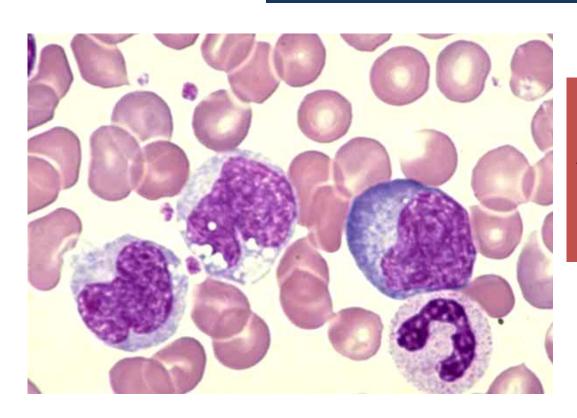
# BASIC PHYSIOPATHOLOGY OF GENERAL HEMATOLOGY

## A SYNOPSIS OF HEMATOLOGY



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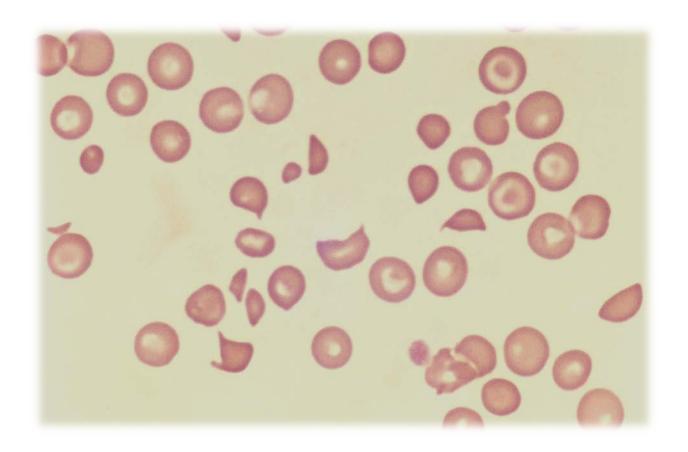
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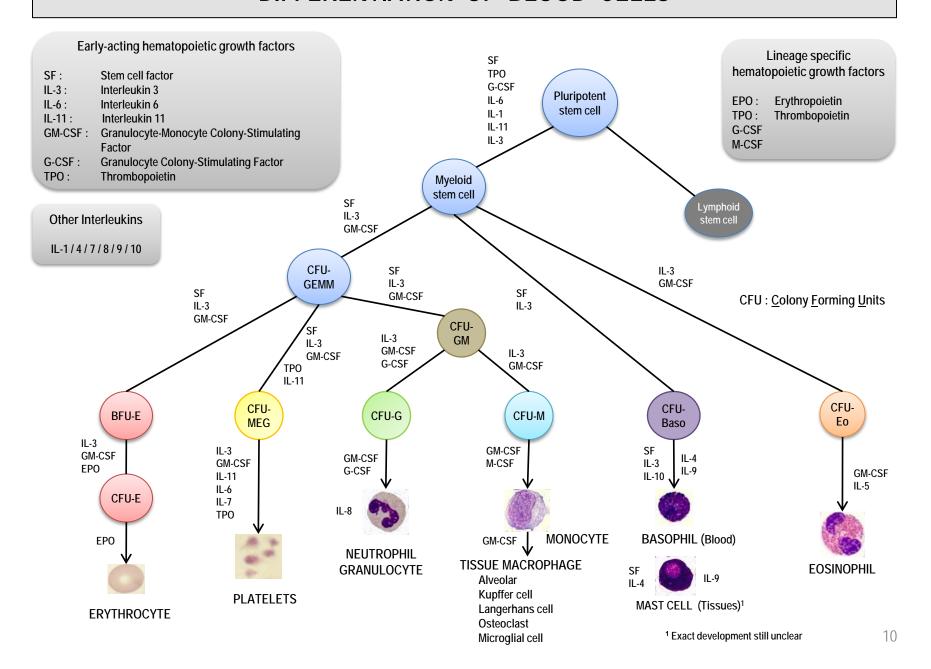
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## Part 1

## RED BLOOD CELL PATHOLOGY



## DIFFERENTIATION OF BLOOD CELLS



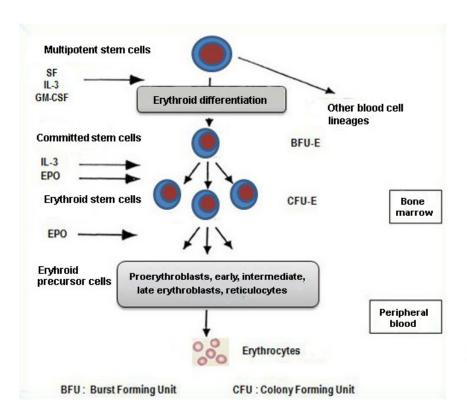
## NORMAL RANGES IN HEMATOLOGY

	UNIT	MAN	WOMAN
HEMOGLOBIN	g/L	133 – 177	117 – 157
HEMATOCRIT	%	40 – 52	35 – 47
RED BLOOD CELLS	T/L	4.4 – 5.8	3.8 – 5.2
MCV	fL	81	<b>- 99</b>
MCH	pg	27 – 34	
MCHC	g/L	310 – 360	
RDW <sup>1</sup> (anisocytosis index)		<	15
RETICULOCYTES (Relative count)	‰	5 -	- 15
RETICULOCYTES (Absolute count)	G/L	20 -	- 120
WHITE BLOOD CELLS	G/L	4 -	- 10
PLATELETS	G/L	150	- 350

 $\begin{array}{lll} T/L: & Tera/L & = 10^{12}/L \\ G/L: & Giga/L & = 10^{9}/L \\ fL: & Femtoliter & = L^{\cdot 15} \\ pg: & Picogram & = g^{\cdot 12} \end{array}$ 

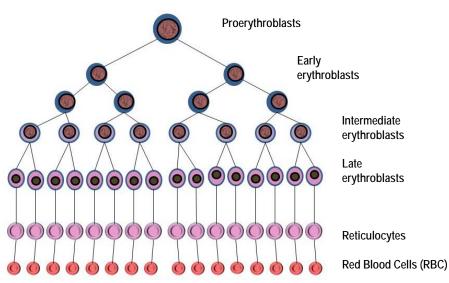
<sup>1</sup>RDW: Red cell distribution width

#### **ERYTHROPOIESIS**



Classical schedule of erythropoiesis. Cytokines like Interleukin 3 (IL-3) act on stem cells and primitive BFU-E; Erythropoietin (Epo) acts on more mature BFU-E but principally on CFU-E and on the erythroblastic compartment

Modified from Wajcman H., Lantz B., Girot R.: Les maladies du globule rouge 1992; Médecine-Sciences Flammarion : page 60.



Amplification and maturation of the erythroid cell line from proerythroblasts to RBC

Hoffbrand A.V., Pettit J.E.: Essential Haematology, 3th edition; Blackwell Science: p.14.

## **EVALUATION OF ANEMIA (1)**

3 PARAMETERS

3 INDICES

RETICULOCYTE COUNT

## **EVALUATION OF ANEMIA (2)**

#### **PARAMETERS**

HEMOGLOBIN (g / L)

RED BLOOD CELL COUNT  $(T/L = 10^{12}/L)$ 

HEMATOCRIT (%)

## ANEMIA = DIMINUTION OF HEMOGLOBIN

(At sea level, WHO 1968)

Child (6 months-6 years) < 110 g / L

Child (6 years-14 years) < 120 g / L

Adult man < 130 g / L

Adult woman < 120 g / L

Pregnant woman < 110 g / L

Influence of altitude: + 4% / 1'000 m

## **EVALUATION OF ANEMIA (3)**

#### **RED BLOOD CELL INDICES**

MCV: Mean Corpuscular Volume (Hct / RBC) x 10 (fL)

MCH: <u>Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin Hb / RBC (pg)</u>

MCHC : Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin Concentration :

(Hb / Hct) x 100 or (MCH / MCV) x 1'000 (g / L)

#### MORPHOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION OF ANEMIAS

	MCV	MCH	MCHC
Normocytic normochromic anemia	no	no	no
Microcytic hypochromic anemia	Û	Û	Û
Macrocytic normochromic anemia	Ø	Ø	no

## EVALUATION OF ANEMIA (4) RETICULOCYTES

#### Absolute reticulocyte count :

< 120 G / L: Hyporegenerative anemia

> 120 G / L: Regenerative anemia

#### Reticulocyte production index (RPI)

RPI = Reticulocytes (%) / 10 x reticulocyte maturation time in blood (days)1 x Hematocrit / 45

Normal: 1.0 - 2.0

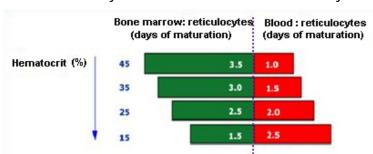
Hyporegenerative anemia: < 2.0

Regenerative anemia: > 2.0

<sup>1</sup> Reticulocyte have a total maturation time of 4.5 days :

- Normally 3.5 days in bone marrow and 1 day in peripheral blood
- In case of hematocrit / hemoglobin reduction reticulocytes leave the bone marrow earlier at a less mature stage, → maturation > 1,0 day in peripheral blood (where the reticulocyte count is performed)

Reticulocyte maturation related to anemia severity<sup>1</sup>



#### Reticulocytes distribution related to RNA<sup>2</sup> content :

HFR (High-Fluorescence Reticulocytes): high Immature reticulocytes (IRF: Immature Reticulocyte Fraction³)

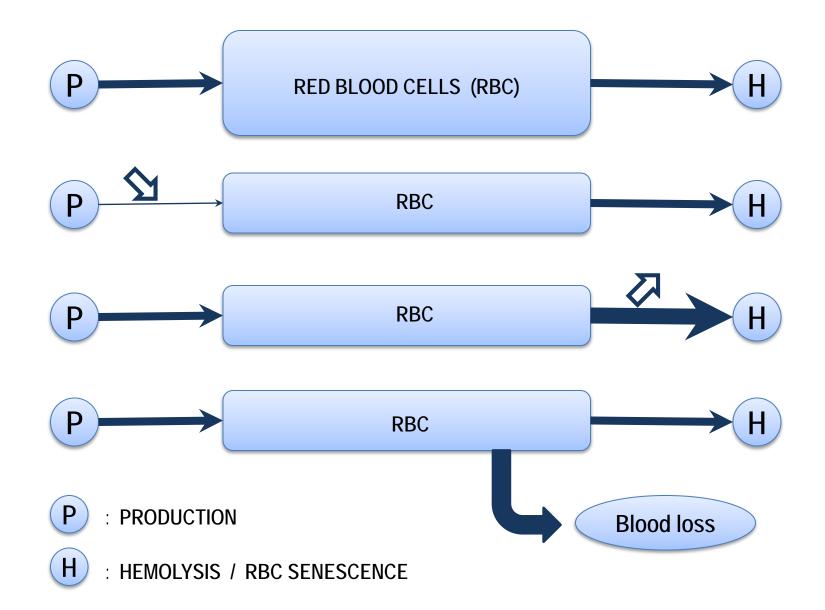
MFR (Medium-Fluorescence Reticulocytes: medium

LFR (Low-Fluorescence Reticulocytes : low Mature reticulocytes

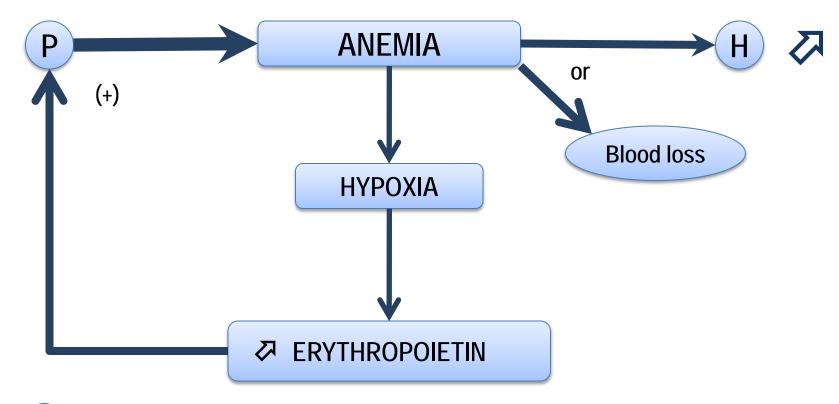
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> By flow cytometry

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Increase of this fraction may precede the reticulocyte increase in peripheral blood. Therefore it can be an early sign of recovery or stimulation of erythropoiesis. e.g.: a) after bone marrow / stem cell transplantation; b) monitoring of EPO treatment

## MECHANISMS OF ANEMIA (1)



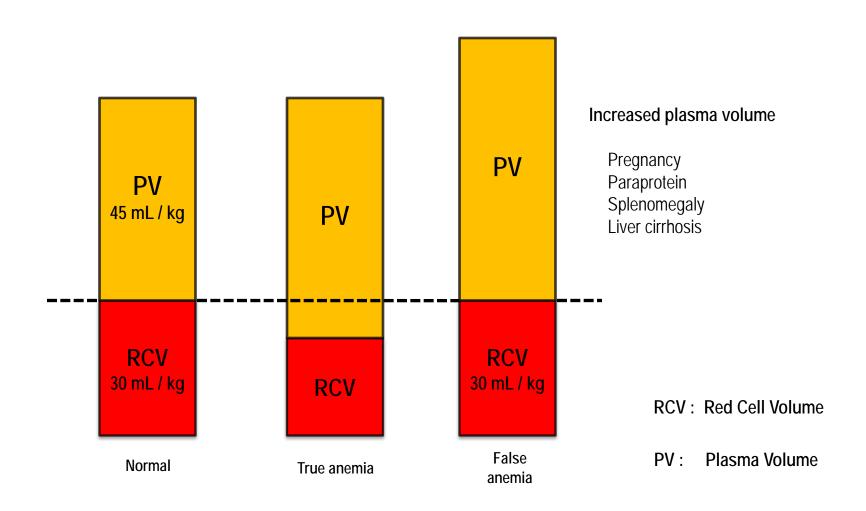
## MECHANISMS OF ANEMIA (2)



P : PRODUCTION

(H): HEMOLYSIS / RBC SENESCENCE

## MECHANISMS OF ANEMIA (3) WHOLE BLOOD, RED CELL, PLASMA VOLUME



## ANEMIA PATHOPHYSIOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION

#### HYPOREGENERATIVE ANEMIA

(Reticulocyte count < 120 G/L/RPI < 2.0)

#### NORMOCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC

Renal failure

Pure red cell aplasia

Bone marrow aplasia

Bone marrow infiltration

Anemia of chronic disease / Inflammatory anemia

Hypothyroidism

#### MICROCYTIC HYPOCHROMIC

Iron deficiency

Anemia of chronic disease / Inflammatory anemia

Iron utilization disorder (sideroblastic anemia, thalassemia)

#### MACROCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC

Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> and / or folate deficiency

Cytotoxic drugs

Alcoholism, liver diseases hypothyroidism

Myelodysplastic syndrome

Bone marrow aplasia

#### REGENERATIVE ANEMIA

(Reticulocyte count >  $20 G/L/RPI > 2.0/IRF \varnothing$ )

#### NORMOCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC

Acute blood loss

Hemolytic anemia

#### HYPOREGENERATIVE NORMOCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC ANEMIA

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

#### **SOLITARY ANEMIA**

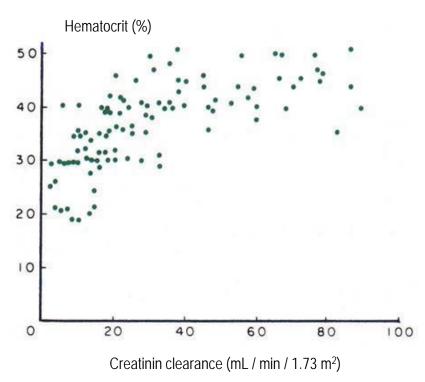
RENAL FAILURE
PURE RED CELL APLASIA
HYPOTHYROIDISM<sup>1</sup>

## PANCYTOPENIA ("CENTRAL" ORIGIN)

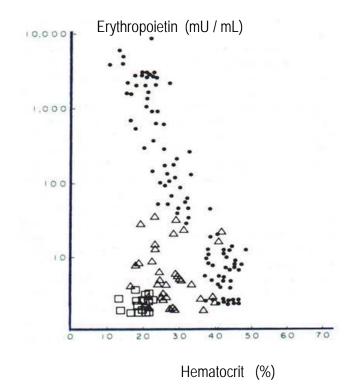
BONE MARROW APLASIA<sup>1</sup>
BONE MARROW INFILTRATION (Acute leukemia, lymphoid neoplasm, metastatic cancer)
MYELOFIBROSIS
HEMOPHAGOCYTOSIS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Normocytic or slightly macrocytic anemia

#### ANEMIA OF RENAL FAILURE



Relation between hematocrit and creatinin clearance *Radtke H.W., 1979.* 



Relation between hematocrit and endogenous erythropoietin
Renal anemia : □ Absence of kidney △ Presence of kidneys

• Non renal anemia

Caro J., 1979.

Treatment: rHuEpo 100-300 U / kg / week IV or SC

#### ERYTHROBLASTOPENIA - PURE RED CELL APLASIA

#### **HEREDITARY**

**BLACKFAN-DIAMOND ANEMIA** 

#### **ACQUIRED**

**PRIMARY** 

**SECONDARY** 

THYMOMA (~ 5% of patients with thymoma have pure red cell aplasia)

LYMPHOID NEOPLASM

CANCER (lung, breast, stomach, thyroid, biliary tract, skin)

COLLAGEN VASCULAR DISEASE

PARVOVIRUS B19 INFECTION

**PREGNANCY** 

DRUG INDUCED: Anticonvulsants

**Azathioprine** 

Chloramphenicol

**Sulfonamides** 

Isoniazid

**Procainamide** 

## BONE MARROW APLASIA ETIOLOGY

#### HEREDITARY BONE MARROW APLASIA

**FANCONI ANEMIA** 

#### **ACQUIRED BONE MARROW APLASIA**

**IDIOPATHIC** 

#### **SECONDARY**

Irradiation

Chemicals (benzene...)

Drugs

Obligatory bone marrow aplasia

Cytotoxic drugs (alkylating agents)

Occasional or uncommon bone marrow aplasia

Choramphenicol

Phenylbutazone

Gold salts

Viral infection (EBV, Hepatitis, Parvovirus B19, CMV, HIV)

Immune disorder (thymoma)

Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH)

Hypoplastic myelodysplastic syndrome

**Pregnancy** 

## **APLASTIC ANEMIA (1)**

#### DRUG INDUCED BONE MARROW TOXICITY

OBLIGATORY: dosis related Alkylating agents

OPTIONAL : dosis related Chloramphenicol dosis unrelated Chloramphenicol

#### CHLORAMPHENICOL INDUCED APLASTIC ANEMIA

TOXICITY	DOSE RELATED	DOSE UNRELATED
INCIDENCE	FREQUENT	UNCOMMON
BEGIN	IMMEDIATE	DELAYED (months)
SYMPTOMS	LIGHT	SEVERE (infection, bleeding)
COURSE	SPONTANEOUSLY FAVORABLE	FREQUENTLY FATAL

## APLASTIC ANEMIA (2) IDIOSYNCRASY¹ OVER 4 DECADES²

	1950 - 1959	1960 - 1969	1970 - 1979	1980 - 1989
Drugs <sup>3</sup>	427 (56%)	203 (60%)	523 (40%)	163 (20%)
Benzene and other solvants <sup>4</sup>	24 (3%)	14 (4%)	37 (3%)	21 (3%)
Insecticides	9 (1%)	29 (9%)	15 (1%)	11 (1%)
Idiopathic <sup>5</sup> / others <sup>6</sup>	296 (40%)	93 (27%)	717 (56%)	616 (76%)
Total	756	339	1292	811

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Idiosyncrasy: occasional or uncommon bone marrow depression

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Patients collective recruited in USA, Europe and Asia

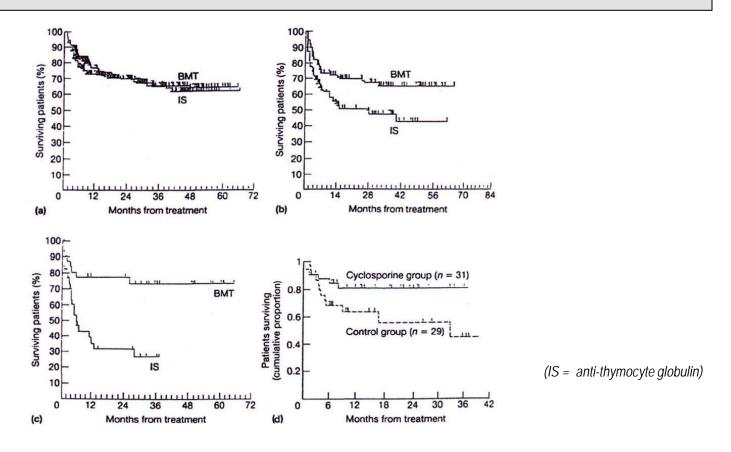
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Chloramphenicol, Phenylbutazone, anticonvulsants, gold salts, others

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Benzene: obligatory toxicity or idiosyncrasy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> On the basis of some studies, 40-70% of idiosyncratic bone marrow aplasia are considered idiopathic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Viral infection (EBV, hepatitis non-A, non-B, non-C, non-G, parvovirus, HIV), immune disease (eosinophilic fasciitis, thymoma, hypogammaglobulinemia, GvH: graft versus host disease in the context of immunodeficiency, pregnancy), PNH (*Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria*)

## APLASTIC ANEMIA (3) TREATMENT



- a) Comparison between allogeneic BMT and Immunosuppressive Treatment (IS). b) Neutrophils < 0.2 G / L, (p < 0.01).
- c) Neutrophils < 0.2 G / L + infections (EBMT 1987). d) IS + high dose steroids ± cyclosporine (Frickhofen et al., 1992).

Probability to find an HLA-compatible sibling as bone marrow / hematopoietic stem cells donor: 20-30%

Adapted from Hoffbrand A.V., Pettit J.E.: Essential Haematology, 3th edition 1993; Blackwell Science p. 127.

## MICROCYTIC HYPOCHROMIC ANEMIA DECREASED MCV, MCH AND MCHC

## IRON DEFICIENCY

Chronic blood loss Increased demand Malabsorption Poor diet

## ANEMIA OF CHRONIC DISEASE

Acute and chronic infection Inflammatory disorder Cancer Rheumatoid arthritis

## IRON UTILIZATION DISORDER

#### **HEMOGLOBINOPATHY**

 $\begin{array}{l} \beta\text{-Thalassemia} \\ \alpha\text{-Thalassemia} \\ \text{Hemoglobinopathies E, C} \end{array}$ 

## SIDEROBLASTIC ANEMIA

Hereditary

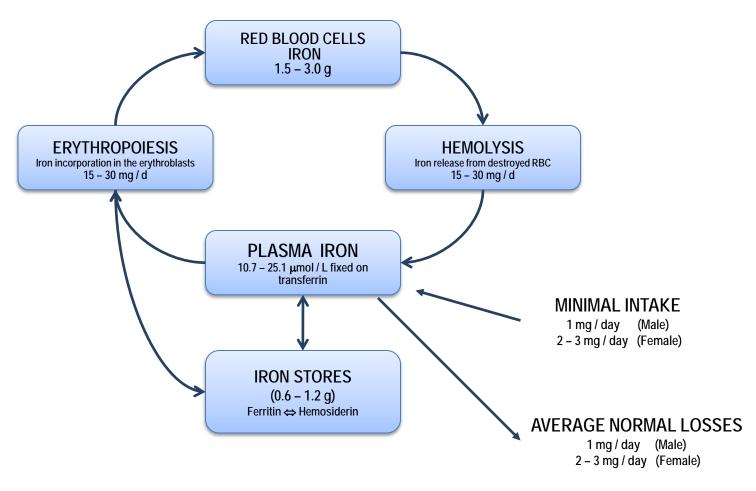
Acquired : Primary

Secondary Lead poisoning

Drugs

Alcohol

## **IRON CYCLE**



Normal range<sup>1</sup>: Iron (serum)  $12.5 - 25.1 \,\mu\text{mol} / L$  (M)  $10.7 - 21.4 \,\mu\text{mol} / L$  (F)

Transferrin 24.7 – 44.4  $\mu$ mol / L Ferritin (serum) 10 – 300  $\mu$ g / L

#### PHYSIOLOGICAL IRON LOSSES

MAN:  $14 \mu g / kg / day (Green, 1968)$ 

(0.9 - 1.0 mg / day)

WOMAN: 0.8 mg / day

+ menstruations: 1.4 – 2.2 mg / day – 50% if oral contraception

+ 100% if intrauterine device

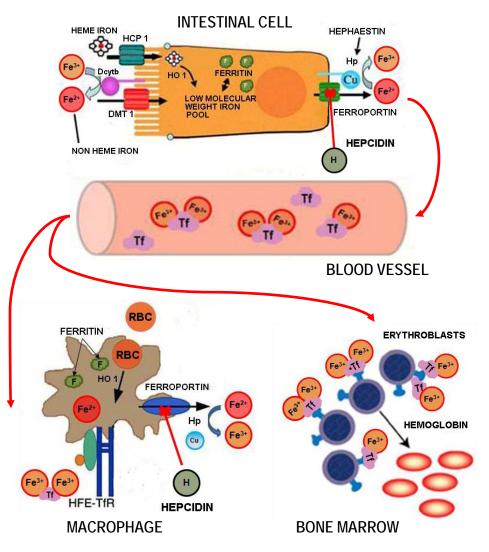
#### IRON BIOAVAILABILITY

#### **ABSORPTION:**

Heme iron 25 - 30%Non heme iron 1 - 7%

➢ Ascorbates, citrates, tartrates, lactates

#### **IRON METABOLISM**



<sup>1</sup> HCP 1 : <u>H</u>eme <u>C</u>arrier <u>P</u>rotein 1

<sup>2</sup> Dcytb: Duodenal cytochrome b reductase

<sup>3</sup> DMT 1 : <u>Divalent Metal Transporter 1</u>
<sup>4</sup> TfR : <u>Transferrin Receptor</u>
<sup>5</sup> Hp : Hephaestine

<sup>6</sup> HO 1 : Heme Oxygenase 1

HFE: Human hemochromatosis protein

#### **IRON ABSORPTION:**

- Heme iron: by a special pathway, probably HCP 1¹, followed by heme degradation through Heme-Oxygenase (HO 1⁶) with iron recycling
- Non-heme iron: reduction of Fe<sup>+++</sup> to Fe<sup>++</sup> by Dcytb<sup>2</sup> with following absorption by DMT 1<sup>3</sup> to the intracellular labile iron pool then to ferritin

#### IRON CIRCULATION

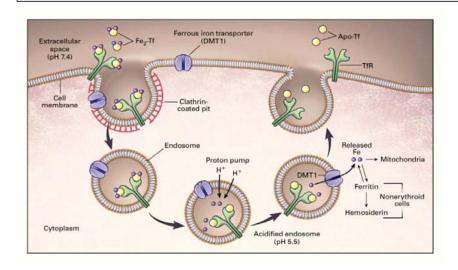
Fe<sup>++</sup> leaves the intestinal cell through the Ferroportin pathway, negatively regulated by Hepcidin
Iron is reoxidated to Fe<sup>+++</sup> through Hephaestin (Hp<sup>5</sup>) in presence of Cu<sup>++</sup>

Iron then binds to **Transferrin (Tf)** a specific bivalent transporter protein. By binding of **Tf** to the **Transferrin Receptors (TfR<sup>4</sup>)** iron can be delivered to the cells, in particular to the erythroblasts for heme synthesis

Iron is also stored in the macrophages. They also "recycle" the senescent RBC with recuperation and storage of their Heme iron Release of iron from the stores proceeds by the **Ferroportin** pathway, also negatively regulated by **Hepcidin** 

- **₹ Hepcidin**: blocks Ferroportin by cellular internalization of the formed complex, stopping the process of iron release. This may lead to iron oveload in the cells with functional iron deficiency (*e.g. anemia of chronic disorders / inflammatory anemia*)
- **→ Hepcidin**: favours iron transfer and supply to the cells (*e.g. iron deficiency*)

#### TRANSFERRIN CYCLE



TfR: Transferrin Receptor. Binds 2 molecules of bivalent transferrin

DMT 1 : <u>Divalent Metal Transporter 1</u>. Transport in the cell of non-heme iron

APO-Tf: Apotransferrin

Andrews N.C.: Disorders of Iron Metabolism. NEJM 1999; 341: 1986-1995.

## SYNTHESIS OF FERRITIN, TRANSFERRIN RECEPTOR AND DMT-1

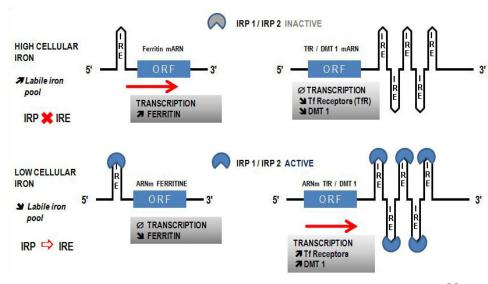
IRP 1 / IRP 2 : Iron Regulatory Proteins (sensors of intracellular labile iron) IRE and IREs(5) : Iron Responsive Elements (ARNm motives)

Interactions between IRE(s) and IRP lead to regulation of ferritin, DMT 1 and transferrin receptor synthesis related to the iron load of the labile intracellular pool

By high intracellular iron pool, IRP 1 and IRP 2 have low or absent activity leading to facilitated Ferritin mARN transcription with A ferritin synthesis. Transcription of TfR and DMT-1 mARN cannot proceed, leading to **a** of TfR and DMT-1, with reduction of iron absorption and transport capacity

By low intracellular **iron pool**, IRP-IRE binding leads to inhibition of initiation complex of Ferritin mARN transcription in 5′: **☆ of ferritin synthesis**Stabilization of mARN in 3′ by absence of endonuclease cleavage leads to 

of TfR and DMT-1 synthesis



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## STAGES OF IRON DEFICIENCY DEVELOPMENT SERUM IRON - TRANSFERRIN - FERRITIN

	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
FERRITIN	∿	∿	∿
IRON (Bone marrow)	∿	Absent	Absent
TRANSFERRIN (Serum)	Normal	Ø	Ø
IRON (Serum)	Normal	∿	∿
HEMOGLOBIN	Normal	Normal	₪
MCV	Normal	Normal	₪
MCHC	Normal	Normal	∿

	SERUM IRON	TRANSFERRIN	FERRITIN
IRON DEFICIENCY	₪	Ø	₪
INFLAMMATORY ANEMIA	₪	₪	Ø
IRON UTILIZATION DISORDER	Ø	no / ∕⊴	Ø

#### **SOLUBLE TRANSFERRIN RECEPTORS:**

Increased in isolated iron deficiency and in this associated with inflammatory processes

Normal in isolated inflammatory anemia

#### RING SIDEROBLASTS:

Increased in sideroblastic anemia (indication to bone marrow examination), cf. page 43

#### ETIOLOGY OF IRON DEFICIENCY

Chronic blood loss Increased iron demand Malabsorption Poor diet

#### CAUSES OF CHRONIC IRON LOSS

Uterine (menorrhagia, metrorrhagia), digestive bleeding (hematemesis, melaena), parasites (hookworm), hematuria Chronic intravascular hemolysis (Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria)

Frequent blood donations, phlebotomies, provoked bleedings (Lasthénie de Ferjol syndrome)

Chronic bleeding (microcytic hypochromic hyporegenerative anemia) must imperatively be distinguished from acute blood loss (normocytic normochromic regenerative anemia). Remember that 1 L of blood = 500 mg of iron

#### INCREASED IRON DEMAND

Pregnancy

Breast feeding (maternal milk = 0.3 - 0.5 mg/L)

Growth

#### IRON DEMAND IN PREGNANCY

Increased maternal total red cell volume	500	mg
Fetal needs	290	mg
Placenta	25	mg
Basal iron loss (0.8 mg / d for 9 months)	220	mg
TOTAL:	1'03	5 mg

#### FUNCTIONAL IRON DEFICIENCY

Absence of adequate erythropoietin response in case of anemia secondary to renal failure or to an inflammatory process with ferritin level in normal or high range (cf. following page)

## TREATMENT OF IRON DEFICIENCY ANEMIA

# CAUSAL TREATMENT IRON SUBSTITUTION (anemia correction <u>and</u> iron stores reconstitution) Oral substitution :

**Basic data** :1 L of blood = 500 mg of iron and 160 g of hemoglobin. 1 g of hemoglobin :  $500 / 160 = \pm 3 \text{ mg}$  of iron Blood volume : 75 mL / kg. Iron reserves : 1'000 mg

Example: Woman, 56 years old, BW 50 kg, hemoglobin 80 g / L

Iron needs for anemia correction and iron stores reconstitution:

[Blood volume (L) x (160 - Hb patient) x 3] + 1'000 mg  $\rightarrow$  [3.75 x (160 - 80) x 3] + 1'000 mg = 1'900 mg of iron

Patient receives 100 mg elementary iron q.d. with a mean resorption of 15 mg q.d.

Duration of substitution:  $1'900 / 15 = 126 \text{ days } (\pm 4 \text{ months})$ 

Anemia correction within ± 1 month. Iron deficiency corrected when serum ferritin in normal range

Parenteral substitution: 100-200 mg IV 1-3 x weekly or perfusion of 1'000 mg (15 mg / kg) of ferric carboxymaltose once or twice

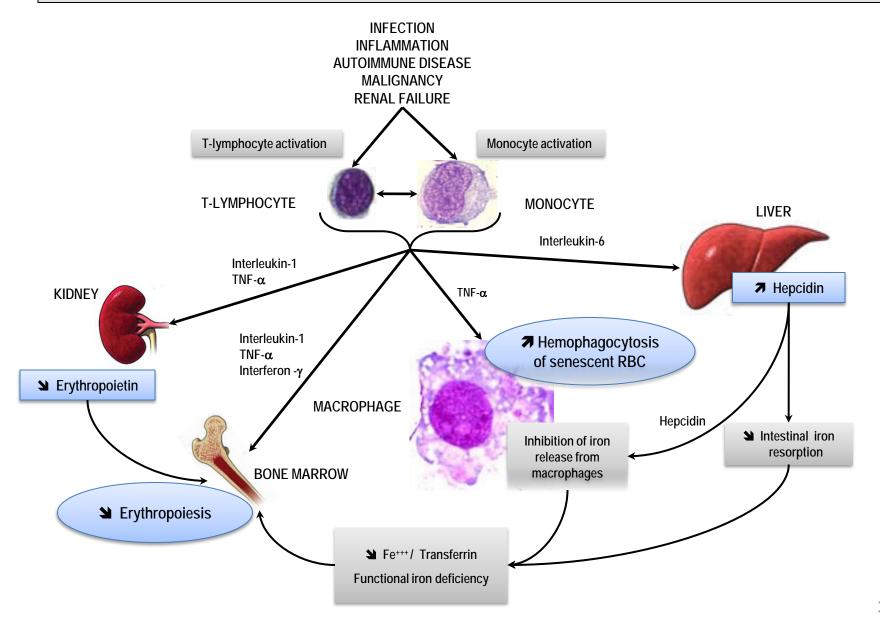
**Indications**: Functional iron deficiency (Hb content in reticulocytes (CHr) < 28 pg; percentage of

hypochromic RBC (HYPO): > 5%)

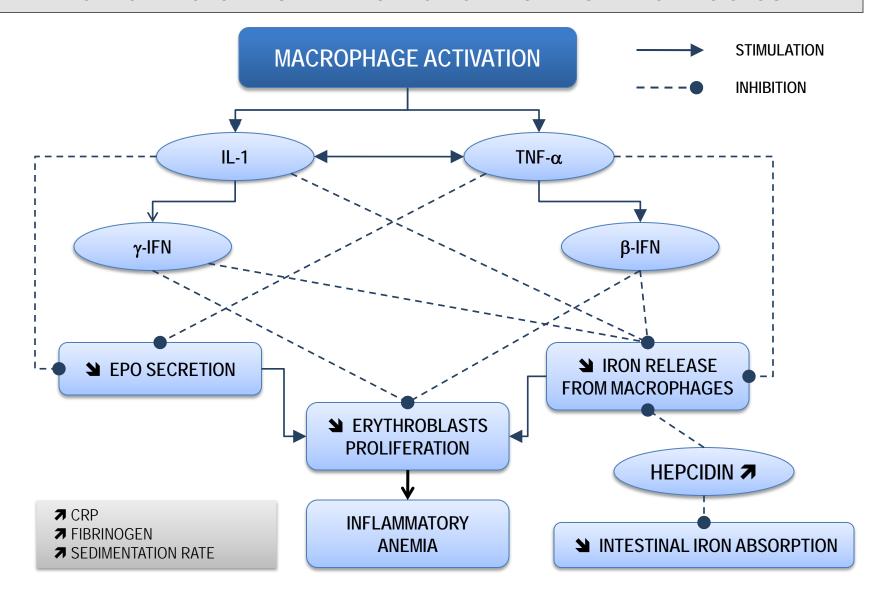
Malabsorption syndrome
Digestive oral iron intolerance
Poor patient compliance

Important chronic, persisting hemorrhage

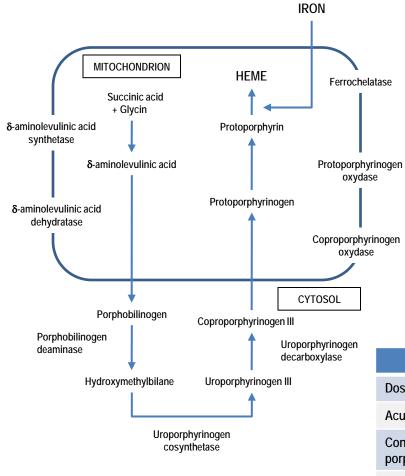
## ANEMIA OF CHRONIC DISORDERS / INFLAMMATORY ANEMIA (1)



# ANEMIA OF CHRONIC DISEASE / INFLAMMATORY ANEMIA (2) ROLE OF MACROPHAGE RELEASED CYTOKINES IN ITS PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

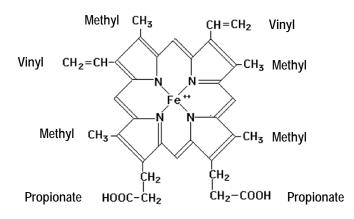


## HEME SYNTHESIS



Wajcman H., Lantz B., Girot R.: Les maladies du globule rouge 1992; Médecine-Sciences. Flammarion : p. 418 & 420.

## Porphyric nucleus + iron

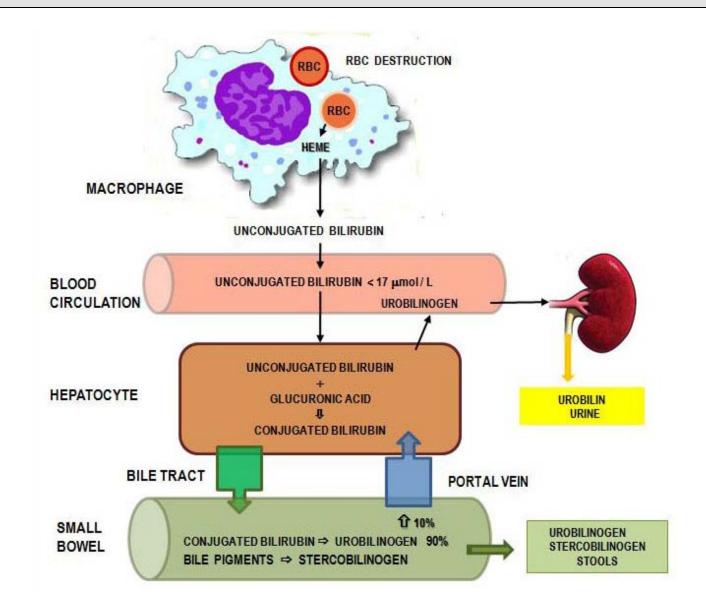


The heme molecule

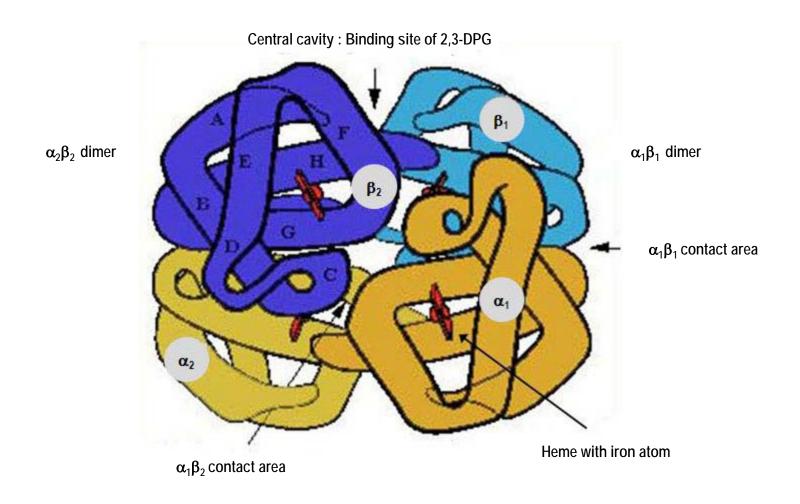
## HEPATIC (H) AND ERYTHROPOIETIC (E) PORPHYRIAS

DISEASE	TYPE	ENZYME DEFICIENCY
Doss porphyria	Н	ALA dehydratase
Acute intermittent porphyria	Н	Porphobilinogen deaminase
Congenital erythropoietic porphyria	E	Uroporphyrinogen cosynthetase
Cutaneous porphyria	Н	Uroporphyrinogen decarboxylase
Hereditary coproporphyria	Н	Coproporphyrinogen oxydase
Porphyria variegata	Н	Protoporphyrinogen oxydase
Protoporphyria	E	Ferrochelatase

## HEMOGLOBIN DEGRADATION

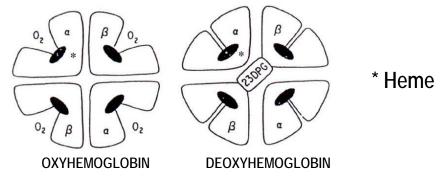


## HEMOGLOBIN STRUCTURE



Hemoglobine tetramer with contact areas

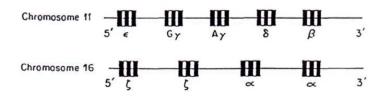
## HEMOGLOBIN / INTERACTION O<sub>2</sub> AND 2,3-DPG

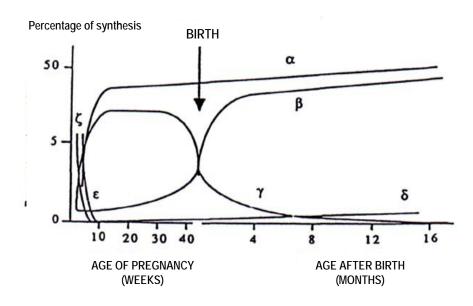


Competition between oxygen and 2,3-diphosphoglycerate (2,3-DPG)

	GLOBIN STRUCTURE	HEMOGLOBIN	
Embryonic hemoglobins	$\xi_2  \epsilon_2$	Gower 1	
	$\xi_2\gamma_2$	Portland	
	$\alpha_2  \epsilon_2$	Gower 2	
Adult hemoglobins	$\alpha_2 \beta_2$	Α	
	$\alpha_2\delta_2$	A <sub>2</sub> (1.5 – 3.0%)	
	$\alpha_2 \gamma_2$	F (< 1%)	

#### GENES CODING FOR THE DIFFERENT GLOBIN CHAINS

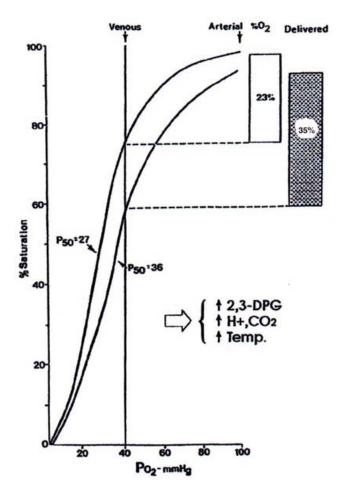




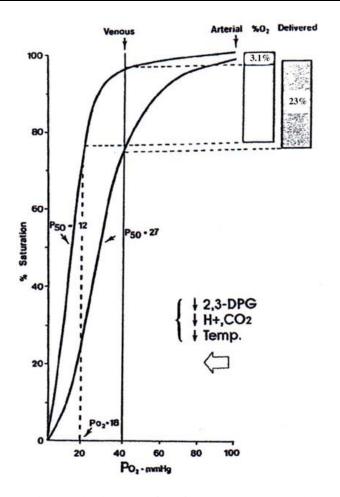
Synthesis of the different globin chains during ontogenesis

Wajcman H., Lantz B., Girot R.: les maladies du globule rouge 1992; Médecine-Sciences Flammarion : p. 12.

## HEMOGLOBIN DISSOCIATION CURVE



Right shift of the hemoglobin dissociation curve through  $\nearrow$  of 2,3-DPG:  $\searrow$  of oxygen affinity of hemoglobin In this situation: 12% increase of  $O_2$  tissues delivery



Left shift of the hemoglobin dissociation curve through  $\ \ \$  of 2,3-DPG :  $\ \ \ \$  of oxygen affinity of hemoglobin in this situation : 20% diminution of  $O_2$  tissues delivery

# ANEMIA WITH IRON UTILIZATION DISORDER (1) SIDEROBLASTIC ANEMIA

## **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

Anomaly of porphyric nucleus synthesis Presence of ring sideroblasts (bone marrow) Role of vitamin B<sub>6</sub> (Pyridoxin)

### **CLASSIFICATION**

Acquired sideroblastic anemia: Primary

Secondary

Lead Isoniazid

Chloramphenicol Pyrazinamide

Alcohol

Hereditary sideroblastic anemia : X - linked

Autosomal Mitochondrial

# ANEMIA WITH IRON UTILIZATION DISORDER (2) THALASSEMIA

### **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

#### **GLOBIN SYNTHESIS DEFECT**

Great genetic heterogeneity at molecular level (DNA lesions, i.e. more or less important deletions, point mutations)

 $\alpha\text{-Thalassemia}: \ \ \ \, \ \, \text{or absence of }\alpha\text{-chain synthesis of globin}$ 

 $\beta$ -Thalassemia :  $\$  or absence of  $\beta$ -chain synthesis of globin

## CENTRAL (BONE MARROW) AND PERIPHERAL HEMOLYSIS THROUGH TETRAMERS INSTABILITY

 $\alpha_4$  for  $\beta\text{-Thalassemia}$ 

 $\beta_4$  for  $\alpha$ -Thalassemia (Hemoglobin H)

## α-THALASSEMIA

## **CLINICAL VARIETIES**

CHROMOSOME 16

 $--/\alpha\alpha$  or  $-\alpha/-\alpha$ 

Normal

Asymptomatic carrier

 $\alpha\text{-Thalassemia minor}$ 

Hemoglobin H disease

Moderate, sometimes severe chronic anemia

Splenomegaly

Inclusion bodies

**Hemoglobin Bart** 

Hydrops fetalis Hb Bart =  $\gamma_4$  \_\_\_/\_\_

αα / αα

 $-\alpha/\alpha\alpha$ 

 $--/-\alpha$ 

## **DIAGNOSIS**

Search for inclusion bodies

Electrophoresis of a fresh<sup>1</sup> hemolysate at alkaline or neutral pH. Isoelectric focusing (Hb H) DNA analysis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Hb H is unstable!

## **β-THALASSEMIA**

## β-THALASSEMIA MINOR

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\beta / \beta +-thal (heterozygocity)
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"Micropolyglobulia": e.g. RBC: 6.2 T / L

Hb: 105 g / L MCV: 62 fl

Target cells, coarse basophilic stippling. Hb electrophoresis :  $\triangleleft$  Hb  $A_2$  and F

Genetic counseling

## β-THALASSEMIA MAJOR

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\beta <sup>0</sup>-thal / \beta <sup>0</sup>-thal (homozygocity) or \beta <sup>0</sup>-thal / \beta <sup>+</sup>-thal (double heterozygocity)
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Severe anemia, hemolytic icterus, erythroblasts on blood smear

Splenomegaly, hepatomegaly

Growth retardation

Hb F 20-80 %

**Treatment**: Transfusions, iron chelation, allogeneic stem cell / bone marrow transplantation

## MACROCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC HYPOREGENERATIVE ANEMIA

MCV: > 99 fL

MCH:  $\Rightarrow$  34 pg

MCHC : normal 310 - 360 g / LReticulocyte count : < 120 G / L

### CLASSIFICATION

### MEGALOBLASTIC MACROCYTIC ANEMIA

Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> deficiency

Folate deficiency

Cytotoxic drugs

6-mercaptopurin

5-fluorouracil

Cytosine arabinoside

Hydroxyurea

Methotrexate

Zidovudin (AZT)

### NON MEGALOBLASTIC MACROCYTIC ANEMIA

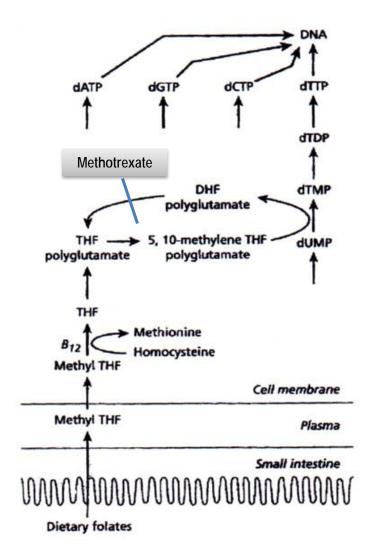
Alcoholism

Liver disease

Myxedema

Myelodysplastic syndrome

# MEGALOBLASTIC MACROCYTIC ANEMIA PATHOPHYSIOLOGY



Role of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> (cobalamin) and folates in DNA metabolism

Methyl THF: methyltetrahydrofolate A: adenine THF: tetrahydrofolate G: guanine DHF: dihydrofolate C: cytosine MP: T: thymidine monophosphate DP: diphosphate U: uridine TP: triphosphate d: deoxyribose

Methionine deficiency might be the cause of myelin synthesis anomaly, leading to the neurological signs and symptoms found in vitamin  $B_{12}$  deficiency

# VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub> AND FOLATES CHEMICAL STRUCTURE

Structure of folic acid (pteroylglutamic acid): pteridine nucleus + para-aminobenzoic acid + glutamate(s)

Structure of methylcobalamin (plasma)
Other compounds: deoxyadenosylcobalamin (tissues),
hydroxocobalamin and cyanocobalamin (used in treatment of
vitamin B<sub>12</sub> deficiency)

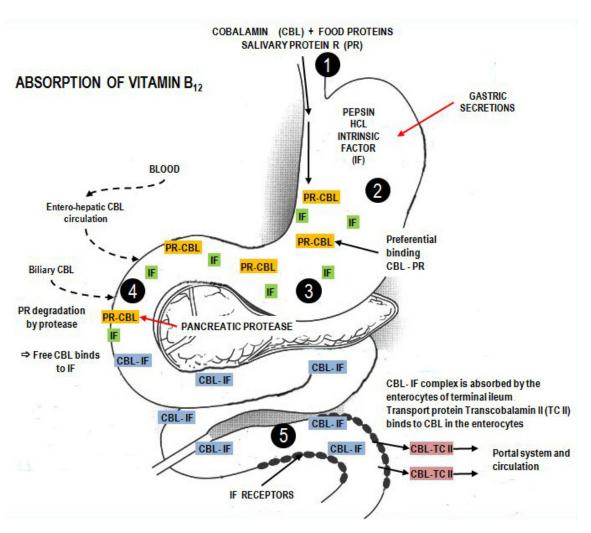
# VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub> AND FOLATES GENERAL DATA

	VITAMIN B <sub>12</sub>	FOLATES	
Balanced diet (/day)	7 – 30 μg	200 – 250 μg	
Daily needs	1 – 2 μg	100 – 150 μg	
Origin	Animal	Vegetables, liver, yeast	
Cooking (heat)	Few effect	Thermolabile	
Reserves	2 – 3 mg	10 – 12 mg	
Exhaustion of stores	2 – 4 years	3 – 4 months	
Absorption			
Site	lleum	Jejunum	
Mechanism	Intrinsic factor <sup>1</sup>	Methyltetrahydrofolate conversion	
Plasmatic transport	Transcobalamins (TC)  TC II: transport and intracellular transfer of cobalamins  TC I <sup>2</sup> : transports the major part of circulating cobalamins  TC III: isoprotein of TC I		
Active physiological forms	Methyl- and deoxyadenosylcobalamins	Polyglutamates	
Compounds used for therapeutic substitution	Hydroxocobalamin Cyanocobalamin	Folic acid (pteroylglutamic acid)	
Serum levels (physiological)	133 – 675 pmol / L <sup>3</sup> > 5.3 nmol / L <sup>3</sup>		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cobalamins of dietary origin are unspecifically bound to proteins. In the stomach, peptic digestion at low (acid) pH separates dietary proteins from cobalamins which then bind to Protein R (*or haptocorrin*) of salivary origin. In the duodenum, degradation of Protein R by pancreatic proteases allows binding of the cobalamins to intrinsic factor of gastric origin

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> TC I and TC III are abundant in secondary granules of neutrophils

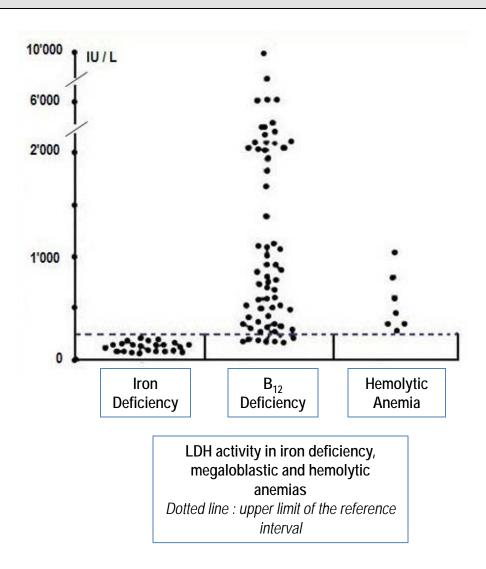
## ABSORPTION OF VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub>



# PHYSIOPATHOLOGICAL MECHANISMS OF VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub> (COBALAMINE) DEFICIENCY

- 1 Cobalamin dietary deficiency
- Anomaly of cobalamine food dissociation
- Quantitative or qualitative defect of Intrinsic Factor (IF)
- Abnormal utilization of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> by bacterias (blind loop syndrome), fish worm (diphyllobothrium latum)
- Anomaly of ileal mucosa and / or of the IF receptors and / or transfer in the enterocyte

## LDH AND ANEMIA



Modified from Emerson P.M., Wilkinson J.H., Br J Haematol 1966; 12: 678-688.

## MEGALOBLASTIC ANEMIA WITH DNA SYNTHESIS ANOMALY

**Nuclear maturation slowdown** 

Optimal hemoglobin concentration reached before the usual 4 mitosis

Reduction of the number of mitosis

Increased size of the cells

**Bone marrow**: megaloblasts

**Peripheral blood**: megalocytes ("macroovalocytes")

Intramedullary and peripheral hemolysis

Bone marrow with megaloblastic hyperplasia by erythroid stem cell recruitment through erythropoietin

## SCHILLING TEST

Saturation of transcobalamins by IM injection of 1 mg vitamin B<sub>12</sub>

Oral administration of 0.5 -1  $\mu$ g radiolabeled vitamin B<sub>12</sub>

48 hours urine collection and measure of excreted radioactivity

In case of pathological result repeat the test with concomitant oral intrinsic factor administration (IF)

	Urinary excretion of radiolabeled vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (%)		
	B <sub>12</sub> alone	B <sub>12</sub> + IF	
Normal subject	18 (9 – 36)	-	
Pernicious anemia	0.5 (0 - 1.2)	13 (6 – 31)	
Malabsorption (Gluten enteropathy)	3.6 (0 – 19)	3.3 (0 – 10)	

Results obtained with 0.5  $\mu g$  of radiolabeled oral vitamin  $B_{12}$ 

## NORMAL AND MEGALOBLASTIC ERYTHROPOIESIS

NORMAL **MEGALOBLASTIC ERYTHROPOIESIS ERYTHROPOIESIS BONE MARROW CELLULARITY NORMAL INCREASED PROERYTHROBLASTS MEGALOBLASTS** (Asynchronism of nucleocytoplasmic maturation) **EARLY ERYTHROBLASTS** INTERMEDIATE **ERYTHROBLASTS NORMAL HEMOGLOBIN SYNTHESIS** LATE **ERYTHROBLASTS BLOOD HOWELL-JOLLY BODIES RETICULOCYTES** LOW OR ABSENT RETICULOCYTE COUNT **RED BLOOD CELLS MACROCYTES MEGALOCYTES** WHITE BLOOD CELLS **NEUTROPHILS HYPERSEGMENTED NEUTROPHILS** 

## CAUSES OF VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub> DEFICIENCY

### **MALABSORPTION**

Gastric origin : Achlorhydria

Pernicious anemia

Partial or total gastrectomy

Congenital intrinsic factor deficiency

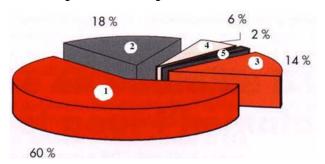
Intestinal origin: Resection of terminal ileum

Crohn's disease

Gluten induced enteropathy

Fish tapeworm (Diphyllobothrium latum) infestation

## **Dietary deficiency**



- 1. Non dissociation of Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> from the transport proteins or insufficient digestion of dietary vitamins B<sub>12</sub>
- 2. Pernicious anemia
- 3. Undefined
- 4. Malabsorption
- 5. Poor diet

Distribution of causes of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> deficiency in adults

## PERNICIOUS ANEMIA (1)

### **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

Atrophic gastritis of immune origin with lack of intrinsic factor

### **HEMATOLOGY**

Macrocytic megaloblastic anemia Neutropenia with hypersegmented neutrophils Thrombocytopenia

### **CLINICAL ASPECTS**

Atrophic glossitis (Hunter's glossitis), dyspepsia Combined degeneration of the dorsal (posterior) and lateral spinal columns (paresthesias, pain, gait disturbance, pallesthesia diminution, pyramidal syndrome)

→ Methionine synthesis defect?

Psychiatric symptoms (irritability, depression)
Melanic skin hyperpigmentation (uncommon!)
Sterility, asthenospermia

# PERNICIOUS ANEMIA (2) LABORATORY

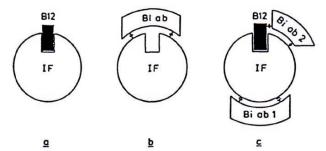
### SCHILLING TEST

Pathological but normalized after simultaneous administration of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> + intrinsic factor

### **ANTIBODY SCREENING**

	Antiparietal cells (± 90%) <sup>1</sup>	Anti-intrinsic factor (± 50%)
Specificity	-	+
Sensitivity	+	_

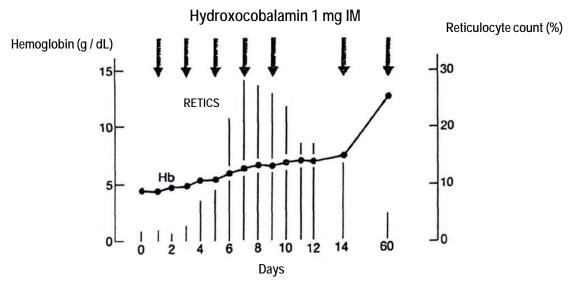
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Antiparietal cells antibodies can be found in normal individuals (5-20%) and in myxedema (~ 30%)

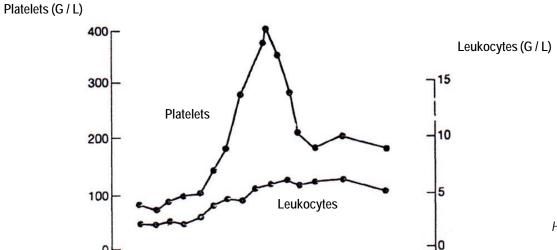


Schematic presentation of intrinsic factor (IF), vitamin  $B_{12}$  and of antibody directed against intrinsic factor :

- a) Normal binding between IF and vitamin B<sub>12</sub>
- b) Blocking antibody
- c) Coupling antibody

# PERNICIOUS ANEMIA (3) RESPONSE TO HYDROXOCOBALAMIN SUBSTITUTION





## CAUSES OF FOLATE DEFICIENCY

# DIETARY DEFICIENCY

## **MALABSORPTION**

Gluten induced enteropathy Wide jejunal resection

Crohn's disease

## **INCREASED DEMAND**

Physiological: Pregnancy

Lactation Prematurity Growth

Pathological: Hemolytic anemia

Cancer, myeloid or lymphoid neoplasm

Inflammatory process

## **DRUGS**

Anticonvulsants (e.g. : Diphenylhydantoin)

Barbiturates Salazopyrin

## **ALCOHOLISM**

# WORKUP OF MACROCYTIC ANEMIA WITH OR WITHOUT NEUTROPENIA AND / OR THROMBOCYTOPENIA

### RETICULOCYTE COUNT

Regenerative anemia?

## 2. FOLATES AND VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub> SERUM LEVELS

DNA synthesis disorder?

## TESTS OF THYROID FUNCTION

Hypothyroidism?

## 4. ALCOHOLISM INVESTIGATION

## 5. IF 1-4 NEGATIVE $\rightarrow$ BONE MARROW CYTOLOGY AND HISTOLOGY

Myelodysplastic syndrome?
Bone marrow aplasia?

## NORMOCYTIC NORMOCHROMIC REGENERATIVE ANEMIA

MCV: normal 81 – 99 fL

MCH: normal 27 – 34 pg

MCHC: normal 310 – 360 g / L

Reticulocyte count : > 120 G/L

# ACUTE BLOOD LOSS (1)

BLOOD LOSS	% BLOOD VOLUME	SYMPTOMS	
0.5 – 1.0 L	10 – 20	Possible vaso-vagal signs	
1.0 – 1.5 L	20 – 30	Tachycardia / hypotension	
1.5 – 2.0 L	30 – 40	Reversible hypovolemic shock	
> 2.0 L	> 40	Irreversible hypovolemic shock	

## **ACUTE BLOOD LOSS (2)**

## **Evolution in 2 phases :**

- 1. Hypovolemia (1-3 days)
- 2. Volemia normalization

Anemia is only found during phase of volemia correction

Anemia normocytic normochromic as far as iron stores not exhausted

To be remembered: 1 L of blood = 500 mg of iron

Increase of the reticulocyte count from the 4th day, possibly neutrophilic leukocytosis with left shift, myelocytosis (presence of some peripheral blood myelocytes and metamyelocytes), thrombocytosis

#### Treatment:

Phase 1: packed red cells and plasma

Phase 2: packed red cells

# HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA BASIC DATA (1)

## **HISTORY**

Ethnic origin, family history
Stay in a foreign country
Drug treatment
Prior transfusion(s), pregnancy(-ies)

### CLINICAL FEATURES

Jaundice Splenomegaly

### **HEMOGRAM**

Normocytic normochromic anemia

Particular situations:

Absence of anemia in case of compensated hemolysis

Microcytic anemia: thalassemia, hemoglobinopathies E, C, PNH<sup>1</sup>

Macrocytic anemia: high reticulocyte count, associated folate deficiency

Regeneration signs

Polychromasia

Increased reticulocyte count

Presence of peripheral blood erythroblasts

Red blood cell morphology

Spherocytes, schistocytes, sickle cells, target cells

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PNH: Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (iron deficiency due to chronic hemoglobinuria)

# HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA BASIC DATA (2)

#### **BLOOD CHEMISTRY**

unconjugated bilirubin

**₽ LDH** 

haptoglobin

Urobilinuria

ISOTOPIC TESTS (51Cr): cf. following page

#### **EXTRAVASCULAR HEMOLYSIS**

"Sensitization" of circulating RBC and destruction by the monocyte / macrophage system (spleen, lymph nodes, bone marrow)

### INTRAVASCULAR HEMOLYSIS

Hemosiderinuria

#### HEMOLYSIS DUE TO CORPUSCULAR ANOMALY

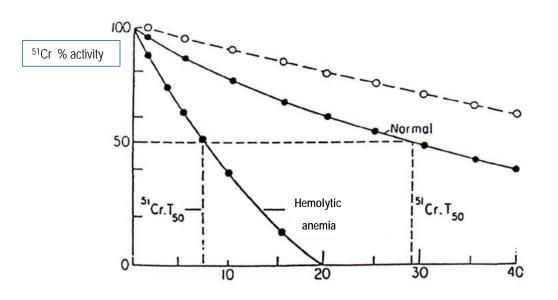
Hereditary (except PNH<sup>1</sup>)
Homozygous or heterozygous

### HEMOLYSIS DUE TO EXTRACORPUSCULAR ANOMALY

**Acquired** 

<sup>1</sup> PNH: Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria

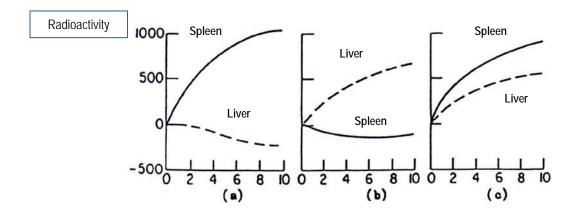
# MEASURE OF RED BLOOD CELLS HALF LIFE 51 Cr LABELLING



Measure of RBC half life with <sup>51</sup>Cr labeling (<sup>51</sup>CrT<sub>50</sub>)

o- -o- -o: Theoretical curve

•—•• : Normal curve with half life of 30 ± 2 days
Pathological curve with half life < 10 days



External counts during 51Cr test:

- a) Predominant splenic sequestration (hereditary spherocytosis)
- b) Predominant hepatic sequestration (sickle cell disease)
- c) Mixed sequestration (splenic and hepatic) (some forms of immune hemolytic anemia)

## HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA DUE TO CORPUSCULAR DEFECT

## **ENZYMOPATHY**

**RBC MEMBRANE ANOMALY** 

### **HEMOGLOBINOPATHY**

Diminution (or absence) of globin chains synthesis

THALASSEMIAS (cf. pages 44-46)

Substitution (or deletion) of a residue on a globin chain

SICKLE CELL DISEASE

HEMOGLOBINS E, C

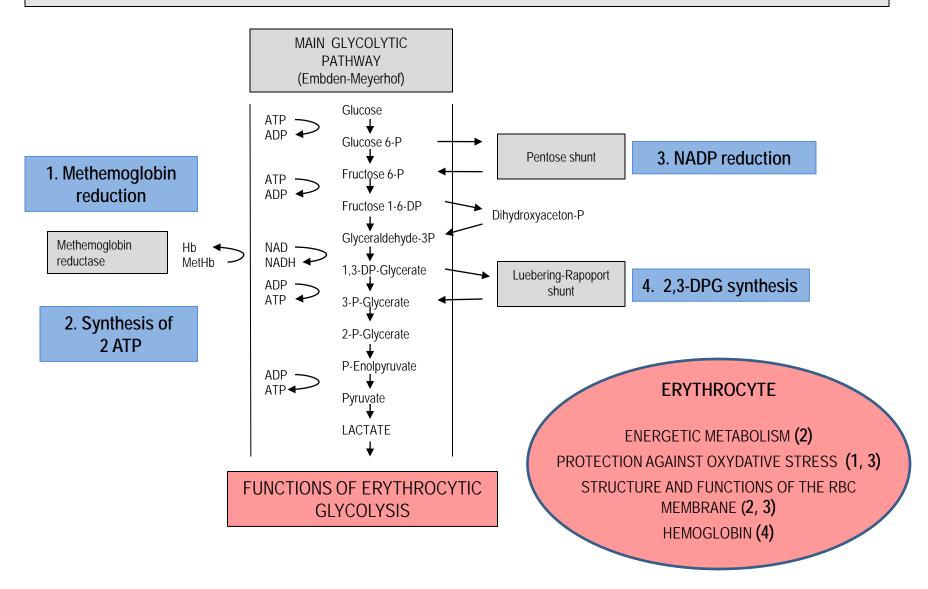
**UNSTABLE HEMOGLOBINS** 

HEMOGLOBINS M<sup>1</sup>

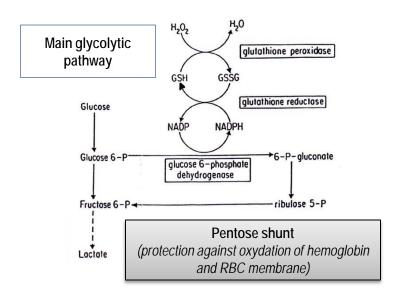
HEMOGLOBINS WITH INCREASED OR REDUCED OXYGEN AFFINITY

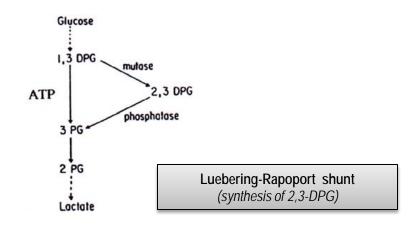
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> M : Methemoglobin

## ERYTHROCYTIC GLYCOLYSIS (1)



## GLYCOLYSIS (2) / STRUCTURE OF THE RBC MEMBRANE





# STRUCTURE OF RBC MEMBRANE

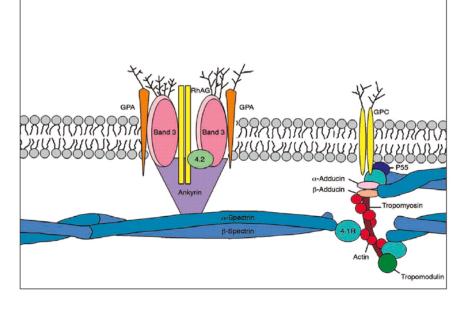
Composite structure with double layer lipidic membrane anchored to a two-dimensional elastic network (cytoskeleton) with tethering sites (transmembrane proteins)

Vertical fixation involves cytoplasmic part of Band 3 protein,

Ankyrin, Protein 4,2 and Spectrin. The horizontal interaction involves Spectrin (co. and Spectrin).

involves Spectrin ( $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -chains), Protein 4.1.R, Actin, Tropomodulin, tropomyosin and Adducin. Protein 4.1R interacts with Glycophorin C (GPC) and P55

RhAG: Rhesus Antigens GPA: Glyocophorin A



## RED BLOOD CELL ENZYMOPATHY

### **FREQUENT**

#### PENTOSE SHUNT

Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G-6-PD) deficiency (> 400 .10<sup>6</sup> cases, > 300 variants)

#### EMBDEN-MEYERHOF PATHWAY

Pyruvate kinase deficiency (< 1'000 cases)
Glucose phosphate isomerase deficiency (< 200 cases)

### UNCOMMON

#### EMBDEN-MEYERHOF PATHWAY

Deficiency in: Hexokinase, phosphofructokinase, aldolase, triose phosphate isomerase, diphosphoglycerate mutase, phosphoglycerate kinase (< 20 cases)

## GLUCOSE-6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE DEFICIENCY (G-6-PD) (1)

#### Amino acid substitution in some variants of G-6-PD

Variants	Position of residue				
	68	126	188	227	323
B (+)	Valine	Asparagine	Serine	Arginine	Leucine
A (+)		Aspartic acid			
A (-)	Methionine				
A (-)				Leucine	
A (-)					Proline
Mediterranean			Phenylalanine		

B (+): Usual form: predominant

A (+): 30% African colored: normal activity

A (-): 11% African American: activity 5-15% of normal

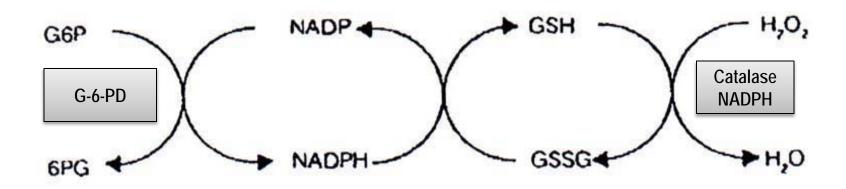
Mediterranean [formerly B (-)]: Activity < 1%

*X-linked recessive deficiency* 

Hemolysis: Chronic (uncommon)

**Usually induced by**: drugs, fever, fava beans (Favism)

# GLUCOSE-6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE DEFICIENCY (G-6-PD) (2) PATHOPHYSIOLOGY



Reduced glutathione (GSH) protects the -SH groups of the RBC membrane and hemoglobin

During hemolytic crisis, presence of *Heinz bodies* in the RBC after staining with brilliant cresyl blue : denatured hemoglobin (oxidized)

Decrease in hemolysis during reticulocyte response (young RBC are relatively enzyme rich)

## GLUCOSE-6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE DEFICIENCY (G-6-PD) (3)

Main substances able to induce hemolytic crisis in G-6-PD deficiency<sup>1</sup>

#### ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS

Primaquine, pamaquine, pentaquine, quinine

#### **SULFONAMIDES**

Sulfacetamide, sulfamethoxazole, sulfanilamide, sulfapyrine, sulfoxone, thiazosulfone

#### ANTIBIOTICS AND BACTERIOSTATIC AGENTS

Para-aminosalicylic acid, nalidixic acid, nitrofurantoin, chloramphenicol, methylene blue, niridazole

### **ANALGESICS**

Acetanilide, amidopyrine, paracetamol

#### **OTHERS**

Toluidin blue, naphtalene, phenylhydrazine, probenecid, trinitrotoluen

#### **FOOD**

Beans (fava beans...)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because of disease polymorphism, these substances are not necessarily dangerous for all G-6-PD deficient subjects. Nevertheless they should be avoided because of the unpredictable tolerance of each subject

## ANOMALY OF RED BLOOD CELL MEMBRANE

### HEREDITARY SPHEROCYTOSIS

**AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT** (cf. following pages)

**AUTOSOMAL RECESSIVE** (frequent in Japan; protein 4.2 mutations)

**AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT WITH ACANTHOCYTOSIS** 

## HEREDITARY ELLIPTOCYTOSIS

Anomaly of spectrin, protein 4.1

### HEREDITARY STOMATOCYTOSIS

### ABETALIPOPROTEINEMIA WITH ACANTHOCYTOSIS<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Not to be mistaken for acanthocytosis secondary to severe liver disorder

# HEREDITARY SPHEROCYTOSIS AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT (1)

### **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

Anomalies of spectrin, ankyrin, band 3, which may be combined <a href="Spherocytes">Spherocytes</a> with loss of plasticity and splenic trapping (sequestration)

Volume generally normal

Diameter **☆** 

Surface か

Increase of membrane permeability for Na<sup>+</sup> (glycolytic activity ⋄)

### CLINICAL FEATURES

Chronic hemolytic anemia

exercise

intercurrent viral infection (EBV, etc)

**Splenomegaly** 

**Negative Coombs test** 

Pure splenic RBC destruction

Aplastic crises (Parvovirus B19)

Frequent cholelithiasis

### **TREATMENT**

Splenectomy (severe forms only)

## AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT HEREDITARY SPHEROCYTOSIS (2)

## Clinical classification of hereditary spherocytosis (HS)

	Trait	Light HS	Moderate HS	Moderate to severe HS <sup>1</sup>	Severe HS <sup>1</sup>
Hb (g / L)	Normal	110 – 150	80 – 120	60 – 80	< 60
Reticulocyte count (%)	1 – 30	30 – 80	≥ 80	≥ 100	≥ 100
Spectrin content <sup>2</sup> (% of normal)	100	80 – 100	50 – 80	40 – 80	20 – 50
Spherocytes	-	+	+	+	+ with poikilocytosis
Osmotic resistance	normal	normal / ☎	<b>ጎ</b>	公公	<b>ው</b>
Autohemolysis	slightly 🗸	ZZ	22	AA.	<b>888</b>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Values in absence of transfusion. Patients with severe HS are transfusion dependent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reference values (± SD): 245 ± 27 x 10<sup>5</sup> spectrin dimers / RBC In most patients ankyrin content is reduced in parallel. A low number of patients present with absence of band 3 or protein 4.2; in this case HS is light to moderate with normal amounts of spectrin and ankyrin

# PAROXYSMAL NOCTURNAL HEMOGLOBINURIA (PNH) (1) PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

Mutation of a gene on chromosome X coding for the glycosyl phosphatidyl inositols (membrane anchoring proteins) named PIGA (=  $\underline{P}$ hosphatidyl  $\underline{I}$ nositol  $\underline{G}$ lycan complementation class  $\underline{A}$ ) with deficiency of membrane anchor proteins

3 types of RBC : PNH I : normal

PNH II: intermediate PNH III: abnormal

RBC lysis by complement due to membrane protein anomalies like :

CD55: Decay Accelerating Factor (DAF)

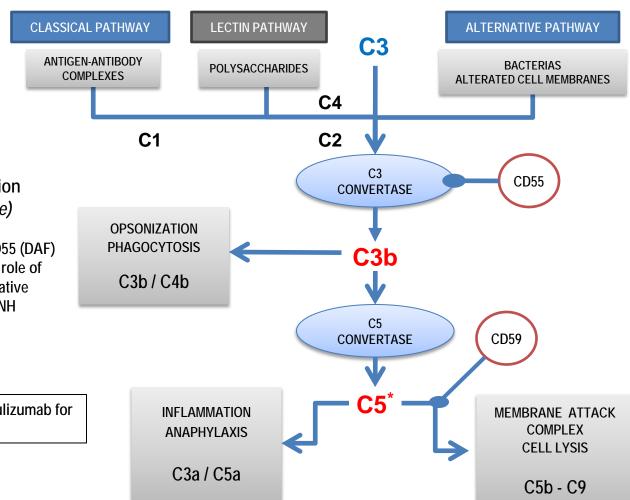
CD59: Membrane Inhibitor of Reactive Lysis (MIRL) or Homologous Restriction Factor (HRF)

Clonal anomaly of hematopoietic stem cell

Lysis affects also neutrophils and platelets which also present functional anomalies

Relation with aplastic anemia

## PAROXYSMAL NOCTURNAL HEMOGLOBINURIA (PNH) (2)



Outline of the complement activation pathways (classical and alternative)

The 2 membrane regulatory proteins CD55 (DAF) and CD59 (NIRL/HRF) play an inhibitory role of the complement activation by the alternative pathway. They are missing on RBC in PNH

\* Target for monoclonal antibody Eculizumab for treatment of PNH. Cf. page 78

## PAROXYSMAL NOCTURNAL HEMOGLOBINURIA (PNH) (3)

### CLINICAL FEATURES

Hemolytic anemia with hemoglobinuria (nocturnal)

Depending on the size of the PNH III clone. Promoted by infections, surgery, violent exercise, alcohol,

transfusions

**Splenomegaly** 

Thromboembolic manifestations (Budd-Chiari syndrome: thrombosis of hepatic veins)

Median survival: 14.6 years (Socié G. et al., Lancet 1996; 348 : 573-577.)

Causes of death: Thromboses

Hemorrhage

Possible evolution : Aplastic anemia

Acute leukemia

### **DIAGNOSIS**

Immunophenotyping: Deficiency(-ies) of CD55 (DAF), CD59 (MIRL / HRF), CD58 (LFA-3) on RBC;

CD55, CD59, CD58, CD16, CD24 and CD66b on neutrophils: markers

anchored on the cellular membrane by the way of Glycosyl Phosphatidylinositols

(GPI-linked)

FLAER test (Sutherland D.R. et al., Cytometry Part B (Clinical Cytometry) 2007; 72B: 167-77 and

Am J Clin Pathol 2009; 132: 564-72)

Ham-Dacie test (acid test1)

Sucrose test1

### TREATMENT

**Transfusion** 

Eculizumab (monoclonal antibody anti-C5)

Iron substitution if deficiency (may increase hemolysis by stimulation of PNH III clone)

Allogeneic stem cell transplantation (ev. bone marrow) in severe cases

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These tests are obsolete and should be replaced by immunophenotyping

# ANOMALY OF HEMOGLOBIN HEMOGLOBINOPATHY

## Approximately 1'000 mutants (2008)

Frequent mutants : S, E, C

SICKLE CELL DISEASE (Hb S) : cf. following pages

### **HEMOGLOBIN E**

β26 Glu → Lys South-East Asia

Microcytic anemia with target cells

### **HEMOGLOBIN C**

 $\beta6 \, Glu \rightarrow Lys$ 

Africa

Microcytic anemia with target cells

### **UNSTABLE HEMOGLOBINS**

Hb Zurich ( $\beta$ 63 His  $\rightarrow$  Arg)

Hemolysis with Heinz bodies after intake of oxidant drugs (sulfonamides)

### **HEMOGLOBINS M**

Cyanosis due to methemoglobinemia

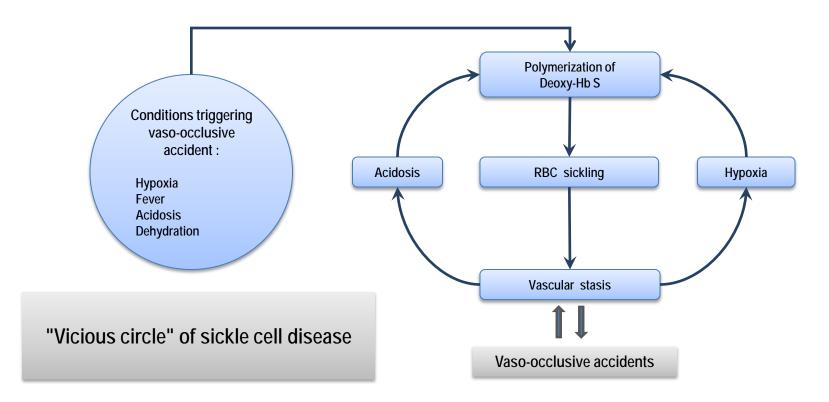
### HEMOGLOBINS WITH INCREASED OR REDUCED OXYGEN AFFINITY

# SICKLE CELL DISEASE (1) PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

Autosomal recessive transmission

Hemoglobin S :  $\beta 6 \text{ Glu} \rightarrow \text{Val}$ 

Polymerization in deoxygenated form : shape alteration of RBC to *drepanocytes* ("sickling") with loss of plasticity



## SICKLE CELL DISEASE (2)

## Africa, Arabia, India, Mediterranean region, African Americans

### **CLINICAL FEATURES**

### HETEROZYGOUS VARIETY (A - S)

Approximately 30% of Hemoglobin S

Asymptomatic, occasionally kidneys may be affected with hyposthenuria, hematuria (microinfarctions of medullary zone)

Avoid severe hypoxemia (apnea diving, general anesthesia)

Protection against malaria

### **HOMOZYGOUS VARIETY (S - S)**

Symptomatic since the age of 6 months : Hb F  $\rightarrow$  Hb S 5 typical clinical manifestations :

- 1. Vaso-occlusive crises
- 2. Splenic sequestration crises (children < 4 years)
- 3. Aplastic crises
- 4. Hemolytic crises
- 5. Infectious complications

### **DIAGNOSIS**

Hemoglobin electrophoresis

Screening by Emmel test or in vitro RBC sickling test (Sodium metabisulfite as reducing agent)

### TREATMENT

Rest / hydration / analgesia / exchange transfusion(s) Hydroxyurea (increased synthesis of Hb F)

## HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA DUE TO EXTRACORPUSCULAR DEFECT

### **IMMUNOLOGICAL**

### **AUTOIMMUNE (AIHA)**

Warm autoantibodies : IgG, IgA ± C3, C3 alone

Idiopathic AIHA (20%) Secondary AIHA (80%)

> Lymphoid neoplasm (50%) Infectious disease (30%)

Lupus erythematosus, other systemic autoimmune disease (15%)

Cancer (ovary, stomach), drugs, others (5%)

Cold autoantibodies (cold agglutinins): IgM + C3

Polyclonal (idiopathic, EBV, CMV, Mycoplasma pneumoniae)

Monoclonal (lymphoid neoplasm, cold agglutinins disease)

### **ALLOIMMUNE**

Transfusion accident (ABO or Rhesus incompatibility)

Neonatal hemolytic anemia

Organ or bone marrow graft with ABO incompatibility

### **IMMUNOALLERGIC**

Drugs (penicillin and derivatives)

**TOXIC** 

**INFECTIOUS** 

**MECHANICAL** 

**HYPERSPLENISM** 

All causes of splenomegaly, e.g. hepatic cirrhosis with portal hypertension. Presence of associated other cytopenias

### **HEMOPHAGOCYTOSIS**

Viral, bacterial, mycotic and parasitic infections in immunodeficient patients

# TOXIC HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA (1) OXIDATIVE ORIGIN

### **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

Hemoglobin oxidation to methemoglobin, then transformation to *hemichromes* which precipitate to form *Heinz bodies*. Oxidation of RBC membrane components

#### RESPONSIBLE SUBSTANCES

Industrial chemicals (nitrites, chlorates, naphtalene, aniline derivatives)
Drugs

### MAIN DRUGS SUSCEPTIBLE TO INDUCE OXYDATIVE HEMOLYTIC CRISIS

### **ANTIMALARIALS:**

Pamaquine, pentaquine, primaquine, quinine

### **SULFONAMIDES:**

Sulfacetamide, sulfamethoxazole, sulfanilamide, sulfapyridine, sulfoxone, thiazosulfone, etc.

#### **ANTIBIOTICS AND BACTERIOSTATIC AGENTS:**

Para-aminosalicylic acid, nalidixic acid, nitrofurantoin, chloramphenicol, etc.

### **ANTIPARASITIC DRUGS:**

**Niridazole** 

### **ANALGESICS:**

Acetanilide, amidopyrine, paracetamol, phenacetin, etc.

### OTHERS:

Chloramine, formaldehyde, chlorates, nitrites, methylene blue, toluidine blue, naphtalene, phenylhydrazine, probenecid, trinitrotoluene

# TOXIC HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA (2) MULTIFACTORIAL ORIGIN

### LEAD POISONING

### Pathophysiology

Heme synthesis defect (inhibition of porphyrin metabolism enzymes)

Inhibition of pyrimidine-5-nucleotidase

Inhibition of membrane pumps activity

### Clinical features

Acute abdominal pain

Neurological signs (central and peripheral)

Articular, renal, hepatic manifestations, arterial hypertension

### **RBC** morphology

Coarse basophilic stippling

### **COPPER POISONING**

### Pathophysiology

**Enzymatic inhibition** (*G-6-PD in particular*)

### Clinical features

Vomiting, abdominal pain

Hepatic cytolysis, renal failure

### **Etiology**

Vine treatment

Wilson disease

Contamination of dialysis fluids

## **VENOMS** (spiders, snakes, scorpions)

## HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA OF INFECTIOUS ORIGIN

### DIRECT ACTION ON RED BLOOD CELL

### **PARASITES**

### **MALARIA**

Plasmodium falciparum, vivax, malariae, ovale

Protection by : Enzymopathy

Hemoglobinopathy Membrane anomaly

Blood group Duffy (-): Pl. vivax

**BABESIOSIS** 

### **BACTERIAS**

**CLOSTRIDIUM PERFRINGENS** (septic abortion)

BARTONELLOSIS (Oroya fever)

### OTHER PATHOPHYSIOLOGICAL MECHANISM

Immunological (cold agglutinins due to Mycoplasma pneumoniae, EBV infection)

Microangiopathic hemolysis (HIV)

## HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA DUE TO MECHANIC RBC FRAGMENTATION (1) SCHISTOCYTES

#### CARDIOVASCULAR DISORDERS

Valvular heart disease, operated or not

Anomalies of great blood vessels (aortic coarctation)

**Extracorporeal circulation** 

### **MICROANGIOPATHY**

### THROMBOTIC THROMBOCYTOPENIC PURPURA (TTP1) (Moschcowitz syndrome)

ADAMTS 13 deficiency (metalloproteinase cleaving high molecular weight von Willebrand factor multimers)

Clinical features : Fever

Hemolytic anemia Thrombocytopenia Neurological symptoms

Renal failure

Treatment: Plasma exchanges (3 – 4 L / 24 h)

### HEMOLYTIC UREMIC SYNDROME (HUS2)

**Sporadic form** ( $D^*$ -HUS):  $\pm$  10% pediatric cases

**Epidemic form** ( $D^{*+}$  HUS): Verotoxin associated (Escherichia coli O157 : H7) : children  $\pm$  85%, adults  $\pm$  15%

Clinical features : Predominant renal failure

Gastroenteritis with bloody diarrheas (D+ HUS)

Treatment : Dialysis

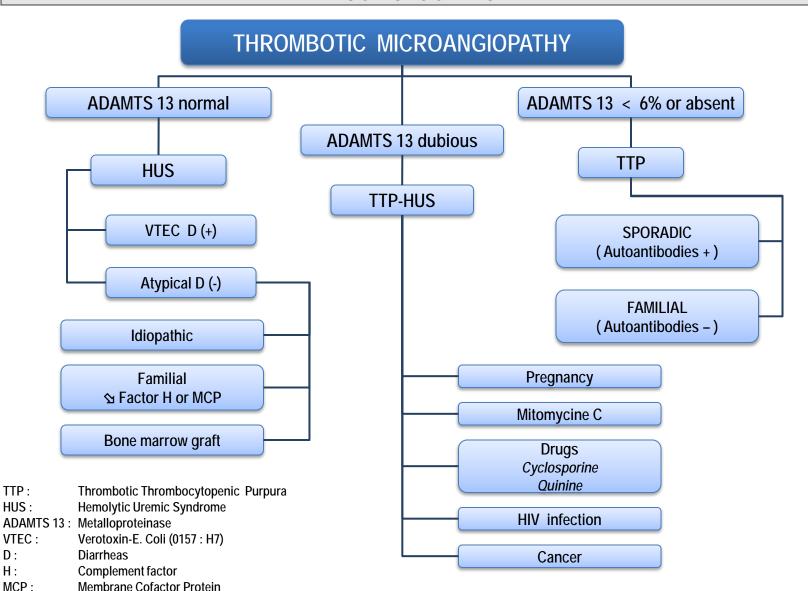
<sup>\*</sup> Diarrheas

### DISSEMINATED INTRAVASCULAR COAGULATION

TRAUMATIC ORIGIN (march hemoglobinuria) 1TTP : <u>Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura</u>

<sup>2</sup>HUS : <u>H</u>emolytic <u>U</u>remic <u>S</u>yndrome

## HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA DUE TO MECHANIC RBC FRAGMENTATION (2) **SCHISTOCYTES**

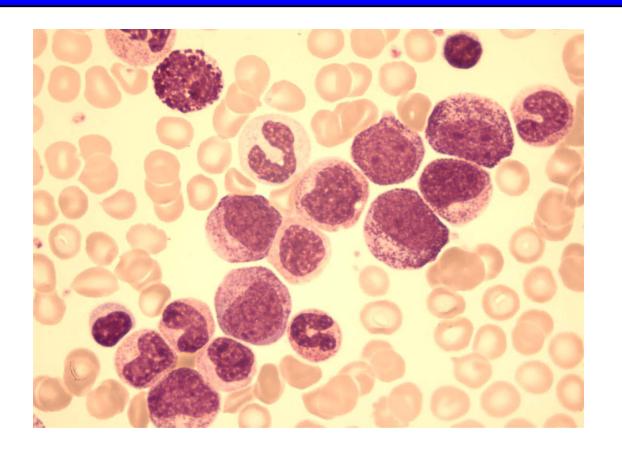


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## Part 2

## WHITE BLOOD CELL PATHOLOGY



## DIFFERENTIAL LEUKOCYTE COUNT

	RELATIVE VALUES (%)	ABSOLUTE VALUES (G / L)
NEUTROPHILS	40 – 75	1.8 – 7.5
EOSINOPHILS	1 – 5	0.05 – 0.3
BASOPHILS	0 – 1	0.01 - 0.05
MONOCYTES	2 – 8	0.2 - 0.8
LYMPHOCYTES	25 – 40	1.5 – 4.0

LCH-CHUV, 2009

### Left shift:

Band neutrophils (non segmented neutrophils)

- > 1.0 G/L if leukocyte count > 4 G/L
- > 25% if leukocyte count  $\leq$  4 G/L

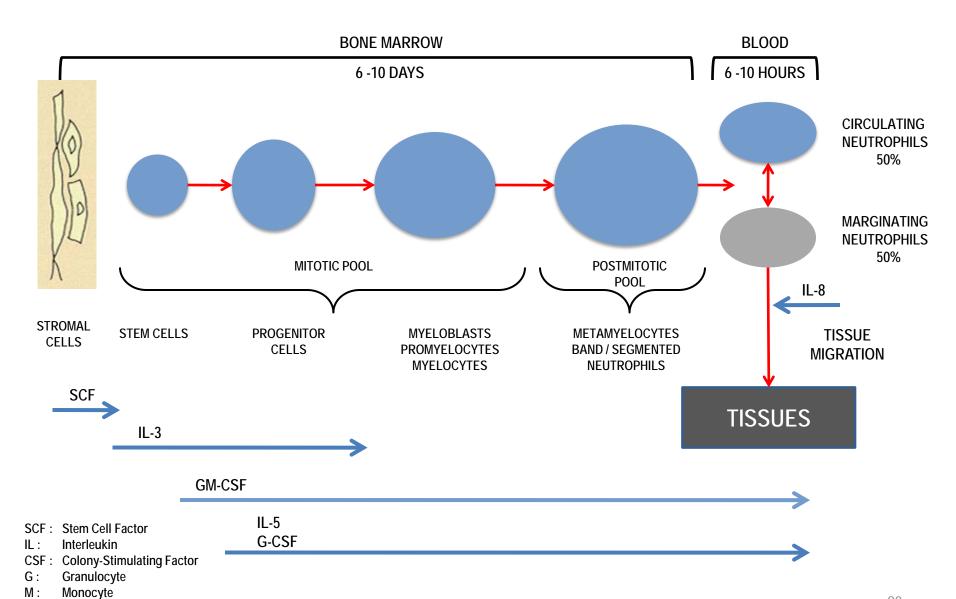
### Important to distinguish between relative and absolute values:

e.g.: chronic lymphocytic leukemia Leukocyte count: 100 G/L

Neutrophils: 2% Lymphocytes: 98%

- → Neutropenia relative but non absolute
- $\rightarrow$  Lymphocytosis relative <u>and</u> absolute

# NEUTROPHIL GRANULOCYTES KINETICS



# ETIOLOGY OF NEUTROPHILIC LEUKOCYTOSIS (NEUTROPHILIA) (NEUTROPHIL COUNT > 7.5 G / L)

### PHYSIOLOGICAL, USUALLY MODERATE

Neonate Violent exercise Menstruation Pregnancy

### **PATHOLOGICAL**

### Inflammatory process

Bacterial infection localized *(abscess)* or generalized *(septicemia)* Cancer Inflammatory arthritis

Tissue necrosis (myocardial infarction, pancreatitis, etc.)

Regenerative phase of acute blood loss or hemolytic anemia

Tobacco smoking, stress

Drugs (Steroids, G-CSF, GM-CSF, lithium)

Myeloproliferative neoplasms

## TOXIC CHANGES OF NEUTROPHILS

Leukocytosis (leukocyte count > 10 G / L)

Neutrophilia (neutrophil count > 7.5 G/L)

Neutrophil left shift: band neutrophil count  $> 1.0 \, \text{G/L}$  (or > 25% if leukocyte count  $\leq 4.0 \, \text{G/L}$ )

Coarse granules or neutrophils, toxic granules

Doehle bodies (basophilic cytoplasmic inclusions)

Cytoplasmic vacuoles

Myelocytosis (usually moderate)

Toxic changes are seen in inflammatory process (acute or chronic bacterial infection, cancer, inflammatory arthritis and tissue necrosis)

Possible exceptions : neutropenia of salmonellosis, lymphocytosis of brucellosis and pertussis

## MYELOCYTOSIS AND ERYTHROBLASTOSIS

### **DEFINITION**

Presence in the peripheral blood of immature cells of neutrophilic lineage *(metamyelocytes, myelocytes, promyelocytes)* with or without erythroblasts

	Erythroblasts	Myelocytosis
Inflammatory process (bacterial infection, cancer, etc.1)	-	+
Rupture of bone marrow-blood barrier (skeletal cancer metastasis with bone marrow infiltration)	+	+
Chronic myelogenous leukemia	- /+	+++
Primary myelofibrosis	+ (+)	+ (+)
Regeneration phase after acute blood loss or hemolysis	+ to +++	+
Recovery from agranulocytosis, G-CSF, GM-CSF	-	+ (+)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An important leukocytosis associated with toxic changes of neutrophils and myelocytosis is called <u>leukemoid reaction</u>

## **NEUTROPENIA**

## **DEFINITIONS**

RELATIVE NEUTROPENIA: < 40%

ABSOLUTE NEUTROPENIA: < 1.8 G/L

AGRANULOCYTOSIS: < 0.5 G/L

(major risk of infection)

### CLASSIFICATION OF ABSOLUTE NEUTROPENIAS

### **PSEUDONEUTROPENIA**

Excess neutrophil margination (fasting patient, correction after meal)
Splenic sequestration ("pooling") - Hypersplenism

### TRUE NEUTROPENIA

Reduced production and / or excessive destruction / demand

# TRUE NEUTROPENIA (1) REDUCED PRODUCTION

### QUANTITATIVE

Bone marrow aplasia

Bone marrow infiltration

Bone marrow fibrosis

T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia

Cyclic neutropenia

Chronic ethnic or idiopathic neutropenia

### **QUALITITIVE**

Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> and / or folate deficiency

Myelodysplastic syndrome

# TRUE NEUTROPENIA (2) REDUCED PRODUCTION AND / OR EXCESSIVE DESTRUCTION

### INFECTIOUS NEUTROPENIA<sup>1</sup>

Viral (influenza, hepatitis, varicella, measles, rubeola, EBV, HIV)

Bacterial (salmonellosis, brucellosis, sepsis with Gram negative germs)

Parasitic (malaria)

### IMMUNE NEUTROPENIA

Alloimmune (neonatal neutropenia)

Autoimmune (disseminated lupus erythematosus, rheumatoid arthritis, drugs)

**Immunoallergic** 

Drugs

Mianserin (antidepressant), sulfasalazine, phenylbutazone (antiinflammatory agents), cotrimoxazole (antiinfective), metamizole (analgesic), carbamazepine (anticonvulsant), carbimazole (antithyroid drug)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Immune pathogenic mechanism possible

## HEREDITARY MORPHOLOGICAL NEUTROPHIL ANOMALIES

### PELGER-HUET ANOMALY

Neutrophils with bilobate nucleus (not to be mistaken for neutrophil left shift!) Autosomal dominant anomaly<sup>1</sup>

### MAY-HEGGLIN ANOMALY

Basophilic cytoplasmic inclusions (RNA)<sup>2</sup> Moderate thrombocytopenia with giant platelets Autosomal dominant anomaly

### ALDER-REILLY ANOMALY

Coarse purple granules in neutrophils, monocytes and lymphocytes Autosomal recessive anomaly

### CHEDIAK-HIGASHI SYNDROME

Giant granules in neutrophils, eosinophils, monocytes and lymphocytes Neutropenia (infection)
Thrombocytopenia (hemorrhage)
Hepatosplenomegaly
Autosomal recessive anomaly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Acquired variety in myelodysplastic syndrome : "pelgeroid" nuclei = pseudo-Pelger

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Döhle bodies

## **EOSINOPHILS**

### **FUNCTIONS**

Positive chemotaxis for histamine (secreted by mastocytes)

Immune complex phagocytosis

Destruction of certain parasite larvae after prior antibody sensitization

### EOSINOPHILIA (> 0.3 - 0.5 G/L)

Parasitosis (helminths)

Allergy (allergic rhinitis, bronchial asthma)

Drug (penicillins, cephalosporins, analgesics, phenothiazines, anticonvulsants...)

Systemic inflammatory disease (polyarteritis nodosa)

Cancer

Adrenal insufficiency

Hypereosinophilic syndrome

Myeloid and lymphoid neoplasms

Acute myeloid leukemia with inv(16) or t(16;16)

Myeloid and lymphoid neoplasms with eosinophilia and anomalies of PDGFRA, PDGFRB or FGFR1 Chronic eosinophilic leukemia, NOS<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Not Otherwise Specified

## BASOPHILS / MASTOCYTES

### **DEFINITION**

Blood: basophilic granulocytes

Tissues: tissue basophils or mastocytes

### **FUNCTIONS**

Surface receptors for IgE Fc fragment

"Bridging" effect of several IgE molecules by the specific allergen with degranulation and release of histamine (bronchospasm in asthma bronchiale), heparin and a chemotactic factor for eosinophils

BASOPHILIA (>  $0.05 - 0.1 \,G/L$ )

Myeloproliferative neoplasm Allergy Hypothyroidism

MASTOCYTOSIS (cf. Myeloproliferative neoplasms / WHO classification 2008 on page 118)

# MONOCYTES / MACROPHAGES (1) FUNCTIONS

Chemotaxis, phagocytosis, killing

Antigen presentation to lymphocytes with help of HLA class I (T CD8 +) or class II (T CD4 +, B) molecules

Secretion Hydrolases (acid phosphatase)

Lysozyme

**Complement fractions** 

Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF)

Interleukin-1 (IL-1)

Brain : Fever Liver : CRP

Neutrophils : Activation

T lymphocytes: GM-CSF, G-CSF, M-CSF, IL-2-7

NK lymphocytes : Activation

Endothelial cells: Proliferation, GM-CSF, M-CSF, IL-1, IL-5-7

Activation by  $\gamma$ -Interferon, TNF and GM-CSF

CRP: C-Reactive Protein

IL: Interleukin

CSF: Colony-Stimulating Factor

G: Granulocyte M: Monocyte

## MONOCYTES / MACROPHAGES (2)

## ABSOLUTE MONOCYTOSIS (> 0.8 – 1.0 G / L)

### **REACTIVE**

Infectious disease (tuberculosis, bacterial endocarditis, salmonellosis, brucellosis, malaria)

Recovery phase of bacterial infection

Recovery from agranulocytosis

Alcoholic hepatic disease

G-CSF or GM-CSF treatment

### **MALIGNANT**

Chronic myelomonocytic leukemia

Acute myeloid leukemia with t(9;11), acute myelomonocytic leukemia, acute monocytic leukemia

### MONOCYTOPENIA

Hairy cell leukemia

## LYMPHOCYTES / LYMPHOID ORGANS

### LYMPHOID ORGANS

Primary: Bone marrow (lymphoid stem cells: CFU-L, B-cell differentiation and maturation)

Thymus (T-cell differentiation and maturation, thymic selection)

Secondary: Lymph node

(B and T) Spleen

Digestive tract mucosa

Respiratory tract mucosa

### PROPORTION OF B- AND T-LYMPHOCYTES IN BONE MARROW AND PERIPHERAL BLOOD

BONE MARROW	PERIPHERAL BLOOD		
B≥T	T > B		
CD8 > CD4	CD4 > CD8		

## **B-LYMPHOCYTES**

### **BONE MARROW**

PRECURSORS: CFU-L CD34 +

PRO-B: CD34 + TdT + HLA-DR +

EARLY PRE-B: Rearrangement of immunoglobulins genes (heavy chains

then light chains)

CD19 and CD20 expression

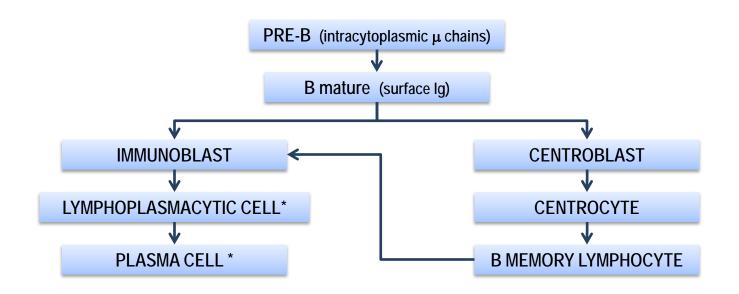
PRE-B: Intracytoplasmic  $\mu$  chains expression

IMMATURE B: Surface IgM expression

## MIGRATION TO BLOOD AND SECONDARY LYMPHOID ORGANS

→ MATURE B CELLS (surface IgM and IgD expression)

## STEPS OF B-LYMPHOCYTE MATURATION IN SECONDARY LYMPHOID ORGANS



## \* Plasmatic immunoglobulin (Ig) secretion

	IgG	lgA	IgM	lgD	lgE
Molecular weight (x 1'000)	140	160 <sup>1</sup> (400 <sup>2</sup> )	900	170	190
Sedimentation constant	7 S	7 S <sup>1</sup> (11 S <sup>2</sup> )	19 S	6.5 S	8 S
Placental transfer	Yes	No	No	No	No
Serum level (g / L)	8 – 12	1.4 – 4.0	0.5 – 1.9	0.03 - 0.4	0.0001
Half life (d)	21	7	5	2.8	2.3
Heavy chain	γ (1-4)	α (1-2)	μ	δ	3
Light chain	κ or λ				

<sup>1</sup> Serum IgA <sup>2</sup> Secretory IgA

Examples:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{IgG} & \gamma_2\kappa_2 & \text{or} & \gamma_2\lambda_2 \\ \text{IgM} & (\mu_2\kappa_2)_5 & \text{or} & (\mu_2\lambda_2)_5 \\ & & (\text{pentamers}) \end{array}$ 

## T-LYMPHOCYTES / THYMIC SELECTION

## MEDULLARY PRECURSORS (CFU-L) CD34 +

### MIGRATION TO THYMUS

### CORTICAL ZONE :

TCR expression (T-Cell Receptor), CD2, CD3

TCR gene rearrangement ( $_{\gamma\delta}$  then  $_{\alpha\beta}$ )

<u>Positive selection</u><sup>1</sup>: amplification of CD4 + CD8 + thymocytes with affinity for "self "class I and II molecules of the HLA system

### **MEDULLARY 70NE:**

<u>Negative selection</u><sup>1</sup>: elimination of thymocytes with affinity for class I and II HLA molecules in contact with "self" antigens (clonal deletion)

Expression of CD2, CD3, CD4 + CD8 - or CD4 - CD8 +

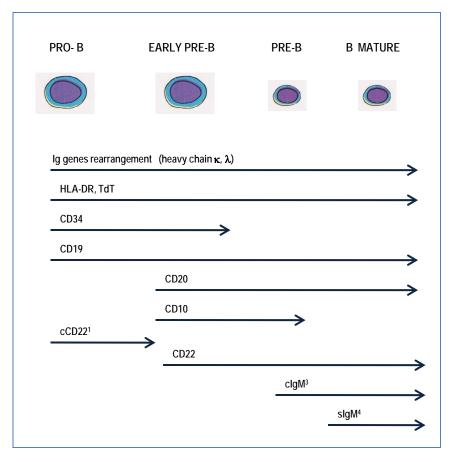
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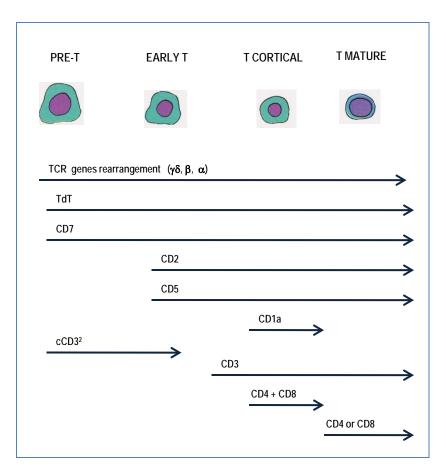
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> During positive and negative selections approximately 90% of T-lymphocytes (thymocytes) are eliminated through apoptosis (cell death)

## B- AND T-LYMPHOCYTE DIFFERENTIATION MARKERS

### **B-LYMPHOCYTE DIFFERENTIATION**

### T-LYMPHOCYTE DIFFERENTIATION





1 cCD22 : intracytoplasmic CD22
 2 cCD3 : intracytoplasmic CD3
 3 clgM : intracytoplasmic lgM

<sup>4</sup> slgM: surface lgM

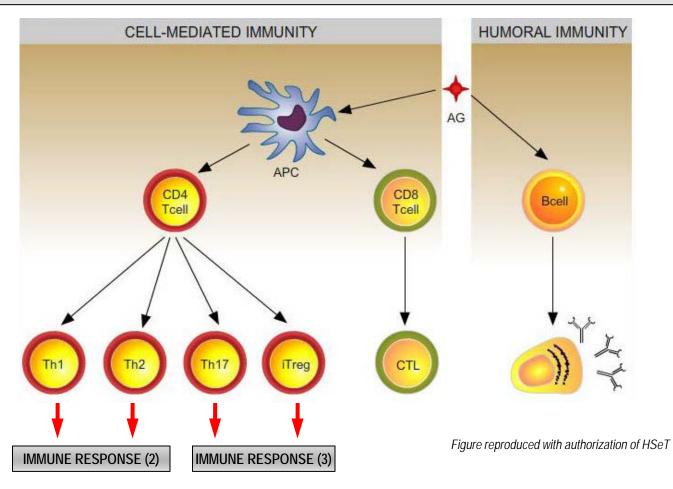
## NK-LYMPHOCYTES (NATURAL KILLER LYMPHOCYTES)

## Large granular lymphocytes (LGL variety)

## Cytotoxicity

- Inhibited by the presence of surface receptors for HLA class I molecules expressed by "self" cells Stimulated by reduced synthesis (or transport) of HLA class I molecules (virus infected cells, tumor cells)
- 2. CD16 + (Fc receptor) : binding of antibody to surface antigen → binding of a NK lymphocyte by the Fc, leading to activation

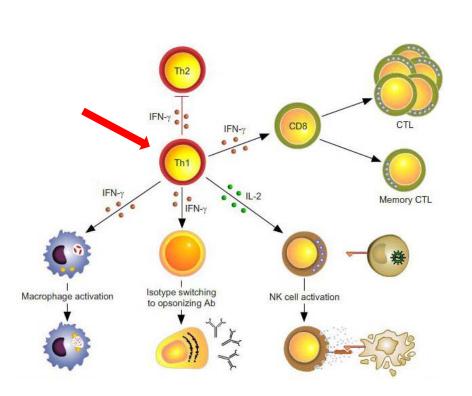
## LYMPHOCYTES / IMMUNE RESPONSE (1)

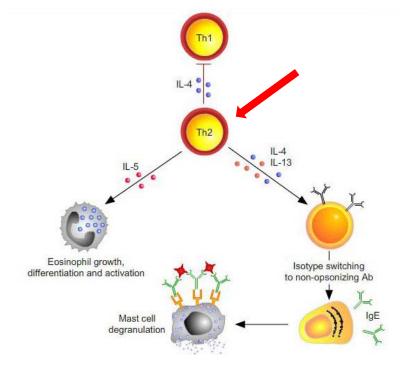


Functionally, the adaptive immune system can be divided into two arms: **cell-mediated and humoral** immunity. B cells are responsible for the humoral response. B cells interact directly with antigen **(Ag)** and then differentiate into antibody-secreting cells. T cells are responsible for the cell-mediated immunity. They recognize antigens as short antigen fragments presented on the surface of antigen-presenting cells **(APC)** 

T cells exist as two main functional groups: the **Helper T cells (Th)**, which respond to antigen by producing cytokines and the **cytotoxic T cells (CTL)** which respond to antigen by releasing cytotoxins. Depending on signals they receive from APC, the helper T cells can differentiate into four main subsets, with distinct profile of cytokines *(Th1, Th2, Th17 and iTreq)* 

## LYMPHOCYTES / IMMUNE RESPONSE (2)





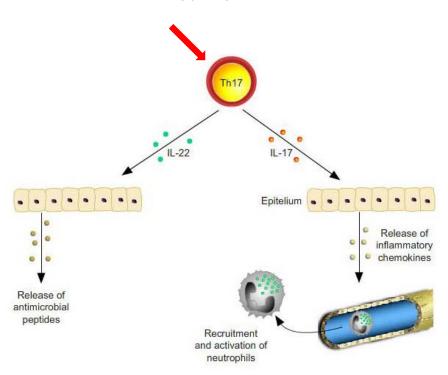
**Th1 cells** are required for defense against intracellular pathogens. They are characterized by the production of **IFN-y** and **IL-2**. IFN-y activates the microbicidal activity of macrophages, stimulates B cells to produce antibodies that are involved in the opsonization and phagocytosis of particulate microbes, and enhances the development of long-term memory **CD8** T cells. **IL-2** increases the cytolytic activity of natural killer cells *(CTL NK)* 

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**Th2 cells** are required for defense against extracellular pathogens. They are characterized by the production of **IL-4**, **IL-5** and **IL-13**. IL-4 stimulates B cell proliferation and induces isotype class switch to **IgG1** and **IgE** and so plays a role in IgE-dependent mast cell-mediated reactions. IL-5 acts largely on eosinophils. IL-13 is homologous to IL-4 and induces many of the same functions, including inducing IgE isotype switching

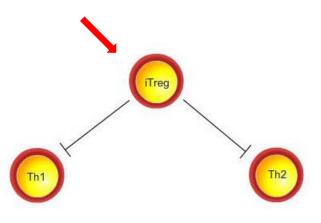
## LYMPHOCYTES / IMMUNE RESPONSE (3)

#### LYMPHOCYTES Th 17



**Th17** cells are the most recently discovered subset of Th cells and are thought to be important effector cells in host defense against extracellular bacteria and fungi. They are characterized by the production of **IL-17** and **IL-22**. IL-17 triggers the release of pro-inflammatory chemokines by epithelial cells, and various other tissues and cell types, helping thus the recruitment of neutrophils. IL-22 increases acute-phase reactants in hepatocytes and induces the expression of  $\beta$ -defensins in epithelial cells of the gastrointestinal tract and skin

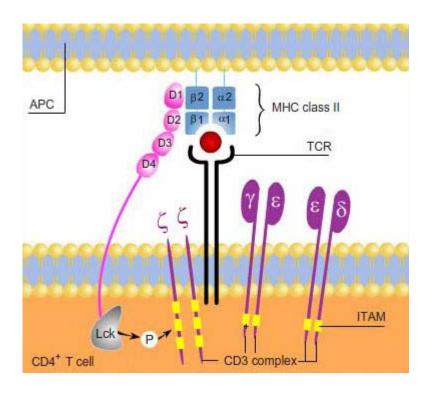
#### LYMPHOCYTES iTreg

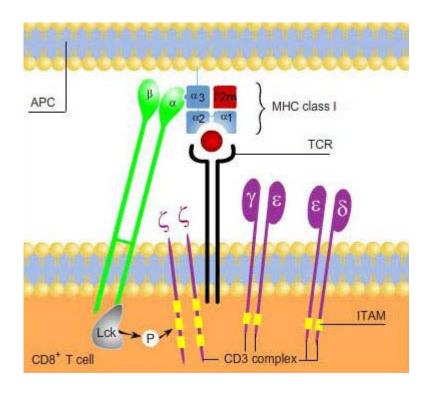


Induced **Treg cells** have functions in the suppression of Th1 and Th2 cell immune responses. Whether Treg cells also suppress Th17 cell responses is less clear.

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## LYMPHOCYTES / IMMUNE RESPONSE (4) CD 4 ET CD 8 CO-RECEPTORS OF T-LYMPHOCYTES





CD4 is a monomer that interacts via its two distal Ig domains (D1 and D2) with the b2 domain of MHC class II

APC : Antigen Presenting Cell

CD8 is a dimer (either homodimer  $\alpha\alpha$  or hetedimer  $\alpha\beta$ ) that interacts via its  $\alpha$  chain with the  $\alpha3$  domain of MHC class I

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### LYMPHOCYTOSIS / LYMPHOPENIA

#### LYMPHOCYTOSIS

RELATIVE: > 40%

ABSOLUTE: > 4.0 G/L

#### **REACTIVE**

Infection: viral

bacterial (pertussis, tuberculosis, brucellosis, syphilis)

Thyrotoxicosis Hyposplenism

#### **MALIGNANT**

Lymphoid leukemia

#### ABSOLUTE LYMPHOPENIA < 1.5 G/L

#### **ACQUIRED**

HIV, Hodgkin lymphoma, chemotherapy, radiotherapy, steroids, ATG (Antithymocyte Globulin), autoimmune disorder

#### **CONGENITAL**

SCID (Severe Combined Immune Deficiency)

#### **IDIOPATHIC**

#### PLASMACYTOSIS / MONONUCLEOSIS SYNDROME

#### **PLASMACYTOSIS**

REACTIVE: Rubella (German measles)

Other viral infection

MALIGNANT: Plasma cell leukemia

Plasma cell myeloma

#### MONONUCLEOSIS SYNDROME

**Absolute lymphocytosis with polymorphic lymphocytes** (*T-lymphocytes reactive to the infected B-lymphocytes*)

**Etiology**: EBV<sup>1</sup> (infectious mononucleosis)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Lymphadenopathy} & 100\% \\ \mbox{Fatigue} & 90\% \\ \mbox{Pharyngitis syndrome} & 80\% \\ \mbox{Splenomegaly} & > 50\% \\ \end{array}$ 

Possibly hemolytic anemia and / or autoimmune thrombocytopenia, agranulocytosis,

cardiac / neurological / respiratory complications, splenic rupture

**CMV** (cytomegalovirus infection, frequently promoted by immunosuppression)

**HIV** (primary infection)

Other virus (e.g. hepatitis)

**Toxoplasmosis** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Also involved in the pathogenesis of certain lymphoid neoplasms (African Burkitt, Hodgkin lymphoma, lymphoid neoplasms + HIV)

## TUMORS OF HEMATOPOIETIC AND LYMPHOID TISSUES WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (1)

MYELOID NEOPLASMS (cf. p. 117-156)

LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS (cf. p. 157-192)

**B-CELL NEOPLASMS** 

#### PRECURSOR B-CELL NEOPLASMS

B-lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma

#### MATURE B-CELL NEOPLASMS

Chronic lymphocytic leukemia / small lymphocytic lymphoma

B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

Splenic B-cell marginal zone lymphoma

Hairy cell leukemia

Splenic B-cell lymphoma / leukemia, unclassifiable

Splenic diffuse red pulp small B-cell lymphoma

Hairy cell leukemia-variant

Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma

Heavy chain diseases

Plasma cell neoplasms

Extranodal marginal zone lymphoma of Mucosa-Associated

Lymphoid Tissues (MALT lymphoma)

Nodal marginal zone lymphoma

Follicular lymphoma

Primary cutaneous follicle centre lymphoma

Mantle cell lymphoma

<sup>1</sup> DLBCL: Diffuse large B-Cell Lymphoma

<sup>2</sup> NOS: Not Otherwise Specified

<sup>3</sup> ALK: Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase

Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL<sup>1</sup>), NOS<sup>2</sup>

Germinal Center B-cell-like: GCB

Activated B-cell-like: ABC

T-cell / histiocyte-rich DLBCL

Primary DLBCL of the CNS

Primary cutaneous DLBCL, leg type

EBV positive DLBCL of the elderly

DLBCL associated with chronic inflammation

Lymphomatoid granulomatosis

Primary mediastinal (thymic) large B-cell lymphoma

Intravascular large B-cell lymphoma

ALK<sup>3</sup> positive large B-cell lymphoma

Plasmablastic lymphoma

Large B-cell lymphoma arising in HHV8-associated multicentric

Castleman disease

Primary effusion lymphoma

**Burkitt lymphoma** 

 $\hbox{B-cell lymphoma, unclassifiable, with features intermediate between} \\$ 

DLBCL and Burkitt lymphoma

B-cell lymphoma, unclassifiable, with features intermediate between

DLBCL and Hodgkin lymphoma

## TUMORS OF HEMATOPOIETIC AND LYMPHOID TISSUES WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (2)

#### T-CELL AND NK-CELL NEOPLASMS

#### PRECURSORS T-CELL NEOPLASMS

T-cell lymphoblastic lymphoma / leukemia

#### MATURE T-CELL AND NK-CELL NEOPLASMS

T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia

Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders of NK-cells

Aggressive NK-cell leukemia

Systemic EBV-positive T-cell lymphoproliferative disorders of childhood

Hydroa vacciniforme-like lymphoma

Adult T-cell lymphoma / leukemia

Extranodal NK / T-cell lymphoma, nasal type

Enteropathy-associated T-cell lymphoma

Hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma

Subcutaneous panniculitis-like T-cell lymphoma

Mycosis fungoides

Sézary syndrome

Primary cutaneous CD30 positive T-cell lymphoproliferative disorders

Primary cutaneous gamma-delta T-cell lymphoma

Peripheral T-cell lymphoma not otherwise specified

Angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma

Anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL), ALK<sup>1</sup> positive

Anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL), ALK<sup>1</sup> negative

<sup>1</sup>ALK : Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase

#### HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (HODGKIN DISEASE) (cf. p. 189-192)

## TUMORS OF HEMATOPOIETIC AND LYMPHOID TISSUES WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (3)

#### IMMUNODEFICIENCY-ASSOCIATED LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

Lymphoproliferative diseases associated with primary immune disorders

Lymphomas associated with HIV infection

Post-Transplant Lymphoproliferative Disorders (PTLD)

Early lesions

Plasmacytic hyperplasia

Infectious mononucleosis-like PTLD

Polymorphic PTLD

Monomorphic PTLD (criteria for one of the B-cell or T / NK-cell neoplasms of immunocompetent host)

Classical Hodgkin lymphoma-type PTLD

Other iatrogenic immunodeficiency-associated lymphoproliferative disorders

#### HISTIOCYTIC AND DENDRITIC CELL NEOPLASMS

Histiocytic sarcoma

Langerhans cell histiocytosis

Langerhans cell sarcoma

Interdigitating dendritic cell sarcoma

Follicular dendritic cell sarcoma

Fibroblastic reticular cell tumor

Indeterminate dendritic cell tumor

Disseminated juvenile xanthogranuloma

#### MYELOID NEOPLASMS

MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS (MPN)

MYELOID AND LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS WITH EOSINOPHILIA AND ANOMALIES OF *PDGFRA*, *PDGFRB OR FGFR1* 

MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES (MDS)

MYELODYSPLASTIC / MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS (MDS / MPN)

ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIAS (AML) AND RELATED PRECURSOR NEOPLASMS

**ACUTE LEUKEMIAS OF AMBIGUOUS LINEAGE** 

## STEM CELL PROLIFERATION AND DIFFERENTIATION IN MYELOID NEOPLASMS

	STEM CELL  Genetic mutation  Humoral factors  Cellular interactions		
	Proliferation Differentiation		
Myeloproliferative neoplasms	+	+	
Myelodysplastic syndromes Myelodysplastic / myeloproliferative neoplasms	±	±	
Acute myeloid leukemias (AML) and related precursor neoplasms Acute leukemias of ambiguous lineage	+	_	

#### MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS

#### GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Stem cell somatic mutation upstream from the myeloid precursor cell

Proliferation and maturation

Increase in peripheral blood of cells arising from one or more lineages

Myeloid metaplasia (extramedullary hematopoiesis)

Frequent bone marrow fibrosis

Platelet function disorders

Hyperuricemia

Possible transformation in acute leukemia

#### WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008

Polycythemia Vera

Chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML) BCR-ABL 1+

Essential thrombocythemia

Primary myelofibrosis

Chronic neutrophilic leukemia

Chronic eosinophilic leukemia, NOS<sup>1</sup>

Mastocytosis Cutaneous mastocytosis

Systemic mastocytosis

Mast cell leukemia Mast cell sarcoma

Extracutaneous mastocytoma

Myeloproliferative neoplasm, unclassifiable

<sup>1</sup> NOS: Not Otherwise Specified

### POLYCYTHEMIA VERA (1)

#### SYMPTOMS AND CLINICAL SIGNS

Facial erythrocyanosis

Water pruritus

**Epigastralgia** 

Hyperviscosity (thromboembolic manifestations, headache, dizziness paresthesias)

**Splenomegaly** 

#### **DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA**

MAJOR	A1	Hb > 185 g / L (men), > 165 g / L (women) <sup>1</sup> or increased isotopic RBC mass > 25% of predicted value
	A2	Presence of <i>JAK2</i> V617F or other functionally similar mutation such as <i>JAK2</i> exon 12 mutation
MINOR	B1	Bone marrow biopsy showing hypercellularity for age with trilineage growth (panmyelosis) with prominent erythroid, granulocytic and megakaryocytic hyperplasia
	B2	Serum erythropoietin level below the reference range for normal
	В3	Endogenous erythroid colony formation <i>in vitro</i> (without EPO)

#### PV established if:

A1 + A2 and one minor criterion or :

A1 and 2 minor criteria

 $^{1}$  Hemoglobin or hematocrit  $\,>\,99$ th percentile of method-specific reference range for age, sex, altitude of residence or hemoglobin  $\,>\,170$  g / L in men,  $\,>\,150$  g / L in women if associated with a documented and sustained increase of at least 20 g / L from an individual's baseline value that cannot be attributed to correction of iron deficiency

## POLYCYTHEMIA VERA (2)

#### **COMPLICATIONS**

**Thromboembolic** 

Hemorrhagic

Evolution to myelofibrosis, ~10% (post-polycythemic phase), cf. page 128

Transformation in myelodysplastic syndrome or acute leukemia (> 10% after treatment with cytotoxic drugs)

#### **PROGNOSIS**

Median survival : > 10 years

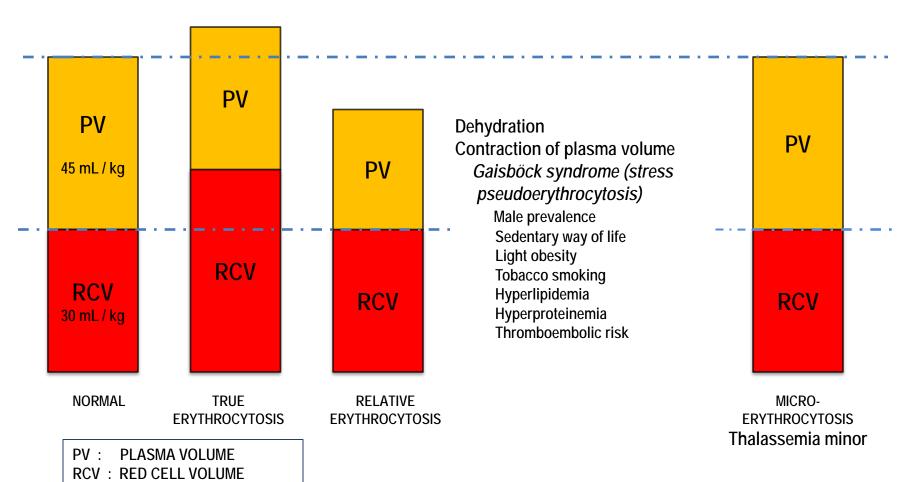
#### TREATMENT:

**Phlebotomies** 

Hydroxyurea, Pipobroman

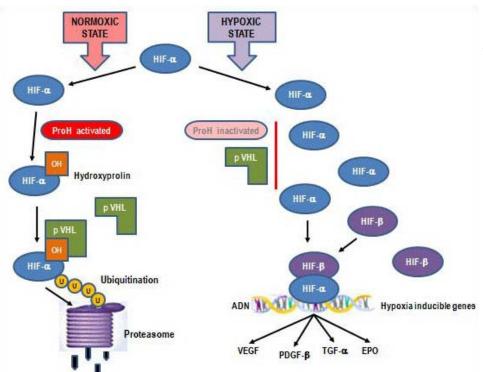
<sup>32</sup>P: age > 70 years (increased risk of leukemic transformation!)

## DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF ERYTHROCYTOSIS RBC VOLUME AND PLASMA VOLUME



## DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF TRUE ERYTHROCYTOSIS (1)

PRIMARY	Congenital	EPO receptor mutation	
ERYTHROCYTOSIS	Acquired	Anomaly of erythroid precursors (Polycythemia Vera)	EPO ↓
SECONDARY ERYTHROCYTOSIS	Congenital	Absence of erythroid precursors anomaly Mutations impairing the system of tissue oxygenation sensing High O <sub>2</sub> -affinity hemoglobins	EPO ↑ or normal
	Acquired	Appropriate or abnormal EPO secretion	



#### SENSING PROCESS OF TISSULAR OXYGENATION

In state of normal oxygenation HIF- $\alpha$  protein is rapidely degraded by the action of prolin-hydroxylase and von Hippel-Lindau protein, followed by ubiquitination et destruction in the proteasome

In hypoxic state HIF- $\alpha$  degradation is blocked. The protein is activated by dimerization with HIF- $\beta$ . The complex acts as a promoter of various genes involved in synthesis of growth factors like EPO

HIF: Hypoxia Inducible Factor pVHL: von Hippel-Lindau protein ProH: Prolin-Hydroxylase

U: Ubiquitin

VEGF: Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor PDGF: Platelet-Derived Growth Factor

TGF: Tissue Growth Factor

## DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF TRUE ERYTHROCYTOSIS (2)

#### PRIMARY ERYTHROCYTOSIS

#### **CONGENITAL**

Mutation of EPO<sup>1</sup> receptor

#### **ACQUIRED**

Polycythemia Vera

#### SECONDARY ERYTHROCYTOSIS

#### **CONGENITAL**

Mutation of VHL<sup>2</sup> gene (Chuvash erythrocytosis) Mutation of PHD2<sup>3</sup> Mutation of HIF-2- $\alpha^4$ O<sub>2</sub> high-affinity hemoglobins 2,3-diphosphoglyceromutase deficiency

#### **ACQUIRED**

#### Appropriate EPO<sup>1</sup> production

#### Central hypoxia

Chronic pulmonary disorder, cardio-pulmonary right-left shunt, CO intoxication, chronic smoking, hypoventilation syndromes incl. sleep apnea, prolonged stay at high altitude

#### Local renal hypoxia

Renal artery stenosis, terminal renal failure, hydronephrosis, polycystic kidneys, post renal transplantation erythrocytosis

#### Abnormal EPO<sup>1</sup> production

**Tumors**: cerebellar hemangioblastoma, meningioma, parathyoid carcinoma / adenoma, hepatocellular carcinoma, renal cell carcinoma, pheochromocytoma, uterine leiomyoma

**Drugs**: androgens

#### Exogenous EPO<sup>1</sup> application

Therapeutical indication Illicit application (doping!)

#### IDIOPATHIC ERYTHROCYTOSIS

<sup>1</sup> EPO: Erythropoietin

<sup>2</sup> VHL: Von Hippel-Lindau (recessive mutations)

PHD2: Prolyl-Hydroxylase Domain (dominant mutations)
 HIF: Hypoxia Inducible Factor (dominant mutations)

## CHRONIC MYELOGENOUS LEUKEMIA (CML) (1)

#### SYMPTOMS AND CLINICAL FEATURES

Fortuitous diagnosis - asymptomatic patient

Digestive symptoms (abdominal heaviness, bloating)

**Splenomegaly** 

**Thrombosis** 

Hemorrhage

Leucostasis (CML with very high leukocyte count)

#### **BLOOD PICTURE**

Leukocytosis with neutrophilia

Neutrophil left shift

Myelocytosis (20-50%)

Basophilia

Frequent thrombocytosis

Low leukocyte alkaline phosphatase score (obsolete test)

#### CYTOGENETIC

Philadelphia chromosome (Ph) = t(9;22)(q34;q11.2) : 90-95% of cases

BCR-ABL 1 fusion gene: 100% of cases

## CHRONIC MYELOGENOUS LEUKEMIA (CML) (2)

#### **COURSE IN 3 PHASES**

CHRONIC: 4-5 years

ACCELERATION: < 6-8 months

Persistent increase of WBC counts (> 10 G / L) and / or of spleen size unresponsive to therapy

Persistent thrombocytosis (> 1'000 G / L) uncontrolled by therapy

Persistent thrombocytopenia (< 100 G / L) unrelated to therapy

Clonal cytogenetic evolution

Basophils ≥ 20% in peripheral blood

Blast cells: 10-19% in peripheral blood and / or of the nucleated cells of bone marrow

Often hypercellular bone marrow, morphological signs of myelodysplasia

Large clusters or sheets of small, abnormal megakaryocytes + reticulin or collagen fibrosis

#### **TRANSFORMATION**

Blast cells : ≥ 20% of peripheral blood cells and / or of the nucleated bone marrow cells Extramedullary blast proliferation

## CHRONIC MYELOGENOUS LEUKEMIA (CML) (3)

#### **TREATMENT**

Imatinib mesylate (Glivec®): Tyrosine Kinase inhibitor (TK)

□ proliferation and apoptosis induction of the BCR-ABL 1 + cell lineages
 In case of primary or secondary drug resistance : Dasatinib (Sprycel®), Nilotinib (Tasigna®)
 (other TK inhibitors)

Hydroxyurea (HU)

 $\alpha$ -Interferon ( $\alpha$ -IFN)

Allogeneic hemopoietic stem cell / bone marrow transplantation

#### AGE BASED THERAPEUTIC SELECTION

- < 60 years : in case of insufficient response toTK inhibitor allogeneic hemopoietic stem cell / bone marrow transplantation (only curative treatment). Probability of HLA compatible sibling donor 20-30%. Possible graft from unrelated donor. 5 year survival rate : 50-70%. Relapse after transplantation treated by infusion of donor lymphocytes (GVL effect¹)</p>
- > 60 years : and for patient not suitable for transplantation : Imatinib mesylate,  $\alpha$ -Interferon (+ ARA-C²), Hydroxyurea

## ESSENTIAL THROMBOCYTHEMIA (1)

#### SYMPTOMS AND CLINICAL FEATURES

Arterial or venous thrombosis Hemorrhage through thrombopathy Erythromelalgia Splenomegaly (< 50%)

#### **DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA**

1	Sustained platelet count ≥ 450 G / L <sup>1</sup>
2	Bone marrow biopsy: proliferation mainly of megakaryocytic lineage with increased numbers of enlarged mature megakaryocytes No significant increase or left-shift of neutrophil granulopoiesis or erythropoiesis
3	Exclusion of : Polycythemia Vera <sup>2</sup> , primary myelofibrosis <sup>3</sup> , <i>BCR-ABL1</i> positive CML <sup>4</sup> , myelodysplastic syndrome <sup>5</sup> or other myeloid neoplasm
4	JAK2V617F mutation present or other clonal marker In absence of JAK2V617F mutation, exclusion of reactive thrombocytosis <sup>6</sup>

#### DIAGNOSIS REQUIRES MEETING ALL 4 CRITERIA

- <sup>1</sup> Sustained during the work-up process
- <sup>2</sup> Requires failure of iron replacement therapy to increase Hb level to PV range if decreased serum ferritin Exclusion of PV based on Hb and Hct levels. Measure of RBC mass not required
- <sup>3</sup> Absence of relevant reticulin fibrosis, collagen fibrosis, peripheral blood leukoerythroblastosis or hypercellular marrow with megakaryocyte morphology typical for primary myelofibrosis (small to large megakaryocytes in dense clusters with aberrant nuclear / cytoplasmic ratio and hyperchromatic, bulbous or irregularly folded nuclei)
- <sup>4</sup> Absence of BCR-ABL 1
- <sup>5</sup> Absence of dyserythropoiesis and dysgranulopoiesis
- <sup>6</sup> Exclusion of secondary thrombocytosis (cf. page 129) (The presence of a condition associated with secondary thrombocytosis may not exclude the diagnosis of ET if the first 3 criteria are met)

## ESSENTIAL THROMBOCYTHEMIA (2)

#### POSSIBLE COURSE

Polycythemia Vera Primary myelofibrosis Acute leukemia (3-10%)

#### TREATMENT

Hydroxyurea
Pipobroman
Anagrelide (could potentially favor evolution to myelofibrosis)
Aspirin (platelet antiaggregant)

#### Diagnostic criteria for post-PV and post-ET myelofibrosis (MF)

REQUIRED	1	Documentation of a previous diagnosis of WHO-defined (2008) PV or ET
CRITERIA 2		Bone marrow fibrosis grade 2-3 (on 0-3 scale). See page 131
	1	Post-PV MF : Anemia <sup>1</sup> or sustained loss of either phlebotomy alone or cytoreductive treatment requirement for erythrocytosis  Post-ET MF : Anemia <sup>1</sup> or $\geq$ 20 g / L decrease from baseline hemoglobin level
ADDITIONAL	2	Leukoerythroblastic peripheral blood picture
CRITERIA (2 required) 3		Increasing palpable splenomegaly of > 5cm from baseline (distance from the left costal margin) or newly palpable splenomegaly
		Post-ET MF: Increased LDH
	5	Development of > 1 of 3 constitutional symptoms : > 10% weight loss in 6 months, night sweats, unexplained fever (> 37.5°C)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Below the reference range for appropriate age, gender and altitude

### DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF THROMBOCYTOSIS

#### **DEFINITION**

Platelet count > 350 - 400 G / L

#### CAUSE OF ERROR

Important RBC microcytosis, presence of numerous schistocytes

#### CLASSIFICATION

#### PRIMARY THROMBOCYTOSIS

Myeloproliferative neoplasm (cf. pages 118-132)

Essential thrombocytosis, Polycythemia Vera, chronic myelogenous leukemia, primary myelofibrosis

Myelodysplastic syndrome (cf. pages 134-141)

5q-syndrome

#### SECONDARY THROMBOCYTOSIS

Iron deficiency Splenectomy, asplenia<sup>1</sup>

Surgery

Infection, inflammation Autoimmune disorder Metastatic cancer Lymphoid neoplasm

Acute phase / regeneration of acute hemorrhage

or hemolysis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Presence of Howell-Jolly bodies in RBC

## PRIMARY MYELOFIBROSIS (1) DIAGNOSIS

	1	Proliferation of atypical megakaryocytes <sup>1</sup> with either reticulin and / or collagen fibrosis or : In absence of significant reticulin fibrosis, megakaryocyte changes + increased marrow cellularity with granulocytic proliferation and often decreased erythropoiesis (i.e. prefibrotic cellular-phase disease)
MAJOR CRITERIA	2	Exclusion of : PV <sup>2</sup> , BCR-ABL1 positive CML <sup>3</sup> , MDS <sup>4</sup> or other myeloid neoplasms
CKITEKIA	3	Presence of JAK2V617F mutation or other clonal marker (e.g. MPL W515K/L) or In absence of clonal marker, exclusion of bone marrow fibrosis or changes secondary to infection, autoimmune disorder or other chronic inflammatory condition, hairy cell leukemia or other lymphoid neoplasm, metastatic malignancy or toxic (chronic) myelopathy <sup>5</sup>
1		Leukoerythroblastosis
MINOR	2	Increased serum lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) level
CRITERIA	3	Anemia <sup>6</sup>
	4	Splenomegaly <sup>6</sup>

- 1 Small to large megakaryocytes in dense clusters with aberrant nuclear / cytoplasmic ratio and hyperchromatic, bulbous, or irregularly folded nuclei
- <sup>2</sup> Requires failure of iron replacement therapy to increase Hb level to the PV range if ferritin level is decreased. Exclusion of PV is based on Hb and Hct levels. RBC mass measure not required
- 3 Absence of BCR-ABL1
- <sup>4</sup> Absence of dyserythropoiesis and dysgranulopoiesis
- <sup>5</sup> Conditions associated with reactive myelofibrosis do not exclude PMF. Diagnosis to be considered if other criteria are met
- <sup>6</sup> Degree of anomaly borderline or marked

DIAGNOSIS: ALL 3 MAJOR + 2 MINOR CRITERIA

## PRIMARY MYELOFIBROSIS (2)

BLOOD COUNT: RBC, WBC and platelet counts in relation with disease stage

Tear drop RBC (dacryocytes)

Erythroblastosis and myelocytosis

Platelet anisocytosis

### SEMIQUANTITATIVE GRADING OF BONE MARROW FIBROSIS (MF)

MF - 0	Scattered linear reticulin with no intersections (cross-overs), corresponding to normal bone marrow
MF - 1	Loose network of reticulin with many intersections, especially in perivascular areas
MF - 2	Diffuse and dense increase in reticulin with extensive intersections, occasionally with focal bundles of collagen and / or focal osteosclerosis
MF - 3	Diffuse and dense increase in reticulin with extensive intersections and coarse bundles of collagen, often associated with osteosclerosis

COMPLICATIONS: Splenic infarction

Infection (neutropenia)

Hemorrhage (thrombocytopenia and platelet function disorder)

Acute leukemia (5-30%)

PROGNOSIS: Mean survival: 2-15 years (depends of the stage in which PMF is first diagnosed)

TREATMENT: No treatment ("wait and watch")

Hydroxyurea

**Transfusion support** 

Sectorial splenic radiotherapy

**Splenectomy** 

### CHRONIC NEUTROPHILIC LEUKEMIA

1	Peripheral blood : WBC ≥ 25 G / L, neutrophils > 80% WBC, immature granulocytes < 10% WBC, myeloblasts < 1% WBC
2	Bone marrow : percentage and number of neutrophilic granulocytes increased, normal maturation, myeloblasts < 5% of nucleated marrow cells, megakaryocytes normal or left shifted
3	Hepatosplenomegaly
4	No cause of physiological neutrophilia. If present, demonstration of clonality of myeloid cells
5	No BCR-ABL1 fusion gene, no rearrangement of PDGFRA, PDGFRB, FGFR1
6	No evidence of other myeloproliferative neoplasm, or myelodysplastic syndrome or myelodysplastic / myeloproliferative neoplasm. Monocytes $<$ 1 G / L

## CHRONIC EOSINOPHILIC LEUKEMIA, NOS1

1	Eosinophilia ≥ 1.5 G/L
2	No BCR-ABL1 fusion gene or other myeloproliferative neoplasm or myelodysplastic / myeloproliferative neoplasm
3	No FIP1L1-PDGFRA fusion gene (or other rearrangement of PDGFRA), no rearrangement of PDGFRB or FGFR1
4	Blast cell count in peripheral blood and bone marrow < 20%, no inv(16)(p13.1q22), t(16;16)(p13.1;q22), no other feature diagnostic of acute myeloid leukemia (AML)
5	Presence of a clonal or molecular genetic abnormality or blasts > 2% in PB or > 5% in bone marrow

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If these criteria are not met, the diagnosis may be reactive eosinophilia, idiopathic hypereosinophilia or idiopathic hypereosinophilic syndrome (HES). (See page 98)

<sup>1</sup>NOS: Not Otherwise Specified

## MYELOID AND LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS WITH EOSINOPHILIA AND ANOMALIES OF *PDGFRA*, *PDGFRB* OR *FGFR1*

#### MYELOID AND LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS WITH PDGFRA REARRANGEMENT

- 1 Myeloproliferative neoplasm with prominent eosinophilia
- 2 Presence of FIP1L1-PDGFRA fusion gene

Acute myeloid leukemia and lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma with eosinophilia and *FIP1L1-PDGFRA* are also assigned to this category. If molecular analysis is not available, diagnosis is suspected if: 1) Ph-negative myeloproliferative neoplasm with features of chronic eosinophilic leukemia; 2) splenomegaly; 3) high level of vitamin B<sub>12</sub>; 4) increase of serum tryptase; 5) increase of BM mast cells

Tyrosine Kinase activity: disease is responsive to TK- inhibitors (Imatinib mesylate)

#### MYELOID NEOPLASMS WITH PDGFRB REARRANGEMENT

- 1 Myeloproliferative neoplasm often with prominent eosinophilia, sometimes neutrophilia or monocytosis
- Presence of t(5;12)(q31~q33;p12) or variant translocation. Demonstration of *ETV6-PDGFRB* fusion gene or of rearragement of *PDGFRB*

Hematological features: chronic eosinophilic leukemia, chronic basophilic leukemia, chronic myelomonocytic leukemia with / without eosinophilia, Ph-negative chronic myeloid leukemia with eosinophilia, myelodysplastic / myeloproliferative neoplasm with eosinophilia

#### MYELOID AND LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS WITH FGFR1 ANOMALIES

- Myeloproliferative neoplasm with prominent eosinophilia and sometimes neutrophilia or monocytosis or acute myeloid leukemia or precursor T- or B-cell lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma (often associated with peripheral blood or bone marrow eosinophilia)
- 2 Presence of t(8;13)(p11;q12) or variant translocation with *FGFR1* rearrangement in myeloid cells, lymphoblasts or both

## MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES (MDS) GENERAL FEATURES

Somatic mutation of a hemopoietic stem cell upstream of myeloid precursor cells

Myelodyplasia (*dysmyelopoiesis*): Proliferation + / -

Maturation + / -

Apoptosis +

Peripheral blood with 1-3 cytopenia(s)

WHO classification considering:

Presence of signs of dysplasia affecting only one ("unilineage") or more cell lineages ("multilineage")

Blast cells in peripheral blood or bone marrow : < 20%

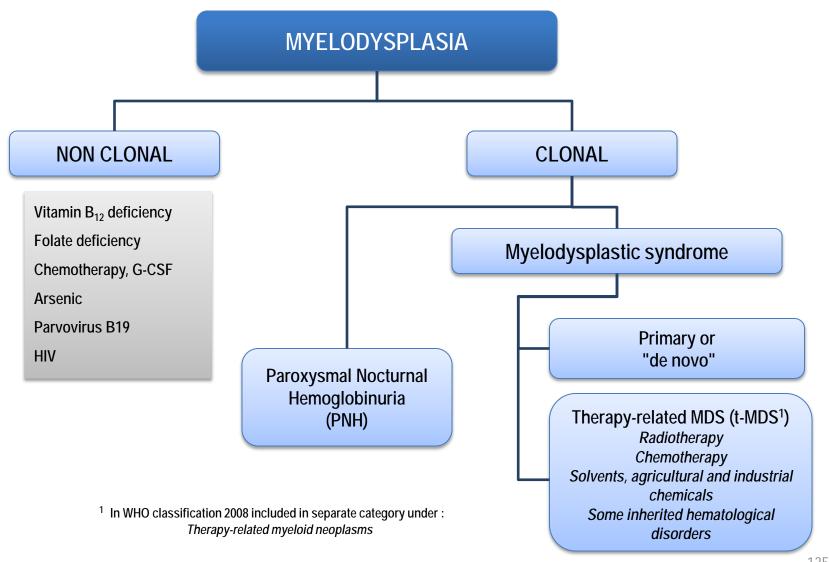
Presence or absence of Auer rods

Presence or absence of ring sideroblasts: < 15% or ≥ 15% (bone marrow)

Peripheral blood monocytosis < 1 G / L

Possible transformation in acute leukemia

### **MYELODYSPLASIA**



## MORPHOLOGICAL SIGNS OF MYELODYSPLASIA DYSMYELOPOIESIS

	PERIPHERAL BLOOD	BONE MARROW
Dyserythropoiesis	Macrocytosis (frequent) Anisocytosis Poikilocytosis Anisochromasia Coarse basophilic granules  Nuclear Megaloblastic changes Nuclear budding, internuc Karyorrhexis, hyperlobati Cytoplasmic Vacuolization Ring Sideroblasts (RS) Periodic acid-Schiff (PAS)	
Dysgranulopoiesis	Small or unusually large size Pseudo-Pelger Irregular hypersegmentation Decreased granules or agranularity Pseudo Chediak-Higashi granules Auer rods	
Dysmegakaryopoiesis (platelets)	Giant platelets Lack of granules	Micromegakaryocytes Hypolobated nuclei Multinucleated megakaryocytes

## CLASSIFICATION OF MDS PERIPHERAL BLOOD AND BONE MARROW FEATURES

DISEASE	BLOOD FEATURES	BONE MARROW FEATURES
Refractory Cytopenias with Unilineage Dysplasia (RCUD) : RA, RN, RT <sup>1</sup>	Unicytopenia (rarely bicytopenia) no or rare blasts (< 1%) <sup>2</sup>	Unilineage dysplasia : ≥ 10% of cells in one myeloid lineage; blasts < 5% Ring Sideroblasts (RS) : < 15%
Refractory Anemia with Ring Sideroblasts (RARS)	Anemia no blasts	Erythroid dysplasia only Ring Sideroblasts ≥ 15%, blasts < 5%
Refractory Cytopenia with Multilineage Dysplasia (RCMD)	Cytopenia(s), no or rare blasts (< 1%) <sup>2</sup> no Auer rods monocytes < 1 G / L	Dysplasia in ≥ 10% of cells in ≥ 2 myeloid lineages, blasts < 5%, no Auer rods Ring Sideroblasts ± 15%
Refractory Anemia with Excess Blasts-1 (RAEB-1)	Cytopenia(s), blasts : < 5%, no Auer rods monocytes < 1 G / L	Uni- or multilineage dysplasia, blasts : 5-9% no Auer rods
Refractory Anemia with Excess Blasts-2 (RAEB-2)	Cytopenia(s), blasts : 5-19%, Auer rods $\pm^3$ monocytes < 1 G / L	Uni- or multilineage dysplasia blasts : 10-19%, Auer rods ± <sup>3</sup>
Myelodysplastic Syndrome - Unclassified (MDS-U)	Cytopenias blasts : ≤ 1%	Evident dysplasia in less than 10% of cells in one or more myeloid cell lines with MDS cytogenetic anomaly, blasts < 5%
Myelodysplastic Syndrome associated with isolated del(5q)	Anemia, normal or increased platelet count no or rare blasts (< 1%)	Normal or increased megakaryocytes with hypolobulated nuclei, blasts: < 5%, no Auer rods, isolated del(5q)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> RA: Refractory Anemia; RN: Refractory Neutropenia; RT: Refractory Thrombocytopenia

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If bone marrow blast percentage < 5%, but 2-4% blasts are present in the blood, the diagnostic is RAEB-1. RCUD and RCMD with 1% blasts in blood are classified as MDS-U

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cases with Auer rods and < 5% blasts in blood and < 10% in bone marrow are classified as RAEB-2

# DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROME AND ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA IMPORTANCE OF BONE MARROW ERYTHROBLASTS PERCENTAGE

ERYTHROBLASTS (in % of total nucleated bone marrow cells)				
< 50% ≥ 50%				
Blasts in % of total nucleated bone marrow cells		Blasts in % of non erythroid nucleated bone marrow cells		
<b>≥ 20</b> % < 20%		< 20%	≥ 20%	
AML MDS		MDS	AML	

Modified from Bennett J.M. & al.: Proposed revised criteria for the classification of acute myeloid leukemia. Ann Intern Med 1985; 103: 620-625. Modifications according to WHO classification 2008.

AML : Acute Myeloid Leukemia MDS : Myelodysplastic Syndrome

### ANOMALIES RELATED TO MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROME

FUNCTIONAL ALTERATIONS Neutrophils: Motility, adhesion, phagocytosis, bactericidal ability

Platelets: Aggregation

IMMUNOLOGICAL DISORDERS Polyclonal gammopathy

Hypogammaglobulinemia

Paraprotein Autoantibodies

Decreased counts of CD4 + and NK lymphocytes

## MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROME INTERNATIONAL PROGNOSTIC SCORE

Score	0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0
Cytopenia(s)	0 – 1	2 – 3			
Blasts <sup>1</sup> (%)	< 5	5 – 10	-	11 – 19	$20 - 30^2$
Karyotype	Favorable	Intermediate	Unfavorable		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Blasts in bone marrow

Cytopenia(s): Hemoglobin < 100 g / L

Neutrophils < 1.8 G/L Platelets < 100 G/L

Karyotype: Favorable: Normal karyotype, -Y, del(5q), del(20q)

*Unfavorable* : Chromosome 7 anomalies, complex anomalies (≥ 3)

Intermediate: Other anomalies

Risk groups	Score
Low	0
Intermediate-1	0.5 – 1.0
Intermediate-2	1.5 – 2.0
High	≥ 2.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This group is classified as AML according to WHO 2008

#### OTHER ADVERSE PROGNOSTIC FACTORS IN MDS<sup>1</sup>

Age > 60 years Serum  $\beta_2$ -microglobulin concentration

Performance status Mutations of FLT3 gene

White blood cells > 20 G/L Plevels of TNF-  $\alpha$ 

High percentage of CD34 positive Presence of bone marrow fibrosis

bone marrow precursor cells

Lower levels of circulating endothelial cells

MCV > 100 fL

Abnormal Localization of Immature Precursors (ALIP) on

Ø expression of WT1 (Wilms' tumor gene) bone marrow histology

#### COMPLICATIONS / EVOLUTION / SURVIVAL

Complications: Recurrent infection

Bleeding manifestation Immunological disorder

Evolution to acute leukemia: RA: 2% (at 5 years), RAS: 1-2%, RCMD: ~10% (at 2 y),

RAEB-1: 25%, RAEB-2: 33%

Survival related to prognostic scores<sup>1</sup>: score 0 : 5.7 years, score 0.5-1 : 3.5 y, score 1.5-2.0 : 1.2 y,

score  $\ge$  **2.5**: 0.4 y

RA: Refractory Anemia; RAS: Refractory Anemia with Ringed Sideroblasts; RCMD: Refractory Cytopenia with Multilineage Dysplasia;

**RAEB**: Refractory Anemia with Excess Blasts

### TREATMENT OF MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROME

#### SYMPTOMATIC TREATMENT

Transfusional supportive care (RBC, platelets)
Iron chelators
Antibiotics
Erythropoietin + G-CSF, IL-11 (♥ platelets)

#### CHEMOTHERAPY

Antimetabolites: Cytarabine, Azacitidine, Decitabine Antiangiogenic, anticytokine drugs: Thalidomide, Lenalidomide (5q-syndrome)

IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE THERAPY (Hypocellular MDS) : ATG (Anti-Thymocyte-Globulin) ± cyclosporin

#### ALLOGENEIC STEM CELL / BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTATION

(< 60 years, HLA identical donor)

#### Investigational<sup>1</sup>:

Histone deacetylase inhibitors (valproic acid) Farnesyltransferase inhibitors Tyrosine kinase receptor inhibitors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Myelodysplastic Syndrome: Etiology, Natural History, Current and Future Therapies, Rowe J.M. ed., Clinical Haematology 2004; 17: 535-661.

### MYELODYSPLASTIC / MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS

#### CLASSIFICATION

CHRONIC MYELOMONOCYTIC LEUKEMIA
ATYPICAL CHRONIC MYELOID LEUKEMIA, *BCR-ABL1* NEGATIVE
JUVENILE MYELOMONOCYTIC LEUKEMIA
MYELODYSPLASTIC / MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASM, UNCLASSIFIABLE

Refractory anemia with ring sideroblasts (RARS) associated with marked thrombocytosis

#### CHRONIC MYELOMONOCYTIC LEUKEMIA

#### DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA

- 1. Persistent peripheral blood monocytosis > 1.0 G / L
- 2. Absence of Philadelphia chromosome or *BCR-ABL1* fusion gene
- 3. No rearrangement of PDGFRA, PDGFRB (should be specifically excluded in cases with eosinophilia)
- 4. < 20% blasts (myeloblasts, monoblasts and promonocytes) in peripheral blood and in the bone marrow
- 5. Signs of dysplasia in one or more myeloid lineage(s)

If dysplasia minimal or absent: 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 with:

Presence of acquired cytogenetic or molecular anomaly or :

persisting monocytosis (> 3 months) and exclusion of any other cause of monocytosis (see p. 101)

VARIANTS: CMML-1: blasts (and promonocytes) < 5% (peripheral blood), < 10% (bone marrow)

CMML-2: blasts (and promonocytes) 5-19% (peripheral blood), 10-19% (bone marrow) or presence of Auer rods

UNFAVORABLE PROGNOSTIC CRITERIA: Severe anemia + high leukocytosis (leukostasis!) + splenomegaly

**EVOLUTION**: Progression to acute myeloid leukemia: 15-30%

Median survival: 20-40 months

## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML) EPIDEMIOLOGY

**IONIZING RADIATION** 

**ALKYLATING AGENTS** 

BENZENE AND DERIVATIVES

MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS (MPN)

MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES (MDS)

MYELODYSPLASTIC / MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS (MDS / MPN)

TRISOMY 21

PRIMITIVE IMMUNODEFICIENCY

FANCONI ANEMIA (bone marrow aplasia of genetic origin)

PAROXYSMAL NOCTURNAL HEMOGLOBINURIA

## CLINICAL FEATURES OF ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (1)

#### SIGNS OF BONE MARROW FAILURE

Anemia  $\rightarrow$  fatigue, dyspnea

Neutropenia → infection

Thrombocytopenia → hemorrhage

#### TUMORAL SIGNS DUE TO BLASTIC INFILTRATION

Frequently absent

Gingival involvement<sup>1</sup>

Cutaneous involvement<sup>1</sup>

Neuromeningeal involvement<sup>1</sup>

Lymphadenopathy, splenomegaly

#### OTHER DISORDERS

Lysozyme tubulopathy<sup>1</sup>

Uric nephropathy

Electrolytic disorder (♂ K+, ♂ Ca++)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Acute myelomonocytic leukemia, acute monoblastic and monocytic leukemia

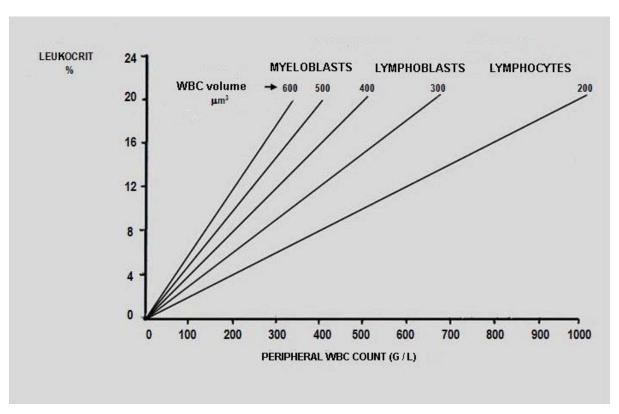
## CLINICAL FEATURES OF ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (2)

#### DISSEMINATED INTRAVASCULAR COAGULATION: DIC

Mainly acute promyelocytic leukemia with t(15;17)(q22;q12); PML-RARA

#### **LEUKOSTASIS**

Mainly acute myelomonocytic, acute monoblastic and monocytic leukemia



## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA BONE MARROW AND PERIPHERAL BLOOD

#### **BONE MARROW**

## ≥ 20 % BLASTS

#### PERIPHERAL BLOOD

PERIPHERAL BLOOD		1	2	3	4	5
HEMOGLOBIN	g/L	78	117	82	97	56
MCV	fL					112
WBC	G/L	320	0.9	7.6	115	3.1
PLATELETS	G/L	12	12	97	426	76

- 1. Acute myeloid leukemia with very high WBC count (hyperleukocytosis)
- 2. Aleukemic acute myeloid leukemia (absence of blasts in peripheral blood)
- 3. Acute myeloid leukemia with normal WBC count (blasts: 85% in peripheral blood)
- 4. Acute transformation of myeloproliferative neoplasm (persisting thrombocytosis)
- 5. Acute transformation of myelodysplastic syndrome (macrocytosis!)

## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML) WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (1)

#### CRITERIA

CYTOLOGY CYTOCHEMISTRY IMMUNOPHENOTYPING CYTOGENETIC MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

#### CLASSIFICATION

#### ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA WITH RECURRENT CYTOGENETIC ABNORMALITIES

AML with t(8;21)(q22;q22); RUNX1-RUNX1T1 (generally with neutrophil lineage maturation)

AML with inv(16)(p13.1q22) or t(16;16)(p13.1;q22); CBFB/MYH11 (myelomonocytic with abnormal eosinophils)

Acute promyelocytic leukemia<sup>1</sup> with t(15;17)(q22;q12); PML-RARA and variant (microgranular variant)

AML with t(9;11)(p22;q23); MLLT3-MLL (generally associated with monocytic features)

AML with t(6;9)(p23;q34); DEK-NUP214 (often associated with basophilia, multilineage dysplasia  $\pm$  monocytosis)

AML (megakaryoblastic) with t(1;22)(p13;q13); RBM15-MKL1 (peripheral blood and bone marrow similar to acute megakaryoblastic leukemia NOS<sup>2</sup>), c.f. page 150

AML with molecular genetic alterations: mutations / overexpression of genes, cf. "Prognostic factors" p. 151

<sup>1</sup> Former FAB M3 <sup>2</sup>NOS : Not Otherwise Specified

## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML) WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (2)

#### ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA WITH MYELODYSPLASIA RELATED CHANGES

AML from previous MDS or MDS / MPN

AML with MDS-related cytogenetic anomaly

AML with multilineage dysplasia

#### THERAPY-RELATED MYELOID NEOPLASMS (t-AML, t-MDS, t-MDS / MPN)

Alkylating agents, ionizing radiation therapy, topoisomerase II inhibitors, antimetabolites, antitubulin agents

#### ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA, NOS<sup>1</sup>

cf. pages 149-150

Acute basophilic leukemia

Acute panmyelosis with myelofibrosis

#### MYELOID SARCOMA

#### MYELOID PROLIFERATIONS RELATED TO DOWN SYNDROME

#### BLASTIC PLASMACYTOID DENDRITIC CELL NEOPLASM

#### ACUTE LEUKEMIAS OF AMIBIGUOUS LINEAGE

Acute undifferentiated leukemia

Mixed phenotype acute leukemia with t(9;22)(q34;q11.2); BCR-ABL1: B (or T) and myeloid lineages

Mixed phenotype acute leukemia with t(v;11q23); MLL rearranged

Mixed phenotype acute leukemia B / myeloid, NOS1

Mixed phenotype acute leukemia T / myeloid, NOS<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>NOS: Not Otherwise Specified

# ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML) WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (3)

## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA, NOS\* (1)

With minimal differentiation: Blasts  $\geq$  20% of NMC<sup>1</sup>, P<sup>2</sup> + and SB<sup>3</sup> + < 3%, presence of myeloid markers:

CD13 and / or CD117, CD33 (60%); T-marker : CD7 (40%)

Without maturation: Blasts  $\geq$  90% of NENC<sup>4</sup>, P + and SB +  $\geq$  3%, promyelocytes  $\rightarrow$ 

neutrophils ≤ 10% of NENC, CD13 +, CD33 +, CD117 +, generally CD15 -, CD65 -

With maturation: Blasts 20-89% of NENC, P+, SB+, promyelocytes → neutrophils ≥ 10% of

NENC, CD13 +, CD33 +, CD65 +, CD11b +, CD15 +

Acute myelomonocytic

leukemia:

Blasts 20-79% of NENC. Monoblasts  $\rightarrow$  monocytes  $\geq$  20% of NENC and / or monocytosis in peripheral blood  $\geq$  5 G / L, P +, ANBE<sup>5</sup> +, DE<sup>6</sup> +, CD13 +,

CD33 +, CD65 +, CD15 + (monocytic differentiation : CD14 +, CD4 +, CD11b +,

CD11c +, CD64 +, CD36 +, CD68 + (PGM1<sup>7</sup>), CD163 +, lysozyme +)

<sup>1</sup> NMC : Nucleated Marrow Cells; <sup>2</sup> P : Peroxydase; <sup>3</sup> SB : Sudan Black; <sup>4</sup> NENC : Non Erythroid Nucleated Cells <sup>5</sup> ANBE : α-naphtyl-butyrate esterase; <sup>6</sup> DE : double esterase ANBE + CAE (chloroacetate esterase); <sup>7</sup> PGM1 : phosphoglucomutase 1

<sup>\*</sup> Former FAB M0-M2, M4

# ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML) WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008 (4)

### ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA, NOS\* (2)

Acute monoblastic and Monoblastic : Monoblasts ≥ 80% of NENC<sup>1</sup>

monocytic leukemia: Monocytic: Monoblasts < 80% of NENC, presence of promonocytes and

monocytes, P<sup>2</sup> ±, ANBE<sup>3</sup> +, CD13 +, CD33 +, CD15 +, CD65 +, CD14 +, CD4 +,

CD11b +, CD11c +, CD64 +, CD68 +, CD36 +, lysozyme +

Acute erythroid Eryth

leukemia:

*Erythroleukemia (Erythroid / myeloid)* :  $\geq$  50% erythroid precursors (with signs of

dysplasia, PAS<sup>4</sup>  $\pm$ , glycophorin +) of NMC<sup>5</sup>,  $\geq$  20% myeloblasts of NENC (myeloid

markers of AML minimal / without differentiation)

Pure erythroid leukemia: ≥ 80% of dysplastic erythroid precursors (basophilia,

vacuoles, PAS +, glycophorin +), without myeloblastic component

Acute megakaryoblastic

*leukemia*:

Blasts ≥ 20% of NMC; ≥ 50% of blasts must express markers of megakaryocytic

lineage: CD41 + (glycoprotein IIb/IIIa) and / or CD61 + (glycoprotein IIIa),

CD42 ± (glycoprotein lb), vW<sup>6</sup> +. Other markers : CD13 ±, CD33 ±, CD36 +

<sup>1</sup> NENC : Non Erythroid Nucleated Cells; <sup>2</sup> P : Peroxydase; <sup>3</sup> ANBE : α-naphtyl-butyrate esterase; <sup>4</sup> PAS : Periodic acid-Schiff) <sup>5</sup> NMC : Nucleated Marrow Cells; <sup>6</sup> vW : von Willebrand

<sup>\*</sup> Former FAB M5-M7

## PROGNOSTIC FACTORS IN ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML)

		FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE
A	ge	< 50 y	> 60 y
Karnofsl	ky <sup>1</sup> Index	> 60%	< 60%
Phen	otype	CD34 - MDR1² neg	CD34 + MDR1 pos
Leukocyt	es (WBC)	< 30 G / L	> 30 G / L
Post chemo- and / or radiotherapy Prior hematological disorder (MPN, MDS, other)		No	Yes
Ger	netic	t(8;21), inv(16) / t(16;16), t(15;17)	Complex karyotypic anomalies, -5, -7, 3q26 aberrations, t(6;9), 11q23 aberrations except t(9;11)
Molecular genetic alterations	Mutations	NPM1 <sup>3</sup> ,CEBPA <sup>4</sup> NPM1 & FLT3-ITD	KIT: t(8;21), exon 17; inv16, t(16;16), exon 8, FLT3- ITD <sup>5</sup> , FLT3-TKD <sup>6</sup> , WT1 <sup>7</sup> & FLT3-ITD MLL-PTD <sup>8</sup>
	Overexpression		BAALC <sup>9</sup> , ERG <sup>10</sup> , MN1 <sup>11</sup>

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Karnofsky Index: patient performance index cf. next page;  $^2$  MDR: Multidrug Resistance;  $^3$  *NPM1*: Nucleophosmin, Member 1;  $^4$  *CEBPA*: CCAAT / Enhancer Binding Protein  $\alpha$ ;  $^5$  *FLT3*-ITD: Fms-Like Tyrosine Kinase 3-Internal Tandem Duplication (Tyrosine Kinase Receptor);  $^6$  *FLT3*-TKD: Fms-Like Tyrosine Kinase 3-Internal Tandem Duplication (Tyrosine Kinase Receptor);  $^6$  *FLT3*-TKD: Full Tyrosine Kinase 3-Internal Tandem Duplication;  $^9$  *BAALC*: Brain and Acute Leukemia, Cytoplasmic;  $^{10}$  *ERG*: ETS (Erythroblast Transformation Specific)-Related Gene;  $^{11}$  *MN1*: Meningioma 1

## KARNOFSKY PERFORMANCE STATUS

	%	CRITERIA
	100	Normal, no complaints; no evidence of disease
Normal activity No assistance needed	90	Able to carry on normal activity; minor signs or symptoms of disease
	80	Normal activity with effort; some signs or symptoms of disease
	70	Cares for self; unable to carry on normal activity or to do active work
Impaired activity Ambulatory Assistance needed	60	Requires occasional assistance but is able to care for most of his / her needs
Assistance needed	50	Requires considerable assistance and frequent medical care
	40	Disabled; requires special care and assistance
Assistance dependant Hospital care desirable	30	Severely disabled; hospitalization is indicated although death not imminent
	20	Very sick; hospitalization necessary; active supportive treatment necessary
Torminal care	10	Moribund; fatal processes progressing rapidly
Terminal care	0	Dead

## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA THERAPEUTICAL PRINCIPLES

### **SUPPORTIVE CARE**

INFECTION TREATMENT TRANSFUSION SUPPORT (RBC, platelets)

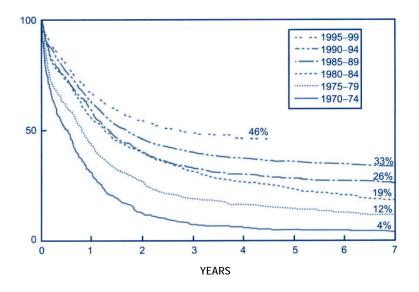
#### CHEMOTHERAPY

INDUCTION CONSOLIDATION INTENSIFICATION

## HEMOPOIETIC STEM CELL / BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTATION

ALLOGENEIC (→ 60 y) MINI-ALLO TRANSPLANT

Reduced intensity conditioning transplant
Compatible sibling donor: 20-30% of patients
have an HLA identical sibling donor
Unrelated donor
AUTOLOGOUS (peripheral blood stem cells / BM)



Survival improvement for patients 15-59 years of age from 1970-1999 (UK MRC : United Kingdom Medical Research Council)

Burnett A.K.: Treatment of acute myeloid leukaemia in younger patients. Clinical Haematology 2001; 14: 95-118.

## TREATMENT OF ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA CHEMOTHERAPY

### ARA-C (Cytosine arabinoside)

ANTHRACYCLINES (Daunorubicin, Idarubicin, Mitoxantrone, Amsacrine)

#### **6-THIOGUANINE**

#### **ETOPOSIDE**

60-70% Complete Remissions (CR) (30-40% with 2<sup>nd</sup> induction cycle)

Then, 2-3 consolidation cycles

5 years relapse free survival rate: 20-25%

Improvement of survival rate with intensification, autologous or allogeneic transplantation

(5 years relapse free survival rate: 40-50%)

## ATRA (all-trans retinoic acid) + ARA-C and Anthracycline:

Acute promyelocytic leukemia t(15;17)(q22;q12); PML-RARA

#### Investigational:

Stratification by risk factors

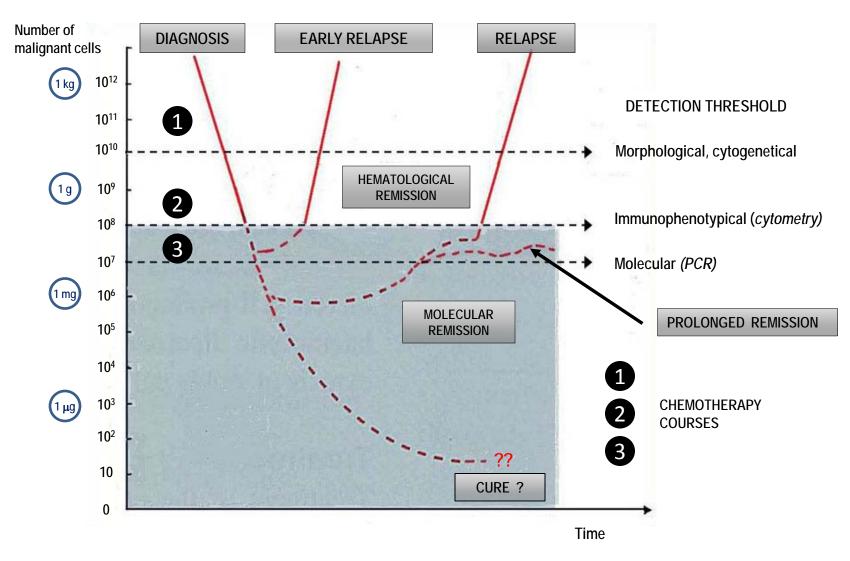
Treatment of relapse: Arsenic trioxyde; Farnesyltransferase inhibitors, MDR1<sup>1</sup>, BCL2<sup>2</sup>, FLT3<sup>3</sup> and Tyrosine Kinases inhibitors, antiangiogenic drugs, anti-CD33 (Gemtuzumab)

<sup>1</sup> MDR: Multidrug Resistance

<sup>2</sup>BCL2: B-Cell Leukemia / Lymphoma 2 (protooncogene, inhibitor of apoptosis)

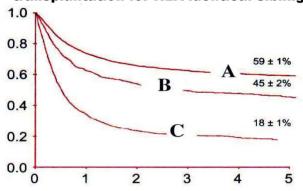
<sup>3</sup>FLT3: Fms-Like Tyrosine Kinase 3 (Tyrosine Kinase receptor)

## KINETICS OF LEUKEMIC CELLS RELATED TO TREATMENT



### ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA: ALLOGENEIC TRANSPLANTATION

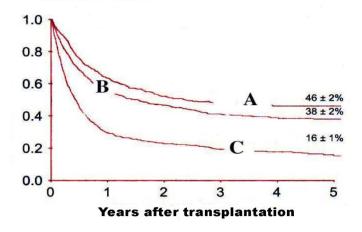




A: CR-1 (n = 5'192) B: CR-2 (n = 1'122)

C : Advanced phase (n = 1'787)

Overall survival after allogeneic transplantation from HLA compatible unrelated donor



A : CR-1 (n = 831)

B : CR-2 (n = 880)

C : Advanced phase

(n = 854)

# LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS<sup>1</sup> (1) (WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008)

## SIMPLIFIED CLASSIFICATION<sup>2</sup> B-CELL NEOPLASMS

PRECURSOR B-CELL NEOPLASMS

B-lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma (former FAB L1-L2)<sup>2</sup>

MATURE B-CELL NEOPLASMS

B-cell lymphoid leukemias Burkitt leukemia variant (former FAB L3)<sup>2</sup>

#### T-CELL AND NK-CELL NEOPLASMS

PRECURSOR T-CELL

T-lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma (former FAB L1-L2)<sup>2</sup>

MATURE T-CELL OR NK-CELL NEOPLASMS

T-cell and NK-cell lymphoid leukemias

## HODGKIN LYMPHOMA IMMUNODEFICIENCY-ASSOCIATED LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Former lymphoproliferative syndromes, malignant lymphomas

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Lymphoblastic leukemias / lymphomas cf. pages 178-183

## LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS (2)

#### PROOF OF MONOCLONALITY

Expression of one type only of light chain ( $\kappa$  or  $\lambda$ ) on the lymphocyte surface (B)

Rearrangement of Ig genes (B)

Presence of paraprotein (B)

Rearrangement of TCR<sup>1</sup> genes (T)

Cytogenetics (B,T, NK)

# CLINICAL CONDITION PERFORMANCE STATUS OF THE EASTERN COOPERATIVE ONCOLOGY GROUP (ECOG)

GRADE	ECOG
0	Fully active, able to carry on all pre-disease performance without restriction
1	Restricted in physically strenuous activity but ambulatory and able to carry out work of a light or sedentary nature
2	Ambulatory and capable of all selfcare but unable to carry out any work activities. Up and about < 50% of waking hours
3	Only capable of limited selfcare, confined to bed or chair > 50% of waking hours
4	Completely disabled. Cannot carry on any selfcare. Totally confined to bed or chair

#### PROGNOSTIC FACTORS

Histology (low grade  $\rightarrow$  high grade)

Staging

Tumor volume ("bulky")

Performance status (ECOG score)

I DH serum level

Presence or not of inflammatory syndrome

#### CLINICAL BEHAVIOUR (survival without treatment)

Indolent years
Aggressive months
Highly aggressive weeks

<sup>1</sup> TCR : T-Cell Receptor

# LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS (3) STAGING (ANN ARBOR CLASSIFICATION)

STAGES	
Ī	Involvement of single lymph node region
le	Limited involvement of single extralymphatic organ or site
II	Involvement of two or more lymph node regions on the same side of the diaphragm alone
lle	With involvement of limited contiguous extralymphatic organ or tissue
III	Involvement of lymph node regions on both sides of the diaphragm
IIIs	With spleen involvement
IIIE	With limited, contiguous extralymphatic organ or site
IIIES	With limited involvement of contiguous extralymphatic organ or site and spleen
IV	Diffuse or disseminated foci of involvement of one or more extralymphatic organ(s) or tissue(s) (digestive tract, liver, lung, bone marrow, bone) with or without associated lymphatic involvement

## LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS (4) INITIAL ASSESSMENT

Lymph node or tissue biopsy (histology, immunophenotyping, molecular biology, cytogenetics)

Staging : Clinical examination

CT-scan (if indicated PET-CT)

Bone marrow cytology and histology (Lumbar puncture : CSF<sup>1</sup> examination)

### **Evaluation of prognosis:**

Histological type (low grade vs. high grade malignancy)

IPI<sup>2</sup> score (aggressive lymphoid neoplasms)

Age  $\leq$  60 years vs. > 60 years

Clinical condition (ECOG $^3$  score) 0 - 1 vs.  $\geq$  2

Ann Arbor I-II vs. III-IV

Extranodal involvement 0 - 1 vs. ≥ 2 sites LDH ≤ normal value vs. > normal level

### Assessment of possible etiology:

History of immunosuppression (EBV)

Prior chemotherapy and / or radiotherapy

HIV, HTLV-1 serology

Further tests: ECG, creatinin, calcemia, liver tests, search of paraprotein, β<sub>2</sub>-microglobulin

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CSF: Cerebrospinal fluid 
<sup>2</sup> IPI: International Prognostic Index 
<sup>2</sup> ECOG: Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

## LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS (5) TREATMENT

HIGHLY AGGRESSIVE LYMPHOID NEOPLASM (e.g. Precursor B- or T-cell lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma)

CHOP1, DHAP2...

Intensification with autologous transplantation or stem cell reinfusion

Overall 5 years survival about 25%

AGGRESSIVE LYMPHOID NEOPLASM (e.g. diffuse large B-cell lymphoma)

CHOP, MACOP-B<sup>3</sup>, BACOP<sup>4</sup>, CHOP + Rituximab (anti-CD20) Intensification + autologous transplant

Overall 5 years survival about 30-40%

INDOLENT LYMPHOID NEOPLASM (e.g. follicular lymphoma grade 1-2)

Radiation therapy, α-Interferon, purine analogues (Fludarabine, Cladribine), monoclonal antibodies : Rituximab (Mabthera®) alone or in combination, radioimmunoconjugates : Ibritumomab (Zevalin®), CVP<sup>5</sup>, CHOP

Overall 5 years survival about 50-70%

<sup>1</sup>CHOP: Cyclophosphamide + Doxorubicin + Vincristine + Prednisone

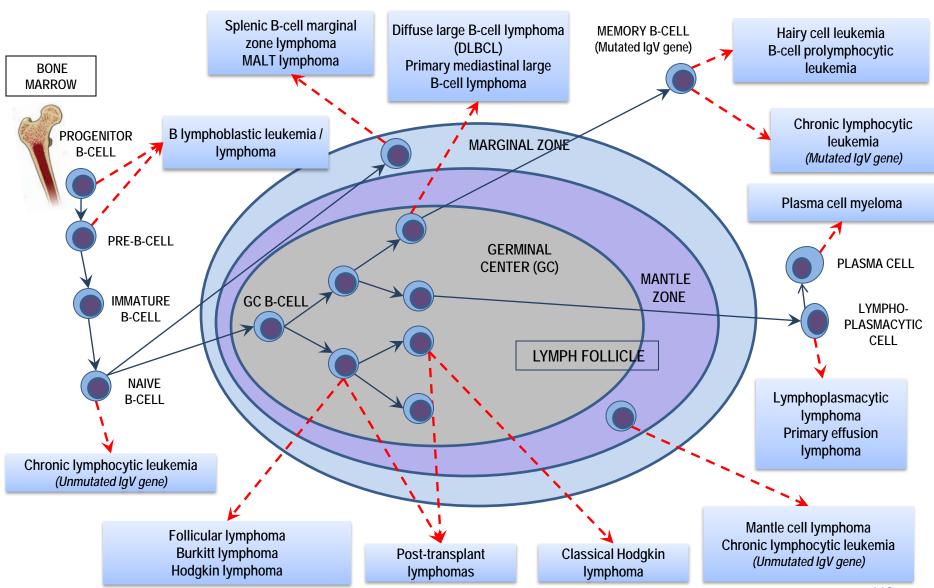
<sup>2</sup>DHAP: Dexamethasone + Cisplatin + Cytarabine

<sup>3</sup>MACOP-B: Methotrexate + Doxorubicin + Cyclophosphamide + Vincristine + Bleomycin + Prednisone

<sup>4</sup>BACOP: Cyclophosphamide + Doxorubicin + Vincristine + Bleomycin + Prednisone

<sup>5</sup> CVP : Cyclophosphamide + Vincristine + Prednisone

## B-CELL DIFFERENTIATION RELATIONSHIP TO MAJOR B-CELL NEOPLASMS



### LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS

#### **B-CELL PROLIFERATION**

Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)

B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia (B-PLL)

Hairy cell leukemia and variant (HCL, HCL-v)

Splenic B-cell marginal zone lymphoma (SMZL)

Splenic B-cell marginal zone lymphoma / leukemia, unclassifiable

Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma (LPL) - Waldenström macroglobulinemia (WM)

Leukemic form of follicular lymphoma (FL)

Leukemic form of mantle cell lymphoma (MCL)

Plasma cell leukemia (PCL)

#### T- AND NK-CELL PROLIFERATION

T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia (T-PLL)

T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia (T-LGL)

Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders of NK-cells (CLPD-NK)

Aggressive NK-cell leukemia

Adult T-cell leukemia / lymphoma (ATLL)

Sézary syndrome (SS)

#### **B-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS**

## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (CLL) (1)

#### **DEFINITION**

Monoclonal B-cell lymphoid proliferation

#### SYMPTOMS AND CLINICAL FEATURES

Fortuitous diagnosis

Lymph node enlargement

**Splenomegaly** 

**Relapsing infections** 

Severe anemic syndrome

Hemorrhagic manifestations

#### **BLOOD PICTURE**

Relative and absolute lymphocytosis

Monoclonality shown by cell surface markers :

Coexpression of CD5 / CD19

 $\kappa \underline{\text{ or }} \lambda \text{ expression}$ 

### CLASSIFICATION (cf. next page)

Rai

Binet

## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (2)

## **RAI CLASSIFICATION (1975)**

STAGE	CRITERIA	MEDIAN SURVIVAL (MONTHS)
0	Isolated monoclonal lymphocytosis (peripheral blood and bone marrow)	150
ı	0 + lymphadenopathies <sup>1</sup>	101
II	0 and I + splenomegaly <sup>2</sup> and / or hepatomegaly <sup>2</sup>	71
III	0 and Hb < 100 g / L $\pm$ tumoral syndrome	19
IV	0 and platelets < 100 G / L ± tumoral syndrome	19

## **BINET CLASSIFICATION (1981)**

STAGE	LYMPHOID SITES <sup>3</sup>	Hb AND PLATELETS	MEDIAN SURVIVAL (MONTHS)
Α	< 3	Hb ≥ <b>100</b> g/L	Comparable to age- matched control
В	≥ 3	Platelets ≥ 100 G / L	84
С	Irrelevant	Hb < 100 g / L <u>or</u> Platelets < 100 G / L	24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cervical, axillary, inguinal lymph nodes on clinical examination

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On abdominal palpation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cervical, axillary, inguinal lymph nodes, splenomegaly and hepatomegaly on clinical examination

## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (3)

#### COURSE AND COMPLICATIONS

Infection secondary to:

B-cell immunological defect

Potential neutropenia (mainly secondary to chemotherapy)

**Autoimmune manifestation** 

Hemolytic anemia with positive direct Coombs test (10-15%)

Immune thrombocytopenia (5%)

Pure red cell aplasia (Erythroblastopenia)

Transformation to diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (Richter syndrome)

#### DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

Viral or bacterial lymphocytosis (cf. page 112)

Other lymphoid leukemia

## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (4) PROGNOSTIC FACTORS

	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE
Bone marrow lymphocytic infiltration	Focal	Diffuse
Peripheral lymphocytosis doubling time		< 12 months
Serum markers of rapid cell turnover		<ul> <li>尽 Thymidine kinase</li> <li>尽 sCD23</li> <li>尽 β₂-microglobulin</li> </ul>
Immunophenotype		CD38 +, ZAP-70 + <sup>1</sup>
Cytogenetics	Normal karyotype isolated del 13q14.3 (20%)	del 11q22-23 (17-20%) del 17p (7-10%), del 6q Mixed anomalies
IgV genes (variable region of immunoglobulins)	Mutated	Unmutated

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ZAP-70 : Zeta chain-Associated Protein : tyrosine kinase restricted to T- and NK-lymphocytes under normal physiological conditions

Rai K.R., Keating M.J.: Pathophysiology and cytogenetics of chronic lymphocytic leukemia; October 2008, UpToDate.

Müller-Hermelink H.K., Montserrat E., Catovsky D., Campo E., Harris N.L., Stein H.: Chronic lymphocytic leukemia / small lymphocytic lymphoma, in Swerdlow S.H., Campo E., Harris N.L., Jaffe E.S., Pileri S.A., Stein H., Thiele J., Vardiman J.W.: WHO Classification of Tumours of Haematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. 2008; IARC, Lyon, p. 180-182.

## CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (5) TREATMENT

"Wait and watch" as long as possible

Alkylating agents (Chlorambucil)

Purine analogs (Fludarabine, Cladribine)

Polychemotherapy (CVP1, CHOP1)

Proapoptotic drugs (monoclonal antibodies): Rituximab: anti-CD20, Alemtuzumab (MabCampath): humanized anti-CD52, Ofatumumab: humanized anti-CD20 († affinity for CD20)

Lenalidomide (relapsing or refractory CLL)

Polyvalent immunoglobulin concentrates (in case of relapsing infections related to B immunological defect)

### Allogeneic transplantation

(< 50 years, HLA identical donor, disease with rapid evolution. 5 years relapse free survival: 40%)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See p. 161

## OTHER B-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (1)

#### B-CELL PROLYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA

Large splenomegaly, few or absent lymphadenopathies

Lymphocytosis > 100 G / L, anemia and thrombocytopenia (50% of cases)

Large cells with prominent nucleolus: CD19 +, CD20 +, CD22 +, CD79a +, CD79b +, CD5 + (20-30%),

CD23 + (10-20%)

Treatment: CHOP (see p. 161), purine analogs (fludarabine, cladribine), chemotherapy + Rituximab, splenectomy

Median survival: 30-50 months

#### HAIRY CELL LEUKEMIA

Splenomegaly without lymphadenopathy

Pancytopenia

WBC usually < 4 G/L, > 10 G/L (10-20%), rarely > 200 G/L, monocytopenia

Presence of hairy cells (TRAP +), CD19 +, CD11c +, CD25 +, CD103 +, CD123 +

Bone marrow fibrosis

Complications : Recurrent opportunistic Infections

Vasculitis or other immune dysfunction

Neurologic disorders Bleeding disorders

**Bone lesions** 

Treatment : Purine analogs (+ Rituximab), α-Interferon, splenectomy, anti-CD22, anti-CD25

immunotoxins

Overall 10-year survival rate : > 90%

## OTHER B-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (2)

### SPLENIC B-CELL MARGINAL ZONE LYMPHOMA (SMZL)

**Splenomegaly** 

Variable presence in peripheral blood of villous lymphocytes CD20 +, CD79a +, CD5 -, CD25 + / -,

CD11c + / -, CD103 usually -, CD123 rarely +

Occasionally autoimmune thrombocytopenia or anemia

Small monoclonal serum paraprotein (1/3 of cases)

Clinical course indolent

Treatment: splenectomy

#### SPLENIC B-CELL MARGINAL ZONE LYMPHOMA / LEUKEMIA, UNCLASSIFIABLE

## Splenic diffuse red pulp small B-cell lymphoma (SMZL-diffuse variant)

Frequently massive splenomegaly

Usually low lymphocytosis, presence of villous lymphocytes

Sometimes cutaneous infiltration (pruritic papules)

## Hairy cell leukemia-variant (HCL-v) - "Prolymphocytic variant of HCL"

Average WBC count ~ 35 G / L, ↓ platelets (~ 50%), ↓ RBC (~ 25%)

Lymphocytes: hybrid features of prolymphocytic leukemia and classical hairy cell leukemia Absence of monocytopenia

Treatment: Rituximab, anti-CD22 immunotoxin

Usually no response to purine analogues and to  $\alpha$ -Interferon

## OTHER B-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (3)

## LYMPHOPLASMACYTIC LYMPHOMA - WALDENSTRÖM MACROGLOBULINEMIA (WM)

Lymphoplasmacytic bone marrow infiltration

Lymphocytosis: generally < 10 G / L (mixture of small and large lymphocytes, sometimes with eccentric nucleus and pronounced cytoplasmic basophilia)

Lymphadenopathies: 40%, splenomegaly or hepatomegaly: 30%, hepatosplenomegaly: 25%

Mainly IgM paraproteinemia (WM): hyperviscosity syndrome (IgM > 30 g / L)

Possible cryoglobulinemia (Raynaud phenomenon, vasculitis)

Anemia of variable severity

Hemodilution

Bone marrow failure

Autoimmune hemolytic anemia (cold agglutinins)

Polyneuropathy with sensory and motor defect (anti-MAG<sup>1</sup> antibodies)

Bleeding tendency (thrombocytopenia + thrombopathy)

Indolent lymphoid neoplasm

Treatment: Plasmapheresis if hyperviscosity syndrome

Alkylating agents, Rituximab, purine analogs, CHOP<sup>2</sup> + Rituximab,

corticosteroids, splenectomy

Median survival: 5-10 years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Myelin Associated Glycoprotein

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See p. 161

### **B-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIA**

## Contribution of immunological markers, cytogenetics and molecular biology

	slg	CD19	CD5	CD23	CYTOGENETICS	OTHERS
CLL	+/-	+	+	+		
B-PLL	+	+	-/+	-/+		
HCL	+	+	-	-		TRAP + CD11c + CD25 + CD103 +
SMZL	+	+	-/+	-		
MCL	+	+	+	-	t(11;14)	Cyclin D1
FL	+	+	-	-	t(14;18)	CD10 + BCL2

1 5	т	Т		ι(14,10)	BCL2
		CD123 <sup>1</sup>	CD25	CD11c	CD103
HCL		22 / 23 95%	24 / 25 96%	25 / 25 100%	25 / 25 100%
HCL VARIANT		1 / 11 9%	0 / 11 0%	11 / 11 100%	4 / 11 36%
CM7I		1 / 29	18 / 28	10 / 26	0 / 25

64%

**SMZL** 

3%

CLL : Chronic lymphocytic leukemia
B-PLL : B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

HCL: Hairy cell leukemia

SMZL: Splenic marginal zone lymphoma

MCL: Mantle cell lymphoma

FL: Follicular lymphoma

BCL2: B-cell Leukemia / Lymphoma 2
Protooncogene, inhibitor of
apoptosis or cell death

The contribution of morphology remains paramount for the differential diagnosis of B-cell prolymphocytic leukemia, hairy cell leukemia and its variant form as for splenic marginal zone lymphoma

38%

0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Del Giudice I. et coll.: The diagnostic value of CD123 in B-cell disorders with hairy or villous lymphocytes. Haematologica 2004; 89: 303-308.

## T-CELL AND NK-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (1)

### T-CELL PROLYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA (T-PLL)

Hepatosplenomegaly, generalized lymphadenopathy

High WBC count > 100 G / L (> 200 G / L in 50% of patients)

Skin involvement (20% of cases)

CD2 +, CD3 + / -, CD7 +, usual expression of CD4 (60%), CD8 + / -, CD52 +

Cytogenetic anomalies: inv(14), t(14;14), idic(8p11), t(8;8), trisomy 8q, del 12p13, del 11q23

Aggressive disease, median survival < 1 year

Treatment: anti-CD52 (alemtuzumab)

## T-CELL LARGE GRANULAR LYMPHOCYTE LEUKEMIA (T-LGL)

Serious neutropenia, variable anemia (sometimes severe due to red cell aplasia)

Moderate splenomegaly

Frequent autoantibodies, immune complexes and hypergammaglobulinemia

Association with rheumatoid arthritis

CD3 +, TCR $_{\alpha\beta}$  +, CD4 - / +, CD8 +; CD57 +, CD 16 + : > 80% of cases

Indolent clinical course, median survival ~ 13 years

## T-CELL AND NK-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (2)

### CHRONIC LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS OF NK-CELLS (CLPD-NK)

Usually asymptomatic, some cases with systemic symptoms, cytopenia(s) Sometimes in association with solid tumors, vasculitis, neuropathy, autoimmune disorders CD3 -, CD4 -, CD8 -, TCR $_{\alpha\beta}$  -, CD16 +, CD56 + (usually weak), CD57 -

#### AGGRESSIVE NK-CELL LEUKEMIA

Rare, prevalent Asians, median age: 42 years

Principal involved sites: peripheral blood, bone marrow, spleen, liver

CD2 +, CD3 -, CD56 +

Fulminant clinical course (coagulopathy, hemophagocytic syndrome)

Median survival: < 2 months

## T-CELL AND NK-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (3)

### ADULT T-CELL LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (ATLL)

Japan (1977), Caribbean region, Central Africa

Clinical variants: 1) acute (most common); 2) lymphomatous; 3) chronic; 4) smoldering

Lymphadenopathy, hepatosplenomegaly

Skin involvement (erythematous rushes, papules, nodules)

Leukocytes : 5 – 100 G / L

Lymphocytes with lobated nucleus, CD2 +, CD3 +, CD5 +, usually CD4 +, CD 7 -, CD8 -

Association with HTLV-1 virus

Hypercalcemia

Survival for acute and lymphomatous variants : 2 weeks to > 1 year

## T AND NK LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (4)

## SEZARY SYNDROME (SS)

Skin involvement (Mycosis fungoides)

Erythema, pruritus, generalized erythroderma Pautrier's microabscesses (epidermotropism)

Presence of Sézary cells in peripheral blood (> 5%)

Lymphocytes with convoluted, cerebriform nucleus (cleft)

Variable phenotype: CD2 +, CD3 +, TCR<sub>8</sub> +, CD5 +, usually CD4 +, CD8 -

Secondary infiltration of tissues and organs

Lymph nodes, bone marrow, lungs, heart, kidneys, bone

Aggressive disease

Overall survival rate: 10-20% at 5 years

Stages of mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome

Stages	Extension
IA/B	Exclusive skin involvment (patch / plaque) A: skin < 10% of cutaneous surface B: skin > 10% of cutaneous surface
II A / B	Stage I with : A : clinical lymph node involvment or : B : cutaneous tumors
III	Erythrodermia: > 80% of cutaneous surface
IV A / B	A : histological lymph node involvment or Sézary cells in peripheral blood B : secondary infiltration of tissues and organs

## T-CELL AND NK-CELL LYMPHOID LEUKEMIAS (5)

## Contribution of immunological markers, cytogenetics and molecular biology

	CD4	CD8	CD56	RTCR	OTHERS
T-PLL	+	+ / -	-	+	inv(14)
T-LGL	-/+	+	-	+	CD3 +
CLPD-NK	-	-	+	-	CD3 -
ATLL	+	-	-	+	-
SS	+	-	-	+	-

RTCR: Rearrangement of genes coding for variable part of TCR (T-Cell Receptor)

T-PLL: T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

T-LGL: T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia

CLPD-NK: Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders of NK-cells

ATLL: Adult T-cell leukemia / lymphoma

SS: Sézary syndrome

## LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (1)

#### WHO CLASSIFICATION 2008

#### PRECURSOR B and T LYMPHOID NEOPLASMS

B lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma, not otherwise specified (B-ALL / B-LBL)

B lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma with recurrent genetic anomalies

T lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma

#### MATURE B CELL NEOPLASMS

Acute lymphoblastic leukemia Burkitt type

# LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (2) CLINICAL FEATURES (1)

## B ACUTE LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA (B-ALL)

Bone marrow usually involved, peripheral

blood frequently

**Extramedullary involvement** 

Central nervous system

Lymph nodes, spleen, liver

**Testes** 

Pancytopenia

Leukocyte count decreased, normal or highly elevated

## B LYMPHOBLASTIC LYMPHOMA (B-LBL)

Most frequent sites of involvement

Skin

Soft tissues

Bone marrow

Lymph nodes

## LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (3) RELATION BETWEEN GENETIC ANOMALY AND PROGNOSIS

#### LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA WITH RECURRENT GENETIC ANOMALIES

CYTOGENETICS	FUSION TRANSCRIPT	PROGNOSIS
t(9;22)(q34;q11.2)	BCR-ABL 1	worst of ALL
t(v;11q23)	MLL rearranged	poor
t(12;21)(p13;q22)	TEL-AML1 (ETV6-RUNX1)	good <sup>1</sup>
Hyperdiploidy (50-66 chromosomes)		good <sup>1</sup>
Hypodiploidy (< 45 chromosomes)		poor
t(5;14)(q31;q32)	IL3-IGH	intermediate
t(1;19)(q23;p13.3)	E2A-PBX1 (TCF3-PBX1)	poor

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In absence of adverse prognostic factors : age > 10 years, higher initial WBC count, slow response to initial therapy, minimal residual disease after therapy, CNS involvment at diagnosis

# LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (4) CLINICAL FEATURES (2)

### T LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA

Frequent mediastinal (thymic) involvement Lymphadenopathies

Extranodal sites : skin, tonsils, liver, spleen, central nervous system, testes

High leukocyte count

High risk disease in childhood (induction failure, early relapse, isolated CNS relapse)
In adults, better prognosis than for B-ALL with prognostic adverse cytogenetic anomalies

# MATURE B-CELL BURKITT LEUKEMIA VARIANT (former FAB L3)

Frequent involvement of CNS at diagnosis
Blasts with deeply basophilic cytoplasm with
prominent vacuoles

Extreme chemosensitivity

(risk of acute tumor lysis syndrome)

# LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA (5) IMMUNOLOGICAL MARKERS

## B-ALL:

PRO-B or EARLY PRE-B CD10 -

EARLY PRE-B or EARLY PRE-B CD10 + or COMMON PRE-B ALL

PRE-B

B MATURE ALL (type Burkitt leukemia variant, former FAB L3)

### T-ALL:

PRE-T

**EARLY-T** 

T CORTICAL

T MATURE OR MARROW T

<sup>1</sup> clgM, cCD3: Intracytoplasmic lgM, CD3

<sup>2</sup> slgM : lgM expressed on cell surface

MARKERS	PRO-B	EARLY PRE-B	PRE-B	B MATURE
CD19	+	+	+	+
CD10	-	+	+	-
CD20	-	+ / -	+	+
CD22	+ cyto	+	+	+
CD34	++	+	-	-
HLA-DR	+	+	+	+
TdT	+++	++	+	+ / -
clgM <sup>1</sup>	-	-	+	
sIgM <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	+

MARKERS	PRE-T	EARLY-T	T CORTICAL	T MATURE
CD7	+	+	+	+
CD2	-	+	+	+
CD5	-	+	+	+
CD1a	-	-	+	-
cCD3 <sup>1</sup>	+	+	-	-
CD3	-	-	+ / -	+
CD4 & CD8	-	-	+	-
CD4 or CD8	-	-	-	+
TdT	+	+	+	+

## TREATMENT OF LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA

### PREDNISONE - VINCRISTINE - ANTHRACYCLINES - ASPARAGINASE

PRINCIPLES: Induction - Consolidation - Maintenance

RESULTS: Adults<sup>1</sup> (1991-2000): CR\*: 69-91%

DFS\*\*: 17- 42%

Children<sup>2</sup>: CR<sup>\*</sup>: 88-96% (2 children / 3 cured at 5 years)

ALL <i>BCR-ABL</i> 1+	Chemottherapy alone (historical controls)3	Chemotherapy + Imatinib (%) (n = 45) <sup>4</sup>
Hematological CR	71	96
Molecular CR		29
Overall survival (at 18 months)	39	65
DFS * (at 18 months)	31	51

Followed, if possible,
(age ≤ 55 years, related or
unrelated donor) by bone marrow /
stem cell transplantation in CR

\*CR: Complete Remission
\*\*DFS: Disease Free Survival

#### Developments of therapeutical possibilities:

Stratification for risk factors

Allograft in patient with unfavorable risk factors, early autologous transplantation with peripheral blood progenitor cells Clofarabine, Nelarabine, FMdC, Trimetrexate, liposomal Vincristine, Flavopiridol, Bryostatin, monoclonal antibodies (anti-CD20, anti-CD52) Arsenic trioxide, proteasome or tyrosine kinase inhibitors<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hoelzer D., Gökbuget N.: Acute lymphocytic leukemia in adults, in Hoffman R. et al., Hematology: Basic Principles and Practice 2005; Elsevier: p. 1181.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Rivera G.K., Crist W.M.: Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, in Handin R.I. et al., Blood: Principles & Practice of Hematology 1995; J.P. Lippincott: p. 758.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Larson R.A.: Induction therapy for acute lymphoblastic leukemia. UpToDate, mai 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Labarthe A. et al.: Imatinib combined with induction or consolidation chemotherapy in patients with de novo Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia: results of the GRAAPH-2003 study. Blood 2007; 109: 1408-1413

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Thomas D.A. et al.: New agents in the treatment of acute lymphocytic leukaemia. Clinical Haematology 2002; 15: 771-790.

# PLASMA CELL MYELOMA (MULTIPLE MYELOMA) (1)

**DEFINITION** Monoclonal plasma cell proliferation

CLINICAL FEATURES Asymptomatic

Bone pain

Pathological fractures

Plasmatic hyperviscosity syndrome

BLOOD PICTURE Rouleaux formation of RBC

Signs of bone marrow failure

BIOLOGY Plasmatic and / or urinary paraprotein

High sedimentation rate (ESR)

Hypercalcemia Hyperuricemia Renal failure signs

#### CLINICAL VARIANTS

Asymptomatic (smoldering) plasma cell myeloma

Non-secretory myeloma

Plasma cell leukemia

Solitary plasmacytoma of bone Extraosseous plasmacytoma

Monoclonal immunoglobulin deposition diseases

Primary amyloidosis

Monoclonal light and heavy chain deposition

diseases

Osteosclerotic myeloma (POEMS syndrome)

**Polyneuropathy** 

Organomegaly: spleen, liver, lymph nodes

<u>E</u>ndocrinopathy : *diabetes mellitus, gynecomastia, testicular atrophy* 

Monoclonal gammopathy

Skin: hyperpigmentation, hypertrichosis

# PLASMA CELL MYELOMA (MULTIPLE MYELOMA) (2)

#### DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA OF SYMPTOMATIC PLASMA CELL MYELOMA

- 1) Paraprotein in serum or urine. No level included. In most cases, IgG > 30 g / L, IgA > 25 g / L, urine light chain > 1 g / 24 hr. Some patients have lower levels
- 2) Clonal plasma cells in bone marrow or plasmacytoma. No minimal level. Usually > 10% of nucleated BM cells. 5% patients with < 10% BM plasma cells
- 3) Related organ or tissue impairment

CRAB : Hypercalcemia, renal insufficiency, anemia, bone lesions Hyperviscosity, amyloidosis, recurrent infections

Modified from : Criteria for the classification of monoclonal gammopathies, multiple myeloma and related disorders : a report of the International Myeloma Working Group. Br J Haematol 2003; 121 : 749-757.

### INTERNATIONAL STAGING SYSTEM FOR PLASMA CELL MYELOMA

<b>STAGE I</b> (< 0.6 x 10 <sup>12</sup> cells/m <sup>2</sup> )	<b>STAGE II</b> (0.6 – 1.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup> cells/m <sup>2</sup>	STAGE III (> 1.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup> cells/m²)
IgG < 50 g / L, IgA < 30 g / L, urinary light chains < 4.0 g / 24 hr Absent or solitary bone lesion Normal hemoglobin, serum calcium, Ig levels (non-M protein)	Intermediate	IgG > 70 g / L, IgA > 50 g / L, urinary light chains > 12 g / 24 hr Multiple lytic bone lesions Hemoglobin < 85 g / L Serum calcium > 3 mmol / L

A: Creatinin < 177  $\mu$ mol / L B: Creatinin  $\geq$  177  $\mu$ mol / L

# PLASMA CELL MYELOMA (MULTIPLE MYELOMA) (3)

### PARAPROTEINS = MONOCLONAL IMMUNOGLOBULINS

ТҮРЕ	%	TYPE	%
IgG	50	lgD, lgM Biclonal	< 10
IgA	20	No monoclonal Ig	~ 3
Light chain	20	lgE	< 1

#### FACTORS OF POOR PROGNOSIS

Important plasmacytic infiltration (bone marrow)

Poorly differentiated plasmacytes

Cytogenetic anomalies :

del 13, hypodiploidy

FISH: t(4;14)(p16.3;q32), t(14;16)(q32;q23), t(14;20)(q32;q12)

del 17p13 (p53)

Deletions of Rb (retinoblastoma) gene

Ki-67 expression

Presence of MDR (Multidrug Resistance)

### COMPLICATIONS

Hyperviscosity syndrome (mostly IgA, IgG3)

Neurological: nerve compression (radicular or spinal) Renal: light chain, calcium or uric nephropathy,

amyloidosis, plasmacytic infiltration

Infectious

Hematological: bone marrow failure, thrombopathy

SURVIVAL : ISS (International Staging System) 8'449 patients<sup>2</sup>

STAGE	PARAMETERS	MEDIAN SURVIVAL (MONTHS)
1	$\beta_2$ -m < 3.5 mg / L Albumin $\geq$ 35 g / L	62
2	$\beta_2$ -m < 3.5 mg/L Albumin < 35 g/L or $\beta_2$ -m $\geq$ 3.5 - < 5.5 mg/L	44
3	$\beta_2$ -m $\geq$ 5.5 mg / L	29

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Modified from : Greipp P.R. et al. : International staging system for multiple myeloma. J Clin Oncol 2005; 23: 3412-3420.

# PLASMA CELL MYELOMA (MULTIPLE MYELOMA) (4) DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

1. MGUS: Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance (evolution to plasma cell myeloma, lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma - Waldenström macroglobulinemia or amyloidosis: 22% after 19 years)

### Differential diagnosis between MGUS and smoldering myeloma

	MGUS	SMOLDERING MYELOMA
Plasma cells (bone marrow)	< 10%	≥ 10%
Serum monoclonal Ig	< 30 g / L	$> 30 \text{ g / L}$ $\odot$ of uninvolved $\log : > 90\%$ of cases
Lytic bone lesions	0	0
Symptoms / Infections	0	0

For both entities, levels of hemoglobin, creatinin and calcium within normal range

- 2. Primary amyloidosis (amyloidosis AL)
- 3. Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma Waldenström macroglobulinemia, cf. page 171
- 4. Heavy chain diseases

	HISTOLOGY	
γ heavy chain disease	Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma	Lymph nodes, Waldeyer's ring, BM, spleen, liver, blood
$\mu$ heavy chain disease	Chronic lymphocytic leukemia	Spleen, liver, BM, blood
$\alpha$ heavy chain disease (IPSID) <sup>1</sup>	Extranodal marginal zone lymphoma (MALT) <sup>2</sup>	Small bowel, mesenteric lymph nodes

5. Reactional plasmacytosis: German measles, HIV, tuberculosis, immunological disorders, alcoholism, see page 113

# PLASMA CELL MYELOMA (MULTIPLE MYELOMA) (5) TREATMENT

Plasmapheresis (in case of hyperviscosity syndrome)

Melphalan + Prednisone, VBAP<sup>1</sup>, VMCP<sup>2</sup> (60% of responses, no complete remission)

VAD (Vincristine + Doxorubicin + Dexamethasone high dose)

Radiotherapy (solitary plasmacytoma)

Supportive care (RBC, platelet transfusions, antibiotics, analgesics, bisphosphonates)

Intensification with autologous transplant (PB stem cells or BM)

Allogeneic transplantation : PB stem cells or BM (< 50 years, possible cure, important transplant related mortality, GvH +++)

Thalidomide, Lenalidomide, Bortezomib (proteasome inhibitor), reduced intensity conditioning transplant (mini-allotransplant with non myeloablative conditioning)

<sup>1</sup> VBAP: Vincristine + BCNU + Doxorubicin + Prednisone

<sup>2</sup> VMCP: Vincristine + Melphalan + Cyclophosphamide + Prednisone

# HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (1)

### SYMPTOMS AND CLINICAL FEATURES

### B symptoms:

Unexplained persistent and recurrent fever > 38°C during the previous month Recurrent drenching nights sweats during the previous month Unexplained loss of > 10% of body weight during the 6 months before initial staging

Other symptoms : pruritus

alcohol-induced pain (usually abdominal)

Lymphadenopathy(-ies)

Mediastinal involvement mainly in nodular sclerosis subtype Abdominal (and splenic) involvement mainly in mixed cellularity subtype

### HISTOLOGY

Reed-Sternberg cells (most often of B-cell origin)

5 histological types: Nodular lymphocyte predominant Hodgkin lymphoma

Classical Hodgkin lymphoma

Nodular sclerosis classical Hodgkin lymphoma Lymphocyte-rich classical Hodgkin lymphoma Mixed cellularity classical Hodgkin lymphoma

Lymphocyte-depleted classical Hodgkin lymphoma

# HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (2)

# STAGING - COTSWOLDS REVISION (1989) OF THE ANN ARBOR CLASSIFICATION

STAGE	DESCRIPTION
l	Involvement of a single lymph node region or lymphoid structure (e.g. spleen, thymus, Waldeyer ring)
II	Involvement or two or more lymph node regions on the same side of the diaphragm (the mediastinum is a single site; hilar lymph nodes are lateralized). The number of anatomic sites involved should be indicated by suffix (e.g. $II_3$ )
III	Involvement of lymph nodes regions or structures on both sides of the diaphragm If together with spleen involvement : ${\rm III}_{\rm s}$
III <sub>1</sub>	With or without spleen involvement (III <sub>s</sub> ) and with hilar splenic, coeliac or portal nodes involvement
III <sub>2</sub>	With paraaortic, iliac or mesenteric nodes involvement
IV	Diffuse or disseminated involvement of one or more extranodal organs or tissues, with or without associated lymph node involvement

At any disease stage: A	No symptoms
В	Fever, sweats, loss of weight
X	Bulky disease (widening of the mediastinum ≥ 1/3 of the internal transverse diameter of the thorax
	at the level of T 5/6 interspace or > 10 cm maximum dimension of a nodal mass)
E	Involvement of a single extranodal site, contiguous or proximal to the known nodal site

Modified from: Lister T.A. et al.: Report of a committee convened to discuss the evaluation and staging of patients with Hodgkin's Disease: Cotswolds meeting. J Clin Oncol 1989; 7: 1630-1636.

# HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (3)

### DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

Anaplastic large T cell lymphoma : t(2;5)

### UNFAVORABLE PROGNOSTIC FACTORS

Large tumor mass (e.g. : bulky mediastinal)

Presence of B symptoms

Primary refractory form

IPS = International Prognostic score (advanced stages of disease)

Serum albumin < 40 g/L

Hemoglobin < 105 g/L

Male gender

Stage IV disease

Age ≥ 45 years

WBC count > 15 G/L

Lymphocyte count < 0.6 G / L (or < 8% of leukocyte differential count)

## **COMPLICATIONS**

Immediate, treatment related

Infection(s)

Azoospermia, early menopause

Secondary leukemia / cancer

# HODGKIN LYMPHOMA (4)

### TREATMENT

Radiotherapy Chemotherapy

> M(C)OPP, ABVD, M(C)OPP + ABVD MIME, CEP, DHAP, BEACOPP

> Autologous / allogeneic transplant

#### PROGNOSIS AND PREDICTIVE FACTORS

Curable disease in more than 85% of cases by modern radiation and chemotherapy Prognosis is function of staging, clinical and laboratory parameters Response after 2 courses of ABVD by FDG-PET imaging is a relevant prognostic indicator in advanced stage disease<sup>1</sup>

M(C)OPP: Mustard gas analog (Cyclophosphamide) + Vincristine + Procarbazine + Prednisone

ABVD: Adriamycin + Bleomycin + Vinblastine + Dacarbazine (DTIC)

MIME: Mitoguazone + Ifosfamid + Methotrexate + Etoposide

CEP: Lomustine + Etoposide + Prednimustine DHAP: Dexamethasone + Cisplatin + Cytarabine

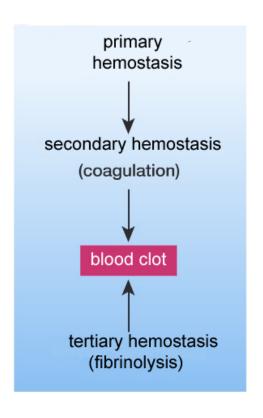
BEACOPP: Bleomycin + Etoposide + Doxorubicin + Cyclophosphamide + Vincristine +

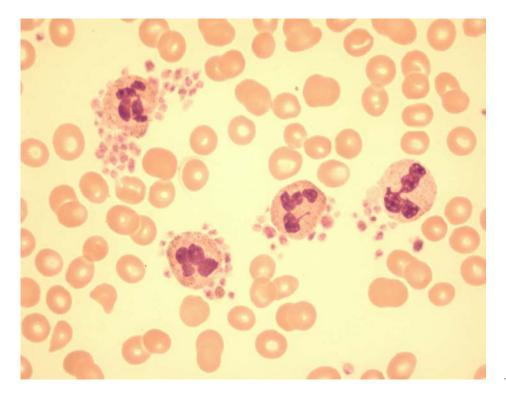
Procarbazine + Prednisone

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Gallamani A. et al.: Early interim 2-(<sup>18</sup>F)fluoro-2-deoxy-D-glucose positron emission tomography is prognostically superior to international prognostic score in advanced-stage Hodgkin's lymphoma: a report from a joint Italian-Danish study. J clin Oncol 2007; 25:3746-3752.

# Part 3

# **HEMOSTASIS**





# HEMOSTASIS EXPLORATION METHODS

PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS Capillary resistance

Platelet count (RI: 150 – 350 G / L)

PFA-100<sup>™</sup> 1

Platelet functions (ADP, arachidonic acid, adrenalin-heparin, collagen, ristocetin)

**SECONDARY HEMOSTASIS** 

Prothrombin time (PT, Quick) (Exploration of extrinsic pathway)

(Coagulation)

Activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT) (Exploration of intrinsic pathway)

Thrombin time (TT) (Exploration of fibrin formation)

Fibrinogen dosage

Investigation of factor XIII deficiency (fibrin stabilizing factor)

Investigation of activation (Fibrin monomers and D-dimers)

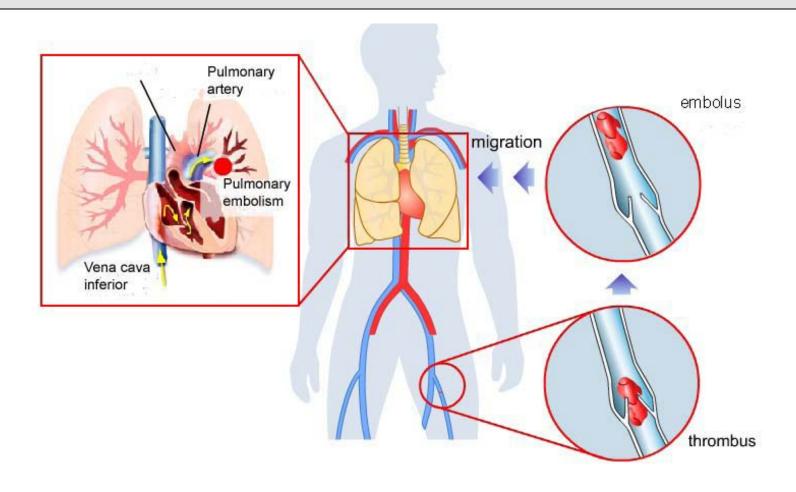
**TERTIARY HEMOSTASIS** 

Euglobulins lysis time

(Fibrinolysis)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PFA-100<sup>™</sup> (Platelet Function Analyzer): *in vitro* measure of the time to occlusion of a membrane (measure of platelet adhesion and aggregation process). Replaces, if device available, the classical bleeding time

# THROMBUS AND EMBOLUS

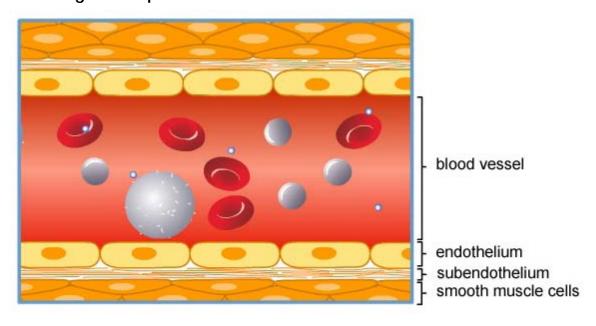


Thrombus: inappropriate clot formation in a blood vessel (artery or vein)

Embolus : migrating thrombus

# MAIN ACTORS OF HEMOSTASIS

Blood vessels Platelets Coagulation proteins





## STEPS OF HEMOSTASIS

### **PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS**

Vascular time

Vasoconstriction (vascular spasm)

Platelet time

Platelet adhesion to the vessel lesion Platelet plug formation

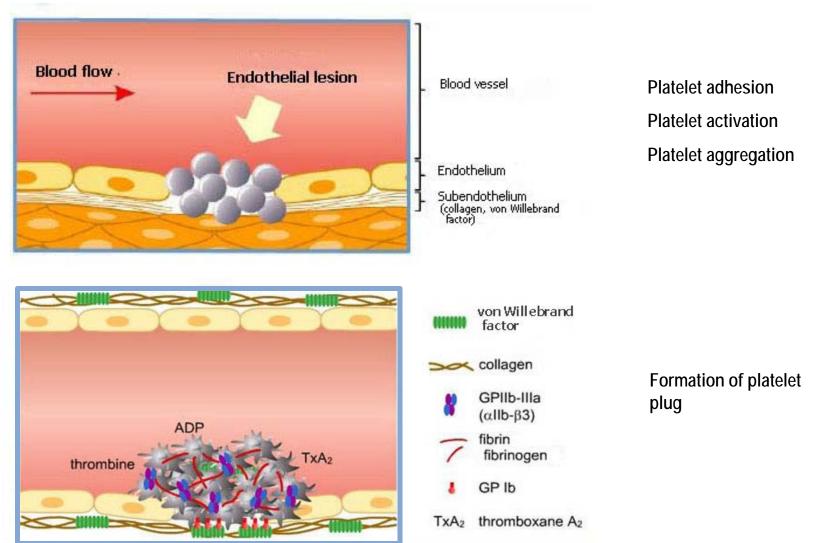
# **SECONDARY HEMOSTASIS (coagulation)**

Coagulation cascade Clot formation

TERTIARY HEMOSTASIS (fibrinolysis)

**Clot lysis** 

## STEPS OF PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS



## VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR

Synthetized by endothelial cells and megakaryocytes

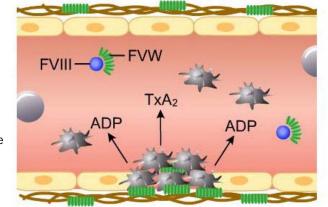
Composed of a series of multimers: the very high molecular weight multimers are physiologically degraded by a specific protease (ADAMTS13), leading to prevention of spontaneous platelet aggregates formation (cf. TTP, p. 86-87)

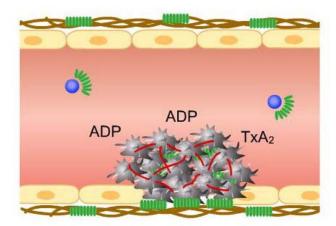
Involved, in vitro, in the process of platelet adhesion to subendothelial fibers

Mandatory for *in vitro* ristocetin induced platelet aggregation

Transport of factor VIII to vascular lesion

Bound to factor VIII, it prolongs its life expectancy

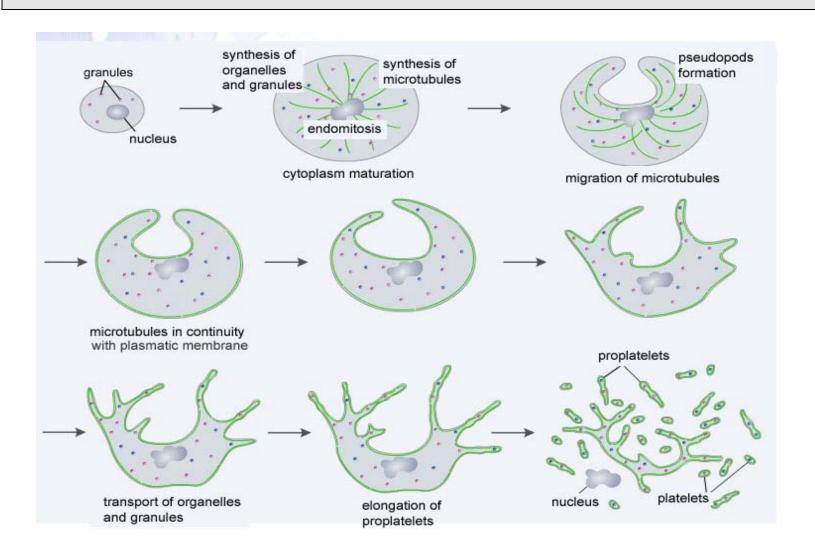




 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{TxA}_2: \ \mathsf{Thromboxane} \ \mathsf{A}_2 \\ \mathsf{FVW}: \ \mathsf{von} \ \mathsf{Willebrand} \ \mathsf{factor} \\ \mathsf{ADP}: \ \mathsf{Adenosin} \ \mathsf{Diphosphate} \end{array}$ 

FVIII: Factor VIII

## PLATELET PRODUCTION FROM THE MEGAKARYOCYTE



1 mature megakaryocyte produces 2'000 - 3'000 platelets

# SECONDARY HEMOSTASIS COAGULATION

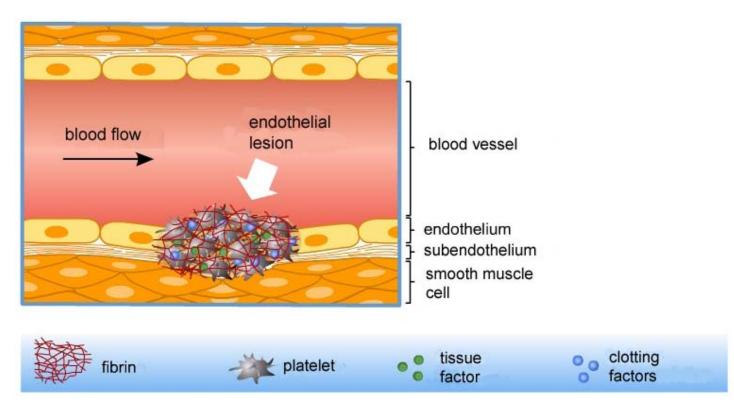
## Coagulation (blood clotting) needs interaction of :

Plasmatic proteins (coagulation factors and inhibitors)

A tissular protein (tissue factor)

**Platelets** 

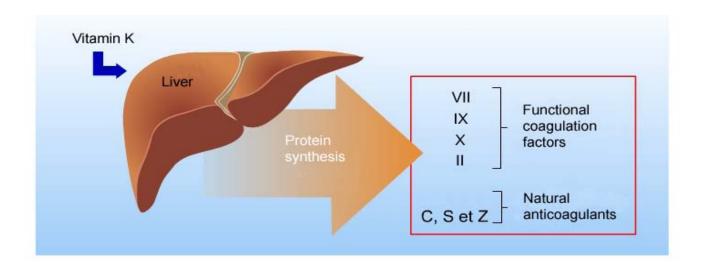
Calcium



# **COAGULATION FACTORS**

FACTOR	NAME	HALF-LIFE (hours)	PRODUCTION	VITAMINE K DEPENDENCE
High molecular weight kininogen	Fitzgerald factor	150	Liver	-
Prekallikrein	Fletcher factor	35	Liver	_
Factor I	Fibrinogen	90	Liver	_
Factor II	Prothrombin	65	Liver	+
Factor V	Proaccelerin	15	Liver	_
Factor VII	Proconvertin	5	Liver	+
Factor VIII	Antihemophilic factor A	12	Liver (sinusoidal cells)	-
Factor IX	Christmas factor or antihemophilic factor B	24	Liver	+
Factor X	Stuart-Prower factor	40	Liver	+
Factor XI	Antihemophilic factor C	45	Liver	_
Factor XII	Hageman factor	50	Liver	_
Factor XIII	Fibrin stabilizing factor	200	Liver	-
Factor vW	von Willebrand factor	15	Endothelium Megakaryocytes	-

## VITAMIN K DEPENDENT FACTORS



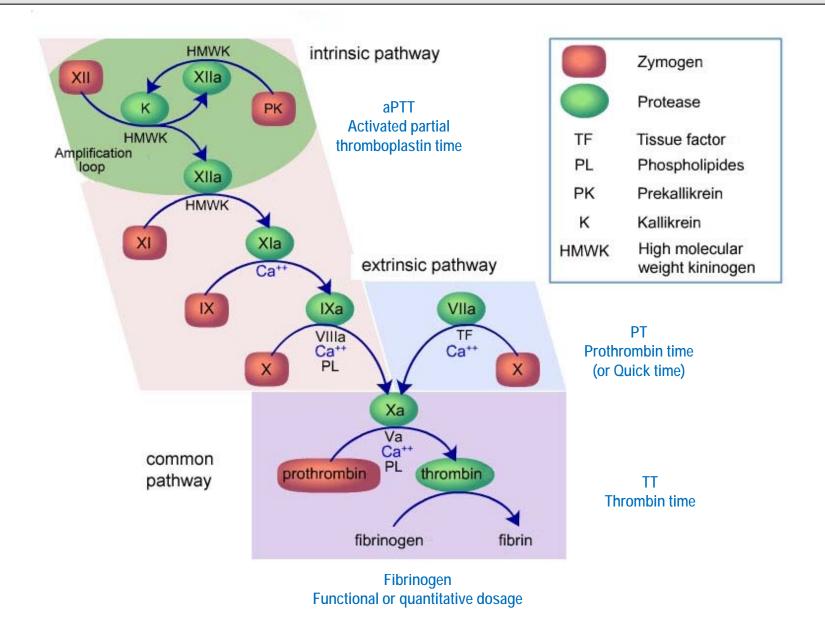
These coagulation factors are synthetized by hepatocytes

Vitamin K is necessary for complete functional synthesis

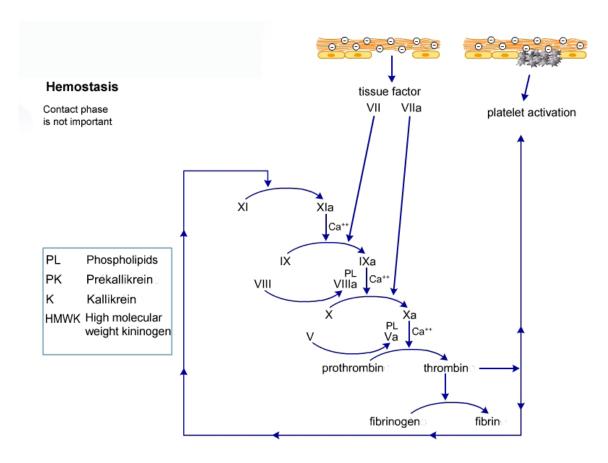
Vitamin K (liposoluble), in reduced state, works as a cofactor to a carboxylase which transforms 10-12 glutamic acid (Glu) residues in γ-carboxyglutamic acid (Gla)

Vitamin K dependent factors bind to the cell membranes through this Gla domain, in presence of Ca<sup>++</sup>

# COAGULATION CASCADE (1) CLASSICAL SCHEME



# COAGULATION CASCADE (2) CONCEPTUAL CHANGES

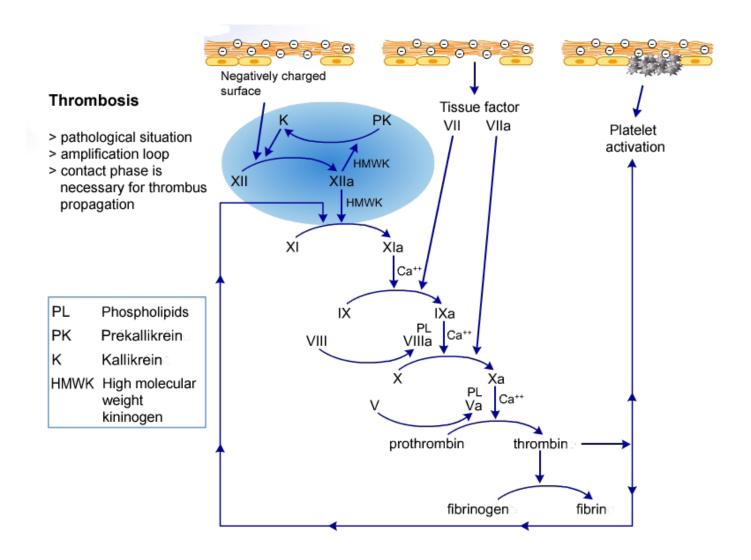


Factor XI may be activated by thrombin as well as by factor XIIa

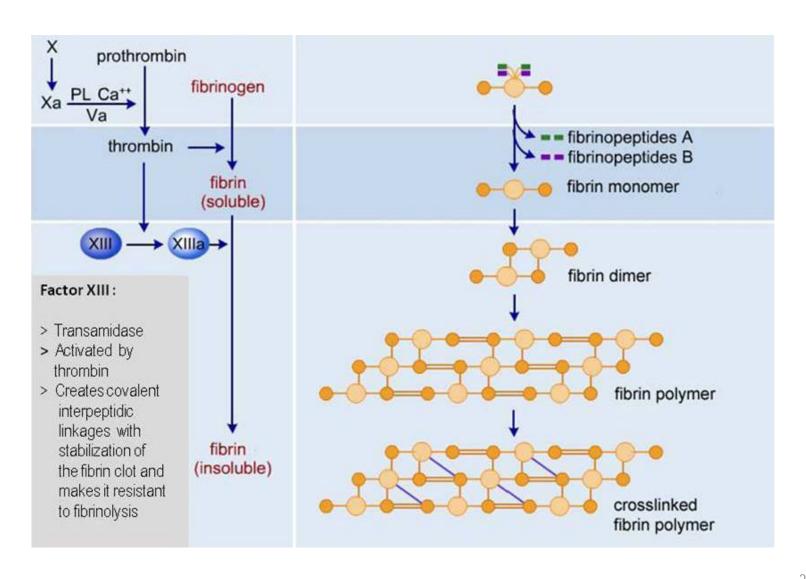
Factor XI deficiency is responsible for bleeding whereas deficiencies in factor XII, prekallikrein or high molecular weight kininogen do not cause bleeding

In experimental models factor XI and factor XII deficiencies have antithrombotic effect Factor XII is activated by negatively charged surfaces, activated platelets and clot surface

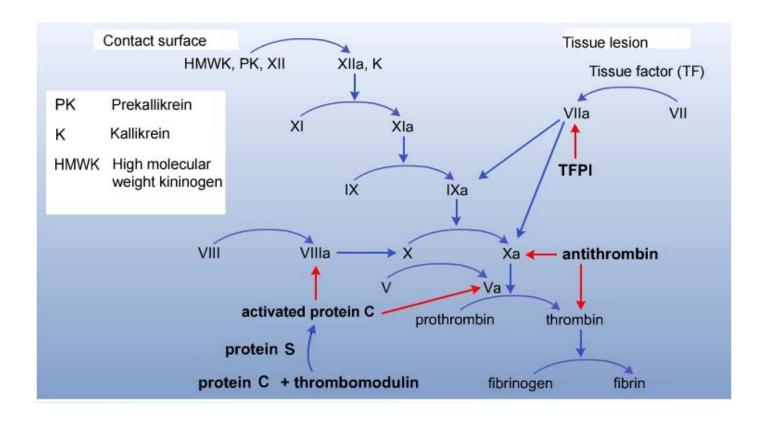
# COAGULATION CASCADE (3) CONCEPTUAL CHANGES (2)



## FACTOR XIII AND FIBRIN STABILIZATION



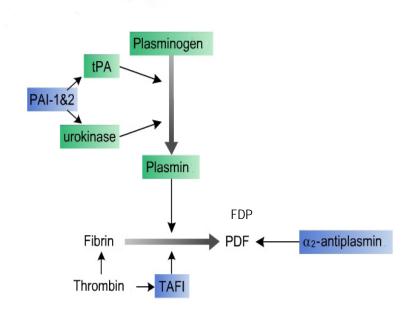
## NATURAL ANTICOAGULANTS

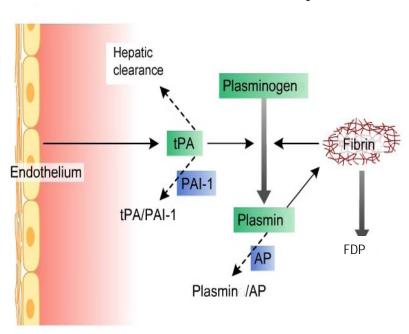


TFPI (*Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor*) is an effective inhibitor of factor VII - Tissue factor complex Antithrombin neutralizes all procoagulant serine proteases (thrombin, factors IXa, Xa and XIa) The protein C - protein S system inhibits factors Va and VIIIa

# TERTIARY HEMOSTASIS FIBRINOLYSIS

### Intravascular fibrinolysis





tPA: Tissular Plasminogen Activator
PAI: Plasminogen Activators Inhibitors 1 and 2
FDP: Fibrin Degradation Products
TAFI: Thrombin Activatable Fibrinolysis Inhibitor

Antifibrinolytic proteins

AP:  $\alpha_2$ -antiplasmin

# HEMORRHAGIC SYNDROME PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS (1)

Reduced capillary resistance with platelet count<sup>1</sup>, PFA-100<sup>™2</sup>, tests of platelet function, coagulation, and fibrinolysis in normal range

### VASCULAR PURPURA

#### NON INFLAMMATORY

Senile purpura

**Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (collagen abnormality)** 

Vitamin A deficiency

Treatment with steroids, Cushing disease

Chronic and pigmented dermatitis

Osler disease (hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia)

## INFLAMMATORY (VASCULITIS)

Drug induced (Penicillin, non steroidal antiinflammatory drugs)

Autoimmune disease SLE, RA, PAN, Crohn's disease)

**Bacterial infection** 

Viral infection (hepatitis B, CMV, EBV, parvovirus)

Lymphoid neoplasm

Cancer

Rheumatoid purpura (Henoch-Schoenlein)

Cryoglobulinemia

Hypergammaglobulinemia

Idiopathic

SLE: Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

RA: Rheumatoid arthritis
PAN: Panarteritis nodosa
EBV: Epstein-Barr Virus
CMV: Cytomegalovirus

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In case of vasculitis, immune thrombocytopenia may be found

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Replaces bleeding time

# HEMORRHAGIC SYNDROME PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS (2)

## Prolonged occlusion time (PFA-100™)<sup>1</sup>

With normal platelet function tests

Thrombocytopenia

Secondary thrombocytosis

With platelet function anomaly and aPTT within normal range

Thrombopathy: acquired

hereditary

Thrombocytosis of myeloproliferative neoplasm

With platelet function anomaly and prolonged aPTT

von Willebrand disease

### <sup>1</sup>Occlusion time (PFA-100™)

	Normal (seconds) <sup>1</sup>	Aspirin	von Willebrand	Glanzmann <sup>2</sup>	Bernard-Soulier <sup>2</sup>
Col / EPI <sup>3</sup>	84 – 160	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
Col / ADP <sup>4</sup>	68 – 121	normal	Ø	Ø	Ø

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<sup>2</sup> cf. following page

<sup>3</sup> Col / EPI: Collagen / Epinephrin

<sup>4</sup>Col / ADP: Collagen / Adenosin-5'-diphosphate

### **THROMBOPATHY**

#### **ACQUIRED**

#### **DRUGS**

Aspirin: irreversible inhibition of cyclooxygenase

Clopidogrel (Plavix®): inhibition of ADP binding to its platelet receptor

Abciximab (ReoPro®): Fab fragment of humanized chimeric antibody against receptors of Glycoprotein Ilb-Illa

RENAL FAILURE PARAPROTEINEMIA

MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASM AND MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROME

#### **HEREDITARY**

#### THROMBASTHENIA OR GLANZMANN DISEASE

Autosomal recessive transmission

**GP IIb-IIIa deficiency** 

Pathological aggregation tests with ADP, adrenalin, and

collagen

Normal aggregation on ristocetin (primary phase only)

Platelet count within normal range

Absence of morphological anomaly

#### **BERNARD-SOULIER SYNDROME**

Autosomal recessive transmission (rarely dominant)

GP lb / IX / V deficiency

Absence of aggregation on ristocetin

Thrombocytopenia of variable importance

Presence of giant platelets

#### STORAGE POOL DISEASE

Anomalies of dense granules (ADP deficiency)

Pathological aggregation on ADP, adrenalin and collagen

Platelet count within normal range

Absence of morphological anomaly

#### GRAY PLATELET SYNDROME

Anomalies of  $\alpha$  granules

Platelet aggregation tests usually within normal range

Thrombocytopenia of variable importance

Giant, agranular platelets, of gray color on blood smear

# THROMBOCYTOPENIA (1)

### DEFINITION

Platelet count < 150 G / L

### HEMORRHAGIC RISK

(In case of normal platelet function)

Low if platelet count in range of 50 to 150 G / L

High by platelet count < 20 G / L

### SOME RULES OR RECOMMENDATIONS

Every thrombocytopenia has to be controlled on a blood smear (eliminate pseudothrombocytopenia due to EDTA anticoagulation of the probe)

By platelet count < 50 G / L, measure of occlusion time (PFA-100™) is useless

If platelet functions are correct, the occlusion time on PFA-100<sup>™</sup> becomes prolonged from platelet counts < 100 G / L. Platelet count at 70 G / L with normal occlusion time does not allow exclusion of hemorrhagic risk in case of surgical intervention

At similar platelet levels the hemorrhagic risk is higher in case of "central" thrombocytopenia than in thrombocytopenia of "peripheral" origin

# THROMBOCYTOPENIA (2) IN THE SETTING OF BICYTOPENIA OR PANCYTOPENIA

Hypersplenism (e.g. severe hepatic failure)

Bone marrow dysfunction

**Aplasia** 

Infiltration: Myeloid or lymphoid neoplasm, osteomedullary cancer metastasis

Dysplasia : Reversible (Vitamin  $B_{12}$  or folate deficiency)

Refractory (myelodysplastic syndrome)

**Fibrosis** 

Reduction of thrombopoietin synthesis (e.g. severe hepatic failure)

## SOLITARY THROMBOCYTOPENIA

	CENTRAL	PERIPHERAL
Megakaryocytes	∿	Usually 🗸
Mean platelet volume (MPV)	<b>№</b> 1	Ø
Etiology	Thiazide Alcohol	cf. pages 215-216

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Frequently increased in myeloproliferative neoplasm and myelodysplastic syndrome

# SOLITARY PERIPHERAL THROMBOCYTOPENIA (1) NON IMMUNOLOGICAL

### BY ANOMALY OF PLATELET DISTRIBUTION

Hypersplenism

### BY PLATELET DESTRUCTION

**Alcohol** 

Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation (DIC)

**Extracorporeal circulation** 

Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (TTP)

Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)

HELLP<sup>1</sup> syndrome (10% of preeclampsias)

Renal transplant rejection

Allogeneic stem cell or bone marrow transplantation

<sup>1</sup>HELLP : <u>H</u>emolysis, <u>E</u>levated <u>L</u>iver function tests, <u>L</u>ow <u>P</u>latelets (in pregnancy)

# SOLITARY PERIPHERAL THROMBOCYTOPENIA (2) *IMMUNE*

### **PRIMARY**

Primary immune thrombocytopenia (PIT)

### **SECONDARY**

Due to autoantibody or immune complexes

Drugs (Heparin, Quinine)

Infection (bacteria, virus, parasite)

Autoimmune disease (SLE<sup>1</sup>, Evans syndrome<sup>2</sup>)

Lymphoid neoplasm

Cancer

Due to alloantibody

Neonatal thrombocytopenia Posttransfusion purpura

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Systemic lupus erythematosus

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Autoimmune hemolytic anemia <u>and</u> thrombocytopenia

## INVESTIGATION OF THROMBOCYTOPENIA

Full blood count

**Blood smear examination** 

Pseudothrombocytopenia

RBC fragmentation (schistocytes)

Toxic changes of neutrophils

Lymphocyte stimulation

Absolute lymphocytosis

Erythroblastosis and / or myelocytosis

**Parasites** 

Complete coagulation tests with search for coagulation activation (DIC)

Bone marrow examination (cytology and histology)

Direct Coombs test (antiglobulin test)

Viral serology (HIV, EBV, CMV)

SLE<sup>1</sup> serology

Thyroid function tests

**Anti-HLA antibodies** 

Antiplatelet antibodies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Systemic lupus erythematosus

# HEMORRHAGIC SYNDROME SECONDARY HEMOSTASIS (COAGULATION)

#### CONSTITUTIONAL ANOMALIES

Hemophilias (factors VIII, IX), cf. pages 219-221 Fibrinogen, factors II, V, VII, X, XI, XIII deficiencies

#### **ACQUIRED ANOMALIES**

Hepatocellular failure (deficiencies of fibrinogen, factors II, V, VII, X)

Vitamin K deficiency (deficiencies of factors II, VII, IX, X)

Disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC)

Bacterial or parasitic infections

Cancer (lung, pancreas, prostate)

Acute leukemia, particularly Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia, t(15;17)(q22;q12)

**Obstetrical complications** 

Amniotic liquid embolism

Placental retention

**Eclampsia** 

Septic abortion

Invasive surgery

**Extended burns** 

**Transfusion complications** 

Vascular malformations (Kasabach-Merritt syndrom)

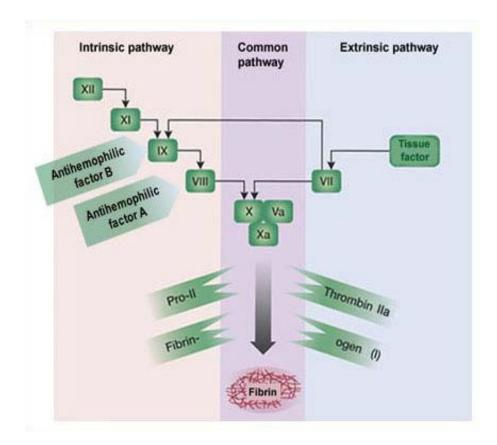
#### Coagulation inhibitors (circulating anticoagulants)

Alloaantibodies against factor VIII (5-10% of hemophilia patients)

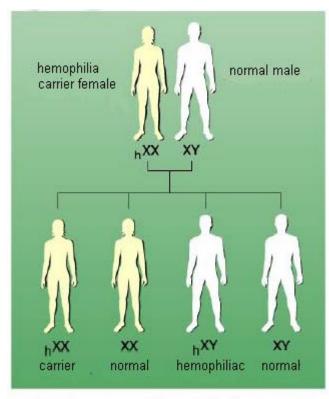
Autoantibodies against factor VIII (acquired hemophilia A): pregnancy, postpartum

Rhumatoïd arthritis, lupus erythematosus, cancer, drugs

# HEMOPHILIA (1)



Recessive X-linked transmission Absence of familial context in 30% of hemophilia patients : de novo mutation



hX = hemophilia defect carrying X chromosome

Risk for offsprings of a couple of a carrier woman and a normal man: 50% of the sons with hemophilia 50% of daughters are carriers

# HEMOPHILIA (2)

#### **INCIDENCE**

Hemophilia A: 1 / 10'000, 5 x more frequent than hemophilia B

HEMOPHILIA	FACTOR LEVEL (%)	HEMORRHAGIC SYNDROME
Light <sup>1</sup>	5 – 40	Surgery Dental extraction Important trauma / injury
Moderate	1 – 5	Light trauma (e.g. sport)
Severe <sup>2</sup>	< 1%	Several bleeding episodes / month Frequent spontaneous hemorrhages Frequent hemarthrosis episodes

#### TREATMENT

Analgesia (paracetamol, tramadol, codein, opiates; aspirine and NSAID<sup>3</sup> absolutely contraindicated

Factors concentrates or recombinant factors. Desmopressin (DDAVP) : light forms.

Factor VIII: distribution ½-life 4 hours, plasmatic ½-life 12 hours Factor IX: distribution ½-life 2 hours, plasmatic ½-life 24 hours

Orthopedic surgery: hemarthrosis

In case of inhibitors: recombinant factor VIIa, FEIBA ("Factor Eight Inhibitor By-passing Activity")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Carrier female may have occasionally light symptoms

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Females may only have severe symptoms if the father is hemophiliac and the mother carrier

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> NSAID: Non Steroidal Antiinflammatory Drugs

# VON WILLEBRAND DISEASE

Quantitative or qualitative anomaly of von Willebrand factor

Transmission autosomal, dominant or recessive

The most common constitutional hemorrhagic disorder (incidence ~ 1% of whole population)

Mucosal and cutaneous bleeding (epistaxis, menorrhagia)

Biological signs : PFA-100<sup>™</sup> prolonged, PT (Prothrombin time) normal, aPTT prolonged, ↓ Factor VIII

## THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE

VIRCHOW'S TRIAD Stasis + vascular lesion + blood hypercoagulability

MAIN RISK FACTORS

Arterial thrombosis : Arterial hypertension

Hyperlipidemia, diabetes mellitus

Tobacco smoking

Venous thrombosis : Stasis (bed rest, dehydration, **₹** plasma viscosity, varicose veins

Surgery (in particular hip and abdomen)

Pregnancy and post-partum Estrogens, contraceptive pills

Cancer

Behçet disease

Constitutional coagulations anomalies (cf. table)

Deficiency / anomaly		Prevalence (healthy european individuals (%)	Prevalence (patients with deep vein thrombosis ) (%)	Estimated relative risk
Antithrombin III, protein C, protein S		1 – 2	1 – 3	8 –10
	ogygous ozygoous	3 – 10 0,06 – 0,25	15 1.5	3 – 7 50 – 80
Mutation G20210A F. II heterozygous		1 – 3	5 – 6	2 – 4

Venous or arterial

Myeloproliferative neoplasm

thrombosis:

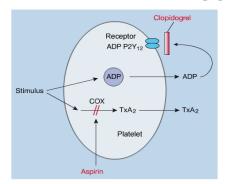
Lupus anticoagulant, antiphospholipid syndrome

Hyperhomocysteinemia

Heparin induced thrombocytopenia (HIT)

# THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION (1)

#### ANTIPLATELET DRUGS



Aspirin blocks synthesis of Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> by irreversible acetylation of cyclooxygenases (COX)

Clopidogrel (Plavix®) causes irreversible inhibition of P2Y<sub>12</sub> receptor of ADP

Dipyridamole increases platelet cyclic AMP through inhibition of phosphodiesterases (Asasantine®: dipyridamole + aspirin)

Abciximab (ReoPro®) is an antagonist of GP IIb/IIIa receptor

# HEPARINS, THROMBIN AND FACTOR Xa INHIBITORS

Heparins Unfractioned : Liquemin® , Calciparin®	Fixation and activation of AT III <sup>1</sup> , inhibition of factors Xa and Iia, inhibition of platelets, interaction with endothelium	
Heparins Low molecular weight: Nadroparin (Fraxiparin® or Fraxiforte®), Dalteparin (Fragmin®), Enoxaparin (Clexane®), Certoparin (Sandoparin®)	Fixation and activation of AT III, inhibition of factor Xa, very low inhibition of factor IIa, absence of platelet inhibition, few interactions with endothelium	
Danaparoid : Orgaran®	High affinity for AT III, anti-Xa activity, no effect on platelets	
Hirudin analogs : Lepirudin (Refludan®), Bivalirudin (Angiox®)	Direct inhibition of thrombin	
Argatroban : Argatra®		
Pentasaccharide : Fondaparinux (Arixtra®) Rivaroxaban (Xarelto®)	Pure anti-Xa activity	

<sup>1</sup>AT III: Antithrombin III

# THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION (2)

#### VITAMIN K ANTAGONISTS

Therapeutic agents

Acenocoumarol (Sintrom®)

(½ life: 8-11 hours)

Phenprocoumon (Marcoumar®)

(½ life: 32-46 hours)

Inhibition of  $\gamma$ -carboxylation of vitamin K dependant factors (FII, FVII, FIX, FX)

Biological monitoring of treatment with vitamin K antagonists (INR: International Normalized Ratio)

INR = (PT patient [seconds] / PT control [seconds]) |SI

ISI = International Sensitivity Index : sensitivity index of employed reagent compared to international reference reagent

#### Therapeutical ranges

	Low limit	Target	High limit
Primary and secondary prevention of venous thromboembolic disease	2.0	2.5	3.0
Mechanical prosthetic cardiac valves <sup>1</sup>	2.5	3.0	3.5

#### FIBRINOLYTIC AGENTS

Tissular plasminogen activator, t-PA (Actilyse®), Streptokinase (Streptase®), Urokinase (Urokinase HS medac®)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information: Salem D.N. et al.: Valvular and Structural Heart Disease: American College of Chest Physicians Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines (8th Edition). Chest 2008; 133: 593-629.

# VENOUS TRHOMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE ANTICOAGULATION GUIDELINES

## **INITIAL** (Options, depending on situation)

#### FONDAPARINUX (Arixtra®):

7,5 mg SC / d 5 mg by body weight (BW) < 50 kg, 10 mg if BW > 100 kg. Contraindication: creatinin clearance < 30mL / min.

No laboratory control test needed.

#### LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN

 $e.g.: Enoxaparine = Clexane^{\$}: 2 \ mg \ / \ kg \ / \ 24 \ h \ in \\ 2 \ SC \ inj. \ In \ elderly \ patients, \ by \ BW \ < 50 \ kg \ or \ > 100 \ kg: \\ dosage \ of \ plasmatic \ anti-Xa \ activity \ after \ 2nd \ or \ 3d \ dose, \\ 3-5 \ h \ after \ SC \ injection. \ No \ laboratory \ control \ tests \ needed \\ Caution \ by \ creatinin \ clearance \ < \ 30 \ mL \ / \ min.$ 

#### UNFRACTIONATED HEPARIN<sup>1,2</sup>:

Bolus IV 80 UI / kg (2'500-5'000 UI), then 400-600 UI / kg / 24 h (usually : 25'000-40'000 UI / 24 h) as continuous IV infusion. As priority in case of severe renal failure

## EARLY SWITCH TO ANTIVITAMIN K DRUGS (Acenocoumarol: Sintrom®)

3 mg / d orally from the first or second treatment day (2 mg / d by age > 70 ans, BW < 50 kg or initial PT < 85%). INR control after the first 2 doses

By INR  $> 1.8 : \downarrow$  dosis of 3d day

By INR between 1.2 et 1.8: same dosis on 3d day

By INR < 1.2 : light dosis ↑ on 3d day

Target: allow stopping of the in initial anticoagulation (SC ou IV) < 5 days and / or after 2 consecutive INR at 24 h interval > 2.0

#### **DURATION OF ANTICOAGULATION**

Postoperative limited deep vein thrombosis of the leg, increased bleeding risk Proximal deep vein thrombosis / secondary pulmonary embolism Deep vein thrombosis / Idiopathic pulmonary embolism

6 weeks 3 months

6-12 months (or more if persisting risk factor without increased bleeding risk)

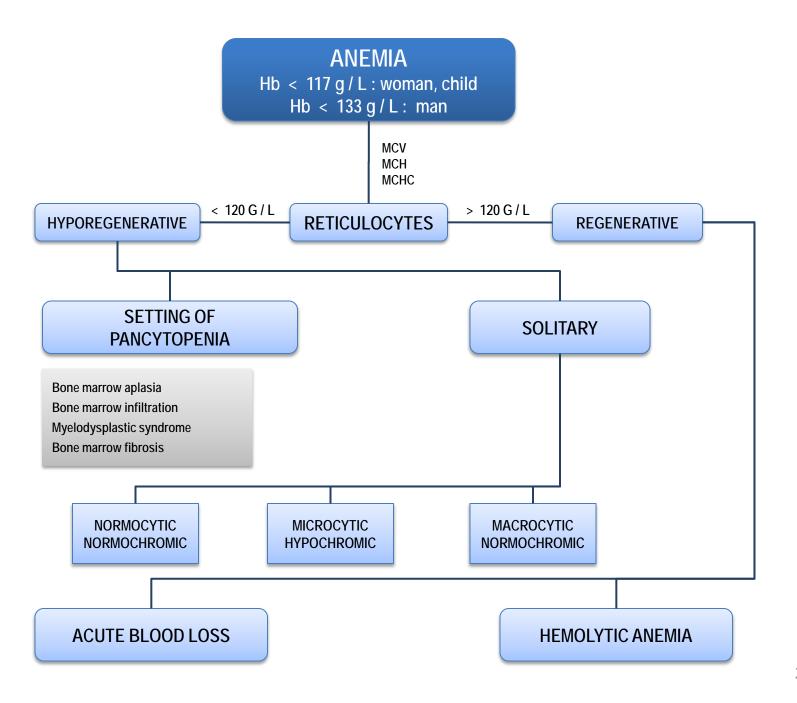
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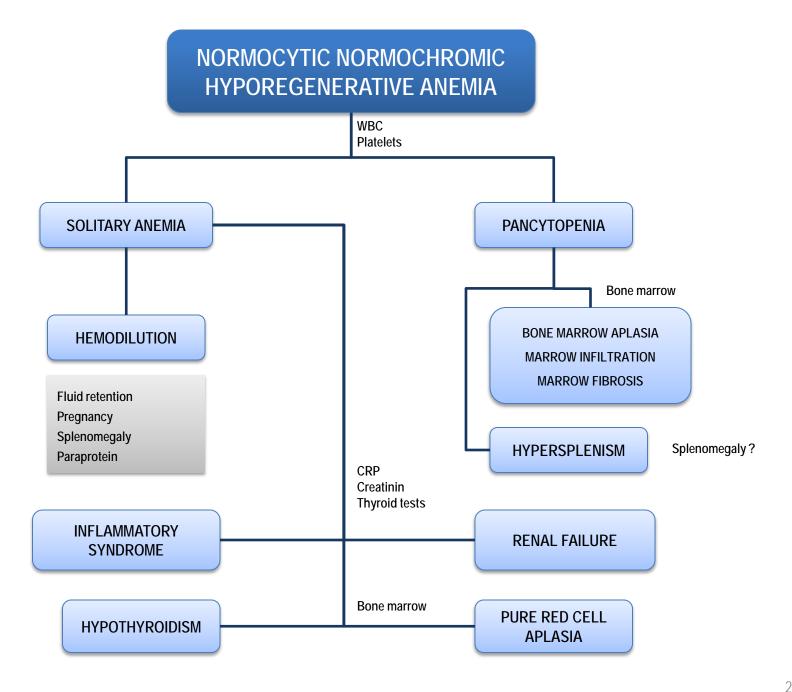
Relapsing deep vein thrombosis and  $\, I \,$  or pulmonary embolism

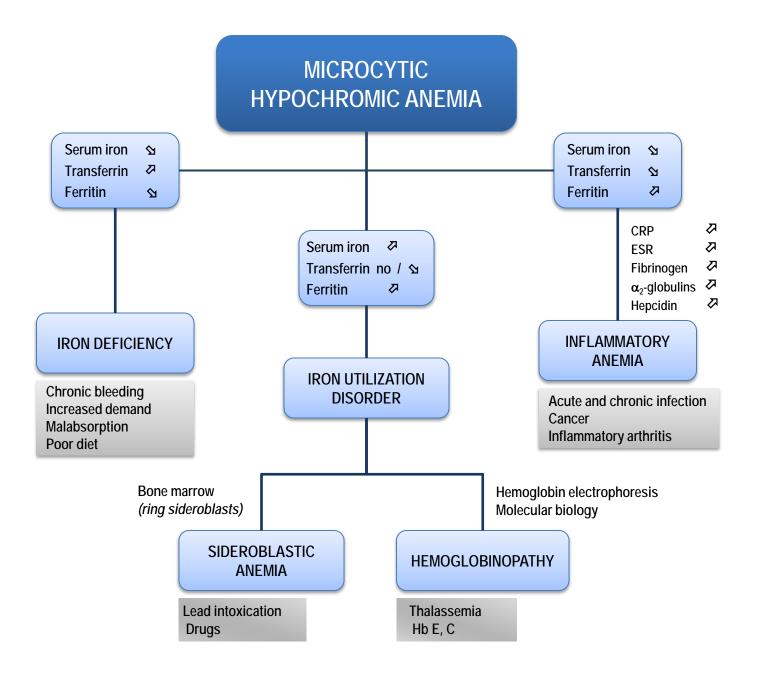
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Activated partial thrombopoplastin time (aPTT) controls must be 1.5 - 2.5 time over basic value. Daily heparin dosis is consequently adapted

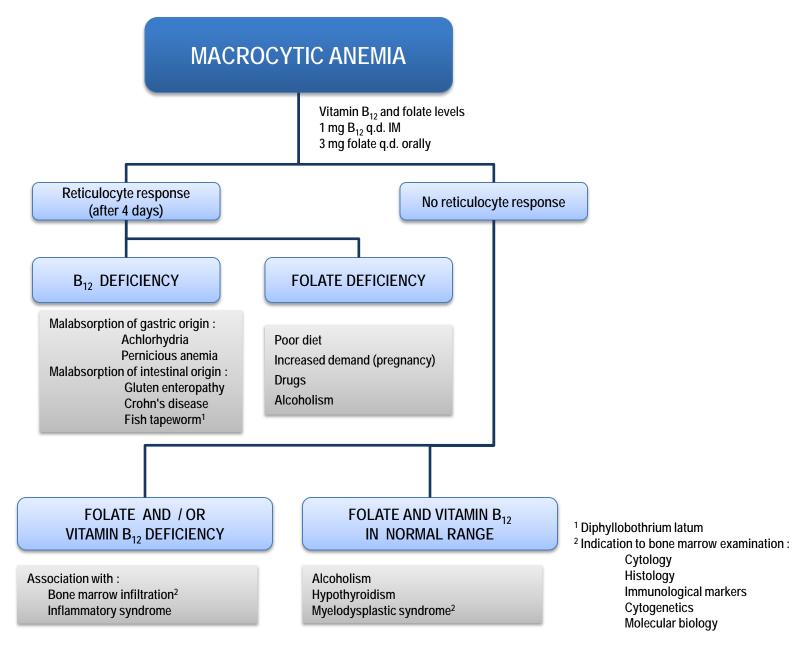
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Heparin administration has to be kept as short as possible (↑ risk of heparin induced thrombocytopenia / HIT with prolonged heparin treatment)

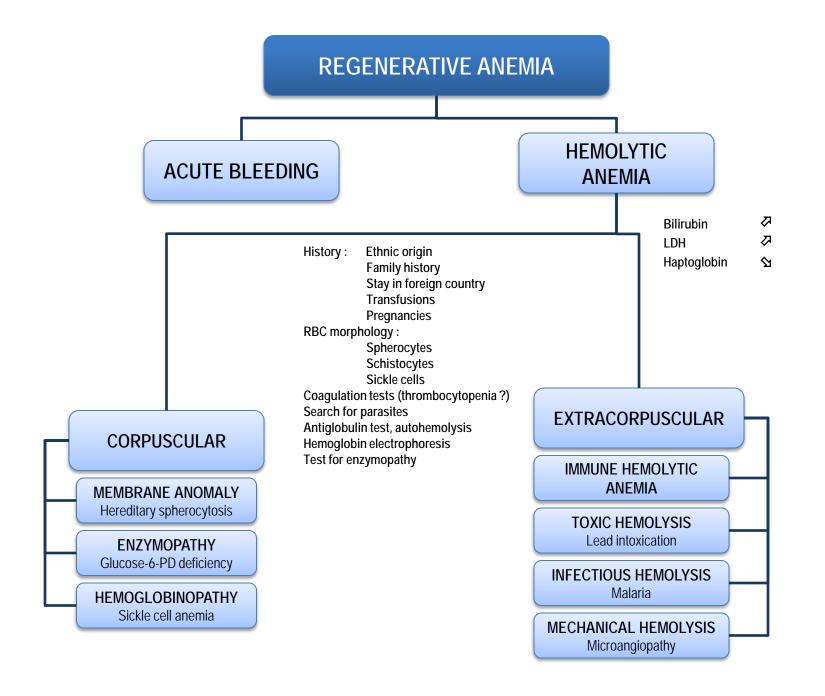
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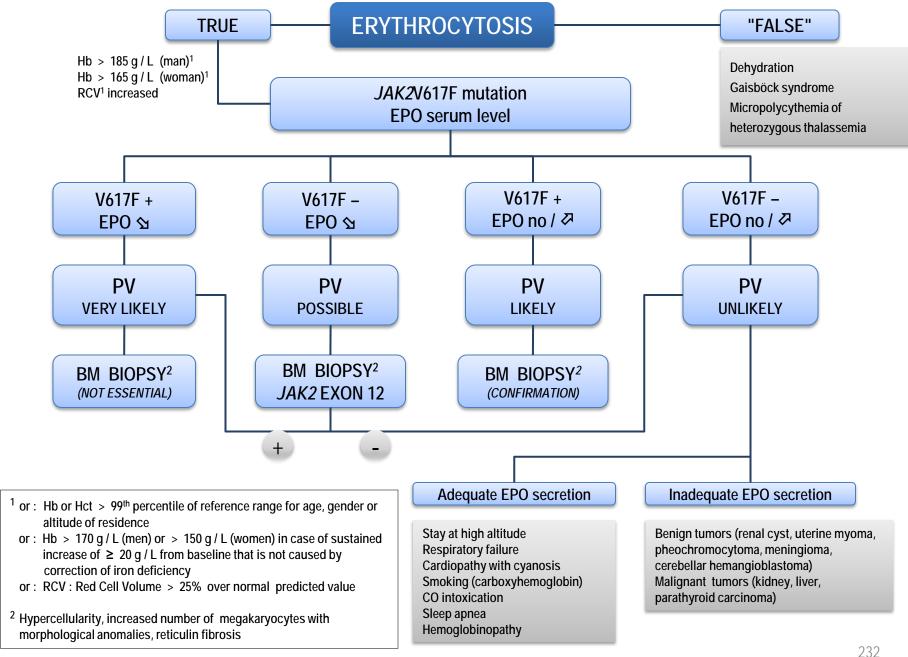


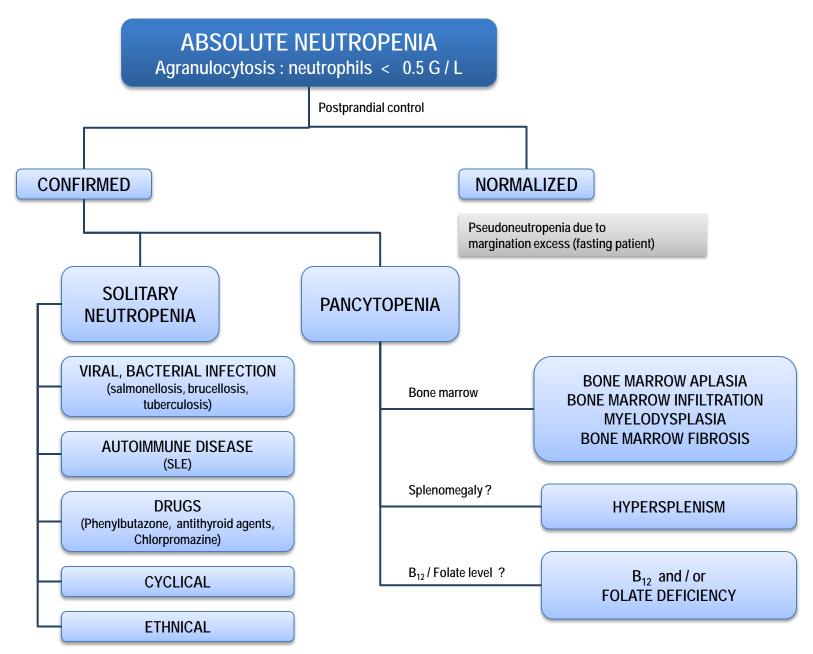


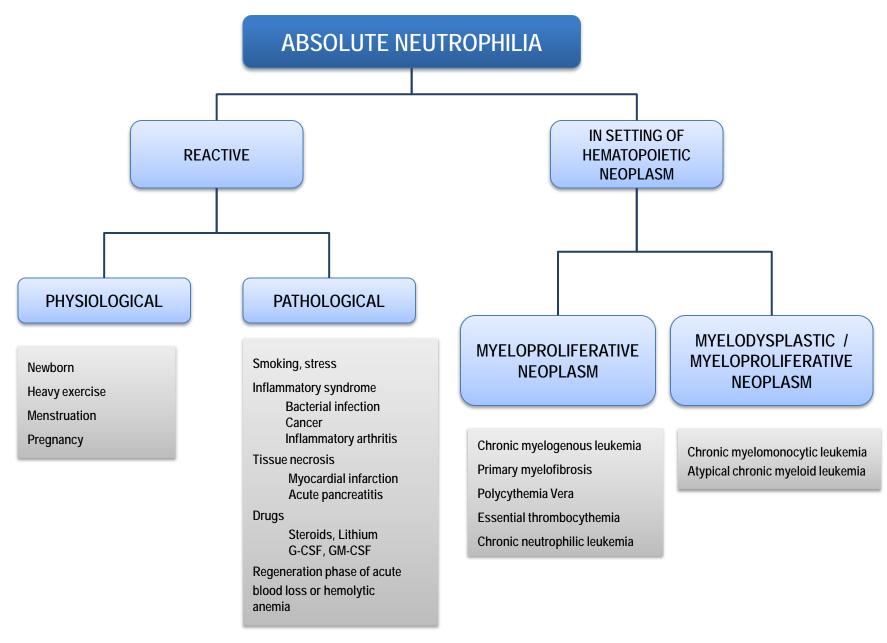


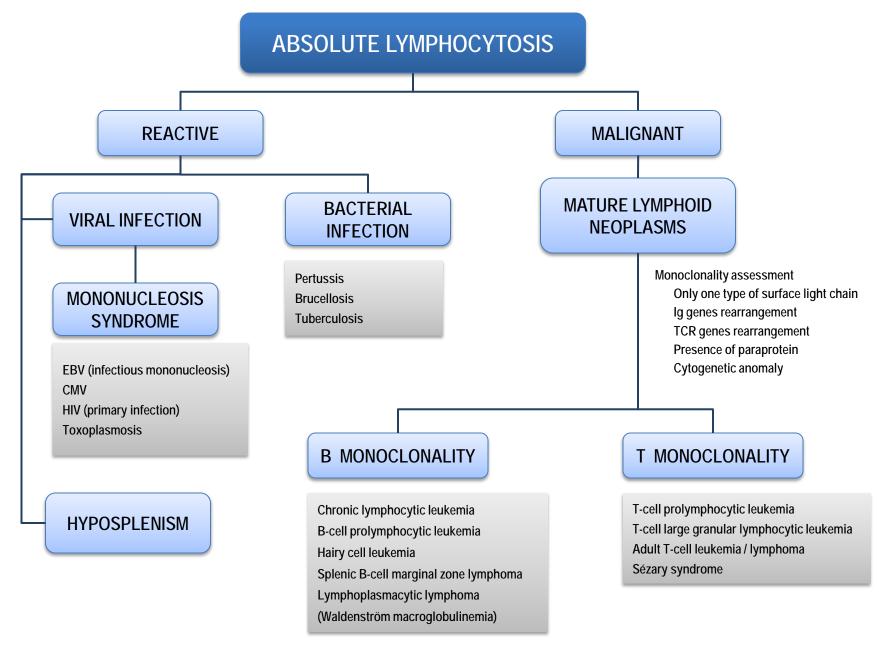


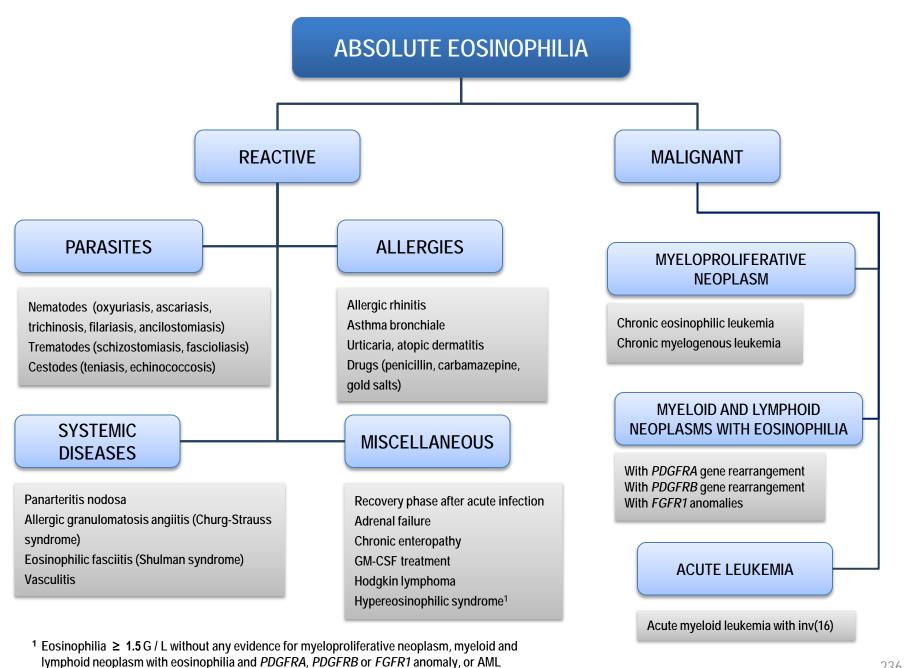


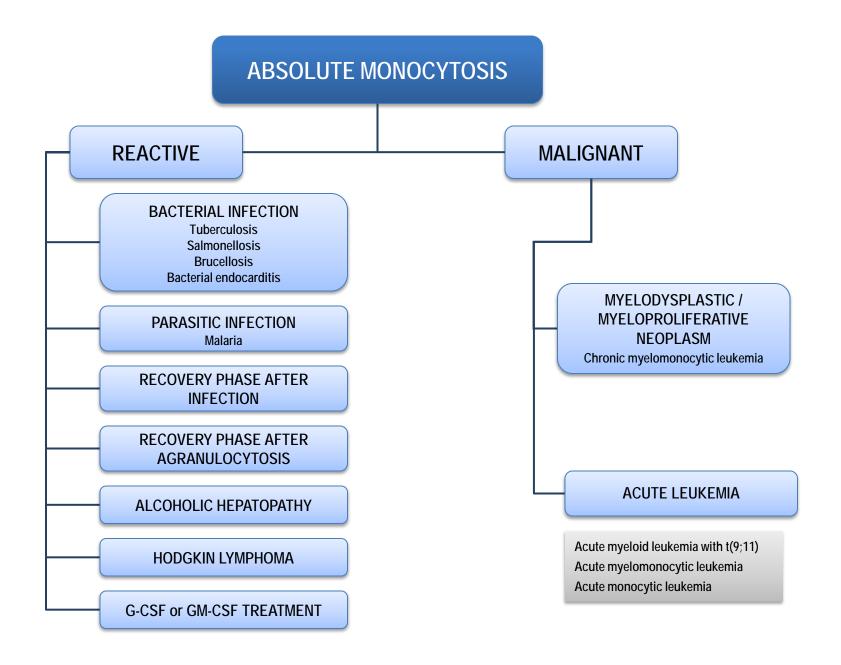




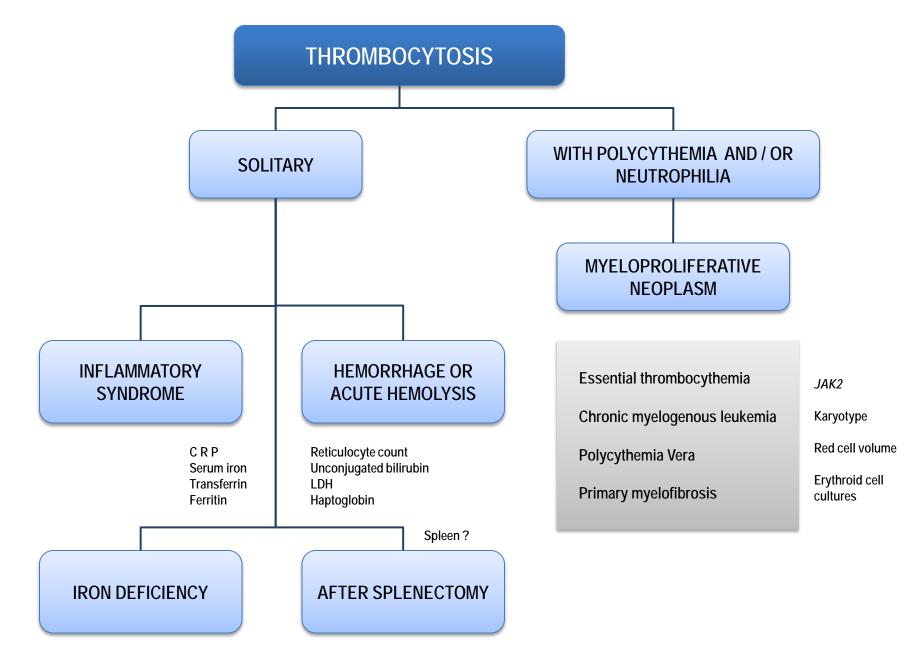


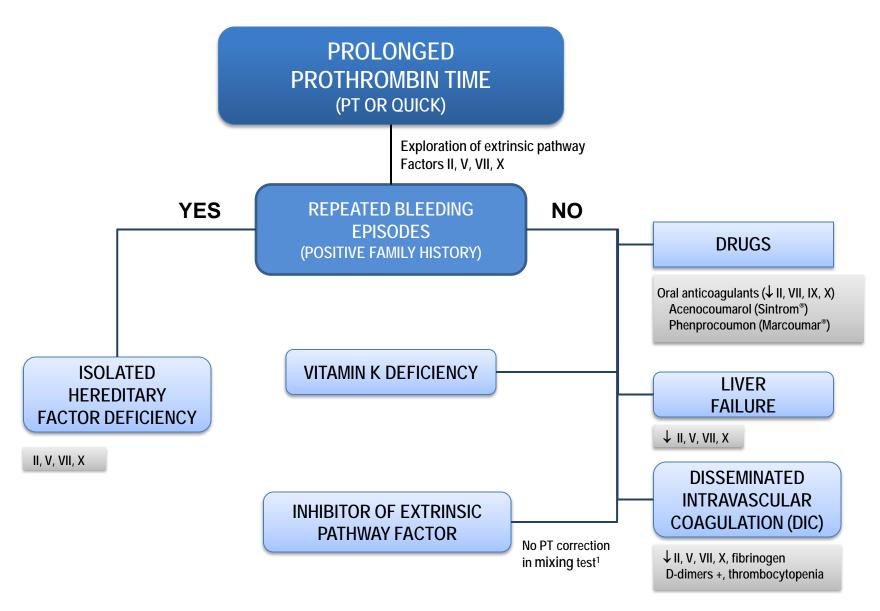




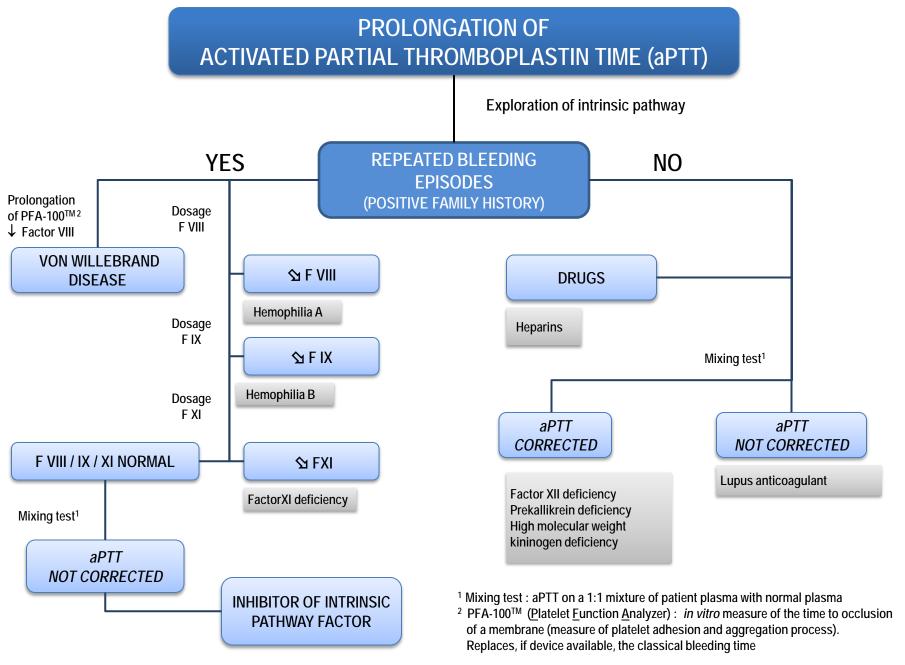


#### **THROMBOCYTOPENIA** Platelet aggregates **Blood smear examination** PSEUDO THROMBOCYTOPENIA TRUE THROMBOCYTOPENIA Due to EDTA (anticoagulant) Bone marrow **SOLITARY** Splenomegaly? **PANCYTOPENIA** B<sub>12</sub>, folates? **THROMBOCYTOPENIA** Megakaryocytes **BONE MARROW APLASIA** CENTRAL **PERIPHERAL BONE MARROW INFILTRATION** THROMBOCYTOPENIA **THROMBOCYTOPENIA MYELODYSPLASIA** Thiazide, alcohol **BONE MARROW FIBROSIS AUTOIMMUNE INFECTION** DISEASE B<sub>12</sub> OR FOLATE **FBV DEFICIENCY** HIV SLE Malaria Lymphoid neoplasm **DRUG HYPERSPLENISM** Heparin PRIMARY IMMUNE **THROMBOCYTOPENIA** DIC 238





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mixing test: PT / Quick on a 1:1 mixture of patient plasma with normal plasma



# BY WAY OF CONCLUSION

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