

# The future of blood transfusion in austere setting

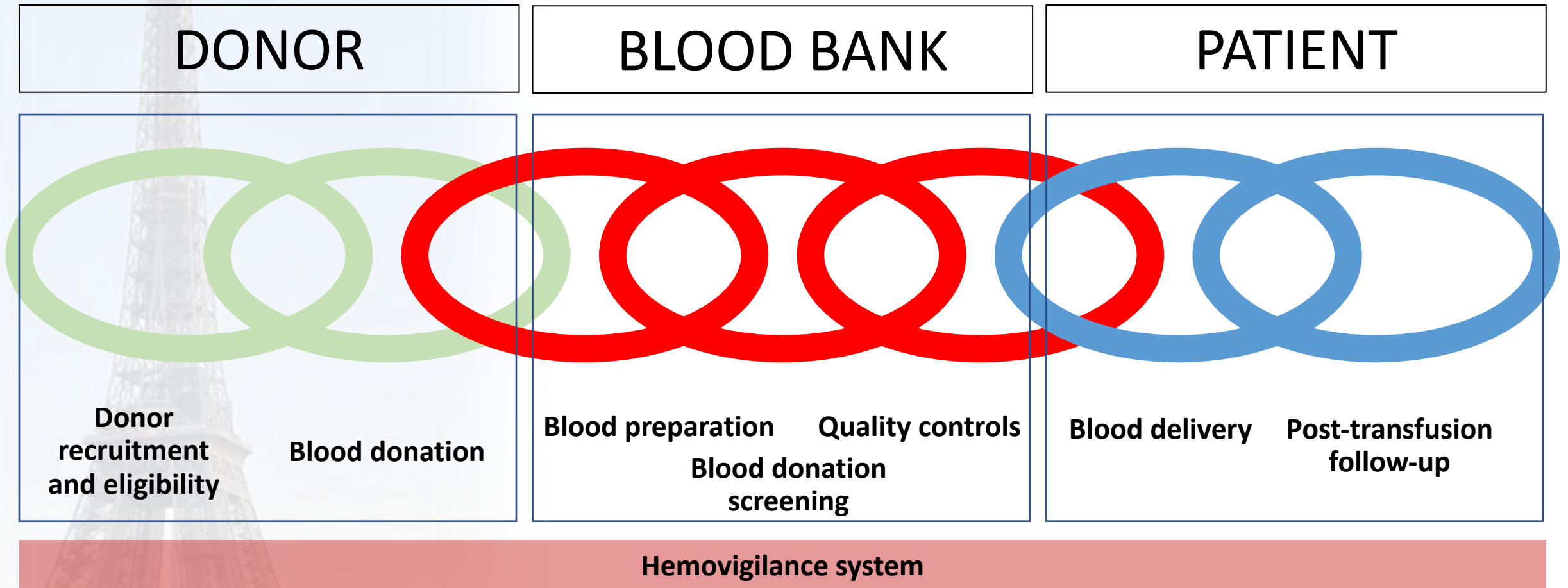
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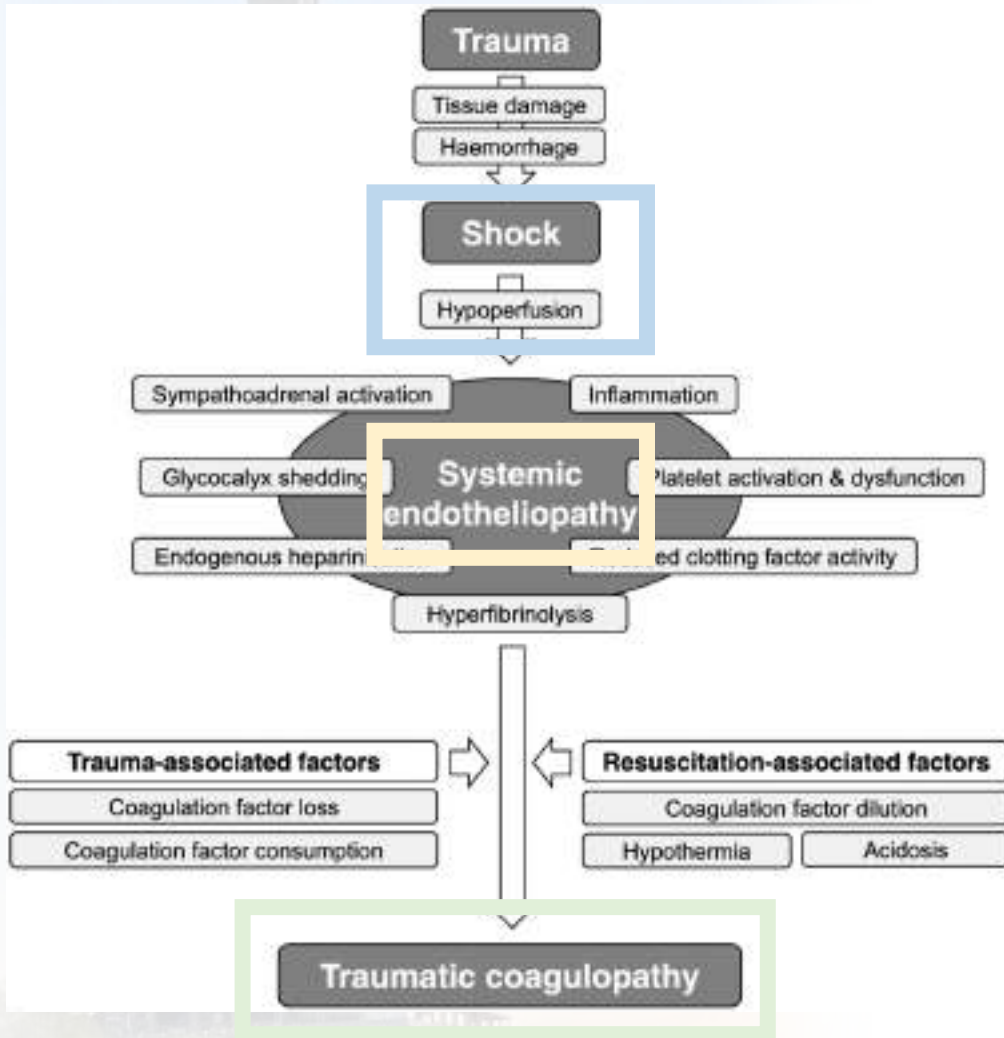
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# The transfusion chain



# Pathophysiology of trauma-related hemorrhagic shock

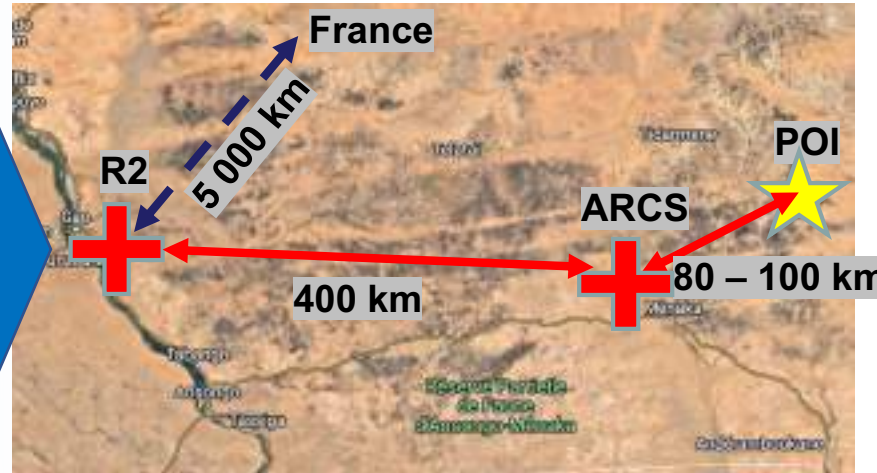


| Blood Product   | pRBC   | Plasma | Platelets | Fibrinogen – cryo | Whole Blood |
|---|--------|--------|-----------|-------------------|-------------|
| Oxygen debt<br>(oxygen content and delivery)                  | Red    | Red    | Red       | Red               | Red         |
| Endotheliopathy<br>(glycocalyx, leukocytes adhesion, barrier) | Yellow | Red    | Red       | Yellow            | Red         |
| Coagulopathy<br>(fibrinolysis, factors, clot formation)       | Red    | Red    | Red       | Red               | Red         |

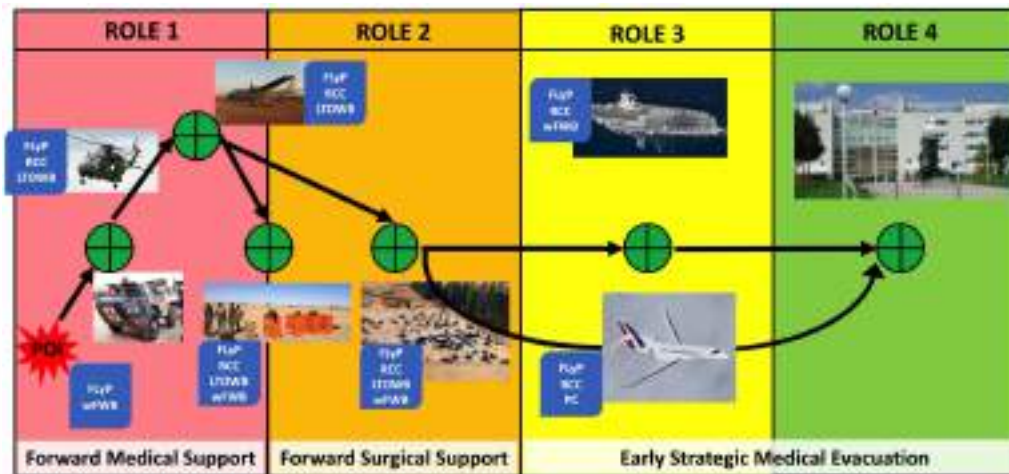
1. Transfuse as soon as possible  $\searrow$  20 – 30% of mortality
2. Transfuse plasma and not crystalloids  $\searrow$  20 – 30% of mortality
3. Each minutes count  $\uparrow$  5% of mortality / min
4. Transfuse platelets  $\searrow$  20% of mortality
5. Obtain a RCC: plasma: platelets ratio close to 1:1:1  $\searrow$  50 of mortality

Donat et al. J Crit Care 2019  
 Meyer et al. J Trauma 2017  
 Cardenas et al. Blood Adv 2018  
 Holcomb, et al. JAMA 2015  
 Shackelford et al. JAMA 2017  
 Sperry et al. NEJM 2018

# Current organization of remote blood transfusion

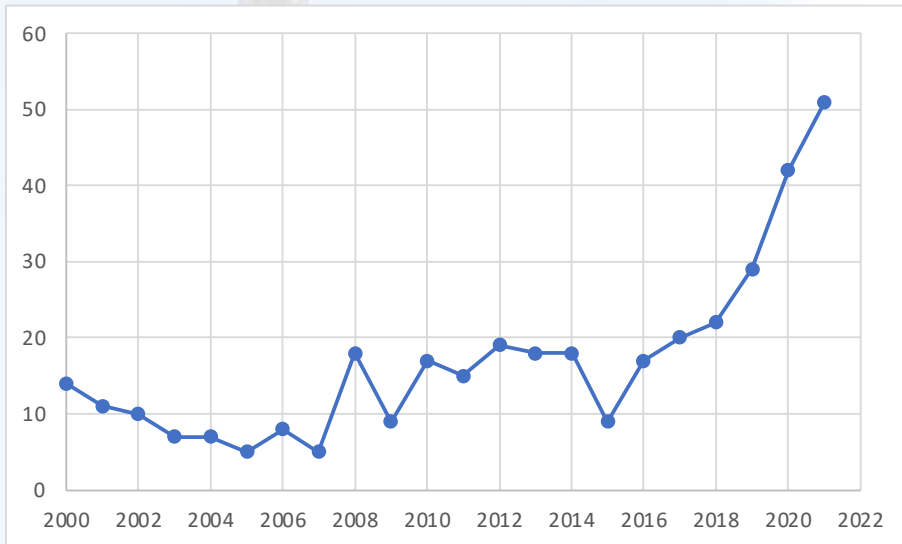


- ▷ Short time to transfusion
- ▷ End of surgery within 10h
- ▷ 11 blood products transfused
- ▷ Strategic evacuation within 24h



Aloird et al. Transfusion 2022  
Martinaud et al. Transfusion 2019

# The road to winning: Low Titer group O Whole Blood



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Direction Médicale Médicaments 3 (DM3)  
Pôle greffe, sangs coagulés et plasma, transfusions, médicaments  
pour le sang et produits sanguins

Objet : DM 2021.004 /  
sur le DMU Intraflex® WB-SP (Ref. LQ456E) de Teuno-BCT.

Moniteur le Directeur,  
En date du 01/03/2021, le CTSA a sollicité  
LQ456E) de Teuno-BCT (Ref courriel CTSA : N°1-51/ARMCTSA(DIR).  
Après évaluation des données fournies, le CSP PBL-DS du 18 mars 2021

**Avis Favorable**  
préparation et de la conservation du sang total  
délivré au patient (station précoagul) et que la durée de conservation à 42°C du sang total déléucocyté ne dépasse  
pas 21 jours à compter de la date de prélèvement.

Si le CTSA  
sang total filtré

Site tourné.  
Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Directeur, l'expression de ma considération distinguée.

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Saint-Denis, le 12/04/2021

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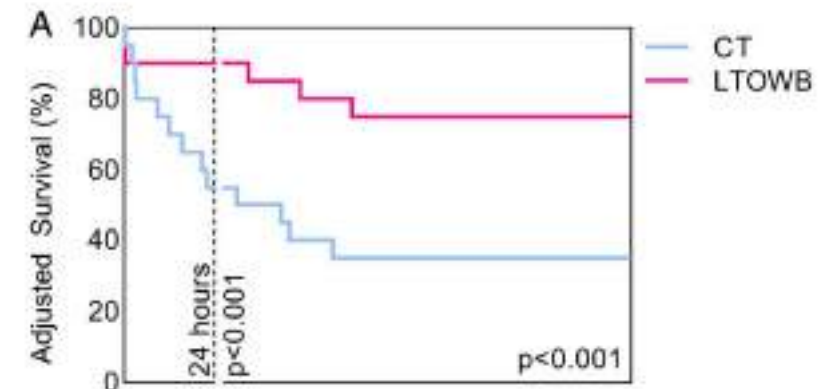


7 January, 2018

Trauma Hemostasis and Oxygenation Research (THOR) Network Press Release:

**EMERGENCY RELEASE LOW TITER GROUP O WHOLE BLOOD IS NOW PERMITTED  
BY THE AABB STANDARDS**

Shea et al Transfusion 2020



# Future needs: identify and fill the gaps



1. No harm, no worsening
2. Rapid reconstitution/availability
3. Small carry weight
4. Ease of portability without requiring cold storage and special conditions
5. Universally applicable no type matching.
6. Easy delivery



**Blood substitutes? Existing products?**

# Red Blood Cells Substitutes

**No shortage**  
**No need of typing/matching**  
**Long lifetime**  
**Sterile**

## 1. O<sub>2</sub> transportation

⇒ Hemoglobin  $\rightleftharpoons$  metHb

## 2. CO<sub>2</sub> transportation

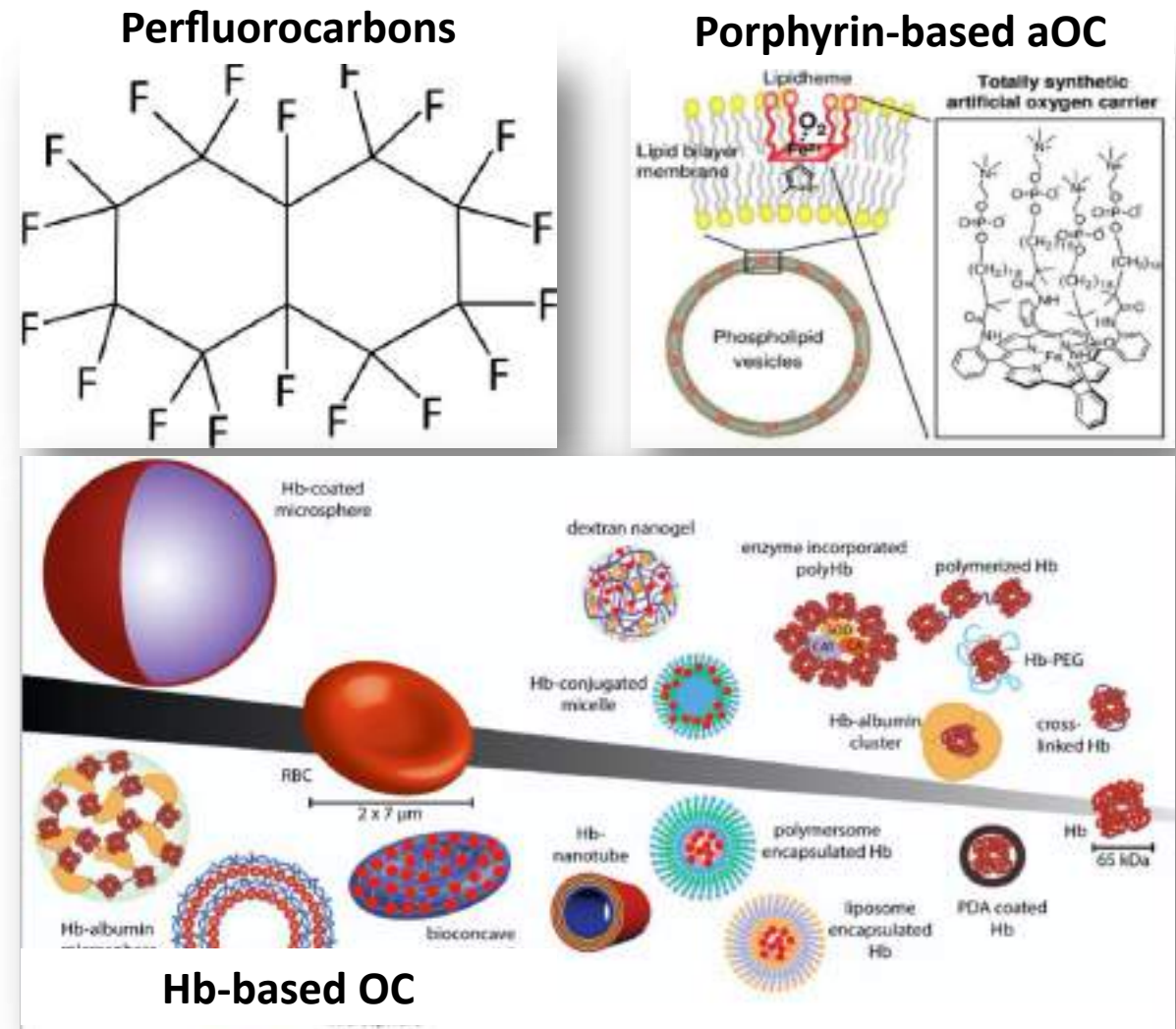
⇒ Erythrocyte carbonic anhydrase

## 3. Free radical scavenging

⇒ SOD and CAT

*Jansman et al. Adv Coll Interf Sci 2018*

*Mohanto et al. J Pharm Invest 2022*





# Enhanced oxygen carriers: Perfluorocarbons

**O<sub>2</sub> transportation**

**Immiscibility => require emulsification**

**Size << red cells: microcirculation**

Fluosol-DA 20%

Oxygent™ (Alliance Pharmaceutical Corporation, San Diego, CA)

NanoO<sub>2</sub>® (NuvOx, Tucson, AR)

## Limits

Dose limitation

Duration of required therapy

Impact of extreme hemodilution

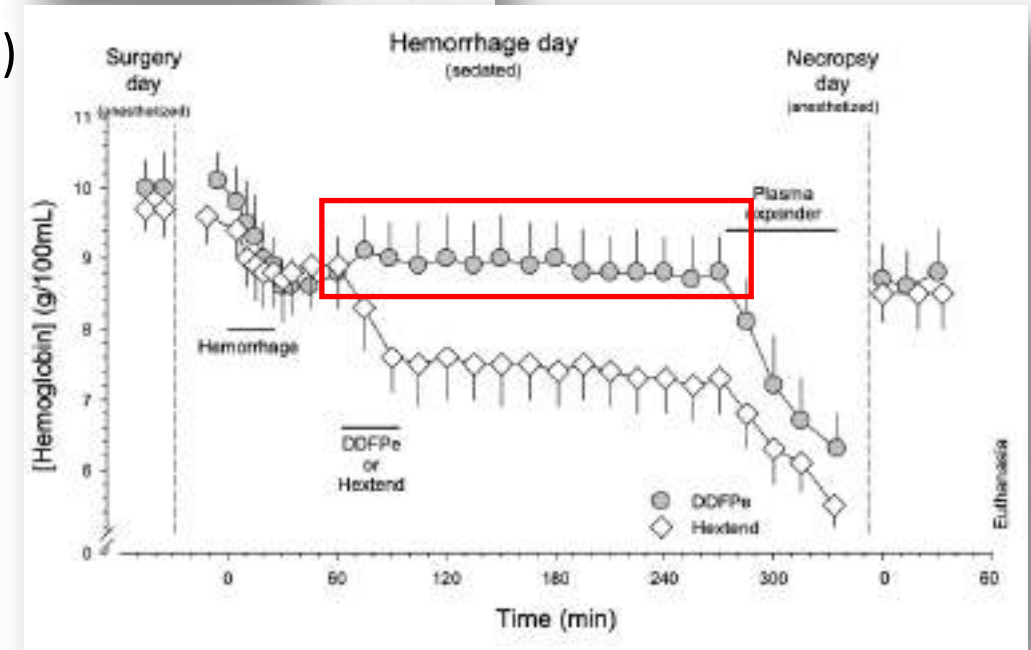
Requirement for maintenance of high O<sub>2</sub> concentrations

## Perspectives

Limit tissue damages

Limit organ dysfunctions

During a **reversible period of hypoxia**



Lundgren et al. <https://apps.dtic.mil/sti/pdfs/ADA511852.pdf> 2009

# Red Blood Cells Substitutes: Hemoglobin-Based Oxygen Carriers (HBOCs)

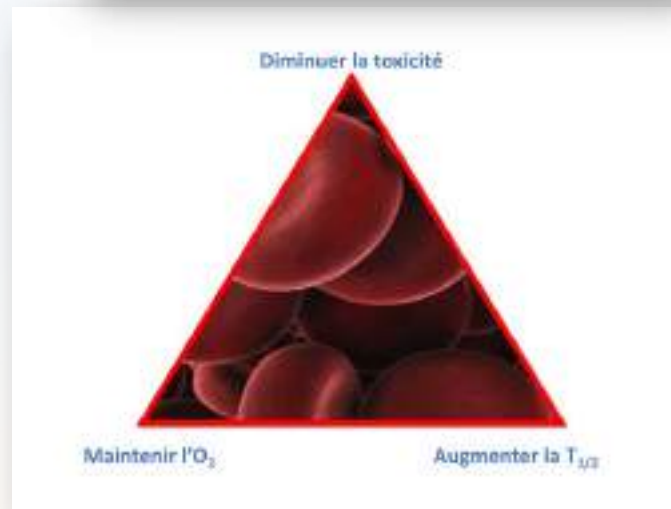
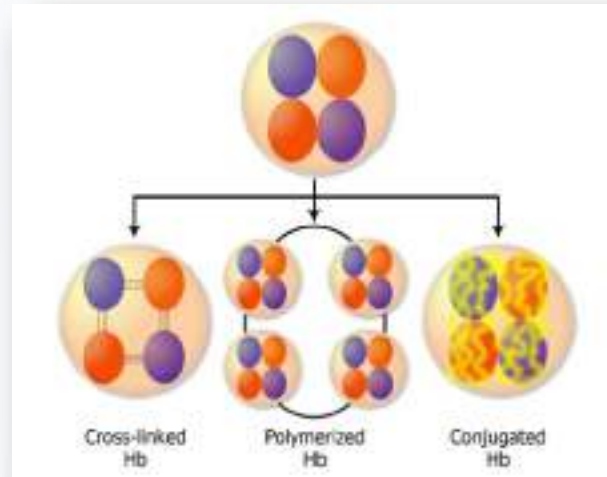
## Double hemisynthetic systems

### 1. Heme for O<sub>2</sub> transport

- Human
- Bovin
- Recombined

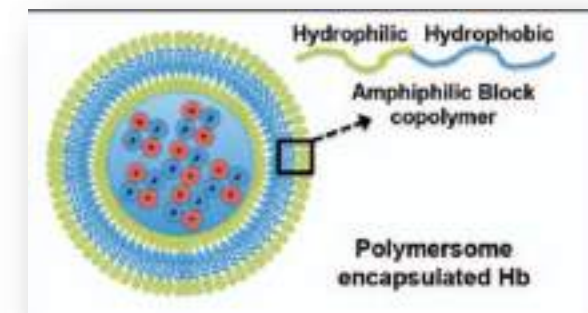
### 2. « Carrier »

- Chemical
- Polymers
- Microparticule



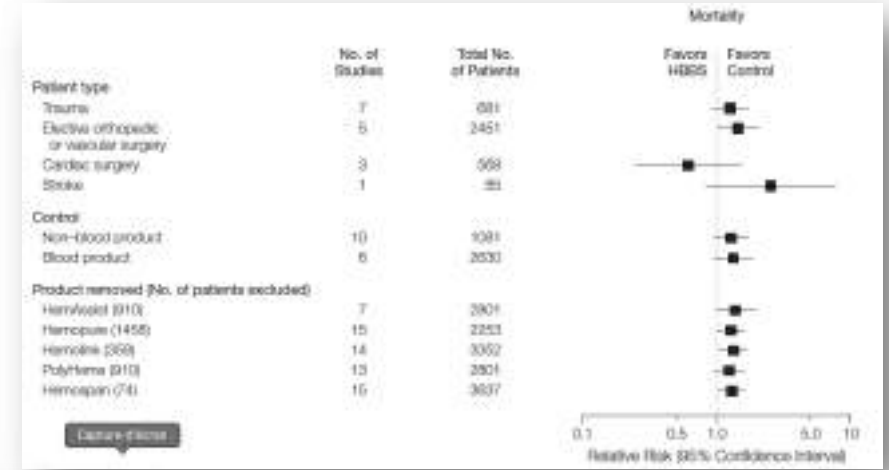
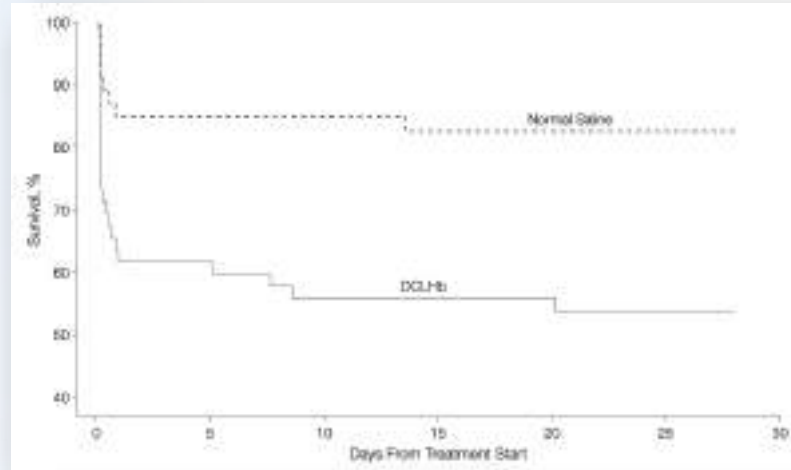
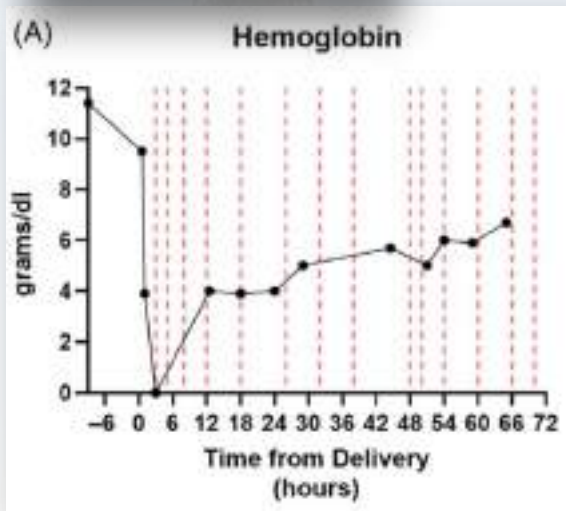
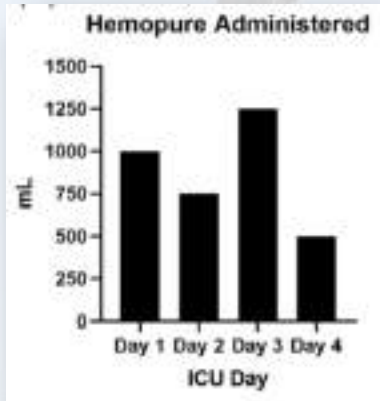
## HBOCs formely/currently investigated

- **HemoPure<sup>®</sup>**
- **HemAssist<sup>®</sup>**
  - ✓ Stopped late 90's
  - ✓ Mortality 72% during clinical trial
- **PolyHeme<sup>®</sup>**
  - ✓ No approval (FDA, 2009)
  - ✓ Compagny gave up (2009)
- **HemoSpan<sup>®</sup>**
  - ✓ Toxicity led to end of the phase III trial



Morandi et al. *Art Blood Subs* 2016  
Mohanto et al. *J Pharm Invest* 2022  
Gupta et al. *Shock* 2017

# Red Blood Cells Substitutes: Hemoglobin-Based Oxygen Carriers (HBOCs)



**Coronavirus. Le test du ver marin breton suspendu en urgence**

L'Agence du médicament a suspendu en urgence ce jeudi le test d'une molécule issue du sang d'un ver marin, promu par une société bretonne. Une étude de 2011 sur des porcs aurait entraîné une létalité de 100 %. Le produit expérimental n'avait pas encore été administré à des patients.

Qued-France avec AFP

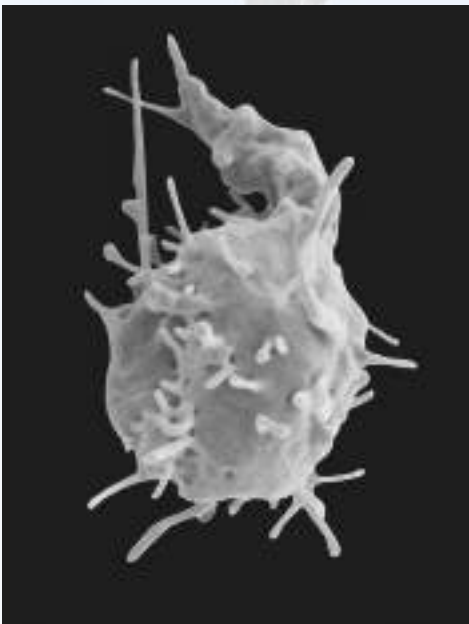
Mise à jour le 09/04/2020 à 17h13  
Publié le 09/04/2020 à 12h18

- Vasoconstriction – HBP
- Gastro-intestinals side effects
- Increased liver/pancras enz.
- Cardiac toxicity
- Neurotoxicity
- Nephrotoxicity

Davis et al. *Transfusion* 2018  
 Zumberg et al. *Transfusion* 2020  
 Barret et al. *Transfusion* 2022

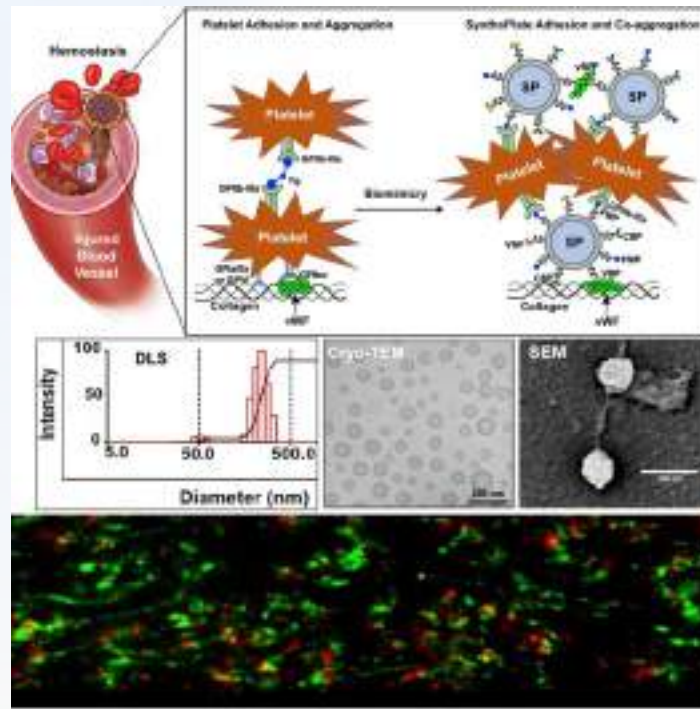
Sloan et al. *JAMA* 1999  
 Natanson et al. *Jama* 2008

# Platelets substitutes

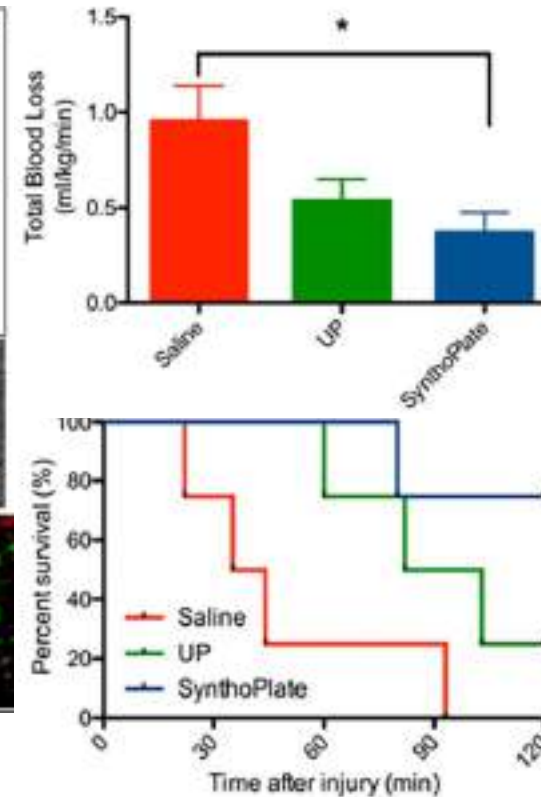


Primary hemostasis  
Immunomodulation  
Endothelial integrity

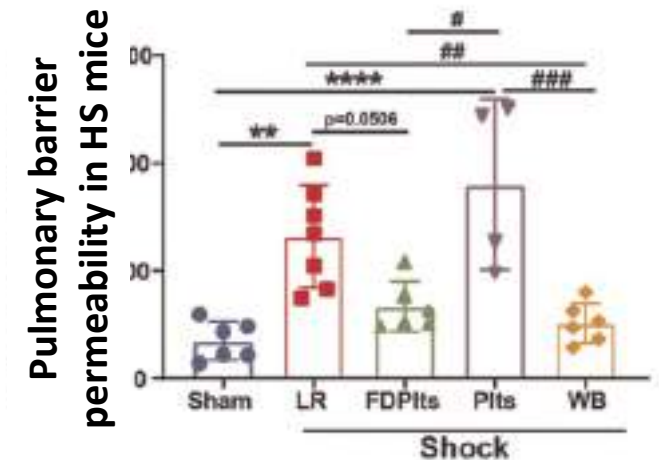
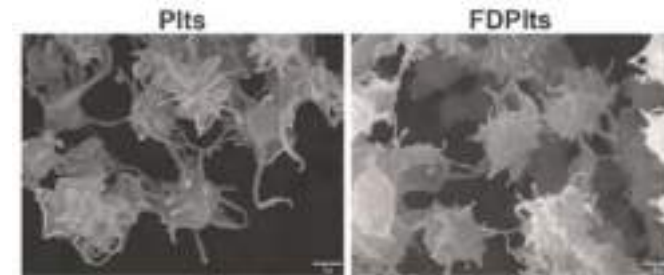
## SynthoPlate



Sekkhon et al. MHSRS 2022  
Hickman et al. Sci Rep 2018

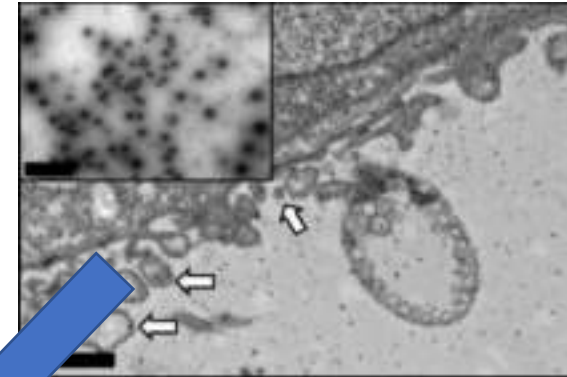
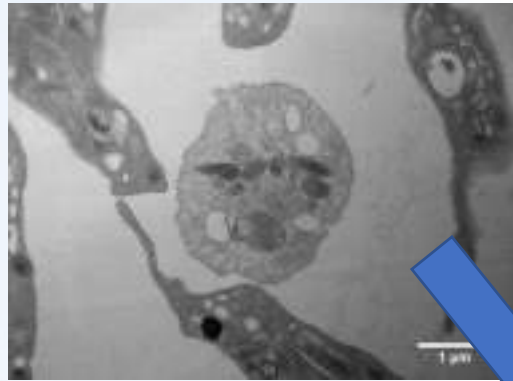


## Thrombosomes



Joshi et al. Blood 2011  
Trivedi J Trauma 2021

# United we stand: improvement of lyophilized plasma



Meledeo et al. J Trauma 2019  
Valade et al. Front Imm 2021

# Old product, new idea: cold-stored platelets

## PLATELET PRESERVATION\*

### Effect of Storage Temperature on Maintenance of Platelet Viability – Deleterious Effect of Refrigerated Storage

SCOTT MURPHY, M.D., AND FRANK H. GARDNER, M.D.

**Abstract** Standard refrigerated storage (at 4°C) resulted in a marked shortening of the life-span of platelets labeled with <sup>51</sup>Cr and reinfused into the original donor. Storage at ambient, room temperature (22°C) preserved a normal platelet life-span.

Platelets stored at this higher temperature should be adequate for transfusion purposes for as long as 96 hours. The use of cold temperatures should be abandoned in the preparation and storage of platelets for transfusion purposes.

The following exceptions or alternative procedures have been approved under 21 CFR 640.120(a) during October 2021 - December 2021.

1. 21 CFR 606.65(e) & 21 CFR 610.53(b)

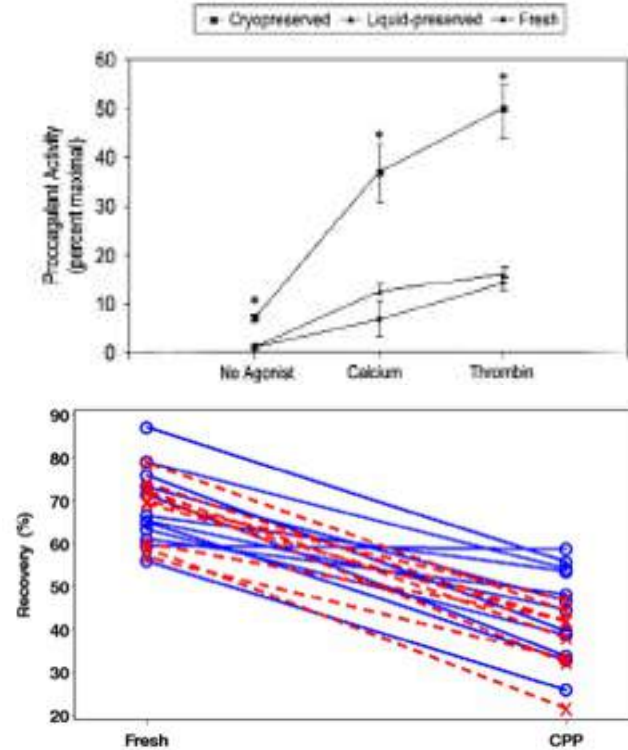
To manufacture Apheresis Platelets, Leukocytes Reduced, suspended in 100% plasma and stored at 1-6 °C for up to 14 days without agitation. The cold stored platelets products are intended to treat actively bleeding patients through day 14 of storage when conventional platelet products are unavailable, or their use is not practical.



Murphy et al. NEJM 1969

# Old product, new idea: cryopreserved platelets

| Parameter                          | Cryo-PLT             | RT-PLT                |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
|                                    | After 6 hours (T6)   | After 6 hours (T6)    |
| Hemoglobin (mmol/L)                | 6.4 (5.8-6.6)        | 6.3 (5.7-6.5)         |
| Hematocrit (%)                     | 30 (27-31)           | 30 (27-31)            |
| <b>Coagulation and HMGB-1</b>      |                      |                       |
| Thrombocytes (*10 <sup>9</sup> /L) | 448 (376-509)**      | 511 (399-654)**       |
| Fibrinogen (g/L)                   | 1.3 (1.1-1.6)**      | 1.3 (1.0-1.4)**       |
| PT (sec)                           | 13.9 (12.2-14.4)**   | 14.2 (12.7-15.8)**    |
| HMGB-1 (ng/mL)                     | 21.5 (10.2-26.1)**   | 25.5 (13.5-33.1)**    |
| <b>Endothelial leakage</b>         |                      |                       |
| Syndecan-1 (ng/mL)                 | 105.1 (86.4-150.8)** | 136.6 (108.7-173.1)** |
| Area FITC leakage-lung (%)         | 14.3 (9.5-18.0)      | 13.2 (7.0-20.0)       |
| Area FITC leakage-kidney (%)       | 25.6 (20.7-29.8)     | 20.0 (13.4-28.6)      |



Kleinvelde et al. Transfusion 2020  
 Martinaud et al. Transf Clin Biol  
 Dumont et al. 2013  
 Richard et al. 2015

# Massive hemorrhage and no blood?

## Crystal and colloid blood extenders

- ⇒ Inability to carry oxygen
- ⇒ Hemodilution
- ⇒ Coagulopathy
- ⇒ Depletion of factors
- ⇒ (...)

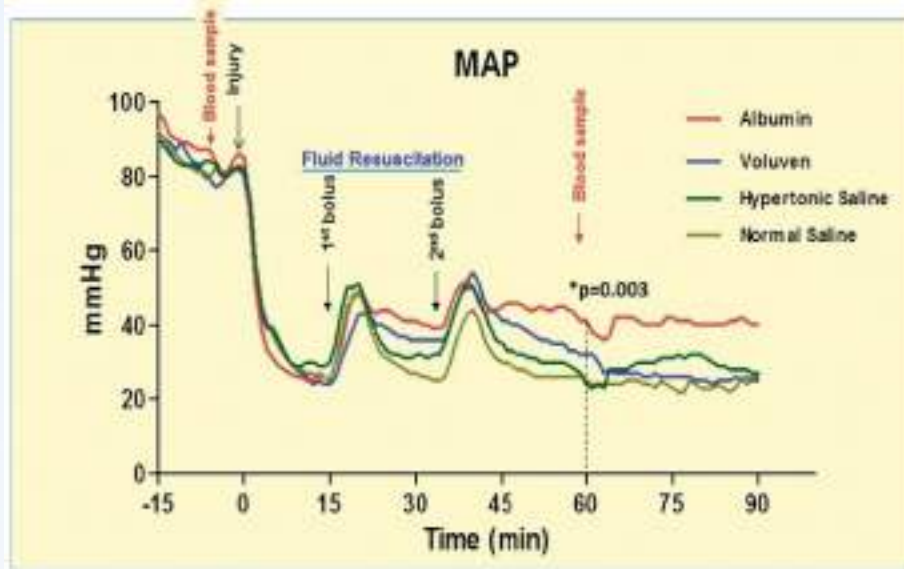


Table 3.—Coagulation Studies After Albumin Therapy

|   | Albumin-Treated Patients | Nonalbumin-treated Patients |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fibrinogen, mg/dL*                      | 238 ± 106                | 405 ± 181                   |
| Partial thromboplastin time, s          | 41 ± 16                  | 38 ± 18                     |
| Prothrombin time, s beyond control      | 2.6 ± 4                  | 1.4 ± 1.3                   |
| Platelet concentration, $1 \times 10^9$ | 94 ± 48                  | 106 ± 60                    |

Smith et al. Shock 2016  
Johnson et al. Arch Surg 1979  
Maegle et al. Transf 2016

Massive Trauma-hemorrhage

Stop (hyper)fibrinolysis

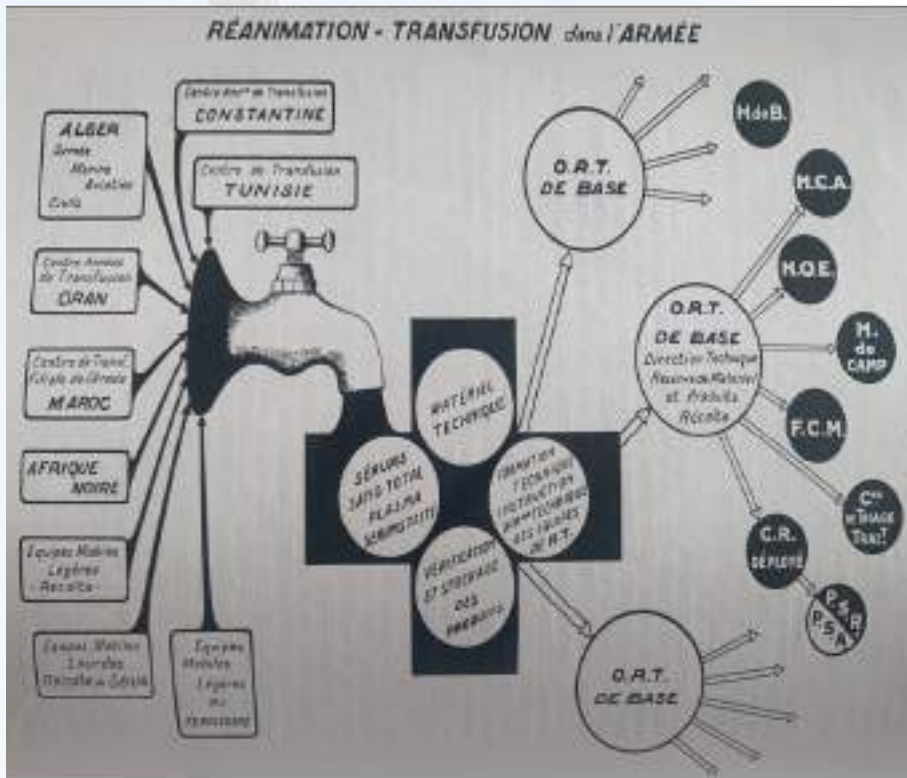
Support clot formation

Increase thrombin generation

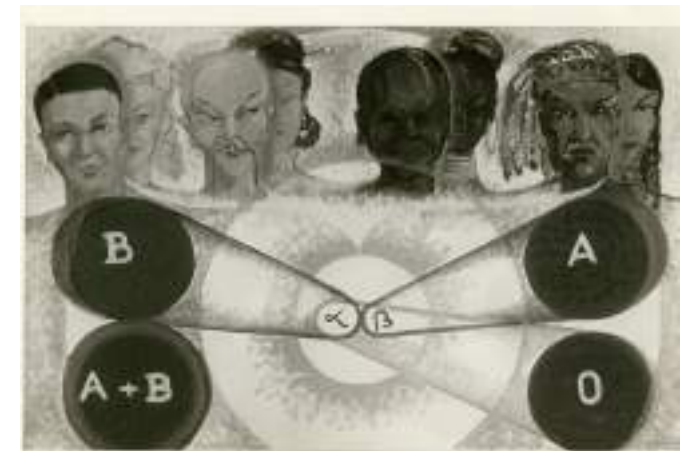




# Up-scaling the blood supply: looking backward



| Author         | % of transfusion | avg units/patient |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Camp           | 43               | 4.3               |
| Mendelson      | 16               | 7.1               |
| Moss           | 36               | 7.5               |
| Cary           | 24               | 6.5               |
| Allam          | 50               | 6                 |
| Eshaya-Chauvin | 16               | 3.9               |



Revue des corps de santé des armées, 1966  
 Vietnam studies, medical support 1965 – 1970, Neel 1991  
 Py et al. Transfusion 2022

# Up-scaling the blood supply: team wins





Q & A