

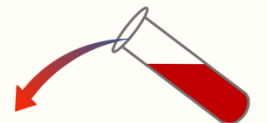
The Coagulation System

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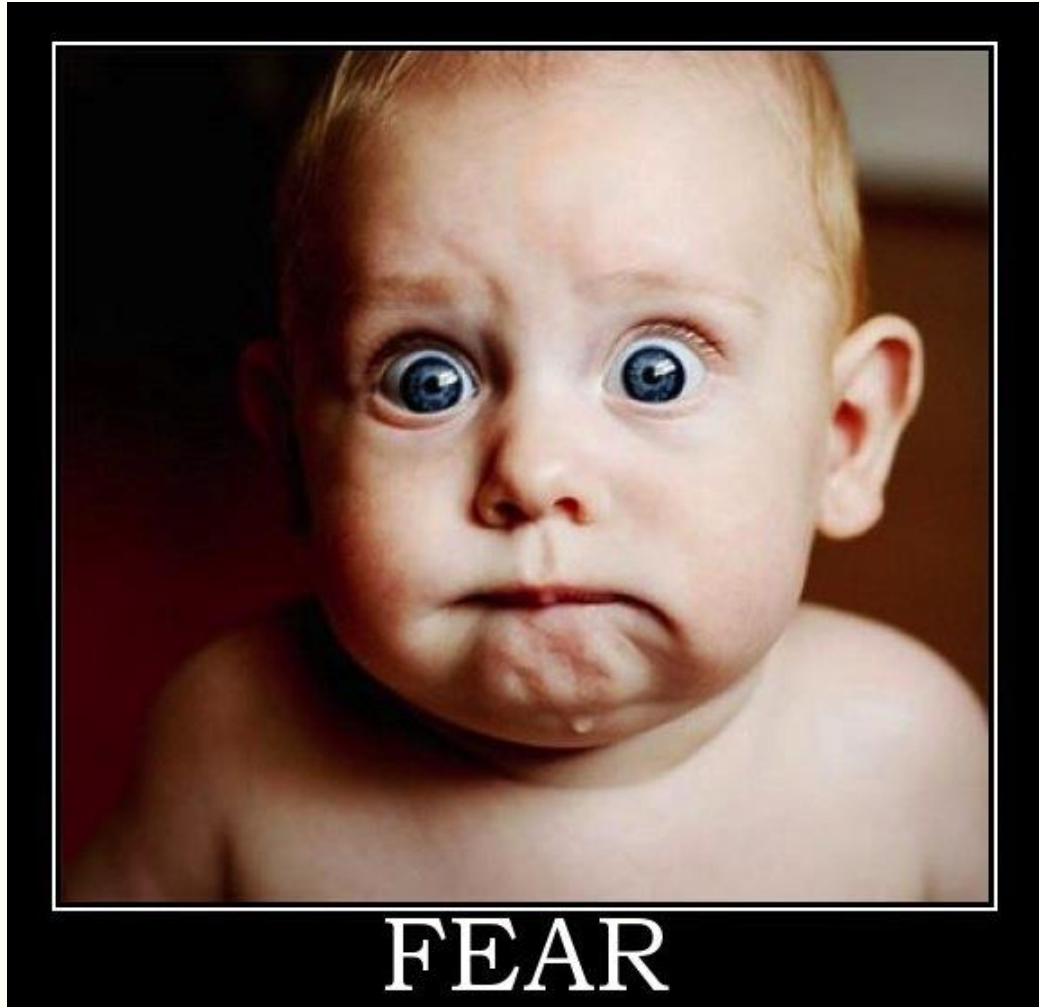
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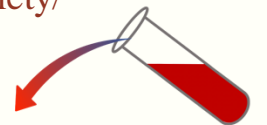
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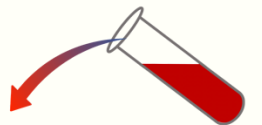


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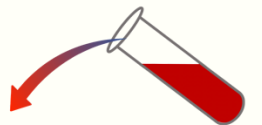
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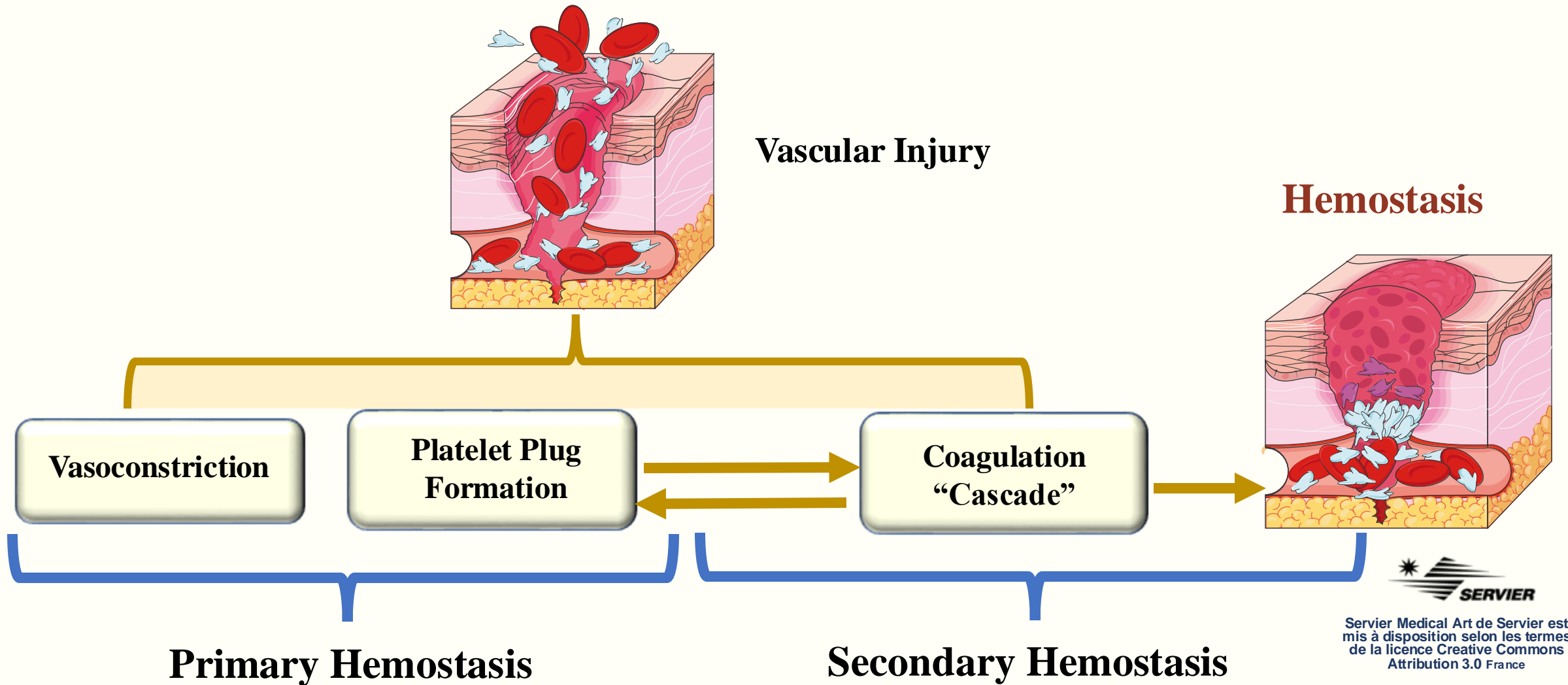


Overview of Hemostasis and Coagulation

- Hemostasis: The processes of keeping the blood liquid in the vasculature.
 - Prevention of hemorrhage following vascular injury.
 - Prevention of excessive clotting (thrombosis) in the vasculature.
- Primary Hemostasis
 - Vascular forces (vasoconstriction) and platelet plug formation.
- Secondary Hemostasis
 - The coagulation factors leading to fibrin clot.
- Physiologic Anticoagulation processes
 - Neutralize activated factors and inhibit platelet function where vessels are intact.
 - Fibrinolysis



Major Components of Hemostasis



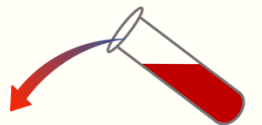
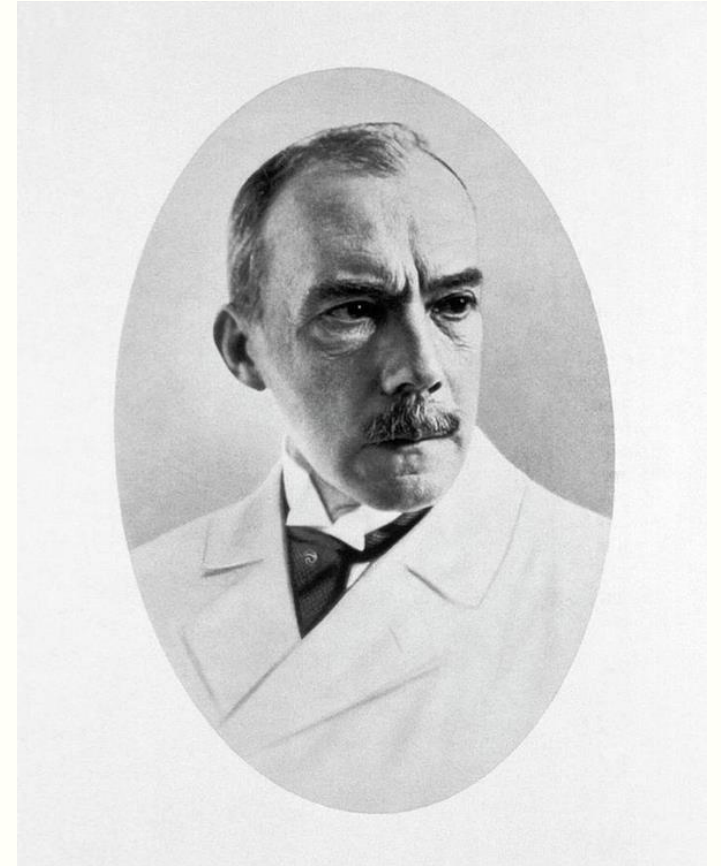
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The “Classic Coagulation Cascade”

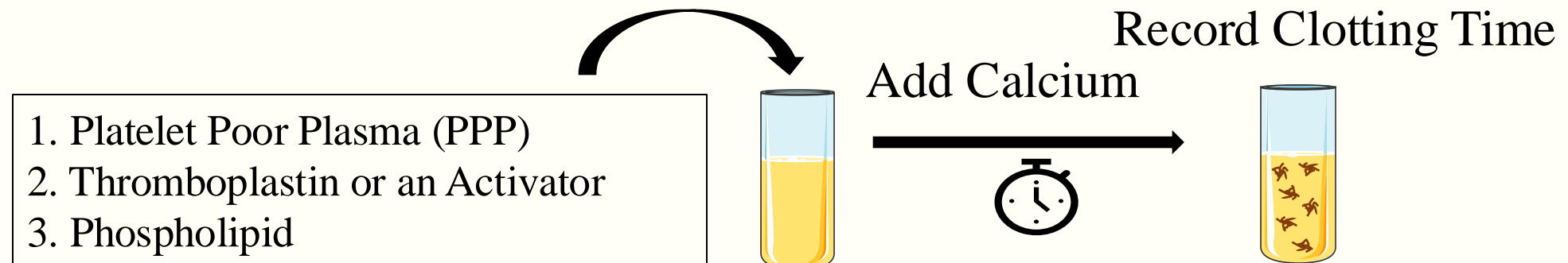
Early Understanding of Coagulation

- The first description of coagulation factors is attributed to Dr. Paul Morawitz in 1905.
- Factor I – Fibrinogen
- Factor II – Prothrombin
- Factor III – Thromboplastin Factor
 - (Tissue extract with Tissues Factor)
- Factor IV – Calcium



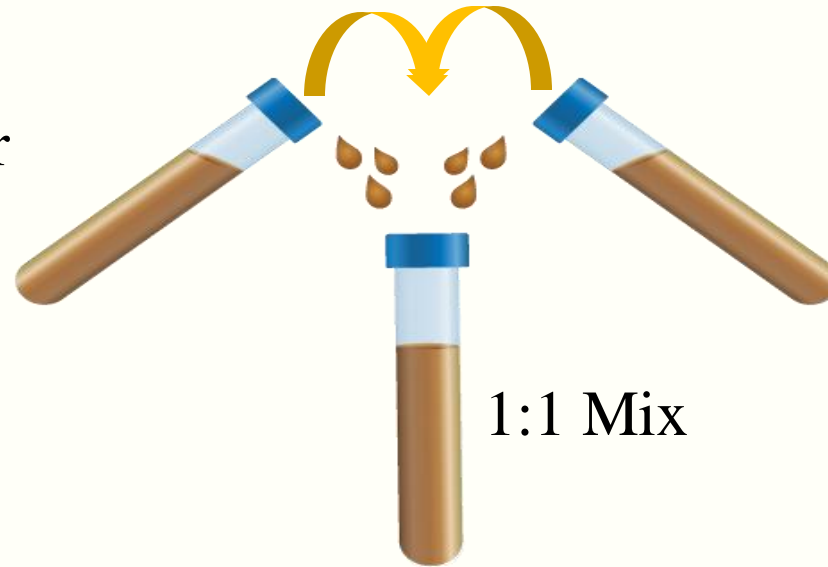
Assay of Coagulation Factors

- *In vitro* assays developed to test clotting times.
- The prothrombin time in 1935.
- Partial Thromboplastin Time in 1953.
- Led to identification of different coagulation factors.
- Plasma from a patient (and affected family members) with a hereditary bleeding disorder results in slower clotting *in vitro* in one or both assays.
 - The deficient factor was typically named with a Roman numeral and either a descriptive name or the proband family name.
 - (Examples: Hageman Factor = Factor XII, Antihemophilic Factor = Factor VIII)



Early Studies to Identify New Factors (New Deficiencies)

Plasma from patient with unknown bleeding disorder

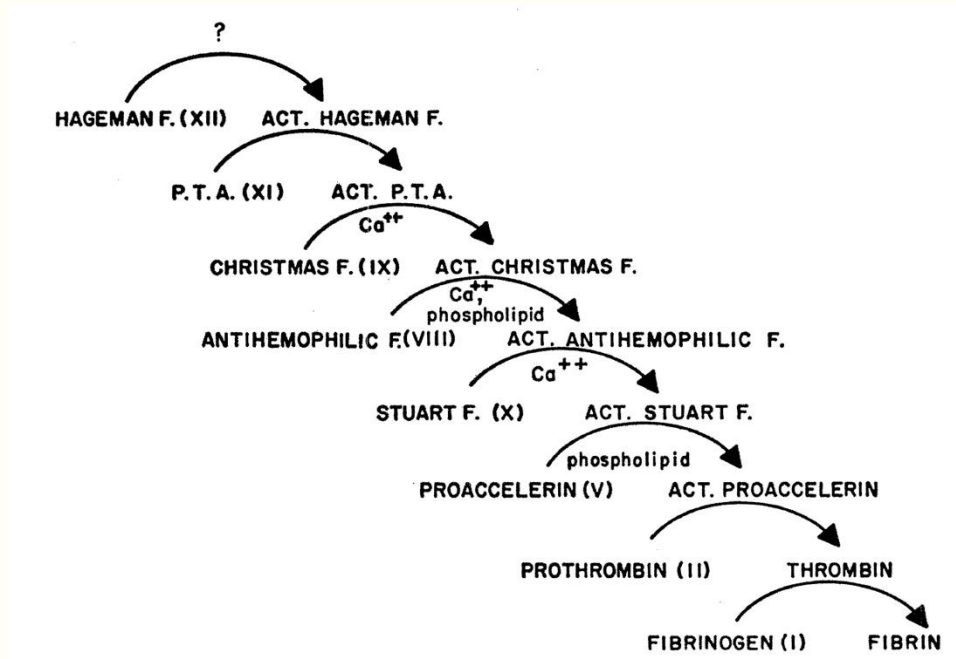


Plasma from patient with known bleeding disorder (i.e. Hemophilia A)

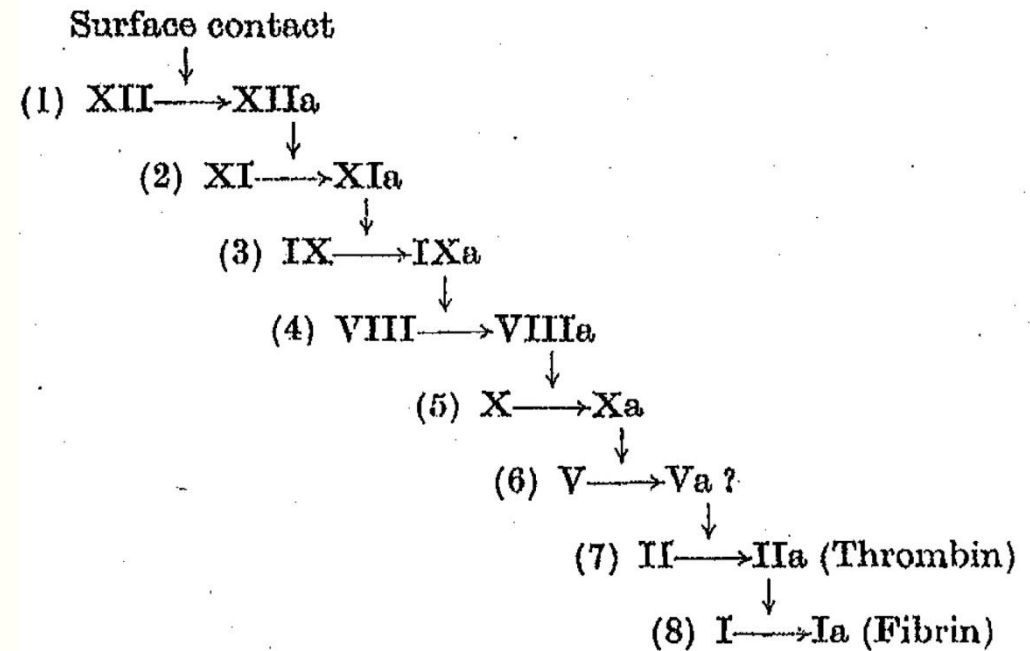
- Perform Clotting Time on 1:1 mix.
- If the 1:1 mix “corrects,” then the unknown sample has a different deficiency than the known deficiency.
- If the 1:1 mix remains prolonged, then the unknown sample has the same deficiency as the known deficiency.
- From the 1930s through the 1950s, most of the factors were identified in this way.
- Limitations: Inhibitors will interfere.



Original Publications Of Coagulation Cascade



Davie, E. W., and Ratnoff, O. D. “Waterfall sequence for intrinsic blood clotting.” *Science* 1964; 145, 1310–1312



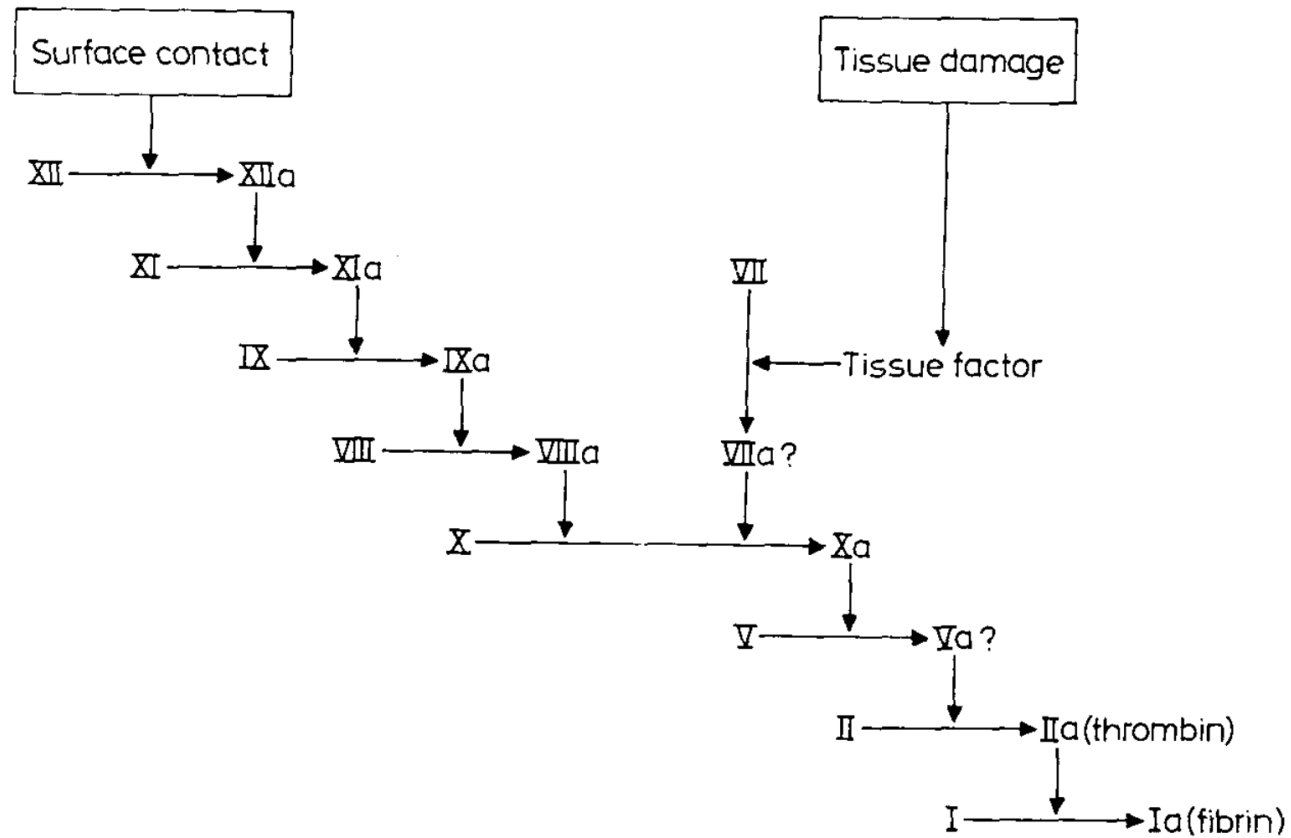
MacFarlane R.G. “An enzyme cascade in the blood clotting mechanism, and its function as a biological amplifier.” *Nature* 1964; 202: 498-9

Note: Neither representation included Factor VII, of the Extrinsic Pathway!

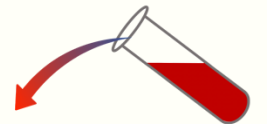


“A clotting scheme for 1964”

The First Representation of the Current Cascade.

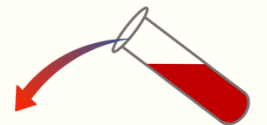


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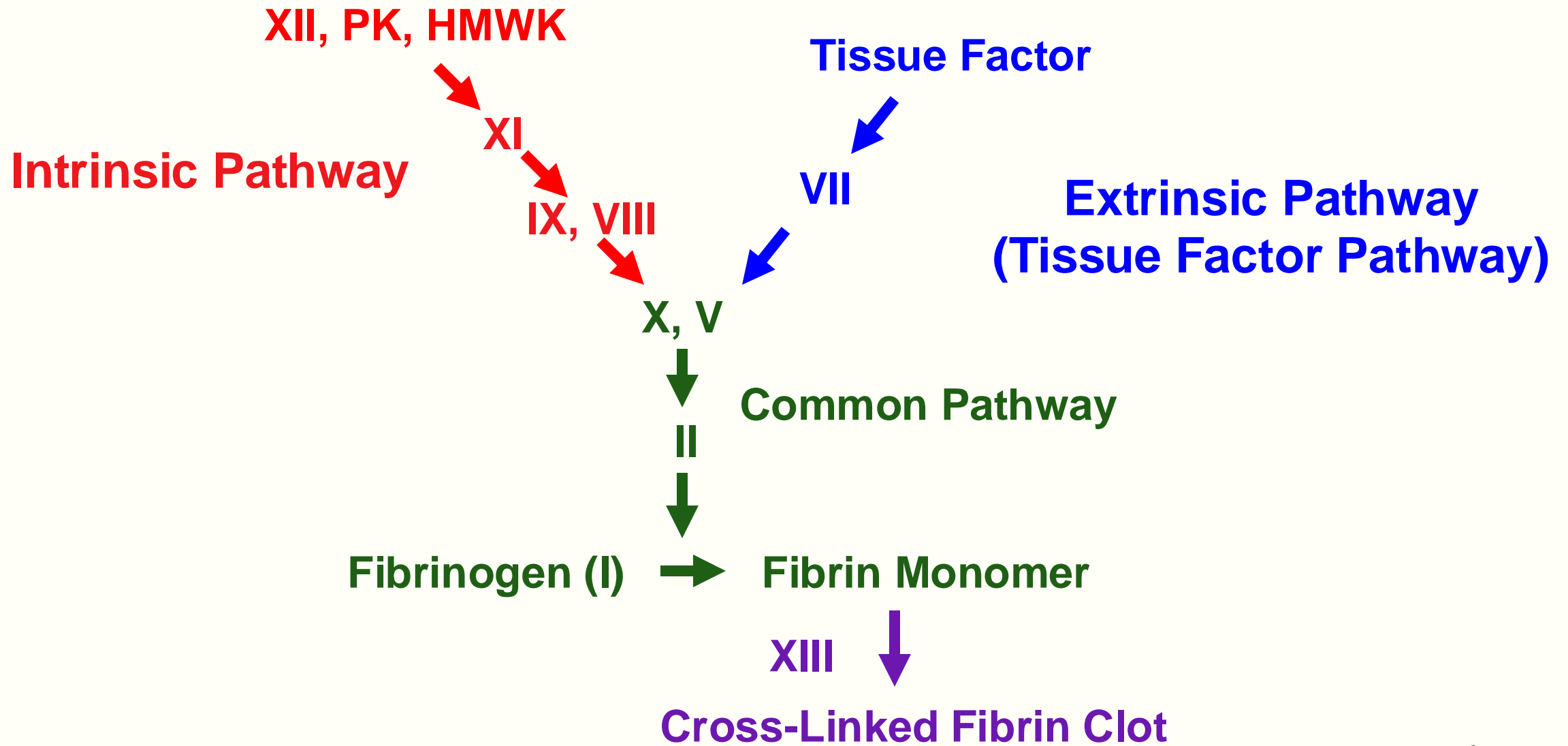


Key Concepts From Original Publications Of The Coagulation Cascade

1. Coagulation involves a sequence of reactions.
2. Convention has shifted from names to Roman numerals.
3. Factors circulate in non-activated forms.
 - a. Zymogens or pro-enzymes
 - b. Pro-cofactors
4. Factors are activated by proteolytic cleavage by an “upstream” factor and in turn activate a “downstream” factor.
5. Terminology:
 - a. Subscript “a” designates activated factor. (VIII → VIIIa)
 - b. “i” refers to inactivated. (VIII → VIIIa → VIIIi)
6. A number of gaps, corrections, and open questions remained. (To be discussed below).



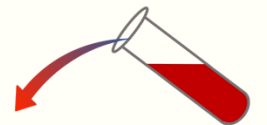
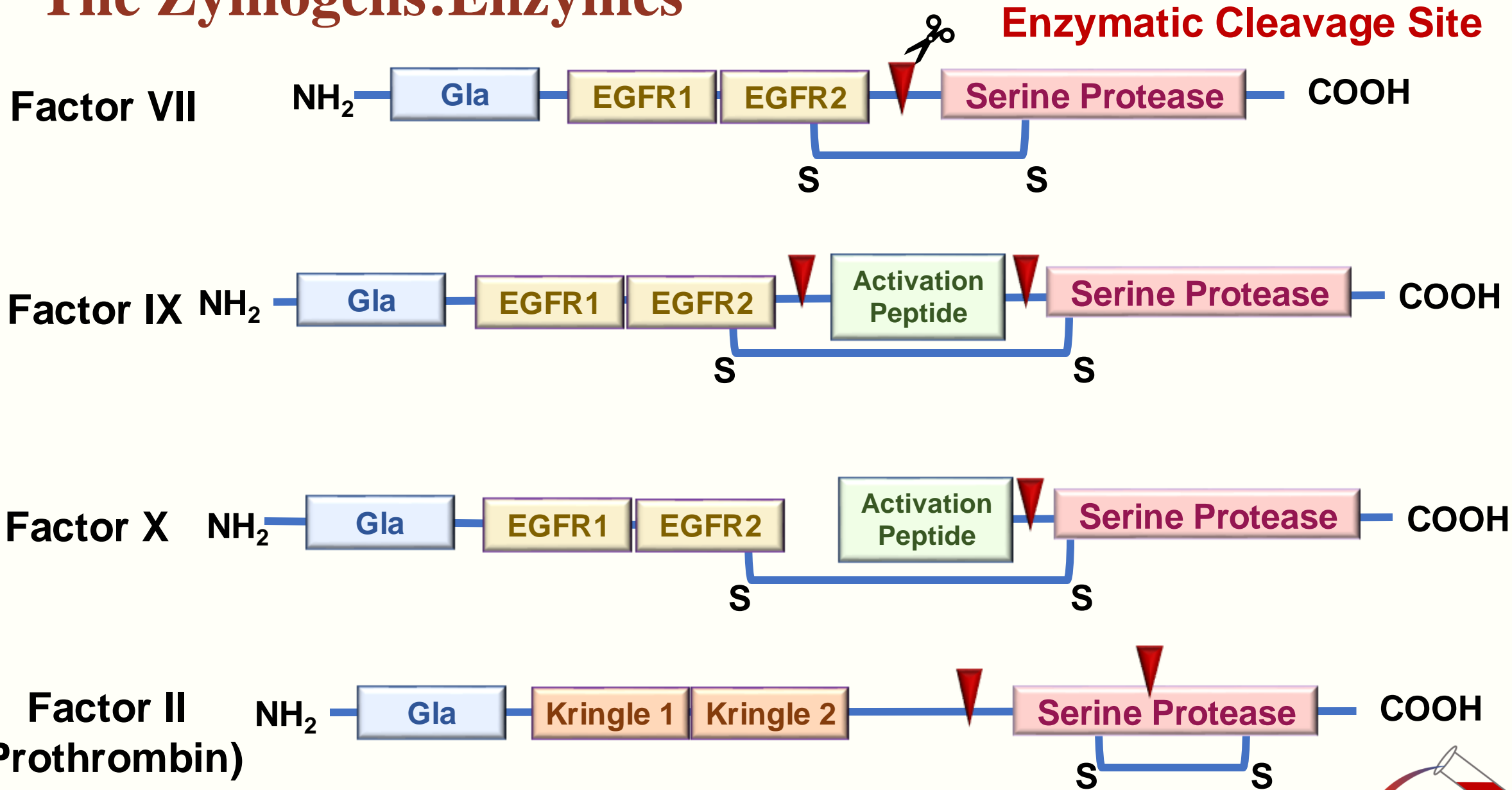
Contemporary Representation of the Coagulation Cascade



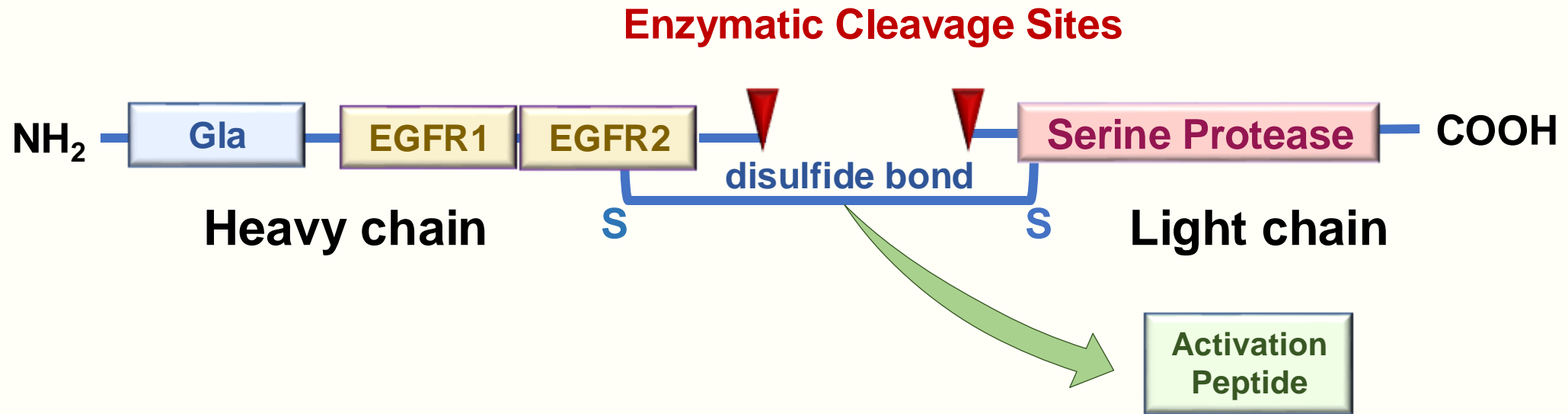
The Structure of the Coagulation Factors



The Zymogens: Enzymes



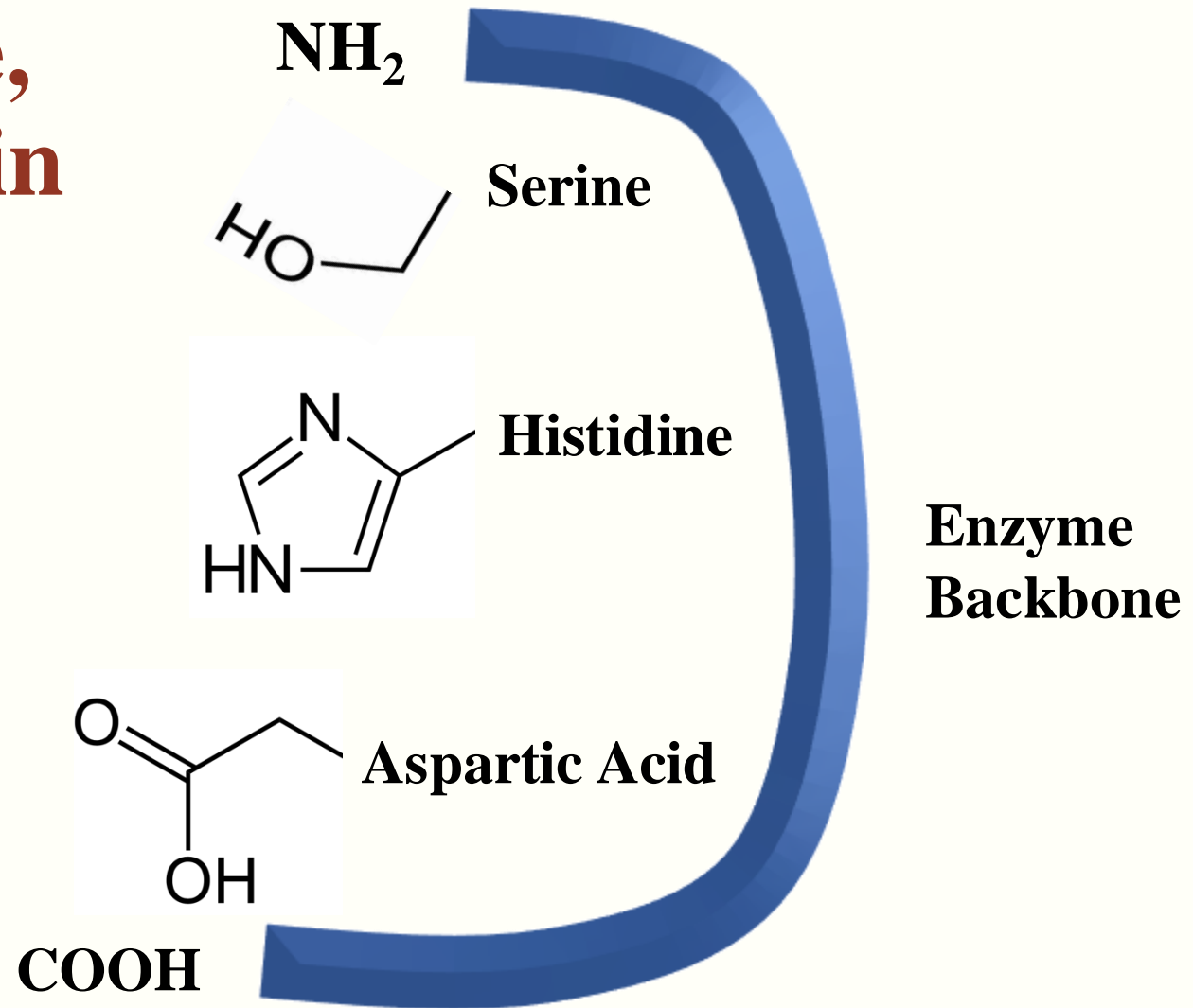
Factor IX Activation: Two Step Enzymatic Cleavage Site



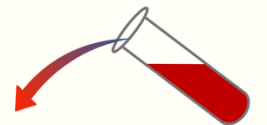
- After activation, heavy and light chains remain covalently bound by disulfide bonds.
- Heavy chain facilitates binding to substrate.
- Gamma-Carboxyglutamic Acid (Gla) domain is in Heavy Chain.
- Light Chain contains the serine protease enzymatic domain.
- Substrate specificity determined by Heavy Chain binding and structure of the serine protease domain.
 - Emsley et al. Blood 2010;115:2569-2577



Serine Protease, Catalytic Domain

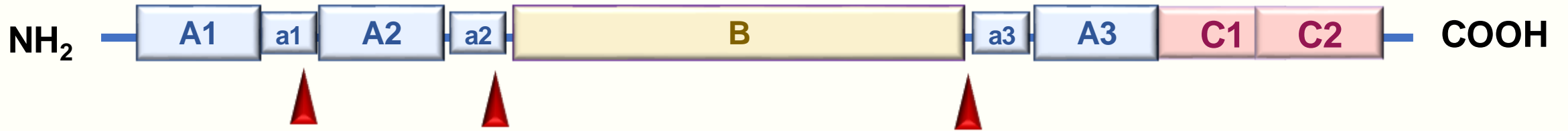


Serine, Histidine and Aspartic acid; amino acids in catalytic domain.

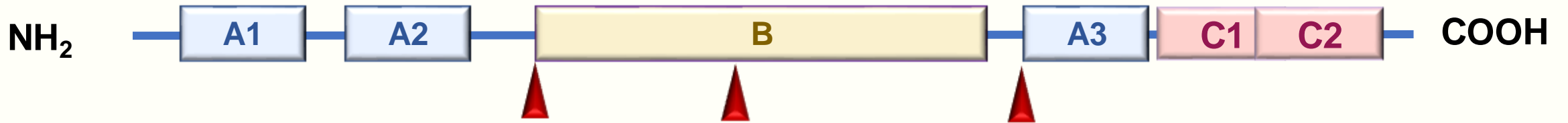


Cofactors

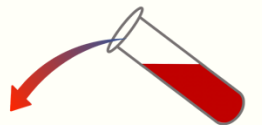
Factor VIII



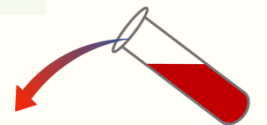
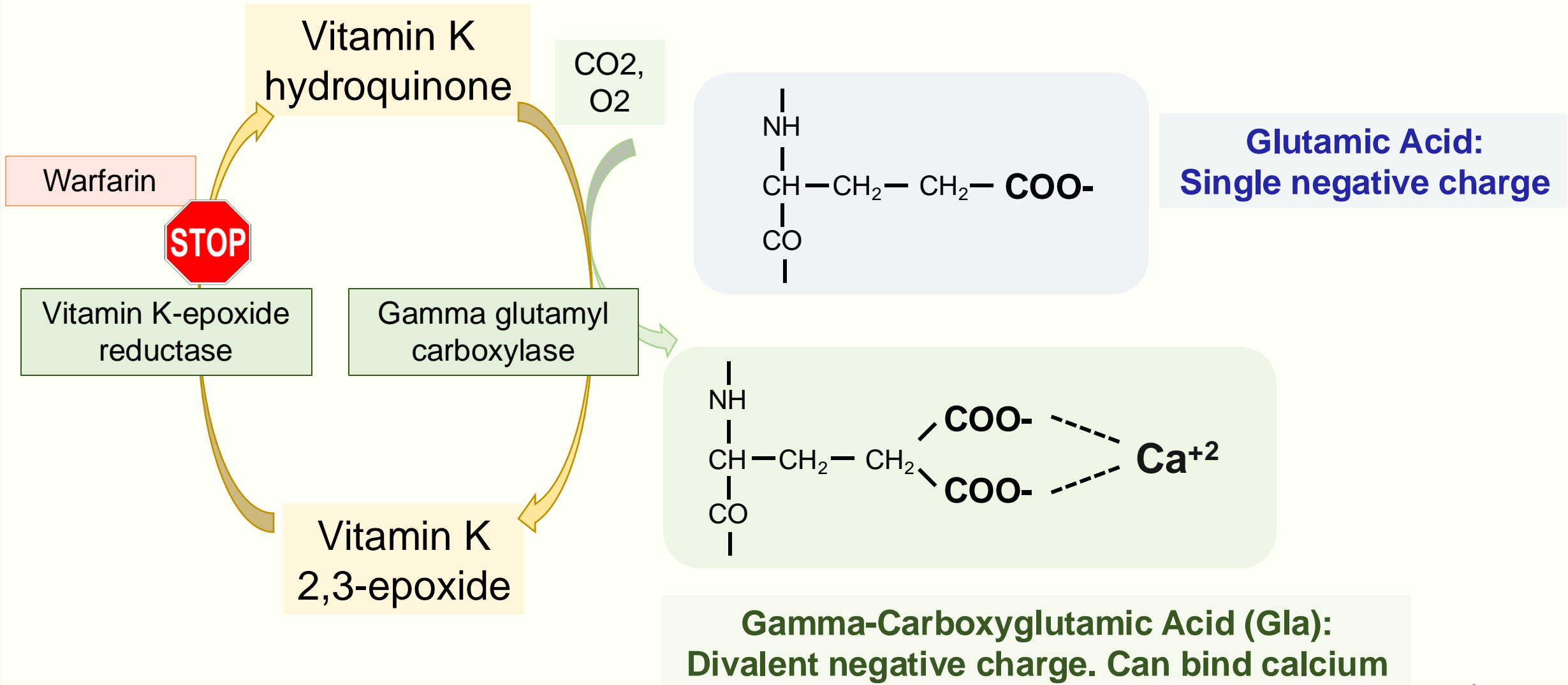
Factor V



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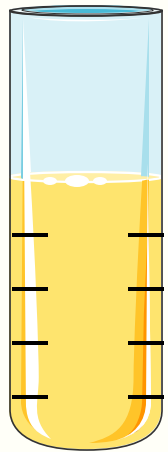


Vitamin K Mediated γ -Carboxylation of Glutamic Acid



There Are Two Ways to Initiate Coagulation System *in Vitro*

**Intrinsic Pathway/Contact Pathway:
Contact with a Negatively Charged Surface**



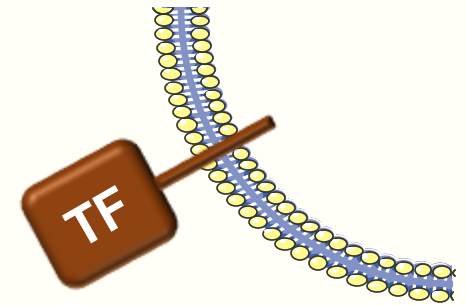
XII, PK, HMWK



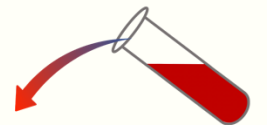
XIIa

**Extrinsic Pathway:
Addition of Tissue Thromboplastin
(Tissue Factor and Phospholipid)**

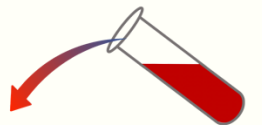
TF:VII
Auto-Activation
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VIIa



**TF bound to
cell surface**

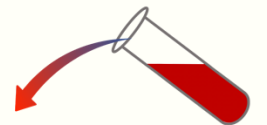
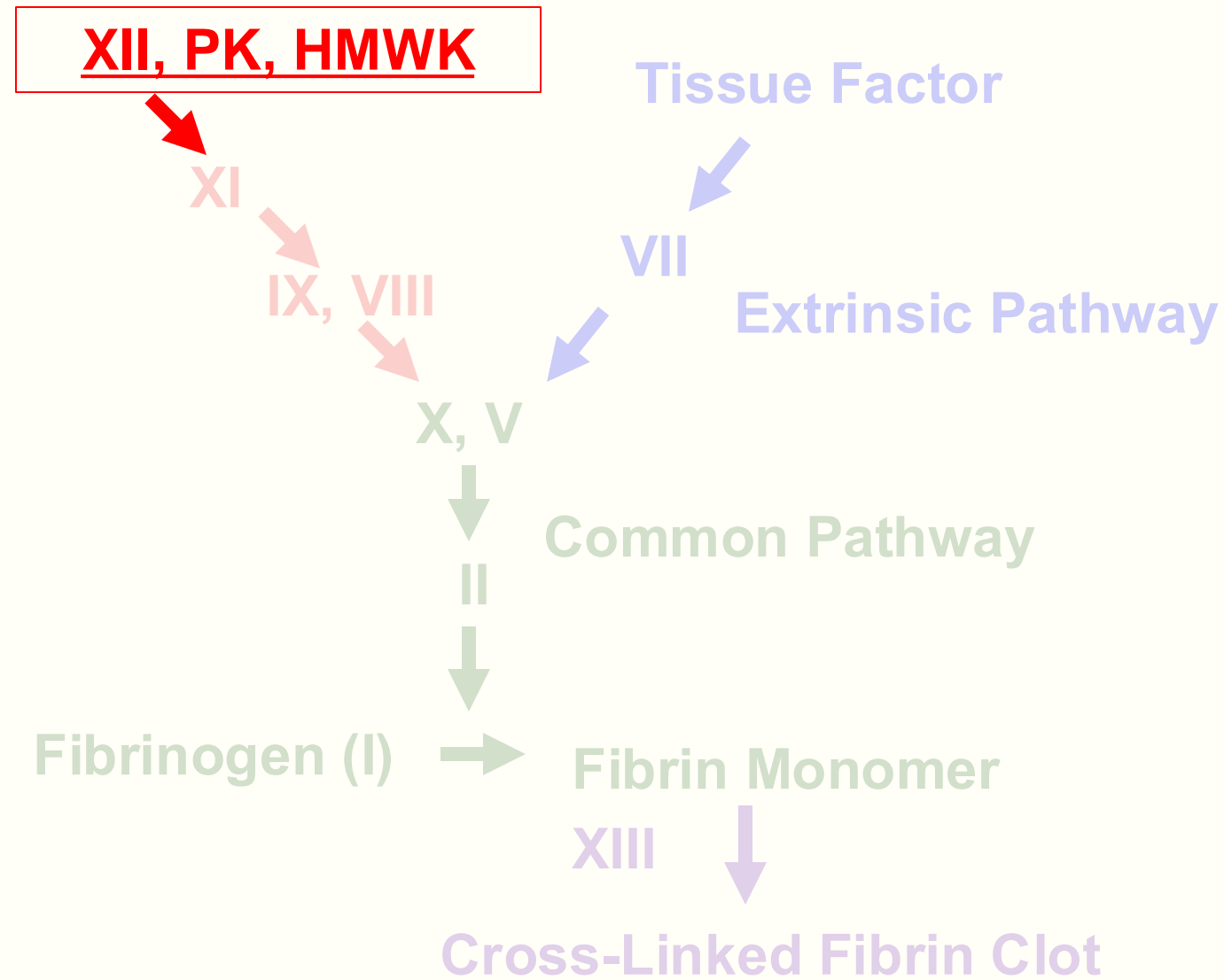


Overview of the Contact Phase: Initiation of Intrinsic Pathway

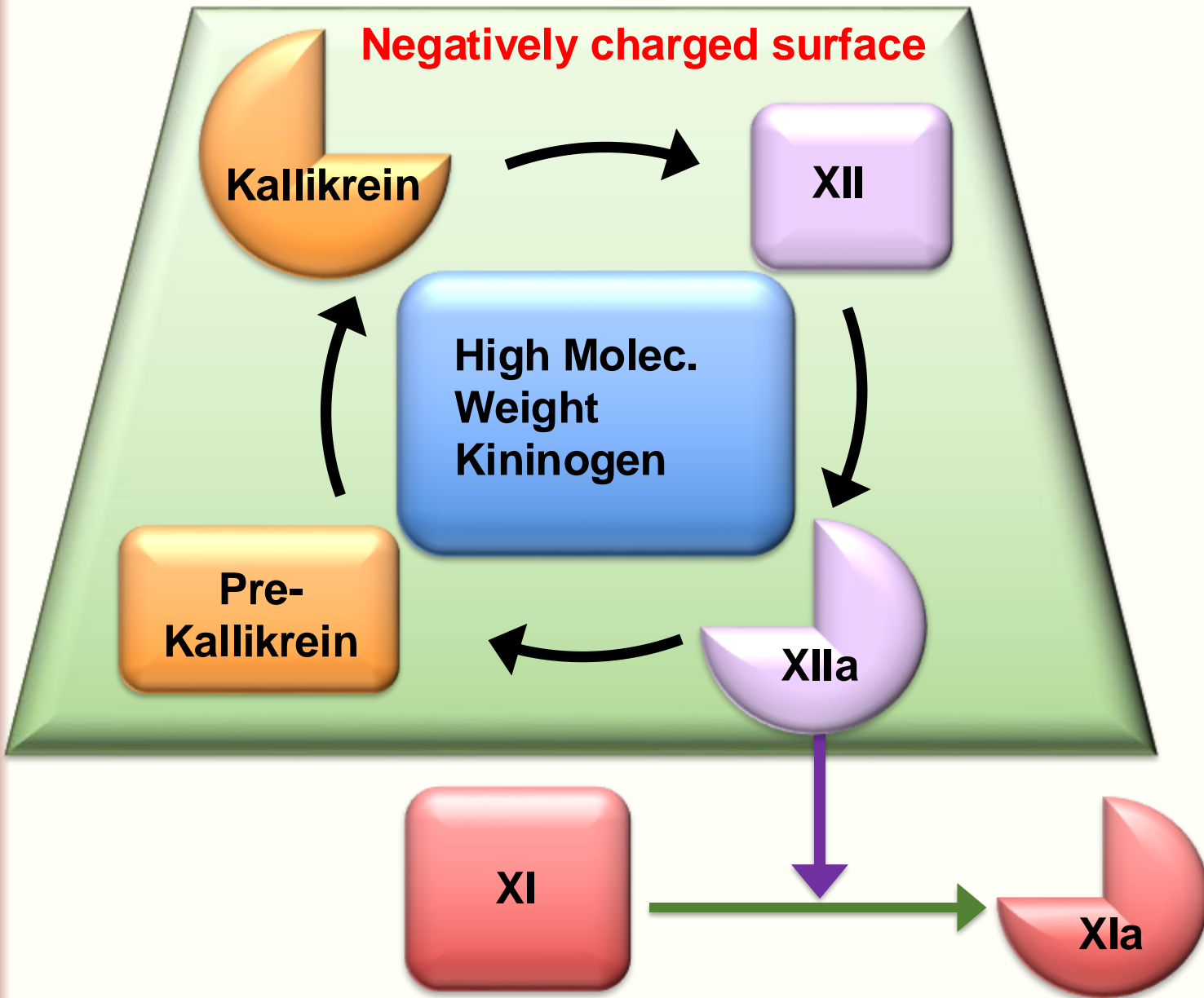


Contact System

- Activated by binding to a negatively charged surface.
- Factor XII
- Prekallikrein
- High Molecular Weight Kininogen
- Initiates the Intrinsic Pathway



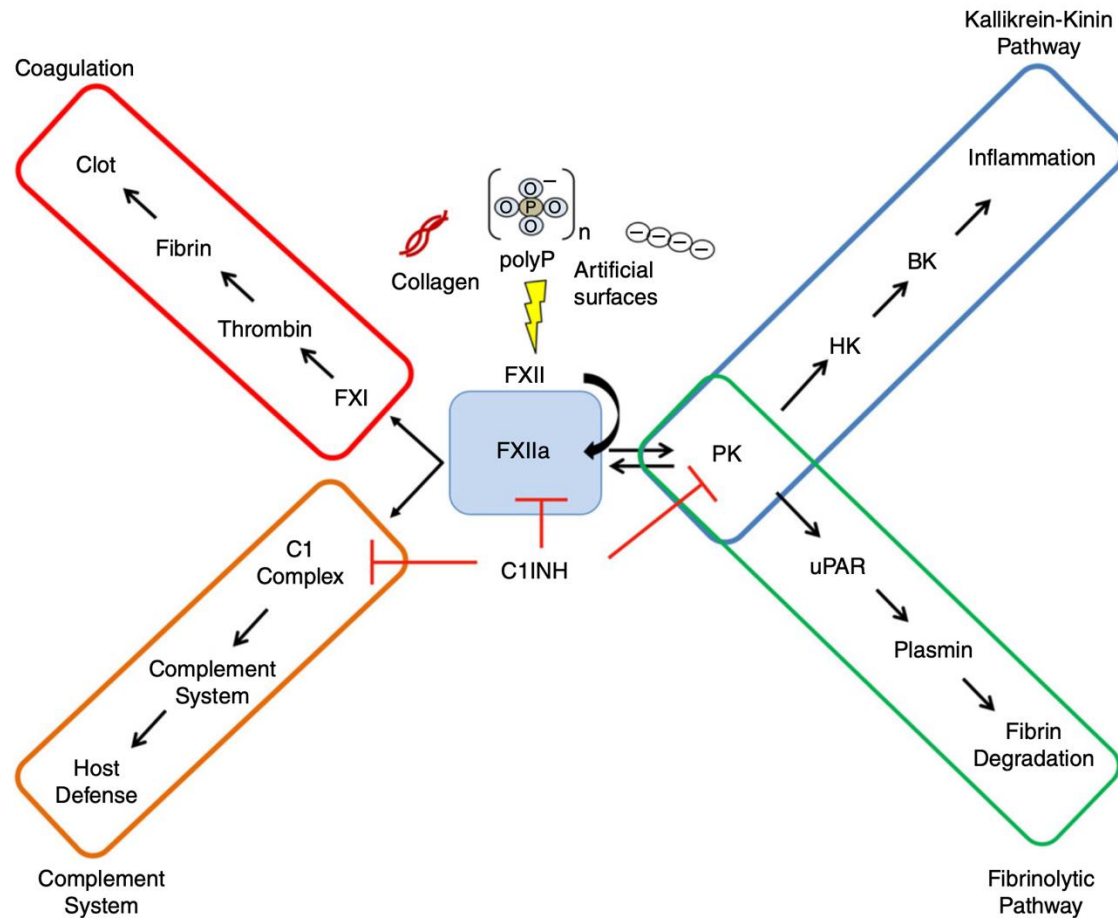
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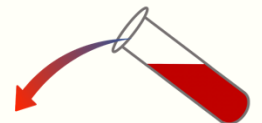
- Minimal contribution to hemostasis in physiologic situations.
- Deficiencies of the Contact Factors are not associated with bleeding tendency.
- Bradykinin (Derived from HMWK)
 - Role in inflammation, vascular tone.
- Increasing evidence that the Contact System has a role in pathological activation of coagulation and thrombosis.



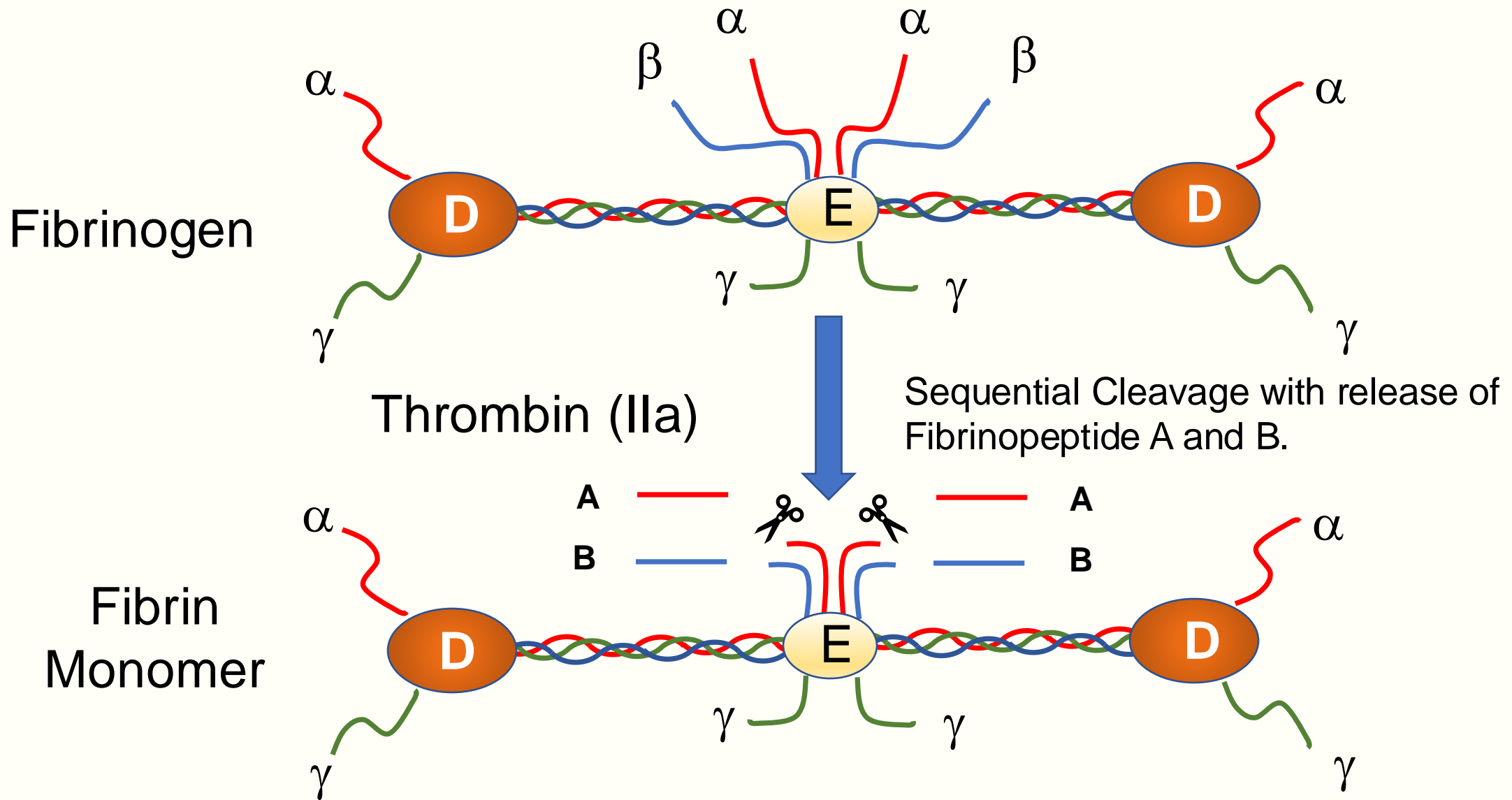
“Contact system revisited: an interface between inflammation, coagulation, and innate immunity”



- **FXII deficiency is not physiologically associated with an increased bleeding risk.**
- **Contact system has a role in inflammation, complement system, fibrinolysis, and pathologic thrombosis.**
- **Polyphosphate (polyP) from activated platelets and bacteria can activate Factor XII.**
- **Neutrophil extracellular traps (NETs), chromatin extruded from activated neutrophils can activate the Contact System.**
- **FXIIa may increase vascular leak in allergic conditions.**
- Long AT, et al. J Thromb Haemost 2016; 14: 427–37.

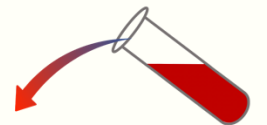
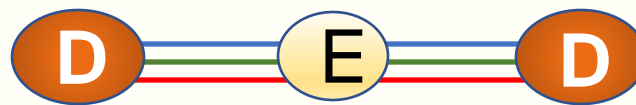
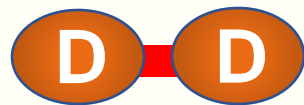
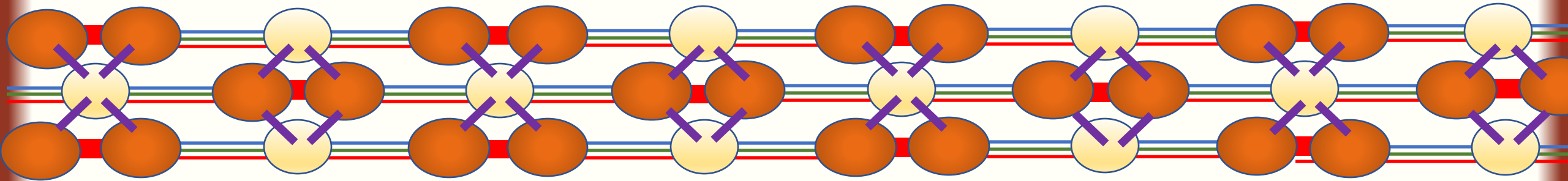


Fibrinogen: Fibrin

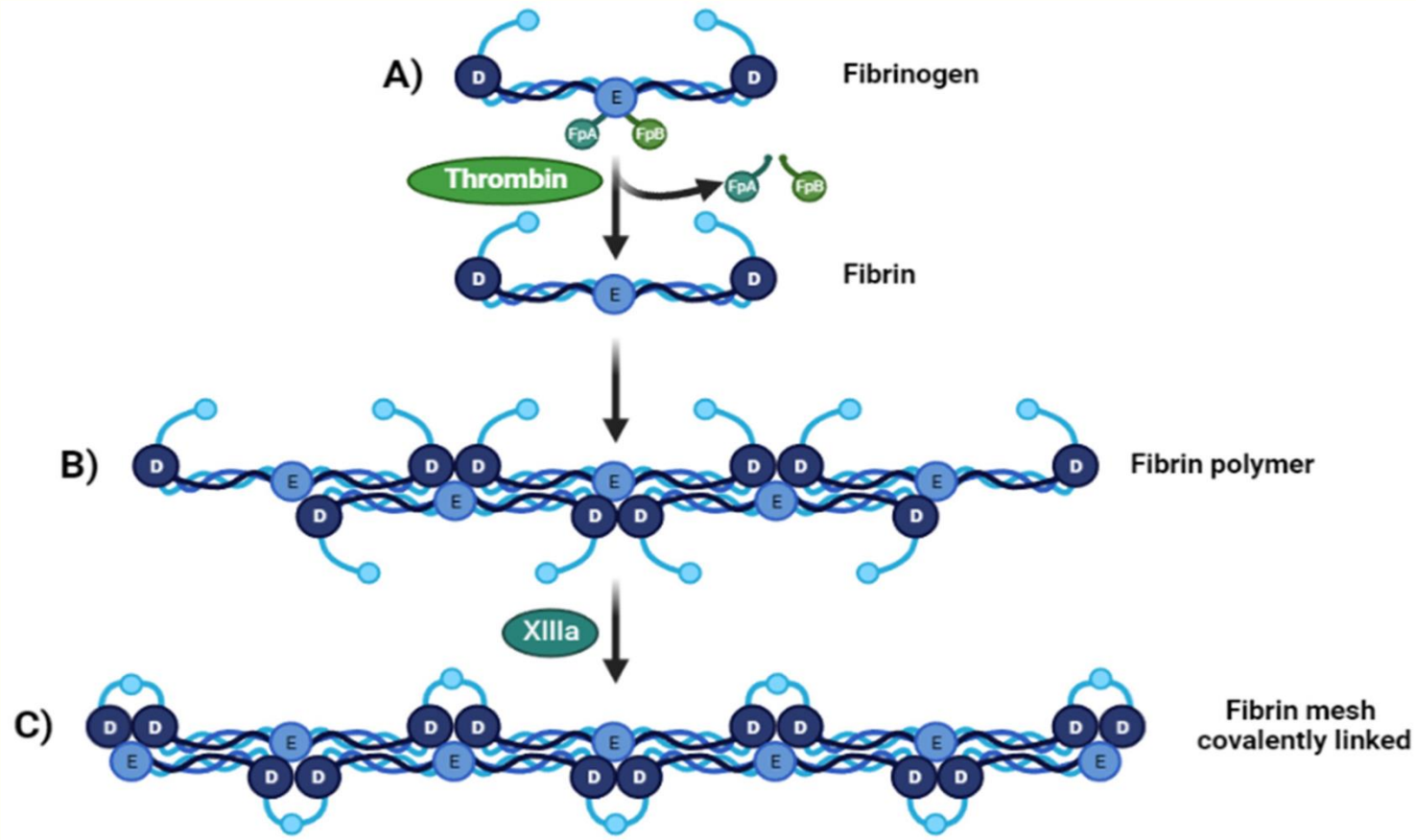


Factor XIIIa (Transglutaminase): Cross-Link Fibrin

XIIIa: Cross-Links Fibrin Clot



From fibrinogen to fibrin Mesh



- (A) Fibrinogen D:E:D regions interact with thrombin-releasing fibrinopeptides (FpA and FpB)
- (B). Soluble fibrin is then activated by Factor XIIIa, permitting sulfide bonding to crosslink among fibrin, converting it to a
- (C) crosslinked fibrin polymer.

Rojas-Murillo, J.A. et al, Physical, Mechanical, and Biological Properties of Fibrin Scaffolds for Cartilage Repair. *Int. J. Mol. Sci.* 2022, 23, 9879. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijms23179879>

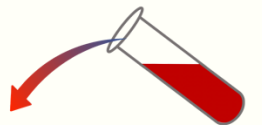


Limitations of The Classic Coagulation Cascade

- 1) For years we have recognized the inconsistencies within these pathways to truly inform us of a patient's hemostatic system.
- 2) There are markedly different clinical manifestations of deficiencies of different factors, particularly within the Intrinsic Pathway.
 - Why do some deficiencies of the Intrinsic Pathway lead to severe bleeding, while other deficiencies do not cause bleeding?
- 3) The classic understanding that factors are activated in a “cascade,” from top to bottom, is known to be incorrect.
- 4) Some enzymes have multiple substrates, and some factors can be activated by more than one enzyme.
- 5) In the following material, we will address these points and clarify the current understanding of the coagulation system.

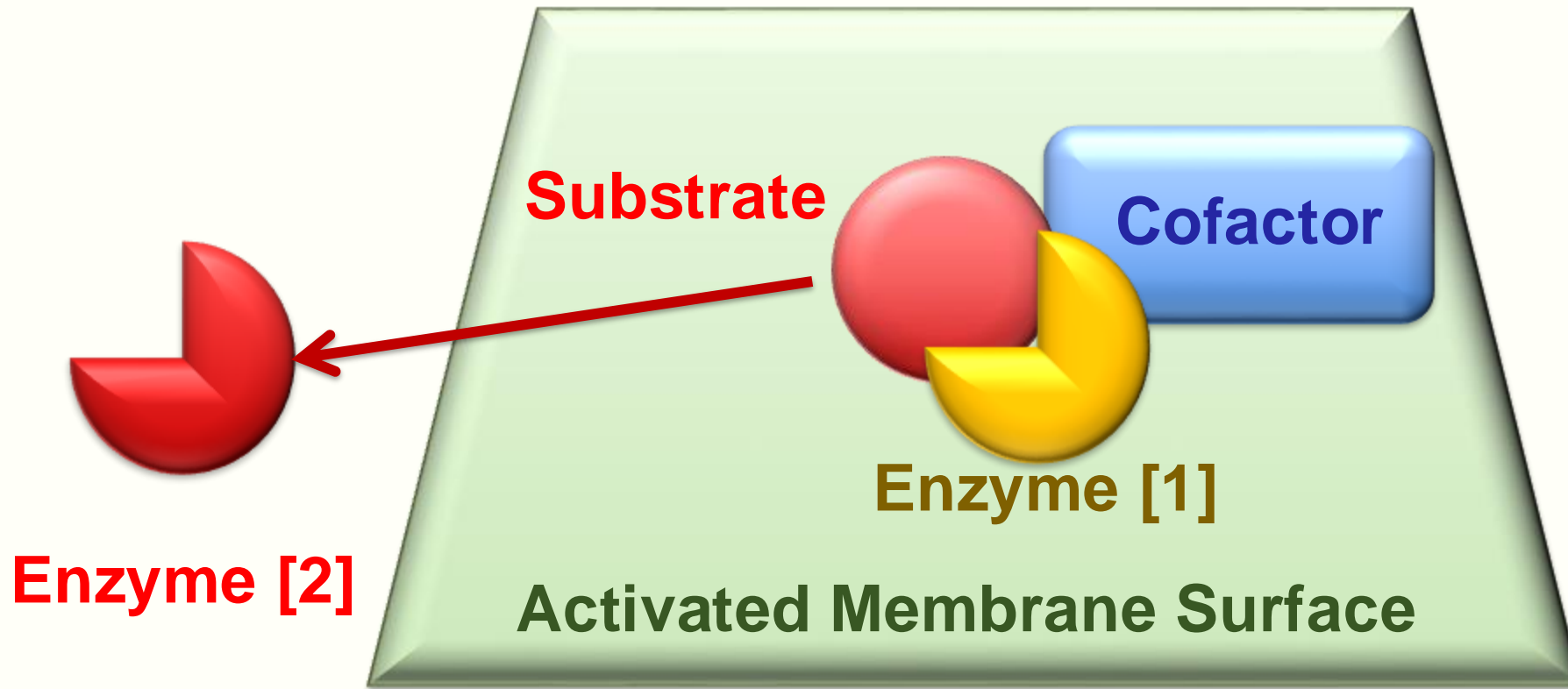


*Cell-Based Coagulation Model:
Assembly Of Enzyme/Cofactor/Substrate Complex
On Phospholipid Surface*



The Cell (Surface) Based Model Of Coagulation

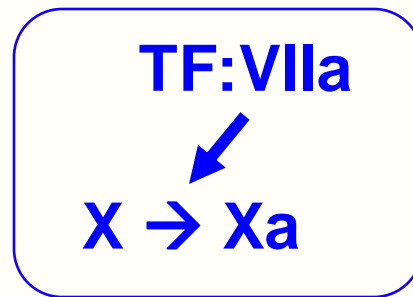
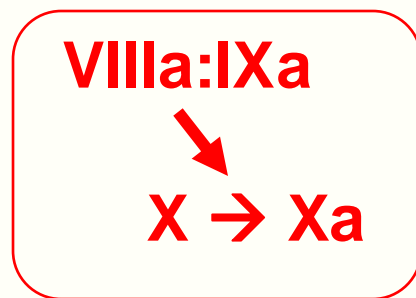
Coagulation is “Best” understood as a series of membrane-bound complexes: enzyme/cofactor/substrate.



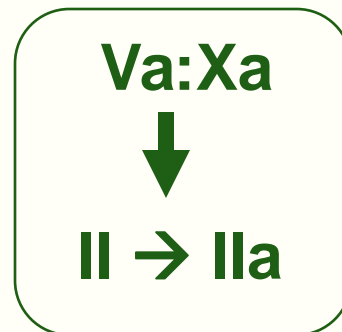
Three Complexes of “Classic Cascade”

Pathway	Complex	Enzyme	Cofactor	Substrate	Product
Intrinsic Pathway	Intrinsic Xase	IXa	VIIIa	X	Xa
Extrinsic Pathway	Extrinsic Xase	VII/VIIa	TF	X	Xa
Common Pathway	Prothrombinase	Xa	Va	II	IIa

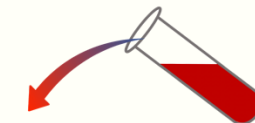
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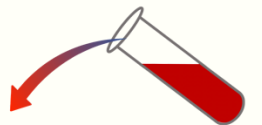
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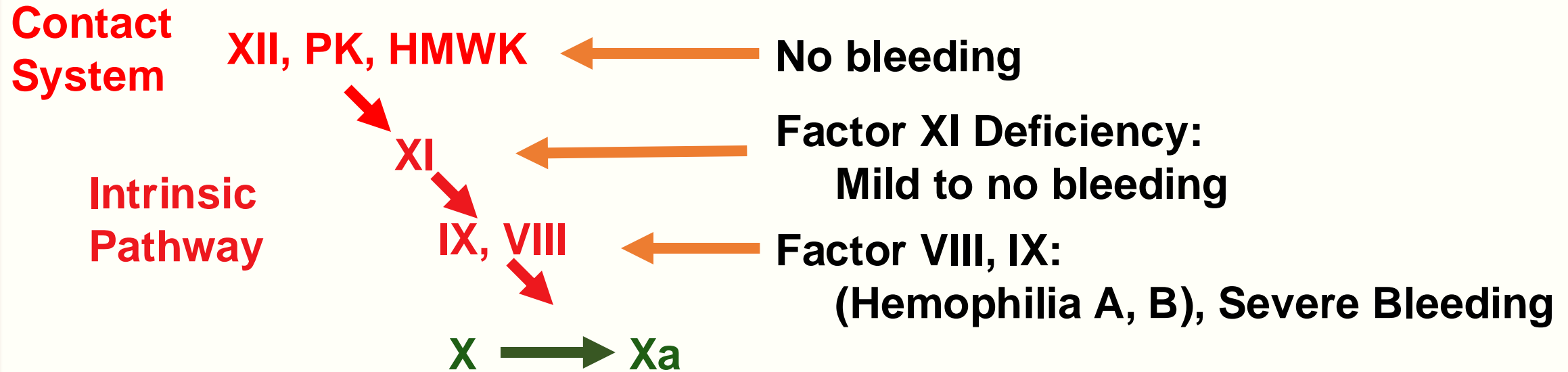
Prothrombinase



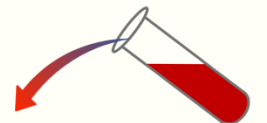
“Cross-Over” of Extrinsic and Intrinsic Pathways



Clinical Manifestation Of Deficiencies of Factors Within the Intrinsic Pathway

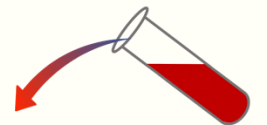
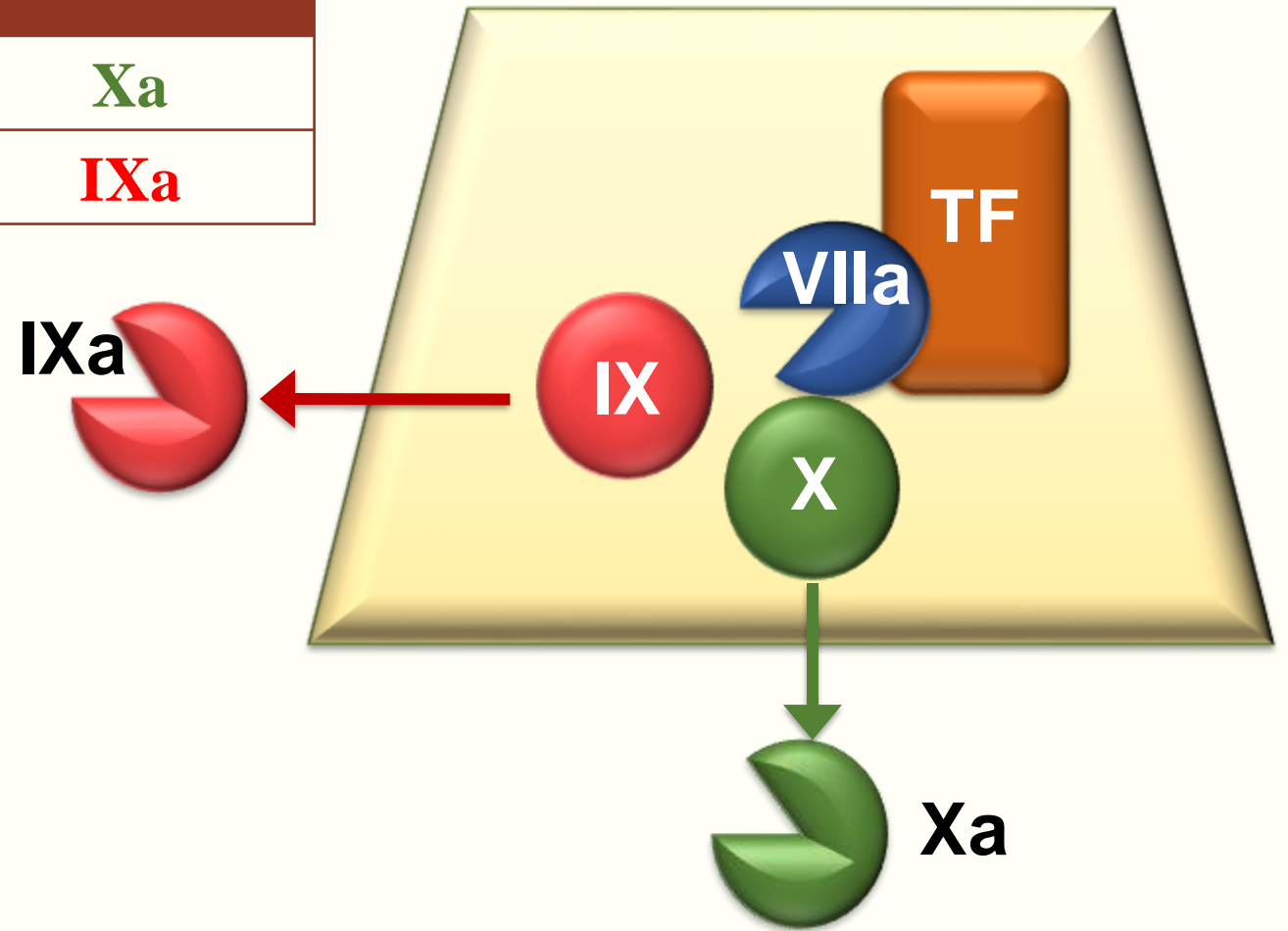


- If this is a single pathway, why are different factor deficiencies associated with marked differences in clinical manifestations?
- This indicates our classic coagulation cascade is not the full story.



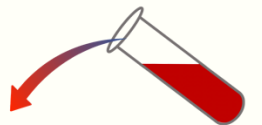
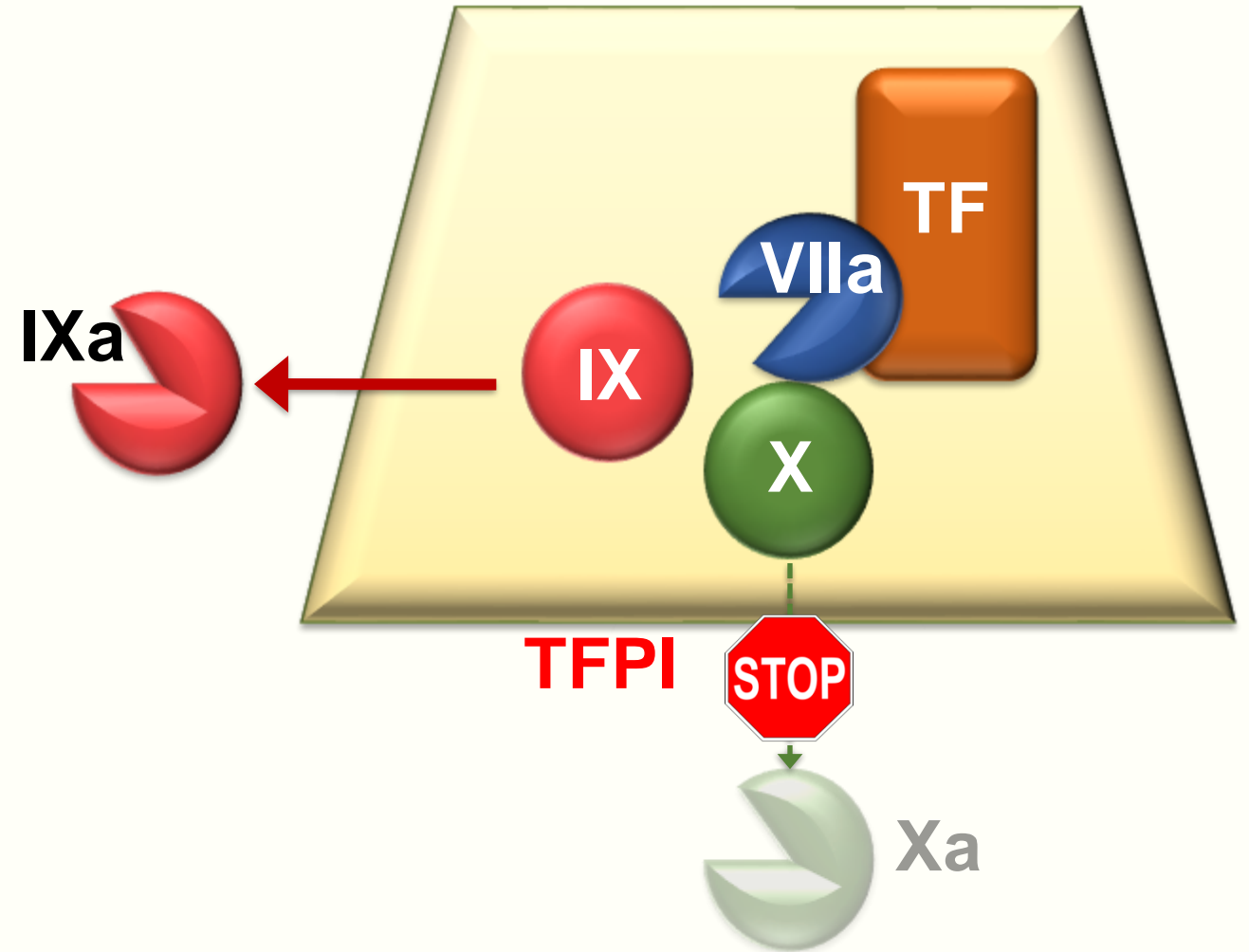
Two Alternative Substrates Of TF:VIIa Complex

Enzyme	Cofactor	Substrate	Product
VII/VIIa	Tissue Factor	X	Xa
		IX	IXa

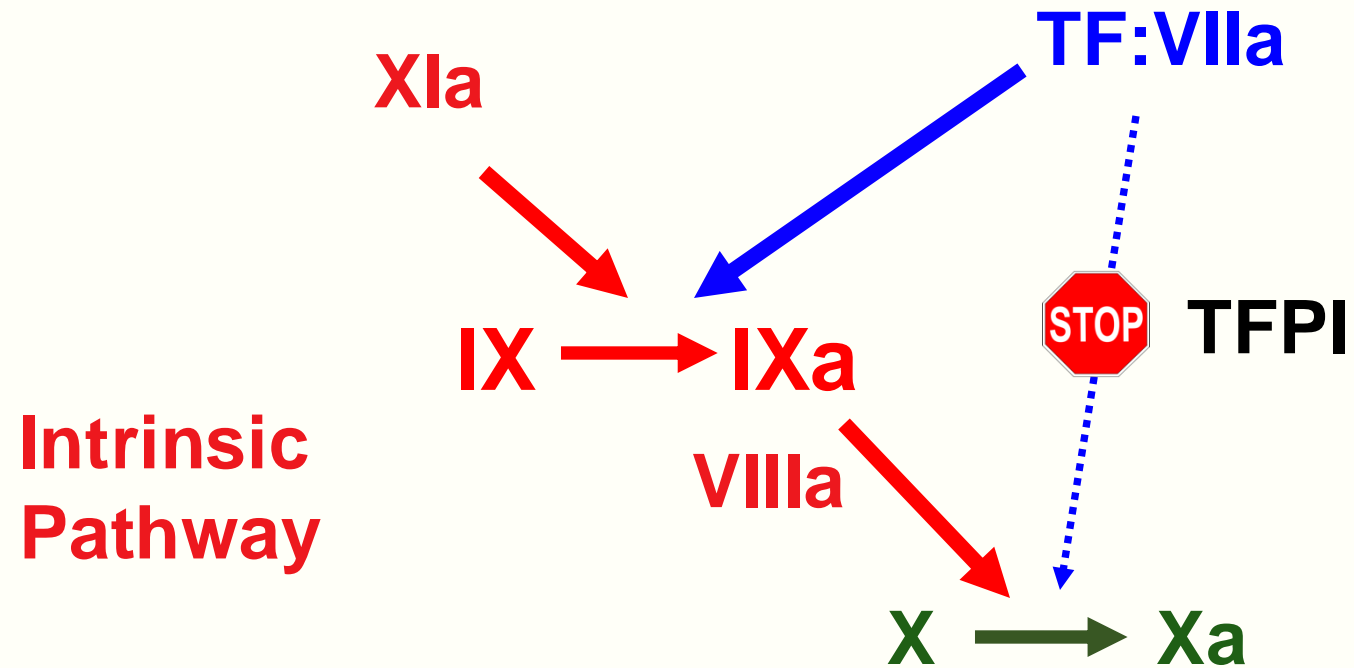


Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor (TFPI)

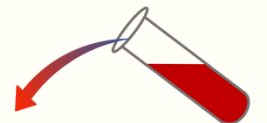
- TFPI inhibits activation of Factor X by TF:VIIa.
- Therefore, *In Vivo*, the primary substrate of FVIIa is F IX.
- In addition to activation of Factor X, the Extrinsic Pathway “Crosses Over” into the Intrinsic Pathway.

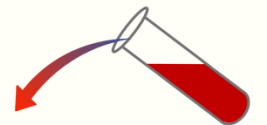
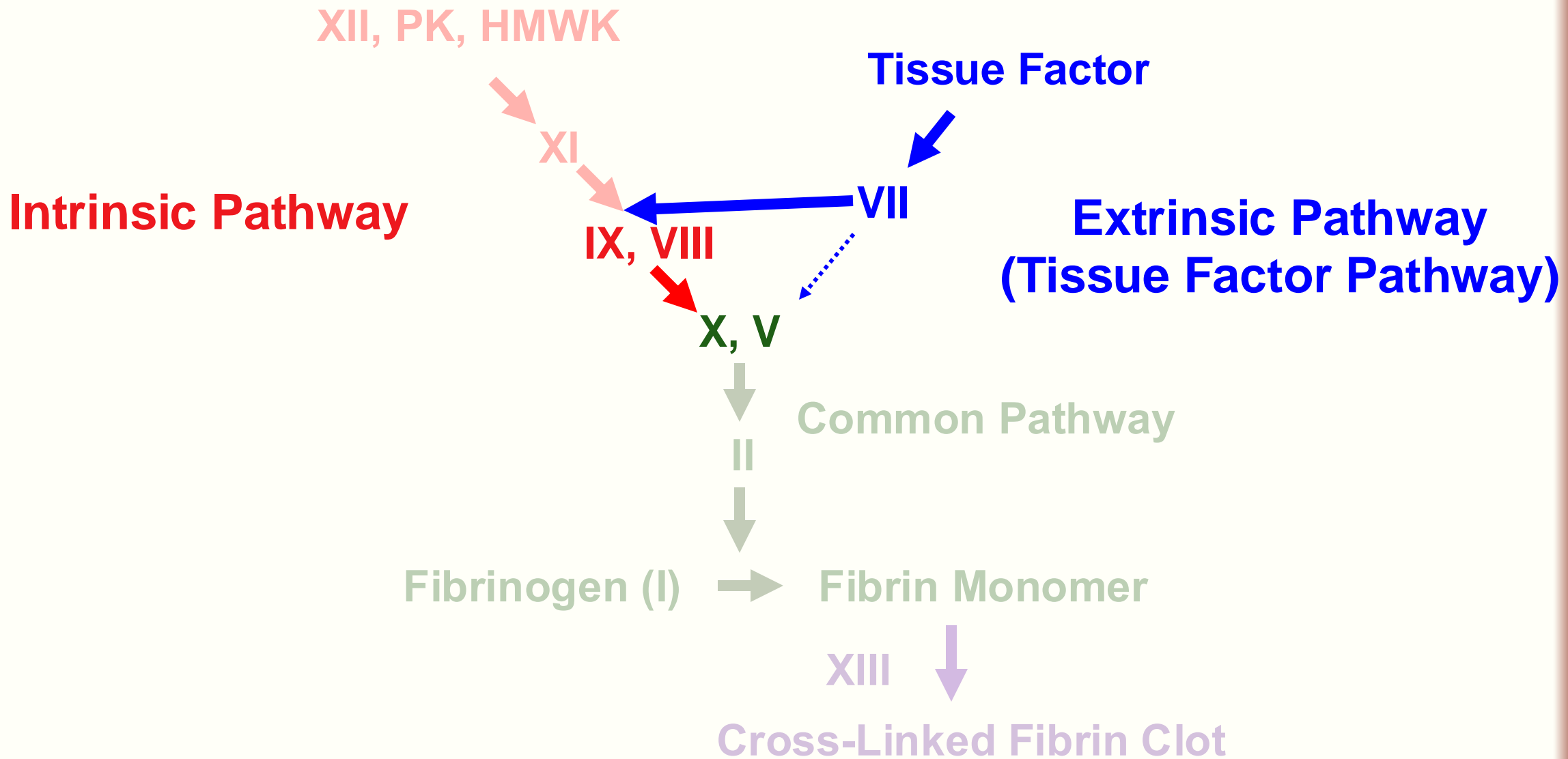


Factor IX Can Be Activated By TF:VIIa or XIa



- **TF:VIIa has two substrates (IX or X).**
- **IX can be activated by two different enzymes (XIa or VIIa)**
- **The concept of a simple “cascade,” with an ordered process of one factor activating the next, is not the complete picture.**
- ***In vivo, the “Common Pathway” starts with VIII and IX.***

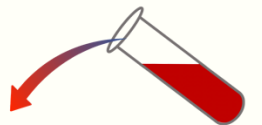




The Thrombin Burst: *Activation of Factors V, VIII, XI, XIII by Thrombin:*

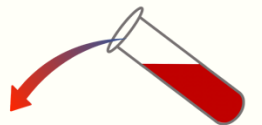


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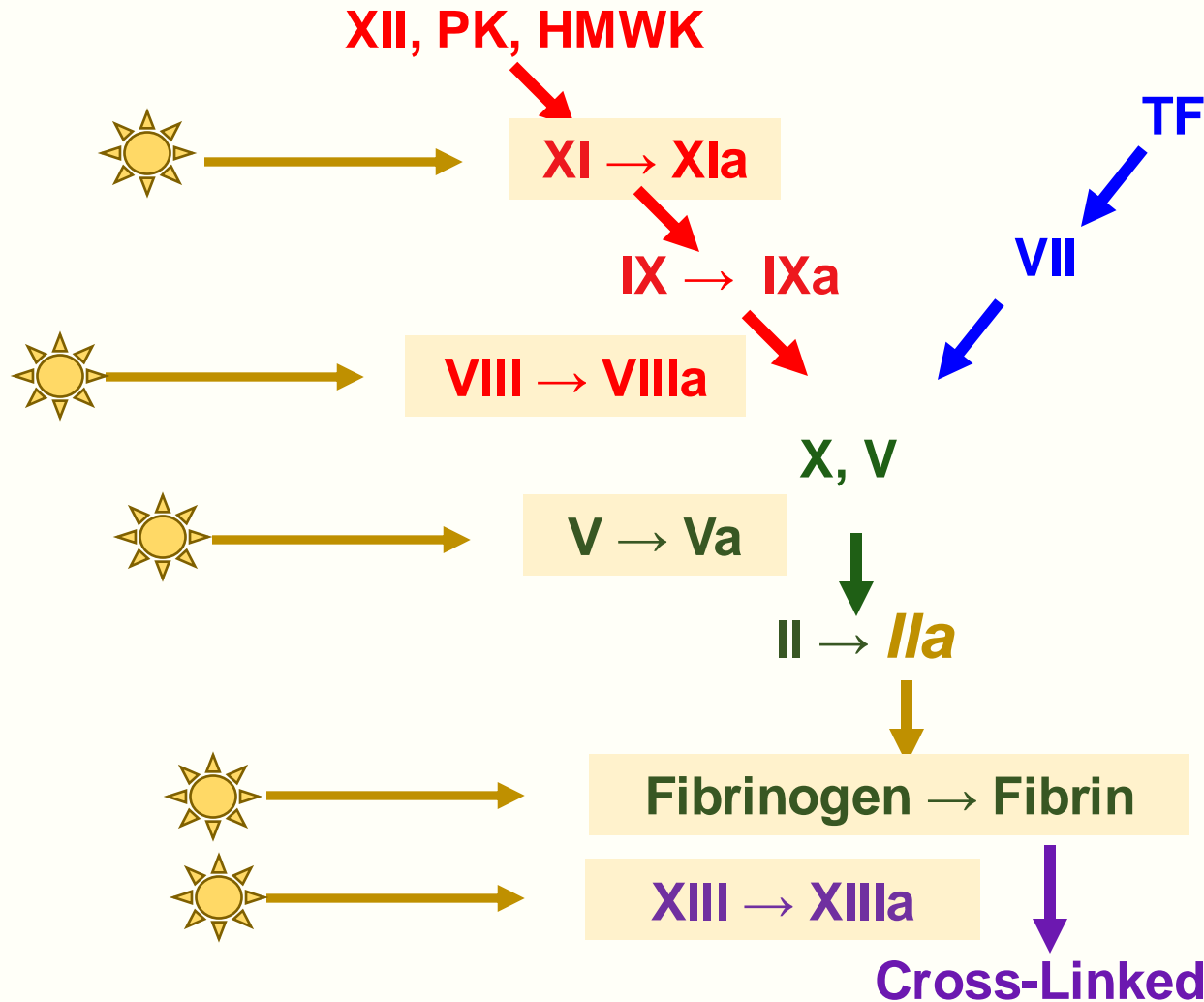


Thrombin: Multiple Roles In Coagulation

- **How are Factors V and VIII activated?**
- **How is Factor XIII activated?**
- **Concept of Thrombin Burst: There are several steps within the coagulation cascade where thrombin participates in positive feedback processes, to greatly amplify the pro-coagulant state.**



Thrombin Feedback; Activation of Factors V, VIII, XI, XIII

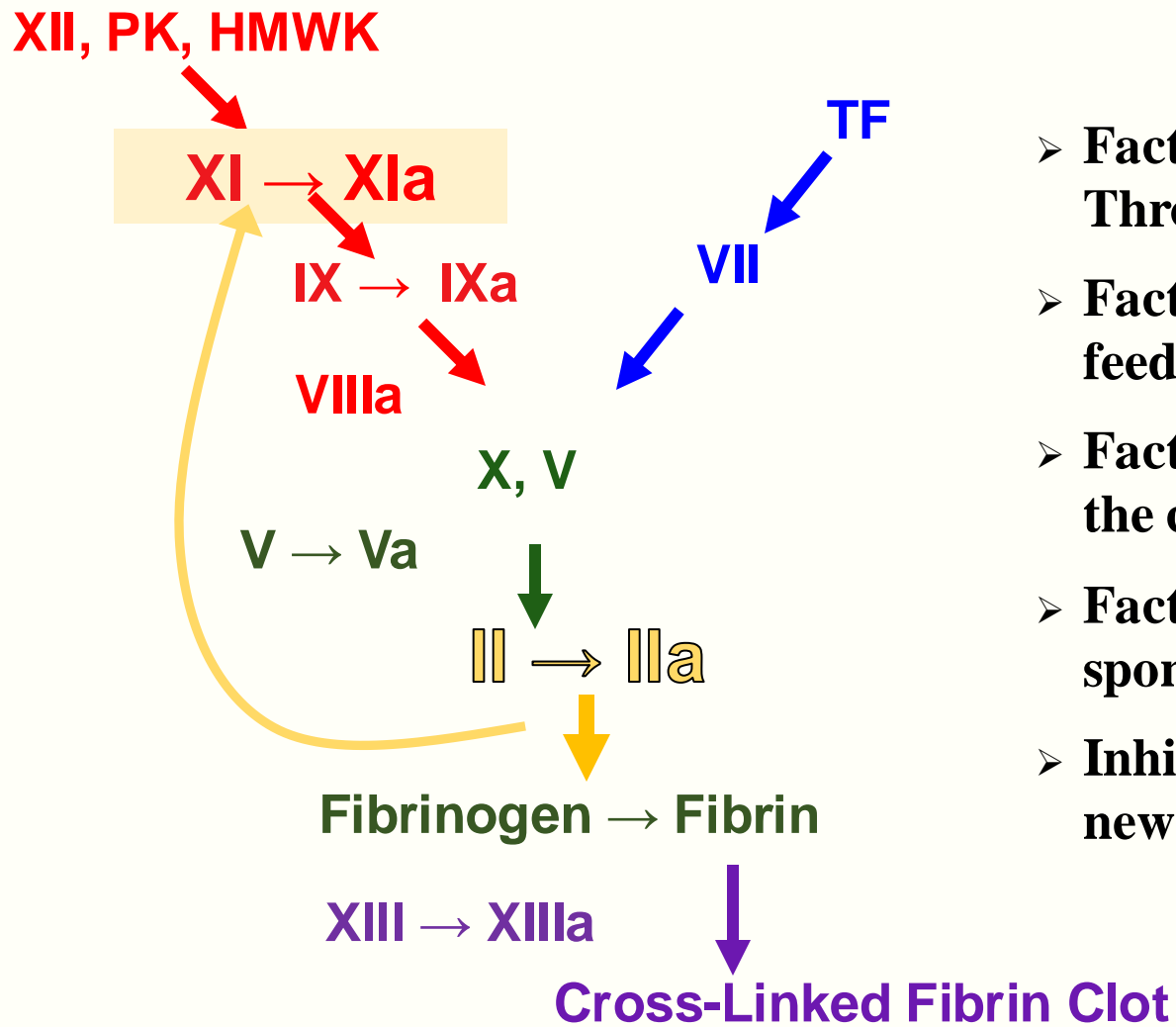


Procoagulant Activities of Thrombin

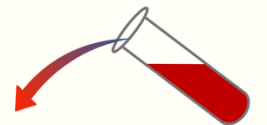
1. Cleavage of Fibrinogen
2. Activation of Factor V
3. Activation of Factor VIII
4. Activation of Factor XI
5. Activation of Factor XIII
6. [Activation of Platelets]



Role of Factor XI



- Factor XI can be activated by XIa or Thrombin.
- Factor XI is a component of a positive feedback loop.
- Factor XI also links the Contact System with the core coagulation pathway.
- Factor XI deficiency is rarely associated with spontaneous bleeding.
- Inhibition of Factor XI is being explored as new option for therapeutic anticoagulation!



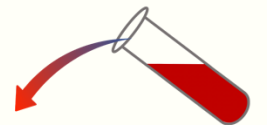
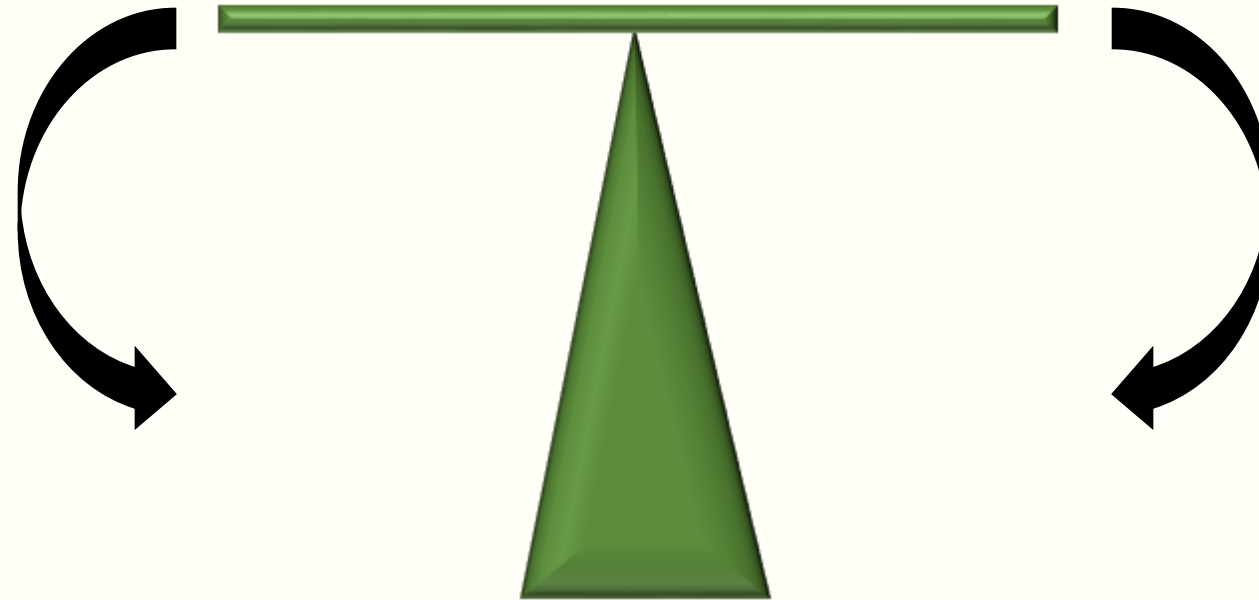
The Hemostatic Balance: *Physiologic Anticoagulation Processes*

**Coagulation
Processes**

**Physiologic
Anticoagulation**

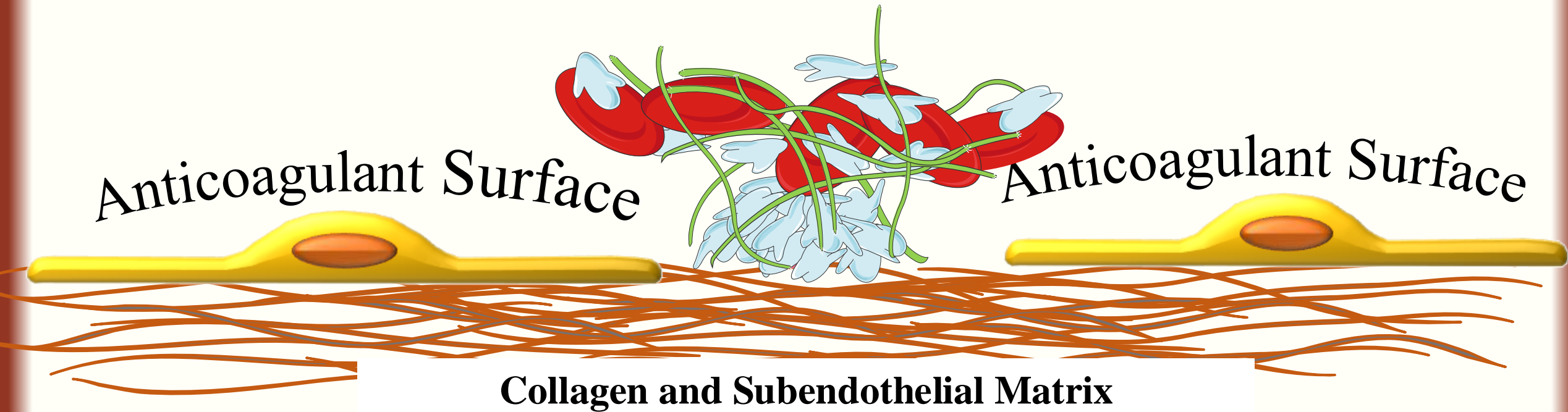
Hemorrhage

Thrombosis



Vascular Endothelial Cells Present Anticoagulant Surface

- Vascular endothelial cells present anticoagulant surface.
- Disruption of endothelial surface exposes blood to Collagen and Subendothelial Matrix (procoagulants) leading to activation of coagulation.
- Deficiency of physiologic anticoagulants leads to activation of coagulation.

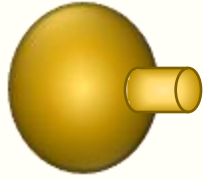


Physiologic Anticoagulation Processes on Endothelial Cells

Pathway	Activity	Effect
Heparan Sulfate (Glycosaminoglycan)	Heparan binds Antithrombin	Heparan:AT complex neutralizes coagulation enzymes
Thrombomodulin & Endothelial Protein C Receptor	Thrombomodulin binds Thrombin EPCR binds protein C	Thrombin:TM complex has reduced procoagulant activity. Activates protein C which inactivates Cofactors
Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor	TFPI inhibits direct activation of Factor X by TF:VIIa complex	Directs TF:VIIa activity towards activation of F IX to IXa.
CD39-Ecto ADPase	Degrades ADP	Reduced ADP, reduced platelet activation
NO Synthase	Synthesis of Nitric Oxide	Relaxes smooth muscle and inhibits platelet activation
Cyclooxygenase 2	Synthesis of Prostacyclin (PGI₂)	Relaxes smooth muscle and inhibits platelet activation



**Antithrombin:
Inactive Conformation**

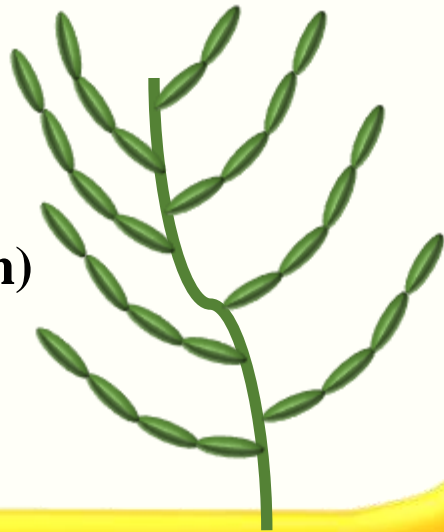


Thrombin



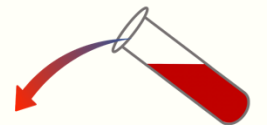
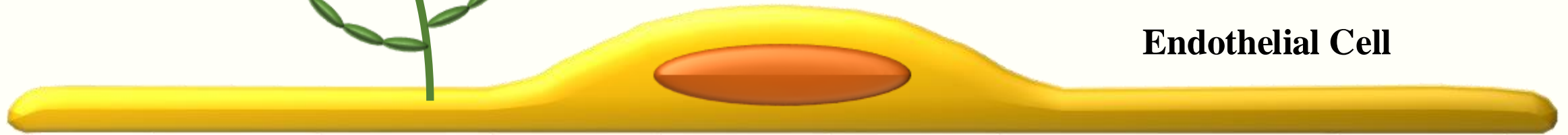
Antithrombin

Antithrombin, in fluid phase is unable to bind thrombin or other enzymes.



**Heparan Sulfate
(Glycosaminoglycan)**

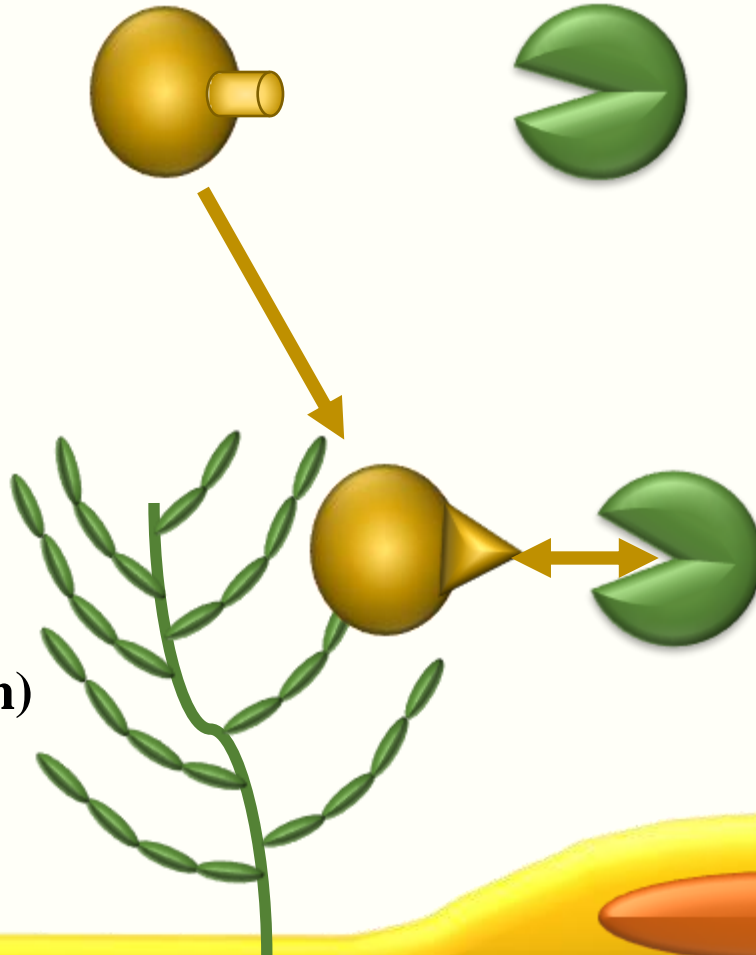
Endothelial Cell



**Antithrombin:
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Thrombin

Antithrombin Binds to Glycosaminoglycan



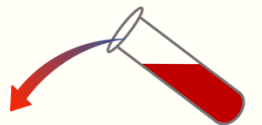
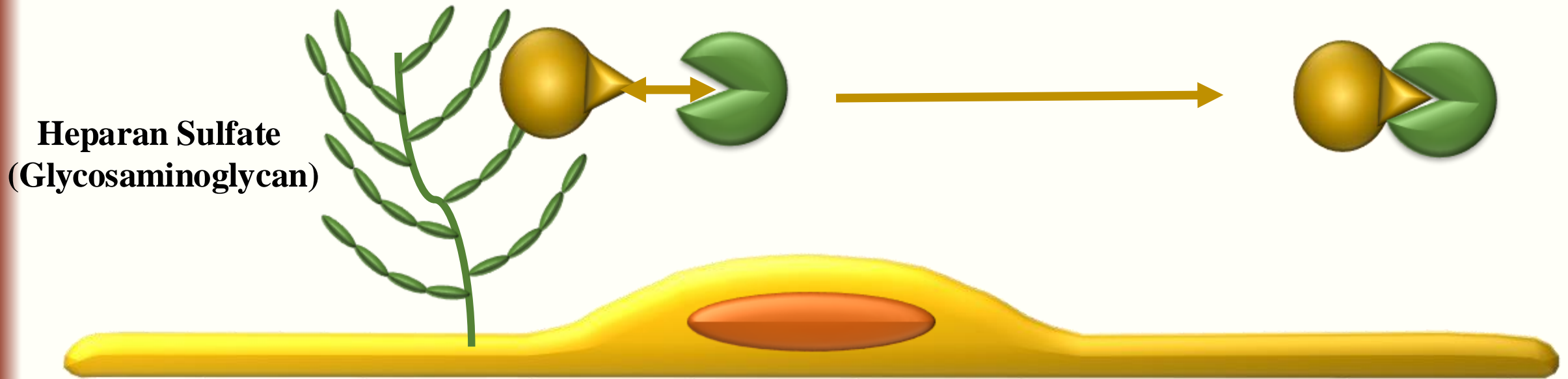
- **AT undergoes a conformational change when bound to Heparan or Heparin.**
- **Heparin:AT complex has high affinity for thrombin and other enzymes of the coagulation system.**
- **Thrombin:Antithrombin Complex Forms.**

**Heparan Sulfate
(Glycosaminoglycan)**



Antithrombin: Glycosaminoglycan

**Thrombin:Antithrombin Complex
Dissociates from Glycosaminoglycan and is
cleared in the liver.**

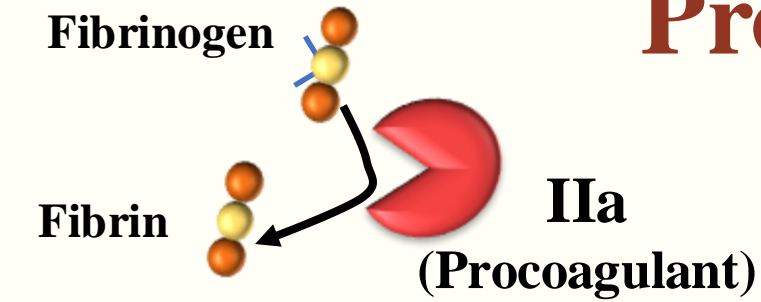


Protein C/Protein S/Thrombomodulin System

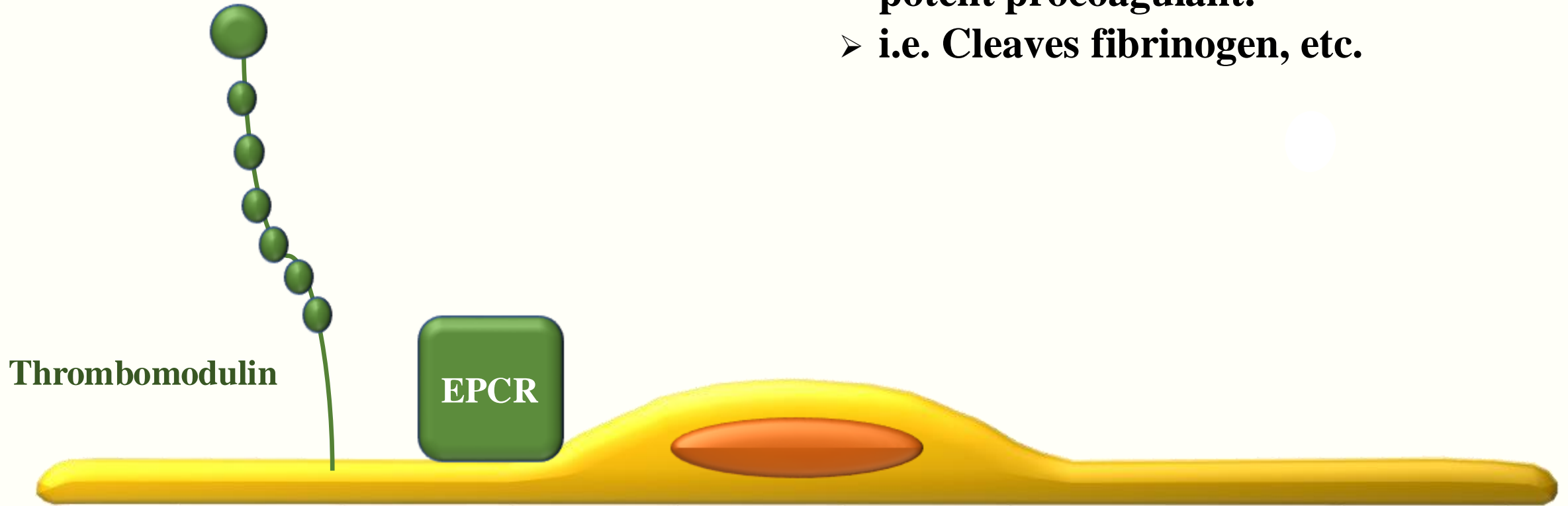
- Constituents:
 - Protein C
 - Protein S
 - Thrombomodulin
 - Endothelial cell protein C receptor (EPCR)
- Activated Protein C (With cofactor Protein S) inactivates FVa and FVIIIa, the cofactors of the cascade.
- EPCR localizes Protein C/Ca to endothelial cell surface.
 - May have non-coagulation roles.



Protein C/Protein S/Thrombomodulin



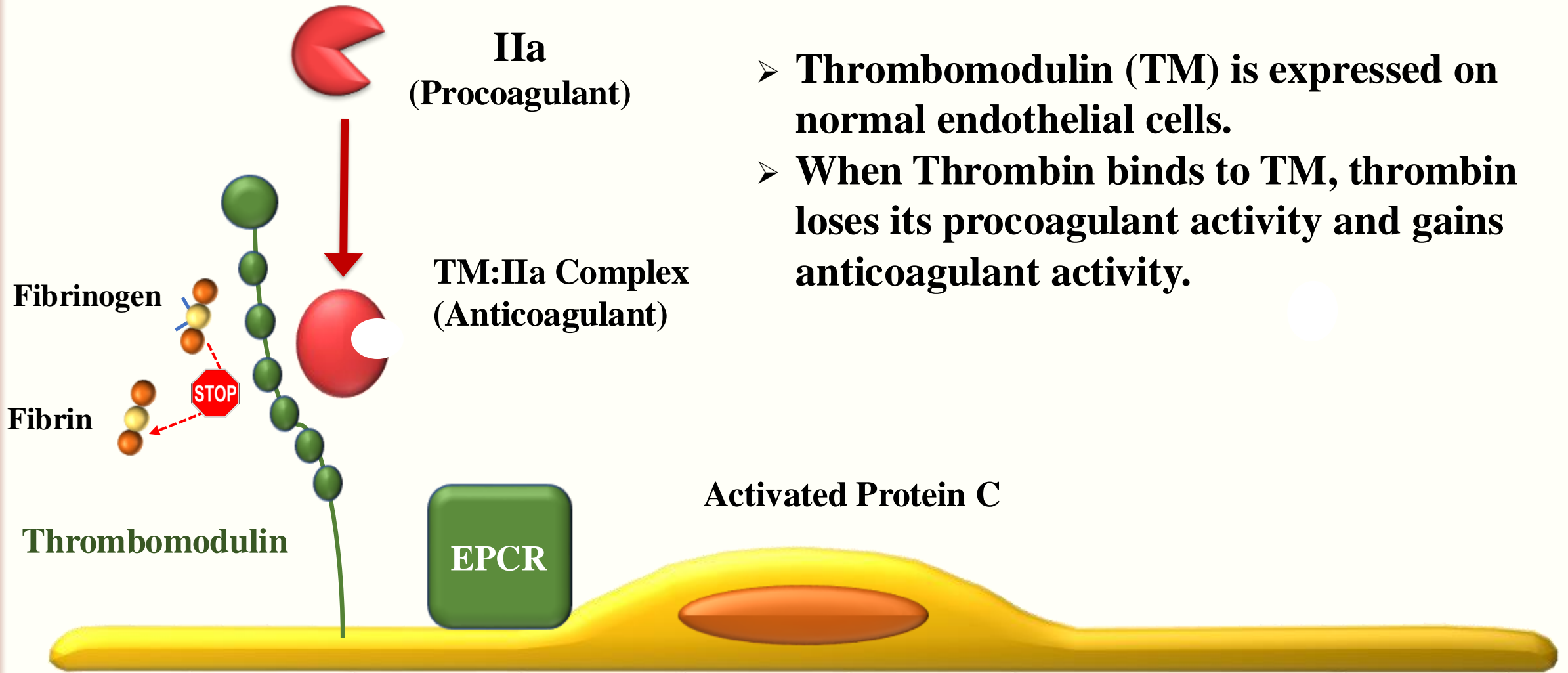
- **Thrombin, in fluid phase, is a potent procoagulant.**
- **i.e. Cleaves fibrinogen, etc.**



EPCR: Endothelial Cell Protein C Receptor



Protein C/Protein S/Thrombomodulin



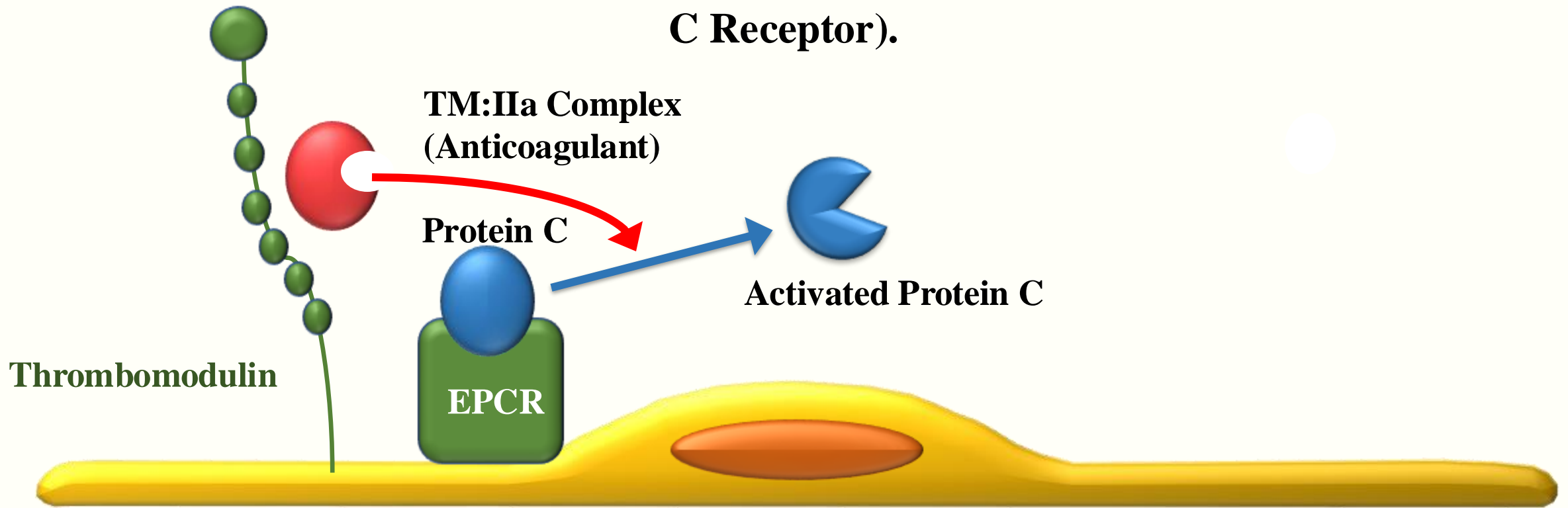
- Thrombomodulin (TM) is expressed on normal endothelial cells.
- When Thrombin binds to TM, thrombin loses its procoagulant activity and gains anticoagulant activity.

EPCR: Endothelial Cell Protein C Receptor



Protein C/Protein S/Thrombomodulin

- **Thrombin:Thrombomodulin complex cleaves and activates Protein C.**
- **(Protein C localizes to Endothelial Cell Protein C Receptor).**

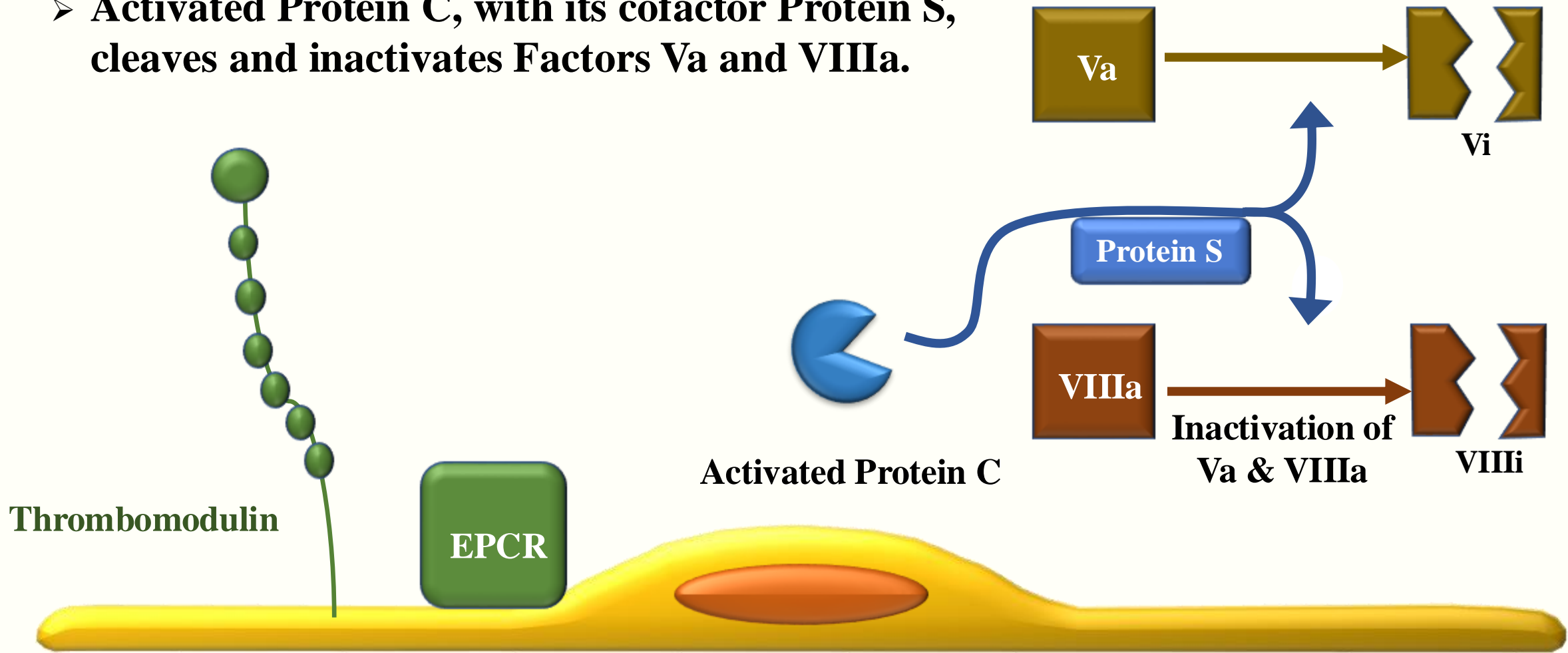


EPCR: Endothelial Cell Protein C Receptor



Protein C/Protein S/Thrombomodulin

- Activated Protein C, with its cofactor Protein S, cleaves and inactivates Factors Va and VIIIa.

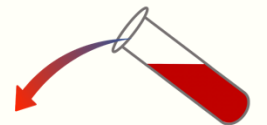


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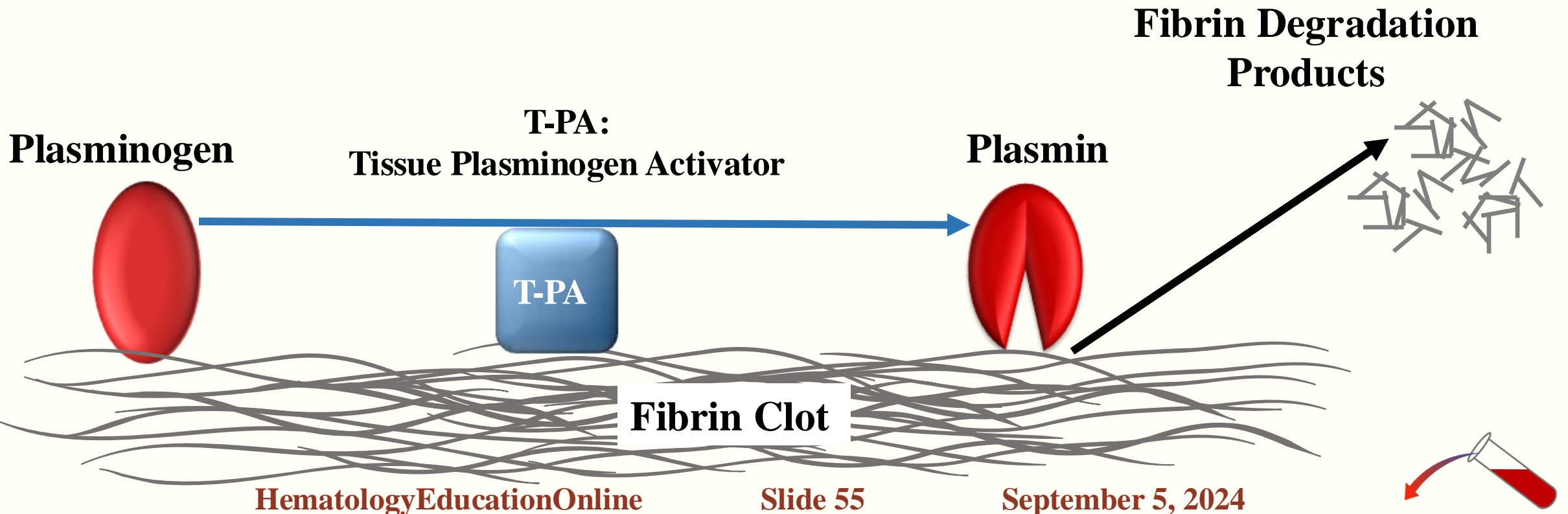


Fibrinolytic Pathway

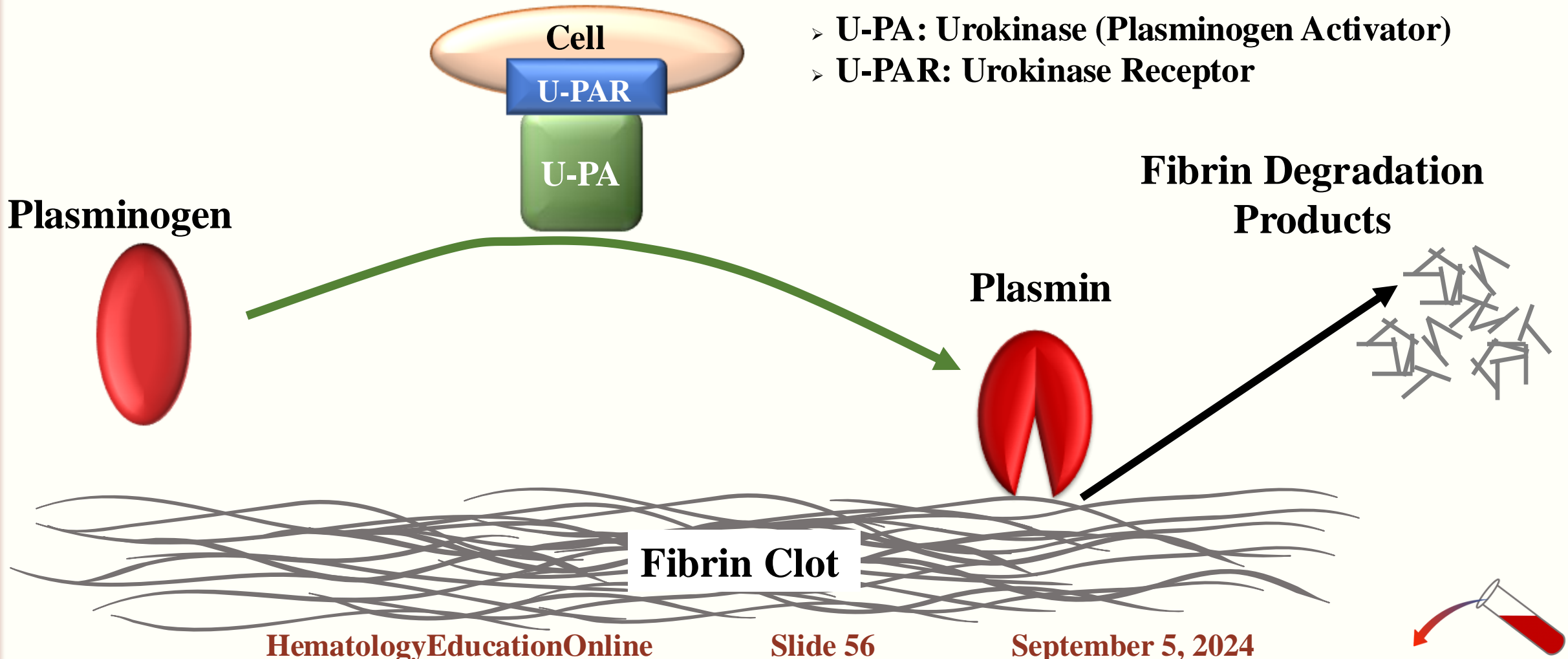
- Plasminogen
 - Activated to Plasmin (a serine proteinase)
 - Plasmin proteolyzes fibrin and fibrinogen
- Plasminogen Activators
 - t-PA (Tissue-Plasminogen Activator)
 - Localizes to fibrin clot
 - u-PA (Urokinase-Plasminogen Activator)
 - Localizes to cell membrane uPA receptor.
 - Released by endothelial cells.
- Inhibitors/Serpins
 - PAI-1, PAI-2; Plasminogen Activator Inhibitors
 - α 2-Antiplasmin.



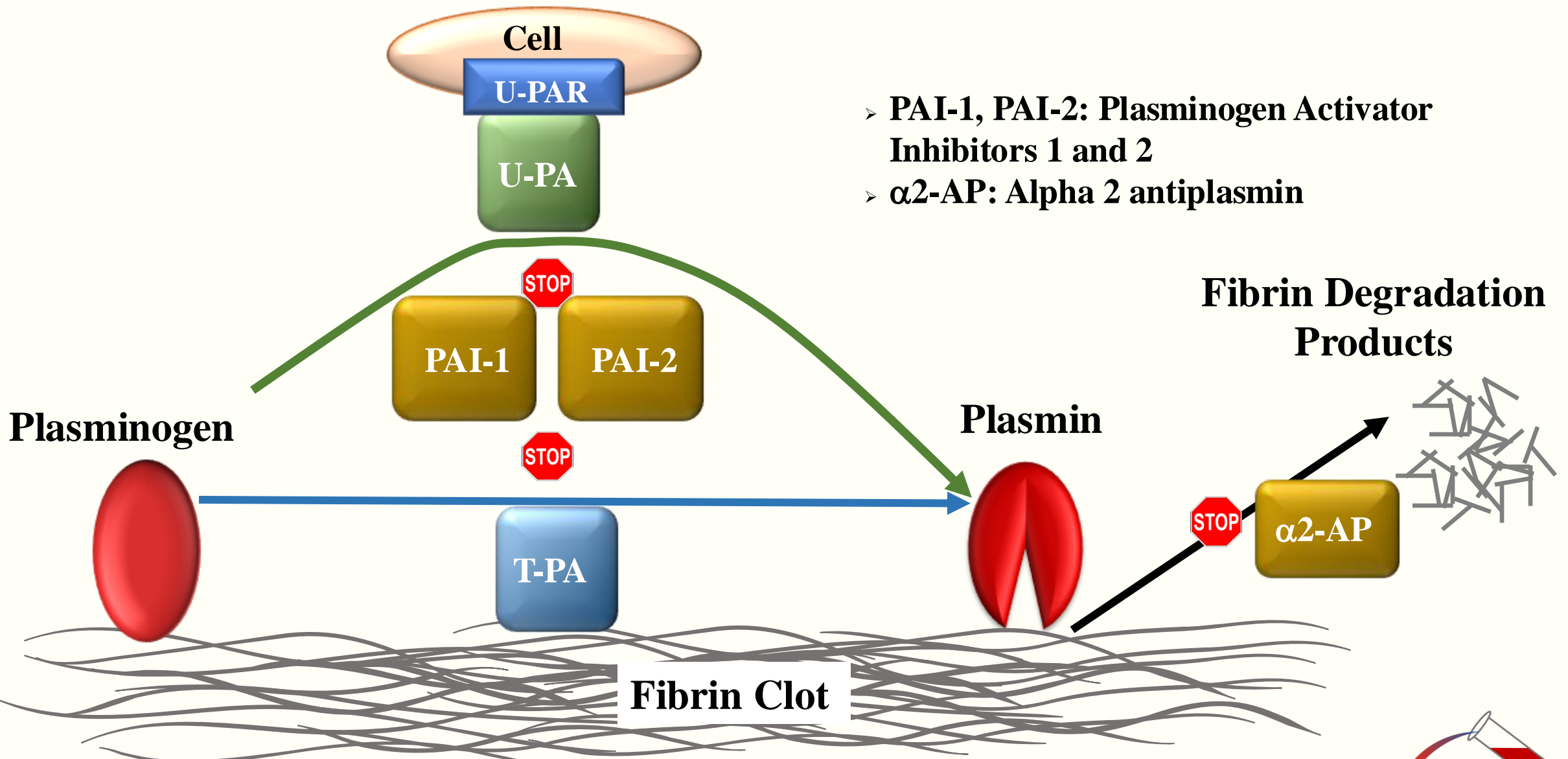
Fibrinolytic Pathway: T-PA, Fibrin Clot Based Activation



Fibrinolytic Pathway: U-PA/U-PAR, Cell Based Activation



Fibrinolytic Pathway: Inhibitors



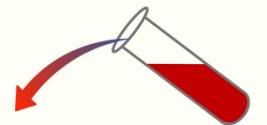
- PAI-1, PAI-2: Plasminogen Activator Inhibitors 1 and 2
- α 2-AP: Alpha 2 antiplasmin

Plasminogen

Plasmin

Fibrin Degradation Products

Fibrin Clot



Thank You!

