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Hemostasis & disorders

Coagulation = Love !!!!

Every body talk about it,

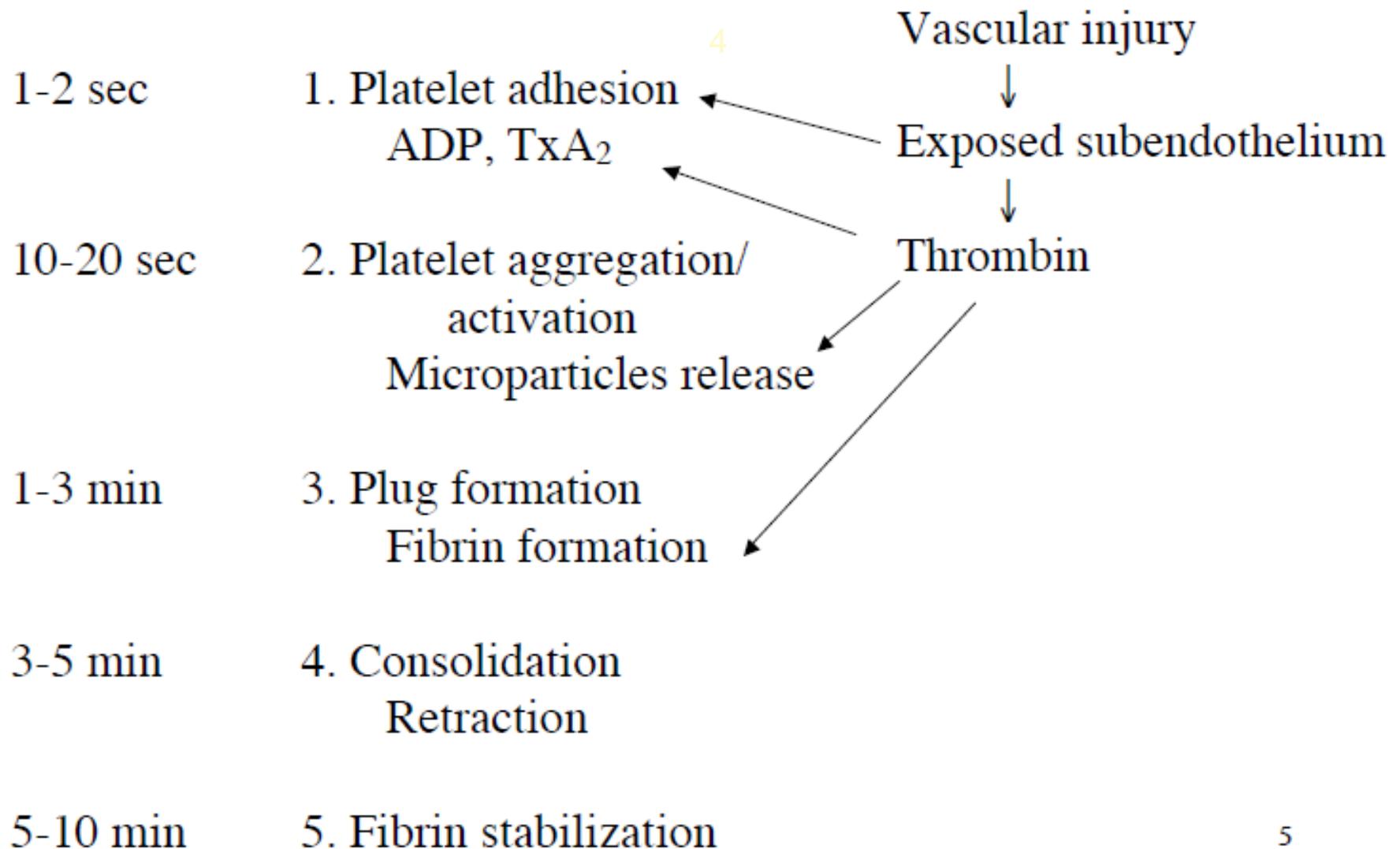
But

Just a few people understand it

Hemostasis

- *Heme*= blood
- *stasis*= to halt
- Process of retaining blood within the vascular system
- Repairs injury to blood vessels
- Stops or prevents blood loss

Overview of Hemostasis



Hemostasis

Failure or deficiencies in any of these five systems can lead to varying degrees of uncontrolled hemorrhaging or clotting

- **Components**
 - **Vascular System**
 - Controls rate of blood flow
 - **Platelet System**
 - Interaction of vasculature and platelets form a **temporary** plug
 - **Coagulation System**
 - (i.e) fibrin forming
 - **Fibrinolytic System**
 - Fibrin lysing
 - **Coagulation Inhibition System**
 - Natural inhibitors
 - Control fibrin formation and fibrin lysis

Following injury, each component must function optimally.

Hemostasis Consists of three stages

- Primary Hemostasis

- Process of blood clotting in response to injury where **blood vessels** (vasculature) and **platelets** and **vWF** are the main "players."
- **Primary Hemostatic plug** is formed

- Secondary Hemostasis

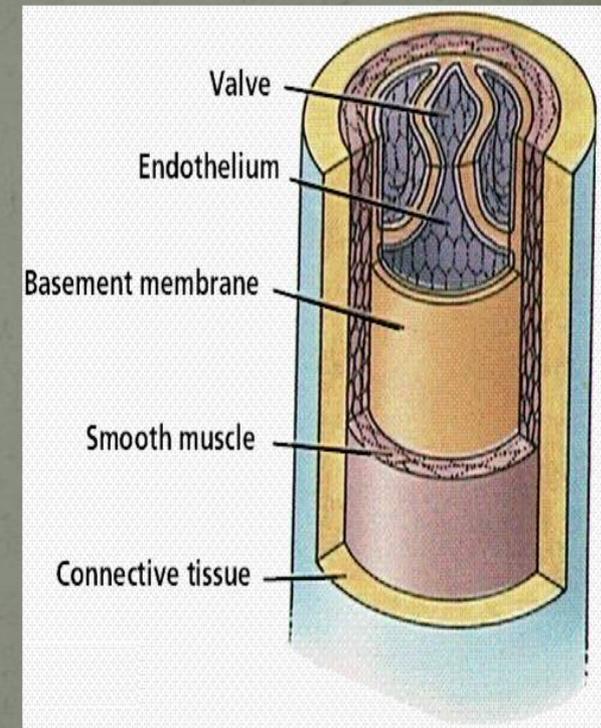
- Actions of the **coagulation factors** in response to injury
- At this time, blood has changed into a solid state

- Fibrinolysis

- **Clot is removed** following healing of wound

Vascular System: Blood Vessels

- **Endothelium**
 - Single layer of endothelial cells, lining vessels
 - Coated by glycocalyx
 - Produces Von Willebrand's factor (vWF)
 - Secretes prostaglandins, plasminogen activators
 - Negatively charged, repels circulating proteins and platelets
- **Subendothelium**
 - Smooth muscle and connective tissue with collagen fibers
- **Basement membrane**
 - Collagen material - stimulates platelets
- **Connective tissue**
 - Elastic fibers- provide support around vessels



Vascular System: Function Following Injury

- **Initiate hemostasis**
 - Vasoconstriction of the arterioles
 - Minimizes blood flow to injured area
 - Prevents blood loss
 - Immediate
 - Short-lived

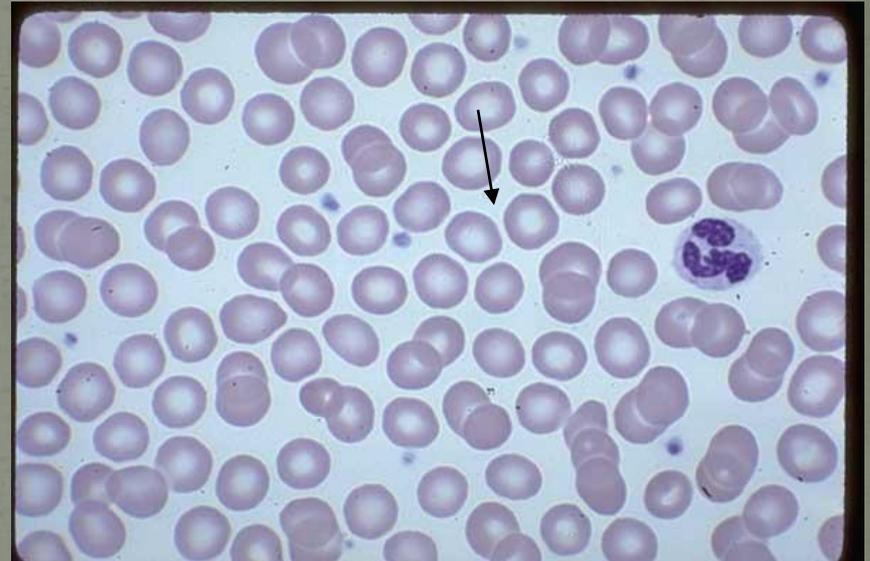
Platelets:

Second major component of the hemostatic system

- Small 2-3 μm
- Anuclear
- Fragments of megakaryocyte cytoplasm
- Life span
 - 9-10 days
- Normal Range
 - $150-450 \times 10^9 /\text{L}$

Growth factors:

TPO and IL-11

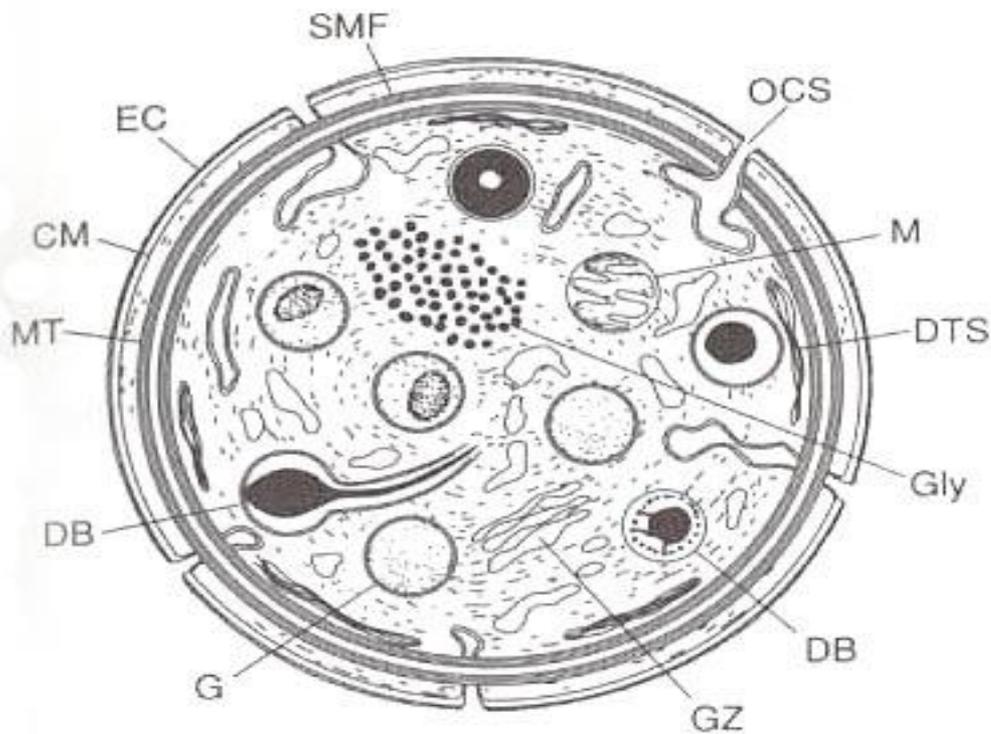


Anatomy of a Platelet

- **Peripheral zone:** Responsible for platelet adhesion and aggregation
 - **Glycocalyx:**
 - Contains glycoprotein receptors:
 - GPIb binds von Willebrand's factor needed for platelet adhesion to collagen
 - GPIIb/IIIa bind fibrinogen needed for aggregation
 - **Plasma membrane:**
 - Exposed on platelet activation
 - Layer called PF₃ (platelet factor) surface for interaction of plasma coagulation factors
 - Initiation of formation of thromboxane A₂ (Tx A₂). that stimulates aggregation and vasoconstriction

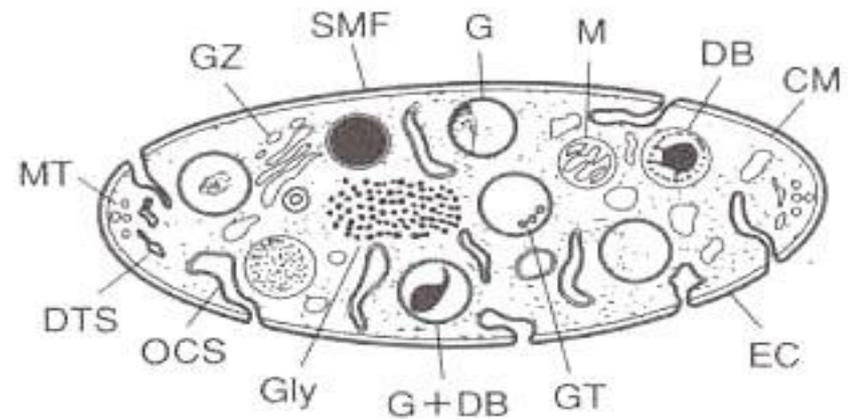
Anatomy of a Platelet

- **Structural or Sol-Gel zone:** Responsible for platelet retraction/contraction functions and platelet shape
 - Microtubules
 - Cytoskeleton
 - Binding protein
- **Organelle zone:** Responsible for storage and platelet release functions
 - Granules
 - Dense bodies, alpha granules, lysosomal granules and microperoxisomes
 - Mitochondria
 - Glycogen



Schematic figure for electron microscopic picture of equatorial section of platelet
(White, 1971)

EC : external coat (surface coat)
 CM : cell membrane (unit membrane)
 SMF : submembrane filaments
 MT : microtubules
 DB : dense body
 G : α -granules (specific granules)



Electron microscopic picture of longitudinal section of platelet

M : mitochondria
 OCS : open canalicular system
 DTS : dense tubular system
 GZ : Golgi zone (Golgi apparatus)
 Gly : Glycogen

Fig. 4 Captions for Photos 3 and 4

Platelet Receptors

- GPIb/IX – vWF
 - Required for PLT adhesion
- GPIIb/IIIa – Fibrinogen
 - Required for PLT aggregation
- Phospholipid (PI)
 - Bind vitamin K dependent proteins , Ca^{++} dependent
 - Bind Va and VIIIa (called “PF₃” in this context)

Stage 1: Platelet Adhesion

stages of platelet activation

Stage 2: Platelet Aggregation
and plug formation

Stage 3: Platelet Secretion

Stage 1: Platelet Adhesion

- Platelets attach to non-platelet surfaces, such as collagen fibers in the subendothelium
- Exposure to surfaces in the tissues causes them to bind to collagen with the presence of von Willebrand factor (vWF) and Glycoprotein IbIX, making a bridge formation, which triggers a shape change
- Reversible

Stage 2: Platelet aggregation

- Chemical changes cause platelets to aggregate and stick to one another
- Newly arriving platelets become activated by agonists
- Exposure of GPIIb/IIIa sites bind fibrinogen
- Fibrinogen + activated platelets serves as a bridge between two platelets
- Calcium must be present
- Activated platelet membrane generates TXA_2
- TXA_2 stimulates release

Arachidonic acid

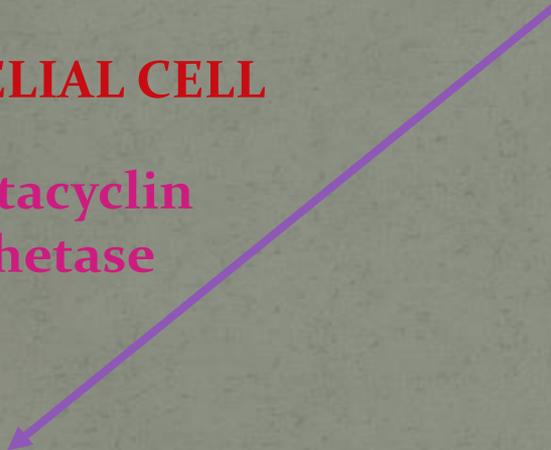
Cyclo-oxygenase



Cyclic Endoperoxides

ENDOTHELIAL CELL

Prostacyclin
synthetase

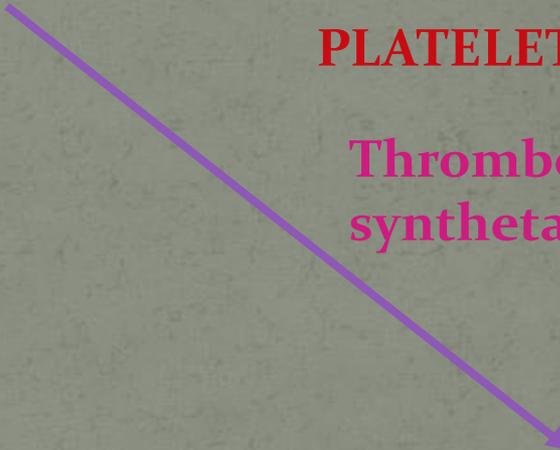


Prostacyclin
(PGI₂)

Inhibits plt aggregation
Vasodilator

PLATELET

Thromboxane
synthetase



Thromboxane
(TxA₂)

Enhances plt aggregation
Vasoconstrictor

fibrinogen



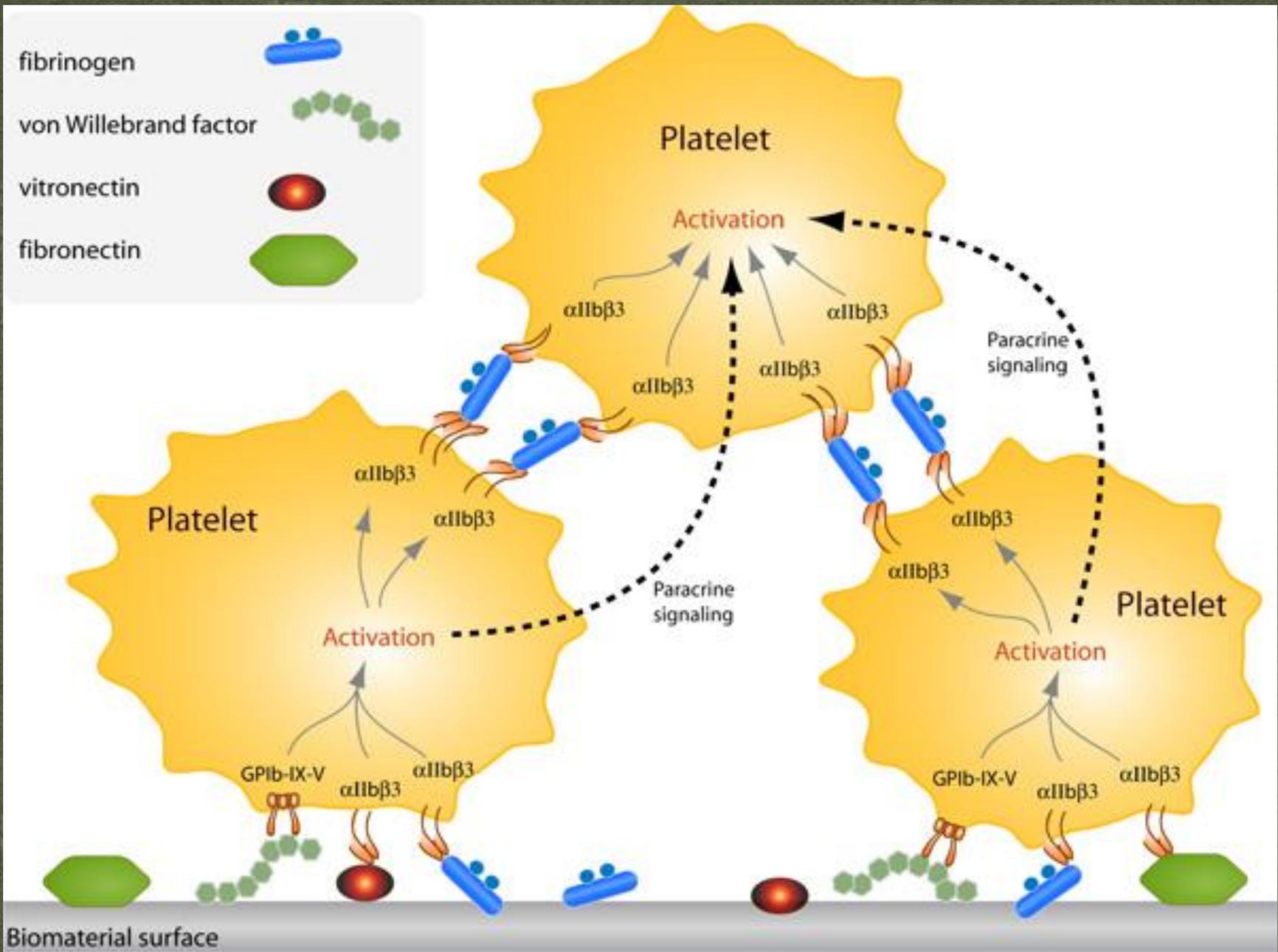
von Willebrand factor



vitronectin



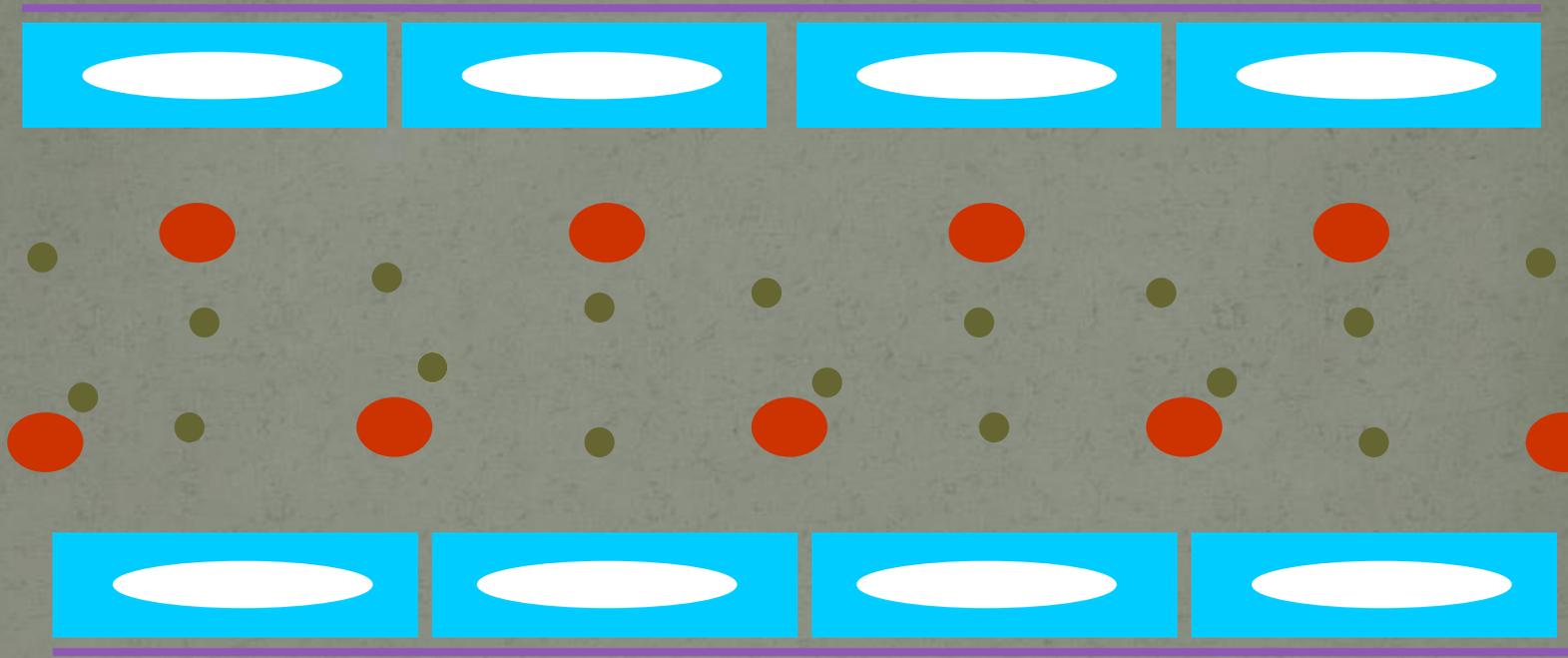
fibronectin



Biomaterial surface

Stage 3: Platelet Secretion & Release

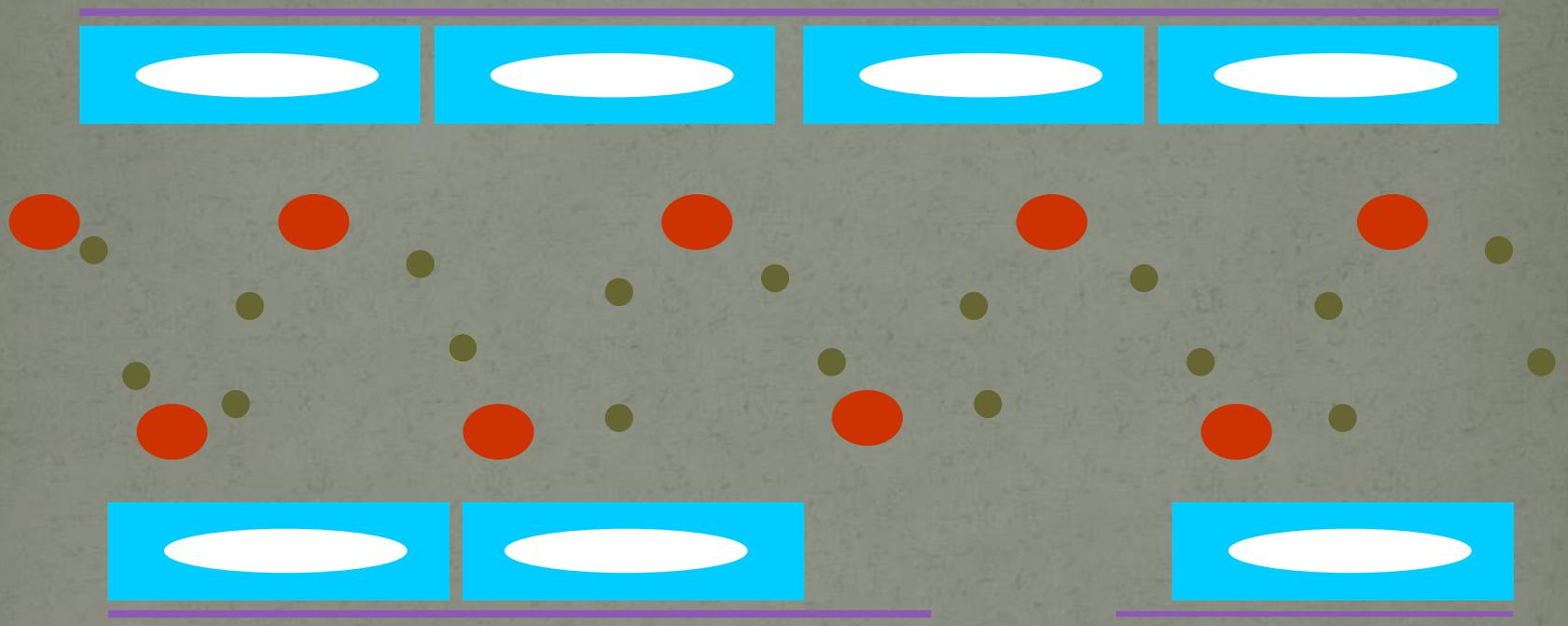
- Requires ATP
- Platelets release contents of their granules, causing vasoconstriction
- Granules trigger a *secondary aggregation* which is *irreversible*
- Granules consist of
 - Alpha granules: Factor V, Factor VIII:vWF, Fibrinogen, α 2-antiplasmin, platelet factor 4
 - Dense bodies: ATP, ADP, serotonin, Ca



collagene

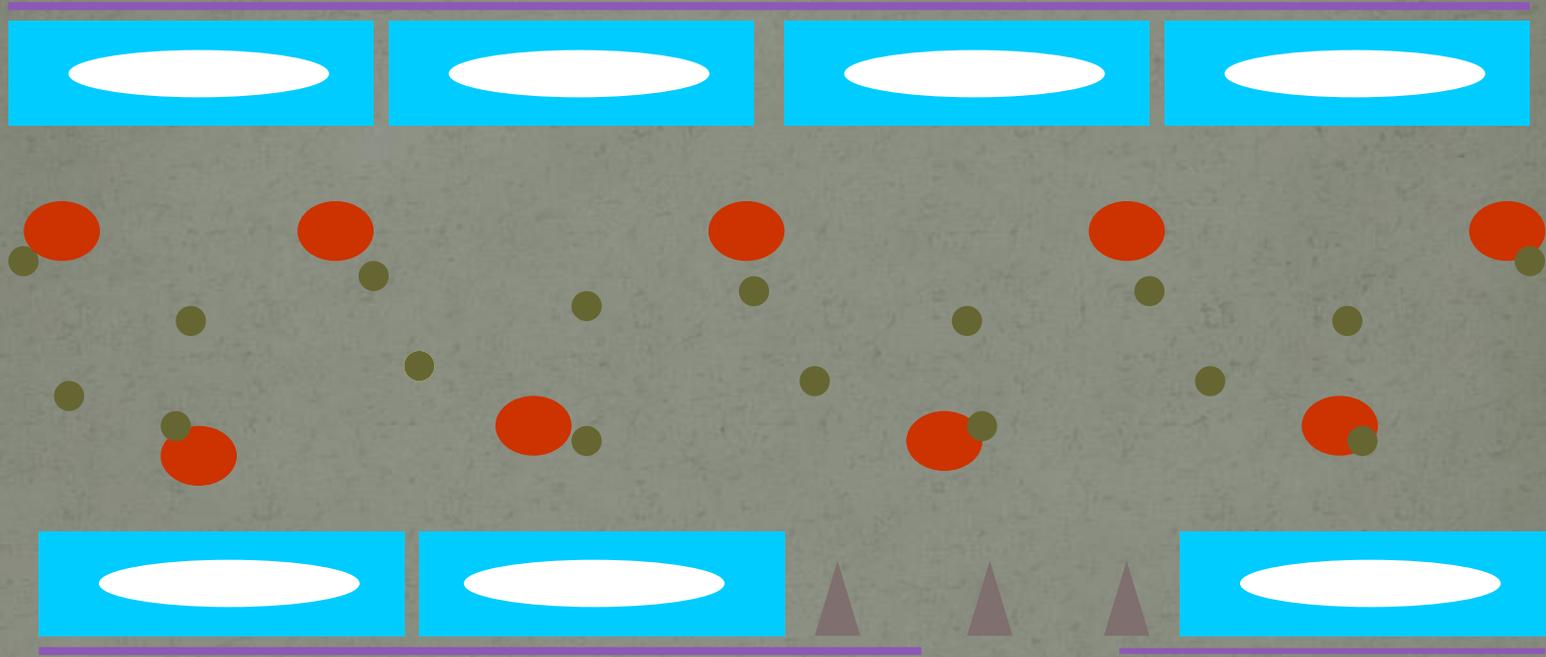


-  Red blood cell
-  Platelet



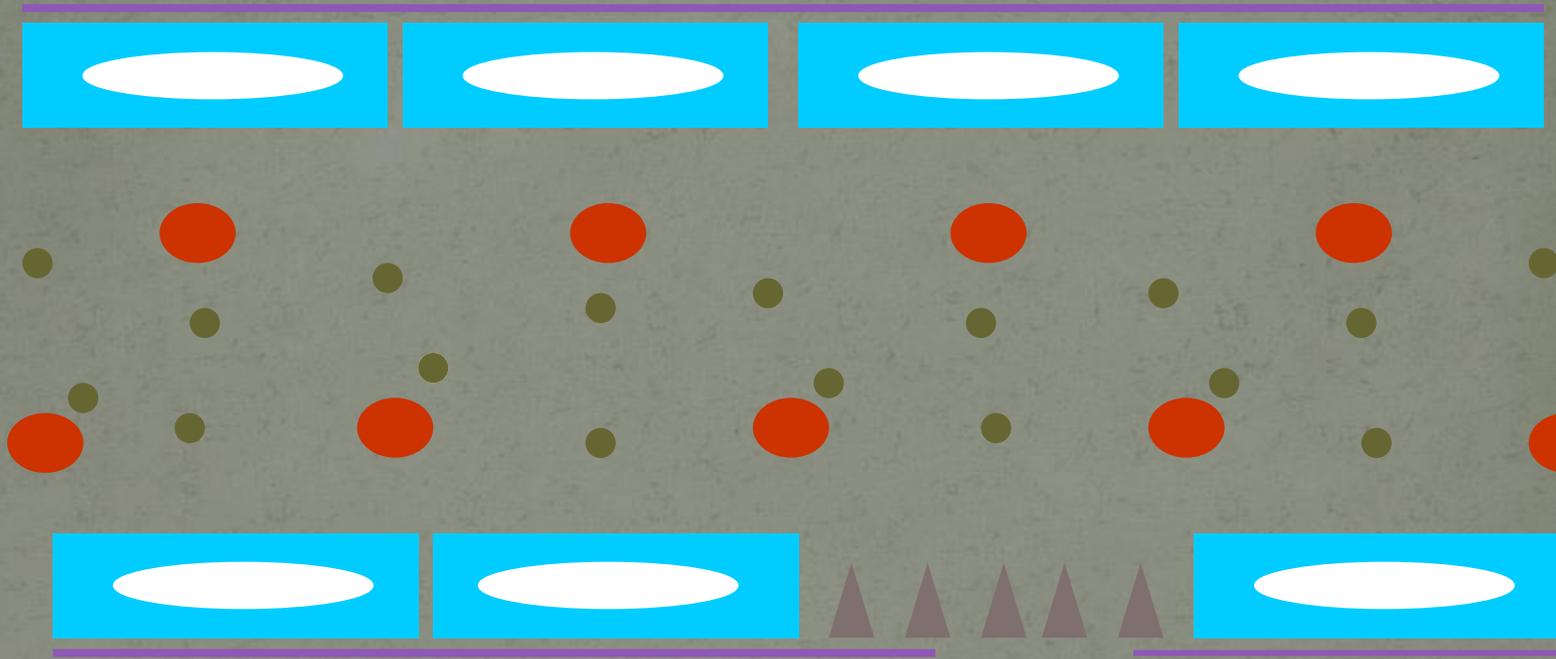
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- Red blood cell
- Platelet



collagene

- Red blood cell
- Platelet
- Von Willebrand factor

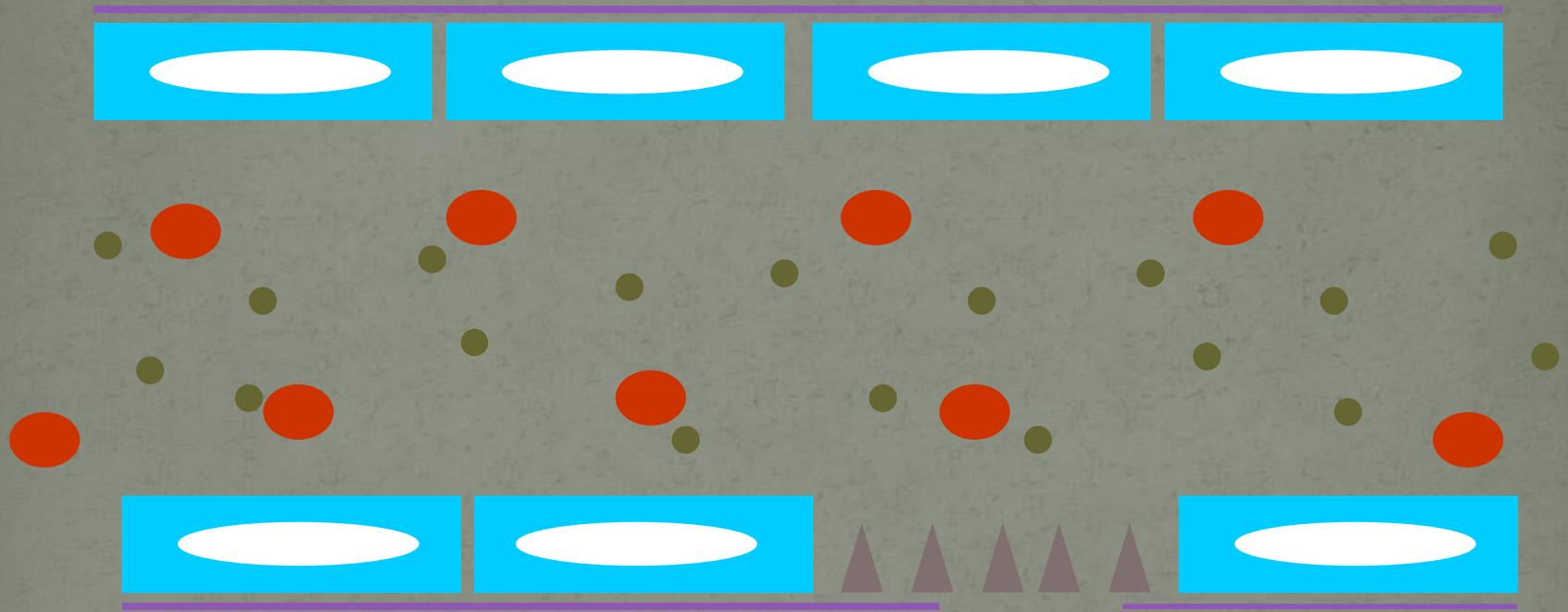


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● Red blood cell

● Platelet

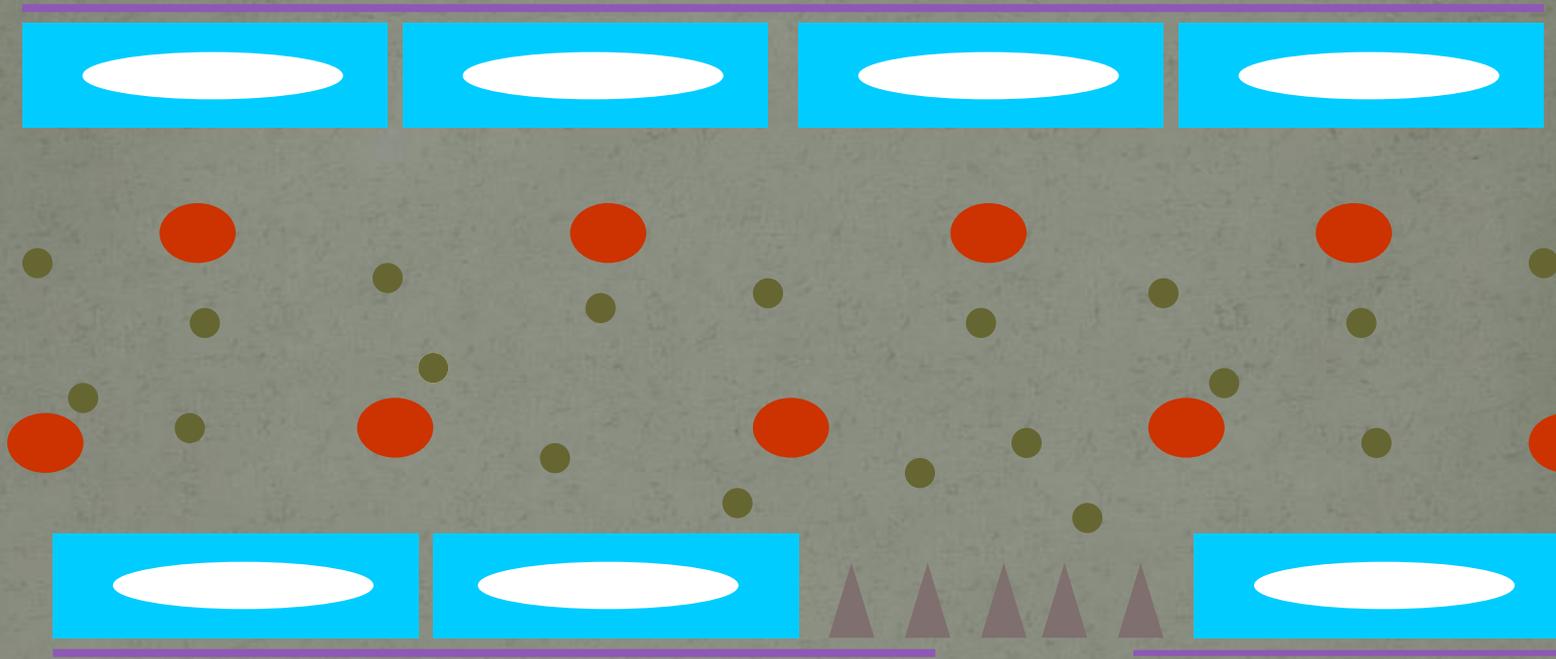
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● Red blood cell

● Platelet

▲ Von Willebrand factor

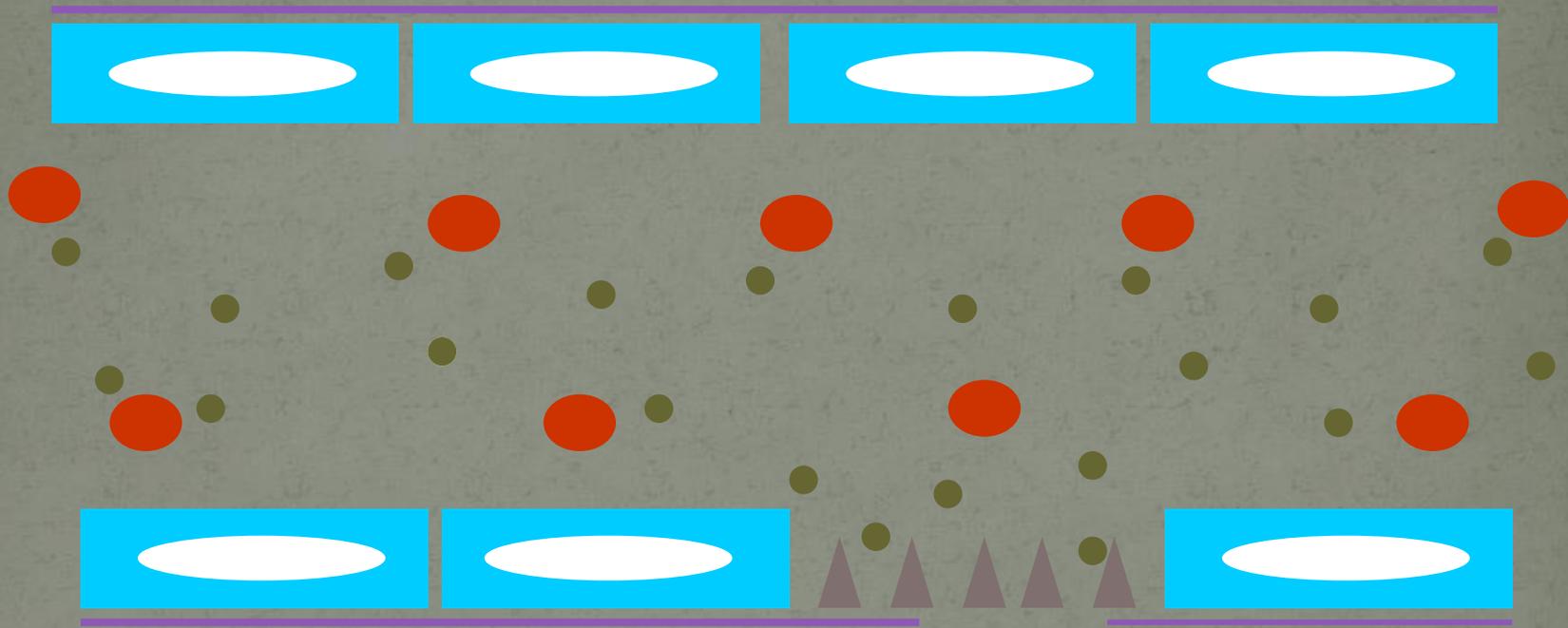


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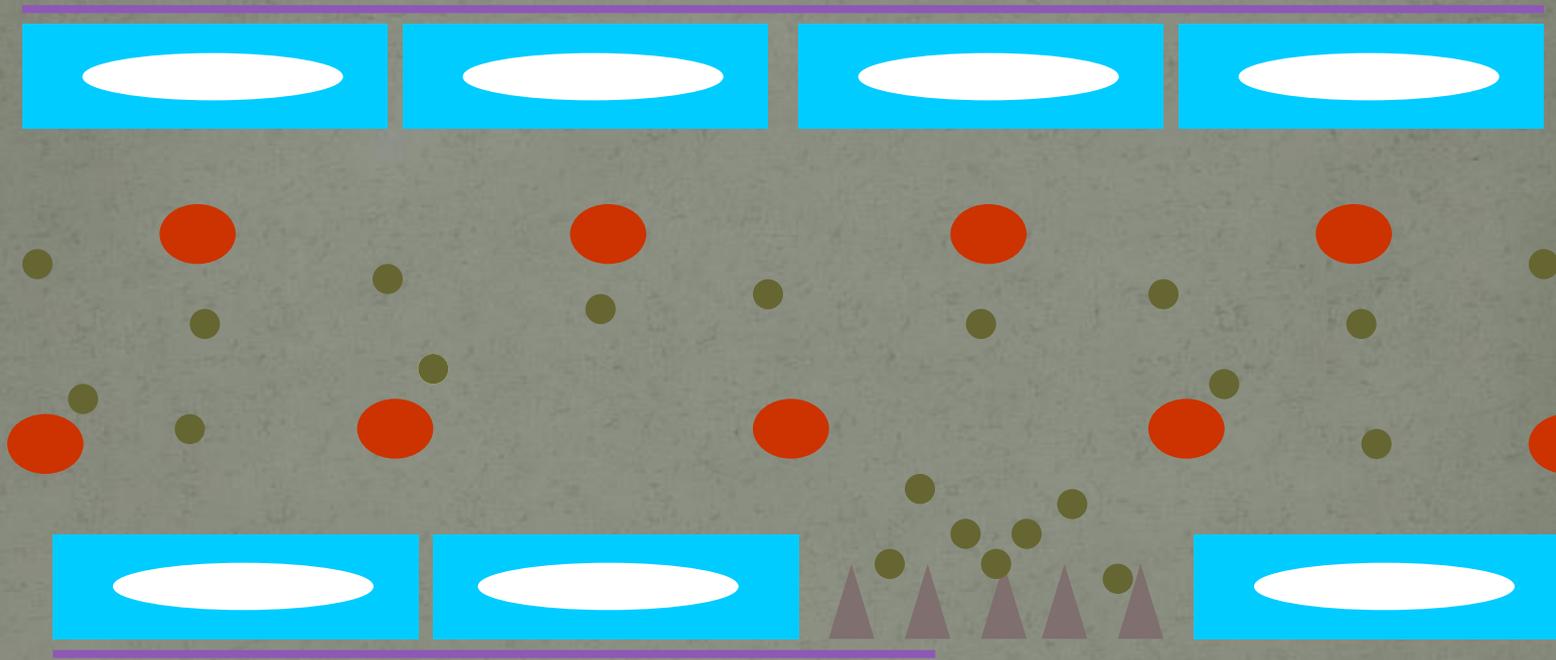


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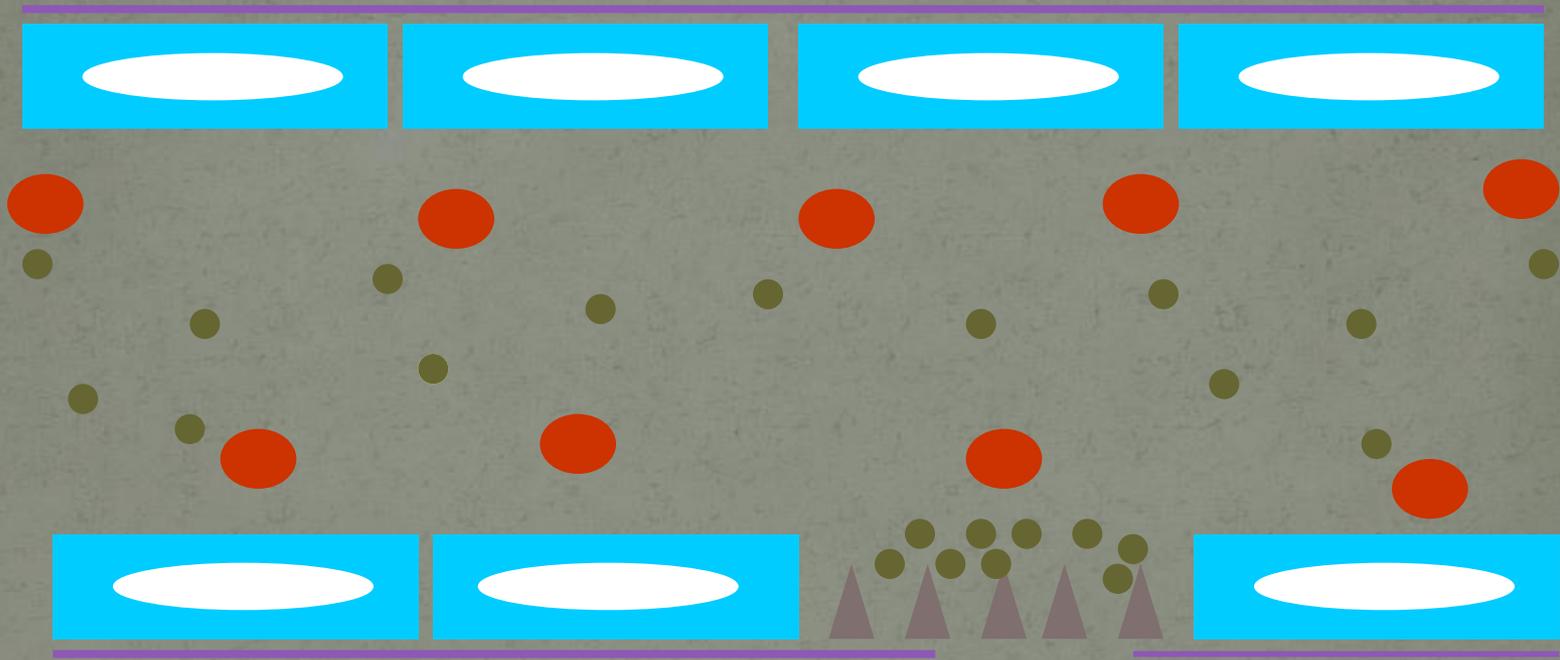


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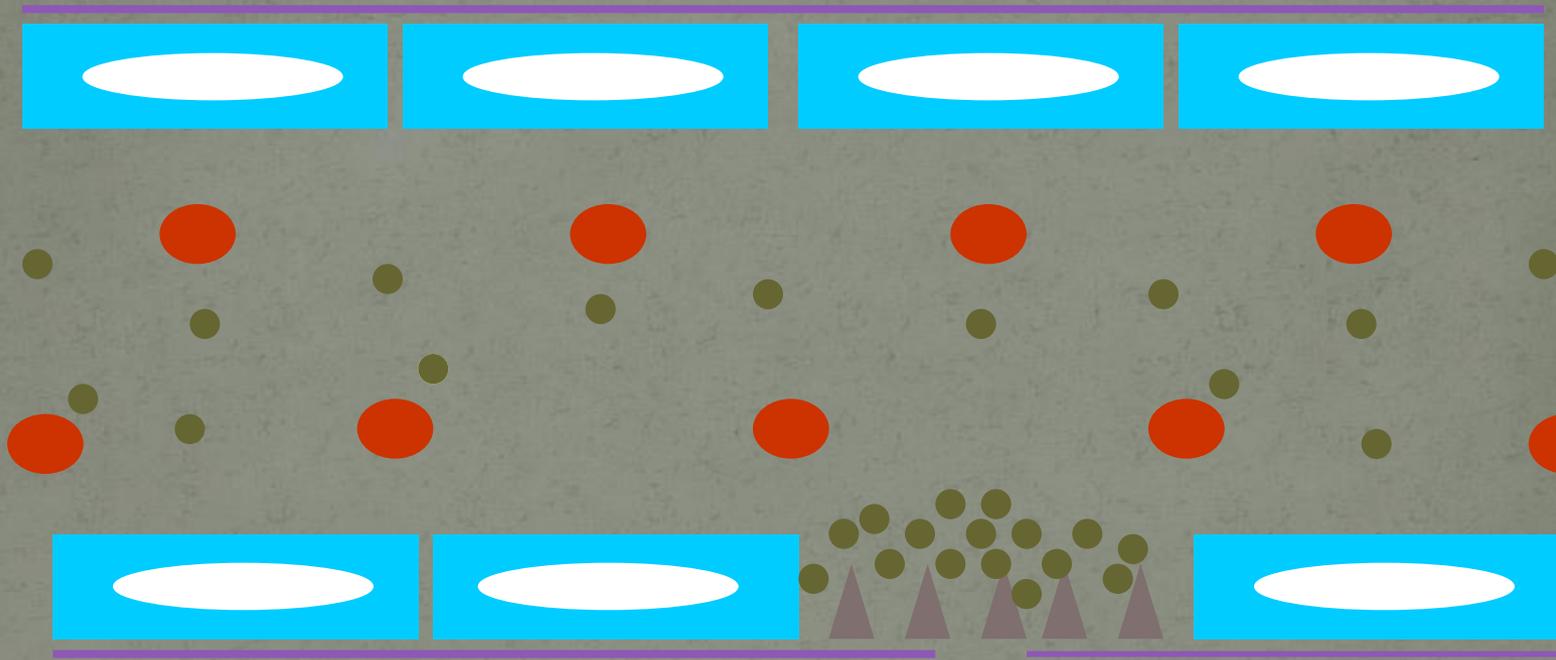


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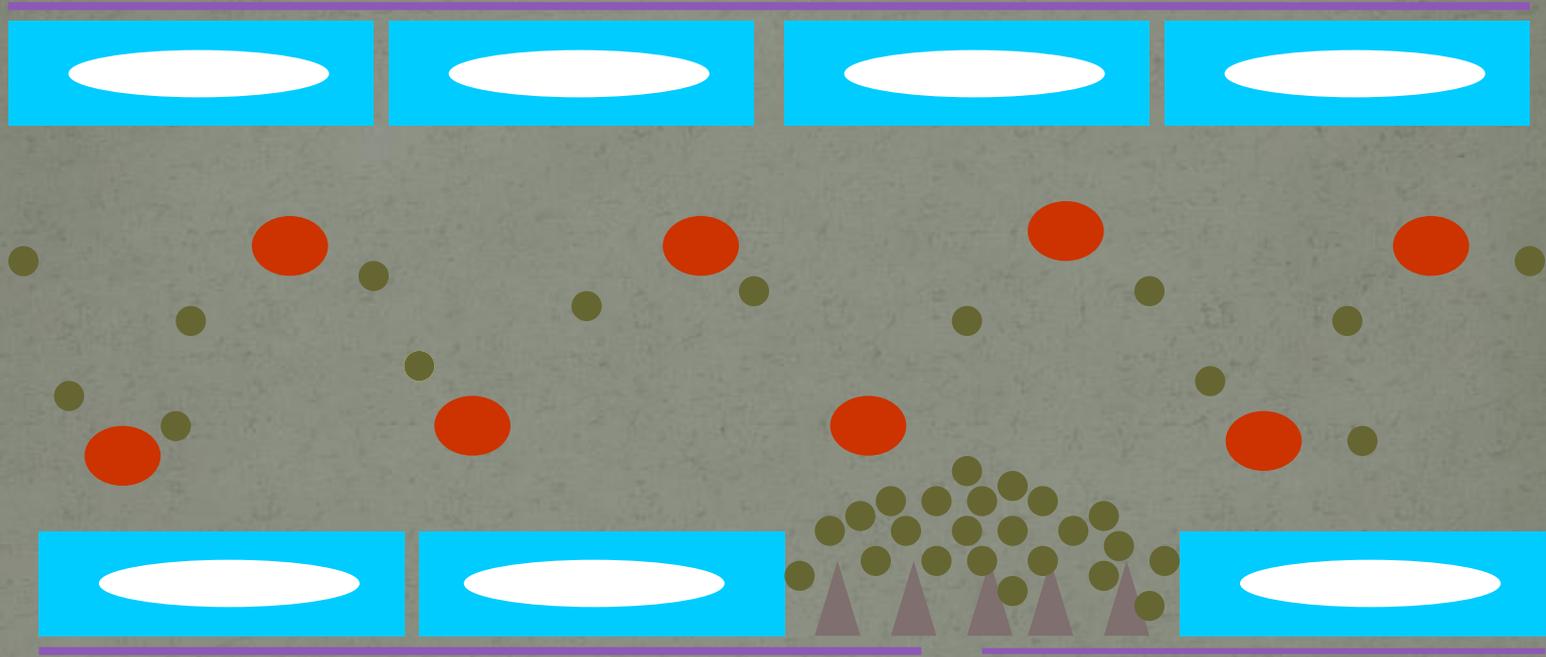


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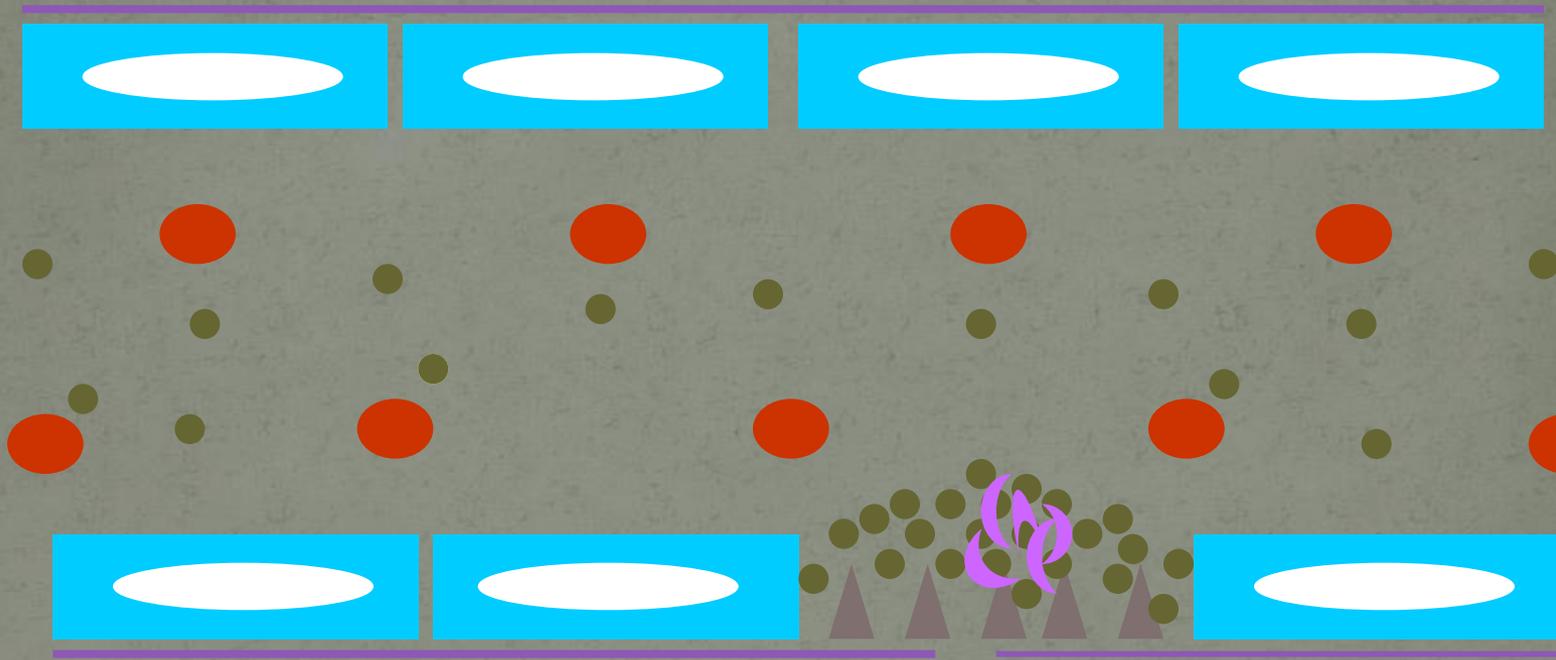


collagene

Red blood cell

Platelet

Von Willebrand factor



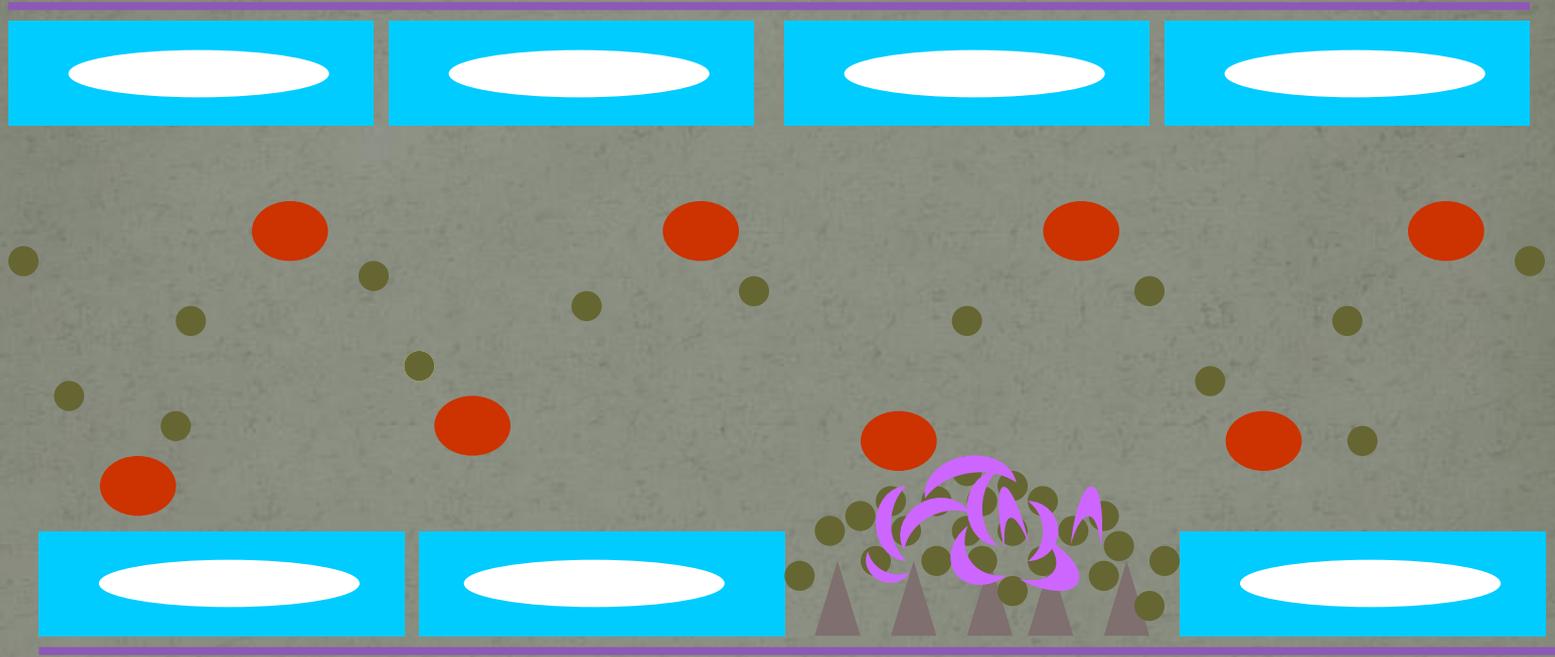
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☾ Fibrin polymer



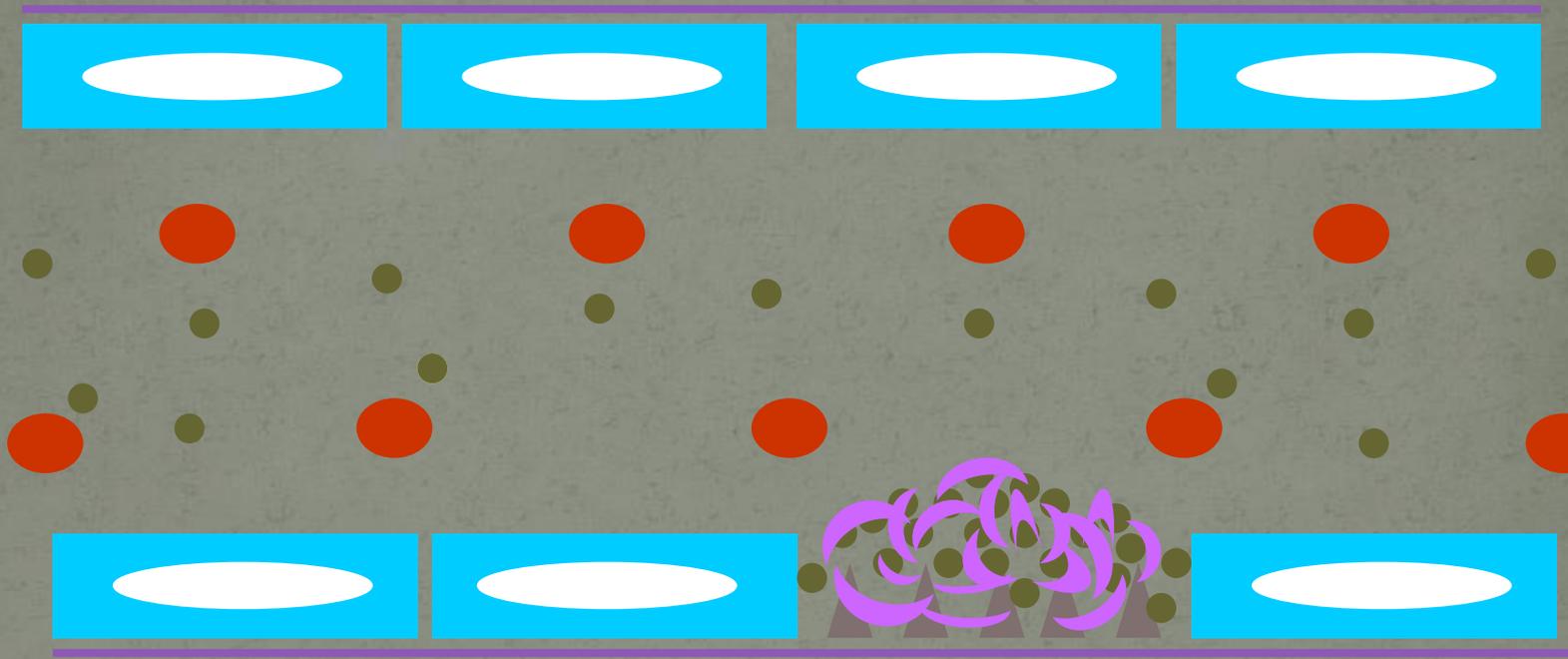
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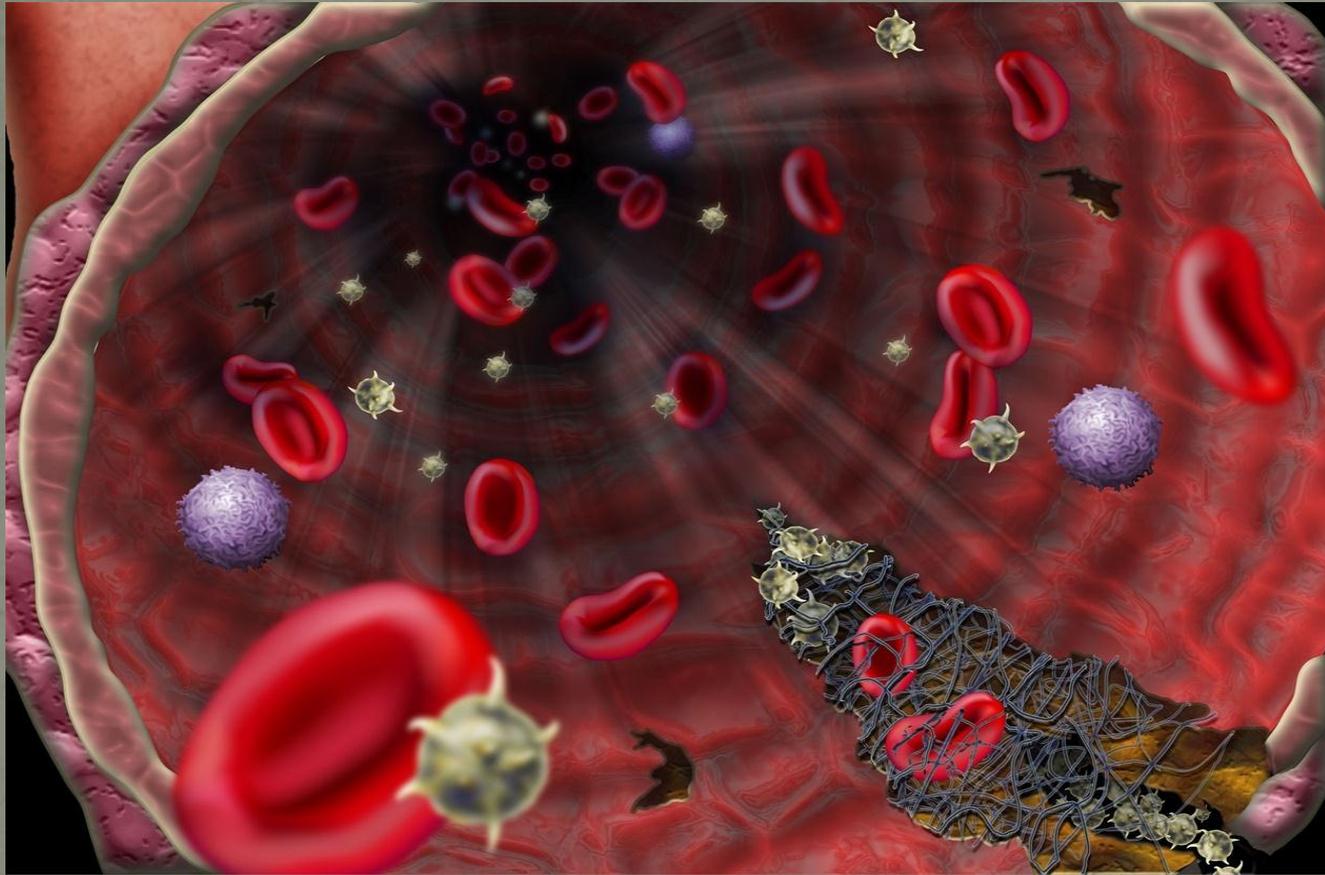
● Red blood cell

● Platelet

▲ Von Willebrand factor

☞ Fibrin polymer

Blood clot



Secondary Hemostasis

- During **aggregation**, phospholipid (PL) becomes available on the platelet membrane surface, **providing a site for fibrin formation and thrombo-genesis** (formation of blood clots).
- Secondary Hemostasis

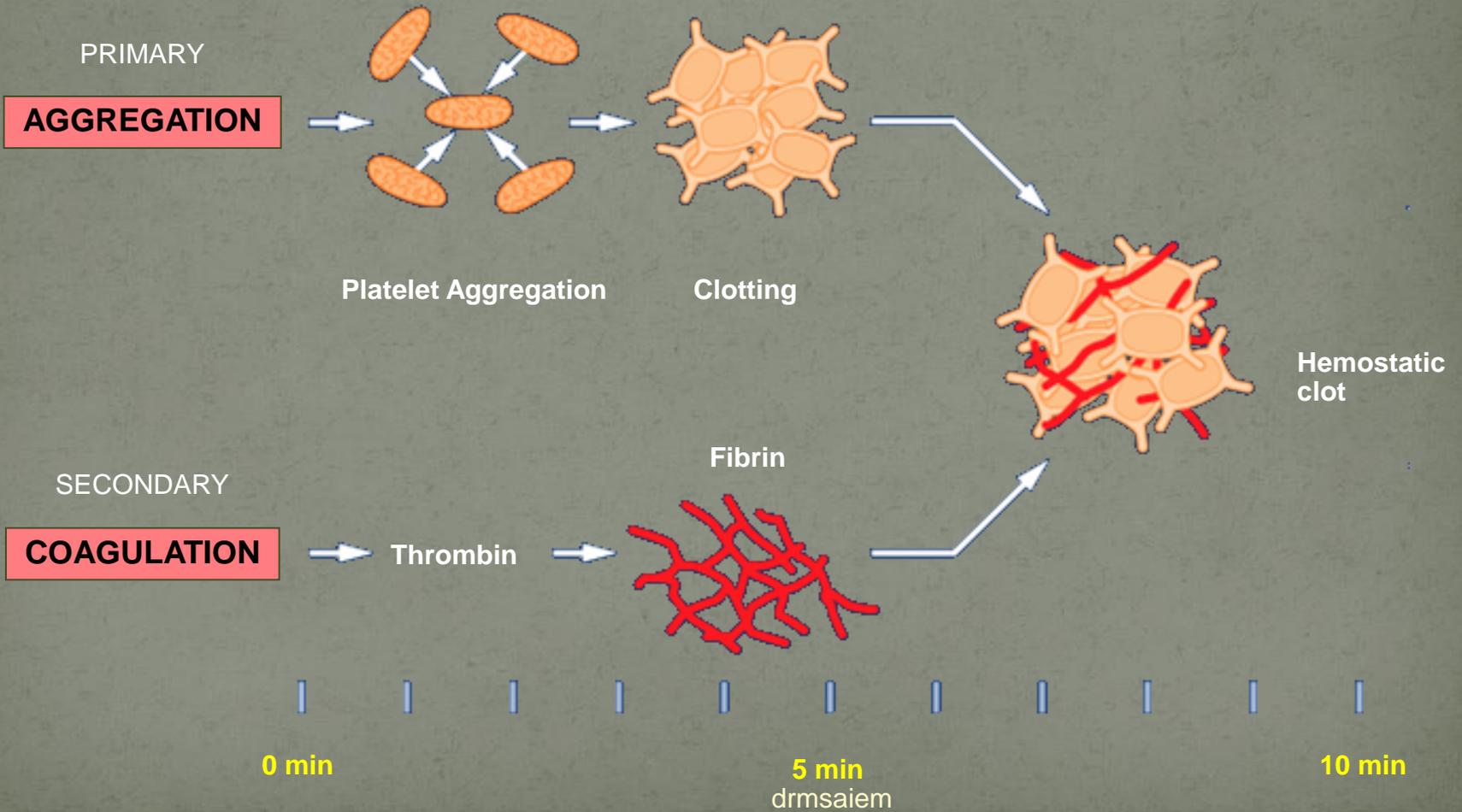
The **Intrinsic and Extrinsic** Coagulation Pathways

The **intrinsic system** is activated in vivo by the contact of certain coagulation proteins with subendothelial connective tissue, which sets the secondary hemostatic mechanism into motion.

- The **extrinsic coagulation** pathway, in contrast, is initiated with the release of **tissue factor** from injured vessel endothelial cells and sub-endothelium into the vessel lumen.
- **Tissue factor**, a high-molecular-weight **lipoprotein**, is found in most organs, including the lungs, kidneys, liver, brain, placenta, and spleen, as well as in large blood vessels

- Both the **intrinsic and the extrinsic coagulation pathways** lead to secondary hemostasis, namely, the formation of the **stable fibrin clot**.
- The **clot** thus includes both **fibrin** formed in secondary hemostasis and the **platelet plug** formed in primary hemostasis.

Hemostatic Plug Formation



COAGULATION PROTEINS

- The **intrinsic and extrinsic** coagulation pathways are a series of reactions involve coagulation factors known as
 - 1- enzyme precursors (**zymogens**)
 - 2- non-enzymatic (**cofactors**)
 - 3- calcium (Ca^{++})
 - 4- phospholipids (**PL**).
- All coagulation factors normally are present in the plasma, with **PL** being provided by **platelets**.

- The zymogens are factors II, VII, IX, X, XI, XII, and prekallikrein
- The **cofactors** are factors **V, VIII, tissue factor**, and high-molecular-weight kininogen (**HMWK**).
- **Zymogens** are substrates that have NO biologic activity until converted by enzymes to active enzymes called serine proteases, which have exposed, **serine-rich**, active enzyme sites.
- **Serine proteases** selectively hydrolyzed **arginine or lysine-containing** peptide bonds of other zymogens, thus converting them to serine proteases.

COAGULATION GROUPS

□ The properties of the coagulation and kinin factors have similarities that can divide these factors easily into three groups:

1- Contact group;

2- Prothrombin or vitamin K-dependent group;

3- Fibrinogen group.

❖ Contact Group

- Prekallikrein
- HMWK (high molecular Weight kallikrein) of the kinin group
- XII
- XI

The contact group is adsorbed by contact with a **negatively charged** surface such as collagen or the subendothelium *in vivo* and glass *in vitro*.

- ❖ This contact causes slow conversion of factor **XII** to **XIIa**, which initiates both **intrinsic** system **coagulation** and **fibrinolysis**.
- ❖ Factor **XIIa**, and **HMWK** together activate factor **XI** to **XIa**, and convert **prekallikrein** to **kallikrein**.
- ❖ Kallikrein and HMWK together play a role in intrinsic coagulation activation, activation of fibrinolysis, kinin formation, and activation of the complement system.

Prothrombin (Vitamin K-Dependent) Group

- Contains the vitamin **K-dependent coagulation** factors II, VII, IX, and X.
- These factors are synthesized in the **liver** in the presence of **vitamin K**, which acts as a **cofactor**.
- **Vitamin K** is fat soluble. It is normally ingested in the diet and also is manufactured by the gut flora. There is no substantial storage of vitamin K in the body.
- Vitamin K is necessary to gamma-carboxylate the **pre-formed enzyme** precursors of factors (II, VII, IX, and X)

Dietary VK

Warfarin
Vitamin K antagonists

Warfarin
Vitamin K antagonists

VKOR

Vitamin K

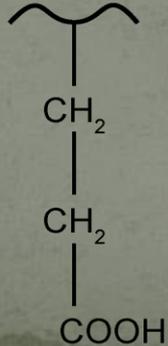
VKOR

Reduced
Vitamin K
[VK Hydroquinone - KH_2]

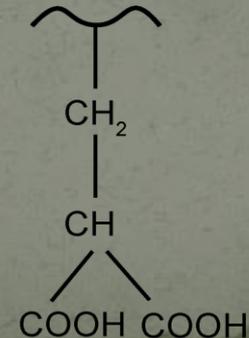
Oxidised
Vitamin K 2,3-epoxide [KO]

γ -glutamyl carboxylase [GGCX]
 $\text{CO}_2 + \text{O}_2$

Glutamic Acid
[Glu] - Inactive acarboxylated protein



Gamma[γ]carboxy Glutamic Acid
[Gla] - Carboxylated active protein



- Many mechanisms can cause the formation of non-functional vitamin K-dependent coagulation factors.
- When such factors are released to the circulation, they cannot bind to the platelet **PL** surface and ultimately prevent Prothrombin activation, causing a deficiency in the coagulation pathway.

Fibrinogen Group

The fibrinogen group includes

- fibrinogen (factor I)
- V
- VIII
- XIII.

These have:

the highest molecular weights of all factors

are the most labile

are consumed in coagulation,

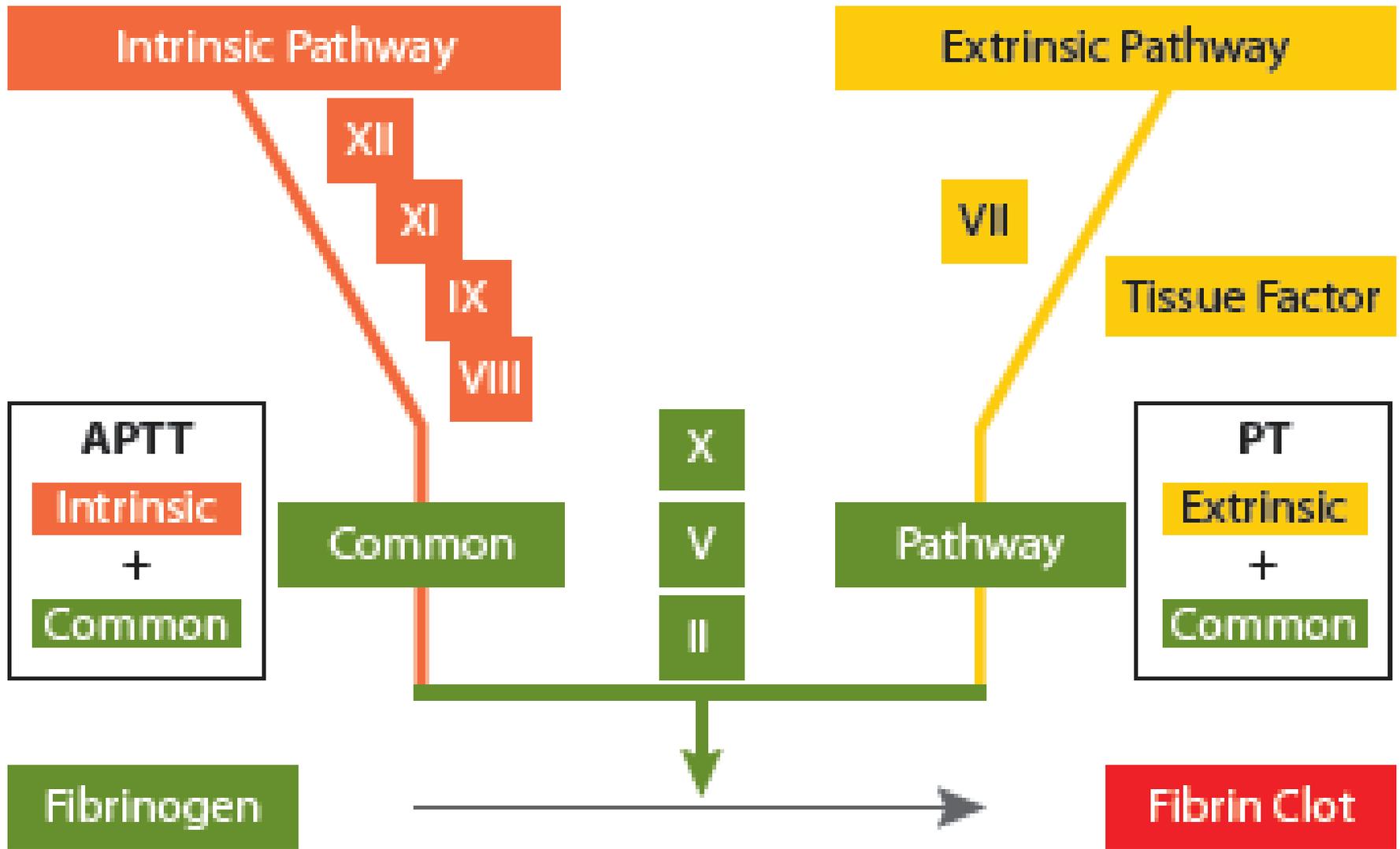
are the only group that act as substrates for the fibrinolytic enzyme plasmin.

- Only the factors found in the **fibrinogen group** are found in the **platelets**, specifically in the **alpha granules** with two exceptions:
 - (1) factor XIII is found in the general platelet cytoplasm not in alpha granules
 - (2) factor VIII:C, the coagulant portion of factor VIII, is not found in platelets.

PHOSPHOLIPIDS CONTRIBUTING TO COAGULATION

- ❖ **Tissue Factor**
- ❖ The existence of a lipoprotein called **Thromboplastin** (a complex of two parts, a **PL** and a **protein**).
- ❖ This substance initiates the **extrinsic coagulation** pathway by binding its **PL portion to factor VII**, converting factor **VII** to **VIIa**.

- ❖ The term **extrinsic** was applied to this pathway because of the necessity of adding a tissue extract (PL) to plasma samples in *vitro* to initiate and evaluate this coagulation pathway in the laboratory.
- ❖ The **Prothrombin Time (PT)** test which evaluates the **extrinsic** system, is performed using a reagent contained (**rabbit brain**) or lung tissue **Thromboplastin** as well as **Ca⁺⁺** to activate factor **VII** and initiate the extrinsic pathway.



NATURAL INHIBITORS OF THE COAGULATION CASCADE

Role: to limit clotting to the area where it is needed

Blood flow and hepatic degradation of clotting factors:

- **Normal blood flow** dilutes the activated clotting factors below the level required to propagate the cascade.
- **Hepatocytes** in the liver digest and destroy the activated clotting factors washed away from the site of clot formation.

Antithrombin III:

- is the **most important** physiologic inhibitor of activated coagulation factors.
- synthesized in the liver and endothelial cells.
- irreversibly binds to and inhibits **thrombin**, factor **Xa**, and other activated clotting factors.
- **Heparin** (or heparan sulfate on endothelial cells) binds to and activates AT.
- By itself, AT has a low affinity for thrombin; however, complexing with heparin increases the activity of AT approximately 2,000-fold.

Protein C and protein S:

- are vitamin K-dependent
- inhibitors of the coagulation cascade that control coagulation by inactivating factors **Va** and **VIIIa**.
- **Protein C** is activated by the binding of thrombin to **thrombomodulin** on endothelial cell surfaces;
- therefore, *thrombin*, a key mediator of the coagulation cascade, also initiates a key anticoagulant system

Protein C and protein S: cont.

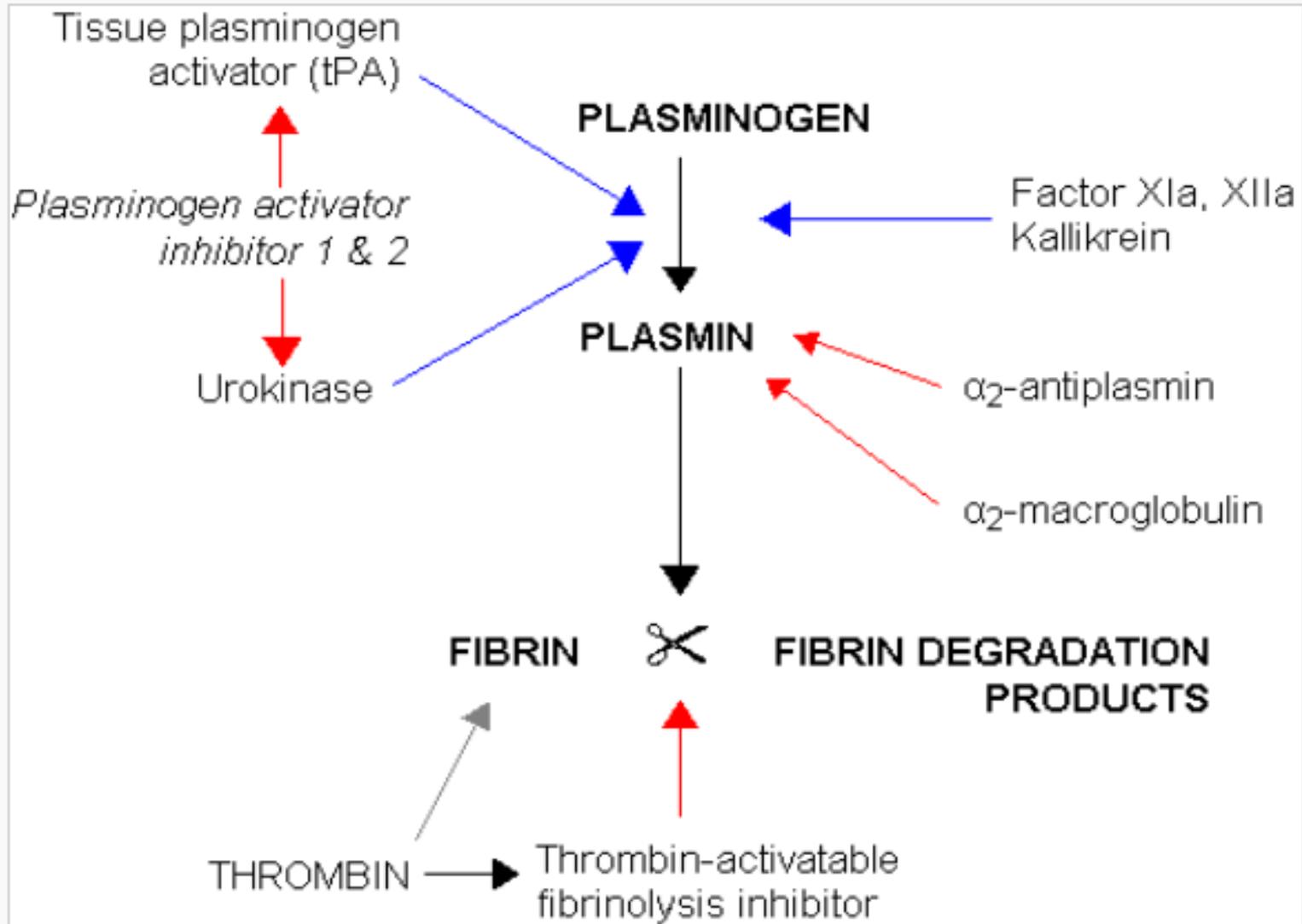
- When thrombin binds to thrombomodulin, it enzymatically cleaves and activates protein C.
- Activated protein C (APC), in combination with protein S, inactivates factors Va and VIIIa.
- Protein S circulates in two forms: free protein S and protein S complexed with a protein involved in the complement system, the C4b binding protein.
- Free protein S is active, whereas the bound form is not.

FIBRINOLYTIC SYSTEM

The important players in fibrinolysis are:

- ❖ plasminogen/plasmin
 - ❖ t-PA (tissue- Plasminogen Activator).
-
- inhibitors of plasminogen activation:
 - ✓ Alpha 2-antiplasmin
 - ✓ PAI S (plasminogen activator inhibitor)

Fibrinolysis.



Fibrinolysis (simplified). Blue arrows denote stimulation, and red arrows inhibition.

Plasminogen/Plasmin

- *Plasmin is the enzyme that digests fibrin and thus dissolves clots.*

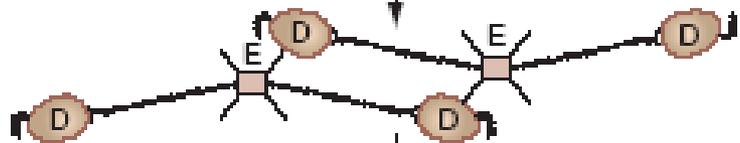
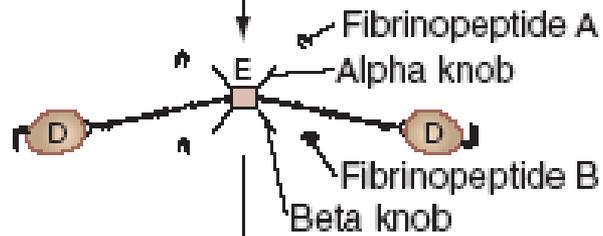
Plasminogen is activated to plasmin by

- t-PA, which is secreted by endothelial cells
- the contact factor (XII, HMWK, and PK). This appears to be a **minor** activator in vivo.
- **The results of fibrin degradation by plasmin are:**
- FDP (fibrin degradation products)
- **D-Dimer**

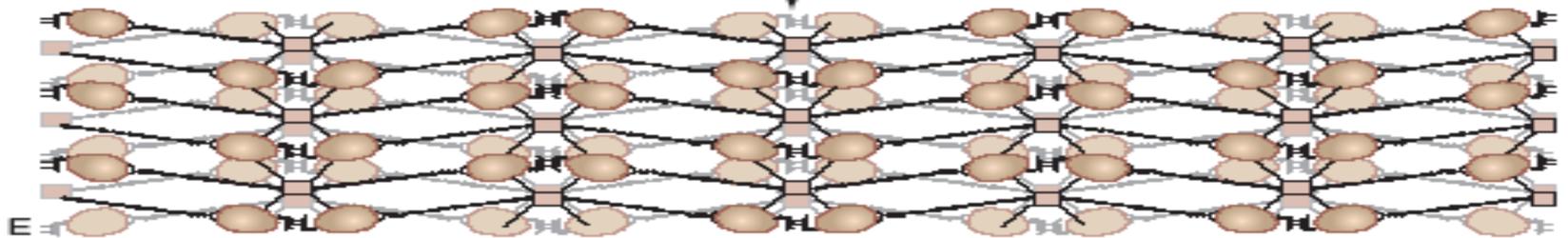
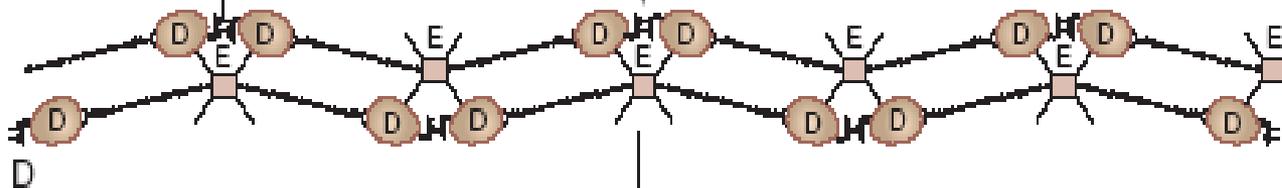
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Thrombin



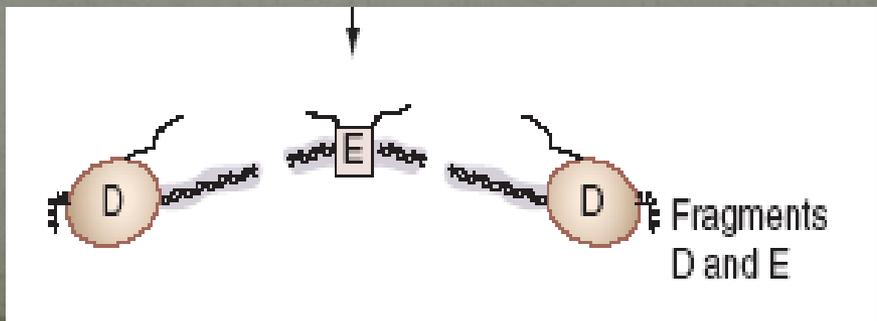
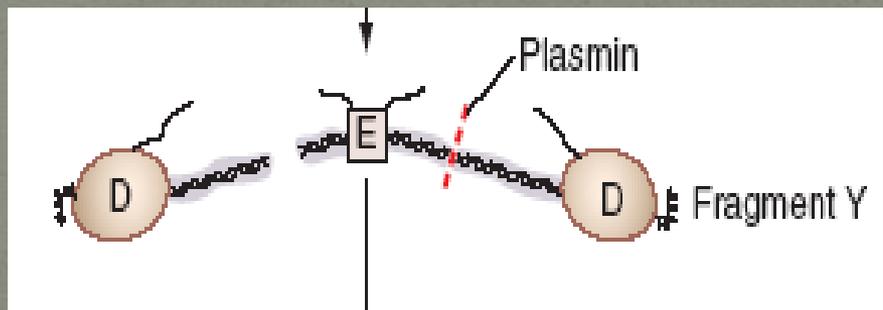
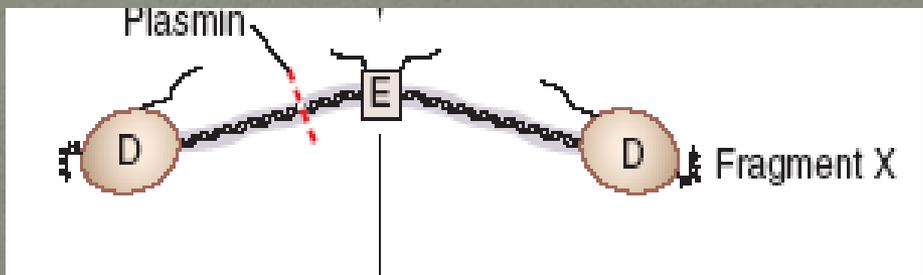
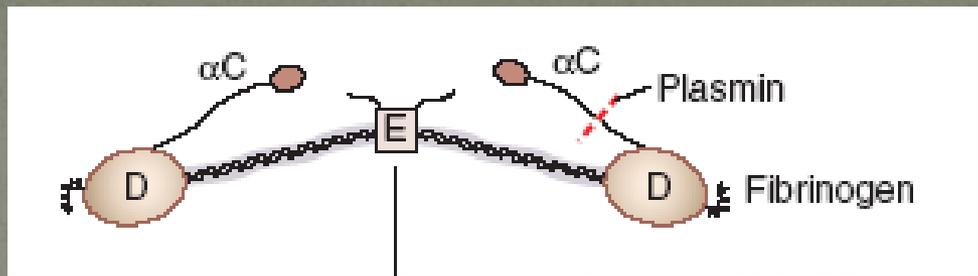
Cross-link



FDP

- Plasmin can digest fibrinogen in thrombotic events
- plasmin can also digest fibrinogen in non-thrombotic events (structural defect in fibrinogen) and result in a positive test for FDPs
- inhibit coagulation by inserting into the fibrin clot in place of fibrinogen
- They also inhibit platelet aggregation.

FDPs are not actually specific for *fibrin degradation*;

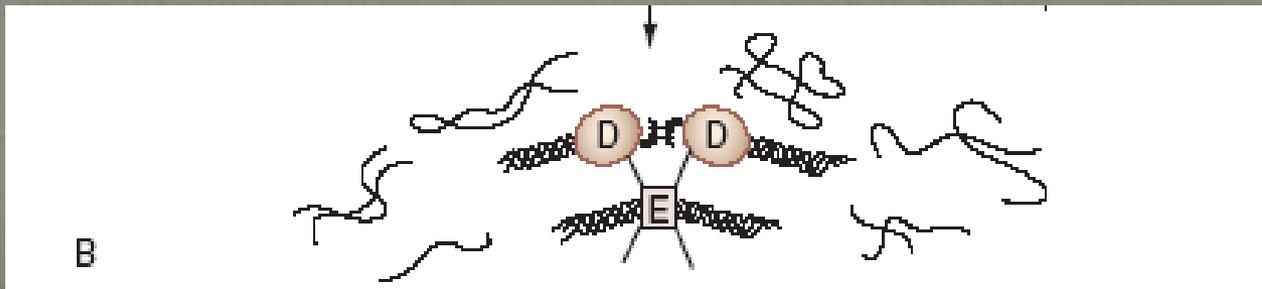
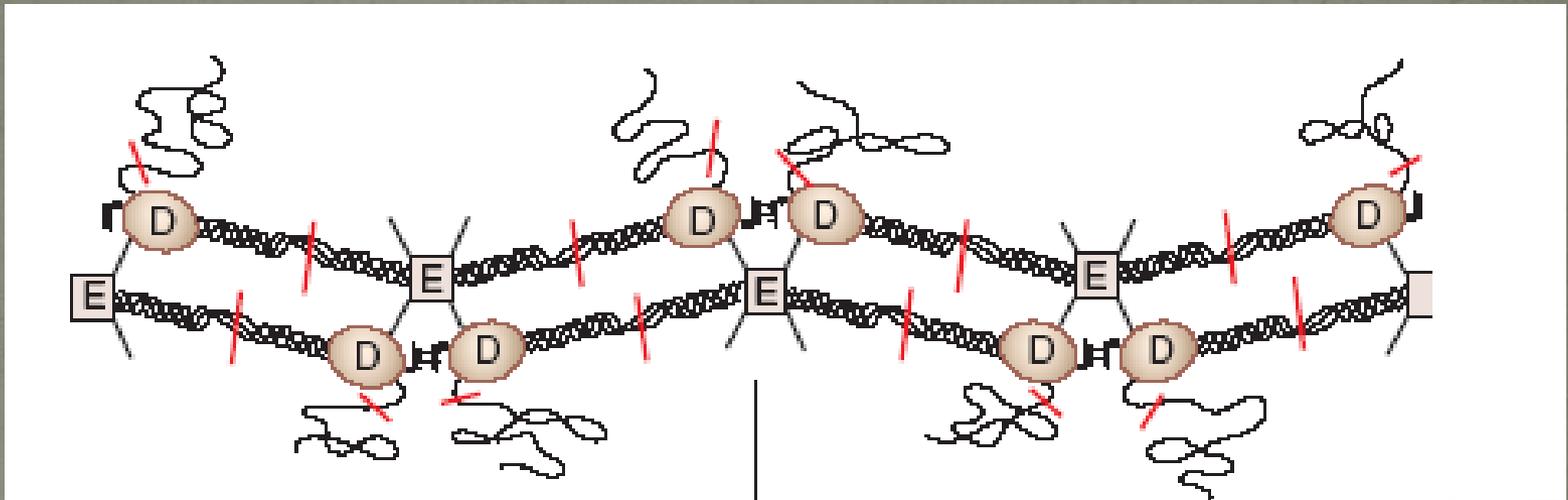
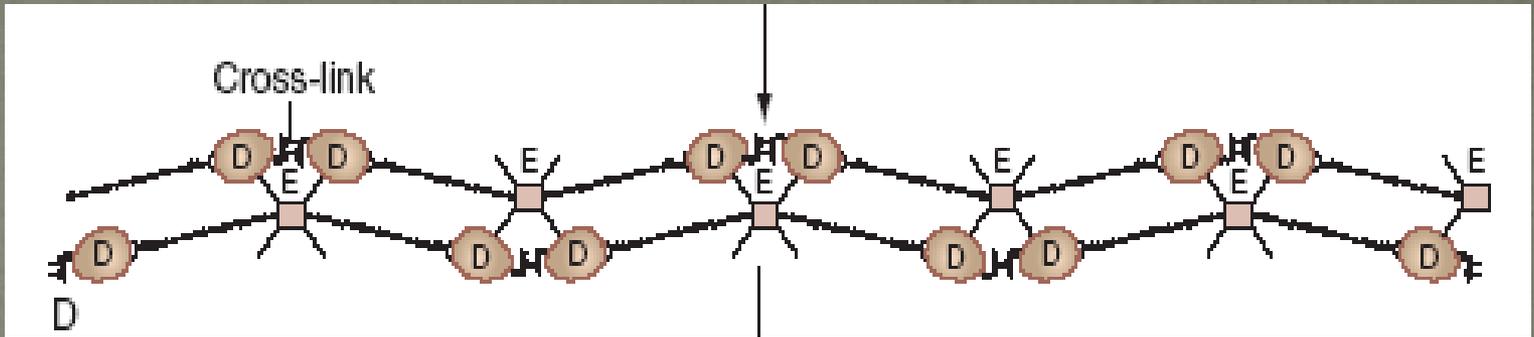


FDP →

D-Dimer

**A negative test for D-dimer
is evidence against a significant thrombus**

- A specific fibrin degradation product
- results from the digestion of fibrin that has been crosslinked
- by factor XIIIa.
- **Thus, the presence of D-dimer in circulation indicates that:**
 - ✓ thrombin has been activated and has resulted in both **fibrin clotting**
 - ✓ activation of factor XIII to XIIIa,
 - ✓ plasminogen has been activated to plasmin with subsequent digestion of the cross-linked fibrin clot.



D-Dimer

B

its, cleaved, soluble fibrinogen, or fibrin. When plasmin cleaves fibrinogen, initially small portions from the α and β

Control of fibrinolytic system

- excessive activity of the fibrinolytic system can result in severe bleeding
- One important control mechanism is **localization of plasmin activity to the surface of fibrin clots.**
- **t.PA**
 - ✓ has a much higher affinity for plasminogen that is localized on the surface of a fibrin clot than it does for free plasminogen,
 - ✓ this helps to specifically localize fibrinolysis to the clot.
- **Alpha 2-antiplasmin**
 - which inactivates any plasmin that is free in circulation
 - Plasmin bound to fibrin is protected from inhibition by it
- **PAI**
 - ❖ inhibitors of plasmin activation

Disorders of Hemostasis

Vascular disorders – •

Scurvy, easy bruising, Henoch-Schonlein purpura. •

Platelet disorders •

Quantitative - Thrombocytopenia •

Qualitative - Platelet function disorders – Glanzmans •

Coagulation disorders •

Congenital - Haemophilia (A, B), Von-Willebrands •

Acquired - Vitamin-K deficiency, Liver disease •

Mixed/Consumption: DIC •

Disorders of Primary
hemostasis

QUANTITATIVE PLATELET DISORDERS

- Thrombocytopenia
 - <100,000/ μ l BT prolonged
 - \approx 10,000 Bleeding in trauma or OR
 - <10,000 Spontaneous, CNS bleeding
- Thrombocytopenia due to destruction
 - ITP (acute in children, chronic in young women) with anti-glycoprotein
 - Drug reaction
 - Heparin induced thrombocytopenia
 - DIC and TTP

ABOUT THROMBOTIC THROMBOCYTOPENIC PURPURA (TTP)

- Disorder of systemic platelet aggregation in microvasculature
- Stimulus: unusually large vWf
- In children: likely to be deficiency in vWf metalloproteinase to break down vWf
- In adults: vWf metalloproteinase inhibited by autoantibodies
- Low PLT count, intravascular hemolysis, RBC fragmentation, high LDH

IDIOPATHIC THROMBOCYTOPENIC PURPURA (ITP)

- Caused by an autoreactive antibody to the patient's platelets
 - Young children – acute and usually transient for 1-2 weeks with spontaneous remission
 - Adults – chronic and occurs more often in women
 - Treatment
 - Corticosteroids
 - Splenectomy
 - Rituximab

QUANTITATIVE PLATELET DISORDERS

- Thrombocytopenia due to decreased production
 - Aplastic anemia (e.g., Fanconi's)
 - Fibrosis
 - Acute leukemia
 - Megaloblastic anemia
 - Hereditary (e.g., May-Hegglin, Wiscott-Aldrich, Bernard-Soulier)
 - Splenic sequestration
 - HELLP syndrome (hemolysis, elevated liver enzyme, low PLT) in pre-eclampsia
 - Dilution (massive transfusion)
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Disorders of secondary hemostasis

Disorders of plasma clotting factors

Disorders of Secondary Hemostasis

Disorders of the proteins of fibrin formation ○

Disorders of proteins associated with fibrinolysis ○

Symptoms of secondary hemostatic disorders ○

Delayed bleeding •

Deep muscular bleeding •

Spontaneous joint bleeding •

Symptoms common to primary and secondary hemostatic disorders •

Ecchymoses ○

GI bleeding ○

Hematuria ○

Hypermenorrhea ○

Gingival bleeding ○

Increased bleeding after tooth extraction ○

Intracranial bleeding ○

Epistaxis ○

Disorders of Proteins of Fibrin Formation

- Hereditary vs acquired
- Quantitative vs qualitative deficiencies
 - **Laboratory screening tests (PT, APTT)**
 - Does not differentiate quantitative vs qualitative disorders
 - **Qualitative abnormal proteins will**
 - **Prolong clotting test**
 - **Be recognized** by immunologically-based procedures
- Activity assays
 - **Essential when screening for deficiencies**

von Willebrand Disease

- Inherited hemorrhagic disorder
 - Genetically and clinically heterogeneous
 - Caused by a deficiency/dysfunction of VWF
 - Most common hereditary bleeding disorder
- VWF
 - Multimeric blood protein
 - Performs two major roles in hemostasis
 - Mediates adhesion of platelets to sites of vascular injury
 - Is a carrier protein for F-VIII
- Inherited defects in VWF may
 - Interfere with biosynthetic processing or disrupt specific ligand binding sites
 - Cause bleeding by impairing either platelet adhesion or blood clotting
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VWD

- Three major categories of VWD
 - Type 1 VWD – partial quantitative deficiency of VWF
 - Type 2 VWD – qualitative deficiency of VWF
 - Divided into 4 variants
 - Type 2A – ↓ platelet-dependent function
 - Absence of high-molecular weight VWF multimers
 - Type 2B – ↑ affinity for platelet GPIIb
 - Type 2M – ↓ platelet-dependent function
 - Not caused by the absence of HMW multimers
 - Type 2N – Markedly ↓ affinity for F-VIII
 - Type 3 VWD – total deficiency of VWF
 - Types 1 and 2 – autosomal dominant inheritance
 - Type 3 – autosomal recessive inheritance
- Diagnosis
 - Specific tests
 - Quantify VWF and F-VIII activity

VWD – Clinical Manifestations

- Hemorrhagic tendency is highly variable
 - Depends on the type and severity of disease
 - Patients with Type 1 and 2 disease
 - May have mild bleeding symptoms
 - Characterized by hemorrhage from delicate mucocutaneous tissues
 - Epistaxis, easy bruising, GI bleeding, menorrhagia
 - Hematoma and hemarthroses, characteristic of hemophilia A, are not prominent
 - Patients with severe type 3 VWD
 - Severe hemorrhagic tendency
 - Spontaneous hemorrhage
 - Mucous membranes, GI tract
 - Can be frequent and may be life threatening
 - Low F-VIII level
 - Deep hematomas
 - Joint hemorrhages – similar to hemophilia

Hemophilias

○ Hemophilia A

- Factor VIII Deficiency
 - Antihemophilic Factor
 - X-linked recessive disorder
 - Most common type of hemophilia

○ Hemophilia B

- Factor IX Deficiency
 - Christmas Factor (from family of first patients diagnosed with the disorder)
 - X-linked recessive disorder

○ Hemophilia C

- Factor XI Deficiency
- Autosomal recessive disorder seen primarily in the Ashkenazi Jewish population
- Symptoms range from mild to severe

Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation

- Normal balance of hemostasis is altered
- Results in the uncontrolled inappropriate formation and lysis of fibrin within the blood vessels
- Activation of coagulation occurs systemically
 - Rather than locally at site of injury
- Fibrin is deposited diffusely within capillaries, arterioles and venules
- Clotting proteins, inhibitors and platelets are consumed faster than they are synthesized
 - Acquired deficiency of multiple hemostatic components
 - Fibrinolysis follows fibrin formation
 - Patient generally bleeds spontaneously at the same time that disseminated clotting is occurring

DIC – Laboratory Diagnosis

- Laboratory diagnosis is difficult
 - Available tests are nonspecific
 - No single test can establish the definitive diagnosis of DIC
 - PT, APTT, TT prolonged
 - Fibrin degradation products are (+)
 - Platelet count ↓; platelet function tests abnormal
 - Schistocytes, thrombocytopenia on peripheral blood smear