Treatment of hemophilia in the future – from standard to novel therapies

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Ever Changing Hemophilia Landscape

FVIII or FIX concentrates

- Standard half-life (SHL)
- Extended half-life (EHL)
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- BIVV002 (Sanofi)
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- AAVFIX

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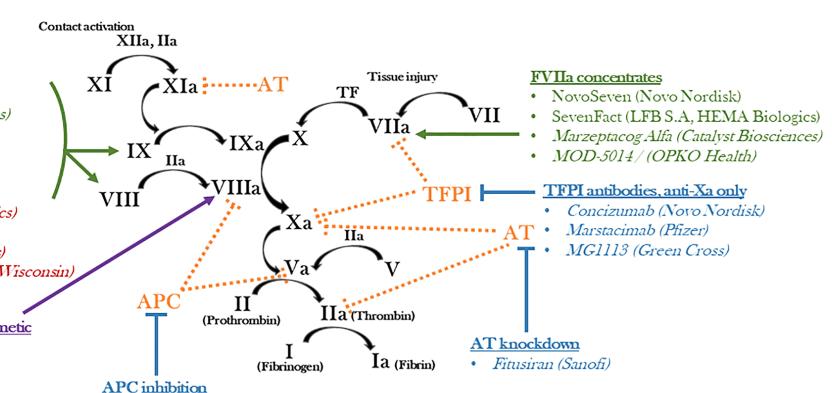
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Cellular therapy

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- Mim8 (Novo Nordisk)



• SerpinPC (ApcinteXLtd)

Options for Personalized Medicine

What is personalized medicine?

'an approach to the practice of medicine that uses information about a patient's unique genetic makeup and environment to customize the patient's medical care to fit his or her individual requirements.'

Current Management in Hemophilia

Prophylactic infusion of factor concentrate remains a standard of care

- for all adult and pediatric patients with severe hemophilia A & B
- <u>and</u> those with clinically severe phenotype

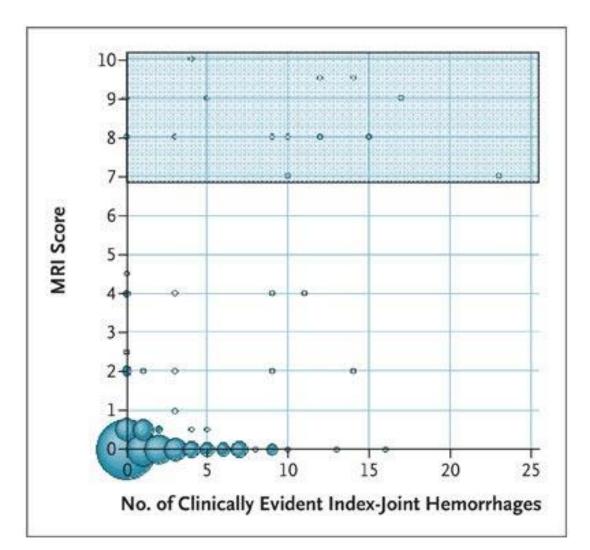
Joint Outcomes Study 2007

Variable	Prophylaxis (N=32)	Enhanced Episodic Therapy (N=33)	P Value
MRI findings			
No. of participants with primary outcome data	27	29	0.73
Joint damage — no. (%)	2 (7)	13 (45)	0.002
No joint damage — no. (%)	25 (93)	16 (55)	
Radiographic findings			
No. of participants with primary outcome data	28	27	0.73
Joint damage — no. (%)	1 (4)	5 (19)	0.10
No joint damage — no. (%)	27 (96)	22 (81)	
No. of days in study			
Mean	1,497	1,490	0.95
Total	47,895	49,179	
Reported no. of factor VIII infusions			
Mean	653±246	187±100	<0.001
Total	20,896	6,176	
Reported no. of factor VIII units infused			
Mean	352,793±150,454	113,237±65,494	<0.001
Total	11,289,372	3,736,807	
Joint hemorrhages (no./participant/yr)			
Mean	0.63±1.35	4.89±3.57	<0.001
Median	0.20	4.35	
Total hemorrhages (no./participant/yr)			
Mean	3.27±6.24	17.69±9.25	<0.001
Median	1.15	17.13	

* Plus-minus values are means ±SD. The data on MRI and radiographic findings include interim-analysis data for children who were removed from the study because of early joint failure.

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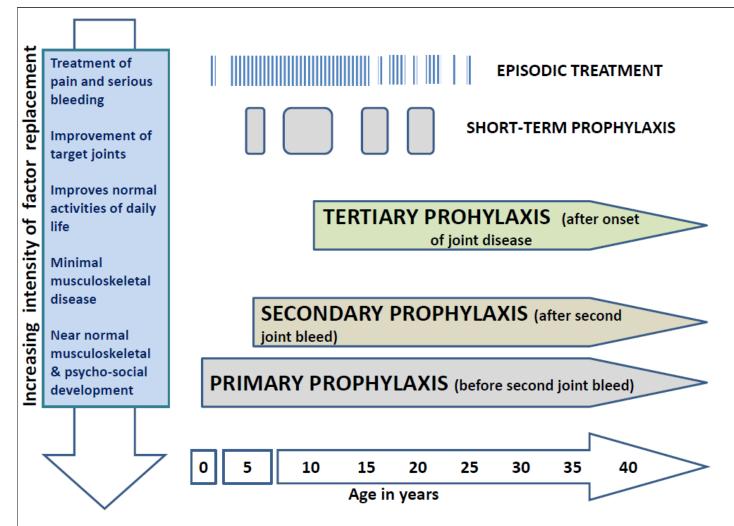
Joint Outcomes Study: Rethinking Old Data

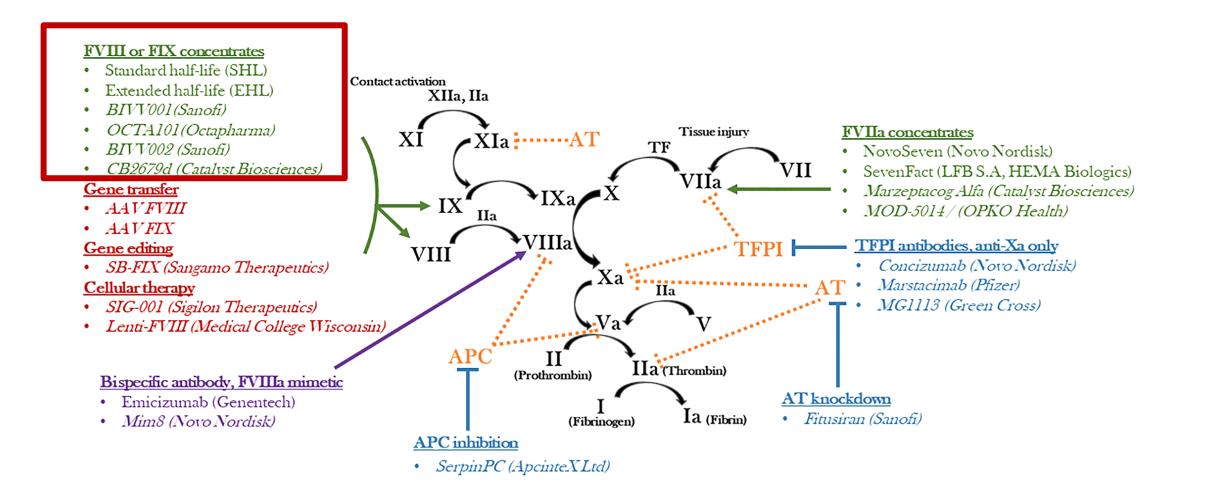


Patients with subclinical bleeding events

Defining clinically severe disease

Defining Prophylaxis Through the Ages







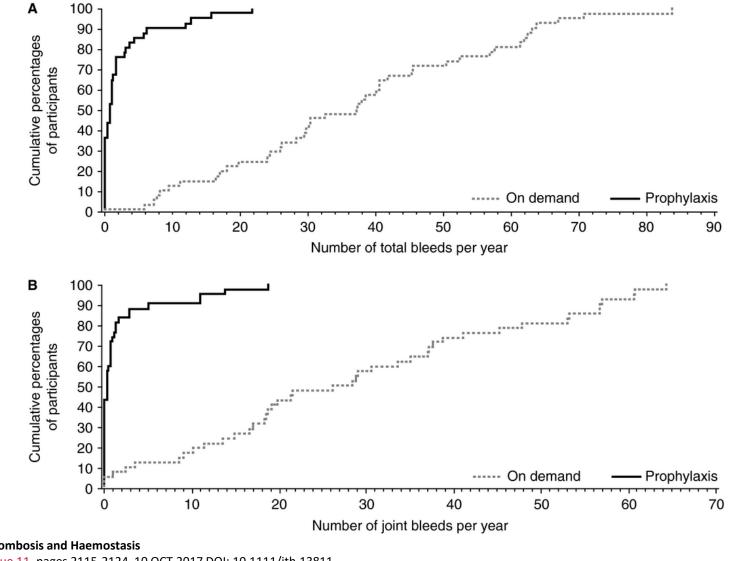
Exogenous Factor Replacement

Long-term data on safety and efficacy established for SHL products

Data on safety and efficacy of EHL products now established with extensions studies, real world clinical data

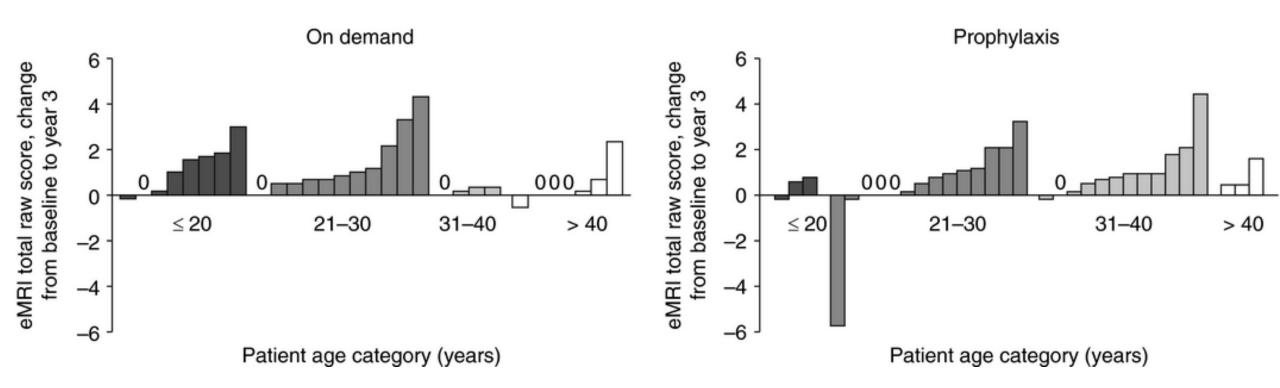
Adoption of EHLs in Heme A vs. Heme B

Half-life extension limitations thus far in heme A \rightarrow lesser numbers of patients on EHLs?



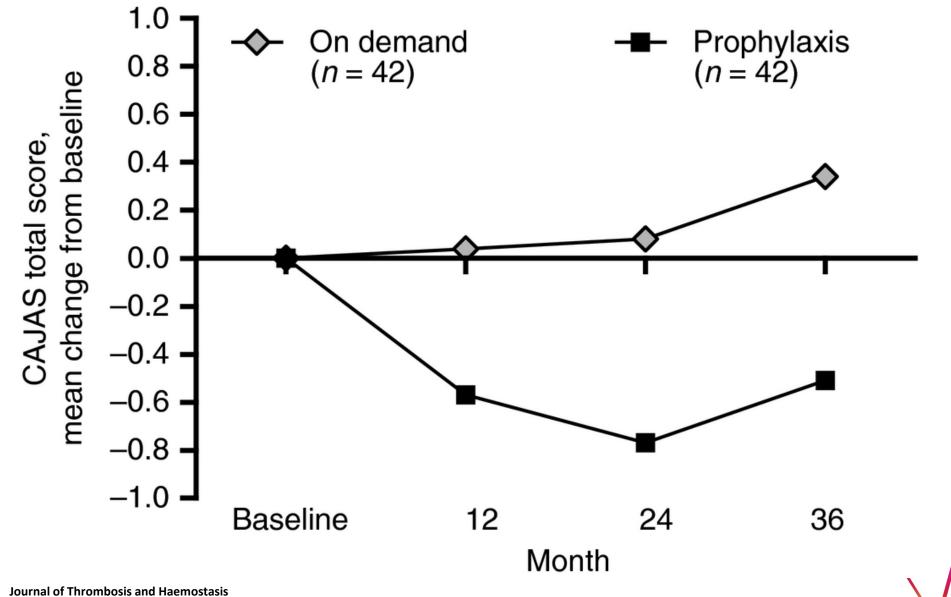
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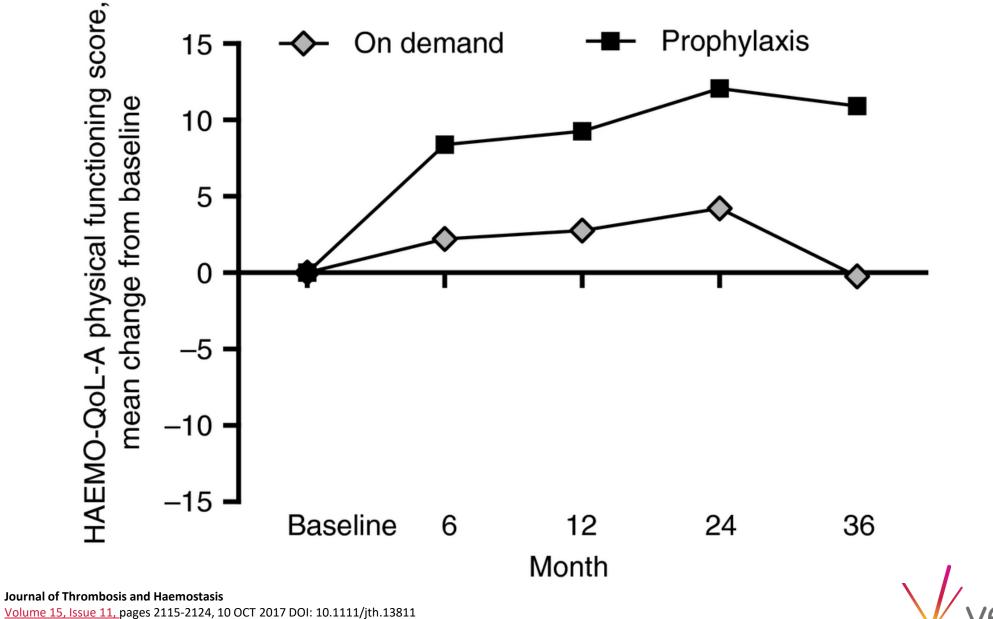


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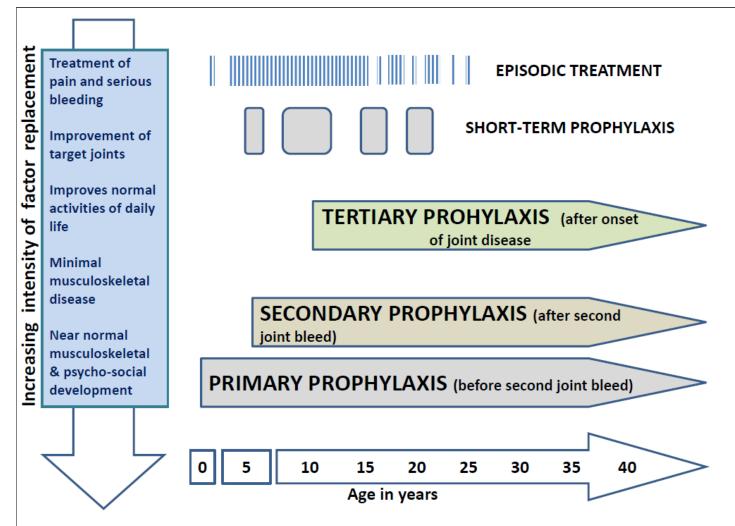
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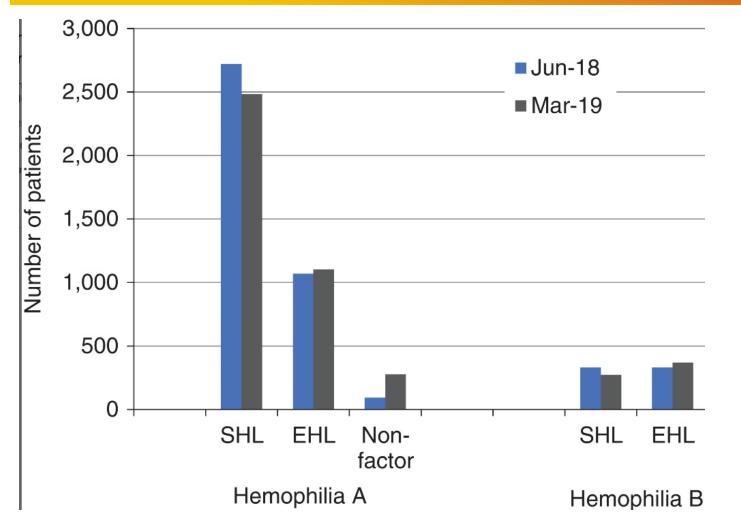
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Never too late to optimize prophylaxis



WFH Guidelines for management of hemophilia, 2012

EHL Adoption in the US

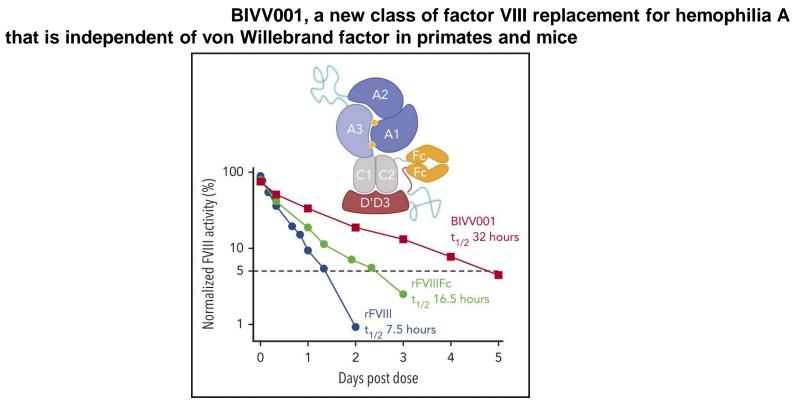


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The impact of extended half-life factor concentrates on prophylaxis for severe hemophilia in the United States

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Furthering Half-life Extension in Hemophilia A





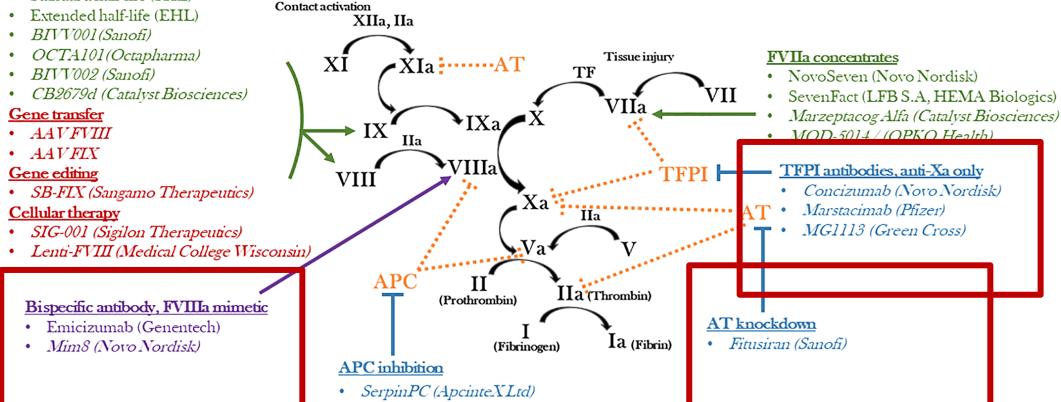
BIVV001: Dosing Schedule Similar to Heme B EHLs?

BIVV001

Mechanism of action*	 FVIII therapy with single-chain FVIII, the Fc domain of human immunoglobulin to circulate in plasma independently of VWF, thereby breaking the VWF half-life 	nunoglobulin G1, 2 XTEN polypeptides, and the FVIII-binding D'D3 domain of VWF, designed the VWF half-life ceiling ¹	
	Possible Pros	Possible Cons	
Indications	 Patients with haemophilia A (inferred from patients treated in studies carried out to date)² 	 Results for this agent are not sufficiently mature to comment on limitations 	
Administration		Intravenous	
Monitoring	Not established		
Efficacy	 Data from the completed Phase 1/2a EXTEN-A study of BIVV001 showed that a single 65 IU/kg dose of BIVV001 achieved average factor activity levels of 17% at 7 days post infusion and significantly extended the half-life of FVIII to 43 hours² 		
Safety	 In EXTEN-A, BIVV001 was generally well tolerated with no development of inhibitors. No AEs of allergic reaction or anaphylaxis or treatment-related AEs were reported² 		
Clinical trials	 EXTEN-A is an open-label, multicenter study that evaluated the safety, tolerability and pharmacokinetics of BIVV001 in both a 25 IU/kg dose and 65 IU/kg dose cohort of subjects aged 18-65 years with severe haemophilia A 		

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Non-factor therapies

Approved products

Clinical trial data Real-world experience & post marketing Data

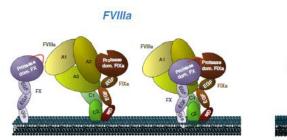
Emicizumab

Approved 2017 for hemophilia A with inhibitors in US Approved 2018 for hemophilia A (without inhibitors) in US

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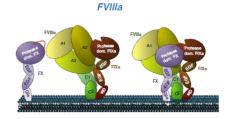
Mechanism of Action

Bispecific Antibody





Comparison with FVIIIa



Multiple sites of interaction

High affinity for enzyme & substrate (low to high nanomolar range)

Specific for FIXa and FX

(no binding to FIX and FXa)

Full cofactor activity

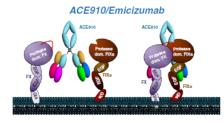
promotes phospholipid binding
 stabilizes FIXa active site

- bridges FIXa to FX

Enzyme and substrate are in excess over cofactor

FVIIIa has on/off mechanism

High level of self-regulation



Single sites of interaction

Low affinity for enzyme & substrate (micromolar range)

No distinction between zymogen and enzyme (FIX vs FIXa and FX vs FXa) Partial cofactor activity - bridges FIXa to FX

Antibody is in excess over enzyme and substrate

Emicizumab has no on/off mechanism

Low level of self-regulation

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Bispecific Antibodies/Factor VIII Mimetics

Efficacy

Bleed control Target joint Resolution

Safety

Gaining data in real world regarding risks of TMA, thrombosis, other side effects

Ongoing clinical trials

Additional Populations? PUPs, Acquired hemophilia, VWD

Antithrombin Knockdown

Antithrombin (Fitusiran)

Mechanism of action*	 Non-biologic, chemically synthesized, with targeting ligand to specifically deliver to liver – site of AT synthesis^{1,2} Harnesses natural RNA interference (RNAi) mechanism for regulation of plasma AT levels² 		
Clinical trials	 Phase 1 dose escalation study and Phase 2 open label extension study in healthy volunteers and patients with haemophilia³ Phase 3 study in patients with inhibitors currently ongoing³ 		
	Possible Pros	Possible Cons	
Indications	 Affects haemostasis more generally and may provide prophylaxis for multiple patient subgroups beyond (and including) haemophilia A³ 	 Available data was obtained from studies that did not include patients with inhibitors or complications³ 	
Administration	 Small volume, once monthly SC dosing not based on body weight⁴ Potentially stable at room temperature and no reconstitution required⁵ 	 Data from ATLAS clinical trial program suggest Individualized bleed management plans may be required to reduce the risk of fatalities (eg, lower doses of factor or BPA, avoid combination with antifibrinolytics)⁶ 	
Monitoring	 Effects can be monitored and reversed⁶ 		
Efficacy	 Specific and long-lasting attenuating effects on breakdown of clotting cascade via dose dependent decrease in AT and increase in thrombin^{3,7} Median ABR 1.08 in patients without inhibitors⁸ 	 Long median recovery of AT3 levels⁶ 	
Safety		 Potential for severe AT3 deficiency that may lead to thrombosis⁹ Potentially unknown side effects due to largely unknown MoA¹⁰ Phase 2 open label extension study had to be temporarily closed after a fatal severe AE; study was reopened following the implementation of mitigation plan^{3,7} 	



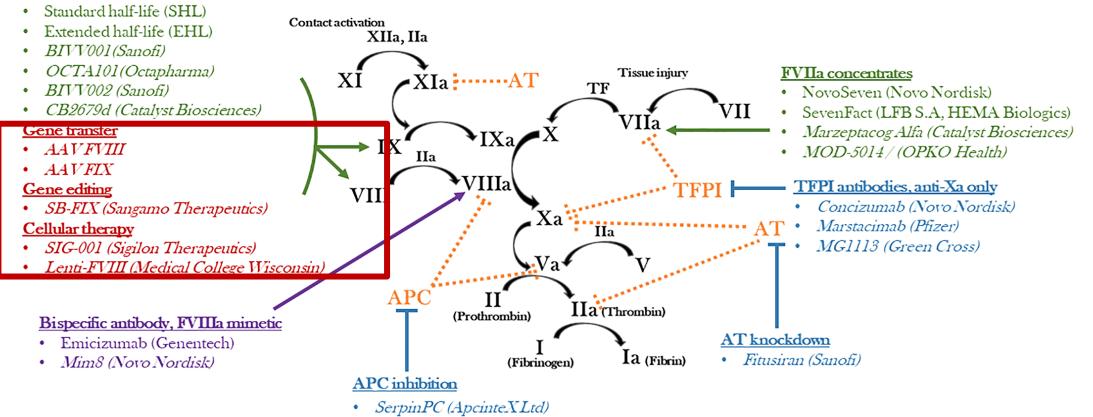
Anti-TFPI (Concizumab)

Mechanism of action*	 Monoclonal, humanized antibody specific for the second Kunitz domain of TFPI-α, which binds and inhibits FXa of the extrinsic clotting system inhibiting FVIIa, thereby abolishing the inhibitory effect of TFPI-¹⁻³ Blocks initiation of clotting cascade while leaving other regulatory mechanisms intact¹ 		
Clinical trials	 Explorer[™] study program³ Phase 2 proof of concept multiple dose study in patients with haemoph 	ilia A and inhibitors is ongoing ^{1,3}	
	Possible Pros	Possible Cons	
Indications	 Haemostatic rebalancing therapy that may provide prophylaxis for multiple patient subgroups beyond (and including) haemophilia A^{1,2} 	 Available data were obtained from studies not including patients with inhibitors or complications³ 	
Administration	 Short acting agent allowing for more endogenous regulation⁴ Administration via once daily SC injection or IV^{5,6} 	 Unclear whether administration of FVIII or FVIIa is required for bleed management³ 	
Monitoring		 Monitoring is challenging due to generally low plasma TFPI levels⁷ 	
Efficacy	 Dose-dependent correlation with decreased plasma TFPI levels and reduced bleeding tendency¹⁻³ ABR reduced across all subtypes of patients in EXPLORER 4 and 5⁸ 	 Efficacy and time frame of platelet TFPI inhibition unclear⁵ Exact therapeutic window for achievement of bleed prevention vs potential for thrombosis is not yet defined³ Effects of TFPI inhibition on FVIII activity unknown⁵ 	
Safety		 Unknown potential side effects due to MoA; AE anticipation is less straightforward than fitusiran due to lack of data on TFPI³⁻⁵ 	

Patient Case 1: PUP with Severe Hemophilia A



FVIII or FIX concentrates





Gene Transfer and Editing

Several approaches to enable endogenous production of FVIII and FIX are now in clinical trials

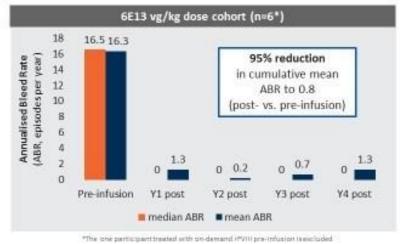
AAV vector strategy furthest in development

Considerations

- Study populations, limiting factors
- Short term challenges and toxicity
- Efficacy, durability and long-term outcomes

Looking at Efficacy of Gene Therapy

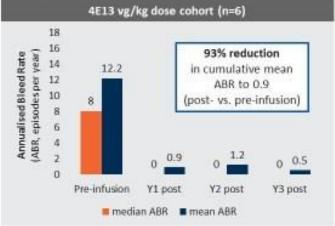
All Treated Bleeds - Sustained Reduction in Both 6E13 & 4E13 Cohorts



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% Participants	Bleed Free	(n=7)

Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
14%	71%	86%	86%	86%

No spontaneous bleeds in 6/7 participants in Year 4 All subjects remain off FVIII prophylaxis



% Participants Bleed Free (n=6)			
Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
17%	83%	67%	67%

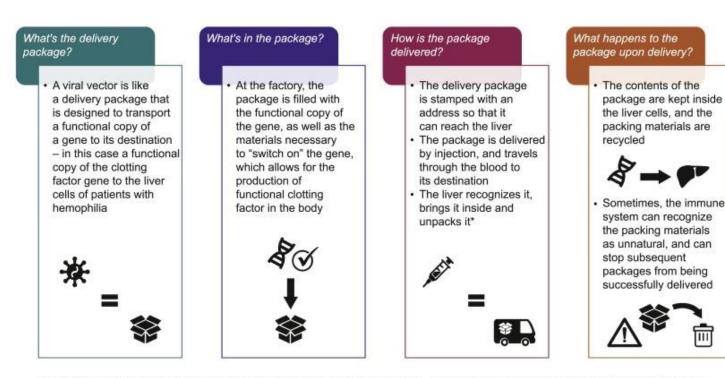
No spontaneous bleeds in 5/6 subjects in Year 3 All participants remain off prophylaxis Annualized bleed rates \rightarrow

Factor VIII/IX levels (and sustainability over time)

Dosing free intervals

Bleed free intervals

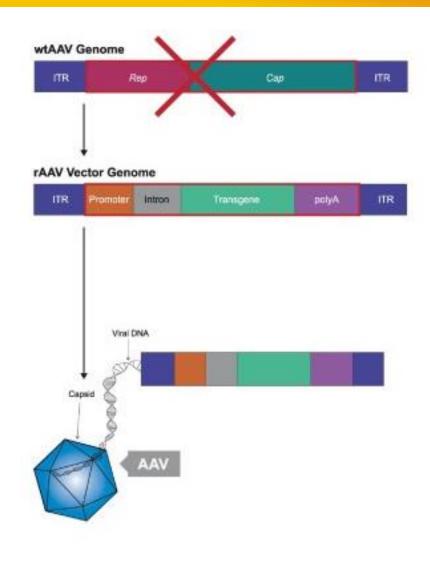
Discussing Gene Therapy with Patients

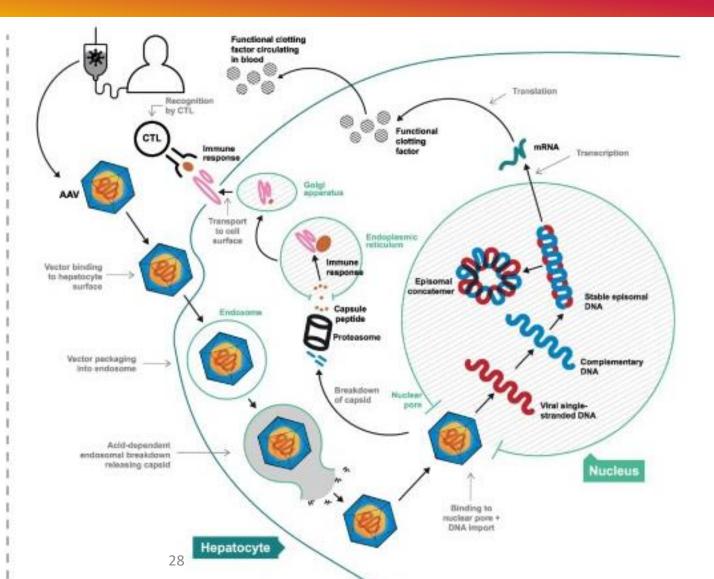


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Discussing investigational AAV gene therapy with hemophilia patients: A guide

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Cellular Therapies

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Integrin α IIb promoter-targeted expression of gene products in megakaryocytes derived from retrovirus-transduced human hematopoietic cells

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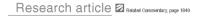
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IN FOCUS

Induction of megakaryocytes to synthesize and store a releasable pool of human factor VIII

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Factor VIII ectopically targeted to platelets is therapeutic in hemophilia A with high-titer inhibitory antibodies

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Lentivirus-mediated platelet-derived factor VIII gene therapy in murine haemophilia A

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Platelet-targeted gene therapy with human factor VIII establishes haemostasis in dogs with haemophilia A

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Comparison: Lentiviral Vectors/HSC/PLT FVIII and AAV/Liver/Plasma FVIII

Advantage of LV/HSC GT with Pleightlet™

Can include ≈40% of patients who make antibodies to AAV capsid¹

Can include ≈30% of patients with inhibitory Abs to plasma FVIII¹

May include patients with liver damage¹

AAV loss of expression with only one treatment possible, while LV-HSC traditionally treat once because expression is stable *(multiple times if necessary)*²

Can treat patients <18 yrs. as BM proliferates & replicates for life^{3,4}

Ex Vivo HSC manipulation should not transduce germ cells⁵

Can include diverse (age, gender) population with exception some medical conditions^{3,4}

Has low potential for insertional mutagenesis, clonal expansion, cancer^{6,7}

Protocol Overview

Objective: Determine feasibility of *ex vivo* lentiviral gene therapy vector Pleightlet[™]; and incidence of sustained platelet engraftment of FVIII-transduced human PBSC, seen 30 days after transplant

Key inclusion criteria *

Current: Adult males >18 years of age with severe hemophilia A and high titer FVIII inhibitors (>5 BU).

IRB Amendment Pending: Adult males >18 years of age with severe hemophilia A with a history of inhibitors to FVIII (≥ 0.6 BU)

Diagnosis of severe hemophilia A by undetectable plasma FVIII:C by one-stage PTT-based assay and Coatest chromogenic FVIII assay

Subject may use prophylactic therapy with FVIII bypassing agents or FVIII mimetics prior to referral for inclusion in the study

Key exclusion criteria *

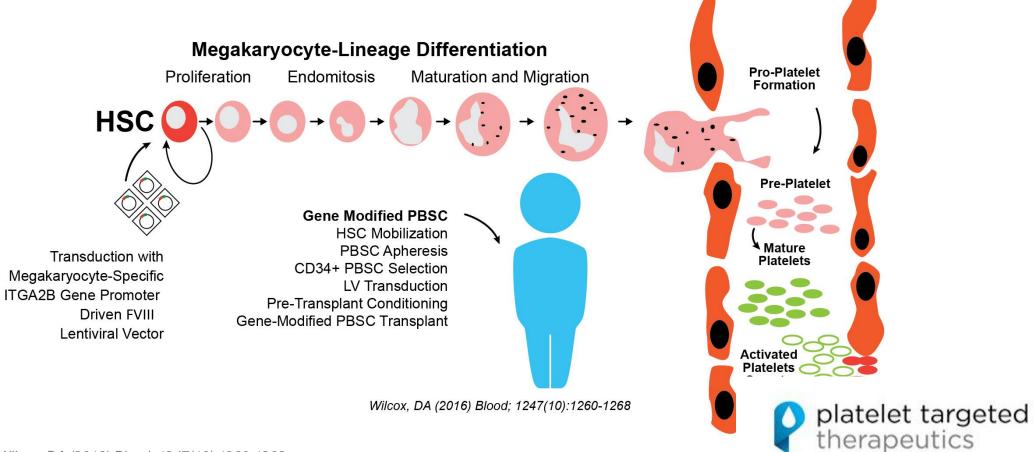
Medical contraindication to PBSC cytokine mobilization, use of GCSF, PBSC apheresis procedure or conditioning regimen

Medically significant organ dysfunction that would prevent compliance with conditioning or would severely limit probability of survival based on clinical statu³¹

HSC Gene Therapy Strategy for Platelets FVIII for Hemophilia A

Bone Marrow Compartment

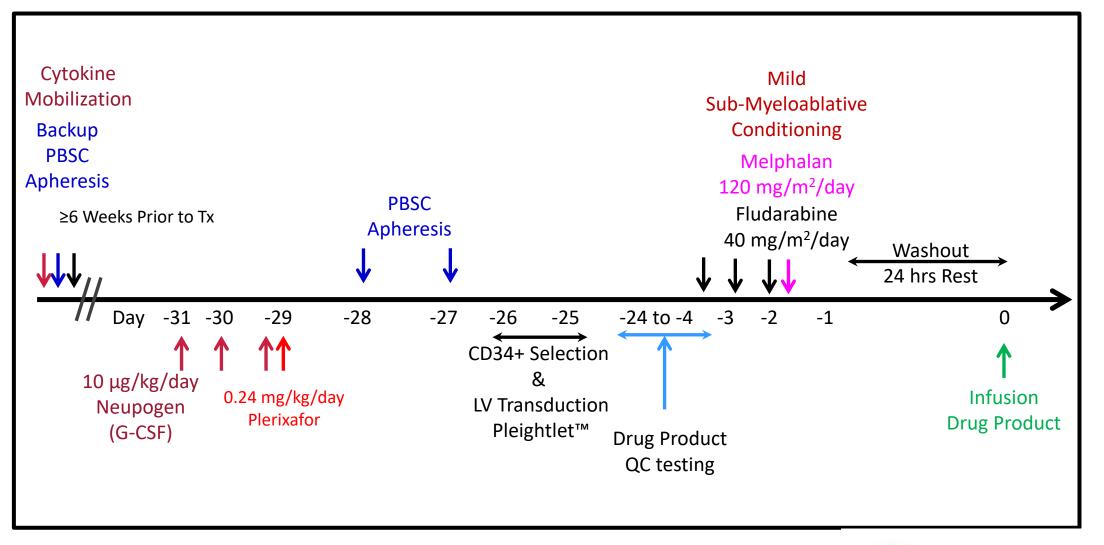
Vascular Sinus



Adapted from Wilcox, DA (2016) Blood; 1247(10):1260-1268

Phase	
Age	≥18 yr old Adult Male (X-Linked disorder)
Ν	5 Patients with Severe (≤1%FVIII) Hemophilia A with inhibitory antibodies to FVIII
Vector	-889ITGA2B BDDFVIII WPTS (MUT6) / Pleightlet™
Envelope	VSV-G
Source of CD34 (BM, mPB, UCB, more than one)	Neupogen/Plerixafor mobilized CD34+ PBSC Product of Apheresis & ClinicMacs Isolation
Fresh or frozen	Fresh Transduced/Frozen/Thawed Transplant
Target cell dose to infuse	≥ 3x10^6 to ≤20 x 10^6 CD34+PBSC/kg
Conditioning	Fludarabine 40 mg/m ² /day x 3 days Melphalan 120 mg/m ² /day x 1 day
Recruit over how many years	5 yrs, FDA request 6 months between pt 1 & 2
Follow-up duration	15 yrs
Funding for trial	NIH-NHLBI: U01 GGACT; R01 TAG/Philanthropic CRI MCW







Case 2: 26 y/o with SHA without prior inhibitor with target joint of both ankles



Key Considerations

Stability of his current joint assessment No progression \rightarrow many options Progression \rightarrow escalation and/or change of therapy

What is the role for gene therapy?

Personal decision based on many different factors

- Importance of being (nearly) 'treatment free'
- Patient specific factors gleaned from clinical trials?

Key Challenges

Capacity to balance patient and provider values and suggestions is difficult

Need to change from one model fits all to a more individualize approach

- How do we begin to do this?

In US, delivery of therapy (gene and cellular therapy) will be logistically challenging

Ever Changing -> Ever Learning Clinicians and Patients

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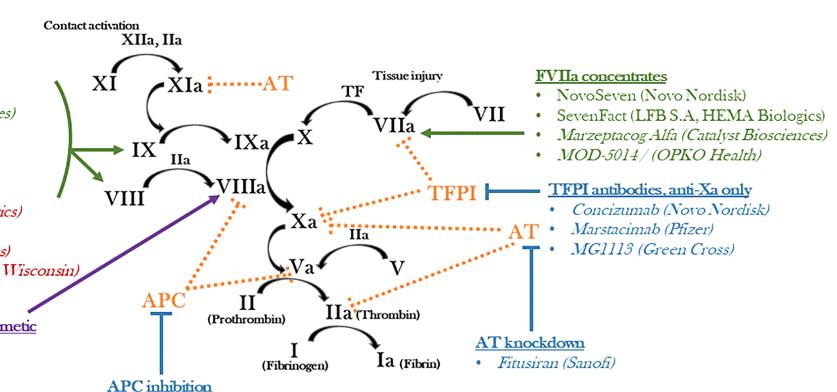
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