

**ARE RECOMBINANT PRODUCTS
MORE LIKELY TO
ENGENDER INHIBITORS?**

**ARE PLASMA DERIVED PRODUCTS MORE
EFFECTIVE FOR
INDUCING IMMUNE TOLERANCE ?**

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INHIBITORS in HEMOPHILIA

- Antihemophilic factors are now efficient
- Antihemophilic factors are now safe
- Antihemophilic factors are still immunogenic
- **When Antihemophilic factors are in sufficient amount to treat patients, inhibitor is the greatest fight and the most difficult problem to manage in hemophiliacs treatment**

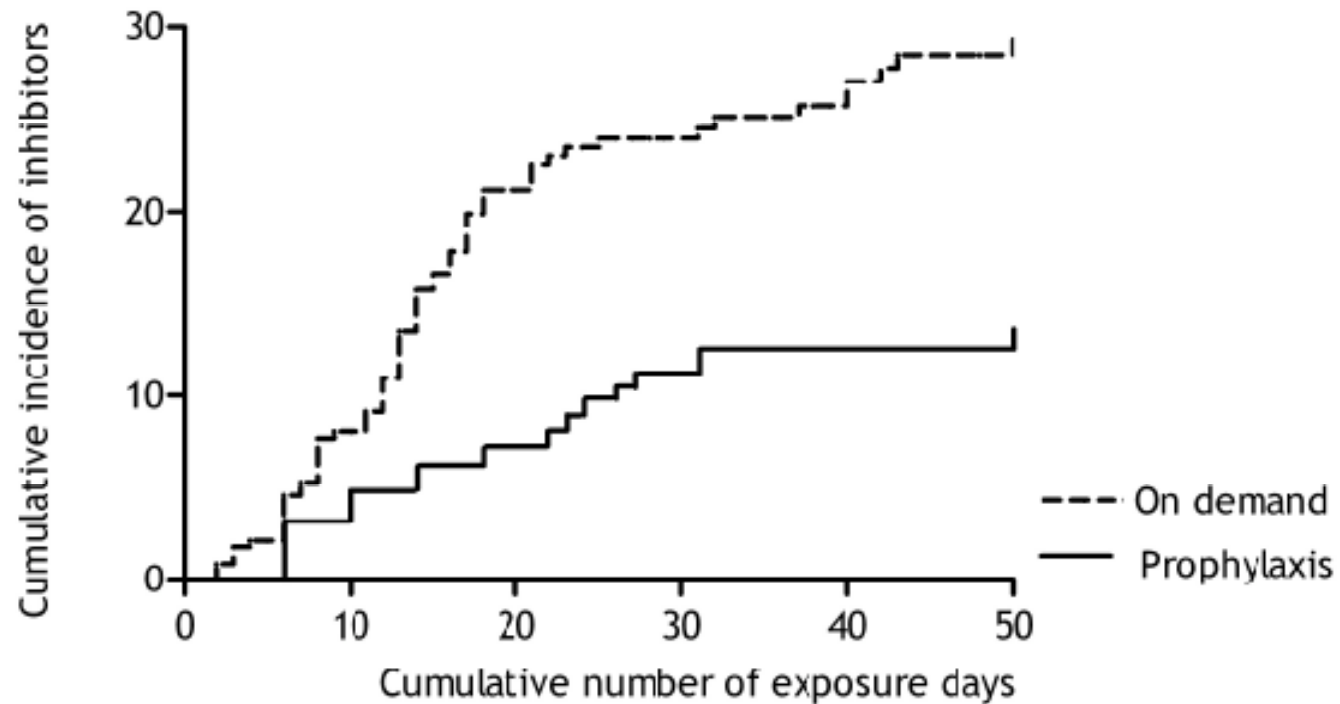
INHIBITORS in HAEMOPHILIA

- **Established Risk Factors**
- **Influence of drug**
- **Works in progress**

INHIBITORS PREVALENCE: On demand vs prophylaxis

Patients at risk:

| | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| On demand | 339 | 263 | 177 | 136 | 107 | 89 |
| Prophylaxis | 4 | 54 | 103 | 133 | 157 | 168 |



Gown et al, Blood 2007

INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- Clinical data
- Biological data

INFLUENCE of TREATMENT on the PREVALENCE of INHIBITORS

- **34 patients with inhibitors among 148 patients**
 - 16 patients (13 treated by rFVIII): > 5 UB
 - 23 patients (19 treated by rFVIII): > 5 UB and/or ITI
- **Date of diagnosis**
 - < 10 ED in 9 patients
 - 10 to 20 ED in 17 patients
 - 21 to 50 ED in 5 patients
 - > 50 ED in 3 patients
- **7/62 (11%) treated by plasma derived F VIII (pFVIII)**
- **27/86 (30%) treated by recombinant F VIII (rFVIII)**

INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

| AHF | Inhibitors(total) | | | High responders | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| | Incidence | RR | IC95 | Incidence | RR | IC95 |
| FVIII-LFB | 10,3 | 1,0 | | 5,2 | 1 | |
| Recombinant | 32,3 | 2,4 | 1,0-5,8 | 15,0 | 2 | 0,7 - 9,6 |

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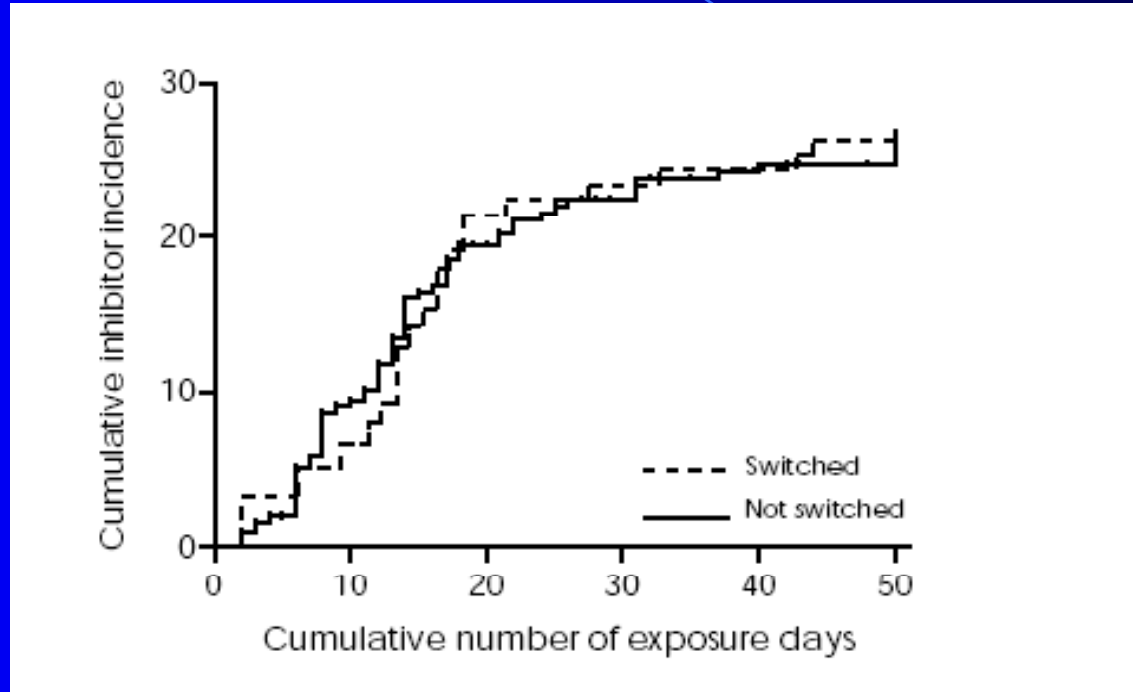
INHIBITORS in HEMOPHILIA A PATIENTS: CANAL STUDY

- Retrospective study on 316 patients

| Type of F VII | ALL: Crude RR (CI) | ALL: Adjusted RR (CI) | High Titre: Crude RR (CI) | Adjusted RR (CI) |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Recombinant | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| pdF | 0.8 (0.5 - 1.3) P = 0.34 | 0.7 (0.4 - 1.1) P = 0.14 | 0.9 (0.5 - 1.2) P = 0.72 | 0.8 (0.4 - 1.3) P = 0.33 |

INHIBITORS: Canal Study and the role of switch pFVIII/rFVIII

376 patients
13 in Europe
1 centre canada



Switch rFVIII/pFVIII

No difference pFVIII / rFVIII
Switch: no incidence on inhibitor incidence

Gouw et al, Blood 2007

INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- Number and percentages of inhibitors in different clinical studies

| pdf | N | Inhib | %Inhib |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------|---------------|
| Brown | 74 | 3 | 4,00 |
| Glomstein | 19 | 2 | 11,00 |
| Lusher 1990 | 25 | 6 | 24,00 |
| Addiego 1992 | 23 | 2 | 9,00 |
| Ehrenforth 1992 | 27 | 14 | 52,00 |
| Ljung 1992 | 77 | 16 | 21,00 |
| Addiego 1993 | 89 | 25 | 28,00 |
| de Biasi 1994 | 48 | 11 | 23,00 |
| Munlean 1997 | 21 | 9 | 43,00 |
| RokickaMilewska 1999 | 19 | 1 | 5,00 |
| Gringeri 2006 | 71 | 7 | 10,00 |
| Goudemand 2006 | 62 | 7 | 11,00 |
| Escuriola 2006 | 57 | 12 | 21,00 |
| Gouw 2007 | 135 | 29 | 22,00 |
| Chalmers 2007 | 132 | 18 | 14,00 |

| Recombinant | N | Inhibitors | % Inhibitors |
|--------------------|-----|------------|--------------|
| Bray 1994 | 71 | 17 | 24,00 |
| Gringeri 1998 | 29 | 6 | 21,00 |
| Lusher 1998 | 97 | 26 | 27,00 |
| Gruppo 1998 | 72 | 22 | 31,00 |
| Rotschild 1998 | 50 | 14 | 28,00 |
| Lusher 2003 | 101 | 32 | 32,00 |
| Yoshioka 2003 | 31 | 13 | 42,00 |
| Lusher 2004 | 65 | 19 | 29,00 |
| Kreuz 2005 | 37 | 5 | 14,00 |
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| Escuriola 2006 | 47 | 17 | 36,00 |
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| | | | |

INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- What are we comparing?
 - Immunogenicity versus inhibitor development
 - Incidence versus prevalence
 - Type of inhibitors
 - Low titre versus high titre

RISK FACTORS for INHIBITORS

Genetics

Family history
Ethnic background
Mutations FVIII
HLA; IL10; TNF_a

Environment

Age at first infusion
Mode of administration
Surgery
Inflammation

Therapeutic

Glycosylation
F Willebrand
Inactivation process
Contaminations?

Inhibitors
Anti FVIII

INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- Which population?
 - Role of ethnicity
 - Prophylaxis versus on-demand
 - Age at the first infusion

INFLUENCE of ETHNIC BACKGROUND on the PREVALENCE of INHIBITORS

| Group | Inhibitors (total) | | | High response | | |
|------------|--------------------|-----|----------|---------------|-----|----------|
| | Incidence | RR | IC95 | Incidence | RR | IC95 |
| Caucasians | 15,0 | 1,0 | | 7,8 | 1 | |
| Autres | 62,8 | 6,7 | 2,9-15,3 | 26,8 | 3,5 | 1,2-10,3 |

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INFLUENCE of AGE at FIRST INFUSION on the PREVALENCE of INHIBITORS

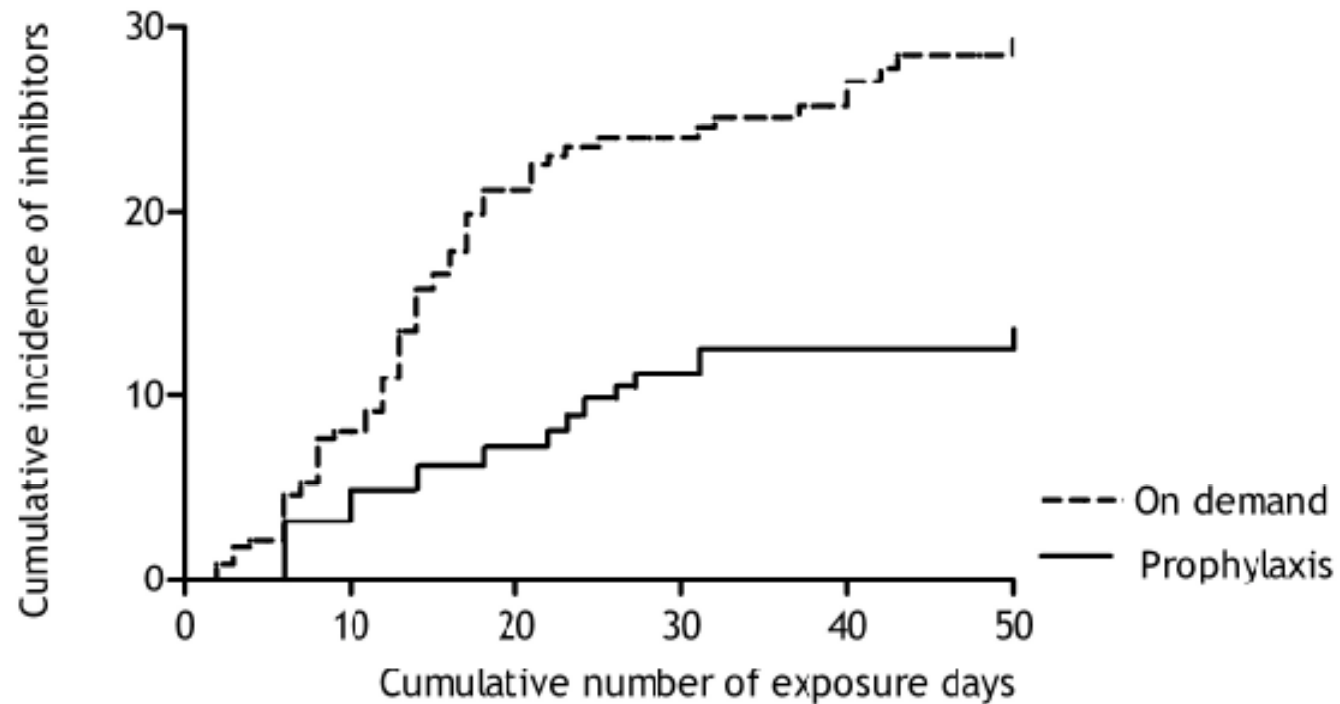
| Age at 1 st inf | Inhibitors (total) | | | High Responders | | |
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| | Incidence | RR | IC95 | Incidence | RR | IC95 |
| < 6 monthss | 38,1 | 1,0 | | 16,0 | 1 | |
| 6 to 11 months | 21,3 | 0,5 | 0,2-1,3 | 10,6 | 0,8 | 0,2-2,8 |
| > 12 months | 15,7 | 0,3 | 0,1-0,7 | 8,3 | 0,5 | 0,1- 1,8 |

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INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- Which drug?
 - Plasma derived
 - Intermediate versus highly purified
 - Amount of Willebrand factor
 - Recombinant
 - BHK versus CHO derived
 - B-deleted
 - First, second and third generation

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| pdF, <i>low vWF</i> | 0.3 (0.1 - 1.1) P = 0.7 | 0.4 (0.1 - 1.1) P = 0.8 | 0.3 (0.1 - 1.2) P = 0.9 | 0.3 (0.1 - 1.3) P = 0.11 |
| pdF, <i>high vWF</i> | 1.0 (0.6 - 1.6) P = 0.91 | 0.8 (0.5 - 1.4) P = 0.45 | 1.1 (0.7 - 2.0) P = 0.61 | 0.9 (0.5 - 1.6) P = 0.79 |
| Kogenate (BHK) | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Kogenate Bayer (BHK, APF) | 1.1 (0.2 - 4.5) P = 0.94 | 1.2 (0.3 - 5.4) P = 0.79 | 1.5 (0.3 - 6.5) P = 0.60 | 1.6 (0.3 - 7.3) P = 0.55 |
| Recombinant (CHO) | 1.1 (0.5 - 2.3) P = 0.75 | 1.0 (0.5 - 2.1) P = 1.0 | 1.4 (0.6 - 3.1) P = 0.39 | 1.2 (0.5 - 2.7) P = 0.7 |
| Refacto (CHO, B-deleted) | 1.4 (0.8 - 2.6) P = 0.24 | 1.6 (0.9 - 3.2) P = 0.14 | 1.5 (0.7 - 3.0) P = 0.30 | 1.4 (0.6 - 3.1) P = 0.38 |

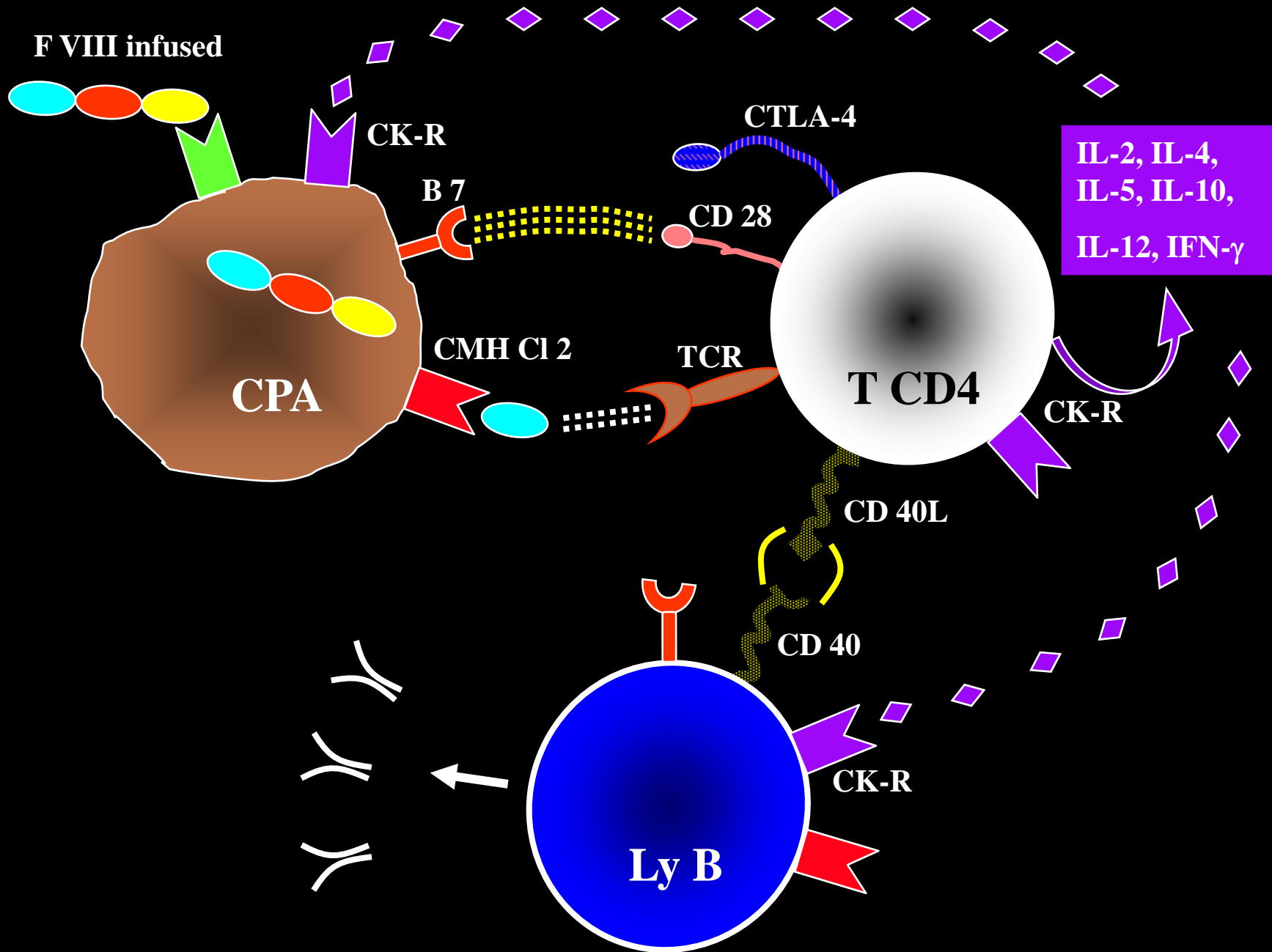
INHIBITORS IN HAEMOPHILIA: Influence of drugs

- Can biology be helpful?
 - Role of vWF in inhibitor development

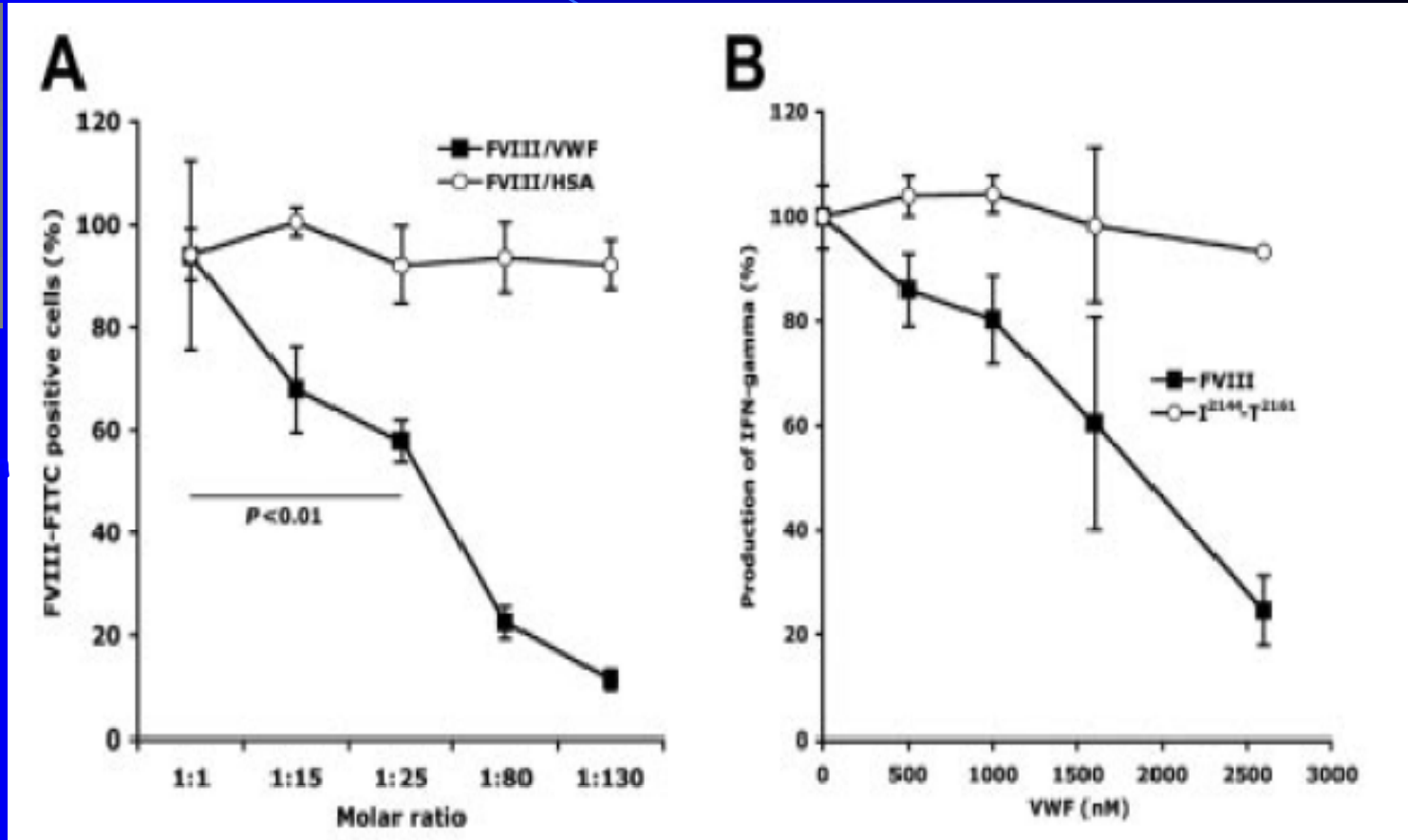
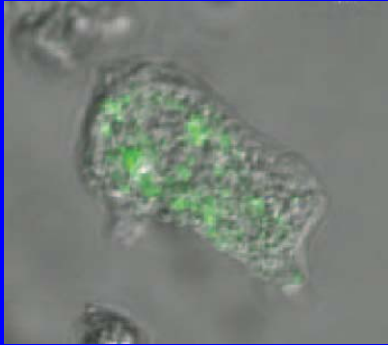
Von WILLEBRAND FACTOR and anti FVIII ANTIBODIES

- Epitopes corresponding to vWF-FVIII binding sites are masked by vWF (especially C2 domain)
- But VWF decreases also the Anti-A2 reactivity
(less than anti-C2)

Hypothesis : 3D modification of FVIII complexed with vWF



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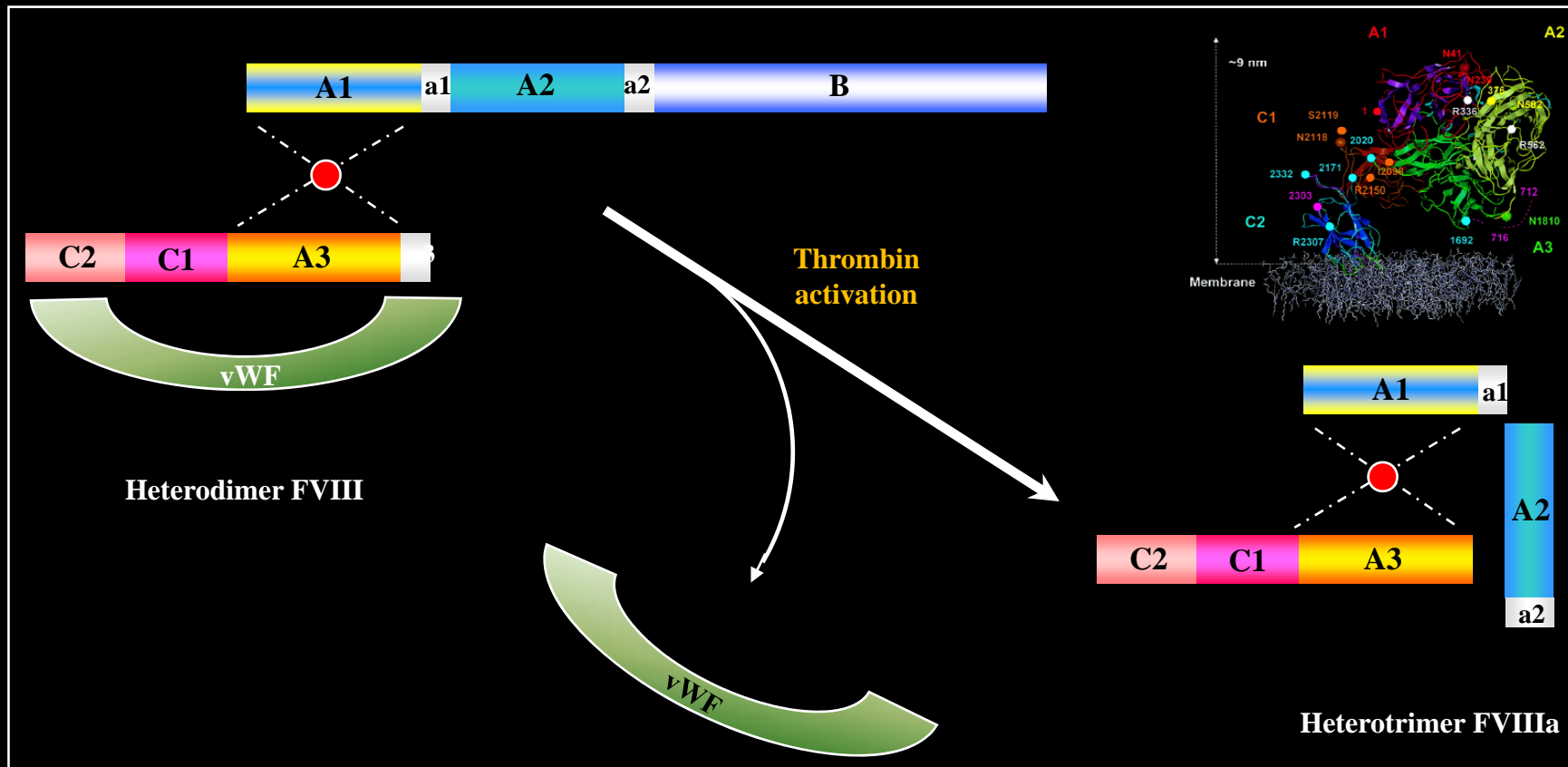
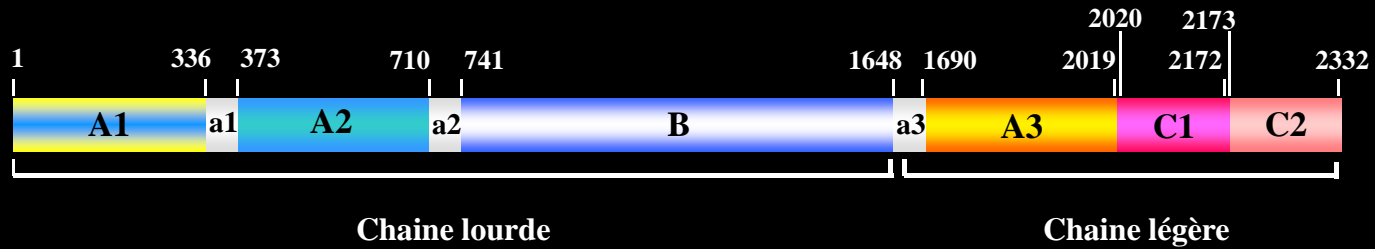
vWF reduces in vitro FVIII endocytosis by Dendritic cells and the consequent presentation to T-cells

(Dasgupta et al. Blood 2007;91:610-2)

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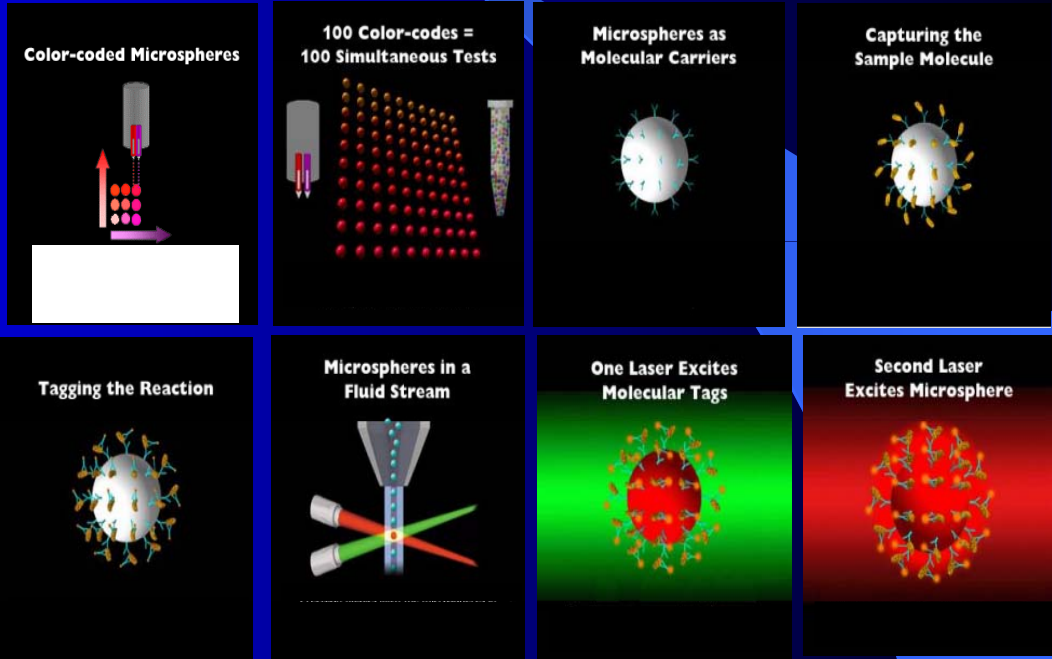
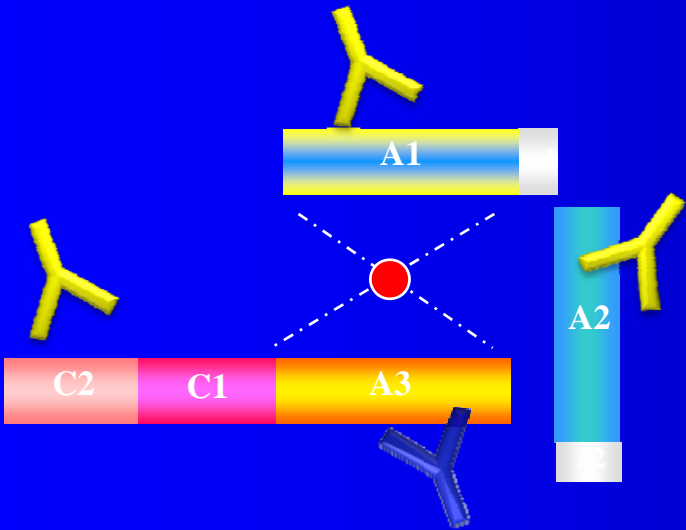
- Can biology be helpful?
 - Inhibitor represent the apparent immune response to F VIII
 - We need to better understand this immune response to F VIII in all its components:
 - Antibodies (inhibiting and non inhibiting)
 - Cells
 - New tools
 - Epitope mapping
 - Elispot

FACTOR VIII: STRUCTURE and ACTIVATION



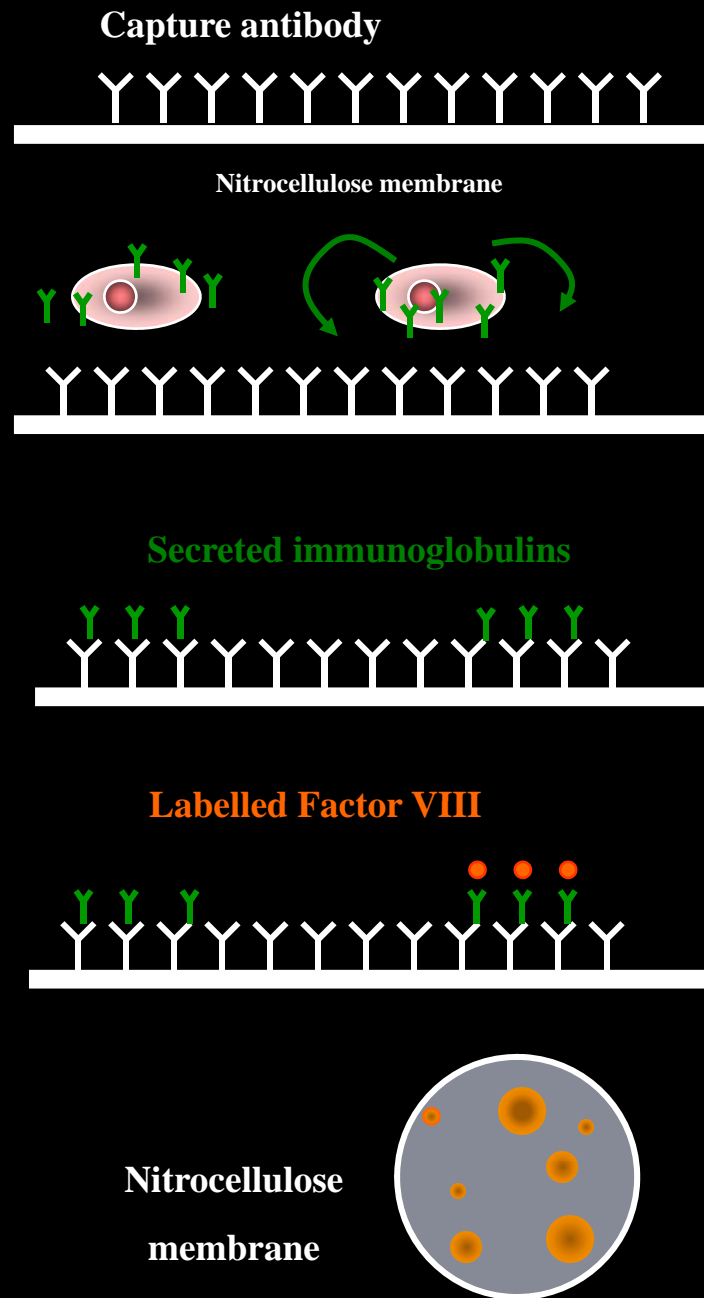
EPITOPE MAPPING

- . a1 3%
- . A1 2,9%
- . A2 and/or C2 68%
- . A3 46%



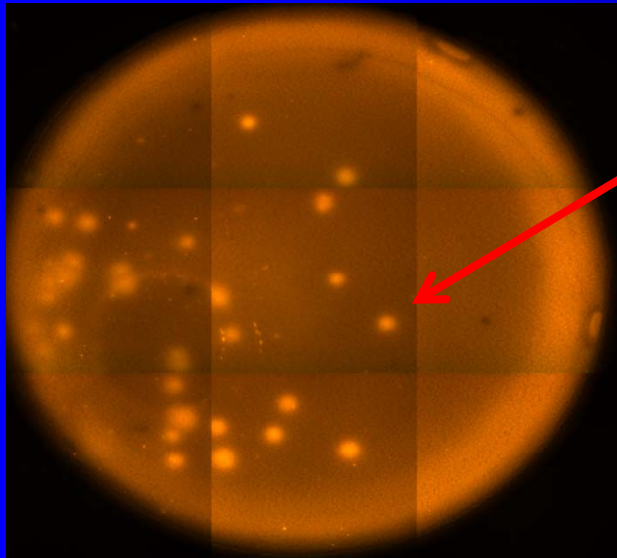
Luminex technology

ELISpot Method



ELISpot on anti FV VIII ab secreting B Lymphocytes

1 Spot = 1 B lymphocyte
secreting Ig anti F VIII



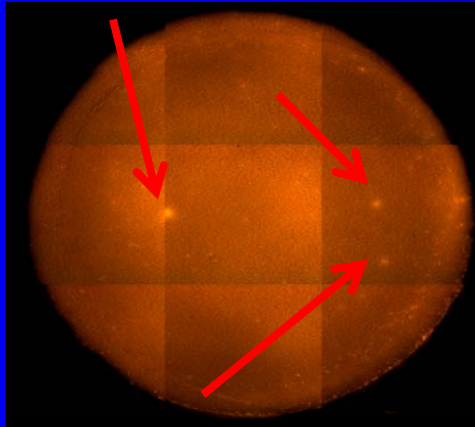
Coating : anti-IgG
Révélation : FVIII labelled
with a fluorochrom

Photo : Obtained with mice hybridom (Birgit Reipert, Baxter, Vienne) secreting anti F VIII IgG
anti-facteur VIII

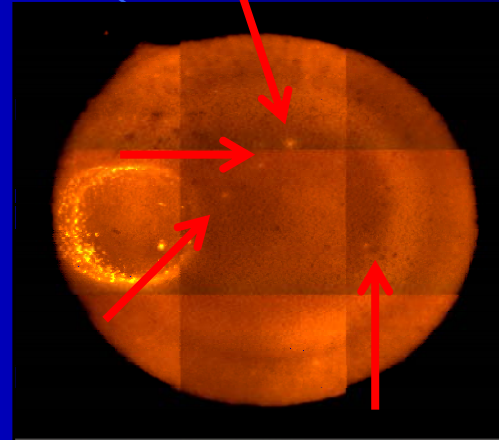
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Patient 3: with inhibitor

3 spots IgA

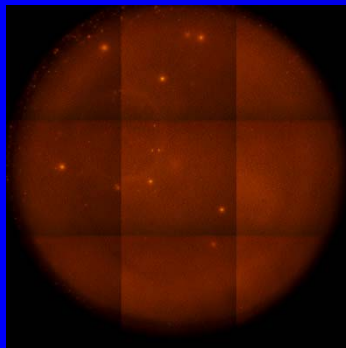


4 spots IgG

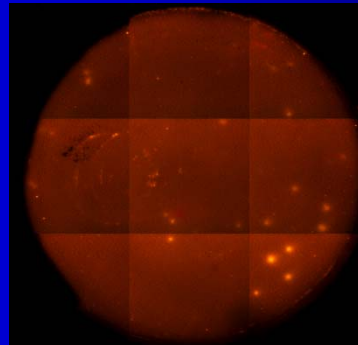


Patient 2 : after successful ITI

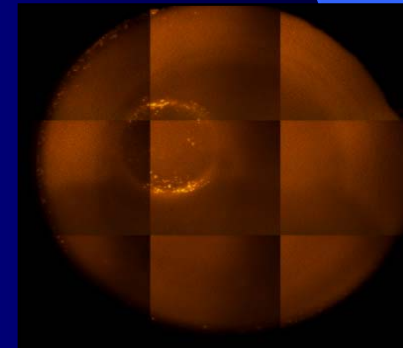
Spots
IgA



Spots
IgM



No IgG
spot



INHIBITORS in HAEMOPHILA: Conclusions

- There are some arguments to suspect a **more frequent development of inhibitors** with recombinant as compared to plasma derived factors
- Role of vWF has to be considered both in ab generation and ITI
- **New tools** are required to better understand the immunological response to F VIII
- Only a **prospective randomized clinical study** is able to compare the incidence of inhibitors between according to the drug used

