

EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM IV. Wildbad Kreuth Initiative - Optimal use of clotting factors and platelets 6-7 May 2016, Freising, Germany

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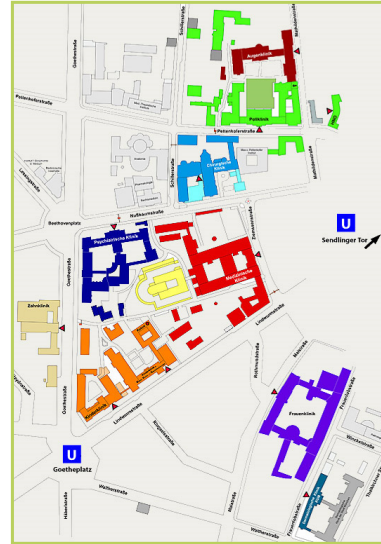
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Downtown:
1st. Hospital 1813: „Allgemeines Krankenhaus“
Between 1843 und 1929:
- Many Buildings and Institutes from the University



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Quelle: IZB Fördergesellschaft mbH

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KEY DATA

46 Clinical Departments, Institutes and Divisions

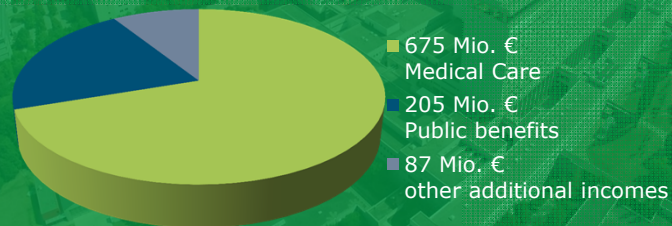
ca. 8.000 full-time employees

144 Wards

approx. 120 Professors in Medical Care

92 Mio. € Third-party funds

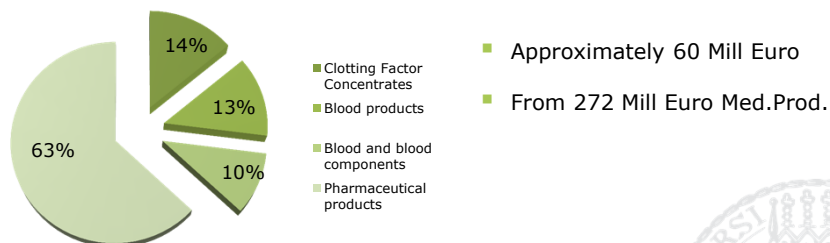
1066 Mio. € Total Revenue 2015



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CLOTTING FACTOR CONCENTRATES, BLOOD PRODUCTS, BLOOD AND BLOOD COMPONENTS HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON COSTS



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SAFETY IS AN ULTIMATE GOAL OF BLOOD PROVISION IN ROUTINE CARE

German Transfusion law regulates since 1998

- Transfusion commission
- Transfusion officer
- Transfusion representative
- Obligation of documentation

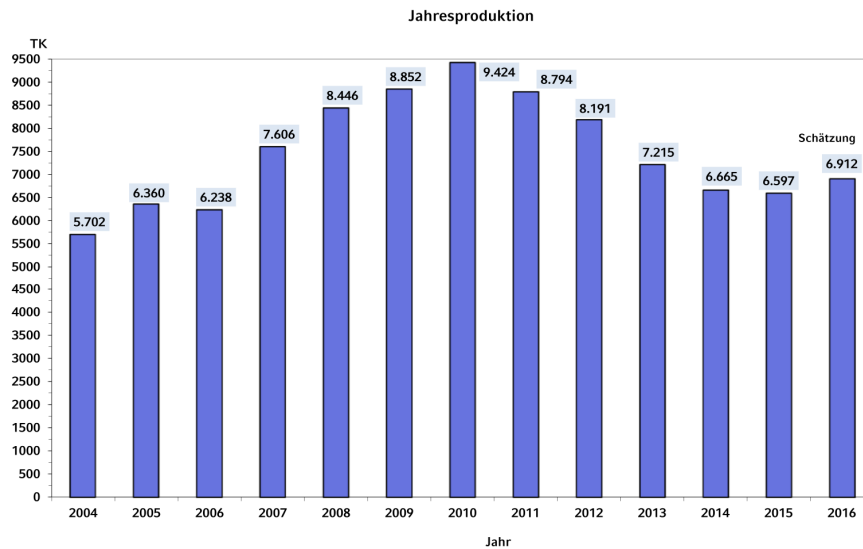


Impact on health care providers regarding organisational structure, liability, resources and costs.

COMPARED TO RED BLOOD CELLS AND FRESH FROZEN PLASMA THE ANNUAL PLATELET USAGE SEEMS TO BE ALMOST STABLE



TC- OWN PRODUCTION



PLATELET PRODUCTION AT THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL OF MUNICH

Approx 6.500 apheresis platelets per year are produced inhouse

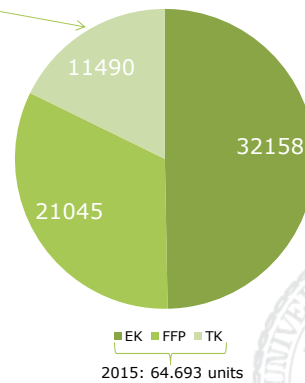
- Secures a stable donor pool
- Independence (costs, supply)
- High quality products: „from bench to bed“



BLOOD AND BLOOD COMPONENTS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR PATIENT CARE IN A TERTIARY HOSPITAL

Top 5 platelet users (2015)

Haematology / Oncology	48%
Surgery	11%
Paediatric Clinic	10%
Cardiac Surgery	9%
Intensive care unit	8%



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PLATELET TRANSFUSIONS IN ONCOLOGY HAEMATOLOGICAL PATIENTS

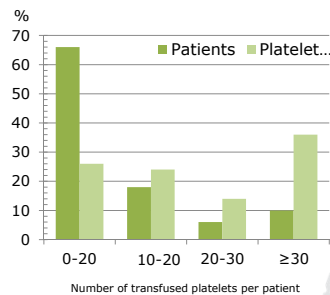
Platelet Transfusion in Routine Clinical Practice in Oncology/Hematology patients A Prospective Non-Interventional Study

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- In 3 months 1.207 platelets were transfused in haem / onc patients.
- A small number of hematological patients received a substantial amount (75%) of all transfused platelet concentrates.
- Transfusion triggers in the group ≥ 30 platelet units transfused per patient varied widely.



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OPTIMAL USE OF BLOOD AND BLOOD PRODUCTS IS
NECESSARY FROM ETHICAL, MORAL AND SOCIAL
ASPECTS

„Blood is an expensive, scarce resource.
Unnecessary transfusion may cause a shortage
of blood products for patients in real need“

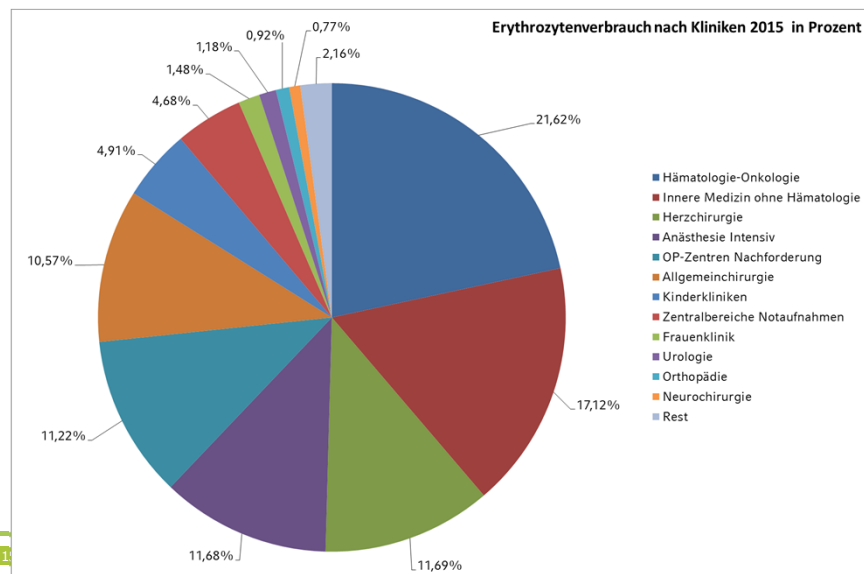
WHO (2001) - The clinical use of blood - Handbook



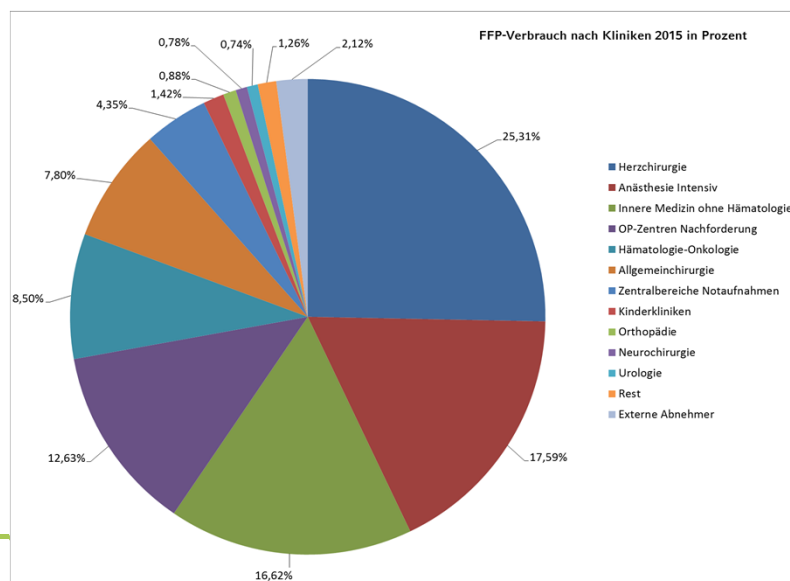
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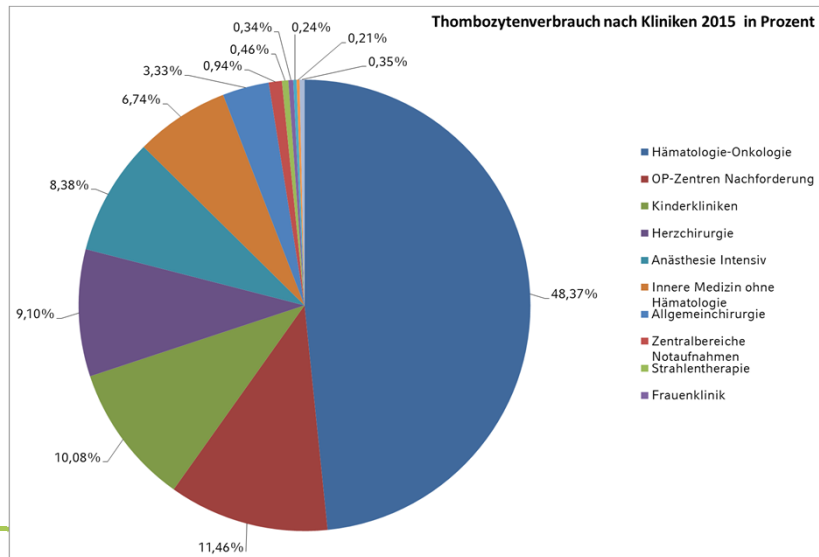
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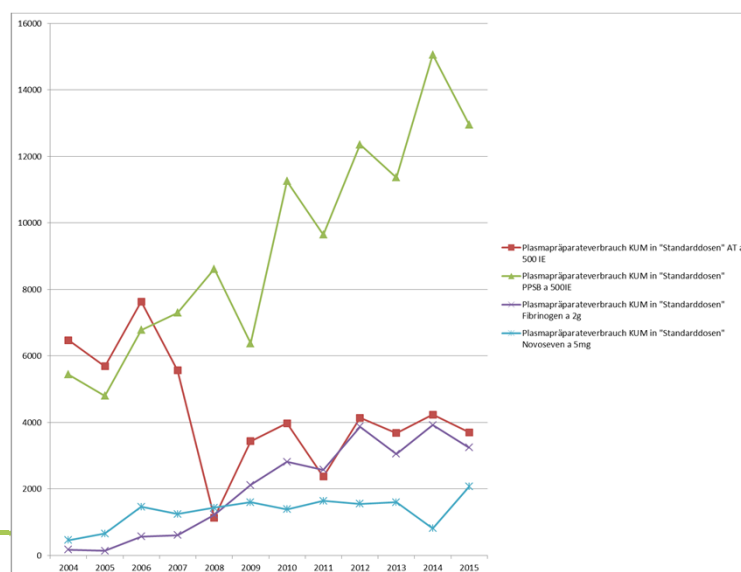
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PLASMAPRÄPARATE VERLAUF OHNE „BLUTER“



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Kreuth IV: Use of Clotting Factors and Platelets

6-7 May 2016, Freising, Germany

Welcome Address

Michael Wierer,
EDQM Council of Europe

Organising Institutions

- European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare (EDQM), Council of Europe
- Ludwig-Maximilian-University (LMU), Klinikum, Munich (Germany)
- Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI), Langen (Germany)

The Council of Europe

Core values:

- human rights
- pluralist democracy
- rule of law

The EDQM

- Council of Europe Directorate
- Convention on the Elaboration of a European Pharmacopoeia (1964)
- Mission: to contribute to a basic human right: access to good quality medicines and healthcare



European Committee (Partial Agreement) on Blood transfusion (CD-P-TS)

- Main tasks according to Terms of Reference
- (i) examine questions related to human blood transfusion, notably as regards quality and safety standards and their implementation, including collection, preparation, testing, storage, distribution and appropriate use;
- (iii) propose ethical, safety and quality standards for professional practices and blood component specifications
- ...



The Kreuth initiative

	Title	Topics addressed
Kreuth I 1999	Optimal Use of blood components and plasma derived medicinal products	Red cells, platelets, FFP, albumin, clotting factor concentrates and haemophilia treatment
Kreuth II 2009	Optimal Use of blood components: quality and best practices in haemotherapy	Red cells, platelets, FFP, albumin, clotting factor concentrates and haemophilia treatment
Kreuth III 2014	Optimal Use of Clotting Factors and Immunoglobulins	Human normal immunoglobulins, clotting factors for treatment of haemophilia (VIII, IX, new)

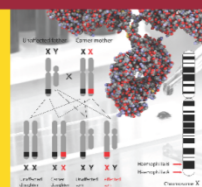


Kreuth III Proceedings

Optimal use of clotting factors and immunoglobulins

Optimal use of clotting factors and immunoglobulins

The EDQM is a directorate of the Council of Europe, an international organisation founded in 1949 that covers almost the entire continent of Europe. The Council of Europe aims to develop common democratic and legal principles based on the European Convention on Human Rights and other reference texts on the protection of individuals.



European symposium proceedings

Wildbad Kreuth, Germany

European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare

26-27 April 2013



Follow-up activities to Kreuth III

- **Haemophilia treatment recommendations**

- Kreuth III: European consensus proposals for treatment of haemophilia with coagulation factor concentrates. *Haemophilia* (2014), 20, 322–5
- Research in haemophilia B – approaching the request for high evidence levels in a rare disease. *Haemophilia* (2015), 21, 4–20
- Dedicated EHC meeting hosted by PEI on 16 April 2014

- **Immunodeficiencies treatment**

- European consensus proposal for immunoglobulin therapies *Eur. J. Immunol.* 2014. 44: 2207–2214



Council of Europe Resolutions

Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 15 April 2015 at the 1225th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies

CM/Res(2015)3E

Resolution on principles concerning **haemophilia therapies**

CM/Res(2015)2E

Resolution on principles concerning **human normal immunoglobulin therapies for immunodeficiency and other diseases**



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Optimal use of blood components – rationale for Wildbad-Kreuth Initiative IV

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Blood Safety in the European Community – Optimal use of blood components: Wildbad Kreuth Initiatives 1999 - 2016





Frame of the Wildbad Kreuth Initiatives

Blood is unique!
It is of crucial importance that the blood and blood products that are available in the European Community are used with the greatest of care and their full potential.

Available Evidence

Best practice

Quality Management

Economic Aspects

Optimal use

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Blood Safety in the European Community: WBK I (1999): recommendations/conclusions

OPTIMAL USE IS TO AVOID¹ ...

- Overuse
- Underuse
- Inappropriate use

OPTIMAL USE IN HAEMOPHILIA CARE REQUIRES² ...

... administering the right quantity of the right blood product in the right way at the right time to the right patient, and appropriate documentation of both the process and the outcome.

¹Advisory Council on the Assessment of Developments in the Health Care System: Report Appropriateness and Efficiency 2000/2001, Addendum

²Wildbad Kreuth Initiative: Conclusions and Recommendations No 71

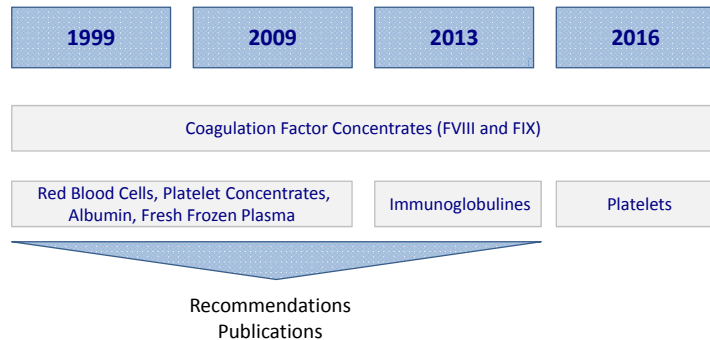


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Optimal Use of Blood and Blood Products in Europe Wildbad Kreuth Initiatives (WBK) 1999-2016



Kreuth III: European consensus proposals for treatment of haemophilia with coagulation factor concentrates

Haemophilia (2014), 20, 322–325
DOI: 10.1111/hae.12440

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Recommendations

- To optimize the organization of haemophilia care nationally, it is recommended that a formal body be established in each country to include the relevant clinicians, national haemophilia patient organisation, health ministry, paying authority and (if appropriate) regulatory authorities.
- The minimum factor VIII consumption level in a country should be 3 I.U. per capita.
- Decisions on whether to adopt a new product should not be based solely on cost.
- Prophylaxis for children with severe haemophilia is already recognized as the optimum therapy. Ongoing prophylaxis for individual adults should also be provided when required based on clinical decision making by the clinician in consultation with the patient.
- Children with inhibitors who have failed, or who are not suitable for, immune tolerance therapy (ITI) should be offered prophylaxis with bypassing agents.
- Single factor concentrates should be used as therapy wherever possible in patients with rare bleeding disorders.
- Orphan drug designation for a factor concentrate should not be used to hinder the development, licencing and marketing of other products for the same condition which have demonstrably different protein modification or enhancement.

Major health political consequence of WBK III



Resolution CM/RES(2015)3 on principles concerning haemophilia therapies

- Resolutions of the Council of the EU are used to invite a member state to **take action** on a specific issue for example in health.
- These types of documents only set up **political commitments or positions....***
- In each member State, the coagulation factor VIII utilisation level should be **at least 3 International Units (I.U.) per capita**;
- **Decisions** on whether to use a new or an alternative product **should be based on evidence of safety and effectiveness and not solely on cost**;
- The **evidence of the effectiveness** of different treatment regimes **should be strengthened**.
- **Prophylactic treatment with bypassing agents should be offered to haemophiliac children who have developed inhibitors and in whom immune tolerance induction therapy has failed or was unsuitable;****

*<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/council-eu/conclusions-resolutions/>

**https://www.edqm.eu/sites/default/files/resolution_cm_res_2015_3_on_principles_concerning_haemophilia_therapies.pdf



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Coagulation Factor concentrates

Overall Objectives of the Workshop 2016

- Critical appraisal of status quo and identification of gaps in clinical and outcomes research in haemophilia
- Discussion of perspectives on “innovative products”
- Identification of best practice and future needs and in haemophilia care



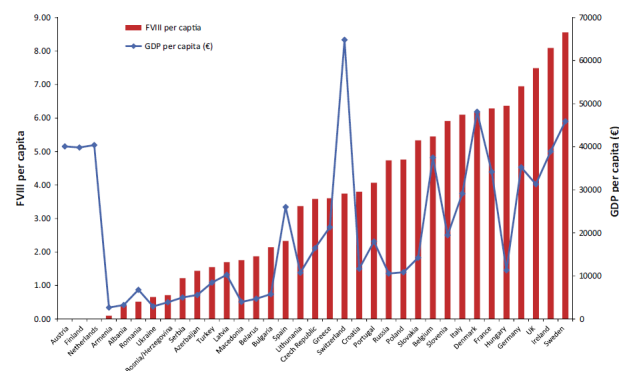
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Rationale WBK IV: Open questions on the use of coagulation factor concentrates

- Translation of earlier WBK III?
- Best practices in Europe:
 - Prophylaxis in children & adults?
 - Treatment of elderly haemophilia patients?
 - Issues with ITI?
 - Surgery?
- New therapy approaches (e.g. patient tailored / pharmacokinetic, low dose prophylaxis, gene therapy)?
- Access to innovative factor concentrates?
 - Regulatory aspects/requirements
 - HTA aspects / requirements
- How to advance tools for therapy evaluation (e.g. registries)?



Comparison of GDP per capita (€) and factor VIII per capita use.

O'Mahony B et al. *Haemophilia* 2013, 19: e239-247.

How many coagulation factor concentrates are needed for optimal patient treatment?

Haemophilia A

- Licenced* pdFVIII 10
- rFVIII 10
- Under development** 5

Haemophilia B

- Licenced* pdFVIII 9
- rFVIII 3
- Under development** 1

- Clinical relevance?
- Benefits?
- Cost-Effectiveness?

*Authorized products by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) plus all products available in Germany (listing of the DHG, German Haemophilia Society)
 **Approximately, products to some extent already in negotiation with the EMA

How to get access to optimal treatment?

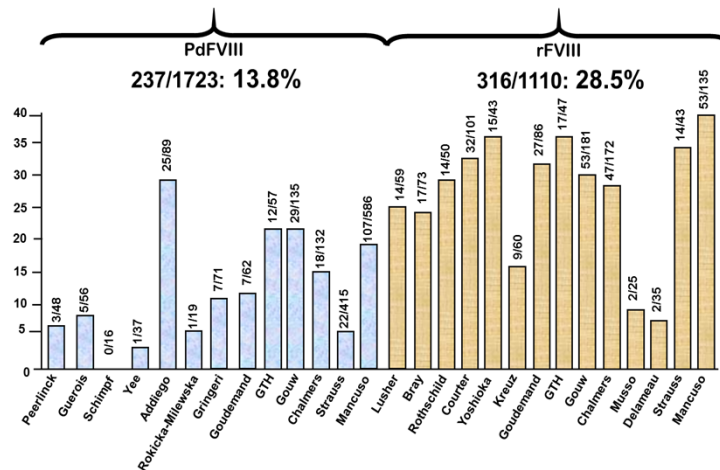
Securing reimbursement for patient centered haemophilia care: major collaborative efforts are needed

Karin C. Berger,¹ Brian M. Feldman,² Joan Wasserman,³ Wolfgang Schramm,⁴ Victor Blanchette,⁵ and Kathelijn Fischer on behalf of the Outcome Measures Expert Working Group of the International Prophylaxis Study Group (IPSC)

haematologica | 2016; 101(3)

- Challenges for patient centred health care provision
 - HTA-Assessment
 - Comparative effectiveness research
 - Benefit assessment
- Unique challenges of haemophilia to payer's expectations
 - Lack of evidence
 - Barriers to randomized trials
 - Endpoints in haemophilia
- Future needs
 - To combine data from different sources in the future.
 - To intensify national and international collaboration.
 Eventually data interoperability at a national and international level may be achieved by leveraging alliances and technical platforms for data sharing.

Uncertainties on the impact of pd vs rec factor usage on inhibitor incidence



Why „Platelets“ were readopted for WBK IV

- Since the first Wildbad Kreuth initiative only a limited number of publications refer on guideline updates, efficacy / effectiveness of platelet transfusion.
- Evidence on haemovigilance data and product differences is still low.
- Transparency on platelet usage in daily routine care is lacking
- Pathogeninactivation
- Demographic developments

Rationale WBK IV: Open questions on the use of platelets

- Variation in availability and clinical use of platelets throughout the European Community?
- How to identify patients actually needing platelets? Prophylactic platelet transfusion?
- Which platelet product is the right one for the individual patient from a clinical and economic perspective?
 - Donor profile
 - Pathogen inactivation
 - Pool vs apheresis platelet concentrates
- How do we define efficacy / effectiveness of platelet transfusions, and which methods and tools are suitable to assess the outcome?

The blood donor population and the aging patient population needing transfusions come off balance

How much blood is needed?

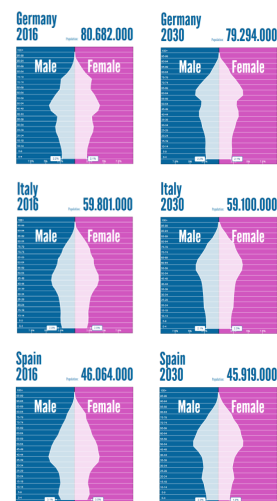
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Vox Sanguinis (2011) 100, 10–21

Demographic Changes: The Impact for Safe Blood Supply

Andreas Greinacher^a Konstanze Fendrich^b Wolfgang Hoffmann^b

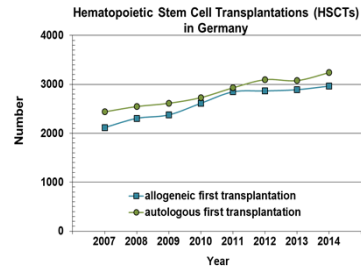
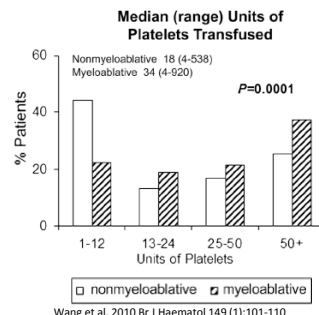
Transfus Med Hemother 2010;37:141–148



Contemporary representative real world data (epi data, blood usage) are required to predict future needs

Patients undergoing HSCT require a considerable amounts of plt transfusions

2013 – 2014: increase of allogeneic HSCTs by 2.6%, autologous HSCT by 5.3%



Jahresbericht 2014 DRST Deutsches Register für Stammzelltransplantationen (German registry for stem cell transplantations) www.drst.de

What data is needed for comprehensive and valid projections?

What data is needed (examples)?

- Production
 - Where?
 - How much?
- Decay
 - Where?
 - How much?
- Use
 - Which patients (age, diagnosis)?
 - Which procedures?
 - How much?
 - What product

Do we have appropriate evidence so far?

- Data on production
 - Blood services
- Data on decay
 - Blood services
 - Hospitals
- Data on use
 - Patient-level data
 - Hospitals
 - Registries

Platelet production varies considerably in EU

Country	Proportion of PPC / APC production number (percent)		Changes in total PC production	Changes in total PC production	Population-related
	2014		2012 to 2013	2013 to 2014	2014
	Pooled PCs	Apheresis PCs	Percent	Percent	PCs / 1 000 population
France	161 896 (53.0%)	143 568 (47.0%)	+ 1.8%	-0.3%	4.77
Germany	231 139 (39.7%)	351 728 (60.3%)	- 1.9%	+0.9%	7.18
Switzerland	9 892 (28.0%)	25 436 (72.0%)	+ 1.4%	+ 1.7%	4.29
United Kingdom*	76 094 (26.6%)	210 256 (73.4%)	+ 2.6%	+ 0.4%	4.43

*For United Kingdom, data were from National Health Service Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) only (England and North Wales).

Table modified according to
Berger K. et al. Blood product supply in Germany The impact of apheresis and pooled platelet concentrates 2016 *Transfusion Medicine and Hemotherapy*, accepted.

Planning of future supply and demand of blood components

NHS
Blood and Transplant

The NHS Blood and Transplant projects the aims and controls the results

Blood 2020
A strategy for the blood supply
in England and North Wales

- Stabilization of cost
 - Reduce apheresis collection to 60% of overall platelet demand by the end of 2015/2016
 - Implement Platelet Additive Solution for whole blood pooled platelets in 2015, and for apheresis in 2017
 - Reduce apheresis donations towards 40% following a review of the current activity to reduce to 60%
- Improvement in experience for donors and an improved return rate
- Increase donations

http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/download/board_papers/july14/m14_74_Platelet_Supply_Project.pdf
<http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/download/blood-2020.pdf>

NHSBT BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT

31 JULY 2014

PLATELET SUPPLY PROJECT

Challenges: Spreading and Emerging Pathogens



Continuing the Kreuth Initiative: Current controversies in clinical use of blood components

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Kreuth Initiative: Symposia 1999, 2009, 2013

1999

BLOOD SAFETY IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY:
AN INITIATIVE FOR OPTIMAL USE

Under the auspices of:
the Federal Ministry of Health
with financial support from the
Commission of the European Communities*
Wildbad Kreuth, Germany
20-22 May 1999

Presidency
of the
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European Directorate for the
Quality of Medicines & HealthCare



2009

24-25 April 2009

Optimal Clinical Use of Blood Components

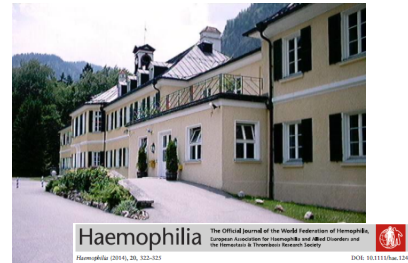
Optimal use of
clotting factors and
immunoglobulins

2013



Achievements of the Kreuth Initiative

- Scientific Publications
- Council of Europe Resolutions
 - CM/Res(2015)3 on principles concerning **haemophilia therapies**
 - CM/Res(2015)2 on principles concerning **human normal immunoglobulin therapies** for immunodeficiency and other diseases



ORIGINAL ARTICLE *Clinical haemophilia*

Kreuth III: European consensus proposals for treatment of haemophilia with coagulation factor concentrates

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FORUM

European Journal of Immunology
News & EFIS

European consensus proposal for immunoglobulin therapies



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Still controversies in clinical use of blood components ?

- This meeting addresses two main topics
 - Clinical use of clotting factors
 - Clinical use of platelets
- These two areas are different in several aspects
 - Clotting factors
 - Well defined indications, spectrum of authorized products, specialist treaters, informed and active patient community
 - Novel therapies to be evaluated and implemented
 - Platelets
 - Transfusion triggers debated, diverse producers and methods, no organised patient community



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Controversies in clinical use of clotting factors?

- Haemophilia treatment has been subject of all the previous Kreuth symposia
- However, there are still questions
 - Were the previous Kreuth recommendations translated in clinical practice?
 - Was there progress in equitable access to products?
 - How to implement best practices and treatment modalities, e.g. individualised therapy, ITI?
 - How to evaluate efficacy and safety of new therapies in the pipeline with limited number of patients?



Designated Orphan MP for haemophilia A

#	Product	Sponsor	Date
1	Pegylated rh FVIIa	Novo Nordisk	4/6/2008
2	Liposomal rh FVIII	Bayer Pharma AG	24/7/2009 (withdrawn)
3	Sequence-modified rhFVIIa	Bayer Pharma AG	9 October 2009
4	Recombinant porcine factor VIII (B domain deleted)	Inspiration Biopharmaceuticals	20 September 2010
5	Recombinant fusion protein FVIII attached to Fc of IgG1	Biogen Idec	20 September 2010
6	Pegylated rh BDD sequence-modified FVIII	Bayer Pharma AG	23 February 2011
7	Recombinant fusion protein FVIIa with albumin	CSL Behring	15 April 2011
8	Pegylated rH FVIII	Novo Nordisk	26 April 2012
9	Vatreptacog alfa (activated)	Novo Nordisk	9 August 2012
10	Hum. moAb TFPI	Novo Nordisk	10 October 2012
11	Hum. bispecific moAb targeting F IX, IXa, X and Xa	Chugai Pharma Europe Ltd	16 January 2014
12	Synth. siRNA against antithrombin mRNA + ligand with 3 N-acetylgalactosamine	Alnylam UK Limited	29 July 2014
13	rh FVIIa modified (repeats from β chain of human chorionic gonadotropin)	Richardson Associates Regulatory Affairs	22 August 2014
14	A combination of peptides [H-Lys-Lys-Gly-Pro-Arg...]	Apitope International NV	19 November 2014



Revision of EMA clinical guidelines*: adequate or overdone?

- Involvement of PDCO (responsible for paediatric aspects; requirement of PUP studies)
- Involvement of PRAC (responsible for post authorisation studies)

Haemophilia The Official Journal of the World Federation of Hemophilia, European Association for Haemophilia and Allied Disorders and the Hemostasis & Thrombosis Research Society

Haemophilia (2012), 1-5

DOI: 10.1111/hac.12041

REVIEW ARTICLE

Evolution of the European guidelines for the clinical development of factor VIII products: little progress towards improved patient management

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** Blood Product Working Party;
Chair: A. Hilger*

Haemophilia The Official Journal of the World Federation of Hemophilia, European Association for Haemophilia and Allied Disorders and the Hemostasis & Thrombosis Research Society

Haemophilia (2013), 19, 348-350

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COMMENTARY

Comment on: Mannucci, P. M. Evolution of the European guidelines for the clinical development of factor VIII products

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Controversies in clinical use of blood components for transfusion?

- Transfusion of blood components has been subject of the 1999 and 2009, but not 2013 Kreuth symposia
- Do we have still problems left or did new issues come up in the seven years since 2009?



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Starting point of the Kreuth Initiative

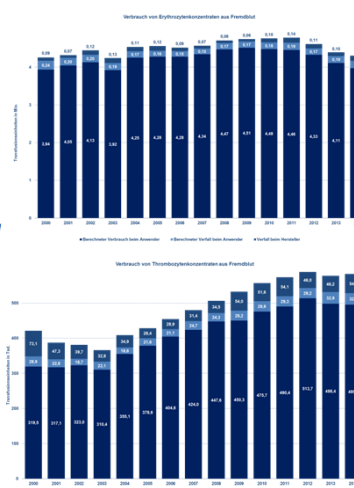
- “Indications of **overuse, underuse and inappropriate use** ... led ..., to convene a meeting of experts to address issues related to the optimal use of blood.”
from Proceedings 1999; Preface W. Schramm
- “The **wide differences in blood product used** for the same patient category were due to a variety of causes of which only some could be explained by the clinical factors taken into account.”
The Sanguis Study Group: Use of blood products for elective surgery in 43 European hospitals. Transfusion Medicine 4:251-268;1994



Where are we now?

- Improvement of surgical technique
- Transfusion guidelines available; implemented?
- Propagation of patient blood management
- Economic pressure
- Example Germany:
 - Red cells declining use
 - Platelets steadily high

*Data PEI, supply data collected purs.
§ 21 Transfusion Act*



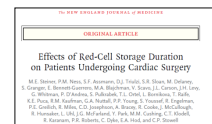
Controversies in clinical use of red cells?

- Red cells are transfused in order to prevent or reverse tissue hypoxia; however, indication is usually based on haemoglobin levels
 - Ongoing debate on transfusion triggers: “liberal versus restrictive”
- There is concern about potential adverse effects of transfusion
 - Immunological impact; concern about potential immunosuppression (infection, cancer)



Controversies in clinical use of red cells?

- Concerns about potential adverse effects on long-term outcome of red cell transfusion have been addressed by clinical studies
 - Potential impact of dose (“liberal versus restrictive”)
 - Impact may depend on underlying disorder (cardiac or CNS disorders)
 - Restrictive trigger probably safe
 - Potential impact of duration of storage
 - Metaanalyses and clinical trials; for example RECESS study shows no significant impact



Controversies in clinical use of platelets?

- [illegible]



Current clinical use of platelets

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Current preparation methods of platelets

- Methods of collection
 - Apheresis; various equipment
 - Preparation from pooled buffy coats
- Content of plasma; various additive solutions
- Storage conditions
 - 22°C versus 4°C; thermocycling
 - Agitation
- Bacterial testing; pathogen inactivation

Adverse reactions to platelets

- „Platelet concentrates account for near 10% of all labile blood components but are responsible for more than 25% of the reported adverse events.”
Garraud O. Improving platelet transfusion safety: biomedical and technical considerations Blood Transfus. 14:109-22;2016
- Adverse events may in part be due to underlying disorders; however more research on platelet concentrate related causes is needed
 - Impact of type of concentrate?
 - Damage and/or pre-activation of platelets during collection, manufacture and storage?

Further potentially relevant aspects

- Storage duration before transfusion?
- ABO (and other blood group) compatibility?
- Donor characteristics?
- Status and management of plasmatic coagulation?
- Interactions with concomitant medications?



Collecting clinical data?

- In order to enable broad and comprehensive evaluation of efficacy and safety of therapies, it would be desirable to collect continuously clinical data of complete patient collectives
 - In haemophilia, patient registries are available and need to be expanded and interrelated

The Growing Number of Hemophilia Registries:
Quantity vs. Quality

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY & THERAPEUTICS

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- Clinical data collection of patients receiving platelets would also be valuable
Pendry K. The use of big data in transfusion medicine. Transfus Med 25:129-131;2015



Continuing the Kreuth initiative

- There are still controversies and open issues concerning both main topics of this symposium
- The objectives of this meeting are
 - To exchange information about current clinical practice in Europe
 - To foster discussions about best practices and their implementation
 - To identify issues requiring further evaluation and to stimulate research



Continuing the Kreuth initiative

- Kreuth 1999: *„This report is the result of the constructive work associated with that meeting and should be the basis for further discussions so that the initiative taken at Wildbad Kreuth will be continued.”*
from Proceedings 1999; Preface W. Schramm
- We hope that there will be also some concrete and useful outcome of this meeting, and that the Kreuth initiative will be continued in the future and contribute to further improvements towards the optimal use of blood products



Quality Indicators for Monitoring the Clinical Use of Blood

EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM

*IV Wildbad Kreuth Initiative - Optimal use of clotting factors and platelets
6-7 May 2016, Freising, Germany*

C. Politis, Greece

Introduction

- The importance of **quality management system** (QMS) in transfusion medicine is well established, however the development of appropriate **quality indicators** (QIs) as a tool for quality monitoring and improvement has only recently begun to receive attention in this field

Agenda

- **General information** on QIs in transfusion
Definitions – Classification – Characteristics
- **Council of Europe**, EDQM – CDPTS
 - ✓ QIs for monitoring the clinical use of blood in Europe
Enquiry - Evaluation of 2012 data
 - ✓ Use of blood components, 2013 data
- **IHN/ISTARE** data on clinical use of blood components, 2014

General Information I

Definition of QIs

- QIs are measurable, objective indicators of the efficiency of the key segments of a system
Vuk T. Blood Transf. 2010;8(suppl.1)
- QIs are one of the tools of a QMS used to **monitor** and control process functioning, whereby the data collected provide a basis for the implementation of corrective measures and continuous improvement
- **Conformity** with a set quality standards and goals has to be demonstrated by measurement

ISO 9001 Standard

General Information II

Characteristics of QIs

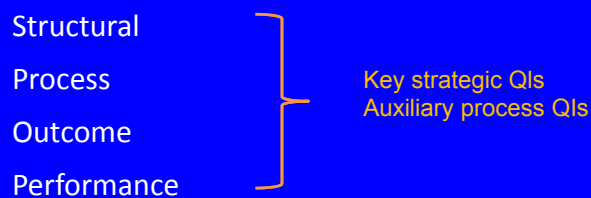
- Measurability
- Importance and relevance
- Potential for use
- Reliability
(each QI should have clean numerator and denominator)
- Validity
(QI should be adequately related to the problem monitored)
- Uniformity of data collection
- Other attributes

General Information III

QIs classification

- **Internal** (defined by the Institution management to control their processes and to upgrade their quality)
- **External** (are global, therefore they should obviate differences from different practice in data collection and processing)

The Donabedian quality model



- **Specific, Detailed QIs**

General Information IV

Implementation of Qis: Objectives

- One of the purposes of **measurement is for monitoring**
In the case of the clinical use of blood, monitoring is a key ingredient of a quality system, also essential for **harmonizing transfusion practices** within and between countries
Indicators may contribute towards providing a general picture of the **factors that influence** the use of blood components and alternatives
- They allow **trend analysis** of various aspects of clinical practice and **benchmarking**

*Finally, they may facilitate assessing the effectiveness of transfusion in terms of its **outcomes**, not only under optimal circumstances but also in emergencies and crises*

Council of Europe- EDQM project 2010-2014

Inquiry into QIs for monitoring the clinical use of blood

Objectives

- To identify and develop a set of commonly accepted performance QIs for monitoring the clinical use of blood and blood components in Europe, in accordance with R (2002) 11 on the **Hospital's and clinician's roles in the optimal use of blood and blood products**;
- To use these indicators as a tool for benchmarking purposes and to improve consistency and uniformity in the reporting of annual data on the **clinical use of blood at local, regional, national and international levels**;
- To add a **chapter to the Guide** on "Monitoring the clinical use of blood with focus on efficacy versus outcome of transfusion: annual performance indicators"

The Chronicle

- **Proposal** to CD-P-TS November 2010
- Execution of the **pilot study**
Establishing a Working Group
Members: Vincenzo de Angelis (Italy), Alina Dobrota (Romania), Olivier Garraud (France), Tomislav Vuk (Croatia), Fatima Nascimento (Portugal), Jana Rososchova (Slovak R), Harald Schennach (Austria)
Project leader: Constantina Politis (Greece)
- Collecting data from 8 countries (Austria, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia) for year 2010 or 2009
- Analysis of data performed by Cl. Richardson, Pantion University, Greece

Enquiry into Quality Indicators for monitoring the clinical use of blood

Based on

- the Recommendation (2002) 11
- 1999 and 2009 Kreuth initiatives for optimal use of blood
- EU's "Manual of Optimal Blood Use"
- other international work

Structure of the inquiry

- General information and National Policy for clinical use of blood
 - Implementation of Annual performance indicators of use of blood based on Rec(2002)11
- Evaluation of use of blood at local (hospital) level
 - Benchmarking between institutions by selected pathologies
- Specific quality indicators of transfusion practice based on EU's "Manual of Optimal Blood Use"
- Indicators of monitoring the efficacy versus outcome of the transfusion including economic parameters

Section A. General information and National Policy for clinical use of blood

- Respondent Information – Country
- National Policy
 - structure,
 - national regulations,
 - guidelines
- Quality standards and maintenance of records
- Haemovigilance and inspections for the clinical use of blood
- Information on Quality Management Systems for monitoring clinical performance in hospitals

Section B. Implementation of annual performance indicators of use of blood and blood products based on the Rec(2002)11 of the Council of Europe

- Evaluation of use of blood at national /regional level
 - No. of units transfused per 1000 inhabitants and per no. of beds
 - Total Blood components issued/transfused
 - Transfused FFP/RBCs
- Evaluation of use of blood at local (hospital) level
- Special blood components transfused
 - Recovered Platelets /Aphaeresis Platelets
 - Untreated FFP/Pathogen Inactivated FFP
 - Untreated platelets /Pathogen Inactivated platelets
 - Irradiated blood components/Total blood components

Section B. Evaluation of use of blood at local (hospital) level

- Admitted patients/ Beds
- Total blood components transfused/ Distributed
- Total blood components transfused/prescribed
- Total blood components transfused/ Transfused patients
- Total blood components transfused per clinical department/
No. of units of total blood components transfused in hospital
- Total blood components transfused per patient, by clinical
department

Section B. Benchmarking between institutions by selected pathologies

Selected Pathologies

- Total hip replacement
- TTP
- Coronary by-pass, with 2-3 grafts
- Massive blood loss

Institutions

- General hospital
- University hospital
- Specialised hospital

Rates (examples)

- Mean units of RBCs used per patient with total hip replacement at institutional level
- Mean units of FFP used per patient with TTP at institutional level
- Mean units of total blood components used per patient in coronary by-pass with 2-3 grafts at institutional level
- Mean units of total blood components used per patient with massive blood loss at institutional level

Section C.

Specific quality indicators of transfusion practice based on EU's "Manual of Optimal Blood Use"

- Prescription
- Ordering and wastage
- Request forms
- Patient sampling
- Compatibility testing and traceability
- Other indicators

This section is designed for local use only

Section D.

Indicators of monitoring the efficacy versus outcome of the transfusion including economic parameters

National or hospital data including research findings, if available

Assessment of **efficacy/ outcomes** of transfusion

Parameter of success

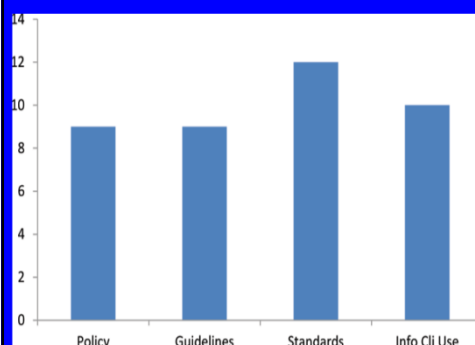
- Laboratory parameters
- Outcome in terms of morbidity
- Outcomes in terms of mortality
- Outcomes in terms of time
- Outcomes in terms of disease groups

Cost-effectiveness, cost-benefit analysis, cost-recovery evaluation

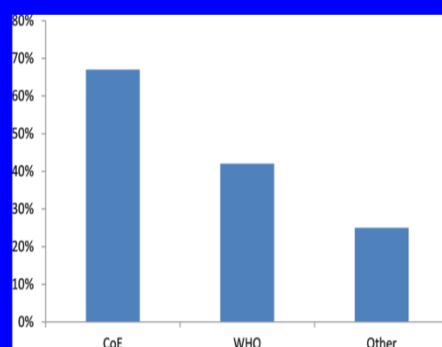
Other indicators

RESULTS

National policy for clinical use of blood

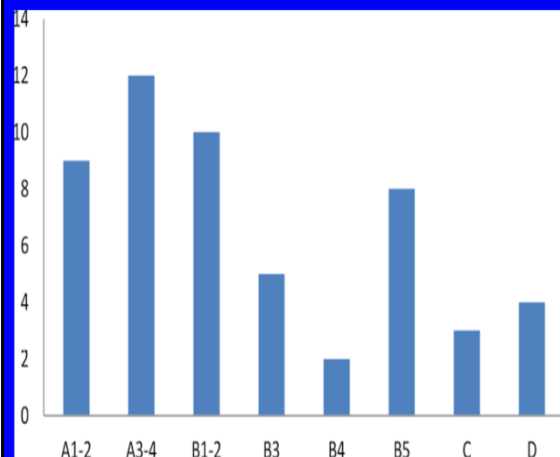


Existence of a national policy for clinical transfusion medicine, guidelines and quality standards

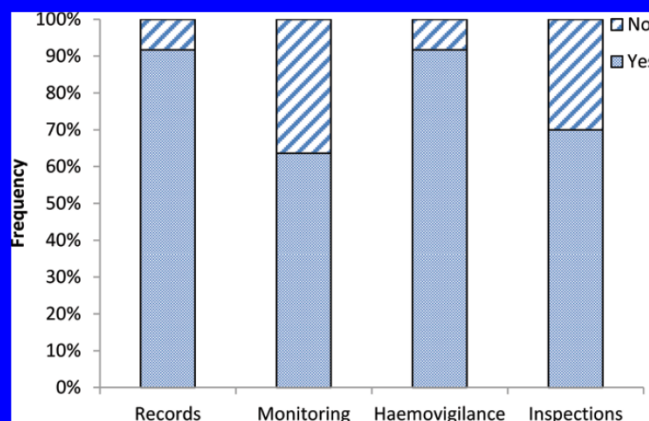


Implementation of international guidelines for the optimal use of blood and blood components

Numbers of countries providing responses to each section of the questionnaire

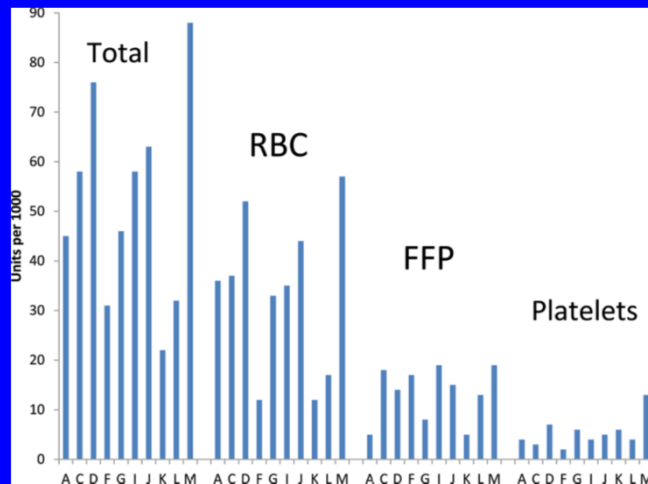


- A1-2: General information
- A3-4: National policy for the clinical use of blood
- B1-2: Indicators of use of the blood and blood components (red cells, fresh frozen plasma, platelets): national level
- B3: Evaluation of the use of blood at local (hospital) level
- B4: Benchmarking between institutions by selected pathologies
- B5: Distribution from blood establishment to hospital blood bank
- C: Specific quality indicators based on the EU Manual of Optimal Blood Use
- D: Indicators for monitoring efficacy in terms of the outcome of transfusion



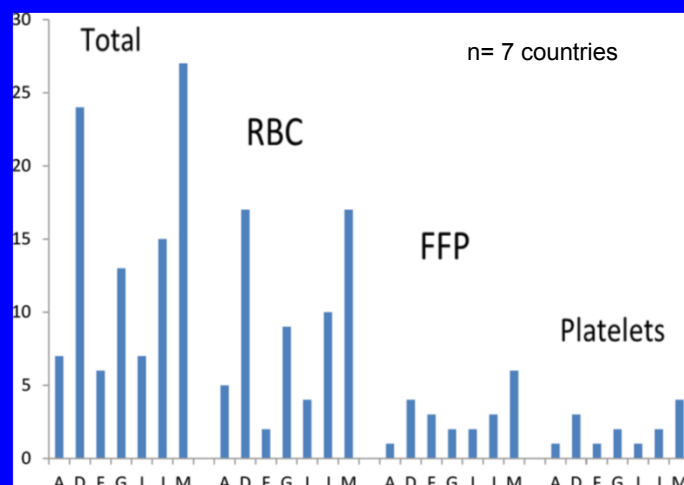
Mandatory maintenance of records of blood transfusion, system for monitoring optimal clinical use, existence of a Haemovigilance system, and performance of regular inspections for the clinical use of blood and blood components

Units (total, RBC, FFP and platelets) transfused per 1 000 population, by country



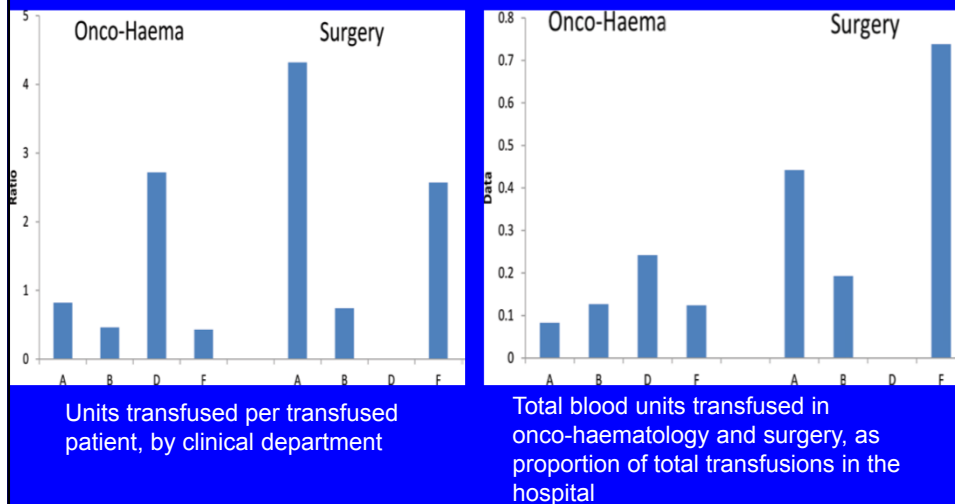
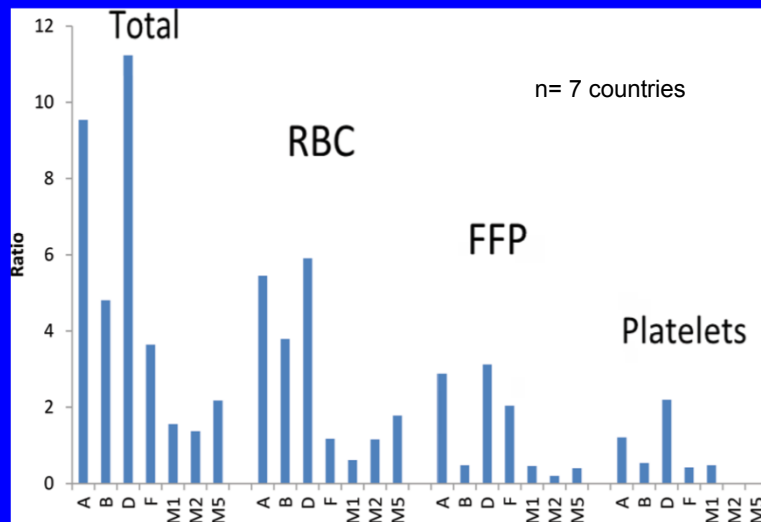
The Excel worksheet into which the data were entered calculates automatically certain rates from these data
n= 10 countries

Units (total, RBC, FFP and platelets) transfused per hospital bed

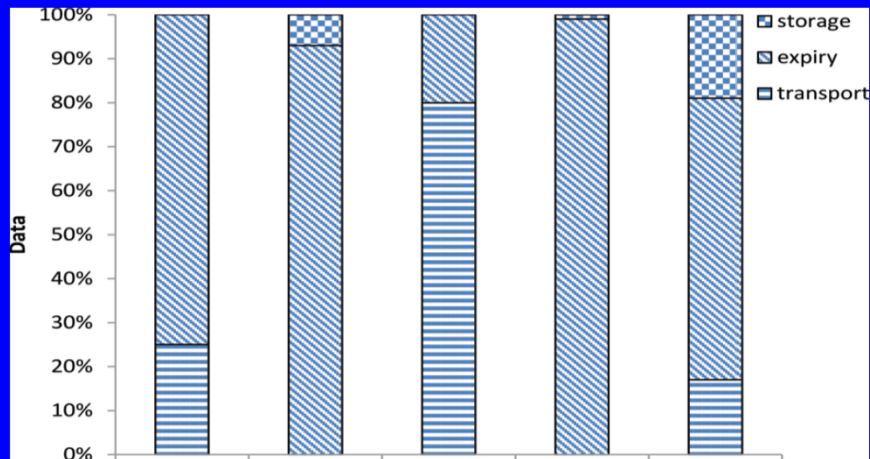


n= 7 countries

Units transfused per transfused patient, separately for RBC, FFP and platelets, and in total



Percentage distribution of cause of discarding blood units (poor storage, expiry or poor transportation)



Conclusions I

- The EDQM CD-P-TS Pilot Study has demonstrated significant **variation** of QIs for monitoring the clinical use of blood between countries and within countries
- Data on QIs requested on the management of hospital **blood bank stock** show a loss ranging as high as 20%
- QIs for measuring **the efficacy of transfusion in terms of outcome** show that a stable cooperation of individuals hospitals is required
- QIs on **adverse effects** of transfusion through haemovigilance should be considered

Conclusions II

- The inquiry into QIs was promising
- The **response rate** was not as high as had been hoped: one factor is the difficulty of collecting some of the quantitative data by approaching one or more hospitals separately
- CD-P-TS has suggested that the building up of a network of contact points is required for **regular collection of validated data on blood usage and future projections**

EDQM CD-P-TS, 2013 data Use of Blood Components in 32 MS (Median values)

RBC 35 units: 1000 inhabitants
(range 4-64)

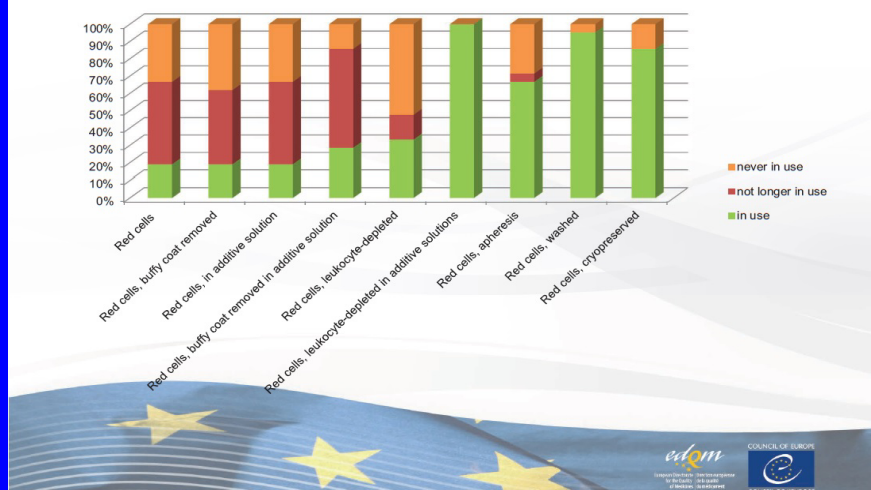
Ratio $\frac{FFP}{RBC}$: 0.4 (range 0.03 – 1.5 median 0.31) 1:3

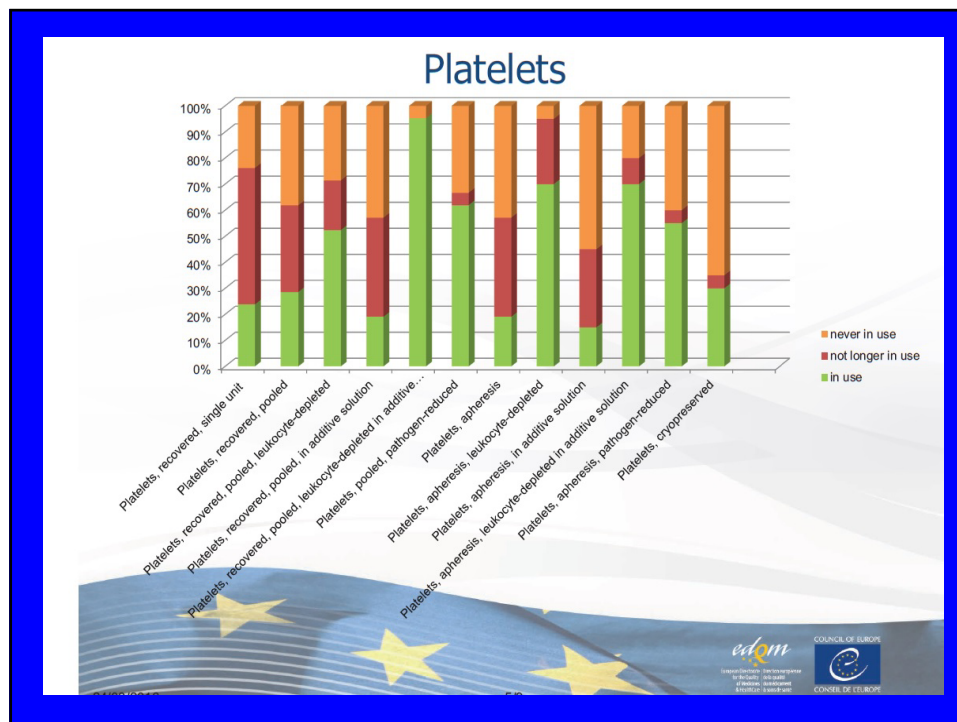
$\frac{\text{Whole Blood Derived Platelets}}{\text{Apheresis Platelets}} = \frac{64}{36} \% 1.8$ (0.0-85% median 34%)

EDQM CD-P-TS, 2013 data Medicinal products

- **Plasma for fractionation (29 MS)**
Average yield 9.1 lt : 1000 inhabitants (range 0-54 L)
71% recovered plasma (range 11-100% median 72%)
- **Human albumin (17 MS)**
Average use = 5088 kg (range= 0.0 - 35,379 kg, median 1,139 kg)
- **Manufactured albumin (13 MS)**
iv administration 75% (range 0.0-1005, median 87%)
- **Factor VIII (17 MS)**
Average use =34 x106 IU (range= 0-249 IU, median 4.0)
- **Polyvalent Immunoglobulins**
Average use = 3,295 kg(range 0.0-28,048, median 700kg)

Red cells





Comments I

- Variation of RBCs per 1000 inhabitants may reflect the results of insufficient blood supply or limited hospital care. Programmes for “optimal use of blood” has been recently installed in order to reduce unnecessary donor exposure to patient
- For the same blood safety reason the use of aphaeresis platelets in relation to recovered platelets is relatively high in some countries.
- CD-P-TS is suggesting that a better benchmark maybe achieved by including the number of hospital beds linking to blood component use

Comments II

- The Hospital transfusion Committee should adopt procedures for regular **transfusion auditing**. In the case of significant deviations from the guidelines, corrective actions should be put in place.
- **Patient blood management (PBM) programmes** should provide best clinical care. Blood services and all BEs stakeholders should be involved in PBM programmes

Thank you



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HOW NOVEL DRUGS CHANGE TREATMENT IN HAEMOPHILIA

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Outline

- State of the art of hemophilia treatment: limitations
- Novel products:
 - Extended half-life and non-replacement products
- What has been achieved:
 - Efficacy
 - Safety
- Update of clinical trials
- Paradigm shift in hemophilia treatment?

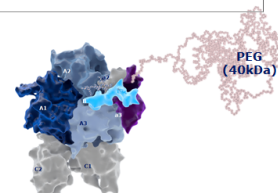
Haemophilia Treatment *Limitations*

- **Short half-life**
 - 8-12 hours for FVIII and 18-24 hours for FIX
- **Frequent intravenous injections** for prophylactic treatment
- **Immunogenicity**
 - 30% of severe hemophilia A PUPs developed Inhibitor in the first 15-20 EDs
- **Venous access**
 - concomitant risks: infection, sepsis, and thrombosis

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Novel products rFVIII extended half-life

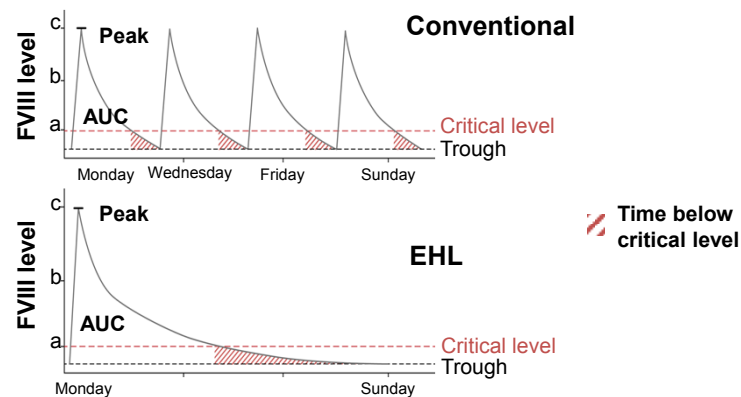
Product	Technology	Half-life $t_{1/2}$	Estimated time to 1% after 50IU/kg
BAY94-9027	Site-directed PEGylation	1.4–1.6 fold	~5 days
N8-GP	Site-directed glycoPEGylation		6,5 days
BAX855 (Adynovate)	Controlled PEGylation		4 days
rFVIII-Fc (Eloctate, Elocta)	Fc-fusion		4,9 days



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Impact of reduction of injections

- Extended half-life product infused once weekly presents a longer time spent below the normal critical level
- Time below 1 IU/dL associated with breakthrough bleeding



(Adapted from Mahdi et al. Br J Haematol. 2015 ;169:768-76)

Product	Dose (IU/kg)	Treatment regimen	Median ABR, bleeds·patient ⁻¹ ·year ⁻¹	Patients with <u>no</u> bleeding episodes, %
Long-acting rFVIII Products				
BAY94-9027	45–60 IU/kg	every 5 days	1,9	44
	60 IU/kg	every 7 days	3,9	37
rFVIII-Fc (Eloctate)	25–65 IU/kg	every 3 - 5 days	1,6	45,3
	65 IU/kg	every 7 days	3,6	17,4
BAX 855 (Adynovate)	45 IU/kg	2xweek	1,9	39,6

Patients treated with **rFVIII** longer acting on weekly prophylaxis experienced **a high ABR** in comparison to prophylaxis regimen every 3-5 days and this treatment regimen did not provide adequate prophylaxis

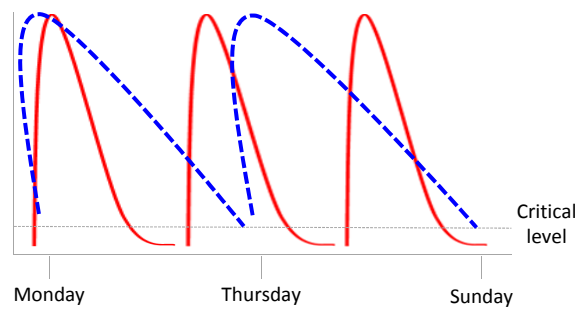
(Powell et al. N Engl J Med 2013;369:2313-23 ; Powell J et al. Haemophilia 2014;20;(Suppl.3):187; Mahlangu et al. Blood 2014;123:317-325); Konkle BA et al. Blood 2015;126:1078-1085)

Efficacy - rFVIII extended half-life

- The prolongation of rFVIII half-life reduces the frequency of infusions

- Standard products → three infusions/week
- **rFVIII extended half-life** → two infusions/week

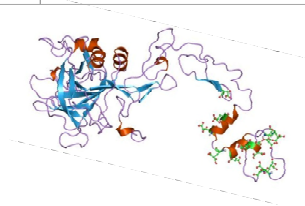
- Reduction in injection frequency → **30 - 35%**
- Higher trough level



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Novel products rFIX extended half-life

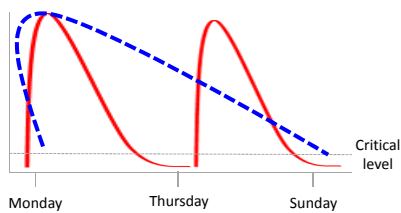
Product	Technology	Half-life $t_{1/2}$	Estimated time to 1% after 50IU/kg
N9-GP	Site-directed glycoPEGylation	3-5 fold	22 days
rFIX-Fc (Alprolix)	Fc-fusion		10 days
rIX-FP (Idelvion)	Albumin-fusion		1-2 weeks



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Efficacy - rFIX extended half-life

- A good performance of extended half-life rFIX products
 - These novel drugs simplify the prophylactic regimens
 - Standard products → two infusions/week
 - **rFIX Extended half-life** → one infusion/week
- Reduction in injection frequency → **50%**



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Status clinical trials of extended half-life

Product	Status	Pediatric trials	PUPs trials
rFVIII Products			
BAY94-9027	Phase III completed	Ongoing	//
N8-GP	Phase III completed	Active, not recruiting	Ongoing
BAX855 (Adynovate)	Approved by FDA at 2015	Completed	Ongoing
rFVIII-Fc (Eloctate)	Approved by FDA at 2014 Approved by EMA at 2015	Completed	Ongoing
rFIX Products			
N9-GP	Phase III completed	Active, not recruiting	Ongoing
rFIX-Fc (Alprolix)	Approved by FDA at 2014	Completed	Ongoing
rIX-FP (Idelvion)	Approved by FDA at 2016	Completed	Ongoing

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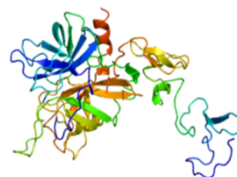
Safety of extended half-life products

- One inhibitor case detected during phase 3 trial of N8-GP on PTPs
- No inhibitors detected in other clinical trials
- No data available from clinical trials on PUPs
- Long term safety of novel extended half-life products and an accurate post-registration surveillance is required

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Novel rFVIIa products

Fc-fusion	Albumin-fusion	CTP-fusion
Fusion of the Fc domain of human IgG	Fusion of the human albumine	Fusion of the C terminus peptide of human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)
rFVIIa		
rFVIIa-FC	rVIIa-FP	Factor VIIa-CTP



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Novel rFVIIa products

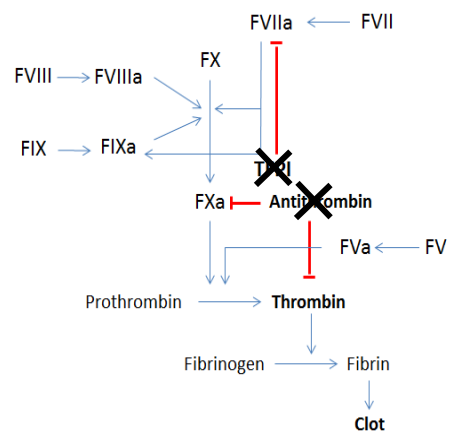
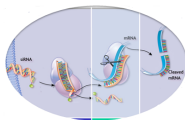
Product	Half-life $t_{1/2}$	Somministration
rFVIIa-Fc	5,5 fold (in mice)	Intravenous
rFVIIa-FP (CSL689)	3- to 4-fold	Intravenous
rFVIIa-CTP	3-fold	Intravenous and subcutaneous injection

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Novel products Non-replacement products

- **Inhibition of TFPI**
- monoclonal antibody (anti-TFPI)

- **Inhibition of antithrombin (AT)**
- small interference RNA (siRNA)



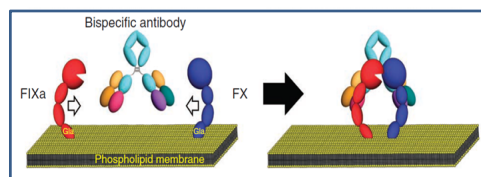
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Bispecific antibody - ACE910 (Emicizumab)

- **ACE910** is a chimeric bi-specific humanized antibody directed against FIXa and FX



- Mimics the cofactor function of FVIII, binds FIXa with one arm and FX with the other placing in spatially appropriate positions and promote FIXa-catalyzed FX activation



(Kitazawa et al Nat Med 2012;18:1570-1574; Sampei et al. Plos One 2013;8:e57479)

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Non-replacement products

	Product	Technology	Half-life	Somministration
Inhibition of natural anticoagulants				
	Concizumab (NN7415)	anti-TFPI Antibody	once weekly	Intravenous and subcutaneous injections
	ALN-AT3 (Fitusiran)	RNA interference (RNAi) against AT	once weekly or montly	Subcutaneous injections
Promotion of thrombin generation by mimicking the cofactor activity of FVIII				
	ACE910 (Emicizumab)	Bispecific antibody to FIXa/FX	once weekly	Subcutaneous injections

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Status clinical trials of non-replacement products

	Product	Status	Patients enrolled
Inhibition of natural anticoagulants			
	Concizumab (NN7415)	Phase I Ongoing (NCT02490787)	Hemophilia A and B
	ALN-AT3 (Fitusiran)	Phase I/II Ongoing (NCT02554773)	Hemophilia A and B Hemophilia patients with inhibitor
Promotion of thrombin generation by mimicking the cofactor activity of FVIII			
	ACE910 (Emicizumab)	Phase III Ongoing (NCT02622321)	Hemophilia A Hemophilia patients with inhibitor

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Safety – Non replacement products

- **Concizumab (NN7415):**
 - No serious AEs either healthy volunteers or hemophilia patients
 - No anti-concizumab antibodies
- **ALN-AT3 (Fitusiran):**
 - No thromboembolic events or clinically significant D-dimer increases
 - No instances of anti-drug antibody (ADA) formation
- **ACE910 (Emicizumab):**
 - no clinically relevant abnormal coagulability was indicated
 - **Two of 48 (4.2%)** subjects were anti-drug antibodies positive

(Chowdary P et al J Thromb Haemost 2015; 13: 743–54; Pasi KJ et al Blood 2015; 126 (23) 57th ASH Annual Meeting)

(Uchida N et al Blood 2016; 127:1633-1641)

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Paradigm shift in hemophilia treatment?

rFVIII extended half-life products

- The use of smaller amounts of products with slightly less frequent infusions can probably attain increased trough levels, thus protecting patients from breakthrough bleeding
 - The benefits of such therapeutic strategy approach are yet to be evaluated
 - The annual cost of the treatment should remain affordable or unchanged

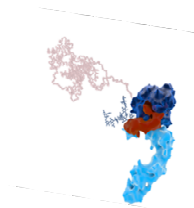
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Paradigm shift in hemophilia treatment?

rFIX extended half-life products

could simplify the prophylactic regimens for haemophilia B patients :

- reducing the dosage frequency (~50%)
- extending the protection from bleeding
- improving adherence to treatment
- rendering this therapy less distressing to the patient



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Paradigm shift in hemophilia treatment?

Non-replacement products

- Could make prophylactic regimens more straightforward:
 - reduce dosage frequency
 - extend protection from bleeding
- Moreover, subcutaneous administration would also simplify prophylaxis particularly in children with poor venous access
- Significant change in haemophilia patients with inhibitor

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The past and future of haemophilia: diagnosis, treatments, and its complications



Flora Peyvandi, Isabella Garagiola, Guy Young

Haemophilia A and B are hereditary haemorrhagic disorders characterised by deficiency or dysfunction of coagulation protein factors VIII and IX, respectively. Recurrent joint and muscle bleeds lead to severe and progressive musculoskeletal damage. Existing treatment relies on replacement therapy with clotting factors, either at the time of bleeding (ie, on demand) or as part of a prophylactic schedule. The major complication of such therapy is the development of neutralising antibodies (ie, inhibitors), which is most frequent in haemophilia A. Treatment might improve considerably with the availability of new modified drugs, which might overcome existing prophylaxis limitations by reducing dosing frequency and thereby rendering therapy less distressing for the patient. Subcutaneous administration of some new therapies would also simplify prophylaxis in children with poor venous access. Gene therapy has the potential for a definitive cure, and important results have been obtained in haemophilia B. Despite improvements in haemophilia care, the availability of clotting factor concentrates for all affected individuals worldwide remains the biggest challenge.

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CURRENT CHALLENGES USING PLATELET CONCENTRATES

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Transfusion of platelet concentrates (PC): a never ending challenge

- **1950's:** platelet transfusions reduce mortality from hemorrhage in patients with acute leukemia
- **Increase use:** essential part of treatment of cancer, hematological malignancies, bone marrow failure, stem cell transplantation
- **Problems:** type of PC, risks for donors and patients, limited resources
- **Introduction of new technologies:** bacterial detection, pathogen inactivation
- **Hemovigilance**
- **Consensus conferences and guidelines: safety and efficacy**
- **Regulatory approval by national agencies**
- **Costs**

Pathogen inactivation (PI) of blood components A change of paradigm (Toronto Consensus Conference 2007*)

Active surveillance cannot foresee the risk of an emerging pathogen transmitted by transfusion. This type of risk needs a proactive approach according to the principle of precaution

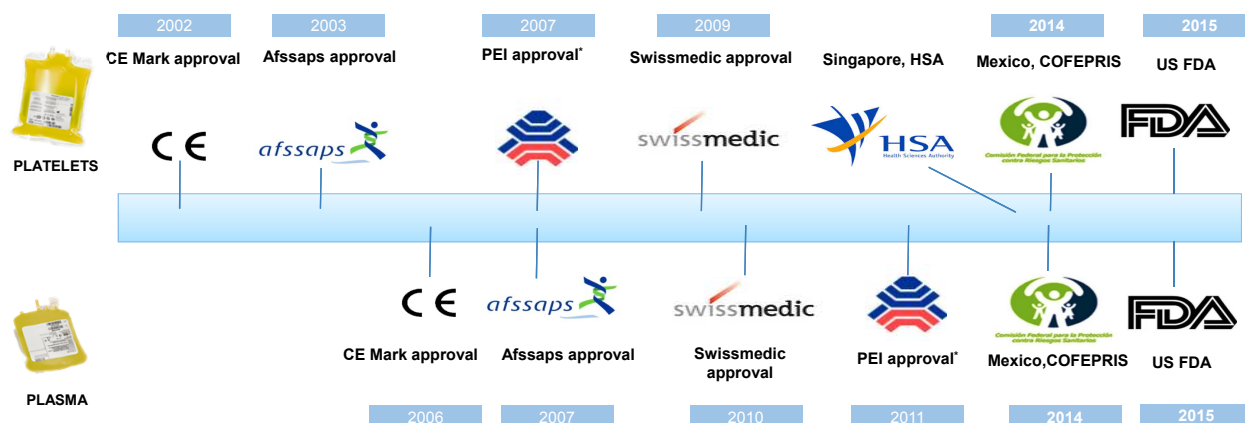
1. PI implementation for 100% of blood components
2. PI implementation should not wait its availability for all 3 blood components (platelets, plasma, RBC)
3. PI should be implemented when safe methods of inactivation for large spectrum of pathogens are available
4. Use of PI should be universal for all patients

* Weibert KE, Cserti CM, Hannon J, Lin Y, Pavenski K, Pendergrast JM, Blajchman MA.
Proceedings of a Consensus Conference: pathogen inactivation-making decisions about new technologies.
Transfusion Medicine Reviews, 2008, 22, 1-34.

Hemovigilance objectives relative to introduction of a new technology (Toronto Consensus Conference 2007)

- Monitor safety of PC in routine use
- Monitor safety in broad patient populations
- Monitor safety in special populations
 - Pediatric patients
 - Infants and neonates
 - Rare congenital disorders
- Detect low frequency adverse events that cannot be studied in clinical trials

Intercept components have undergone rigorous review for regulatory approvals



10 Years of use for Intercept Blood System™ components

Indications to transfuse PC: a complex decision

- **Increasing use of PC:** medicine, pediatrics and neonatology, surgery, obstetrics
- **Many etiologies:** thrombocytopenia (central or peripheral), thrombopathia
- **Clinical bleeding** is a therapeutic indication
- **Prophylactic indication:** risk factors modulate transfusion threshold
- **Reduce risks to PC transfusion:** infections, immune reactions (including refractoriness), TRALI
- **Type of PC:** single donor or pooled standard buffycoat, pathogen inactivated (amotosalen, riboflavin, UVC), donor profile
- **Prescription:** over- or under-use, availability, cost

What type of platelet concentrate are we talking about?

- **Donor profile:** male or female; HLA-, HPA-, HNA- matched; single or pooled
- **Processing methods to prepare PCs:** PRP (USA), buffycoat (Europe), apheresis
- **Modifications:** leucoreduction, additive solution, bacterial detection (1 or 2 tests), pathogen inactivation
- **Storage:** 3-5-7 days, temperature, agitation, transport
- **QC:** platelet concentration and content/PC, swirling, in vitro function
- **In vivo:** platelet recovery and survival, CCI, bleeding grade

Difficulties in assessing the clinical efficacy and safety of platelet concentrates

- **It might be good to remember the history of transfusion medicine:** progress by trial and errors, new technologies, clinical observation, clinical trials, evidence based medicine, hemovigilance
- **Are apheresis PC or buffycoat PC equivalent?:** apheresis machines different (microaggregates, swirling), anticoagulants, degree of leucoreduction, PAS
- **How to evaluate efficacy?:** surrogate markers and/or bleeding grade
- **Is safety for donors or patients equivalent for both types of PC?**
- **Clinical trials face complexity in transfusion medicine:** many evolutive diseases with various primary treatments (radiations, chemotherapy, antiplatelet agents...)
- **Evaluation of cost, a necessity but not an obsession:** albumine, delay in implementation

Safety and efficacy of platelet concentrates are difficult to evaluate in clinical trials due to uncontrolled factors

1. **Indirect surrogate markers of therapeutic efficacy** : relationship between CCI and bleeding unclear
2. **Clinical scores** to measure bleeding are uncertain : relationship with prevention of bleeding
3. **Clinical trials in transfusion are small** : 100 to 650 patients
4. **Criteria to select inclusion of patients** are poorly linked to clinical reality
5. **No real historical comparison** is possible with labile blood products empirically developed by trials and errors
6. Conception of **new criteria** for clinical trials in transfusion
7. Importance of **active hemovigilance surveillance**

Indications of PC in adult and pediatric patients with central thrombocytopenia are more frequent

- **Increased frequency**: hematological malignancies, solid tumors, aplasia, SCT, chemotherapy
- **Usual posologies (France 2015)**: $0.5-0.7 \times 10^{11}/10 \text{ kg}$ body weight
- **Posology for neonates**: $0.1-0.2 \times 10^{11}/\text{kg}$ body weight (15-20mL/kg)
- **Therapeutic transfusion of PC**: when clinical bleeding
- **Prophylactic transfusion of PC**: when risks factors of bleeding
- **Transfusion threshold**: 10 G/L (stable patients), 20, 50 G/L

**A MAJOR QUESTION:
PROPHYLAXIS OR PLATELETS ON DEMAND**

Relationship of CI, CCI to Grade 2 Bleeding and transfusion interval

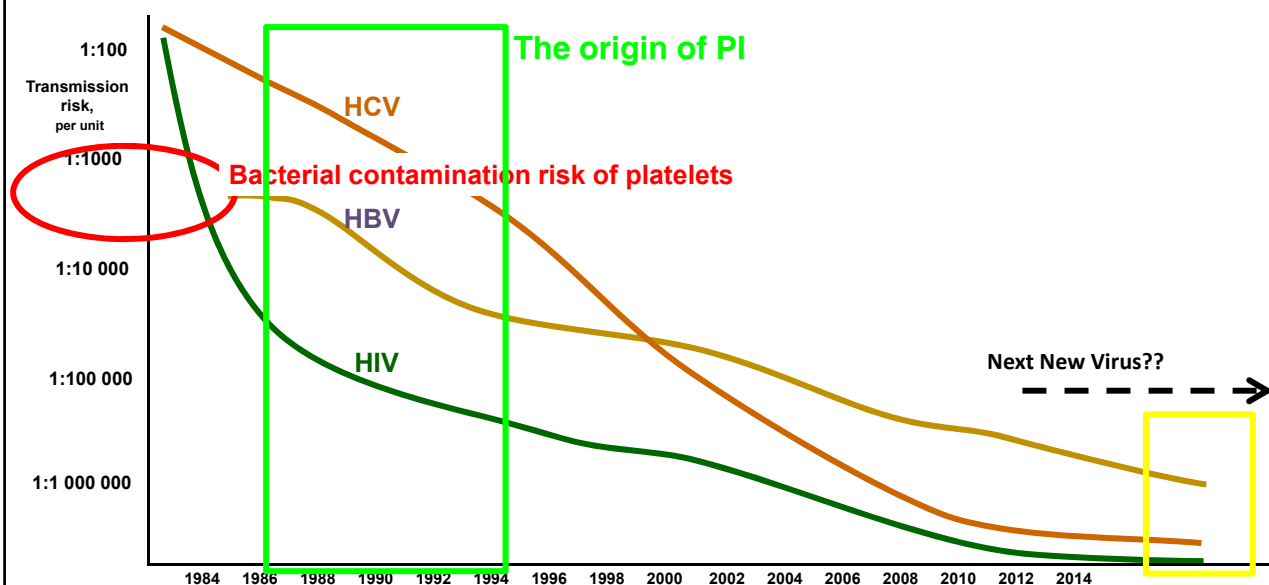
	N	Dose	1 Hr CI	1 Hr CCI	Interval	Grade 2 (%)
PLADO-Low	417	2.0	10	10.0	1.1	58
PLADOMedium	423	4.0	19	10.0	1.9	59
PLADO-High	432	8.0	38	11.0	2.9	60
SPRINT-IA ¹	318	3.7	21	11.1	1.9	59
SPRINT-C ²	327	4.0	34	16.0	2.4	58
EUROSP-IA ¹	52	3.9	28	13.1	3.0	73 ³
EUROSP-C	51	4.3	35	14.9	3.4	69 ³
HOVON-IA ¹	87	3.4	20	11.4	2.5	7
HOVON-C ²	99	3.9	34	17.1	3.4	Group

¹Plasma inactivated amotosalen + UVA

²Plasma Control

³Grade 1 and 2 bleeding combined as mild bleeding

The evolution of transfusion risks



Updated by J. P AuBuchon from: NEJM 1999;341:126-7

Why inactivate pathogens in labile blood components?

1. Increase transfusion safety by a **proactive** rather than **passive approach**
2. Prevent sepsis due to **bacterial contamination**
3. Closing the window period, small copy numbers of viruses
4. Prevent transfusion-transmitted **viral diseases**
5. Prevent **emerging pathogens** from entering the blood supply
6. Prevent adverse events, save lives

Intercept Blood System A broad spectrum of pathogen inactivation

Enveloped viruses

HIV-1
HIV-2
HBV
DHBV
HCV
BVDV
HTLV-I
HTLV-II
CMV/EBV/HHV-8
WNV
SARS
Vaccinia
Chikungunya
Dengue
Zika virus
Influenza virus (H1N1)
Avian flu virus (H5N1)
XMRV

Non-enveloped viruses

Bluetongue virus 11
Simian Adenovirus-15
Feline calicivirus
Parvovirus B19
Human adenovirus 5

Gram-negative bacteria

Klebsiella pneumoniae
Yersinia enterocolitica
Escherichia coli
Pseudomonas aeruginosa
Salmonella choleraesuis
Enterobacter cloacae
Serratia marcescens

Gram-positive bacteria

Staphylococcus epidermidis
Staphylococcus aureus
Streptococcus pyogenes
Listeria monocytogenes
Corynebacterium minutissimum
Bacillus cereus (vegetative)
Lactobacillus sp.
Bifidobacterium adolescentis
Propionibacterium acnes
Clostridium perfringens

Spirochetes

Treponema pallidum
Borrelia burgdorferi

Protozoa

Trypanosoma cruzi
Plasmodium falciparum
Leishmania mexicana
Babesia microti

Residual leukocytes

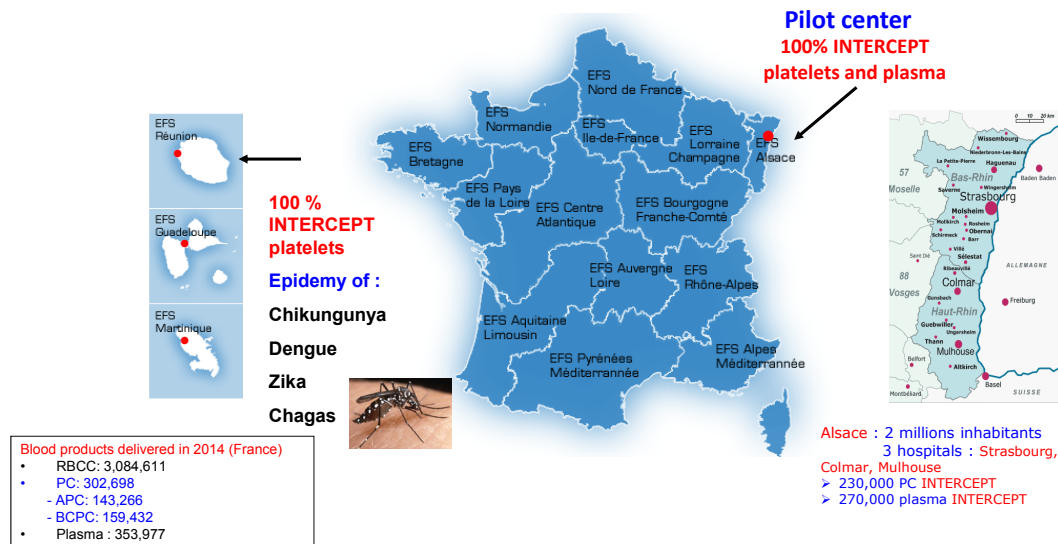
T lymphocytes, cytokines

Bacterial spores resistant

Prions resistant

In general, 5 to 6 log reduction in infectious assays
In addition replaces gamma irradiation

Clinical experience with Intercept platelets and plasma in Alsace 2006-2015



Bacterial detection in platelet concentrates has not been implemented in France

Quantitative aspects of pathogen inactivation in platelet concentrates and plasma transfused to patients in Alsace (2006-2014)

Intercept components transfused in Alsace		Components (n)	Patients (n)
PC-IA (20/07/2006-31/07/2014)	Total	140,990	20,921 - 404 newborns - 823 children - 19,694 adults
	BCPC-IA	89,954	
	APC-IA	51,036	
FFP-IA (03/09/2007-31/07/2014)	Total Units (200 mL/unit)	124,724	17,960 - 658 newborns - 786 children - 16,516 adults
	Pools for plasma exchange therapy	3,753 (corresponding to 33,046 units of 200mL)	321 - 9 children - 312 adults

Ten years of hemovigilance using PC inactivated by amotosalen + UVA

1. Increase transfusion safety and maintain hemostatic efficacy by a proactive rather than passive approach.
2. Prevent sepsis due bacterial contamination and avoid bacterial detection
3. Replace gamma irradiation for TA-GvHD
4. Avoid CMV serology for allogeneic transplants
5. Prevent transfusion-transmitted viral diseases (closing the window period, small copy numbers, mutants) and protect emerging pathogens (CHIKV, DENG, WNV, ZIKV) from entering the blood supply
6. Reduce acute adverse events (NHFTR), no toxic effects reported, no neo-antibodies
7. Hemostatic efficiency of Intercept PC does not require to transfuse more platelets (total dose) or more red cells. Efficient in surgery of Glanzmann thrombasthenia
8. Reduce outdates

Frequency of Transfusion Transmitted Bacterial Infections (TTBI) of conventional-PC and of Intercept-PC in France (2006-2015)

	Conventional- PC					Intercept- PC		
Year	PC (n)	TTBI (Grade 1-4)	TTBI (Grade 3)	TTBI (Grade 4 death)	TTBI/10,000 PC	PC (n)	TTBI (1-4) (death)	TTBI/10,000 PC
2006	231,853	4	4	0	0.17	6,420	0 (0)	0
2007	232,708	9	5	2	0.39	15,393	0 (0)	0
2008	239,349	6	4	1	0.25	15,544	0 (0)	0
2009	241,634	9	7	0	0.37	21,767	0 (0)	0
2010	253,147	2	0	1	0.08	21,897	0 (0)	0
2011	267,785	3	2	1	0.11	23,179	0 (0)	0
2012	275,986	7	2	2	0.25	24,849	0 (0)	0
2013	285,288	4	2	1	0.14	24,954	0 (0)	0
2014	278,477	2	2	0	0.07	24,881	0 (0)	0
2015	92,000	1	0	1	0.11	8,000	0 (0)	0
Total*	2,398,227*	47*	28	9	0.20	186,884*	0 (0)*	0

AFSSAPS/ANSM Hemovigilance and EFS Activity reports (2006-2014) (gravity 1-4, imputability 2 (ex 3) and 3 (ex 4). 9 deaths (7 LR-APC/2 LR-BCPC conventional PC).

*Fischer's exact test, two-sided : p-value: 0.048. relative Risk = 7.3 with Confidence Interval lower bound = 0.7.

Emerging Chikungunya and dengue in France

1. Pathogen inactivation of PC and plasma by Intercept was introduced in 2006-2007 for all patients transfused in Ile de la Réunion, Martinique, Guadeloupe and Guyane during an epidemic of Chikungunya and dengue
2. Epidemic of Chikungunya in the French caribbean islands starting in February 2014
3. Number of clinical cases June 15, 2014: Saint Martin (3430), Saint Barthélémy (620), Martinique (37600), Guadeloupe (40400), Guyane (390)
4. Hémovigilance at EFS-Martinique and Guadeloupe-Guyane: CHIKV NAT since February 24, 2014 in addition to 28 days of exclusion of previous CHIKV infection, 72 h quarantine for RBCC, pathogen inactivation by Intercept of all platelets (PC-IA) and plasma
5. Information post donation at EFS-Martinique and Guadeloupe: 10 PC-IA (8 APC-IA and 2 BCPC-IA) coming from CHIV viremic donors were transfused to 10 patients. No infection was detected in these patients
6. Surveillance of Chikungunya and dengue in metropolitan France (summer 2014): all the prerequisites for autochthonous transmission of Chikungunya are present: extension of *Aedes albopictus* in Southern France (up to Alsace), large number of travelers returning from French Caribbean Islands (408 cases of CHIKV and 150 cases of DENV confirmed by laboratory)
7. 10/20/2014: 4 autochthonous cases of dengue fever in Southern France
5 autochthonous cases of chikungunya in Montpellier/ Southern France

Zika virus epidemic, a public health emergency of international concern (WHO, February 1st 2016)

- Areas with active *Aedes* mosquito-borne transmission of ZIKA virus: Africa (1951-1981), Thailand, French Polynesia (2013), Brazil-Mexico-French Caribbean Islands-Puerto Rico (2015-2016) and many imported cases (France, USA...)
- 80% ZIKV infections remain asymptomatic
- Clinical symptoms: self-limiting, similar to flu-illness, chikungunya or dengue, severe complications: Guillain-Barré syndrome, microcephaly, long term complications
- Viremia may last up to 14 days and beyond
- Transmission: intrauterine, perinatal, sexual, transfusion blood component
- Reservoir of ZIKV: central nervous system, semen
- Recommendations for blood donation: deferral (4weeks), RT-PCR; women and pregnant women
- Pathogen inactivation: plasma (SD, amotosalen), platelets (amotosalen), red blood cells (IND authorization for S-303)

« WHAT IS THE NEXT NEW VIRUS? », THE STORY GOES ON!

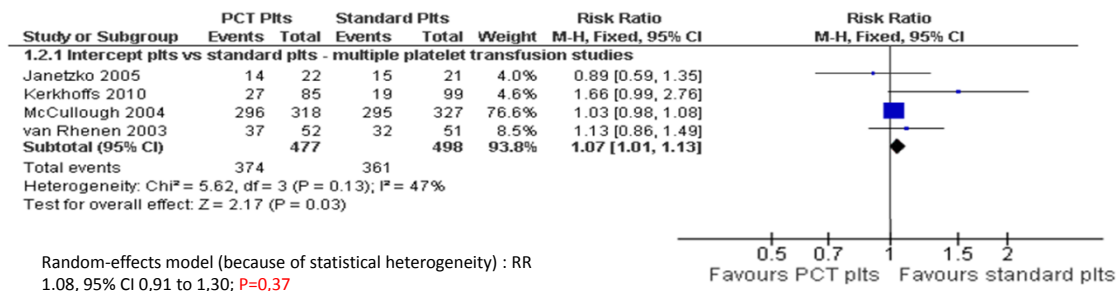
Proactive or passive surveillance



Pathogen-reduced platelets for the prevention of bleeding (Review)

Butler C, Doree C, Estcourt LJ, Trivella M, Hopewell S, Brunskill SJ, Stanworth S, Murphy MF

Figure 4. Forest plot of comparison: 1 Pathogen-reduced platelets versus standard platelets, outcome: 1.2 Number of participants with 'any bleeding' event(s) (WHO grade 1-4 or equivalent) - follow-up > 7 days.



"No evidence of a difference in mortality, "clinically significant" or "severe" bleeding, transfusion reactions or adverse events between pathogen-reduced and standard platelets."

"There is a need to complete further trials of effectiveness in order to understand the differences in bleeding outcomes, if any, between pathogen-reduced platelets and standard platelets"

The Cochrane Library, 2013



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Conflict of interest disclosure of Jean-Pierre Cazenave

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Co-Investigator of clinical trials

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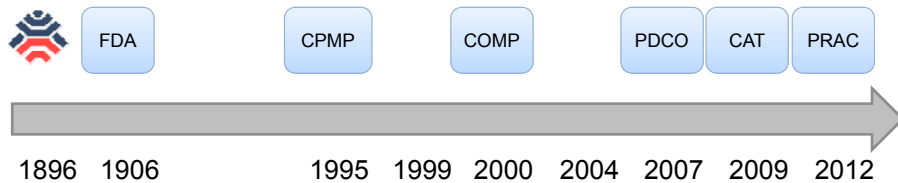
Regulatory and health technology assessment requirements

Jan Müller-Berghaus

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Criteria for an marketing authorisation

- Demonstration of efficacy
- Favourable benefit/risk balance
- Relative efficacy not necessarily required or evaluated (by law)
- Regardless of possible costs (by law)



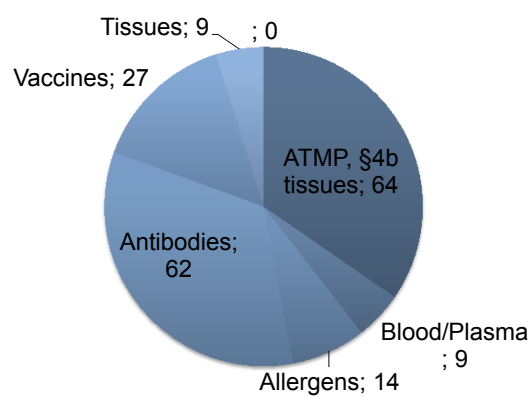
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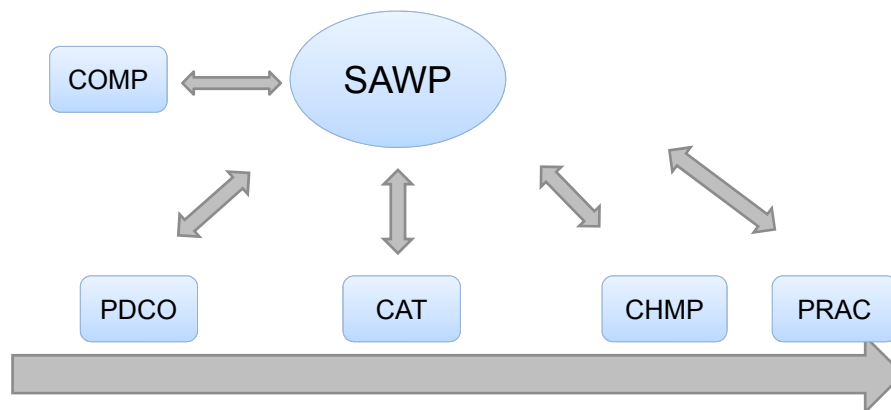
National support for developers Scientific Advice at PEI 2015

- National advice plays a major role, especially for early development and clinical trial authorisation





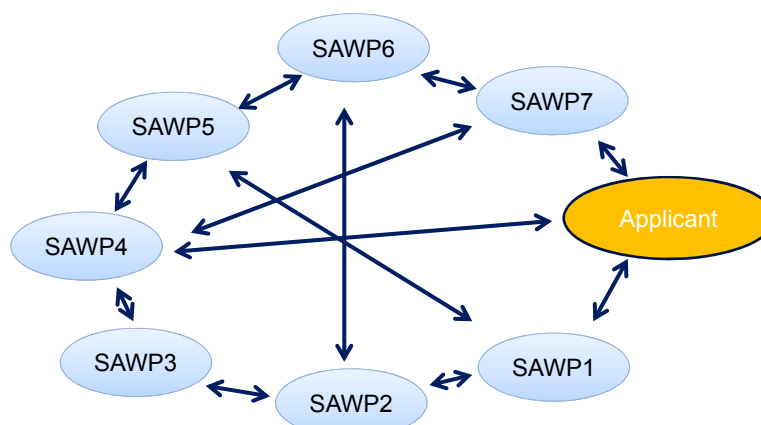
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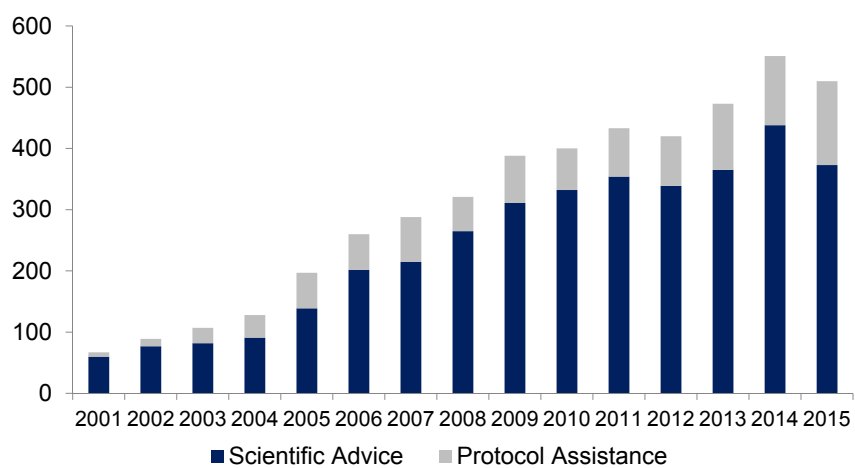
CHMP scientific advice



In the end one advice letter that is considered „morally“ binding!



Centralised Scientific Advice



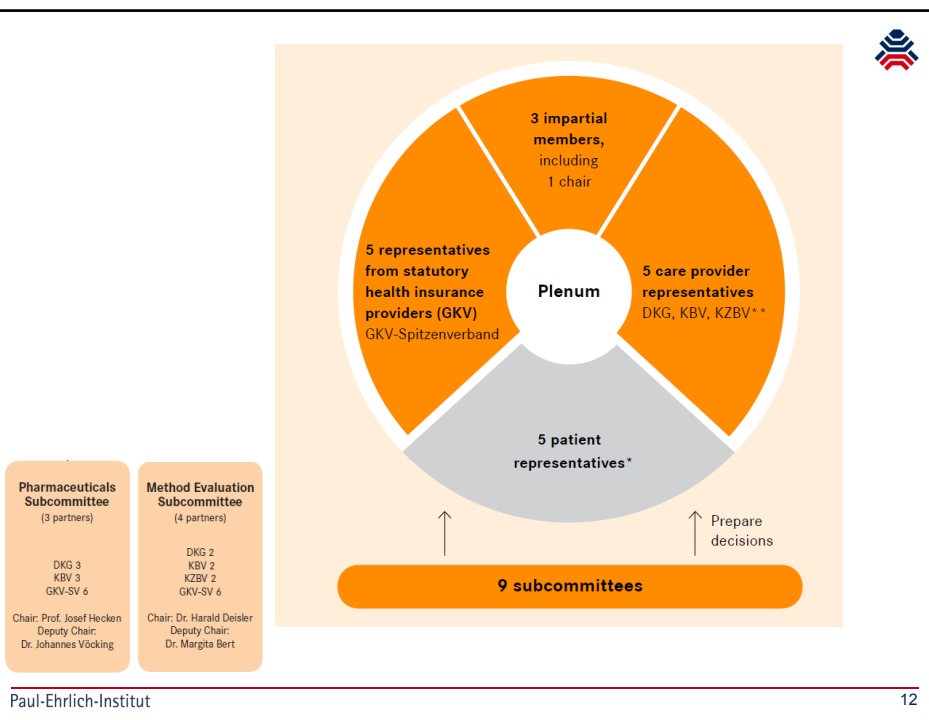
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Gemeinsamer Bundesausschuss (G-BA) Federal Joint Committee



- Highest decision-making body of joint self-governance of physicians, dentists, psychotherapists, hospitals and statutory health insurance funds
- Decides what is covered within the benefit catalogue of the statutory healthy insurance
- Based on the law „Fünftes Sozialgesetzbuch (SGB V)“
- Supervised by German Ministry of Health, decisions and guidelines are audited by ministry
- Located in Berlin
- Impartial Chair: Prof. J. Hecken





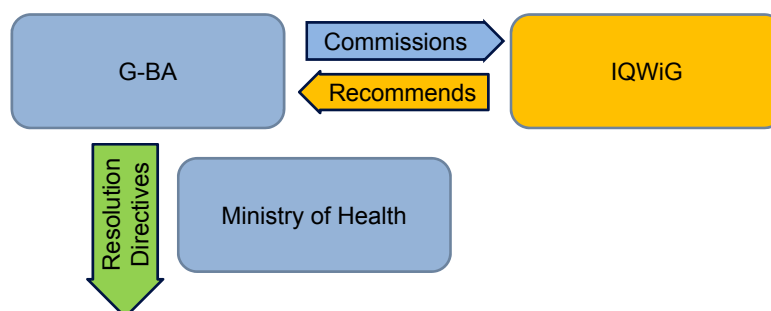
Organisational Aspects

- G-BA, IQWiG and IQTIG are financed by levies for out-patient and in-patient care (currently 4.9 Cent per case out-patient, 1.63 Euro per case in-patient)
- Statutory health insurance: approx. 70 Millionen insured,
 - Spending 2014: 193,600,000,000 Euro (i.e. 2765 Euro/ insured person)



Institute for Quality and Efficiency in Health Care (IQWiG)

- Independent scientific institute (foundation)
- Will take on work only by demand of G-BA or BMG
- Located in Köln





Evaluation of added benefit

- Patient relevant endpoints
 - Mortality (survival)
 - Morbidity (symptoms and complications)
 - Health related quality of life
- In comparison to available and approved treatments i.e appropriate comparator therapy („zweckmäßige Vergleichstherapie“ ZVT)
- Using criteria of evidence based medicine EBM
- Publication: Allgemeine Methoden, IQWiG, Version 4.2



Evaluation of added benefit

- Evaluation of „quality“ of studies
 - Assessment of the risk of bias (blinding, randomisation, etc.)
 - Subgroups
 - Data consistency
- Number of studies, Direction of effect
- Conclusion on the evidence base/certainty of conclusion
 - Proof
 - Indication
 - Hint



Extent and grading of effect

- 6 categories:
 - Major added benefit
 - Considerable added benefit
 - Minor added benefit
 - Non-quantifiable added benefit
 - No added benefit proven
 - Less benefit



		Outcome category			
		All-cause mortality	Serious (or severe) symptoms (or late complications) and adverse events	Health-related quality of life	Non-serious (or non-severe) symptoms (or late complications) and adverse events
Extent category	Major sustained and great improvement in the therapy-relevant benefit, which has not previously been achieved versus the appropriate comparator therapy	Major increase in survival time	Long-term freedom or extensive avoidance	Major improvement	Not applicable
	Considerable marked improvement in the therapy-relevant benefit, which has not previously been achieved versus the appropriate comparator therapy	Moderate increase in survival time	Alleviation or relevant avoidance	Important improvement	Important avoidance
	Minor moderate and not only marginal improvement in the therapy-relevant benefit, which has not previously been achieved versus the appropriate comparator therapy	Any increase in survival time	Any reduction	Relevant improvement	Relevant avoidance

a: Amendments to the ANV in *italics*
ANV: Arzneimittel-Nutzenbewertungsverordnung (Regulation for Early Benefit Assessment of New Pharmaceuticals)



Recommendation of IQWiG

- Combining “quality” and “extent” will result in e.g.
 - “Indication of non-quantifiable added benefit”
 - “Proof of considerable added benefit”
- Basis for G-BA decision making
 - Orphan drugs handled slightly different: added benefit is regarded as demonstrated (by law)
- After G-BA decision basis for price negotiations
- If no added benefit is demonstrated price of appropriate comparator forms the basis, if possible grouped with other approved products



Hurdles to access



Pharmaceutical
Quality

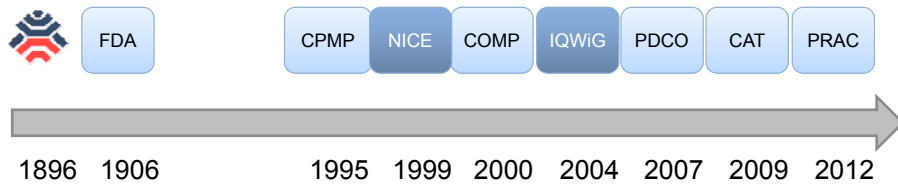


Efficacy
Favourable B/R



Reimbursement
Cost/Effectiveness
Added benefit

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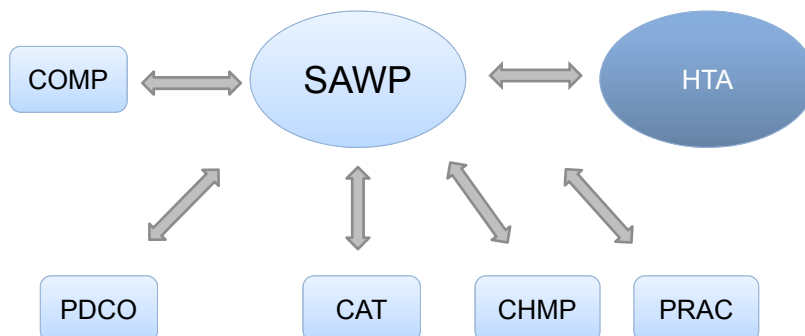


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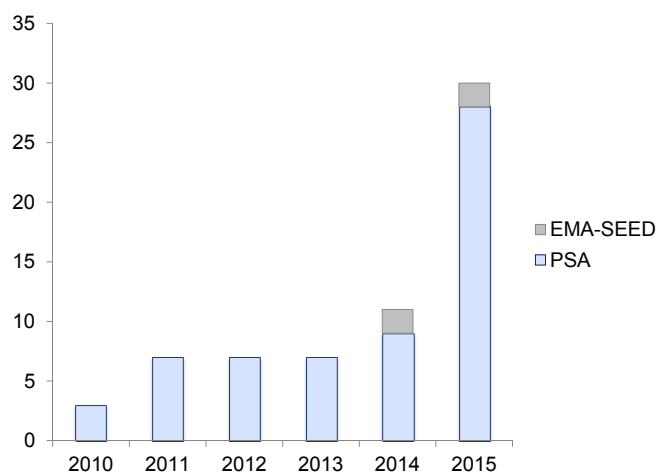
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G-BA, BfArM und PEI vereinbaren strukturierte Zusammenarbeit

Gemeinsame Pressemitteilung des Gemeinsamen Bundesausschusses (G-BA), Paul-Ehrlich-Instituts (PEI) und Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte (BfArM)

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Mit dem Ziel, möglichst frühzeitig eng und strukturiert bei gemeinsamen Fragestellungen hinsichtlich der Zulassung von Arzneimitteln einerseits und der frühen Nutzenbewertung von Arzneimitteln andererseits zusammenzuarbeiten, haben der Gemeinsame Bundesausschuss (G-BA), das Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte (BfArM) und das Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI) eine Vereinbarung getroffen. Dies teilten der G-BA und die beiden Bundesoberbehörden anlässlich des Abschlusses des Pharmadialogs am Dienstag in Berlin mit. Im Kern geht es darum, im Rahmen der Durchführung von klinischen Arzneimittelstudien gute Evidenz sowohl für die Beurteilung der arzneimittelrechtlichen Fragestellungen (Zulassung) als auch für die Beurteilung der sozialversicherungsrechtlichen Fragestellungen (frühe Nutzenbewertung) zu generieren.

Um dies zu erreichen, vereinbarten die Institutionen verschiedene Maßnahmen, unter anderem:

- die wechselseitige Beteiligung von Experten der jeweiligen Institutionen im Vorfeld der Planung klinischer Studien bei den Beratungen der pharmazeutischen Unternehmer („Joint Scientific Advice“);
- die wechselseitige Kennntnisgabe von Protokollen durchgeführter Beratungsgespräche;
- die Fortführung der schon etablierten Beteiligungsverfahren im Rahmen der frühen Nutzenbewertung
- regelmäßige wechselseitige Hospitation von Mitarbeiterinnen und Mitarbeitern, um die jeweils relevanten unterschiedlichen Fragestellungen in den Verfahren noch besser kennenzulernen und die bestehende gute Zusammenarbeit zu vertiefen und zu festigen.



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Coagulation factor and platelet usage: Current challenges of benefit, effectiveness and risk assessment

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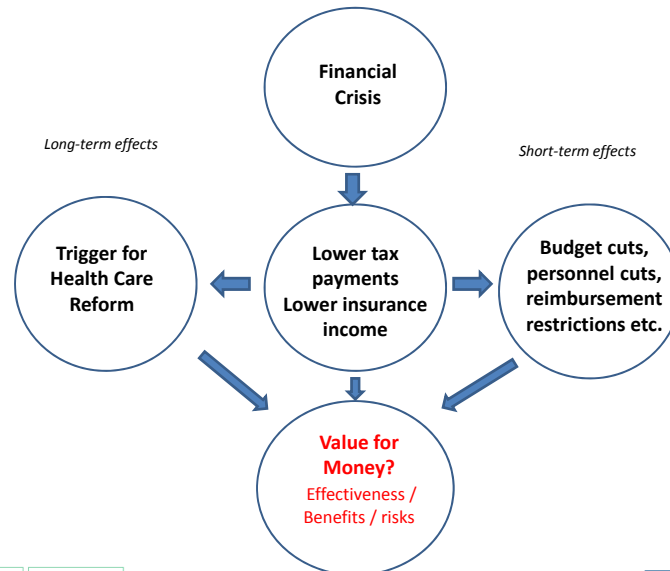
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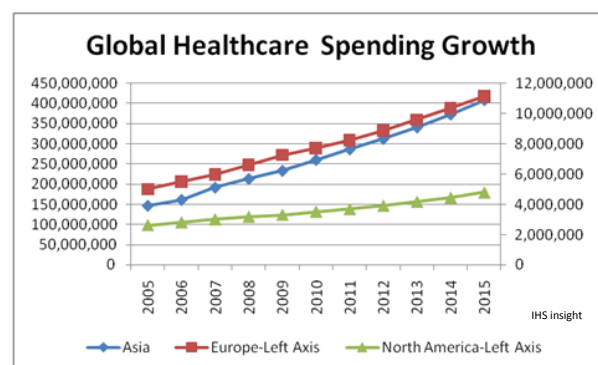
Agenda

- Why benefit / effectiveness and risk assessment?
- Challenges: benefit / risk assessment for clotting factor and platelet usage
- Open Questions & Outlook

Shortened Health Care Budgets



Cost constrained healthcare systems



Costs of Adverse Drug Reactions (ADR) in clinical routine care have a major economic impact



197,000 deaths due to ADR sum up to costs of € 79 billion*

ADR related Hospital costs



€636 million



€400 million.



€706 million.

<http://antidote-europe.org/en/adverse-drug-reactions-kill-197000-europeans-annually/>

*European Commission



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The role of payers has become more prominent

Policy-makers , payers are increasingly mandating what doctors can prescribe

- Treatment protocols
- Cost sharing
e.g. pay for performance)
- Gate-keeper function



Value based informed decision making

- HTA assessments
- **Comparative / relative effectiveness**
- **Risk Assessment**

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Payers have a strong focus on relative effectiveness

Definition: relative effectiveness

„...the extend to which an intervention does more good than harm compared to one or more alternative interventions under the **usual circumstances of health care practice.**“

High level pharmaceutical forum

Efficacy and Effectiveness Studies

Pre-Authorisation

Market Authorization

How things work

Efficacy studies

- condition-specific endpoints
- strong links to the mechanism of action
- short-term horizon
- Small sample size

Post-Authorisation

Access

Doing the right thing

Effectiveness studies

- comprehensive patient-relevant endpoints
 - Clinical
 - PROs
- relatively longer-term horizons
- Large sample size

European Network for HTA



Cooperation between EMA and EUnetHTA:

“The objective of the EMA-EUnetHTA collaboration is to identify and undertake specific steps to improve the efficiency of the processes and conditions for patients' timely access to an effective medicine.”

(Report on the implementation of the EMA-EUnetHTA three-year work plan 2012-2015 S.3)



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Patient-relevant endpoints and patient reported outcomes

How is the patient?

Effectiveness

- mortality
- morbidity events
- adverse reactions
- symptoms
- function
- health-related quality of life
- participation and activity
- adherence and compliance

Available evidence may be incomplete, not consider the outcomes most relevant to patients, or not apply to certain patient populations. PCORI.



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Relative effectiveness research: Endpoints

Clotting Factor Concentr.

Patient relevant endpoints

- Bleeds
- Arthropathy
- Osteoporosis
- Mortality

Patient-reported endpoints

- HRQoL
- Activity and Participation
- Patient Preferences
- Compliance and Adherence

Risks

- Inhibitor development
- Infections

Platelets

Patient relevant endpoints

- Mortality
- Haemorrhagic Diathesis

Patient-reported endpoints

- HRQoL
- Patient Preferences

Risks

- Immunologic reactions
- Non-immunologic reactions
- Infections

Haemophilia-associated patient-relevant *clinical* outcomes



<i>Clinical Outcomes</i>	Parameter	Measurement
Bleeds	frequency, localisation, severity	patient survey, patient diary
Target Joints	4 or more bleeds in one joint within 6 months*	patient survey, patient diary
Arthropathy	mobility, function, joint replacement, arthrodesis	clinical joint status, Haemophilia Joint Health Score (HJHS), WFH Physical Examination Score (Gilbert Score), Arnold-Hilgartner System, Petterson Score, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Score, ultrasound
Osteoporosis	fracture	patient survey, patient record
Therapy-related infectious diseases	hepatitis, HIV, clotting factor concentrates used	laboratory values, patient survey, patient record
Development of inhibitors	duration and intensity of treatment, gene mutations, clotting factor concentrates used	patient survey, patient record
Mortality	cause of death	death certificate, patient record

*Valentino L.A. Haemophilia (2009), 15 (Suppl. 2), S-22.

Haemophilia-associated Patient Reported Outcomes (PROs)



Patient Reported Outcomes	Parameter	Measurement
Disease-specific quality of life	Example: Haemophilia-QoL 36 items/9 Scales: physical health, daily activities, joint damage, pain, treatment satisfaction, treatment difficulties, emotional functioning, mental health, relationship and social activities ¹	Haemophilia-QoL (adults and children), Haemo-QoL-A, Haem-A-QoL, Children Haemophilia Outcome (CHO)-Kids Assessment Tool (KLAT)
Health-related quality of life	Example: Euro-QoL-5D-questionnaire with 5 dimensions: mobility, self-care, usual activities, pain/discomfort, anxiety/depression ²	EQ-5D, SF-36, SF-12
Activity	FISH (8 activities: eating, grooming, dressing, chair transfer, squatting, walking, step climbing, running ³) or HAL (7 domains ⁴)	Functional Independence Score (FISH), Haemophilia Activities List (HAL; PedHAL)
Social integration	education, work, days absent, hospital stays	patient survey
Adherence and compliance	continuous treatment according to therapeutic guidelines	patient survey, patient diary

¹Bullinger M. et al. Value in Health (2009) 12; 5: 808-820. ²Moock J. Phys Rehab Kur Med 2008; 18(5): 245-249.
³<http://www.wfh.org/en/page.aspx?pid=884>; ⁴<http://www.wfh.org/en/page.aspx?pid=875>



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Which outcomes are feasible to be determined in clinical routine care and meet access requirements?



Clinical Outcomes	Measurement	Prioritization			
		un-important	moderately important	important	very important
Bleeds	patient survey, patient diary			1	13
Target Joints	patient survey, patient diary				14
Arthropathy	clinical joint status, Haemophilia Joint Health Score (HJHS), WFH Physical Examination Score (Gilbert Score)			6	8
	radiological joint status (Pettersson Score)		8	2	1
	Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)		5		
	ultrasound	2	4	3	
Osteoporosis	patient survey, patient record	9	1	2	
Therapy-related infectious diseases	laboratory values, patient survey, patient record			2	10
Development of inhibitors	patient survey, patient record				14
Mortality	death certificate, patient record				14

A total of 14 physicians prioritized health outcomes taking into consideration the ability of their assessment in clinical routine care.



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Challenges in assessing the outcomes

Consensus is needed on

- patient relevant endpoints to be measured for relative effectiveness research and cost-effectiveness evaluations
- on measurements used in routine care to assess patient relevant endpoints is needed
- how / where data that is accessible and appropriate for research purposes can be collected

Relative effectiveness research need Real Life Data

Real Life Data

“Everything that goes beyond what is normally collected in the Phase III clinical trials program in terms of efficacy” Definitions ISPOR 2007

Sources:

1. Databases: cross-sectional and longitudinal databases
2. Patient and population surveys: epidemiological information.
3. Patient chart reviews: Used to reflect particular insights in patient management.
4. Observational data from cohort studies/ real life studies.
5. Pragmatic clinical trials: experimental trials, which raise questions regarding the extent to which they reflect what is happening in real life.
6. Registries: Involve registering and subsequently analyzing all patients treated at a particular centre for a particular condition on a continuous basis.

The Growing Number of Hemophilia Registries: Quantity vs. Quality

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National Registries

- 27 European countries have a national registry
- Located at the Ministry of Health or are organized by large treatment centers or patient organizations
- Restricted access to most of the registries, therefore unclear what data is collected

Problem: There are European countries with less than 200 registered patients with severe HA



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Haemophilia: European Registries



To facilitate research and healthcare development in children with haemophilia



(Anti-Biopharmaceutical Immunization: prediction and analysis of clinical relevance to minimize the RISK) to generate a comprehensive database concerning ADA formation in haemophilia and other diseases treated with biopharmaceuticals



EUHANET is a project aimed at establishing a network of haemophilia centres to work together on a number of related projects to improve the care of European citizens with inherited bleeding disorders.



European Haemophilia Safety Surveillance to monitor the safety of treatment for people with inherited bleeding disorders throughout Europe



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Do these registries collect appropriate data for relative effectiveness research?

1. Step

Identification what Real World Data (RWD) is required for specific research questions

2. Step

Databasescreening and evaluation e.g.

- Accessibility of data?
- Granularity of data?
- Contemporary data?
- Representative data?
- Linkage?



Platelet-associated patient-relevant outcomes

**PubMed last 10yrs
Effectiveness AND „platelet
transfusion“**

**Mostly Surrogate parameters are
used as endpoints**

- Platelet increment
- Platelet recovery
- Time to next transfusion
- Number of transfusions

**Only a very limited number of
publications presents data on**

- **Patient-relevant clinical endpoints**
 - Mortality
 - Bleeds
 - Transfusion reactions
- **Patient – reported outcomes**
 - Quality of life
 - Patient Preferences?

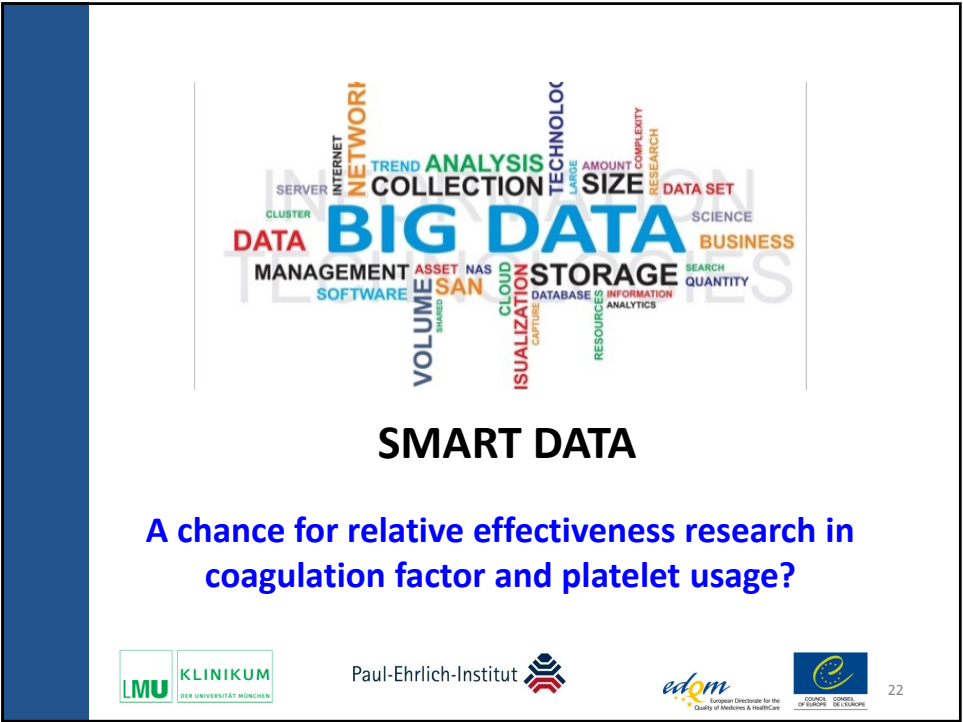
Platelet-associated patient-relevant outcomes

- What is needed?
 - Definition of appropriate endpoints for effectiveness research
 - Discussion on methodological approaches „How to measure patient relevant endpoints associated with platelet transfusion“
 - access to data required



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Thank you for your attention !

Patient Organisation View

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EHC Survey on the 'State of Haemophilia Care in Europe'

- Conducted in late 2015/early 2016
- 2014 data on Factor use
- 37 countries responded
- 31/35 who responded in 2012
- 6 new responses Estonia, Georgia, Israel, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, Norway

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Organisation of Care



- No CCC in 2015 in:
 - Armenia, Estonia, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Macedonia, Montenegro, Spain and Ukraine
- Countries who developed CCC since 2011:
 - Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Lithuania, Portugal and Serbia
- Spain lost CCC status since 2011 for 64 HTC

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NHC or Co-ordinating Group



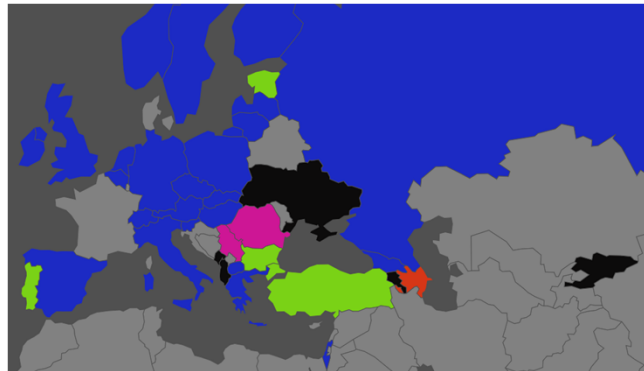
- 18 countries have a National Co-ordinating group
- 19 countries do not have a National Co-ordinating group
- Azerbaijan, Macedonia, Romania developed a National Co-ordinating group since 2012
- Finland, Germany, Greece, Italy, Lithuania and Spain have lost their National Co-ordinating group since 2012

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Access to home treatment (2015 survey)



Levels of access
in %



■ 76-100%

■ 51-75%

■ 10-50%

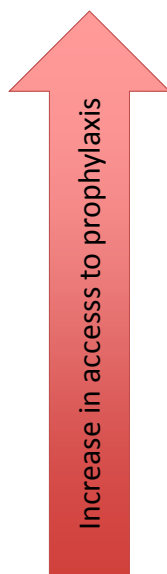
■ <10%

■ 0%

■ Unanswered

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Increase in access to prophylaxis



In children (in 6 countries)

- Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Ukraine

In adults (in 7 countries):

- Belgium, Czech Republic, Ireland, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Poland and Spain

In both children **AND** adults (in 6 countries)

- Austria, Italy, Latvia, Portugal, Slovenia and Turkey

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Access to specialist services 2015 Survey



Most available specialist services:

- Paediatrics
 - always available in 33 countries
 - never or rarely available in 0 countries
- Emergency care
 - always available in 30 countries
 - never or rarely available in 0 countries
- Orthopaedics
 - always available in 29 countries
 - never or rarely available in 0 countries

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Access to specialist services 2015 Survey



Least available specialist services:

- Social & psychosocial support
 - always available in 12 countries
 - never or rarely available in 10 countries
- Pain management
 - always available in 15 countries
 - never or rarely available in 9 countries
- Rheumatology
 - always available in 16 countries
 - never or rarely available in 6 countries

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Access to specialist services: 2012-2015



- Improvement in access to :
 - :Genetics – 5 countries
 - :Physiotherapy- 4 countries
 - :Pain Management- 3 countries
 - :Infectious disease specialist- 3 countries
- Access to social and psychological support decreased in 2 countries

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Ageing and Haemophilia



- 32/36 countries unaware of any specific clinical services for ageing PWH
- 28/36 do NOT have guidelines for managing cardiovascular risk in PWH
- 17/36 countries aware of educational programmes for clinicians or patients
- 22 countries – patient organisation have raised concerns about ageing and PWH

Status of the implementation of EDQM 2013 recommendations



	NHC	Min 3 IU/capita FVIII	Prophylaxis in children	Prophylaxis for adults when required
Implemented in	18 countries	18 countries	33 countries	31 countries
Not implemented in	19 countries	8 countries	4 countries	6 countries
No data for	8 countries	19 countries	8 countries	8 countries

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Patient Priorities



- Continues to be inadequate use of factor concentrates:
7 countries < 3 and 10 < 4 IU/PC
- 50% countries do not have a national co-ordinating body
- ITI availability poor in many countries
- Access to hepatitis C treatment not prioritised
- Need for access to new EHL factors at sustainable cost and with individualisation of therapy
- Need for agreed protocols on ageing

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Clinical Trials with Clotting Factors -A Regulatory Perspective-

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Role of Regulators...

- ♦ Scientific Advice
- ♦ Approval of Clinical Trials
- ♦ Marketing authorisation
 - Quality
 - Efficacy
 - Safety
- ♦ Pharmacovigilance
- ♦ Surveillance
- ♦ Consequences/Measures

**Interaction between
NCA – Applicant/MAH**

European approach...

- 🔥 Scientific Advice (national/centralized)
- 🔥 Approval of Clinical Trials (national/centralized)
- 🔥 Marketing authorisation (national/centralized)
- 🔥 Pharmacovigilance (centralized)
- 🔥 Surveillance (national/centralized)
- 🔥 Consequences/Measures (national/centralized)

➡ coordination/collaboration/communication



Since 1996 GL requirements	Since 2012 GL requirements	Comment
50 PTP > 12y (incl. 12 PTP for PK and 5 PTP for surgery)	50 PTP > 12y (incl. 12 PTP for PK and 5 PTP for surgery)	No change
20 children < 6y, to be started before MA	50 children 0-12y	Paediatric Regulation / PIP
PUP CT not required	50 PUP for novel products 100 PUP follow up	Inhibitor review 2005 PIP
Post-authorisation: No specific requirements	200 patients to be followed for 100 ED-specific testing schedule	Inhibitor review 2005



Post-marketing-investigation FVIII

- Inclusion Criteria
PTP(>150ED); <1% FV III:C; immunocompetent (CD4 >200/ μ l) HIVneg or <200 particle/ μ l
- Documentation Patients characteristics
- Enrolment: 200 PTP FVIII
- Testing schedule:

	Previous product	Test product ED1	Test product ED10-15	Test product ED50-75	Test product ED~100
Inhibitor*	x	x [†]	x	x	x
Recovery	x	x	x	x	x

*after washout period (see Explanatory Note); storage of back up blood sample is recommended

[†]new patients = not recruited for pre-authorisation studies

[‡]baseline inhibitor testing prior to first infusion of test product

EMA/CHMP/BPWP/144533/2009 rev.1



Post-marketing study procedure

- Before patient enrolment: no suspected inhibitor, confirmed by lab testing
- Documentation of
 - treatment regimen (incl. surgery)
 - treatment outcome
 - all adverse events
- Development of recruitment to be regularly reported
- **Progress report 2y after MA, completion within 4y**
- Protocol (incl. timelines) will be approved at MA



European Pharmacovigilance Legislation

Regulation (EU)1235/2010

Directive 2010/84/EU

- Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee (09/2012)
- Rationalising PSUR management
(substance classes, no routine PSUR-reporting for low risk/established products)
- ADR reporting (individual direct reporting to NCA, EudraVigilance..)
- **Risk Management Plans**
- Strengthened basis for post-authorisation studies
(safety and efficacy)



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RMP for FVIII and FIX products

- Safety monitoring and risk minimisation activities:
 - Comprehensive Analysis of *de novo* and recurrent inhibitors
(source of report, titre and type of inhibitor, incidence estimate, risk classification + patient background and follow up data)
 - Lack of drug effect
 - Hypersensitivity / anaphylactic reactions
- **Post-marketing investigation**
- **Recommendation to include patients in registries**



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GCP Trials in HaemophiliaApril 2016

Source: EU Clinical Trials Register (www.ClinicalTrialsRegister.eu)

Total CT Haemophilia	147
Ongoing	92
OD	26

CT Haemophilia PUP	15	CT Haemophilia PTP	60
CT Haemophilia PUP ongoing	12	CT Haemophilia PTP ongoing	41
CT HA PUP	12	CT HA PTP ongoing	30
CT HB PUP	3	CT HB PTP ongoing	11



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Pro's and Con's

Clinical Trials

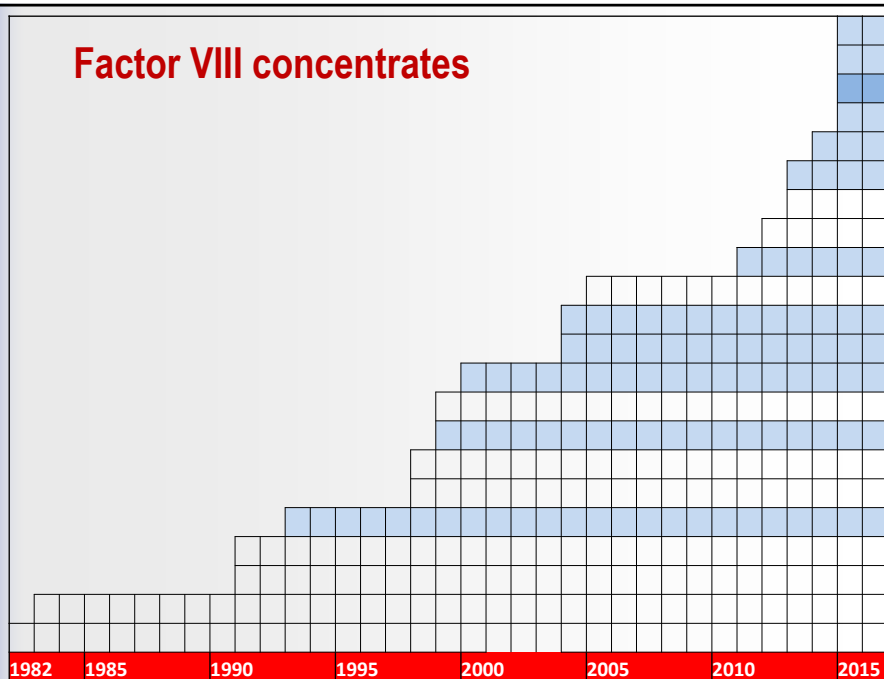
- ☑ mandatory for every new Product
- ☑ same pre-defined evaluation criteria
- ☑ consistent with regulatory requirements
- ☑ high data quality
- ☑ Regulators do have access to data
 - selected patients
 - unknown confounding
 - limited sample size and study period
 - open uncontrolled study design



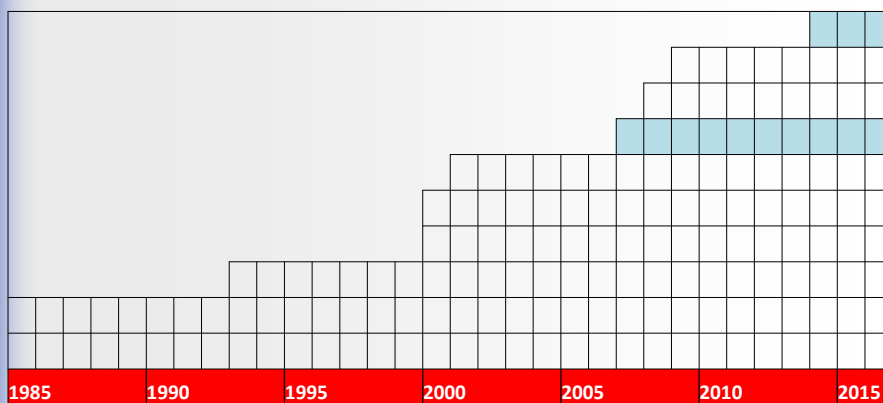
Registries

- ☑ same data parameter for all products
- ☑ all patients (PTP and PUP) included
- ☑ real life and long follow up data
- ☑ large number of patients
- ☑ comparison among products
 - voluntary
 - unknown confounding
 - no standardized dataset yet
 - Regulators do have no access to data

Factor VIII concentrates



Factor IX concentrates



How to get the best capture of data?

- for regulatory purposes
- for scientific/clinical purposes
- for HTA purposes
- for the benefit of patients



Issues.....

- Plasma-derived vs. recombinant products
- Full-length vs. B-domain-deleted
- Brand-associated effects
- Inhibitor: prevention, treatment, eradication
- Emerging pathogens
- Modified donor selection criteria
- New products= new problems ?



Options...

- 🔴 Clinical trials (GL)
- 🔴 Registries (harmonized/standardized)
- 🔴 Pharmacovigilance
- 🔴 Scientific research...

Regulatory Tools

- 🔴 Pre- and postauthorisation CT concept
- 🔴 Pharmacovigilance:
 - RMP
 - PSUR/PSUSA
 - Signal detection
- 🔴 Consequences/measures: e.g. referrals

Prospects....

🔴 Pre- and postauthorisation CT concept

- > critical review of GL (status quo/identification of gaps ...e.g. outcomes/HTA/novel products)

🔴 Registries

- > need for standardization/harmonisation
- clarification of data access/reporting pathways....



**Identification of best practice and needs in
Haemophilia care**



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Inhibitor development in PUPs - SIPPET and previous studies -

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Optimal use of clotting factors and
platelets
Freising, 6 May 2016

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Introduction inhibitors

high cost treatment € 400 000-1 000 000 per year

increased burden

increased mortality no excess to more than doubling

(Rocino, Haemophilia 2016; Abbonizio, Haemophilia 2014; DeKoven, Haemophilia 2014; Darby, J Thromb Haemost 2004; Plug, J Thromb Haemost 2006))

Risk factors inhibitors

F8 mutation
family history of inhibitor
immunomodulatory genetic variants
intensity of initial treatment
prophylaxis (↓)
type of FVIII product

age at first treatment
ethnicity

(Schwaab, Thromb Haemost 1995; Astermark, Haemophilia 2001; Hay, Thromb Haemost 1997; Oldenburg, Thromb Haemost 1997; Astermark, Blood 2006; Gouw, Blood 2007; Gouw, Blood 2013; Gouw, N Engl J Med 2013; Aledort, Haemophilia 1998)

FVIII product and inhibitors

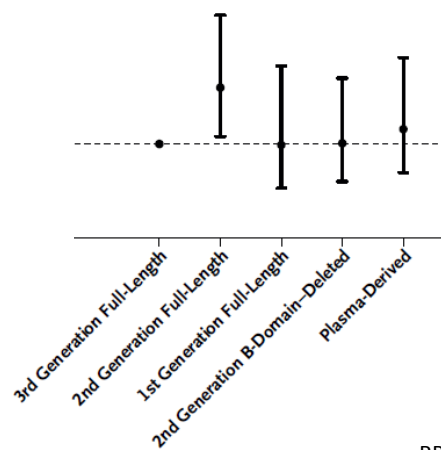
Previously untreated patients

cryoprecipitate	6.2%
early concentrates	9.0%
ultrapure concentrates	>25%

Previously treated patients

FVIII CPS-SD	4.4/1000 py
FVIII CPS-P	20.1/1000 py

(Peerlinck, Blood 1993; Guérois, Thromb Haemost 1995; Gouw, Blood 2007; Vermynen, Acta Clin Belg 1991; Rosendaal, Blood 1993; Gouw N Engl J Med 2013)



(Gouw, N Engl J Med 2013)

	RR	CI95
all	1.60	1.08-2.37
high-titre	1.79	1.09-2.94

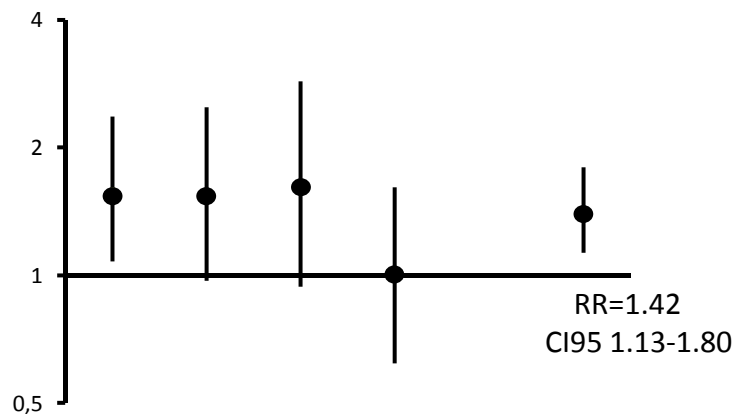
Replication: four studies

	design	period	countries	N*	adjustment
RODIN	cohort	2000-2010	14	574	mutation, age, +
FCN	cohort	1993-2014	1	353	mutation, age, +
UKHCDO	cohort	2000-2011	1	407	mutation, age, +
EUHASS	case-series	2008-2012	26	417	none

(Gouw, N Engl J Med 2013; Calvez, Blood 2014; Collins, Blood 2014; Fischer, Thromb Haemost 2015)

Four studies meta-analysed

- all inhibitors -



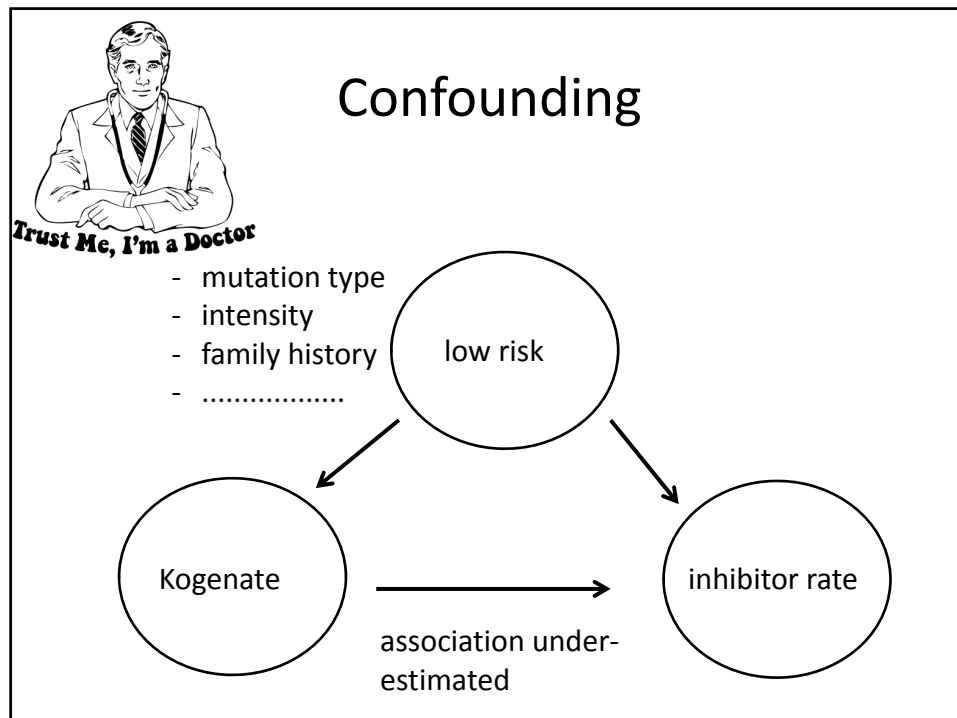
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Four studies

- Adjustment for confounding -

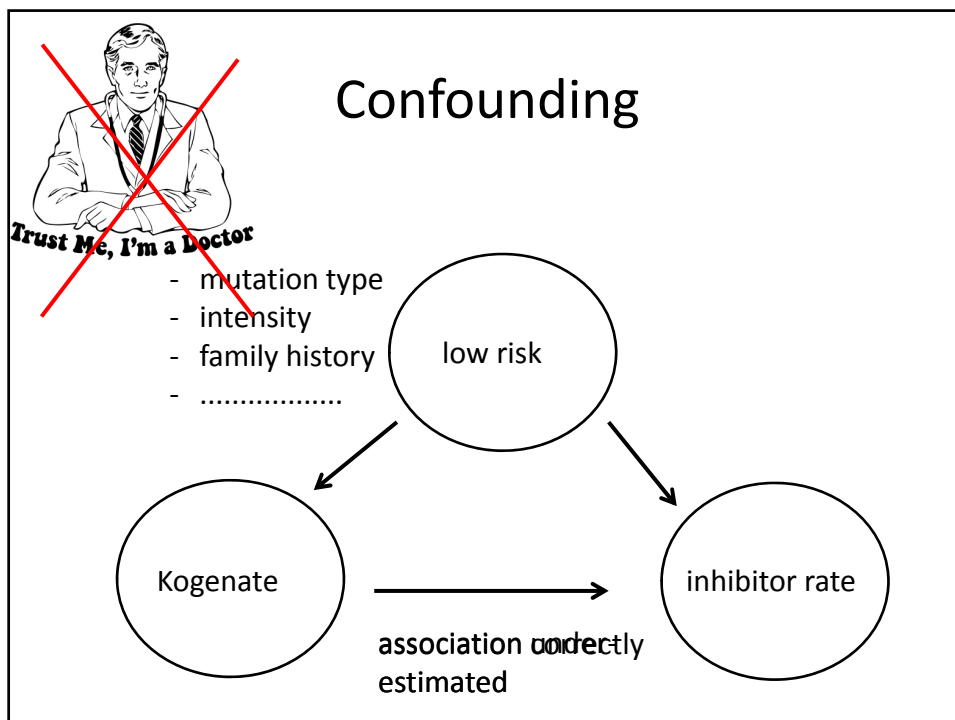
	unadjusted	adjusted
RODIN	1.37	1.60
FCN	1.61	1.55
UKHCDO	1.60	1.64
EUHASS	0.99	n.d.

(Gouw, N Engl J Med 2013; Calvez, Blood 2014; Collins, Blood 2014; Fischer, Thromb Haemost 2015)

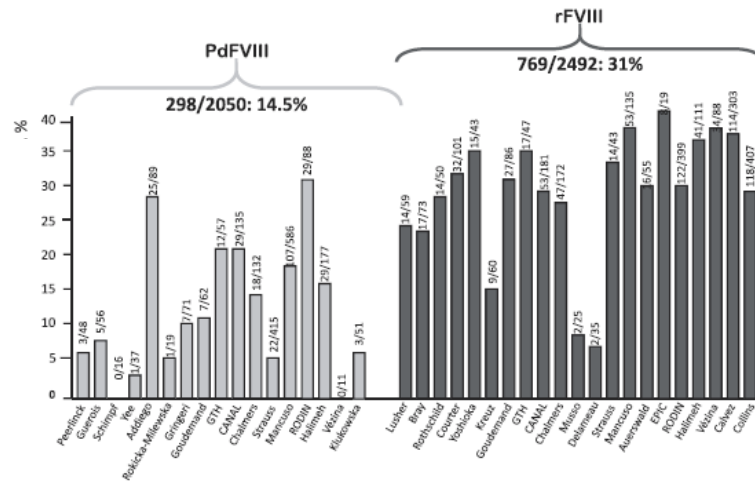


Confounding

- the main problem of observational studies
 - mnemonic: grey hair and death risk
- a main cause is the physician: confounding by indication
- when the physician cannot know any risk factor: no confounding
 - idiosyncratic side-effect of drugs
- when all risk factors known: adjustment
 - and reasoning over direction of effect
- when likelihood of subtle unknown or unmeasurable factors
 - confounding remains, unless influence physician removed
 - this is done by randomisation



Overview of studies rFVIII vs pdFVIII



(Mannucci, Thromb Haemost 2015)

Meta-analyses rFVIII vs pdFVIII

- | | rFVIII | pdFVIII |
|--|--------|---------|
| - 24 studies, 2094 patients | | |
| - all (42% severe) | 27.4% | 14.3% |
| - prospective, severe haemophilia, high titre | 19.4% | 6.0% |
| - attenuating effects of testing frequency | | |
| - individual patients data meta-analysis (IPD), 761 patients | | |
| - all (86% severe) | 40.2% | 21.8% |
| - Cox regression | | |
| - univariate | HR 2.2 | |
| - multivariate | HR 1.3 | |
| - major interactions with intensity | | |

(Iorio, J Thromb Haemost 2010; Mannucci, Thromb Haemost 2015)

Overall conclusions literature

- different immunogenicity of products has been observed before
- literature is unclear on immunogenicity of rFVIII vs pdFVIII
 - seems higher for rFVIII
 - confounding by indication likely
- really time to do a randomised trial and resolve this

Rationale for SIPPET

- relevant clinical question
- reasonable prior that risk increased with rFVIII
- high likelihood of residual confounding in observational studies
 - must do randomised study

Assumption SIPPET

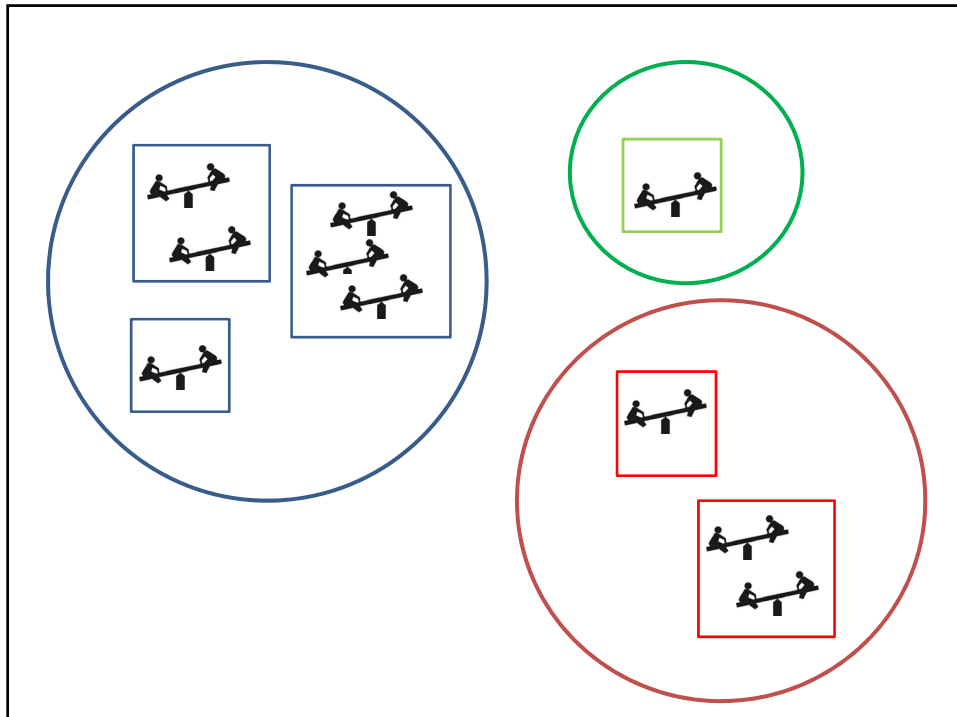
- differential rate of inhibitors by product is a class effect
- due to presence of VWF in pdFVIII
- Note:
 - neither assumption necessary for the study

Design

- randomised
- international multicenter
- open label
- blocked (block size 1:1)
- severe haemophilia A
- previously untreated patients or minimally exposed
 - <5 with blood components (no concentrate)
- < 6 yrs
- negative for inhibitor at screening
- follow-up for 3 yrs, or 50ED, or inhibitor
- endpoint: >0.4 BU (Nijmegen Bethesda)
 - secondary: >5 BU

Contrast

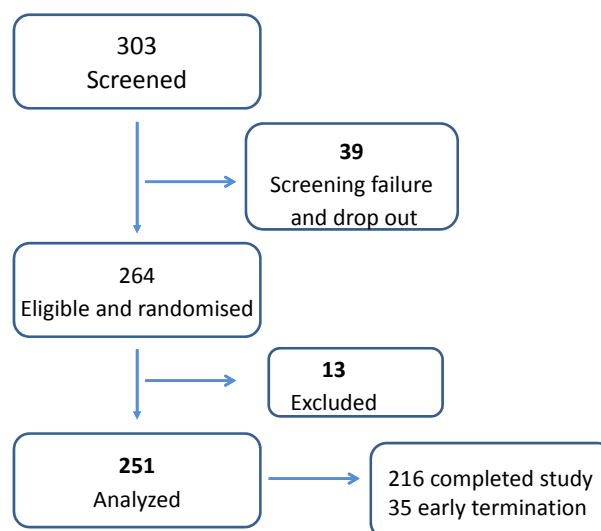
- Per country only one brand of pdFVIII and rFVIII available
 - only licensed brands
- Per centre randomisation between pdFVIII and rFVIII
- Ties brand, treatment preferences and ethnicity to country
- Balances these factors optimally between rFVIII and pdFVIII



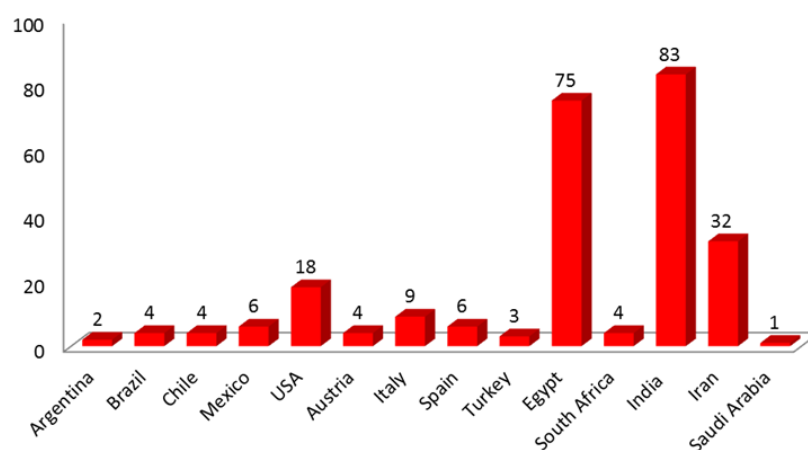
Analysis

- check if randomisation 'worked'
 - no 'confounding by chance'
- estimate risk of inhibitor over time (survival curves)
- quantify differences between arms (Cox)
 - adjust for 'confounding by chance'
- quantify random error (confidence interval)
- repeat for high-titre inhibitors

Inclusion



Geographical distribution



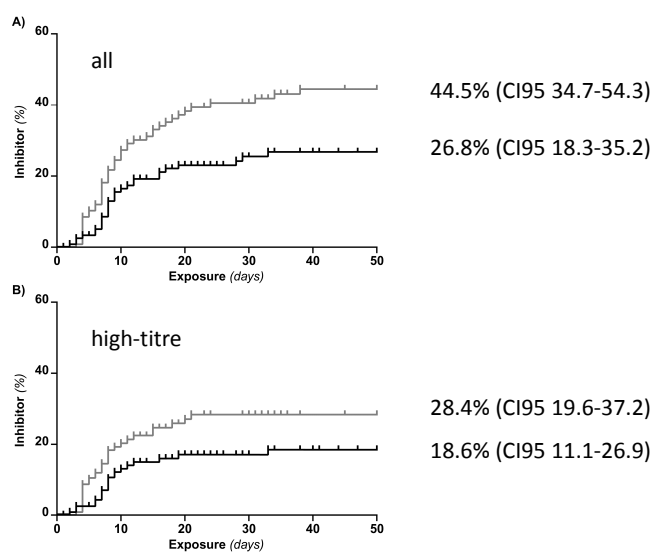
Baseline characteristics

	pdFVIII n=125	rFVIII n=126
median age (mo.)	14.0	15.0
null mutation	86.3%	81.4%
family history haemophilia	47.6%	42.6%
family history inhibitor	11.5%	10.1%
previous treatment	44.8%	42.1%
treatment regimen		
on-demand	48.8%	44.4%
standard prophylaxis	16.8%	15.1%
modified prophylaxis	34.3%	40.5%

Inhibitor occurrence

	pdFVIII n=125	rFVIII n=126
all	29	47
high-titre	20	30
persistent	74.4%	72.2%
peak titre		
peak (median)	12	16
range	0.8-1100	0.7-1850

Cumulative incidence by arm



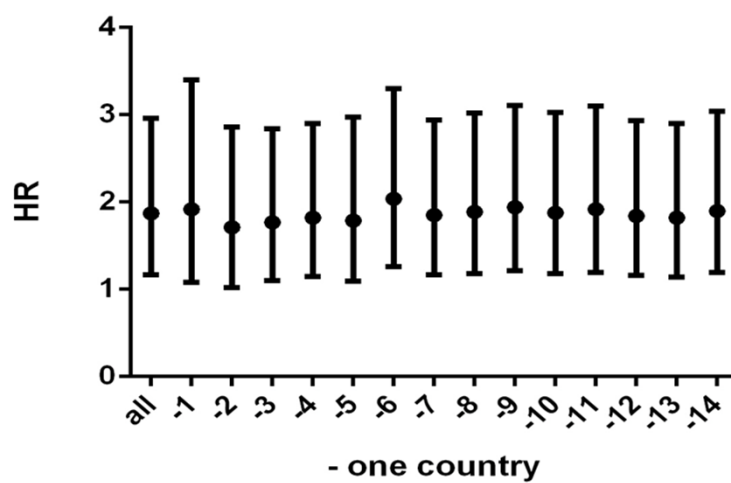
Cox regression

	hazard ratio	CI95
all	1.87	1.17-2.96
high titre	1.69	0.96-2.98

adjusted HRs similar to crude HRs

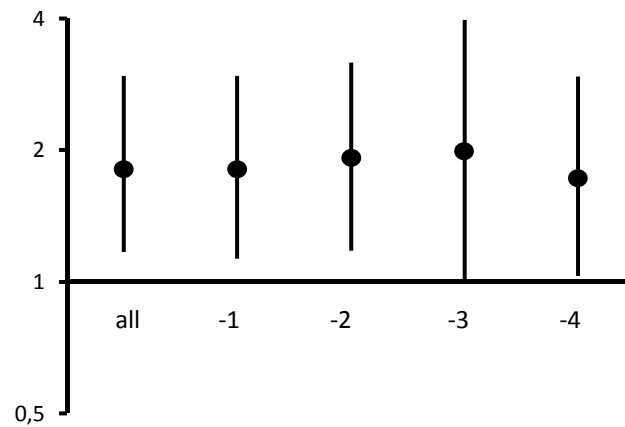
Sensitivity analysis

- country -



Sensitivity analysis

- rFVIII concentrate -



Conclusions

- higher rate of inhibitors with rFVIII than pdFVIII
 - for all and high titre inhibitors
- found in randomised comparison
- robust in adjusted and sensitivity analyses
- increase size 70-90%: substantial

Consequences

- scenarios -

- ignore
- ask for more studies
- treat all PUPs with pdFVIII
- treat first with pdFVIII, then switch to rFVIII
- differentiate
 - low risk rFVIII
 - high risk pdFVIII, or pdFVIII and then switch to rFVIII

High vs low-risk patients

	pdFVIII	rFVIII	Number needed to Harm
all	26.8%	44.5%	5
high-risk**	30.7%	46.5%	6.3
low-risk	9.5%	38.2%	3.4

** presence of null mutation

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Inhibitors in Haemophilia

Prophylaxis – Immune Tolerance Induction



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Inhibitors in Haemophilia : which issues ?

Inhibitor development represents the major residual treatment related complication, with consequences



➤ **for the patient**

- ✓ possible decreased efficiency of treatments
- ✓ no access to the gold standard treatment (long term prophylaxis)
- ✓ arthropathy, physical disability, impaired quality of life, survival

➤ **for the society**

- ✓ higher cost of treatments for bleedings (bypassing agents / on demand, prophylaxis) and for the inhibitor (ITI)
- ✓ social cost

➤ **for the future**

- ✓ impaired outcome for gene therapy and/or long-lasting factors ?

Inhibitors in Haemophilia : which solutions ?

A major challenge would be to prevent inhibitor development

How to deal with the inhibitor after its occurrence ?



To treat
bleedings

To treat the
inhibitor

To prevent
bleedings

Prophylaxis – Immune Tolerance Induction

Practices in the real life at a country level
The experience in France

Inhibitors in the French Cohort

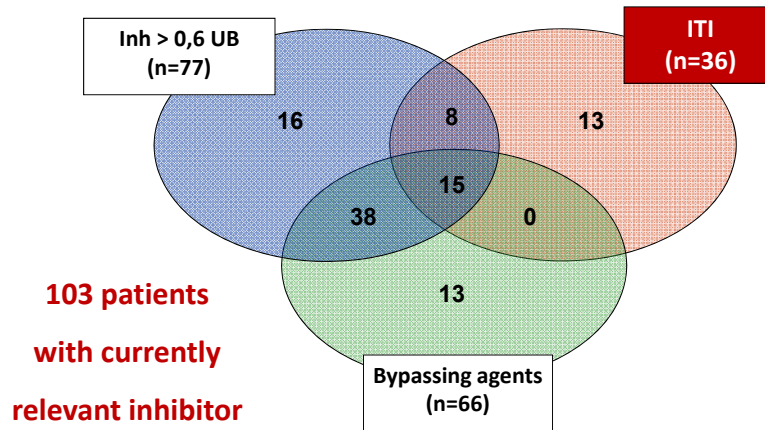
Inhibitor history recorded at the last follow-up in the whole cohort

Type / Severity	Patients (n)	Inh + (n)	(%)	High Response (n)*
Haemophilia A	5813	595		359
Severe	1963	472	24.0	300 (64%)
Moderate	831	60	7.2	27
Mild	3019	63	2.1	32
Haemophilia B	1299	15		
Severe	403	14	3.5	11
Moderate	365	1	0.3	-
Mild	531	0	0	-

* Inhibitors confirmed by the specific working party

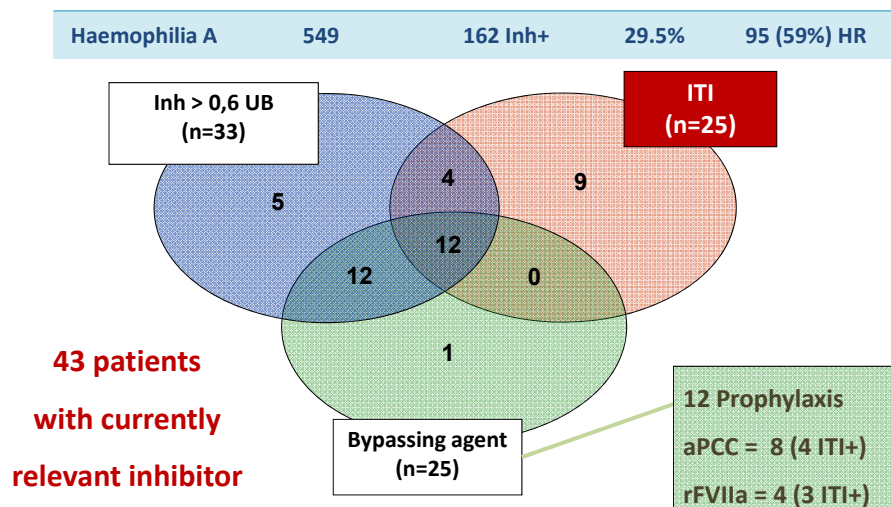
The current Burden of Inhibitors in FranceCoag

Inhibitor history recorded at the last follow-up ($\geq 11/03/2013$)



Inhibitors in the PUPs' HA Cohort

Inhibitor history recorded at the last follow-up ($\geq 11/03/2013$)



Treatment of bleedings in haemophilia patient with inhibitor

Low titers, low responding, transient inhibitors ...

- ✓ Treatment / FVIII concentrates (higher dose)
- ✓ Prophylactic objectives are achievable



High titers, high responding, anamnesis ...

- ✓ Bypassing agents (BPA) = rFVIIa or aPCC*
- ✓ Possible poor response, life-threatening bleedings
- ✓ Disability, impaired quality of life, absence at school, impaired academic achievement and productivity ...



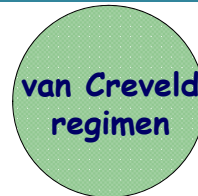
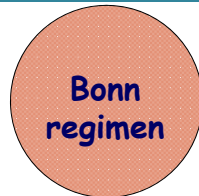
* FENOC Study : Astermark et al, Blood 2007

Immunotolerance Induction

Treatment of inhibitor

Immunotolerance Induction : the rationale

Series with heterogeneous protocols in the literature



Large international Registries

Risk factors for response - 50 to 80 % of tolerance

One randomized trial (International ITI)

Plenary paper



The principal results of the International Immune Tolerance Study: a randomized dose comparison

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Trial characteristics



We found one randomised [trial](#) that compared high- and low-dose immune tolerance [induction](#), which included 115 males with haemophilia A and inhibitors.

Key results and conclusions

The single included [trial](#) was too small to be certain that both doses of immune tolerance [induction](#) were equally successful at removing inhibitors. However, the high-dose treatment destroyed all inhibitors faster and with less bleeding events than the low-dose treatment. Since there was only one available [trial](#), further trials are needed to establish the best immune tolerance [induction regimen](#) with respect to starting time, dosing intensity and frequency.

Prophylaxis with bypassing agents (BA)

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Randomized, prospective clinical trial of recombinant factor VIIa for secondary prophylaxis in hemophilia patients with inhibitors

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Reference/study design	No. patients, age at start of prophylaxis, prestudy bleeding frequency
55; prospective study with 3-mo lead-in on-demand period (control period) followed by randomization to 2 doses of rFVIIa for a 3-mo treatment period	22 5.1–50.5 y ≥2 bleeds/mo during 3-mo preprophylaxis period

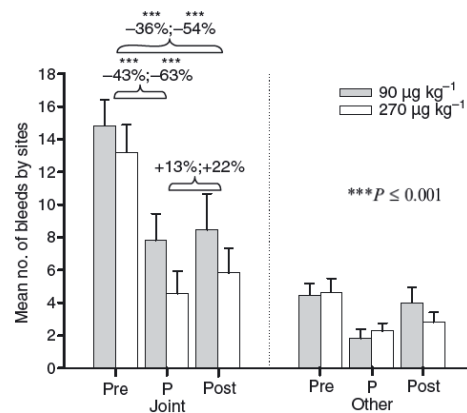
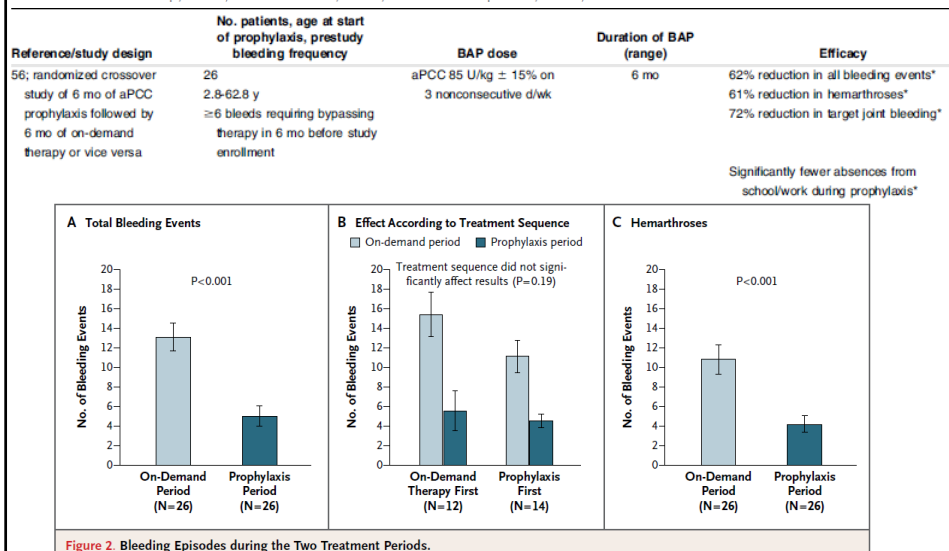


Fig. 3. Number of bleeds by site per trial period. The bracketed data :

Anti-Inhibitor Coagulant Complex Prophylaxis in Hemophilia with Inhibitors

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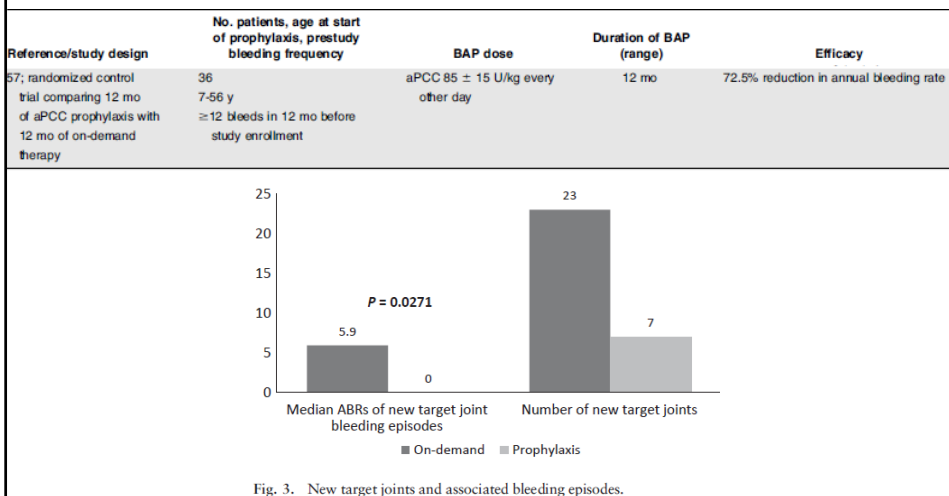
N Engl J Med 2011;365:1684-92.



Randomized comparison of prophylaxis and on-demand regimens with FEIBA NF in the treatment of haemophilia A and B with inhibitors

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How I use bypassing therapy for prophylaxis in patients with hemophilia A and inhibitors

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Conclusions of the clinical trials / bypassing agent prophylaxis

- ✓ BAP reduces bleedings and improves QoL*
- ✓ Most of the knowledge is based on relatively short courses in series of patients with joint damage : no strong evidence for arthropathy prevention
- ✓ 1 series of early and long term BAP (> 6y) with encouraging data
- ✓ Which choice criteria among the products ?

* *Pro-Feiba Study : Gringeri A et al, Haemophilia 2013*

* *Ettingshausen C. et al, Haemophilia 2010*

Prophylaxis and Immunotolerance
in the real life of patients with inhibitor



Case 1 : 35y, sHA, HR inhibitor, 32 UB at 3y

Challenged X times / FVIII

Treated on demand with aPCC

No ITI till 32y, severe bleeder phenotype

High dose aPCC prophylaxis (< 48h)

Additional infusions +++ of aPCC / bleeds

Severe arthropathy, target joints, disability and impaired quality of life despite hard constraints and highly costly treatment

Expertise by social insurance (3 times)

Overtreatment ? Unjustified TRT ?



Case 1 : ITI and outcome

First course of ITI, high dose (100 UI/kg x 2/d – 200 UI/kg/d)

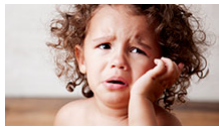
Opportunity of knee arthroplasty after years of aPCC prophylaxis, using continuous infusion with Factor VIII to start a previously negotiated ITI

Moderate anamnestic response, rapidly favourable outcome

ITI declared as a success after 24 months (no inhibitor, N recovery, half life > 8h) - Efficient FVIII Prophylaxis each other day

Rare bleedings, positive psychological effect, cost reduction +++

Never too late ?



Case 2 : 6y, sHA, HR inhibitor

8 BU at 1y, discovered after 7 CED, elbow haemarthrosis with poor response to FVIII

Treatment / rFVIIa on demand

Immediate start of ITI : peak 410 BU at 10 days

Poor compliance, poor peripheral venous access

Several complications: infections and mechanical dysfunction of the Central Venous Devices

Frequent hematomas and hospitalisations

Intermittent prophylaxis (rFVIIa)

Partial response : stop ITI after 6 months (40 BU)

Not prepared and too early ITI ?



Case 2 :

1st course ITI stopped after 6 months (18 m old)

Inhibitor < 5 / 1 / 0 UB 10 / 16 / 21 months later

Treatment / rFVIIa on demand

Recurrence of elbow hemarthroses, target joint

A new Port a cath for rFVIIa prophylaxis 1 year later

Good observance and feasibility of venous access

3y old, project of school, 2nd course of high dose ITI and FEIBA prophylaxis (Bonn regimen) :

Inhibitor = 0 / 320 / 1500 BU at D0/, D3, D10

Clinical response at 6 months (stop FEIBA)

Complete response 14 m later (FVIII prophylaxis eod)

The right treatment at the right moment ?

Conclusion (1)

Treatment of bleeds / bypassing agents is well known but not optimal for many patients with inhibitor

ITI should be undertaken at least once in each patient in good conditions but the optimal characteristics and the criteria of failure remain to define

Indications of By-Passing Agent Prophylaxis remains debated and even a controversial subject with reimbursement organisms

Conclusion (2)

ITI and BA Prophylaxis represent challenging treatments, with key issues for the patient, his family and the society. All potential difficulties, such as venous access or other practical conditions have to be addressed before starting these treatments to optimize the adherence: education and multidisciplinary support are critical.

Indications of ITI and BA Prophylaxis represent rare situations in a rare disease : clinical trial and registries are complementary tools to be encouraged to complete the knowledge in this field.



Thank you



Back Up

High-dose ITI - the Bonn Protocol

Original Bonn Protocol

LR: 50-100 IU FVIII/kg body weight/d, every other day or 3 times per week

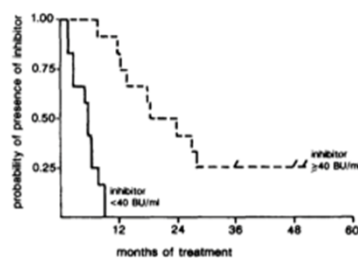
HR: 100 IU FVIII/kg bw i.v. twice daily and FEIBA 50 IU /kg bw i.v. twice daily

Modified Bonn Protocol

HR: 100-150 IU FVIII/kg bw every 12 hours; according to the bleeding tendency
concomitant treatment with FEIBA 50-100 IU/kg bw once or twice daily

	Pre-ITI titer [BU] Median (range)	Time to BU <1 [mo]	Time to complete success [mo]	Success rate in HR [%]
Kreuz et al., Haemophilia 1995	42 (0.8-1052)	2.5	4 (0.5-42)	14/16 (87%)
Brackmann et al, Vox Sang 1996	89 (0.8-520)	7 (0.7-15)	14.5 (4.1-25.4)	21/22 (95%)

Low dose ITI – Van-Creveld-Protocol



25-50 IU FVIII/kg bw every other day*

*FVIII dosage is decreased each time the absolute FVIII recovery was > 30% until prophylactic dose (10-15 IU/kg bw) is reached

Probability of the presence of a clinically relevant inhibitor level under low dose ITI

Mauser-Bunschoten et al, *Blood* 1995

- Success rate 86%
- Success rate associated with pre-ITI titre and maximum BU < 40
- Time to success predicted by maximum BU < 40
- Low dose ITI beneficial for inhibitor patients with maximum BU < 40

Ter Avest et al, *Haemophilia* 2010

Malmö Protocol

- Extracorporeal immune adsorption with Protein-A-columns on two consecutive days
- Cyclophosphamid (12-15 mg/kg bw i.v. for two days after start of ITI followed by 2-3 mg/kg bw for 5 days)
- Intravenous gammaglobulins (400 mg/kg bw for 5 days)
- Administration of FVIII concentrate at 8-12 hour intervals to maintain FVIII:C 40-100%
- Success rate 62.5% (10/16 pts)
- Duration of treatment 9-37 days

ITI Protocols

Bonn protocol

FVIII 100 U/kg BID

FEIBA 100 U/kg BID

Malmo protocol

Immunoadsorption using protein A column

if inhibitor titer >10 BU/mL

Cyclophosphamide 12-15 mg/kg IV daily x 2 days

then 2-3 mg/kg PO daily x 8-10 days

FVIII is given to achieve a 40%-100% fVIII level

followed by fVIII infusion every 8-12 hours to achieve 30%-80% level

IVIg 2.5-5 g IV immediately after the first fVIII infusion

followed by 0.4 g/kg daily days 4-8

van Creveld

FVIII 25-50 IU/kg BID for 1-2 weeks

then 25 IU/kg every other day

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Table 1. Prospective, randomized clinical trials of BAP in patients with hemophilia

Reference/study design	No. patients, age at start of prophylaxis, prestudy bleeding frequency	BAP dose	Duration of BAP (range)	Efficacy
55; prospective study with 3-mo lead-in on-demand period (control period) followed by randomization to 2 doses of rFVIIa for a 3-mo treatment period	22 5.1-50.5 y ≥2 bleeds/mo during 3-mo preprophylaxis period	rFVIIa 90 µg/kg per day or rFVIIa 270 µg/kg per day	3 mo	45% reduction in bleeding in patients treated with 90 µg/kg per day 59% reduction in bleeding in patients treated with 270 µg/kg per day (not statistically significant compared with 90 µg/kg dose) Significantly fewer hospital admissions and absences from school/work during prophylaxis
56; randomized crossover study of 6 mo of aPCC prophylaxis followed by 6 mo of on-demand therapy or vice versa	26 2.8-62.8 y ≥6 bleeds requiring bypassing therapy in 6 mo before study enrollment	aPCC 85 U/kg ± 15% on 3 nonconsecutive d/wk	6 mo	62% reduction in all bleeding events* 61% reduction in hemarthroses* 72% reduction in target joint bleeding* Significantly fewer absences from school/work during prophylaxis*
57; randomized control trial comparing 12 mo of aPCC prophylaxis with 12 mo of on-demand therapy	36 7-56 y ≥12 bleeds in 12 mo before study enrollment	aPCC 85 ± 15 U/kg every other day	12 mo	72.5% reduction in annual bleeding rate

Access: supply, procurement & tenders

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Recommendations from previous “Kreuth” meetings:

- A network of comprehensive care centres should be established in each country (1999)
- National database is desirable (1999)
- Advocate establishment of formal system in each country to ensure best practice (2009)
- Foster equitable access to treatment in EU (2009)
- The minimum factor VIII consumption level in a country should be 3 iu/capita (2013)
- Decisions on whether to adopt new product should not be based solely on cost (2013)



ORIGINAL ARTICLE *Clinical haemophilia*

Survey of coagulation factor concentrates tender and procurement procedures in 38 European Countries

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Introduction: Procurement of coagulation factor concentrates (CFCs) for the treatment of haemophilia is a vital process that determines the quantity and quality of factor replacement therapy. **Aim:** The aim of this study was to examine the different tender and procurement systems used in Europe for the procurement of CFCs and the outcomes produced by the various systems. **Methods:** The survey questionnaire consisted of 30 items and explored various aspects of the procurement process including the prices of CFCs. In 2014, the survey was sent out by the European Haemophilia Consortium (EHC) to 45 national haemophilia patient organizations affiliated to the EHC in all European countries as well as to a designated clinician familiar with the procurement process. **Results:** The survey was completed by 38 European countries. Nineteen countries use a tender process, 17 an alternative procurement process and 2 use a combination of methods. A wide variety of agencies and individuals are involved in the process. Factors associated with optimum outcome and lower prices include a tender process with a specific legal framework and a tender board including haemophilia clinicians and patient organization representatives. Safety was reported as the most important selection criterion but given the safety profile of almost all currently licensed products, price was the main criterion used in many countries. **Conclusion:** The involvement of both clinicians and patient organizations greatly improves the outcome of a tender or procurement process, as does the presence of a legal framework that governs the process.

Keywords: factor concentrate, procurement, tender

EHC Survey:

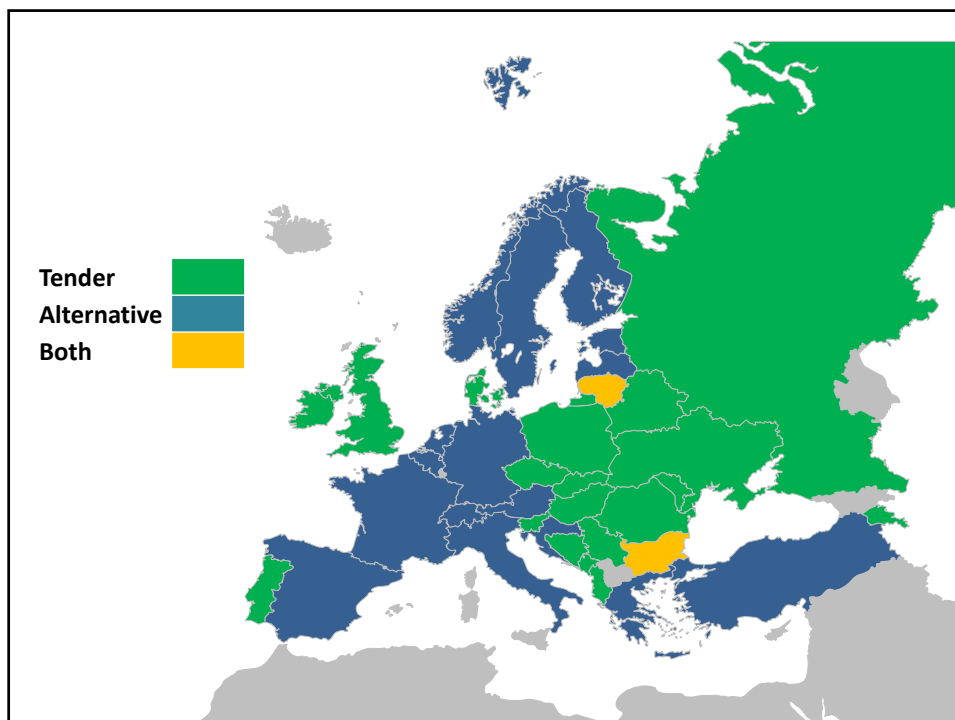


- Survey carried out in late 2014: sent to all 45 patient National Haemophilia Organisations
- 38 completed surveys received:
 - 20 by patient organisations (NMOs)
 - 7 by clinicians
 - 11 by both patient organisations/clinicians
- Clarifications received from doctors nominated by EAHAD from 5 countries

Procurement method:



Tender (19)		Alternative (17)		Both (2)
Albania	Poland	Austria	Kyrgyzstan	Bulgaria
Azerbaijan	Portugal	Belgium	Latvia	Lithuania
Belarus	Romania	Croatia	Netherlands	
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Russia	Estonia	Norway	
Czech Republic	Serbia	Finland	Spain	
Denmark	Slovak Republic	France	Sweden	
Hungary	Slovenia	Germany	Switzerland	
Ireland	Ukraine	Greece	Turkey	
Moldova	United Kingdom	Italy		
Montenegro				



Products tendered for:

- 18/19 tendered for plasma derived FVIII
- 13 tendered for plasma derived FVIII/VWF
- 16 tendered for recombinant FVIII
- 17 tendered for plasma derived FIX
- 8 tendered for recombinant FIX
- 11 tendered for bypassing agents
- 11 tendered for PCC's
- 7 tendered for products for rare bleeding disorders

Selection criteria:

Tender (19)

- Price 18
- Safety 14
- Quality 12
- Efficacy 12
- Supply 10
- Convenience 8

Alternative/ Combined (19)

- Price 12
- Safety 9
- Quality 8
- Efficacy 10
- Supply 6
- Convenience 3

Clinician involvement in tender process:

19 Countries

- All have a legal framework for tender
- 16 have a tender board
- Clinicians involved in 16/19 countries
 - Formally involved in all aspects in 5 countries
 - Scientific and technical aspects only in 6
 - Informally involvement/observers in 5
 - Not involved at all in 2
 - No response from 1

Involvement in alternative /combined process:

19 Countries

- 14 have a legal framework for tender
- 8 have a procurement board
- Clinicians involved in 12/19 countries
 - scientific and technical aspects in 3
 - informally involved in 9
 - not involved in 7

Patient involvement in procurement:

- **Patient organisation involved in 15/19 countries which hold tenders:**
 - Formally involved in all aspects in just 2 countries
 - Scientific and technical aspects only in 3
 - Informally involved/observer in 5
 - Not involved at all in 9
- **Patient organisation involved in 6/19 countries which organise alternative procurement processes:**
 - Formally involved in 1
 - Informally involved in 5
 - Not involved in 13

Main representatives on tender boards:

Health Insurance funds	Medicines agencies or pharmacies	Hospitals or blood centres	Ministries of Health	Clinicians or Haemophilia Centres	Patient Organisation
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Involved in all aspects of the process

Bosnia& Herzegovina	Denmark	Albania	Albania	Ireland	Ireland
Hungary	United Kingdom	Czech Republic	Azerbaijan	Denmark	Serbia
Montenegro, Serbia	Azerbaijan	Ireland	Belarus	Montenegro	
	Romania	Portugal	Ireland	Serbia	
Slovak Rep.	Belarus	Romania	Russia	United Kingdom	

Involved only in scientific and technical aspects of the process

Romania	Portugal
Portugal	Slovenia
Bosnia & Herzegovina	United Kingdom
Moldova	

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Involved in all aspects of the Process

Kyrgyzstan	France		Kyrgyzstan		Kyrgyzstan
	Belgium		Italy		
Croatia	Kyrgyzstan				
	Sweden				

Involved only in Scientific and Technical aspects of the process

Turkey	France
	Kyrgyzstan
	Estonia

Tender /Procurement Boards: duration of terms of office and contracts

		N	Years
Term of office of the committee	Tender	9	2.3
	Alternative	3	1.5
Typical duration of the contract awarded	Tender	18	1.4
	Alternative	7	1.9

Outcomes:

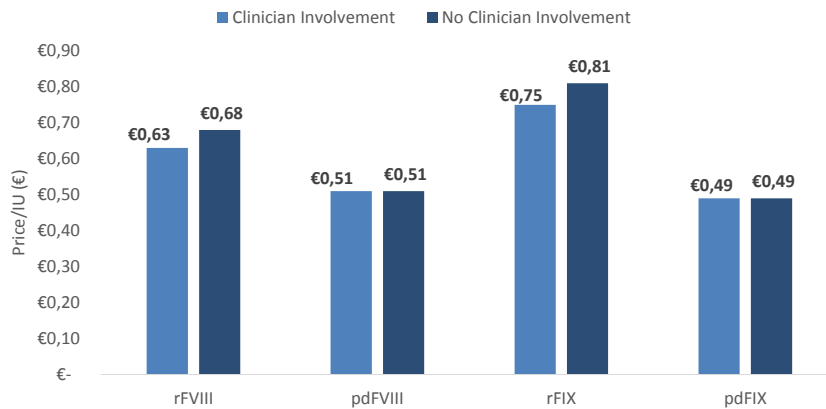
Lower prices obtained for most products when using tender system compared to alternative procurement process:

- Recombinant FVIII: 0.56 vs. 0.69 €/unit (19%↓)
- Plasma derived FVIII: 0.4 vs. 0.64€/unit (37%↓)
- Plasma derived FIX 0.4 vs. 0.54 €/unit (26%↓)

No difference in case of recombinant factor IX , where monopoly exists (0.73 vs. 0.72 €/unit)

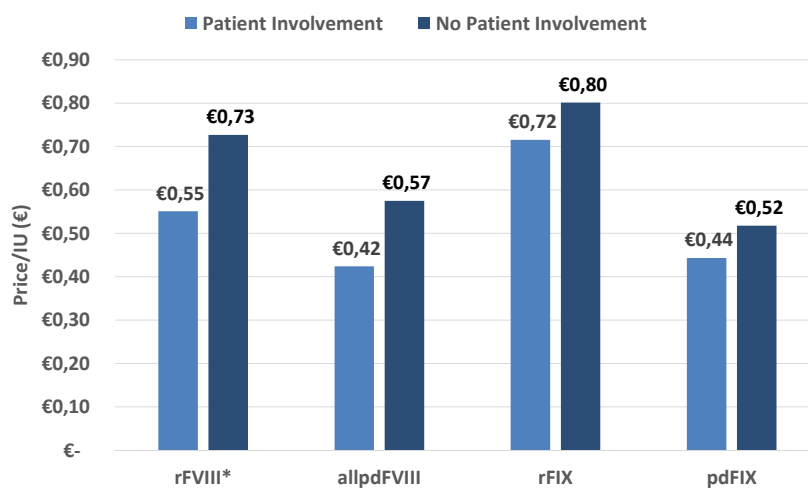
	Tender			Alternative Process		
	n	Median (€)	Range (€)	n	Median (€)	Range (€)
Recombinant FVIII*	12	0.56	0.28 -1.05	17	0.69	0.39 -1.06
Plasma-Derived FVIII	15	0.40	0.16 -1.16	16	0.64	0.18 - 0.90
Recombinant FIX	6	0.73		12	0.72	
Plasma-Derived FIX*	15	0.40	0.18 -0.83	17	0.54	0.38 -0.88

Clinician involvement:



- Significant reduction also noted in price of by-passing agents when clinicians were involved

Patient involvement:



Conclusions of EHC survey:

- Tenders promote real competition and result in lower prices
- Cost savings not as significant where there is a product monopoly
- Involvement of both clinicians and patient organisation in tender process helps to deliver best outcomes
- Registries can be vital to predict demand

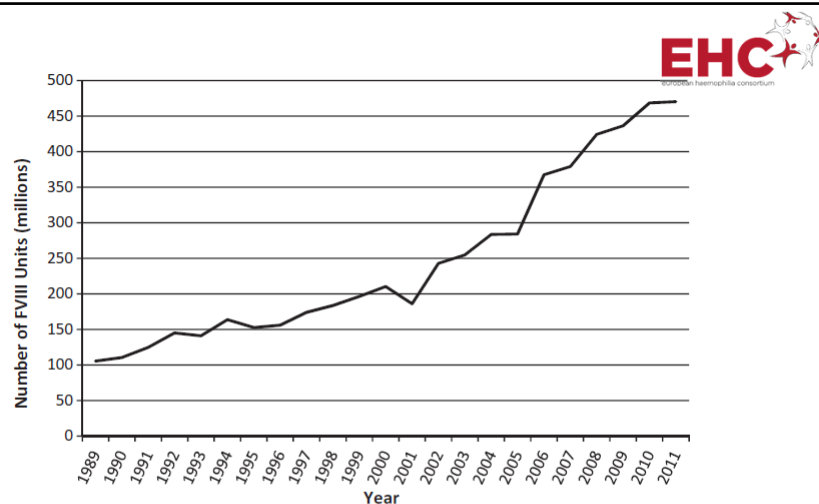


Fig. 1. Annual UK factor VIII usage per calendar year, 1989–2011, inclusive. This shows a greater than fourfold increase in factor VIII consumption over two decades. The dip in usage in 2001 corresponded to the interruption in supply of Kogenate and Helixate, which halved the UK supply of rFVIII for 18 months, highlighting the importance of security of supply.

UK tender process:

Hay CRM. Haemophilia 19: 660-667 (2013)



- Individual centres negotiated contracts before 2004: great variability in price
- Policy of recombinant for all launched in 1996 but took until 2005 to be fully adopted
- Four national procurement exercises:
 - 2004-2006
 - 2007-2010
 - 2010-2014
 - 2014-2017

Objectives:

Hay CRM. Haemophilia 19: 660-667 (2013)



1. Establish a national framework contract for the whole UK (except Scotland) to run for 2 years with an option to extend for a further year.
2. Induce the manufacturers to behave in a truly competitive way to achieve maximum reduction in unit price.
3. Maintain plurality in the marketplace, retaining all of the suppliers.
4. Maintain some degree of prescribing freedom.

UK national procurement:

- Price of products has fallen significantly:
 - Savings of GB£ ≈260 M
 - “We probably have the lowest recombinant factor VIII prices in Europe, if not the world” UKHCDO Annual Report, 2010
 - Price now lower than plasma-derived factor VIII products
- No resistance to switching from patients
- No increase in incidence of inhibitors

Hay C et al. Haemophilia 21: 219-226 (2015)

UK national procurement:

- Process has evolved over the years
- Sealed bids have replaced e-auction
- Process links price to volume:
 - >200 M IU; 100-200 M IU; <100 M IU
- No product has been excluded from UK
- Further savings by introducing home delivery
 - (20% VAT payable on products used in hospitals but NOT if supplied to patient at home)

Current procurement system:

- Process led by Commercial Medicines Unit (CMU) of Department of Health
- 3 or 4 doctors nominated by UKHCDO to participate in process (alongside 2 commissioners and patient representative)
- Doctors advise on product selection criteria and volume bands
- Doctors not involved in any face-to-face meetings with companies
- Doctors not present when bids are opened

Provide feedback on service:

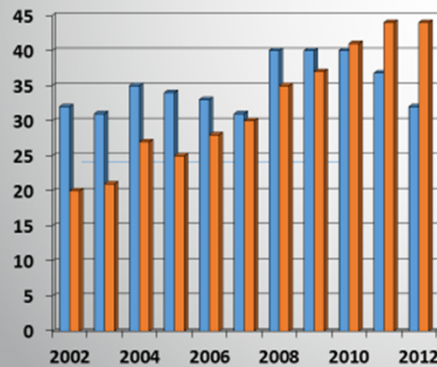
- Feedback sought by Commercial Medicines Unit of Department of Health from all haemophilia centres in May 2015
- Covers ten areas of supplier performance
- Possible ratings:
excellent/good/average/poor/very poor
- Views on performance of home delivery companies also sought

Provide feedback on service:

- Customer service
- Local company representative
- Accuracy of deliveries
- Timeliness of deliveries
- Order fulfilment
- Invoicing process
- Value added services offered by supplier
- Handling of complaints
- Overall satisfaction

QUESTIONS						
		Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	N/A
1	How would you rate the Customer Service provided by the supplier?				X	
2	How would you rate the handling of complaints by the supplier?			X		
3	How would you rate your local representative?	X				
4	How would you rate the support you receive from your local representative?	X				
5	How would you rate timeliness of deliveries?					X
6	How would you rate the accuracy of the deliveries?			X		
7	How would you rate order fulfilment?				X	
8	How would you rate the invoicing process?			X		
9	How would you rate the value added services offered by the supplier?			X		
10	How would you rate the supplier's overall performance?				X	
ADDITIONAL QUESTION						
		Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	N/A
11	How would you rate your homecare delivery supplier?		X			

COST OF CLOTTING FACTOR CONCENTRATES TO TREAT PATIENTS WITH HAEMOPHILIA IN IRELAND



Principal conclusions:

- Tenders can deliver significant cost savings:
 - Greater volume can be bought with allocated budget
 - Savings can be ploughed back into service development
 - Savings not as significant where there is a monopoly
- National system with formal involvement from clinicians and patient organisation delivers the best results
- Process requires training and preparation
- Important that cost does not become the only criterion taken into account during tender process
- Registries help to predict demand for products

**Portuguese Association of Hemophilia denounces economic
criteria in the treatment of disease**



“This way, health of people with haemophilia has become dependent on cheaper products and not necessarily the most effective and safe products. On the other hand, medical experts in haemophilia who should be the a very important voice in the scientific and medical choice of these products have been relegated to a completely secondary role in the choice of therapies that will be administered to their patients.”

Press release, APH, World Haemophilia Day 2015

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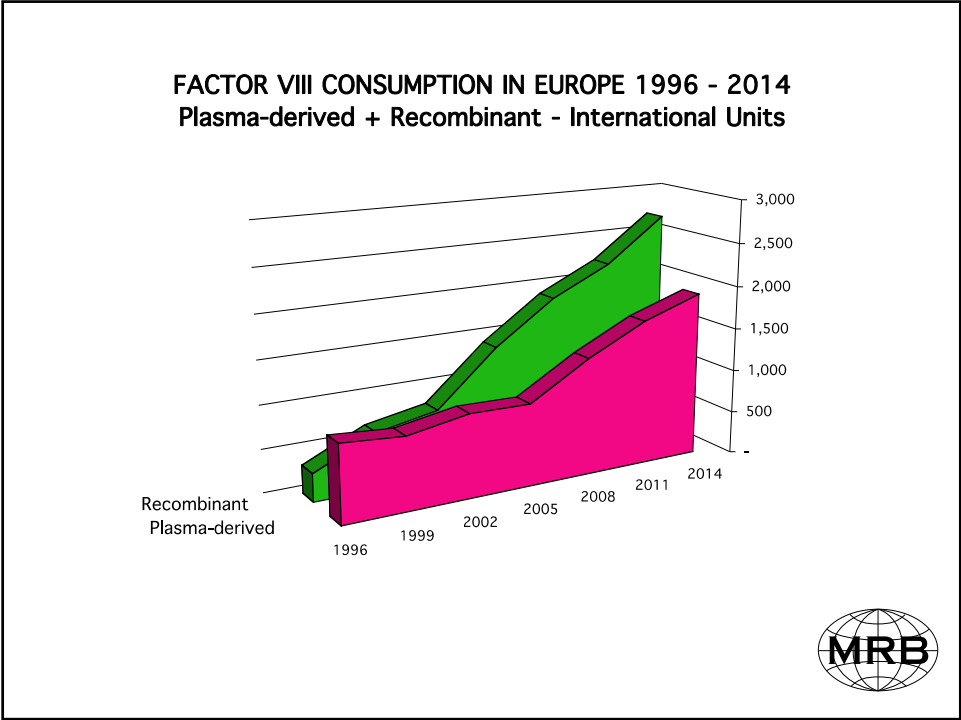
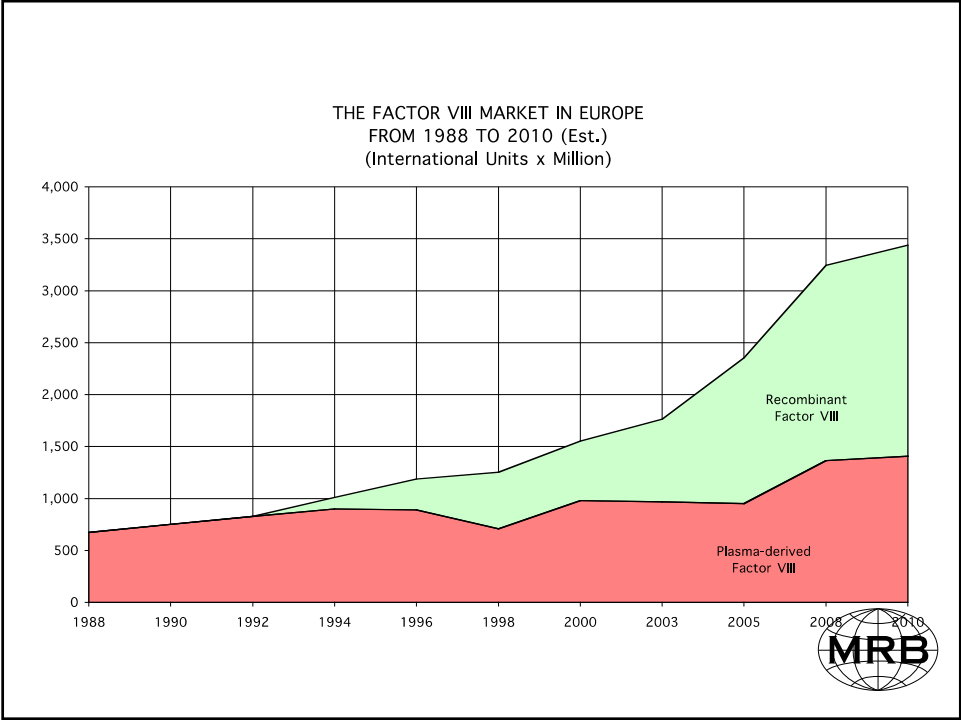
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Factor VIII Consumption in Europe 1996 - 2014
(International Units, Plasma-derived and recombinant)

	1996	1999	2002	2005	2008	2011	2014	Growth
Plasma-derived (Units x 000)	891	838	960	948	1,352	1,684	1,911	
Annual Growth Rate		-2.0%	4.7%	-0.4%	12.6%	7.6%	4.3%	4.3%
Recombinant (Units x 000)	322	655	788	1,402	1,882	2,206	2,701	
Annual Growth Rate		26.7%	6.3%	21.2%	10.3%	5.4%	7.0%	12.5%
Plasma-derived+Recombinant	1,213	1,493	1,748	2,350	3,234	3,889	4,612	
Annual Growth Rate		7.2%	5.4%	10.4%	11.2%	6.3%	5.8%	7.7%

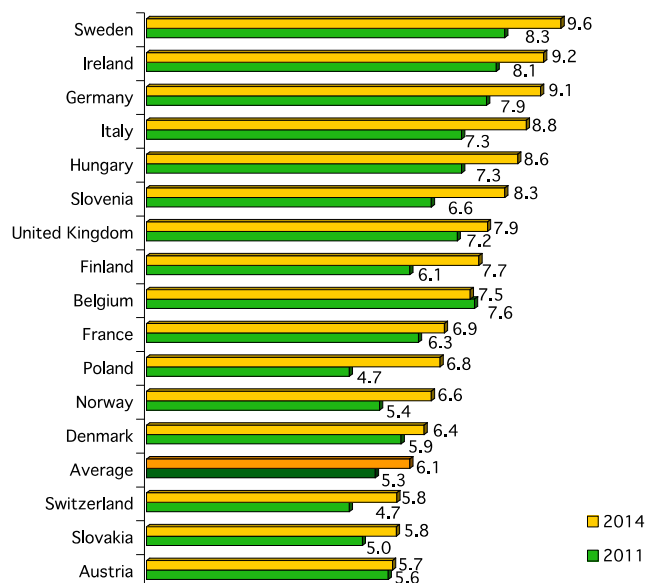
From 1996 to 2014, the consumption of plasma-derived and recombinant factor VIII went up at an annual rate of 7.7%.

From 2008 onward, the annual growth rates of both plasma-derived and recombinant factor VIII declined because the number of new patients going on prophylaxis shrank year after year.

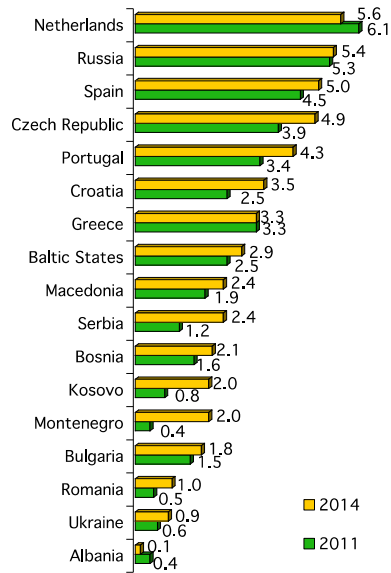
During the period 1996 – 2014, the factor VIII consumption grew faster than the population because of newly diagnosed patients, prophylaxis, higher doses prescribed on demand, more elective surgeries, weight gain and generally easier access to products, whose supply grew rapidly with the increasing production of recombinant products.



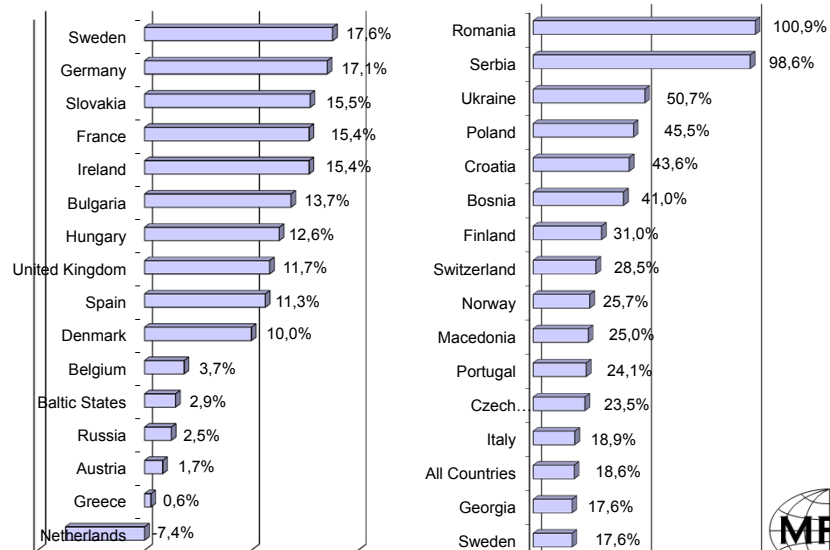
THE PLASMA PROTEINS MARKET IN EUROPE - 2014
FACTOR VIII CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA IN EUROPE 2011 & 2014



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FACTOR VIII CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA IN EUROPE 2011 & 2014



THE PLASMA PROTEINS MARKET IN EUROPE - 2014
CHANGE IN FACTOR VIII CONSUMPTION BETWEEN 2011 AND 2014
(Recombinant & Plasma-derived Factor VIII)



Factor IX Consumption in Europe 1996 - 2014
(International Units, Plasma-derived and recombinant)

	1996	1999	2002	2005	2008	2011	2014	Growth
plasma-derived (Units x 000)	188	171	161	160	202	283	344	
Annual Growth Rate		-3.2%	-1.9%	-0.2%	8.0%	11.9%	6.7%	3.4%
Recombinant (Units x 000)	-	34	78	158	191	224	260	
Annual Growth Rate			32.8%	26.3%	6.5%	5.5%	5.0%	14.6%
Plasma-derived+Recombinant	188	204	240	318	392	507	604	
Annual Growth Rate		2.8%	5.5%	9.9%	7.2%	8.9%	6.0%	6.7%

From 1996 to 2014, the consumption of plasma-derived and recombinant factor IX went up at an annual rate of 6.7%. Recombinant FIX growth rate was higher than rFVIII (14.6% vs. 12.5%).

From 2008 onward, the annual growth rates of recombinant factor IX declined because the number of new patients going on prophylaxis shrank year after year.

During the period 1996 – 2014, the factor IX consumption grew faster than the population because of newly diagnosed patients, prophylaxis, higher doses prescribed on demand, more elective surgeries, weight gain and generally easier access to products, whose supply grew rapidly with the increasing production of recombinant products.



THE FACTOR IX MARKET IN EUROPE
FROM 1986 TO 2010 (Est.)
(International Units x Million)

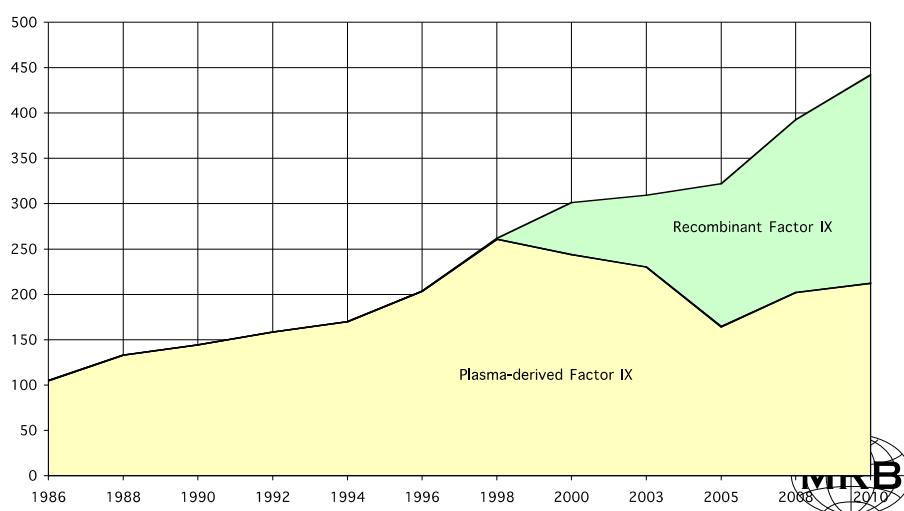
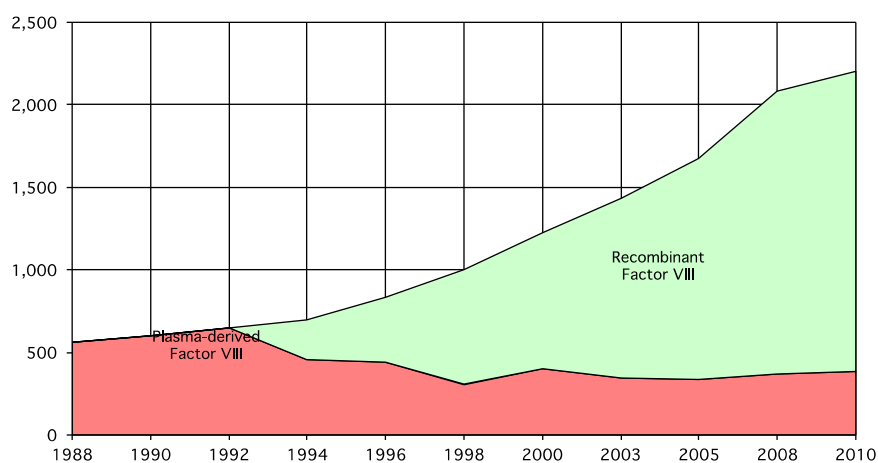


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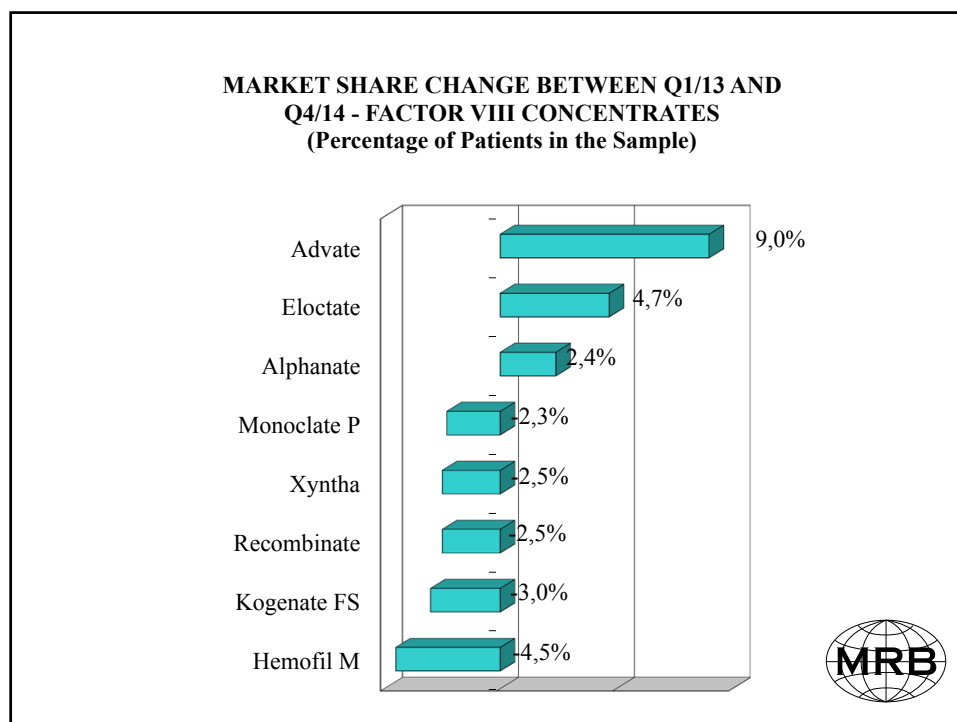
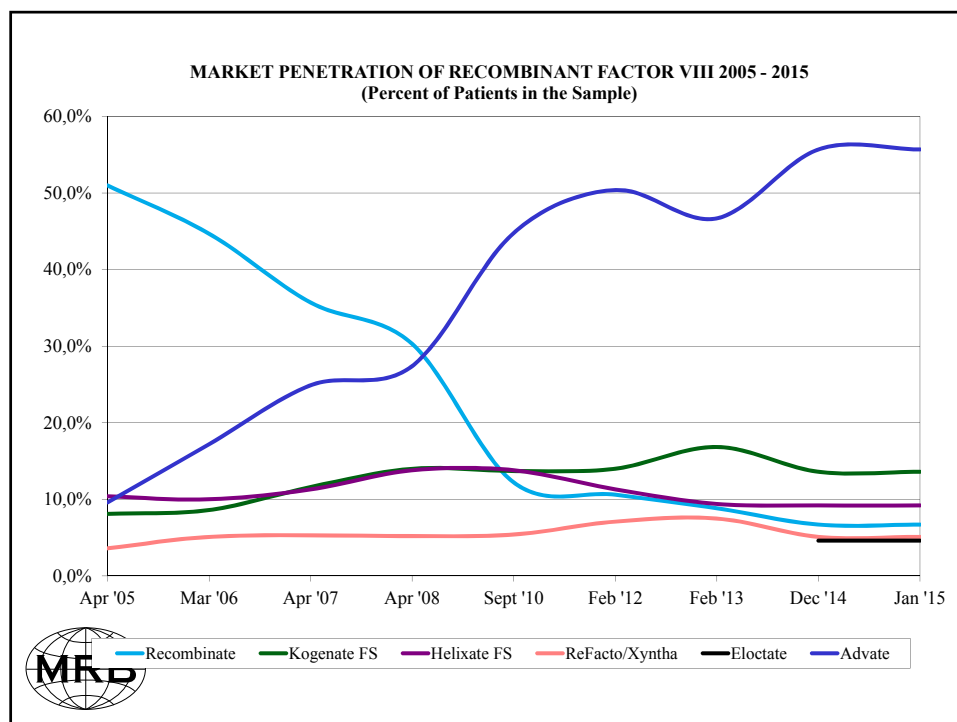


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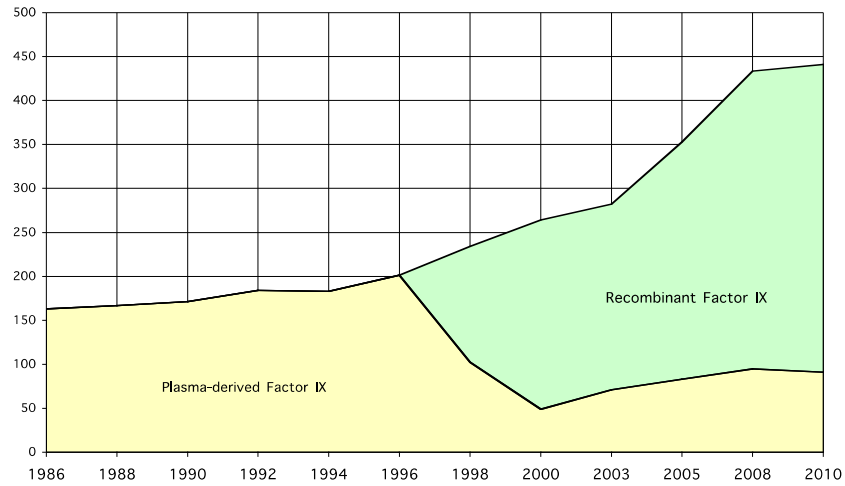


Recombinant factor VIII was adopted faster in the United States
than in Europe





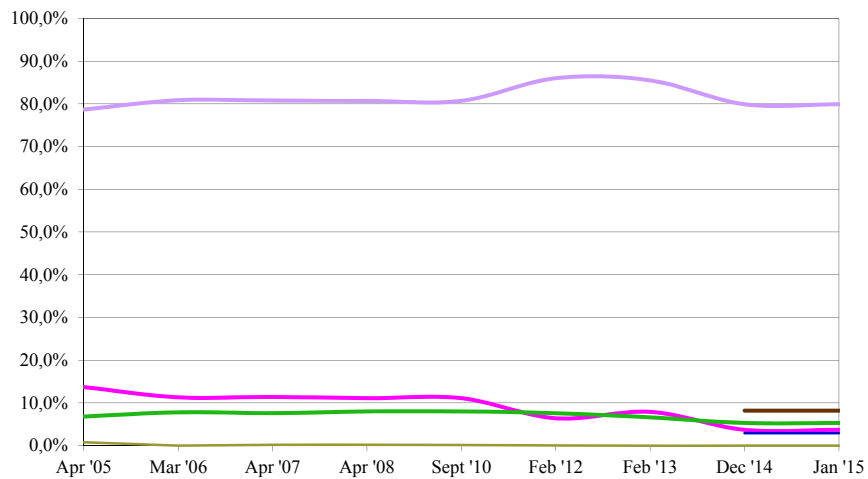
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Recombinant factor IX was adopted quickly in the United States
than in Europe because of plasma-derived FIX shortage in 1999

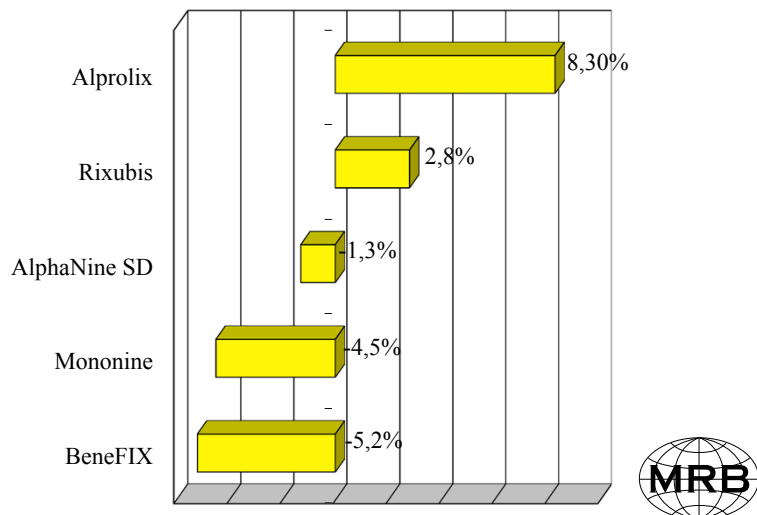


MARKET SHARES OF RECOMBINANT FACTOR IX 2005 - 2015
(Percentage of Patients in the Sample)



— BeneFIX — Mononine — AlphaNine SD — Alprolix — Rixubis — Bebulin VH

**MARKET SHARE VARIATIONS BETWEEN
Q1/13 AND Q4/14 - FACTOR IX
CONCENTRATES
(Percentage of Patients in the Sample)**



Percentage of Hemophilia Patients
on Prophylaxis - 2002 to 2012 - United States

Type of Prophylaxis	Percentage of Patients								
	February 2012	September 2010	April 2008	April 2007	March 2006	March 2005	January 2004	January 2003	January 2002
Permanent	33.1%	30.9%	13.2%	12.4%	12.1%	8.8%	13.2%	7.9%	7.3%
Temporary	16.6%	15.8%	17.8%	17.3%	15.9%	16.4%	14.4%	14.6%	13.1%
Total	49.7%	46.7%	31.0%	29.7%	27.9%	25.2%	27.6%	22.5%	20.4%

Source: The Marketing Research Bureau, Inc. - Hemophilia Care & Price Monitoring, Wave 21, 2013

In the United States the adoption of prophylaxis has accelerated: from 20% of hemophilia A and B patients in 2002 to almost 50% in 2012.

In 2014, 63% of the severe and moderate hemophilia A patients were on prophylaxis, and 24% of the hemophilia B patients.

In 2015, the introduction of the extended half-life recombinant products in the US did not elicit many conversions of new patients to prophylaxis, if any – particularly Eloctate. This may change in the future with CSL Behring's *Idelvion* and with the introduction of monoclonal antibodies (Roche's *ACE 90*, and Alnylam's *Fitusiran*)



**Distribution of Inhibitor Treatment Hemophilia A Patients
in Survey Sample - February 2012 and February 2013**



Type of Treatment	February 2013		Feb. '13 vs. Feb. '12	February 2012
	Patients	Percent	Change	Percent
rFVIII	62	68.9%	7.0%	61.9%
Alphanate	18	20.0%	-7.0%	27.0%
Humate P	7	7.8%	-1.7%	9.5%
Koate DVI	1	1.1%	-0.5%	1.6%
Wilate	2	2.2%	2.2%	0.0%
Total ITI Patients	90	100.0%		100.0%

**Mode of Treatments for Hemophilia A Patients
with Inhibitors - 2002 to 2013**

	Type of Treatment	February 2013		February 2012	September 2010	April 2008	April 2007	March 2006	March 2005	January 2004	January 2003	January 2002
		Patients	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Inhibitor Treatments	Immune Tol.	80	43.5%	23.5%	39.0%	39.2%	38.7%	32.5%	25.4%	29.9%	26.7%	25.3%
	PCC	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.8%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
	FEIBA	43	23.4%	32.3%	29.4%	29.0%	29.1%	32.9%	39.8%	34.9%	37.8%	37.8%
	Novoseven	51	27.7%	39.5%	31.6%	31.8%	31.9%	34.6%	33.2%	29.5%	29.0%	29.4%
	Autoplex T	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	5.4%	6.0%	6.9%
	Sub-Total	174	94.6%	95.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.8%

From 2002 to 2013, the percentage of hemophilia A patients on immune tolerance almost doubled in the US.

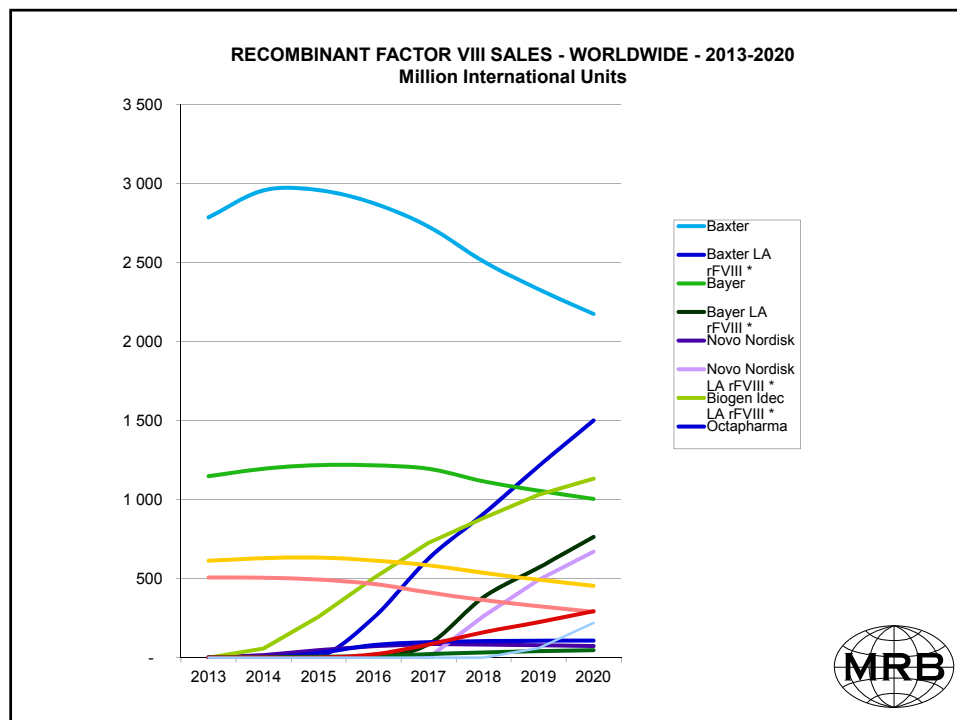
Approximately two thirds of the patients were prescribed a recombinant factor VIII, one quarter, Grifols *Alphanate*.

Due to its small sample, the survey did not indicate that patients on plasma-derived factor VIII had lower inhibitor development than those on recombinant factor VIII

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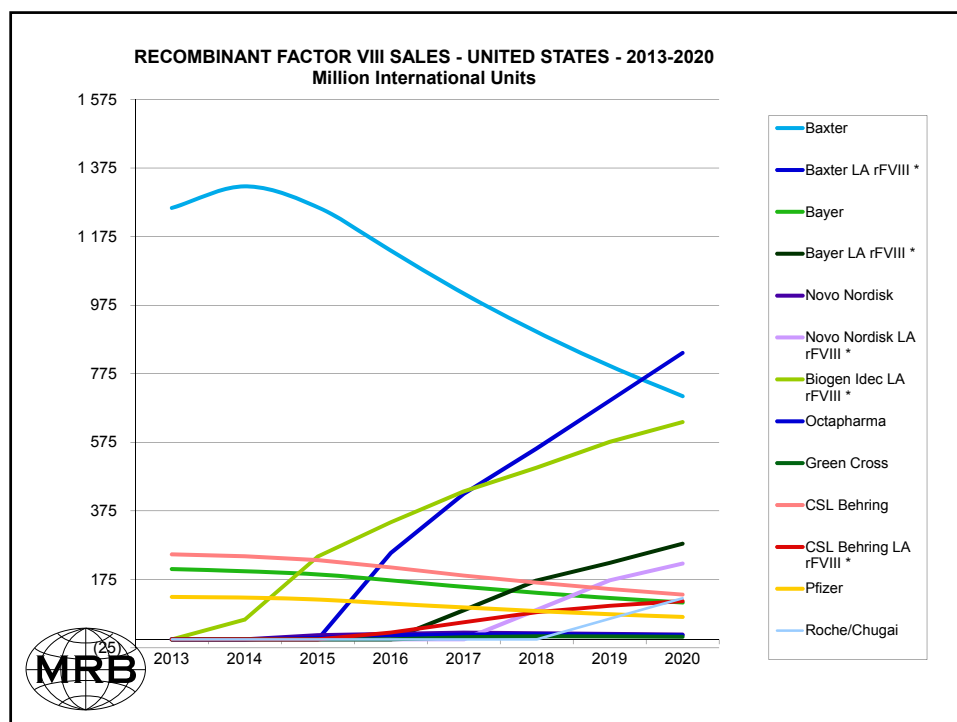
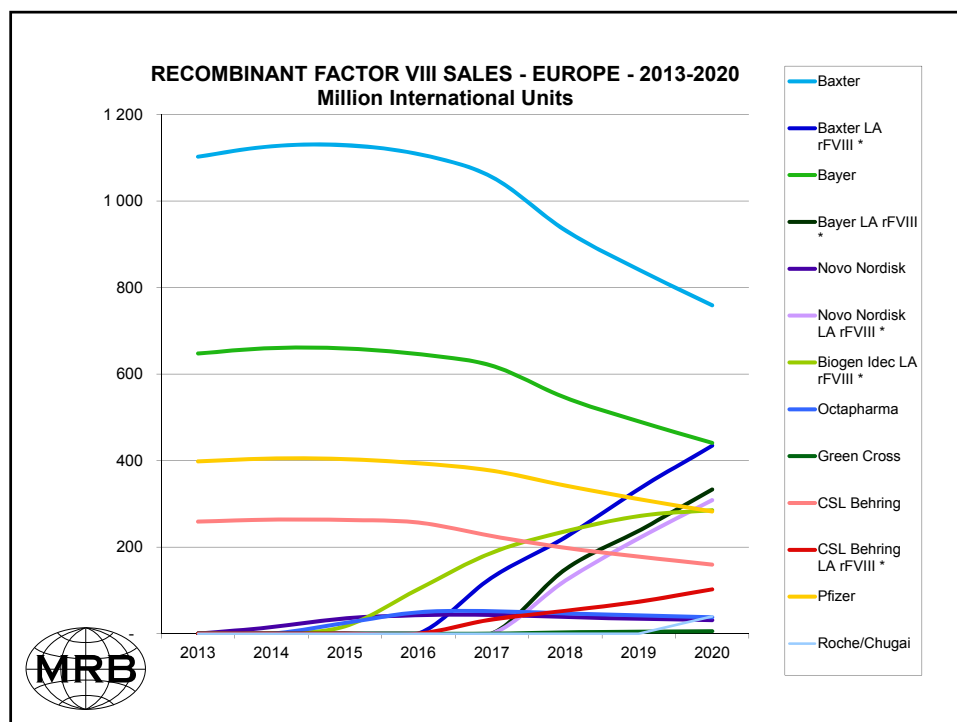




The gradual market penetration of the extended half-life (EHL) recombinant factors VIII and IX products are expected to have the following consequences:

- The number of international units sold will stabilize and possibly go down in Europe and the US.
- On the global market, the consumption of standard rFVIII and rFIX, as well as of plasma-derived factor products will continue to grow.
- Expenditure will continue to go up because the price per unit of the EHL recombinant factors will be higher than the price of the standard recombinant factors





CONCLUSIONS

- In the 1990s, the recombinant factor products improved the safety of hemophilia care,
- The extended half-life recombinant factors are now enhancing treatment comfort, enabling patients to enjoy a quasi normal life,
- Inhibitor development may be attenuated or eradicated with the novel treatments (gene therapy, monoclonal antibodies),
- Cost and global access to factor therapy will remain major issues in the years to come.



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Current practice in platelet transfusion

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Current practice in platelet transfusion

- Hematology and Oncology patients
- Surgical patients
- ICU patients
- ABO and Rh D compatibility
- Assessment of clinical efficacy (Lozano)
- Pathogen reduced PCs (McLennan, Cazenave)
- Pool vs Apheresis PCs (Garraud)
- Platelet refractoriness (Garraud)

Current practice in platelet transfusion

Platelet transfusion

Treatment of bleeding

Prevention of bleeding

How to assess efficacy and safety?

Observational studies in transfusion medicine

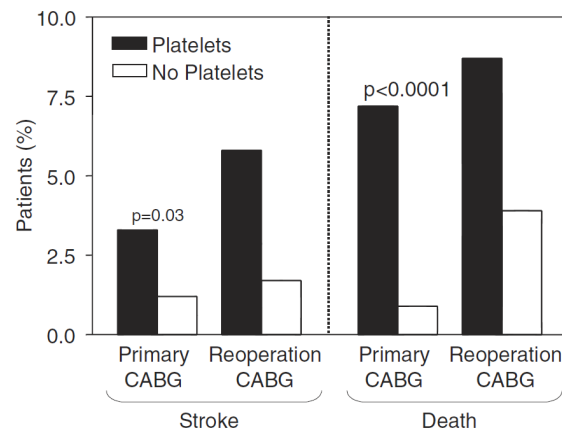
- Question: Association of blood (platelet) transfusion and survival?

e.g. Coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery

- Answer: Transfusion is associated with decreased survival

Observational studies in transfusion medicine

Platelet transfusions during coronary artery bypass graft surgery are associated with serious adverse outcomes



Spiess BD et al., Transfusion 44:1143 (2004)

Observational studies in transfusion medicine

Full adjustment for confounding variables:

Platelet transfusion at the time of CABG is not associated with adverse outcomes

Kremke M et al., Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 48:e102 (2015)

Observational studies in transfusion medicine

Confounding by Indication

Guidelines

German Medical Association Cross-Sectional Guidelines for Therapy with Blood Components and Plasma Derivatives

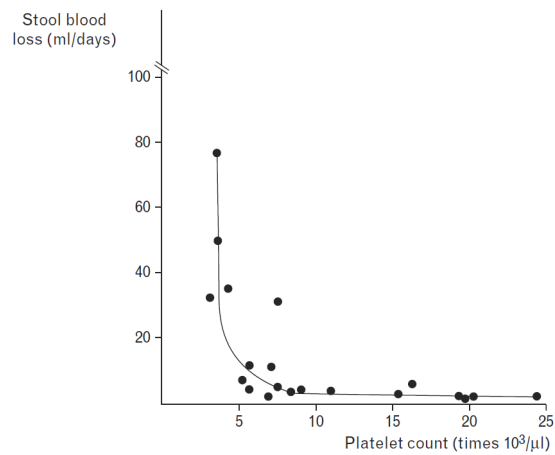


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Hematology and Oncology patients

Hematology and Oncology patients Prophylactic platelet transfusion - threshold

Fecal blood loss in thrombocytopenic patients



Slichter SJ, Harker LA Clin Haematol 7:523 (1978)

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Patients with impaired platelet production (chemotherapy)

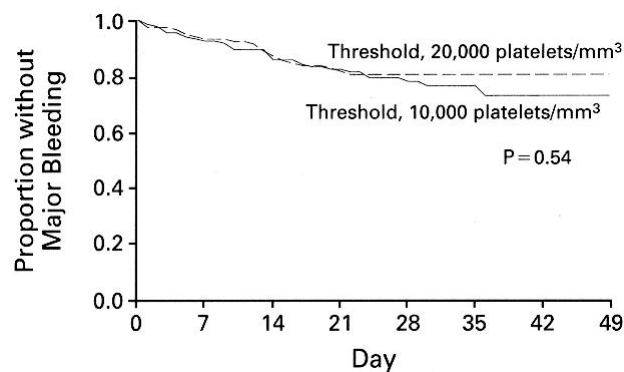
Prophylactic platelet transfusion: PLT count $\leq 10 \times 10^9/L$

Additional risk factors* for bleeding: PLT count $\leq 20 \times 10^9/L$

*Infections, complications (GVHD), evidence of hemorrhage, fever above $38^\circ C$, leucocytosis, coagulation disorders, sharp decline in platelet count, pre-existing necrotic areas

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Hematology and Oncology patients Prophylactic platelet transfusion - threshold



255 adult AML patients receiving induction chemotherapy

1. Standard arm: platelets given if count $< 20 \times 10^9/l$
2. Low threshold arm: platelets given if counts $< 10 \times 10^9/l$ with a temperature of $< 38^\circ C$, $10-20 \times 10^9/l$ with temperature $> 38^\circ C$, or if bleeding

Rebulla P et al., New Engl J Med 337:1870 (1997)

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Cochrane review 3 RCTs

- Rebutta P et al., New Engl J Med 337:1870 (1997)
- Heckman KD et al., J Clin Oncol 15:1143 (1997)
- Diedrich B et al., Transfusion 45:1064 (2005)

Estcourt LJ et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 11:CD010983 (2015)

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Outcomes up to 30 days	Illustrative comparative risks (95% CI)		Relative effect	Participants	Quality of evidence
	Higher trigger 20 / 30 x 10 ⁹ /L	Lower trigger 10 x 10 ⁹ /L			
Patients with bleedings	177 per 1000	239 per 1000 (168 to 336)	RR 1.35 (0.95 to 1.9)	499 (3 studies)	low
Patients with bleedings grade 3 or 4	82 per 1000	81 per 1000 (43 to 154)	RR 0.99 (0.52 to 1.88)	421 (2 studies)	low
No of platelet transfusions		2.09 lower (3.2 to 0.99)		333 (2 studies)	low
Mortality	75 per 1000	134 per 1000 (62 to 286)	RR 1.78 (0.83 to 3.81)	255 (1 study)	low

Estcourt LJ et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 11:CD010983 (2015)

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Conclusion

Standard trigger ($10 \times 10^9/L$) compared to a higher trigger

- No increase in the risk of bleeding (low-quality evidence)

Estcourt LJ et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 11:CD010983 (2015)

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Cochrane review 5 RCTs

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| – Stanworth et al., New Engl J Med 368:1771 (2013) | n=600 |
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Crichton GL et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 9:CD010981 (2015)

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Therapeutic platelet transfusion versus routine prophylactic transfusion in patients with haematological malignancies: an open-label, multicentre, randomised study

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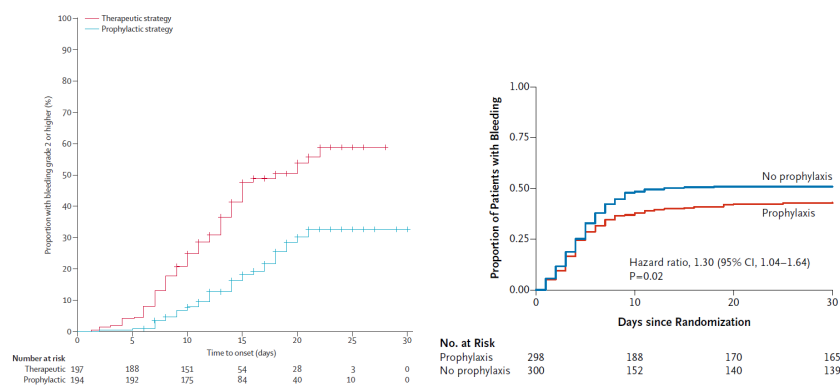
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TABLE

Bleeding in two randomized controlled studies

WHO Bleeding Scale ^{*1}	Wandt et al. (12)		p-value	Stanworth et al. (13, 22)		p-value
	prophylactic	therapeutic		prophylactic	therapeutic	
All patients						
Grade 2 and higher	65/343 (19) ^{*2}	127/301 (42)	<0.001	128/299 (43)	151/301 (50)	0.04
Grade 3	3 (1)	7 (2)	ns	1 (<1)	4 (1)	ns
Grade 4	4 (1)	13 (5)	0.016	0	2 (1)	ns
Autologous HSCT						
Grade 2 and higher	8/98 (8)	29/103 (28)	0.0005	95/210 (45)	99/211 (47)	ns
Grade 3	0	1 (1)		0	1 (0.5)	
Grade 4	0	0		0	2 (1)	
Acute leukemia						
Grade 2 and higher	57/245 (24)	98/198 (51)	<0.0001	33/89 (37)	52/90 (58)	<0.05
Grade 3	3 (1)	6 (3)	ns	1 (1)	3 (3)	ns
Grade 4	4 (2)	13 (7)	0.0095	0	0	

^{*1} WHO Grade 2: mild bleeding (more than isolated petechiae); no erythrocyte transfusion required; WHO Grade 3: bleeding requiring red cell transfusion; WHO Grade 4: symptomatic retinal or CNS bleeding; any life-threatening or fatal bleeding

^{*2} absolute numbers (%)

WHO, World Health Organization; ns, non-significant; HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

Wandt et al., Dtsch Arztebl Int 111:809 (2014)

Hematology and Oncology patients Therapeutic-only vs prophylactic platelet transfusion

Outcomes up to 30 days	Illustrative comparative risks (95% CI)		Relative effect (95% CI)	Participants (studies)	Quality of evidence
	Prophylaxis	No Prophylaxis			
Days with bleeding		0.5 higher (0.1 to 0.9)		599 (1 study)	moderate
Patients with bleedings grade 3 or 4	3 per 1000	10 per 1000 3 to 71	RR 4.91 (0.86 to 28.12)	801 (2 studies)	low
No of platelet transfusions		0.5 lower (0.63 to 0.37)		801 (2 studies)	moderate

Crichton GL et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 9:CD010981 (2015)

Hematology and Oncology patients Therapeutic-only vs prophylactic platelet transfusion

Conclusion

Prophylactic platelet transfusion

- Reduces bleeding episodes (primarily WHO grade 2)
- Insufficient evidence: WHO grade 3 or 4 bleeding, mortality
- 33% more platelet transfusions required

Crichton GL et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 9:CD010981 (2015)

Hematology and Oncology patients Different doses of prophylactic platelet transfusion

Cochrane review 7 RCTs

Conclusion

Low dose platelet transfusion

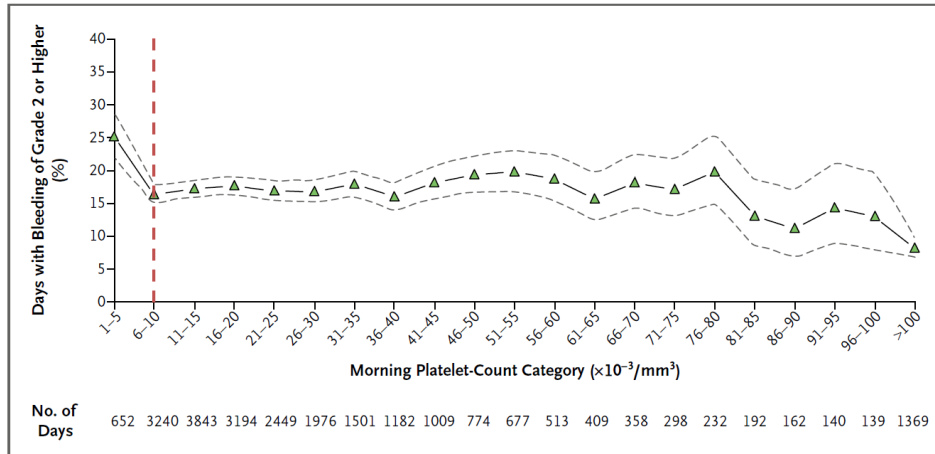
- requires more transfusions
- no increase in the risk of bleeding

High dose platelet transfusion

- does not decrease the number of transfusions
- no decreased risk of bleeding
- increase of adverse events?

Estcourt LJ et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 10:CD010984 (2015)

Dose of Prophylactic Platelet Transfusions and Prevention of Hemorrhage (PLADO-Trial)



Days with bleeding of grade 2 or higher in all three treatment groups, according to morning platelet-count categories

Slichter SJ et al.; N Engl J Med 362:600 (2010)

Platelet transfusion for patients with hypoproliferative Thrombocytopenia - Summary

- Prophylactic platelet transfusions should be given (autologous HSCT?)
- Threshold: $\leq 10 \times 10^9/\text{L}$
- The standard dose of platelet concentrates is appropriate

Platelet transfusion thresholds prior to
insertion of central lines

Cochrane review: No RCT

Estcourt LJ et al., Cochrane Database Syst Rev 12:CD011771 (2015)

Surgical patients

Platelet transfusion trigger in surgical patients

- Minor surgery $\leq 20 \times 10^9/L$
- Major surgery $\leq 50 \times 10^9/L$
- Neuraxial surgery $\leq 70 - 100 \times 10^9/L$
- Massive bleeding $\leq 100 \times 10^9/L$

Weak recommendations
low- to very-low-quality evidence

http://www.bundesaerztekammer.de/fileadmin/user_upload/downloads/pdf-Ordner/WB/QLL_Haemotherapie-englisch.pdf

ICU patients

Thrombocytopenia in the ICU patient - PLT count within the first 24 hours of septic shock -

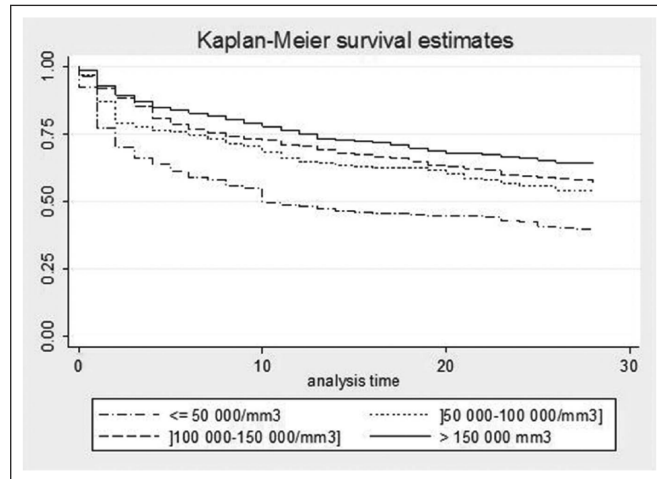


Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier survival estimates depending on the platelet count (EPIdemiology of Septic Shock Study, 2009–2011). *p* value from the log-rank test: less than 0.0001 for platelet count of more than 150,000/mm³ versus less than or equal to 50,000/mm³; *p* = 0.0025 versus 50–100,000/mm³ and *p* = 0.0427 versus 100–150,000/mm³.

Thiery-Antier N et al., Crit Care Med 44:764 (2016)

Evidence-Based Focused Review

CME Article

Platelet transfusions for critically ill patients with thrombocytopenia

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Conclusion

- High-quality data to support or refute the need for prophylactic platelet transfusion in the ICU are lacking

Lieberman L et al., Blood 123:1146 (2014)

ABO-incompatible platelet (plasma) transfusion

25 publications report hemolytic transfusion reactions

In all cases but one, the implicated titer of anti-A or anti-B was

- > 100 (saline) or
- > 400 (antiglobulin)

Berséus O et al., Transfusion 53:114S (2013)

ABO-incompatible platelet (plasma) transfusion

Conclusion

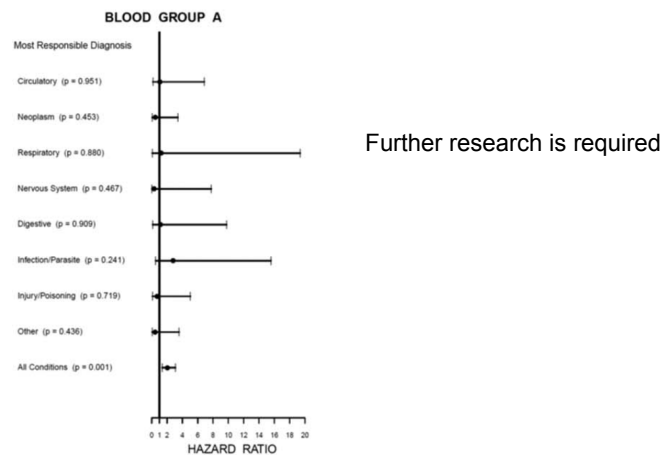
- A low titer of anti-A/B will minimize the risk of hemolytic transfusion reaction

Berséus O et al., Transfusion 53:114S (2013)

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Exposure to ABO-nonidentical blood associated with increased in-hospital mortality in patients with group A blood

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Pai M et al., Transfusion 56:550 (2016)
See also: Lozano M & Cid J Transfus Med Rev 17:57 (2003)

Rh D-incompatible platelet transfusion

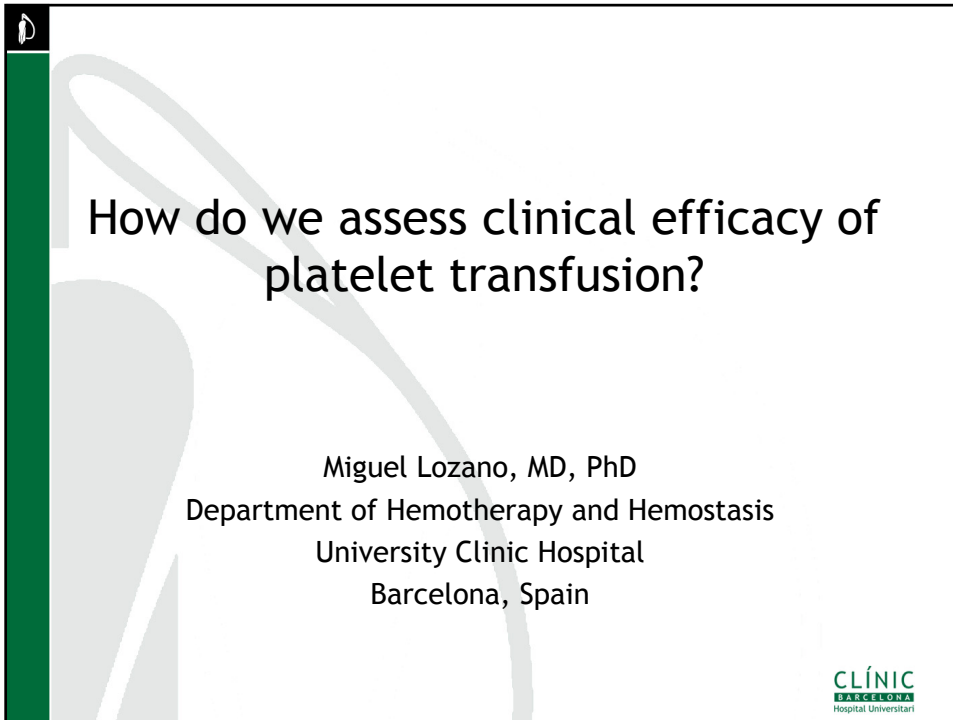
Conclusion

- Rh Immune Globulin prophylaxis, if Rh D-mismatched platelet concentrates prepared from whole blood are transfused to Rh D negative females of childbearing potential

Cid J et al., Curr Opin Hematol 22:540 (2015)

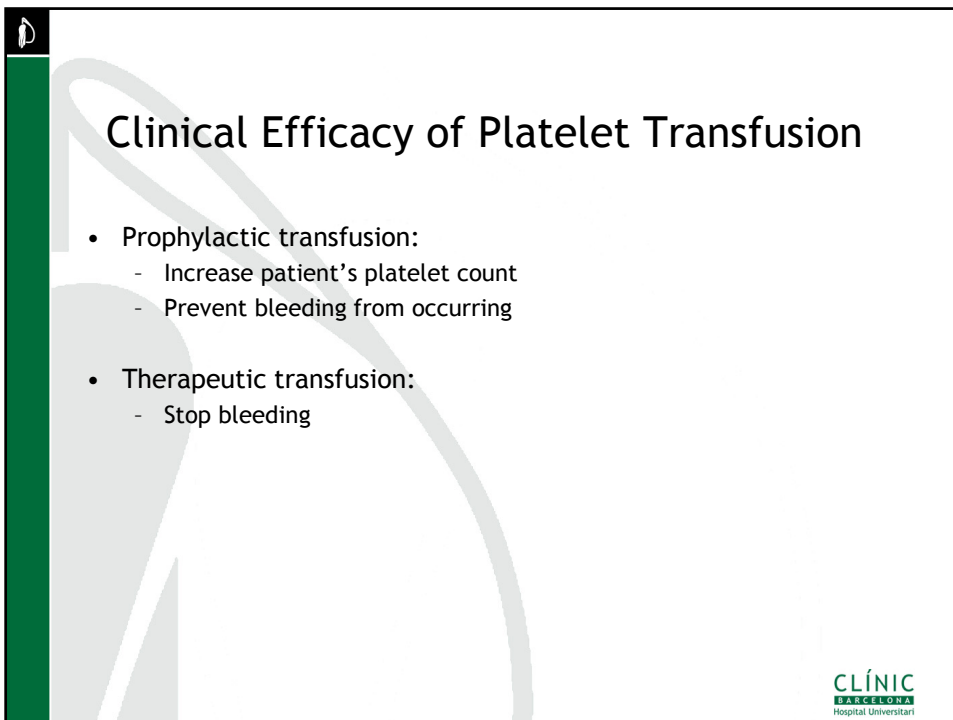
Conclusion

- Development of international standards for assessment and documentation of bleeding across transfusion trials
- Hypoproliferative thrombocytopenia and a no-prophylactic platelet transfusion strategy: patients perspective? Quality of life?
- Evidence based guidelines for platelet transfusion: Adherence to these guidelines?



How do we assess clinical efficacy of platelet transfusion?

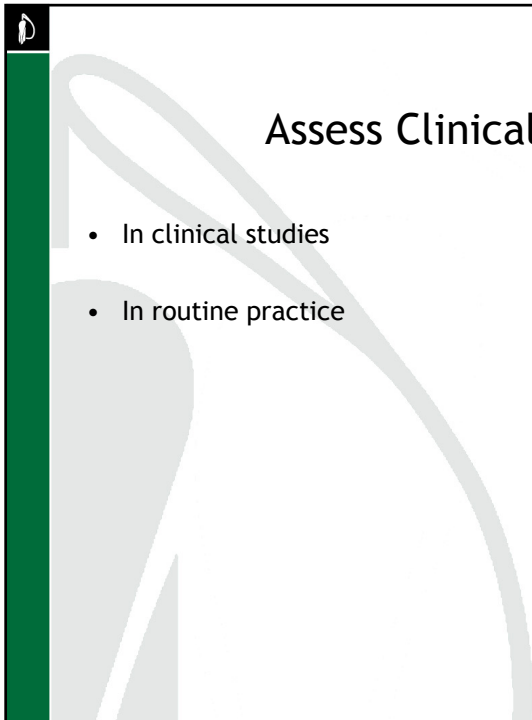
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Clinical Efficacy of Platelet Transfusion

- Prophylactic transfusion:
 - Increase patient's platelet count
 - Prevent bleeding from occurring
- Therapeutic transfusion:
 - Stop bleeding

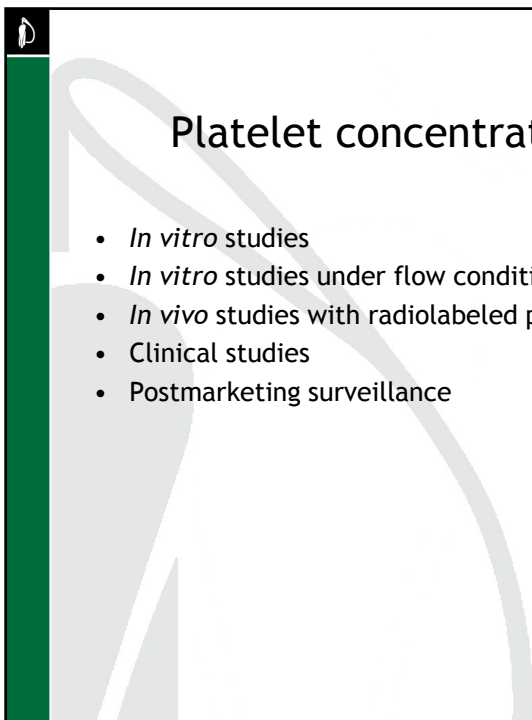




Assess Clinical Efficacy

- In clinical studies
- In routine practice

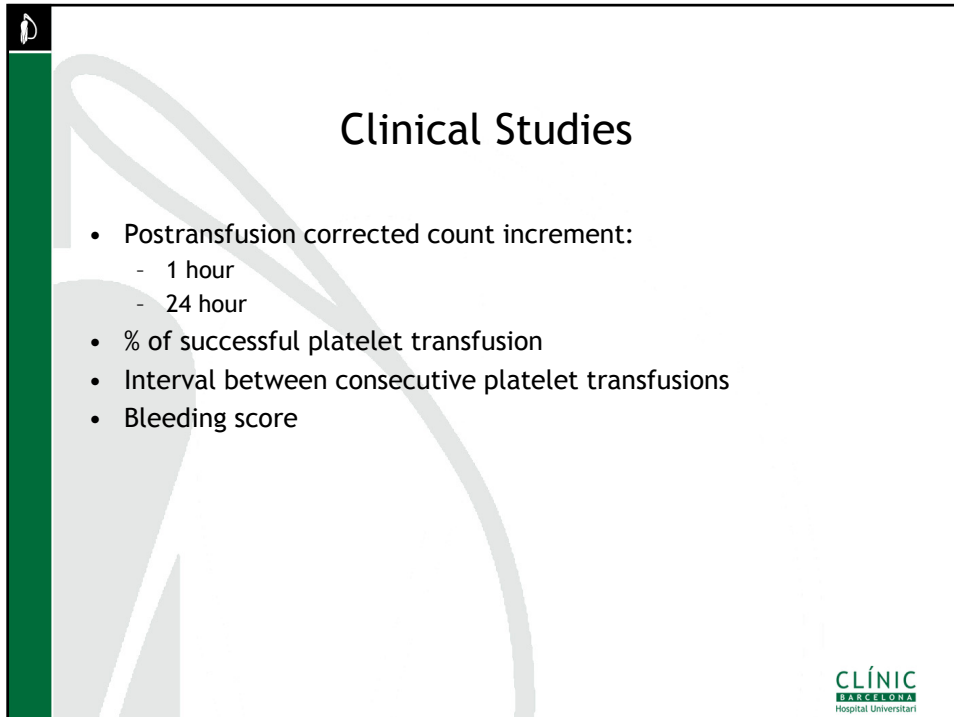
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Platelet concentrates evaluation

- *In vitro* studies
- *In vitro* studies under flow conditions
- *In vivo* studies with radiolabeled platelets
- Clinical studies
- Postmarketing surveillance

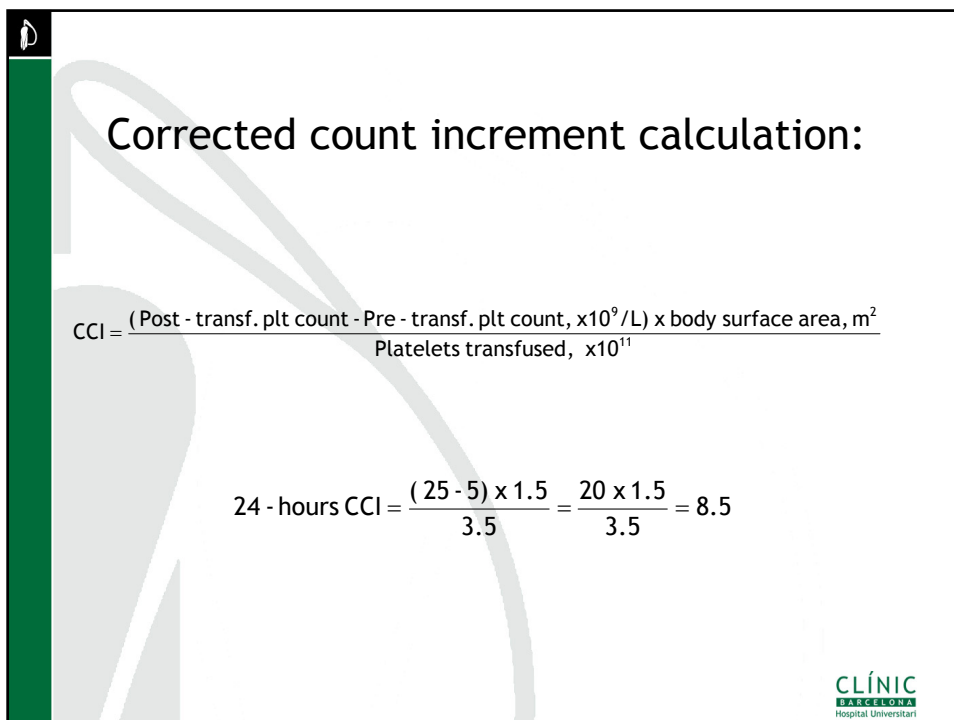
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Clinical Studies

- Posttransfusion corrected count increment:
 - 1 hour
 - 24 hour
- % of successful platelet transfusion
- Interval between consecutive platelet transfusions
- Bleeding score

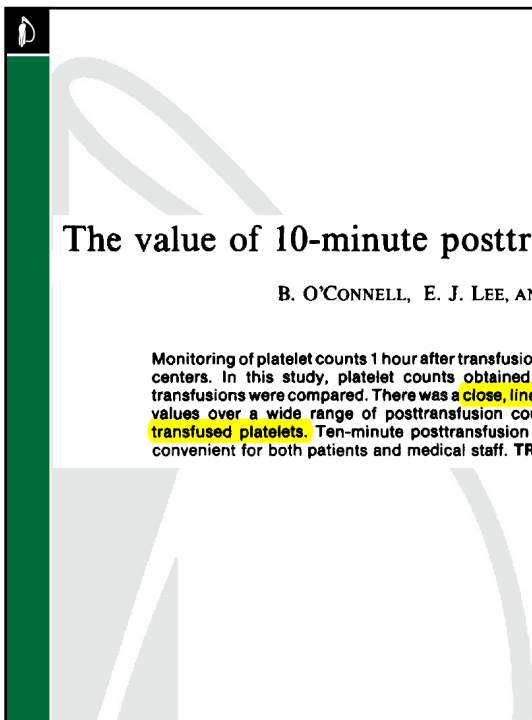
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Corrected count increment calculation:

$$CCI = \frac{(\text{Post - transf. plt count} - \text{Pre - transf. plt count, } \times 10^9 / \text{L}) \times \text{body surface area, m}^2}{\text{Platelets transfused, } \times 10^{11}}$$
$$24\text{-hours CCI} = \frac{(25 - 5) \times 1.5}{3.5} = \frac{20 \times 1.5}{3.5} = 8.5$$

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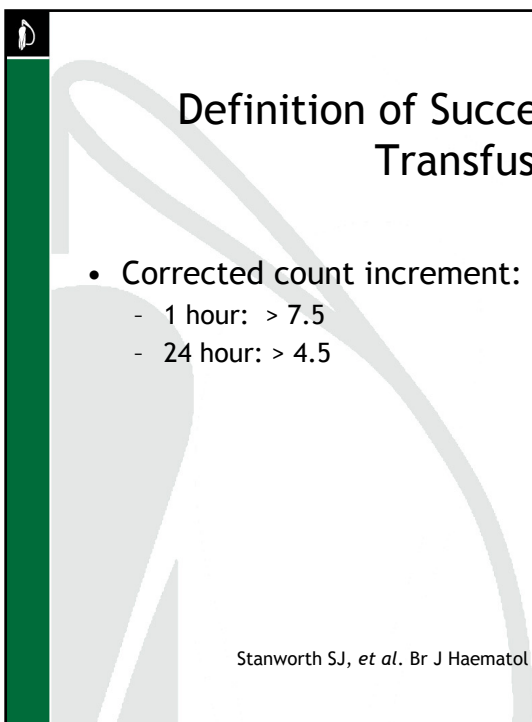


The value of 10-minute posttransfusion platelet counts

B. O'CONNELL, E. J. LEE, AND C. A. SCHIFFER

Monitoring of platelet counts 1 hour after transfusion has become standard practice in most centers. In this study, platelet counts obtained 10 and 60 minutes after 48 platelet transfusions were compared. There was a close, linear relationship ($r=0.98$) between these values over a wide range of posttransfusion counts, indicating rapid equilibration of transfused platelets. Ten-minute posttransfusion samples are easier to obtain and are convenient for both patients and medical staff. **TRANSFUSION** 1988;28:66-67.

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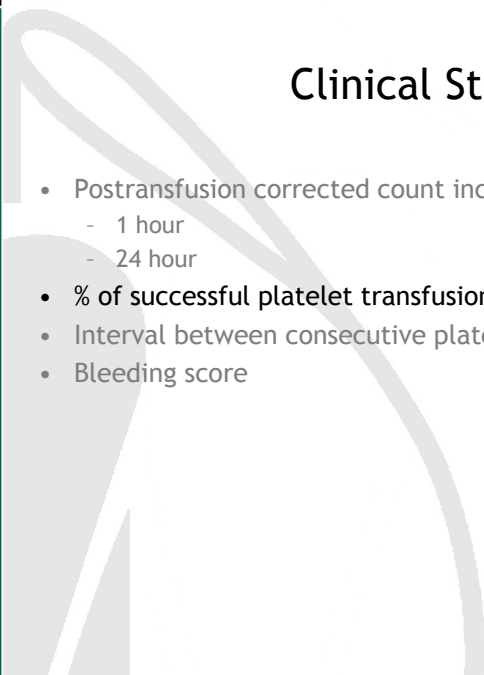


Definition of Successful Platelet Transfusion

- Corrected count increment:
 - 1 hour: > 7.5
 - 24 hour: > 4.5

Stanworth SJ, *et al.* Br J Haematol 2015; 171: 297-305

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- Postransfusion corrected count increment:
 - 1 hour
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CME A randomized noninferiority crossover trial of corrected count increments and bleeding in thrombocytopenic hematology patients receiving 2- to 5- versus 6- or 7-day-stored platelets

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BACKGROUND: Bacterial screening offers the possibility of extending platelet (PLT) storage to Day 7. We conducted a noninferiority, crossover trial comparing PLTs stored for 6 or 7 days versus 2 to 5 days.

STUDY DESIGN AND METHODS: Stable hematology patients were allocated to receive blocks of 2- to 5- and 6- or 7-day PLTs in random order. **The primary outcome was the proportion of successful transfusions during the first block, defined as a corrected count increment (CCI) of more than 4.5 at 8 to 24 hours posttransfusion.**

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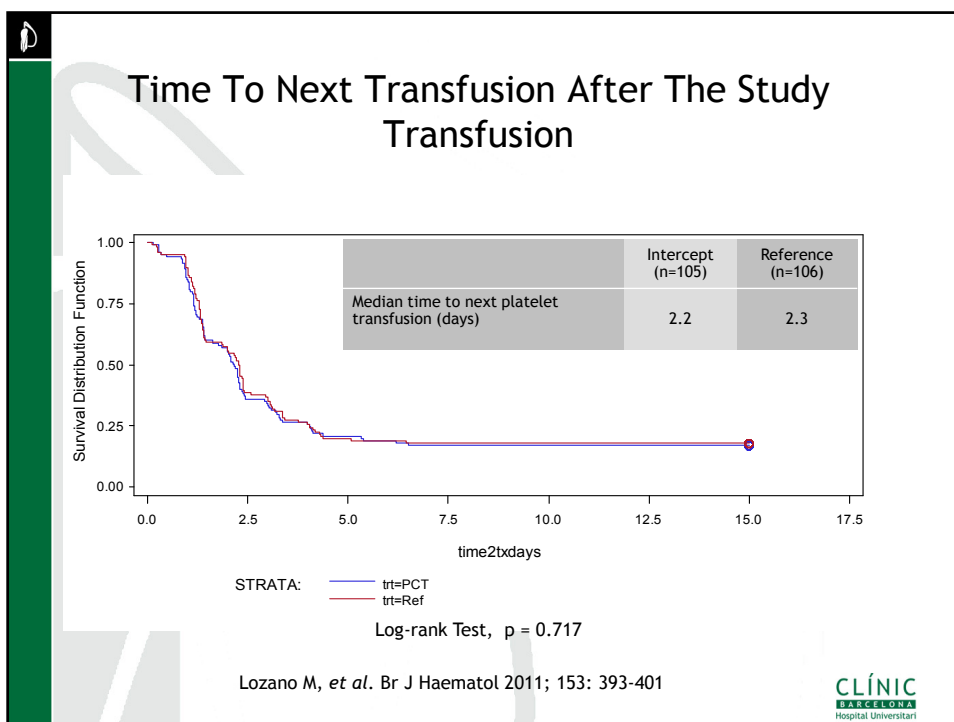
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TABLE 3. Summary of trial outcomes

	2- to 5-day PLTs	6- or 7-day PLTs	95% CI	p value
<i>First evaluable blocks only (122 patients, 244 transfusions)</i>				
<i>Primary outcome</i>				
Proportion of successful transfusions (CCI > $4.5 \times 10^9/L$) (%)	71.3 (87/122)	68.9 (84/122)	0.47 to 1.58	0.625
8- to 24-hour CCI, mean (SD)	9.4 (7.9)	7.7 (7.1)	-3.31 to 0.03	0.054
<i>Interval to the next PLT transfusion,* median (IQR)</i>				
Days	2 (1-4)	2 (1-3)	N/A	N/A
Hours	49.3, (27.5-85.9)	47.2, (27.2-69.3)	-10.5 to 5.4	0.531

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Clinical Studies

- Postransfusion corrected count increment:
 - 1 hour
 - 24 hour
- Interval between consecutive platelet transfusions
- Bleeding score expressed as % of patients or % of days with bleeding

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WHO Hemostatic Assessment					
	0	1	GRADING 2	3	4
MUCOCUTANEOUS					
Epistaxis	None	< 1 hour in duration	> 1 hour duration	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Oropharyngeal	None	< 1 hour in duration	> 1 hour duration	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Petechiae/purpura (hemorrhage bleeding into skin or mucosa)	None	Petechiae of skin or mucosa, purpura < 1 inch in diameter, confluent purpura	Purpura > 1 inch in diameter, generalized petechiae, purpura of skin	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
GASTROINTESTINAL					
Melena	None	N/A	Positive occult blood	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Rectal bleeding / hematochezia (visible blood)	None	N/A	Positive occult blood	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Covert GI bleeding (no visible blood, not black, or tarry stools)	None	Positive occult blood	See melena / hematochezia	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Hematemesis	None	N/A	Positive visual / occult blood	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
GENITOURINARY					
Hematuria	None	Up to 1+ (sl.trace,small)	2+ (moderate) or greater	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
Vaginal bleeding, abnormal	None	Spotting, <2 saturated pads/day	>2 saturated pads/day	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
BRONCHO - PULMONARY					
Hemoptysis	None	N/A	Positive	See footnote 1	See footnote 2
MUSCULOSKELETAL & SOFT TISSUE					
	None	N/A	Spontaneous hematoma: joint bleeding	See footnote 1	Permanent debilitating change: See footnote 2
BODY CAVITY					
Pleural, peritoneal, pericardial, retroperitoneal	None	N/A	Red cell on microscopic exam	Grossly bloody	See footnote 2
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM					
CNS bleeding / hemorrhage	None	N/A	N/A	Bleeding on CT w/o clinical consequences	Non fatal bleeding with neurological signs and symptoms
Retinal bleeding	None	Retinal bleeding w/o visual impairment	N/A	N/A	Visual impairment, i.e. field deficit
INVASIVE SITES					
All	None	N/A	Any bleeding around catheter: bleeding at venipuncture sites	See footnote 1	See footnote 2

1. Requiring red cell transfusion specifically for support of bleeding within 24 hours of onset. If bleeding is continuous and the onset grading was grade 1 or 2 at onset, increase the severity grade when red cell support is needed

2. Bleeding associated with hemodynamic instability and/or fatal bleeding.

Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events v3.0 (CTCAE)						
Publish Date: August 9, 2006						
HEMORRHAGE/BLEEDING						
Page 4 of 4						
Adverse Event	Short Name	1	2	3	4	5
NAVIGATION NOTE: Vitreous hemorrhage is graded in the OCULAR/VISUAL CATEGORY.						
Hemorrhage/Bleeding – Other (Specify, ___)	Hemorrhage – Other (Specify)	Mild without transfusion	—	Transfusion indicated	Catastrophic bleeding, requiring major non-elective intervention	Death
Petechiae/purpura (hemorrhage/bleeding into skin or mucosa)	Petechiae	Few petechiae	Moderate petechiae; purpura	Generalized petechiae or purpura	—	—
ALSO CONSIDER: Fibrinogen, INR (International Normalized Ratio of prothrombin time), Platelets, PTT (Partial Thromboplastin Time).						

% of Patients with Grade 2 or greater		
Study	Grade ≥ 2	Score
SPRINT control ¹	63.6 %	WHO
SPRINT amatosalen ¹	62.6 %	WHO
SToP low dose ²	51.7 %	WHO
SToP standard dose ²	49.2 %	WHO
PLADO low dose ³	70.0 %	WHO
PLADO medium dose ³	68.0 %	WHO
PLADO high dose ³	70.0 %	WHO
HOVON control ⁴	19.0 %	CTCAE
HOVON PAS ⁴	15.0 %	CTCAE
HOVON amotosalen ⁴	32.0 %	CTCAE
IPTAS Intercept ⁵	23.0 %	WHO
IPTAS Intercept control ⁵	16.5 %	WHO

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 2. Heddle NM, *et al*, Blood 2009;113:1564
 3. Slichter SJ, *et al*. NEJM 2010;362:600
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Asses Clinical Efficacy	
• In clinical studies	
• In routine practice	

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Survey of current practice for monitoring and management of platelet refractoriness in Italy

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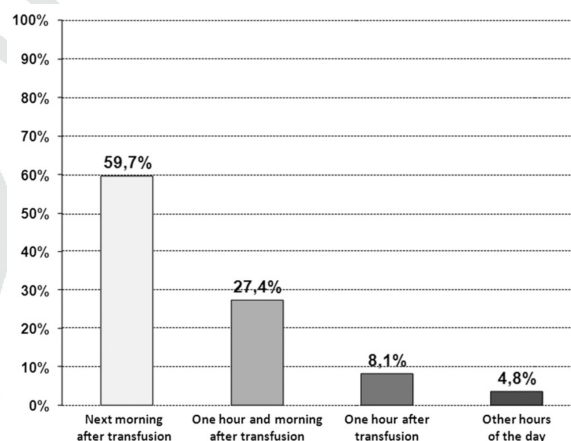
Out of 122 centers identified, 64 participated in the survey (response rate 52%). Response rate was 43.5% in northern Italy, 57.1% in central Italy, and 61.8% in southern Italy.

Among respondents, 37.5% were from blood banks with a small volume of activity (i.e. <500 platelet transfusions/year), 14.1% from blood banks with an intermediate volume (500–1000 transfusions/year), and 48.4% from blood banks with a large volume of activity (over 1000 transfusions/year). In northern and central Italy, the majority of centers had a large volume of activity (51.9% and 56.3%, respectively), while in southern Italy 47.6% of the centers had a small volume of activity.

As for patient characteristics, in the vast majority of the centers (95.3%) platelet transfusions were performed in both onco-hematological patients and thrombocytopenic patients undergoing surgical procedures, representing 70% and 30% of transfused patients, respectively. In 4.7% of the centers, only onco-hematological patients were transfused.

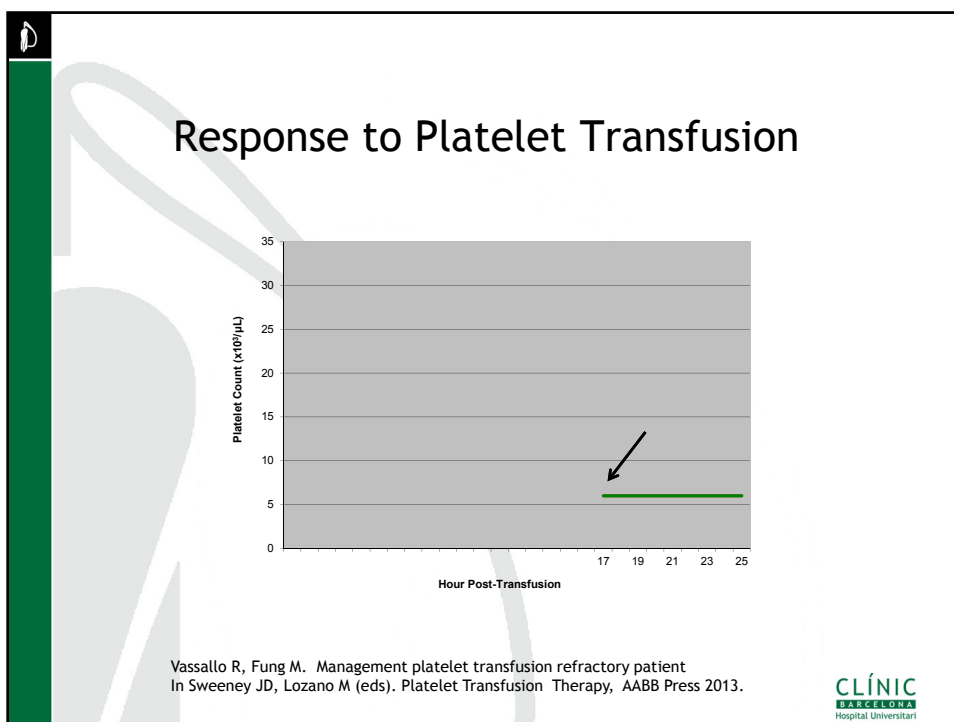
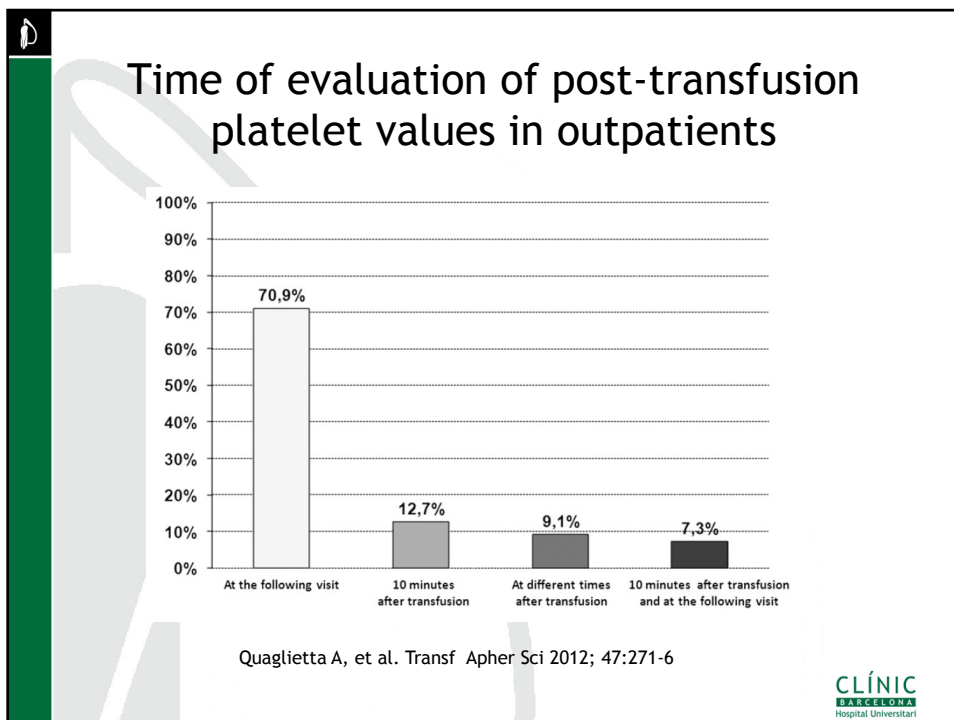
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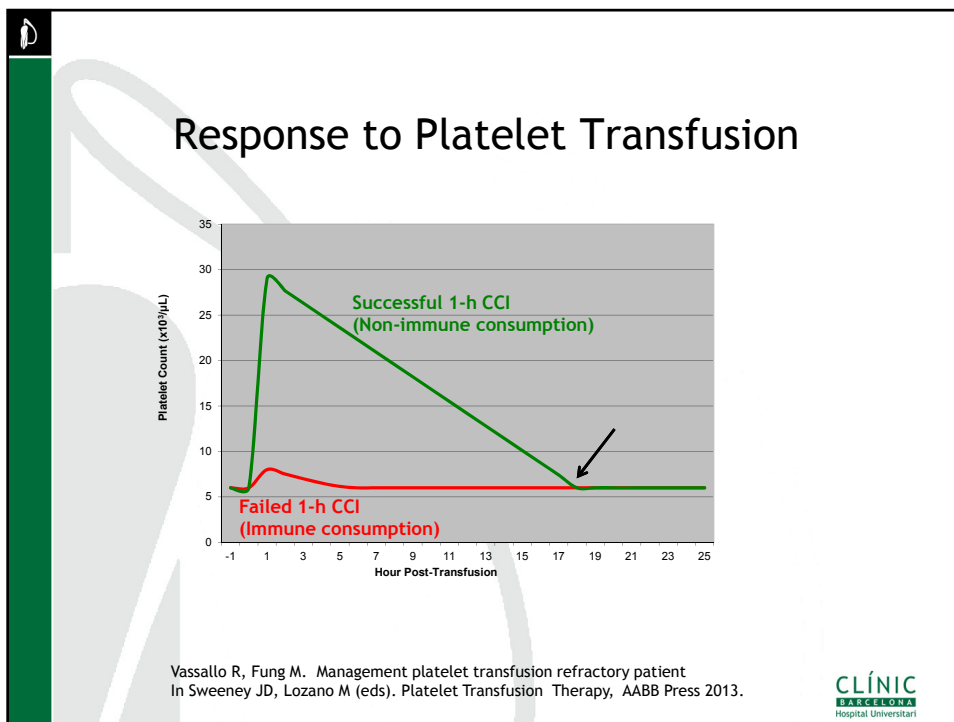
Time of evaluation of post-transfusion platelet values in hospitalized patients



Quaglietta A, et al. Transf Apher Sci 2012; 47:271-6

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- ## Failed 1-h CCI
- Product:
 - Poor quality
 - Patient
 - Immune destruction of platelets due to antibodies against HLA or HPA
 - Massive splenomegaly
 - Active bleeding
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Conclusions

- Several tools to evaluate the clinical efficacy of a platelet transfusion
- In recently performed clinical trials, the most used tool has been the % of patients with bleeding rate ≥ 2 during the study period
- In routine, the most used is the CCI, although 1h-CCI, the most dependent on the transfused product, is only measured in a reduced percentage of hospitals

Platelets: infectious risk, testing strategies, pathogen inactivation

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Transfusion-transmitted infections in UK 1996 – 2014 (SHOT)

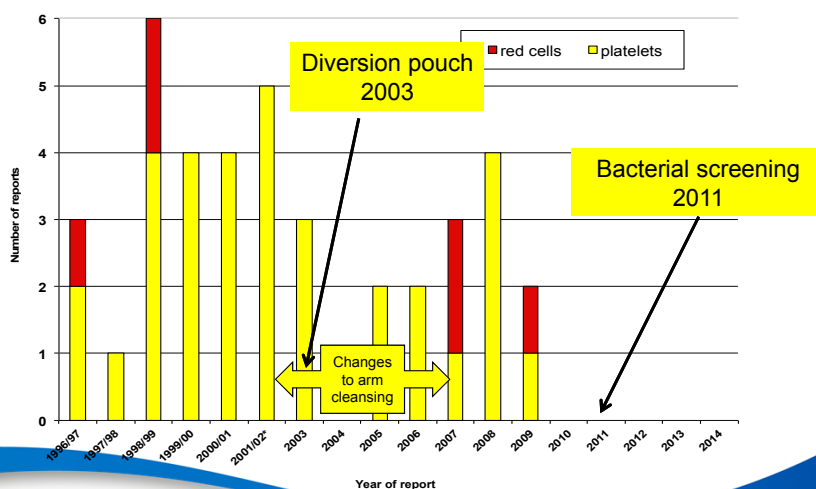
- Viruses (none fatal)
 - HBV – 11 (13 recipients)
 - HCV – 2 (2)
 - HIV – 2 (4)
 - HAV – 3 (3)
 - HTLV – 2 (2)(pre-testing)
 - HEV – 2 (6)
- Malaria – 2 (2,1 fatal)
- vCJD – 3 (4, all fatal)
- Bacteria
 - 40 (43 recipients)
 - 33 platelets
 - 7 red cells
 - 9 deaths from platelet contamination

Calculated viral risk from blood transfusion in the UK

	HIV	HBV	HCV	HTLV
1 in x million donations released	6.47	1.32	28.0	17.74

<http://www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/index.aspx?Publication=DL&Section=12&pageid=7630>

Bacterial transmissions reported to SHOT 1996-2014



Bacterial contamination of platelets (2008/9)

- 6 cases in 2008, 2 fatal
 - Both fatal cases from same apheresis donation
 - Another apheresis donation caused 2 cases
 - 2 pools
- 2009, 2 cases from same donation (discovered only due to pH testing at outdate)
 - Adult transfused with 1 pack
 - Baby transfused with 3 packs from a 4-part split of the other pack

Bacterial TTIs by species (most common) and age of platelets at transfusion, 1995-2009

Safe Supplies: Testing the Nation. Annual Review from the NHSBT/HPA Epidemiology Unit

Age of platelets (days)	1	2	3	4	5	6	NK	total
All species	0	2	8	11	12		4	38
<i>Staph. epidermidis</i>		1		2	7	1		11
<i>Bacillus cereus</i>				4			1	5
<i>Escherichia coli</i>		1	1				1	3
Group B Streptococcus			1	1			1	3
Group G Streptococcus				2	1			3
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>			2	1				3
<i>Staph. aureus</i>				1	1		1	3

Strategies to minimise bacterial risk of platelets

- Better arm cleansing - DONE
- Diversion of first aliquot of blood –DONE
- Bacterial screening
 - Implemented NHSBT 2011
 - 1.35m screened (75% apheresis, 25% pools)
 - 458 confirmed pos (Feb 2011 – Feb 2016)
 - Apheresis platelets 224 (0.02%)
 - Pooled platelets 234 (0.07%)
 - One demonstrated bacterial TTI – 3 ‘near misses’

Bacterial screening strategies

- Variability in procedure for screening
 - Sampling of ‘mother pack’ only or ‘daughter packs’
 - Time of sampling
 - Volume and number of samples
 - Platform used - sensitivity
 - Quarantine period
 - Release as ‘negative to date’ or one-off result
 - Recall of initial reactive components

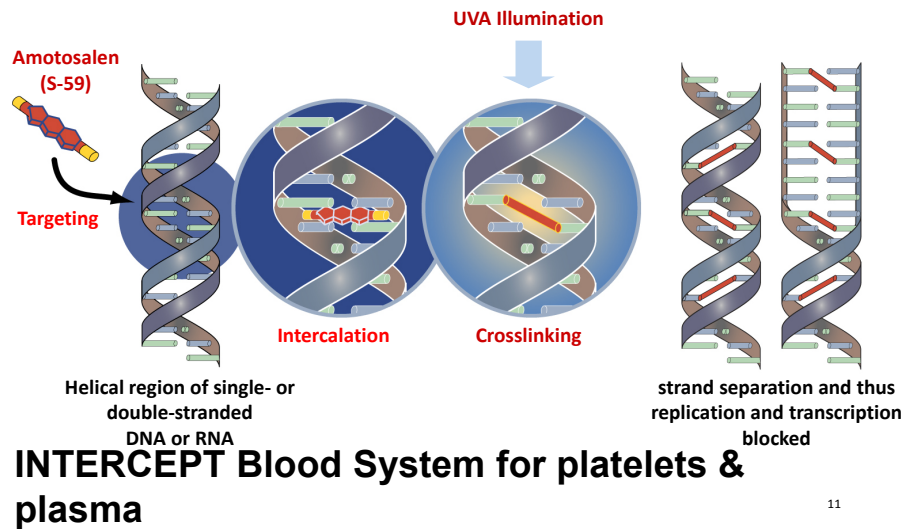
NHSBT process

- Sample 'daughter packs'
- Minimum time pre-sample 36 hours
- Volume 2 x 8 mL (aerobic and anaerobic)
- BacTAlert
- 6 hour quarantine post-loading of samples
- Release as 'negative to date' with culture to beyond end of shelf life of component (7 days)
- Recall index component and associated packs if initial reactive result for further investigation

Pathogen inactivation (PI) for platelets

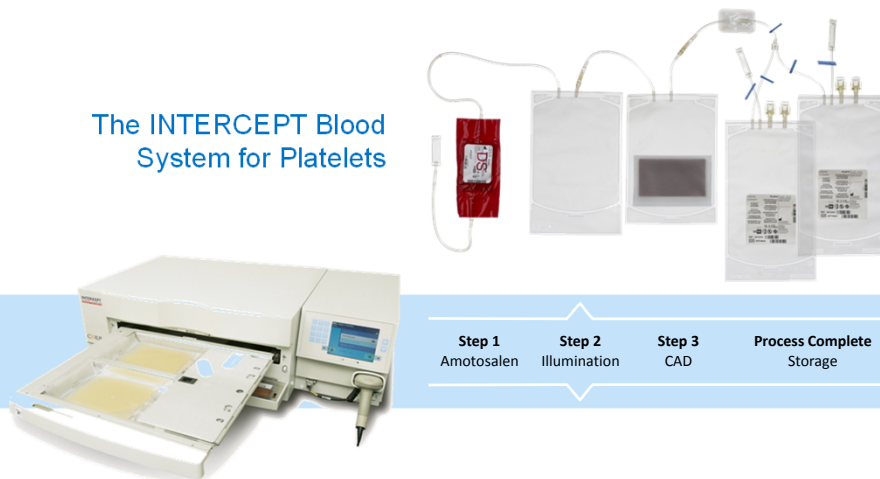
- Exploit the fact pathogens need nucleic acid to replicate but not necessary for platelet, plasma or red cells to function
- Act at the nucleic acid level
- Those in use are based on photodynamic methods: addition of photosensitising chemical followed by exposure to UV light
 - Intercept (UVA + Amotosalen)
 - Mirasol (UV + Riboflavin)
 - Both CE marked, both in routine use in some EU countries
- Theraflex (UVC light alone)
 - CE marked, not yet in use - Phase 3 study being planned
 - Low toxicity, cell and protein function thought to be preserved
- Need to balance sufficient dose to kill pathogens and limit the effect on component

Mechanism of action Intercept



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The INTERCEPT Blood System for Platelets



**Can treat a single or double-dose in one go
(double dose apheresis or pool of 7BC+)**

Mechanism of Action - Mirasol

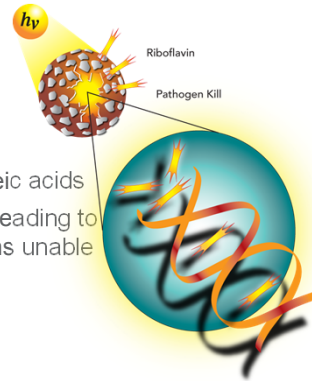
The Mirasol system inactivates disease-causing agents by altering their nucleic acids in two primary ways:

1. UV light only: reversible inactivation

- UV light alone breaks chemical bonds in the nucleic acids of pathogens

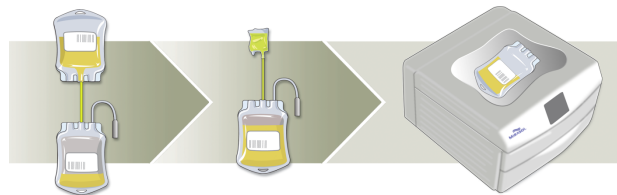
2. UV light + riboflavin: irreversible inactivation

- Riboflavin molecules form complexes with nucleic acids
- Oxygen independent electron transfer process leading to modification of guanine bases making pathogens unable to replicate



Mirasol Process for Platelets

Platelets



Connect and transfer
product to
illumination bag

Add riboflavin
solution

Illuminate
4 to 10 minutes

Transfuse or store
for up to 7 days

**Can treat a single or
double-dose in one go
(double dose apheresis
or pool of 7BC+)**



Agents inactivated by Amotosalen/UVA

ROUTINELY TESTED AGENTS



ENVELOPED VIRUSES

HIV-1
HIV-2
HBV
HCV
HTLV-I
HTLV-II



SPIROCHETES

Treponema pallidum



ENVELOPED VIRUSES

HIV-1
HIV-2
HBV
HCV
HTLV-I
HTLV-II

DHBV



NON-ENVELOPED VIRUSES

Bluetongue virus, type 11
Simian Adenovirus-15
Feline calicivirus
Parvovirus B19
Human adenovirus 5



GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA

Klebsiella pneumoniae
Yersinia enterocolitica
Escherichia coli
Pseudomonas aeruginosa
Salmonella choleraesuis
Enterobacter cloacae
Serratia marcescens
Anaplasma phagocytophilum
*Orientia tsutsugamushi*³



GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA

Staphylococcus epidermidis
Staphylococcus aureus
Streptococcus pyogenes
Listeria monocytogenes
Corynebacterium minutissimum
Bacillus cereus (vegetative)
Lactobacillus sp.
Bifidobacterium adolescentis
Propionibacterium acnes
Clostridium perfringens



SPIROCHETES

Treponema pallidum
Borrelia burgdorferi



PROTOZOA

Trypanosoma cruzi
Plasmodium falciparum
Leishmania sp.
Babesia microti



LEUKOCYTES

T-cells

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Mirasol System – Broadly Effective Against Clinically Relevant Pathogens

Effectiveness Demonstrated Against Broad Range of Pathogens

Pathogen type	Typical Performance	References
Viruses (enveloped, non-enveloped; intracellular, extracellular)	~2–6 log (99.0–99.9999%)	Ruane et al. 2004; Goodrich et al. 2006a; Goodrich et al. 2006b
Parasites (Malaria, Chagas, Babesiosis, Leishmaniasis..)	≥ 3.0 to ≥ 5.0 (≥99.9% to ≥99.999%)	Cardo et al. 2006; Sullivan et al. 2008; Cardo et al. 2007; Tonnetti et al. 2007; Rentas et al. 2007
Bacteria (Gram +, Gram -)	~2–5 log (99.0–99.999%)	Ruane et al. 2004; Goodrich et al. 2006b,

- Mirasol has been shown to be more effective than bacterial culture methods (98% vs. 50-70%) in preventing transfusion of contaminated platelet units at clinically relevant contamination levels (<20 CFU / product) Goodrich et al. 2009

Bacterial screening

- Pros
 - Simple to perform
 - Recognised technology
 - Reduces risk
 - Can extend shelf life (but if false negative result then risk to patient increased)
- Cons
 - Different options for screening protocol
 - False negatives (up to 50%)
 - Need to recall initial reactives
 - Reduces risk from bacteria only

Pathogen Inactivation

- Pros
 - 2 systems licensed and in use
 - One treatment then no further manipulation
 - Reduces risk from viruses, bacteria, protozoa
 - Inactivates leucocytes
 - Can extend shelf life
 - Can stop CMV screening, relax donor exclusions e.g. travel
 - May be especially important for emerging pathogens
- Cons
 - Long term toxicity not yet determined
 - Loss of efficacy of treated component
 - Errors in an increasingly complex process
 - Cost
 - No system available for red cells
 - High viral load may exceed capacity of the system

Platelet claims for CE Mark in Europe

	Intercept	Mirasol	Theraflex
Regulatory classification	Class III	Class IIb	Class IIa for bag Class IIb for device
Pathogen reduction	Broad spectrum	Broad spectrum	Broad spectrum
Shelf-life	Up to 7 days in PAS and plasma	Up to 7 days in PAS Up to 5 days in plasma	Up to 5 days
Patient populations	No exclusions*	No exclusions	Not stated
Inactivation of leucocytes	Can replace gamma or x-irradiation	Can replace gamma or x-irradiation	Can replace gamma or x-irradiation
Inactivation of CMV	Can replace CMV sero-negative serology	Can replace CMV sero-negative serology	Not stated

* contra-indicated in patients with allergy to photosensitiser

PI platelets clinical considerations

	Intercept	Mirasol	Theraflex
Recovery and survival	Reduced by 16-20% d5 plasma	Reduced by 25-27% d5 plasma	Reduced by 26-29% d5 SSP+
Clinical studies	Eurosprite d5 CI SPRINT d5 bleeding HOVON d7 CI TESSI d6-7 CI	MIRACLE d5 CI	None
Allergic reactions	↓Due to PAS?	?	Not known
HV data	Published, no issues raised	Limited	Not in use

Summary

- Infectious risk from platelet transfusion, primarily from bacteria, warrants risk reduction measures
- Depending on process used, screening and PI can be considered of equivalent efficacy with pros and cons of both
- Increasing use of PI in Europe
- Questions remain re toxicity and cost-effectiveness of PI (? more donor exposure)
- No methods licensed for red cell PI as yet

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Platelet transfusion and allo-immunization: Whole Blood (Buffy Coat) versus Apheresis Platelet Components

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Links of Interest

- Invitations received from
 - Cerus Europe, Amersfoort, NL
 - TerumoBCT Europe, Brussels, BE
 - MacoPharma, Mouveaux, FR

Outline of the Presentation

- ① Platelet Components (PCs): Buffy-Coats (BC-PCs) vs Single Donor [Apheresis] PCs (SDA-PCs): Recommendations
- ② Allo-immunization: Hemovigilance records
- ③ Mechanisms of Immunization and main hypotheses
- ④ Published works
- ⑤ Conclusive remarks: Can we move forward?

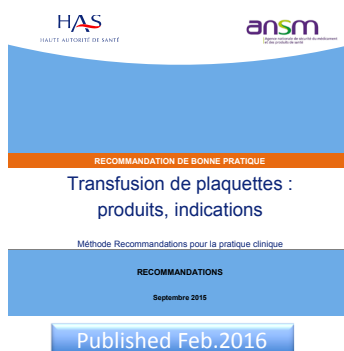
Foreword_1

- Platelet Component (PC) processing undergoes statistic Quality Control (QC)
 - Residual leukocytes (LKs) after leukoreduction/leukodepletion (LKD) must be $< 10^6$ per PC
 - In France, mean efficiency is $\sim 1.5 - 2.5 \cdot 10^5$
 - Residual Red Blood Cells (RBCs) are not specified in QC norms
 - Pathogen Reduction Technology with Amotosalen mandates that RBCs are minimal (colorimetric appreciation)
- It is usually recommended to prevent anti-RH:1 (D) immunization in at risk RH:-1 Recipients transfused with PCs processed from blood offered by RH:1 individuals (RBCs) (no RH proteins on platelets)

Foreword_2

- **Antigens expressed on platelets**
 - **A, B** (ABO/ABH system)
 - **HLA class I** – intense polymorphism
 - **HPA** – near 30 antigens
 - *Occasionally polymorphisms on other surface molecules subject to genetic polymorphism*

1_Recommendations (BC-PCs vs SDA-PCs) → France (55%—45%)



1.4 Critères de choix entre les différents types de produits plaquettaires

Voir aussi le chapitre « néonatalogie »

Deux situations imposent le recours au CPA :	
A	Chez les patients porteurs d'anticorps anti-HLA et/ou HPA responsables d'un état réfractaire, il est recommandé de rechercher des donneurs de phénotype HLA et/ou HPA identiques ou proches de celui du patient, afin de transfuser des CPA les plus compatibles possibles. Ces donneurs sont prélevés par aphasèse pour préparer un CPA.
AE	Quand il y a une nécessité d'adapter la dose à transfuser, plus particulièrement chez le petit enfant et en néonatalogie, la seule possibilité en accord avec la réglementation est de prendre une fraction d'un CPA.
En dehors de ces deux cas spécifiques, il faut considérer aujourd'hui qu'un patient chez qui une transfusion de CP est prescrite pourra recevoir indifféremment un MCP ou un CPA.	
B	Il n'y a pas d'argument montrant que l'utilisation de MCP soit plus favorable au développement d'une immunisation dans le système HLA que l'utilisation des CPA depuis la généralisation de la déleucocytation.
Plusieurs autres critères de choix de produits mentionnés ci-dessous sans hiérarchie seront déterminants pour une bonne efficacité clinique :	
• la quantité de plaquettes contenue dans le CP ; • la présence dans le CP d'anticorps immuns dirigés contre un antigène du système ABO ; • la compatibilité antigénique dans le groupe sanguin ABO ; • la durée de conservation du CP avant transfusion ; • la concentration en plaquettes du CP en particulier en néonatalogie.	

Apart in situations where Recipients present with (allo) anti-HLA/HPA antibodies (Abs), there is no specific preference of SDA-PCs over BC-PCs
BC-PCs and SDA-PCs are considered equivalent

Improving platelet transfusion safety: biomedical and technical considerations

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→ Preference for BC-PCs over routine SDA-PCs

Neither consensual nor universal: In certain countries (Blood Establishments [BEs]) – such as in the Netherlands – BC-PCs are the most common PCs (SDA-PCs for immunization situations only, < 10%) while in other countries (such as Germany), there still is a preference of SDP-PCs vs pooled PCs. In the US, pools come essentially from Platelet Rich Plasma [PRP], but voices start to raise in favour of BCs (M Yazer and others).

2_Hemovigilance reports on allo-immunization

Tableau 3 : Cession des PSL en 2014 par type de produit

Type de PSL*	Quantité	Pourcentage
CGR	2 445 524	78,84 %
MCPS	4 849	0,16 %
MCPS-SC	141 652	4,56 %
MCPS-IA	14 753	0,47 %
CPA	7 085	0,23 %
CPA-SC	125 202	4,03 %
CPA-IA	11 923	0,38 %
PFC-Se	107 850	3,47 %
PFC-IA	111 916	3,60 %
PFC-SD	135 336	4,36 %
PLYO	677	0,02 %
CGA	88	<0,01 %
CGR-AUTO	251	0,01 %
Total PSL	3 107 106	100 %

Source : EFS et CTSA

Tableau 9 : Nombre et incidence des EIR déclarés d'imputabilité 2 à 3, selon le type de PSL, 2014

Diagnostic	Nombre d'EIR	Taux de déclaration pour 100 000 PSL cédés			
		Tous PSL	CGR	Plasma	Plaquettes
Allo-immunisation isolée	2 368	75,21	87,21	0,84	75,62
Allergie	802	19,37	3,27	32,89	116,54
Réaction fébrile non hémolytique (RFNH)	595	19,15	19,91	0,84	34,37
Oedème pulmonaire de surcharge	185	5,95	7,11	1,12	2,29
Incompatibilité immunologique	184	5,92	3,64	0	31,10
Réaction hypertensive	161	5,18	6,21	0,28	2,62
Inefficacité transfusionnelle	37	1,19	0,12	0	11,13
Hémolysidrose	25	0,80	1,02	0	0
Accidents métaboliques	1	0,03	0,04	0	0
Diagnostic non précisés	20	0,64	0,45	0	2,95
Réaction hypotensive	19	0,58	0,57	0	1,31
Diagnostic non liés	11	0,35	0,41	0	0,33
Oedème pulmonaire lésionnel	9	0,29	0,20	0,56	0,65
Hémolyse autre	8	0,26	0,29	0	0,33
Dyspnée non liée à un oedème pulmonaire	6	0,19	0,12	0	0,98
Infection virale	6	0,19	0,04	0	1,64
Hémolyse drépanocytaire	5	0,16	0,20	0	0
Infection bactérienne	5	0,16	0,12	0	0,65
Total	4246	136,65	132,98	36,54	282,52

It is however difficult to ascribe immunization to one component only as patients receiving PCs usually also receive RBCCs

Meanwhile, allo-immunization is from far #1 Adverse Event (AE) in Transfusion

Tableau 12 : Répartition des allo-immunisations isolées déclarées d'imputabilité 2 à 3, selon le type de PSL et la gravité, 2014

Gravité	Famille de PSL		Plasma	Total	
	CGR	Plaquettes		Effectif	%
Grade 1	2 129	229	3	2 361	99,7 %
Grade 2	5	2	0	7	0,3 %
Total	2 134	231	3	2 368	100 %
Taux pour 100 000 unités cédées	87,8	76	0,8	73,9	

RBCCs PCs

PCs (BC- and SDA-PCs) lead to near as many allo-immunizations than RBCCs, respective to the number of issued BCs

Tableau 13 : Répartition des allo-immunisations isolées déclarées d'imputabilité 2 à 3, selon l'anticorps saisi, 2014

Type d'anticorps	Effectif	%
<u>Anti-érythrocytaire</u>	2 341	98,86 %
Dont érythrocytaire – ABO	2	0,08 %
Dont érythrocytaire - non ABO	2 334	98,56 %
Dont érythrocytaire non précisé ou non listé	5	0,21 %
<u>Anti-HLA</u>	24	1,01 %
<u>Anti-plaquettaires</u>	1	0,04 %
Non renseigné	2	0,08 %
Total	2 368	100 %

anti-HLA/HPA → infrequent as opposed to RBC Ags

Tableau 14 : Répartition des anticorps anti-érythrocytaires non ABO dans l'allo-immunisation isolée déclarée d'imputabilité 2 à 3, 2014

Anticorps anti-érythrocytaire non ABO	Effectif	%
JK1	443	18,98 %
RH3	400	17,14 %
KEL1	355	15,21 %
FY1	257	11,01 %
RH1	139	5,96 %
LU1	113	4,84 %
MNS3	109	4,67 %
JK2	92	3,94 %
RH4	86	3,68 %
KEL3	82	3,51 %
RH2	80	3,43 %
RH5	43	1,84 %
MNS1	36	1,54 %
RH5	20	0,86 %
FY2	15	0,64 %
CHIRG1	10	0,43 %
LE1	10	0,43 %
MNS4	10	0,43 %
P1	6	0,26 %
YT2	5	0,21 %
KEL2	3	0,13 %
KN1	3	0,13 %
MNS2	3	0,13 %
YT1	3	0,13 %
DI3	2	0,09 %
FY3	2	0,09 %
LE2	2	0,09 %
RH6	2	0,09 %
CO1	1	0,04 %
LU2	1	0,04 %
Val	1	0,04 %
Total	2 334	100 %

Classical distribution of Abs to RBC AgH:1 prevention policy in force

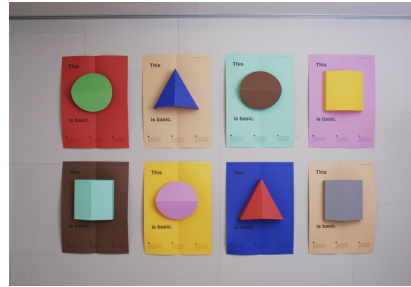
Tableau 15 : Répartition des anticorps non anti-érythrocytaires dans l'allo-immunisation isolée déclarée d'imputabilité 2 à 3, 2014

Anticorps non anti-érythrocytaire	Effectif	%
HLA classe I	17	68,00 %
HLA Cw1	2	8,00 %
HLA non précise	2	8,00 %
HLA A2	1	4,00 %
HLA classe II	1	4,00 %
HLA DR14(6)	1	4,00 %
Plaquettes non listé	1	4,00 %
Total	25	100 %

anti-class I → can originate from either Platelets or residual LKs

3_Mechanisms for allo-immunization and main hypotheses

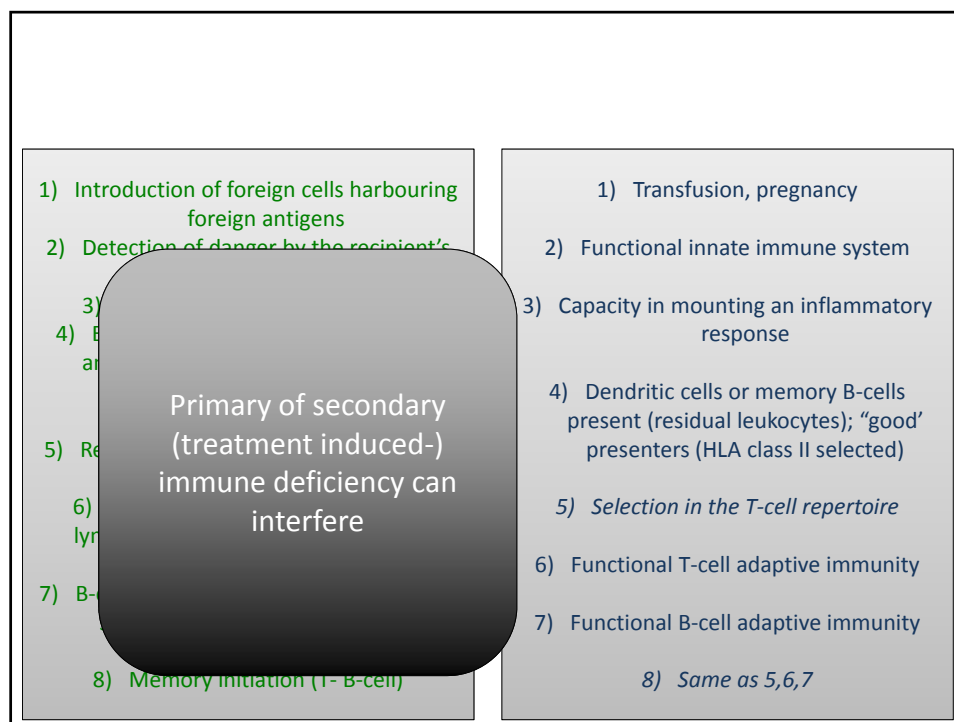
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The bases in immunology

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- 3) Capacity in mounting an inflammatory response
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- 8) *Same as 5,6,7*



RBCs:

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Table 1. Associations between HLA and the alloimmunization against various red cell antigens

RBC alloimmunization: anti-	Associated HLA	Population	Peptide binding prediction	Reference
D	DRB1*15	Caucasoid	yes	Quoted by Hall et al. 2005 [64]
D	DRB1*06	Caucasoid	no	Darke et al. 1983 [65]
D	DRB1*06	Caucasoid	no	Wojtulewicz-Kurkus et al. 1981 [66]
D – high titer	DOB1*02:01	Caucasoid	no	Hilden et al. 1995 [67]
D – high titer	DRB1*15	Caucasoid	no	Verhagen et al. 2013 [68]
D	Nil	Caucasoid	no	Hors et al. 1974 [69]
D	Nil	Caucasoid	no	Petranyi et al. 1975 [70]
D	Nil (with corrected p)	Indian	no	Kumar et al. 2002 [71]
E	DRB1*09	Oriental	no	Lin et al. 2014 [72]
K	DRB1*11, DRB1*13	Caucasoid	yes	Chiaromi et al. 2006 [73]
K	DRB1*13	Caucasoid	yes	Noizat-Pirenne et al. 2006 [74]
Fy ^a	DRB1*04	Caucasoid	yes	Noizat-Pirenne et al. 2006 [74]
Fy ^a	DRB1*04	Caucasoid	no	Raas et al. 2014 [75]
Jk ^a	DRB1*01	Caucasoid	yes	Amsari-Pirenne et al. 2004 [76]
Jk ^a	DRB1*07:01	Caucasoid	yes	Reviron et al. 2005 [77]
S	DRB1*07	Caucasoid	no	Schonesville et al. 2014 [33]
M ^a	DRB1*09:01	Oriental	yes	Chu et al. 2009 [78]
D ^a	DRB1*07:01	Brazilian	yes	Baleotti Jr et al. 2014 [79]

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Platelets: Genotypes

DRB3*01:01 & DRB4*01:011 shown to favour anti-HPA1a allo-immunization of HPA1b/1b pregnant women

A couple of recent reviews—among several—on the benefits of LKD, with focus on allo-immunization

REVIEW

Leucoreduction of blood components: an effective way to increase blood safety?

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REVIEW

Clinical effects of leucoreduction of blood transfusions

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Leukoreduction for the prevention of adverse reactions from allogeneic blood transfusion.

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Abstract

BACKGROUND: A blood transfusion is an acute intervention, implemented to solve life and health-threatening conditions on a short-term basis. However, blood transfusions have adverse events, some of them potentially related to immune modulation or to a direct transmission of infectious agents (e.g. cytomegalovirus). Leukoreduction is a process in which the white blood cells are intentionally reduced in packed red blood cells (PRBCs) in order to reduce the risk of adverse reactions. The potential benefits of leukoreduced PRBCs in all types of transfused patients for decreasing infectious and non-infectious complications remain unclear.

OBJECTIVES: To determine the clinical effectiveness of leukoreduction of packed red blood cells for preventing adverse reactions following allogeneic blood transfusion.

SEARCH METHODS: We ran the most recent search on 10th November 2015. We searched the Cochrane Injuries Group's Specialised Register, Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL), the Cochrane Library, MEDLINE (OvidSP), Embase (OvidSP), CINAHL Plus (EBSCO), LILACS (BIREME), and clinical trials registers. In addition, we checked the reference lists of all relevant trials and reviews identified in the literature searches.

SELECTION CRITERIA: Randomised clinical trials including patients of all ages requiring PRBC allogeneic transfusion. Any study was eligible for inclusion, regardless of the length of participant follow-up or country where the study was performed. The primary outcome was transfusion-related acute lung injury (TRALI). Secondary outcomes were death from any cause, infection from any cause, non-infectious complications and any other adverse event.

DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS: At least two review authors independently performed study selection, 'Risk of bias' assessments and data extraction. We estimated pooled relative risk for dichotomous outcomes, and we measured statistical heterogeneity using I² statistic. The random-effects model was used to synthesise results. We conducted a trial sequential analysis to assess the risk of random errors in cumulative meta-analyses.

MAIN RESULTS: Thirteen studies, most including adult patients, met the eligibility criteria. We found no clear evidence of an effect of leukoreduced PRBC versus non-leukoreduced PRBC in patients that were randomised to receive transfusion for the following outcomes: TRALI: RR 0.96, 95% CI 0.67 to 1.36, P = 0.80 from one trial reporting data on 1864 trauma patients. The accrued information of 1864 participants constituted only 28.5% of the diversity-adjusted required information size (DARIS) of 6548 participants. The quality of evidence was low. Death from any cause: RR 0.81, 95% CI 0.58 to 1.12, I² statistic = 63%, P = 0.20 from nine trials reporting data on 6485 cardiovascular surgical patients, gastro-oncology surgical patients, trauma patients and HIV infected patients. The accrued information of 6709 participants constituted only 60.6% of the DARIS of 11,735 participants. The quality of evidence was very low. Infection from any cause: RR 0.80, 95% CI 0.62 to 1.03, I² statistic = 84%, P = 0.08 from 10 trials reporting data on 6709 cardiovascular surgical patients, gastro-oncology surgical patients, trauma patients and HIV infected patients. The accrued information of 6709 participants constituted only 60.6% of the DARIS of 11,062 participants. The quality of evidence was very low. Adverse events: The only adverse event reported as an adverse event was fever (RR 0.81, 95% CI 0.64 to 1.02; I² statistic = 0%, P = 0.07). Fever was reported in two trials on 634 cardiovascular surgical and gastro-oncology surgical patients. The accrued information of 634 participants constituted only 84.4% of the DARIS of 751 participants. The quality of evidence was low. Incidence of other non-infectious complications: This outcome was not assessed in any included trial.

AUTHORS' CONCLUSIONS: There is no clear evidence for supporting or rejecting the routine use of leukoreduction in all patients requiring PRBC transfusion for preventing TRALI, death, infection, non-infectious complications and other adverse events. As the quality of evidence is very low to low, more evidence is needed before a definitive conclusion can be drawn.

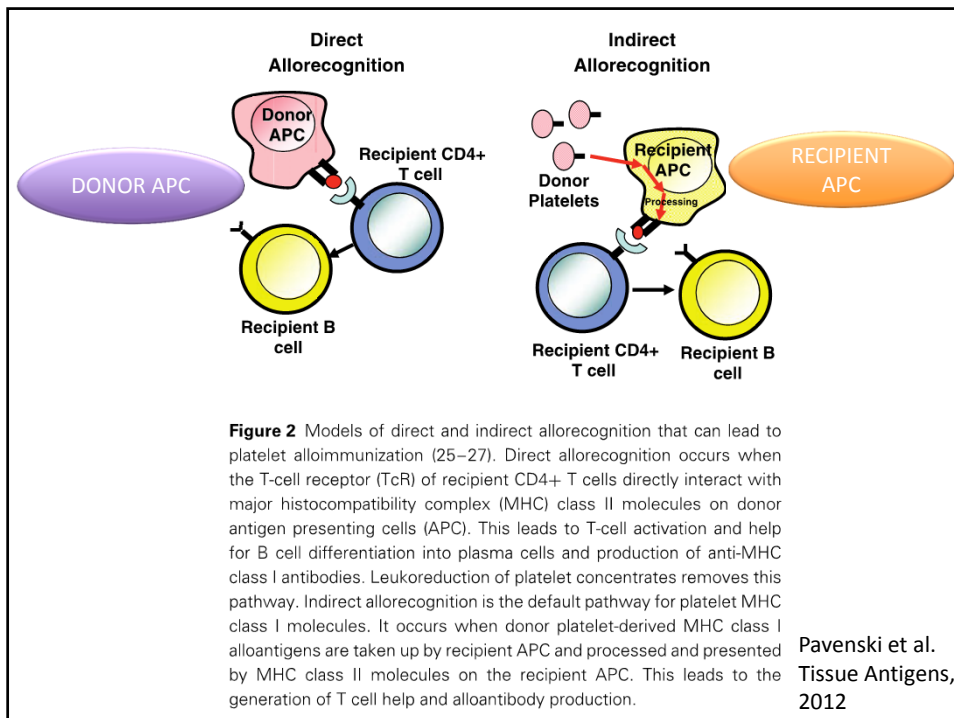
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Recent Cochrane meta-analysis:
Not so strong!
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Homologous transfused Platelets and allo-immunization



- Acknowledged or supposed intervention of:
 - CD8⁺ T-cell suppression
 - Regulatory T- and B-cells and likely tolerance
 - Soluble HLA antigens
 - Pre-storage and cytokines (and the like)
 - Transfusion Related Immuno Modulation or TRIM
 - Direct versus indirect allo-recognition of foreign antigens
 - Frequent transfusion: Generation of anti-idiotypic antibodies that are tolerogenic



Allo-Immunization to HLA ($\pm$ HPA) moieties

→ *Platelet transfusion refractoriness*

- Recognized more than 5 decades ago
- Clearly associated with leukocytes
- Boosted after previous transfusions, pregnancies, transplantations
- Much less PC refractoriness and immunizations when LKD became routine

Experimental (mouse) data

- Leukoreduction decreases experimental allo-immunization
- Extreme leukoreduction favours allo-immunization
 - Loss of the TRIM effect
 - Loss of the CD8⁺ (T_{reg}?) suppression (tolerance)
- Pre-storage (>24 h vs < 4h) decreases both expression of MHC I molecules on platelets and allo-immunization
- Soluble MHC antigens freed by stored platelets are weakly immunogenic
- (Works from J Semple et al., J Zimring et al.)

REVIEW ARTICLE

HLA alloimmunization against platelet transfusions: pathophysiology, significance, prevention and management

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Figure 1 Etiology of refractoriness to platelet transfusions.

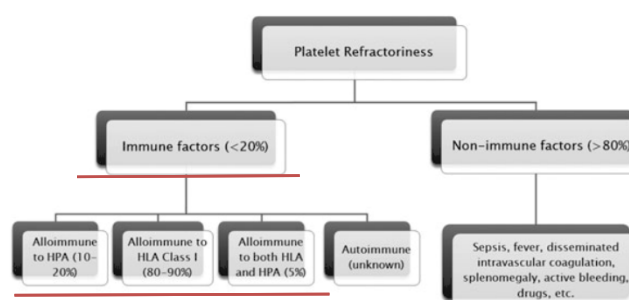


Table 2 Summary of results of the TRAP)

Non Leukoreduced	Controls: untreated pooled random donor platelets	Leukoreduced pooled random donor platelets	Leukoreduced single-donor apheresis platelets
Number of patients	131	137	132
Alloimmunization	45%	18% ($P < 0.001$)*	17% ($P < 0.001$)*
Refractoriness	16%	7% ($P = 0.03$)*	8% ($P = 0.06$)*
Alloimmunization and refractoriness	13%	3% ($P = 0.004$)*	4% ($P = 0.01$)*

Adapted from reference 40.

*as compared to control group.

The Trial to Reduce Alloimmunization to Platelets Study Group. Leukocyte reduction and ultraviolet B irradiation of platelets to prevent alloimmunization and refractoriness to platelet transfusions. *N Engl J Med* 1997; **337**: 1861–9.

Apheresis platelets are more frequently associated with adverse reactions than pooled platelets both in recipients and in donors: a study from French hemovigilance data

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TABLE 3. Comparison of recipient adverse reactions after PLT transfusion between APCs and PPCs

Adverse reactions	APCs (n = 477,747)		PPCs (n = 313,107)		p value
	Number of adverse reactions	Rate/10 ⁶	Number of adverse reactions	Rate/10 ⁶	
Overall reported	2983	6244	773	2469	<0.001
Severity grade*					
Grade 1 (mild)	2774	5806	692	2210	<0.001
Serious reactions	209	437	81	259	<0.001
Grade 2	115	241	41	131	<0.001
Grade 3	87	182	38	121	0.04
Grade 4 (death)	7	15	2	6	0.50
Imputability level					
Possible (1)	1059	2217	376	1201	<0.001
Probable (2) or certain (3)	1924	4027	397	3127	<0.001
Type of adverse reaction					
Allergic transfusion reaction	1917	4013	310	990	<0.001
FNHTR	453	948	207	661	<0.001
Transfusion reaction with alloantibody (HLA or HPA)	230	481	110	351	0.007
PLT transfusion refractoriness	80	167	29	93	0.006
TACO	34	71	13	42	0.1
TRALI	25	52	9	29	0.16
Transfusion-transfusion	13	27	8	26	0.99
Hypotensive	7	15	10	32	0.14
Posttransfusion pyrexia	4	8	0	0	0.16
Miscellaneous	220	460	77	246	<0.001

* Severity grades: Grade 1, mild; Grade 2, moderate; Grade 3, immediate life threat; Grade 4, death; serious adverse reaction, adverse reaction. FNHTR = febrile non-hemolytic transfusion reaction; TACO = transfusion-associated circulatory overload; TRALI = transfusion-related acute lung injury.

- Hypothesis: Pre-storage??
 - SDA-PCs are sometimes LKD “in process” by the cell separator → no need to re-filter the component, not with the TRIMA™ system largely used in our observations (see further).
 - BCs are made of overnight stored Whole Blood collections; LKD occurs in general after a 15-16 h pre-storage after collection

4_Published works (allo-immunization to RBC antigens)



Tableau 12 : Répartition des allo-immunisations isolées déclarées d'imputabilité 2 à 3, selon le type de PSL et la gravité, 2014

Gravité	Famille de PSL		Total		
	CGR	Plaquettes	Plasma	Effectif	%
Grade 1	2 129	229	3	2 361	99,7 %
Grade 2	5	2	0	7	0,3 %
Total	2 134	231	3	2 368	100 %
Taux pour 100 000 unités cédées	87,8	76	0,8	73,9	

RBCCs PCs

PCs (BC- and SDA-PCs) lead to near as many allo-immunizations than RBCCs, respective to the number of issued BCs

Low frequency of anti-D alloimmunization following D+ platelet transfusion: the Anti-D Alloimmunization after D-incompatible Platelet Transfusions (ADAPT) study

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Summary

The reported frequency of D alloimmunization in D- recipients after transfusion of D+ platelets varies. This study was designed to determine the frequency of D alloimmunization, previously reported to be an average of 5 ± 2%. A primary anti-D immune response was defined as the detection of anti-D ≥ 28 d following the first D+ platelet transfusion. Data were collected on 485 D- recipients of D+ platelets in 11 centres between 2010 and 2012. Their median age was 60 (range 2–100) years. Diagnoses included: haematological (203/485, 42%), oncological (64/485, 13%) and other diseases (218/485, 45%). Only 7/485 (1.44%; 95% CI 0.58–2.97%) recipients had a primary anti-D response after a median serological follow-up of 77 d (range: 28–2111). There were no statistically significant differences between the primary anti-D formers and the other patients, in terms of gender, age, receipt of immunosuppressive therapy, proportion of patients with haematological/oncological diseases, transfusion of whole blood-derived or apheresis platelets or both, and total number of transfused platelet products. This is the largest study with the longest follow-up of D alloimmunization following D+ platelet transfusion. The low frequency of D alloimmunization should be considered when deciding whether to administer Rh Immune Globulin to D- males and D- females without childbearing potential after transfusion of D+ platelets.

Keywords: platelet transfusion, D compatibility, anti-D alloantibodies, alloimmunization, RhIG.

Table III. Demographic and clinical information of the primary allo-immunized recipients versus all other recipients in this study.			
Parameter	Primary anti-D formers	All other recipients	P value
Number of recipients (%)	7 (1.4)	478 (98.6)	NC
Gender (Male/Female)	4/3	299/179	0.2
Median age (range), years	60 (2–100)	65 (39–85)	0.2
ABO group (O/A/B/AB)	3/3/1/0	206/212/43/17	0.9
Main diagnosis (haematology-oncology/others)	3/4	264/214	0.5
Iatrogenic immunosuppression (yes/no/unknown)	3/3/1	197/177/104	0.9
History of pregnancy (yes/no)*	2/0	55/12	0.5
Patient location: Europe/Americas	2/5	222/256	0.6
Previous RBC transfusion (yes/no)	6/1	217/261	0.08
Previous PC transfusion (yes/no)	2/5	94/384	0.9
Transfused PCs (whole blood/apheresis/both)	2/4/1	179/288/71	0.8
Median length of serological follow-up (range), days	216 (32–368)	75 (28–2111)	0.09

RBC, red blood cell; PC, platelet concentrate; NC, Not calculated.
 *For those whose pregnancy history was known.

Table II. Type and quantity of the platelets transfused to the 485 recipients in this study.

Platelet product type	D+ (n)	D– (n)	Total (n)
Whole blood-derived platelets	1180	1505	2685
Apheresis platelets	1970	694	2664
Total number	3150	2199	5349

Table IV. Number of platelet concentrate units administered to those who produced a primary anti-D and those who did not. Data are presented as median (range) unless otherwise specified.

Parameter	Primary anti-D formers	All other recipients	P value
Recipients, n (% of total)	7 (1.4)	478 (98.6)	NC
D+ PC	2 (1–31)	2 (1–115)	0.9
D– PC	0 (0–14)	0 (0–127)	0.5
Total PC	2 (1–37)	3 (1–157)	0.5

PC, platelet concentrate; NC, Not calculated.






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Mise au point

Transfusion plaquettaire et iso-immunisation anti-Rh1 :
 intérêt de la séroprévention

Platelet transfusion and immunization anti-Rh1: Implication for immunoprophylaxis

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Tableau 1
 Risque d'allo-immunisation plaquettaire anti-D en l'absence de séroprévention selon le terrain et la durée de suivi. La durée de suivi correspond au temps écoulé entre la première exposition transfusionnelle à des plaquettes Rh1 et le dernier dépistage sérologique à la recherche d'anticorps anti-Rhésus.

Référence	Taux d'anti-D Cas/patients (%)	Terrain, contexte	n semaines de suivi Médiane (extrêmes)
Goldfinger et al., 1971 [23]	8/102 (7,8)	Traitement immunosuppresseur	36 (2–174)
Baldwin et al., 1988 [24]	9/49 (18,4)	Immunodépression, oncologie	27 (2–182)
McLeod et al., 1990 [16]	3/16 (18,7)	Immunodépression	3 (2–12)
Heim et al., 1992 [30] ^a	0/37 (0)	Immunodépression	27 (4–104)
Atoyebi et al., 2000 [15]	0/24 (0)	Hématologie	8 (2–76)
	8/59 (13,6)	Maladies non hématologiques	38 (2–133)
Molnar et al., 2002 [19]	0/35 (0)	Onco-hématologie pédiatrique hors greffe	27 (2–223)
	(490 transfusions)		
	0/7 (0)	Greffes de CSH pédiatriques	8 (6–11)
	(255 transfusions)		
Cid et al., 2002 [21]	0/22 (0)	Hématologie (chimiothérapie +++)	8 (1–37)
Cid et al., 2011 [17]	6/177 (3,4)	Hématologie	24 (4–351)
	4/31 (12,9)	Oncologie	54 (5–375)
	2/107 (1,9)	Pas d'immunodépression	59 (4–718)
O'Brian et al., 2014 [25]	0/62 (0)	Immunodépression	? (4–7)
	0/68 (0)	Pas d'immunodépression	

CSH : cellules souches hématopoïétiques.
^a Dans cette étude, les patients ont reçu des immunoglobulines anti-Rhésus.

Red blood cell alloimmunisation after platelet transfusion: a 5-year study

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Table I - Number and type of PLT concentrates released and type of products involved in the post-transfusion RBC alloimmunisations observed during the study.

Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Products released:					
Number of apheresis PC	15,135	14,906	15,666	14,762	13,506
(%)	(84.0)	(82.0)	(79.8)	(70.6)	(59.4)
Number of pooled PC	2,892	3,259	3,692	6,159	9,247
(%)	(16.0)	(18.0)	(20.2)	(29.4)	(40.6)
Type and number of products involved in the notified cases of RBC alloimmunisation:					
Apheresis PC	4	4	6	6	4
Pooled PC	1	1	7	7	8

PC: platelet concentrate; RBC: red blood cell.

1.3% allo-immunization to RBC Antigens

Anti-red blood cell antigen alloimmunization after platelet component transfusion: comparison of platelet sources

Considering this conflicting data, we thus aimed at revisiting the situation and we reviewed all PC transfusion episodes in a regional setting over the past five years. A total of 54,202 PCs were delivered to 17,135 patients from 2010 to 2014: 27,199 WBPCs and 27,003 APCs. The number of APCs that were collected in these regional facilities were 24,320 over those past five years. Over this period, three types of separators were used: 20,750 by TRIMA (TerumoBCT) [0.8532%], 2,300 by AMICUS (Fenwall/Fresenius-Kabi, Lake Zurich, IL) [0.0945%], and 1,270 by MCS+ (Haemonetics, Braintree, MA) [0.0522%]. Hemovigilance surveys were operated by medical officers in hospitals and reported electronically to the national regulatory authority. The hemovigilance policy was regional and, based on that characteristics and on the homogeneity of the PC production by only one serving center, it can be assumed that intergroup comparisons in our study is valid.

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Over 5 years, we recorded 25 and 10 RBC antigen alloimmunizations after WBPC and APC transfusions, respectively ($p=0.015$, by means of a corrected χ^2 test; Odds ratio: 2.49). Details are given in **Table 1**. While being an exceptional event, alloimmunization to RBC antigens was more frequent after WBPCs compared to APCs. This study could not assess a bias in PC allocation in patients, pertaining that some patients may have more chances of getting immunized than others; however, there was no protocol in force in this region to assign BCs other than on parameters such as availability, ABO match and—eventually—age of the products. Thus, no patient category has received for example APCs in preference to WBPCs or vice-versa.

Table 1: Reports of anti-red blood cell antigens allo-immunizations imputable to Platelet concentrate transfusion in a five-year regional survey in France: effect of platelet component processing

BC-PC ↓				SDA-PC ↗			
Period	# of PCs issued	# of anti-erythrocyte antigen allo-immunisations recorded	Incriminated antigens	# of PCs issued	# of anti-erythrocyte antigen allo-immunisations recorded	Incriminated antigens	Cell separators used
2010	4494	6	RH:1 (x2); RH:3 (x3); LU:1	5418	0		
2011	4747	5	RH:3 (x3); MNS:3	5010	0		
2012	5501	8	RH:1 (x4); RH:3; RH:1+RH:3; KEL:3; LU:1	5298	2	RH:3 (x2)	TRIMA* (x2)
2013	6257	4	RH:1; RH:3; RH:1+KEL:1; JK:1	5596	4	RH:1 (x2); RH:3 (x2)	TRIMA** (x4)
2014	6200	2	RH:4; RH:3+RH:4	5681	4	RH:1; RH:2; RH:3; RH:4	TRIMA*** (x2); AMICUS (x2).
Total	27,199			27,003			

*: TRIMA was the only one cell separator used in 2012

**: >90% of APCs were collected with TRIMA separators in 2013 (and none with AMICUS)

***: >80% of APCs were collected with TRIMA separators in 2013 (and none with AMICUS)

$P=0.015$

- Hypothesis
 - SDA-PC RBC contamination: $\leq 0.5 \times 10^6$ residual RBCs
 - BC-PCs: estimated at below or equal 10^6 residual RBCs
 - PRT Amotosalen: must be below 4×10^6 residual RBCs (visual estimation)
- However,
 - This doesn't match with the pre-storage hypothesis (in process LKD)
- Is there a role for Microparticles? (experimentally more immunogenic than intact erythrocytes)??
- ??

mise normal hemostasis in the recipient.¹ In centers that have adopted the policy of only issuing ABO-identical PLTs and cryoprecipitate, statistically and clinically significant reductions in febrile and allergic reactions and RBC alloimmunization have been reported.^{7,8}

In contrast, in a secondary analysis of the PLT dose (PLADO) trial, a large randomized, prospective study in hematology-oncology patients, the clinical complications including risk of severe bleeding as well as febrile and allergic reactions were not increased in recipients of ABO major-mismatched PLT units despite lower PLT count increments in this patient group compared to those who had received ABO-identical units or ABO minor-mismatched PLT transfusions.^{9,10} Despite these conflicting data regarding the detrimental effects of ABO-mismatched PLT transfusions, this study would have further benefited if receipt of PLT transfusions as well as their ABO status was also included as a confounder in the analysis.

Red blood cell non-ABO-identical transfusions are harmful: *really?*

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ABO identity vs compatibility may reduce allo-immunization (along to the increase of platelet recovery) → this information should be examined in more detail

5_Concluding remarks and paths for improvement?

- Allo-immunization linked to platelet transfusion is not frequent occurrence
 - Allo-immunization to HLA or HPA
 - Allo-immunization to RBC antigens
- BC- and SDA-PC seem equivalent regarding this risk
 - The ADAPT study
 - This can be mitigated if one considers anti-HLA immunization (BC-PC seem better)
 - ...if one considers anti-RBC Ag immunization (SDA-PC seem better)
 - Further studies needed to confirm

- What about storage?
 - Pre-storage → applied to the LKD process
 - It seems to experimentally reduce the allo-immunization
 - It reduces +++ the LK-derived cytokines/chemokines and the like (Biological Response Modifiers [BRMs])
 - Storage → applied to te inventory
 - Increases +++ the secretion/release of platelet-originating BRMs
 - Increasing FNHTRs
 - Increasing Allergic-Type reactions
 - Thus, it favours pre-inflammation
 - As inflammation is a requisite for adaptive immunity and allo-immunization, what about the actual effect of storage on allo-immunization??

- What about PRT implementation?
 - The TRAP study: taught that pre-storage LKD or irradiation or UBV illumination prevented further allo-immunization in recipients
 - Marschner S, Fast LD, Baldwin WM III, Slichter SJ, Goodrich RP. White blood cell inactivation after treatment with riboflavin and ultraviolet light. *Transfusion* 2010; **50**: 2489–98
 - What about actual reduction of allo-immunization in patients receiving PRT PCs (difficult to ascertain as those events are quite infrequent)
 - But?

Any question?



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Availability of platelet concentrates in Europe

What do we need for decision making on the optimal use of platelet concentrates?

What is the kind of data we currently have?

What is the information these data transport?

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Availability of platelet concentrates in Europe



What is a platelet concentrate?

- EDQM Guide Blood Components – Platelet component monographs - 12 (!) monographs

Available data sources – Available data

- Data from market analyses
 - Kalorama Information 2008, *Blood Markets*
 - Creative Ceutical Report 2015, *An EU-wide overview of the market of blood, blood components and plasma derivatives focusing on their availability for patients*
- EDQM, CD-P-TS 2015: The collection, testing and use of Blood and Blood Components in Europe, 2012
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- AABB Blood survey report 2013
- National data, e.g. German data according to Transfusion Law §21

Collecting data for decision making: Information content derived from available data?

- Identification of knowledge gaps

Which kind of data / of data analysis would enhance the information needed?

- Clinical studies and “Real world data” / registry data
- Linking data with a broader scientific context – systems biology approach, systems medicine approach
- Linking data with infrastructural data of healthcare provision (micro- / macroenvironment) – health analytics



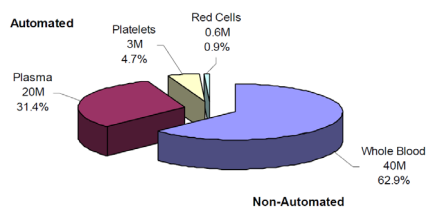
12 (!) monographs

- Platelet, recovered, single unit
- Platelets, recovered, pooled
- Platelets, recovered, pooled, leucocyte-depleted
- Platelets, recovered, pooled, in additive solution
- Platelets, recovered, pooled, leucocyte-depleted, in additive solution
- Platelets, pooled, pathogen-reduced
- Platelets, apheresis
- Platelets, apheresis, leucocyte-depleted
- Platelets, apheresis, in additive solution
- Platelets, apheresis, leucocyte-depleted, in additive solution
- Platelets, apheresis, pathogen-reduced
- Platelets, cryopreserved



Available data sources – Available data

Data from market analyses - Kalorama Information 2008, Blood Markets



Worldwide annual blood collection by component

Automated versus Non-automated collection processes

Region	Units of RBCs (in millions)
United States	15
Europe	22
Japan	12
ROW	36
Total	85

Geographical distribution of RBC demand by region, 2007

Blood loss segment	Units RBCs (in millions)
Acute Blood loss	50
Chronic Blood loss	35
Total	85

Worldwide demand for RBC for acute and chronic conditions, 2007

Data from market analyses - Creative Ceutical Report 2015



An EU-wide overview of the market of blood, blood components and plasma derivatives focusing on their availability for patients

	Collection			Utilization for transfusion			
	Total Donors	Donors/100 inhabitants	WB donations (U)	Use of WB (U)	Use of RBC (U)	Use of Plasma (U)	Use of Platelets (U)
Austria	334,066	28.17	472,206	301	425,537	74,420	37,245
Belgium	365,813	33.7	549,266	0	516,035	92,761	69,328
Bulgaria	119,110	16.2	162,658 ^(a)	1,654	183,120	93,666	6,606
Cyprus*	48,544	63.3	49,294	0	44,283	15,735	11,167
Czech Republic	376,176	36.4	440,700	393	389,521	201,220	31,866
Denmark	255,231	45.9	337,000	0	316,733	66,110	33,907
Estonia	44,805	33.4	58,729	19	51,586	27,196	6,086
Finland	154,602	28.6	265,592	314	249,922	53,512	43,023
France	2,125,786	32.7	2,483,577	0	2,378,241	382,449	278,097
Germany	3,074,037	37.6	4,940,257	5,657	4,694,567	1,216,153	496,281
Greece	533,015	50.8	613,275	49	615,692	201,909	133,375
Hungary	322,735	32.3	418,794	0 ^(b)	361,151 ^(b)	93,987 ^(b)	14,259 ^(b)
Ireland	96,737	21.1	151,894	0	140,037	23,612	24,431
Italy	1,722,503	28.5	2,694,871	3,025	2,522,355	395,602	205,791
Latvia	50,361	25.2	55,702	0	52,017	36,758	6,131
Lithuania	72,663	22.1	68,324	25	79,012	29,682	11,020
Luxembourg*	10,367	21	22,105	0	20,272	4,410	2,315
Malta	12,339	29.5	14,548	0	14,051	6,161	1,609
Poland	703,561	18.4	1,170,668 ^(a)	610 ^(a)	1,096,838 ^(a)	369,474 ^(a)	93,184 ^(a)
Portugal	293,571	27.8	414,268	116	336,421	10,990	66,428
Romania	480,150	25.3	400,285	109,597	396,490	249,245	22,664
Slovakia	120,319	22.2	205,246	957	186,978	87,690	16,023
Slovenia	110,497 ^(a)	53.9 ^(a)	95,601 ^(a)	0	87,451 ^(a)	29,879 ^(a)	10,944 ^(a)
Spain	1,133,040	24.7	1,740,091	140	1,618,419	200,583	192,332
Sweden	245,289	26.1	493,439	0	488,373	89,064	42,817
The Netherlands	352,083	21.1	542,160	619	548,793	81,742	56,165
United Kingdom	1,566,463	25.1	2,305,482	16	2,182,950	303,377	287,027
Total	14,664,952	29.38	21,175,032	123,492	19,995,845	4,437,387	2,200,121

Collection and use of blood components across the EU (2010)

adapted from EDQM reports

^(a) Data provided by Competent Authority

^(b) 2009 data

*Austria and Luxembourg: data are for 2009; Cyprus data are for 2008

Data from market analyses - Creative Ceutical Report 2015

An EU-wide overview of the market of blood, blood components and plasma derivatives focusing on their availability for patients



	Number of Whole blood donations	WB collections/1000 inh	Number of Platelets Donations by Apheresis	Platelets apheresis Donations/10 000 inh	Other donations by apheresis
Austria	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	538.336	48,5	13.471	1,2	6.078
Bulgaria	167.851	22,9	2.714	0,4	
Croatia	179.305	41,9	2.646	0,6	118
Cyprus	57.847	67,1	272	0,3	261
Czech Republic	418.954	39,8	18.271(a)	1,7	
Denmark	293.765	52,6	1.232	0,2	
Estonia	5.812	4,4	105	0,1	804
Finland	246.434	45,6	483	0,1	
France	2.641.930	40,5	131.875	2,0	32.643(l)
Germany	4.785.048	59,6	196.106	2,4	35.245(b)
Greece	400.002(c)	35,9	18.123	1,6	
Hungary	425.637	42,9	3.573	0,4	825
Ireland	138.099	30,1	12.023	2,6	
Italy	2.683.127	45,2	80.051	1,3	26.147
Liechtenstein	5	0,1	0	0,0	
Latvia	5.559	2,7	3.461	1,7	

Collection of blood components across the EU (2012)

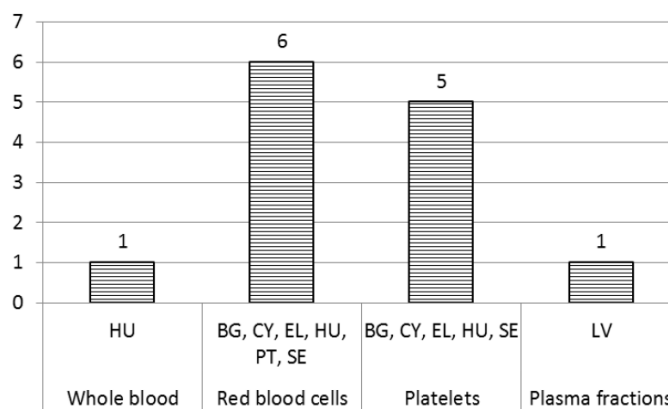
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Lithuania	79.367	26,4	1.049	0,3	2.221(d)
Luxembourg	20.631	39,3	679	1,3	
Malta	16.995	40,7	469	1,1	
The Netherlands	498.117	29,8	4.723	0,3	
Norway	198.584	39,8	51.000	10,2	4.654
Poland	1.173.050	30,4	34.133	0,9	600(e)
Portugal	387.222	36,7	4.568	0,4	346
Romania	399.848	19,9	6.830	0,3	1.037(f)
Slovakia	203.825	37,7	6.257	1,2	
Slovenia	93.099	45,3	2.343	1,1	125(g)
Spain	1.702.768	36,4	7.880	0,2	24.728(h)
Sweden	484.755	50,7	0	0,0	
United Kingdom	2.256.736	35,3	148.012	2,3	0
Total	20.502.708	-	752.349	-	135.832

“Regular shortages” of platelets in patient care are reported in Europe.



Creative Ceutical Report 2015 // European Commission Implementation report 2016



Shortage means

a relative deficiency in the supply with blood, blood components and plasma derivatives for medical application, which requires creation of waiting lists or makes a certain therapy temporarily unavailable at national level.

EDQM, CD-P-TS 2015

The collection, testing and use of Blood and Blood Components in Europe, 2012



Table 3
Survey 2012

Use of blood and blood components for transfusion

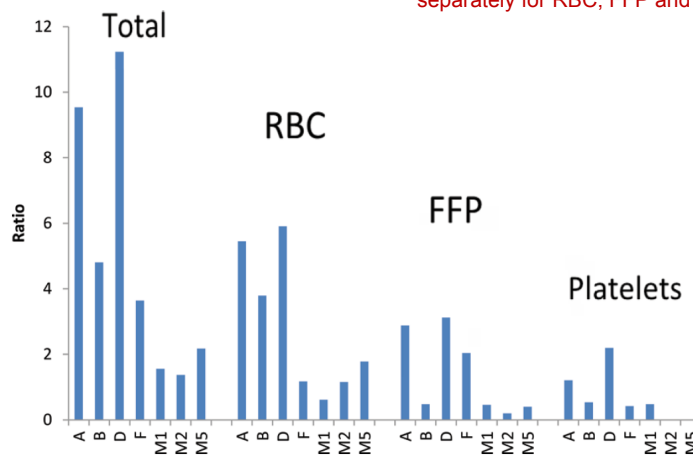
Country	Transfused or distributed	whole blood (U)	% whole blood of total RBCs	red blood cell concentrates (U)	r.b.c. (U) per 1,000 inhabitants	plasma for transfusion (U)	platelets total (U)	platelets recovered (U)	platelets apheresis (U)	% platelets by apheresis	cryoprecipitate 10 ⁶ IU FVIII
Albania											
Andorra											
Armenia	Trans.	0	0.0	11 294	3.8	11 087	2 159	2 127	32	1.5	710
Austria											
Azerbaijan											
Belgium	Trans.	0	0.0	491 774	44.3	89 053	68 658	33 064	35 604	51.8	0
Bosnia / Herzegovina											
Bulgaria											
Croatia	Distr.	321	0.2	177 061	41.3	91 593	21 969	19 169	2 800	12.7	1
Cyprus											
Czech Republic	Trans.	654	0.2	393 804	37.4	187 000	37 100	9 200	27 900	75.2	
Denmark	Trans.	0	0.0	277 960	49.6	66 692	33 831	32 001	1 830	4.6	1
Estonia	Trans.	46	0.1	55 162	41.7	25 993	6 985	5 712	1 273	18.2	873
Finland	Distr.	0	0.0	229 090	42.2	49 429	41 565	41 085	480	1.2	0
France	Distr.	0	0.0	2 517 097	38.4	387 976	300 683	154 955	145 726	48.5	0
FYR Macedonia											
Georgia											
Germany	Distr.	3 550	0.1	4 633 911	57.5	1 571 068	589 179	226 457	362 722	61.6	0
Greece	Distr.	0	0.0	413 568	39.4	193 872	129 807	115 897	13 910	10.7	0
Hungary	Distr.	0	0.0	414 755	43.1	97 219	47 695	44 645	3 050	6.4	0
Iceland	Distr.	0	0.0	11 538	35.8	3 284	2 330	732	1 598	68.6	0
Ireland	Distr.	0	0.0	135 357	29.4	21 240	24 971	5 117	19 854	79.5	197
Italy	Trans.	1 469	0.1	2 564 063	43.2	432 884	219 765	146 334	73 451	33.4	2 850
Latvia	Distr.	0	0.0	51	0.0	35	7 681	7 677	4	0.1	7
Liechtenstein											
Lithuania	Trans.	0	0.0	87 402	29.3	31 155	19 002	8 586	10 416	54.8	
Luxembourg	Distr.	0	0.0	19 889	37.0	4 100	2 765	1 904	861	31.1	0
Malta											
Moldova	Distr.	160	0.4	39 100	11.5	63 041	8 399	509	0	0.0	13 160
Montenegro	Trans.	3 990	26.2	15 250	24.4	10 298	509	509	0	0.0	544
Netherlands	Distr.	363	0.1	453 623	27.1	67 807	57 720	52 418	5 302	9.2	0
Norway	Trans.	132	0.1	191 431	37.9	49 733	24 508	16 911	7 597	31.0	
Poland											
Portugal	Trans.	133	0.0	341 976	32.6	6 578	38 942				
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Russian Federation	Distr.	1 335	0.1	1 669 907	11.7	1 907 368	148 684				
San Marino											
Serbia											
Slovakia	Distr.	420	0.2	189 805	35.1	86 679	15 033	2 748	12 285	81.7	0
Slovenia											
Spain	Trans.	96	0.0	1 553 720	33.8	198 521	188 510	158 356	30 154	16.0	1 557
Sweden	Trans.			440 837	48.2	182 893	48 523	40 788	7 735	15.9	
Switzerland	Distr.			297 588	37.2	49 832	34 265	11 526	22 739	66.4	
Turkey											
Ukraine											
United Kingdom	Distr.	3	0.0	2 102 521	33.0	286 402	310 428	43 333	267 095	86.0	156 550

EDQM, Richardson C, 2014

Quality indicators for monitoring the clinical use of blood in Europe



Units transfused per transfused patient, separately for RBC, FFP and platelets, and in total



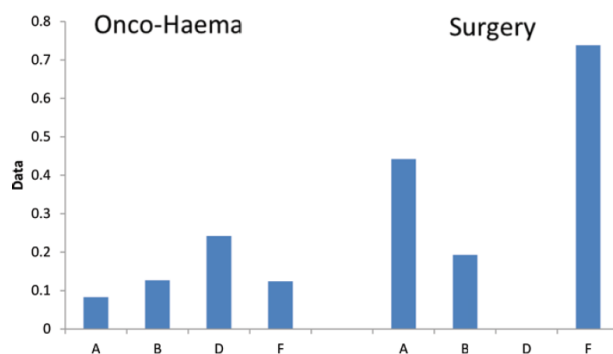
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Quality indicators for monitoring the clinical use of blood in Europe



Blood units transfused per transfused patient,
by clinical department

Chronic versus acute demand – Compatibility issues versus issues of supply logistics



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AABB Blood survey report 2013

Estimated 2013 Collection and Transfusion by AABB US Member Blood Centers and Hospitals for Non-RBC-Components (expressed in thousands of units)



	Blood Centers	Hospitals	2013 Combined Total	±95% CI	2011 Total	% Change 2011-2013	p-value
Collection/Production							
Apheresis Platelets Collected and Produced	2,112	114	2,226	55	2,283	-2.5	0.078
Apheresis Platelets Distributed for Transfusion	1,908	94	2,002*	50	2,090	-4.2	0.015
WB-Derived Platelets Concentrates Distributed†	154	9	164(819)*	9	129(643)	27.1	<0.0001
Total Platelets Distributed for Transfusion	2,062	103	2,166	51	2,219	-2.4	0.249
Plasma Collected or Produced	3,995	283	4,278*	118	5,784	-26.0	<0.0001
Plasma Distributed for Transfusion	3,286	201	3,488*	76	4,495	-22.4	<0.0001
Cryoprecipitate Distributed for Transfusion‡	1,218	117	1,335*	70	867	54.0	<0.0001
Transfusions							
Apheresis Platelets	0	1,143	1,143	104	1,019	12.2	0.112
WB-Derived Platelets Concentrates†	0	167	167(835)	53	116(581)	30.7	0.142
Total Platelets Transfused	0	1,310	1,310*	121	1,135	15.4	0.0423
Plasma	1	1,796	1,797*	129	1,995	-9.9	0.036
Cryoprecipitate‡	0	1,054	1,054*	132	634	66.2	<0.0001

*Significantly different from 2011 data.

†Apheresis equivalent units; numbers in parenthesis represent individual platelet concentrates produced from whole blood donations.

‡Includes individual units and pools expressed as individual units using weighted average units per pool as reported by the responding facilities.

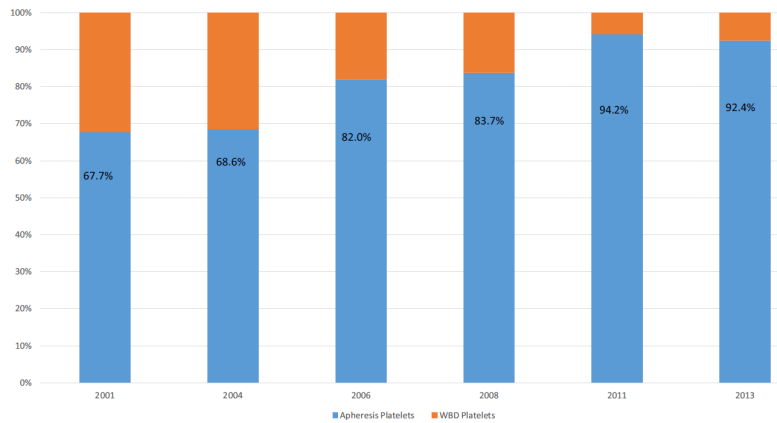
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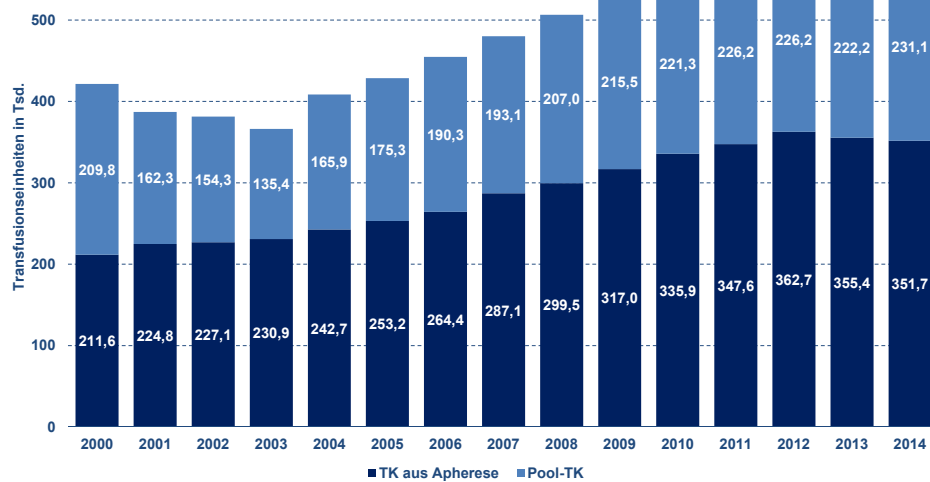
Apheresis platelets as percent of total platelets produced.



German data according to Transfusion Law §21, 2014



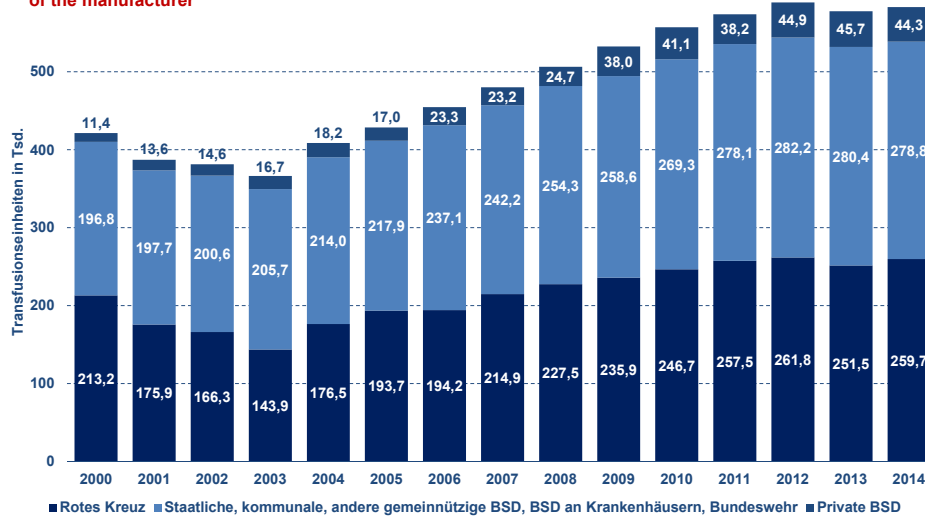
Manufacturing of platelet concentrates



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Manufacturing of platelet concentrates in dependence of the legal organizational status of the manufacturer

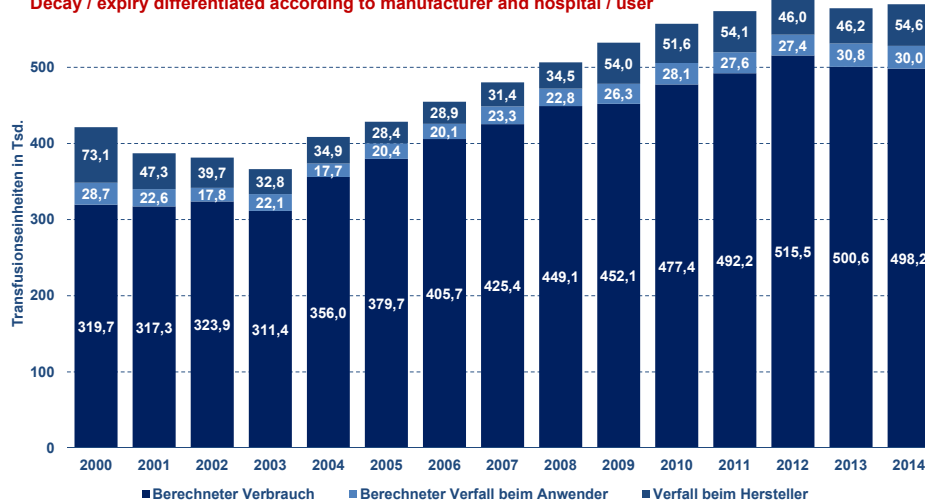


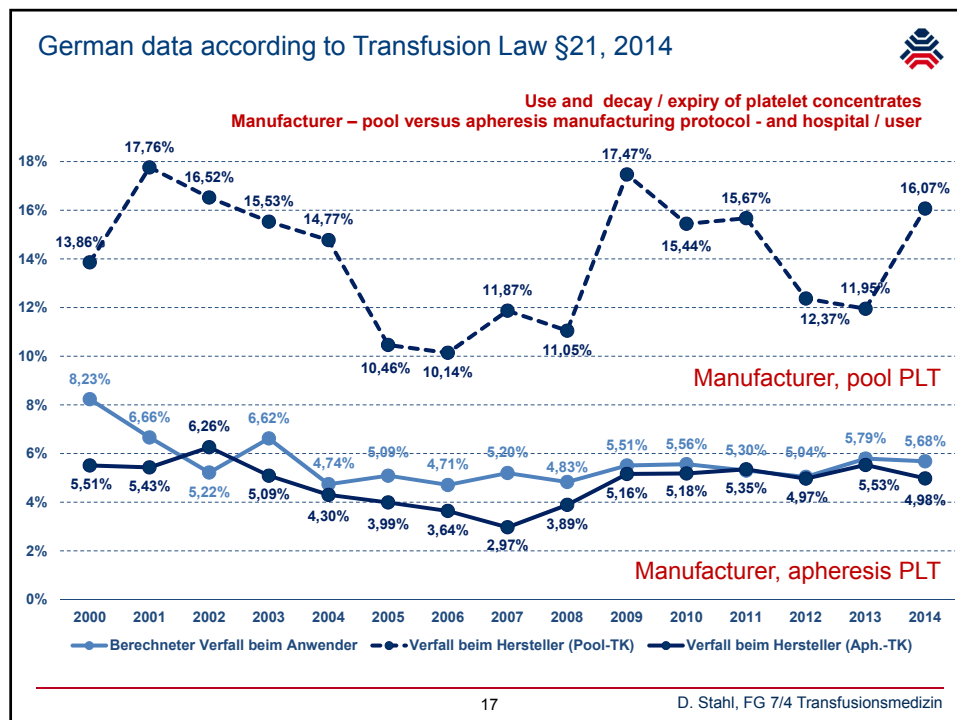
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Use and decay / expiry of platelet concentrates

Decay / expiry differentiated according to manufacturer and hospital / user





Availability of platelet concentrates in Europe – Summary.1

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Collecting data for decision making:

Information content derived from available data?



Knowledge gaps as evident from consideration of available data

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Which kind of data / of data analysis
would enhance the information needed?

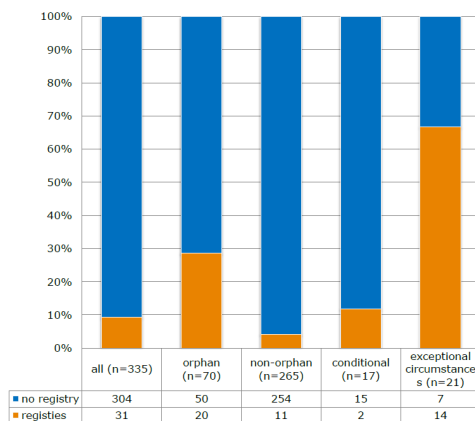


Clinical studies and “Real world data” - EMA initiative on patient registries



cited from: Xavier Kurz, Head of Monitoring and Incidence Management, EMA // PPTA Conference 23 March 2016

Number of registries imposed as an obligation at the time of authorisation for CAPs, 2005-2013



Registries characteristics	N	%
Disease registry	11	35%
Product registry	20	65%
New registry	24	77%
Existing registry	6	19%
Both (combination of new and existing)	1	3%

Examples of use of disease registries
in the regulatory environment
versus prospective clinical studies

Clinical studies and “Real world data” – Retrospective analysis of clinical data



Example of French haemovigilance data

Apheresis platelets are more frequently associated with adverse reactions than pooled platelets both in recipients and in donors: a study from French hemovigilance data

Daurat A et al., Transfusion. 2016 Jan 26. doi: 10.1111/trf.13475 [Epub ahead of print]

STUDY DESIGN AND METHODS:

From the French national hemovigilance system, types and numbers of recipient adverse reactions were compared over a period from 2009 to 2011. Donor adverse reactions were available for 2010 and 2011. This study involved 23 of 26 French regions. Main outcomes were the rates of adverse reaction in recipients and serious adverse reaction in donors.

RESULTS:

There were 790,854 PLT transfusions during the study period (477,747 [60%] with APCs, 313,107 [40%] with PPCs). APCs were associated with more adverse reactions (6244 vs. 2469 per 1,000,000, $p < 0.001$) and more severe and life-threatening reactions (respectively, 241 vs. 131 per 1,000,000, $p < 0.001$; and 182 vs. 121 per 1,000,000, $p = 0.04$). Mortality rates due to an adverse transfusion reaction were similar (15 vs. 6 per 1,000,000, $p = 0.5$). In donors, the number of whole blood (WB) donations was 4,722,685 whereas 266,095 apheresis procedures were performed. Serious adverse reactions were more frequent for apheresis procedures than for WB donations (5445 vs. 803 per 1,000,000, $p < 0.001$).

Linking data with a broader scientific context



Systems biology approach, systems medicine approach

Blocking neutrophil diapedesis prevents hemorrhag during thrombocytopenia

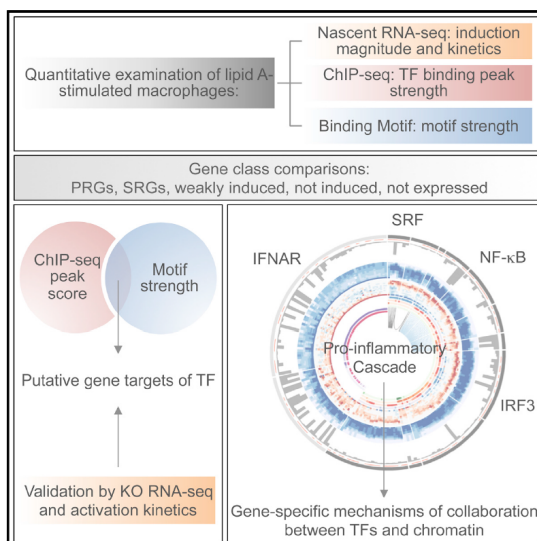
Hillgruber C et al., J Exp. Med. 2015; 212 : 1255 - 1266

Spontaneous organ hemorrhage is the major complication in thrombocytopenia with a potential fatal outcome. However, the exact mechanisms regulating vascular integrity are still unknown. Here, we demonstrate that neutrophils recruited to inflammatory sites are the cellular culprits inducing thrombocytopenic tissue hemorrhage. Exposure of thrombocytopenic mice to UVB light provokes cutaneous petechial bleeding. This phenomenon is also observed in immune-thrombocytopenic patients when tested for UVB tolerance. Mechanistically, we show, analyzing several inflammatory models, that it is neutrophil diapedesis through the endothelial barrier that is responsible for the bleeding defect. First, bleeding is triggered by neutrophil-mediated mechanisms, which act downstream of capturing, adhesion, and crawling on the blood vessel wall and require $G\alpha_i$ signaling in neutrophils. Second, mutating Y731 in the cytoplasmic tail of VE-cadherin, known to selectively affect leukocyte diapedesis, but not the induction of vascular permeability, attenuates bleeding. Third, and in line with this, simply destabilizing endothelial junctions by histamine did not trigger bleeding. We conclude that specifically targeting neutrophil diapedesis through the endothelial barrier may represent a new therapeutic avenue to prevent fatal bleeding in immune-thrombocytopenic patients.

Linking data with a broader scientific context



Systems biology approach, systems medicine approach – The proinflammatory context



A stringent systems approach uncovers gene-specific mechanisms regulating inflammation

Tong AJ et al., Cell 2016; 165 : 165-179

Stringent analyses of nascent transcript RNA-seq, ChIP-seq, and transcription factor binding motif datasets associated with inflammatory gene induction uncover the extent to which unique mechanisms regulate individual genes with key biological functions and allow a mechanistic understanding of transcriptional control at a genome-wide level.

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Effect of Blood Donor Characteristics on Transfusion Outcomes: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Chassé M et al., Transf Med Rev 2016

Optimal selection of blood donors is critical for ensuring the safety of blood products. The current selection process is concerned principally with the safety of the blood donor at the time of donation and of the recipient at the time of transfusion. Recent evidence suggests that the characteristics of the donor may affect short- and long-term transfusion outcomes for the transfused recipient. We conducted a systematic review with the primary objective of assessing the association between blood donor characteristics and red blood cell (RBC) transfusion outcomes. We searched MEDLINE, EMBASE, and Cochrane Central databases and performed manual searches of top transfusion journals for all available prospective and retrospective studies. We described study characteristics, methodological quality, and risk of bias and provided study-level effect estimates and, when appropriate, pooled estimates with 95% confidence intervals using the Mantel-Haenszel or inverse variance approach. The overall quality of the evidence was graded using Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) methodology. From 6121 citations identified by our literature search, 59 studies met our eligibility criteria (50 observational, 9 interventional). We identified the evaluation of association of 17 donor characteristics on RBC transfusion outcome. The risk of bias and confounding of the included studies was high. The quality of evidence was graded as very low to low for all 17 donor characteristics. Potential associations were observed for donor sex with reduced survival at 90 days and 6 months in male recipients that receive donated blood from females (hazard ratio 2.60 [1.09, 6.20] and hazard ratio 2.40 [1.10, 5.24], respectively; $n = 1$), Human Leukocyte Antigen - antigen D Related (HLA-DR) selected transfusions (odds ratio [OR] 0.39 [0.15, 0.99] for the risk of transplant alloimmunization, $n = 9$), presence of antileukocyte antibodies (OR 5.84 [1.66, 20.59] for risk of transfusion-related acute lung injury, $n = 4$), and donor RBC antigens selection (OR 0.20 [0.08, 0.52] for risk of alloimmunization, $n = 4$). Based on poor quality evidence, positive antileukocyte antibodies, female donor to male recipients, HLA-DR selected RBC transfusion, or donor RBC antigen selection may affect RBC transfusion outcome. Our findings that donor characteristics may be associated with transfusion outcomes warrant establishing vein-to-vein data infrastructure to allow for large robust evaluations. PROSPERO registration number: CRD42013006726

Linking data with infrastructural data of healthcare provision



Micro- / macroenvironment – Health analytics

Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation



Gratwohl A et al., JAMA 2010; 303 : 1617 – 1624; Niederwieser D et al., Bone Marrow Transplant 2016, 1–8;
Gratwohl A et al., EBioMedicine 2015; 2 : 2101-2109

HSCT is an accepted therapy today

- different use and needs worldwide
- Availability of resources, governmental support, access for patients to a team identified as key factors for higher transplant rates

Country- and center-specific economic factors

- are associated with distinct, significant, systematic, and clinically relevant effects on survival after HSCT,
- impact on center expertise in long-term disease and complication management,
- but associations, not causal effects are described.

Use of blood components dependent on patient's need *acute vs chronic*



Example of a German University Clinic, Data collection 12 months - Here: Average / month

		Haematology / Oncology Unit	Internal Medicine Emergency Care	Clinic for General Surgery
Number of cases / patients		150	356	179
Allocation at blood bank	RBC	357	124	386
	Plasma	61	4	63
	Platelets	240	8	2
	Total	658	136	451
Use of components	RBC	258	38	72
	Plasma	61	4	63
	Platelets	237	8	2
	Total	556	50	137
Allocation at blood bank	RBC / 100 cases	238,00	34,83	215,64
	Plasma / 100 cases	40,67	1,12	35,20
	Platelets / 100 cases	160,00	2,25	1,12
	Total / 100 cases	438,67	38,20	251,96
Use of components	RBC / 100 cases	172,00	10,67	40,22
	Plasma / 100 cases	40,67	1,12	35,20
	Platelets / 100 cases	158,00	2,25	1,12
	Total / 100 cases	370,67	14,04	76,54
Allocation / Use (RBC)		72,30%	30,60%	18,70%
Allocation / Use (Platelets)		99 %	100 %	100%

Availability of platelet concentrates in Europe – Summary.2



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- **Data currently do not provide the information content necessary for decision-making in the field.**
 - When thinking about recommendations resulting from this workshop, the need to clearly define parameters necessary to interpret data in the European context should be considered.
- **Data source and methods of data analysis**
 - Clinical studies and retrospective analysis of clinical data are required. Registry data might be a helpful tool.
 - Data examination has to take into account aspects from systems biology and systems medicine approaches as well as from the micro- / macroenvironmental conditions of healthcare provision.

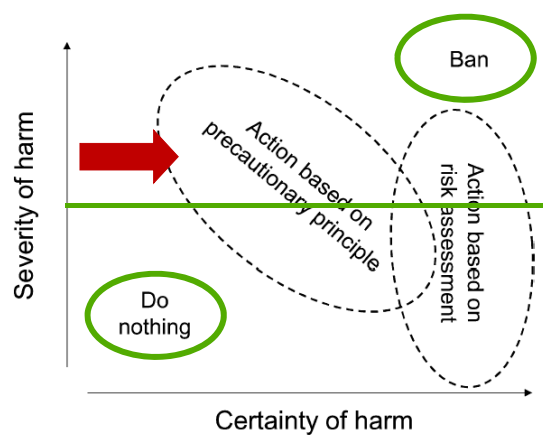


Discussion



Risikoadjustierte prozessorientierte Qualitätssicherung

Das der Risikobewertung zugrundeliegende Modell determiniert die Eingriffsschwelle.



- Szenarienbildung
- Kostenanalyse
- Formulierung einer Strategie zur Risikokontrolle
- Risikokommunikation
- Risikomanagement

Abbildung modifiziert nach Grandjean P, Annu Rev Public Health 2004;25:199-223

Risk assessment models – Aggregated risk assessment



Kleinman S et al., Transfusion 2015

TABLE 1. Patients receiving RBC transfusions get exposed to different numbers of RBC units with different time frames of exposure*

RBC transfusion category	Diagnosis or procedure	Number of transfusion episodes	Total RBC unit exposure† (time)	Immune suppressed	Use of irradiated blood
Acute	Cardiac surgery ^{6,7}	Single	3‡	No	No
Acute	Trauma ⁸	Single	5‡	Suppressed cell immunity	No
Intermittent	ICU ⁹	Variable	3.5‡	No	No
Intermittent	Cardiovascular disease ¹⁰	Variable	3‡	No	No
Sustained over limited time frame	HSCT ^{11,12}	Multiple	10-20 (3-6 months)	Yes	Yes
Chronic but time-limited	MDS ¹³	Multiple	13/year (3 years)	Immunosuppressed in many cases	No§
Chronic, lifelong	SCD ¹⁴	Multiple	24‡/year (30 years) ^{15,16}	Asplenic	No§
	Thalassemia ¹⁷		15/year (50 years) ^{18,19}	No	

* These data are taken from representative publications for each RBC transfusion category and may not be fully reflective of all practice patterns. Depending on how the data were presented in the cited publication(s), they are expressed as a median, mean, or range thereof.

† The data include only the patients who received transfusions.

‡ Median.

§ Not routinely; may be irradiated if hospital-wide policies for hematology-oncology patients or for pediatric patients require.

Risk assessment models – Aggregated risk assessment



Kleinman S et al., Transfusion 2015

TABLE 4. Per unit risk in transfused RBC under current donor testing protocols in the United States

Pathogen	Risk	Method of estimation
Higher-risk pathogens		
<i>B. microti</i> ²⁷	0.076% (1 in 1316)	Antibody and PCR data in endemic areas* under IND screening†
CMV ^{1,46}	0.1% (1 in 1000)*	Detection of infection in transfused recipients and PCR data in donors
EIA		
Acute-type agent ⁴	0.025% (1 in 4000)	Mathematical modeling‡
Chronic-type agent ⁴	0.045% (1 in 2222)	Mathematical modeling‡
Lower-risk pathogens		
<i>Plasmodia</i> —all species	Rare	Clinical case reporting (<1 TT case per year in United States)
Bacteria ³³	0.00005% (1 in 2 million)	Based on French and German Data
		No documented clinical cases in the United States in past 5 years;
		May be more common for subclinical cases
<i>A. phagocytophilum</i> ^{50,51}	Rare	Clinical case reporting (<1 TT case per year in United States);
		May be more common for subclinical cases
HIV ⁶³	0.00007% (1 in 1.5 million)	Mathematical modeling§
HCV ⁶³	0.00009% (1 in 1.1 million)	Mathematical modeling§
HBV ⁶⁴	0.0001% (1 in 1 million)	Mathematical modeling§
WNV ⁶⁵	Rare	Clinical case reporting (<1 TT case per year in United States)

* Rare in nonendemic areas.

† Assumes that all PCR-positive donations, regardless of antibody status, would be infectious.

‡ Using data from previously detected EIAs.

§ Using NAT donor screening data and a window period model.

IND = investigational new drug.

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TABLE 5. Aggregate single-unit risks in transfused RBC under current donor testing protocols in the United States

Aggregate risk category	Risk elements*	Risk
Minimum	• HIV + HCV + HBV • Bacteria • <i>Babesia</i>-nonendemic area	0.00031% (1 in 322,600)
Minimum + CMV†	• HIV + HCV + HBV • Bacteria • CMV risk for immunocompromised patients • <i>Babesia</i>-nonendemic area	0.10031% (1 in 996)
Maximum	• HIV + HCV + HBV • Bacteria • <i>Babesia</i>-endemic area • New chronic EIA	0.12031% (1 in 831)
Maximum CMV†	• HIV + HCV + HBV • Bacteria • CMV risk for immunocompromised patients • <i>Babesia</i>-endemic area • New chronic EIA	0.22031% (1 in 454)

* This column contains the components that are then summed together to provide the total risk (shown in the right-hand column), for each aggregate risk category. The numbers for each risk element are taken from Table 4.

† (HSCT patients).

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TABLE 6. Aggregate lifetime patient risks due to RBC transfusion for different patient categories under current testing algorithms in the United States

Diagnosis	RBC unit exposure	Aggregate risk per patient (%)	
		Minimum* ¹	Maximum† ²
Cardiac surgery	3	0.0009 (1/107,000)	0.36 (1/277)
Trauma	5	0.0016 (1/65,000)	0.60 (1/167)
ICU	3.5	0.0011 (1/91,000)	0.42 (1/238)
Cardiovascular disease	3	0.0009 (1/107,000)	0.36 (1/277)
HSCT	15	1.49 (1/67)	3.25 (1/31)
MDS	39	0.012 (1/8,000)	3.76 (1/27)
SCD	720	0.22 (1/450)	43.17 (1/2)
Thalassemia	750	0.23 (1/430)	45.13 (1/2)

* The method of calculating risk when large numbers of units are transfused as described by Kleinman et al.⁶⁶

† Lifetime risks, except for cardiovascular disease and ICU patient groups. In the latter groups, risk is for a single hospitalization or ICU stay. Lifetime risk would increase for patients transfused on multiple occasions.¹ Minimum per-unit risk is 0.00031% for all patient groups except for HSCT patients, where minimum risk is 0.10031% based on potential sequelae from TT-CMV infection.² Maximum per-unit risk is 0.12031% for the first four patient groups and 0.22031% for HSCT patients. For patients with MDS, SCD, and thalassemia, risk is 0.12031% for a 1.5-year period (when a new acute EIA is in the blood supply) and 0.07631% (due to *Babesia*) when transfused during other time intervals.