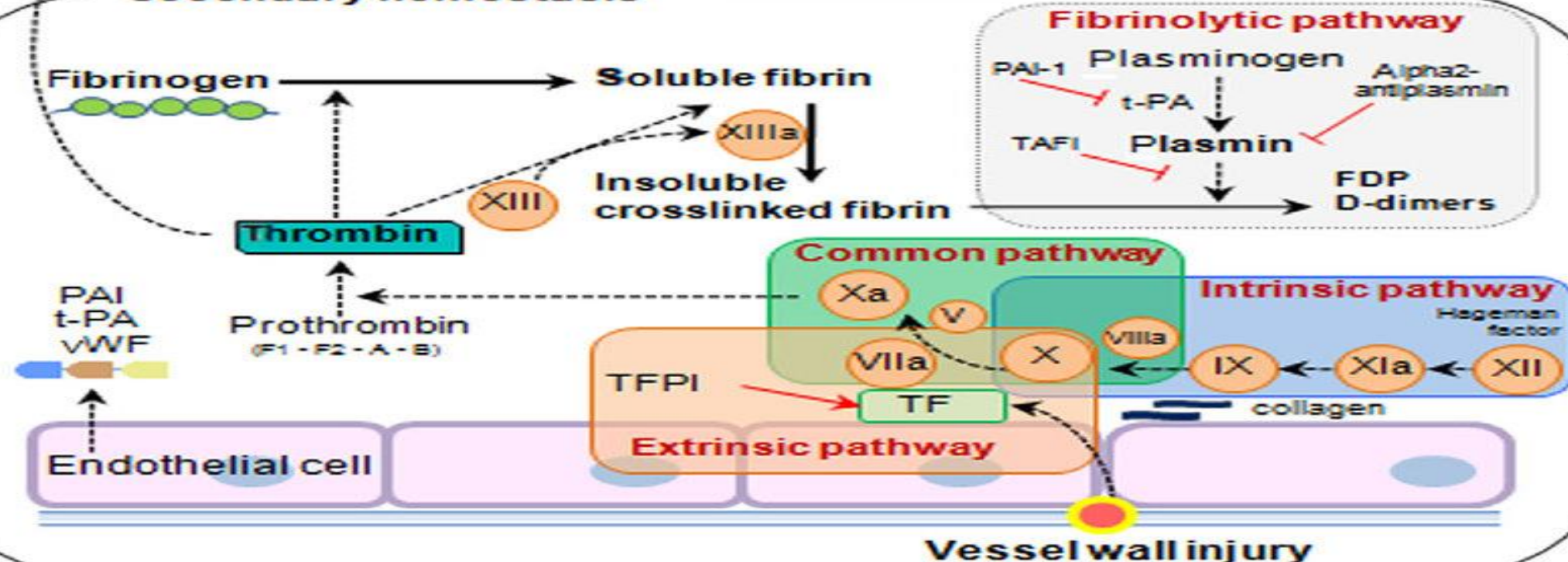
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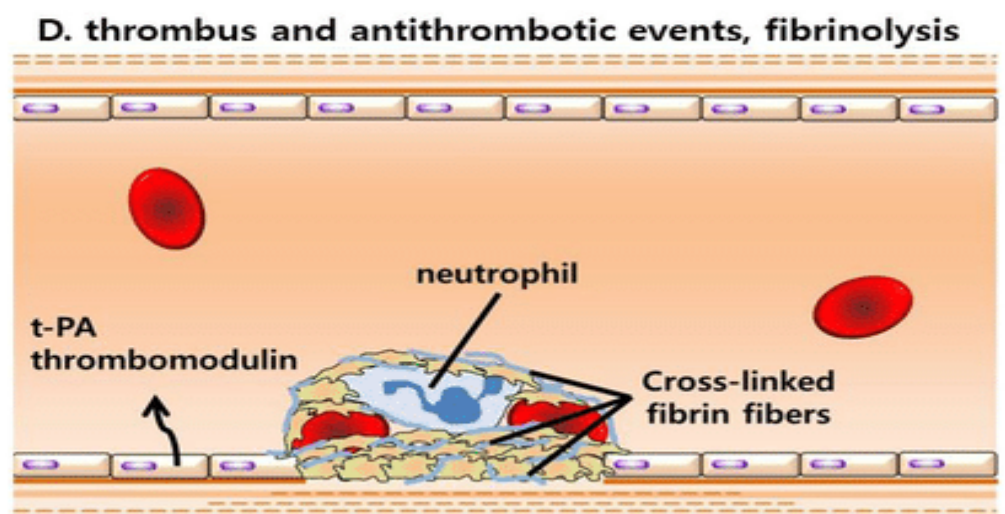
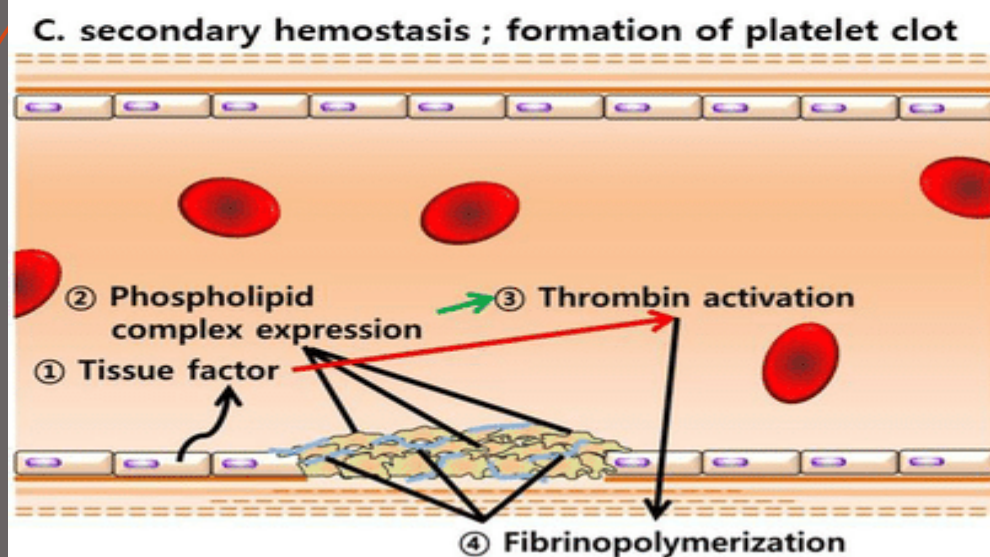
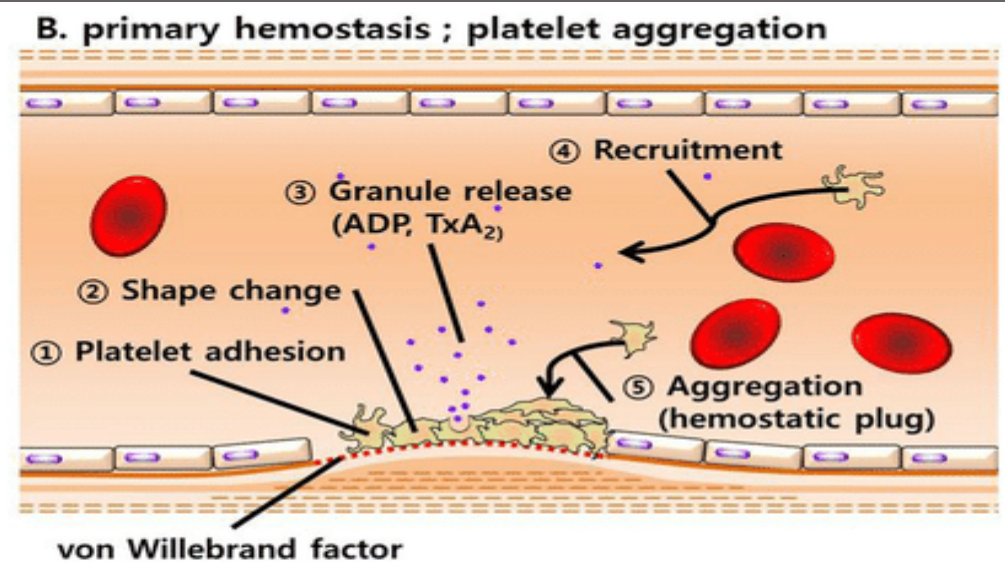
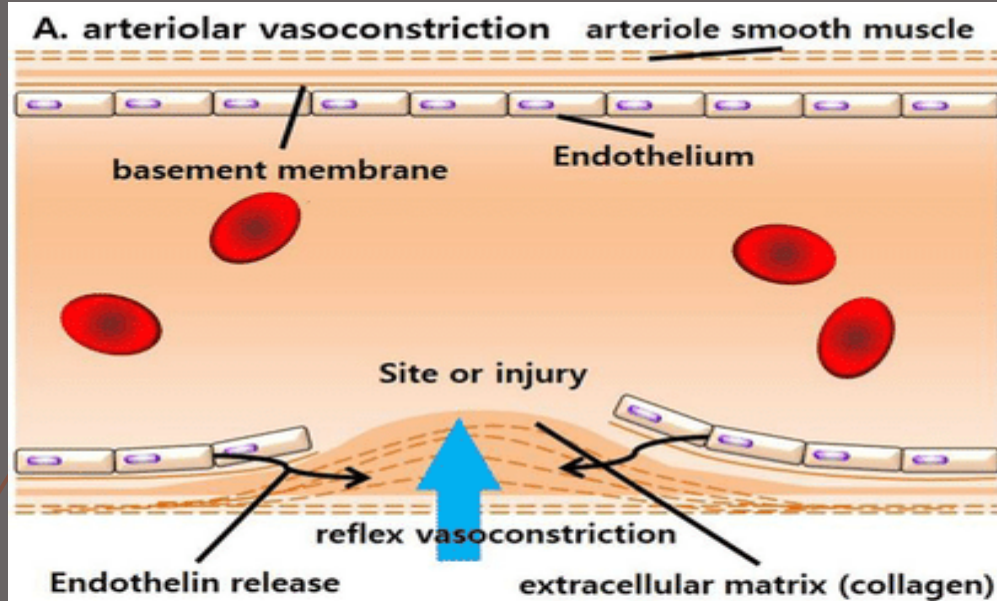
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Secondary hemostasis





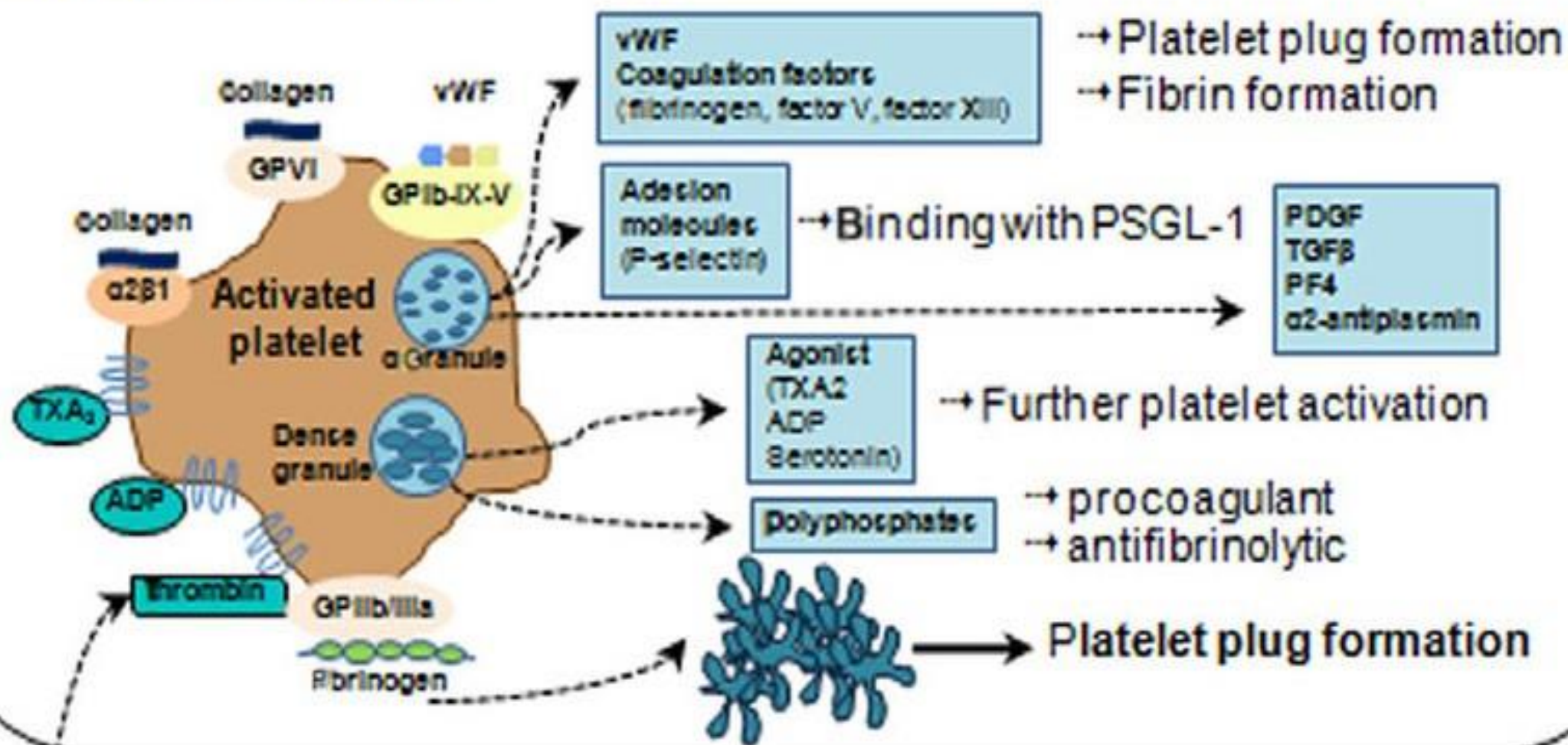


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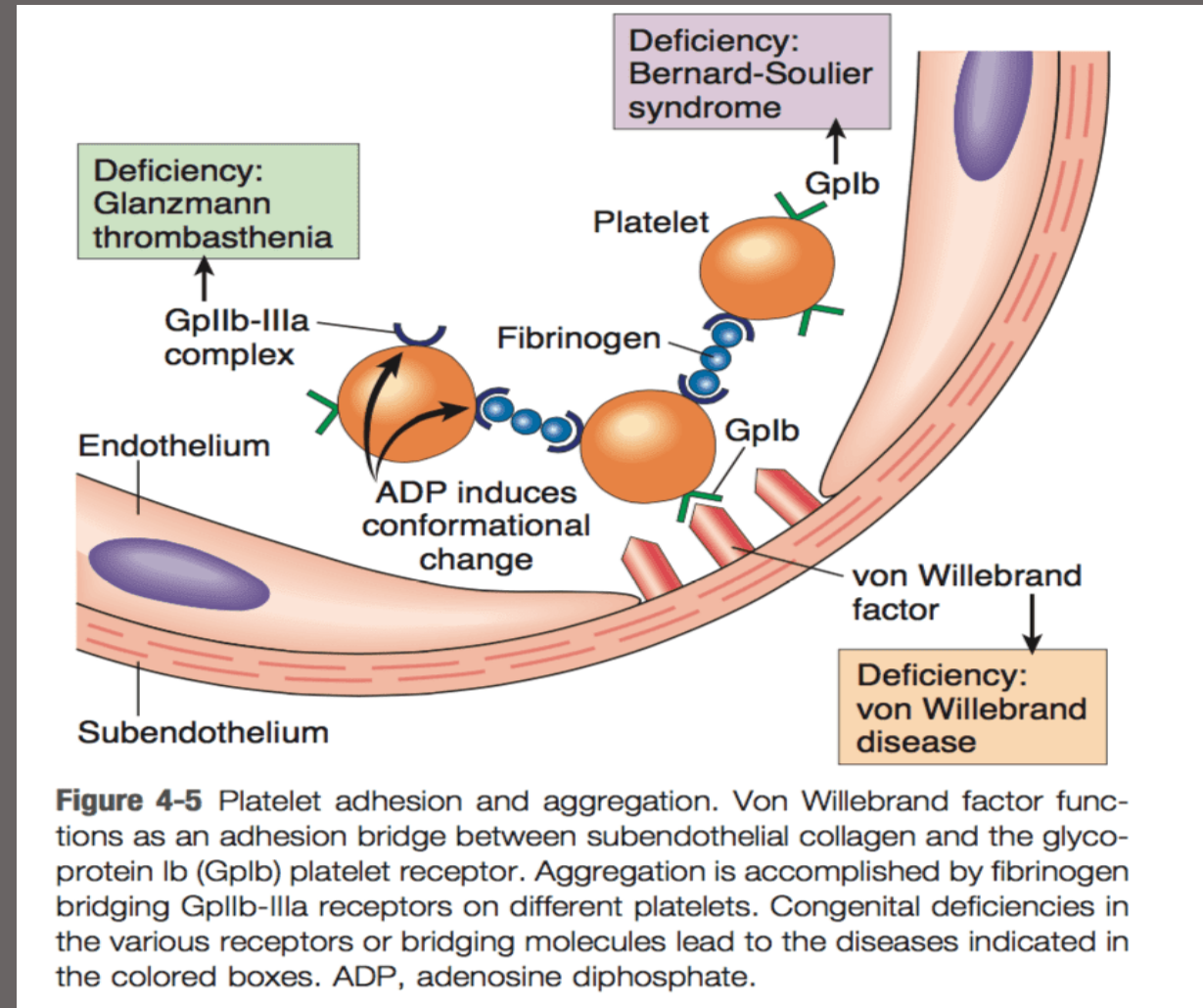
Platelet number or function

- **Decreased number:**
- **Production problem**
 - Decreased megakaryopoiesis (aplastic anemia, toxic)
 - Ineffective megakaryopoiesis (B12/folate def., folate antagonist)
- **Accelerated destruction**
 - Non-immune (TTP/HUS, DIC, infection)
 - Immune (ITP, SLE, quinidine)
 - Sequestration (splenomegaly)

Platelet number or function

➤ Abnormal platelets

- Congenital (Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia, Bernard-Soulier Syndrome)
- Acquired (uremia, ASA, NSAID, anti-platelet agents)





Vessel Problem

- Congenital (collagen disease)
- Vitamin C deficiency (scurvy)
- Connective tissue disorders
- Osler-Weber-Rendu syndrome (hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia)
- Acquired (vasculitis, steroids)

Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (Osler-Weber-Rendu Disease):

- HHT, a multisystem disease, genetically mediated disorder of fibrovascular tissue.
- The definitive diagnosis based on the Curaçao criteria, require presence of at least 3 of the following 4 clinical features:
 - (1) Spontaneous, recurrent epistaxis.
 - (2) Telangiectases at characteristic sites as lips, oral cavity, fingers, or nose
 - (3) visceral lesions as cerebral or spinal AVMs, GI tract telangiectasias, pulmonary AVMs, hepatic AVMs
 - (4) A family history of HHT in a first-degree relative.



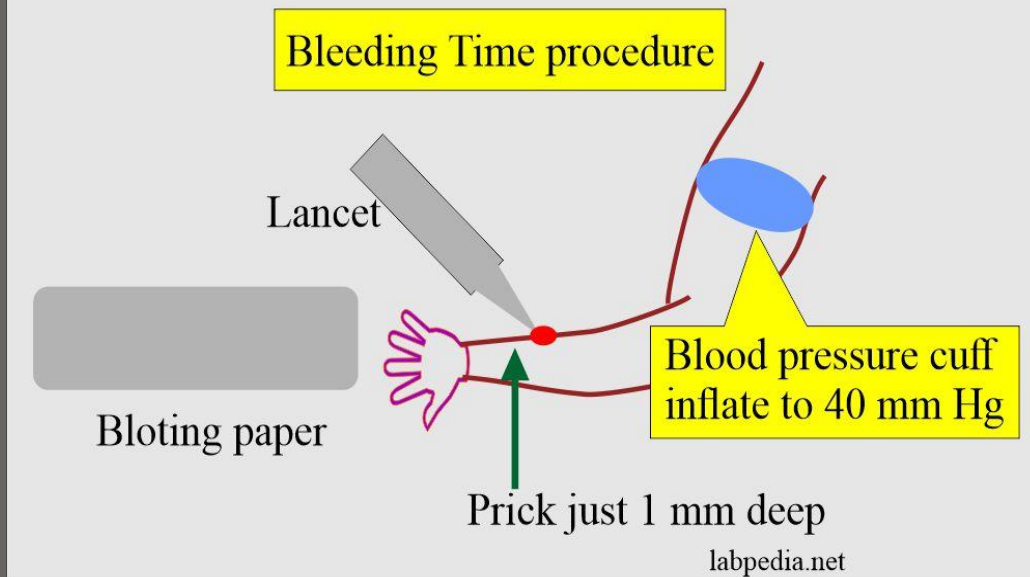


Signs and symptoms

- Petechia and purpura
- Spontaneous bleeding after trauma
- CNS bleeding (severe thrombocytopenia)
- Mucocutaneous bleeding
- Sever Menorrhagia

Laboratory exam

- Platelet count
- Peripheral blood study
- Prolonged bleeding time (BT)
- Abnormal tourniquet test (5 min pressure cuff between systolic and diastolic pressure, > 5 petechia in 2.5 cm² of antecubital area)
- Prolonged Closure time (CT) (by PFA-100)
- Flowcytometry
- Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy



Abnormalities detected by PFA-100

| | Col-ADP | Col-EPI |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Normal | N | N |
| Aspirin and NSAIDs | N | ↑ |
| ADP receptor disorders including the use of Clopidogrel | N or ↑ | N or ↑ |
| BSS | ↑ | ↑ |
| GTT | ↑ | ↑ |
| VWD | ↑ | ↑ |
| Platelet-Type VWD | ↑ | ↑ |
| Dense Granule Deficiency | N or ↑ | N or ↑ |
| Primary Secretion Defects | N or ↑ | N or ↑ |
| Gray Platelet Syndrome | ↑ | ↑ |
| MYH9-related Disorders | N | ↑ |
| Scott Syndrome | N | N |
| MDS | N or ↑ | N or ↑ |
| Liver Disease | ↑ [possibly as a result of ↓Hb] | ↑ [possibly as a result of ↓Hb] |
| Uraemia | ↑ [possibly as a result of ↓Hb] | ↑ [possibly as a result of ↓Hb] |

Treatment:

➤ **Production problem**

- Decreased megakaryopoiesis :PLT transfusion if active bleeding
- Ineffective megakaryopoiesis :therapy of causal factor

➤ **Accelerated destruction**

- Non-immune :Plasmapheresis, plasma exchange
- Immune : Steroid or IV IG or RhoGam (BM aspiration before steroid therapy)

➤ **Sequestration : splenectomy**

➤ **Abnormal platelets: PLT transfusion in the case of bleeding**



Secondary Hemostasis

The diagram illustrates the blood coagulation cascade, starting with **Vessel wall injury** at the bottom. This injury triggers the **Intrinsic pathway** (blue box) and the **Extrinsic pathway** (orange box). The **Intrinsic pathway** involves factors XII, XI, IX, and X. The **Extrinsic pathway** involves **TF** (Tissue Factor) and **TFPI** (Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor). Both pathways lead to the activation of **Xa** (Factor Xa) and **V** (Factor V). **Xa** and **V** then activate **Prothrombin (F2)** to **Thrombin** (F2a). **Thrombin** converts **Fibrinogen** to **Soluble fibrin** and **Insoluble crosslinked fibrin**. **Insoluble crosslinked fibrin** is then converted to **FDP** (Fibrin Degradation Products) and **D-dimers** via the **Fibrinolytic pathway**. The **Fibrinolytic pathway** involves **Plasminogen** being converted to **Plasmin** by **t-PA** (tissue Plasminogen Activator) and **PAI-1** (Plasminogen Activator Inhibitor-1). **Plasmin** then degrades **FDP** and **D-dimers**. **PAI-1** also inhibits **t-PA**. **TFPI** inhibits **TF**. **Endothelial cell** is shown at the bottom left, releasing **PAI-1**, **t-PA**, and **vWF** (von Willebrand Factor). **collagen** is shown at the bottom right, which also triggers the **Intrinsic pathway**.

Vessel wall injury

Intrinsic Pathway (IP)

XIIa

XIa

IXa

VIIIa

Xa + Va

Prothrombin (II)

Thrombin

Fibrinogen (I)

Fibrin

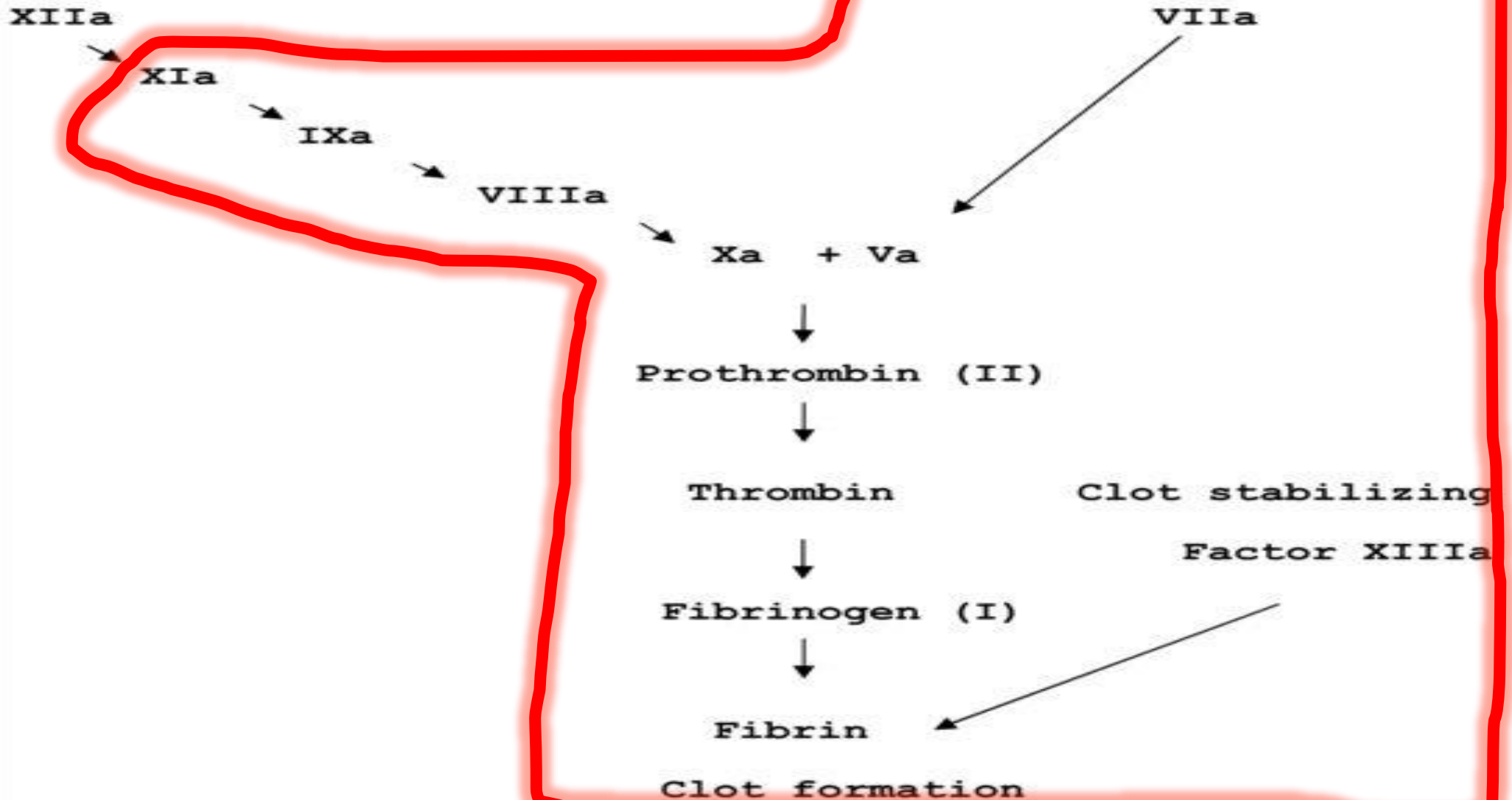
Clot formation

Extrinsic Pathway (EP)

VIIa

Clot stabilizing

Factor XIIIa



INITIATION PHASE:

Tissue factor + VIIa

IX → IXa

X → Xa

V → Va

II → IIa (thrombin)

AMPLIFICATION PHASE:

FvW + VIII → VIIIa

V → Va

XI → XIa

PROPAGATION PHASE:

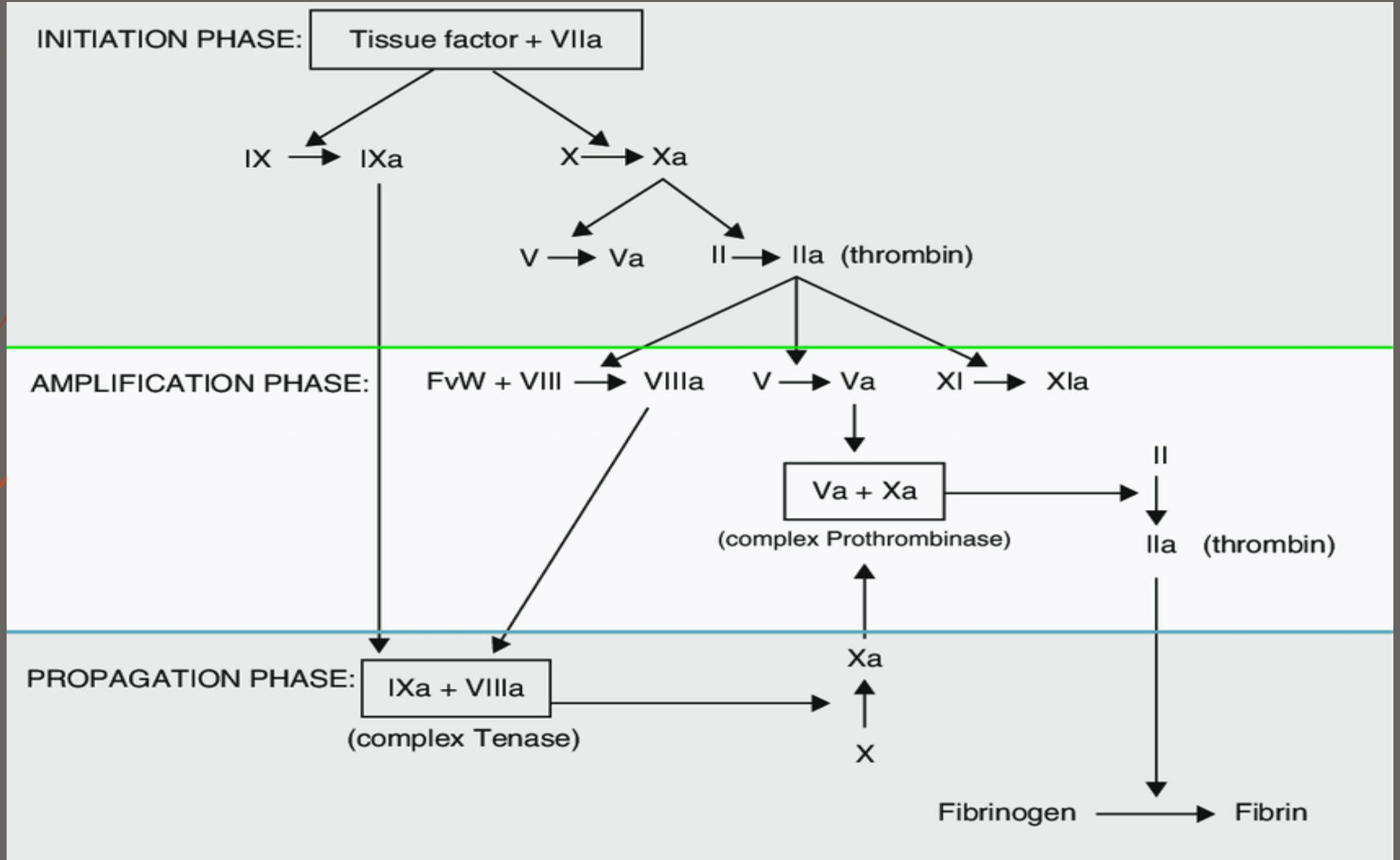
IXa + VIIIa

(complex Tenase)

Va + Xa
(complex Prothrombinase)

II → IIa (thrombin)

Fibrinogen → Fibrin



Congenital

- **Factor VIII deficiency (Hemophilia A)**
- **Factor IX deficiency (Hemophilia B)**
- **Rare factor deficiency:**
 - X
 - V
 - XIII
 - I
 - XII
 - VII
 - II

Acquired

- **Liver disease:**

- Reduced synthesis of procoagulant proteins (FII, FV, FVII, FIX, FX, and FXI)
- Fibrinogen levels are normal or increased, with acquired dysfibrinogenemia (50-75%)
- Natural anticoagulant protein levels fall (Antithrombin, protein C and protein S)
- Levels of plasminogen, α_2 antiplasmin, thrombin-activatable fibrinolysis inhibitor (TAFI), and FXIII levels are often reduced. (tPA are usually elevated)

- **Vitamin K deficiency:** Factors II, VII, IX, X, and protein C and protein S

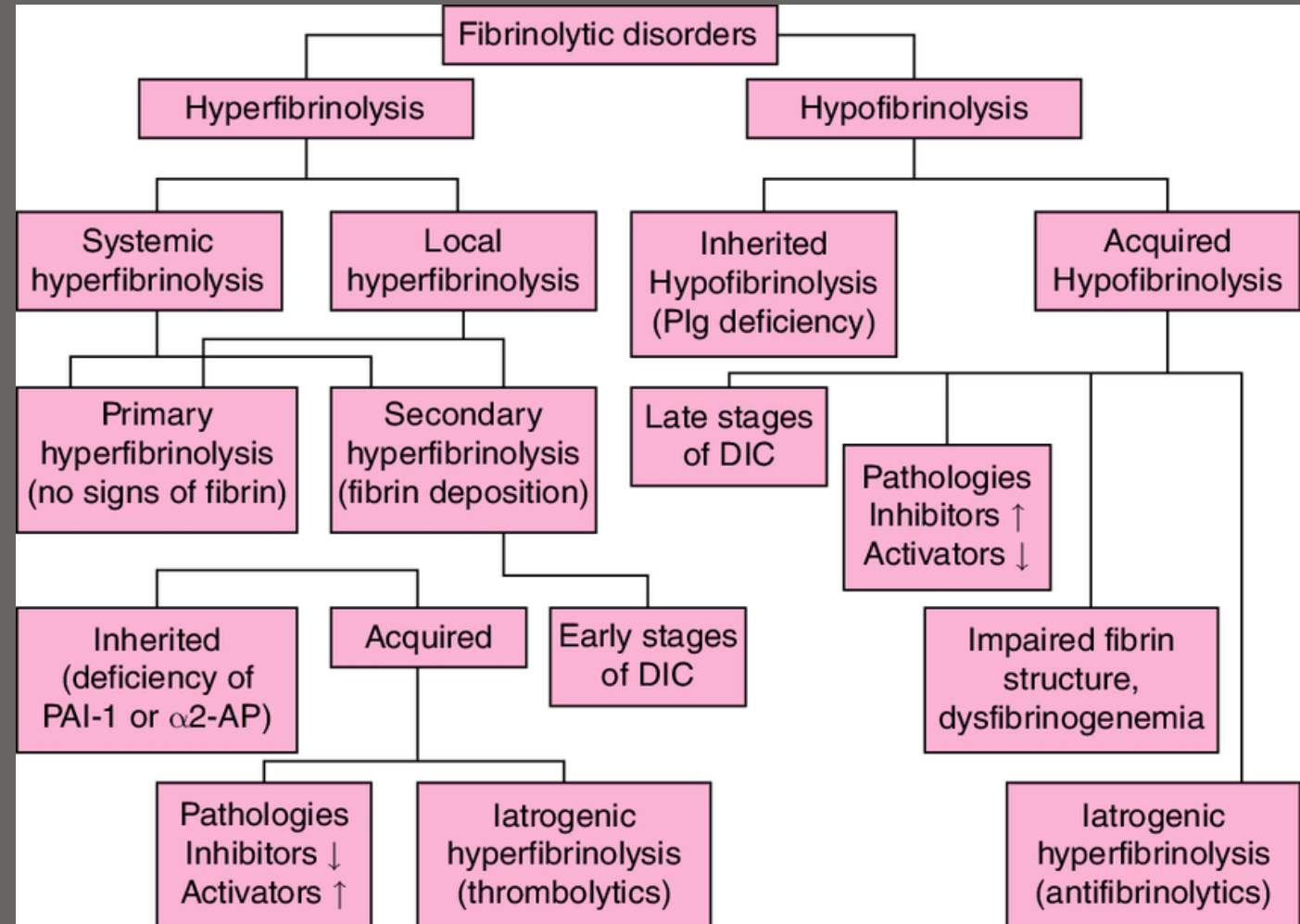
- **Anticoagulants**

- **Inhibitors:** Collagen vascular disease, Cancer

Fibrinolysis disorders

(Bleeding tendency or Thrombophilia)

- liver cirrhosis
- Amyloidosis
- Acute promyelocytic leukemia
- Solid tumors
- Certain snake envenomation syndromes

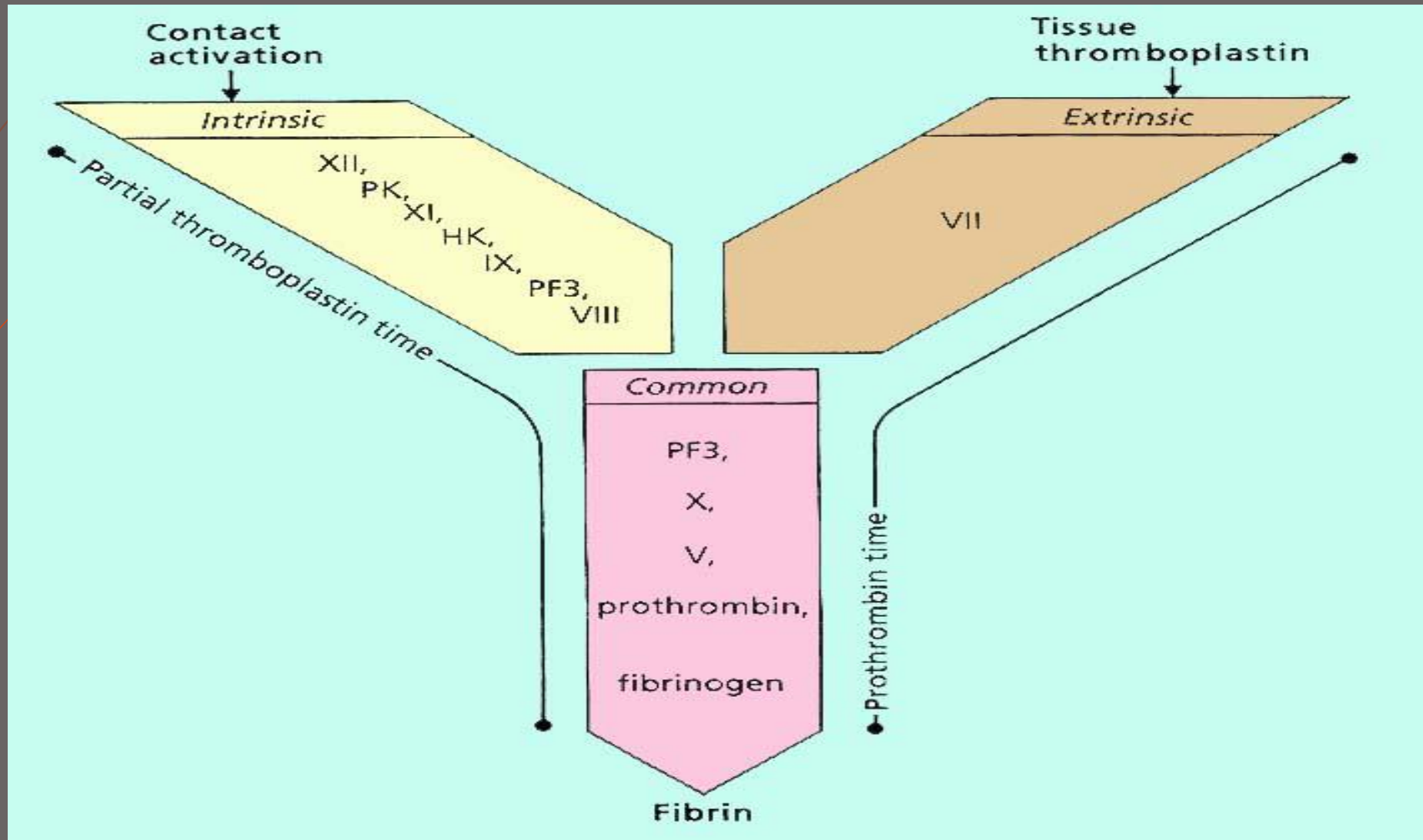




Clinical presentation

- **Bleeding from large vessels into joints (hemarthroses)**
 - **Bleeding from large vessels into muscles**
 - **Deep soft tissues bleeding (hematomas, large ecchymoses)**
 - **Onset - delayed after trauma**
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Screening Tests of Blood Coagulation

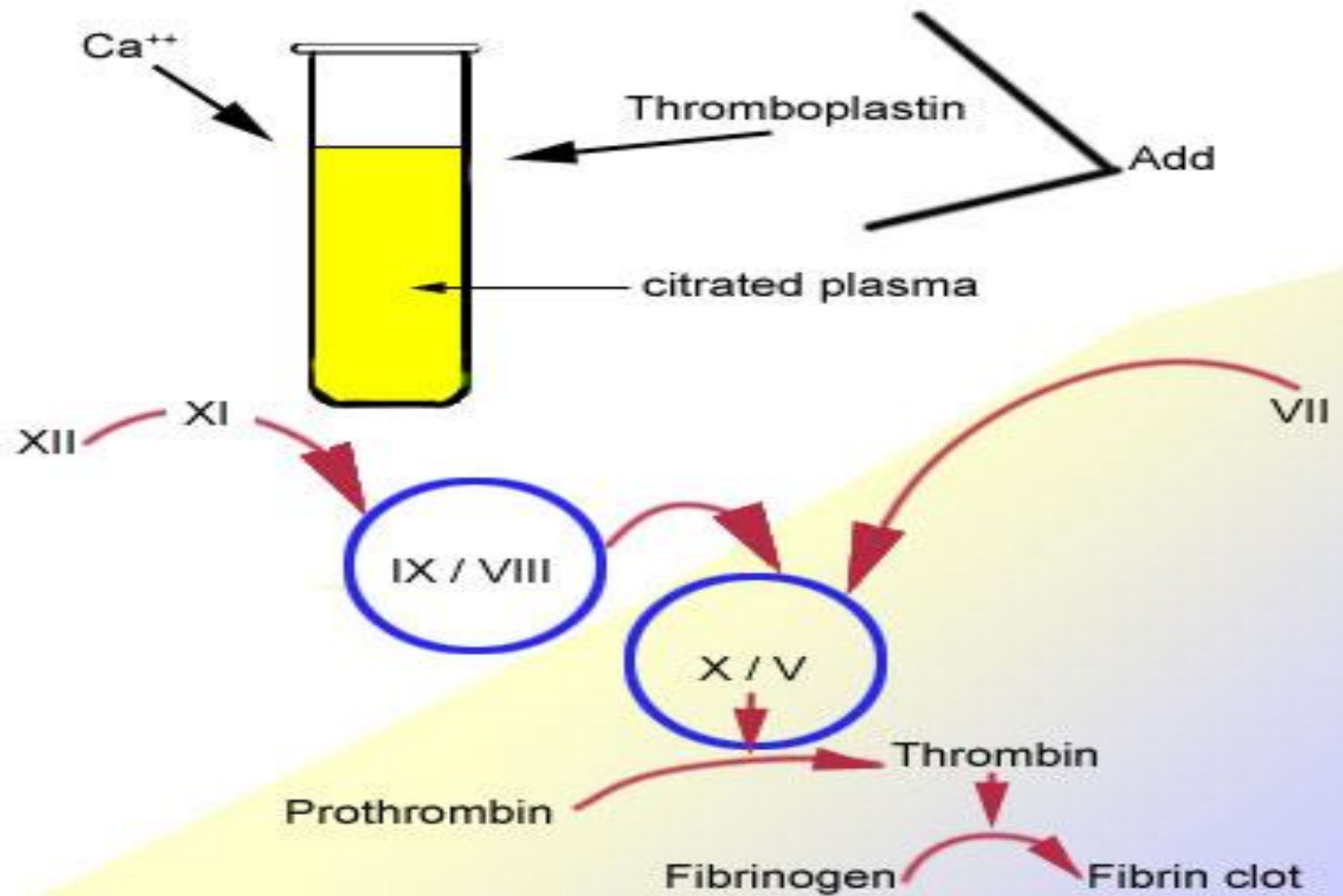


Laboratory findings

- **Normal bleeding time (BT) , Platelet count**
- **Prolonged prothrombin time (PT)**
- **Prolonged activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT)**
- **Mixing studies - normal plasma corrects PT or aPTT**
- **Prolonged Thrombin time (TT)**

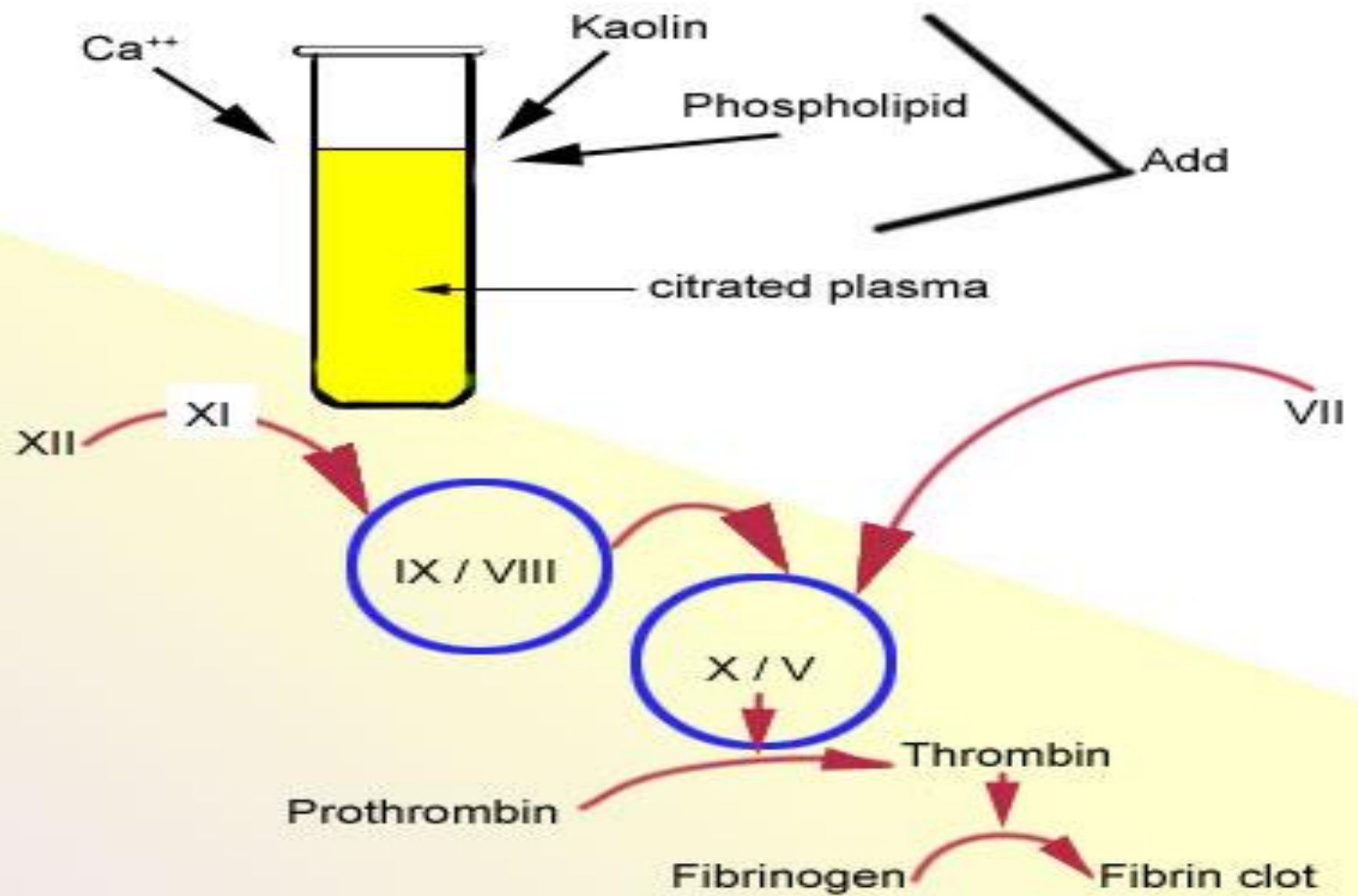
Laboratory findings

- **Prothrombin time (PT):**
- measures how long it takes blood to clot
- INR (international normalized ratio) stands for a way of standardizing the results
- normally takes about 25 to 30 seconds
- made longer by:
 - Blood-thinning medicine, such as warfarin.
 - Low levels, activity, absence of blood clotting factors.
 - Other substances, called inhibitors, that affect the clotting factors.
 - An increase in the use of the clotting factors (DIC)



Laboratory findings

- ▶ **activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT):**
- ▶ **investigate the cause of prolonged or excessive bleeding**
- ▶ **Normal results are typically 25 to 45 seconds**
- ▶ **prolonged PTT result may be due to:**
 - ▶ **deficiency of blood clotting factors (haemophilia A or B)**
 - ▶ **von Willebrand disease (a disorder that causes abnormal blood clotting)**
 - ▶ **disseminated intravascular coagulation**
 - ▶ **certain medications, such as the blood thinners heparin and warfarin**
 - ▶ **nutritional issues, such as vitamin K deficiency and malabsorption**
 - ▶ **antibodies including cardiolipin antibodies, lupus anticoagulants**
 - ▶ **leukemia**
 - ▶ **liver disease**



Laboratory findings

➤ **Mixing studies:**

- Used to investigate abnormal clotting time results
- Distinguish clotting time prolongation due to a coagulation factor deficiency or an inhibitor (specific or nonspecific)
- Direct further coagulation testing but it is not by itself diagnostic
- Mix patient plasma and normal pooled plasma and measure the clotting time that was initially prolonged



Laboratory findings

- ▶ **Thrombin Time**

- ▶ Assess the time that Thrombin convert Fibrinogen to an insoluble fibrin clot.

- ▶ Affected by

- ▶ Abnormal Fibrinogen level or dysfibrinogenemia

- ▶ Drug: Heparin or direct thrombin inhibitors



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graph TD; A[PT :normal; aPTT: prolong] --> B[Factor VIII, IX, XI, contact factor]; B --> C[Treatment]; C --> D[Factor replacement in factor VIII and IX deficiency]; D --> E[FFP in factor XI deficiency]; E --> F[No therapy for contact factor deficiency]; F --> G[DDX: Antiphospholipid Syndrome, Heparin effect];
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Factor replacement in factor VIII and IX deficiency

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PT: prolong ; aPTT :normal

Factor VII deficiency

**Therapy :Factor
replacement**

DDX: Warfarin effect

**PT and aPTT:
prolong**

**Factor V, X , I, II
deficiency**

Therapy:

FFP for factor V def.

Factor X concentrate
or PCC for factor X
def.

FFP or Fibrinogen
for factor I def.

PCC for factor II def.

**DDX: DIC, Liver disease, APLA
syndrome, Heparin toxicity,
Vit. K deficiency**



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graph LR; A[Factor XIII deficiency] --- B[PT and aPTT: normal but bleeding tendency]; A --- C[Therapy: FFP]; A --- D[Cryoprecipitate]; A --- E[Factor XIII concentrate];
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PT and aPTT: normal but bleeding tendency

Factor XIII deficiency

Therapy: FFP

Cryoprecipitate

Factor XIII concentrate



**PT and aPTT: normal but
bleeding tendency**

**Mild
Hemophilia A
and B**

**Mild VWF
deficiency**

**α 2- antiplasminogn
deficiency**

**Plasminogen
activator inhibitor
deficiency**

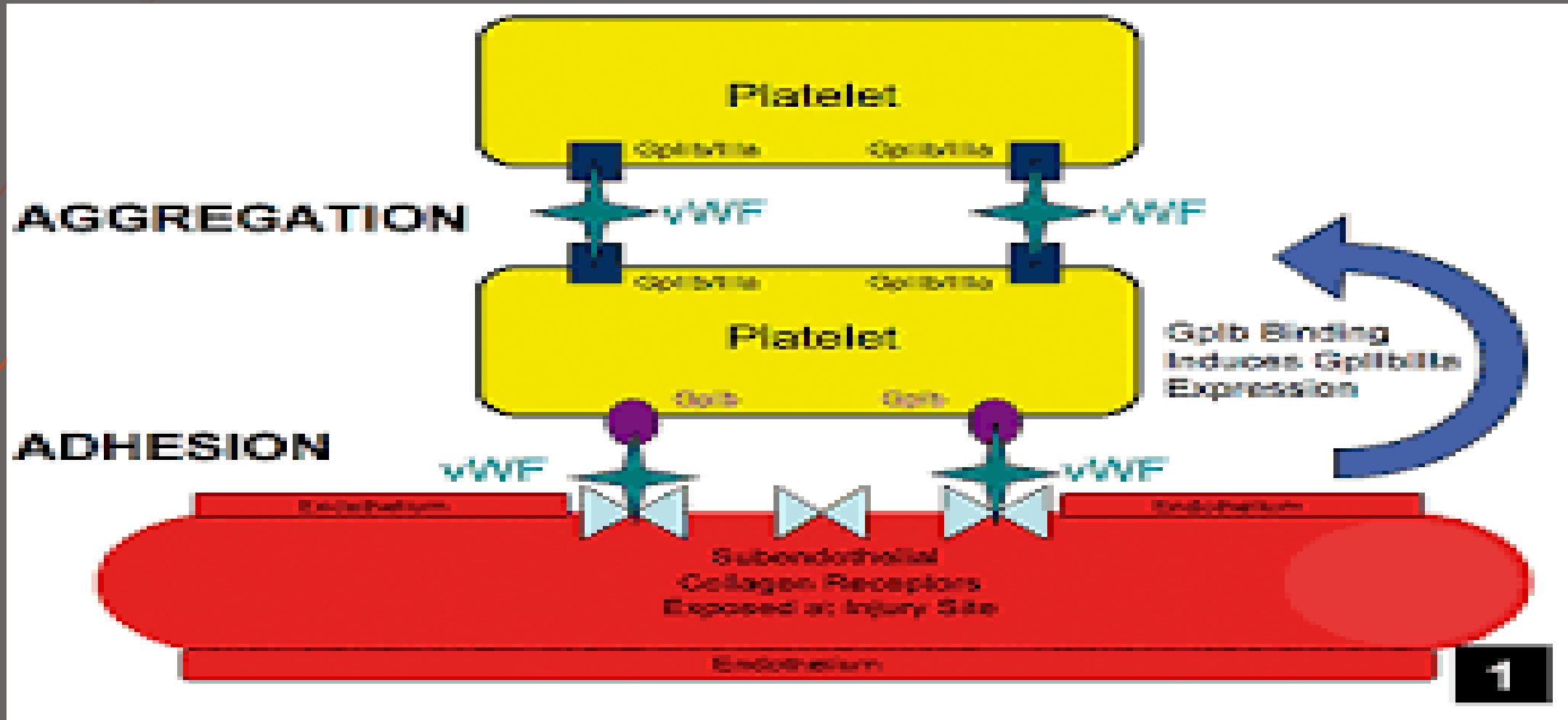


Combined Primary and Secondary
Haemostatic Disorders

Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation

**Thx: FFP, Cryoprecipitate, Fibrinogen
concentrate**

Von Willebrand's Disease



Von Willebrand's Disease

| Quantitative deficiency of VWF | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Type 1 | Partial quantitative deficiency of VWF |
| Type 3 | Virtually complete deficiency of VWF |
| Qualitative deficiency of VWF | |
| Type 2 | Qualitative deficiency of VWF |
| Type 2A | Qualitative variants with decreased platelet-dependent function associated with the absence of high and intermediate molecular weight VWF multimers |
| Type 2B | Qualitative variants with increased affinity for platelet GPIb |
| Type 2M | Qualitative variants with decreased platelet-dependent function not caused by the absence of high molecular weight VWF multimers |
| Type 2N | Qualitative variants with markedly decreased affinity for FVIII |
| Abbreviations: VWF, von Willebrand factor; GPIb, glycoprotein Ib; FVIII, factor VIII. | |

Von Willebrand's Disease

TYPE

1: Mild disease with mild symptom of bleeding tendency

3: Severe disease with severe symptom

2: Abnormal molecular structure moderate to severe presentation

Von Willebrand's Disease

Therapy

Type 1: DDAVP,
concentrate factor
(HUMATE-P, Wilate)

Type 2:
VWF
concentrate
Or DDAVP

Type 3:
VWF
concentrate

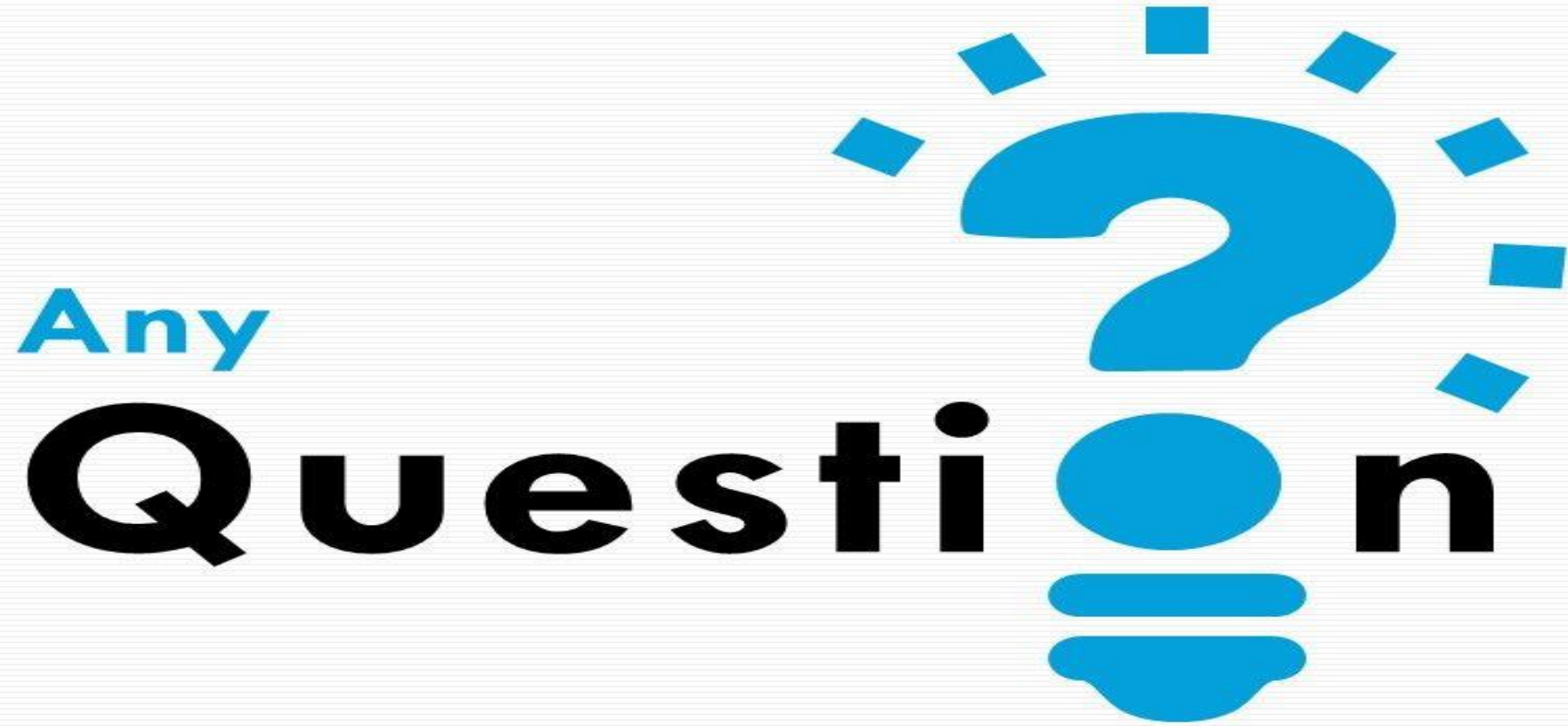
Von Willebrand's Disease

DDAVP

(Desmopressin)

- Vasopressin analog; stimulates VWF release from endothelium
- Intravenous administration (0.3 mcg/kg); intranasal (Stimate)
- Increased plasma VWF levels for 18-24 hours, enhanced platelet adhesiveness
- Effective in
 - Type I von Willebrand disease
 - Mild hemophilia A (some cases)
 - Other disorders of primary hemostasis (variable efficacy)
 - Reducing surgical blood loss (conflicting data)
- Can give q 24 hours with little tachyphylaxis
- Few side effects in adults (flushing, occasional hyponatremia, rare thromboembolism)

HUMATE-P®
Antihemophilic Factor/von Willebrand
Factor Complex (Human)



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