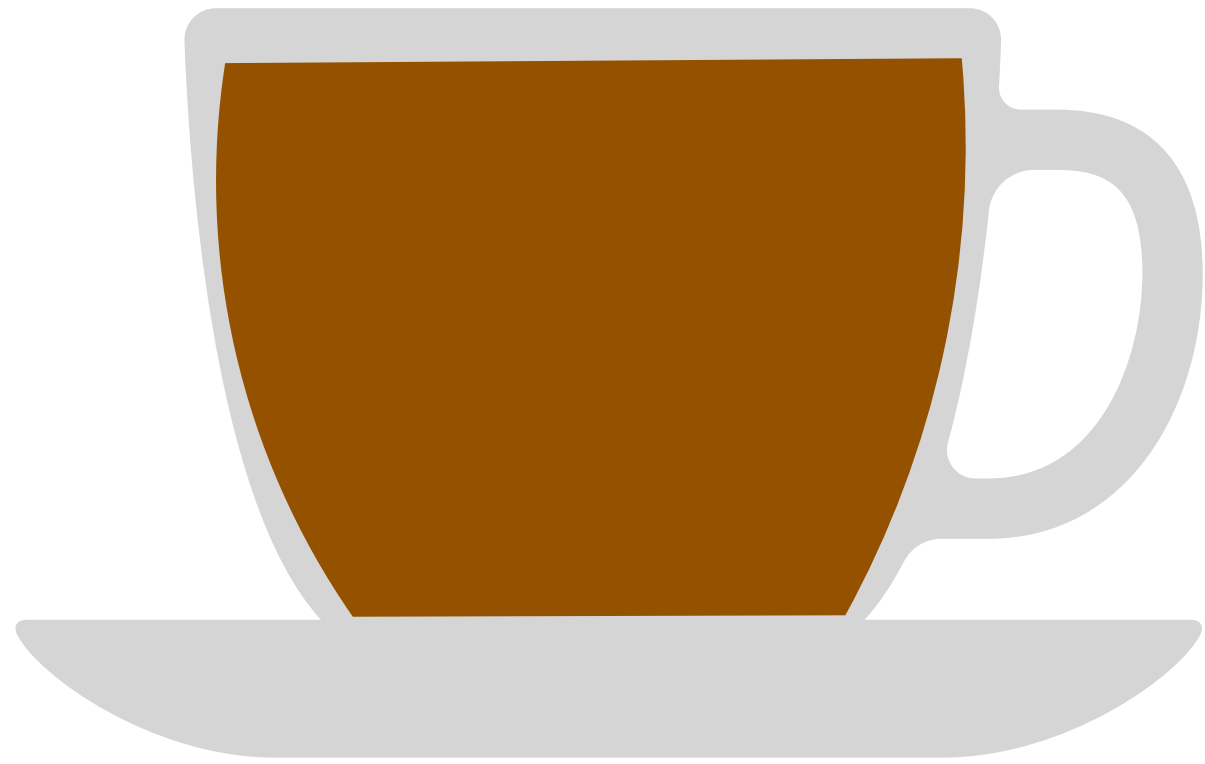


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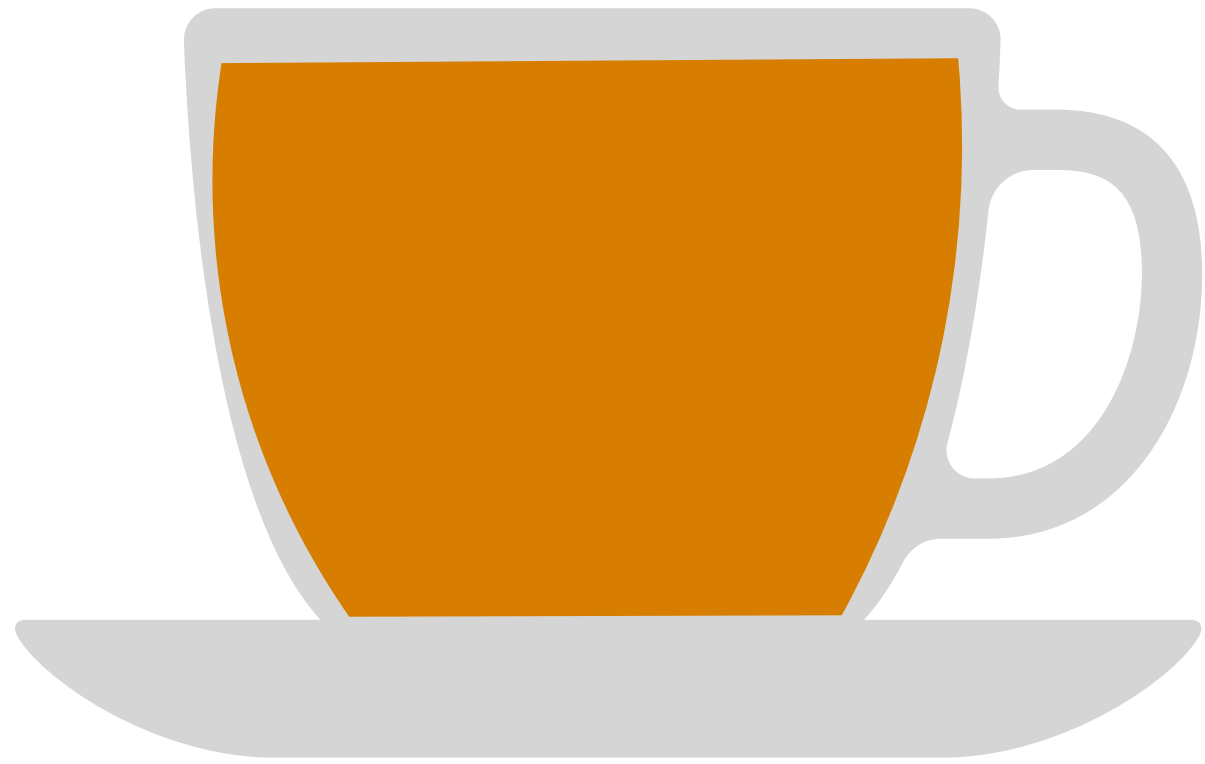


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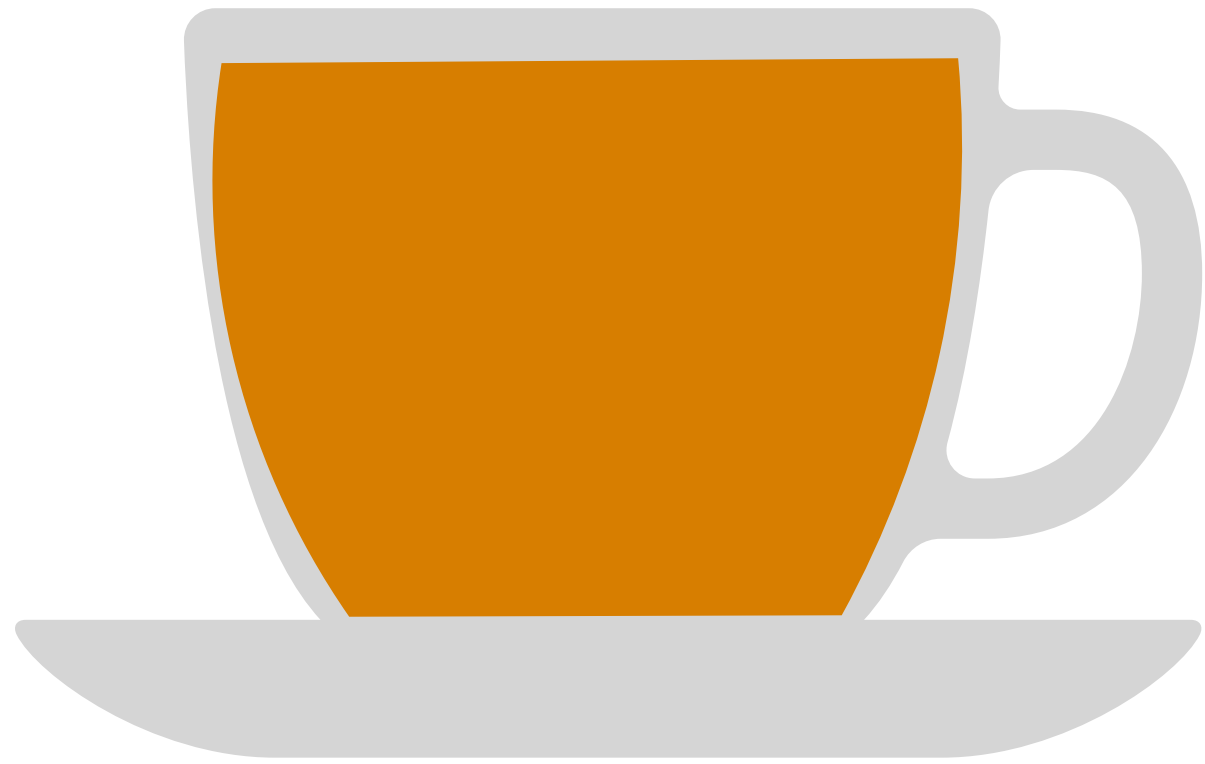
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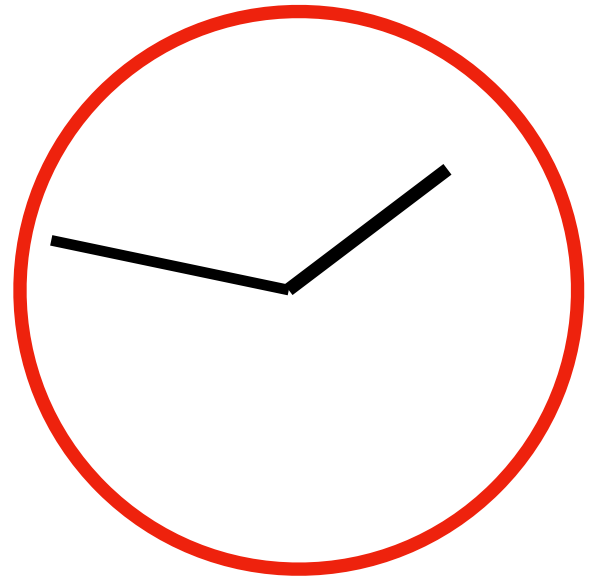
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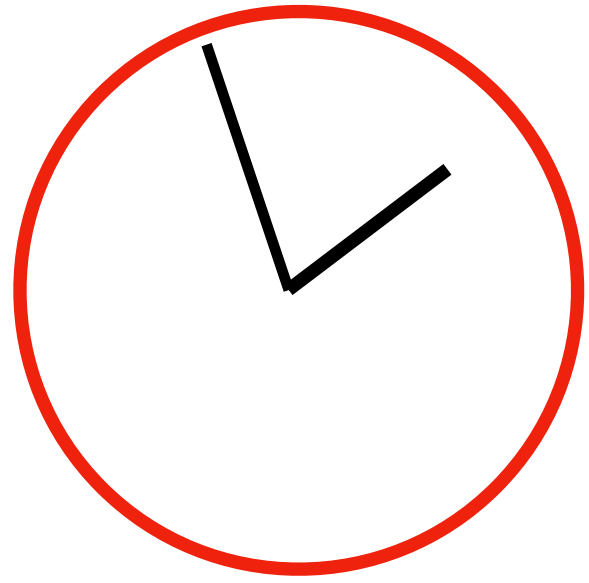


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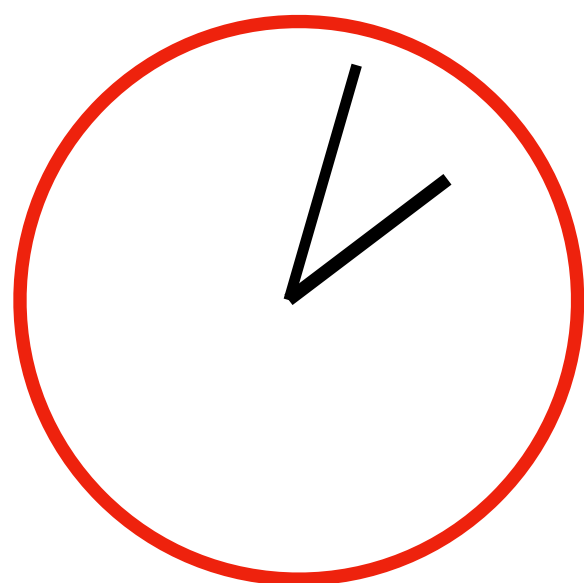


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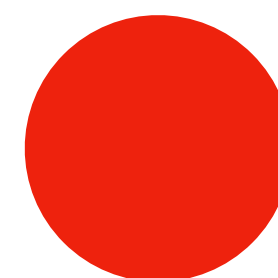
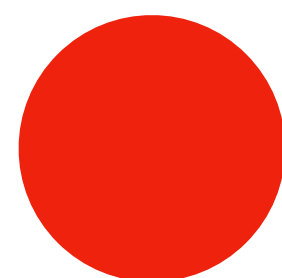


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Leitlinien-Detailansicht

Peripartale Blutungen, Diagnostik und Therapie

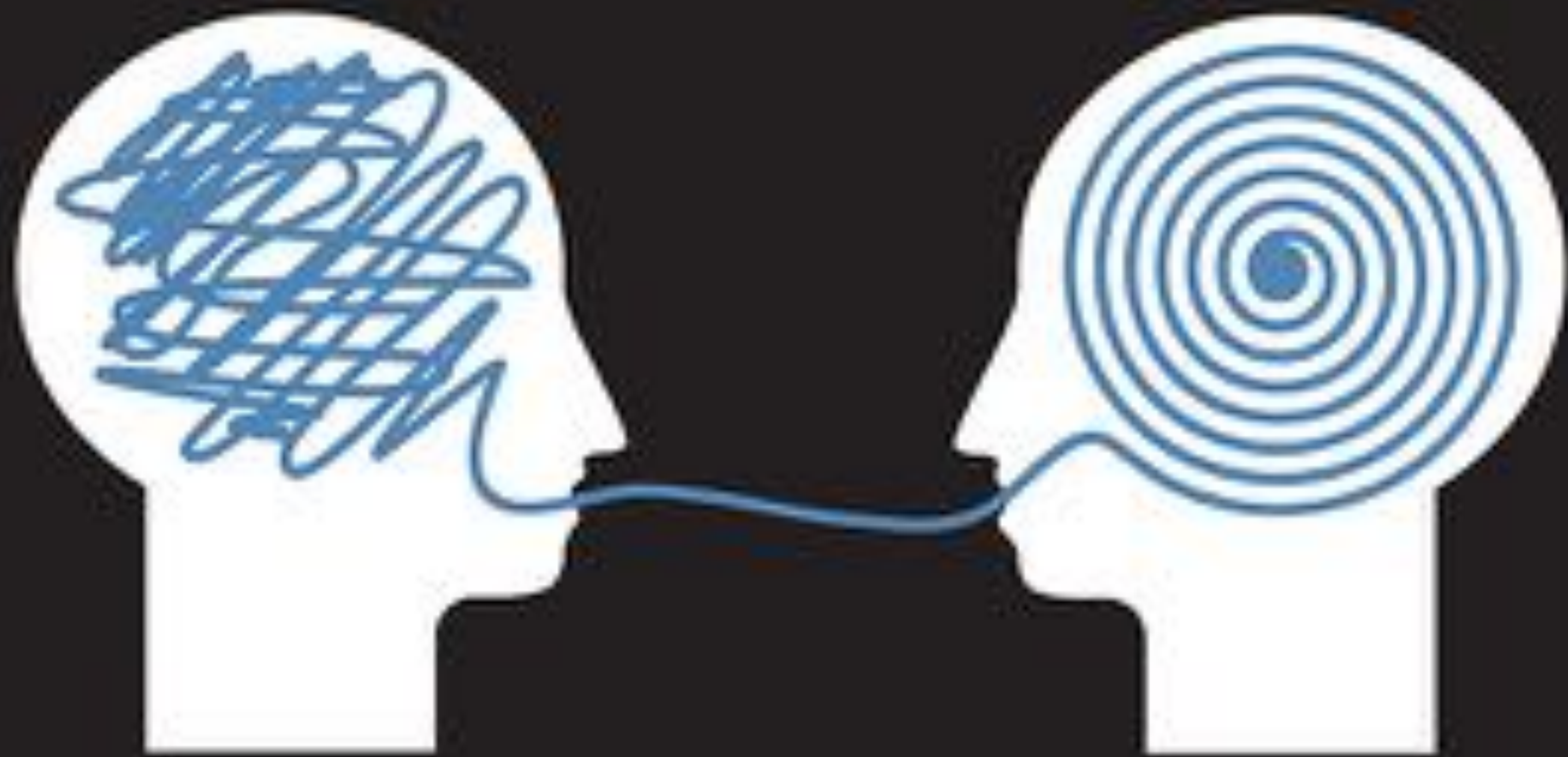
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Stand: 01.08.2022, gültig bis 31.07.2027



28.9.2022: redaktionell überarbeitete Langfassung eingestellt; 27.9.2022: redaktionell überarbeitete Langfassung eingestellt



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POSTPARTALE BLUTUNG | Handlungsalgorithmus

nach vaginaler Geburt oder in der postoperativen Überwachungsphase nach Sectio caesarea

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	klinische Symptome	allgemeine/operative Maßnahmen	Medikamente
STEP 1	<p>Dauer max. 30 min nach Diagnosestellung</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> vaginale Blutung >500 ml nach vaginaler Geburt >1500 ml nach Sectio caesarea CAVE: Unterschätzung ! Messsystem ! Patientin kreislaufstabil 	<p>HINZUZIEHEN Oberarzt Facharzt Geburtshilfe INFORMATION Anästhesie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 i.v.-Zugänge (mindestens 1 großlumiger) Kreuzprobe / Notfalllabor / EKG's bereitstellen Volumengabe (z.B. Kristalloide / Kolloide) Blase katheterisieren Blutverlust messen rasche Abklärung der Blutungsursache (4T's) • Uterustonus (Tonus-Atonie?) • Plazentainspektion (Tissue-Plazentarest?) • Speculumeinstellung (Trauma-Geburtskanal?) • Gerinnung (Thrombin-Laborwerte?) Uteruskompression - Ultraschall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OXYTOCIN 3-5 IE (1 Amp.) als Kurzinfusion und 40 IE in 30 min (Infusion/Perfusor) ODER CARBETOCIN (off label use) 100 µg (1 Amp.) in 100 ml NaCl 0,9% als Kurzinfusion <p>bei starker persistierender Blutung STEP 2, bei moderat persistierender Blutung evtl.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MISOPROSTOL (off label use) 800 µg (4 Tbl. á 200 µg) rektal
	<p>Dauer max. weitere 30 min (= 60 min nach Diagnosestellung)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> anhaltend schwere Blutung Patientin kreislaufstabil 	<p>HINZUZIEHEN Anästhesie Alarmierung OP Team ORGANISATION OP-Saal TRANSFERKRITERIEN überdenken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OP-Vorbereitung Ausschluss Uterusruptur • Nachtastung / Ultraschall bei V. a. Plazentarest (nach US oder Inspektion) • manuelle Nachtastung • ggf. Curettage (US-Kontrolle) 	<p>Bestellung FFP / EK / TK (kreuzen und in den Kreissaal/OP bringen lassen)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SULPROSTON 500 µg (1 Amp.; max. 3 Amp. pro 24 h) nur über Infusomat/Perfusor 2 g TRANEXAMSÄURE i.v. vor Fibrinogengabe <p>Bei persistierender schwerer Blutung (ca. 1500 ml Gesamtblutverlust)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIBRINOGEN 2-4 g FFP / EK erwägen
STEP 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> therapierefraktäre schwere Blutung und kreislaufstabile Patientin oder hämorrhagischer Schock <p>ZIEL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> hämodynamische Stabilisierung (temporärer) Blutungsstop Optimierung von Gerinnung und Erythrozytenkonzentration Organisation von STEP 4 	<p>TRANSFERKRITERIEN überdenken HINZUZIEHEN Oberarzt Anästhesie INFORMATION der bestmöglichen personellen Expertise</p> <p>CAVUMTAMPONADE BALLONAPPLIKATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Balloneinführung unter Ultraschallkontrolle ausreichendes Auffüllen des Ballons (Sulproston weiter) leichten Zug applizieren alternativ Streifen-tamponade <p>BLUTUNGSSTOP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intensivüberwachung BALLONDEBLOCKADE nach 12-24 Std. (ggf. nach Transfer im Zentrum) <p>PERSISTIERENDE oder ERNEUE BLUTUNG (Blutung bei liegendem Ballon oder nach Deblockade)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ggf. erneute Ballonapplikation („bridging“) obligat STEP 4 	<p>ZIELKRITERIEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hämoglobin > 8-10 g/dl (5-6,2 mmol/l) Thrombozyten > 50 Gpt/l RR systolisch > 80 mmHg pH > 7,2 Temperatur > 35° C Calcium > 0,8 mmol/l
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> persistierende Blutung 	<p>HINZUZIEHEN der bestmöglichen personellen Expertise</p> <p>Definitive Versorgung (chirurgische) Therapie</p> <p>KREISLAUFINSTABILITÄT BLUTSTILLUNG ↓ Laparotomie / Gefäßklemmen / Kompression</p> <p>STABILISIERUNG Kreislauf / Temperatur / Gerinnung eventuell rekomb. Faktor VIIa</p>	<p>KREISLAUFSTABILITÄT DEFINITIVE CHIRURGISCHE THERAPIE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kompressionsnähte Gefäßligaturen Hysterektomie <p>EMBOLISATION</p>

Transferkriterien

- Fehlen von operativem oder interventionellem Equipment oder fehlende Anwesenheit von geschultem Personal
- temporärer Blutungsstop durch Cavumtamponade
- hämodynamische Transportstabilität der Patientin
- existierende SOP zw. Zielkrankenhaus und transferierendem Krankenhaus

rekombinanter Faktor VIIa (! off label use !)

- initial 90 µg/kg KG (Bolus)
- ggf. Wiederholungs-dosis bei persistierender Blutung nach 20 min

Voraussetzungen

- pH ≥ 7,2
- Fibrinogen > 1,5 g/l
- Thrombozyten > 50 Gpt/l
- Hyperfibrinolyse ausgeschlossen/therapiert

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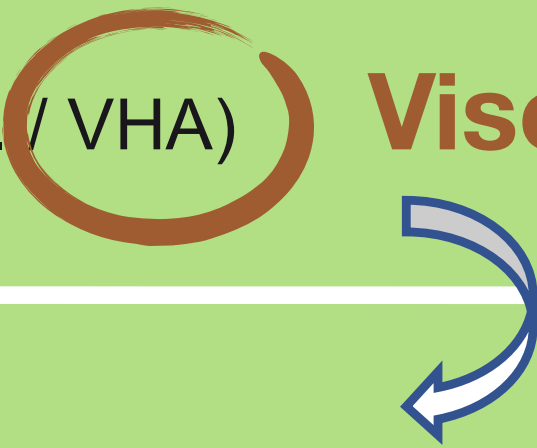
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obstetrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure blood loss exclude internal bleeding (e.g. uterine rupture) 2x i.v. access (large bore, if possible) type and screen / lab. (blood count, BGA, aPTT, PT/INR and, if available, fibrinogen, FXIII, VHA), crossmatch RBC adapted fluid therapy (crystalloids) or fluid bolus urinary catheter multidisciplinary assessment of cause of bleeding (4T's): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> tone: atony? tissue: retained placenta? trauma: birth canal? thrombin: coagulation? (lab. / VHA) uterine compression – US 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALERT the theatre team exclude uterine rupture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> manual placenta extraction suspected retained placenta (following US or inspection) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> manual placenta extraction Curettage? (ultrasound control-control) consider HAMILTON manoeuvre / compression of aorta tamponade? call additional staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BLEEDING CONTROL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> laparotomy / vascular clamps / compression Compression sutures / ligatures UTERINE TAMPONADE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> with haemostatics (Celox®, <i>off-label!</i>) / stripe tamponade BALLOON-TAMPONADE OF THE UTERUS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> insertion of balloon (US guided) (sufficient inflation, sulprostone cont'd) gentle pull balloon-deflation / -removal after 24 h 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multidisciplinary team to consider HYSTERECTOMY PERSISTENT or recurrent BLEEDING (with applied balloon-tamponade) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consider new balloon-tamponade („bridging“) Packing Balloon occlusion of aorta Embolisation (radiology) following haemostasis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> stabilisation ICU Balloon-deflation after 24 h (PRN after obstetric advice)
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Viscoelastic Haemostatic Assay



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clinical symptoms	<p>CALL IN registrar obstetrician & INFORM anaesthesiologist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pt. haemodynamically stable blood loss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >500 mls with vag. delivery >1000 mls with caesarean section <p>CAUTION: underestimation of blood loss → measure, don't estimate!!!</p>	<p>CALL IN senior obstetrician & anaesthesiologist consider TRANSFER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pt. haemodynamically stable ongoing severe blood loss 	<p>Ensure sufficient staff and expertise (senior level for obs and anaesth) haematology / radiology advice?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pt. haemodynamically <u>un</u>stable (Shock-Index [HF / BP_{sys}] > 0.9) with persistent severe bleeding (Caution: BE <-6 mmol/l and lactate >4 mmol/l)
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anaesthesiology / uterotonics or oxytocics

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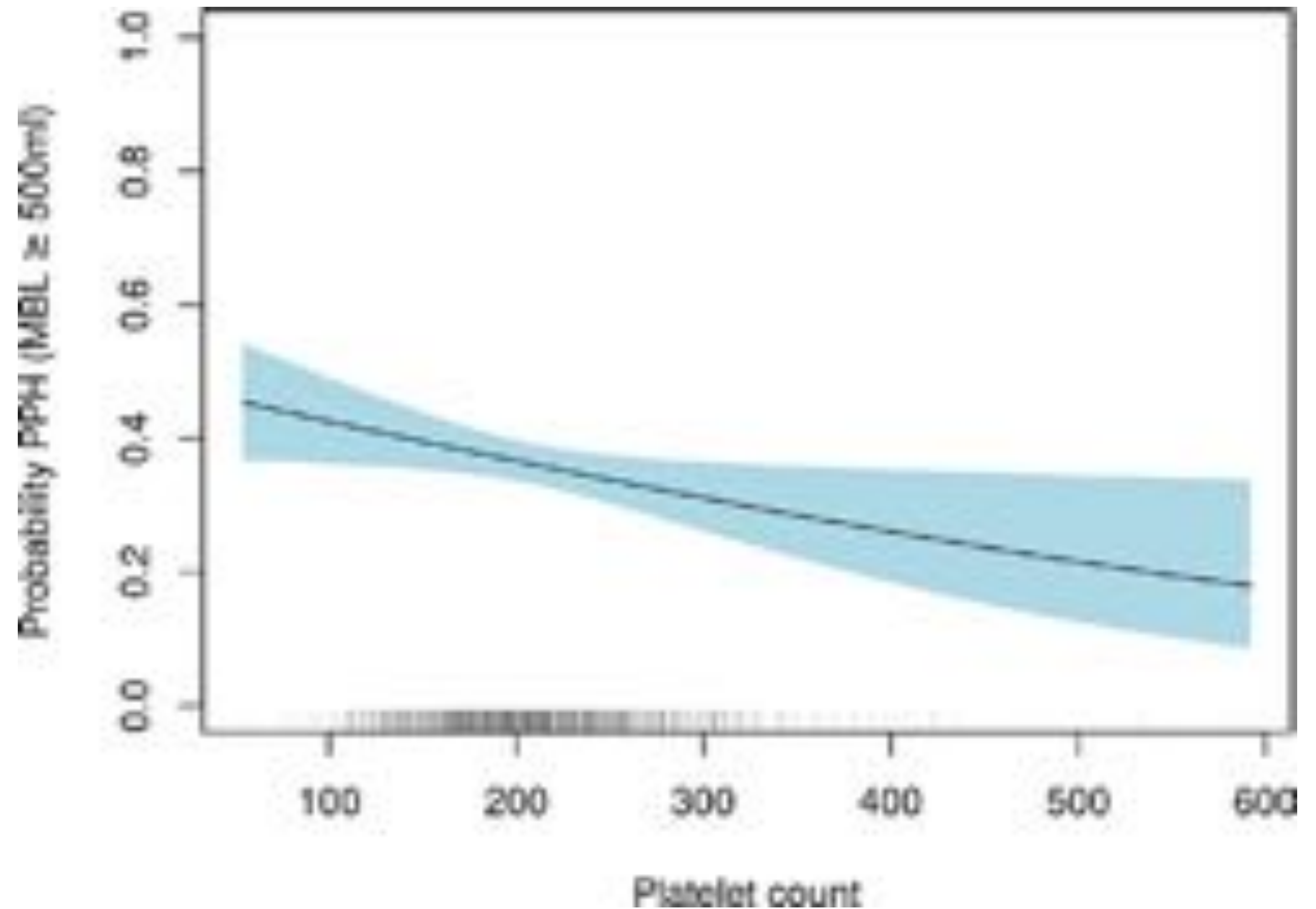
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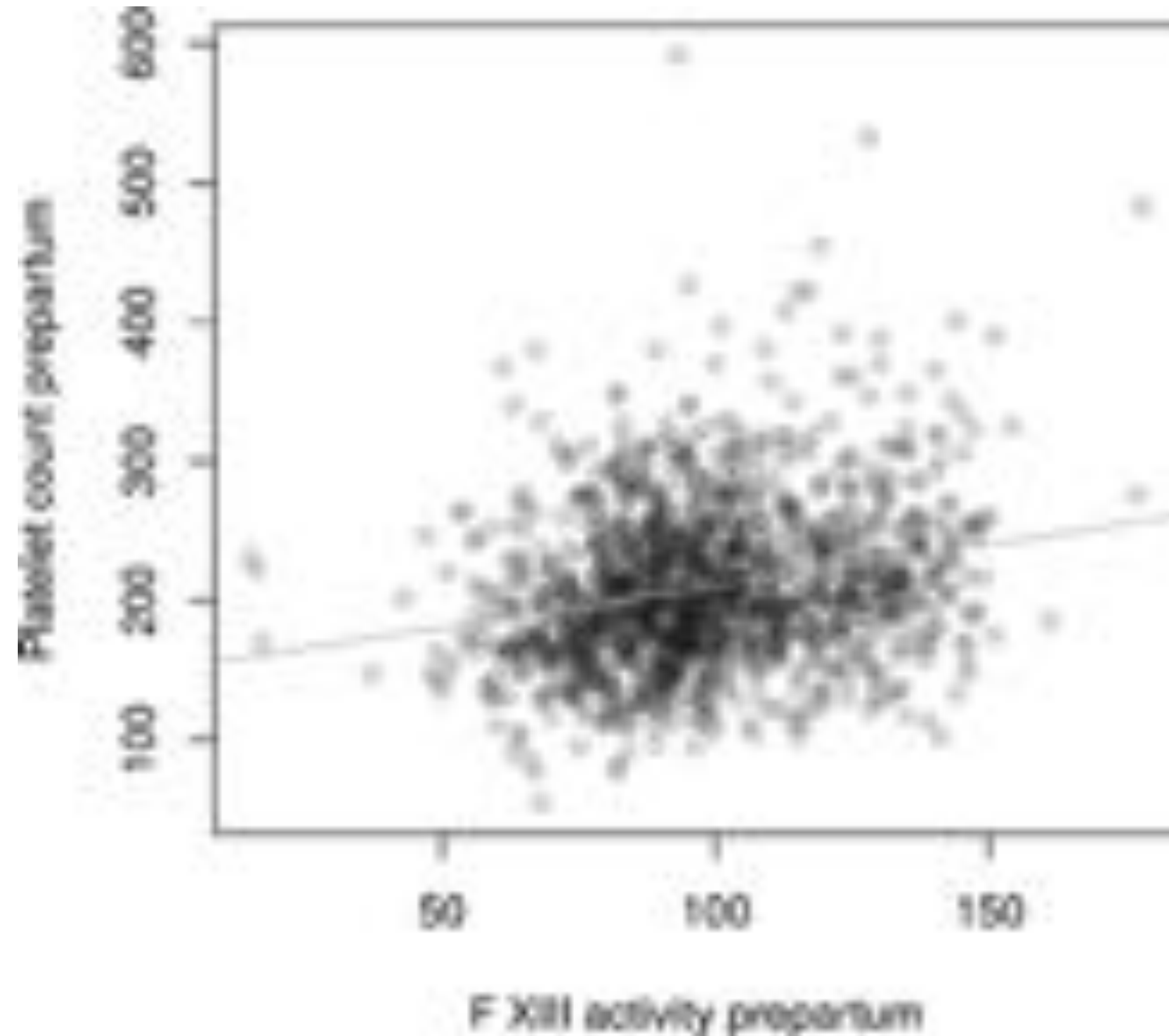
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Renal cortical necrosis with permanent renal insufficiency

- 18 obstetric patients
- Blood loss 2600ml (1500 - 4600ml)
- Tranexamic acid:
 - 1-4g bolus
 - Continuous infusion of 0.5 - 1 g/h for 2-16 hours

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Early and systematic administration of fibrinogen concentrate in postpartum haemorrhage following vaginal delivery: the FIDEL randomised controlled trial

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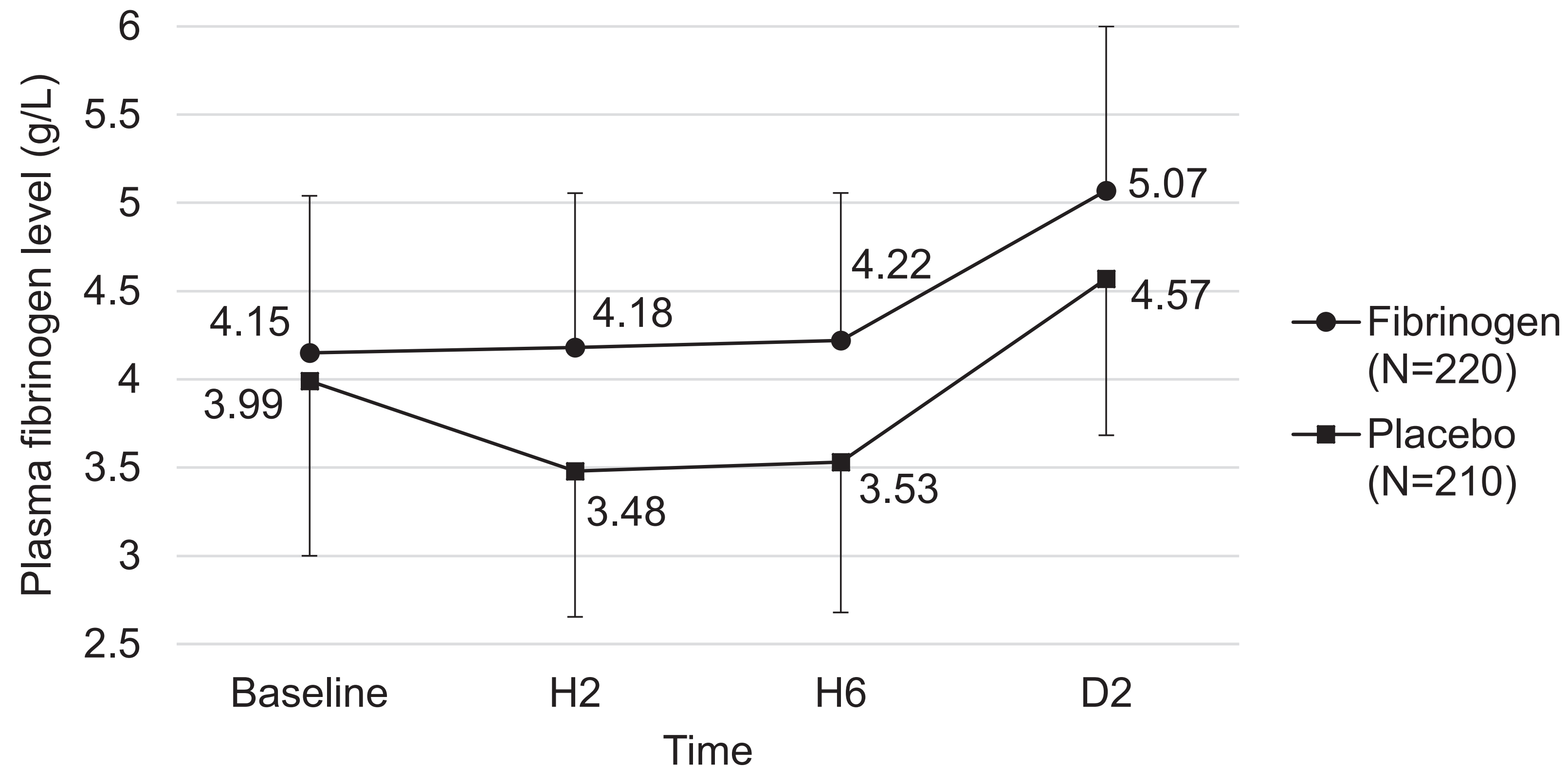


Figure 2. Mean fibrinogen concentrations in fibrinogen and placebo groups from baseline to D2 after study drug administration (ITT set with no missing data for the primary criterion). Values: mean. Error bars: SD (presented one-sided instead of two-sided for readability purposes only). The mixed model for repeated measures showed a treatment * time interaction, with an overall P -value = 0.023.

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Editor's key points

- Low fibrinogen is associated with excessive bleeding in postpartum haemorrhage.
- The effect of early empirical administration of fibrinogen concentrate on blood transfusion in postpartum haemorrhage was studied.
- In a multicentre, randomized trial of 249 subjects, pre-emptive administration of fibrinogen concentrate did not reduce red blood cell transfusion.

Background. In early postpartum haemorrhage (PPH), a low concentration of fibrinogen is associated with excessive subsequent bleeding and blood transfusion. We hypothesized that pre-emptive treatment with fibrinogen concentrate reduces the need for red blood cell (RBC) transfusion in patients with PPH.

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Results. Of the 249 randomized subjects, 123 of 124 in the fibrinogen group and 121 of 125 in the placebo group were included in the intention-to-treat analysis. At inclusion the subjects had severe PPH, with a mean blood loss of 1459 (SD 476) ml and a mean fibrinogen concentration of 4.5 (SD 1.2) g litre⁻¹. The intervention group received a mean dose of 26 mg kg⁻¹ fibrinogen concentrate, thereby significantly increasing fibrinogen concentration compared with placebo by 0.40 g litre⁻¹ (95% confidence interval, 0.15–0.65; *P*=0.002). Postpartum blood transfusion occurred in 25 (20%) of the fibrinogen group and 26 (22%) of the placebo group (relative risk, 0.95; 95% confidence interval, 0.58–1.54; *P*=0.88). We found no difference in any predefined secondary outcomes, per-protocol analyses, or adjusted analyses. No thromboembolic events were detected.

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Background: Postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) can be exacerbated by haemostatic failure. We hypothesized that early fibrinogen replacement, guided by viscoelastometric testing, reduces blood product usage and bleed size.

Methods: Women with PPH 1000–1500 ml were enrolled. If Fibtem A5 was ≤15 mm and bleeding continued, subjects were randomized to fibrinogen concentrate or placebo. The primary outcome compared the number of units of red blood cells, plasma, cryoprecipitate and platelets transfused.

Results: Of 663 women enrolled 55 were randomized. The adjusted incidence rate ratio (IRR) (95% CI) for the number of allogeneic units transfused in the fibrinogen group compared with placebo was 0.72 (0.3–1.7), *P*=0.45. In pre-specified subgroup analyses, subjects who had a Fibtem A5 ≤12 mm at the time of randomization and who received fibrinogen concentrate received a median (25th–75th centile) of 1 (0–4.5) unit of allogeneic blood products and had an additional 300 (100–350) ml blood loss whereas those who received placebo also received 3 (0–6) units of allogeneic blood products and had 700 (200–1550) ml additional blood loss; these differences were not statistically significantly different. There was one thrombotic event in each group.

Conclusions: Infusion of fibrinogen concentrate triggered by Fibtem A5 ≤15 mm did not improve outcomes in PPH. Pre-specified subgroup analyses suggest that fibrinogen replacement is not required if the Fibtem A5 is > 12 mm or Clauss fibrinogen > 2 g litre⁻¹ but an effect below these levels cannot be excluded. The raised fibrinogen at term appears to be



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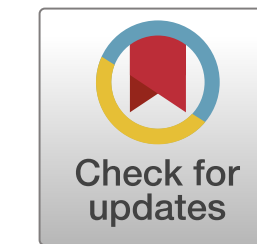
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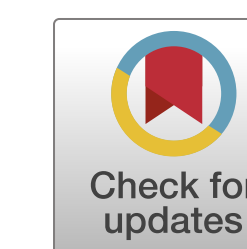
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521 patients with PPH \geq 1000ml

The sensitivity and specificity of rotational thromboelastometry (ROTEM) to detect coagulopathy during moderate and severe postpartum haemorrhage: a prospective observational study



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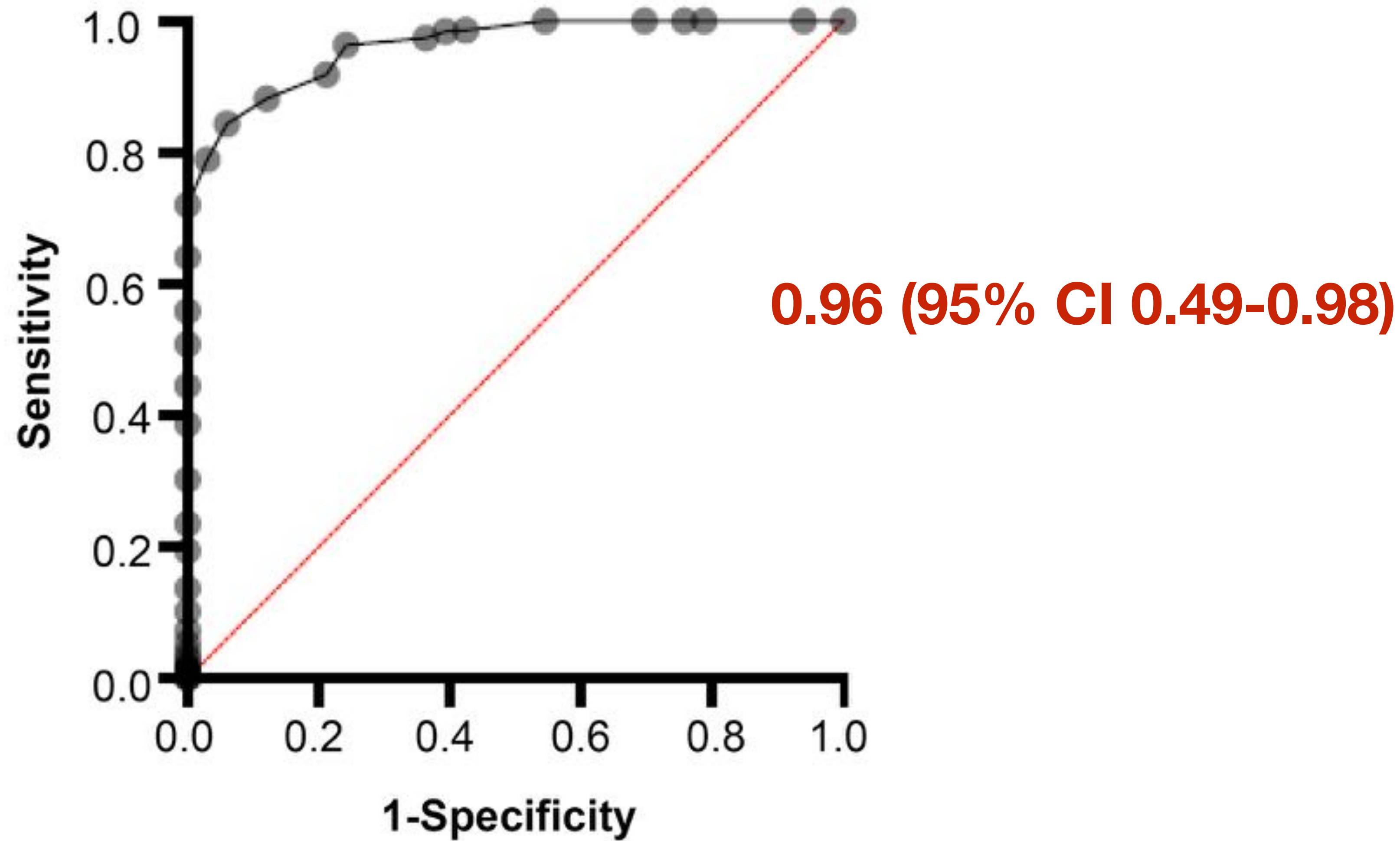
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ROC for FIBTEM A5 vs. Fibrinogen < 2g/L



Exclusion

of fibrinogen deficiency

Coagulopathy

laboratory values	PPH > 1000ml	PPH > 2500ml
Fibrinogen < 2g/l	5.0%	17.1%
aPTT / PT > 1.5 norm	0.9%	3.4%
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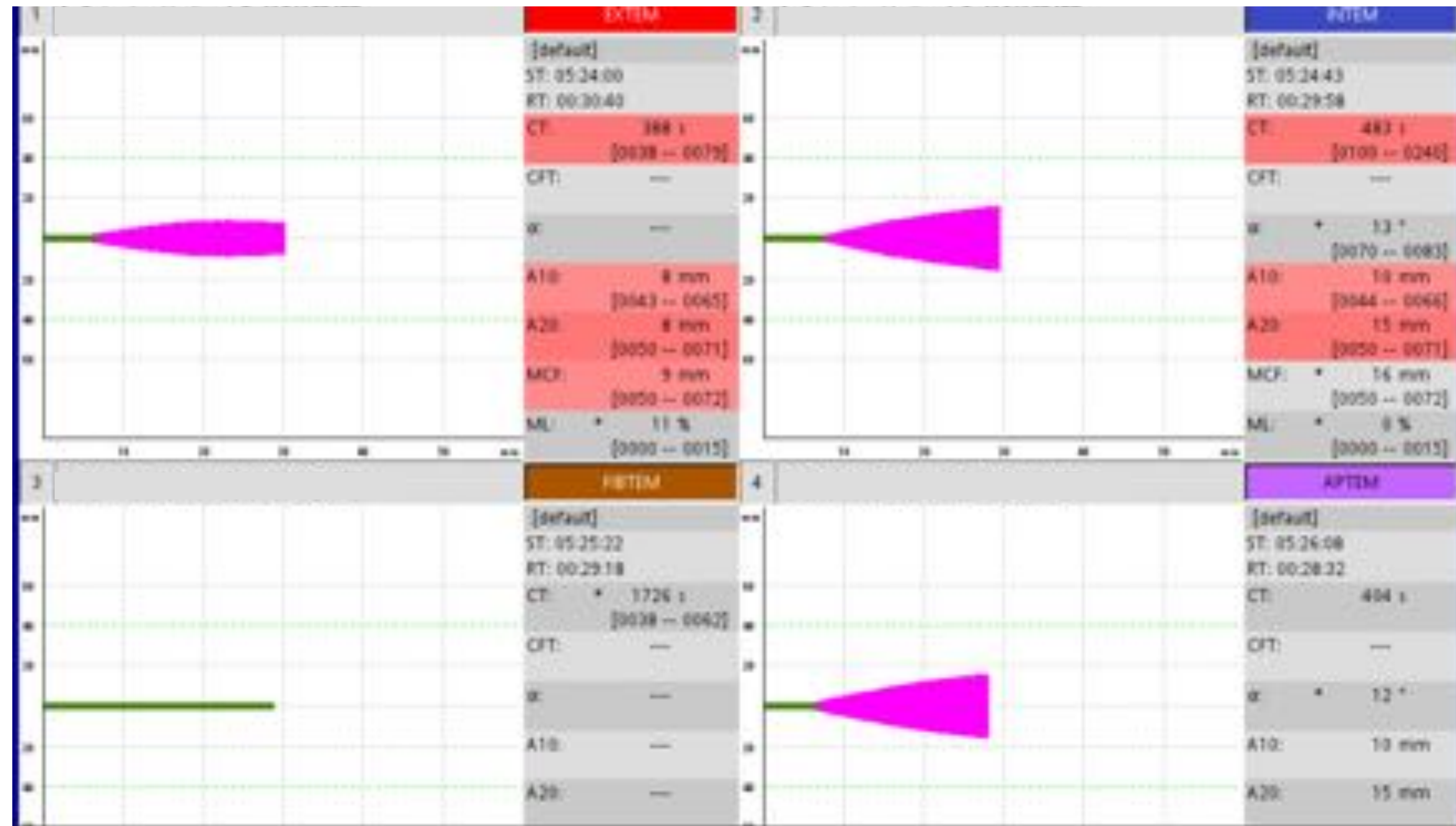
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High risk of severe coagulopathy

- Placental abruption
- Amniotic fluid embolism



Acute obstetric coagulopathy during postpartum hemorrhage is caused by hyperfibrinolysis and dysfibrinogenemia: an observational cohort study

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Abstract

Background: Postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) may be exacerbated by hemostatic impairment. Information about PPH-associated coagulopathy is limited, often resulting in treatment strategies based on data derived from trauma studies.

Objectives: To investigate hemostatic changes associated with PPH.

Patients/Methods: From a population of 11 279 maternities, 518 (4.6%) women were recruited with PPH \geq 1000 mL or placental abruption, amniotic fluid embolism, or concealed bleeding. Routine coagulation and viscoelastometric results were collated. Stored plasma samples were used to investigate women with bleeds > 2000 mL or those at increased risk of coagulopathy defined as placenta abruption, amniotic fluid embolism, or need for blood components. Procoagulant factors were assayed and global hemostasis was assessed using thrombin generation. Fibrinolysis was investigated with D-dimer and plasmin/antiplasmin complexes. Dysfibrinogenemia was assessed using the Clauss/antigen ratio.

Results: At 1000 mL blood loss, Clauss fibrinogen was \leq 2 g/L in 2.4% of women and 6/27 (22.2%) cases of abruption. Women with very large bleeds (>3000 mL) had evidence of a dilutional coagulopathy, although hemostatic impairment was uncommon. A subgroup of 12 women (1.06/1000 maternities) had a distinct coagulopathy characterized by massive fibrinolysis (plasmin/antiplasmin > 40 000 ng/mL), increased D-dimer, hypofibrinogenemia, dysfibrinogenemia, reduced factor V and factor VIII, and increased activated protein C, termed acute obstetric coagulopathy. It was associated with fetal or neonatal death in 50% of cases and increased maternal morbidity.

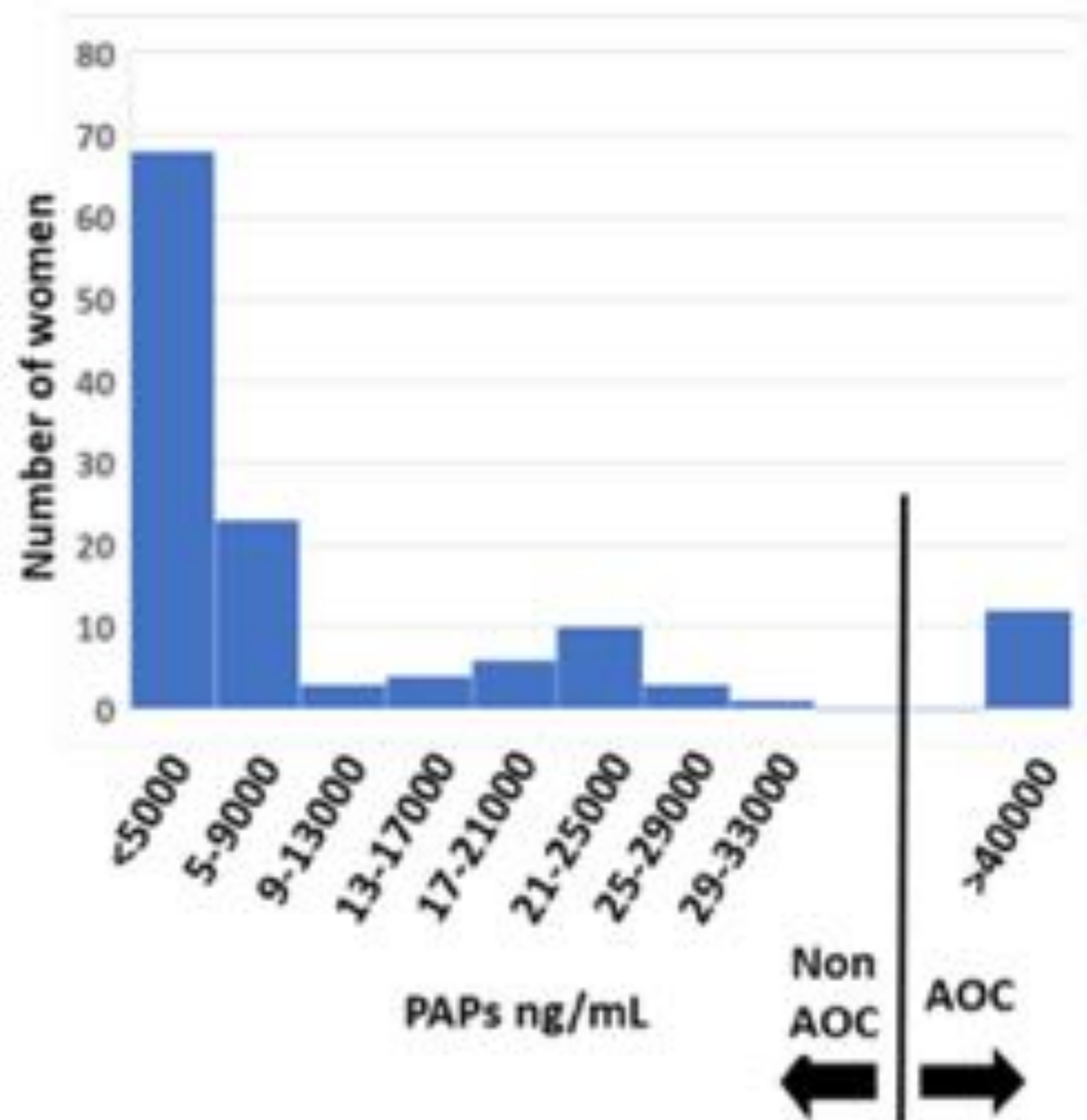
Conclusions: Clinically significant hemostatic impairment is uncommon during PPH, but a subgroup of women have a distinct and severe coagulopathy characterized by

- 11'279 pregnancies
- 518 (4.6%) with PPH \geq 1000ml
- OBS Cymru treatment protocol

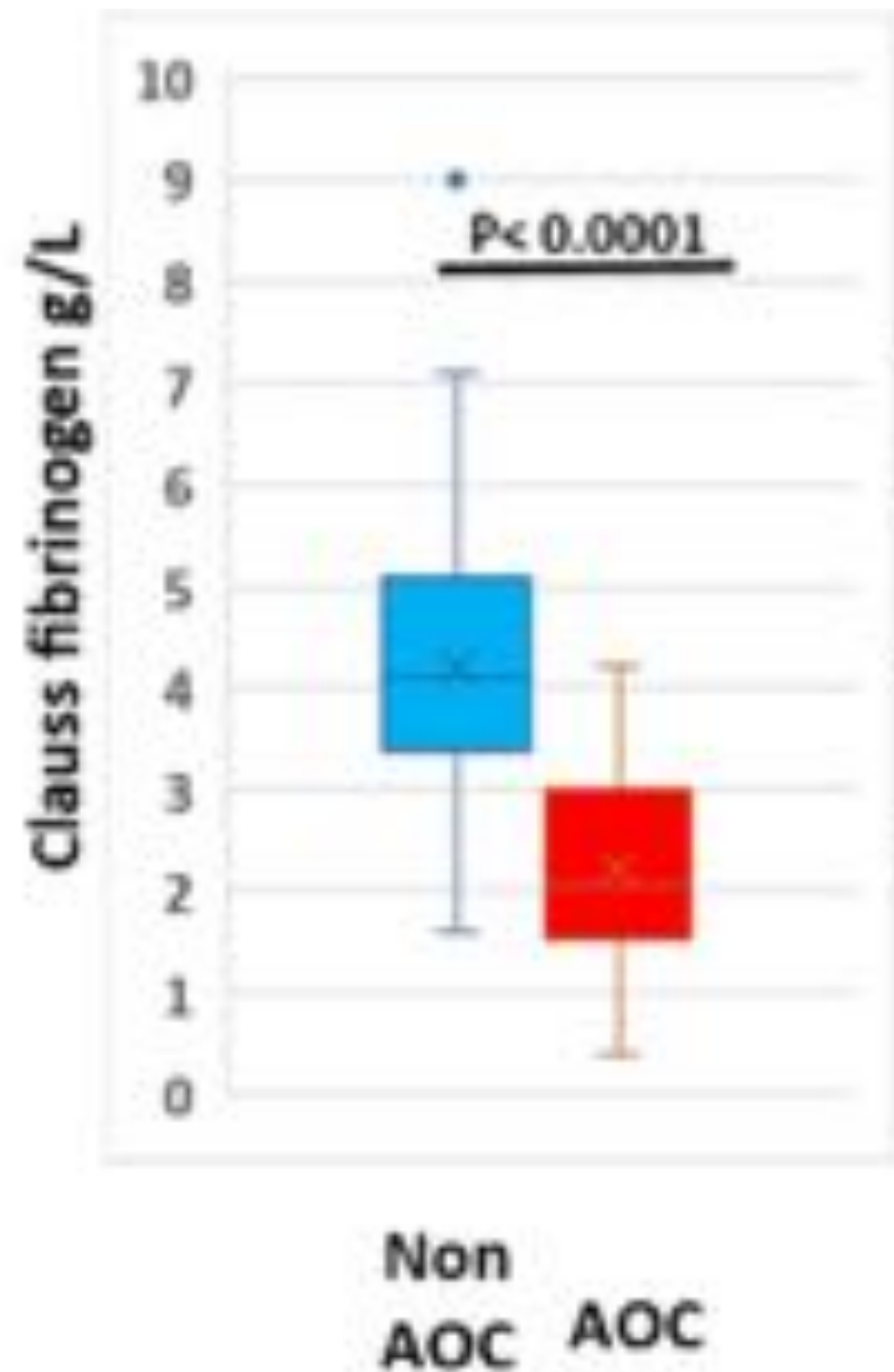
Coagulation

- Red blood cell transfusion: 26%
- Fibrinogen concentrate: 3.7%
- Fibrinogen \leq 2g/l: 2.4% (placental abruption 22%)

Plasmin generation (plasmin/antiplasmin complex)



Acute obstetric coagulopathy



- 1 in 1000 maternities
- Blood loss not different
- D-dimer increased
- Platelets decreased
- FV, FVII, FIX, FXIII decreased
- Intrauterine or neonatal death 50%



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