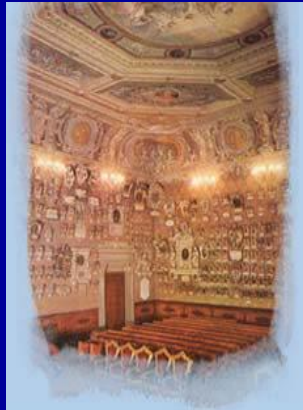


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**MASTER DI II° LIVELLO IN
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EZIOPATOGENESI DELLA TROMBOSI

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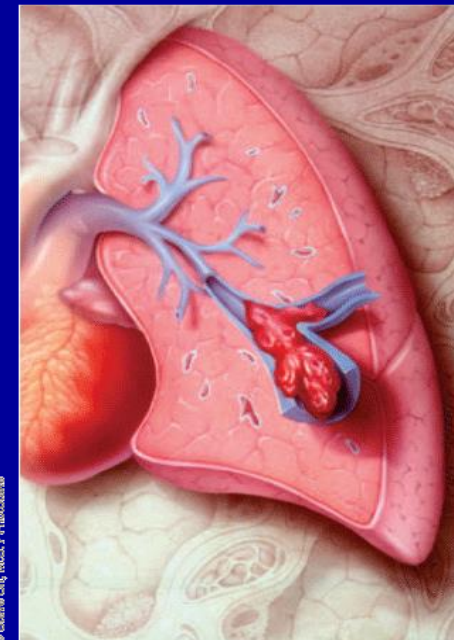
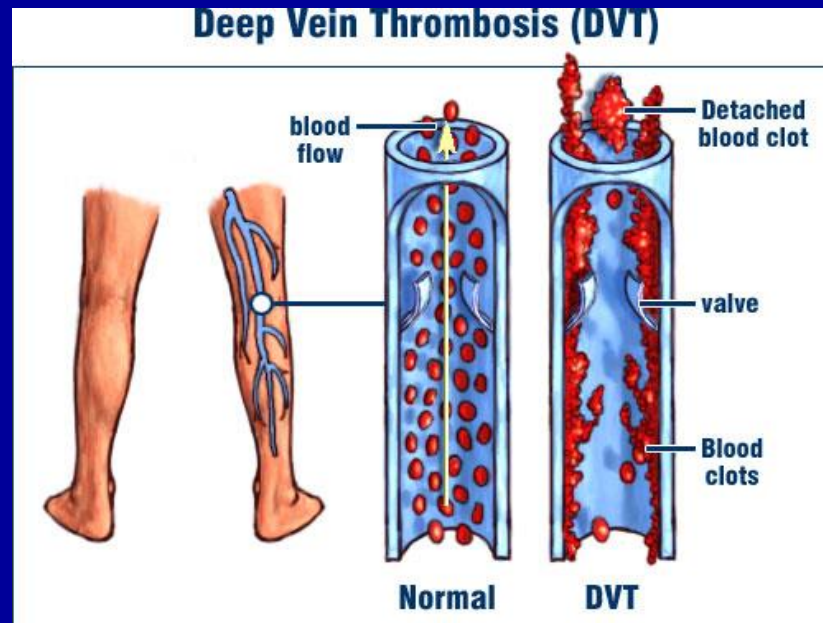
UOC Clinica Medica 1

ad indirizzo Emostasi e Trombosi ed Osservazione Rapida Intensiva

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Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

- ✓ Venous thrombosis is the process of clot formation within veins.
- ✓ Clot formation occurs predominantly in the vessels of the legs, giving rise to deep venous thrombosis (DVT), or in the lung, resulting in pulmonary embolism (EP).



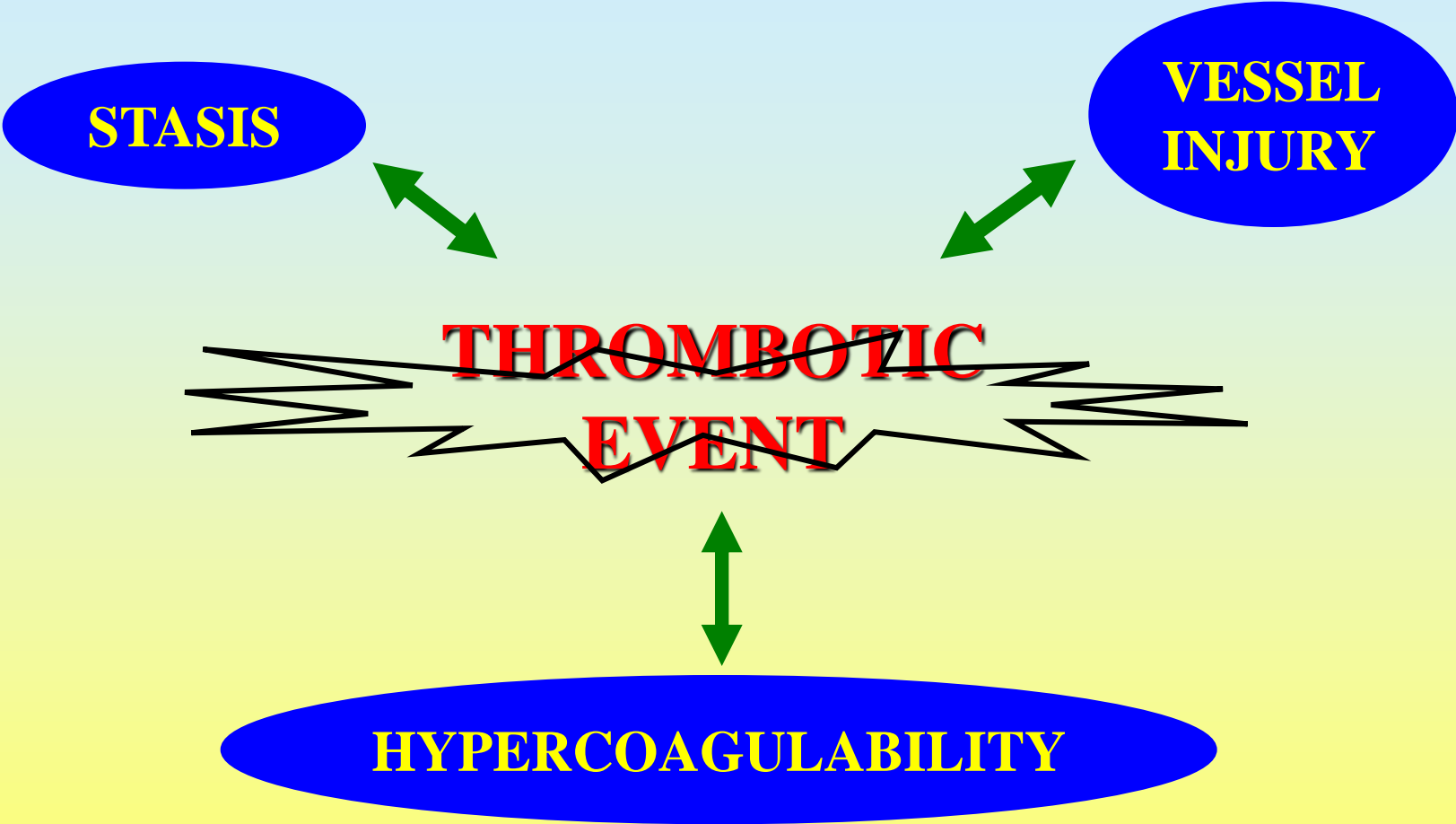
Epidemiology

- ✓ VTE occurs for the first time in 1-2 per 1000 person-years.
- ✓ VTE has a high prevalence both in the community and in the hospitals, and brings a considerable burden of morbidity and possible mortality.
- ✓ Despite anticoagulant therapy, VTE after the initial event has a recurrence rate of ~7% at 6 months.
- ✓ Death occurs in ~ 6% of DVT cases and 12% of PE cases within 1 month of diagnosed.

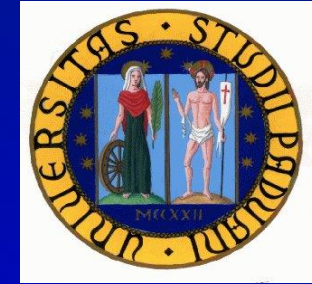
Pathogenesis of VTE

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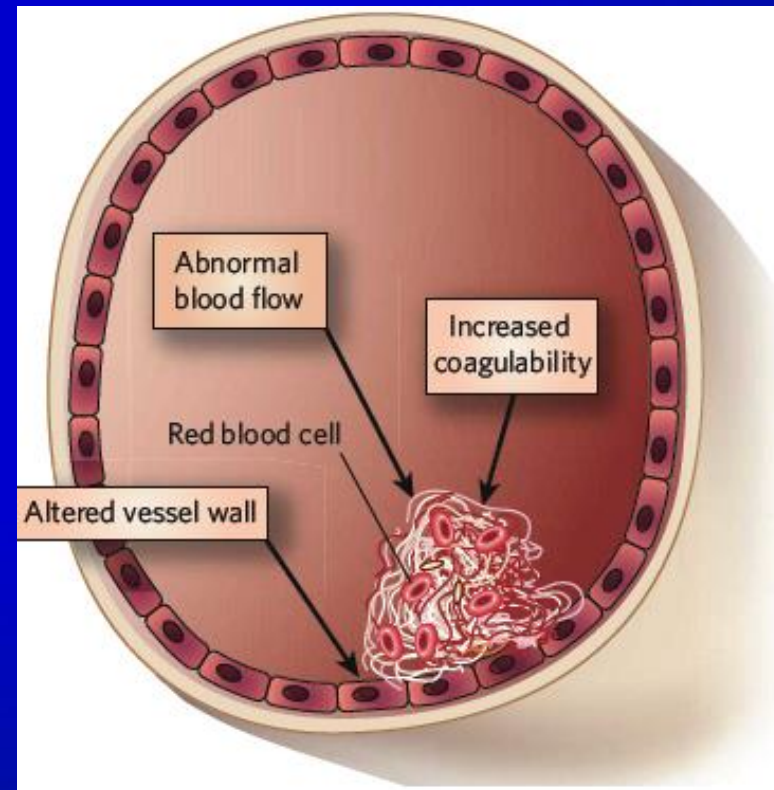
- 1. Alteration in blood flow**
- 2. Vascular endothelial injury**
- 3. Hypercoagulability of blood**
 - inherited hypercoagulability**
 - acquired hypercoagulability**



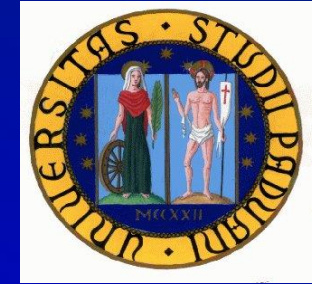
Eziopatogenesi della malattia trombotica



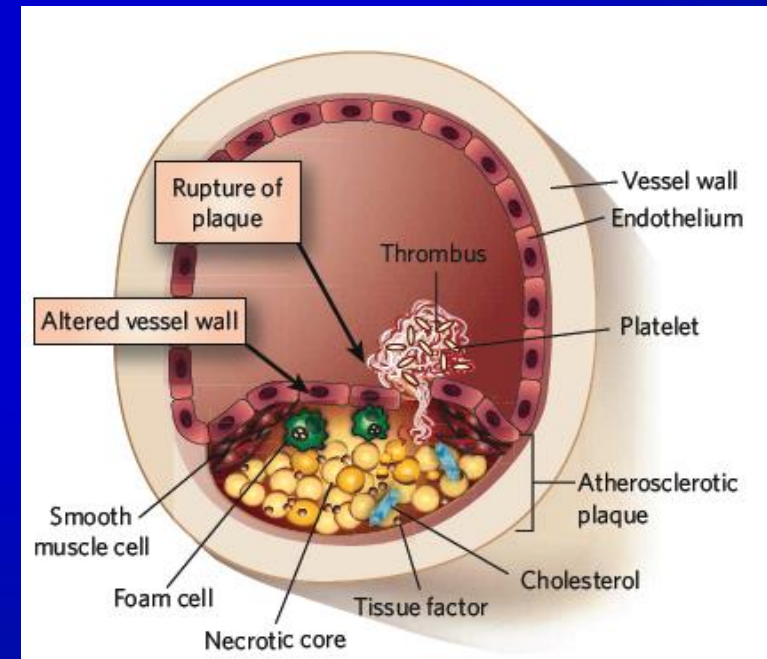
- **Trombosi venosa (trombo rosso)**
 - Riduzione del flusso sanguigno
 - Ipercoagulabilità



Eziopatogenesi della malattia trombotica



- **Trombosi arteriosa (trombo bianco)**
 - Elevato stress del circolo
 - Lesione vascolare (rottura placca)
 - Alterazioni Piastriniche



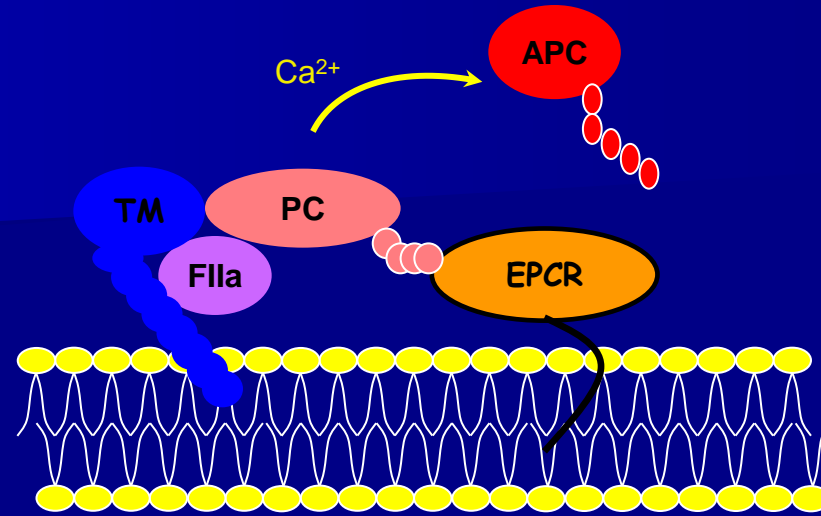
1. Alteration in blood flow

- ✓ **bedrest or prolonged immobilization**
- ✓ **congestive heart or respiratory failure**
- ✓ **stroke**
- ✓ **myocardial infarction**
- ✓ **leg injury**
- ✓ **lower extremity paralysis**
- ✓ **extended air travel, “economy class syndrome”**

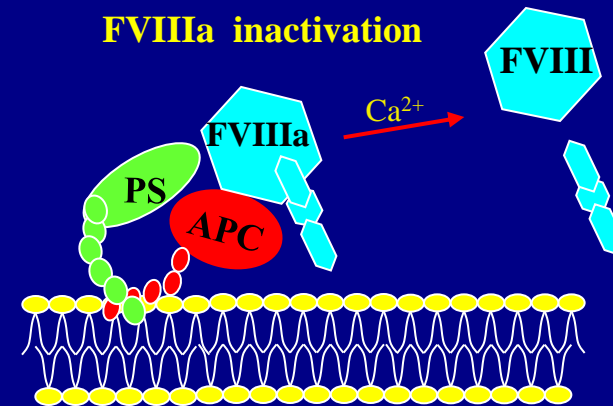
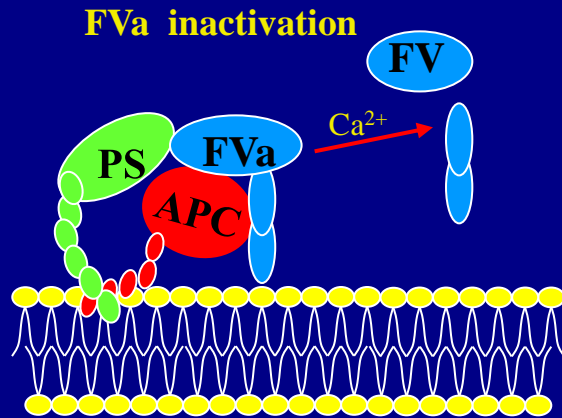
2. Vascular endothelial injury

- ✓ **trauma**
- ✓ **recent major surgery**
- ✓ **malignancy**
- ✓ **presence of a central venous catheter**
- ✓ **history of DVT**
- ✓ **varicose veins**
- ✓ **chemotherapy**
- ✓ **intravenous drug use**

PROTEIN C ANTICOAGULANT PATHWAY



EPCR together with Thrombin-TM complex promotes PC activation (APC)



3. Inherited hypercoagulability

- ✓ defects of Antithrombin
- ✓ defects of Protein S
- ✓ defects of Protein C
- ✓ APC resistance (Factor V Leiden)
- ✓ G20210A Prothrombin gene mutation
- ✓ Other prothrombin mutations
- ✓ dysfibrinogenemia
- ✓ increased levels of factor VIII, IX, XI

3. Acquired hypercoagulability

- ✓ antiphospholipid syndrome (APS)
- ✓ hyperhomocysteinemia
- ✓ malignancy
- ✓ obesity
- ✓ prolonged bed stays, especially in the elderly
- ✓ myeloproliferative disorders
- ✓ paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH)

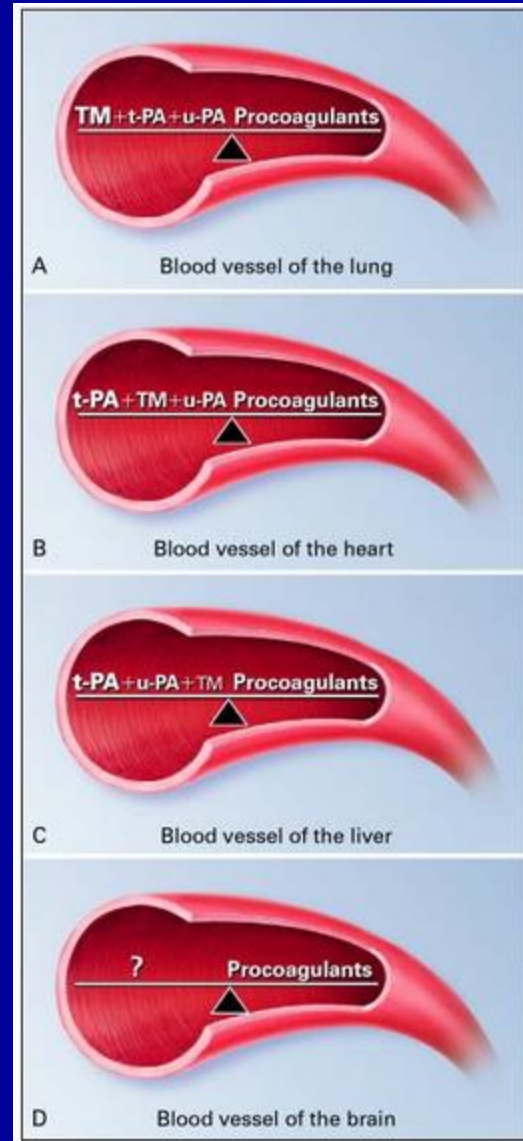
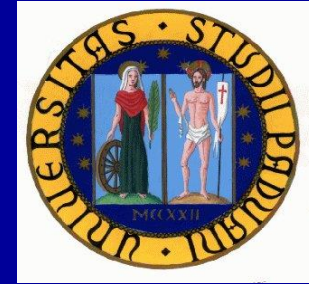
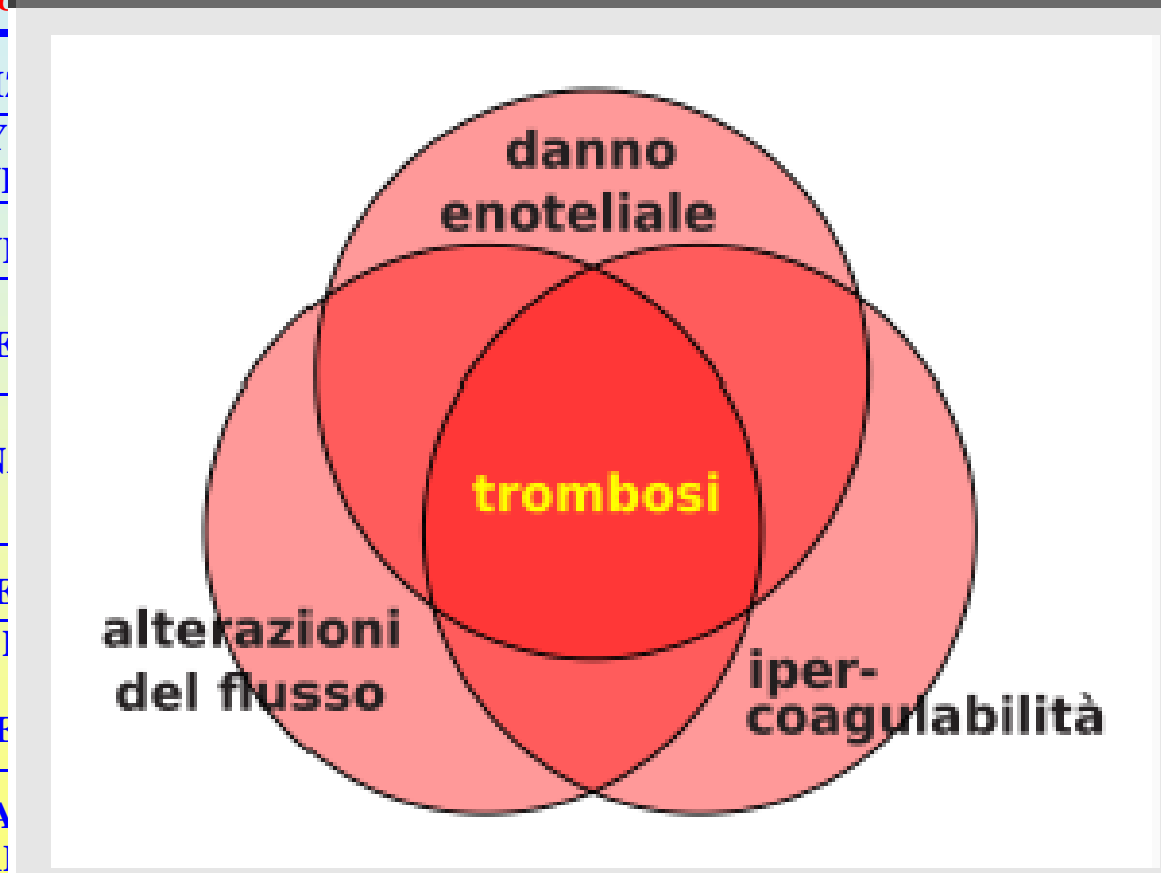


Figure 2. Vascular-Bed-Specific Hemostasis.

The interaction of the various anticoagulant and procoagulant forces promotes overall hemostasis, but the actual components of this interaction differ from one vascular bed and one organ to another. Thrombomodulin (TM) is more important in maintaining the hemostatic balance of the lungs and heart (Panels A and B) than it is in the liver, whereas the fibrinolytic pathway (tissue-type plasminogen activator [t-PA] and urokinase-type plasminogen activator [u-PA]) is important in mediating blood fluidity in all three vascular beds (Panels A, B, and C). Neither thrombomodulin nor fibrinolysis is essential in maintaining balanced hemostasis in the blood vessels of the brain (Panel D). The physiologically relevant natural anticoagulant mechanisms that are operative in this vascular bed have not been identified.

Potential thromboembolic mechanism in the hypercoagulable states (acquired conditions)

<i>RISK FACTOR / CLINICAL CONDITION</i>	<i>Venous stasis</i>	<i>Vascular injury</i>	<i>Haemostatic activation</i>	<i>COMMENTS</i>
IMMOBILITY				loss of flow
SURGERY OPERATIVE				tion ury
TRAUMA				tion ury
ADVANCED AGE				y sease neration
MALIGNANCY				y y tumor nts and
ADVANCED DISEASE				y ow
PRIOR CHRONIC VARICOSE				nage
PREGNANT POST PARTUM				y ow els
ORAL CONTRACEPTIVE TREATMENT	-	-	++	↓ PS and AT levels
LUPUS ANTICOAGULANT / APA SYNDROME	-	+	++	Vascular injury-vasculitis Impaired fibrinolysis Impaired PC activation



Pathogenesis of VTE:

evidence of multiple interrelated cases

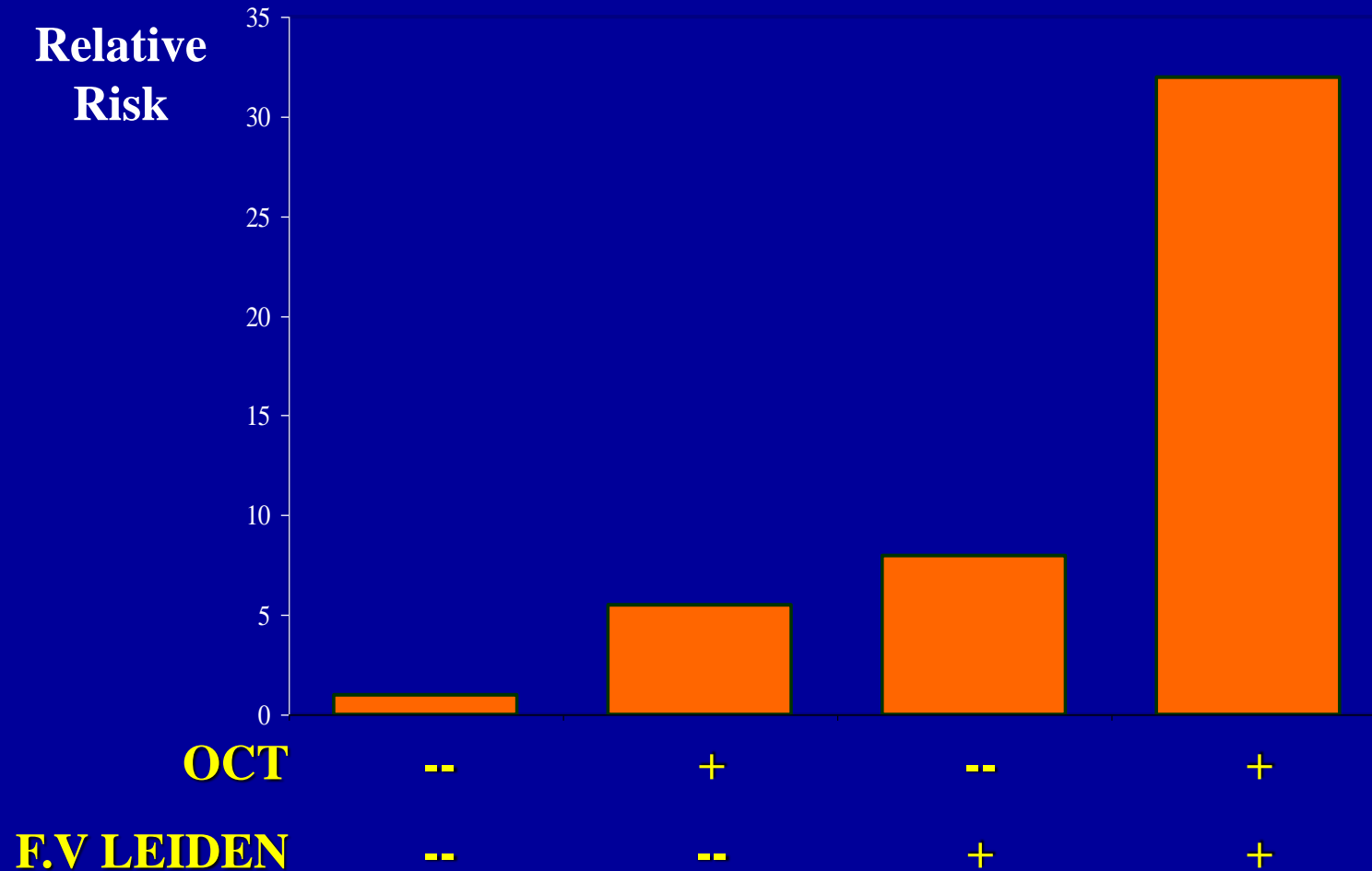
- ✓ VTE is the result of interactions among multiple genetic and environmental risk factors.
- ✓ Individual risk factors, or combinations of them, can have important implications for the type and duration of appropriate prophylaxis.
- ✓ About 50% of DVT are still defined as “idiopathic”.

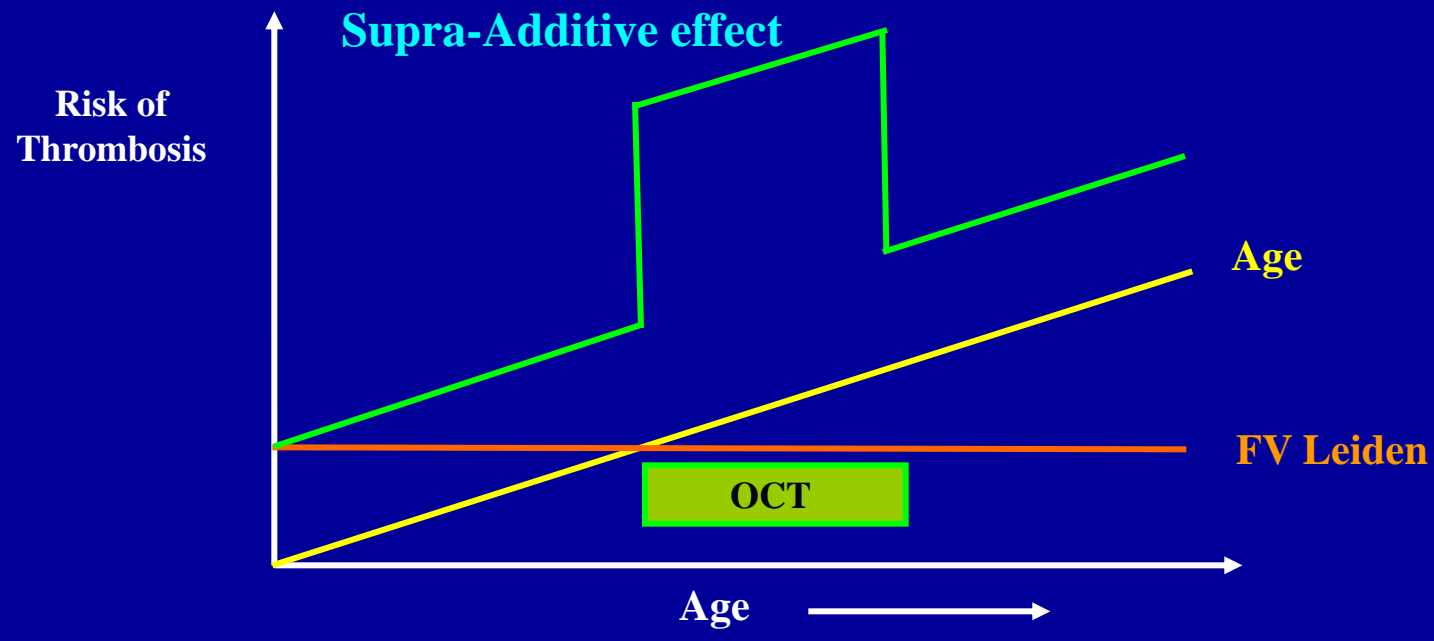
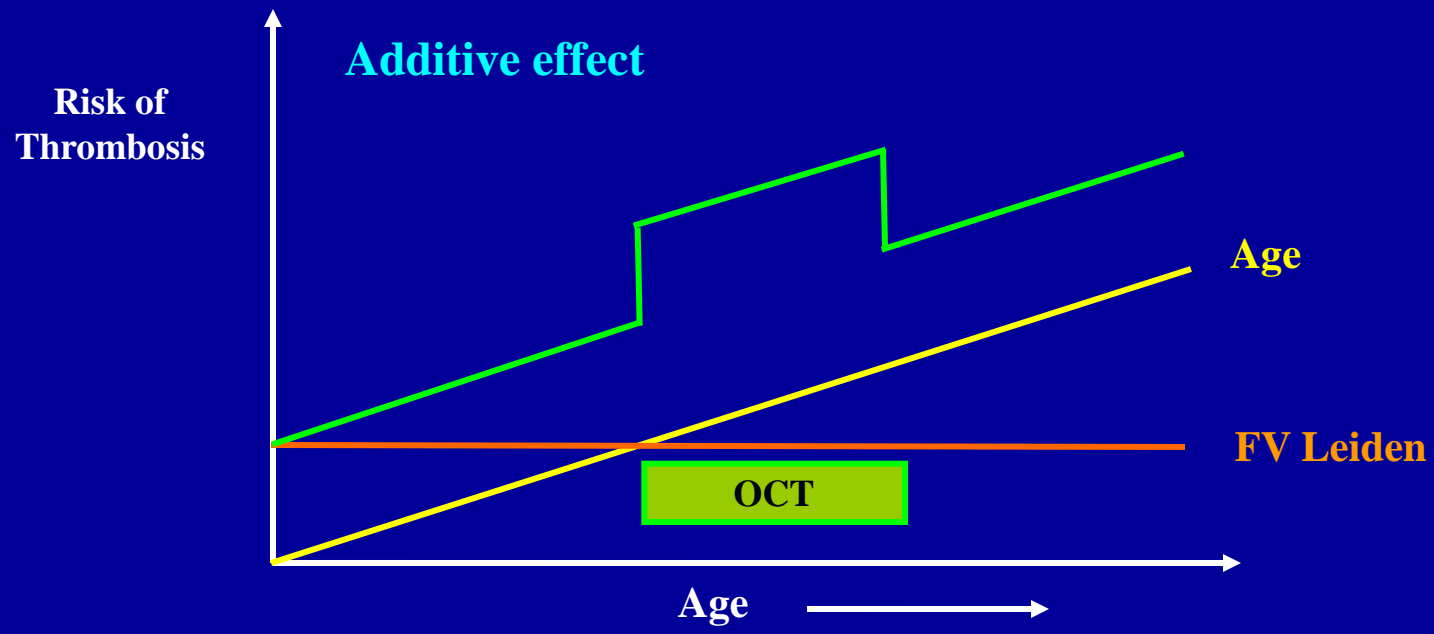
Annual incidence of VTE according to age

- **< 20 years** **1:100000 persons**
- **20 -40 years** **1:10000 persons**
- **41-75 years** **1:1000 persons**
- **>75 years** **1:100 persons**

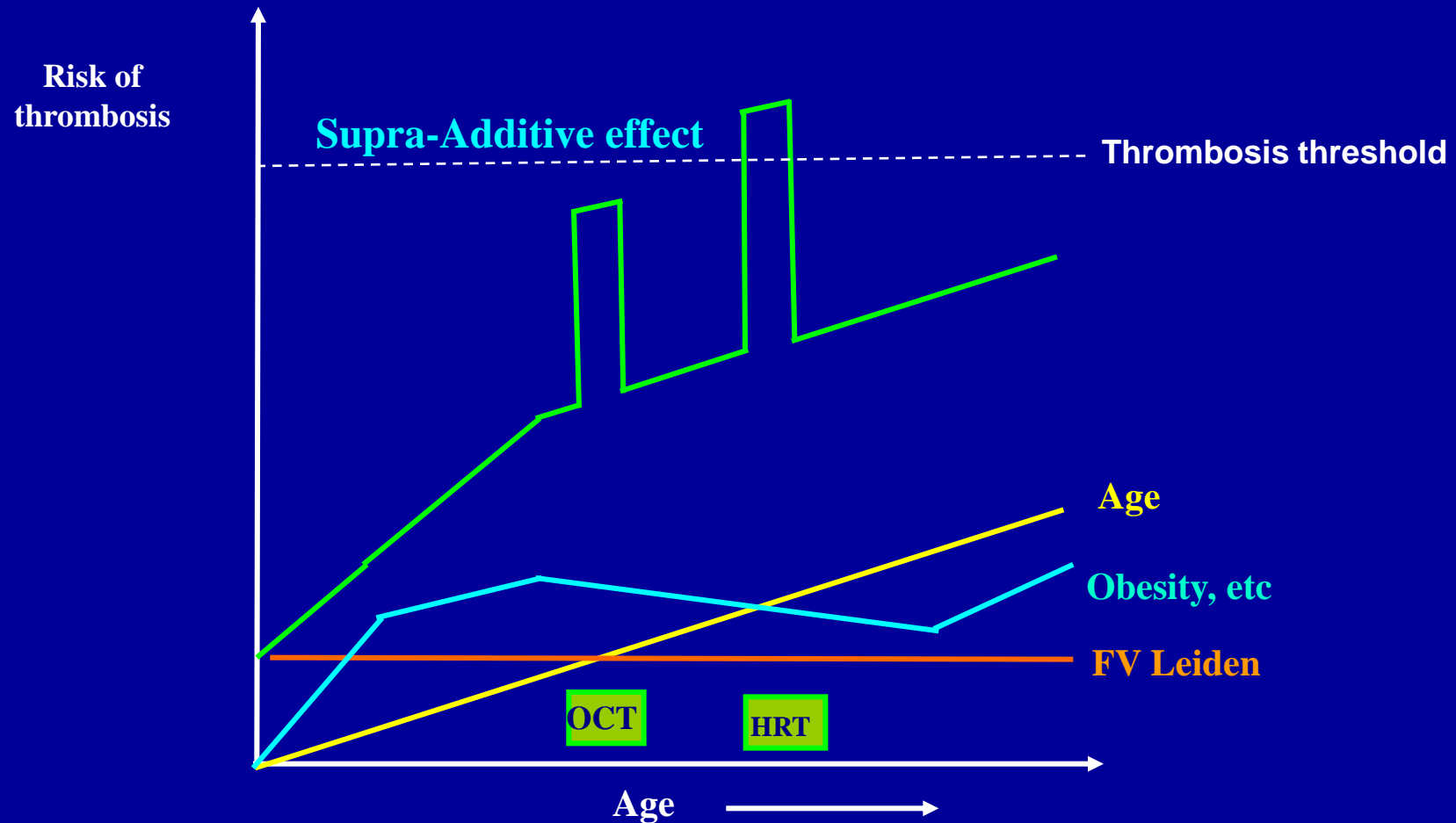
Interrelation F.V Leiden / OCT

(Vandenbroucke et al, *Lancet* 1996)





A MULTIFACTORIAL MODEL FOR THROMBOSIS IN YOUNG WOMEN WITH THROMBOPHILIA ON HORMONAL THERAPY



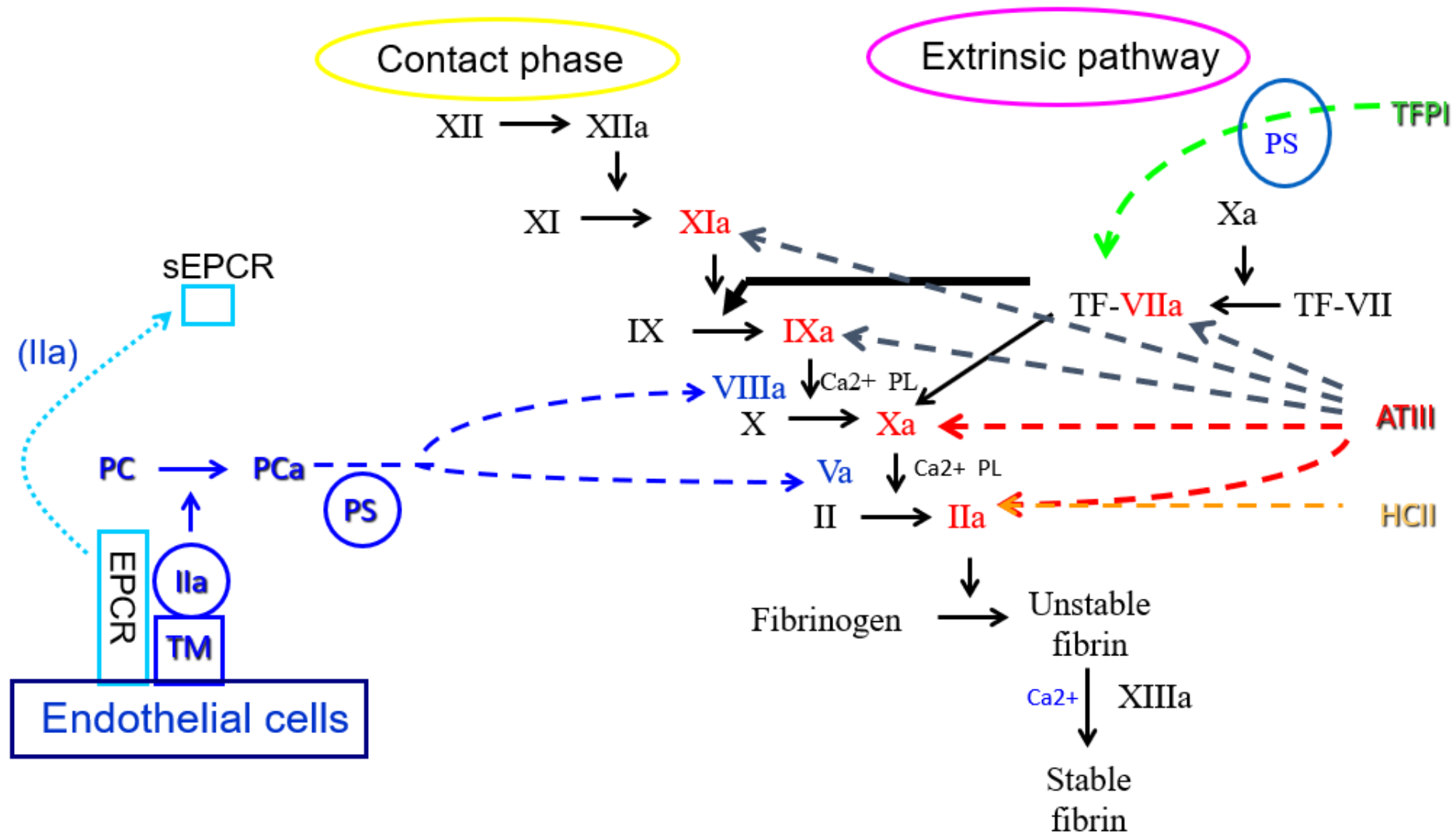
THROMBOPHILIA

A clinical condition characterised by increased tendency to venous thrombosis which may develop spontaneously and at young age and which cannot be satisfactorily explained by acquired risk factors.

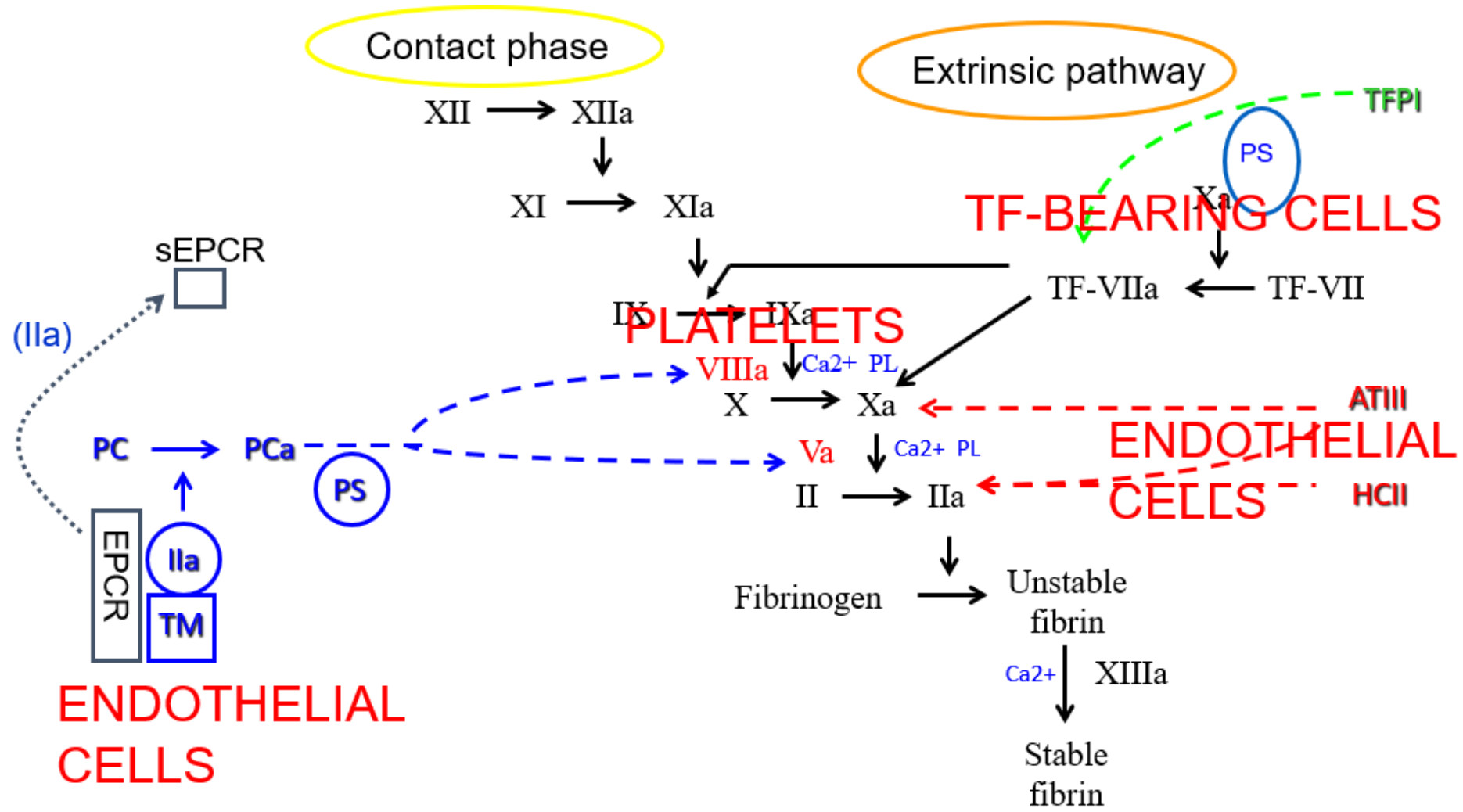
CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS OF THROMBOPHILIA

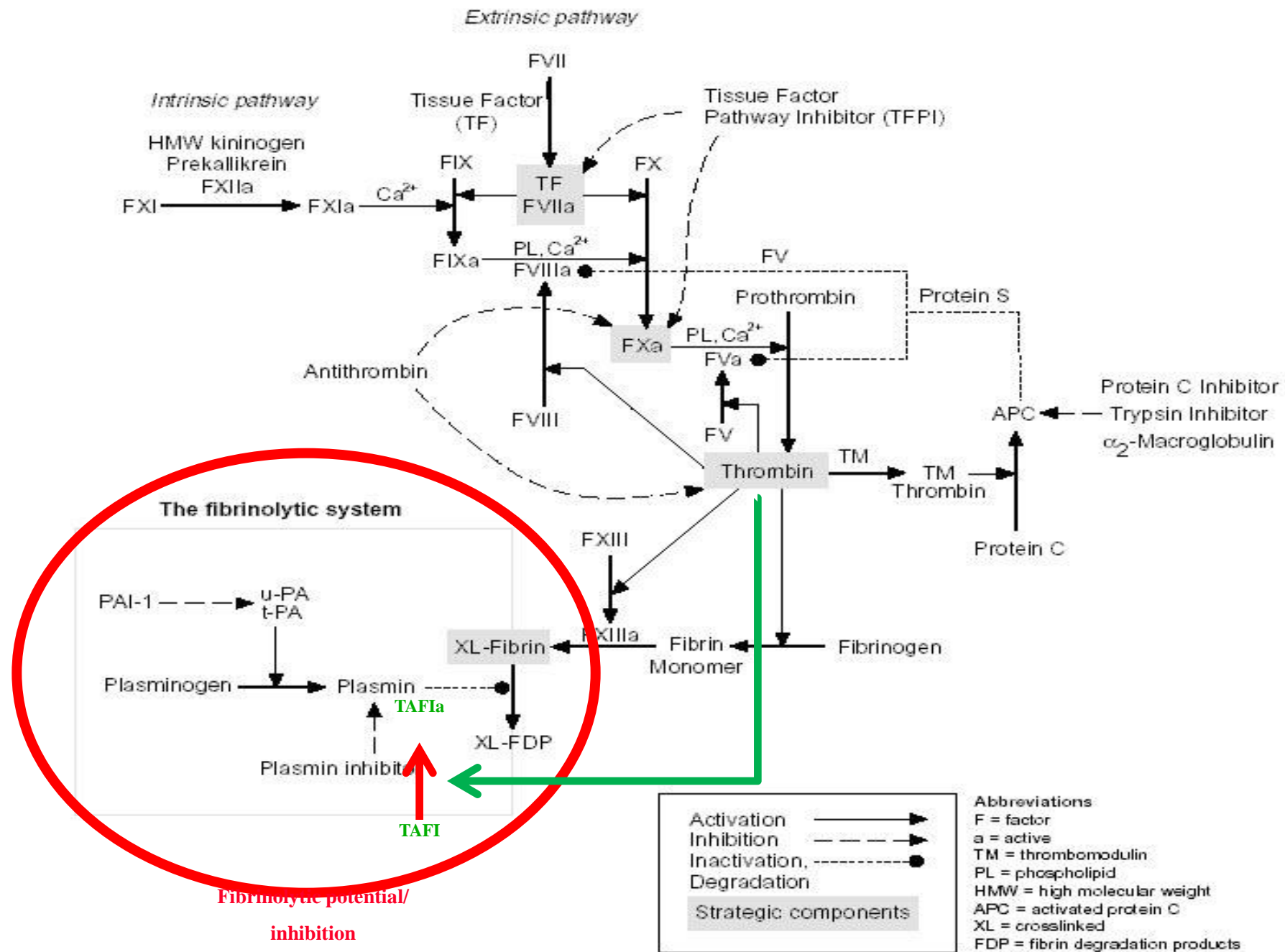
- 1. Family history of venous thromboembolism involving males and females**
- 2. Spontaneous or risk period related venous thromboembolism at a young age (<45 years)**
- 3. Recurrent venous thromboembolism**
- 4. Thrombosis in unusual site (cerebral sinuses, mesenteric, portal)**
- 5. Recurrent foetal loss, Preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome**
- 6. Vitamin K antagonist-induced skin necrosis**
- 7. Neonatal purpura fulminans**
- 8. Heparin resistance**

CLOTTING CASCADE AND SYSTEMS OF PHYSIOLOGICAL INHIBITION



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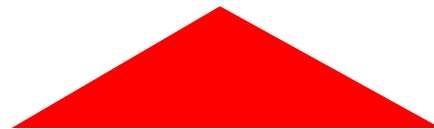


**Fibrinolytic potential/
inhibition**

THE HEMOSTATIC / THROMBOTIC BALANCE

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Thrombophilia

Inherited and acquired thrombophilic conditions

Inherited	Acquired
Antithrombin deficiency	Pregnancy
Protein C deficiency	Immobility/Surgery
Protein S deficiency	Trauma
Factor V Leiden	Hormonal therapy
Prothrombin 20210 mutation	Antiphospholipid syndrome
	Malignancy
Increased levels of coagulation factors (Factor IX Padua)	Myeloproliferative disorders
Prothrombin defects (AT resistance)	HIT
	PNH
Disorders of plasmin generation	Behcet's disease
Dysfibrinogenemia	Nephrotic syndrome
Hyperhomocysteinemia	
Blood group	
UNKNOWN	

Thrombophilia and risk of thrombosis

Table 1. Increased thrombotic risk in hereditary and acquired thrombophilia

Thrombophilia	Relative risk for a first VTE (compared to community controls)
<i>Hereditary thrombophilia</i>	
Factor V Leiden	
Heterozygous	3-7x
Homozygous	80x
Prothrombin G20210A	
Heterozygous	2-3x
Homozygous	5x
Double heterozygosity (FVL and prothrombin G20210A)	6x
AT deficiency	5x
Protein C deficiency	4-6.5x
Protein S deficiency	1-3x
Pseudohomozygous FVL	80x
Factor IX Padua	10x
AT resistance	2-3x
Non-0 blood type	2x
Factor VIII ≥ 150 IU/dL	3-5x
Factor IX ≥ 129 IU/dL	2.3x
Factor XI ≥ 121 IU/dL	2x
<i>Acquired thrombophilia</i>	
Antiphospholipid antibody syndrome	3-10x
Hyperhomocysteinaemia	1.5-3x

Thrombophilia

Thrombophilia is a generic term used for several acquired or hereditary conditions that indicates a patient has a higher-than-normal risk of VTE. The heritability for VTE, i.e. the proportion of variance attributable to genetic effects, is estimated to be as high as 60%. There are several known genetically determined defects associated with thrombophilia, collectively linked to at least a third of cases of VTE.

TROMBOFILIA lieve

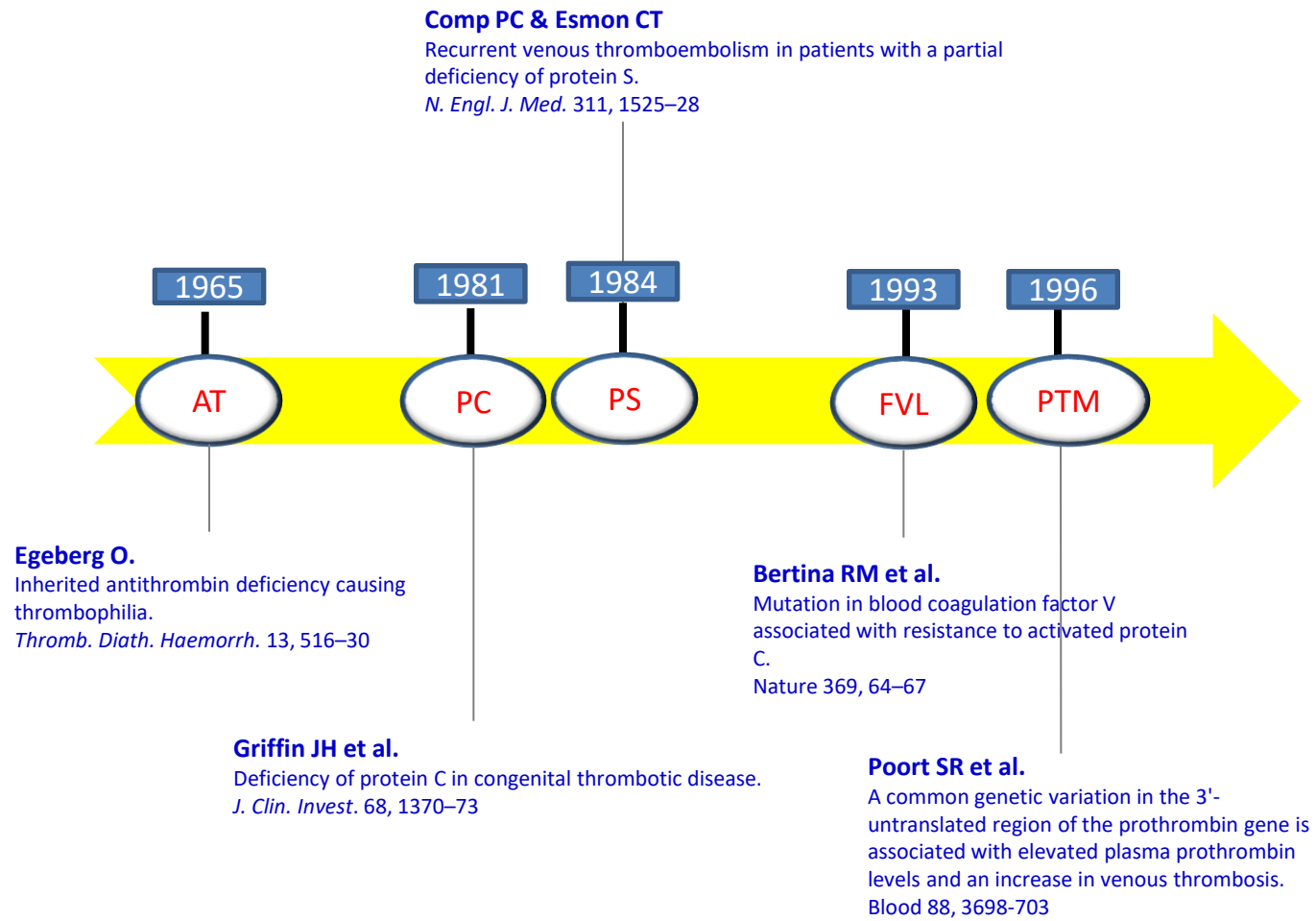
- ✓ Fattore V Leiden *eterozigote*
- ✓ Variante protrombinica G20210A *eterozigote*

TROMBOFILIA severa

- ✓ Difetto di Antitrombina
- ✓ Difetto di Proteina C
- ✓ Difetto di Proteina S
- ✓ Fattore V Leiden *omozigote*
- ✓ Variante protrombinica G20210A *omozigote*
- ✓ Difetti combinati

TROMBOFILIA acquisita

- ✓ APS



Prevalence of inherited thrombophilia and RR estimates for major clinical manifestations

	AT deficiency	PC deficiency	PS deficiency	FVL	PT 20210 mutation
Prevalence in general population	0.02%	0.2%	0.03-0.13%	3-7%	0.7-4%
Prevalence in consecutive VTE	1%	3%	2%	20%	5%
RR for first VTE	5-10	4-6.5	1-10	3-5	2-3
RR for recurrent VTE	1.9-2.6	1.4-1.8	1.0-1.4	1.4	1.4
RR for arterial thrombosis	-	-	-	1.3	0.9
RR for pregnancy complications	1.3-3.6	1.3-3.6	1.3-3.6	1.0-2.6	0.9-1.3

Estimated incidence of a first episode of VTE

	AT, PC or PS deficiency	FVL hetero	PT 20210 mutation	FVL homo
Overall, %/y	1.5 (0.7-2.8)	0.5 (0.1-1.3)	0.4 (0.1-1.1)	1.8 (0.1-4)
Surgery, trauma or immobilization, %/episode	8.1 (4.5-13.2)	1.8 (0.7-4.0)	1.6 (0.5-3.8)	-
Pregnancy, %/pregnancy	4.1 (1.7-8.3)	2.1 (0.7-4.9)	2.3 (0.8-5.3)	16.3
During pregnancy, %	1.2 (0.3-4.2)	0.4 (0.1-2.4)	0.5 (0.1-2.6)	7.0
Postpartum, %	3.0 (1.3-6.7)	1.7 (0.7-4.3)	1.9 (0.7-4.7)	9.3
OCT use, %/y of use	4.3 (1.4-9.7)	0.5 (0.1-1.4)	0.2 (0-0.9)	-

Testing for thrombophilia



WHAT?

Routine tests for screening of thrombophilia

Antithrombin	functional (chromogenic)
Protein C	functional (chromogenic or clotting)
Protein S	[functional (clotting)] or free antigen
APC Resistance	dilution with FV deficient plasma

Factor V Leiden **PCR**

Prothrombin G20210A **PCR**

LAC diluted aPTT + dRVVT (+ → go on)

Antiphospholipid abs anticardiolipin or anti beta2-GPI

Homocysteine HPLC or ELISA or FPIA

Thrombophilia screening in Padua

<i>Esame</i>	<i>Esito</i>	<i>Unità</i>	<i>Valori di riferimento</i>
Fattori della coagulazione			
Fattore II attività	101.7	%	80.0 - 120.0
Fattore VIII attività (Metodo: aPTT one stage)	94.8	%	60.0 - 160.0
Fattore IX attività (Metodo: aPTT one stage)	93.8	%	80.0 - 120.0
Fattore X attività	87.8	%	80.0 - 120.0
Fattore XI attività	97.1	%	80.0 - 120.0
Inibitori della coagulazione			
Antitrombina attività cromogenica	103.0	%	80 - 120
Proteina C attività coagulometrica	75.4	%	80 - 120
Proteina C attività cromogenica	111.2	%	70 - 130
Proteina C antigene (ELISA)	115	%	80 - 120
Proteina S attività coagulometrica	85.4	%	70 - 130
Proteina S antigene libera (ELISA)	83	%	80 - 120
Proteina S antigene totale (ELISA)	117	%	80 - 120

Thrombophilia screening in Padua

Resistenza alla Proteina C attivata

APC sensitivity ratio	1.89	>2.00
APC sensitivity ratio normalization	0.63	>0.84

Analisi dei Polimorfismi (trombofilici)

Mutazione fattore V Leiden	Presente Eterozigote
Variante protrombinica G20210A	Assente

Fibrinolisi

Plasminogeno attività	100.5	%	75.0 - 140.0
PAI antigene	7.7	ng/ml	1.0 - 25.0

Anticorpi antifosfolipidi

Anticorpi anti-beta2-glicoproteina I IgG	0.9	U/ml	<8
Anticorpi anti-beta2-glicoproteina I IgM	0.7	U/ml	<8
Anticorpi anti cardiolipina IgG	0.8	U/ml	<10
Anticorpi anti cardiolipina IgM	1.8	U/ml	<10
dRVVT	36.4	sec	26.0 - 45.0
aPTT-LA	36.2	sec	32.0 - 43.0

Thrombophilia screening in Padua

Commento:

Resistenza alla proteina C attivata da presenza di fattore V Leiden a livello eterozigote.

Lieve riduzione "spuria" dei livelli di proteina C coagulometrica.

Altri parametri esplorati nella norma o ai limiti di norma.

Si consiglia studio dei familiari disponibili per fattore V Leiden, ove non già eseguito.

Antithrombin deficiency

- First described by Egeberg in a Swedish family with recurrent VTE (1965)
- Autosomic dominant, prevalence 1/500-1/5000
- Type I → quantitative defect
- Type II → qualitative (most frequent but less associated with thrombosis)
- A large population-based study showed that AT deficiency was associated with a five-fold (95% CI 0.7– 34) increased risk of a first episode of deep venous thrombosis

Frequency of antithrombin defects in the general population

- **CLINICALLY SYMPTOMATIC**

FAMILIAL AT DEFICIENCY

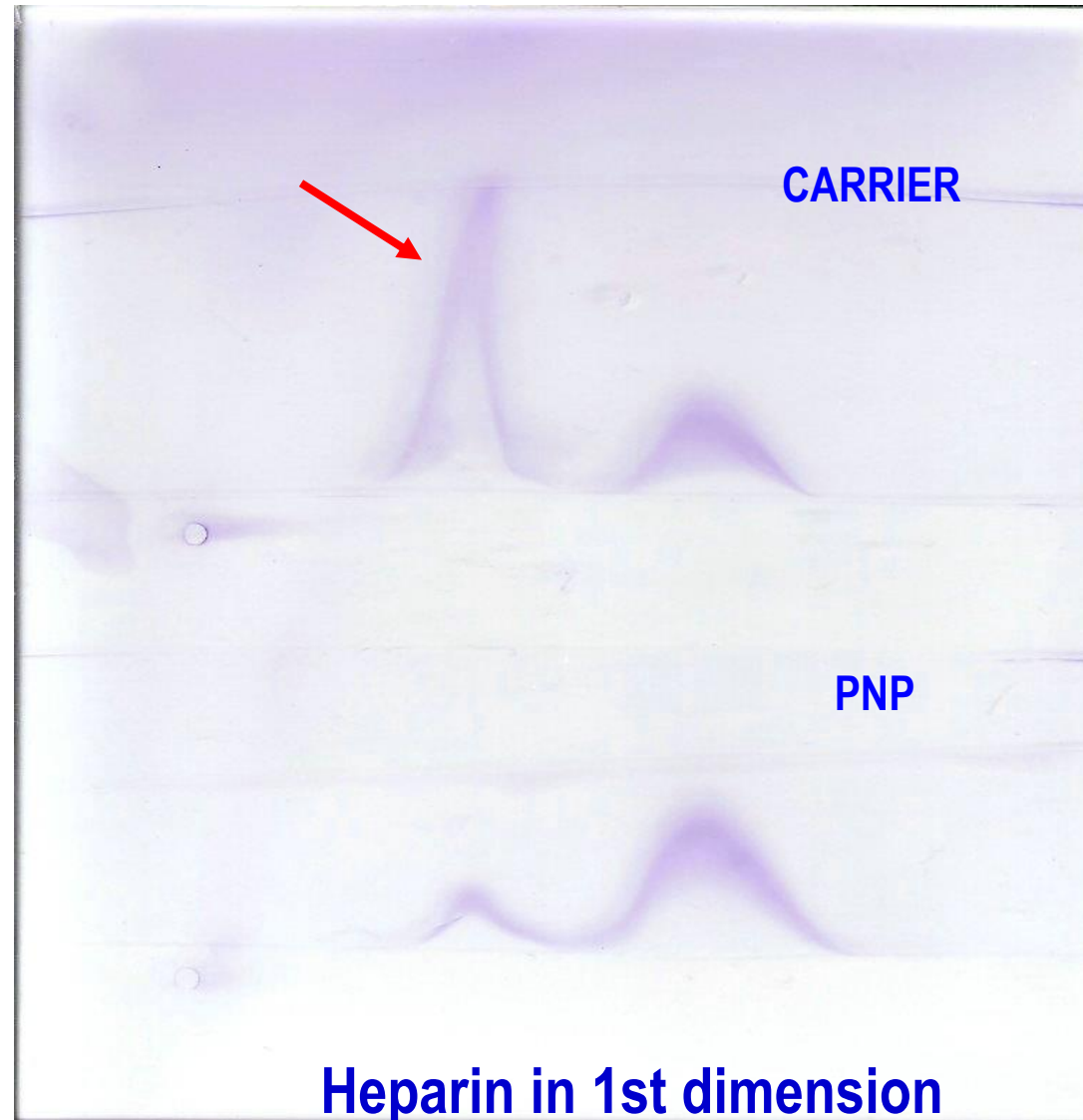
1/5000 -1/2000

-**ASYMPTOMATIC TYPE IIb DEFECTS**

(HEPARIN BINDING SITE)

1/350

Type IIb Antithrombin defect (so called heparin binding defect)



Acquired causes of antithrombin deficiency

- Acute thrombotic event
- DIC and sepsis
- Surgery
- Hepatopathies
- Nephrotic syndrome
- Treatment for ALL with L-asparaginase
- Lack of extended studies !!

Protein C deficiency

- First described by Griffin et al in 1981
- 0,2-0,3% of population as heterozygous defect, 3% of patients with first episode of VTE
- More than 300 mutations
- Three types:
 - I quantitative defect (75% of patients)
 - II qualitative (25% of patients)
 - III combined
- From the clinical point of view, heterozygous PC deficiency is associated with a 4- to 6.5-fold increased risk of VTE, while homozygous deficiency results in severe thrombotic complications in the foetus, neonates or children

Nizzi, Kaplan, Semin Thromb Haemost 1999

Mc Callum, BMJ 2014

TYPE II B PROTEIN C DEFECT (ABNORMAL PC)

	PC antigen (ELISA, Ca ⁺⁺ - independent PoAb) % (nv= 80-120)	PC antigen (ELISA, Ca ⁺⁺ - dependent MoAb) % (nv= 80-120)	PC activity (amidolytic) % (nv= 75-130)	PC activity (clotting) % (nv= 80-120)
PC_{R-1L}/propeptide				
Proposita	102	52	105	53
Sister, normal	105	100	102	105
Sister, affected	100	50	103	50
Supernatant, proposita	15	n.d.	16	n.d.
Supernatant, sister, normal	5	5	<5	<5
Supernatant, sister, affected	17	n.d.	14	n.d.
Subject with PCP2 (PC_{R-1C})				
Plasma	98	48	96	46
Supernatant	38	n.d.	30	n.d.

Acquired C protein deficiencies

- Cirrhosis
- DIC and sepsis
- K vitamin loss
- AVK therapy
- Nephrotic syndrome

Protein S deficiency

- First noted in 1981
- S protein is cofactor of C protein
- Autosomal dominant transmission
- Up to 2,3 % of general population, up to 12% of patients with thrombosis
- Data to be carefully interpreted based on the different lab tests and variability of S protein concentration
- **The real impact on risk for DVT is still debated**

Protein S

	TOTAL AG	FREE AG	ACTIVITY
TYPE I	↓	↓	↓
TYPE II	N	N	↓
TYPE III	N	↓	↓

SCREENING TESTS:

Total and free PS ag (EIA, ELISA, Latex)
Coagulometric activity

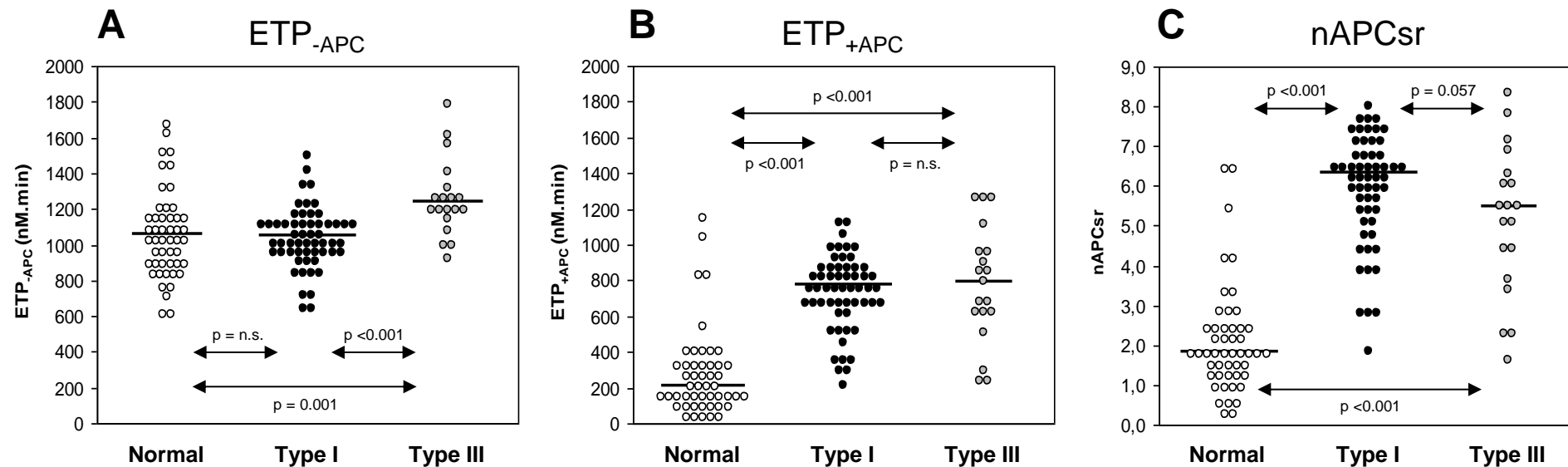
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DNA SEQUENCING FOR GENE MUTATIONS

Similar hypercoagulable state and thrombosis risk in type I and type III protein S-deficient individuals from mixed type I/III families

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Factors commonly affecting measurement of protein C, protein S and antithrombin

Protein C activity Chromogenic assay	Protein S Free protein S antigen	Antithrombin activity Chromogenic assay
<u>Physiological reduction</u>	<u>Physiological reduction</u>	<u>Physiological reduction</u>
Neonates and children (different normal range from adults)	Neonates (Different normal range from adults)	Neonates (Different normal range from adults)
<u>Other causes of reduction</u>	<u>Other causes of reduction</u>	<u>Other causes of reduction</u>
Vitamin K antagonists (e.g., warfarin)	Vitamin K antagonists (e.g., warfarin)	Late pregnancy, early postpartum ^a
Vitamin K deficiency	Vitamin K deficiency	<u>Other causes of reduction</u>
Liver disease	Liver disease	Liver disease
Disseminated intravascular coagulation	Nephrotic syndrome	Disseminated intravascular coagulation
Severe sepsis	Disseminated intravascular coagulation	Nephrotic syndrome
<u>Artefactual increase</u>	Severe sepsis	Severe sepsis
DOACs or heparin if using clotting-based assay	Recent thrombosis	Recent thrombosis
<u>Artefactual decrease</u>	Oral oestrogen therapy (e.g., combined oral contraceptive pill or hormone therapy)	Heparin therapy
Factor V Leiden if using clotting-based assay	Acute phase response	L-asparaginase therapy
	Sickle cell disease	<u>Artefactual increase</u>
	<u>Artefactual increase</u>	DOACs:
	DOACs or heparin if using clotting-based assay.	Xa inhibitors – if using Xa-based assay
	<u>Artefactual decrease</u>	Thrombin inhibitors – if using thrombin-based assay
	Factor V Leiden if using clotting-based assay	

Activated protein C resistance

Mutation in blood coagulation factor V associated with resistance to activated protein C

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Factor V Leiden mutation

- First described in 1994
- Missense mutation on fV gene on chromosome 1 causing switch of glutamine with arginine (Arg506Gln), thus making fV more resistant to inactivation from C activated protein
- Accounting for almost 50% of inherited thrombophilias
- 3-6% of Europeans and 6% of American white people.
- Several point mutations in the *F5* gene causing APC resistance have been identified in different populations, including Arg306→Thr (FV Cambridge), Arg306→Gly (FV Hong Kong), Ile359→Thr (FV Liverpool), Glu666→Asp (mechanism unknown), and Ala512→Val (FV Bonn)



Distribution of fV Leiden in Caucasian population

	Heterozygosis	Homozygosis
General population	2-5%	0,1%
Patients with VTE	10-20%	1%
Families with thrombophilia	40-50%	6%

Modified from Rodeghiero et al, Ann Intern Med 1999

Risk of fV Leiden- associated thrombosis

- 3-8 fold greater in comparison with general population for heterozygous subjects, up to 80 fold increase for homozygous subjects with regards to venous thromboembolism
- **Interestingly, heterozygosis has a moderate impact on the risk of recurrence after a first episode VTE**
- **Homozygosis has a presumed increased risk compared to heterozygosis, even if data are discordant**
- There is not a definite increase in risk for arterial thrombosis

Campello et al, Expert Rev Hematology, 2016

Kujovich, Factor V Leiden trombophilia, Genet Med 2011

Table 3 Estimated risk of thrombotic complications: Factor V Leiden heterozygotes

Thrombotic complication	Estimated risk (odds ratio) ^a
First VTE ⁶¹⁻⁶⁴	3-8
Cerebral vein thrombosis ^{46,59}	3-5
Primary upper extremity thrombosis ^{643,45}	3-6
CVC-associated thrombosis ⁶⁵	2-3
Superficial vein thrombosis ⁶⁰	6
Pregnancy-associated VTE ^{66,67}	8-52
Recurrent VTE ^{42,68}	1.4-1.6
Pregnancy loss ^{66,69-71}	2-4

^aRisk relative to individuals without Factor V Leiden.

^bNot related to malignancy or a central venous catheter.

VTE, venous thromboembolism; CVC, central venous catheter.

Table 4 Estimated risk of thrombotic complications: Factor V Leiden homozygotes

Thrombotic complication	Risk (odds ratio) ^a
First VTE ^{4,33,62}	10-80
Pregnancy-associated VTE ^{66,73,74}	20-40
Oral contraceptive-associated VTE ⁷⁵	100
Recurrent VTE ³³	2-3
Surgery-associated VTE ⁷⁶	20
Early fetal loss ⁶⁶	3
Late fetal loss ⁶⁷⁷	11

^aRisk relative to individuals without a Factor V Leiden allele.

^bOccurring after 12 weeks gestation.

VTE, venous thromboembolism.

Table 5 Estimated risk of venous thromboembolism in Factor V Leiden heterozygotes with coexisting risk factors

Coexisting risk factor	Risk of VTE (odds ratio) ^a
PG20210G>A double heterozygote ^{48,108}	20 100 (pregnancy-associated VTE)
Hyperhomocysteinemia ¹⁰⁹	22
Obesity ¹¹⁰	8
Oral contraceptives ^{46,111–114}	11–41 30 (cerebral vein thrombosis)
Third generation oral contraceptives ^{b114}	50
HRT ^{115–118}	7–16
Air travel ^{112,119}	14–16
Minor injury ⁵⁷	50
Malignancy ^{45,120}	12 20 (upper extremity thrombosis)

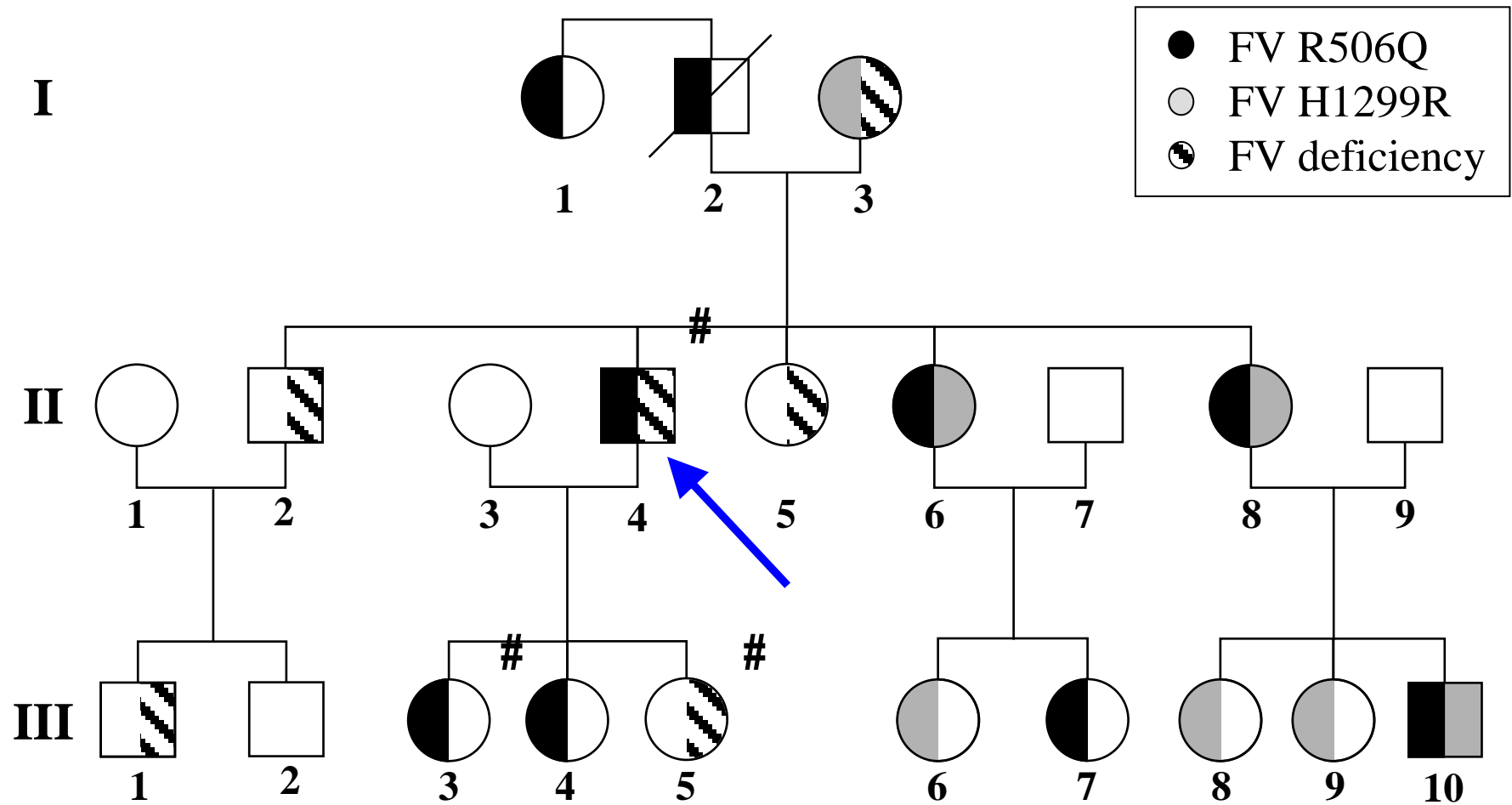
^aRisk relative to risk of individuals without either risk factor.

^bOral contraceptives containing the third-generation progestagen desogestrel.

VTE, venous thromboembolism; PG 20210G>A, prothrombin 20210 G>A mutation; HRT, hormone replacement therapy.

FV Leiden pseudohomozygosis

- Heterozygous FVL carriers with concomitant heterozygous F5 mutation causing fV deficiency, resulting in 50% of FV plasma levels being all FVL.
- This condition leads to severe resistance to APC and thus to a thrombotic risk comparable to fVL homozygous

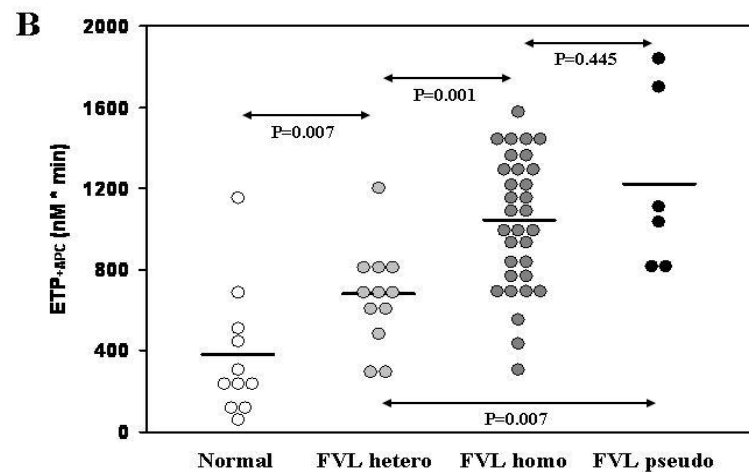
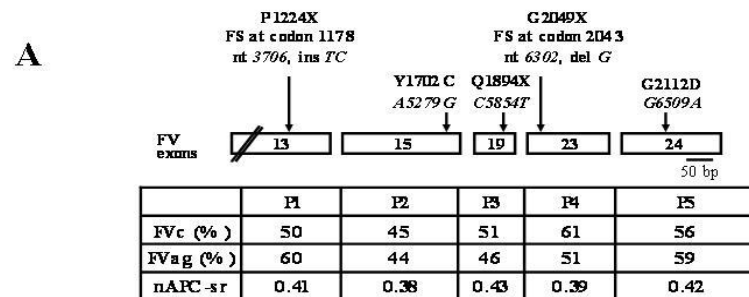


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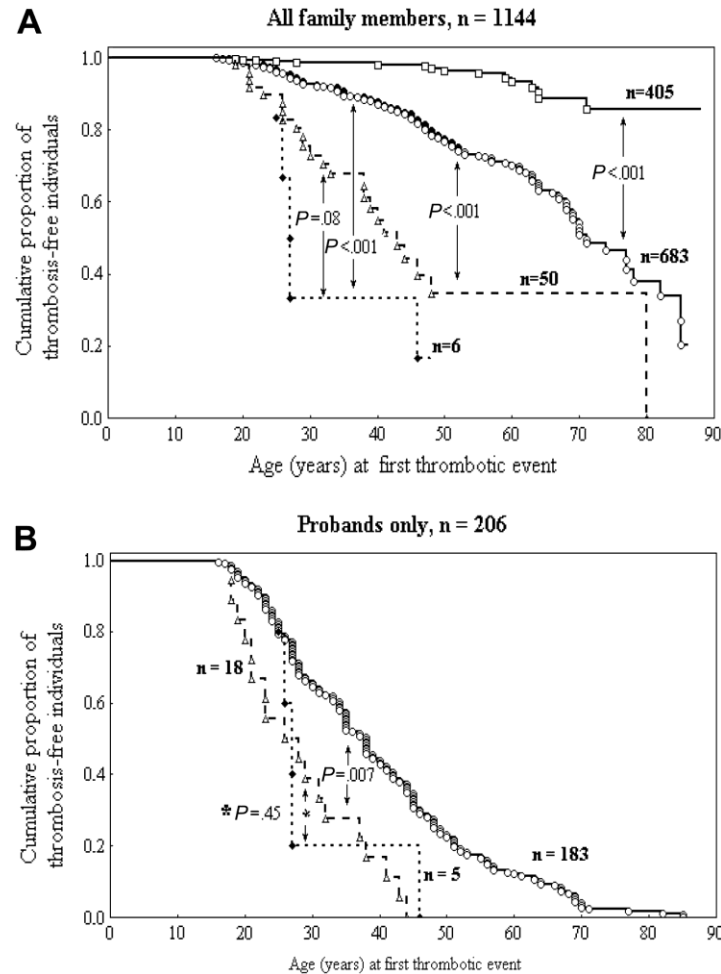
An underestimated combination of opposites resulting in enhanced thrombotic tendency

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Figure 1



Risk of VTE in FVL pseudohomozygosis and survival-free rates



Thrombosis-free survival curves of individuals with different FV genotypes. (A) Kaplan-Meier thrombosis-free survival analysis of the whole study cohort (probands and family members). (B) Kaplan-Meier thrombosis-free survival analysis of probands only. □, noncarriers; ○, FV Leiden heterozygotes; △, FV Leiden homozygotes; ◆, FV Leiden pseudohomozygotes. Differences between the curves were evaluated with the log-rank test. The apparently solid circles in the curve for FV Leiden heterozygotes are the effect of partial overlapping of open circles.



Prothrombin variant

- G to A nucleotide change at 20210 in the 3'-untranslated region of the prothrombin (*F2*) gene (*PT G20210A*). PT G20210A predisposes to VTE either by promoting thrombin generation or by inhibiting factor Va inactivation by APC, thus creating indirectly APC resistance
- 0.7-6,5% in heterozygosis
- Most in Southern European population
- Almost absent in black or Asian people
- Probable founder effect as described for fVLeiden mutation

Prothrombin variant-associated thrombosis

- Heterozygosis has an increased risk (2-3 fold), but we do not have sufficient data for homozygosis, probably 5-fold (even if we can suppose it is increased)
- With regards to recurrent VTE, we do not have definite data

Mc Callum, BMJ 2014

Shemesh, Am J Hematol 2017

And what about carriers of both mutations?

Data are discordant: according to Martinelli et al there is a six-time higher risk than relatives without mutations, while according to Emmerich there is only a slight increase probably due to different selection of populations and study design

Risk of recurrence for DVT in patients with double mutation

TABLE 2. RELATIVE RISK OF RECURRENT DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS.*

VARIABLE	PATIENTS WHO WERE HETEROZYGOUS FOR FACTOR V LEIDEN AND G20210A PROTHROMBIN MUTATION (N=17)					PATIENTS WHO WERE HETEROZYGOUS FOR FACTOR V LEIDEN (N=112)			PATIENTS WITH NEITHER MUTATION (N=283)
	INCIDENCE	RELATIVE RISK	P	RELATIVE RISK	P	INCIDENCE	RELATIVE RISK	P	INCIDENCE
		(95% CI)†	VALUE	(95% CI)‡	VALUE		(95% CI)‡	VALUE	
	no. (%)					no. (%)			no. (%)
Recurrent DVT	11 (65)	2.6 (1.3–5.1)	0.002	2.7 (1.4–5.0)	<0.001	34 (30)	1.1 (0.7–1.6)	0.76	86 (30)
Spontaneous recurrent DVT	10 (59)	3.7 (1.7–7.7)	<0.001	3.4 (1.7–6.6)	<0.001	23 (21)	1.0 (0.6–1.6)	0.81	59 (21)
Spontaneous recurrent DVT after a spontaneous first episode of DVT§	7 (88)	5.4 (2.0–14.1)	<0.001	5.1 (2.2–11.4)	<0.001	10 (24)	1.0 (0.5–2.0)	0.97	33 (29)
Spontaneous recurrent DVT after a secondary first episode of DVT¶	3 (33)	2.1 (0.6–7.3)	0.22	1.9 (0.6–6.2)	0.26	13 (18)	1.2 (0.6–2.3)	0.65	26 (15)

*The P values were calculated by the log-rank test. CI denotes confidence interval, and DVT deep venous thrombosis.

†The comparison group is the group of patients who were heterozygous for factor V Leiden.

‡The comparison group is the group of patients with neither mutation.

§The percentages are calculated on the basis of the total number of spontaneous first episodes of deep venous thrombosis: 8 among the patients who were heterozygous for both mutations, 41 among those who were heterozygous for factor V Leiden, and 114 among those with neither mutation.

¶The percentages are calculated on the basis of the total number of secondary first episodes of deep venous thrombosis: 9 among the patients who were heterozygous for both mutations, 71 among those who were heterozygous for factor V Leiden, and 169 among those with neither mutation.

From De Stefano et al, NEJM, 1999

The risk of first venous thromboembolism during pregnancy and puerperium in double heterozygotes for factor V Leiden and prothrombin G20210A

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Table 2 Number and rate of VTEs and age at occurrence in combined heterozygous factor V Leiden and prothrombin G20210A, single heterozygous factor V Leiden or prothrombin G20210A and women without thrombophilia

	Factor V Leiden and prothrombin G20210A	Factor V Leiden	Prothrombin G20210A	No thrombophilia
VTE, <i>n</i> – % (95% CI)				
Pregnancy	0–0 (0–2.7)	0–0 (0–1.5)	0–0 (0–1.5)	0–0 (0–1.4)
Puerperium	2–1.8 (0.5–6.3)	3–1.5 (0.5–4.3)	2–1 (0.2–3.6)	1–0.4 (0–2.5)
Median age (range) at VTE, years	33 (30–35)	34 (27–35)	27 (25–31)	38

Factor VIII

fVIII (U/dl)	Patients	Controls	OR (CI 95%)
<100	52	111	1
100-124	88	96	2,3 (1,3-3,8)
125-149	85	60	3 (1,6-5,7)
>150	76	34	4,8 (2,3-10)

Odds ratio adjusted for blood group and vWF levels.

Modified from Koster et al, 1995

fVIII, thrombosis and hormonal therapy

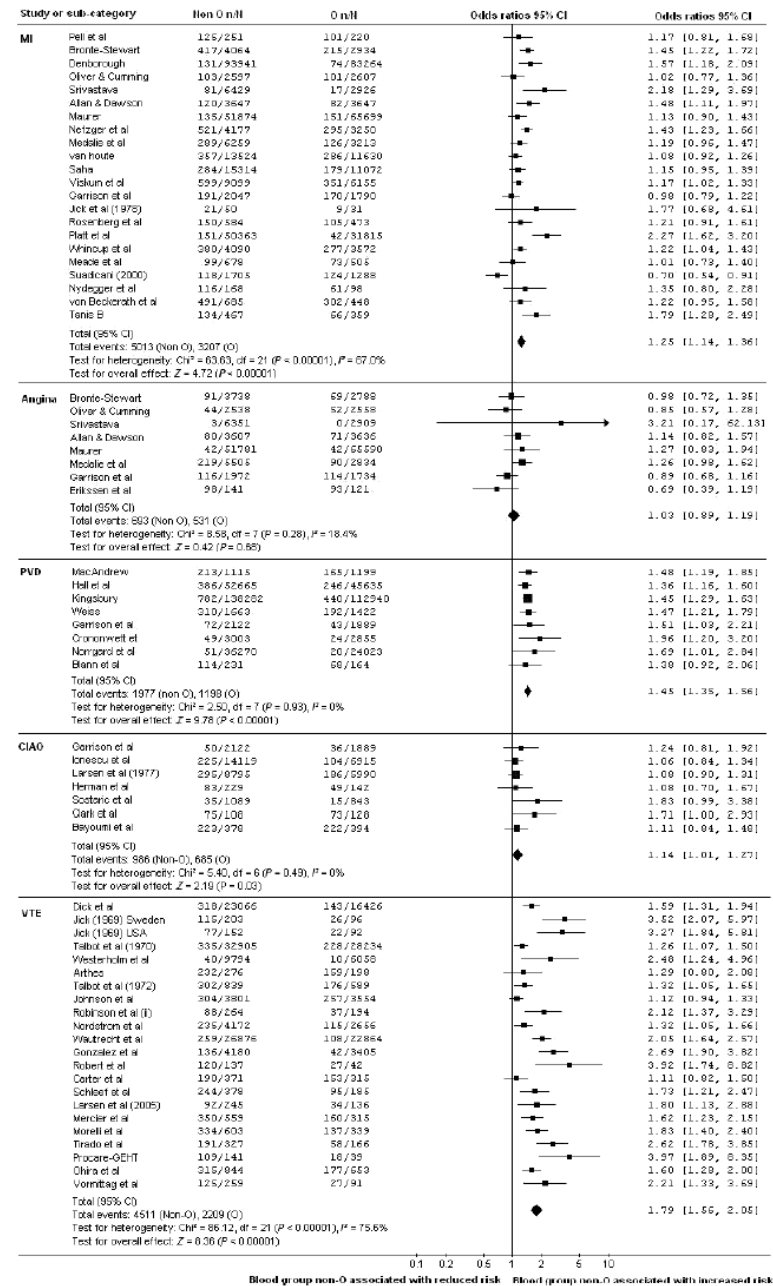
	Patients	Controls	Odds Ratio (CI95%)
OC - fVIII -	7	28	1
OC + fVIII -	13	13	4 (1.3-12.4)
OC - fVIII +	20	15	5.3 (1.8-15.5)
OC + fVIII +	36	14	10.3 (3.7-28.9)

OC= Oral contraceptives

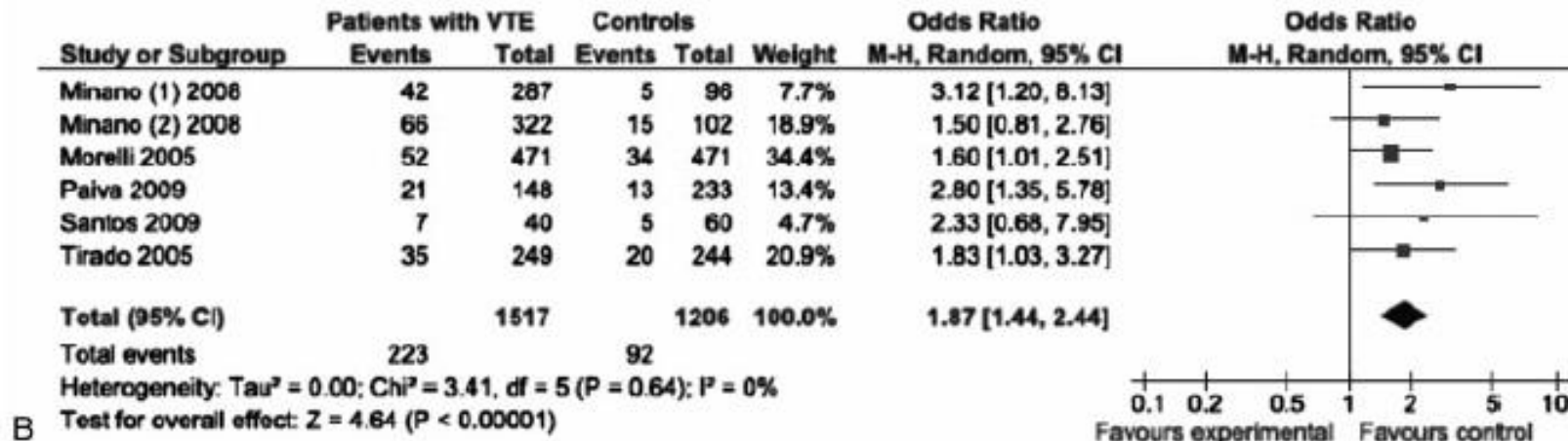
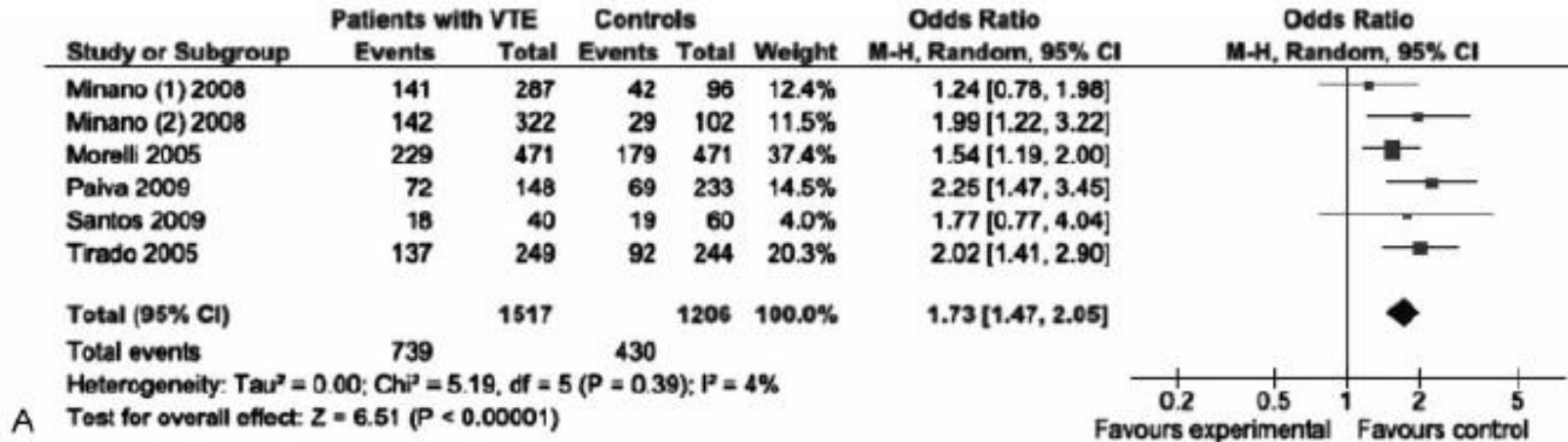
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Blood group and the risk of VTE

Wu and colleagues performed a meta-analysis which selected 4709 VTE cases from 21 studies, and found an OR of 1.79 (95% confidence interval [CI] (1.56-2.05)) in non-O versus O status



Blood group and the risk of VTE



A further meta-analysis considering 38 studies, hence 10,305 VTE cases, reported that non-O blood groups increase approximately twofold the risk of VTE (OR 2.08; 95%CI 1.83–2.37)

ABO blood groups and the risk of venous thrombosis in patients with inherited thrombophilia

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In conclusion, our data show that having a non-O blood group is associated with an increased risk of VTE and that the addition of thrombophilia increases the thrombotic risk conferred by non-O group alone by almost 3-fold. This simple information may help to identify groups of patients at high risk suitable for counselling, further testing or closer monitoring. Finally, this robust and easily assessable risk factor has the potential to be included -alone or in association with the determination of thrombophilia- as part of a more comprehensive risk assessment model for VTE.

Risk of DVT combining blood groups and inherited thrombophilia

Table II - Prevalence of blood groups in the study cases and controls (OR and 95% CI).

	Cases (n=712)	Controls (n=712)	OR (95% CI)
O	220 (30.9)	354 (49.7)	1*
Non-O	492 (69.1)	358 (50.3)	2.21 (1.78-2.75)
A	335 (47.0)	219 (30.7)	2.46 (1.94-3.13)
B	115 (16.2)	98 (13.8)	1.89 (1.37-2.59)
AB	42 (5.9)	41 (5.8)	1.65 (1.05-2.62)
O without thrombophilia	135 (18.9)	320 (44.9)	1*
O and thrombophilia	85 (11.9)	34 (4.8)	5.93 (3.79-9.25)
Non-O without thrombophilia	340 (47.8)	307 (43.1)	2.63 (2.04-3.38)
Non-O and thrombophilia	152 (21.4)	51 (7.2)	7.06 (4.85-10.28)

Legend *Reference category. Numbers in parentheses indicate percentages.

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Table 1. Clinical Characteristics Suggestive of Inherited Thrombophilia in Patients with Venous Thromboembolism (VTE).

Thrombosis at a young age (<50 yr), especially in association with weak provoking factors (minor surgery, combination oral contraceptives, or immobility) or unprovoked VTE

Strong family history of VTE (first-degree family members affected at a young age)

Recurrent VTE events, especially at a young age*

VTE in unusual sites such as splanchnic or cerebral veins†

* The antiphospholipid syndrome must also be considered, but it is not inherited.

† Patients with splanchnic-vein VTE should be assessed for myeloproliferative neoplasms and paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria.

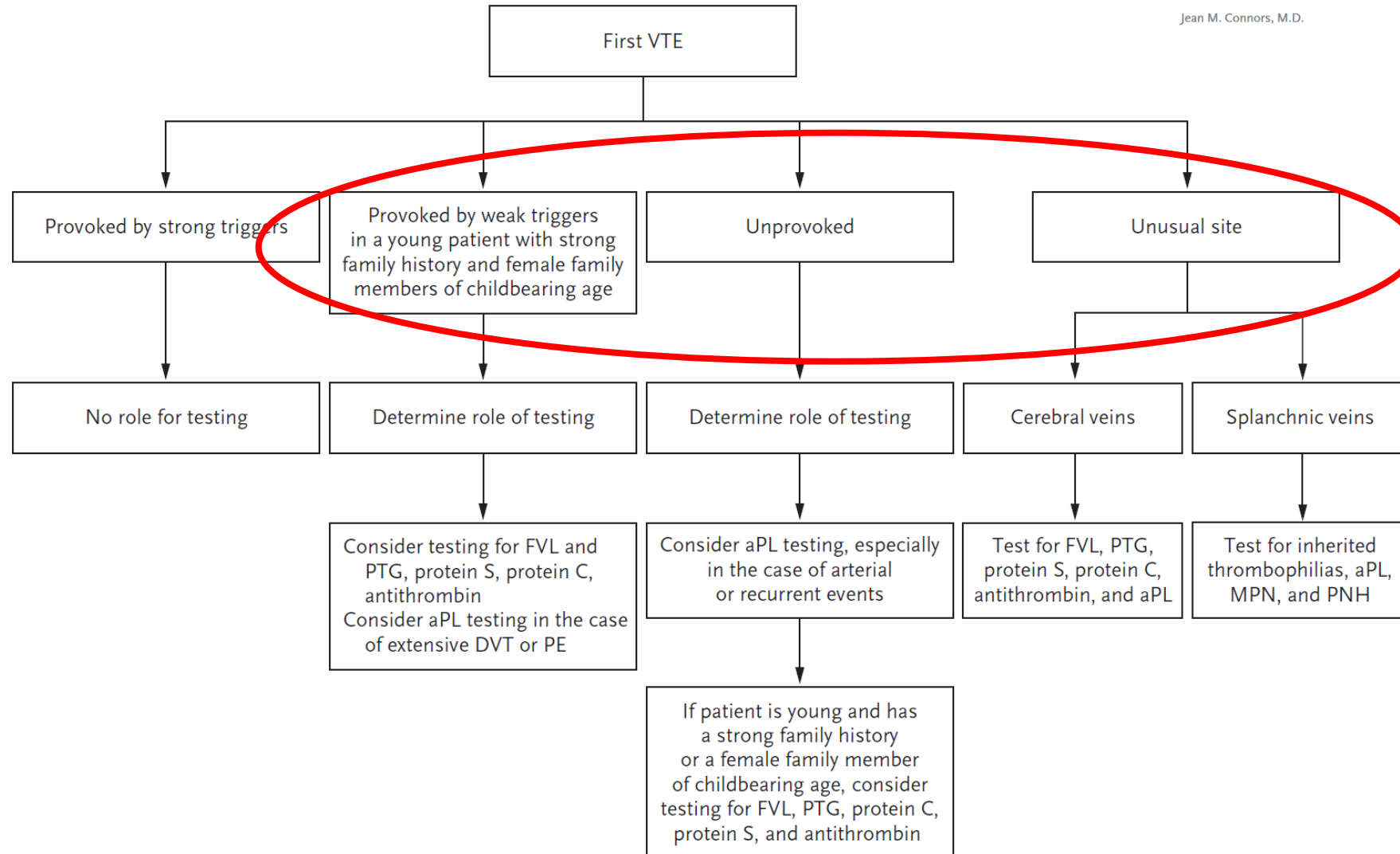
Thrombophilia testing

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Thrombophilia Testing and Venous Thrombosis

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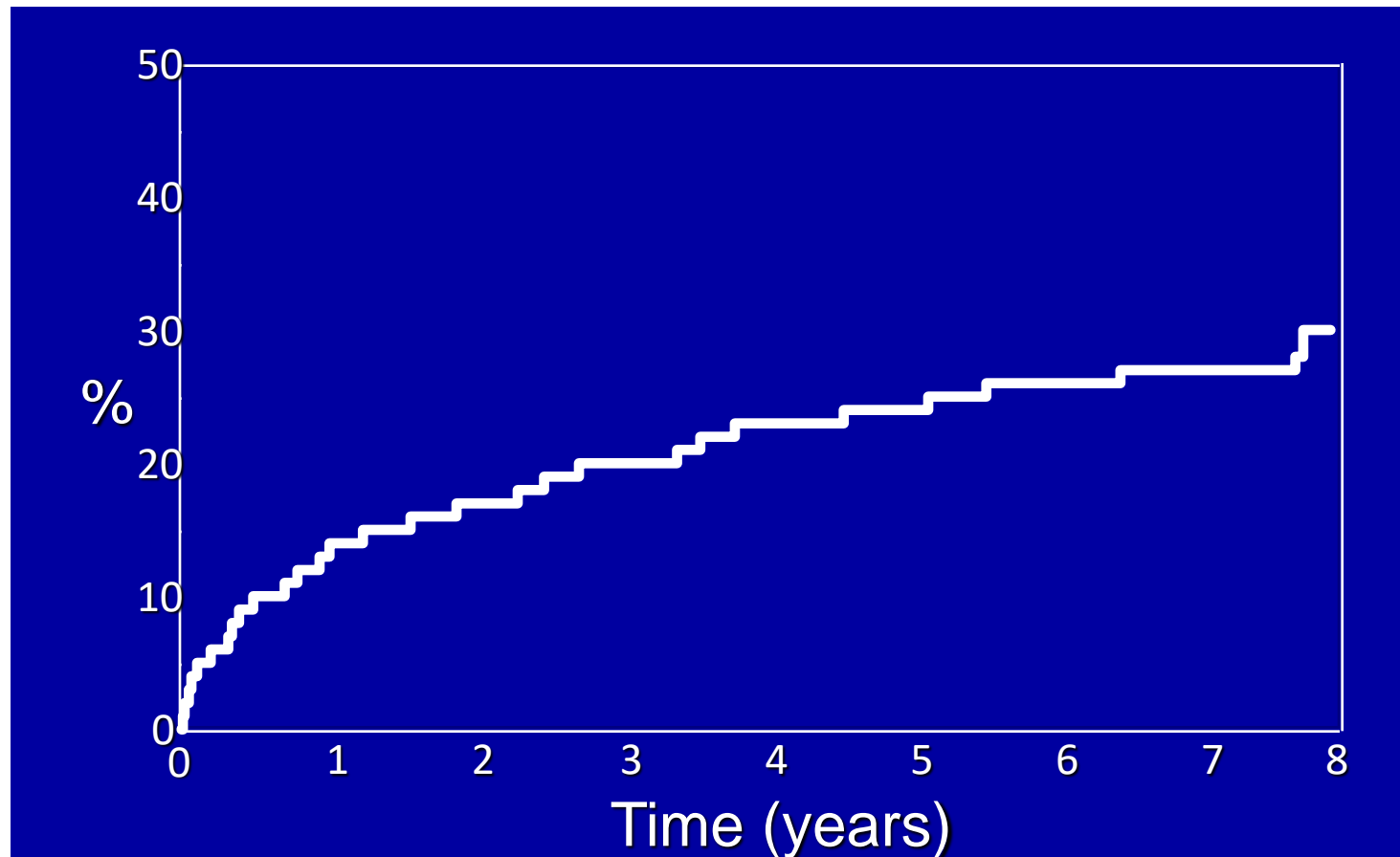
Reasons for screening VTE patients

- 1) To determine pathomechanism
- 2) Acute treatment not influenced by thrombophilia
 - Rare peculiar cases of thrombophilic patients
 - tailor heparin in antithrombin deficiency
 - addition of antithrombin or protein C concentrates
 - antiphospholipid antibody syndrome and DOAC
- 3) Management of secondary prevention
- 4) Management of asymptomatic first-degree relatives

Optimal Duration of Anticoagulant Treatment in thrombophilic patients

- Clinical decision in an **individual patient** depends upon the estimated risks of VTE recurrence and treatment induced bleeding.
- Although the quality of the evidence in this area is low and does not allow firm recommendations, patients with **AT deficiency, homozygosity for FVL, multiple defects, and perhaps PC or PS deficiency, altered D-dimer** could be more prone to recurrence and therefore potential candidates for long term oral anticoagulation after a first unprovoked VTE.

Cumulative Incidence of VTE Recurrences (78/355)



Prandoni et al, Ann Intern Med 1996

Risk of Recurrent Venous Thromboembolism in Patients With Common Thrombophilia

A Systematic Review

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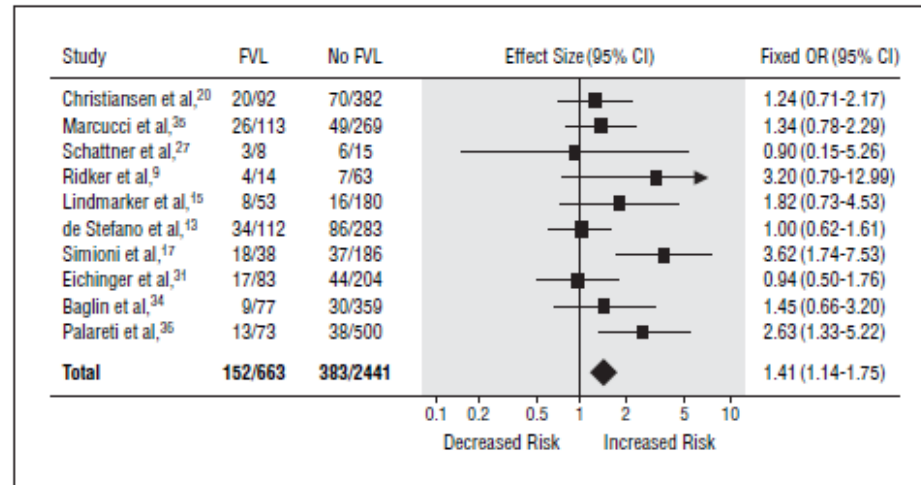


Figure 2. Risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism (VTE) and heterozygous factor V 1691A (Leiden) (FVL) vs no FVL in reviewed studies. Except where otherwise indicated, data are reported as number of patients with VTE recurrence/number of patients with a first VTE. In the test for heterogeneity, $\chi^2=15.35$, $P=.08$; $I^2=41.4\%$. For overall effect, $z=3.14$ ($P=.002$). In the graphic representation, squares represent the effect size; extended lines, 95% confidence interval (CI); and diamond, total effect size. The arrow on the standard error (SE) line of the Ridker et al⁹ study indicates that the upper SE extends beyond the upper range of the illustrated scale by an unspecified amount. OR indicates odds ratio.

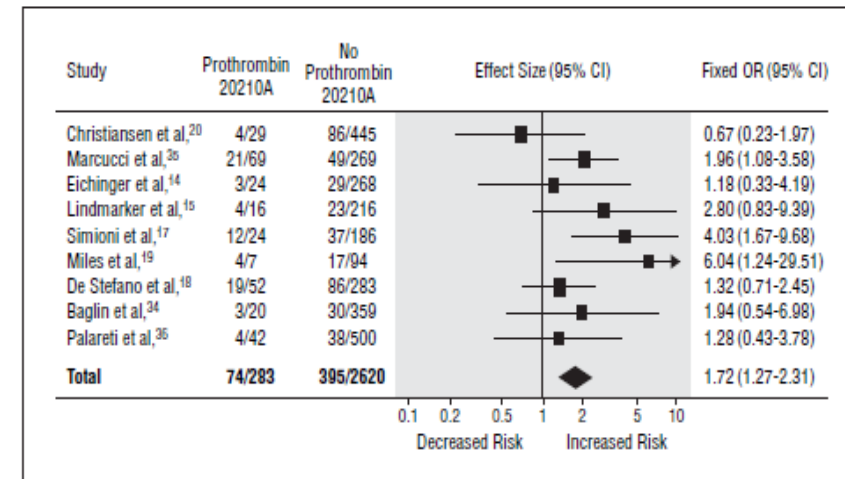


Figure 4. Risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism (VTE) and heterozygous prothrombin G20210A vs no G20210A in reviewed studies. Except where otherwise indicated, data are reported as number of patients with VTE recurrence/number of patients with a first VTE. In the test for heterogeneity, $\chi^2=11.14$, $P=.19$; $I^2=28.2\%$. For overall effect, $z=3.55$ ($P<.001$). In the graphic representation, squares represent the effect size; extended lines, confidence interval (CI); and diamond, total effect size. The arrow on the standard error (SE) line of the Miles et al¹⁹ study indicates that the upper SE extends beyond the upper range of the illustrated scale by an unspecified amount. OR indicates odds ratio.

Predictive Value of D-Dimer Test for Recurrent Venous Thromboembolism After Anticoagulation Withdrawal in Subjects With a Previous Idiopathic Event and in Carriers of Congenital Thrombophilia



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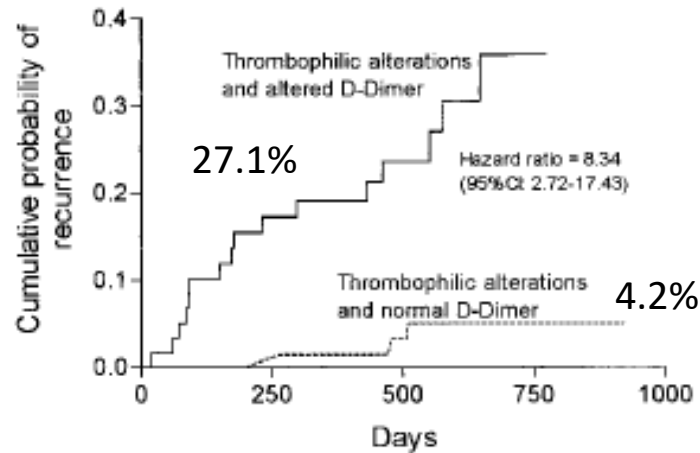


Figure 2. Cumulative probability of VTE recurrence in subjects with congenital thrombophilic alterations according to normal (≤ 500 ng/mL) or altered (> 500 ng/mL) D-dimer results obtained 1 month after anticoagulation was stopped.

TABLE 3. Multivariate Regression Analysis of Relative Risks of Altered D-Dimer Results Obtained in All Subjects and in Subgroups

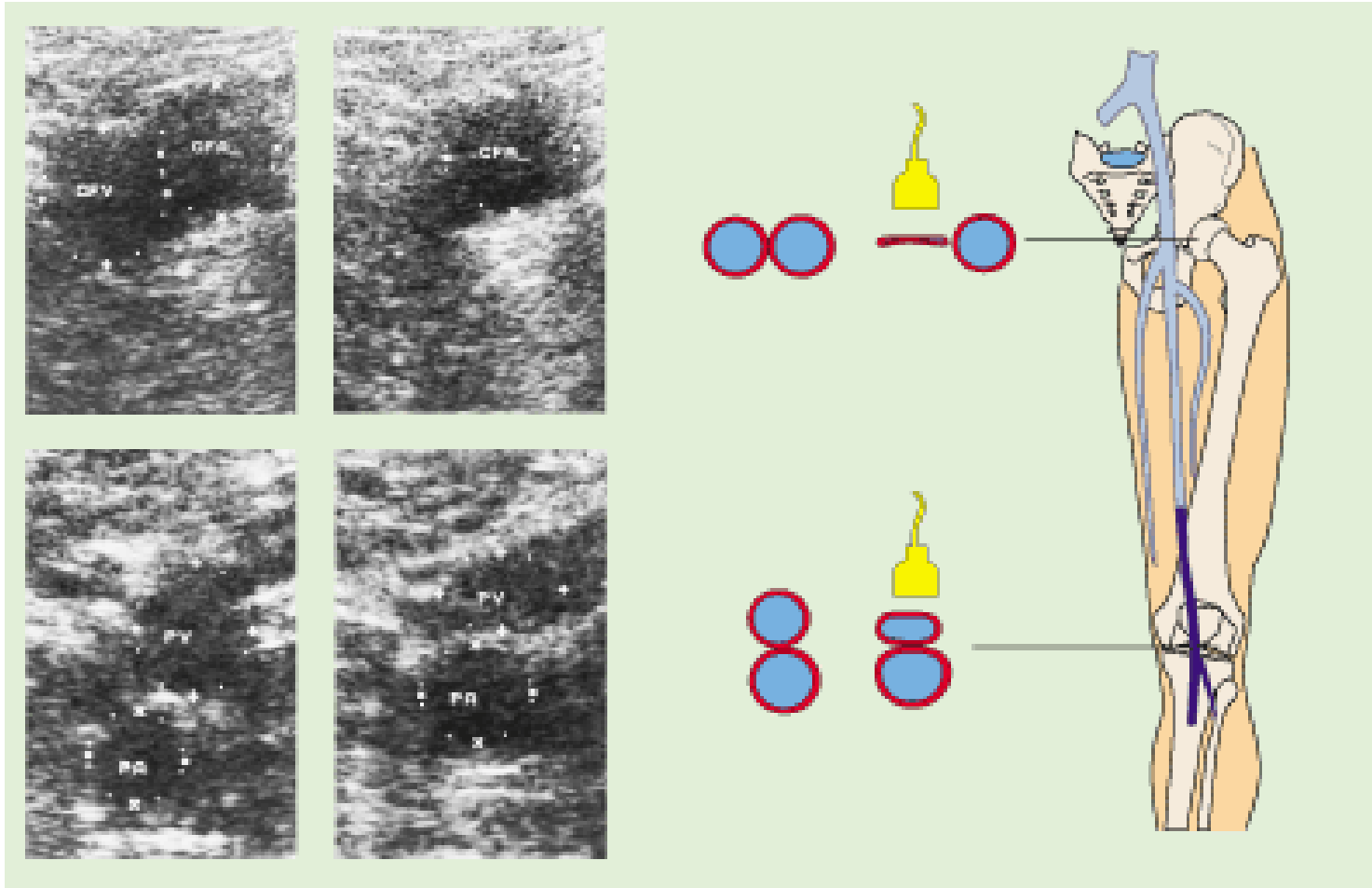
	Relative Risk (95% CI)*	P
All subjects	2.61 (1.45–4.71)	0.001
Idiopathic index event	2.75 (1.24–6.12)	0.013
Cancer-associated index event	2.96 (0.80–10.88)	0.103
Secondary index event	1.90 (0.50–7.28)	0.349
With thrombophilic alterations	5.88 (1.46–23.72)	0.013
Without thrombophilic alterations	2.19 (1.10–4.35)	0.026

*Risks were calculated with adjustment for age, sex, duration of previous oral anticoagulant treatment, and presence/absence of congenital thrombophilic alterations or nature of index event, as appropriate.

Deep-vein thrombosis

Lensing et al Lancet 1999;353:479

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Residual vein obstruction to predict the risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism in patients with deep vein thrombosis: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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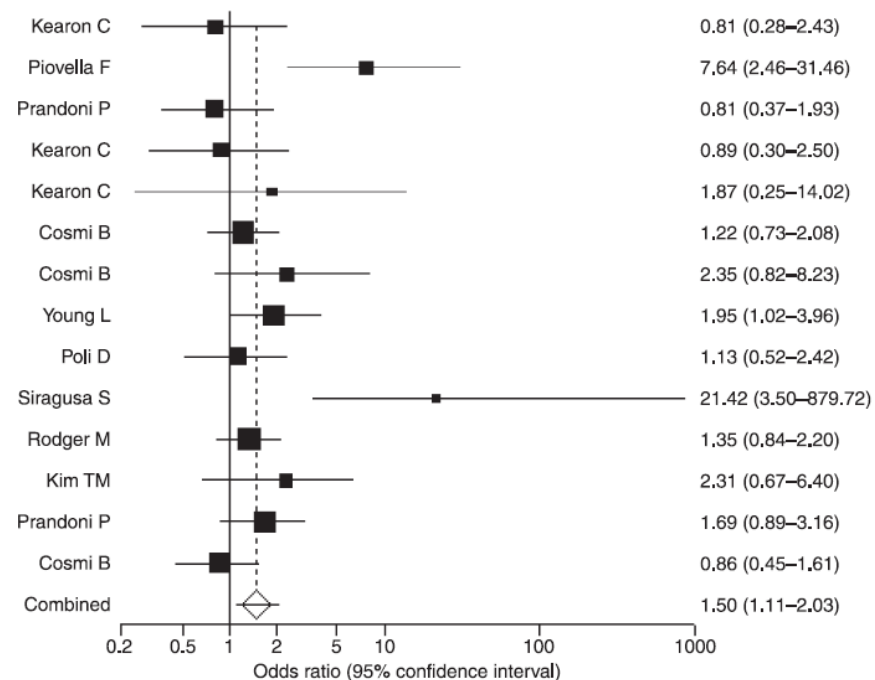


Fig. 1. Forest plot and pooled estimates of the odds ratios evaluating the association between residual vein obstruction and recurrent venous thromboembolism in patients with a first episode of deep vein thrombosis (provoked or unprovoked) following at least 3 months of anticoagulation.

Effect of patient's sex on risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism: a meta-analysis

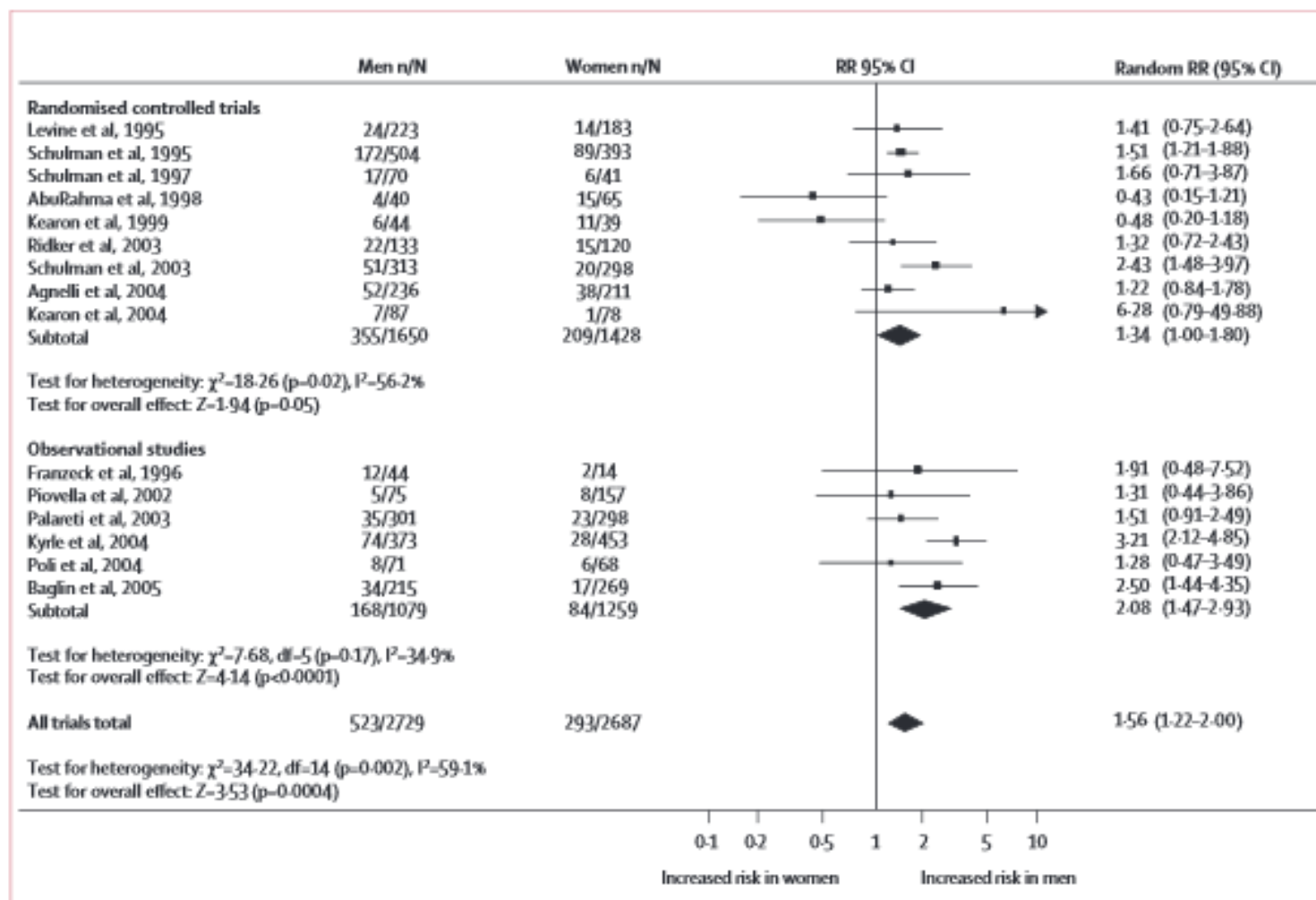


Figure 2: Risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism in men compared with in women

Overweight, Obesity, and the Risk of Recurrent Venous Thromboembolism

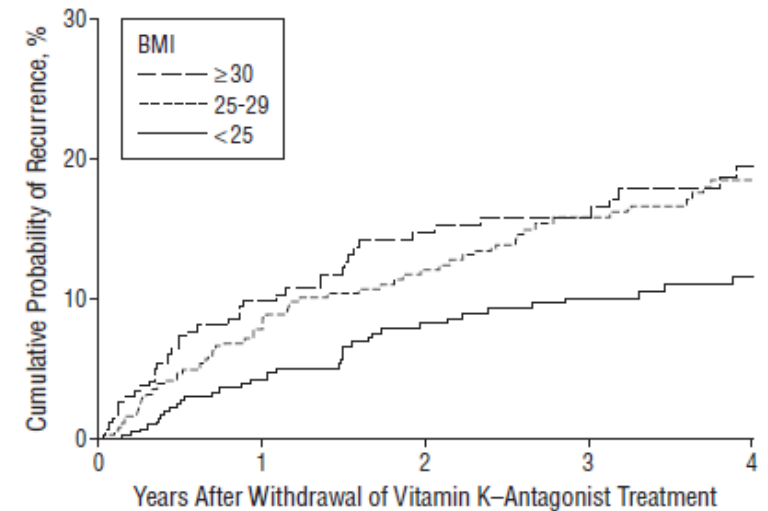
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Table 2. Relative Risk of Recurrent Venous Thromboembolism According to Categories of Body Weight

Body Weight Category	Patients/Events, No.	Relative Risk (95% CI)	
		Unadjusted	Adjusted ^a
Normal weight	416/44	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]
Overweight	420/74	1.7 (1.2-2.5)	1.3 (0.9-1.9)
Obese	271/50	1.9 (1.2-2.8)	1.6 (1.0-2.4)

Abbreviation: CI, confidence interval.

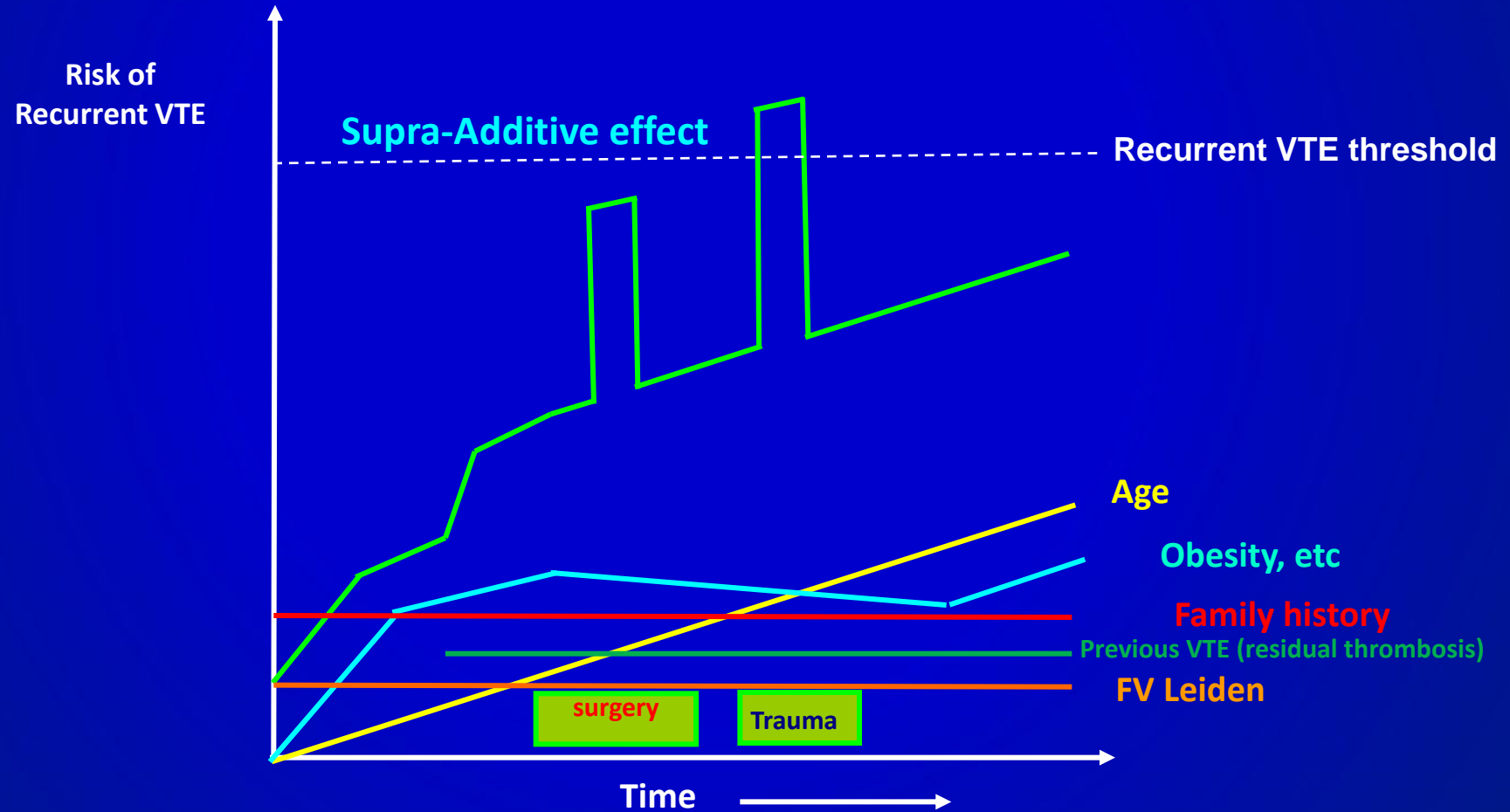
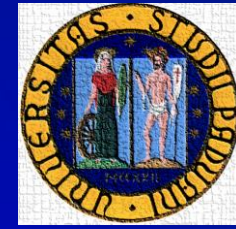
^aAdjusted for age, sex, factor V Leiden, prothrombin G20210A mutation, high factor VIII level, and type of initial venous thromboembolic event.



BMI	Patients at Risk, No.				
≥ 30	271	204	156	129	103
25-29	420	315	257	205	160
< 25	416	330	273	214	169

Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier estimates of the risk of recurrent venous thromboembolism in patients according to categories of body mass index (BMI) (calculated as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared).

A MULTIFACTORIAL MODEL FOR RECURRENT THROMBOSIS



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Table 11 Categorization of risk factors for venous thromboembolism based on the risk of recurrence over the long-term

Estimated risk for long-term recurrence ^a	Risk factor category for index PE ^b	Examples ^b
Low (<3% per year)	Major transient or reversible factors associated with >10-fold increased risk for the index VTE event (compared to patients without the risk factor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery with general anaesthesia for >30 min • Confined to bed in hospital (only "bathroom privileges") for ≥3 days due to an acute illness, or acute exacerbation of a chronic illness • Trauma with fractures
Intermediate (3–8% per year)	Transient or reversible factors associated with ≤10-fold increased risk for first (index) VTE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor surgery (general anaesthesia for <30 min) • Admission to hospital for <3 days with an acute illness • Oestrogen therapy/contraception • Pregnancy or puerperium • Confined to bed out of hospital for ≥3 days with an acute illness • Leg injury (without fracture) associated with reduced mobility for ≥3 days • Long-haul flight
	Non-malignant persistent risk factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inflammatory bowel disease • Active autoimmune disease
	No identifiable risk factor	
High (>8% per year)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active cancer • One or more previous episodes of VTE in the absence of a major transient or reversible factor • Antiphospholipid antibody syndrome



Carriers of severe hereditary thrombophilia (antithrombin, protein C or protein S deficiencies, homozygous factor V Leiden or prothrombin G20210A)

Who?



Venous thromboembolic diseases: diagnosis, management and thrombophilia testing (NG158)

Venous thromboembolic diseases: diagnosis, management and thrombophilia testing

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1.9 Thrombophilia testing

- 1.9.1 Do not offer testing for hereditary thrombophilia to people who are continuing anticoagulation treatment. [2012, amended 2020]
- 1.9.2 Do not offer thrombophilia testing to people who have had provoked DVT or PE. !?
- 1.9.3 Consider testing for antiphospholipid antibodies in people who have had unprovoked DVT or PE if it is planned to stop anticoagulation treatment, but be aware that these tests can be affected by anticoagulants and specialist advice may be needed. [2012, amended 2020]
- 1.9.4 Consider testing for hereditary thrombophilia in people who have had unprovoked DVT or PE and who have a first-degree relative who has had DVT or PE if it is planned to stop anticoagulation treatment, but be aware that these tests can be affected by anticoagulants and specialist advice may be needed. [2012, amended 2020]
- 1.9.5 Do not routinely offer thrombophilia testing to first-degree relatives of people with a history of DVT or PE and thrombophilia. !?

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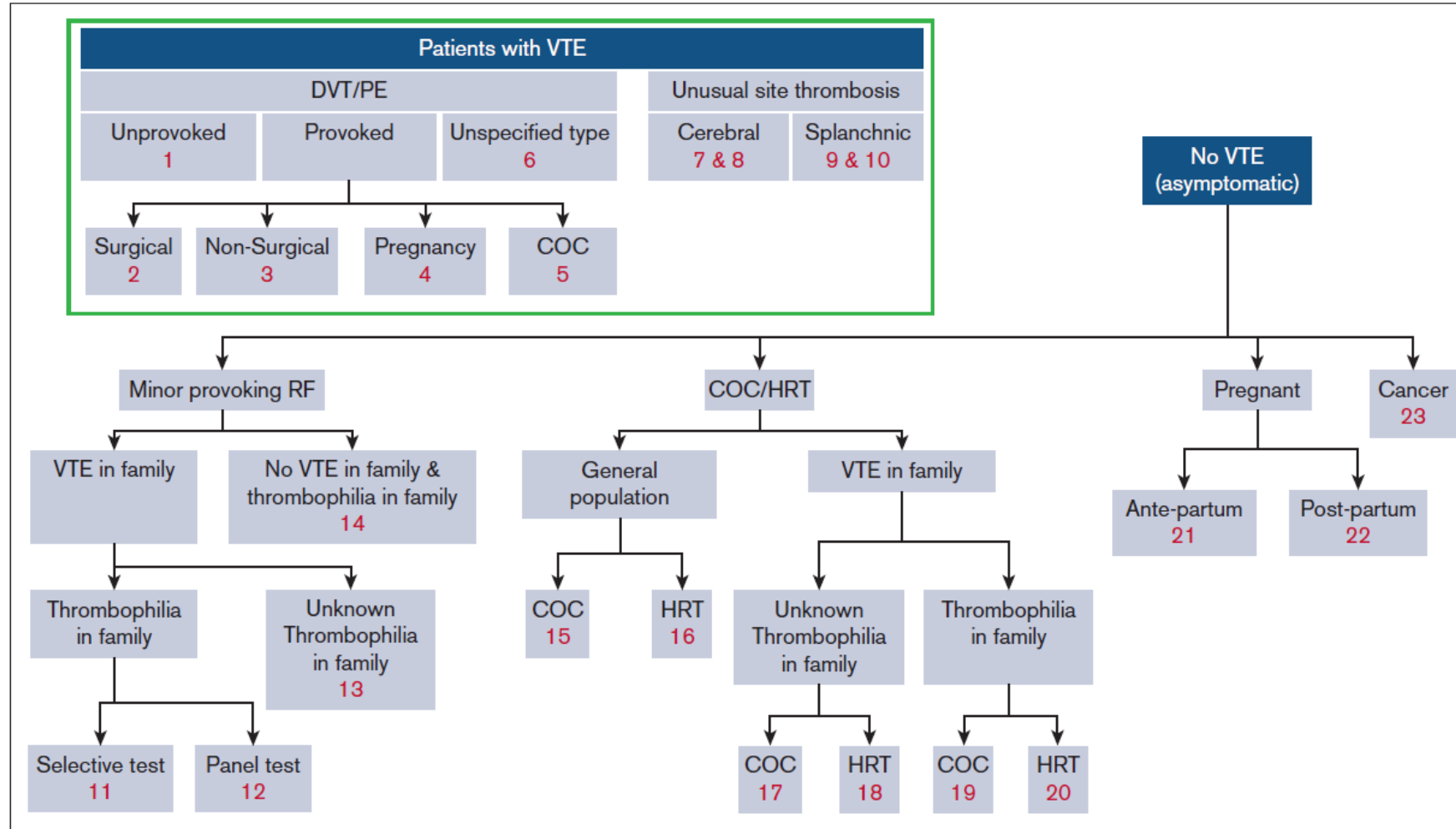


Figure 1. Overview of guideline questions. Minor provoking risk factors: circumstances that generally do not require prophylaxis, such as immobility or minor injury, illness, or infection. RF, risk factor.

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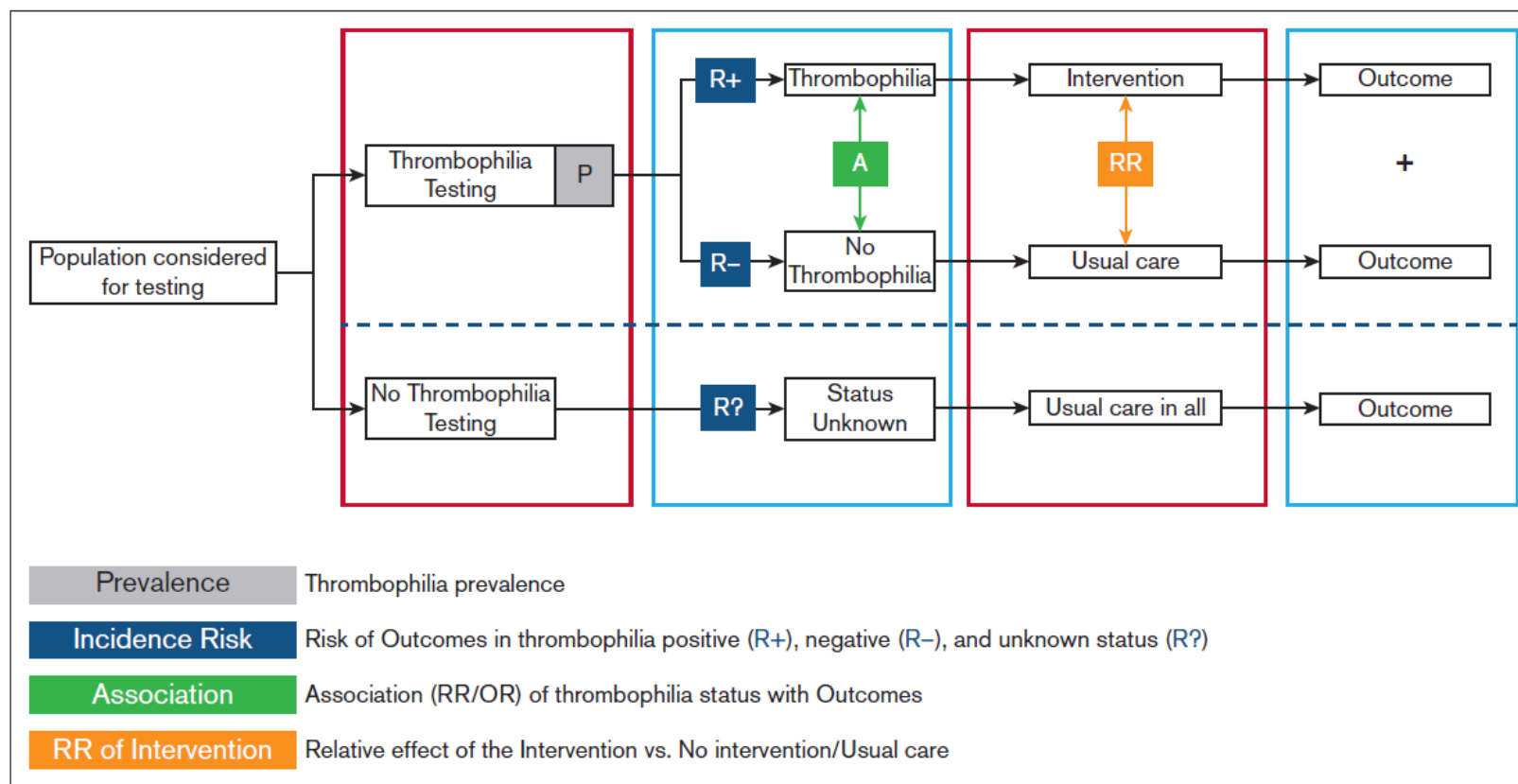
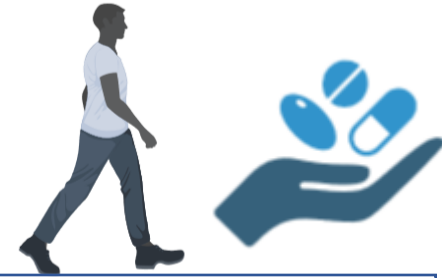


Figure 2. Modeling approach for determining the effect of thrombophilia testing. Population considered for testing: Figure 1 with the guideline flowchart for the different populations for which a recommendation regarding thrombophilia testing was provided. Thrombophilia: any type of thrombophilia or a specific type, depending on whether the recommendation question addresses panel testing or testing for a known specific type in the family. Intervention: course of action other than “usual care.” Depending on the specific question, this means prescribing thromboprophylaxis, withholding thromboprophylaxis, extending thromboprophylaxis, stopping thromboprophylaxis, withholding COCs, or withholding HRT. Usual care: for populations where “usual care” was ambiguous, 2 scenarios were modeled, and separate recommendations were provided (see recommendations 7-10).

4) To influence VTE secondary prevention



- ✓ In patients with **VTE provoked** by a nonsurgical major transient risk factor, should thrombophilia testing be performed to guide treatment duration?
- ✓ In women with **VTE provoked** by pregnancy or postpartum, should thrombophilia testing be performed to guide treatment duration?
- ✓ In women with **VTE associated** with combined oral contraceptives, should thrombophilia testing be performed to guide treatment duration?

Thrombophilia positive anticoagulation sine die
Thrombophilia negative STOP anticoagulation

21 fewer recurrence (13 FVL and PT)/1000 pt/year
2-7 more major bleeding/1000 pt/year

Thrombophilia and DOACs

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Direct Oral Anticoagulants in Patients With Inherited Thrombophilia and Venous Thromboembolism: A Prospective Cohort Study

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Risk of RECURRENCE DURING Anticoagulation =NO DIFFERENCE

Risk of CRNM BLEEDING during Anticoagulation =DOAC WORSE

Risk of BLEEDING during Anticoagulation =DOAC WORSE

Risk of RECURRENCE AFTER STOPPING Anticoagulation =DOAC BETTER

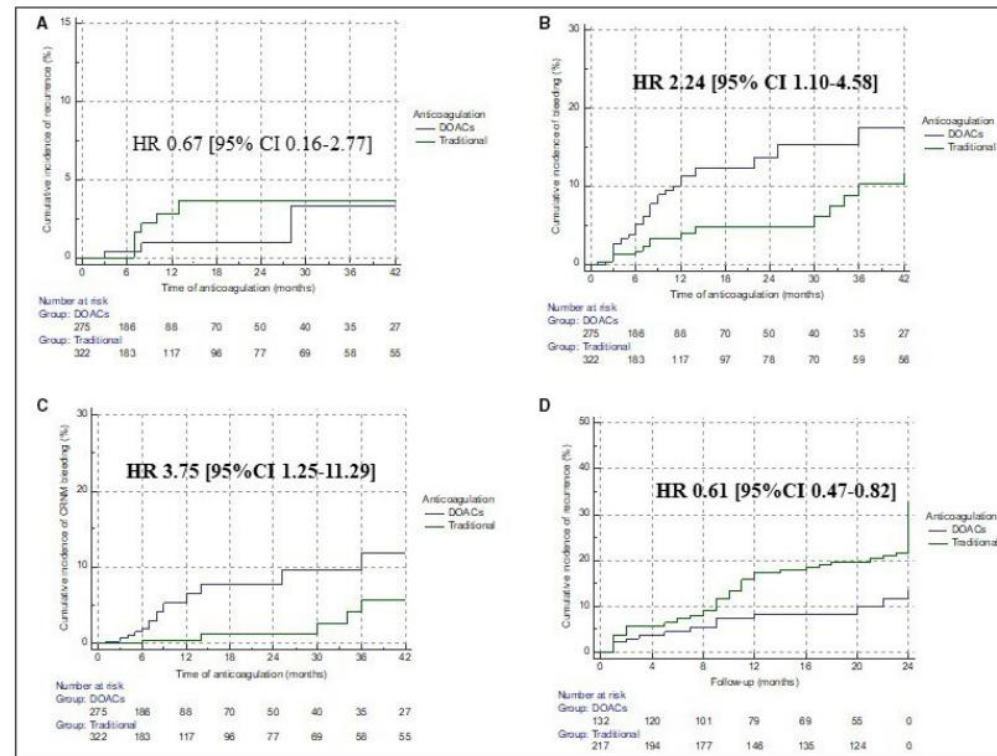


Figure. Cumulative incidence of the study outcomes in patients treated with DOACs vs traditional anticoagulation. **A**, Cumulative incidence of recurrent venous thromboembolism during anticoagulation (Log rank test $P=0.39$). **B**, Cumulative incidence of bleeding during anticoagulation (Log rank test $P=0.015$). **C**, Cumulative incidence of nonmajor clinically relevant (CRNM) bleeding (Log rank test $P=0.0045$). **D**, Cumulative incidence of recurrent venous thromboembolism after stopping anticoagulation during 2 years follow-up (Log rank test $P=0.0033$). DOAC indicates direct oral anticoagulant; and HR, hazard ratio.

Impact of Inherited Thrombophilia on Venous Thromboembolism in Children: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Observational Studies

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Role of APLA & IT in children with a **first TE onset** * [Odds ratio]

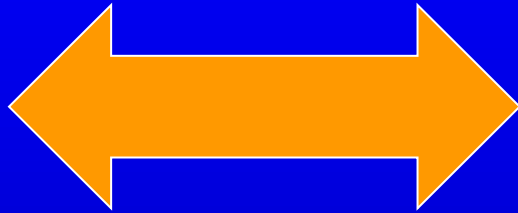
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TE-type	Stroke/CSVT	DVT
APLA	6.58	4.87
FV G1691A	3.26	3.55
FII G20210A	2.43	2.64
PC def.	9.31	7.72
PS def.	3.20	5.77
AT def.	7.06	9.44
combined ITs	11.86	9.5

Young et al. Circulation 2008; Kenet et al. Circulation 2010

Cancer & Thrombosis

Cancer



Thrombosis



Armand Trousseau - 1860

THE RISK OF A DIAGNOSIS OF CANCER AFTER PRIMARY DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS OR PULMONARY EMBOLISM

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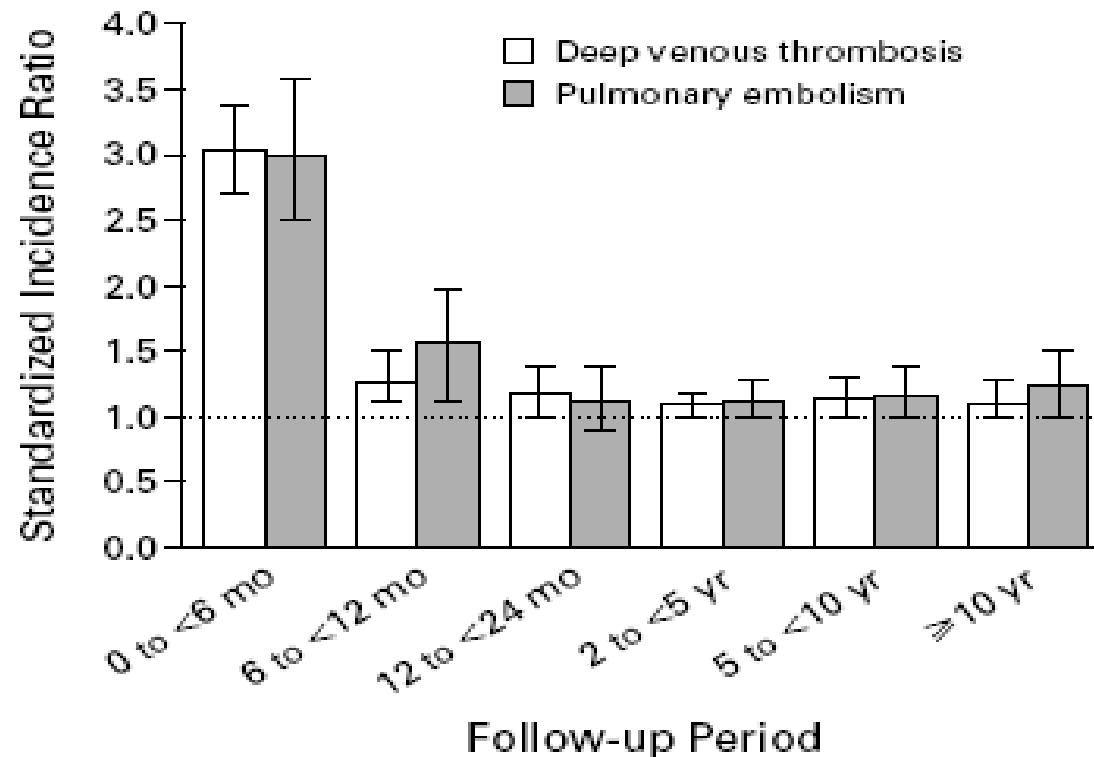


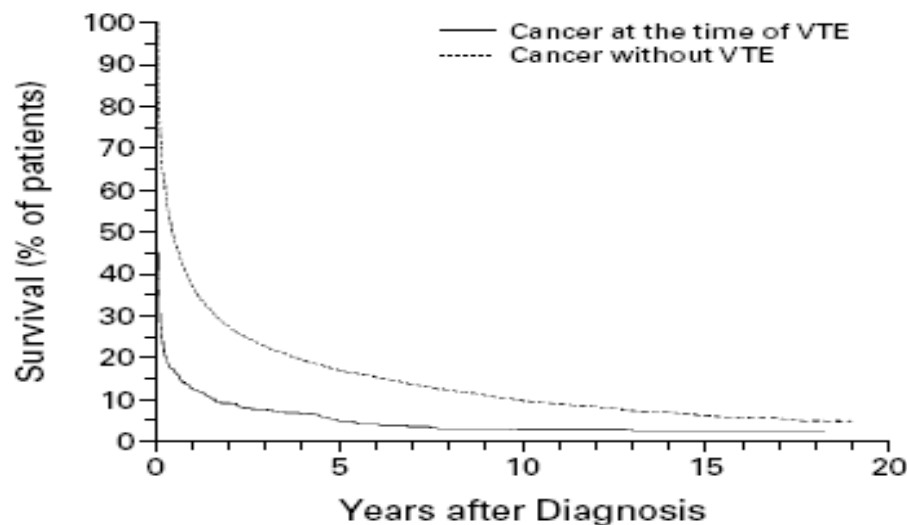
Figure 1. Risk of Cancer in Relation to the Length of the Follow-up Period in 26,653 Patients with Primary Deep Venous Thrombosis or Pulmonary Embolism.

The I bars represent 95 percent confidence intervals.

PROGNOSIS OF CANCERS ASSOCIATED WITH VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM

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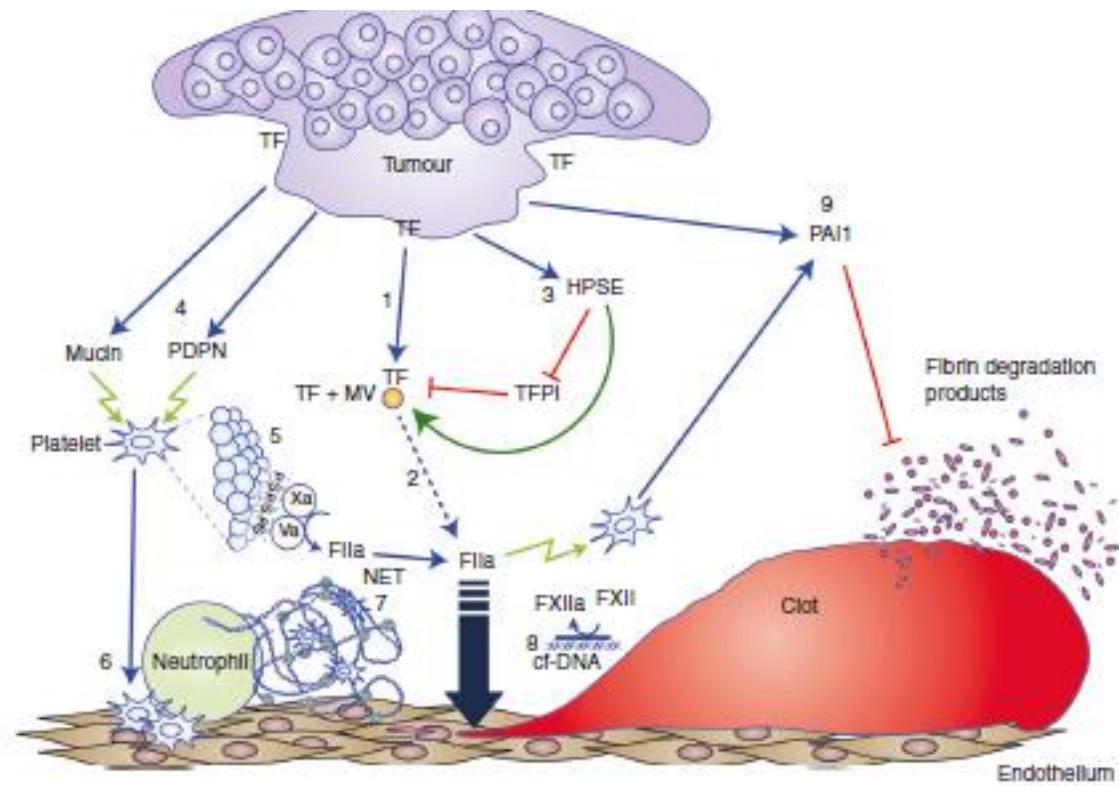


No. AT RISK

Cancer at the time of VTE	668	23	10	3
Cancer without VTE	6668	913	338	87

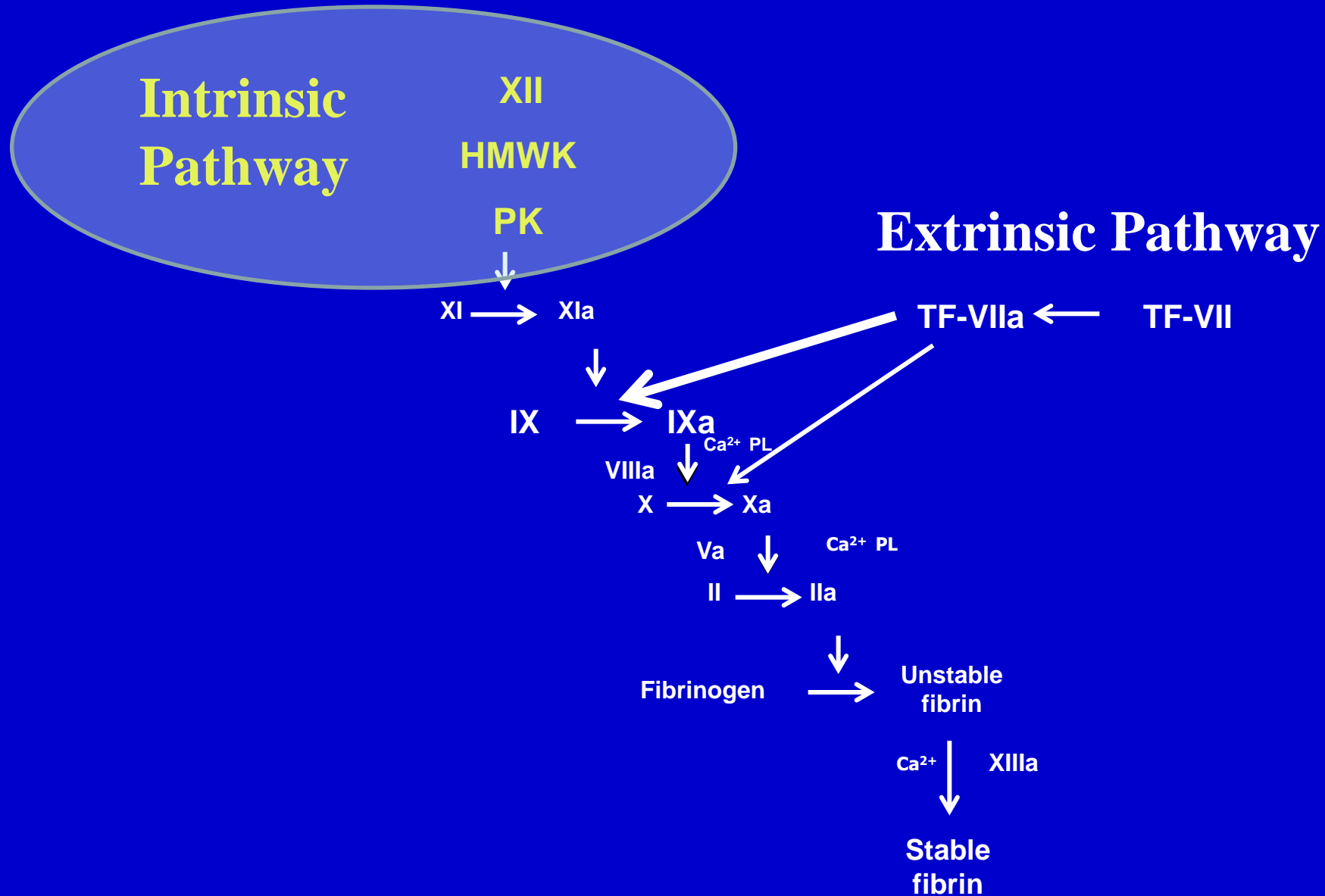
Figure 1. Survival Curves for Patients with a Diagnosis of Cancer at the Time of Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) and Matched Control Patients with Cancer.

The control patients, who did not have venous thromboembolism, were matched with the patients who had venous thromboembolism according to cancer type, sex, age, and year of diagnosis. $P < 0.001$ for the overall curves, by the log-rank test.



From Campello et al, BJC 2019

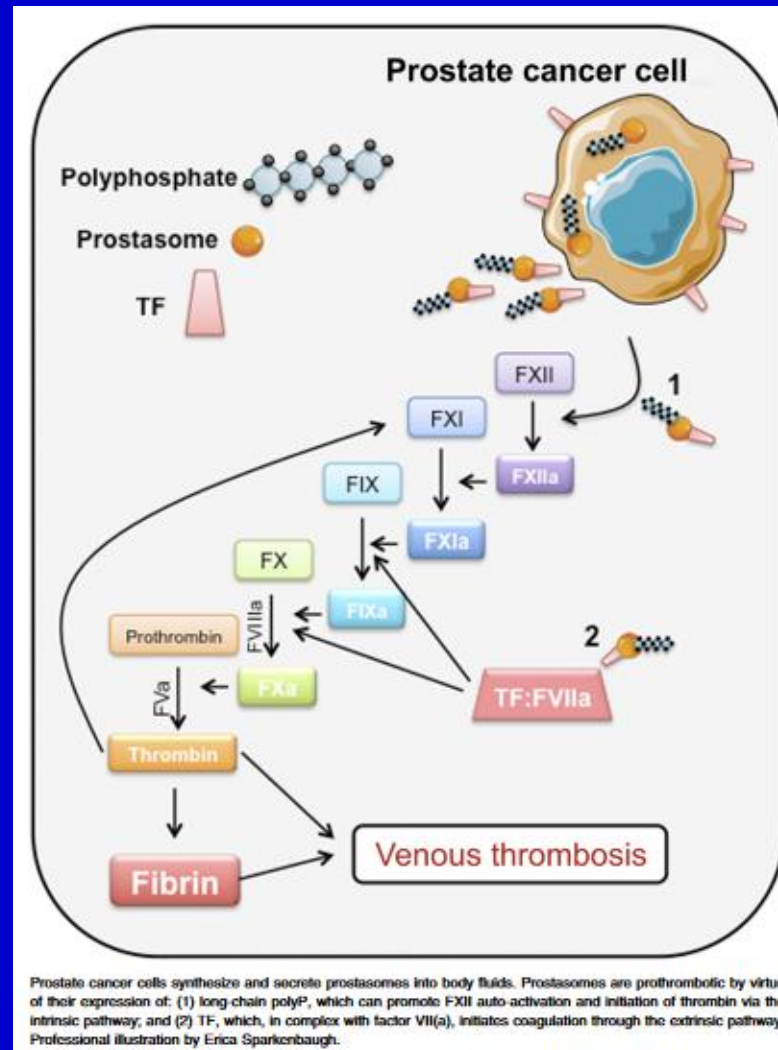
THE CLOTTING "WATERFALL"



New players in Trousseau syndrome

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In this issue of *Blood*, Nickel et al show that long-chain polyphosphates (polyP) on the surface of secreted microvesicles (MVs) from prostate cancer cells activate coagulation factor XII (FXII), leading to thrombosis.¹



Prostate cancer cells synthesize and secrete prostasomes into body fluids. Prostasomes are prothrombotic by virtue of their expression of: (1) long chain polyP, which can promote FXII auto-activation and initiation of thrombin via the intrinsic pathway; and (2) TF, which, in complex with factor VII(a), initiates coagulation through the extrinsic pathway. Professional illustration by Erica Sparkenbaugh.

Blood, 2016

Contact System Activation and Cancer: New Insights in the Pathophysiology of Cancer-Associated Thrombosis

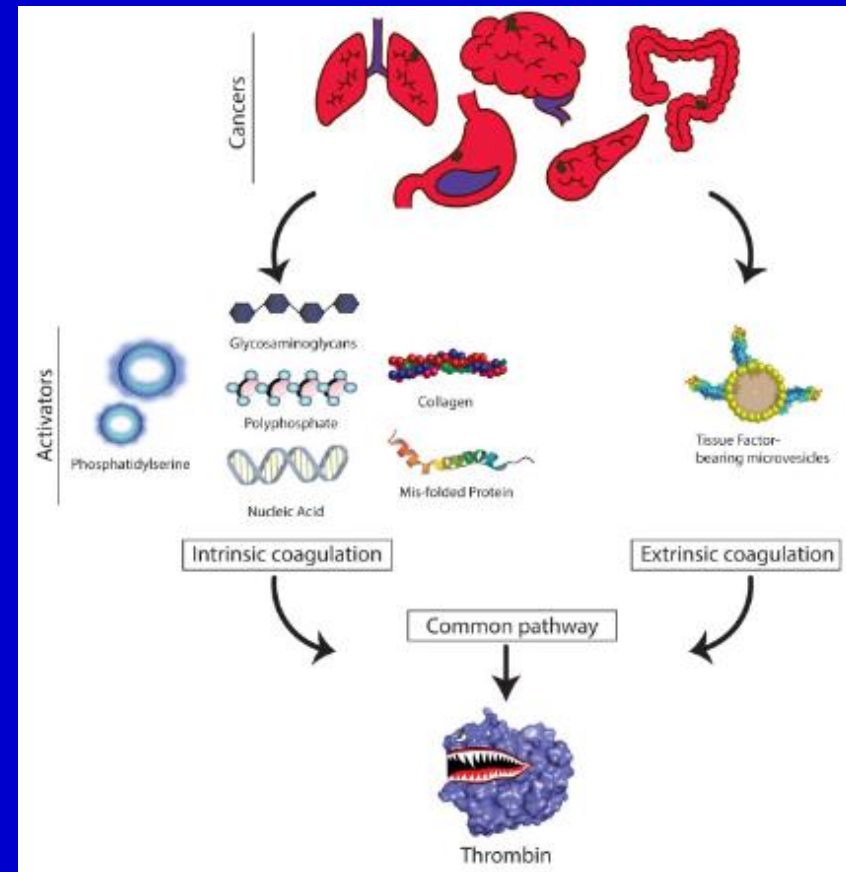
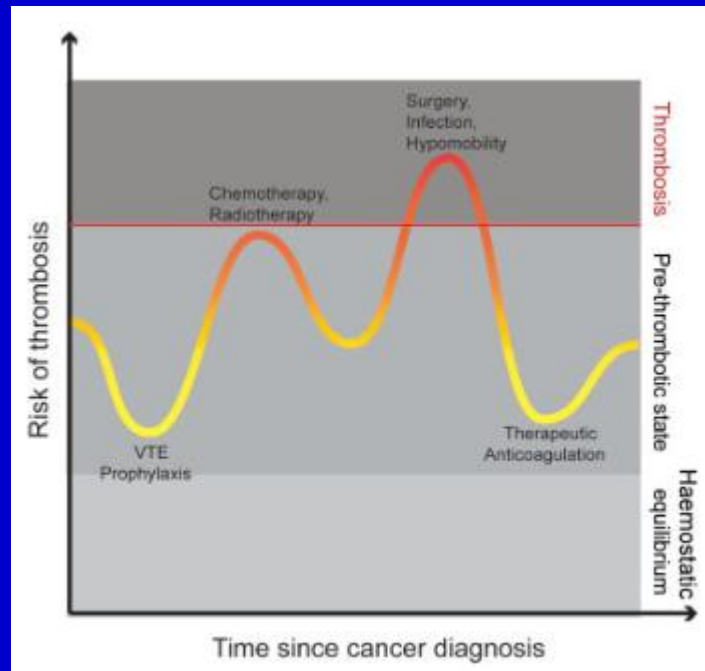
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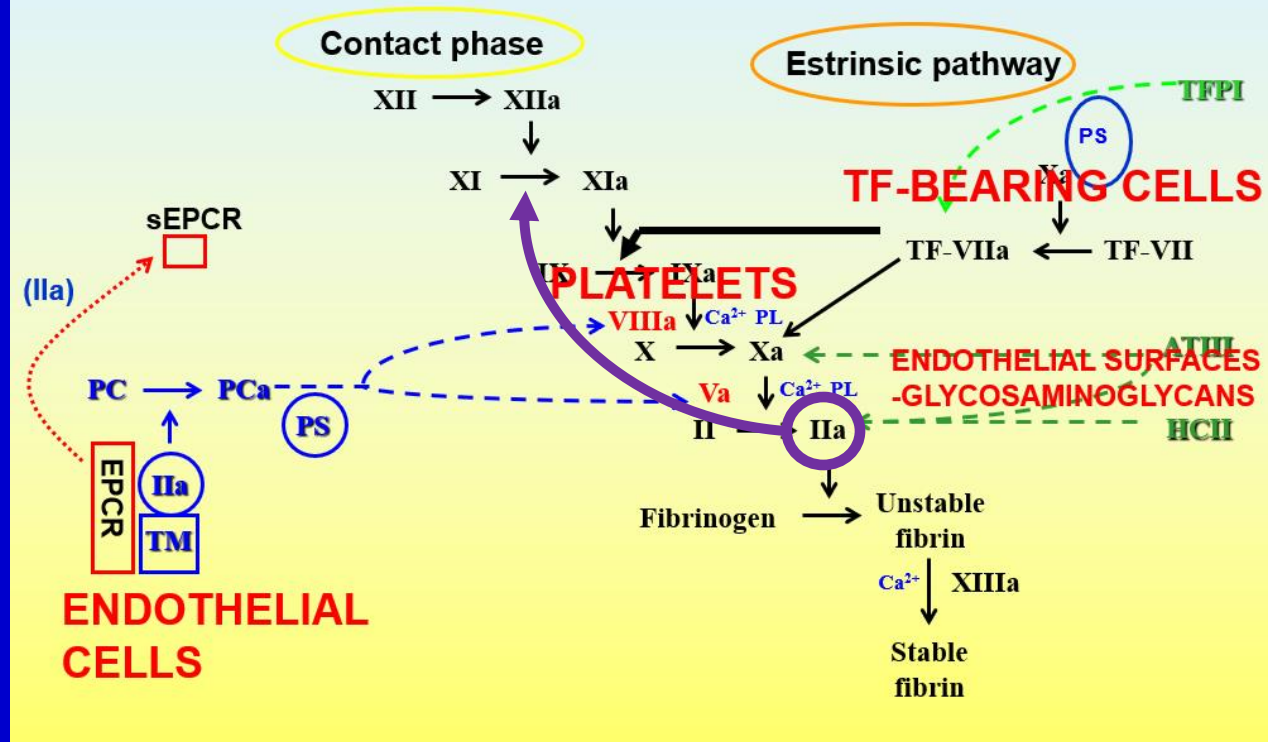
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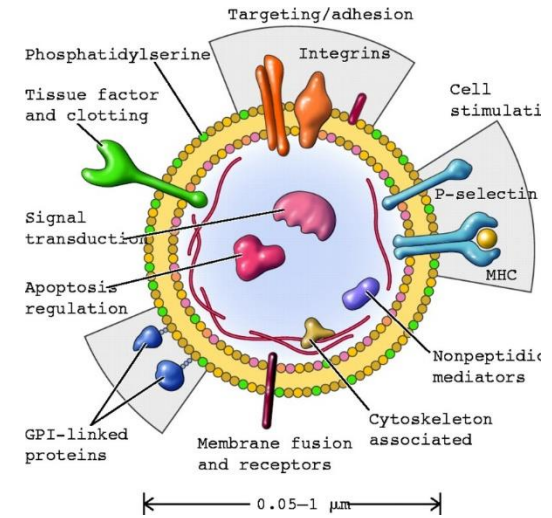
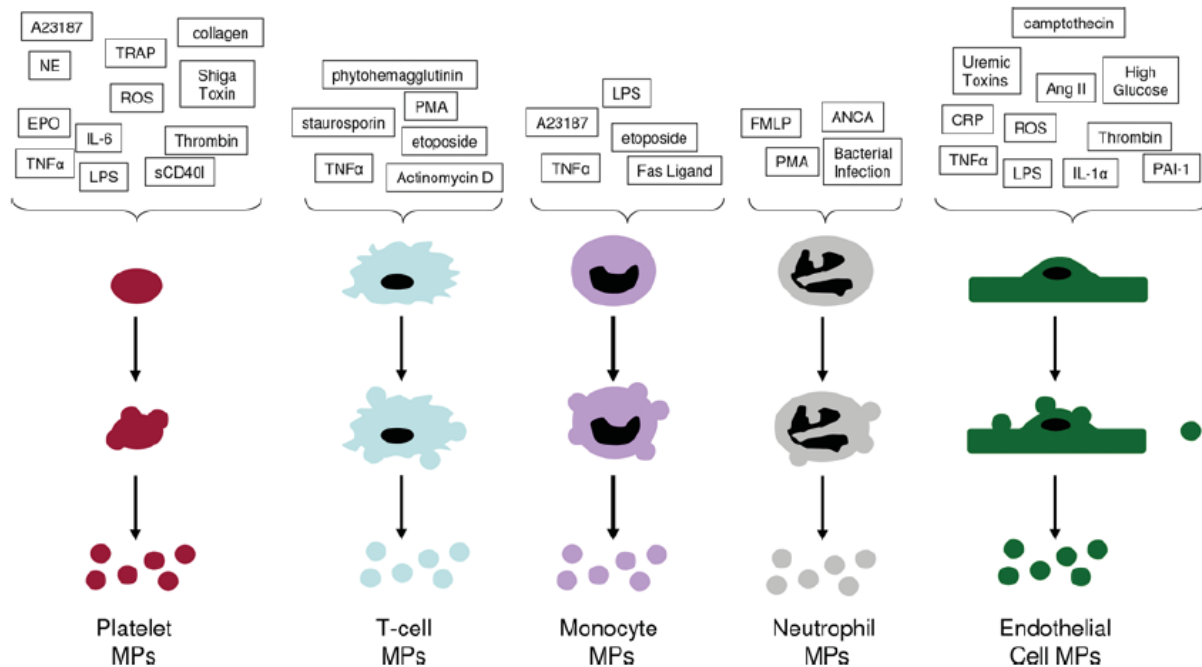


CLOTTING CASCADE AND SYSTEMS OF PHYSIOLOGICAL INHIBITION IN HUMANS



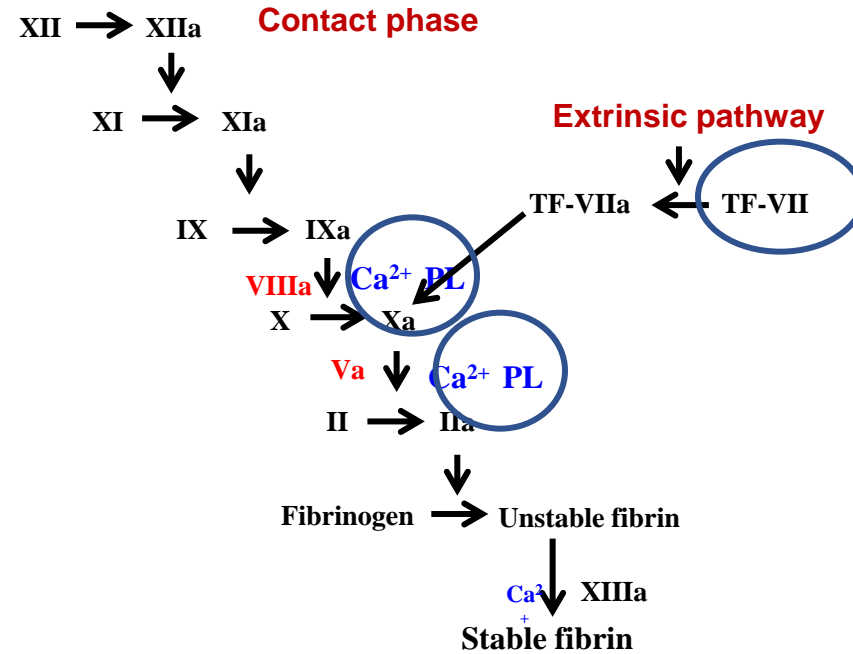
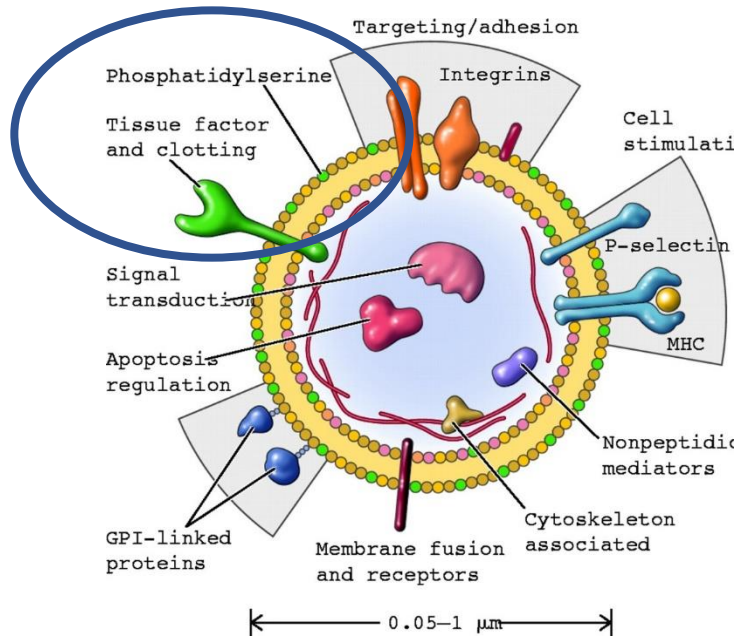
Microparticles – Formation

MPs have been predominantly characterized as products of platelets, white blood cells and endothelial cells.



Microparticles – Coagulation

Perhaps the best established property of MPs is their ability to promote coagulation. MPs are elevated in hypercoagulative disorders and this relationship is probably a result of their active participation in the coagulation process.

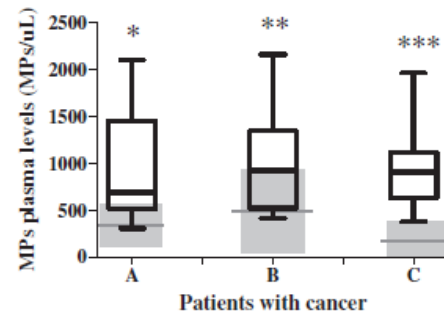


Regular Article

Endothelial, platelet, and tissue factor-bearing microparticles in cancer patients with and without venous thromboembolism

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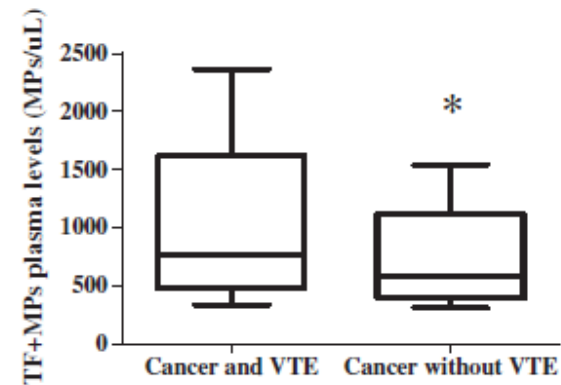


	Case	Controls	p
A	1010 ± 639	299 ± 102	<0.001
B	968 ± 482	495 ± 241	<0.001
C	927 ± 415	204 ± 112	<0.001

Platelet-derived MP

Endothelial-derived MP

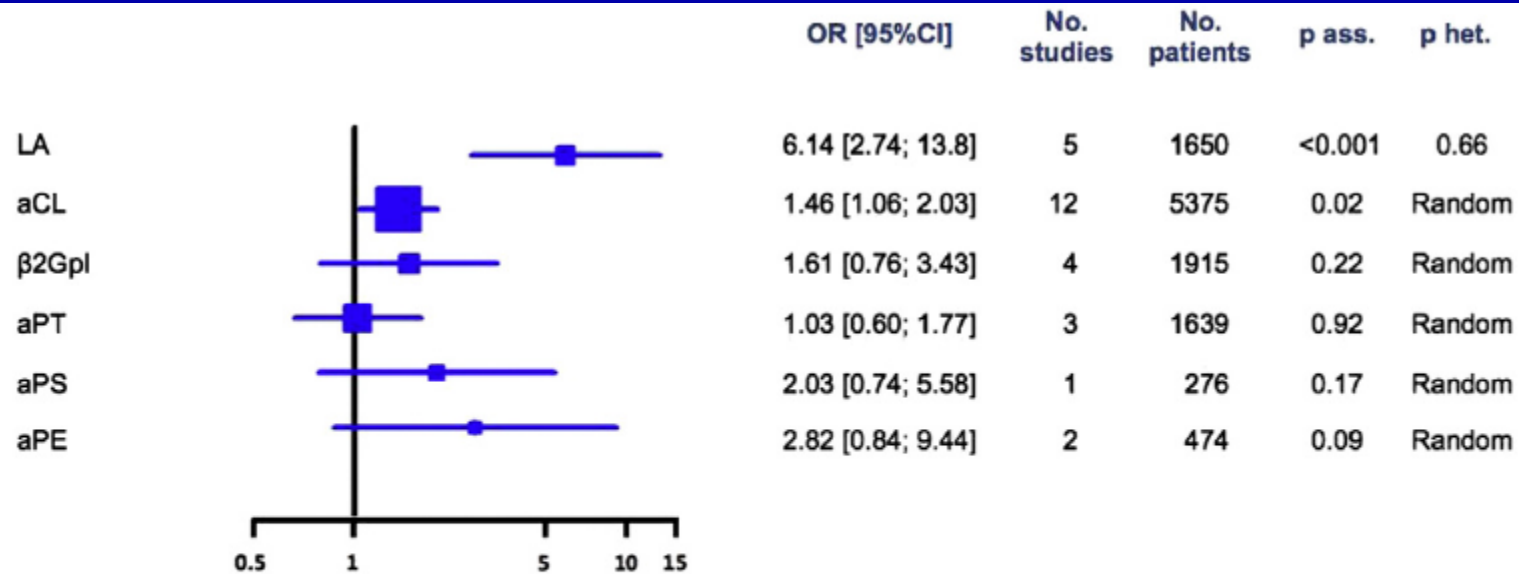
TF+MP



Risk of venous and arterial thrombosis according to type of antiphospholipid antibodies in adults without systemic lupus erythematosus: A systematic review and meta-analysis



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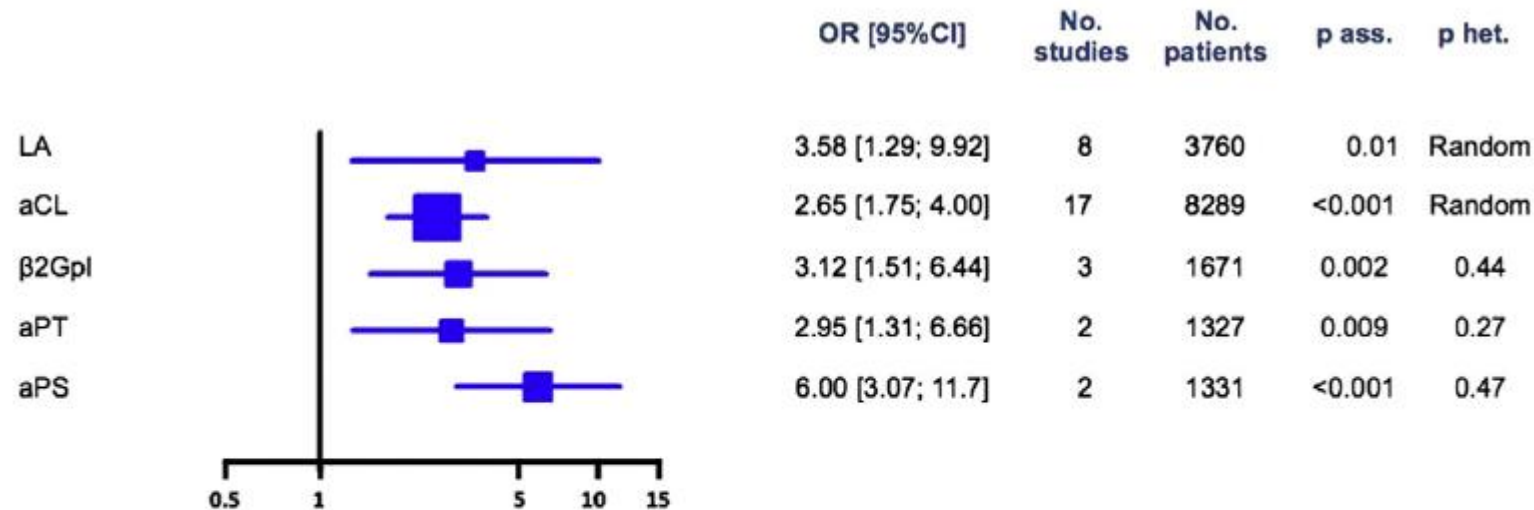
aCL: anti-cardiolipin, aPE: anti-phosphatidyl ethanolamine, aPS: anti-phosphatidyl serine, aPT: anti-prothrombin, LA: lupus anticoagulant, No: number of, OR (95%CI): odds ratio and 95% confidence interval, p ass: p-value for association, p het: p-value for heterogeneity, β2GpI: anti-β2 Glycoprotein I

Fig. 2. Risk of venous thrombosis according to type of antiphospholipid antibody (global forest plot).

Risk of venous and arterial thrombosis according to type of antiphospholipid antibodies in adults without systemic lupus erythematosus: A systematic review and meta-analysis



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NEW MECHANISMS OF THROMBOSIS?

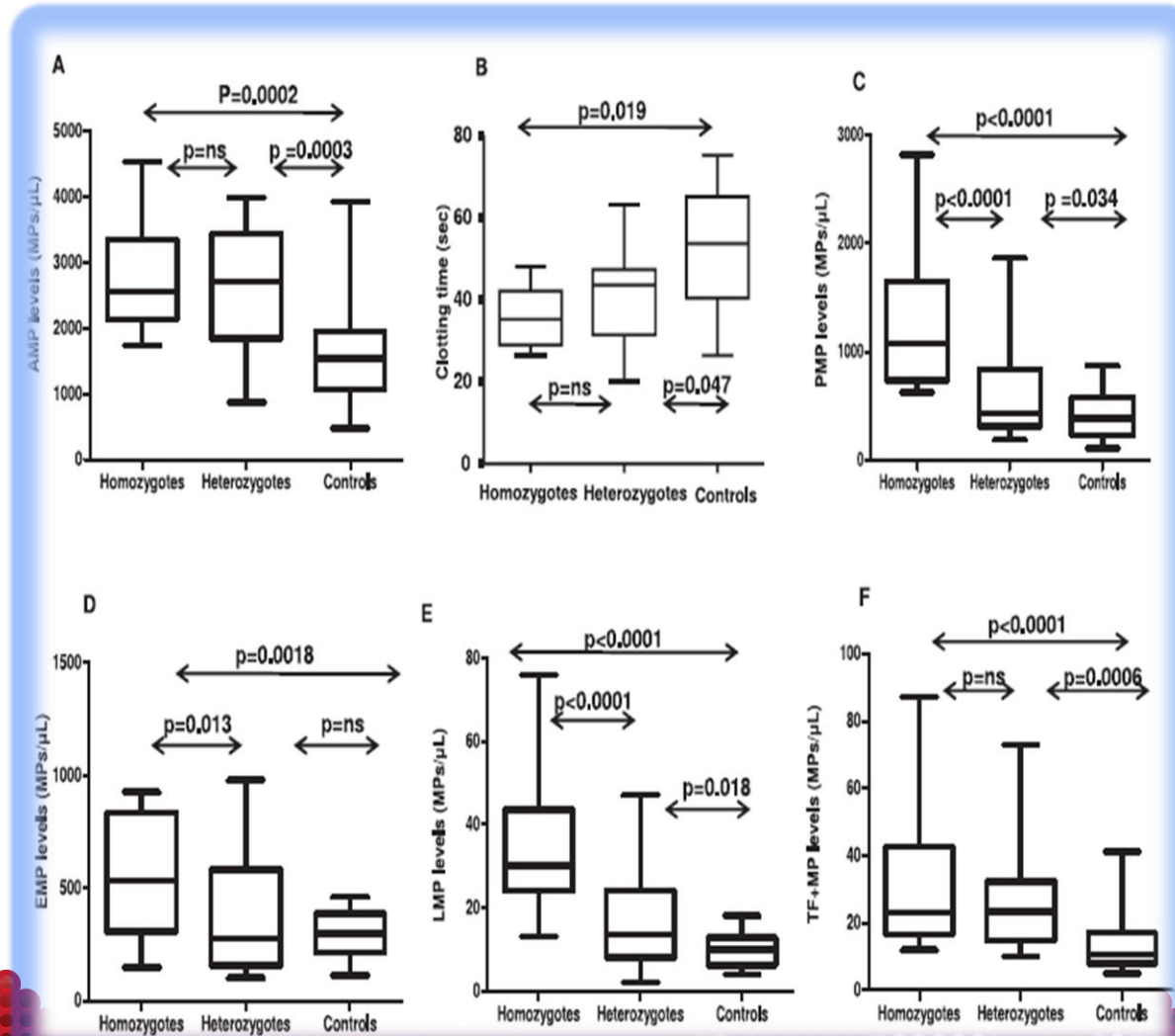


Circulating microparticles in carriers of factor V Leiden with and without a history of venous thrombosis

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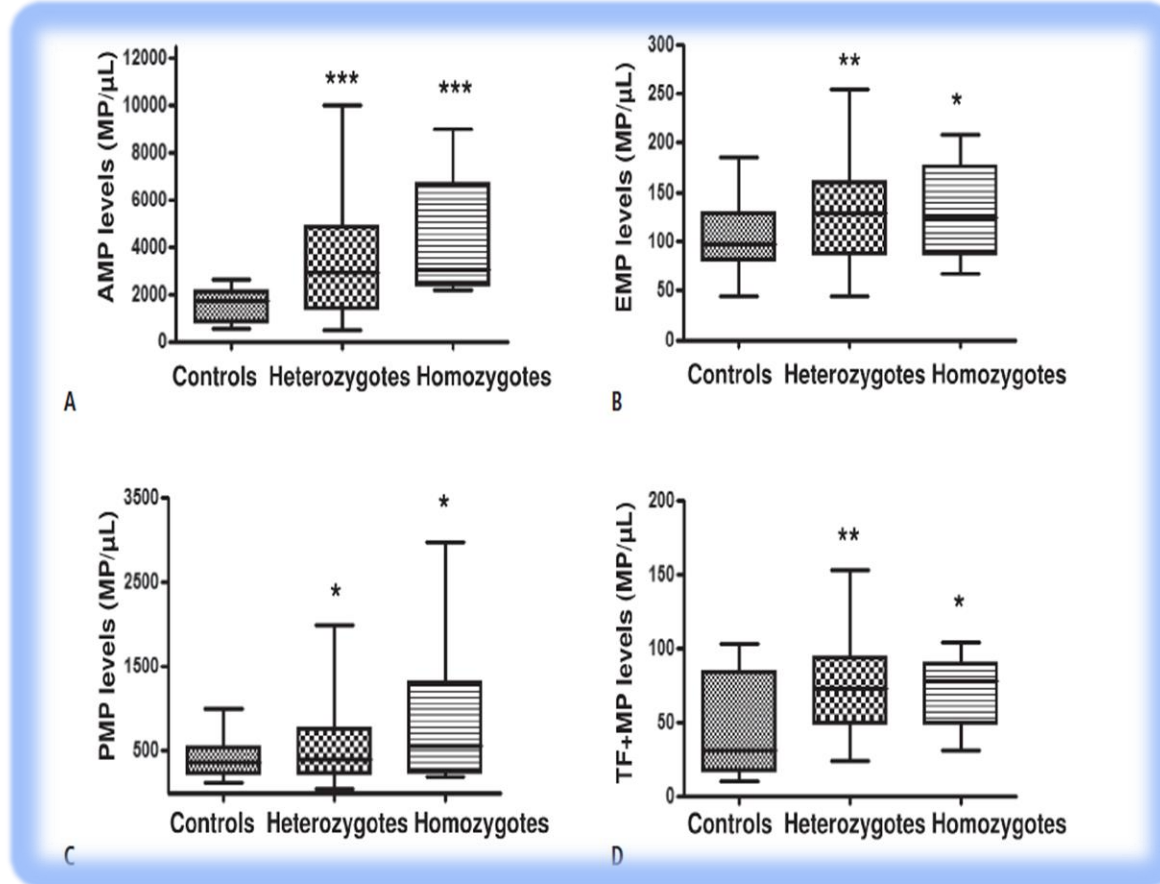




Circulating microparticles in carriers of prothrombin G20210A mutation

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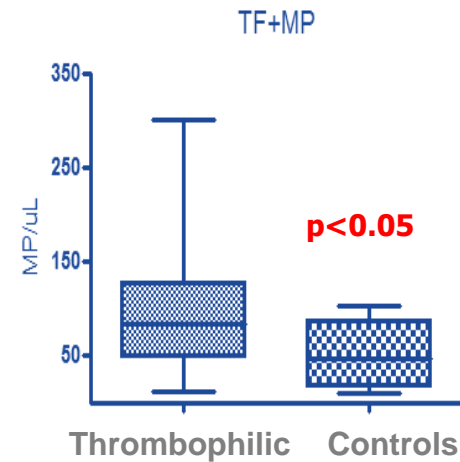
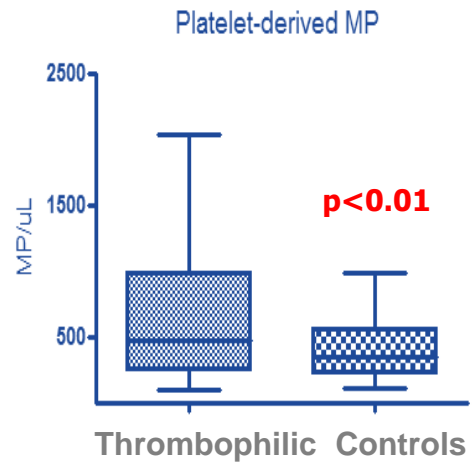
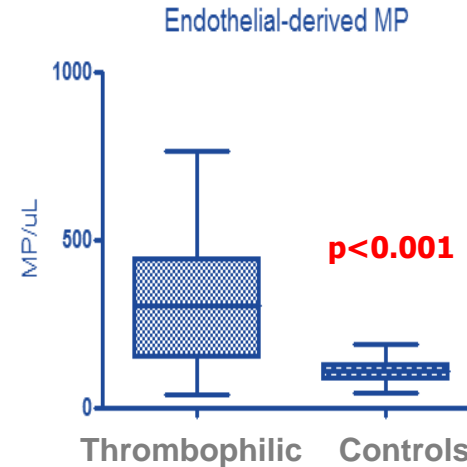
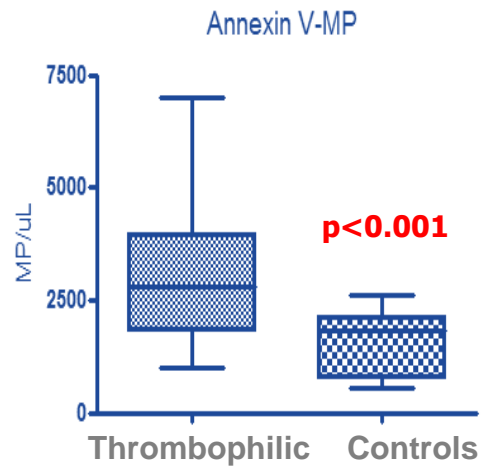
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Circulating Microparticles and the risk of thrombosis in inherited deficiencies of antithrombin, protein C and protein S

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Estimated Odds Ratio for VTE with elevated MP plasma levels

	MP (n/ μ L) 95 th percentiles	ODD RATIO (95% CI)	
		Univariate	Multivariate
Annexin V- MP	2734	4.01 (2.50- 8.34)	3.36 (1.59- 7.11)
Endothelial -MP	171	9.26 (3.55- 24.1)	7.41 (2.90- 15.05)
Platelet-MP	791	3.65 (1.36- 8.30)	2.72 (1.16- 6.38)
TF+MP	101	1.97 (1.18- 3.02)	1.63 (1.02- 2.60)

Multivariate analysis was adjusted for age, sex, BMI.

1. UNDIAGNOSED
THROMBOPHILIA?

2. NEW INHERITED
THROMBOPHILIC
CONDITIONS?

Novel hereditary thrombophilia

More recently, **sporadic gain-of-function mutations** in the genes encoding coagulation factors have been described in individual probands/families with severe thrombophilia.

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BRIEF REPORT

X-Linked Thrombophilia with a Mutant Factor IX (Factor IX Padua)

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CASE REPORT

- ✓ 23-year-old male
- ✓ Occlusive femoral-popliteal DVT of the right leg
- ✓ (LMWH) (nadroparin, 100U/Kg/twice daily) and warfarin (INR 2.0-3.0)
- ✓ No recurrent thromboembolic event has occurred during the 14-month follow-up
- ✓ Doppler ultrasound one year post-DVT showed partial recanalization of femoral-popliteal veins

Coagulation and thrombophilia screening

- PT, aPTT, fibrinogen, D-Dimer
- Antithrombin, Protein C antigen and activity (chromogenic and amidolytic), Protein S (total, free, activity)
- APC-Resistance and FV Leiden; HR2 Haplotype
- Prothrombin variant G20210A
- FVIII, FIX (antigen and activity), FXI
- Homocysteinemia
- LAC, ACA, anti-beta-2-GPI
- Plasminogen

Hyperfunctional Factor IX (Padua)

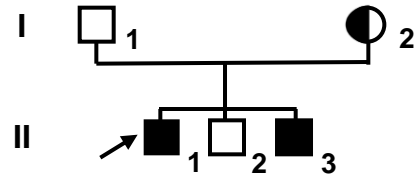
Table 1. Clinical Characteristics and Laboratory Data from the Family Members.*

Subject	Sex	Age (yr)	Activated Partial-Thromboplastin Time (sec)†	Factor IX Antigen (% of normal level)	Factor IX Activity (% of normal level)	Factor IX Activity-to-Antigen Ratio
II-1, proband	M	23	25.7	92	776	8.4
I-1	M	53	35.2	105	127	1.2
I-2	F	46	28.2	94	337	3.5
II-2	M	21	33.4	116	123	1.0
II-3	M	11	29.1	64	551	8.6

* II-1 refers to the proband, I-1 to his father, I-2 to his mother, II-2 to the older of his younger brothers, and II-3 to the youngest brother.

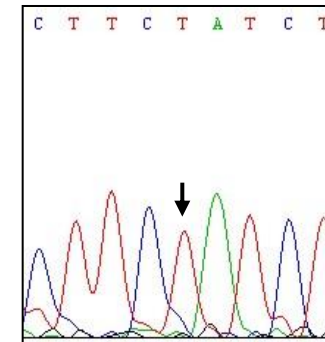
† The normal range for activated partial-thromboplastin time is 30 to 40 seconds.

**Factor IX PADUA or FIX Arg338Leu
(G → T transversion at nt 31134)**

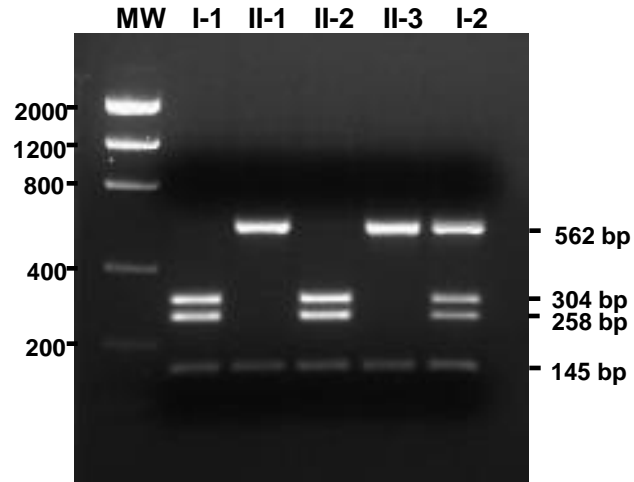


Missense mutation
at nucleotide 31134

Exon 8 – wild type	CTT	CGA	TCT
aa sequence –wild type	337Leu	338Arg	339Ser
Exon 8 – Factor IX Padua	CTT	CTA	TCT
aa sequence – Factor IX Padua	337Leu	338Leu	339Ser



Proband, II-1



RFLP analysis of exon 8 of the FIX gene digested by TaqI endonuclease.

FIX wild-type → three fragments of 304, 258 and 145 bp. (I-1, II-2)

FIX Padua mutation → two fragments of 562 and 145 bp (II-1, II-3) → hemizygotes

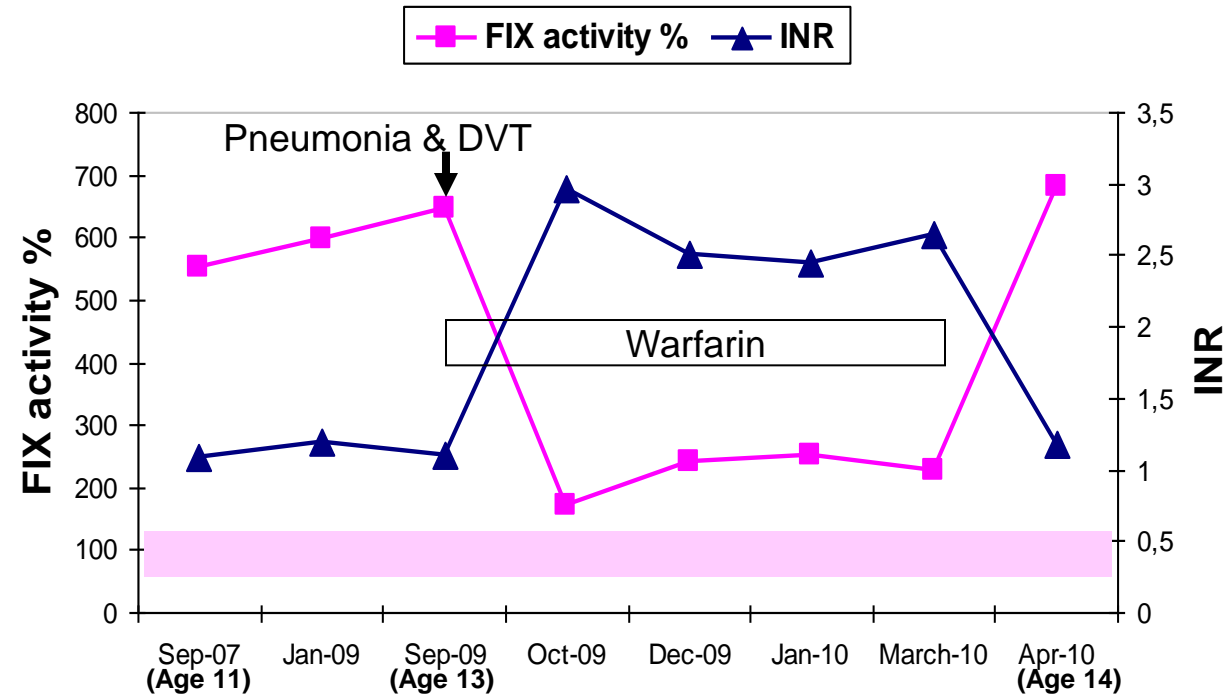
Patients I-2 → four fragments → heterozygous

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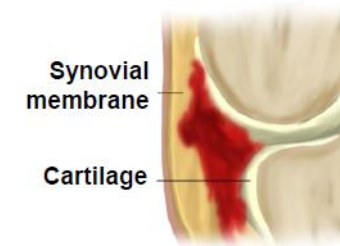
FACTOR IX PADUA AND THROMBOSIS IN CHILDREN



HEMOPHILIA B

Recurrent haemorrhages in the same joint (ie, a target joint) cause:

1. Inflammation of the synovial tissue (*ie, synovitis*)
2. Progressive damage of the tissue
3. Development of arthropathy



canine FIX-Padua

- introduced R338L mutation in canine FIX gene (cFIX-Padua)
- packaged into AAV6 vector
- delivered 3×10^{12} vg/kg via ALP delivery to two HB dogs (M55 and M59)
- 4 weeks immunosuppression



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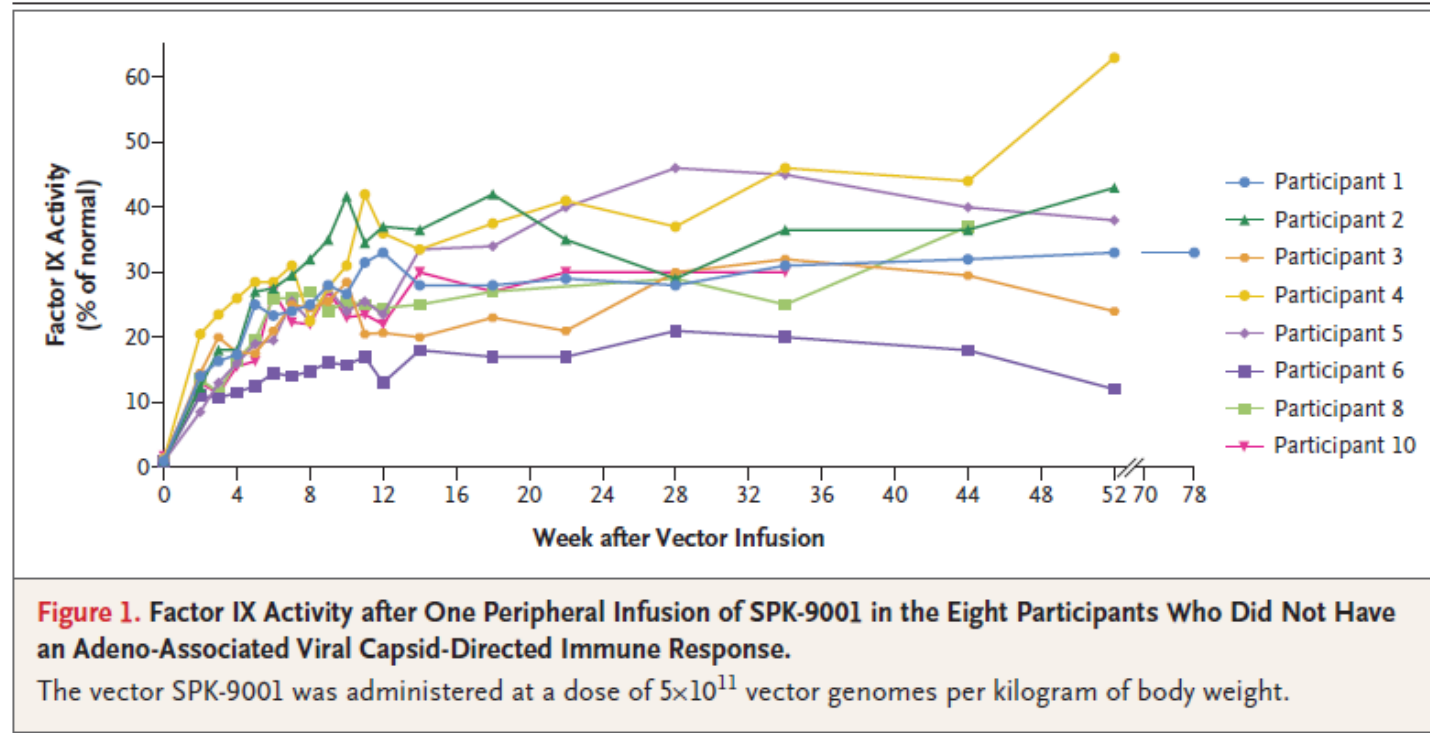
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HEMOPHILIA B GENE THERAPY WITH FACTOR IX VARIANT



Hyperactive Factor IX Padua: A Game-Changer for Hemophilia Gene Therapy

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For the past 25 years, the development of gene therapy for hemophilia has fueled technological innovations and led to emerging insights that benefited the field at large.^{1,2} It was particularly encouraging that sustained expression of coagulation factor IX (FIX) was achieved after liver-directed gene therapy with adeno-associated viral vectors (AAVs) in patients with severe hemophilia

the *New England Journal of Medicine*,⁴ George and colleagues (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia) and Spark Therapeutics have now achieved this goal and demonstrated sustained FIX coagulant activity of $33.7 \pm 18.5\%$ (range, 14% to 81%) after AAV-based gene therapy in all trial participants (9 out of 9) receiving a vector dose of 5×10^{11} vector genomes (vg)/kg.

The improvement in vector performance in this recent clinical trial can be ascribed mainly to the use of a modified FIX transgene encoding a hyperactive mutant FIX protein containing just a single point-mutation (i.e., R338L). This hyperactivating mutation, designated as FIX-R338L-Padua, was initially identified by Dr. Simioni and colleagues⁵ (University of Padua) in thrombophilic patients that expressed a FIX protein with an 8-fold increase of specific activity compared to wild-type FIX. Presumably, this R338L mutation results in more efficient thrombin generation. In 2012, we initially demonstrated that the incorporation of this hyperactivating R338L mutation in the FIX gene could augment the efficacy of

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Table 4. Current and Planned Gene Therapy Clinical Trials for Hemophilia B

Sponsor	Treatment	Capsid Serotype	Promoter	Transgene Product	Dose (vg/kg)	Phase	Estimated Enrollment	Status	ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier
Freeline	FLT180a	synthetic	liver-specific	FIX-Padua	6e11–2e12	1	18	recruiting	NCT03369444
					LTFU	2, 3	50	recruiting	NCT03641703
Pfizer	fidanacogene elaparvovec (SPK-9001/PF-06838435)	Spark100	ApoE/hAAT	FIX-Padua	5e11	2	15	active, not recruiting	NCT02484092
					n.d.	3	55	recruiting	NCT03861273
Sangamo	SB-FIX: integration of corrective FIX transgene into albumin locus by AAV6-delivered ZFN	AAV6	–	–	n.d.	1	12	active, not recruiting	NCT02695160
SGIMI	YUVA-GT-F901: autologous HSC/MSC, modified with lentivirus encoding FIX	–	–	–	–	1	10	not yet recruiting	NCT03961243
Takeda	TAK-748 (SHP648/AskBio009/BAX 335)	scAAV8	TTR	FIX-Padua	2e11–3e12	1, 2	30	active, not recruiting	NCT01687608
SICRH	scAAV2/8-LP1-FIX	scAAV2/8	LP1	FIX	2e11–2e12	1	14	active, not recruiting	NCT0979238
	AMT-060		liver-specific	FIX	5e12–2e13	1, 2	10	active, not recruiting	NCT02396342
UniQure	AMT-061	AAV5	liver-specific	FIX-Padua	2e13	2	3	recruiting	NCT03489291
						3	56	recruiting	NCT03569891

FIX, clotting factor IX; LTFU, long-term follow-up; n.d., not disclosed; AAV, adeno-associated virus; SGIMI, Shenzhen Geno-Immune Medial Institute; TTR, transthyretin; ApoE/hAAT, apolipoprotein E enhancer/human alpha 1-antitrypsin promoter; ZFN, zinc finger nuclease; SICRH, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Hyperfunctional Factor IX (Shanghai)

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Factor IX alteration p.Arg338Gln (FIX Shanghai) potentiates FIX clotting activity and causes thrombosis

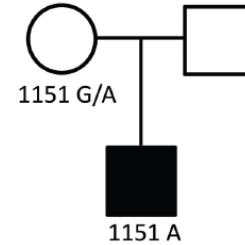
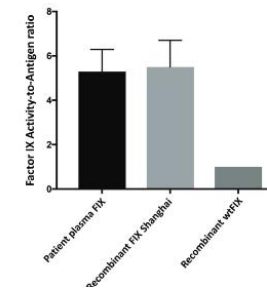
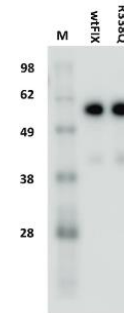
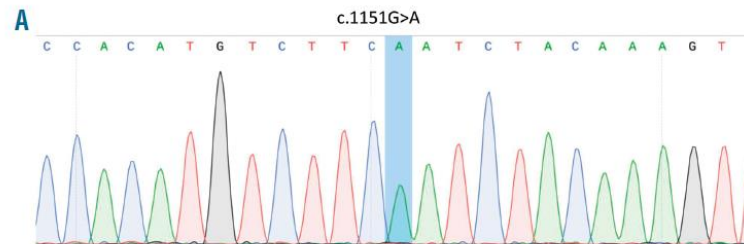


Table 1. The coagulation profile of the patient.

	PT (s)	INR	APTT (s)	Coagulation factor antigen/activity (%)						
				FIX:Ag	FIX:C	FVIII:C	FII:C	FVII:C	FX:C	AT III (%)
Patient	27.3	2.26	38.9	27.5	143.1	126.8	22.5	29.6	10.2	91
Patient's mother	9.3	0.81	29.1	75.8	155.3	155.9	93.6	118.5	96.5	97

PT: prothrombin time; INR: international normalized ratio; APTT: activated partial thromboplastin time; AT III: antithrombin III; F: factor; Ag: antigen; C: coagulation factor activity. Normal reference range for APTT: 25.1~39.5 s; PT: 9.9~15 s; coagulation factor activity: 50~150%; AT III activity: 84.6~120.2%.



BRIEF REPORT

Thrombosis from a Prothrombin Mutation Conveying Antithrombin Resistance

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B Genetic Sequencing of the Proband (IV-1)

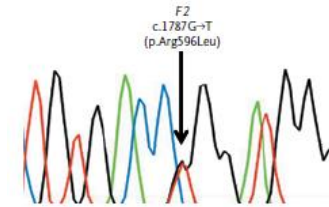
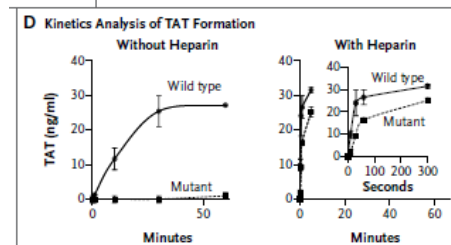


Table 1. Procoagulant and Amidolytic Activities of the Recombinant Prothrombins.*

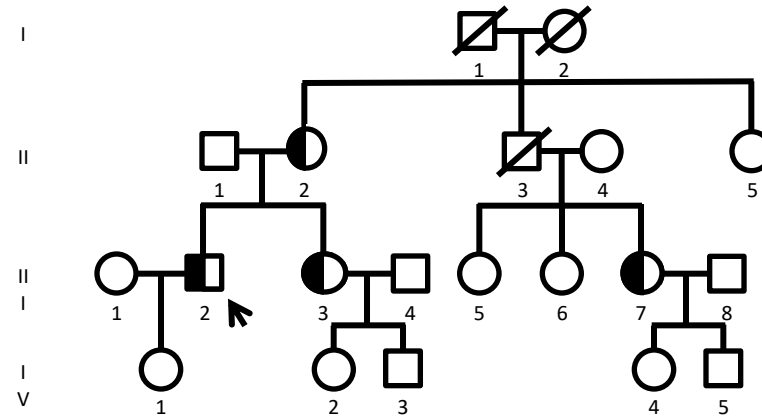
Prothrombin	Antigen†	Activity‡		
		One-Stage Clotting Assay	Two-Stage Clotting Assay	Chromogenic Assay
		percent		
Wild-type	112	91	109	88
Mutant	118	15	32	66



- Novel mechanism of hereditary thrombosis associated with antithrombin resistance, with a substitution of arginine for leucine at position 596 (p.Arg596Leu) in the gene encoding prothrombin.
- The mutant prothrombin had moderately lower activity than wild-type prothrombin in clotting assays, but the formation of thrombin–antithrombin complex was substantially impaired.

PROTHROMBIN PADUA 2

A) Family 1



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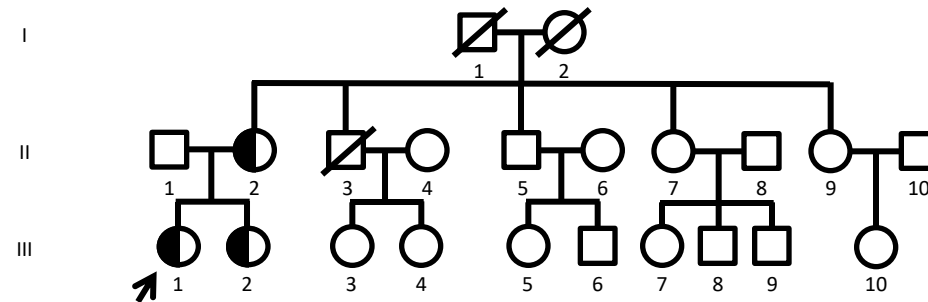


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New Prothrombin Mutation (Arg596Trp, Prothrombin Padua 2) Associated With Venous Thromboembolism
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B) Family 2



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Figure 1. Family pedigree

The probands (panel A, III-2 and panel B, III-1) are indicated by an arrow. Open symbols represent normal individuals, while half-filled symbols represent individuals heterozygous for the p.R596W mutation. Squares represent males and circles represent females.

Table 1. Main Clotting Features of Members of the 2 Families Investigated

Family Member	Sex	Age, y	PT, %*†	aPTT, s‡	FII:Ag, %*§	FII:Act, %*§		Phenotype
						PT-Based	ECT-Based	
Family 1								
III-2, proband	M	47	75.5	28.5	80.0	54.0	67.7	Heterozygous
II-2, mother	F	79	91.3	29.6	60.0	58.0	68.4	Heterozygous
III-3, sister	F	53	78.6	32.9	72.0	58.5	66.3	Heterozygous
III-7, cousin	F	55	86.0	31.0	70.0	74.6	80.4	Heterozygous
IV-1, daughter	F	11	84.3	29.7	92.0	99.5	78.7	Normal
Family 2								
III-1, proband	F	29	77.0	28.7	89.0	65.5	63.1	Heterozygous
II-1, father	M	62	107.5	25.2	103.0	117.4	153.8	Normal
II-2, mother	F	58	85.2	30.2	110.0	78.7	83.3	Heterozygous
III-2, sister	F	33	84.8	28.1	120.0	68.2	60.7	Heterozygous

aPTT indicates activated partial thromboplastin time; ECT, ecarin clotting time; FII:Act, prothrombin functional activity; FII:Ag, prothrombin antigen; and PT, prothrombin time.

*PT, FII:Ag, and FII:Act are expressed as the percentage of the normal level.

†The normal range for PT is 70% to 100%.

‡The normal range for aPTT is 24.4–36.5 s.

§The normal range for FII:Ag and FII:Act is 80% to 120%.

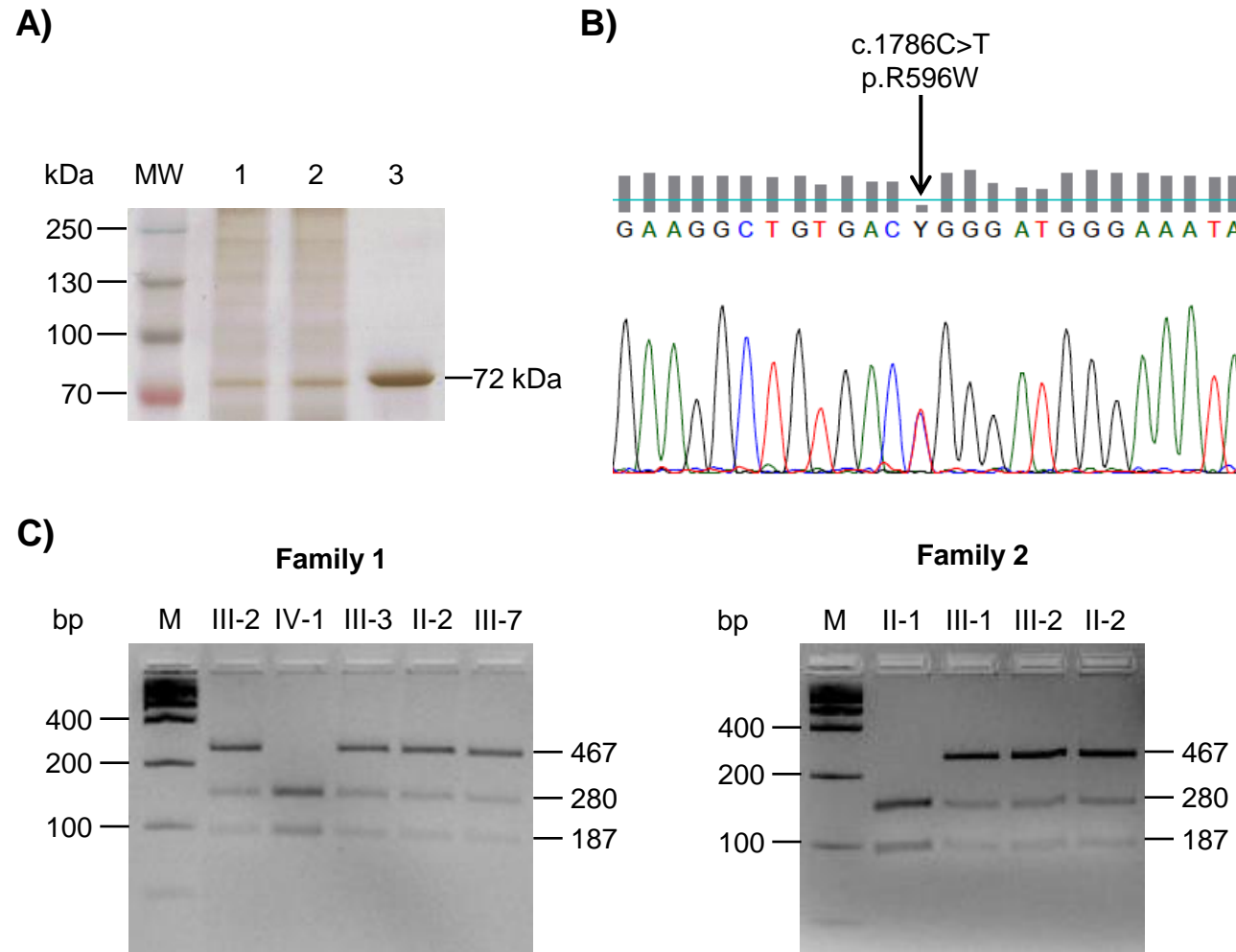
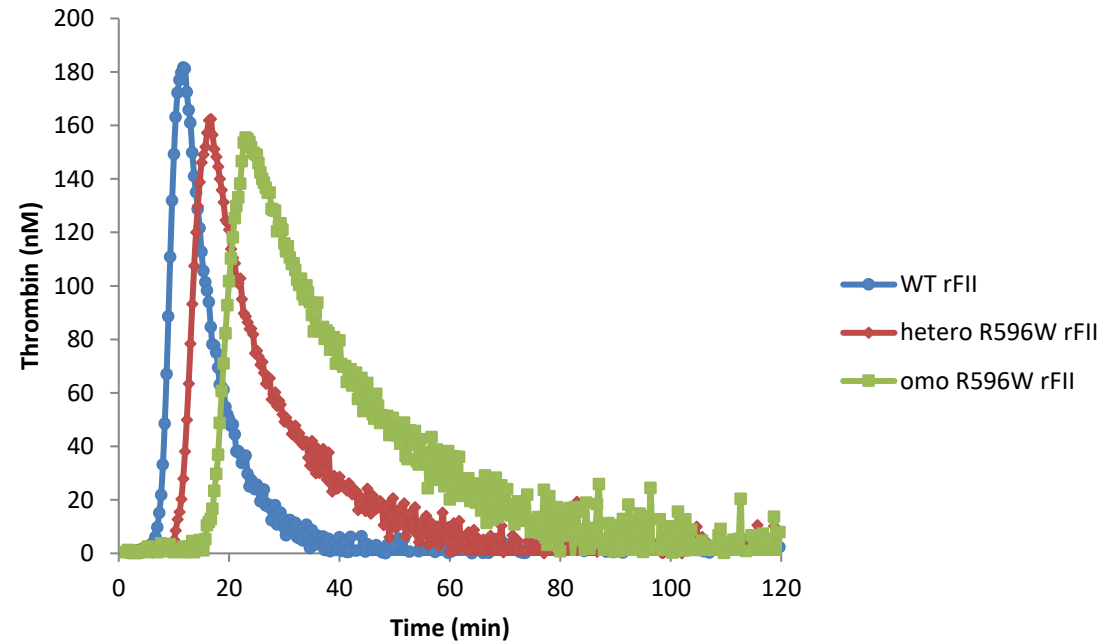


Figure 2. A) SDS-PAGE and silver staining of purified recombinant prothrombins. Line 1. wild type, line 2: mutant (p.R596W), line 3: prothrombin purified from human plasma; MW: molecular weight marker. B) Partial DNA sequence of exon 14 of the prothrombin gene from one proband containing the c.1786C>T (p.R596W) mutation (indicated by an arrow) in heterozygosity. C) *HpaII* digestion of PCR-amplified exon 14 of the two probands and their relatives. Digestion of a normal exon 14 resulted in DNA fragments of 280 and 167 bp. The c.1786C>T mutation abolished the *HpaII* site in exon 14 yielding an additional fragment of 467 bp in the heterozygous patients. In family 1, III-2 refers to the proband, II-2 to his mother, III-3 to his sister, III-7 to his maternal cousin and IV-1 to his daughter. In family 2, III-1 refers to the proband, II-1 to her father, II-2 to her mother and III-2 to her sister. M: DNA ladder.

PROTHROMBOTIC PROTHROMBIN ABNORMALITIES

Table 1 Cases of Prothrombin abnormalities that cause antithrombin resistance and therefore a thrombophilic state

Authors; Year;	Age, Sex	FII act.	FII Ant.	Bleeding	Venous thrombo- sis (age and first episode)	Mutation	Genotype	Eponym	Comments
Miyawaki et al. (2012)	17, F	37.6 a)	63.8 a)	No	Yes (11 years)	Arg596Leu	Het	Prothrombin Yukhashi	Patient from Japan
Djordjevic et al (2013)									
Fam 1	n.r., F	n.r	n.r	n.r	Yes (17 years)	Arg596Gln	Het	Prothrombin Belgrade	Six patients in two families
Fam 2	n.r., F	n.r	n.r	n.r	Yes (16 years)	Arg596Gln	Het		
Sivasundar et al. (2013)	60, M	n.r	n.r	n.r	Yes (60 years)	Arg553Gln	Het	Prothrombin Amrita	Patient from India
Kishimoto et al. (2016)	23, F	n.r	n.r	No	Yes, (15 years)	Arg596Gln	Het	Prothrombin Belgrade	Patient from Japan
Bulato et al (2016)									
Fam 1	47, M	54	80	No	Yes (38 years)	Arg596Trp	Het	Prothrombin Padua	Seven patients in two families
Fam 2	29, F	29	89	No	Yes (27 years)	Arg596Trp	Het		



Measure	Wild type rFII	Hetero R596W rFII	Omo R596W rFII
Lag time (min)	7.67	11.33	17.33
ETP (nM*min)	1711.09	2546.90	3892.63
Peak (nM)	181.60	161.14	154.50
Start tail (min)	44.83	71.00	94.67

Figure 6. Measurement of TG in reconstituted plasmas. TG was assessed with 5 pM TF in prothrombin-deficient plasma reconstituted with the wild type and R596W recombinant prothrombins (wild type rFII and omo R596W rFII, respectively) at a final concentration of 90 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ (100%). Hetero R596W rFII indicates the heterozygous condition, simulated reconstituting prothrombin deficient plasma with 50% wild type recombinant prothrombin and 50% R596W recombinant prothrombin. Table below the TG curves shows the main TG parameters measured.

Clinical impact of new prothrombin mutations

1. ESTIMATED PREVALENCE of Prothrombin Padua 2 in patients with VTE is 0.5%
2. Genome-wide linkage scan in thrombophilic families, (GENUT study), ten Kate et al reported a missense mutation in *F2* characterized by the replacement of an Arginine by Tryptophan (the authors did not indicate the amino acid position). Whether this mutation corresponds to prothrombin Padua 2 remains to be defined.

THROMBOSIS AND HEMOSTASIS

Partial *F8* gene duplication (factor VIII Padua) associated with high factor VIII levels and familial thrombophilia

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CASE REPORT A

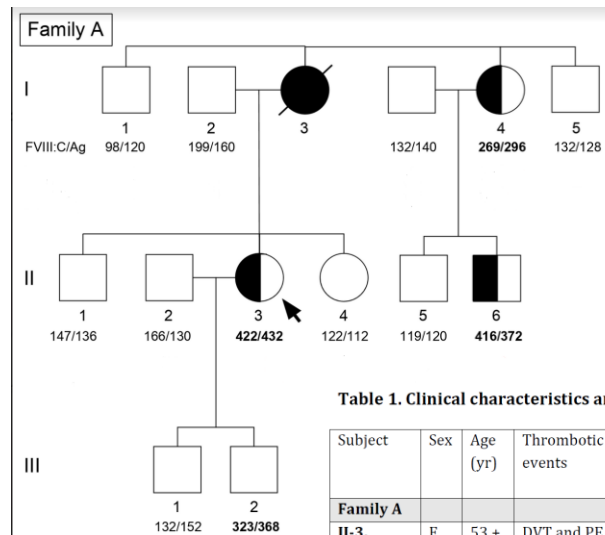
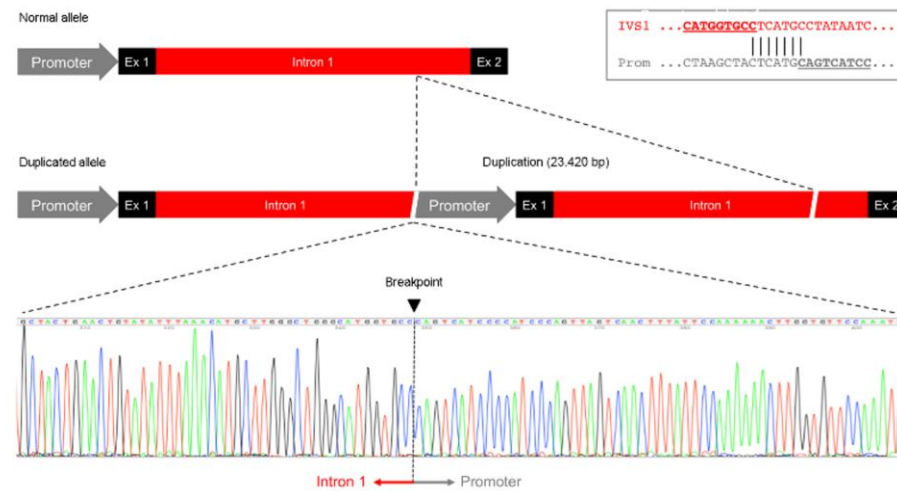


Table 1. Clinical characteristics and laboratory data of the family members

Subject	Sex	Age (yr)	Thrombotic events	Age at first VTE (yr)	PT -INR	aPTT (sec) (normal range: 26-34 sec)	FVIII:C (%) (normal range: 58-162%)	FVIII:Ag (%) (normal range: 64-156%)	VWF: Ag (%) (normal range: 52-178%)	Additional thrombophilic defects
Family A										
II-3, proband	F	53 +	DVT and PE	31	2.88 *	26.5 *	422	432	165	no
I-4	F	77	DVT and PE	49	1.00	21.6	269	296	144	no
II-6	M	45	SVT and DVT	43	0.98	21.1	416	372	60	no
III-1	M	26	no	-	1.11	29.3	132	152	144	no
III-2	M	22	no	-	1.1	27.2	323	368	112	no

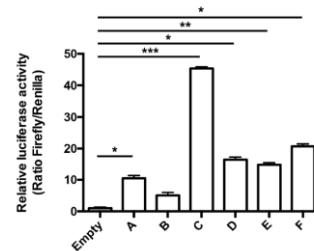
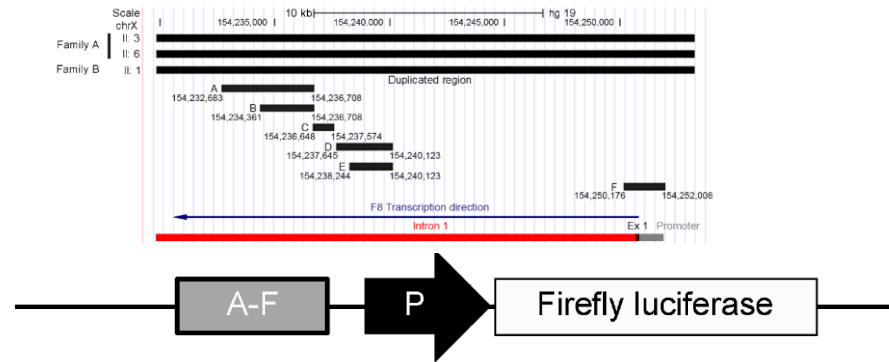
F8 duplication and breakpoint mapping



The duplication spans 23,420 bp (GRCh37 154,229,849-154,253,268) and includes the promoter, exon 1 and nearly the whole intron 1 of the F8 gene.

The two copies are arranged in tandem without spacer DNA and have the same orientation

Functional analysis of the *F8* duplication

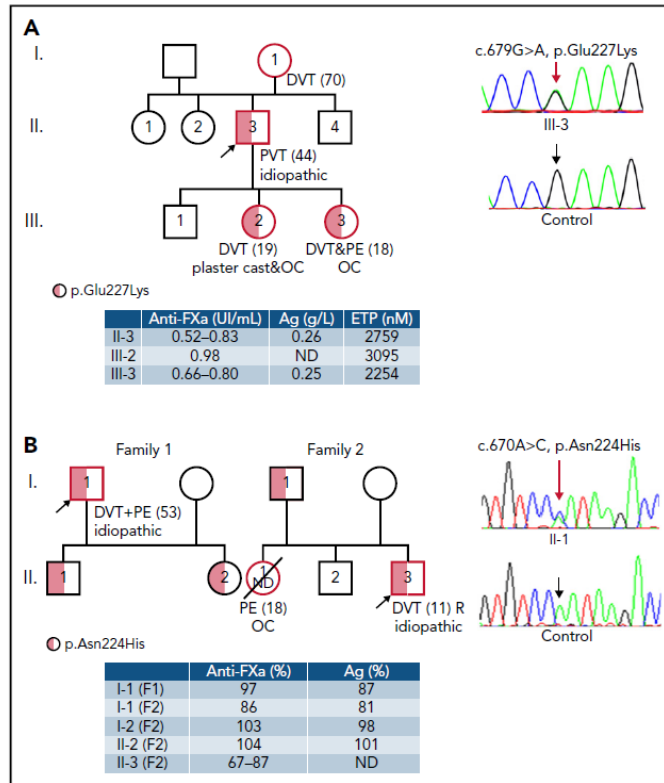


Highest transcriptional activity (>45-fold enhancement) was associated with region C, followed by region F (~20-fold enhancement), which contains the *F8* proximal promoter.

THROMBOSIS AND HEMOSTASIS

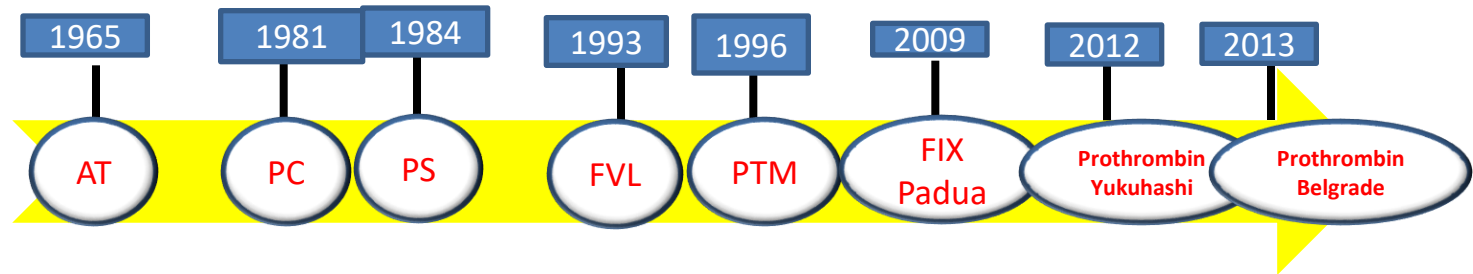
Two *SERPINC1* variants affecting N-glycosylation of Asn224 cause severe thrombophilia not detected by functional assays

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In conclusion, we identified 2 new *SERPINC1* defects that cause hypoglycosylation of Asn224. These variants have minor, if any, functional consequences when using routine methods to diagnose antithrombin deficiency but increase thrombin generation and reduce the inhibition of FVIIa.

Figure 1. Thrombophilic families carrying new *SERPINC1* variants affecting N-glycosylation of Asn224. Clinical information, including type and age of the first thrombotic event (between brackets) and recurrence, functional values (anti-FXa activity), antigen levels, and molecular data (including the electropherogram of exon 4 in a symptomatic patient and a healthy control patient) are shown. Symbols half filled with red represent heterozygous subjects, and a red border indicates a patient who had a thrombotic event. The proband is pointed by an arrow. (A) p.Glu227Lys. Pedigree tree of the index French thrombophilic family. Thrombin generation data in available subjects are also shown. The c.679G>A (p.Glu227Lys) mutation is pointed by a red arrow. (B) p.As224His. Pedigree 3 of 2 unrelated Norwegian families. The c.670A>C (p.As224His) mutation is pointed by a red arrow. DVT, deep venous thrombosis; PVT, portal venous thrombosis; PE, pulmonary embolism; ND, not determined; AT Ag, antithrombin antigen; ETP, endogenous thrombin potential; OC, oral contraceptives; R, recurrence; F1, family 1; F2, family 2.



Genetic risk factors for venous thromboembolism

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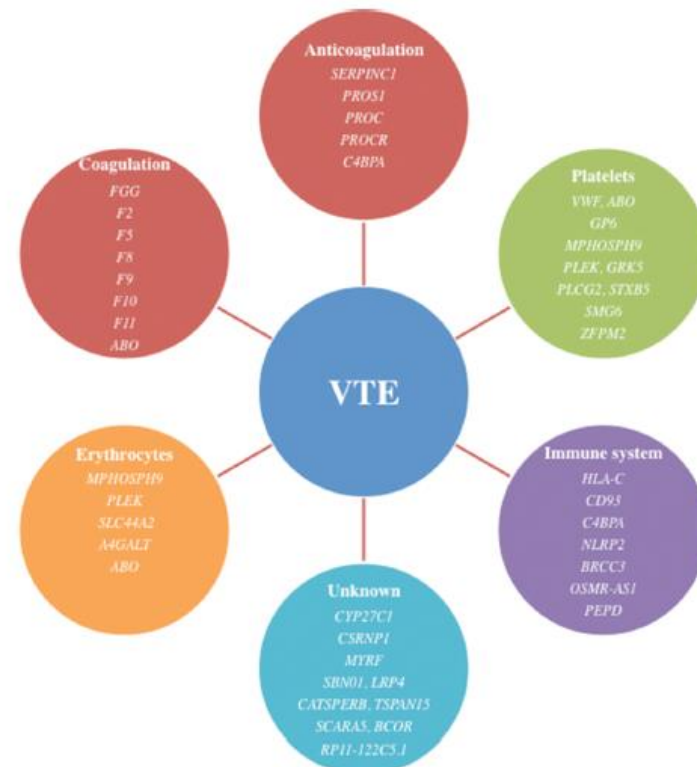


Figure 2. Confirmed genes linked to venous thromboembolism (VTE) in family studies [23–25] or genome wide association studies [43,44] grouped according to potential relation to VTE, i.e. anticoagulation, coagulation, platelets, erythrocytes, immune system, and unknown.

Next Generation Sequencing -NGS

Antithrombin defect ...ONLY??

E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U		
Allele	Reference allele	Length	Zygoty	Count	Coverage	Frequency	ENSEMBL (Homo_sapiens_ensembl_v87_hg19_mRNA)	ENSEMBL	Coding region change	Amino acid change	Amino acid change in longest transcript	Coding region change in longest transcript	Gene Name	dbSNP				
C	No	1	Heterozyg	318	657	48,4182	F5	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356770	p.Asp2227Gly	ENST00000367796	c.6680A>G	F5, F5, F5	6027	benigna	
C	No	1	Heterozyg	381	818	46,7701	F5	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356770	p.Met1769Val	ENST00000367796	c.5305A>G	F5, F5	6030	benigna	
G	No	1	Heterozyg	498	1013	45,16090	F5	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356770	p.Asn822Thr	ENST00000367796	c.2465A>C	F5, F5	6018	benigna	
C	No	1	Heterozyg	403	932	4,24034	F5	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356770	p.Gln534Arg	ENST00000367796	c.1601A>G	F5, F5, F5	6025	benigna	
T	No	1	Heterozyg	1291	2729	47,30670	SERPINC1	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356671	p.Glu227Lys	ENST00000367698	c.679G>A	SERPINC1, SERPINC1		VUS	
T	No	1	Homozyg	435	435	100	F13B	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000356382	p.Arg115His	ENST00000367412	c.344G>A	F13B	6003	benigna	
C	No	1	Heterozyg	328	670	8,95522	TFPI, AC007319.1	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000342306	p.Asn221Ser; ENSP00000386344	p.Asn221S	ENST00000233156	c.628+5354A>G	AC007319.1, AC007319.1	7586970	benigna
C	No	1	Homozyg	2296	2298	99,91296	KNG1, RP11-573D15.8	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000265023	p.Met178Thr	ENST00000265023	c.533T>C	RP11-573D15.8, KNG1, KN	1656922	benigna	
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C	No	1	Homozyg	899	900	99,88888	A2M	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000323929	p.Asn639Asp	ENST00000318602	c.1915A>G	A2M, A2M, A2M	226405	benigna	
G	No	1	Heterozyg	788	1496	52,7379	CPB2, CPB2-AS1	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000181383	p.Ile347Thr	ENST00000181383	c.1040T>C	CPB2-AS1, CPB2-AS1, CPB	1926447	benigna	
C	No	1	Homozyg	1367	1370	99,7102	SERPINA10	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000450896	p.Lys86Arg	ENST00000554723	c.257A>G	SERPINA10, SERPINA10, S	941590	benigna	
A	No	1	Homozyg	2194	2196	99,90892	SERPINA5	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000333203	p.Ser64Asn	ENST00000329597	c.191G>A	SERPINA5, SERPINA5, SER	6115	benigna	
T	No	1	Homozyg	974	975	99,89133	SERPINF2	ENSG00000183846	ENST00000265223	ENST00000265223	ENSP00000321853	p.Ala2Val	ENST00000324015	c.5C>T	SERPINF2, SERPINF2, SER	2070862	benigna	

GENOTYPE ↔ COAGULATION LAB PHENOTYPE ↔ CLINICAL PHENOTYPE

✓ To keep in mind

- ✓ Patients with inherited thrombophilia carry **increased RR of (first) VTE**. The real risk of VTE recurrence is mostly unknown.
- ✓ **Selecting patients for testing and knowing how to use the results** are essential in order to provide the best possible care for patients with VTE.
- ✓ **Unknown/new thrombophilic conditions need to be identified** and the impact on patients management evaluated in future studies
- ✓ Thromboprophylaxis strategies can **prevent** the majority of (provoked) VTE in patients with inherited thrombophilia (if known!) → **need for screening high risk patients**
- ✓ VTE **prevention and treatment strategies** should be reviewed on the basis of the knowledge of new inherited thrombophilia and new anticoagulants (DOACs) → **Studies needed**
- ✓ **CLINICAL THROMBOPHILIA & COAG PHENOTYPES & GENOTYPES:**

A MATTER OF FURTHER INVESTIGATION



**Padua –Scrovegni's Chapel
(painted by Giotto
1304-1306 p.c.)**

