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HEMOPHILIA A A reduction of factor VIII The most common <u>congenital disorder</u> of coagulation. Factor VIII is synthesized by: üLiver ü Endothelial cells ü Others: spleen, kidney and placenta.

- X- linked recessive disorder.
- Almost all patients males (only males actually have symptoms of hemophilia)
- Female hemophilia carriers with lower than normal levels
 of factor VIII may have bleeding problems similar to males
 with mild hemophilia. Some female carriers have normal
 clotting protein levels and do not have abnormal bleeding.

PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

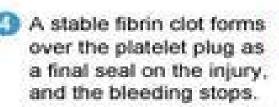
Injury Occurs

- Injury to blood vessel results in bleeding.
- Vessel constricts and clotting factors are activated.



Normal

Along with other substances, clotting factor VIII causes a strong platelet plug to form.







Hemophilia A

- Lack of clotting factor VIII causes a weak platelet plug to form.
- Incomplete and/or delayed fibrin clot allows bleeding to continue.





CLINICAL FEATURES

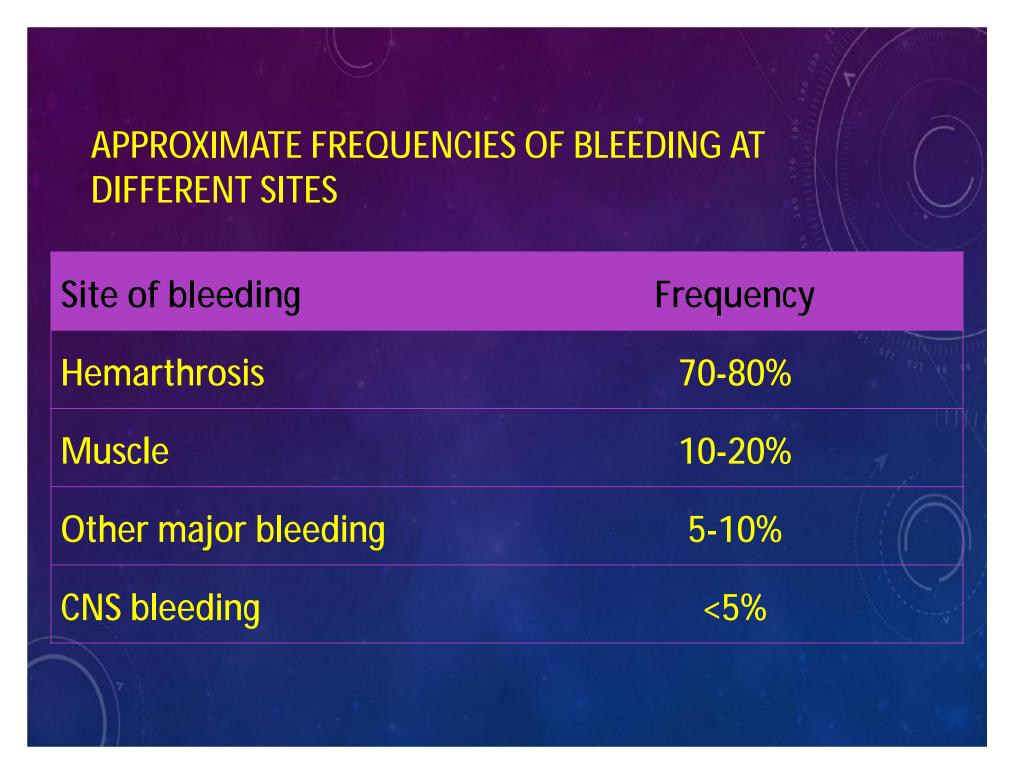
- Hemophilia *sporadic* in one third of cases.
- Whereas severe hemophilia is usually diagnosed within the

first 2 years of life (usually after 6 months), individuals with

moderate and mild forms may escape diagnosis until

adulthood.

Severity	FVIII	Clinical presentation
	level	
Severe	< 1%	Frequent spontaneous bleeding into joints,
		muscles and internal organs
Moderate	1-5 %	some 'spontaneous' bleeds, bleeding after
		minor trauma
Mild	5-40 %	Bleeding only after significant trauma, surgery







Bleeding can occur at any site: oropharyngeal bleeding hematuria, hematemesis and melena is less common. CNS bleeding is uncommon but can occur after a slight head injury and remains a significant cause of death.

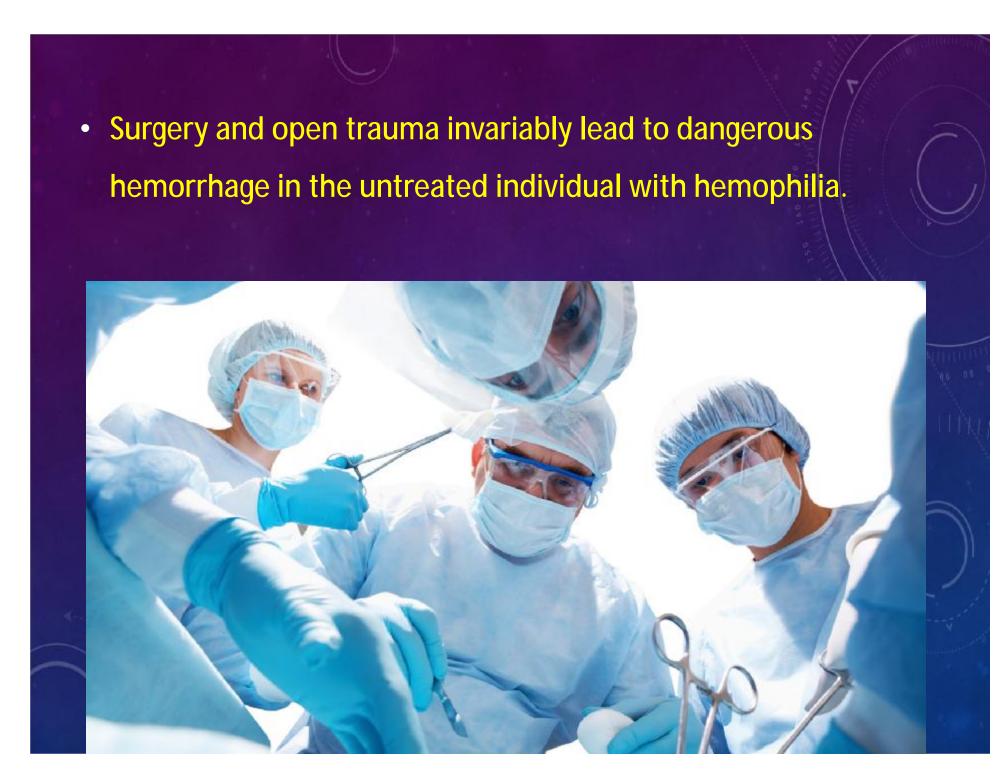


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Soft tissue bleeds and bruising - no functional impairment - tenderness, but no severe pain - no factor needed

Iliopsoas bleeds

- flexed hip

 pain, inability to extend the leg on the affected side

 treat with a major dose of factor

Thigh/calf bleeds

- pain

- with/without swelling

- impaired mobility

- routine factor dose

 major factor dose if compartment syndrome is suspected



 potential airway compromise

 treat with a major dose of factor

Deltoid/forearm bleed and bruising

routine factor dose

 major factor dose if a compartment syndrome is suspected

Buttock bleeds

- pain

with/without swelling

routine factor dose

 major factor dose if the leg on the affected side exhibits tingling or swelling

HEMOPHILIA

(Inherited Blood Disorder Factor VIII, Classic, or Type A)

TARRY

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- No Cure

- Avoid Injury & Meds That Promote Bleeding

- Good Nutrition

- Good Dental Hygiene

- IV Administration Of Deficient Clotting Factor

Intracranial Hemorrhage

Prolonged Nosebleeds

Bruises Easily

Warm, Painful, Swollen Joints With **I** Movement

GI Hemorrhage



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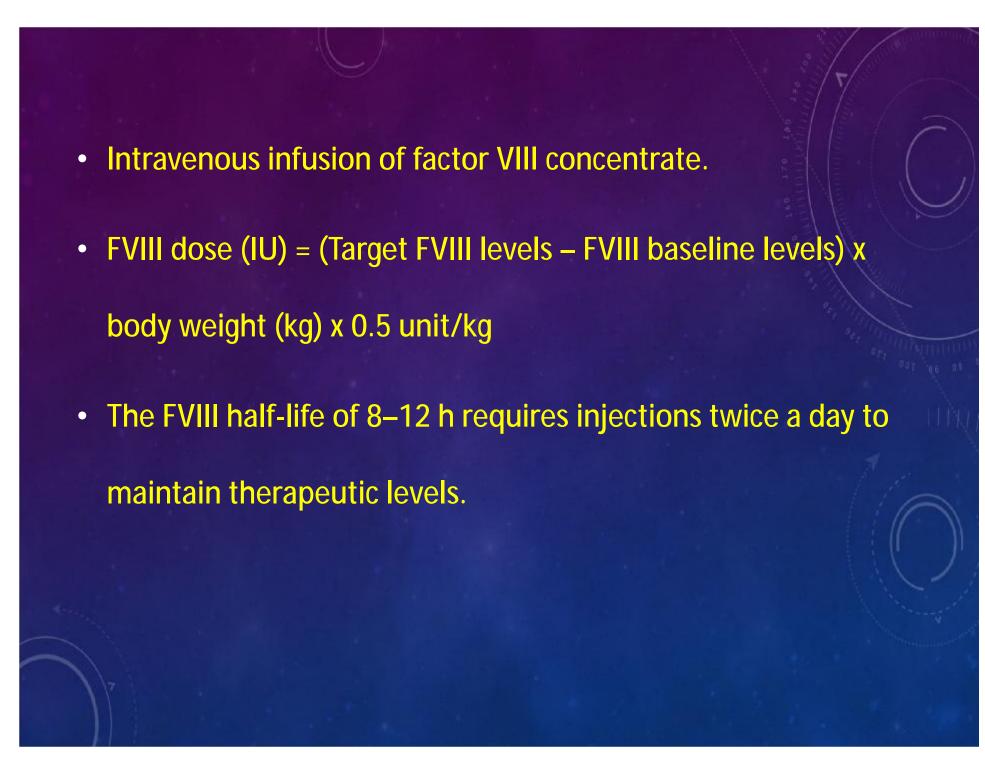
INVESTIGATIONS

- Prolonged APTT
- Prothrombin time and thrombin time are normal.
- Normal platelet count, and bleeding time.
- FVIII clotting activity are low, with all other factors normal.
- Von Willebrand factor (VWF) antigen and activity are normal.

TREATMENT

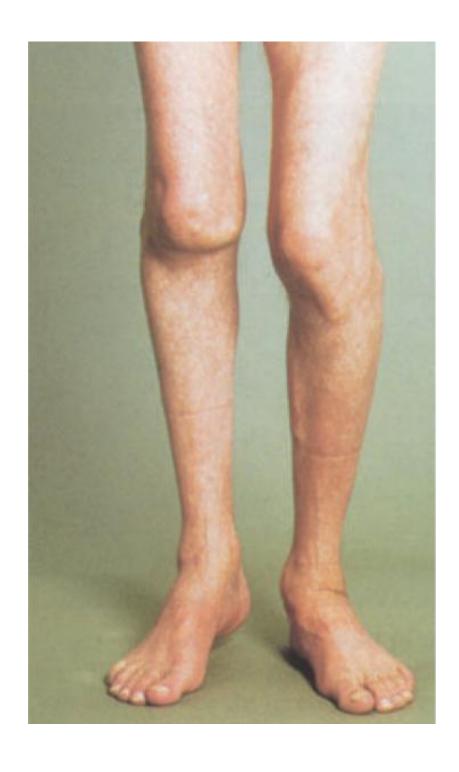
- Resting of the bleeding site.
- Once bleeding has settled, the patient should be mobilized and physiotherapy used to restore strength to the surrounding muscles.
- In individuals with a basal factor VIII level of ≥10% it may be possible
 to raise the level 3-5 fold with <u>desmopressin</u>. This is often sufficient
 to treat a mild bleed or cover minor surgery such as dental

extraction.



COMPLICATION

- Synovial hypertrophy, destruction of the cartilage and secondary osteoarthrosis.
- Transmission of infection.
- Anti-factor VIII antibodies:
 - § Factor VII
 - § High dose factor VIII
 - § Immune tolerance induction
 - § plasma derived prothrombin complex concentrate





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HEMOPHILIA B (CHRISTMAS DISEASE)

Definition: reduction of the plasma factor IX level.

This disorder is clinically <u>indistinguishable from</u>

hemophilia A but is less common.

Presentation: (less severe)

Treatment?