

The Physician Pharmacist: Hematology/Oncology

Fetal Erythropoiesis:

- Yolk Sac = 3-8 w
- Liver = 6 w - birth
- Spleen = 10-28 w
- Bone Marrow = 18 w - Adult

Fetal Hb = a2g2

- Higher affinity for O₂ due to less avid binding of 2,3 BPG (allows HbF to extract O₂ from maternal Hb)

Adult Hb = a2B2

Blood Groups:

- **A** = RBCs have A antigens on surface, and B antibodies flowing in blood
- **B** = RBCs have B antigens on surface, and A antibodies in blood
- **AB** = Both A+B antigens on RBC surface, and NO antibodies in plasma
 - (Universal Recipient)
- **O** = no antigens on surface, but Anti-A and Anti-B antibodies present in blood
 - (Universal Donor) - can only receive from O
- **Rh(+)** = Rh(D) on RBC surface, no antibodies present
- **Rh(-)** = no antigens on surface, so Anti-D antibodies in blood (IgG)

Erythroblastosis Fetalis:

-Rh(-) patient has an Rh(+) fetus...blood exchange causes mothers antibodies to attack fetus
-Often requires first pregnancy exposure (IgG antibodies; often form secondary response - also only Abs to cross placenta)
-**Hydrops Fetalis** = Jaundice/Kernicterus
-Tx = Rhogam (Anti-D IgG) given in 3rd trimester, and shortly after delivery (Prevents maternal production of anti-D IgG)

ABO Hemolytic Dx:

-Type O pregnant patient (circulating anti-A/B) has A or B blood type child
-IgGs cross placenta and attack child
-Key = Can occur with 1st pregnancy (unlike EBF)
-Often less severe
-Tx = Phototherapy or exchange transfusion

Lymphoid Stem Cell (Lymphopoiesis)

- B cells → plasma Cells
- T cells → T-helper + T-cytotoxic
- NK Cells

Myeloid Stem Cell:

- Erythropoiesis = Erythroblast → Reticulocyte → Erythrocyte
- Thrombopoiesis = Megakaryoblast → Megakaryocyte → Platelets
- Granulocytopoiesis = Myeloblast
 - Band → Neutrophil
 - Basophil
 - Eosinophil
- Monocytopoiesis = Monoblast → Monocyte → Macrophage

Neutrophils:

-(+)Chemotaxis = **C5a, LTB₄, IL-8, 5-HETE**, Kallikrein, Platelet-Activating Factor (PAF), N-formylmethionine (bacterial)
-Hypersegmented Nucleus? = B12/Folate Def
-Left Shift (Bands) = myeloid proliferation (inflammation, CML)
-Leukoerythroblastic Rxn = Left Shift + Immature RBCs (Myelofibrosis, Metastasis)

Erythrocytes:

-Anucleate, No MHC I
-120 d adult t_{1/2} (60-90d neonates)
-Glycolysis primary energy supply
-Erythrocytosis (Hct) = Polycythemia
-Anisocytosis = varying sizes
-Poikilocytosis = varying shapes
-Reticulocyte = immature RBC (reflect erythroid proliferation)
-Polychromasia = reticulocytes w/ residual ribosomal RNA

Platelets:

-needed for primary hemostasis
-anucleate (has MHC I)
-Megakaryocyte origin
-8-10d lifespan (PI8lets)
-Dense Granules (**CASH**; Ca²⁺, ADP, Serotonin, Histamine)
-**a Granules** (vWF, Fibrinogen, Fibronectin, Platelet Factor 4)
-Petechiae = thrombocytopenia
-vWF Receptor = GP Ib
-Fibrinogen Receptor = GP IIb/IIIa

Monocytes:

-found in blood, differentiate into Macrophages in tissue
-One nucleus

Macrophages:

-IFN-γ = activates
-APC w/ MHC II
-Form Granulomas (TB, Sarcoid), fusing to form Giant Cells
-Bacterial LPS binds **CD14** to initiate septic shock
-Kupffer Cell = Liver Macrophage
-Histiocytes = Connective Tissue
-Langerhans = Skin
-Osteoclasts = Bone
-Microglia = brain

Eosinophils:

-Helminthic infxn (Major Basic Protein)
-IL-4 stimulated
-Bilobed nucleus
-Produces = Histaminase, Major basic Protein (MBP - kills helminths), Eosinophil Peroxidase, Cationic Protein, Eos-Derived Neurotoxin
-Eosinophilia Causes; PACMANE

- Parasites
- Asthma
- Chronic Adrenal Insuff
- Myeloproliferative dx
- Allergic process
- Neoplasia (Lymphoma)
- Eosinophilic Granulomatosis w/ Polyangiitis

Basophils:

-mediate allergic rxn
-Contain = Heparin + Histamine
-Basophilia = uncommon (CML)

Dendritic Cells:

-highly phagocytic APCs
-"professional APCs" - travel to Lymph nodes to activate T-cells
-Link btw Innate + Adaptive Immune Sys
-Express MHC II + MHC I
(Cross-presentation)

Mast Cells:

-mediate local tissue allergic rxns (bind Fc portion of IgE)
-C3a, C5a, Surface IgE cross-link (aggregation) →
degranulation → Histamine, Heparin, Tryptase, Eosinophil
Chemotactic factors

-Type I HSR

-Cromolyn Sodium = prevents degranulation

**-Vacomycin, Morphine (Opioids), Radiocontrast dye = elicit
IgE-Independent Mast Cell Degranulation**

-Mastocytosis (Rare) - *c-KIT mutations*

Lymphocytes:

-B, T, NK cells (B + T part of Adaptive Immunity, NKC part of
innate)

NKC:

-Perforin, granzymes

-CD56, CD16

B-cells:

-Humoral response

-bone marrow origin

-migrate to peripheral lymphoid tissue (follicle of LN, White
pulp of spleen)

-exposed to antigen, differentiates into Plasma Cells (Ab prod,
Memory Cells)

-Can function as APC

T-cells:

-originate from bone marrow, but mature in Thymus

-CD4+ T cells = MHC II

-CD8+ T cells = MHC I

-Both need costimulatory activation of CD28 (often w/ B7 -
CD80/86)

Plasma Cells:

-produce antibody

-"Clock face" chromatin distribution + eccentric nucleus

-Abundant RER, well developed Golgi

-Found in bone marrow, normally don't circulate in blood

Hemoglobin Electrophoresis:

-HbA migrates farthest > HbF > HbS > HbC

-Cathode (-) → Anode (+)

-missense mutation in HbS/C replaces glutamic acid (-) w/
valine or Lysine

Coombs Test: "detects presence of Abs against RBCs"

-Direct Coombs = anti-Ig Ab added, if RBCs already coated w/
Ig they will agglutinate (ddx - AIHA)

-Indirect Coombs = Normal RBCs added to pt serum, if serum
has anti-RBC surface Ig → agglutinates (used for Pretransfusio

Platelet Plug Formation:

1. Injury:

-endothelial damage → transient vasoconstriction
(endothelin release)

2. Exposure:

-vWF binds exposed collagen

-vWF comes from a-Granules from Platelets +
Weibel-Palade Bodies of Endothelial cells

3. Adhesion:

-platelets bind vWF via GP Ib receptor →
conformational platelet change

-platelets release ADP + Ca²⁺ (inducing Coag
cascade), and TXA₂

-ADP helps platelets adhere to endothelium

4. Activation:

-ADP binding to P2Y₁₂ receptor → induces GpIIb/IIIa
expression at platelet surface

5. Aggregation:

-Fibrinogen binds GP IIb/IIIa receptors + links
platelets

Notes:

-Pro-aggregation Factors: (TXA₂ from platelets
decreases blood flow + increases aggregation)

-Anti-Aggregation Factors: (PGI₂ + NO from
endothelial cells tries to increase blood flow, and
decrease aggregation)

-Temporary plug STOPS bleeding BUT is very
UNSTABLE (coagulation cascade provides
secondary hemostasis)

Pharm:

-ASA = irreversible inhibition of COX (no TXA₂ synth)

-Clopidogrel, Prasugrel, Ticagrelor, Ticlopidine =

- block P2Y₁₂ receptor (Inhibiting
ADP-Induced expression of GpIIb/IIIa)

-Abciximab, Eptifibatid, Tirofiban:

- Inhibit GpIIb/IIIa directly

-Ristocetin:

- Normally activates vWF to bind Gp Ib
- Failure to aggregate w/ Ristocetin assay =
vonWillebrand Dx (no vWF) or
Bernard-Soulier Syndrome (no GpIb
receptor)

-Desmopressin = promotes vWF + VIII release from
endothelial cells

Vitamin K Def:

-decreased synth of II, VII, IX, X, Protein C
and S

-Warfarin inhibits Vit K Epoxide Reductase
-Neonates lack enteric bacteria (normally
produce vit K)

-Factor VII (7) = Shortest t_{1/2}

-Factor II (Thrombin) = Longest t_{1/2}

-Antithrombin (AT3) = blocks Thrombin (IIa),
VIIa, IXa, Xa, XIa, XIIa

-Heparin enhances activity of Antithrombin

-Factor V Leiden = factor V is resistant to
inhibition by Protein C (perpetual clotting)

RBC Morphology:

-Acanthocytes (Spur Cells) = Asymmetric
projections (liver dx, abetalipoproteinemia,
vit E def)

-Echinocytes (Burr Cells) = even/uniform
projections (Liver dx, ESRD, Pyruvate
kinase def)

-Dacryocytes (Teardrop) = "squeezed out of
bone marrow" (Myelofibrosis)

-Schistocytes (Helmet) = Fragmented
RBCs (DIC, TTP, HUS, HELLP Synd, Heart
Valve Hemolysis)

-Degmacytes (Bite Cells) = removal of
Heinz bodies by splenic macrophages
"degging them out" (G6PD def)

-Elliptocytes (ovals) = Spectrin mutation
needed to maintain shape of membrane
(Hereditary Elliptocytosis)

-Spherocytes = small, spherical cells w/o
central pallor, SA to Vol ratio (hereditary
spherocytosis, autoimmune hemolytic
anemia)

-Macro-ovalocytes = megaloblastic
anemia

-Target Cells (Bullseye) = SA to Vol ratio
(HALT; HbC dx, Asplenia, Liver dx,
Thalassemia)

-Sickle Cell = occurs w/ low O₂ conditions
(High altitude/acidosis - Sickle Cell Anemia)

RBC Inclusions:

1. Iron Granules

- perinuclear mitochondria w/ excess iron (ringed-sideroblasts)
- Prussian Blue Stain
- Dx = Sideroblastic Anemias (Lead Poisoning, Myelodysplastic Syndromes, Chronic Alcohol Overuse)

2. Howell-Jolly Bodies:

- Basophilic nuclear remnants
- Normally removed by splenic macrophages
- Dx = Functional Hyposplenia (Sickle Cell), Asplenia

3. Basophilic Stippling:

- basophilic ribosomal precipitates
- Dx = Sideroblastic anemias, Thalassemias

4. Pappenheimer Bodies:

- Basophilic granules
- Dx = Sideroblastic anemias

5. Heinz Bodies:

- Denatured + precipitated Hb (contain iron)
- phagocytic removal of Heinz bodies ⇒ Bite Cells
- Crystal Violet Staining
- Dx = G6PD

Microcytic, Hypochromic Anemias: (MCV < 80)

Iron Deficiency (IDA):

- low iron due to chronic bleeding (GI loss, Menorrhagia), Malnutrition, Absorption disorders, GI surgery (gastrectomy), increased demand (Pregnancy)
- decreased final step in heme synthesis
- **Iron, TIBC, Ferritin, Free Erythrocyte Protoporphyrin, RDW, RI (reticulocyte index)**
- Microcytosis + Hypochromia (Increased Central Pallor)
- Sxs = fatigue, conjunctival pallor, Pica, Spoon nails (Koilonychia)
- Plummer-Vinson Syndrome** (IDA, Esophageal Webs, Dysphagia)

A-Thalassemia:

- a-globin gene deletions on Chr 16 → a-globin synthesis
- Normal aa/aa
- often RBC count (in contrast to IDA)

1. (aa/a-) = a-thalassemia minima

- No anemia (silent carrier)

2. (a-/a-; trans) or (aa/--; cis) = a-Thalassemia minor:

- Mild microcytic
- hypochromic anemia; Cis deletion may worsen outcome for the carrier's offspring

3. (-/-a) Hemoglobin H dx (HbB):

- excess B-globin forms B4
- Mod-severe microcytic hypochromic anemia

4. (-/-) Hemoglobin Barts Dx

- no a-globin, excess gamma-globin forms gamma4
- Hydrops fetalis; incompatible w/ life

B-Thalassemia:

- Point mutations in splice sites + promoter sequences on Chr11 → B-globin synthesis
- prevalence in people of mediterranean descent

1. B-thalassemia Minor:

- Heterozygote
- B-chain is underproduced (usually asymptomatic)
- ddx = confirmed by HbA2 on electrophoresis

2. B-thalassemia Major:

- Homozygote
- B chain is absent → severe microcytic, hypochromic anemia w/ target cells
- Marrow expansion, skeletal deformities
- extramedullary hematopoiesis → hepatosplenomegaly
- risk of Parvovirus B19 induced Aplastic Crisis
- HbF (a2g2), HbA2 (a2delta2)
- HbF is protective in the infant (only becomes symptomatic after 6 months)

3. HbS/B-thalassemia heterozygote:

- mild-mod sickle cell dx depending on amount of B-globin production

Lead Poisoning;

- lead inhibits ferrochelatase + ALA Dehydrogenase → heme synthesis + RBC protoporphyrin
- Also inhibits rRNA degradation → RBCs retain aggregates of rRNA (basophilic stippling)

Sxs: "LEAD"

- Lead Lines on Gingiva (Burton Lines) + long bones
- Encephalopathy + Erythrocyte Basophilic Stippling
- Abdominal Colic + Sideroblastic Anemia
- Drops - wrist/foot drop

Tx: Chelation (Succimer, EDTA, Dimercaprol)

Sideroblastic Anemia:

- Causes = Genetic (X-linked defect in ALA synthase), Acquired (MDS), Reversible (Alcohol, Lead Poisoning, Vit B6 def, Copper Def, Drugs [Isoniazid, Linezolid])
- Iron, Norma/ TIBC, Ferritin
- Ringed sideroblasts (iron-laden, prussian blue-stained mitochondria) in Bone Marrow
- Peripheral blood = basophilic stippling of RBCs
- Tx:** Pyridoxine (B6, Cofactor for ALA Synthase)

Transferrin = transports iron in blood
TIBC = indirectly measures transferrin
Ferritin = primary iron stores

IDA:

- Iron
- TIBC
- Ferritin,
- %Transferrin saturation

Chronic Dx:

- Iron
- TIBC
- Ferritin
- %Transferrin saturation

Hemochromatosis:

- Iron
- TIBC
- Ferritin
- % Transferrin Saturation

Pregnancy/OCP Use:

- Iron
- TIBC
- Ferritin
- % transferrin saturation

Macrocytic Anemias: (MCV >100)

Megaloblastic Anemia:

-impaired DNA synthesis → maturation of nucleus precursor cells is delayed in comparison to maturation of cytoplasm

-Hypersegmented PMNs

-Causes: Folate def, B12, Meds (Hydroxyurea, phenytoin, MTX, sulfa drugs)

1. Folate Deficiency:

-causes = Malnutrition (Alcoholism), Malabsorption, Drugs (MTX, Trimethoprim, Phenytoin), increased requirement (Pregnancy, Hemolytic Anemia)

- **Homocysteine, Normal Methylmalonic acid**

-No Neurologic sx (vs. B12)

2. Vitamin B12 (Cobalamin) Def.:

-causes = Pernicious Anemia, Malabsorption (Crohns), Pancreatic Insufficiency, Gastrectomy, Insufficient intake (Veganism), Diphyllotrichium Latum (Fish tapeworm)

- **Homocysteine, Methylmalonic acid**

-Neurologic Sxs***

- Reversible dementia
- Subacute combined degeneration (b12 needed for Fatty acid synth + myelin production) = Spinocerebellar tract, lateral corticospinal tract, dorsal column dysfunction

-Folate supplementation can correct anemia but worsens neurological sx

-DDx = Schilling test (insuff vs. malabsorption)

-Anemia from insufficient intake, takes years (liver can store plenty) vs. Folate (depleted within weeks)

3. Orotic Aciduria:

-Inability to convert orotic acid to UMP (de novo PYRimidine Synth)

-defect in UMP Synthase

-Autosomal recessive

-"Children who fail to thrive", developmental delays, megaloblastic anemia refractory to folate + B12 supps

-No Hyperammonemia (vs. ornithine transcarbamylase def → orotic acid w/ hyperammonemia)

-Orotic Acid seen in urine

-Tx = Uridine Monophosphate (UMP) or Uridine Triacetate to bypass defective enzyme

Non-Megaloblastic Anemia:

-macrocytic anemia BUT DNA synthesis is normal

-RBC macrocytosis w/o Hypersegmented PMNs

-Causes = Liver dx, alcoholism

1. Diamond-Blackfan Anemia:

-congenital form of Pure red cell aplasia (vs. Fanconi anemia, which causes pancytopenia)

-Rapid-onset anemia within 1st year of life due to defect in Erythroid Progenitor Cells

- % HbF (but total Hb)

-**Short stature, craniofacial abnormalities, upper extremity malformations (Triphalangeal thumbs)**

Normocytic: (MVC 80-100)

Normocytic, Normochromic:

-classified as either nonhemolytic or hemolytic (intrinsic vs. extrinsic)

-Hemolysis = LDH, reticulocytes, unconjugated Bili, pigmented gallstones, urobilinogen in urine

Intravascular Hemolysis:

- haptoglobin, schistocytes on blood smear

-hemoglobinuria, hemosiderinuria, urobilinogen in urine

-Causes = Mechanical hemolysis (prosthetic valves), Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria, microangiopathic hemolytic anemias

Extravascular Hemolysis:

-Mech = macrophages in **spleen** clear RBCs

-spherocytes in peripheral smear (commonly due to hereditary spherocytosis, and autoimmune hemolytic anemia), **No Hemoglobinuria/hemosiderinuria**

-can still have urobilinogen in urine

Nonhemolytic, Normocytic:

1. Anemia of Chronic Dx:

-inflammation (IL-6) → Hcpidin (released from liver, binds ferroportin on intestinal mucosal cells + macrophages, inhibiting iron transport)

- release of iron from macrophages + iron absorption from gut

-Conditions = Chronic Infxn, Neoplastic Disorders, CKD, SLE, RA

- **iron, TIBC, Ferritin**

-Normocytic but can become microcytic

-Tx = fix underlying dx, consider blood transfusions,

2. Aplastic Anemia:

-Failure/destruction of hematopoietic stem cells

-"Reducing Volume From Inside Diaphysis"

1. Radiation
2. Viral agents (EBV, HIV, Hepatitis)
3. Fanconi Anemia (Auto Recessive DNA repair defect → bone marrow failure)
4. Idiopathic (immune mediated, primary stem cell defect)
5. Drugs (Benzene, Chloramphenicol, Alkylating agents, Antimetabolites)

- **Reticulocyte count, EPO**

-Pancytopenia w/ anemia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia (NOT the same as aplastic crisis which ONLY causes anemias)

-Normal cell morphology, but hypocellular bone marrow w/ **fatty infiltration (looks like fat lipid deposits in bone marrow)**

-sxs = fatigue, malaise, pallor, purpura, mucosal bleeding, petechiae, infection

-Tx = stop drugs, bone marrow allograft, RBC/platelet transfusion, Bone marrow stimulation (GM-CSF)

Hemolytic (Intrinsic):

1. Hereditary Spherocytosis:

-Autosomal dominant

-defect in proteins interacting w/ RBC membrane skeleton + plasma membrane (Ankyrin, Band 3 Protein 4.2, Spectrin)

-Small, round RBCs w/ less SA and no central pallor (MCHC)

-leads to premature removal by spleen (Extravascular Hemolysis)

-**Splenomegaly, pigmented gallstones, aplastic crisis (parvovirus B19 Infxn)**

Labs:

- fluorescence of RBCs in Eosin

5-maleimide (EMA) binding test

fragility in osmotic fragility test

-normal/ MCV w/ abundance of RBCs

-Tx = Splenectomy

EPO for CKD

2. G6PD Def:

- X-linked recessive
- G6PD defect → NADPH → Glutathione → RBC susceptibility to Oxidative Stress (ROS) → Hemolysis
- Drugs (**Sulfas, Antimalarials, Fava Beans**)
- Extravascular + Intravascular Hemolysis
- Back pain, Hemoglobinuria** (a few days later)
- Heinz Bodies + Bite Cells**

3. Pyruvate Kinase Def.

- Autosomal recessive
- Pyruvate Kinase Defect → ATP → rigid RBCs → extravascular hemolysis
- levels of 2,3-BPG → hemoglobin affinity for O₂
- Hemolytic Anemia in a Newborn**
- Blood smear w/ **Burr Cells** (Echinocytes - uniform blebs)

4. Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria:

- Hematopoietic stem cell mutation → complement-mediated intravascular hemolysis (especially at Night)
- PIGA mutation** → impaired GPI anchor synthesis for decay-accelerating factor (DAF/**CD55**) + Membrane inhibitor of reactive lysis (MIRL/**CD59**) = both normally protect RBC membrane from Hemolysis
- Triad:
 1. (-) Hemolytic Anemia
 2. Pancytopenia
 3. Venous Thrombosis (Budd-Chiari Syndrome)

-Pink/Red urine in morning

-Associated w/ Aplastic Anemias + Acute Leukemias

-CD55/CD59 (-) RBCs on Flow Cytometry

-Tx = Eculizumab (targets terminal complement protein C5)

5. HbC Disease:

- Glutamic Acid-to-Lysine Point Mutation in B-globin
- Causes Extravascular hemolysis
- pts w/ PbSC (1 of each mutant Gene) have milder dx than HbSS pts
- Blood smear in homozygotes = Hemoglobin Crystals inside RBCs (Target Cells)

6. Sickle Cell Anemia:

- B-globin Gene point mutation (single AA switch from Glutamic Acid → Val)
- Mutant HbA becomes HbS
- Causes Extravascular + Intravascular Hemolysis
- Low O₂, High Altitude, Acidosis = triggers sickling (deoxygenated HbS polymerizes) → Anemia + VOC
- Asymptomatic Newborns (b/c of HbF for short time)
- Heterozygotes have resistance to Malaria
- Most common autosomal recessive dx in Black population
- Sickle Cells are Crescent Shaped RBCs
- "Crew-Cut" on Skull X-ray due to marrow expansion from erythropoiesis (seen in thalassemia too)
- Complications:
 1. Aplastic Crisis (transient arrest of Erythropoiesis due to Parvovirus B19)
 2. Autsplenectomy (**Howell-Jolly Bodies**) → infxn w/ encapsulated organisms (Strep pneumo, Neisseria)
 3. Splenic Infarct/Sequestration Crisis
 4. Salmonella Osteomyelitis
 5. VOC: dactylitis (painful swelling of hands/feet), Priapism, Acute Chest syndrome (pulm infiltrates on CXR, common cause of mortality), Avascular Necrosis, Stroke
 6. Renal Papillary Necrosis (sickling in renal medulla); PO₂ → hematuria
- **HbA, HbF, HbS**
- Tx = Hydroxyurea (HbF), Hydration

Hemolytic (Extrinsic):

1. Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia (AIHA):

- often Idiopathic + Coombs (+)
- Spherocytes + Agglutinated RBCs on peripheral smear

Warm AIHA:

- chronic anemia
- IgG** causing extravascular hemolysis
- SLE, CLL, B-lactams, a-methyl dopa

Cold AIHA:

- acute anemia
- IgM + Complement** causing RBC agglutination and extravascular hemolysis upon exposure to cold
- Cold, Painful blue fingers/toes

2. Microangiopathic Hemolytic Anemia:

- RBCs damaged when passing through obstructed/narrowed vessels
- causes intravascular hemolysis
- DIC, TTP/HUS, SLE, HELLP syndrome, Hypertensive Emergency
- Schistocytes** (helmet cells) seen in peripheral smear "Split RBCs"

3. Macroangiopathic Hemolytic Anemia:

- Prosthetic hear valves + aortic stenosis
- mechanical destruction of RBCs
- Schistocytes on peripheral blood smear (same as above)

4. Hemolytic Anemia due to Infxn:

- destruction of RBCs (Malaria, Babesia)

Leukopenias:

1. Neutropenia:

- ANC < 1500 (< 500 indicates severe infxn)
- Causes = Sepsis, Drugs (chemo), Aplastic anemia, SLE, radiation

2. Lymphopenia:

- Absolute Lymphocyte Count < 1500 (< 3000 in children)
- HIV, DiGeorge, SCID, SLE, Steroids, Radiation, Sepsis, Post-Op

3. Eosinopenia:

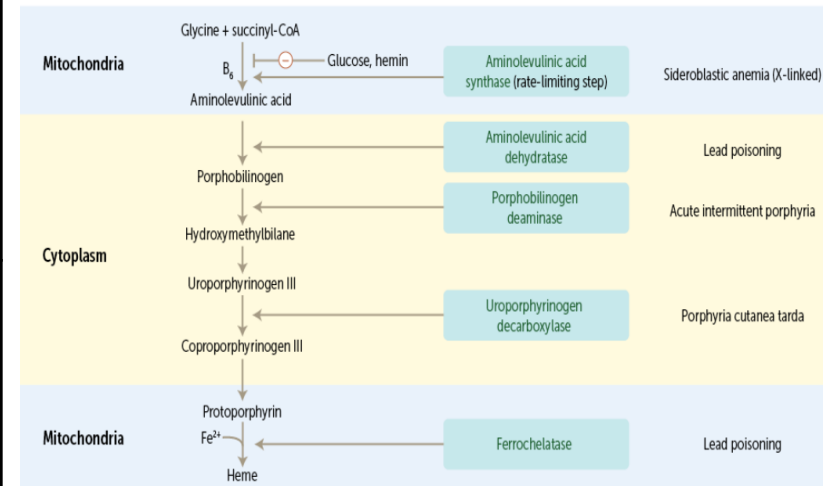
- Absolute Eos Count < 30
- Cushing Syndrome, Steroids

Steroids cause Neutrophilia (PMNs) despite causing Eosinopenia/Lymphopenia b/c they activation of PMNs adhesion molecules → impairing migration to sites of infxn

-CLL, **Mycoplasma pneumoniae** infxns,
Mononucleosis

Heme Synthesis Disorders/Toxins

	Enzyme Affected	Accumulated Precursors	Sxs
Lead Poisoning	1. Ferrochelatase (last step in Heme synth - Mitochondrial side) 2. ALA Dehydratase (Cytoplasm)	-Protoporphyrin -ALA (Aminolevulinic Acid)	-Microcytic Anemia (basophilic stippling - blood, Ringed Sideroblasts -marrow), GI, Kidney Dx -Children = exposure to lead paint → mental deterioration -Adults = Environmental exposure (Batteries/Ammunition) → HA, Memory Loss, Demyelination (Peripheral Neuropathy)
Acute Intermittent Porphyria	1. Porphobilinogen Deaminase (Cytoplasm)	-Porphobilinogen -ALA	-5 P's 1. Painful abd 2. Port wine - colored pee 3. Polyneuropathy 4. Psychological disturbances 5. Precipitated by factors that ALA Synthase (CYP Inducers, Alcohol, Starvation) -Tx = Hemin + Glc
Porphyria Cutanea Tarda	1. Uroporphyrinogen Decarboxylase (Cytoplasm)	-Uroporphyrin (Tea-Colored Urine)	-Blistering cutaneous photosensitivity + Hyperpigmentation -MOST COMMON PORPHYRIA -exacerbated w/ Alcohol Consumption -Causes = Familial, Hepatitis C -Tx = Phlebotomy, Sun avoidance, antimalarials (Hydroxychloroquine)



Acute Iron Poisoning:

- High mortality (accidental child ingestion)
- cell death due to formation of Free Radical + Peroxidation of membrane lipids
- Abd pain, vomiting, GI bleeding
- Severe = Anion Gap metabolic acidosis + organ failure
- Sequelae = scarring + GI obstruction
- Radioopaque pill seen on x-ray
- Tx = Chelation (Deferoxamine, Deferasirox), Gastric Lavage:

Chronic Iron Poisoning: "Hemochromatosis"

- seen in pts w/ hereditary or acquired (chronic transfusions for thalassemias/Sickle Cell)
- Arthropathy, cirrhosis, cardiomyopathy, DM, Skin pigmentation (Bronze Diabetes), Hypogonadism
- Tx = Phlebotomy (pts w/o anemia) or Chelation

Coagulation Disorders:

-PT = tests function of common + **Extrinsic** pathway (Factors I, II, V, VII, X) "Play Tennis Outside"

-INR = patient PT/control PT (Warfarin prolongs INR > 1)

-PTT = tests function of **Intrinsic Pathway** (all factors except VII, XIII) "Play Table Tennis Inside"

1. Hemophilia A, B, or C:

-No change PT

- **PTT**

-Intrinsic Pathway Coagulation:

A = **def VIII** (8) "hemophilia eight ~A"

B = def IX (9)

C = def XI (11)

-**Hemarthroses (bleeding into joints)**, easy bruising

-Tx = Desmopressin, Factor VIII concentrate, Emicizumab (A); Factor IX (B), Factor XI concentrates (C)

2. Vitamin K Def:

- PT

- PTT

-General coagulation defect (Bleeding time is normal)

- activity of factors 2, 7, 9, 10, protein C, protein S

Platelet Disorders:

-All platelet disorders have an Bleeding Time (BT), Mucous membrane bleeding, and Microhemorrhages (Petechiae, Epistaxis)

-Platelet count (PC) may be low, or normal (qualitative issues instead - dysfunctional, but count ok)

1. Bernard-Soulier:

- /- PC

- BT

-Autosomal recessive

-defect in Adhesion

- GpIb → platelet-to-vWF adhesion

-Abnormal Ristocetin test, Large Platelets

2. Glanzmann Thrombasthenia:

- PC normal

- BT

-autosomal recessive

-defect in aggregation

- GpIIb/IIIa (integrin) → platelet-to-platelet aggregation +

3. Immune Thrombocytopenia:

- PC

- BT

-destruction of platelets in spleen

-Anti-GpIIb/IIIa antibodies → splenic macrophages phagocytose platelets

-idiopathic or secondary to autoimmune disorders (SLE), Viral illness (HIV, HCV), Malignancy (CLL), or drug rxns

- Megakaryocytes in bone marrow biopsy, PC

-Tx = Steroids, IVIG, Rituximab, TPO receptor agonists (Eltrombopag, Romiplostim), splenectomy

Thrombotic Microangiopathies:

1. Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (TTP):

-females

-inhibition/def of **ADAMTS13** (vWF metalloprotease)

→ degradation of vWF → large vWF multimers

→ platelet adhesion + aggregation (Microthrombi formation)

-Triad:

- Thrombocytopenia (platelets)
- Microangiopathic hemolytic anemia (Hb, schistocytes, LDH)
- AKI (SCr)

-Unique sx = **Fever + Neurologic sx**

-**Normal PT, and PTT** (helps distinguish TTP and HUS from DIC), Coagulation pathway is NOT activated in TTP/HUS but is w/ DIC

-Tx = plasma exchange, steroids, rituximab

2. Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS):

-Children

-**Shiga Toxin-Producing E.coli (STEC)** Infxn (serotype O157:H7)

-Triad (same as above)

-Unique Sxs = **Bloody Diarrhea**

-Normal PT and PTT (same as above)

-Tx = Supportive care

Mixed Platelet and Coag Disorders:

1. Von Willebrand Disease (VWD):

-PC normal

- BT

-PT normal

- PTT/normal

-Intrinsic pathway coagulation defect: vWF → PTT (vWF carries/protects Factor VIII)

-defect in platelet plug formation: vWF → defect in platelet-to-vWF adhesion

-Autosomal dominant

-MOST COMMON Inherited Bleeding Disorder (sxs are mild)

-No platelet aggregation w/ Ristocetin Cofactor Assay

-Tx = Desmopressin (releases vWF stored in endothelium)

2. Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation (DIC):

- PC

- BT

- PT

- PTT

-Widespread clotting factor activation → def in clotting factors → bleeding state (blood oozing from puncture sites)

-Causes = "SSTOP Making New Thrombi"

1. Snake bites
2. Sepsis (Grm (-))
3. Trauma
4. Obstetric Complications
5. Pancreatitis (Acute)
6. Malignancy
7. Nephrotic Syndrome
8. Transfusions

-(+ Schistocytes

- fibrin degradation products (D-dimers)

- Fibrinogen

- Factors V and VIII

- defective platelet plug formation
- No platelet clumping observed in peripheral blood smear

Hereditary Thrombophilias:

- All autosomal dominant
- leads to HYPERCOAGULABLE STATE (clots!)

1. Antithrombin Def:

- no direct effect on PT, PTT, or Thrombin time
- decreases the increase in PTT after getting Heparin
- Most inherited some acquired (Renal Failure/Nephrotic Syndrome) → AT3 loss in urine → **inhibition of Factors IIa, Xa**

2. Factor V Leiden:

- production of mutant factor V (**guanine → adenine DNA point mutation**) → **Arg506Gln** mutation near cleavage site
- Factor V is resistant to degradation by activated Protein C**
- Complications = DVT, cerebral vein thrombosis, recurrent pregnancy loss

3. Protein C or S def:

- **ability to inactivate factors Va and VIIIa**
- risk of Warfarin-Induced Skin Necrosis

4. Prothrombin G20210A Mutation:

- point mutation in 3' untranslated region → **production of prothrombin** → plasma levels + venous clots

Blood Transfusion Therapy:

- Risks: infxn transmission, transfusion rxns, iron overload (hemochromatosis), hypocalcemia (Ca²⁺ chelators in products), Hyperkalemia (RBCs lysed in old blood products)

1. Packed RBCs:

- Hb and O₂ carrying capacity
- acute blood loss, severe anemia

2. Platelets:

- stops significant bleeding

3. Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP)/Prothrombin Complex Concentrate (PCC):

- coag factor levels; FFP contains all coag factors/plasma proteins, PCC has 2, 7, 9, 10, C, S
- immediate anticoag reversal

4. Cryoprecipitate:

- fibrinogen, factor VIII, factor XIII, vWF, fibronectin

Leukemia and Lymphomas:

- Leukemia = Lymphoid or myeloid neoplasm w/ widespread involvement of bone marrow (Tumor cells usually found in peripheral blood)
- Lymphoma = discrete tumor mass arising from lymph nodes, Variable clinical presentation

Both Hodgkin + Non-Hodgkin:

- Both present w/ Constitutional (B) sx's:
 1. Low-grade fever
 2. Night sweats
 3. Weight loss

Hodgkin Lymphoma:

- localized, single group of nodes w/ contiguous spread**
- Stage is strongest predictor of prognosis
- Better prognosis overall
- Bimodal distribution** (Young Adult + Old (>55yo))
- Males > Females (except nodular sclerosing subtype)
- Associated w/ EBV

Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma:

- MULTIPLE Lymph nodes involved; extranodal involvement common
- "Non-contiguous Spread"
- Worse prognosis
- Most involve B-cells, some T-cells
- Children + adults
- Autoimmune + viral associations (HIV, EBV, HTLV)

Hodgkin Lymphoma:

- Reed-Sternberg Cells = "Owl Eyes"**
- CD15+ and CD30+**
- 1. Nodular Sclerosis: (Most Common)

2. Lymphocyte Rich:

- Best Prognosis

3. Mixed Cellularity:

- Eosinophilia; seen in immunocompromised

4. Lymphocyte Depleted:

- Worst prognosis
- immunocompromised pts

Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma:

Neoplasms of Mature B-Cells:

1. Burkitt Lymphoma:

- Adolescents, young adults
- t(8;14)** - translocation of **c-myc** (8) and Heavy-Chain Ig (14)
- "Starry Sky" lymphocyte sheets + "tingible body" macrophages dispersed
- EBV association
- Jaw Lesions in Africa

2. Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma (DLBCL):

- older adults (some young children)
- BCL-2, BCL-6** mutations
- MOST COMMON type of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in adults

3. Follicular Lymphoma:

- adults
- t(14;18)** - translocation of heavy chain Ig (14) and BCL-2 (18)
- indolent course w/ painless "waxing and waning" lymphadenopathy
- BCL-2 normally inhibits apoptosis

4. MANTle Cell Lymphoma:

- Adult MALES >>> females
- t(11;14)** - translocation of Cyclin D1 (11) and Heavy chain Ig (14)
- CD5+
- very aggressive, often late stage at ddx

5. Marginal Zone Lymphoma [MALT]:

- adults
- t(11;18)**
- associated w/ Chronic Inflammation (Sjogren's Syndrome, Chronic Gastritis [MALT Lymphoma may regress w/ H. pylori eradication])

6. Primary Central Nervous System Lymphoma (PCNSL):

- EBV related, HIV related

-used for coag factor def involving fibrinogen and factor VIII

Neoplasms of Mature T-Cells:

1. Adult T-cell Lymphoma:

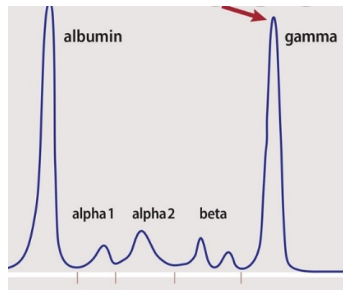
- adults
- caused by HTLV (associated w/ IV drug use)
- Cutaneous lesions
- common in Japan, West Africa, Caribbean
- Lytic Bone Lesions, Hypercalcemia

2. Mycosis Fungoides/Sezary Syndrome:

- adults
- Mycosis fungoides = skin patches + plaques (Cutaneous T-cell Lymphoma)
 - Atypical Cd4+ cells w/ "Cerebriform" nuclei + intraepidermal neoplastic cell aggregates (Pautrier Microabscess)
- Progression = Sezary Syndrome (T-cell Leukemia)

Plasma Cell Dyscrasias:

- monoclonal immunoglobulin (paraprotein) overproduction due to plasma cell disorder
- Serum protein electrophoresis (SPEP) for Free Light Chain (FLC) assay for tests (**M-Spike** on STEP = overproduction of monoclonal Ig Fragment)
- Urinalysis = 24-hr urine protein electro (UPEP) to detect light chain (No urine dipstick b/c only looks for albumin)
- Confirm w/ Bone Marrow Biopsy



1. Multiple Myeloma (MM):

- overproduction of IgG > IgA
- CRAB:**
 - hyperCalcemia
 - Renal involvement
 - Anemia
 - Bone Lytic Lesions ("punched out on X-ray") → back pain
- Rouleaux Formation (RBCs stacked like poker chips)

2. Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia:

- overproduction of IgM (Macroglobulinemia b/c IgM is the largest Ig)
- Features:
 - Peripheral neuropathy
 - No CRAB findings
 - Hyperviscosity Syndrome:
 - HA
 - Blurry Vision
 - Raynaud Phenomenon
 - Retinal Hemorrhages
- Bone Marrow = > 10% small lymphocytes w/ intranuclear pseudoinclusions containing IgM (lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma)
- Complications = Thrombosis

3. Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance (MGUS):

- overproduction of ANY Ig Type
- usually asymptomatic
- No CRAB findings
- Bone marrow = < 10% monoclonal plasma cells
- Complication = 1-2% yearly risk of transitioning into Multiple Myeloma

Myelodysplastic Syndromes (MDS):

- Stem cell disorders involving ineffective Hematopoiesis → defects in cell maturation of non lymphoid lineages
- Bone marrow blasts < 20% (vs. AML > 20%)
- Causes = de novo mutations or environmental exposure (rads, benzene, chemo)
- Risk of AML transformation
- Pseudo-Pelger-Huet Anomaly;**
- Neutrophils w/ Bilobed ("Duet") nuclei
- associated w/ MDS or Drugs (Immunosuppressants)

- "AIDS-defining Illness" = confusion, memory loss, seizures
- CNS mass (single, ring-enhancing lesion), may look like Toxo (except toxo is multiple)

Leukemias:

- unregulated growth/differentiation of WBCs in Bone marrow → marrow failure →
 - anemia (RBCs)
 - Infxns (mature WBCs)
 - Hemorrhage (platelets)
- circulating WBCs (malignant leukocytes in blood)
- leukemic cell infiltration of Liver, spleen, LNs, and skin (Leukemia Cutis)

Lymphoid Neoplasms:

1. Acute Lymphoblastic

- Leukemia/Lymphoma (ALL):**
- Children > > > Adults (although worse prognosis)
- T-cell ALL = Mediastinal mass (often as SVC-like Syndrome)
- Associated w/ Down Syndrome
- Blood/Marrow = Lymphoblasts
- TdT+ (marker for pre-B and pre-T cells)
- CD10+ (pre-B cells)
- most responsive to therapy
- t(12;21)** = better prognosis
- t(9;22) (Philadelphia Chromosome)** = worse prognosis

2. Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (CLL):

- >60 yo
- Most COMMON adult leukemia
- CD20+, CD23+, CD5+ B-cell Neoplasm
- Asymptomatic w/ slow progression
- "**Smudge Cells**" in peripheral blood (Autoimmune hemolytic anemia)
- Richter Transformation** = CLL/SLL transformation into aggressive lymphoma (often DLBCL)

3. Hairy Cell Leukemia:

- Adult Males (Mature B-cell Tumor)
- Filamentous, hair-like projections on LM
- Uncommon to have Lymphadenopathy
- Marrow Fibrosis** = dry tap on aspiration**
- Massive splenomegaly + Pancytopenia**

- UA shows Ig Light Chains (Bence Jones Proteinuria) w/ (-) Urine Dipstick
- Bone marrow = > 10% monoclonal plasma cells w/ Clock-Face Chromatin + Intracytoplasmic inclusions containing IgG
- Increased risk of infxns + Amyloidosis

Myeloid Neoplasms:

1. Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML):

- 65 yo
- Auer Rods**; Myeloperoxidase (+) cytoplasmic inclusions seen mostly in APL
- circulating Myeloblasts
- RF:
 - Alkylating Chemo Exposure
 - Radiation
 - Myeloproliferative disorders
 - Down syndrome
- APL: t(15;17)** = responds to **ATRA** (all-trans retinoic acid - vit A) or Arsenic Trioxide = triggers differentiation
- DIC is the most common presentation

2. Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia (CML):

- 45-85 yo (64 mean)
- Philadelphia Chromosome; t(9;22), BCR-ABL** + myeloid stem cell proliferation
- dysregulated production of mature and maturing granulocytes (PMNs, Metamyelocytes, Myelocytes, Basophils)
- Splenomegaly
- May accelerated and transform to AML or ALL ("Blast Crisis")
- Responds BCR-ABL TKIs (Imatinib)

Myeloproliferative Neoplasms:

- Malignant hematopoietic neoplasms w/ varying impacts on WBCs and Myeloid Cell lines

1. Polycythemia Vera:

- disorder of RBCs
- acquired **JAK2** mutation
- presents as intense itching after showering (aquagenic pruritus)
- Erythromelalgia = severe, burning pain + red-blue coloration due to blood clots in vessels of extremities
- **EPO** (something in marrow is causing excessive production outside of hormonal control)
- Tx = Phlebotomy, hydroxyurea, Ruxulitinib (JAK1/2 inhib)

2. Essential Thrombocythemia:

- massive proliferation of megakaryocytes + platelets
- bleeding + thrombosis

1. Polycythemia Vera:
 - a. RBCs
 - b. WBC
 - c. Platelets
 - d. (-) Philadelphia Chromosome
 - e. **(+) JAK2 mutation**
2. Essential Thrombocythemia:
 - a. Normal RBCs
 - b. Normal WBCs
 - c. Platelets
 - d. (-) Philadelphia Chromosome
 - e. **(+) JAK2 (30-50%)**
3. Myelofibrosis:
 - a. **RBCs**
 - b. Variable WBC
 - c. Variable Platelets
 - d. (-) Philadelphia Chromosome
 - e. **(+) JAK2 (30-50%)**
4. CML:
 - a. RBCs
 - b. WBC
 - c. Platelets
 - d. **(+) Philadelphia**
 - e. **(-) JAK2**

Polycythemia (cont.):

1. Relative Polycythemia:

- **plasma volume (primary issue)**
- normal RBC mass, O2 Sat, EPO levels
- Dehydration, Burns

2. Appropriate Absolute Polycythemia:

- normal plasma vol
- RBC mass
- **O2 saturation** (primary issue)
- EPO
- Lung Dx, Congenital heart dx, High altitude

3. Inappropriate Absolute Polycythemia:

- normal plasma vol
- RBC mass
- normal O2 sat
- **EPO (Primary issue)**

- (+)TRAP Stain** = Tartrate-Resistant Acid Phosphatase)
- BRAF mutations
- Tx = Purine Analogs (Cladribine, Pentostatin)

Leukemoid Reaction:

- in WBC count that can mimic Leukemia
- Reactive neutrophilia (WBCs > 50,000)
- Toxic Granulation, Dohle Bodies, Cytoplasmic Vacuoles
- LAP Score (decreased in CML)
- Normal Eos, Basophils

High-Yield Mutations:

1. **t(8;14) = Burkitt Lymphoma (c-myc activation)**
2. **t(11;14) = Mantle Cell Lymphoma (Cyclin D1 activation)**
3. **t(11;18) = Marginal Zone (MALT)**
4. **t(14;18) = Follicular Lymphoma (BCL-2 Activation)**
5. **t(15;17) = APL (formally M3 AML)**
6. **t(9;22) = CML (BCR-ABL Hybrid), Philadelphia Chromosome, ALL (less commonly)**

- Ig Heavy Chain genes on Chr 14 are constitutively expressed...when other genes (c-myc, BCL-2) are translocated next to this heavy chain gene region, they get overexpressed**

Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis:

- collective group of proliferative disorders of Langerhans cells
- presents in children as Lytic Bone Lesions + skin rash OR recurrent otitis media w/ mass involving mastoid bone
- cells are functionally immature + do not effectively stimulate primary T cells via antigen presentation
- S-100 (+) and CD1a
- Birbeck Granules ("Tennis Racket") on EM**

Tumor Lysis Syndrome:

- Oncologic Emergency due to massive tumor cell lysis

- +/- Erythromelalgia, crazy amount of platelets

3. Myelofibrosis:

- Megakaryocyte Hyperplasia → TGF-β secretion → fibroblast activity → obliteration of bone marrow (massive fibrosis)
- Splenomegaly + "tear drop" RBCs, Dry Bone Tap

Heparin:

- Mech = activates AT (which action of IIa (Thrombin) + Xa)
- doesn't cross placenta (good for pregnancy)
- Antidotes = Protamine Sulfate
- Sxs = Excessive Bleeding, Heparin-induced Thrombocytopenia (HIT), Osteoporosis (chronic use), HIT Type 2:

- clinically significant hit w/ IgG antibodies against heparin bound PF4; characteristically 5-10 days after administration.
- Antibody-heparin-PF4 complex binds and activates platelets → removal by splenic macrophages + thrombosis → Platelet count

- Monitoring w/ PTT (Intrinsic Pathway)

LMWH: (Enoxaprin, Dalteparin) = act on Factor Xa, longer t1/2, renally cleared/adjusted

Fondaparinux = only on factor Xa

Warfarin:

- inhibits vitamin K epoxide reductase by competing w/ Vit K → prevents vit K-dependent gamma-carboxylation of clotting factors 2, 7, 9, 10, C and S
- VKORC1 gene polymorphisms impact activity/metabolism
- Acts on Extrinsic Pathway (PT)
- Long half-life, takes time to work (not used for acute setting)
- Teratogen (heparin is safe)
- DDIs common (CYP2C9)
- Initial risk of Hypercoagulation (Protein C has shorter half-life than Factors II and X → C depleting first → 1st couple days may see small vessel microthrombosis (Requires Heparin Bridging)
- Reversal = Vit K, FFP, PCC

Direct Coagulation Factor Inhibitors:

Bivalirudin, Argatroban, Dabigatran:

- Direct Thrombin Inhibitors (IIa)
- VTE, Afib, HIT when Heparin contraindicated
- Idarucizumab = reverses Dabigatran (PO)

Apixaban, Edoxaban, Rivaroxaban:

- Exogenous EPO (blood doping), Malignancy (Epo)

4. Polycythemia Vera:

- plasma vol
- RBC mass (primary issue)
- normal O2 sat
- EPO levels (negative feedback on Renal EPO)

Antiplatelets:

ASA:

- irreversibly blocks COX → TXA2 release
- sxs = gastric ulcers, tinnitus, allergic rxns, renal

Clopidogrel, Prasugrel, Ticagrelor, Ticlopidine:

- Block ADP (P2Y12) receptor → ADP-induced expression of Gp IIb/IIIa

Abciximab, Eptifibatid, Tirofiban:

- blocks Gp IIb/IIIa (Fibrinogen receptor) on activated platelets
- sxs = bleeding, thrombocytopenia

Cilostazol, Dipyridamole:

- Blocks phosphodiesterase → cAMP in platelets
- sxs = nausea, HA, facial flushing, hypotension, abdominal pain

Thrombolytics: Alteplase (tPa), Reteplase, Streptokinase, Tenecteplase

- directly/indirectly aids conversion of Plasminogen to Plasmin → cleaving thrombin and fibrin clots
- PT, PTT, no change in platelet count
- Contraindicated in pts w/ active bleeding, hx of Intracranial bleeding, recent surgery, severe HTN
- Reversal = Aminocaproic Acid, Tranexamic Acid, Platelet transfusions, factor corrections (FFP, PCC, Cryoprecipitate)

Cancer Therapy Targets:

- Nucleotide Synth (1) → DNA (2) → RNA (3) → Protein (4) → Cellular Division (5)

(1):

- MTX, 5-FU = Thymidine Synthesis
- Thiopurines = de novo purine synth
- Hydroxyurea = inhibits ribonucleotide reductase

(2):

- Alkylating Agents/Platinums = Cross-link DNA

- K+, Ca2+, Phos, Uric Acid
- HyperPhos causes Ca2+ binding
- Muscle Weakness, Arrhythmias, Seizures, Tetany, **AKI**
- Tx = Massive Hydration, Allopurinol, Rasburicase

Cell-Cycle Independent:

- Platinum compounds
- Alkylating Agents: (Anthracyclines, Busulfan, Dactinomycin, Nitrogen Mustards, Nitrosoureas, Procarbazine)

Antimetabolites; Myelosuppression is a class effect

1. Thiopurines (AZA, 6-MP):

- de novo purine synthesis
- myelosuppression, GI, Liver tox
- tox if given w/ Allopurinol (Xanthine Oxidase dependent metabolism)

2. Cladribine, Pentostatin = purine analog

3. Cytarabine = pyrimidine analog

4. 5-FU = Pyrimidine analog

- bioactivated to 5-FdUMP → thymidylate synthase inhibition → DNA synth
- Effects enhanced if given w/ Leucovorin
- Hand-Foot Syndrome (Palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia)

5. Hydroxyurea:

- inhibits Ribonucleotide reductase → DNA synth

6. MTX:

- folic acid analog → competitively inhibits dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR) → dTMP → DNA synth
- Myelosuppression (reversible w/ Leucovorin)
- Hepatotoxicity, Mucositis (mouth ulcers), Teratogenic, Folate def.

Alkylating Agents; Really Toxic

1. Busulfan

2. Nitrogen Mustards

(Cyclophosphamide, Ifosfamide) - Ifos causes Fanconi Syndrome, Hemorrhagic Cystitis w/ Cyclo (prevent w/ Mesna)

3. Carmustine, Lomustine - Glioblastoma

4. Procarbazine

- direct Factor Xa Inhibitors
- Andexanet Alfa = Apixaban reversal
- minimal lab monitoring (also Dabigatran)

Microtubule Inhibitors:

- Taxanes (Docetaxel, Paclitaxel) = Hyper Stabilize** (neuropathy, myelosupp, hypersensitivity) ("Taxanes Stabilize society")
- Vinca Alkaloids (Vincristine, Vinblastine) = prevent formation**
 - Vincristine = Crisps the nerves (Neuropathy)
 - Vinblastine = Blasts the marrow (myelosupp)

Topoisomerase Inhibitors: Myelosuppression

- Irinotecan, Topotecan = Topo I** (I run to the can - Diarrhea)
- Etoposide, Teniposide = Topo II**

Tamoxifen:

- SERM = Antagonist in Breast, Partial Agonist in Endometrium/Bone, Blockers estrogen binding in ER+ BC
- Hot flashes, DVT/PE/VTE, Endometrial cancer slightly

Anticancer Monoclonal Antibodies:

- Alemtuzumab = CD52**
- Bevacizumab = VEGF (BV formation inhibitor)**
- Cetuximab, Panitumumab = EGFR inhib**
- Rituximab = CD20 Inhib ("B-Cell Bomb")**
- Trastuzumab = HER2** (risk of Dilated Cardiomyopathy)
- Pembrolizumab, Nivolumab, Cemiplimab = PD-1**
- Atezolizumab, Durvalumab, Avelumab = PD-L1**
- Ipilimumab = CTLA-4**

- Bleomycin = DNA strand breaks (G2/M phase)
- Anthracyclines, Dactinomycin = DNA intercalators
- Etoposide/Teniposide = Inhibit Topoisomerase II
- Irinotecan/Topotecan = Inhibit Topoisomerase I

(5):

- Vinca Alkaloids = Inhibit Microtubule FORMATION
- Taxanes = Inhibit microtubule DISASSEMBLY

Small Molecule Anti-Cancers:

- Alectinib = ALK**
- Erlotinib, Gefitinib, Afatinib = EGFR** (Rash)
- Imatinib, Dasatinib, Nilotinib = BCR-ABL**
- Ruxolitinib = JAK1/2**
- Bortezomib, Ixazomib, Carfilzomib = Proteasome** (inducing arrest at G2-M phase → Apoptosis)
- Vemurafenib, Encorafenib, Dabrafenib = BRAF**
- Palbociclib = Cyclin-dependent Kinase 4/6** (inducing arrest at G1-S phase → apoptosis)
- Olaparib = Poly(ADP-Ribose) Polymerase** (DNA repair)

High Yield Drug Toxicity:

- Cisplatin/Carboplatin = Oto + Nephrotoxic
- Vincristine = peripheral neuropathy
- Bleomycin, Busulfan = pulmonary fibrosis
- Doxorubicin, daunorubicin = Cardiotoxic
- Trastuzumab = cardiotoxic
- Cyclophosphamide = hemorrhagic cystitis

Platinum Compounds: Cisplatin, Carboplatin, Oxaliplatin

- Cross-link DNA
- Nephrotoxic (fanconi Syndrome - prevent w/ Amifostine)
- Peripheral neuropathy + Ototoxicity
- Highly Emetogenic (CINV)

Cancer Therapy Reprieve:

- Amifostine:**
 - Free radical scavenger
 - Protect kidney from platinum nephrotoxicity
- Dexrazoxane:**
 - Iron chelator
 - Protect heart from cardiotoxic anthracyclines
- Leucovorin (Folinic Acid)**
 - Tetrahydrofolate precursor
 - Enhances 5-FU effects
 - Rescues MTX myelosuppression
- Mesna:**
 - Binds Acrolein (toxic metabolite of Cyclophosphamide)
 - Prevents hemorrhagic Cystitis
- Rasburicase:**
 - Uricase - catalyzing metabolism of uric acid to soluble Allantoin
 - Protect from Tumor lysis syndrome
- Ondansetron/Granisetron**
 - 5HT3 antag
- Prochlorperazine, Metoclopramide**
 - D2 receptor antag
- Aprepitant, Fosaprepitant**
 - NK1 receptor antag
 - Ideal for Delayed N/V
- Filgrastim, Sargramostim**
 - Recombinant G-CSF
 - Tx Neutropenia
- Epoetin Alfa:**
 - Synthetic EPO
 - Tx Anemia

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