

# PHYSIOLOGY Team 433

## Lecture 11: Haemostasis

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## Objectives:

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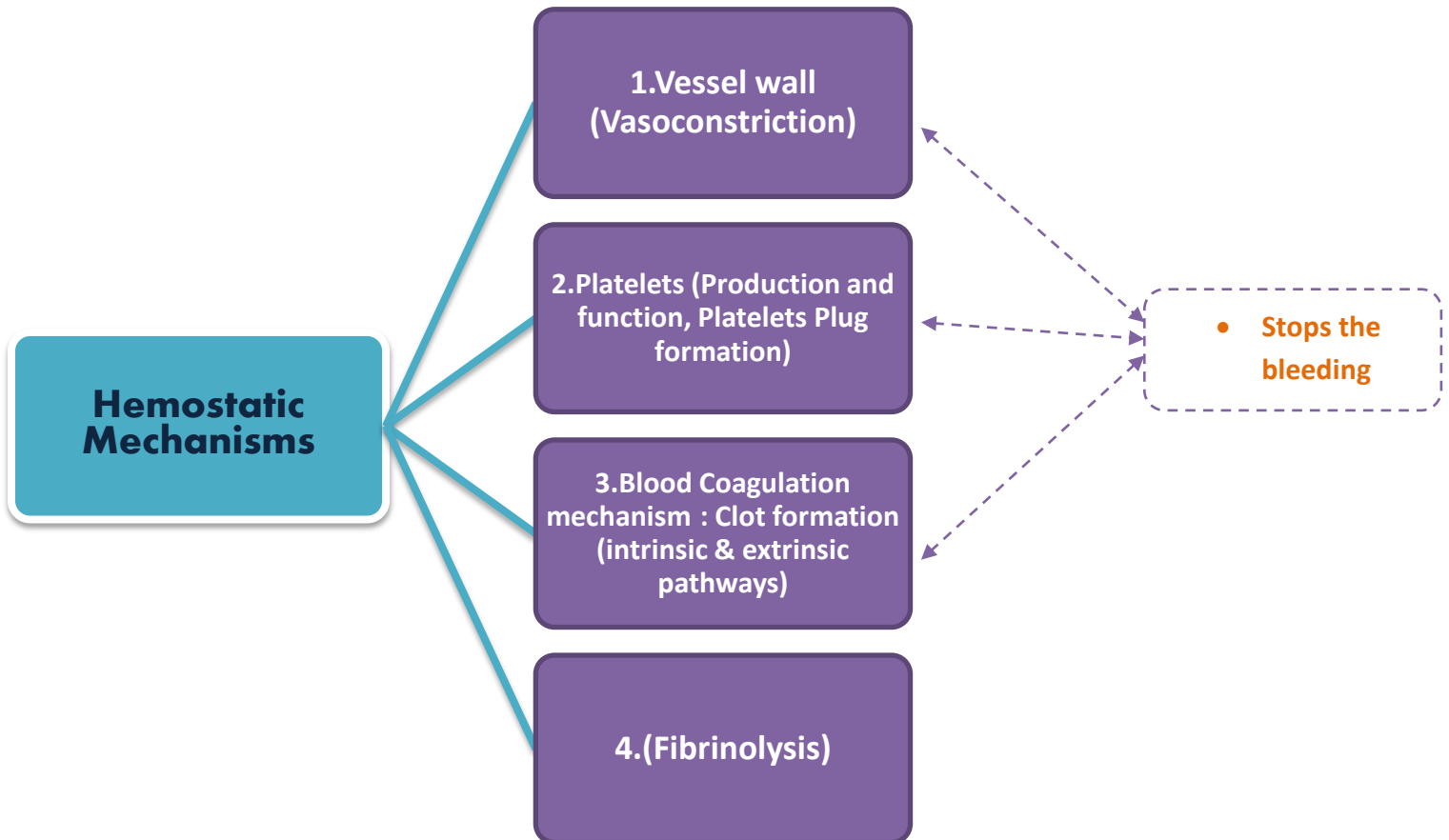
1. Recognize different stages of hemostasis.
2. Describe formation and development of platelet.
3. Describe the role of platelets in hemostasis.
4. Recognize different clotting factors
5. Describe the cascade of clotting.
6. Describe the cascade of intrinsic pathway.
7. Describe the cascade of extrinsic and common pathways.
8. Recognize the role of thrombin in coagulation.
9. Recognize process of fibrinolysis and function of plasmin.

## Topics:

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1. Haemostasis (Definition).
2. Capillaries vasoconstriction.
3. Platelets synthesis and function
4. Platelets Plug.
5. Clot formation (intrinsic & extrinsic pathway) and function of thrombin.
6. Fibrinolysis and plasmin.

# Haemostasis

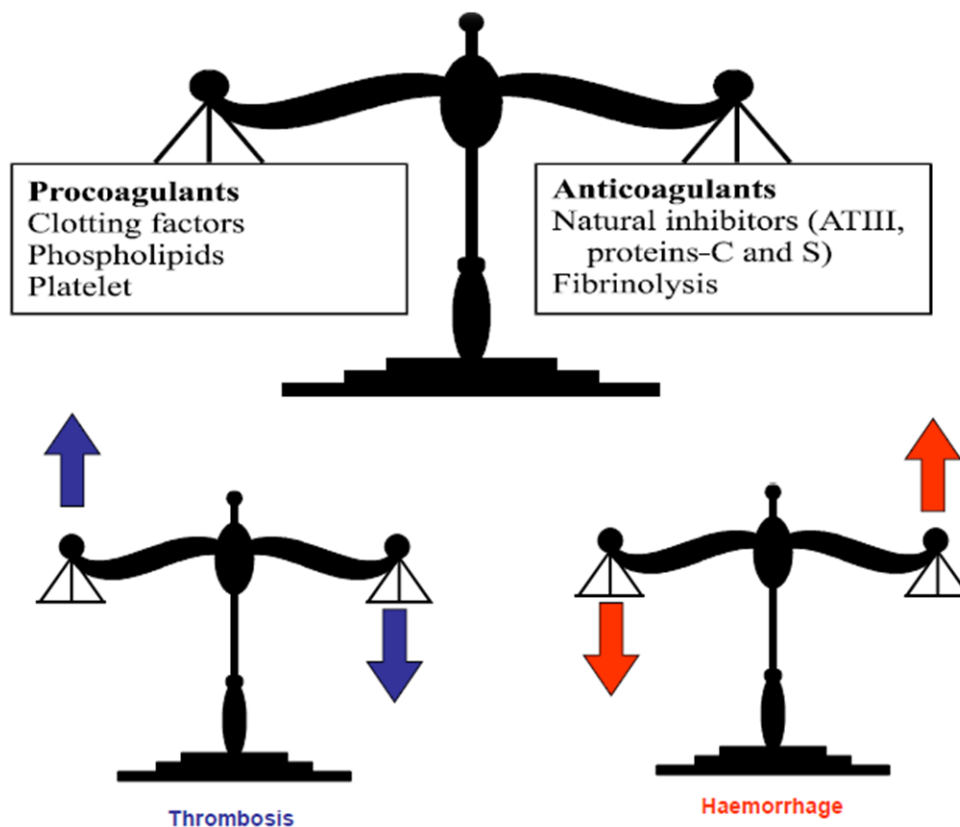


## Haemostasis:

The spontaneous arrest of bleeding from ruptured blood vessels.

## Homeostasis of the clotting system

- A crucial physiological balance exists between factors favoring clotting (procagulants) and factors that oppose it (anticoagulants).
- Disturbances in this balance can lead to **thrombosis** or **bleeding**.



- Procoagulants (تساعد على التجلط او التخثر).
- Anti-coagulants (العكس).
- There is a balance between them.

# Mechanisms

1. Vessel wall

2. Platelets

3. Blood coagulation

4. Fibrinolytic system

## Haemostatic mechanism:

### 1. Vessel wall

Immediately After injury a localized **Vasoconstriction** of smooth muscles

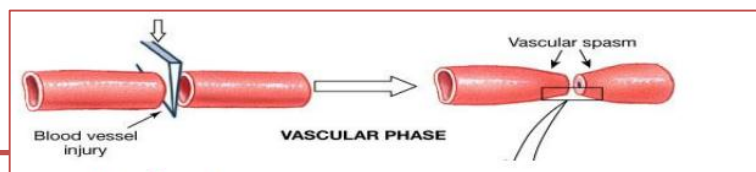
\* Contraction of smooth muscles in the vessel wall

## Mechanism (Vasoconstriction)

-Humoral factors (exists in blood).

1. local release of thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> & 5HT (serotonin) by platelets.
2. Systemic release of adrenaline (by sympathetic NS).

- Nervous factors.



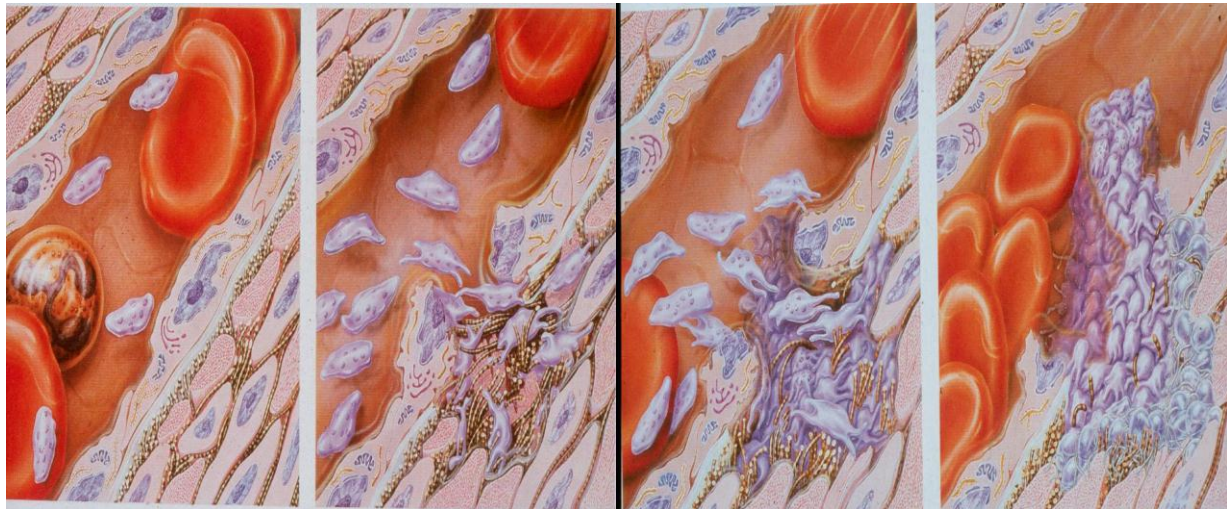
# Mechanisms

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**2. Platelets**

3. Blood coagulation

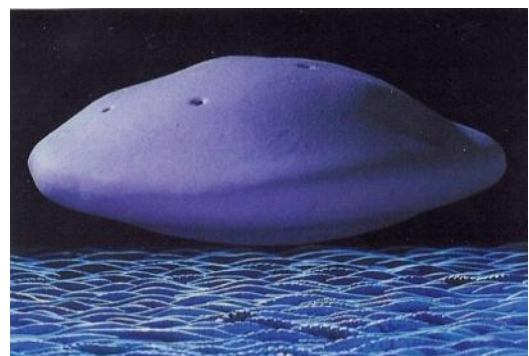
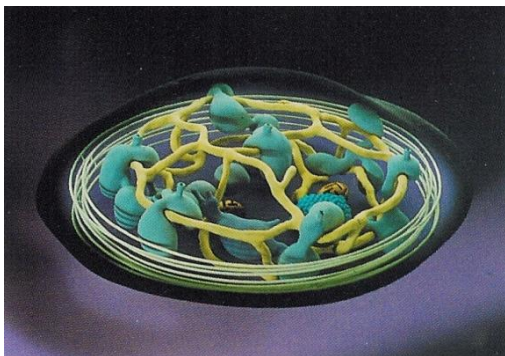
4. Fibrinolytic system



**\*when the blood is exposed to subendothelial collagen or anything besides smooth endothelium the platelets get activated and they are attracted to aggregate in the site of injury**

**(Active platelet)**

**(Inactive platelet)**

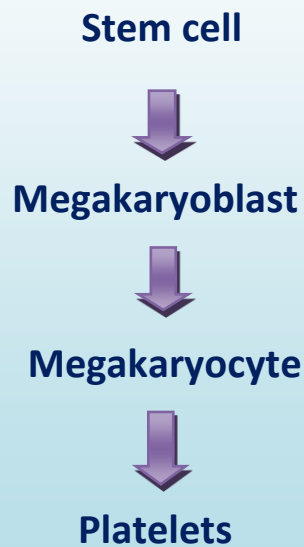


# Platelets\_cont.

Site of formation:

**Bone marrow**

Steps :



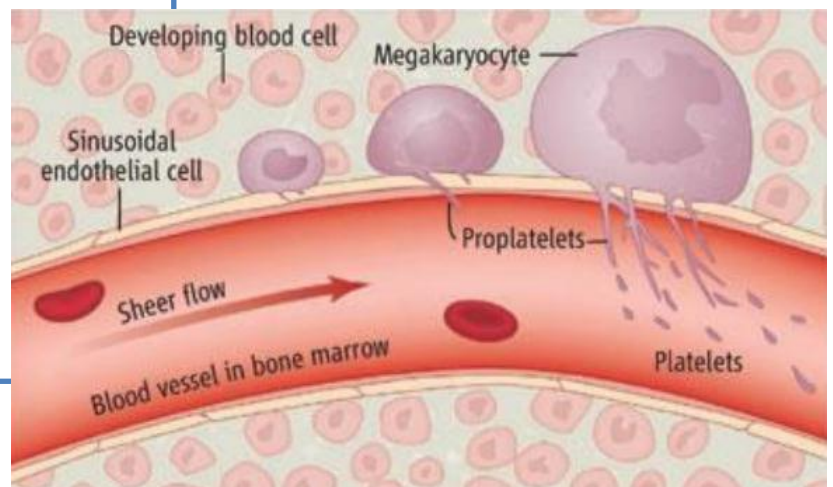
• **Note:**

Platelets surface is rich in glycoproteins and phospholipids. (phospholipids has an important role in the clotting system)

## Megakaryocytes and platelets formation:

Thrombocytes are:

**Fragments of megakaryocytes in the bone marrow.**



- Platelet count =  $150 \times 10^3$ - $300 \times 10^3$ /ml.
- Life span **8-12 days**.
- Active cells contain contractile protein.
- Contain high calcium content & rich in ATP.

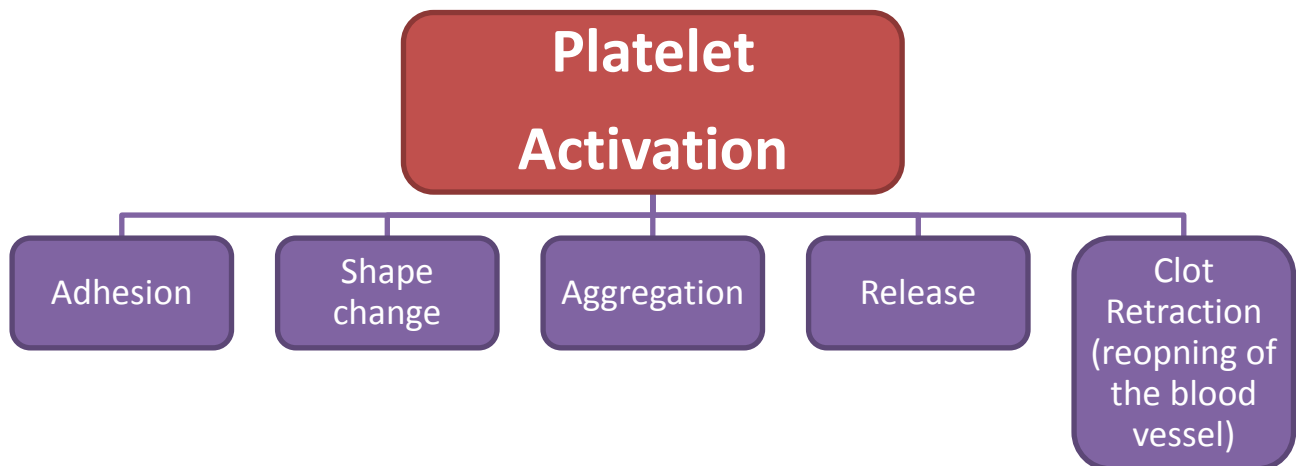
### PLATELETS FORMATION (THROMBOPOIESIS)

- Regulation of thrombopoiesis By Thrombopoietin.

### PLATELETS FUNCTION:

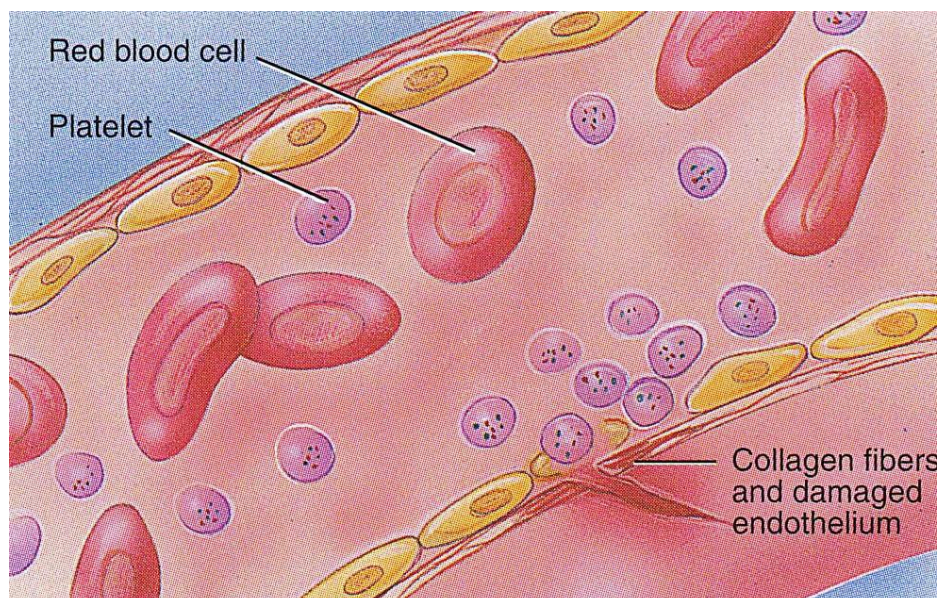
- Begins with platelets activation.
- Adhere to injured site of blood vessel to stop bleeding.
- Secretes substances which are important for clot formation.





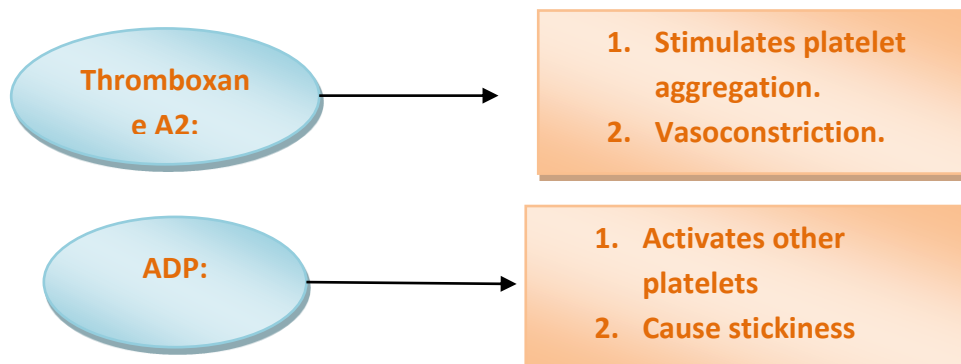
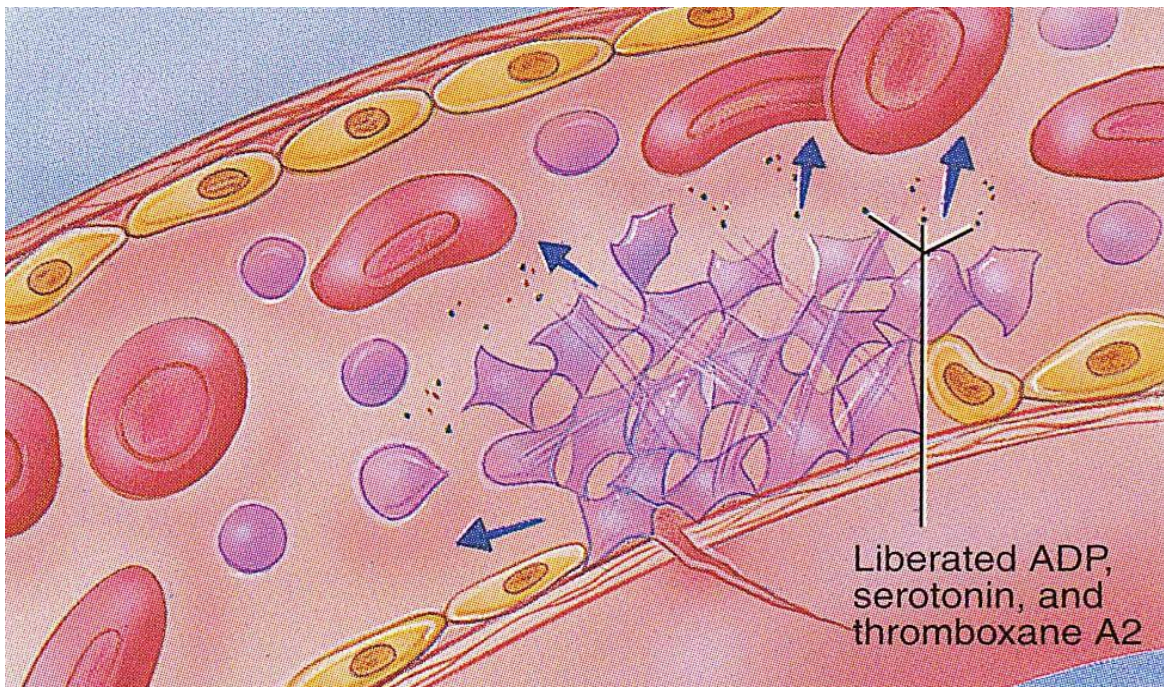
## PLATELET ADHESION:

- Platelets stick to exposed collagen underlying damaged endothelial cells in vessel wall



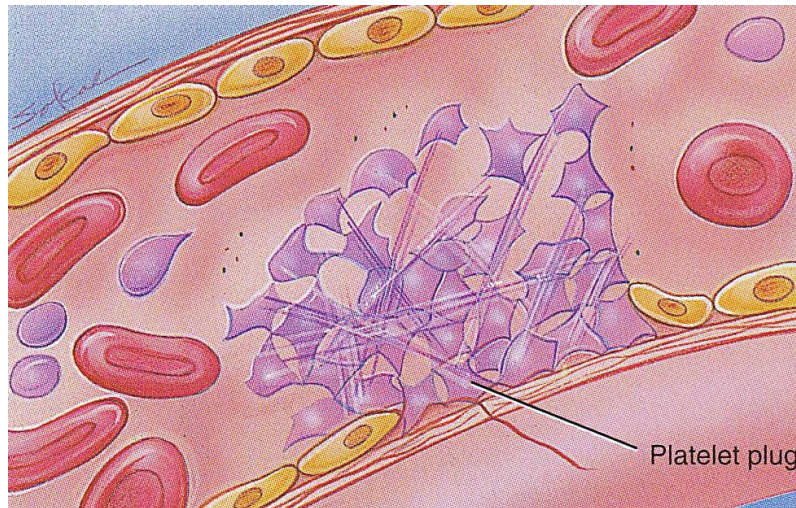
## PLATELET RELEASE REACTION:

- Platelets activated by **adhesion**.
- Extend projections to make contact with each other .
- Release **thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>, serotonin & ADP** activating **other platelets**.
- Serotonin & thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> are **vasoconstrictors** decreasing blood flow through the injured vessel. **ADP** causes **stickiness** .



## PLATELET AGGREGATION :

- Activated platelets stick together and activate new platelets to form a mass called a **platelet plug**.
- Plug reinforced by **fibrin** threads formed during **clotting process**.



2. Shape change



1. Adhesion



3. aggregation

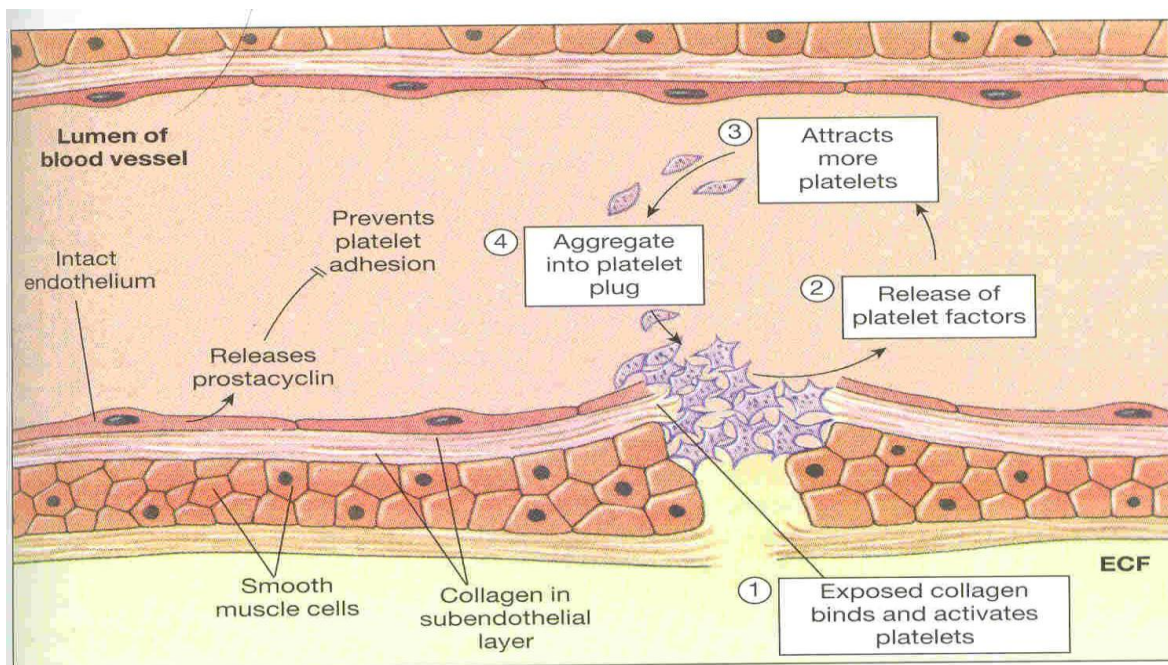


## PLATELET PLUG:

Aggregation of platelets at the site of injury to stop bleeding.

- Exposed **collagen** attracts platelets
- Activated platelets release of platelet **ADP & Thromboxane A2 (TXA2)** → ↑ the stickiness of platelets → ↑ Platelets aggregation → plugging of the cut vessel
- Intact endothelium secret **prostacyclin**.

\*Prostacyclin: produces thromboxane A2



## ACTIVATED PLATELETS :

1. 5HT → vasoconstriction

2. Platelet phospholipid (PF3) → clot formation

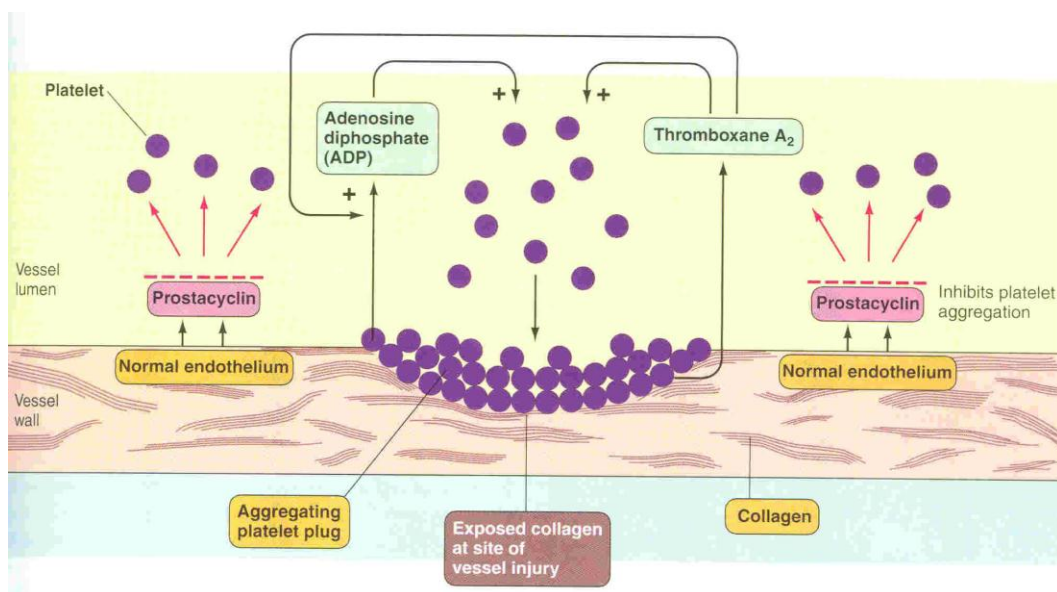
3. Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> (TXA<sub>2</sub>) is a prostaglandin formed from arachidonic acid

### Function:

- vasoconstriction
- Platelet aggregation

(**TXA<sub>2</sub>** inhibited by aspirin)

- For people over 40 it is better to take podiatric aspirin.
- Aspirin decreases the synthesis of TXA<sub>2</sub> = decrease in vasoconstriction and platelets aggregation.



# Mechanisms

1.Vessel wall

2.Platelets

**3.Blood  
coagulation**4.Fibrinolytic  
system

## Clotting Factors:

Factors	Names
I	Fibrinogen (the breaking down of it gives fibrin )
II	Prothrombin (inactive enzyme)
III	Thromboplastin
IV	Calcium
V	Labile factor
VII	Stable factor
VIII	Antihemophilic factor
IX	Antihemophilic factor B
X	Stuart-Power factor
XI	Plasma thromboplastin antecedent (PTA)
XII	Hagman factor
XIII	Fibrin stablizing factors (calcium )

# The Coagulation Cascade

## Intrinsic Pathway (contact pathway)

- All factors are present in blood

**FXII** <sub>12</sub> (contact factor) → **FXIIa** (active)

**FXI** <sub>11</sub> → **FXIa**

**FIX** <sub>9</sub> → **FIXa**

**FVIII** <sub>8</sub>

## Extrinsic pathway: (fast pathway)

**Tissue factor** (tissue thromboplastin)

- Inside the tissue

**Factor VII** <sub>7</sub> & **Ca** <sup>++</sup>

**X** → **Xa**

(common pathway)

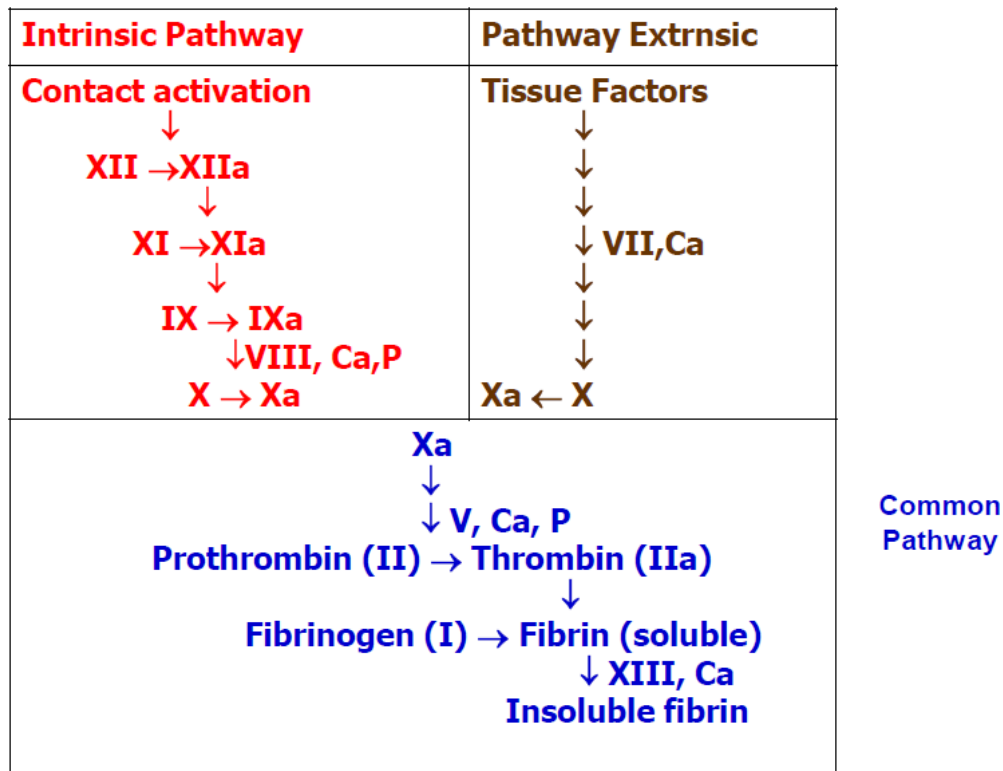
**FV** <sub>5</sub> + **Ca** + **P** (phospholipid)

**Prothrombin** → **Thrombin**

**Fibrinogen** → **Fibrin**

## BLOOD COAGULATION:

- A series of biochemical reactions leading to the formation of a blood clot.
- This reaction leads to the activation of **thrombin** enzyme from inactive form **prothrombin**.
- Thrombin will change **fibrinogen** (plasma protein) to **fibrin** (insoluble protein).
- Prothrombin (inactive thrombin) is activated by a **long intrinsic or short extrinsic pathways**.





### Intrinsic pathway (contact pathway) :

- The trigger is the activation of factor **XII** by contact with foreign surface, injured blood vessel, and glass.
- Activate factor (XIIa) will activate XI.
- XIa will activate IX.
- IXa + VIII + platelet phospholipid + Ca activate X.
- Following this step the pathway is common for both.

### Extrinsic pathway (Tissue factor pathway) :

- Triggered by material released from damaged tissues (**tissue thromboplastin**).
- tissue thromboplastin + VII + Ca  $\square$  activate X

### Common pathway:

- Xa + V + PF3 + Ca ( prothrombin activator) it is a proteolytic enzyme activate prothrombin  $\rightarrow$  **thrombin**
- Thrombin act on **fibrinogen**  $\rightarrow$  fibrin monomers (threads)
- Factor XIII + Ca  $\square$  strong fibrin (strong clot).

# Activation Blood Coagulation:

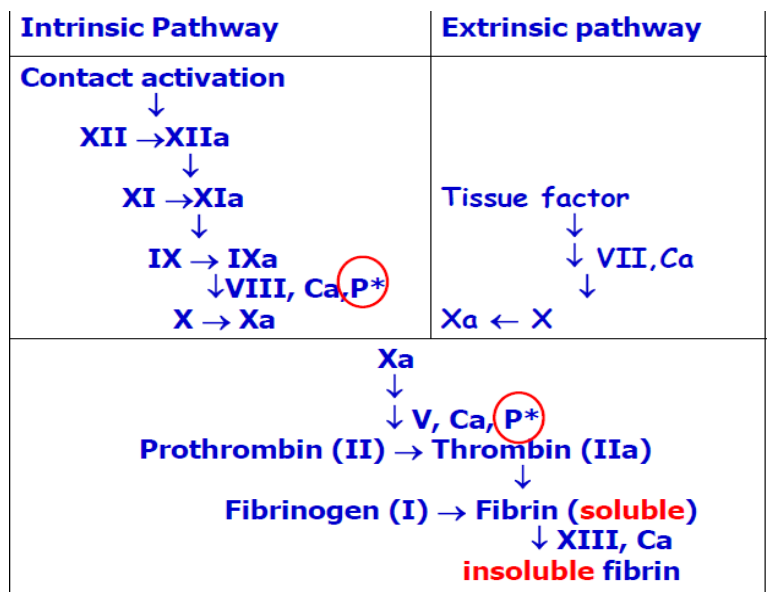
**•Intrinsic Pathway:**

All clotting factors present in the blood

**•Extrinsic Pathway:**

Triggered by tissue factor

**• Common Pathway**

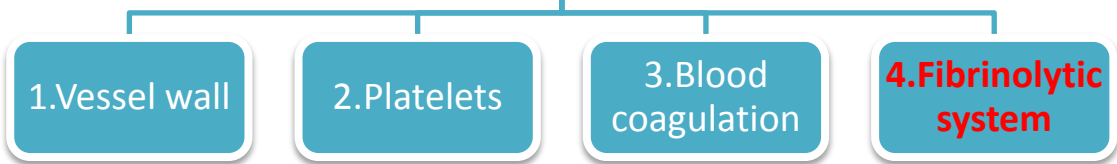


**P\* = phospholipid from platelets**

## Thrombin:

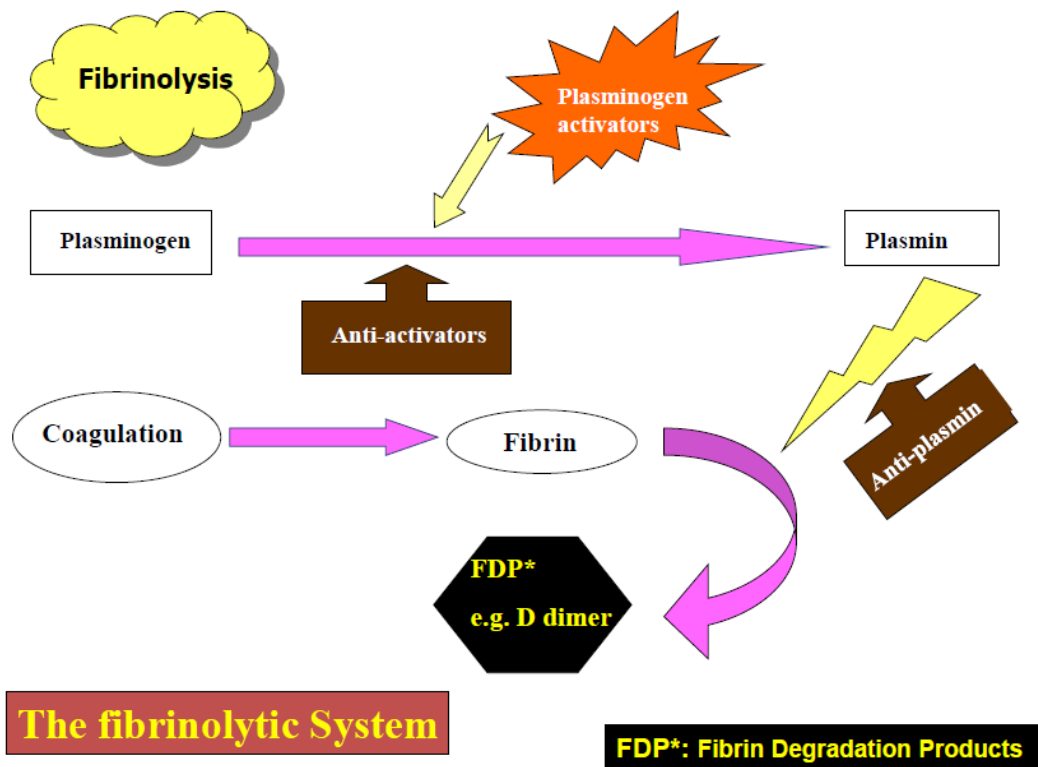
- Thrombin changes fibrinogen to fibrin.
- Thrombin is essential in platelet morphological changes to form primary plug
- Thrombin stimulates platelets to release ADP & thromboxane A2; both stimulate further platelets aggregation
- Activates factor V

# Mechanisms



## FIBRINOLYSIS :

- Formed blood clot can either become fibrous or dissolve.
- Fibrinolysis (dissolving) = Break down of fibrin by naturally occurring enzyme **plasmin** therefore prevent intravascular blocking.
- There is balance between clotting and fibrinolysis .
- Excess clotting → blocking of Blood Vessels .
- Excess fibrinolysis → tendency for bleeding.



• Plasmin inhibitors and activators keep it under control.



## PLASMIN :

- Plasmin is present in the blood in inactive form **plasminogen**.
- Plasmin is activated by tissue plasminogen activators (**t-PA**) in blood.
- Plasmin digests intra & extra vascular deposit of Fibrin → fibrin degradation products (**FDP**) e.g. D-dimer.
- Unwanted effect of plasmin is the digestion of clotting factors.
- Plasmin is controlled by:
  - Tissue Plasminogen Activator Inhibitor (TPAI)
  - Antiplasmin from the liver.

## Uses:

- Tissue Plasminogen Activator (TPA) used to activate plasminogen to dissolve coronary and cerebral clots.

## Summary:

- Haemostasis mechanisms include :  
(Vessel wall – Platelets – Blood clotting – Fibrinolysis)
- Disturbances between procoagulant and anticoagulant can lead to **thrombosis** or **bleeding**.
- Regulation of thrombopoiesis By Thrombopoietin
- Platelets Activation include :  
(Adhesion – Change shape – Aggregation – Release – Clot retraction)
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## Related videos:

1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f9Ojq9f2qaM> (clots, thrombi & antiplatelets)
2. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s4FoSf6Yis&feature=c4-overview-vl&list=PLzl4lgX\\_3Rvczcmakc5EaSeE5Tqbu3w7k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s4FoSf6Yis&feature=c4-overview-vl&list=PLzl4lgX_3Rvczcmakc5EaSeE5Tqbu3w7k) (coagulation cascade)
3. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ys8fMaqfq4Q&list=PLzl4lgX\\_3Rvczcmakc5EaSeE5Tqbu3w7k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ys8fMaqfq4Q&list=PLzl4lgX_3Rvczcmakc5EaSeE5Tqbu3w7k) (anticoagulation & thrombolytics)



# Multiple Choice Questions

**Q1: Thrombopoietin is hormone that raised from?**

- A- Spleen
- B- Bone marrow
- C- Lymph nodes
- D- Liver

**Q2: Prevention of blood loss is a definition of?**

- A- Homeostasis
- B- Hemostasis
- C- Plasmin
- D- Thrombin

**Q3: The stickness of platelets is the function of?**

- A- Thromboxane A
- B- D-ADP
- C- Serotonin
- D- Thrombin

**Q4: TXA2 can be inhibited by?**

- A- Panadol
- B- Penicillin
- C- Aspirin
- D- Morphine

**Q5: Which of the following triggered intrinsic pathway?**

- A- Factor V
- B- Factor XIII
- C- Factor XII
- D- Thromboplastin

**Q6: Which of the following will change fibrogen into fibrin?**

- A- Thrombin
- B- Plasmin
- C- Factor X
- D- Prothrombin