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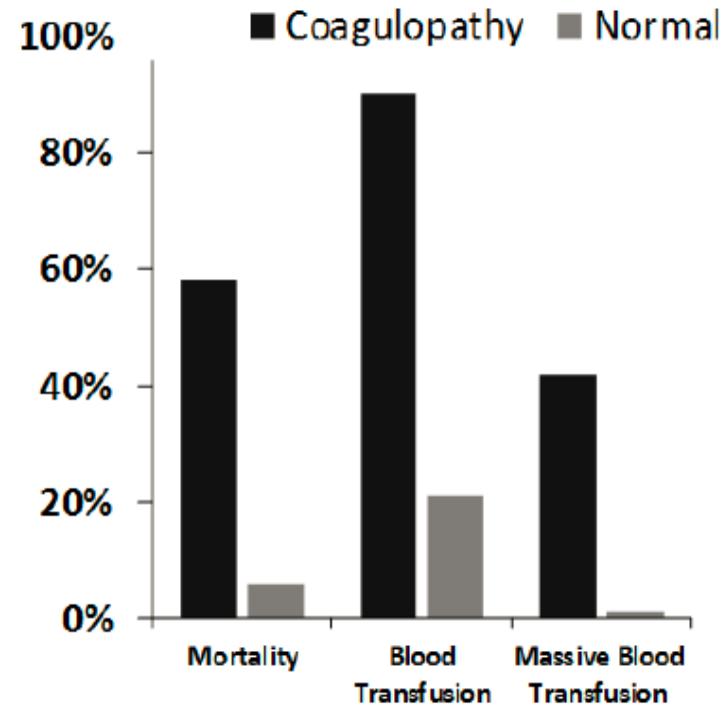
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# Coagulopathy and bleeding



# Pathophysiology

**Coagulopathy related to Trauma/Shock - Acute Traumatic Coagulopathy**

**Coagulopathy secondary to dilution with crystalloids and colloids**

**Coagulopathy secondary to haemotherapy**

**Coagulopathy secondary to consumption (injury, DIC etc.)**

**Coagulopathy due to hypothermia and metabolic acidosis**

**Coagulopathy due to ischemia-reperfusion injury**

**Coagulopathy due to antithrombotics**

Hardy J-F et al. Can J Anesth 2004

Brohi K et al. Curr Opinion of Crit Care. 2007

Surgical?

Dilution?

Sever

Consumpt

Coagulopathy?

Platelet(dys)function?

olysis?

otics?

losis?

Dysfibrinogenaemi?

Hypothermia?

# Cascade model of coagulation

- PT was introduced in 1940s to evaluate the effect of dicumarins

Shapiro et al. Ann Surg. 1940

- APTT was introduced in 1960s with the purpose of reflecting the effects of anticoagulants

Proctor et al. Am J Clin Path 1961

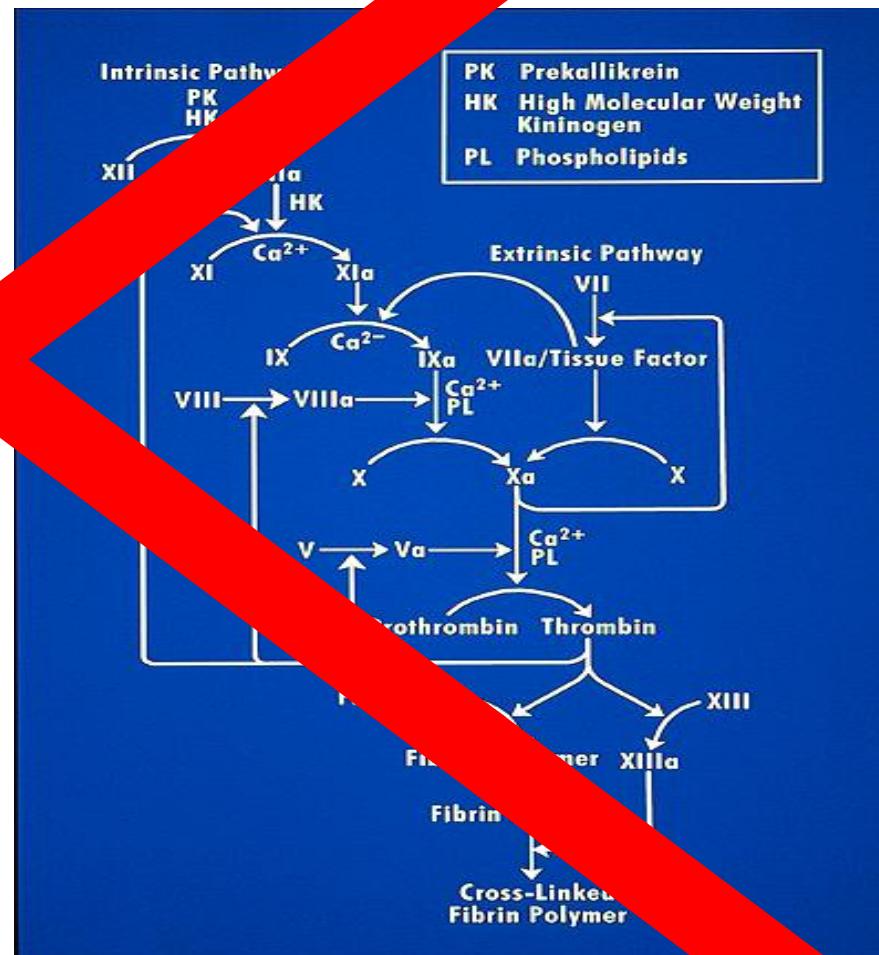
- These assays determine how long plasma coagulates in a sample

- Platelet count does not reflect functional platelets

Agarwal et al. Anesthesiology 2006

Sugerman et al. Platelets 2006

Thrombolysis?



MacFarlane RG. Nature 1957

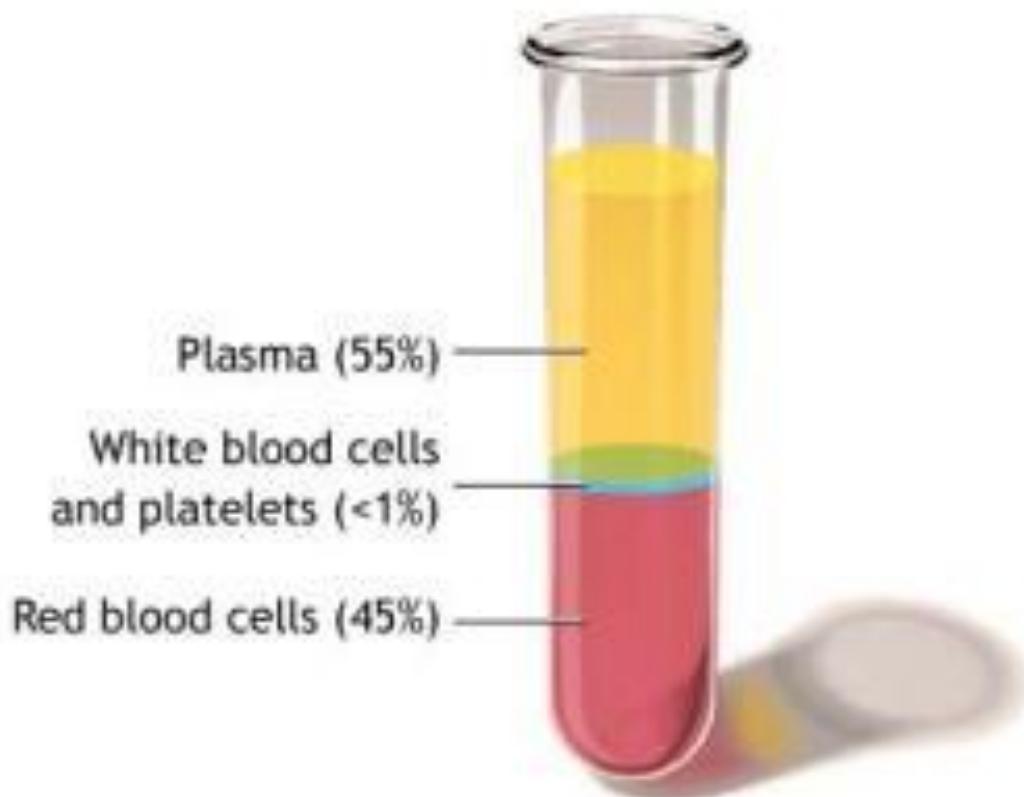
# Plasma-based tests?

INR/PT

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PATHWAY

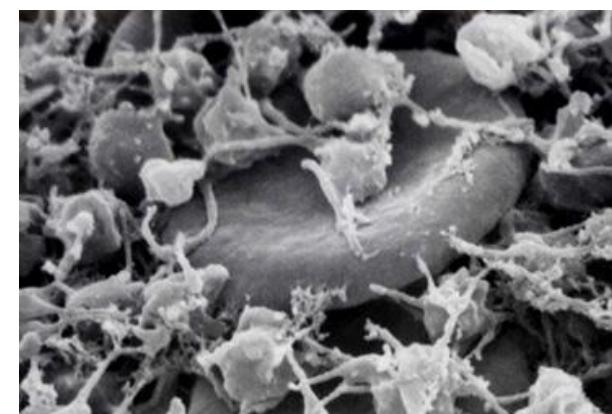
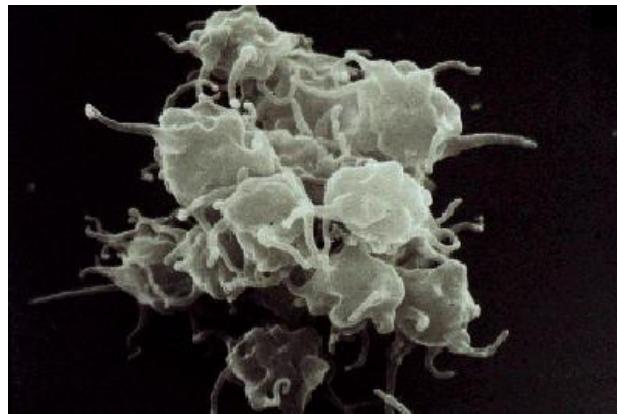
INTRINSIC  
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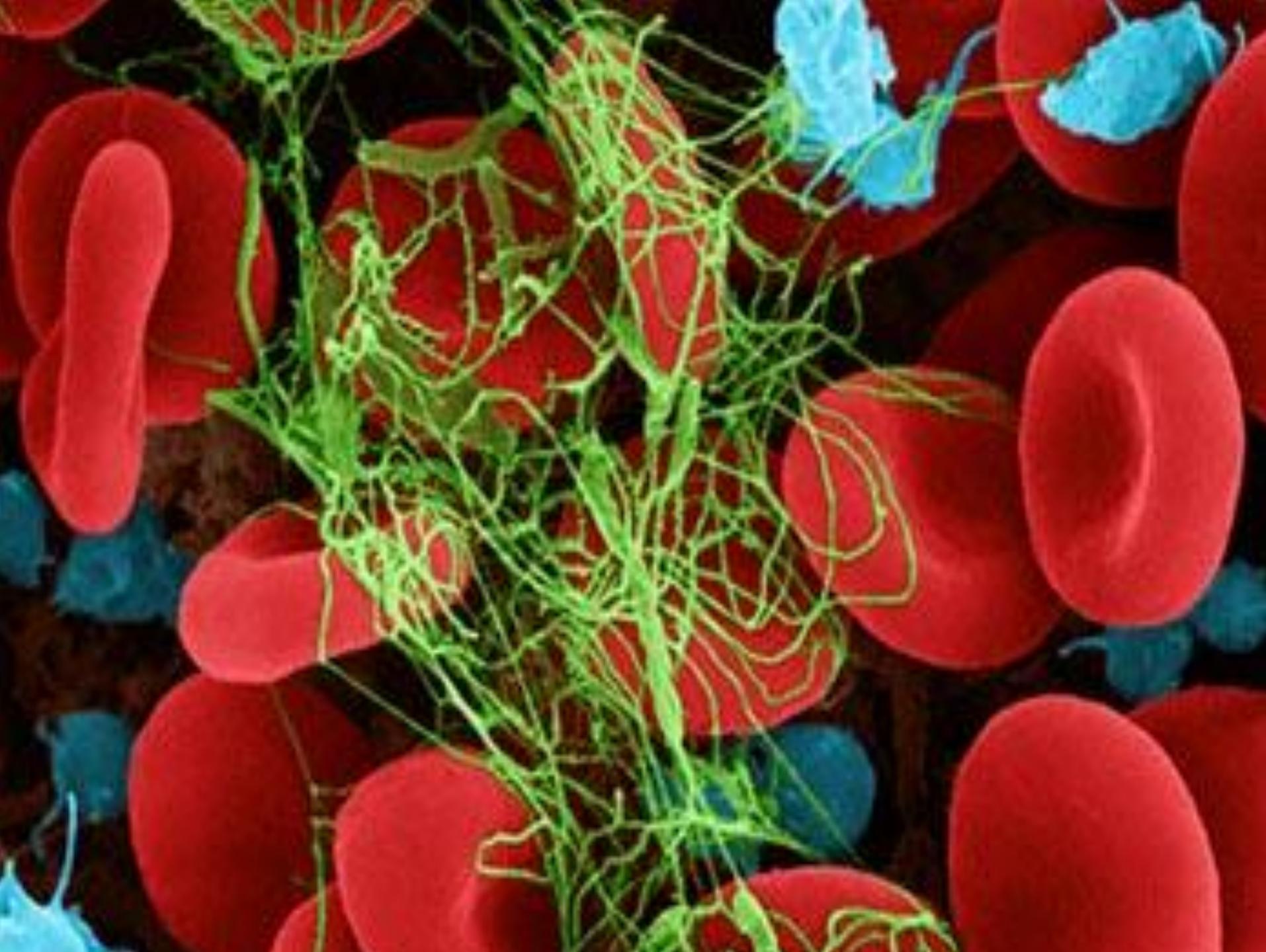


...developed to monitor heparin and vitamin K antagonists...

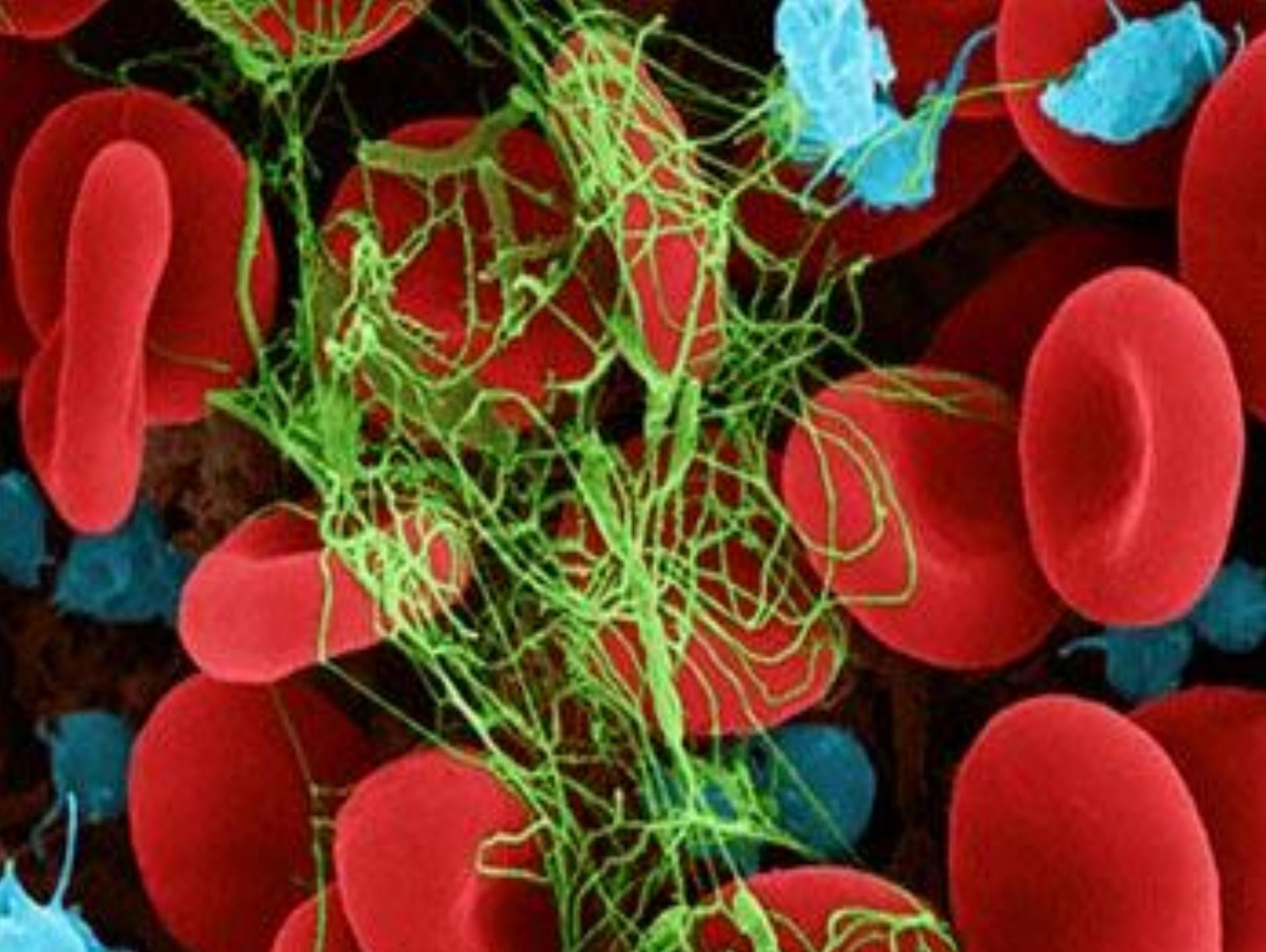
# Platelet count?



...doesn't reflect platelet function!



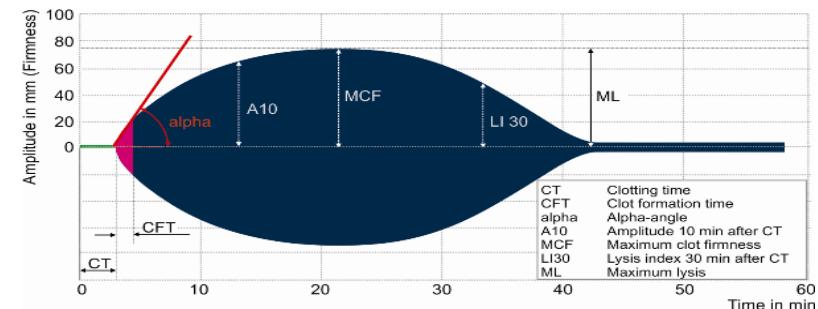
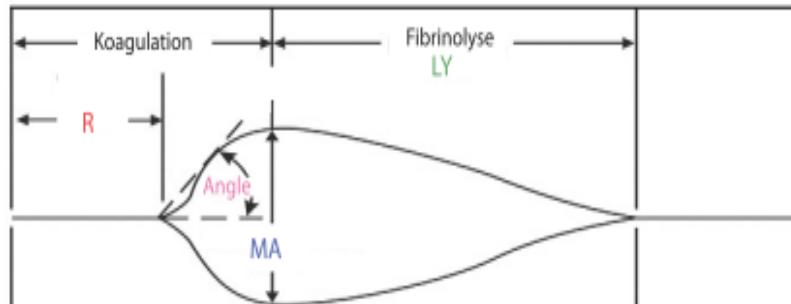
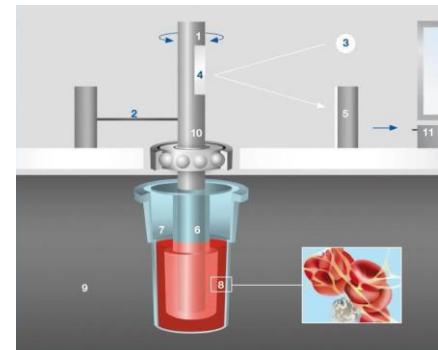
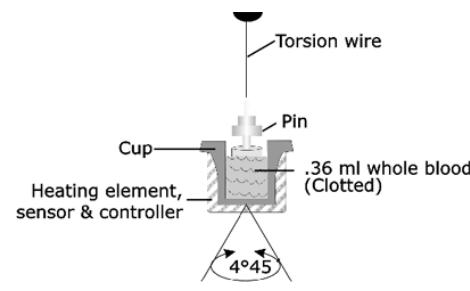




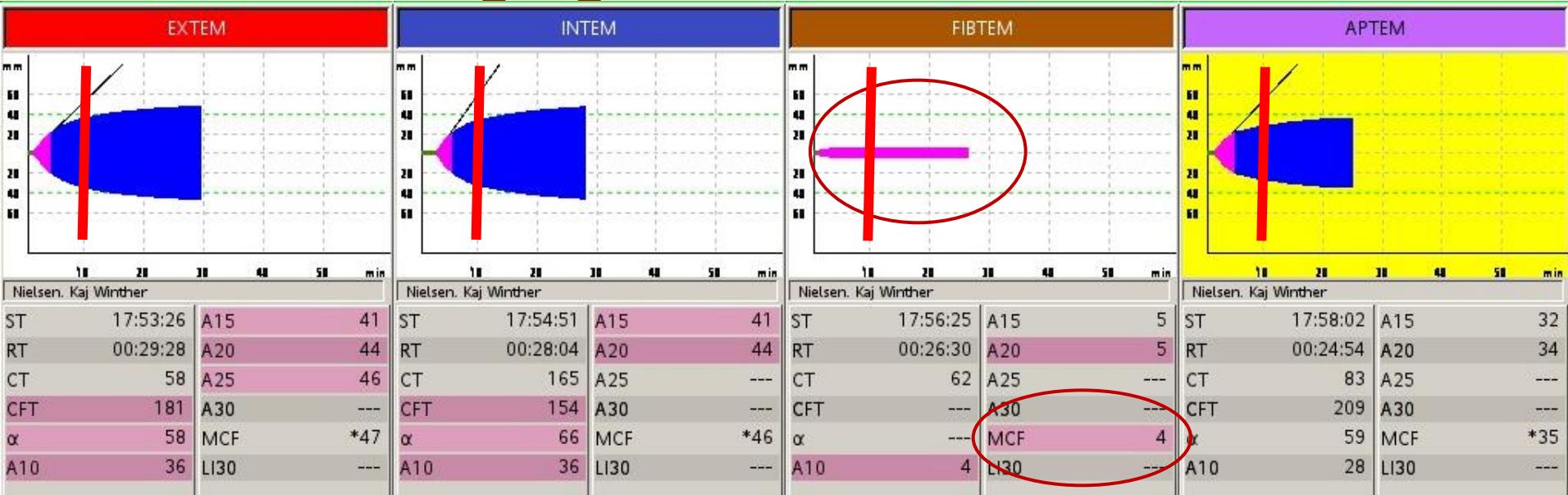
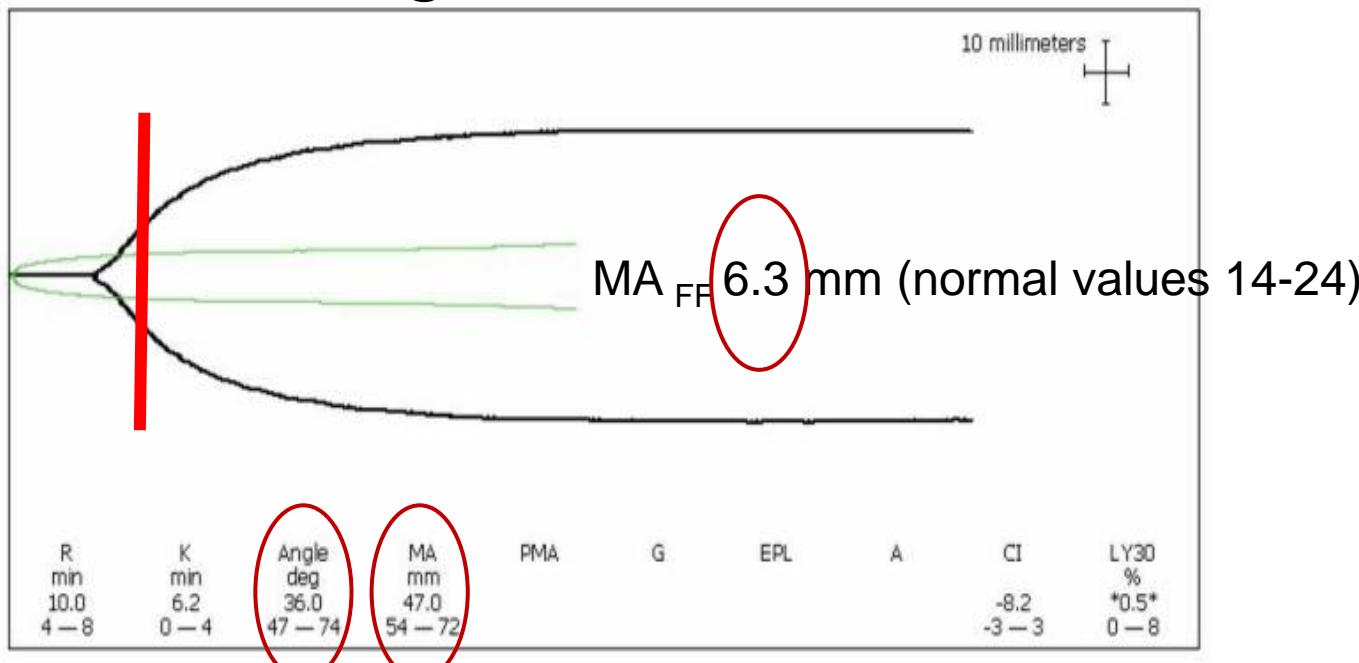
# Viscoelastic Hemostatic Assays (VHA)

TEG®/ROTEM®

- Whole blood analysis
- Measures the viscoelsatrical properties of the clot
- Multiple endpoints reflecting clot formation, strength & degradation
- Real-time (15 min.)



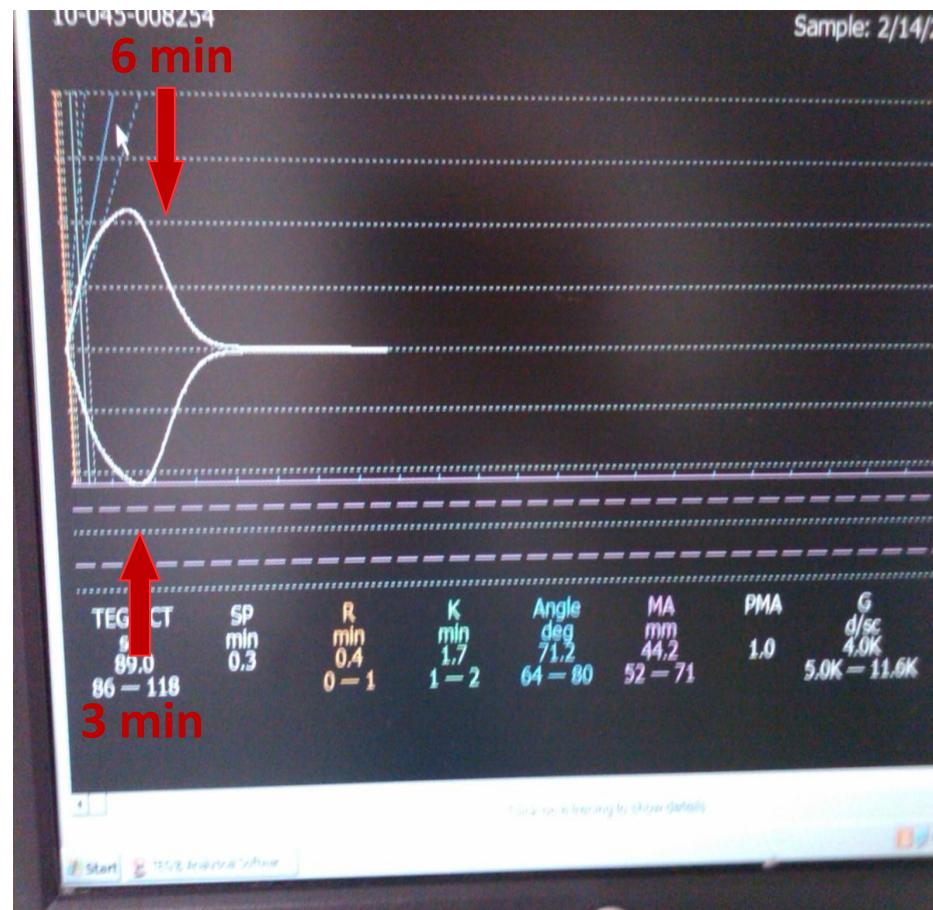
# Functional Fibrinogen TEG® / FIBTEM ROTEM®



# RapidTEG®

Patient arrives at 6.02

TEG result finished 6.09



# Treatment algorithm

**Table 1.** TEG and ROTEM treatment algorithm for bleeding patients as used in Copenhagen, and adopted across Denmark according to the Danish Society of Blood Banking/Clinical Immunology

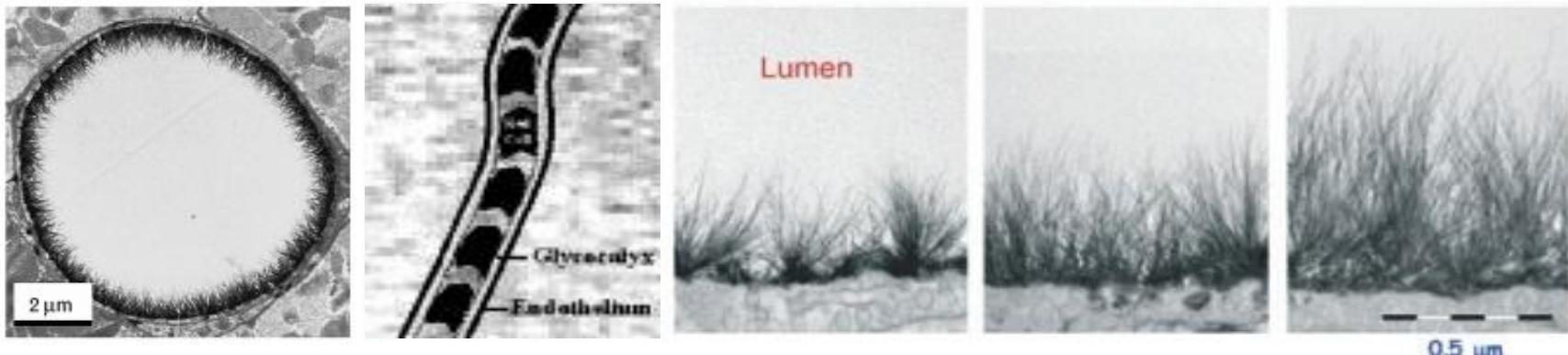
TEG	ROTEM	Coagulopathy	Treatment options
R 10–14 min	ExTEM CT 80–100 s InTEM CT 200–240 s	Coagulation factors ↓	FFP 20 ml/kg
R >14 min	ExTEM CT >100 s InTEM CT >240 s	Coagulation factors ↓↓	FFP 30 ml/kg
FF <sub>MA</sub> 7–14 mm	FibTEM MCF 6–9 mm	Fibrinogen ↓	FFP 20 ml/kg or cryoprecipitate 5 ml/kg or fibrinogen concentrate 20 mg/kg
FF <sub>MA</sub> 0–7 mm	FibTEM MCF 0–6 mm	Fibrinogen ↓↓	FFP 30 ml/kg or cryoprecipitate 5 ml/kg or fibrinogen concentrate 30 mg/kg
MA 45–49 mm and FF <sub>MA</sub> >14 mm	ExTEM A <sub>10</sub> 35–42 mm and FibTEM ≥10 mm ExTEM MCF <50 mm and FibTEM >10 mm	Platelets ↓	Platelets 5 ml/kg
MA <45 mm and FF <sub>MA</sub> >14 mm	ExTEM A <sub>10</sub> <35 mm and FibTEM ≥10 mm	Platelets ↓↓	Platelets 10 ml/kg
Ly30 >8%	ExTEM Li30 <94%	Hyperfibrinolysis	TXA 1–2 g IV or 10–20 mg/kg
Difference in R Hep TEG vs. standard TEG R >2 min	InTEM CT/HepTEM CT >1.25	Heparinazation	Protamine 50–100 mg or FFP 10–20 ml/kg

Stensballe et al. Curr Opin Anesthesiol 2014

If treatment failure – call **Bloodbank**

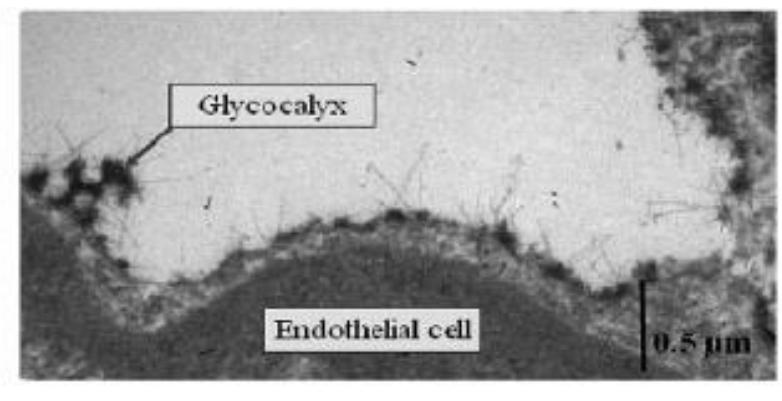
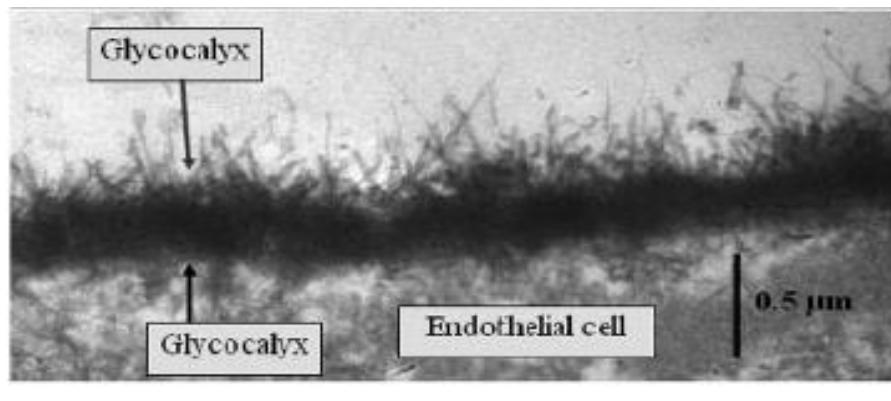
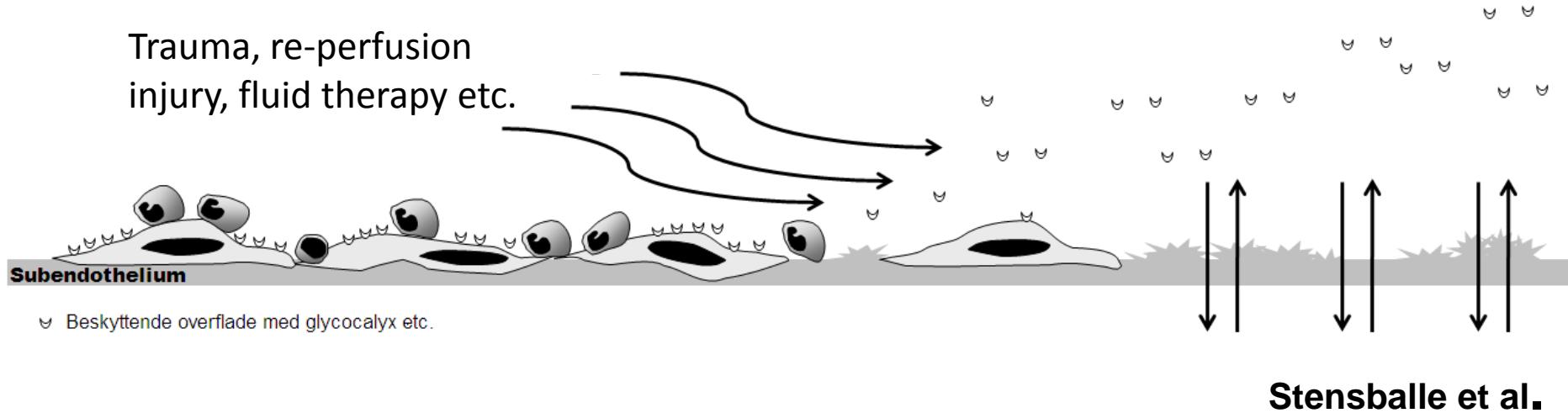
# Vascular endothelium

- **Endothelial cells:** A single layer of cells lining the blood vessels, covering a surface area of 4-7,000 m<sup>2</sup> with a total weight of 1 kilogram
- **Glycocalyx:** 0.2-1 µm endothelial surface layer comprising glycoproteins, heparin-like substances and plasma constituents
- Contains a fixed non-circulating plasma volume of 0.7-1.0 L (25-30% of plasma volume) in dynamic equilibrium with the circulating plasma



# Vascular endothelium

Trauma, re-perfusion  
injury, fluid therapy etc.





# The Copenhagen Concept

## Blood Bank Services

### Services since 2004

- Live monitoring
- Thrombelastograph (TEG®)
- TEG Specialist Guidance – 24/7

### New "products" since 2004

- Cryoprecipitate
- Thawed FFP, Liquid plasma
- Acute Transfusion Package  
(5 RBC; 5 FFP, 2 PC)
- PCC (Octaplex®)
- NovoSeven-package
- Fibrinogen
- DDAVP



Johansson, Stensballe et al. Transfusion 2007

# Life-threatening bleeding

1 · 1 · 1  
3:3:1 → 4:4:1



# FFP:RBC ratio...?

- Cinat et al. (1999) reporterede FFP:SAG M ratio

**Non-survivors 1:2.5**

**Survivors 1:1.8**

- Maegele et al. (2007) fandt

Lav FFP:SAG M ratio ~ mortalitet **45 %**

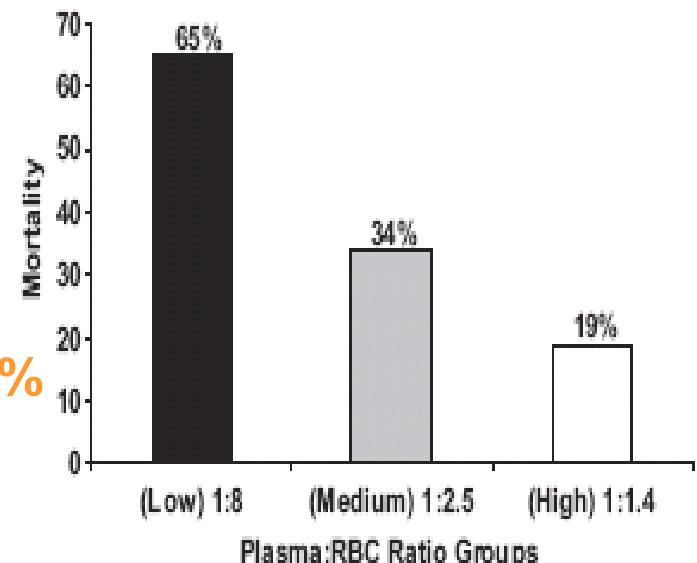
Medium FFP:SAG M (1:1,4) ~ mortalitet **35 %**

Høj FFP:SAG M (1:1) ~ mortalitet **24%**

- Johansson og Stensballe (2009)

**Non-survivors FFP:SAG M ratio 1:1.6**

**Survivors FFP:SAG M ratio of 1:1.2**



*Fig. 1. Percentage mortality associated with low, medium, and high plasma to RBC ratios transfused at admission. Ratios are median ratios per group and include units of fresh whole blood counted both as plasma and RBCs.*

Borgman et al. J Trauma 2007

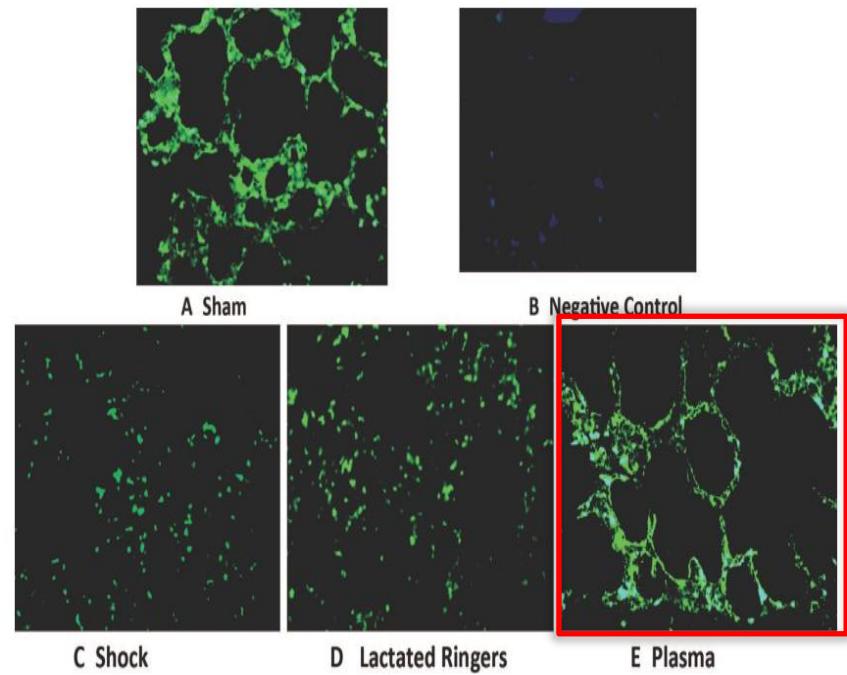
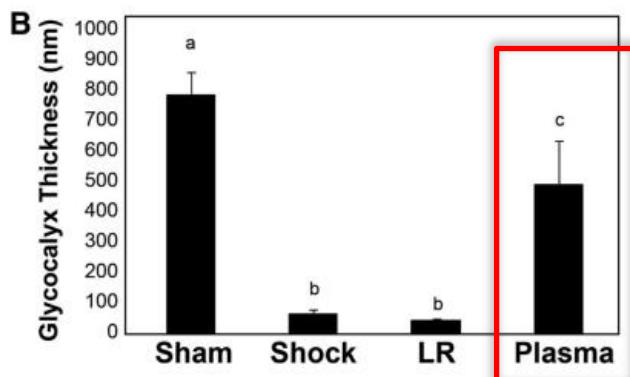
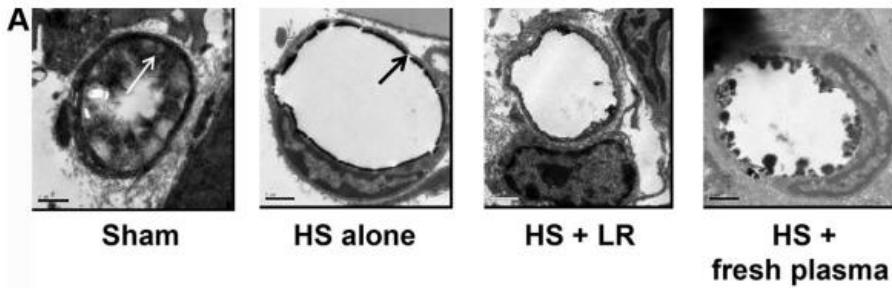
# Proof-of-concept → Therapy?

## Plasma Restoration of Endothelial Glycocalyx in a Rodent Model of Hemorrhagic Shock

Rosemary A. Kozar, MD, PhD,\* Zhanglong Peng, MD, PhD,\* Rongzhen Zhang, MD, PhD,\*  
John B. Holcomb, MD,\* Shibani Pati, MD, PhD,\* Pyong Park, PhD,† Tien C. Ko, MD,\* and  
Angel Paredes, PhD\*

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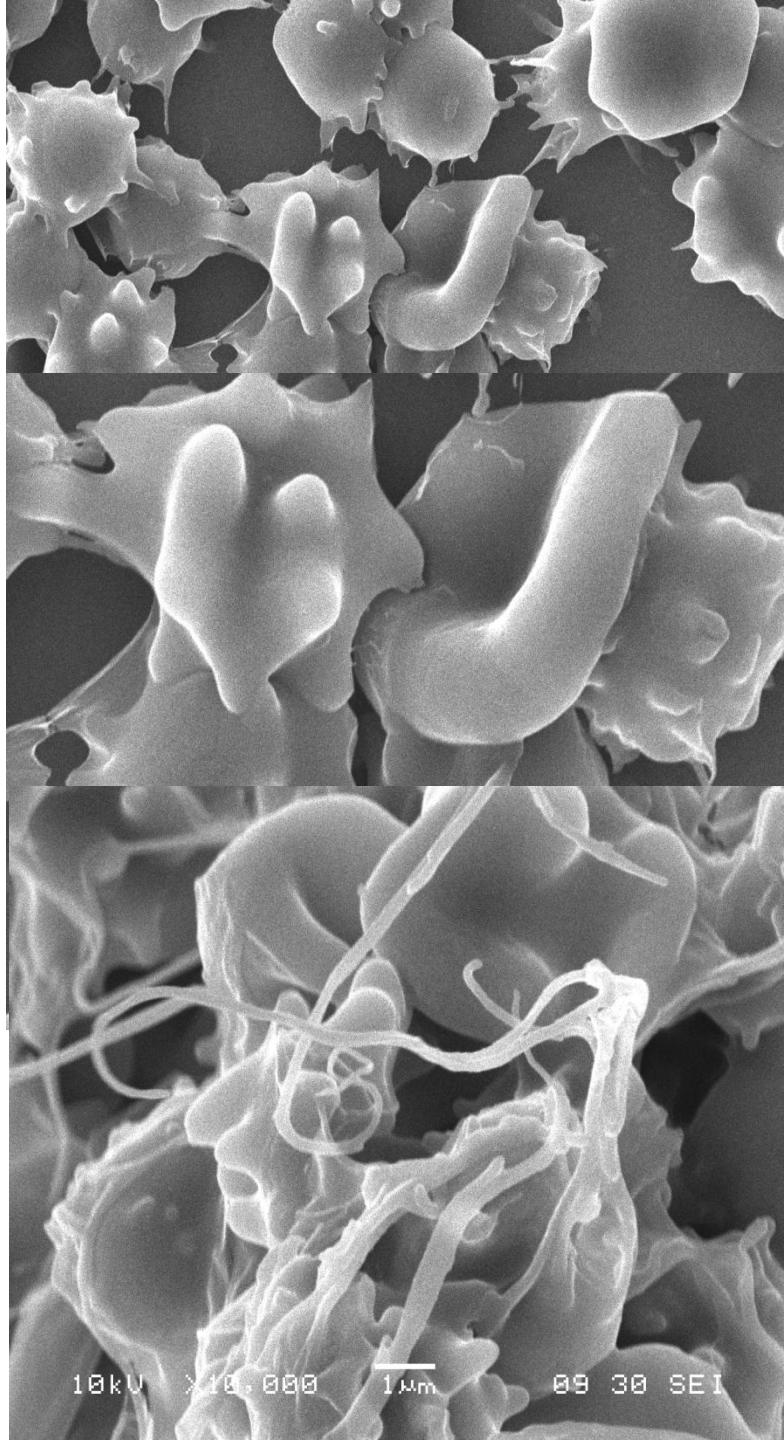
[www.anesthesia-analgesia.org](http://www.anesthesia-analgesia.org)



# Platelets...?

**Platelets are crucial for intact haemostasis**

- 1. Participate in clot building**
  
- 2. Thrombin burst occurs on the activated platelet**



**Table 4** Multivariate logistic regression analysis of risk factors for 30-day mortality in 832 patients receiving more than 10 RBCs within 24 h

Variable	Death within 30-days ( <i>n</i> = 213)	
	Odds ratio (95% CI)	<i>P</i>
Platelet count 24 h after first transfusion (increase $1 \times 10^9/l$ )	0·99 (0·989 to 0·998)	0·008
Period 2002–2003 vs. 2005–2006	1·6 (1·05 to 2·4)	0·0288
RBC transfusion in 24 h (increase 1 unit)	1·05 (1·03 to 1·08)	< 0·0001
Age (increase 1 year)	1·05 (1·0 to 1·1)	< 0·0001
Cause of surgery		0·0151
Trauma vs. abdominal-vascular surgery	1·4 (0·72 to 2·9)	
Orthopaedic vs. abdominal-vascular surgery	0·15 (0·04 to 0·67)	
Miscellaneous vs. abdominal-vascular surgery	1·9 (0·78 to 4·6)	
Cardiothoracic vs. abdominal-vascular surgery	1·2 (0·72 to 2·0)	
Burn vs. abdominal-vascular surgery	5·0 (1·3 to 20·0)	
Not admitted to the intensive care unit	0·36 (0·16 to 0·82)	0·0151
Time from first transfusion to blood sample (increase 1 h)	0·97 (0·93 to 1·01)	0·0787
Time from blood sample to first transfusion (increase 1 h)	1·02 (0·99 to 1·05)	0·16
Male gender	1·1 (0·7 to 1·7)	0·69
Platelet count prior to first transfusion (increase $1 \times 10^9/l$ )	0·99 (0·99 to 1·01)	0·59

CI, confidence interval.

Transfusion of fresh frozen plasma and platelets concentrates within 24 h was removed from the model because of suspected collinearity with red blood cell transfusion within 24 h (variance proportion > 0·5 and condition index > 10). (Further data are available on request).

All odds ratios were mutually adjusted for the other variables. Hosmer and Lemeshow goodness-of-fit test, *P* = 0·7381.

# The Prospective, Observational, Multicenter, Major Trauma Transfusion (PROMMTT) Study

Arch Surg. Published online October 15, 2012.

## Comparative Effectiveness of a Time-Varying Treatment With Competing Risks

John B. Holcomb, MD; Deborah J. del Junco, PhD; Erin E. Fox, PhD; Charles E. Wade, PhD; Mitchell J. Cohen, MD; Martin A. Schreiber, MD; Louis H. Alarcon, MD; Yu Bai, MD, PhD; Karen J. Brasel, MD, MPH; Eileen M. Bulger, MD; Bryan A. Cotton, MD, MPH; Nena Matijevic, PhD; Peter Muskat, MD; John G. Myers, MD; Herb A. Phelan, MD, MSCS; Christopher E. White, MD; Jiajie Zhang, PhD; Mohammad H. Rahbar, PhD; for the PROMMTT Study Group

Characteristic	Categorical Transfusion Ratio Variables					
	Continuous Transfusion Ratio Variables		HR	Moderate, $\geq 1:2$ to $<1:1$		HR
	HR (95% CI)	P Value		HR	P Value	
<b>Minute 31 to Hour 6 After ED Admission (n = 876)<sup>a</sup></b>						
Early initial and time-varying plasma:RBC ratios	0.31 (0.16-0.58)	<.001	1 [Reference]	0.42	<.001	0.23
Early initial and time-varying platelet:RBC ratios	0.55 (0.31-0.98)	.04	1 [Reference]	0.66	.16	0.37
Sum of blood product transfusions	1.05 (1.04-1.06)	<.001	b			
Age	1.01 (1.00-1.02)	.03				
Injury Severity Score	1.02 (1.01-1.04)	.001				
Time interval at cohort entry	0.73 (0.63-0.86)	<.001				
Bleeding from head	3.73 (2.15-6.45)	<.001				
Bleeding from chest	1.52 (0.96-2.39)	.07				
Bleeding from limb	0.54 (0.32-0.89)	.02				
<b>Hour &gt;6 to Hour 24 After ED Admission (n = 809)<sup>c</sup></b>						
6-h cumulative plasma:RBC ratio	0.34 (0.14-0.81)	.02	1 [Reference]	0.79	.63	0.55
6-h cumulative platelet:RBC ratio	0.81 (0.46-1.43)	.46	1 [Reference]	0.79	.56	0.49
Sum of blood product transfusions at hour 6	1.04 (1.03-1.05)	<.001	b			
Age	1.01 (0.99-1.03)	.36				
Injury Severity Score	1.02 (0.99-1.04)	.11				
Time interval at cohort entry	0.84 (0.72-0.98)	.03				
Bleeding from head	8.46 (3.82-18.7)	<.001				
Bleeding from chest	0.87 (0.39-1.97)	.74				
Bleeding from limb	0.96 (0.48-1.92)	.90				
<b>Hour &gt;24 to Day 30 After ED Admission (n = 773)<sup>d</sup></b>						
24-h cumulative plasma:RBC ratio	1.21 (0.90-1.61)	.20	1 [Reference]	1.41	.33	1.47
24-h cumulative platelet:RBC ratio	0.78 (0.57-1.06)	.11	1 [Reference]	1.23	.46	0.69
Sum of blood product transfusions at hour 24	1.02 (1.01-1.03)	<.001	b			
Age	1.03 (1.02-1.04)	<.001				
Injury Severity Score	1.04 (1.02-1.05)	<.001				
Time interval at cohort entry	0.98 (0.91-1.06)	.63				
Bleeding from head	5.96 (3.59-9.90)	<.001				
Bleeding from chest	0.45 (0.23-0.90)	.02				
Bleeding from limb	1.22 (0.76-1.96)	.41				

# PROPPR

Lead by prof J.B. Holcomb, Houston, USA



Pragmatic Randomized Optimal Platelet and Plasma Ratios



PROPPR finalized dec. 2013

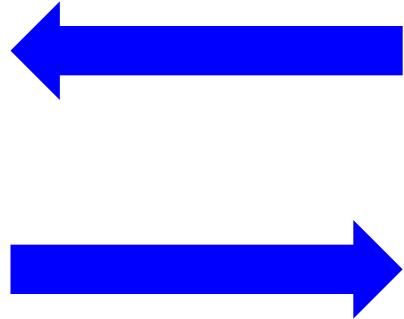
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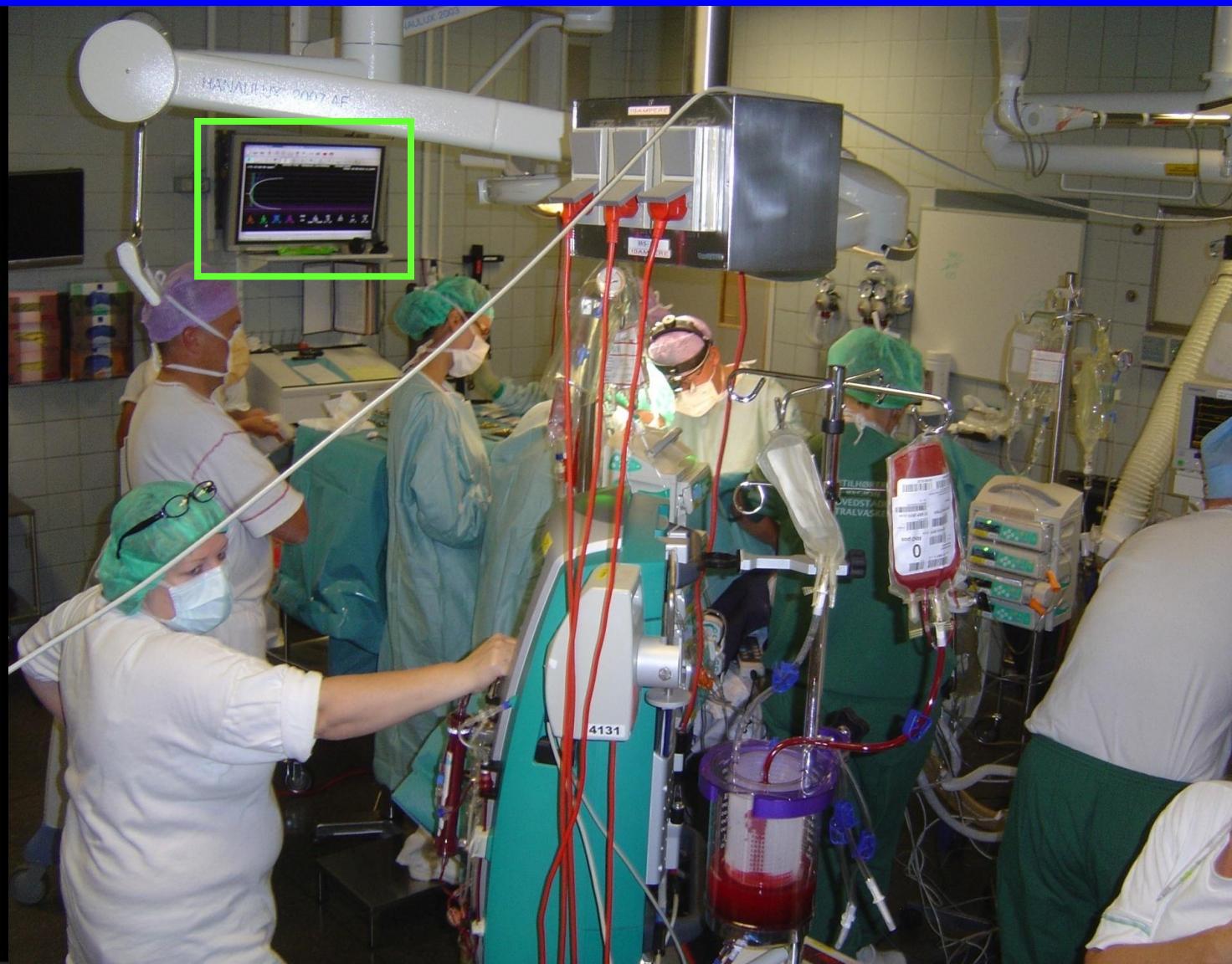
## Beyond Clotting: The Powers of Platelets

Platelets are known for thwarting blood loss, but new research shows these simplified cells defend against microbes and perform other duties—and they're also drug targets in sepsis and other conditions

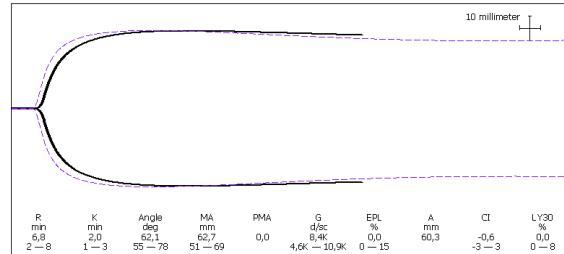
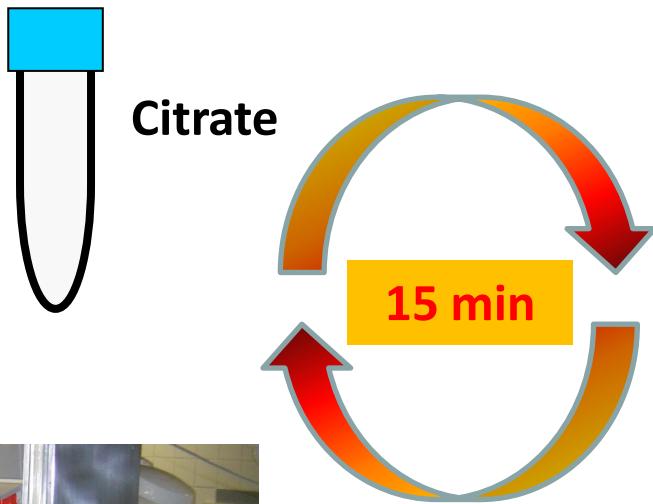
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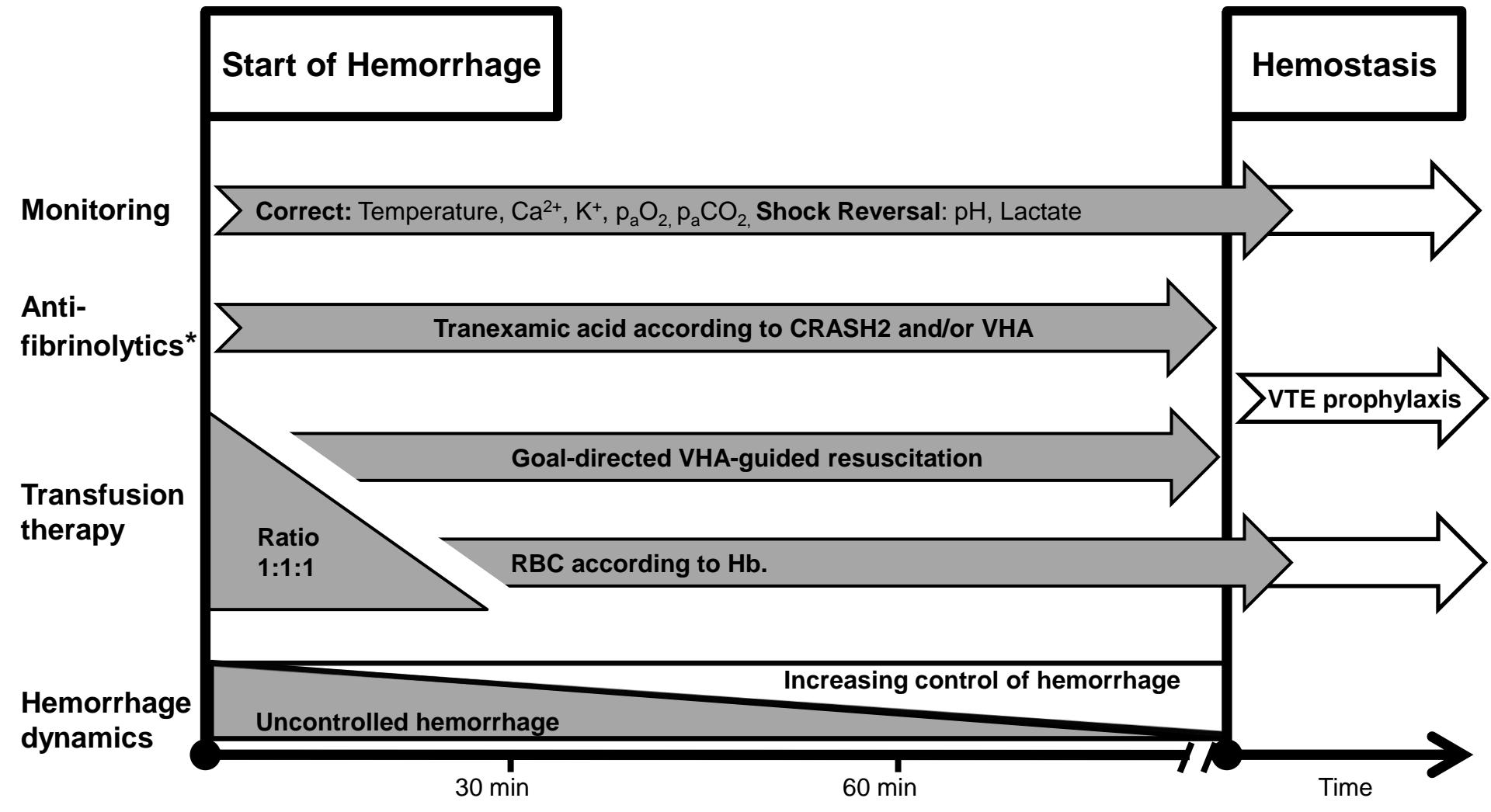
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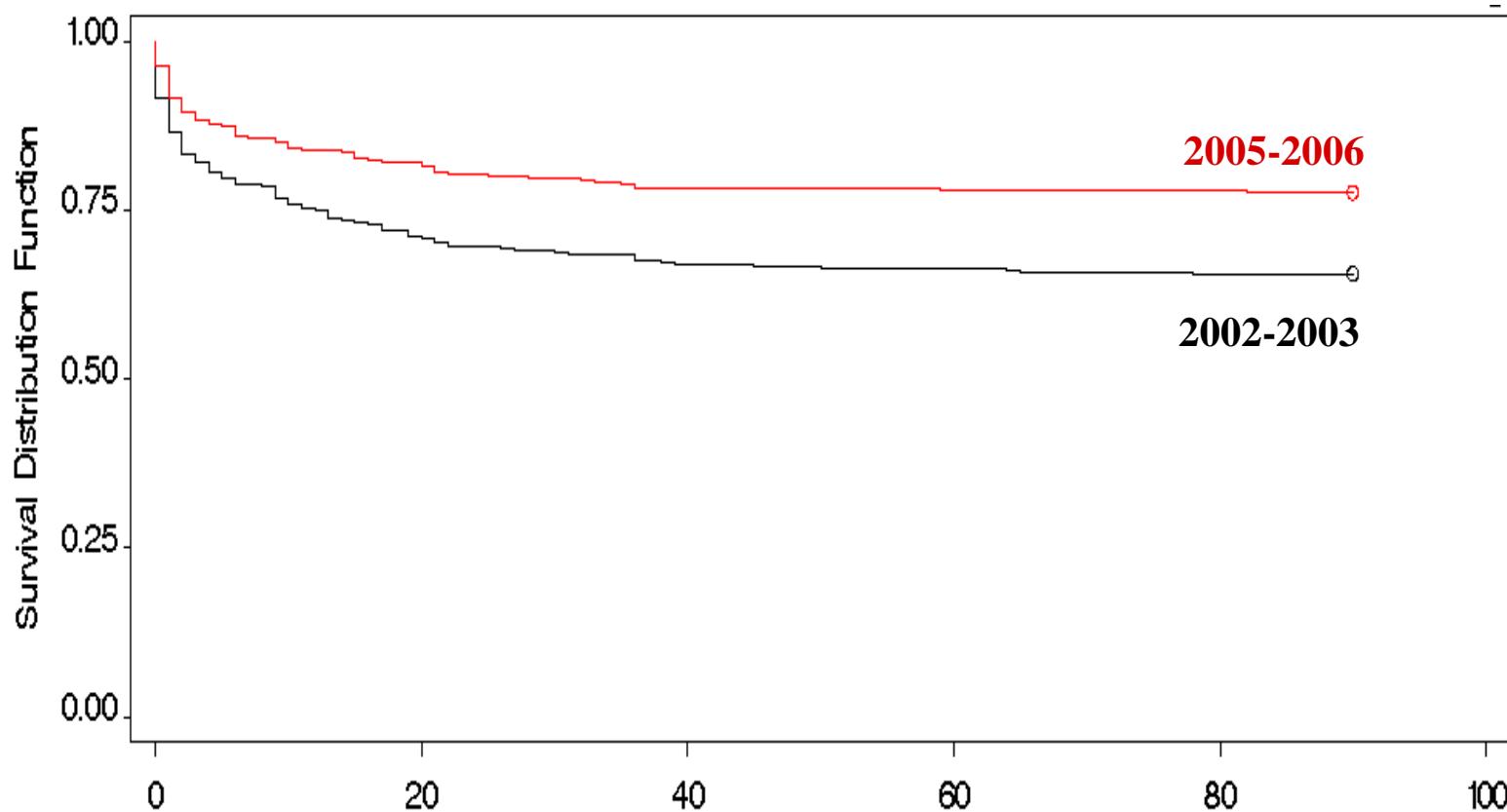
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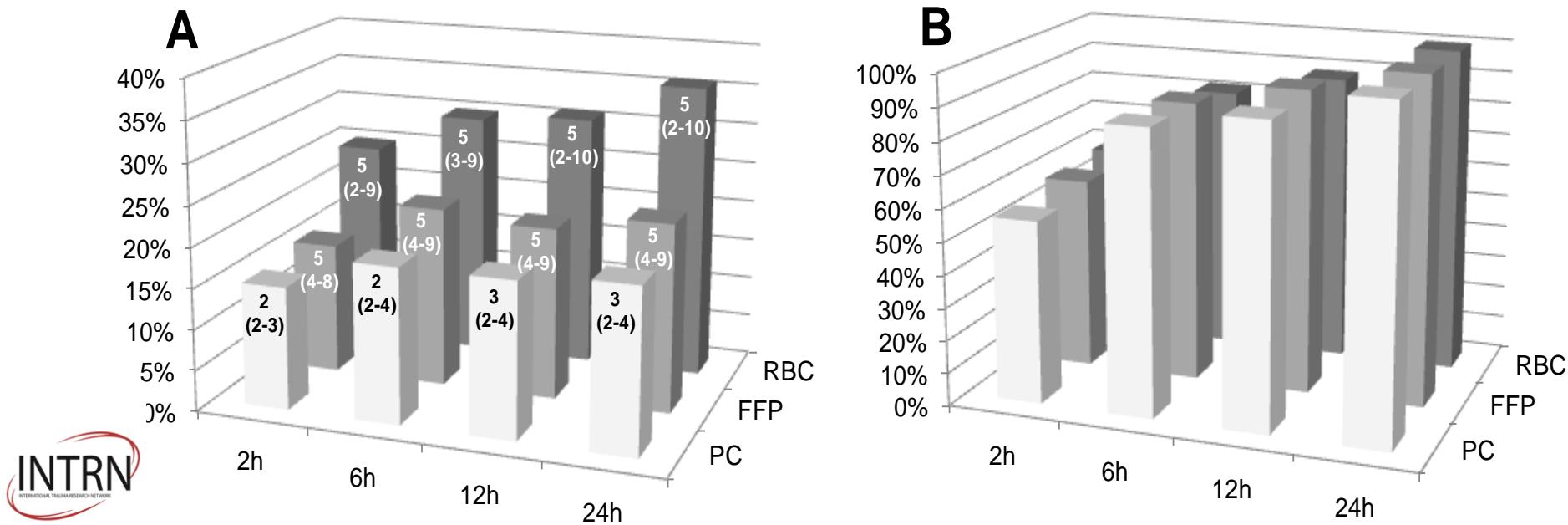
**Effect of Haemostatic Control Resuscitation on mortality  
in massively bleeding patients: a before and after study**

P. I. Johansson & J. Stensballe<sup>1,2</sup>



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ACIT3: 2010-11: 182 trauma patients in Copenhagen



**Haemorrhagic mortality < 15% in severely injured trauma patients**

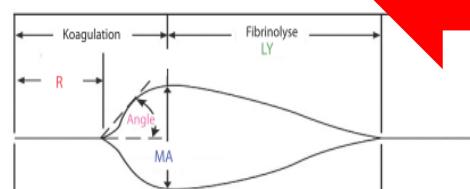
None

Moderate

Life-threatening

# Bleeding...

Monitor  
&  
plan



# Final remarks

- Blood component therapy
  - Be restrictive in the most'
  - Be liberal in the few with life-threatening bleeding
- Monitor the clot – use TEG®/ROTEM®
  - Goal directed resuscitation – give only what is needed
- Haemostatic Control Resuscitation – The Copenhagen Concept
  - Transfusion packages and TEG reduced mortality by >20% in massive bleeding in Copenhagen
- Go talk to your blood banker!