

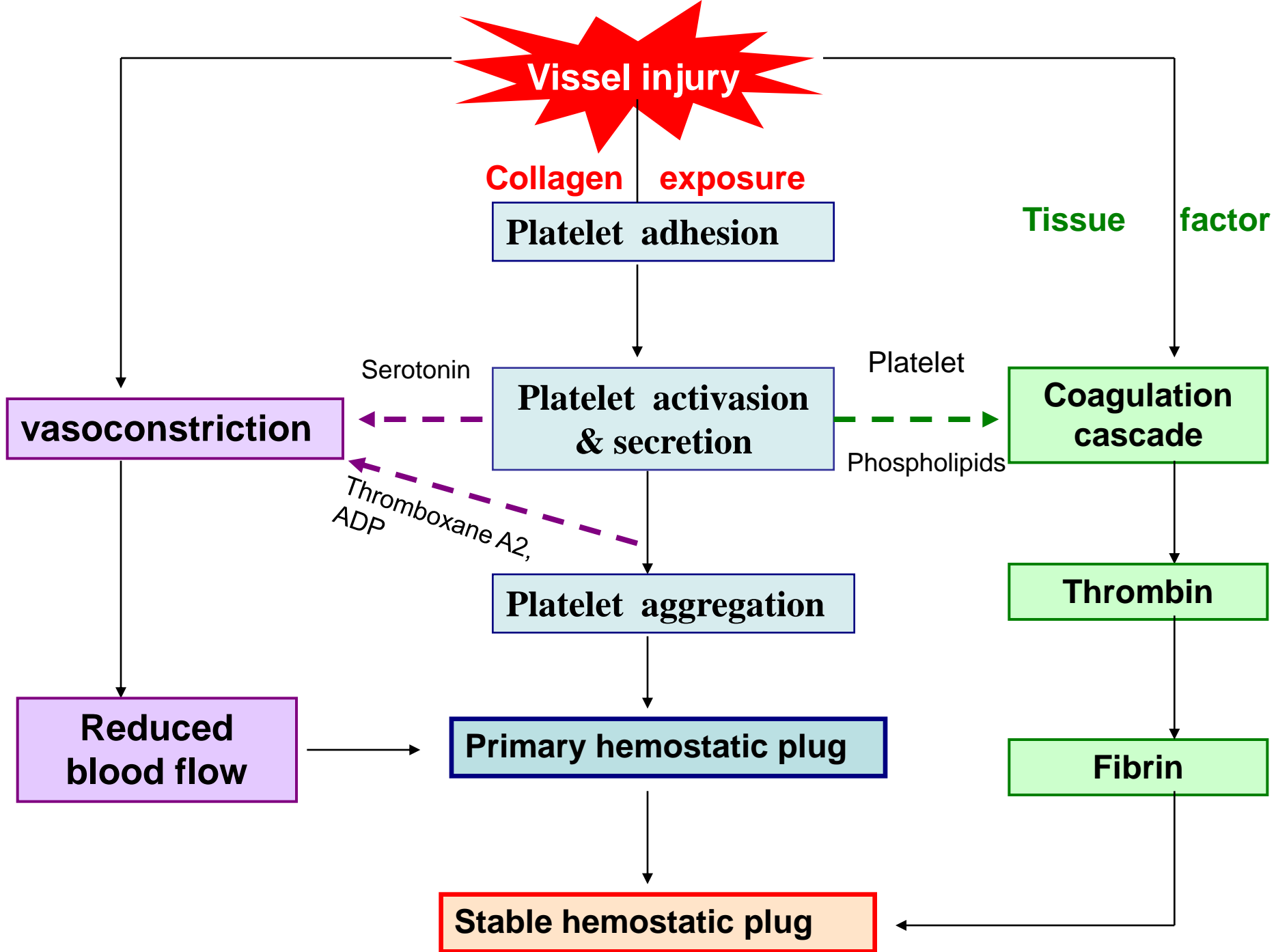
Hemostasis and coagulation

Hemostasis

- Is a complex process which causes the bleeding process to stop
- Primary Haemostasis (Vessel wall, Platelets)
- Secondary Haemostasis (Coagulation Cascade)

3 Major systems involved

- **Vessel wall**
 - Endothelium
- **Platelets**
- **Coagulation cascade**
 - Coagulation factors (proteins)
 - Names and numbers
 - Active and inactive forms (zymogens)



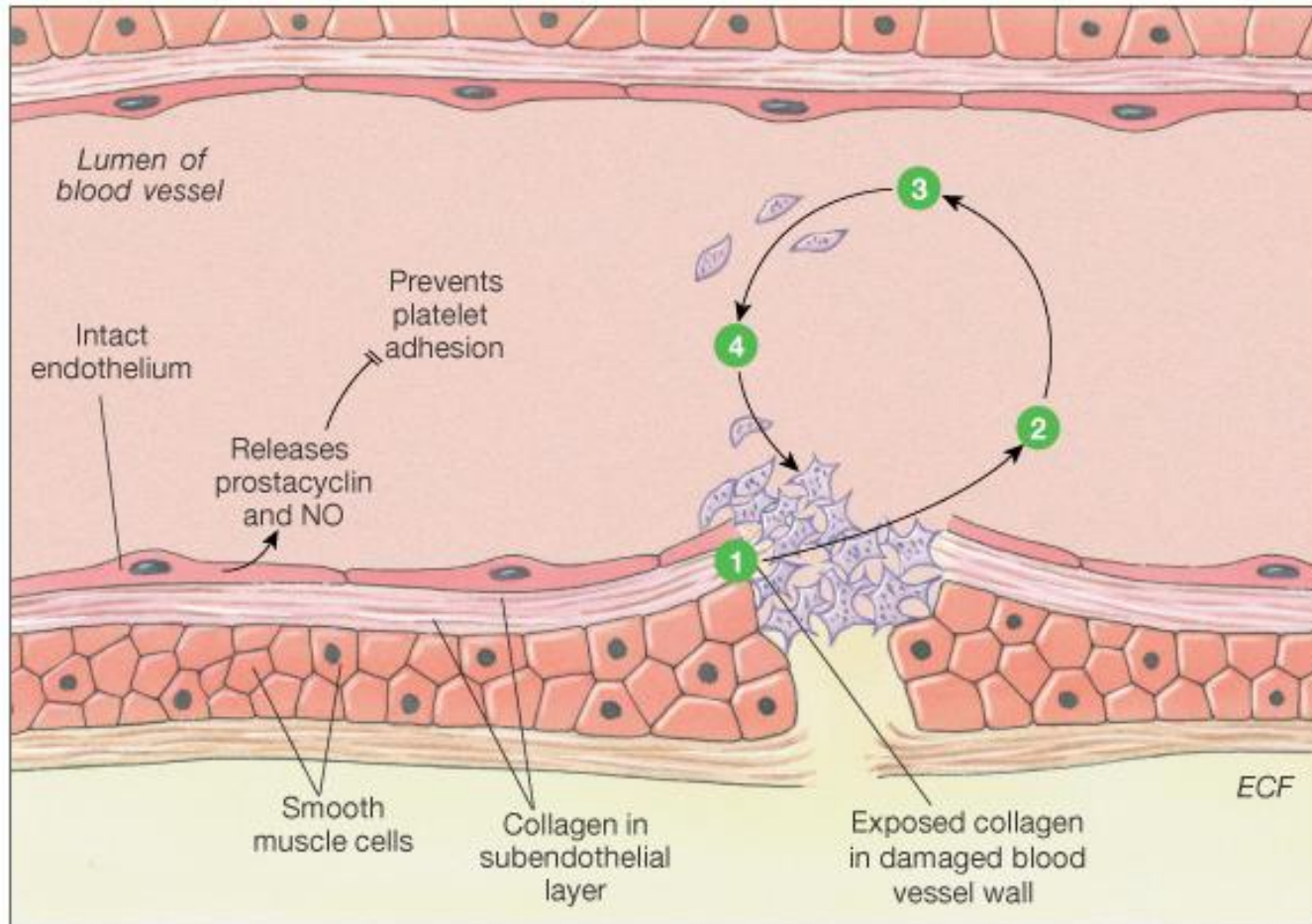
What happen when a BV injured?

- 1- **Vasoconstriction** of blood vessel.
- 2- **Platelet plug**: Platelets adhere to the site, activated, and change their shape and release granules.
 - Some granules promote vasoconstriction & other granules promote platelet aggregation and adhesion= unstable platelet plug.
- 3- **Coagulation** cascade is stimulated which result at the end in formation of stable fibrin clot.

Hemostasis flash video

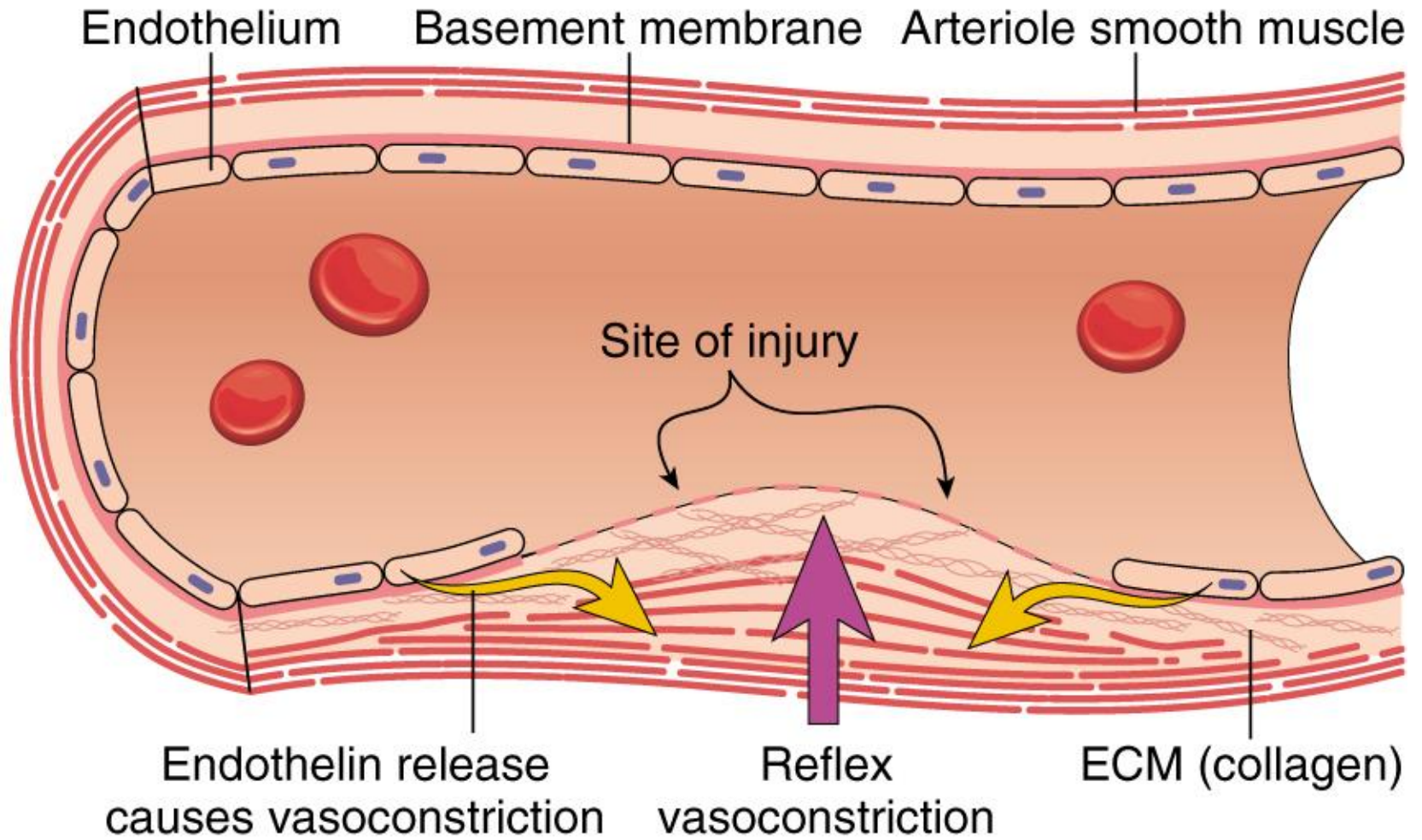
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Hemostasis: Vasoconstriction & Plug Formation



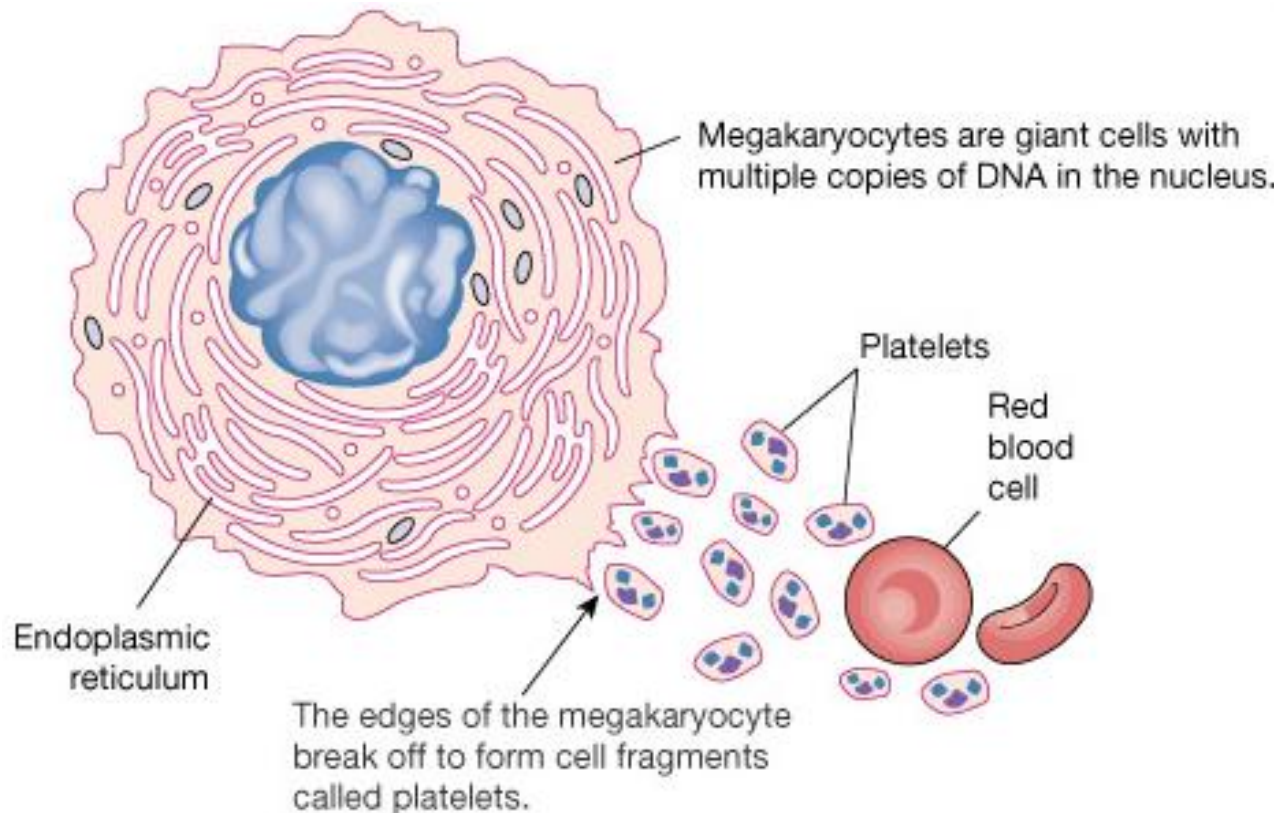
- 1 Exposed collagen binds and activates platelets.
- 2 Release of platelet factors
- 3 Attracts more platelets
- 4 Aggregate into platelet plug

A. VASOCONSTRICTION

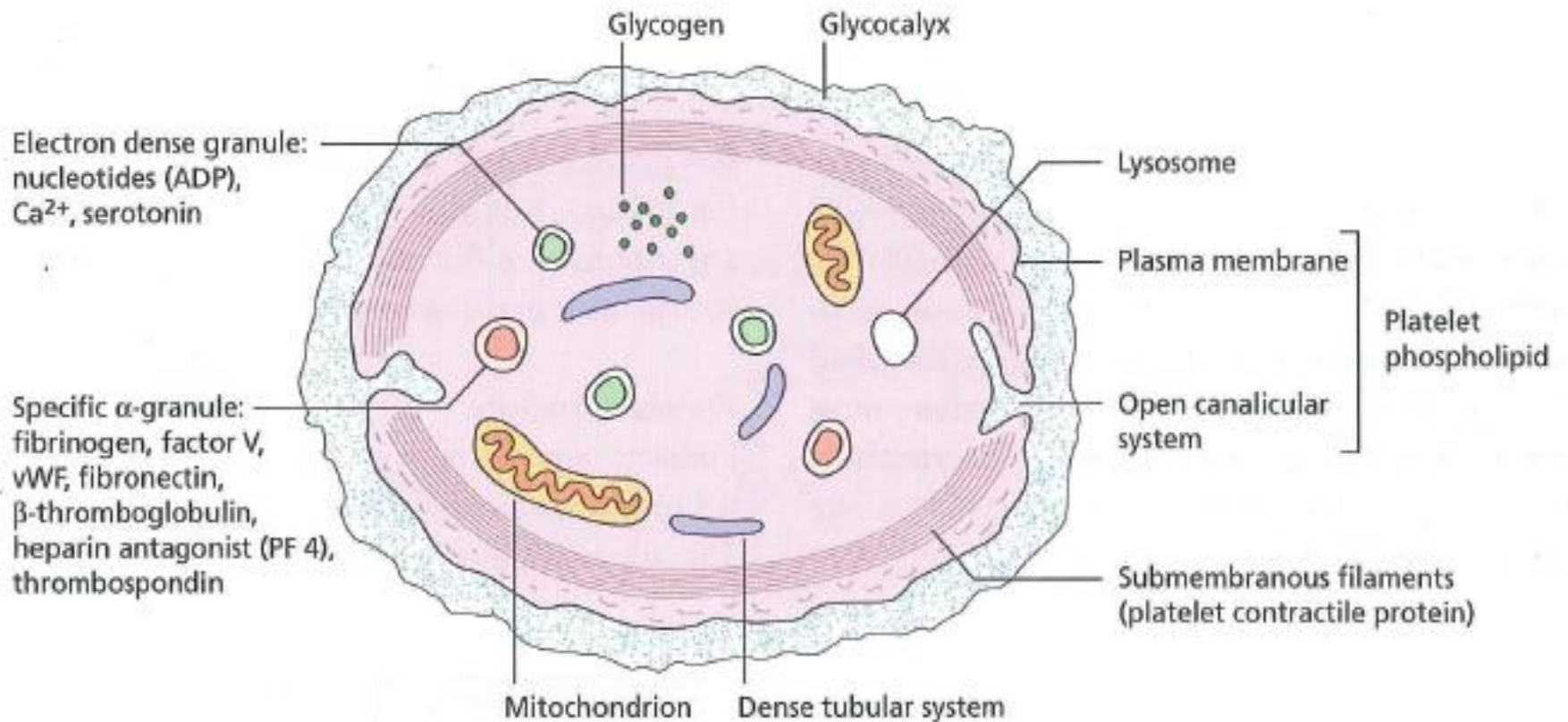


Platelets

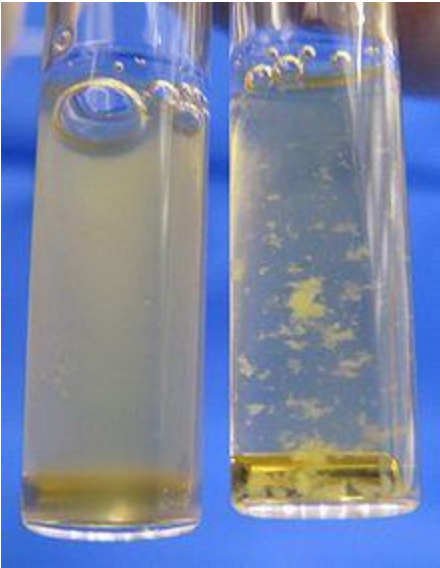
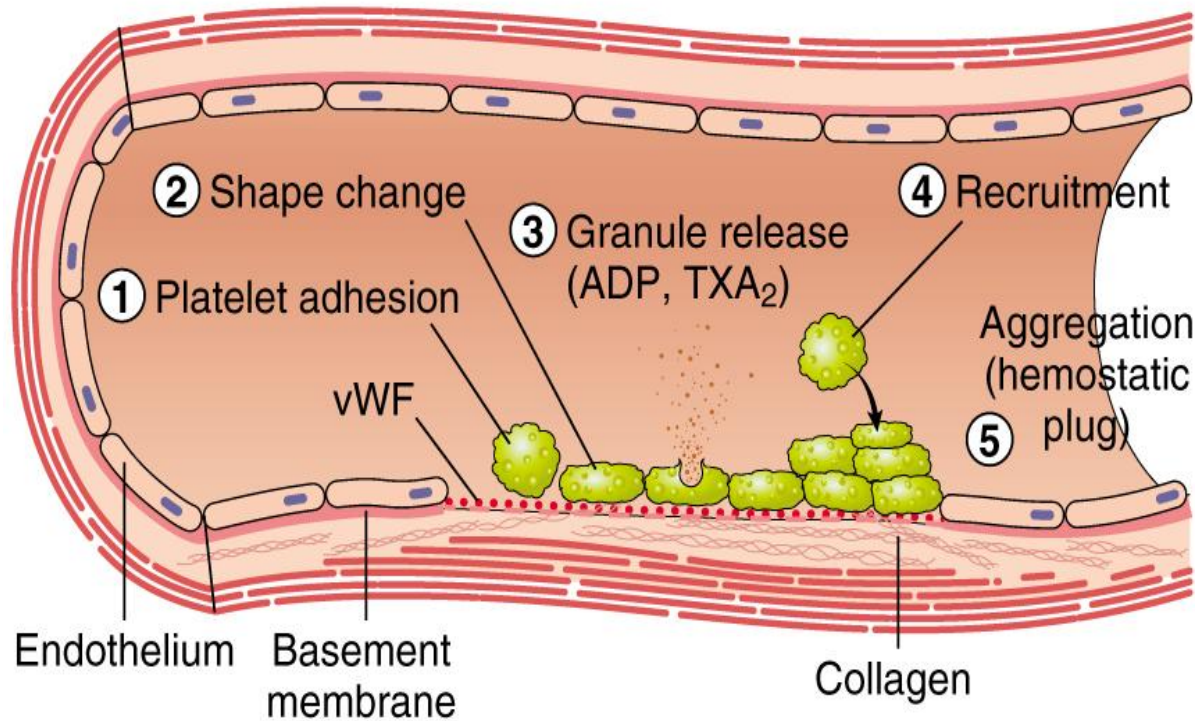
- Formed by fragmentation from megakaryocytes



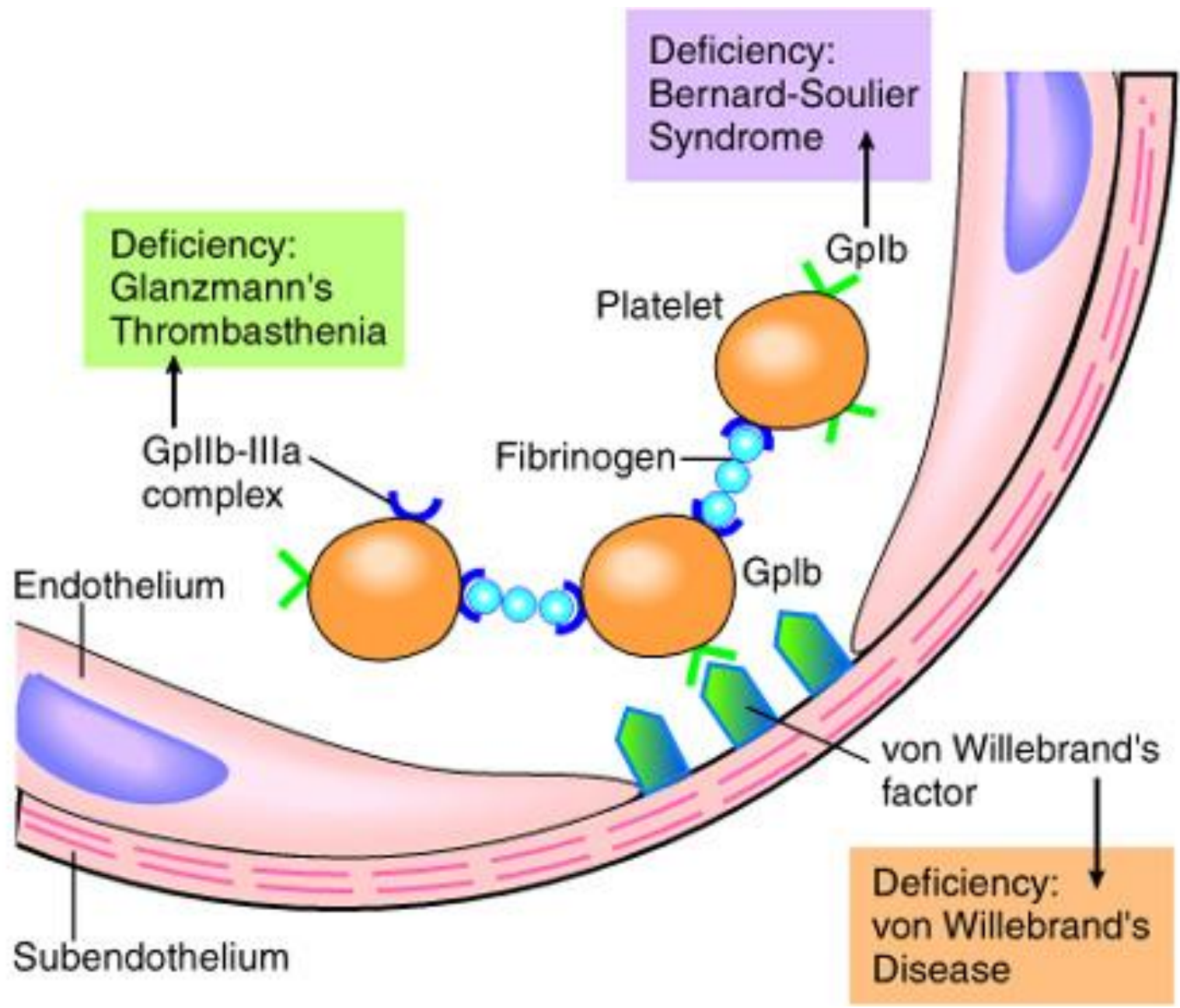
Platelet Structure



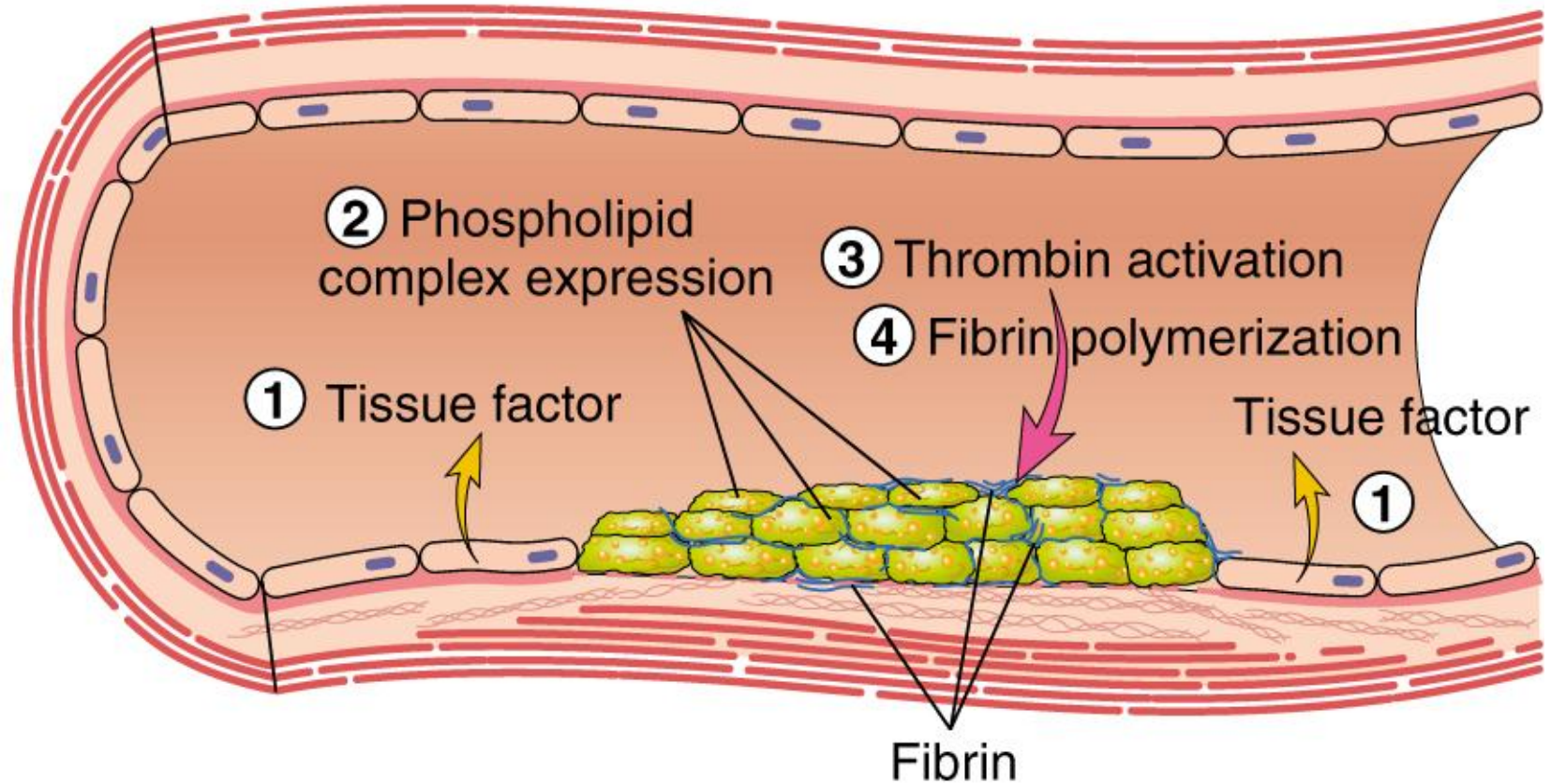
B. PRIMARY HEMOSTASIS



Addition of ADP to platelets = aggregation



C. SECONDARY HEMOSTASIS



Endothelial cells

If blood vessel is intact:

- 1-They inhibit blood coagulation by secreting heparin like substances and thrombomodulin.
- 2- They inhibit platelet aggregation by secreting NO & prostacyclin.

If blood vessel is injured:

- They secrete substances that aid coagulation (Thromboplastin & VWF).

Coagulation Cascade

- Blood coagulation involves a number of substances which sequentially activate by proteolysis a cascade of circulating precursor proteins
- This results in the generation of thrombin
- Thrombin in turn converts soluble fibrinogen into fibrin
- Fibrin enmeshes the platelet aggregate and converts the unstable aggregate into stable haemostatic plug

Coagulation Cascade

- **All are serine proteases (except XIII)**
 - Produced by liver (most)
 - Require Vit K (several)
- **3 protein cofactors (not enzymes)**
- **Requires Ca²⁺**
- **Localized to site of injury**
- **Reversible (via production of plasmin)**

Coagulation Cascade

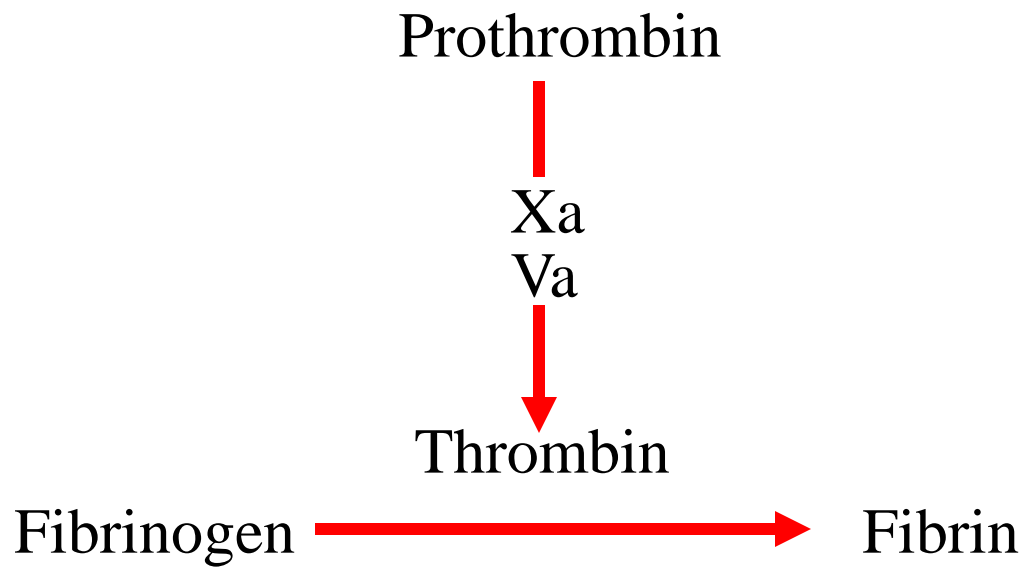
- The generation of thrombin in vivo is a complex mechanism
- The generation of thrombin is dependent on three enzyme complexes (each contain: protease and cofactor)
 - 1) The extrinsic Xase (TF, VIIa)
 - 2) The intrinsic Xase (IX, VIIIa)
 - 3) The above two enzymes generate the prothrombinase complex (Xa, Va)

Coagulation process

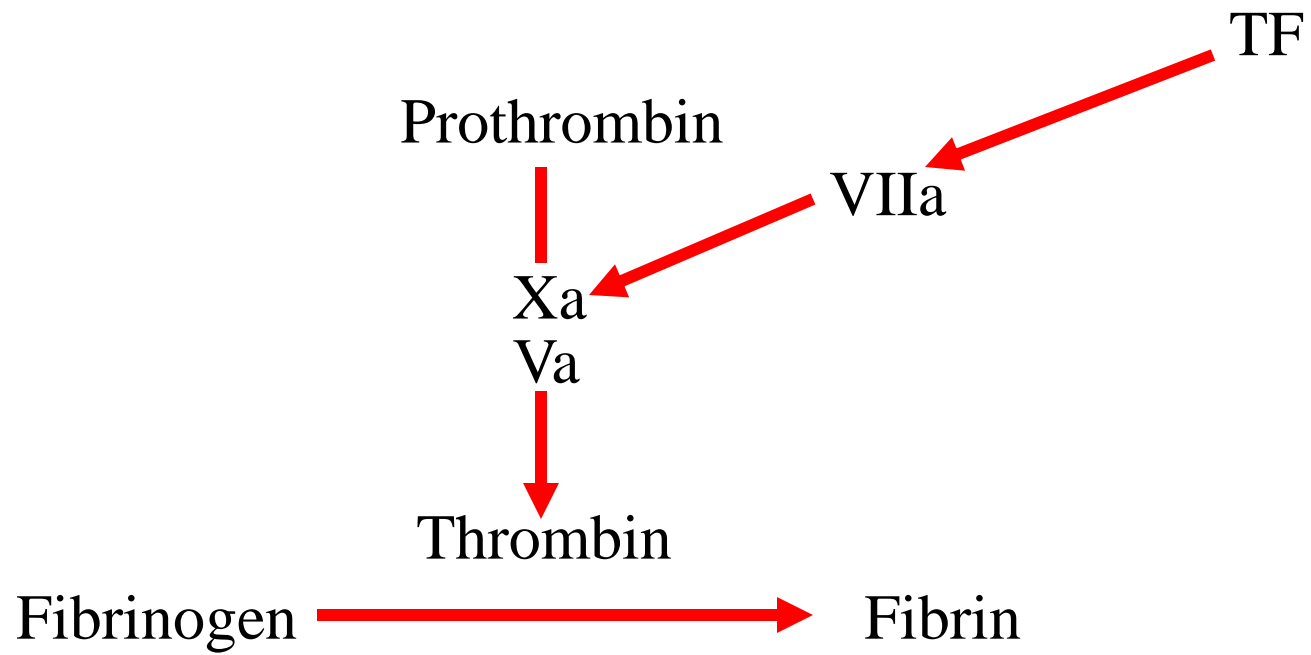
- Damaged tissue releases factor III (TF), which with the aid of Ca^{++} will activate factor VII, thus initiating the extrinsic mechanism.
- Factor XII from active platelets will activate factor XI, thus initiating the intrinsic mechanism.
- Both active factor VII and active factor XI will promote cascade reactions, eventually activating factor X.
- Active factor X, along with factor III, factor V, Ca^{++} , and platelet thromboplastin factor (PF_3), will activate prothrombin activator.
- Prothrombin activator converts prothrombin to thrombin.
- Thrombin converts fibrinogen to fibrin.
- Fibrin initially forms a loose mesh, but then factor XIII causes the formation of covalent cross links, which convert fibrin to a dense aggregation of fibers.
- Platelets and red blood cells become caught in this mesh of fiber, thus the formation of a blood clot.

Fibrinogen  Fibrin

Fibrinogen $\xrightarrow{\text{Thrombin}}$ Fibrin



Extrinsic Pathway



Intrinsic pathway

XIIa



XIa



IXa

VIIIa



Xa

Va



Thrombin

Fibrinogen



Fibrin

Prothrombin



VIIa

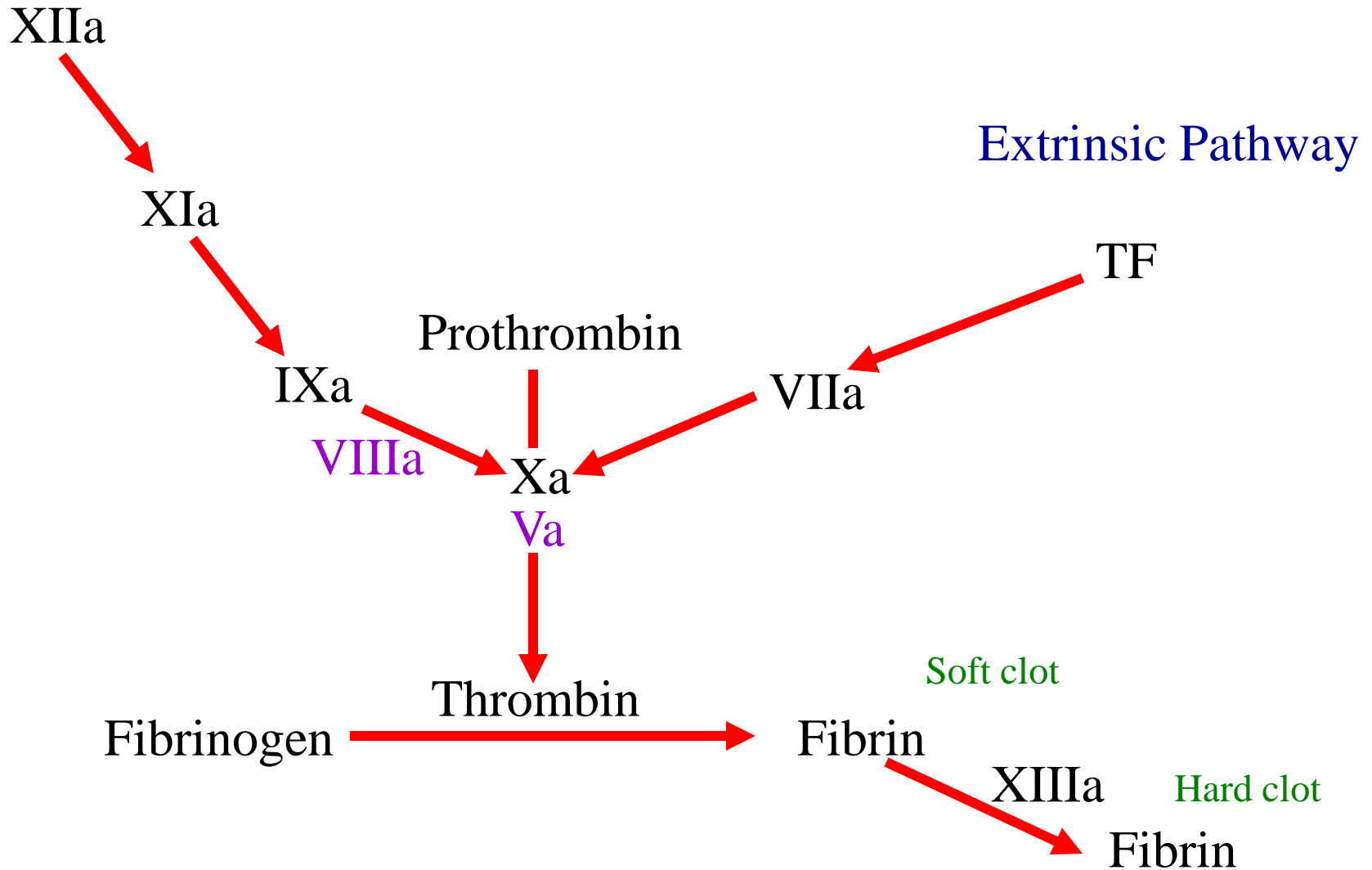


Extrinsic Pathway

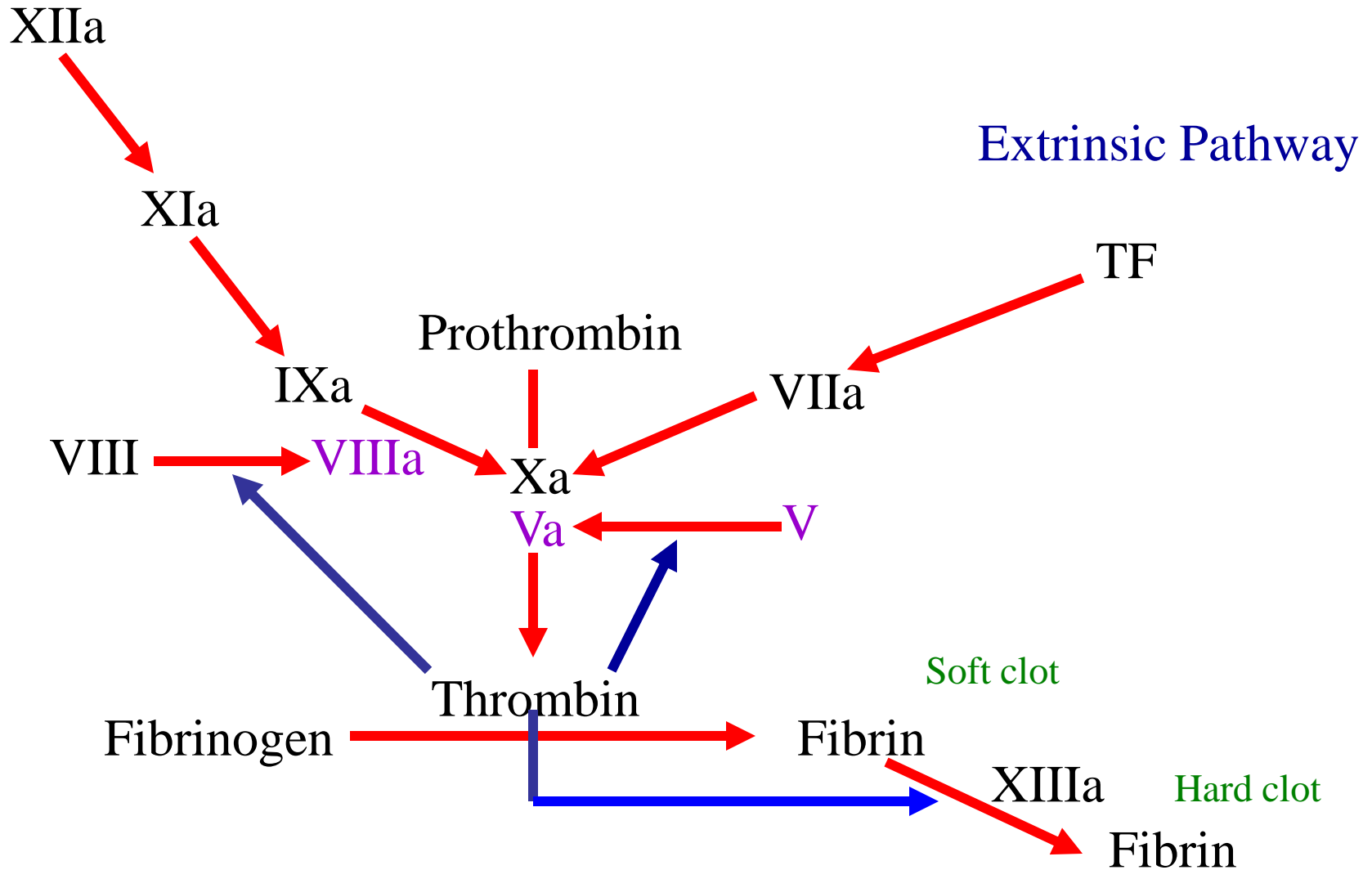
TF



Intrinsic pathway



Intrinsic pathway

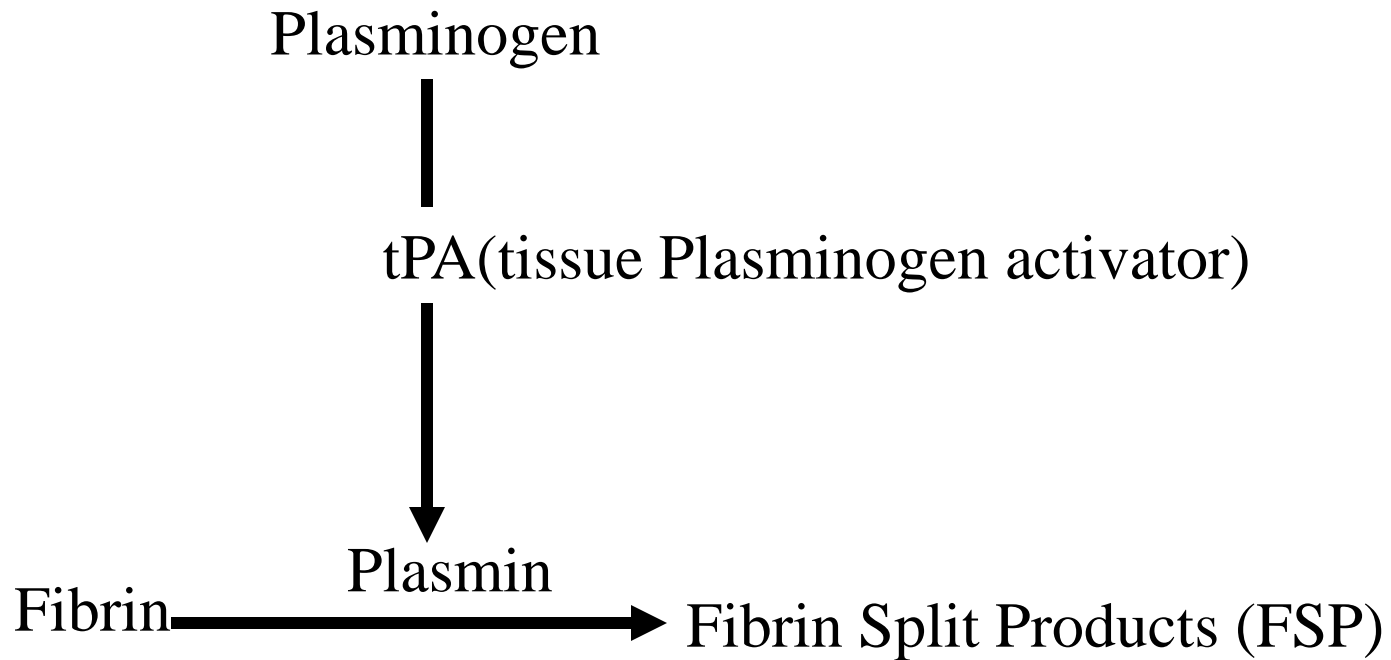


Clot removal

Fibrinolysis

Fibrin $\xrightarrow{\text{Plasmin}}$ Fibrin Split Products (FSP)

Fibrinolysis



Inhibitors of fibrinolysis

- **Plasminogen activator inhibitors (PAIs)**
 - **α_2 -antiplasmin (serpin)**

Tests of Haemostatic function- summary

Screening tests	Abnormalities indicated by prolongation	Most common cause of disorder
Thrombin time (TT)	Deficiency or abnormality of fibrinogen or inhibition of thrombin by heparin or FDPs	Disseminated intravascular coagulation Heparin therapy
Prothrombin time (PT)	Deficiency or inhibition of one or more of the following coagulation factors: VII, X, V, II, fibrinogen	Liver disease Warfarin therapy DIC
Activated partial thromboplastin time (APTT or PTTK)	Deficiency or inhibition of one or more of the following coagulation factors: XII, XI, IX (Christmas disease), VIII (haemophilia), X, V, II, fibrinogen	Haemophilia, Christmas disease (+ conditions above)
Fibrinogen quantitation	Fibrinogen deficiency	Disseminated intravascular coagulation, liver disease

Tests for platelets abnormality

Platelet tests:

1) Platelet Count

2) Platelet function:

- Aggregation
- Flow cytometry