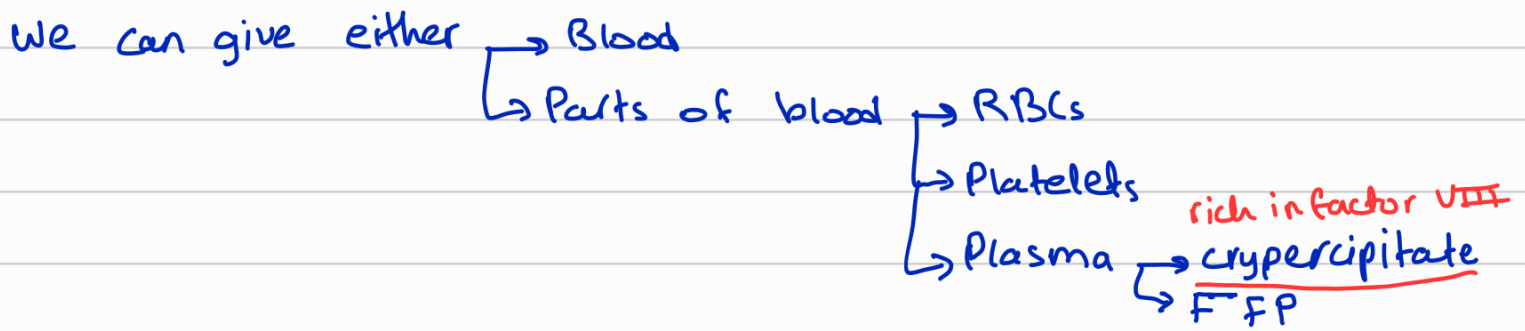




* whole blood is the best because it has the whole coagulation cascade, but is not easily accessible because: storage problems, needs so much testing

* transfusion only indicated if $Hb < 7g/dl$
7-8 g/dl → only if post-operative
or symptomatic (chest pain, tachycardia, HTF)

Complications

acute

1. Hemolytic: (AHTR)
ABO incompatibility

- High fever/chills
- Hypotension
- Back/abdominal pain
- Oliguria
- Dyspnea
- Dark urine
- Pallor

chronic

- 1- Alloimmunization
- 2- GVHD
- 3- Iron overload
- 4- transfusion transmitted infection

infections

- very low rate
- HCV, HBV, HIV, ..

2- Febrile (FNHTR)

Platelet transfusion

abs against HLA

3- Allergic (ANHTR)

4-TRALI

Caused by WBC antibodies present in donor blood that result in pulmonary leukostasis
Treatment is supportive
High mortality

6-TACO

transfusion associated cardiac overload.

5-Bacterial contamination (not infection)

Stored RBCs

Decreased RBC deformability
Decreased 2,3, DPG
Metabolic acidosis
Altered oxygen carrying capacity
Increased red cell death with increased age of blood (~30% dead)
No improvement in oxygen utilization at the tissue level

Class III of hemorrhage → start giving blood

↳ if we give crystalloids the outcome will get worse because coagulation factors will get diluted.

Massive transfusion

10 units of red cells in 24 hours

OR

Total blood volume is replaced within 24 hours

OR

Three units over one hour with ongoing bleeding

OR

50% of total blood volume is replaced within 3 hours

complications:

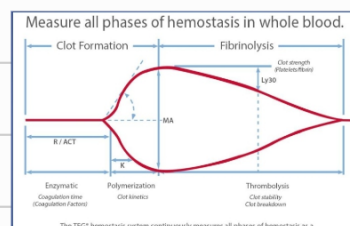
- hypothermia : use blood warmers
- coagulopathy (consumption/dilutional)
- hyperkalemia (rare)
- hypocalcemia.

Viscoelastic whole blood assays /TEG/ ROTEM

graphic display of clot formation.

the graph should look like this:

if not, it tells you what you should



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Laboratory Value	Interpretation	Blood Product Transfusion	QUALITATIVE INTERPRETATION — PATTERN RECOGNITION
R less than 4 min	Enzymatic Hypercoagulability	No treatment if bleeding	 Normal R/K/MA Angle Normal
R between 11-14 min	Low clotting factors	Plasma and RBC's	 Anticoagulant/hemophilia Factor Deficiency R/K = Prolonged MA Angle = Decreased
R greater than 14 min	Very low clotting factors	Plasma and RBC's	
a-angle < 45 degrees	Low fibrinogen level	Cryoprecipitate / Fibrinogen / Platelets	 Platelet Stickers Thrombocytopenia/Thrombotic R = Normal, K = Prolonged MA = Decreased
MA between 45-54 mm	Low platelet function	Platelets / Cryoprecipitate / Fibrinogen	
MA between 41-45 mm	Very low platelet function	Platelets / Cryoprecipitate / Fibrinogen	
MA at 40 mm or less	Extremely very low platelet function	Platelets / Cryoprecipitate / Fibrinogen	 Fibrinolysis R = Normal, MA = Continuous Decrease
MA greater than 73 mm	Platelet Hypercoagulability	No treatment if bleeding	 Hypercoagulable R/K = Decreased MA Angle = Increased
LY30 greater than 3%, CI less than 1.0	Primary fibrinolysis	Tranexamic acid 1g IV over 10 minutes followed by 1g in 250cc NS infused over 8 hours	 DIC Stage 1 - Hypercoagulable + secondary fibrinolysis  Stage 2 - Hypercoagulable + secondary fibrinolysis