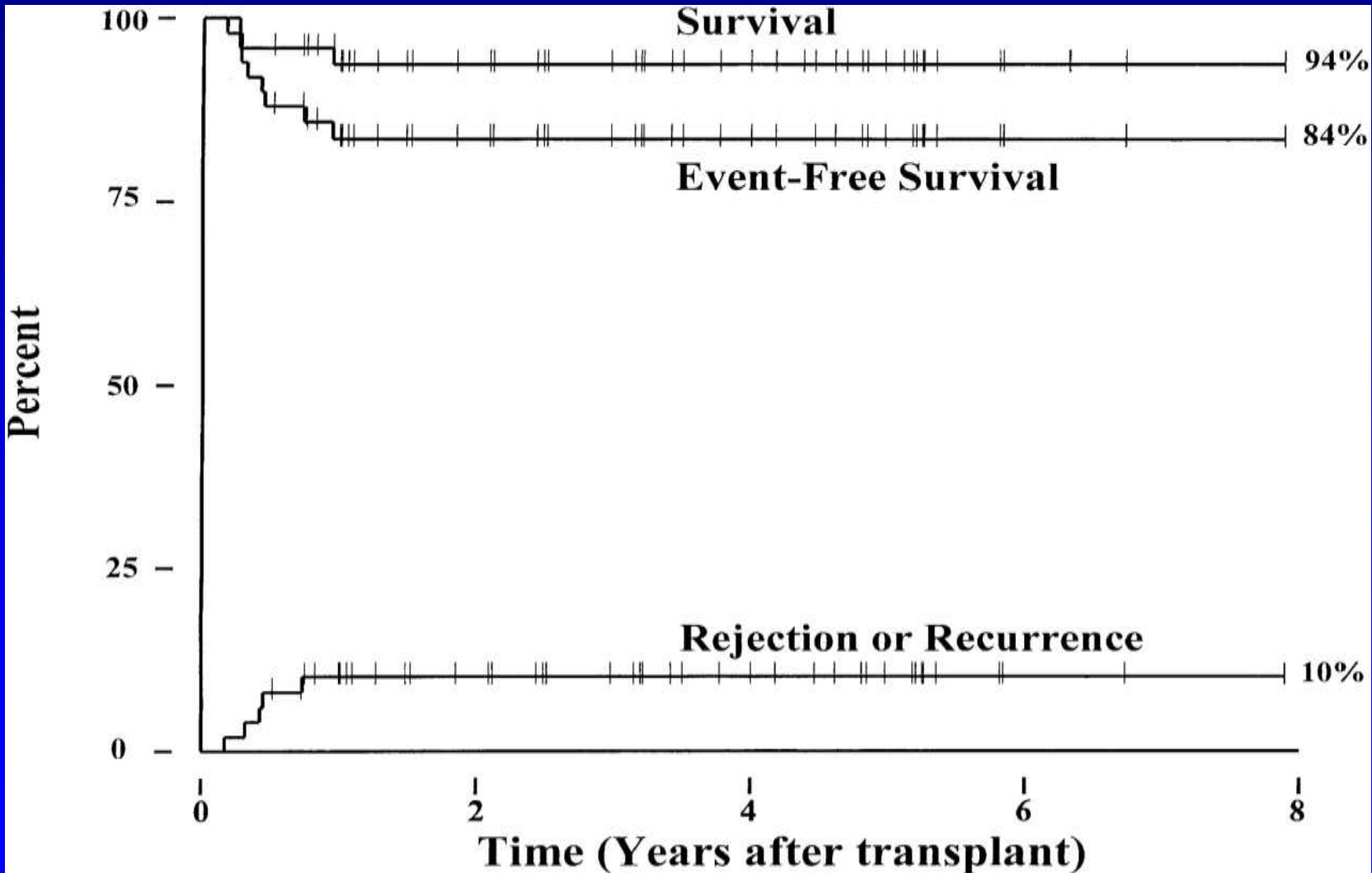


# CURE IS PRACTICAL BUT ONLY AVAILABLE TO A FEW



# Cure Is Practical

Table 1. Hematopoietic cell transplantation

Location	Belgium		Pesario	France	Multicenter	Other US/Europe	Total
Regimen	BU,CY (30) BU,CY,TLI (6) BU,CY,ATG (14)		BU,CY (17) BU,CY,ATG (2)	BU,CY (12) BU,CY,TLI (1) BU,CY,ATG (21)	BU,CY,ATG	BU,CY,ATG (13), CY/TBI (3)	
Number of patients	36	14	19	34	59	16*	175 <sup>†</sup>
Median age (range)	8.6 (1.7–23)	2.0 (0.9–15)	7 (4–38)	8.6 (2.3–17.2)	9.9 (3.3–15.9)	–	
Asymptomatic	0	14	3	0	0	–	
Stroke/CNS	6	0	1	16	31	2	
ACS	20	0		15 <sup>†</sup>	20	1	
VOC	36 <sup>†</sup>	0	15	18	8	1	
Other/unknown						11	
MM donor			1				
Survival (%)	34 (94)	14 (100)	14 (74)	31 (91)	55 (94)	13 (81)	159 (91)
Deaths	2	0	5	3 <sup>†</sup>	4	3	
Graft rejection/ recurrent SCD (%)	4	1	1	4	5	1	16 (9)
Stable mixed chimerism	6 <sup>§</sup>	–	5	1	10	–	11%
Disease-free survival (%)	30 (83)	13 (93)	13 (68)	27 (79) <sup>¶</sup>	50 (85)	12 (80) <sup>¶</sup>	143 (82)
aGVHD	15 <sup>**</sup>	5	4	6 (> grade II)	11 (grade I–III)	2	25%
cGVHD	8	2	2	2	5	1	12%
Seizures	18		1	7/26	13	1	25%

Hoppe & Walters. Oncology 2001;13:85-90.

# Non-Myeloablative BMT in Adults

**Table 1.** Characteristics of 10 Patients Undergoing Nonmyeloablative Hematopoietic Stem-Cell Transplantation (HSCT).\*

Patient No.	Age at HSCT yr	Sex	Type of Sickle Hemoglobin	Coexisting Conditions and Indications for HSCT	Medical Management before HSCT
1	24	F	SS	Recurrent TIA and stroke, elevated TRV	Simple and exchange red-cell transfusions
2	27	M	SS	Frequent VOC, priapism, proteinuria (1.7 g/24 hr)	Hydroxyurea, simple and exchange red-cell transfusions
3	21	F	SS	TIA, frequent VOC, acute chest syndrome	Hydroxyurea, exchange red-cell transfusions
4	16	M	SS	Frequent VOC, acute chest syndrome, narrow CNS arteries on MRA	Hydroxyurea, exchange red-cell transfusions
5	21	M	SS	Frequent VOC, acute chest syndrome	Hydroxyurea
6	40	M	SC	Frequent VOC, priapism, narrow CNS arteries on MRA, lacunar infarcts	Hydroxyurea
7	26	F	SS	Frequent VOC, elevated TRV	Hydroxyurea
8	26	F	SS	Frequent VOC, elevated TRV	Hydroxyurea and simple red-cell transfusions
9	45	F	SS	Sickle-cell-related FSGS (baseline creatinine, 2.5–2.7 mg/dl [221–239 μmol/liter]), elevated TRV, acute chest syndrome, frequent VOC, red-cell alloimmunization, hepatitis C	Hydroxyurea, simple and exchange red-cell transfusions, darbepoetin
10	26	M	SS	Sickle-cell-related nephrotic syndrome, elevated TRV, acute chest syndrome	Hydroxyurea, simple red-cell transfusions, prednisone

Hsieh et al. *New Engl J Med* 2010;361:2009-2017.

# Non-Myeloablative BMT in Adults

**Table 2.** Hematopoietic-Graft Composition and Outcome after Hematopoietic Stem-Cell Transplantation (HSCT).\*

Patient No.	Composition of Infused Graft		Months after Transplantation	Duration of ANC <0.50×10 <sup>9</sup> /liter <i>days</i>	Duration of ALC <0.75×10 <sup>9</sup> /liter <i>months</i>	Donor CD3+ Cells	Donor CD14+15+ Cells	Hemoglobin <i>g/dl</i>	Hemoglobin S	
	CD34+ Cells ×10 <sup>6</sup> †	CD3+ Cells ×10 <sup>8</sup> †							Donor %	Recipient %
1	5.72	3.21	54	21	3.5	7	48	12.0	0	0
2‡	7.56	2.27	36	18	2.5	63	19	11.1	40.5	51.6
3	10.0	3.42	42	12	6	61	100	14.8	35.2	35.2
4‡	8.3	5.35	33	29	6	0	0	11.4	0	45.9§
5	5.51	3.71	30	10	4	72	100	14.3	0	0
6	23.8	2.81	32	10	6	35	97	14.7	38.2	37.0
7	18.8	3.32	29	19	8	62	100	12.2	36.6	35.4
8	20.1	3.04	30	11	1.5	63	100	12.1	0	0
9	16.6	3.7	16	15	3.5	23	97	11.7¶	0	0
10	15.1	3.64	15	18	4	75	100	10.5¶	35	34.6

\* Results are from the most recent follow-up assessment. ALC denotes absolute lymphocyte count, and ANC absolute neutrophil count.

† Values are per kilogram of the recipient's body weight.

‡ The results shown are from a second transplantation.

§ The patient had received an exchange transfusion within the previous 2 months.

¶ The patient was receiving supportive treatment with erythropoietin owing to renal insufficiency.

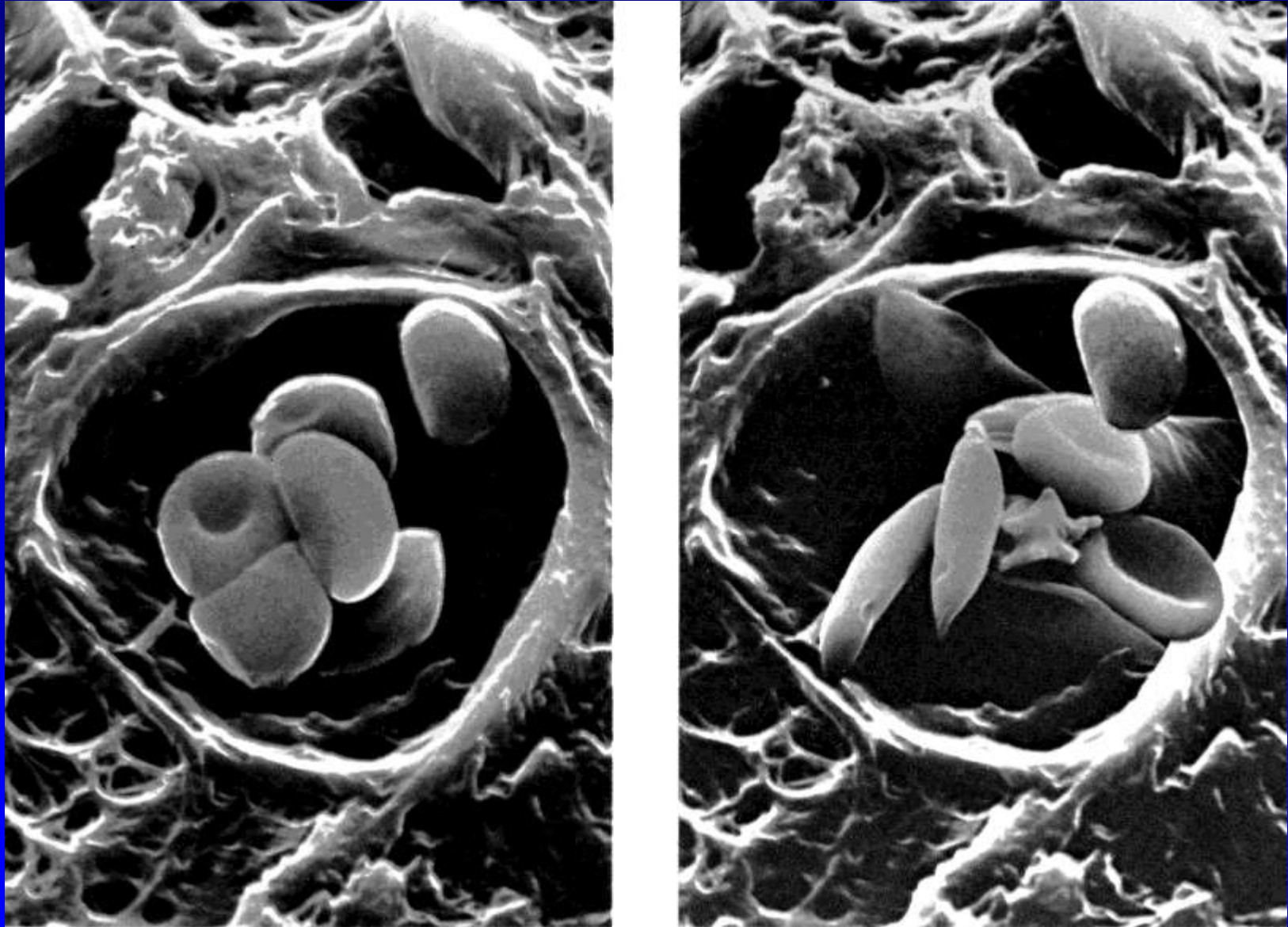
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# APPROACH TO TREATMENT

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- **Complications precipitated by extra erythrocytic factors, not directly related to hemoglobin**
    - **Increased cell/cell and endothelial adherence**
    - **Activation of thrombosis**
    - **Decrease vasoconstriction**
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# SICKLE CELLS ARE STICKY



# VASO – OCCLUSION

*Wick et al*

Pre-capillary  
arteriole

Capillary

Post-capillary  
venule



"Vicious Cycle" (Ham & Castle *Trans Am Assoc Phys* 55:1940;127)



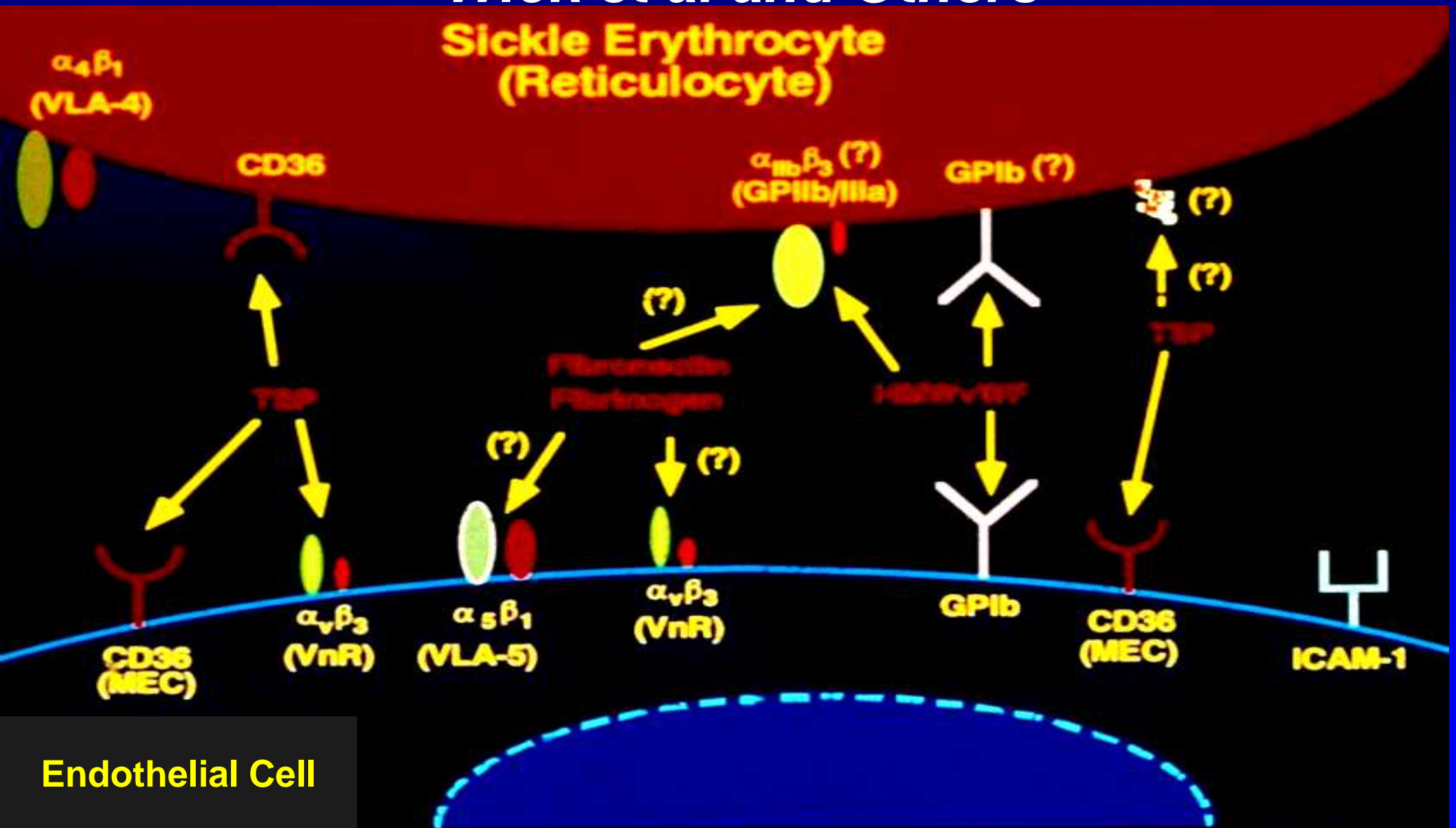
Laser Photolysis (Mozzarelli, *et al. Science* 237:1987;500)



Kinetic Hypothesis (Eaton, *et al. Blood* 47 :1976;621)

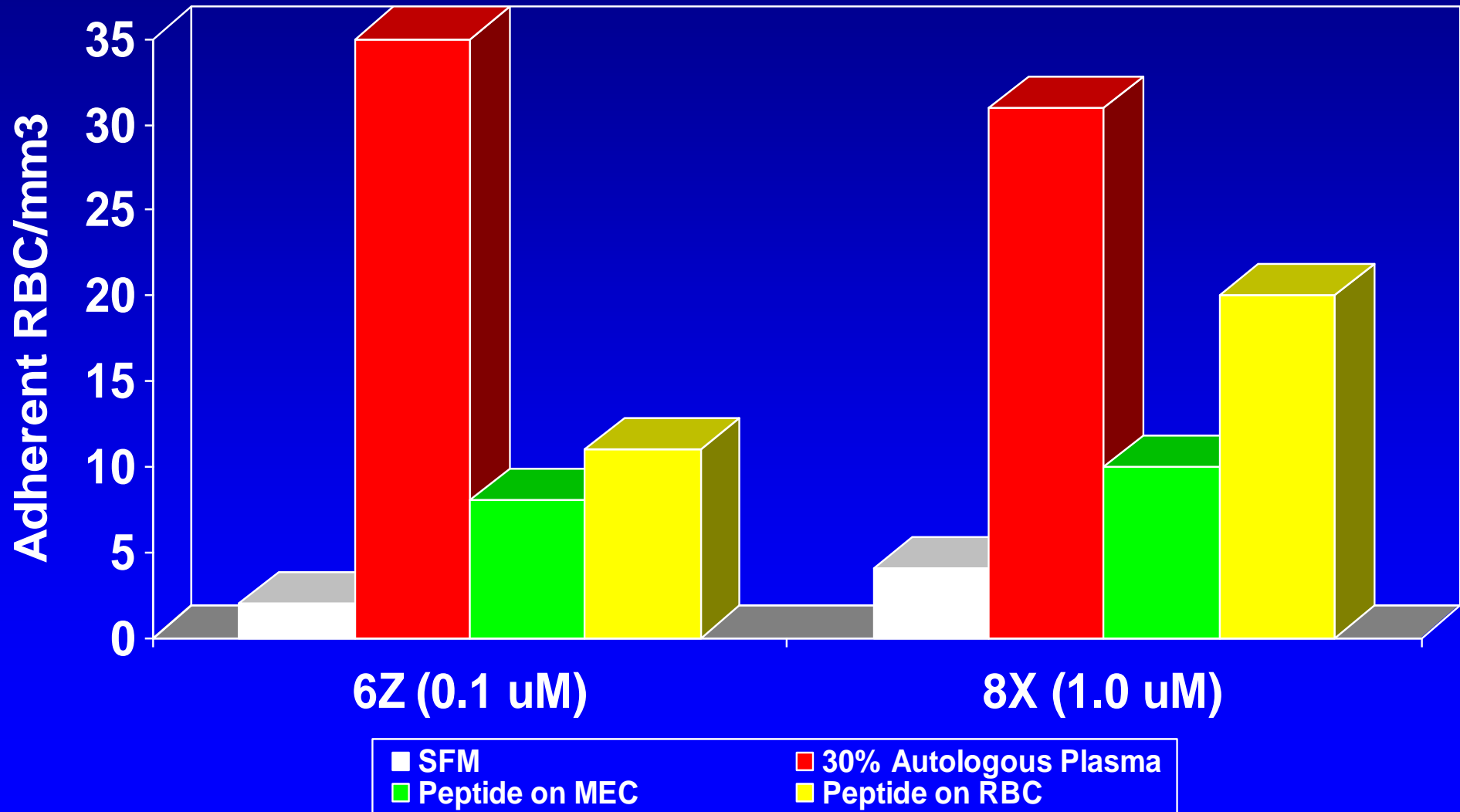
# MULTIPLE SPECIFIC PATHWAYS

*Wick et al and Others*





# RGD Peptides Inhibit Plasma Dependent SRBC Endothelial Adherence

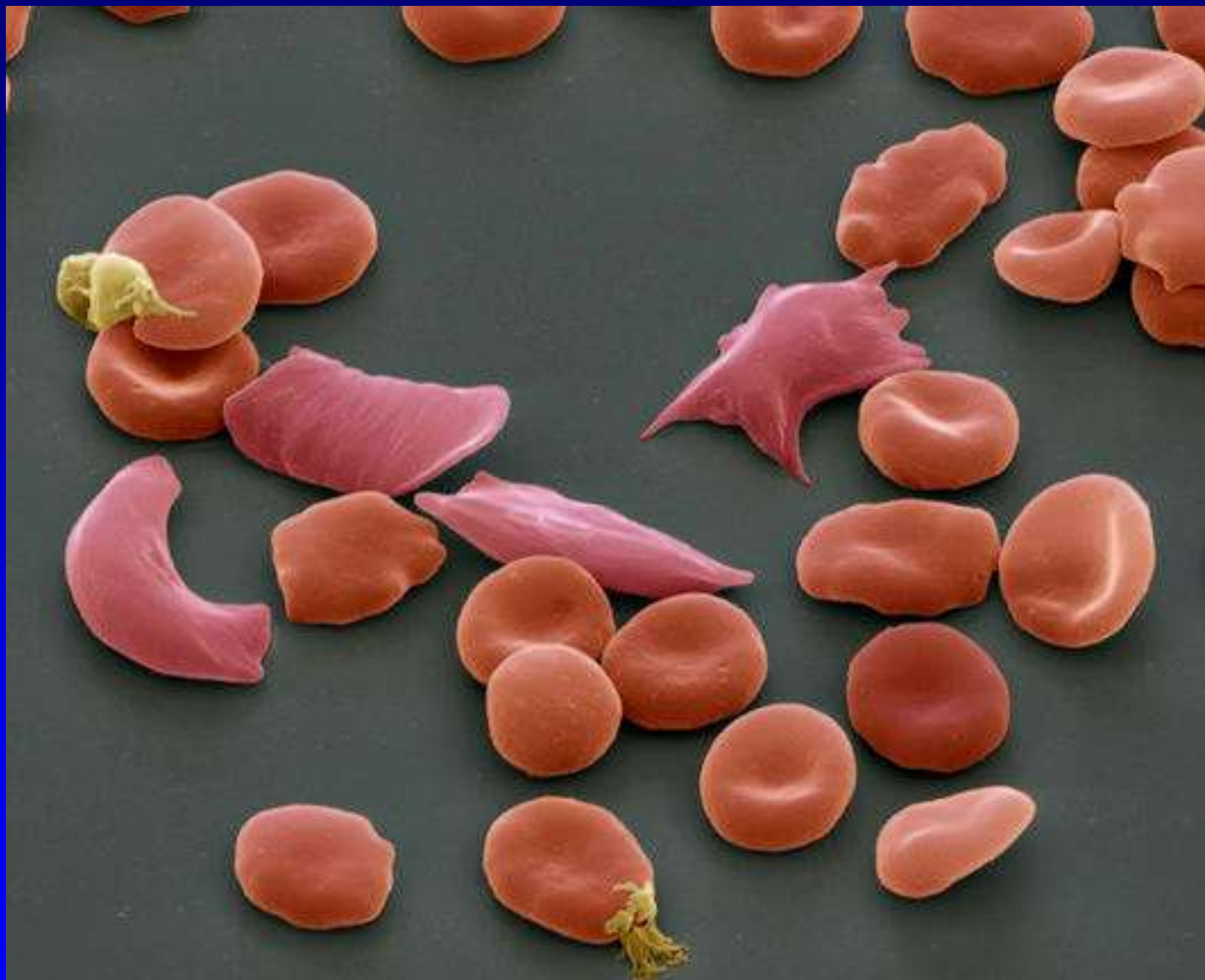


# SICKLE CELL DISEASE:

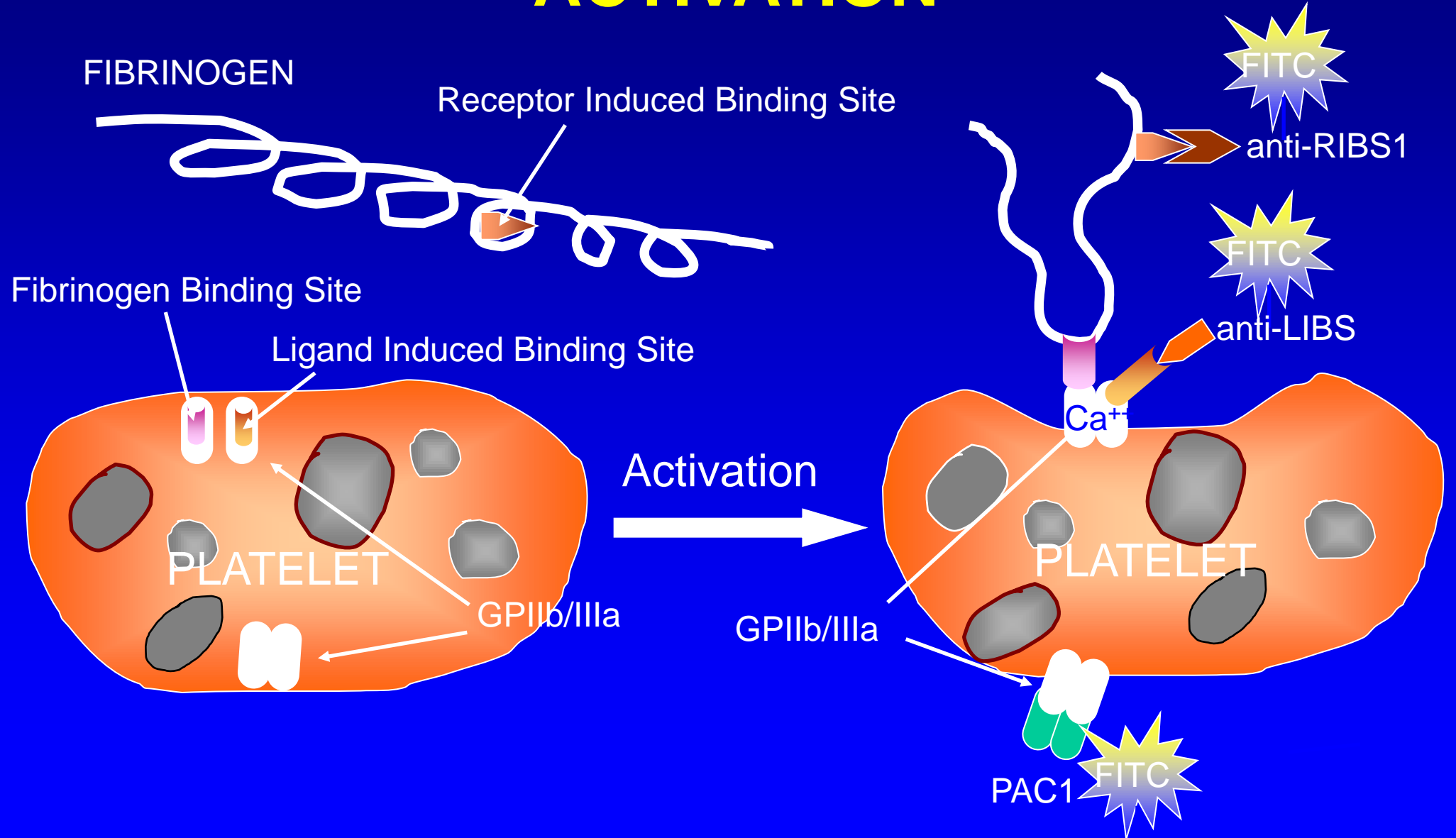
## *A Hypercoagulable State ?*

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- Increased platelet count
  - Decreased platelet survival
    - Haut et al J Lab Clin Med 82:44, 1973.
    - Semple et al. Thromb Haemostasis 51:303, 1984.
  - Drop in count during crisis
    - Alkjaersig et al J Lab Clin Med 88:440,1976.
  - Increased F VIII & vWF
    - Richardson et al Br J Haematol 41:95, 1979.
    - Leslie et al. Br J Haematol 30:159, 1975.
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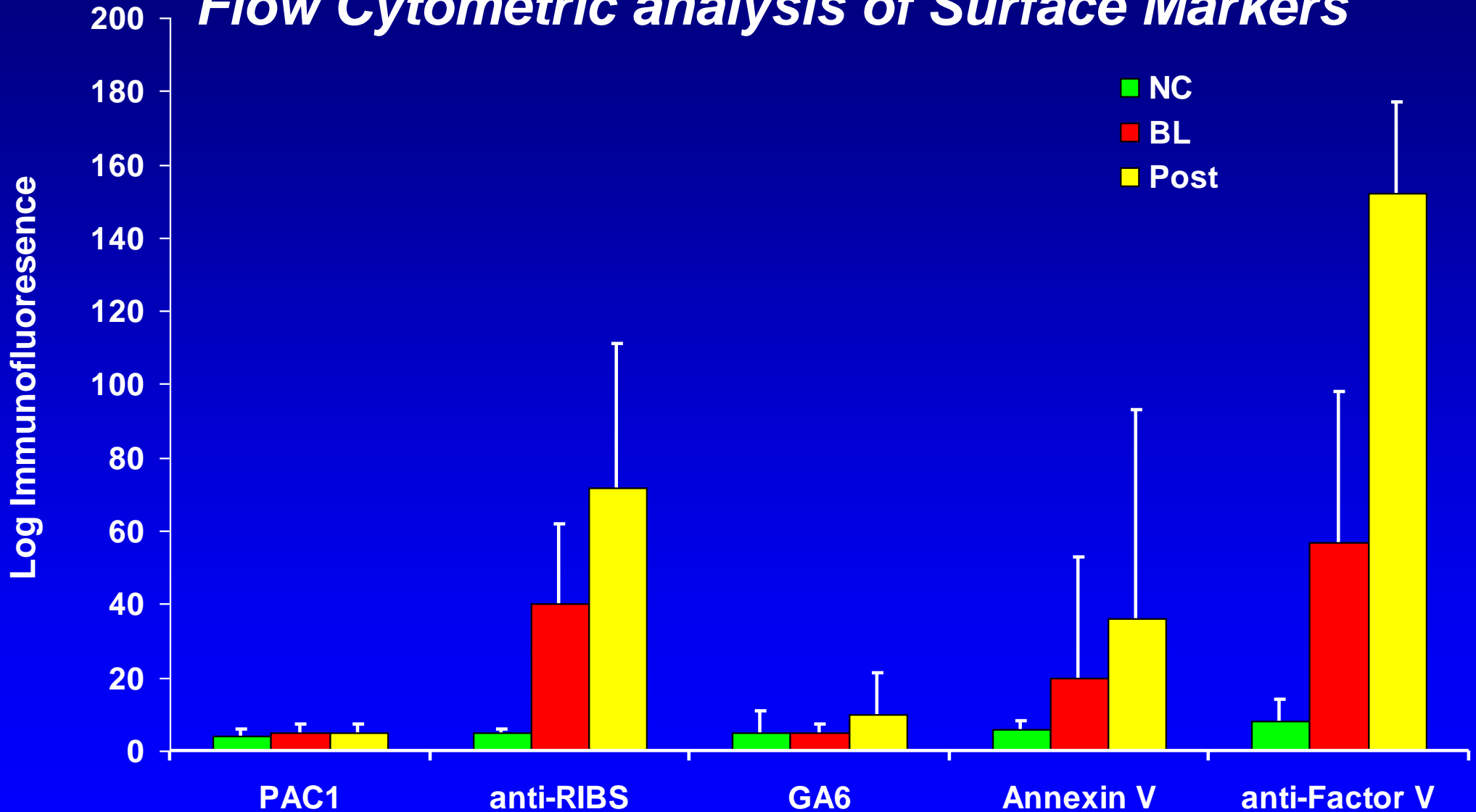


# FLOW CYTOMETRIC ANALYSIS OF PLATELET ACTIVATION

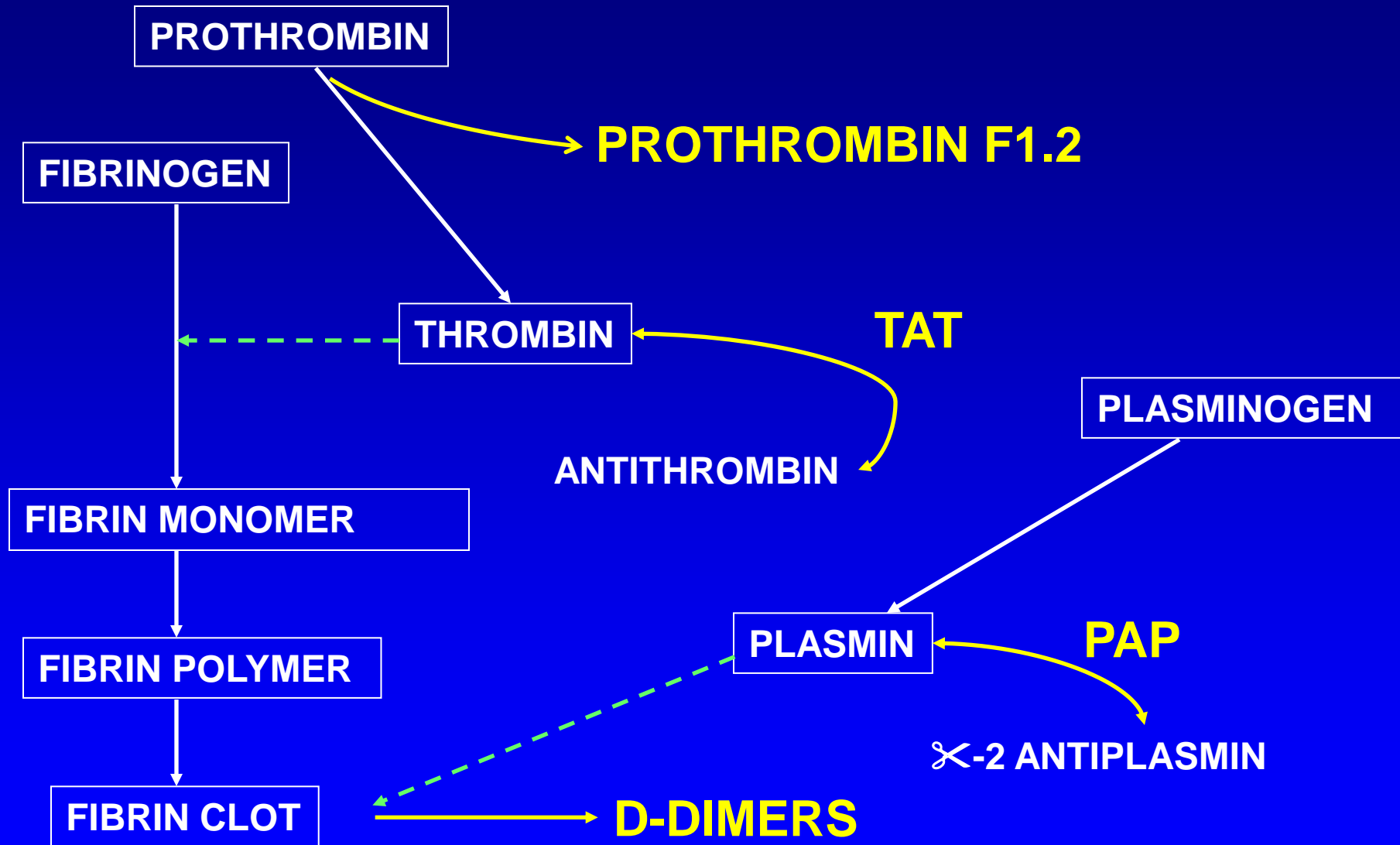


# PLATELET ACTIVATION

## *Flow Cytometric analysis of Surface Markers*

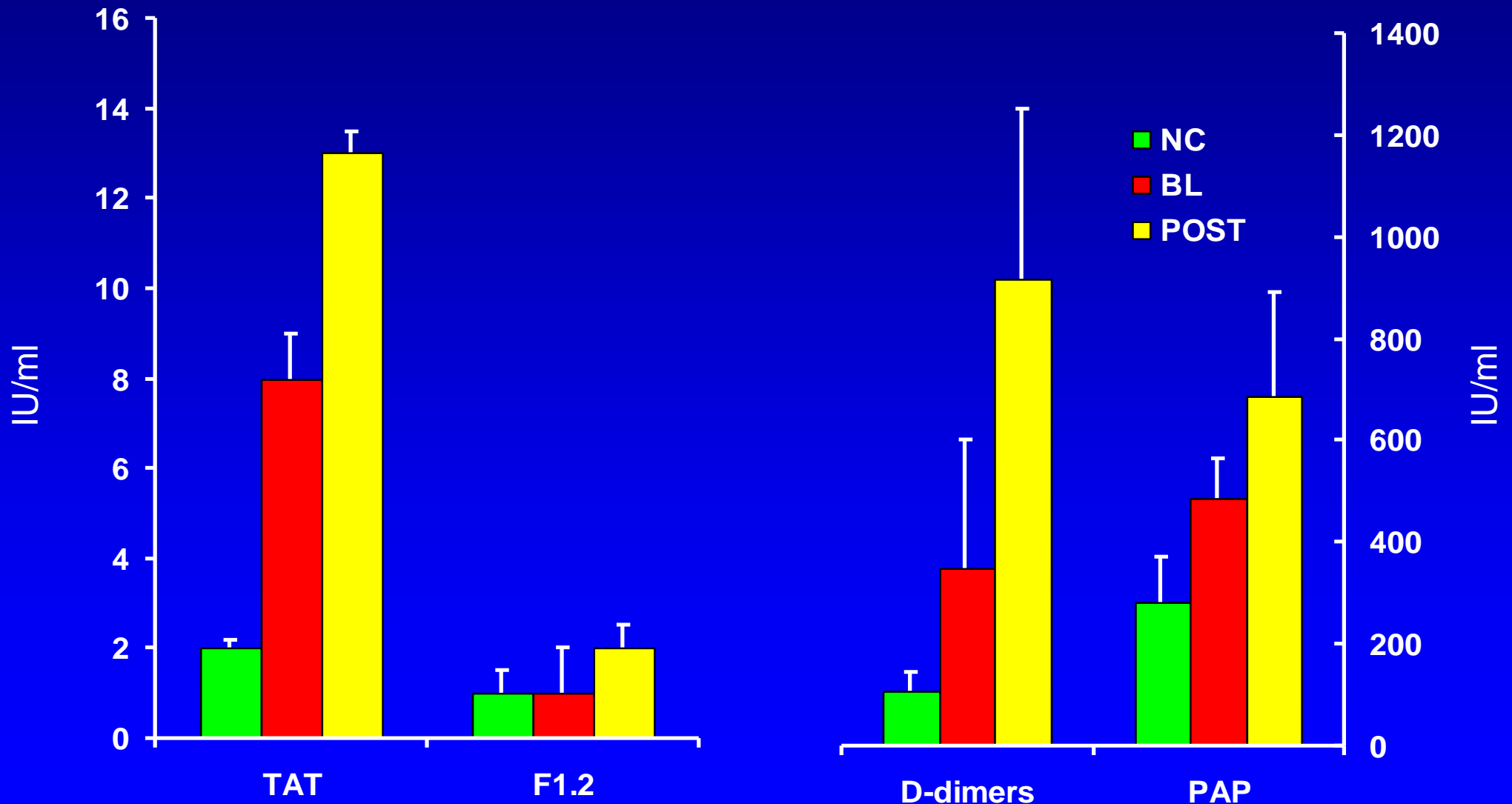


# THROMBOSIS and FIBRINOLYSIS

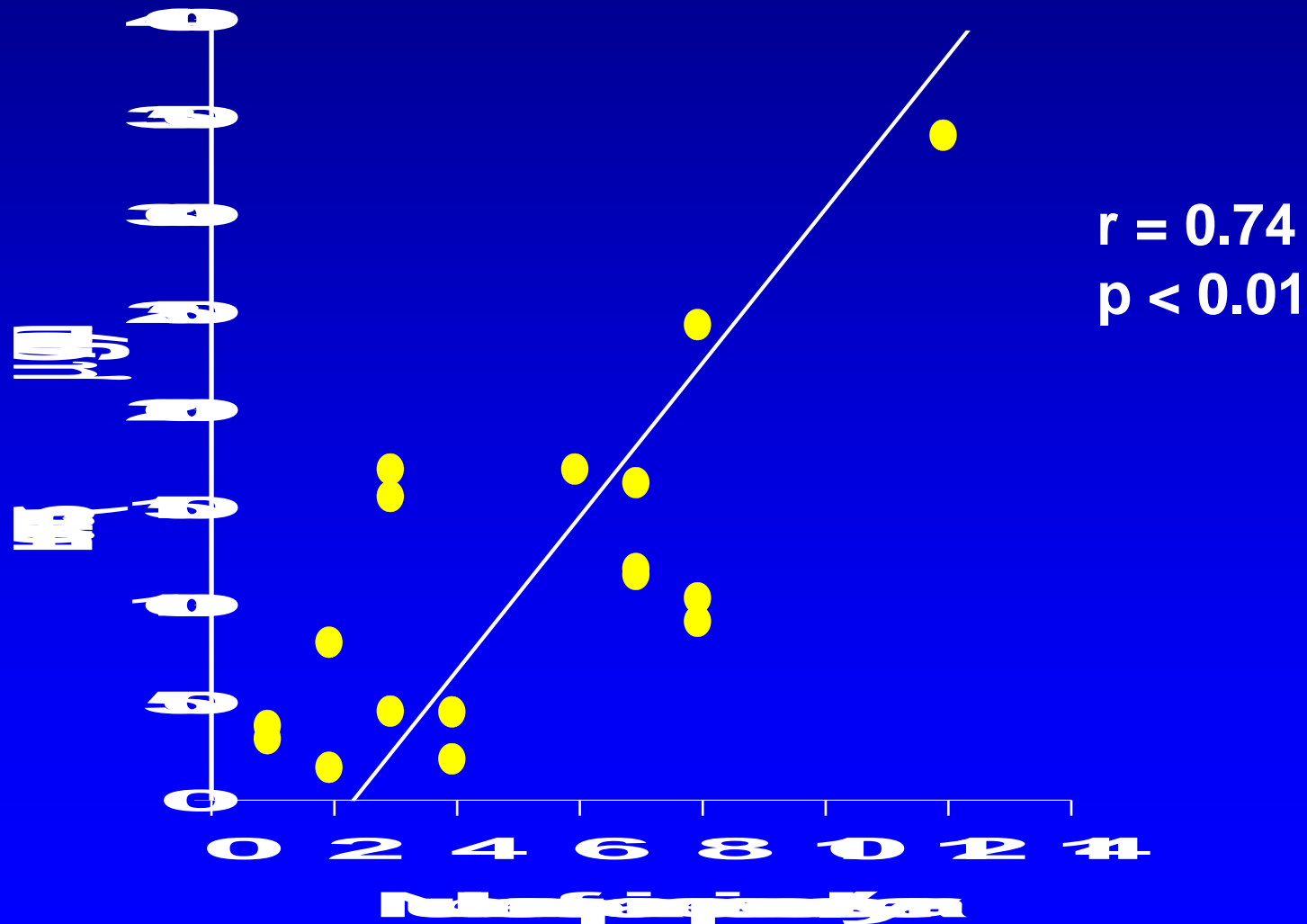


# THROMBOGENIC ACTIVITY

## *Circulating Plasma Markers*



# Correlation Between Plasma Level of D-dimers Fragments and Frequency of Pain Episodes in SCD





# INUIT NATIVE AMERICANS

## *N 3 FATTY ACIDS*



# n-3 FATTY ACIDS

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- **Attenuate platelet reactivity**
  - **Increase blood fluidity**
    - **Increase RBC deformability**
    - **Decrease blood viscosity**
  - **Decrease VLDL**
  - **Decrease release of proinflammatory mediators LTB 4 and IL 1 $\beta$**
  - **Cause vasodilation**
  - **Decrease re-infarction rate in CAD**
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# Frequency of Pain Crisis

	Total	n-3FA	placebo	
Patients:	9	5	4	$P^{**}$
Pain episodes / year				
pre treatment		7.8	7.6	$>0.05$
on treatment		3.8	7.1	$<0.01$
	$P^*$	$< 0.01$	$> 0.05$	

\* for comparison between pre treatment v treatment

\*\* for comparison between n-3fas v placebo

# TINZAPARIN SHORTENS PAIN EPISODES

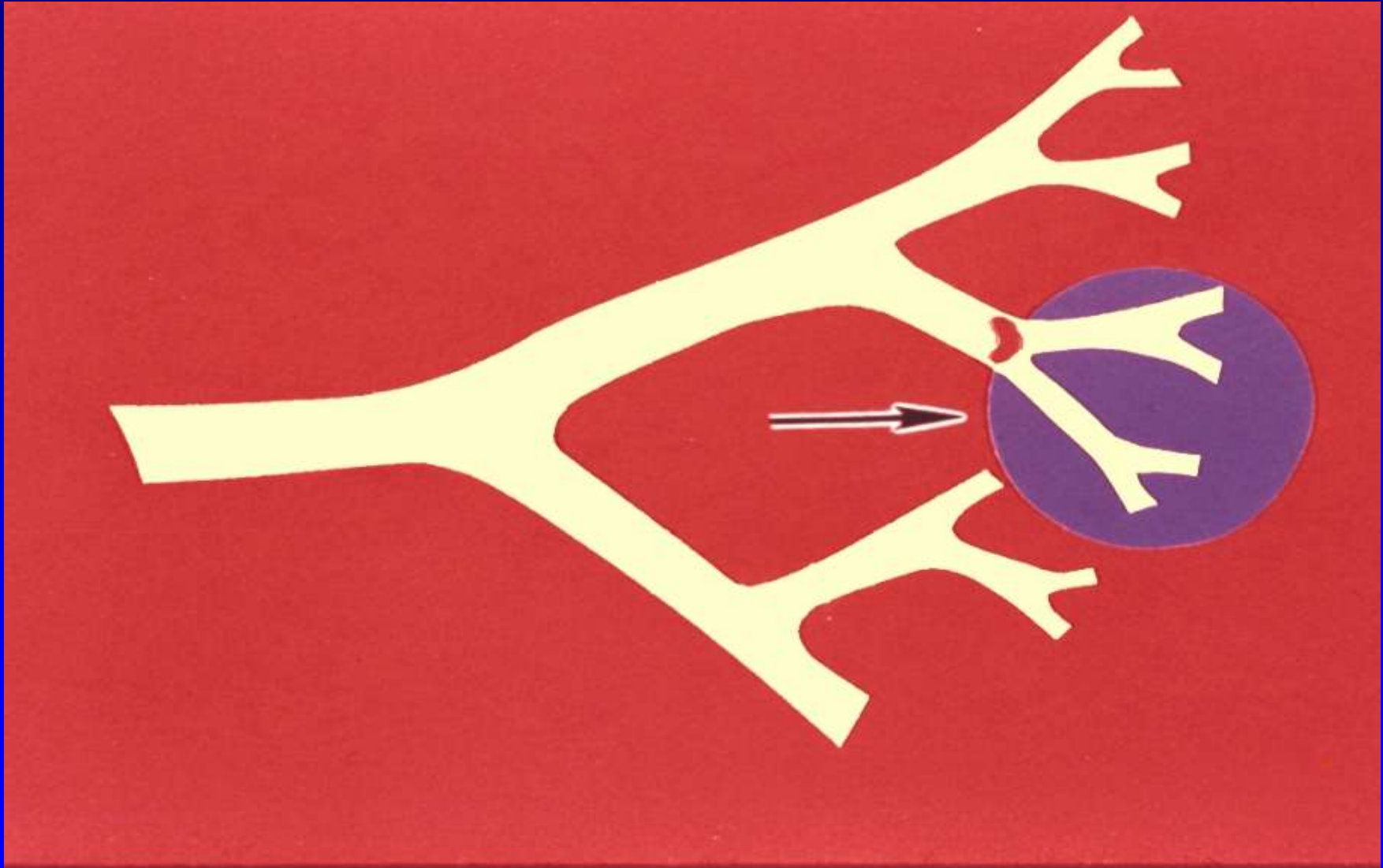
	Study group N=127 Mean $\pm$ SEM	Control group N=126 Mean $\pm$ SEM
<b>Days in severe pain</b>	<b>1.28 <math>\pm</math> 0.06*</b>	<b>1.72 <math>\pm</math> 0.06</b>
<b>Duration of crisis</b>	<b>2.57 <math>\pm</math> 0.12*</b>	<b>4.35 <math>\pm</math> 0.11</b>
<b>Duration of Hospitalization</b>	<b>7.08 <math>\pm</math> 0.36*</b>	<b>12.06 <math>\pm</math> 0.76</b>

\*P < 0.05

Qari et al Blood 2005;106:2340a

**Why is there  
simultaneous onset of  
pain in so many parts  
of the body ?**

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Poiseuille's Formula

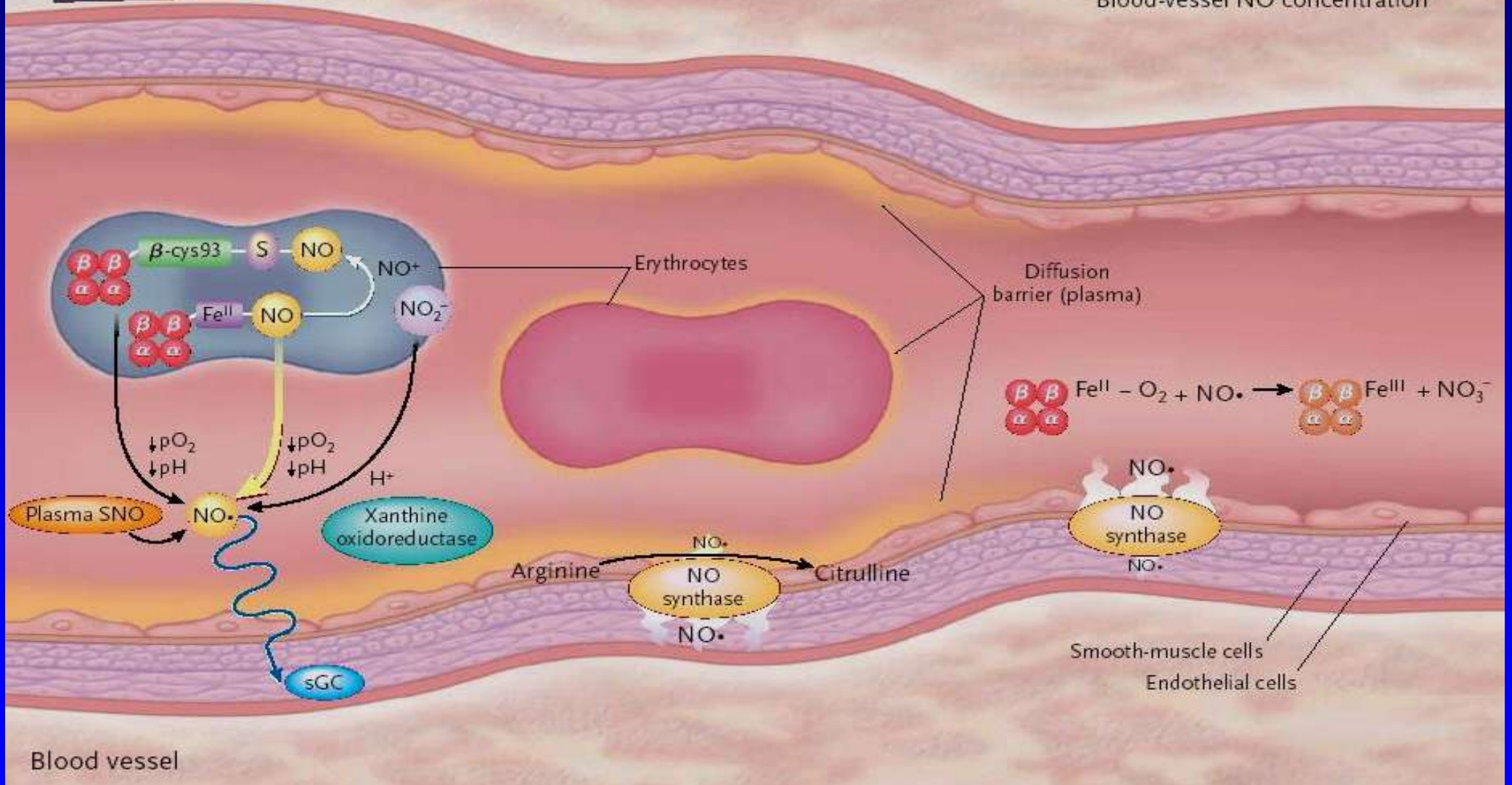
$$F = \Delta P \times \frac{\Pi r^4}{8 \eta L}$$

Pharmacology

Physiology

Pathology

Blood-vessel NO concentration



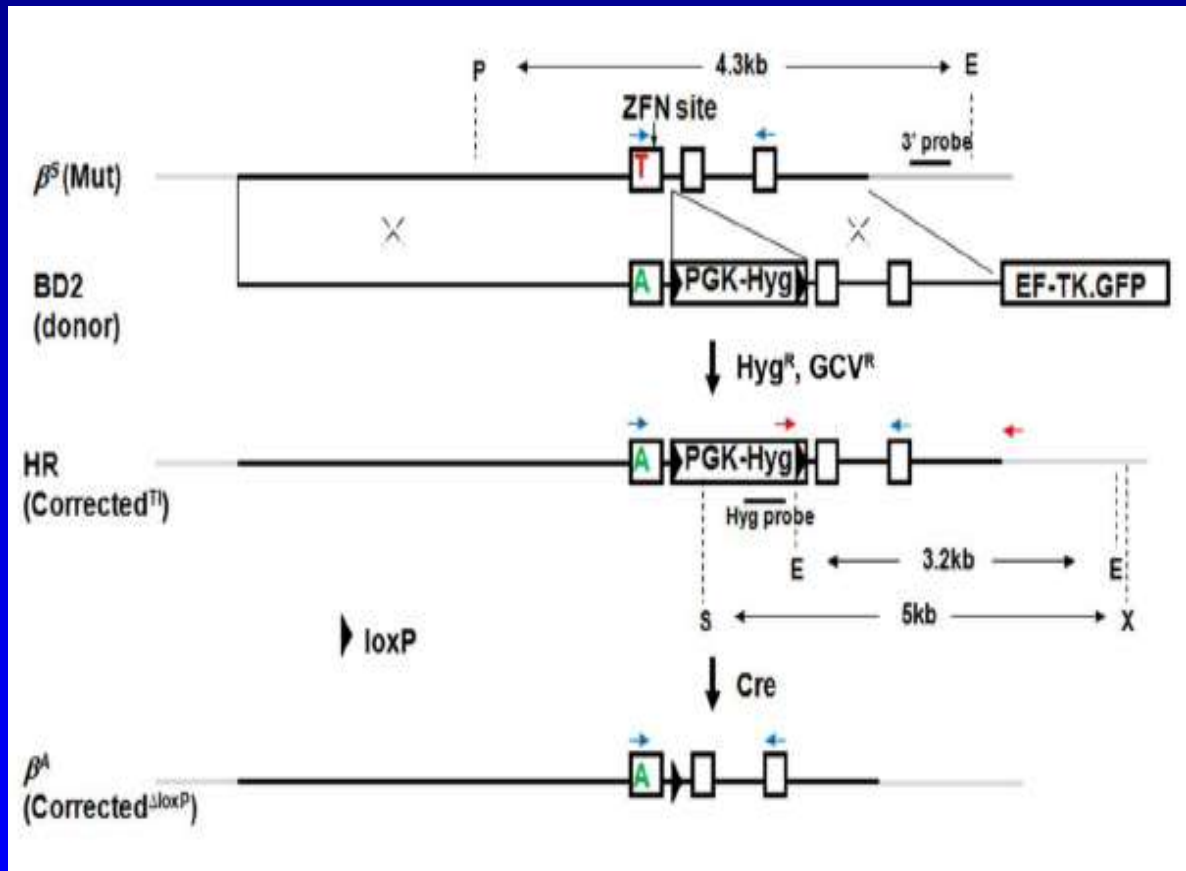


# **SICKLE PAIN EPISODES**

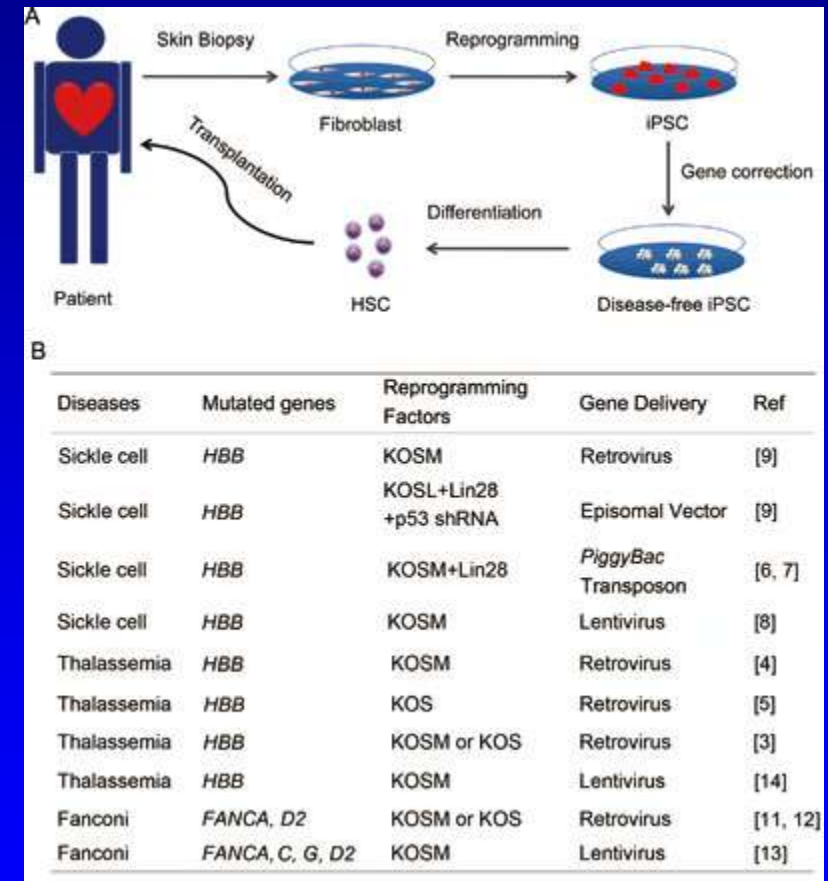
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- **Increased hemolysis**
  - **Release of arginase reduces NO production and free hemoglobin scavenging of nitric oxide**
  - **Diffuse vasoconstriction with ischemia**
  - **More sickling and hemolysis**
  - **Positive feedback loop intensifying vasoconstriction and diffuse ischemia**
  - **Diffuse Pain**
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# Molecular Genetic Therapy



Zou et al Blood 211;118:4599-4608



Zou et al Cell Research 2012;22:491-494

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