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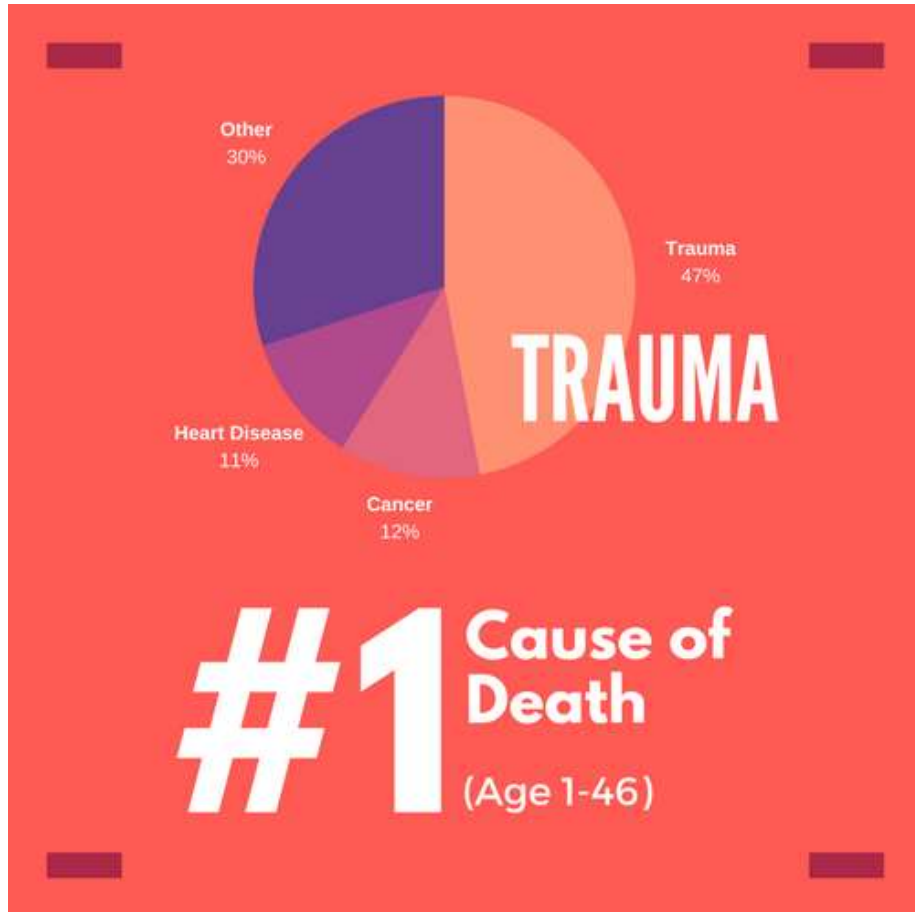
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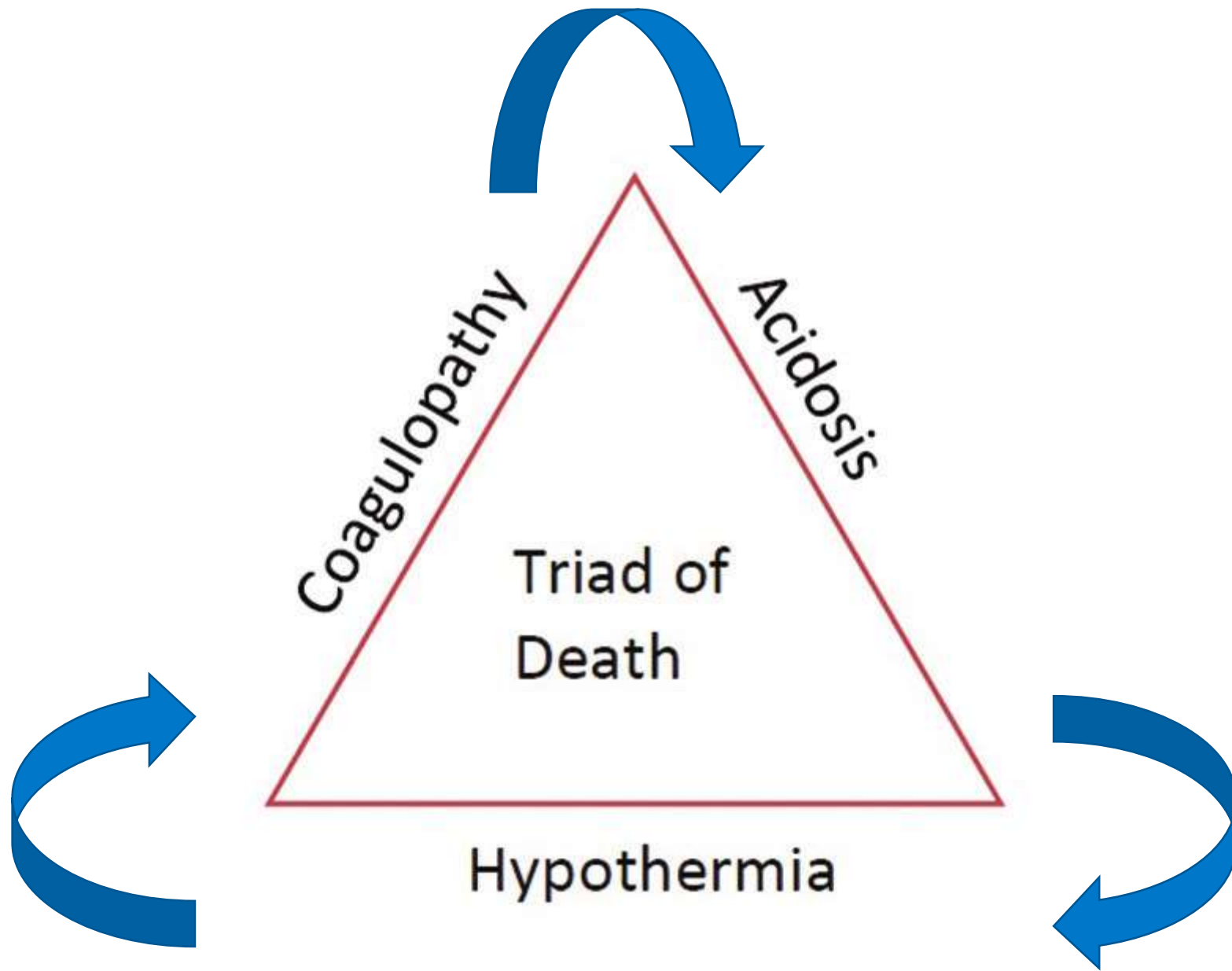
- Discuss how traumatic events affect coagulation of patient
- Steps ED doctor can take to prevent and treat coagulopathy
- New technology and how can help guide trauma care

Trauma



- Massive hemorrhage: 50% if trauma deaths
- Coagulopathy: 7x increase in mortality

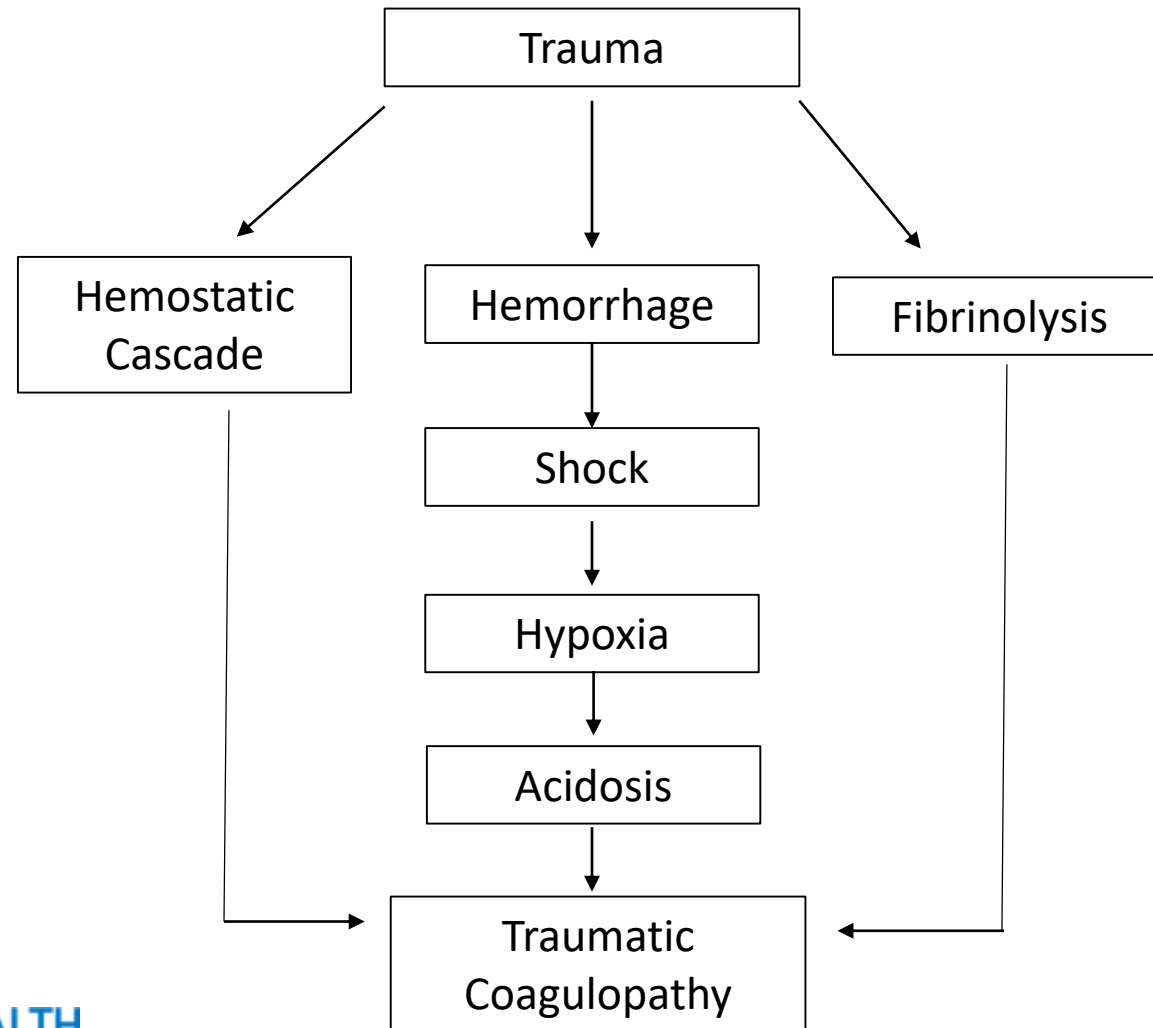






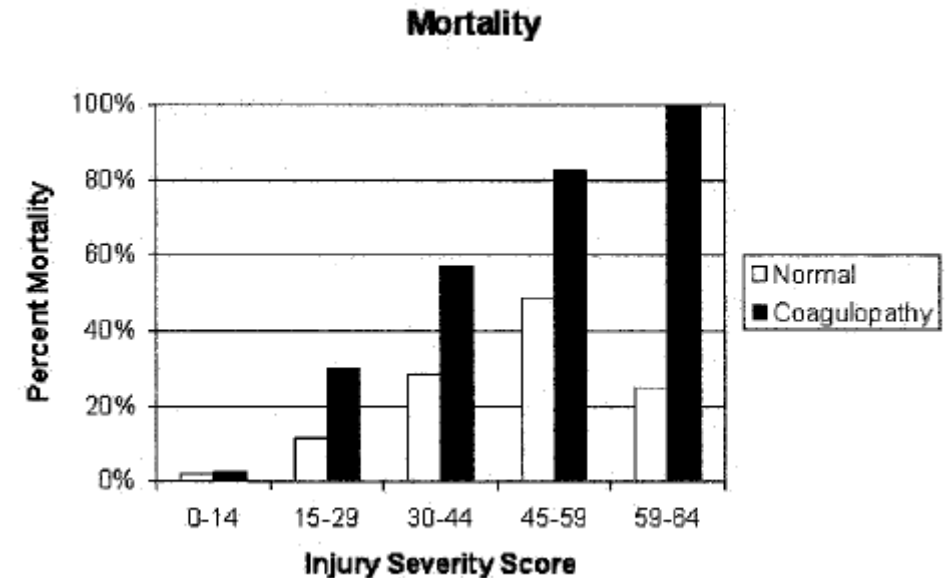
Coagulopathy

Acute Endogenous Coagulopathy



Acute Traumatic Coagulopathy¹

- Brohi, J Trauma, 2003
- 25% of patients arrived to ED
COAGULOPATHIC



Acute Traumatic Coagulopathy¹

- No correlation between fluid and coagulopathy

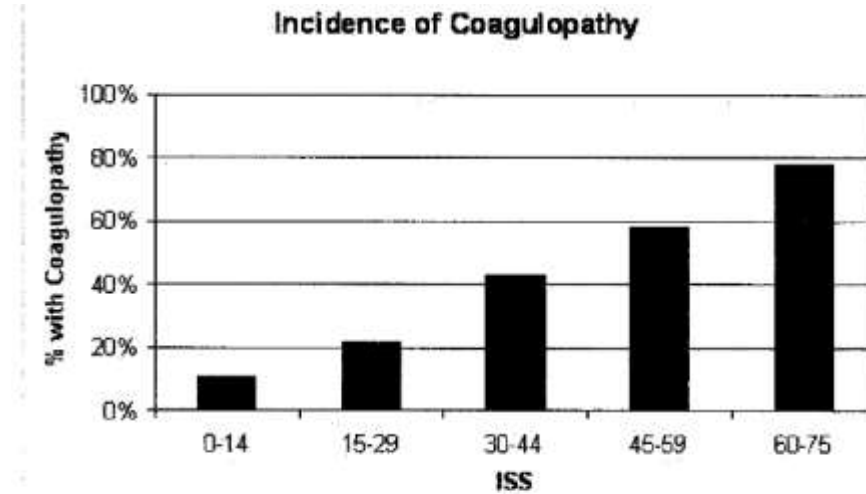
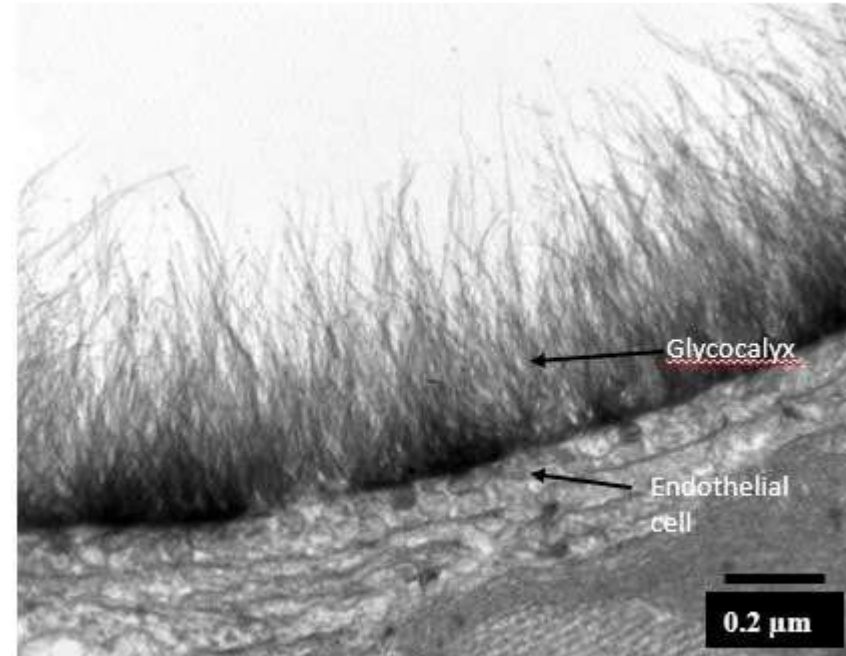
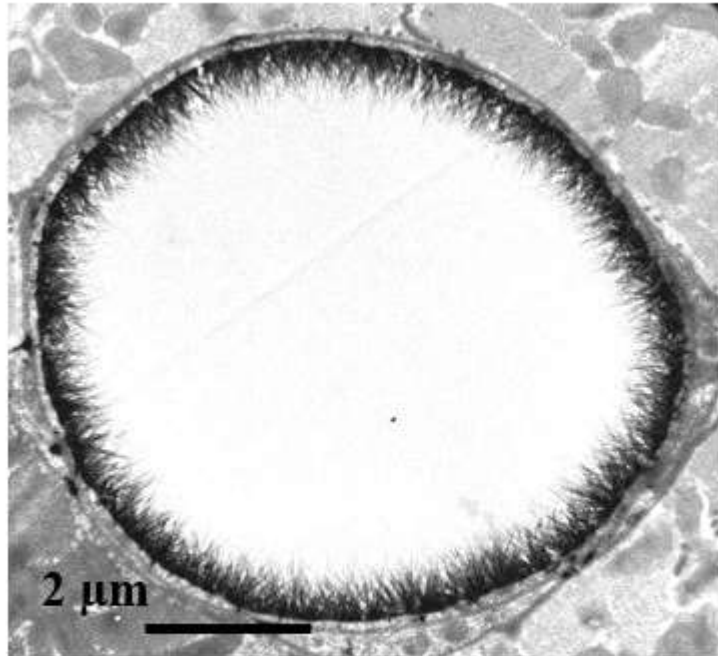


Fig. 1. Incidence of coagulopathy. ISS, Injury Severity Score.



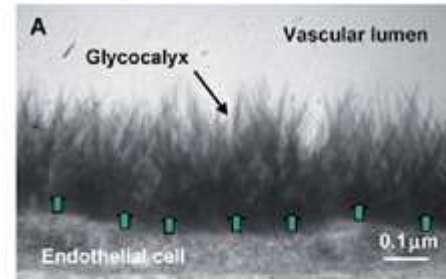
Endothelial Glycocalyx



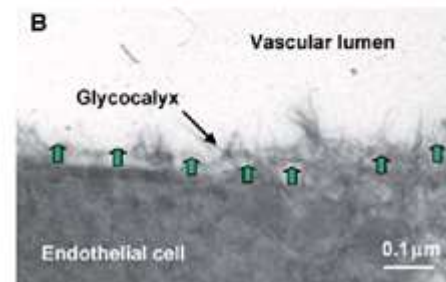
van den Berg, Vink & Spaan, Circulation Research 2003, 92: 592-594

Trauma and Endothelium

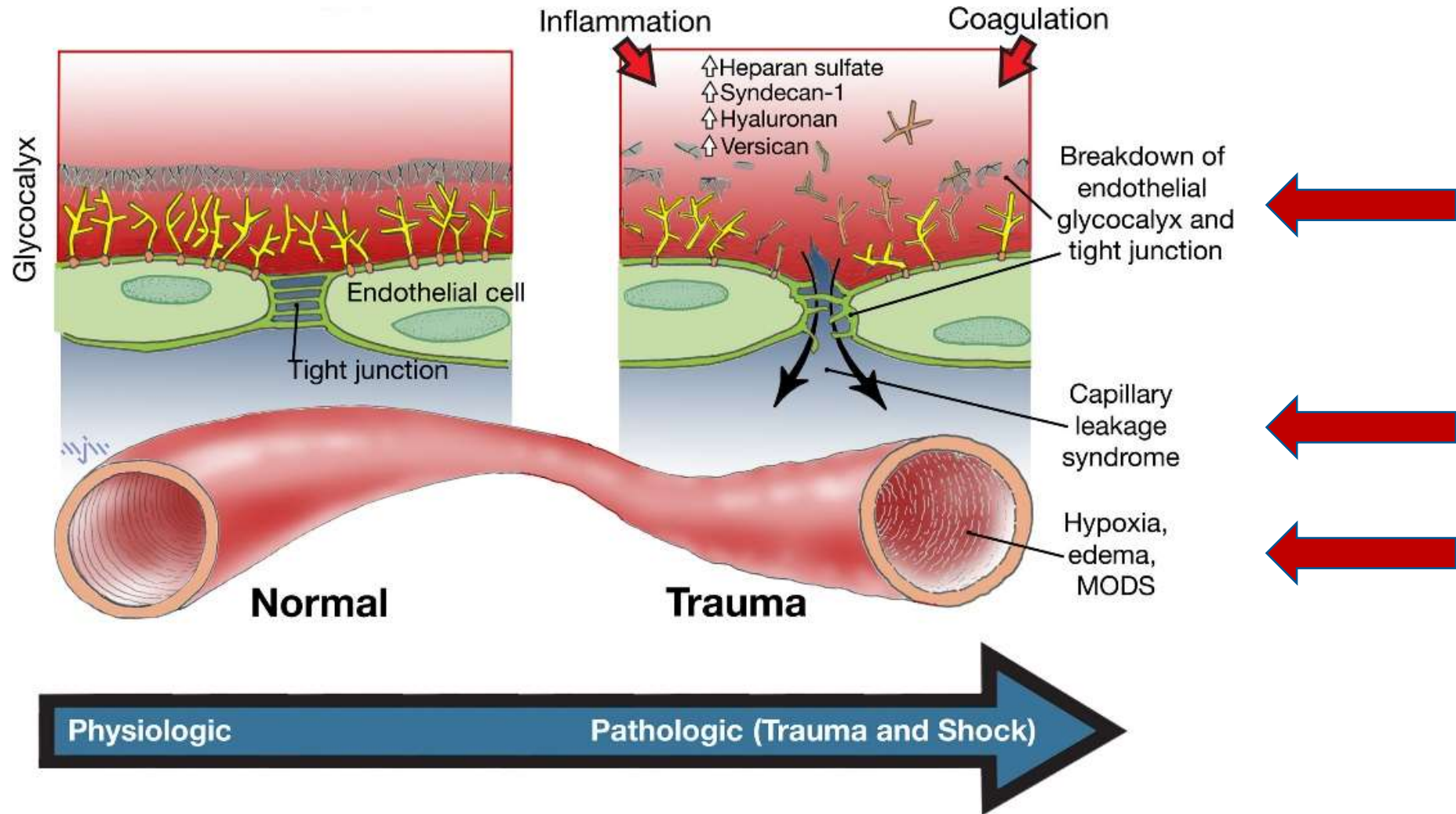
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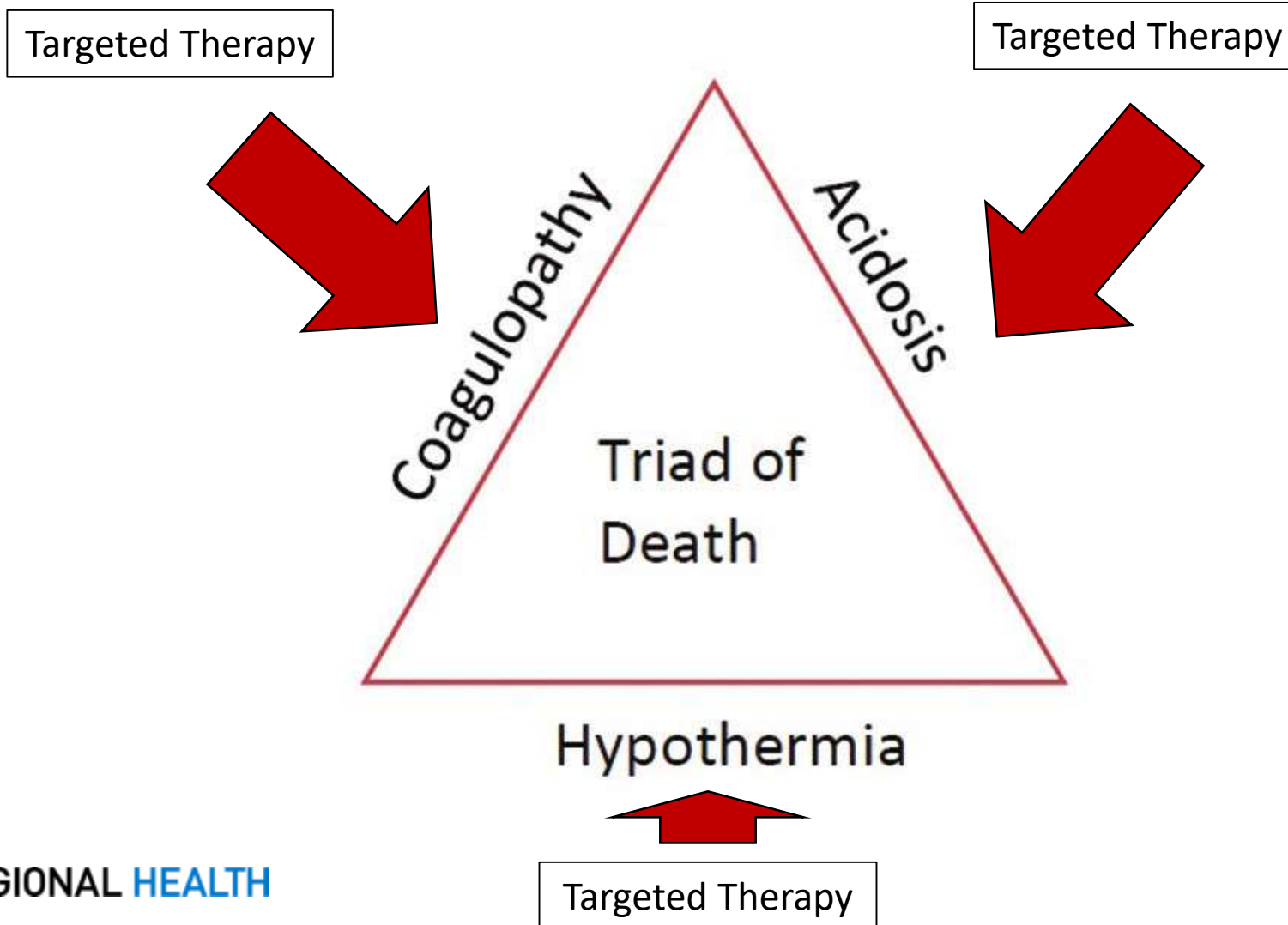
Ischemia



Endothelial Breakdown



Prevent the “Lethal Triad”



Damage Control Resuscitation(DCR)²

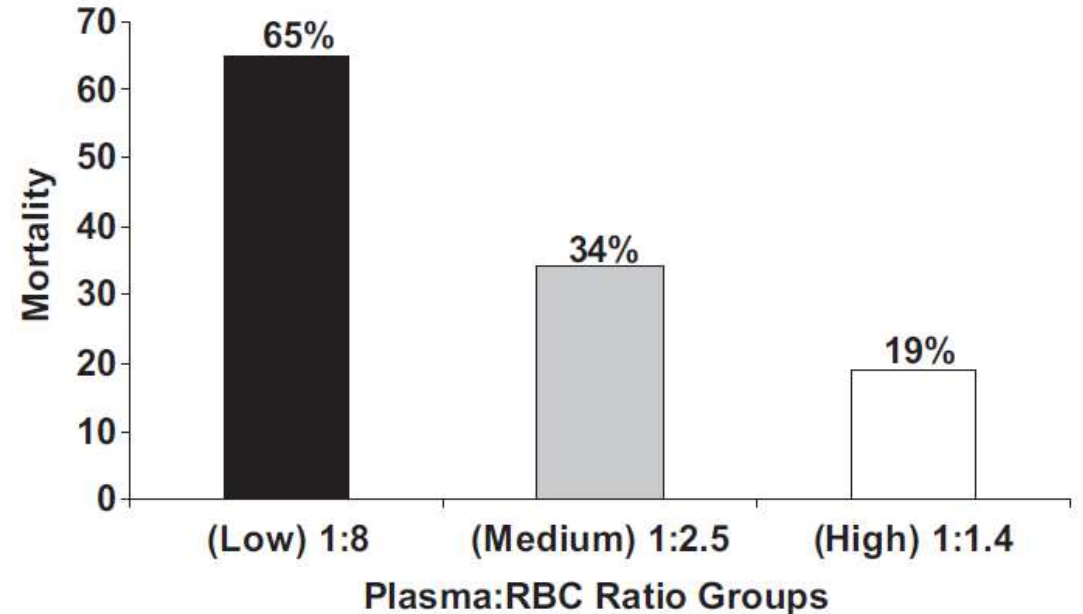
- Prevent Hypothermia
 - Warm the patient
 - Blood products through fluid warmer
- Massive Transfusion
 - Early transfusion of blood products
 - Minimize IVF
- Permissive Hypotension
 - Don't 'pop the clot'
- Administration of TXA

DCR – Preventing Hypothermia

- Hypothermia:
 - Increased heat loss
 - Decreased heat generation
- ↑coagulation times
- Maintaining normothermia shown to improve survival¹³

DCR - Massive Transfusion

- Military Conflict: whole blood
- Borgman, J Trauma 2007³



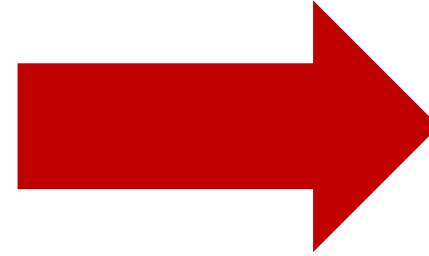
PROMTT¹⁰

- Holcomb, JAMA Surgery, 2013
- Early use of plasma/platelets -> Improved survival

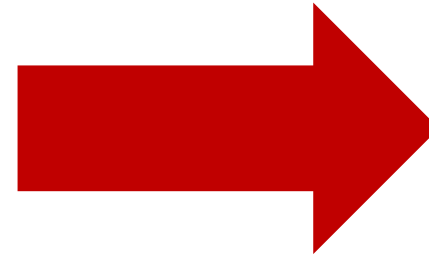
PROPPR¹¹

- Consistent transfusion ratios
 - 1:1:1 vs 1:1:2

- No mortality difference



Start within minutes



Balanced Ratio

Who Gets MTP?

- Nunez, J Trauma, 2010¹²
- Predictors:
 - Penetrating Mechanism
 - SBP \leq 90
 - HR \geq 120
 - Positive FAST

$\geq 2 \rightarrow$ 85% sensitive, 86% specific

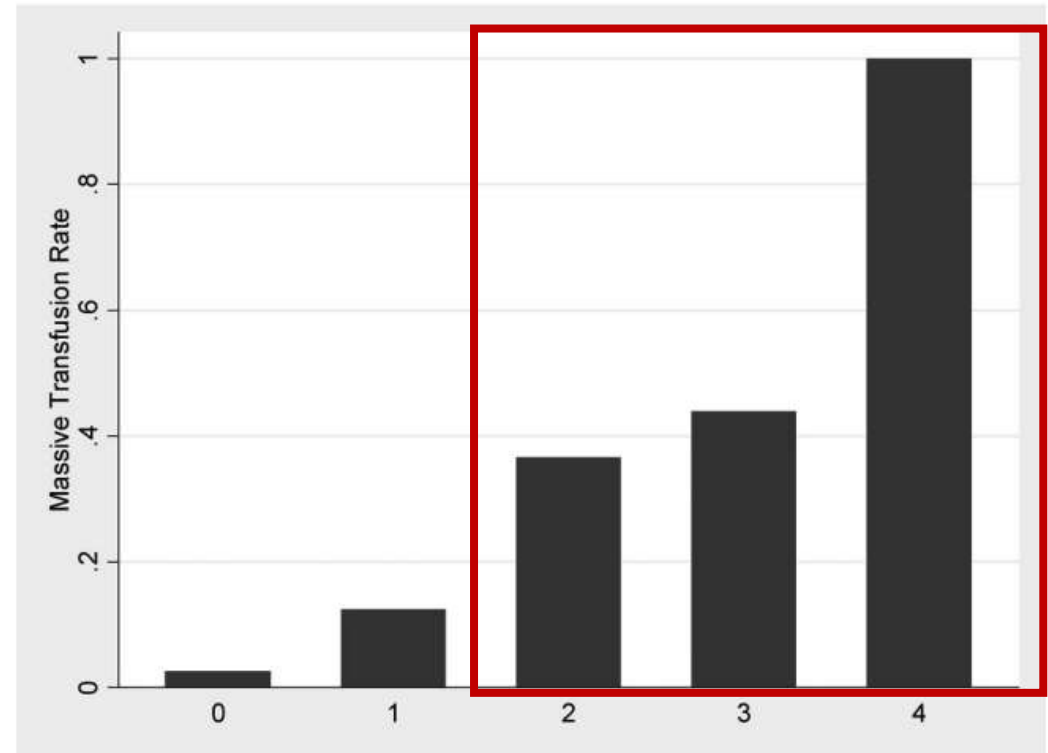


Fig. 1. Rate of massive transfusion by ABC score.

MTP at RGH

The screenshot shows a web-based interface for medical order sets. On the left is a vertical navigation menu with items: Review, Info, Alerts, and Practice. The main content area is titled 'Order Sets' and contains a section for 'ED Massive Transfusion'. Under this section, there are three expandable items: 'Massive Transfusion Protocol', 'Massive Transfusion Orders', and 'Additional SmartSet Orders'. The 'Massive Transfusion Orders' item is expanded, showing detailed instructions for activating the MTP protocol based on patient bleeding status and time. It includes contact information for various hospital departments (RGH, Newark, CSH, Unity, CPH/GH, MH) and a 'Click for more' link. Below the instructions is a checkbox labeled 'MTP PANEL'.

Order Sets

ED Massive Transfusion ^

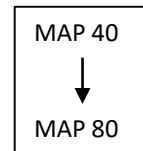
- ▼ Massive Transfusion Protocol
- ▼ Massive Transfusion Orders
 - IF THE PATIENT IS ACTIVELY BLEEDING AND HAS RECEIVED OR IS LIKELY TO RECEIVE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 6 UNITS OF PRBC'S IN 2 HOURS (OR AFTER 2 UNITS IN 2 HOURS FOR CHILDREN LESS THAN AGE 12), CONSIDER ACTIVATING THE MASSIVE TRANSFUSION PROTOCOL (MTP) TO PREVENT COAGULOPATHY.
 - For CRISIS orders (near code situation) call Blood Bank IMMEDIATELY then place orders.
 - RGH 2-4083
 - Newark 3-2350
 - CSH call 315-462-1600: Dial, 4 then 3, to get directly to Blood Bank
 - Unity call x1129 from within hospital. Call 585-723-7040 x1129 if calling from outside
 - CPH/GH call 315-265-3300 x1208
 - MH call 315-769-4282
 - For STAT orders (blood needed within 1 hour) place orders, then CALL Blood Bank
 - RGH 2-4083
 - Newark 3-2350
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 - Unity call x1129 from within hospital 585-723-7040 x1129 if calling from outside
 - CPH/GH call 315-265-3300 x1208
 - MH call 315-769-4282
- MTP PANEL
- ▶ Post-Transfusion Labs [Click for more](#)
- ▼ Additional SmartSet Orders

DCR - Permissive Hypotension

- Sterns, Academic Emergency, 1995⁴
 - Resuscitated to MAPs of 40, 60, 80

■ TABLE 2 Survival Time and Mortality

| | Survival Time (min) | Mortality (%) |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------|
| Group I | 58 ± 7 | 11 |
| Group II | 57 ± 8 | 11 |
| Group III | 44 ± 12* | 78* |



Bickell – NEJM⁵

Table 5. Outcome of Patients with Penetrating Torso Injuries, According to Treatment Group.

| VARIABLE | IMMEDIATE RESUSCITATION | DELAYED RESUSCITATION | P VALUE |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Survival to discharge — no. of patients/total patients (%) | 193/309 (62)* | 203/289 (70)† | 0.04 |
| Estimated intraoperative blood loss — ml‡ | 3127±4937 | 2555±3546 | 0.11 |
| Length of hospital stay — days§ | 14±24 | 11±19 | 0.006 |
| Length of ICU stay — days§ | 8±16 | 7±11 | 0.30 |

- Immediate IVF
 - Promoted ongoing hemorrhage
 - Hydraulic disruption of thrombus
 - **Dilution of coagulation factors**

DCR - TXA for Trauma Patients

Figure 2: Mortality by days from randomisation

| | Tranexamic acid (n=10 060) | Placebo (n=10 067) | RR (95% CI) | p value (two-sided) |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Any cause of death | 1463 (14.5%) | 1613 (16.0%) | 0.91 (0.85-0.97) | 0.0035 |
| Bleeding | 489 (4.9%) | 574 (5.7%) | 0.85 (0.76-0.96) | 0.0077 |
| Vascular occlusion* | 33 (0.3%) | 48 (0.5%) | 0.69 (0.44-1.07) | 0.096 |
| Multiorgan failure | 209 (2.1%) | 233 (2.3%) | 0.90 (0.75-1.08) | 0.25 |
| Head injury | 603 (6.0%) | 621 (6.2%) | 0.97 (0.87-1.08) | 0.60 |
| Other causes | 129 (1.3%) | 137 (1.4%) | 0.94 (0.74-1.20) | 0.63 |

Data are number (%), unless otherwise indicated. RR=relative risk. *Includes myocardial infarction, stroke, and pulmonary embolism.

Table 2: Death by cause

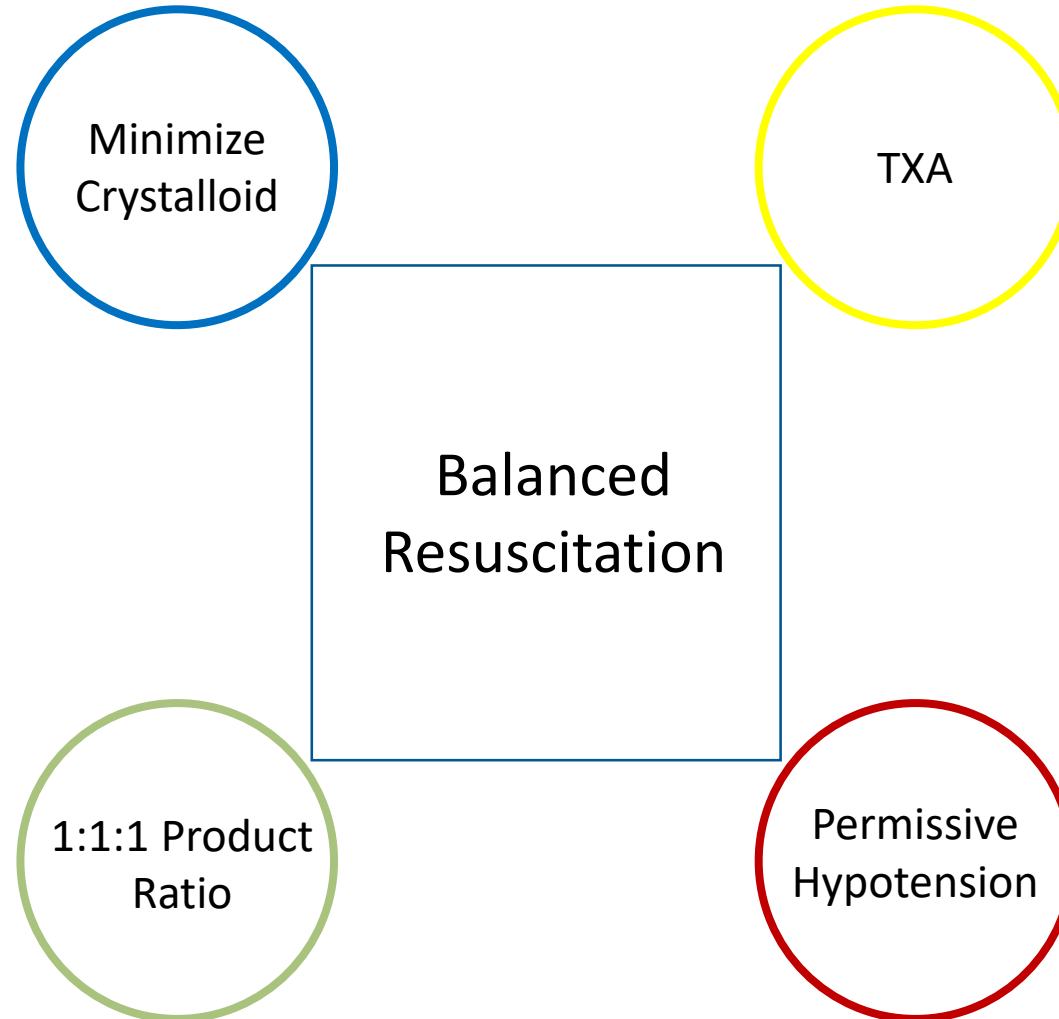
DCR - TXA

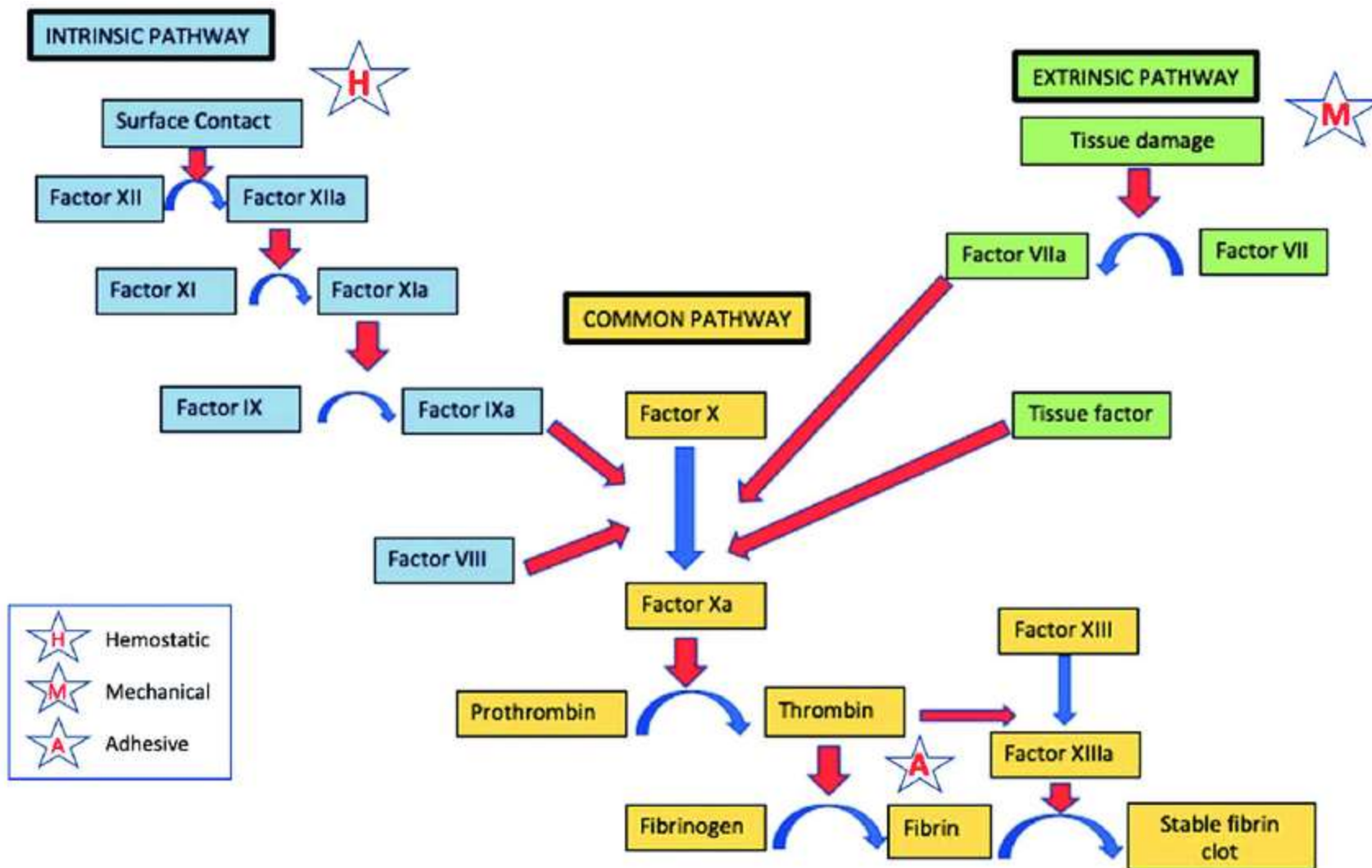
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|---|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------|
| Vascular occlusive events* | | | | |
| Any vascular occlusive event | 168 (1.7%) | 201 (2.0%) | 0.84 (0.68-1.02) | 0.084 |
| Myocardial infarction | 35 (0.3%) | 55 (0.5%) | 0.64 (0.42-0.97) | 0.035 |
| Stroke | 57 (0.6%) | 66 (0.7%) | 0.86 (0.61-1.23) | 0.42 |
| Pulmonary embolism | 72 (0.7%) | 71 (0.7%) | 1.01 (0.73-1.41) | 0.93 |
| Deep vein thrombosis | 40 (0.4%) | 41 (0.4%) | 0.98 (0.63-1.51) | 0.91 |
| Need for transfusion and surgery | | | | |
| Blood product transfused | 5067 (50.4%) | 5160 (51.3%) | 0.98 (0.96-1.01) | 0.21 |
| Any surgery | 4814 (47.9%) | 4836 (48.0%) | 1.00 (0.97-1.03) | 0.79 |
| Neurosurgery | 1040 (10.3%) | 1059 (10.5%) | 0.98 (0.91-1.07) | 0.67 |
| Chest surgery | 1518 (15.1%) | 1525 (15.1%) | 1.00 (0.93-1.06) | 0.91 |
| Abdominal surgery | 2487 (24.7%) | 2555 (25.4%) | 0.97 (0.93-1.02) | 0.28 |
| Pelvic surgery | 683 (6.8%) | 648 (6.4%) | 1.05 (0.95-1.17) | 0.31 |
| Median (IQR) units of blood product transfused† | 3 (2-6) | 3 (2-6) | .. | 0.59‡ |
| Dependency | | | | |
| No symptoms | 1483 (14.7%) | 1334 (13.3%) | 1.11 (1.04-1.19) | 0.0023 |
| Minor symptoms | 3054 (30.4%) | 3061 (30.4%) | 1.00 (0.96-1.04) | 0.94 |
| Some restriction | 2016 (20.0%) | 2069 (20.6%) | 0.97 (0.92-1.03) | 0.36 |
| Dependent (not requiring constant attention) | 1294 (12.9%) | 1273 (12.6%) | 1.02 (0.95-1.09) | 0.63 |
| Fully dependent | 696 (6.9%) | 676 (6.7%) | 1.03 (0.93-1.14) | 0.57 |
| Alive (disability status not known) | 54 (0.5%) | 41 (0.4%) | .. | .. |
| Dead | 1463 (14.5%) | 1613 (16.0%) | 0.91 (0.85-0.97) | 0.0035 |

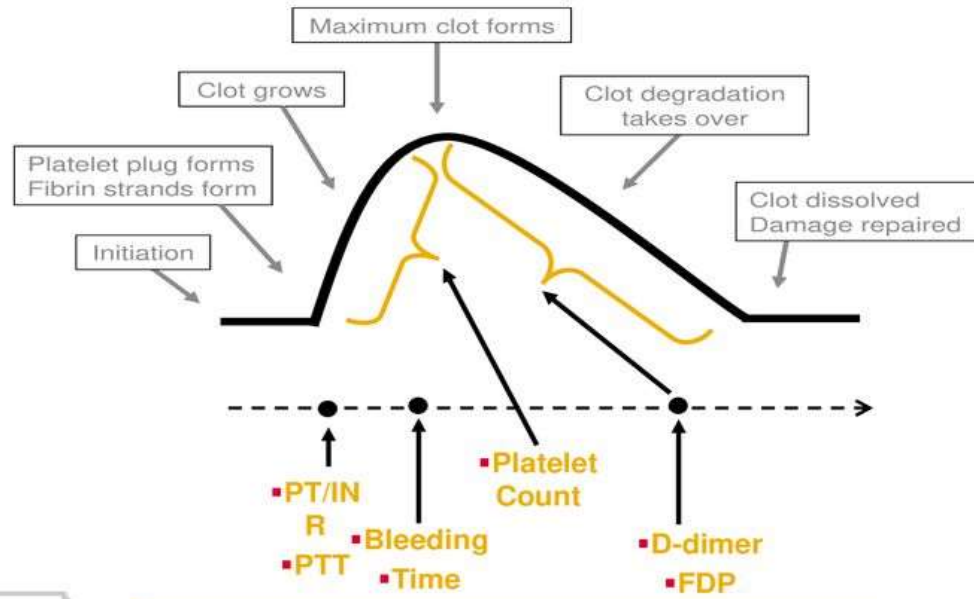
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†Transfused patients only. ‡Analysis used logarithmic transformation of mean units of blood products transfused.

Table 3: Vascular occlusive events, need for transfusion and surgery, and level of dependency

Balanced Resuscitation





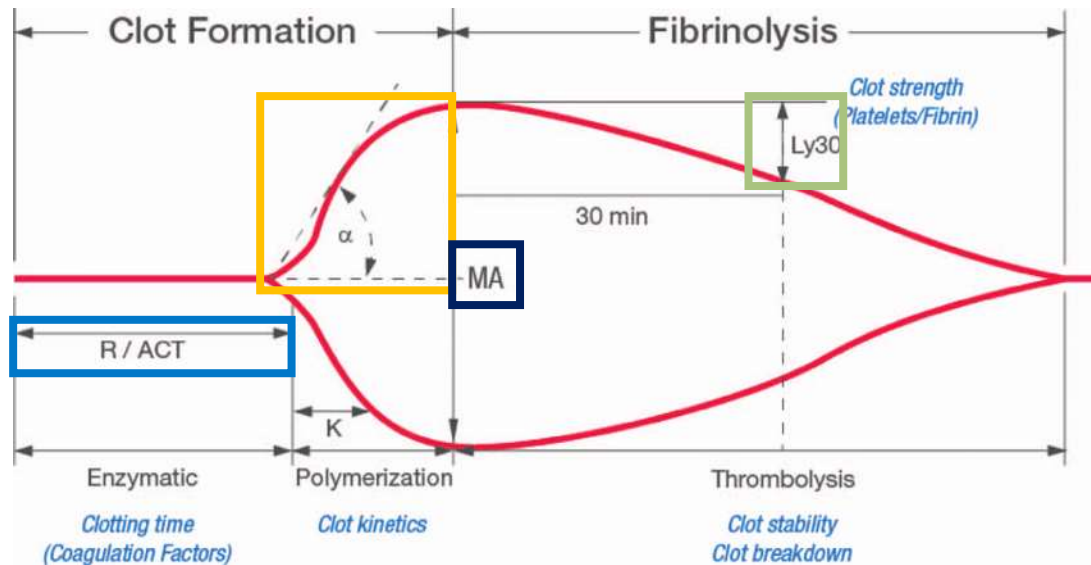


▪ **Traditional Hemostasis Tests**

Do not define the overall process, just provide pieces of the process!

Thrombelastography (TEG)



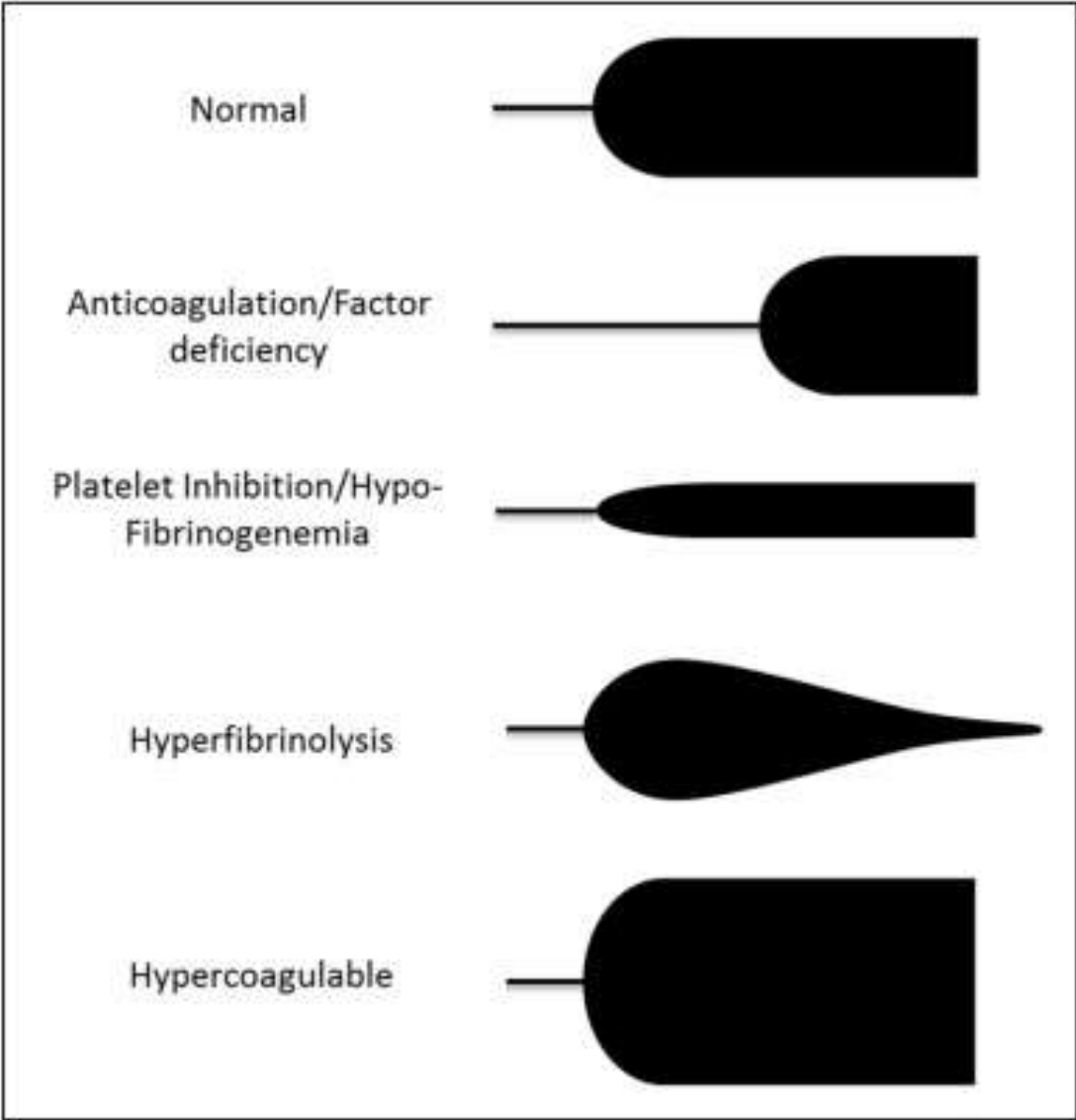


- R: Reaction Time = Thrombin Generation

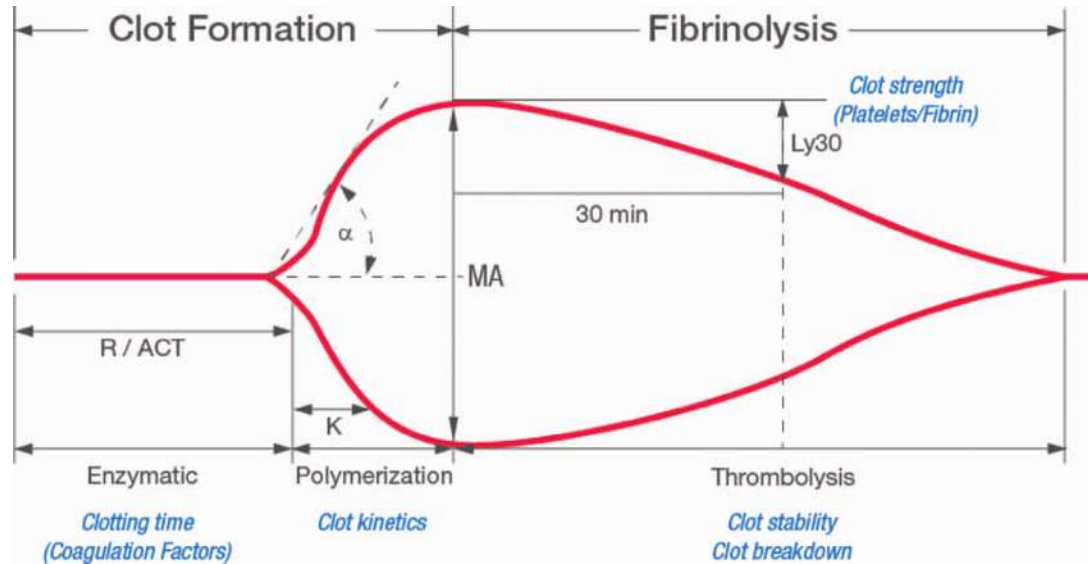
- α : Clot Formation Time = Fibrinogen

- MA: Maximum Amplitude = Platelets






- Ly30: Lysis at 30min = Fibrinolysis



Fancy Glasses



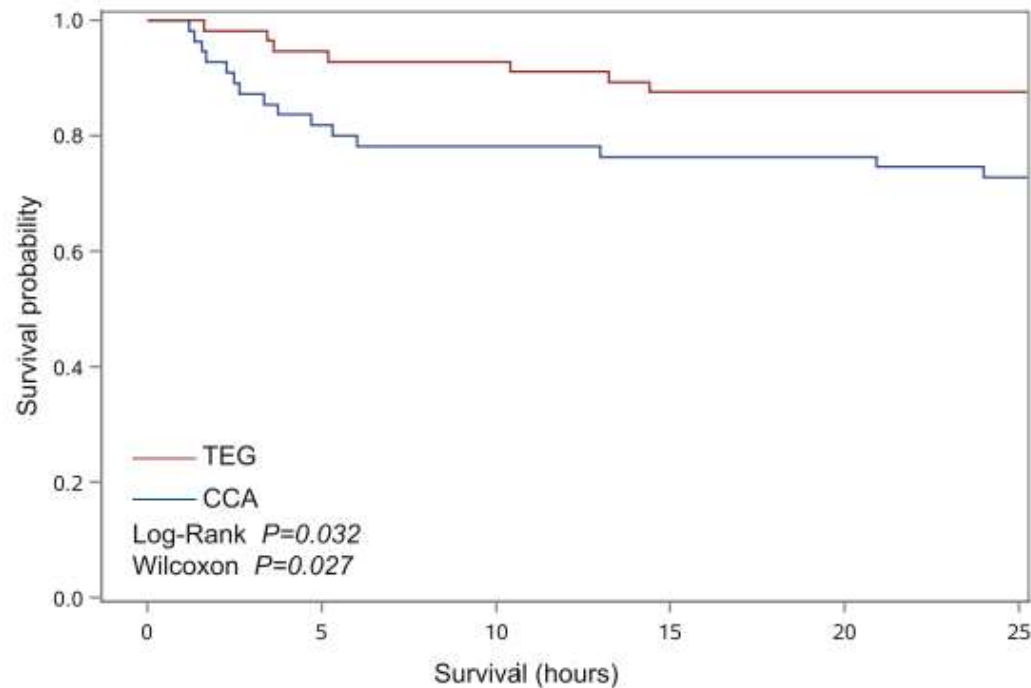
common TEG patterns*

| | |
|---|--|
|  <p>brandy snifter normal</p> |  <p>test tube thrombocytopenia/thrombocytopathy ↓ MA, normal R, ↑ K give platelets</p> |
|  <p>red wine glass factor deficiency ↑ R, ↑ K, give FFP</p> |  <p>inverted martini glass fibrinolysis ↑ Ly30, continuous ↓ MA give TXA</p> |
|  <p>champagne flute fibrinogen deficiency ↑ R, ↑ K, ↓ MA, ↓ α angle give cryoprecipitate</p> | |

*Bases of glasses not actually part of TEG
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Does it Work?

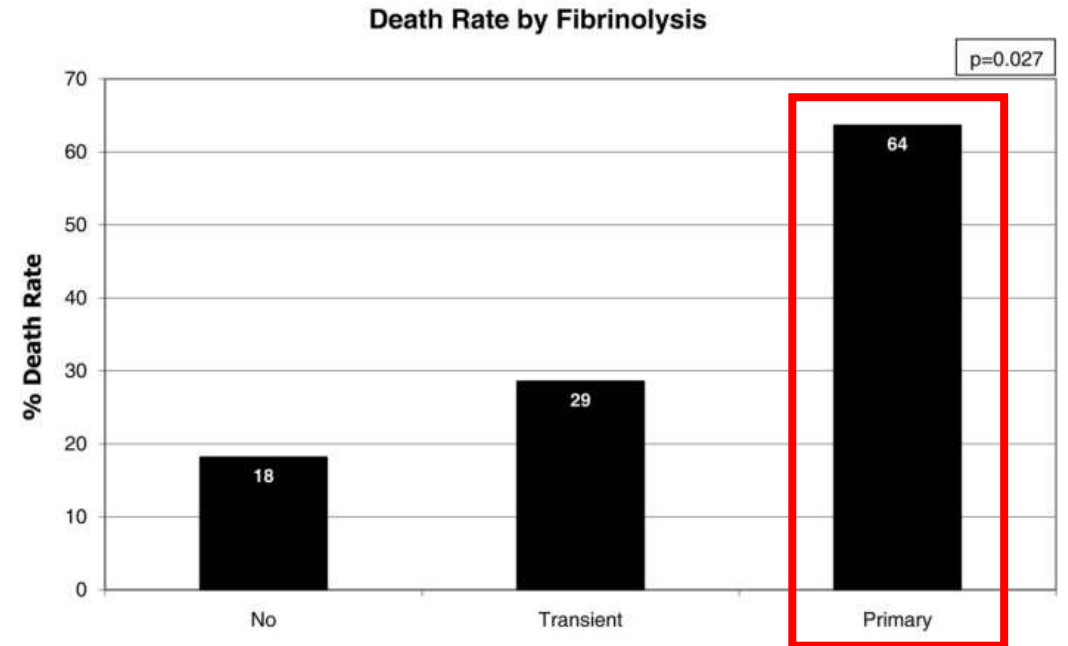
- Goal-directed Hemostatic Resuscitation of Trauma-induced Coagulopathy⁵



50% reduced mortality

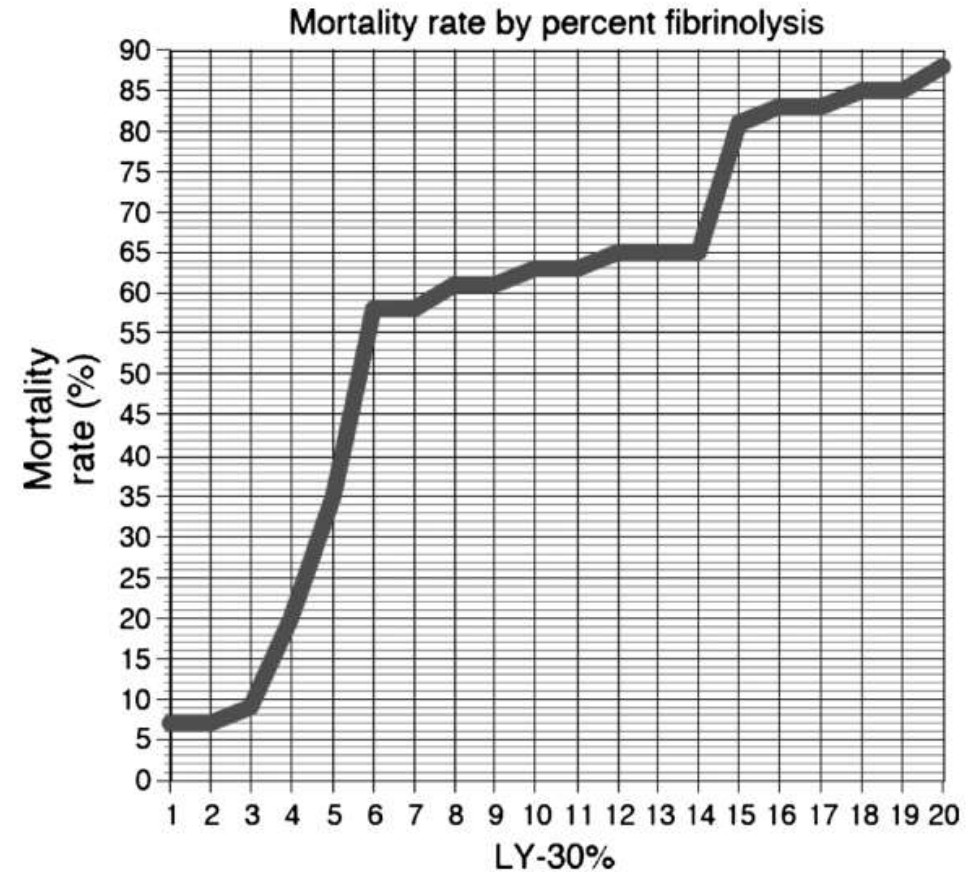
Primary Fibrinolysis in Trauma

- Kashuk, et al, Annals of Surg, 2010⁶
- Primary Fibrinolysis – 34% of patients who required MTP

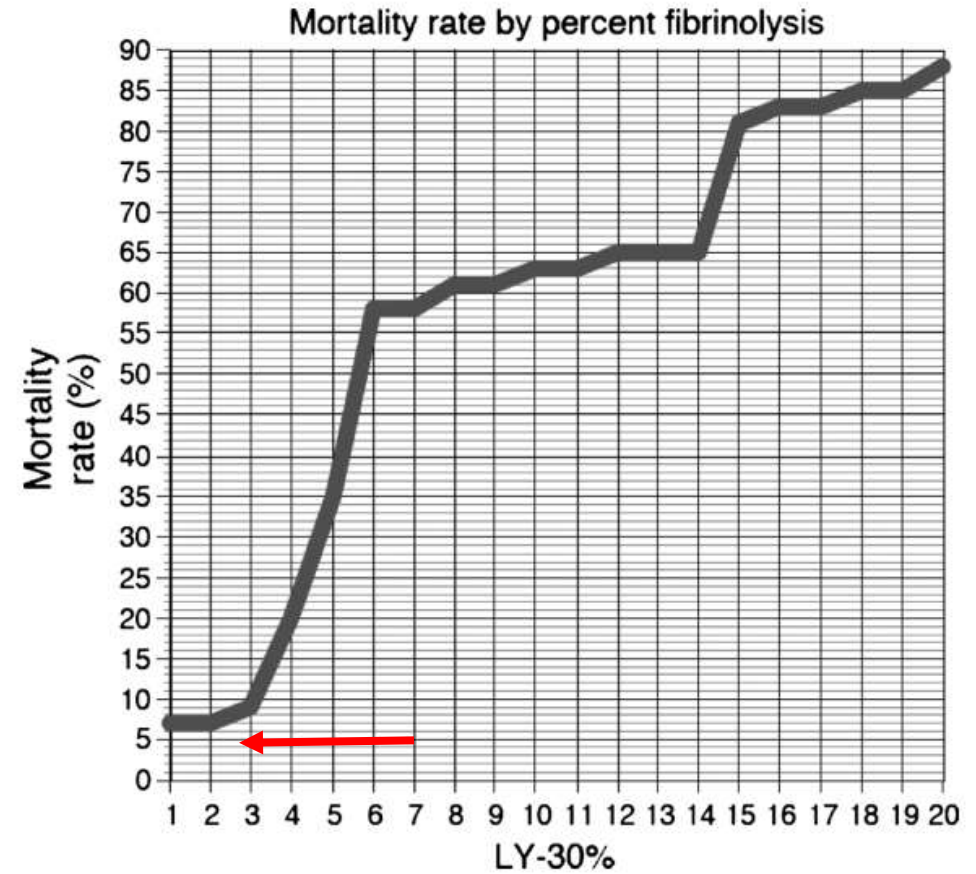
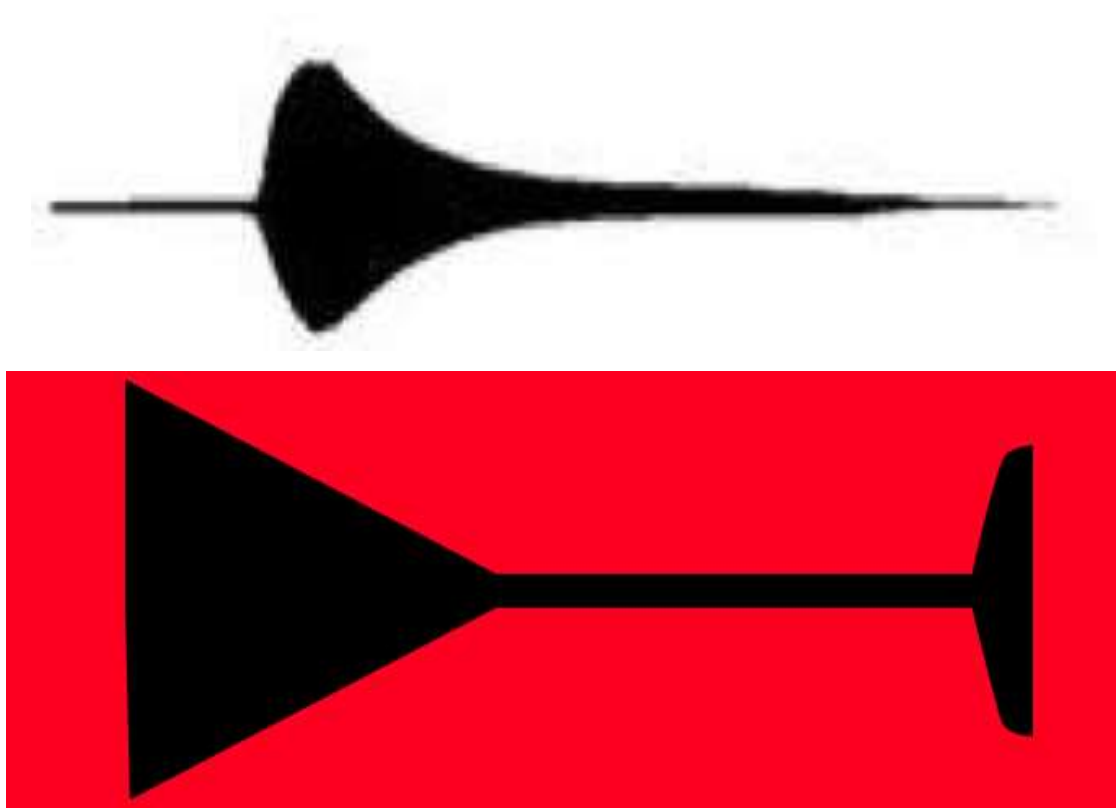


Hyperfibrinolysis

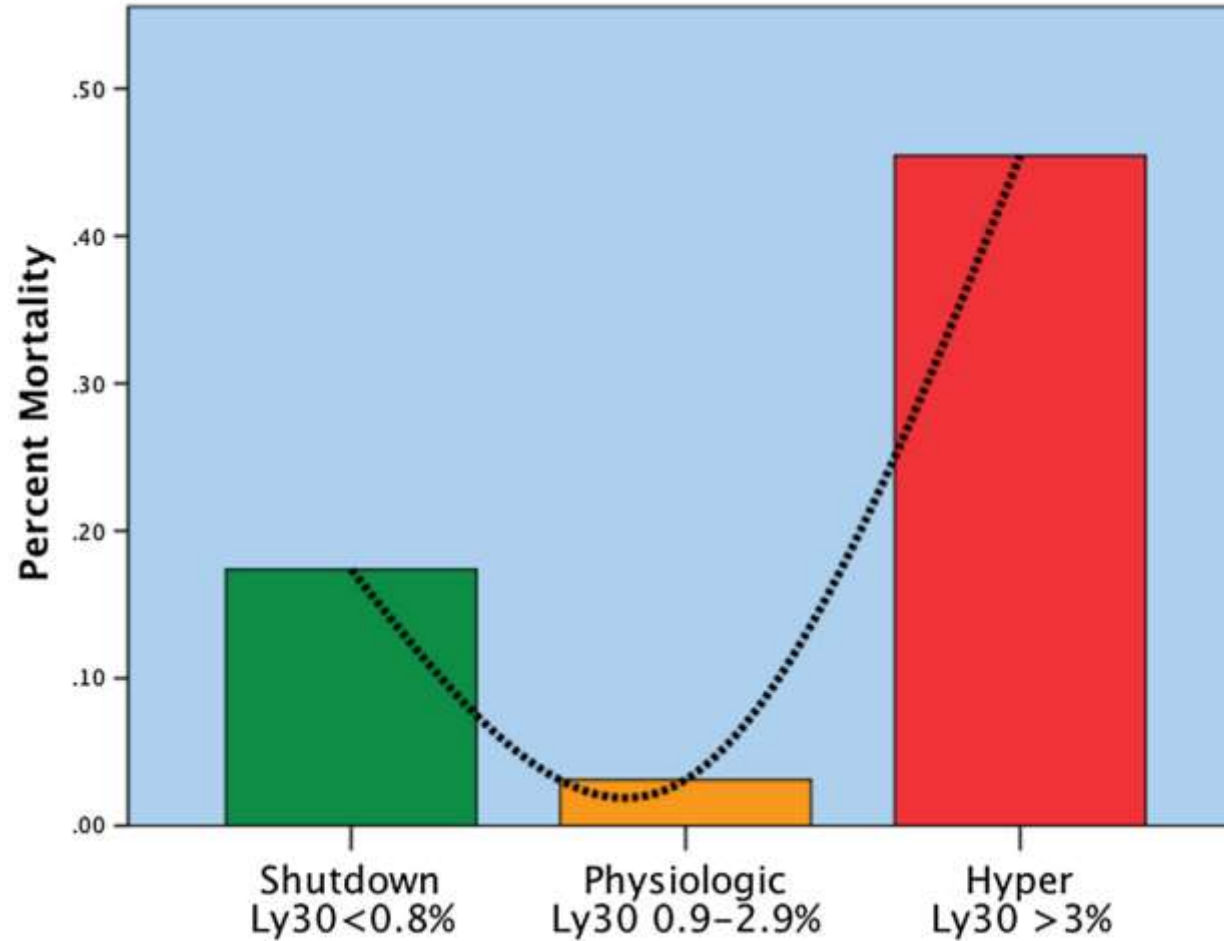
- Cotton, J Trauma Acute Care Surg⁷
- Hyperfibrinolysis = ~2%
- Each 1L of crystalloid – 15% increased odds of hyperfibrinolysis



Hyperfibrinolysis

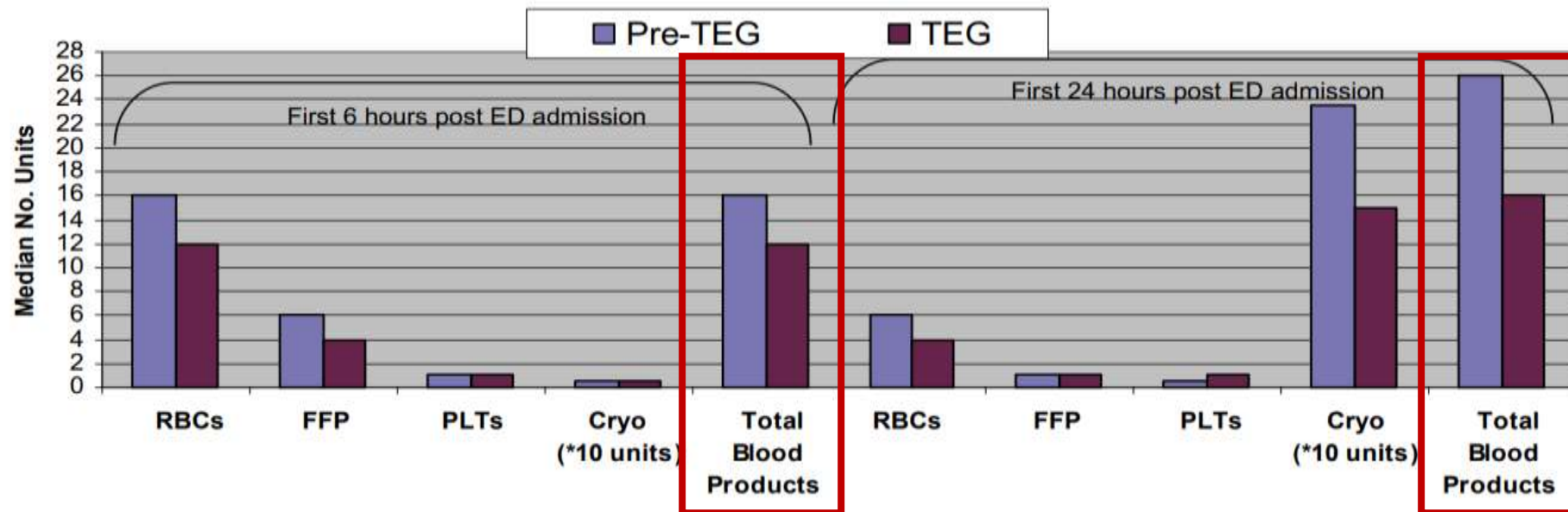


Fibrinolysis and Mortality



Improved Blood Product Use

- Kashuk, Transfusion, 2011⁹
- More efficient transfusion management?



What Have We Learned?

- Many trauma patients ARRIVE to the ED coagulopathic
- Damage Control Resuscitation
- Thromboelastography: bedside application for better trauma care

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