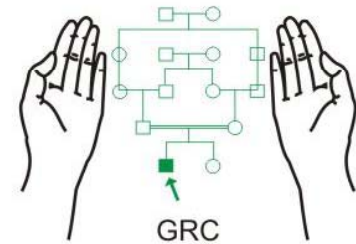

Common Problems in Blood Transfusion

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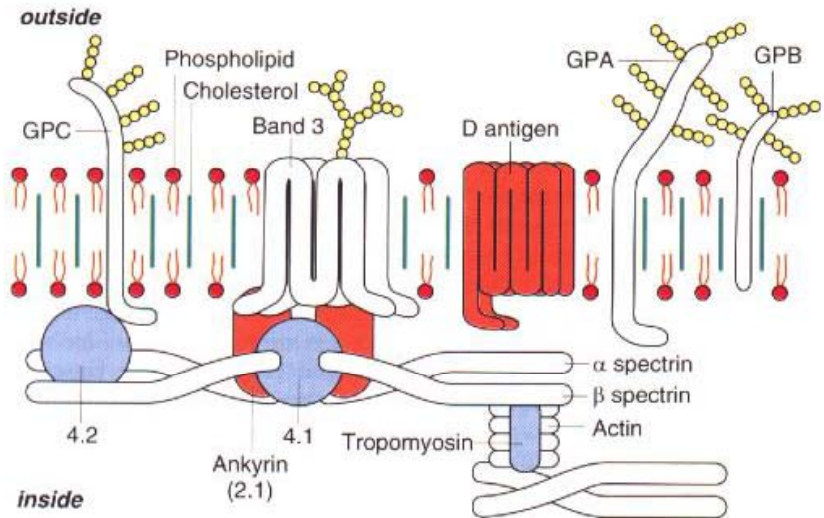
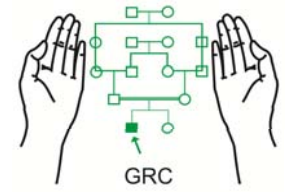
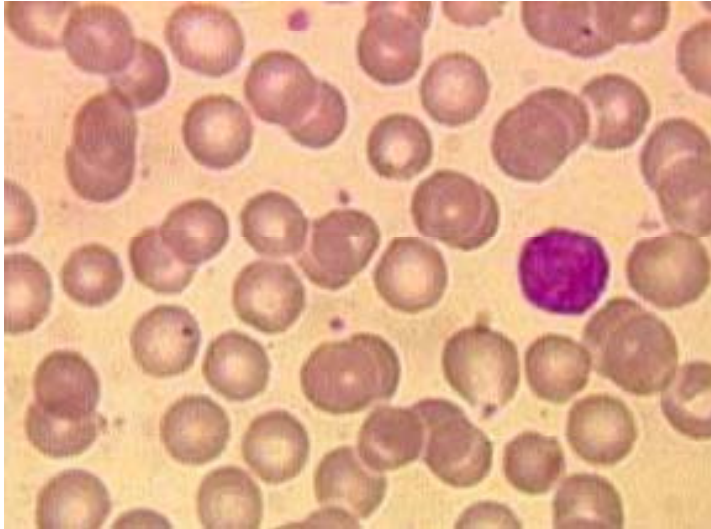
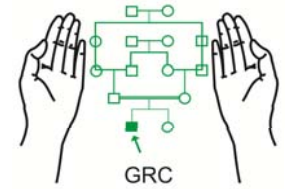


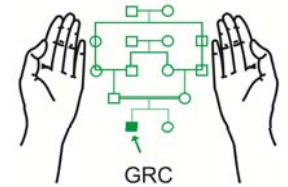
Table 10.1 Red cell antigens in humans (adapted from Daniels 1975)

System	Most important antigens	Approx. no. antigens
ABO	A ₁ , A ₂ , B	4
MNS	M, N, S, s, U	38
P	P ₁	1
Rh	D, C, E, c, e, G	45 ¹
Lutheran	Lu ^a , Lu ^b	18
Kell	K, k, Kp ^a , Kp ^b , Js ^a , Js ^b	21
Lewis	Le ^a , Le ^b	3
Duffy	Fy ^a , Fy ^b	6
Kidd	Jk ^a , Jk ^b	3
Diego	Di ^a , Di ^b , Wr ^a , Wr ^b	4
Cartwright	Yt ^a , Yt ^b	2
Xg	Xg ^a	1
Scianna	Sc1, Sc2	3
Dombrock	Do ^a , Do ^b	5
Colton	Co ^a , Co ^b	3
Landsteiner–Wiener	LW ^a	3
Chido/Rodgers	Ch, Rg	9
Hh	H [*]	1
Kx	Kx	1
Gerbich	Ge2, Ge3, Ge4, Wb, Ls ^a	7
Cromer	Cr ^a , Tc ^a , WES ^a , Es ^a , UMC	10
Knops	Kn ^a , Cs ^a , Yk ^a , McC ^a	5
Indian	In ^a , In ^b	2
Very frequent, or 'public', antigens	Vel, Lan, JMH, etc	12
Very infrequent, or 'private' antigens	Bp ^a , Rd, Sw ^a , etc.	>20
Other antigens	P, P ^k I, i Sd ^a Bg (HLA on red cells)	

^{*} H is genetically independent from the ABO system; its status as a blood group system has not yet been officially recognized.
¹ although 52 Rh antigens have been numbered, 7 have been deleted from the system.



Antibodies of Blood Group Systems



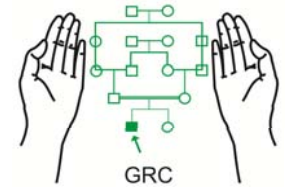
- **ABO System**

- Naturally Occurring (Pre-formed)
- Mostly IgM

- **Rh System**

- Acquired (Take time to develop)
 - Mostly IgG
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Compatibility Testing



■ Donor

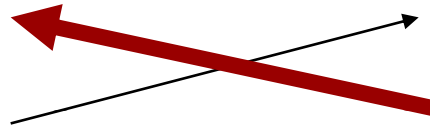
■ Red Cells

■ Plasma

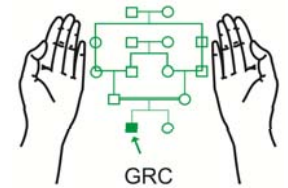
■ Recipient

■ Red Cells (Antigens)

■ Plasma (Antibodies)



Compatibility Testing



Group O recipient may receive

Group A recipient may receive

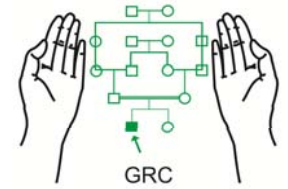
Group B recipient may receive

Group AB recipient may receive

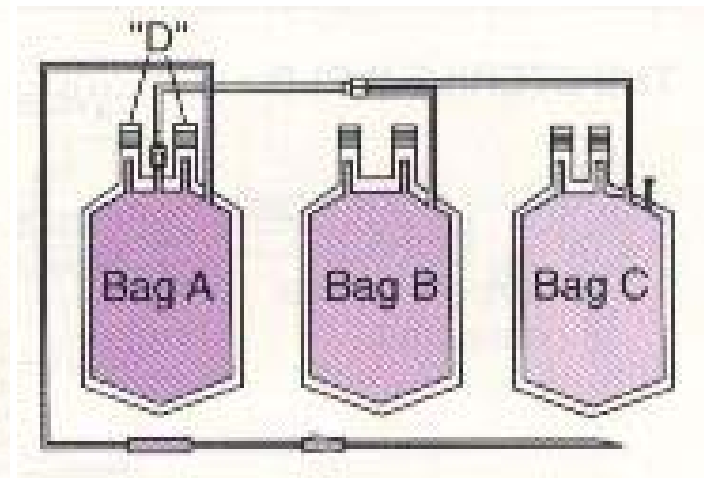
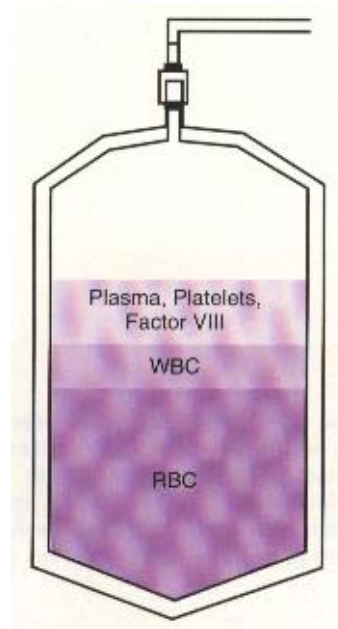
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Group O recipient may receive	✓			
Group A recipient may receive		✓		
Group B recipient may receive			✓	
Group AB recipient may receive				✓

	O	A	B	AB
Group O recipient may receive	✓			
Group A recipient may receive	✓	✓		
Group B recipient may receive	✓		✓	
Group AB recipient may receive	✓	✓	✓	✓

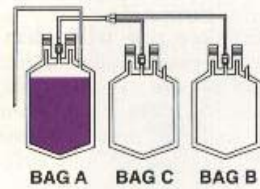
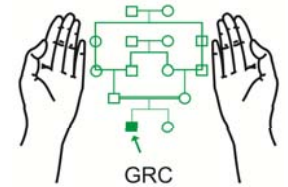
Blood Components



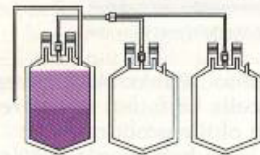
- Whole Blood
- Packed Cells
- Platelets
- FFP
- Cryoprecipitate
- Others



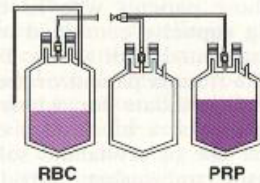
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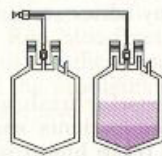
Step 1
Whole blood is in Bag A (primary bag). Bag B (platelet bag) and Bag C (plasma bag) are termed "satellite bags."



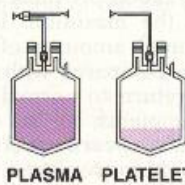
Step 2
Bags are spun in centrifuge, separating components within primary bag. Platelet-rich plasma rises to the top; red blood cells sink to the bottom.



Step 3
Platelet-rich plasma (PRP) is forced into Bag B; red blood cells (RBC) remain in the bottom of Bag A. Bag A is separated from Bags B and C. Red blood cells are stored at 4 to 6°C.



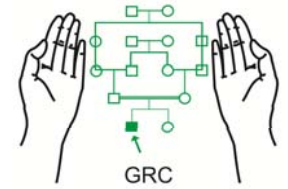
Step 4
Bags are spun again, longer and harder than initial spin. Plasma and platelets are separated in Bag B. Plasma rises to the top; platelets sink to the bottom.



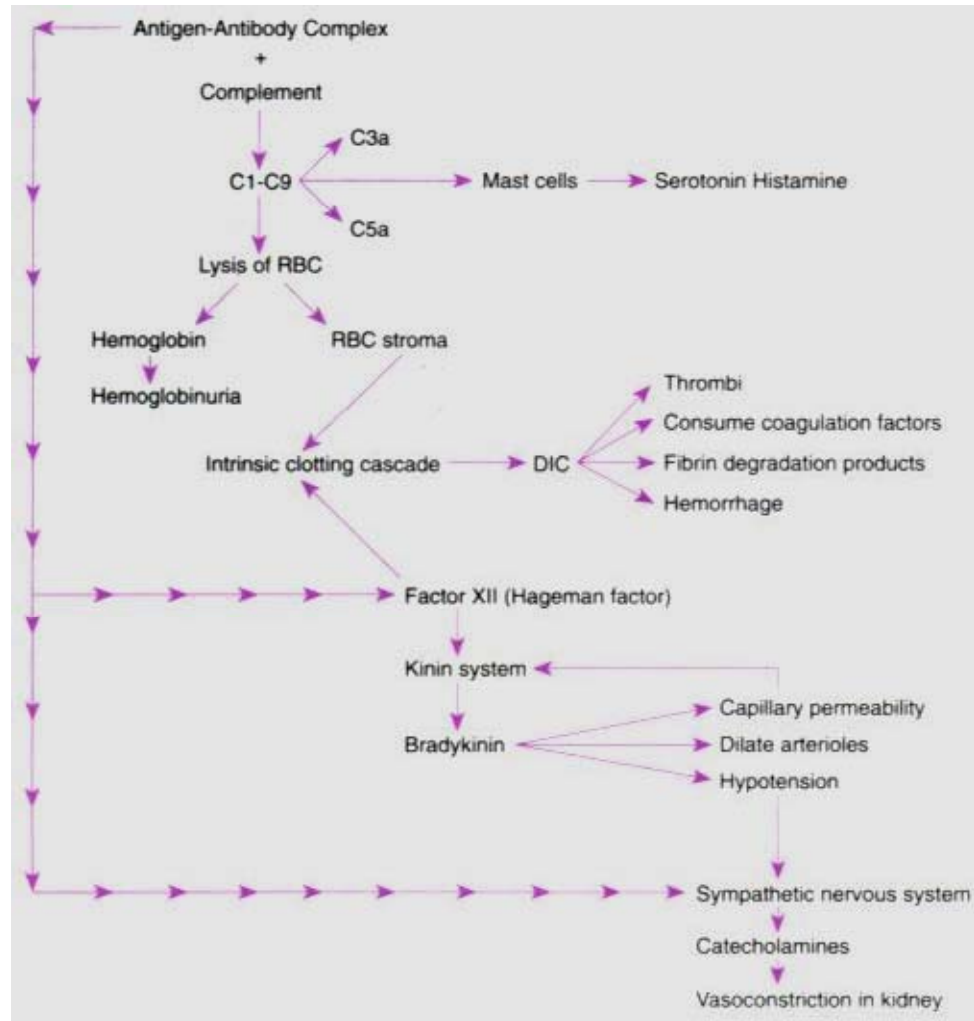
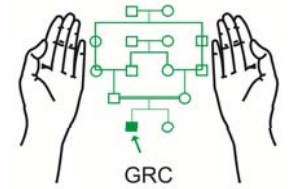
Step 5
Plasma is forced into Bag C. Bags B and C are separated. Bag B contains a platelet concentrate in 40 to 70mL of plasma. Plasma in Bag C can be made into fresh frozen plasma or other products.



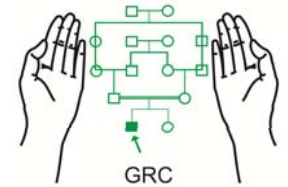
Case-1



- A patient developed chills and rigors after the start of blood transfusion. The likely cause is:
 - Rapid administration of cold blood
 - Non Haemolytic Febrile Transfusion Reaction
 - Allergic reactions
 - Mismatched blood transfusion

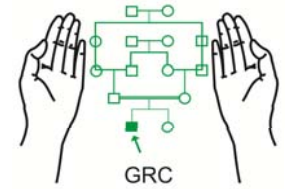


Case-2



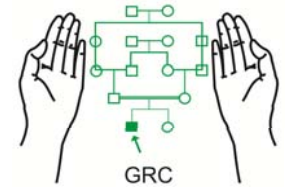
- A multiply transfused patient developed fever one hour after blood transfusion. The most likely cause is:
 - Mismatched blood transfusion
 - Transfusion of infected blood
 - Malaria
 - Anti-leukocyte antibodies

Case-3

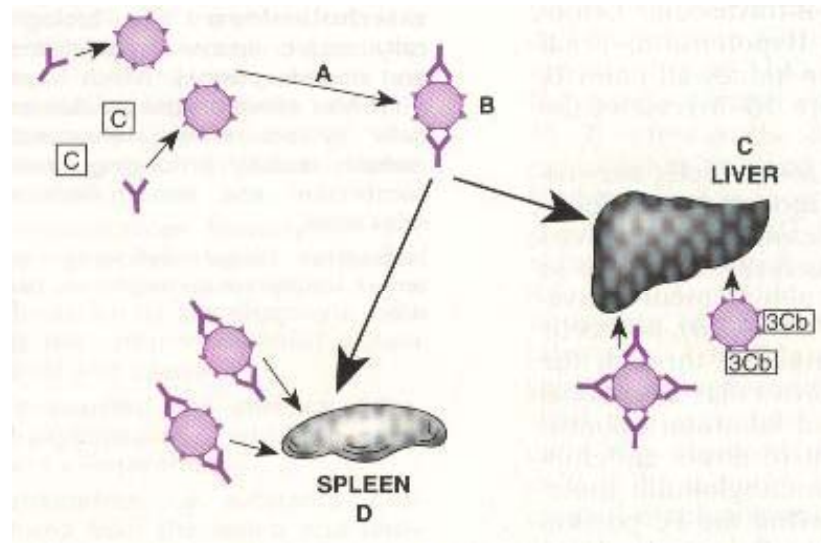
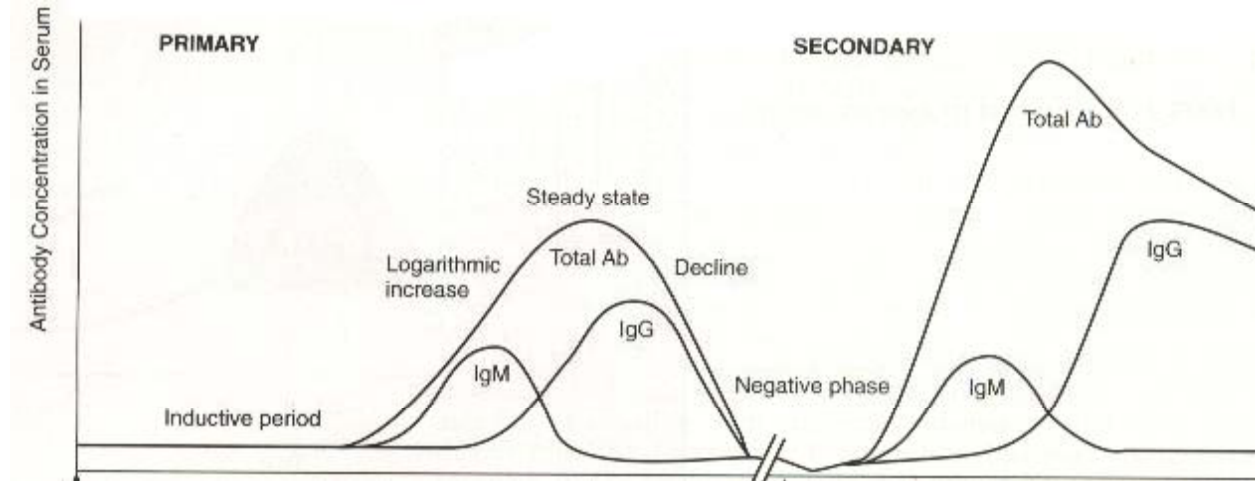
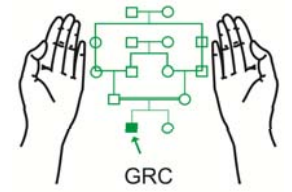


- A 62 years old patient developed dyspnoea half way during a blood transfusion. The likely cause is:
 - Allergic reactions
 - Mismatched blood transfusion
 - Transfusion associated Acute Lung Injury
 - Circulatory overload

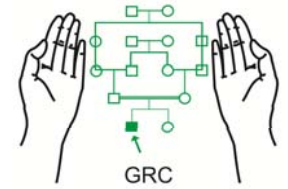
Case-4



- A patient developed fever, anaemia, and mild jaundice three days after a blood transfusion. She had also received a blood transfusion three months earlier. The most likely cause for her symptoms is:
 - ❑ Acute haemolytic blood transfusion reaction
 - ❑ Transfusion of haemolysed blood
 - ❑ Transfusion of infected blood
 - ❑ Post transfusion hepatitis
 - ❑ Delayed haemolytic transfusion reaction

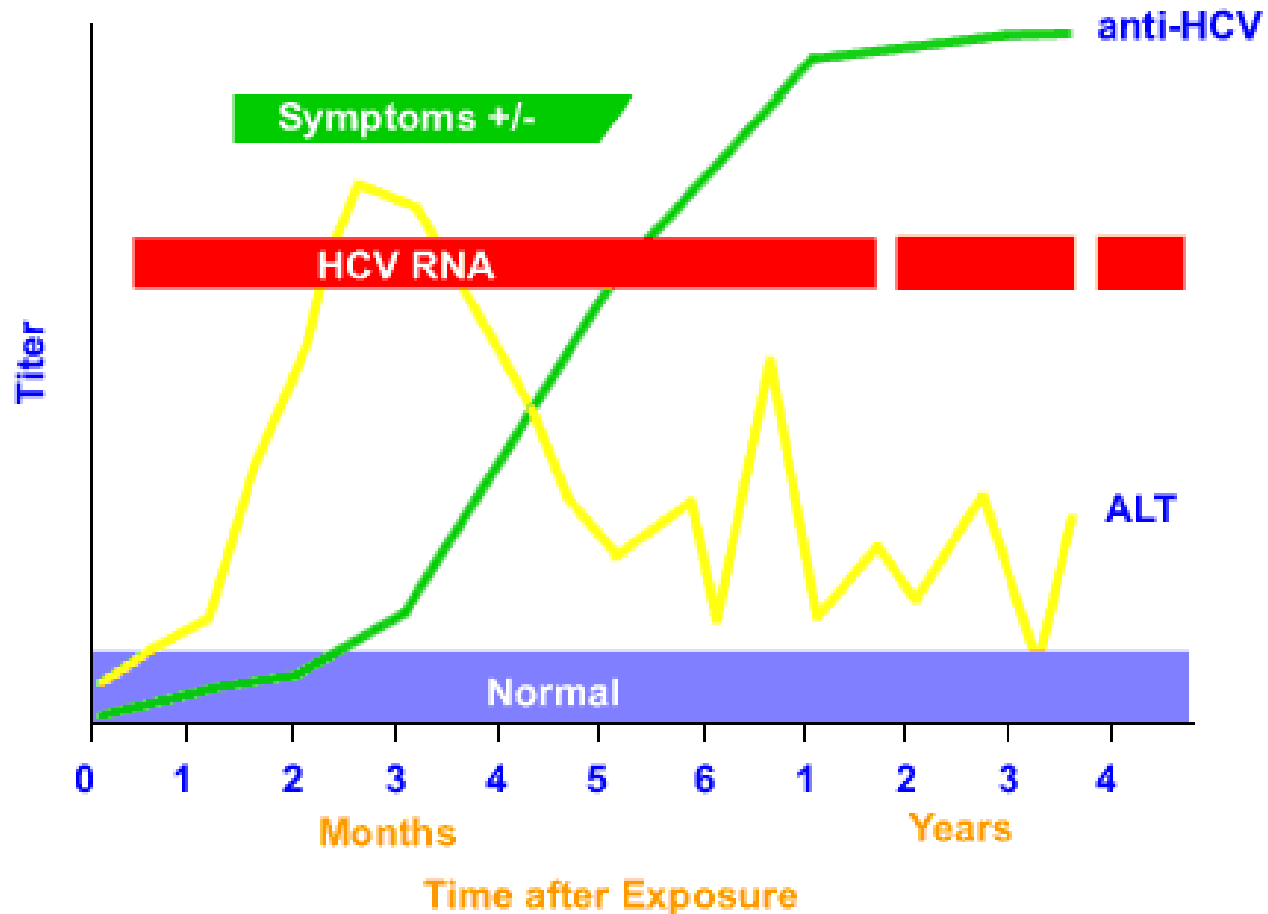
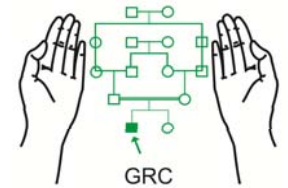


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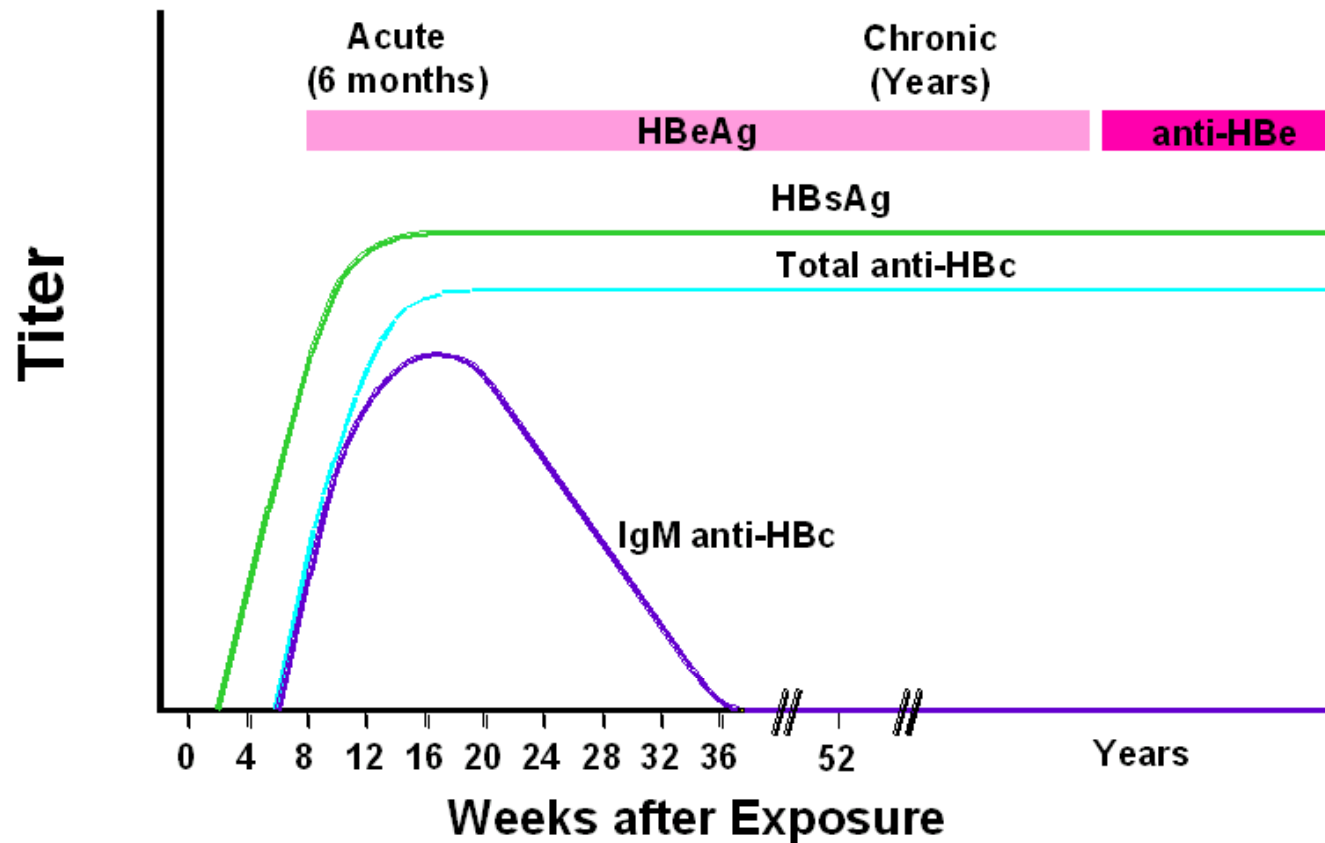
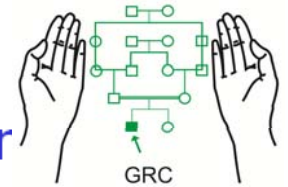


- A patient developed mild jaundice and abnormal liver function tests two months after a blood transfusion. The most likely cause for the symptoms is:
 - Delayed haemolytic transfusion reaction
 - Post transfusion hepatitis

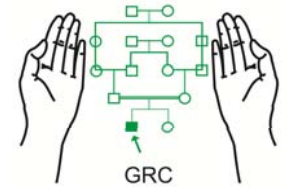
Serologic Pattern of Acute HCV Infection with Progression to Chronic Infection



Progression to Chronic Hepatitis B Virus Infection Typical Serologic Course

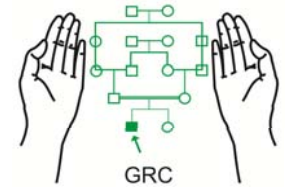


Case-6



- A known case of ITP failed to achieve a rise in platelet count following repeated platelet transfusions. The most likely cause is:
 - Anti-platelet antibodies

Case-7



- A 41 years old male presented with weakness and fatigability for 2½ months. Examination showed pallor and no other abnormality.
 - Blood CP showed:
 - Hb: 6.8 g/dl
 - TLC: $4.5 \times 10^9/L$
 - MCV: 125 fl
 - Platelets: $89 \times 10^9/L$
 - RBC Morphology: Macrocytosis ++
 - Reticulocytes: 0.5%

Monthly Consumption of Blood at PNS Shifa

	Surgical	Gynae	Medical	Paeds
Total (270)	54 (20%)	81 (30%)	58(21%)	77 (29%)
Routine 67/270 (25%)	4/54 (7%)	9/81 (11%)	8/58 (14%)	46/77 (60%)
Urgent 203/270 (75%)	50/54 (93%)	72/81 (89%)	50/58 (86%)	31/77 (40%)
Packed Cells 163/270 (60%)	11/54 (20%)	35/81 (43%)	42/58 (72%)	75/77 (97%)
Whole Blood 107/270 (40%)	43/54 (80%)	46/81 (57%)	16/58 (28%)	2/77 (3%)
Hb (Mean) (Range)	9.3 g/dl (4.9-12.2)	8.3 g/dl (4.4-11.1)	7.0 g/dl (4.1-10.6)	7.3 g/dl (2.6-9.6)
P value	<p>← 0.66 → ← 0.02 →</p>			

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