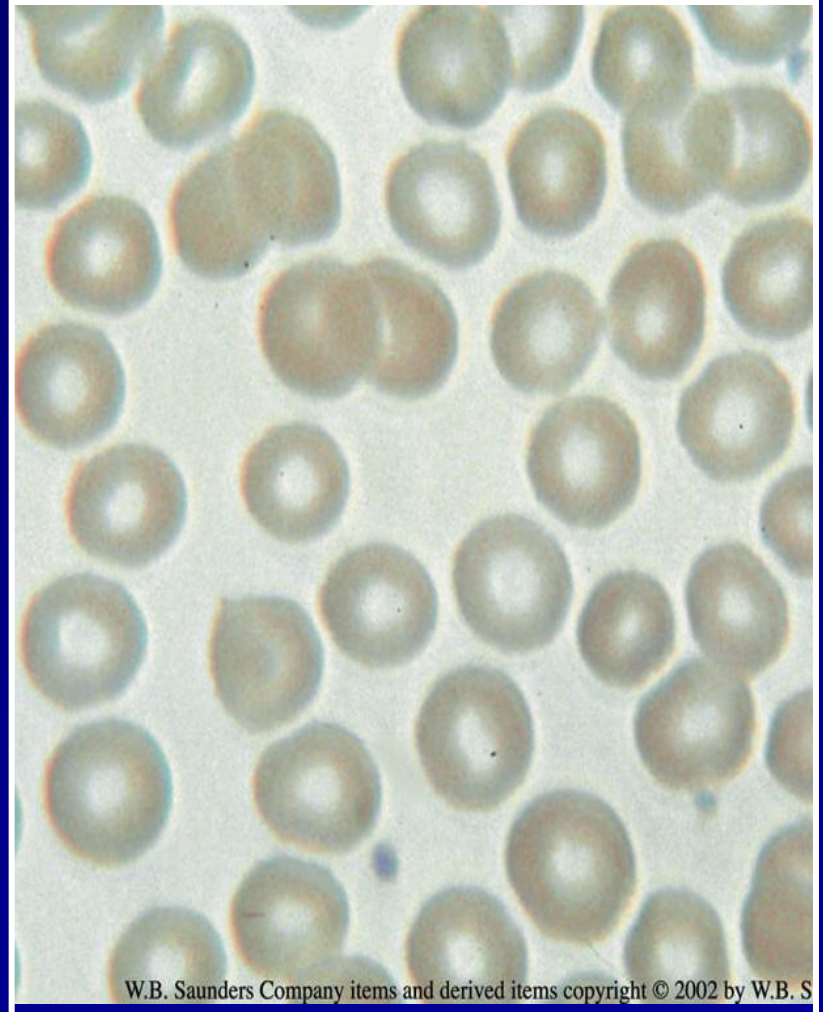


# Αναιμίες

Σωτήρης Τσιόδρας  
Παθολόγος-Λοιμωξιολόγος

# Ερυθροκύτταρα

- Normal range 4.2-5.5 million per  $\text{mm}^3$  in adults.
- Biconcave shape.
- Diameter 7 microns.
- Cells for transport of  $\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{CO}_2$ .
- Life span 120 days.



# Ερυθροποίηση

- Ο ρυθμιστής είναι η Ερυθροποιητίνη (ΕΡΟ)
  - Παραγωγή στα νεφρά
    - Μικρή ποσότης στο ήπαρ
  - Κφ επίπεδα 10-25 U/L
  - T1/2 6-9 hrs
  - Σε ↓ Hb < 10-12 g/dL

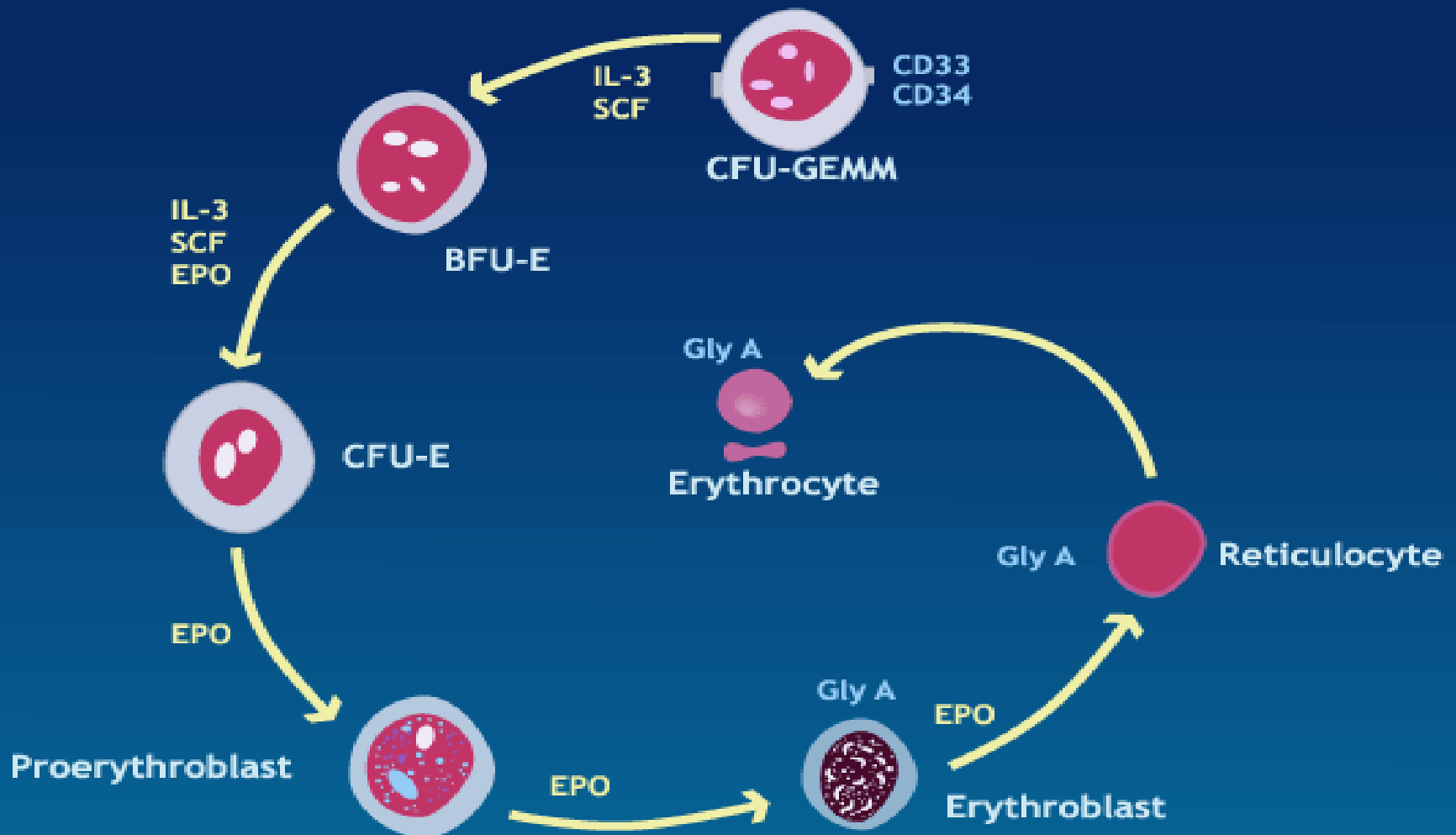
# Ερυθροποίηση

- Με ↑ EPO 4-5πλασιασμός παραγωγής RBC σε 1-2 εβδομάδες εξαρτώμενος από
  - Επαρκή θρεπτικά υλικά
    - Πχ Fe, B12



# **Erythrocytic Maturation Series**

# Erythrocyte Development

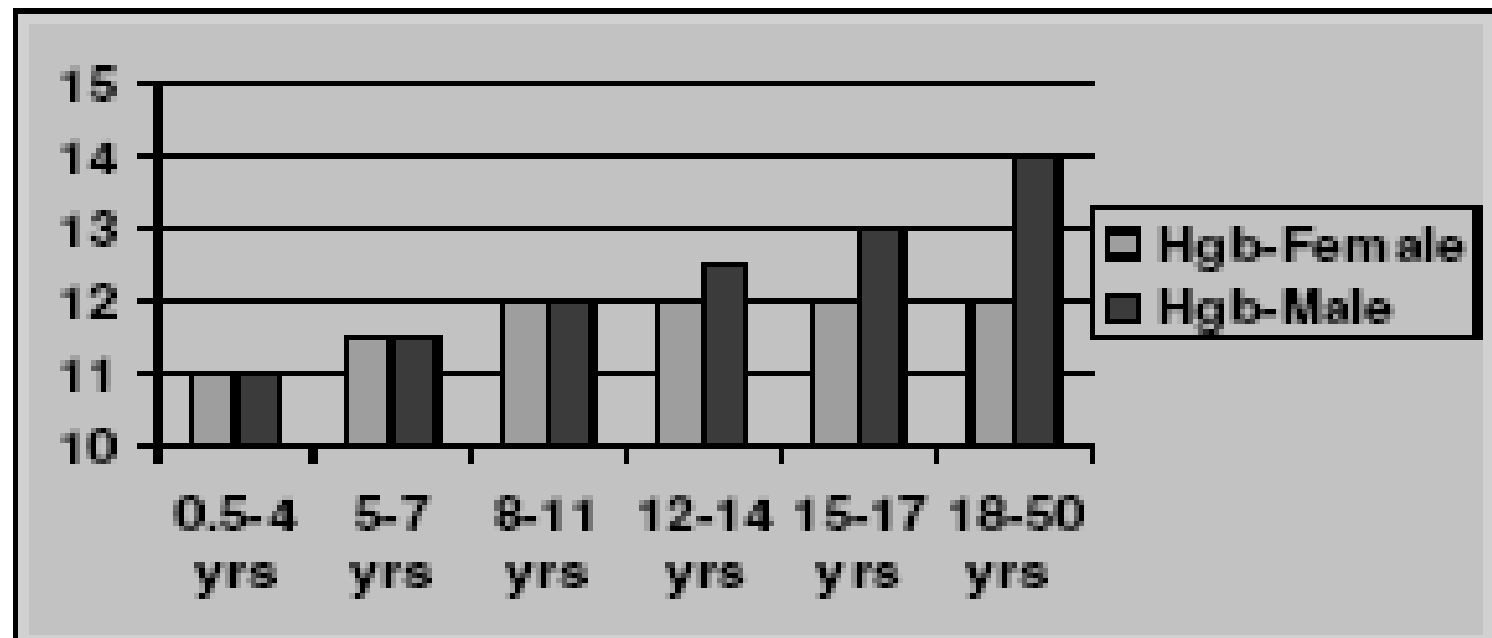


# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

- Άνδρες Ht  $47 \pm 7$
- Γυναίκες Ht  $42 \pm 5$

# All Ages Anemia Definition

- Numerical -- Reduction in Hgb Level  $> 2$  S.D. Below the Population Mean



# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

- Συμπτώματα και σημεία

- Οξεία

- Αιμορραγία, Υποογκαιμία,

- 10-15 % απώλεια

- Αγγειοσύσπαση, ανακατανομή ροής

- > 30 % απώλεια

- Ορθ. υπόταση, ταχυκαρδία, δυσλειτουργία οργάνων

- > 40 %

- Shock, δύσπνοια, εφίδρωση, υπόταση, ταχυκαρδία

# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

- Συμπτώματα και σημεία
- Οξεία
  - Αιμόλυση
    - ενδαγγειακή
      - Οξύ άλγος στην οσφύ
      - Ελεύθερη Hb στο πλάσμα και στα ούρα
      - Νεφρική ανεπάρκεια

# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

- Συμπτώματα και σημεία
- Χρόνια
  - Εξαρτώνται από την ηλικία και αιμάτωση ζωτικών οργάνων
    - Σε νέα άτομα ασυμπτωματική παρά ↓↓↓ Ht
  - Μετρίου βαθμού
    - κακουχία, έλλειψη αντοχής, δύσπνοια, ταχυκαρδία



# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

## ■ Ιστορικό

- Μέση Ανατολή
  - G6PD deficiency
- Έκθεση σε φάρμακα, τοξίνες
  - NSAIDS, μόλυβδος

## ■ ΦΕ

- Συμπτώματα και σημεία άλλων νόσων
  - Πυρετός, κακουχία, απώλεια βάρους, διαταραχές κενώσεων, αιμορραγία, οργανομεγαλία, φουσήματα, πετέχειες

# ΑΝΑΙΜΙΑ

- Διαταραχές που συχνά σχετίζονται με αναιμία
  - Χρόνιες φλεγμονές
    - Π.χ. Λοιμώξεις, ΡΑ
  - Αιματολογικά νοσήματα
    - Λευχαιμίες
      - Π.χ. ΧΛΛ, Νεοπλασίες Β κυττάρων

# ANAIMIA

## ■ Διαγνωστική διερεύνηση

### – CBC

- Hb, Ht, retic count

### – RBC indices

- MCV, MCH, MCHC, RDW

### – WBC

- Diff, segmentation

### – PLT

### – Cell morphology

### – IRON STUDIES

- Fe, TIBC, ferritin, marrow iron stain

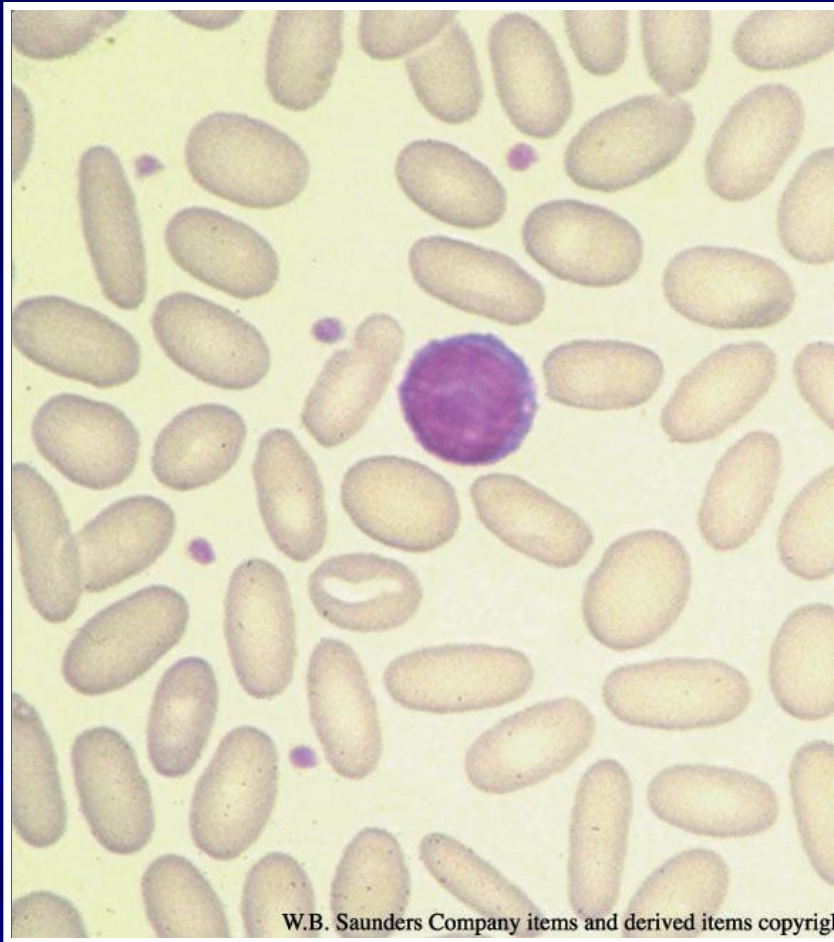
### – Marrow

- Aspirate for M/E Ratio, cell morphology, iron stain
- Biopsy for cellularity, morphology

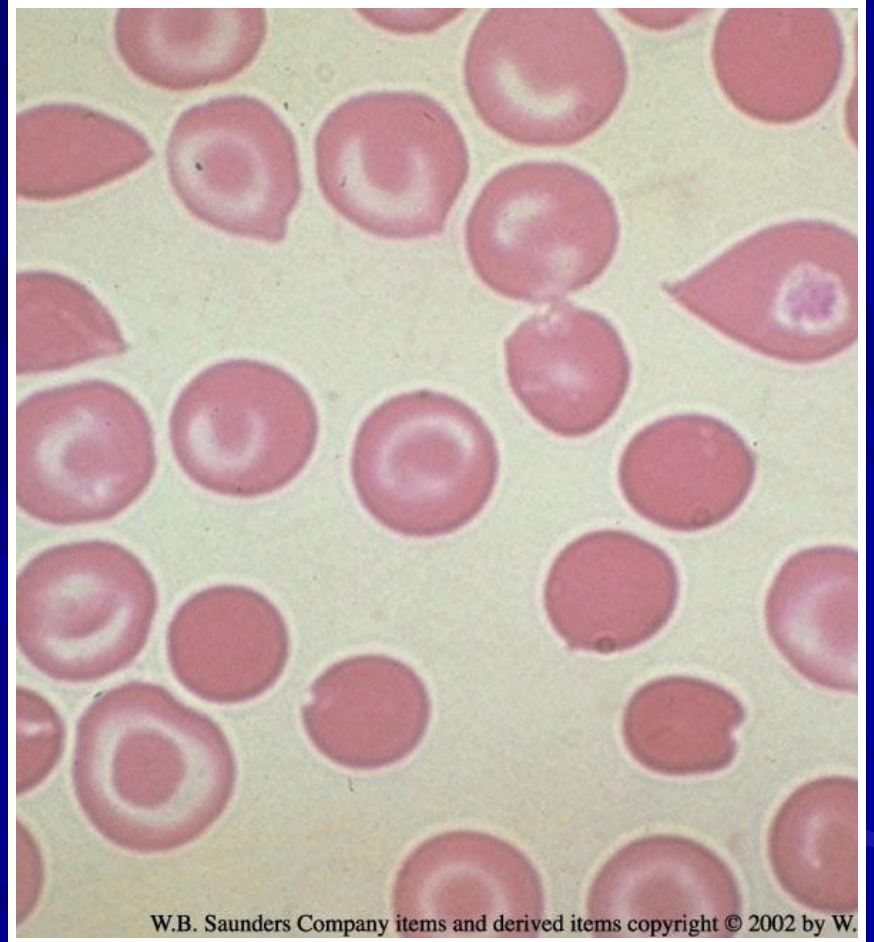
# ***RBC***

# ***Morphology***

# Elliptocytes



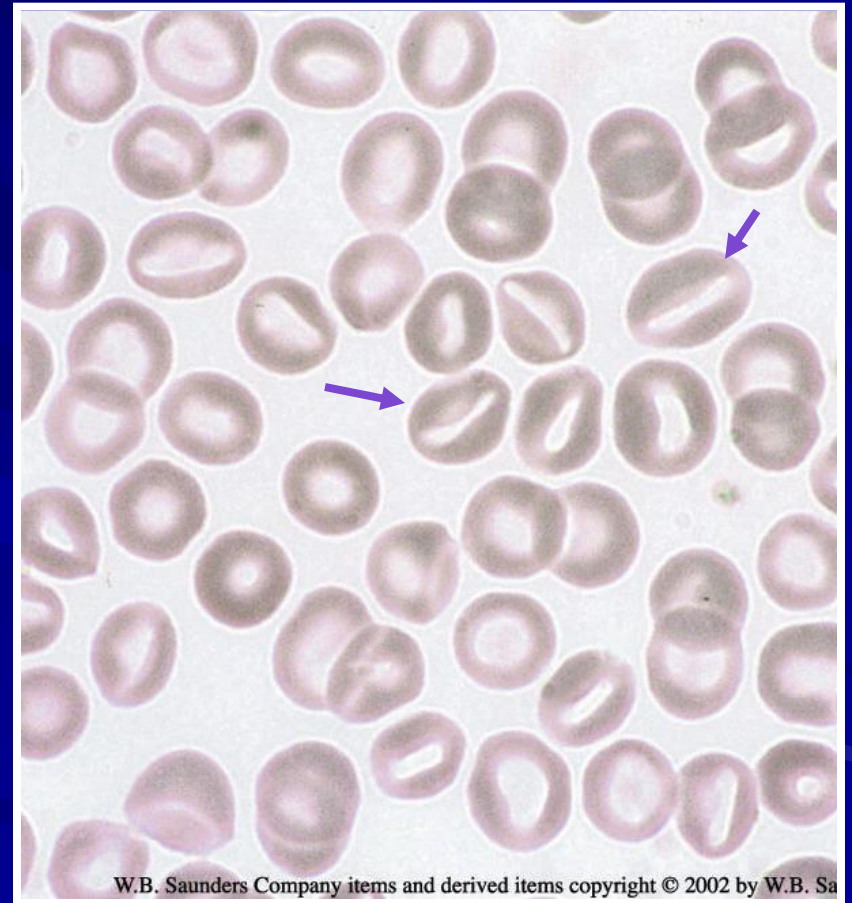
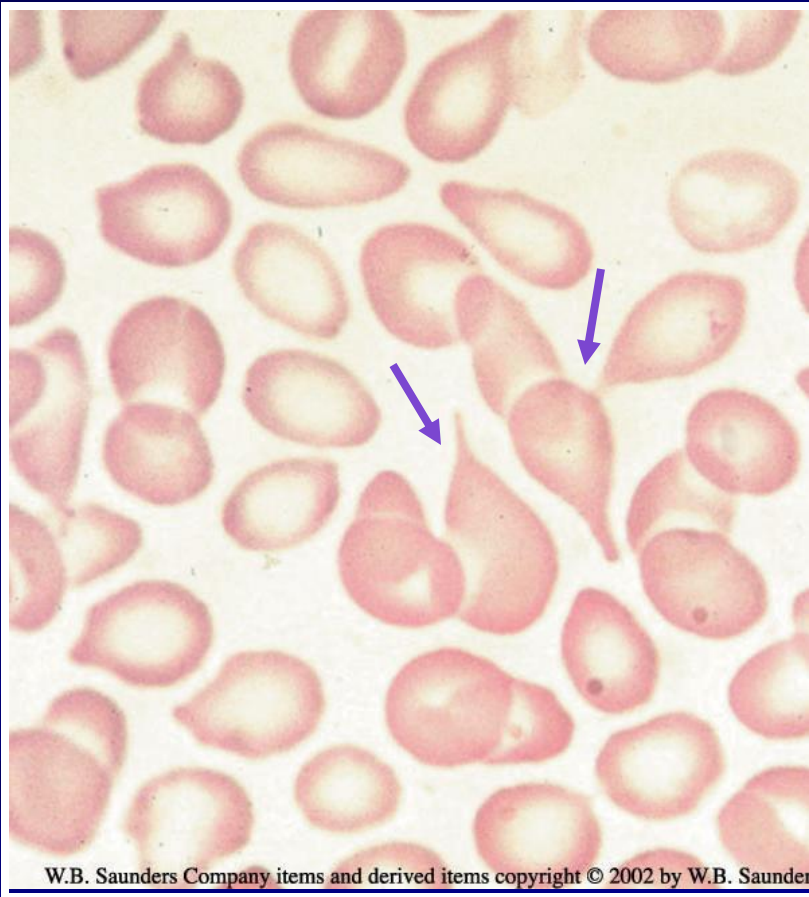
# Target Cells





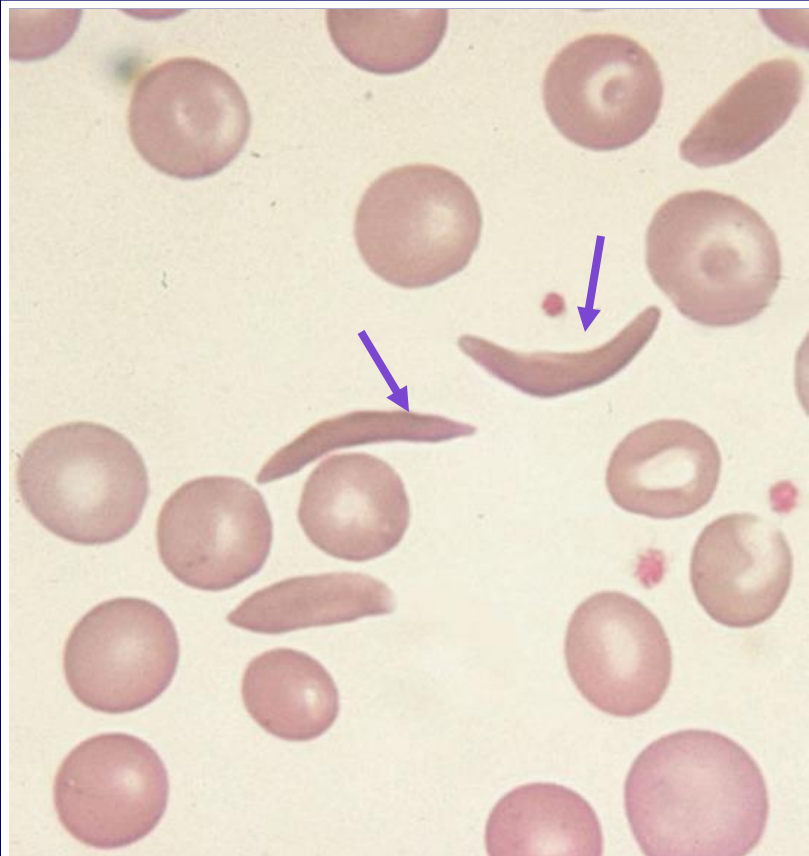
# Tear Drops

# Stomatocytes

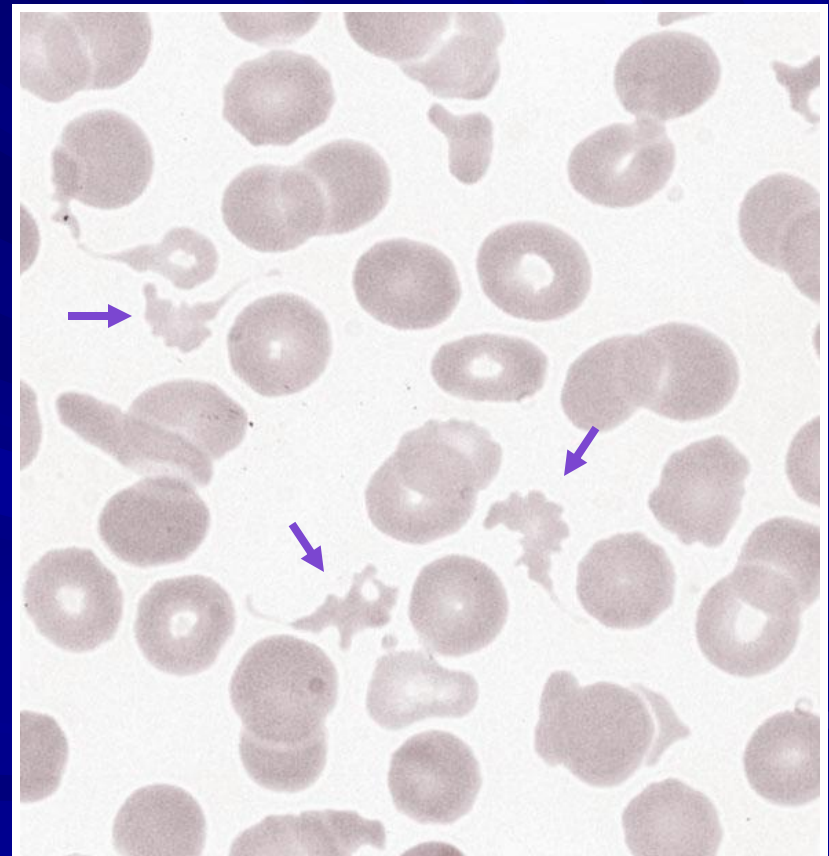


# Sickle Cells

# Schistocytes



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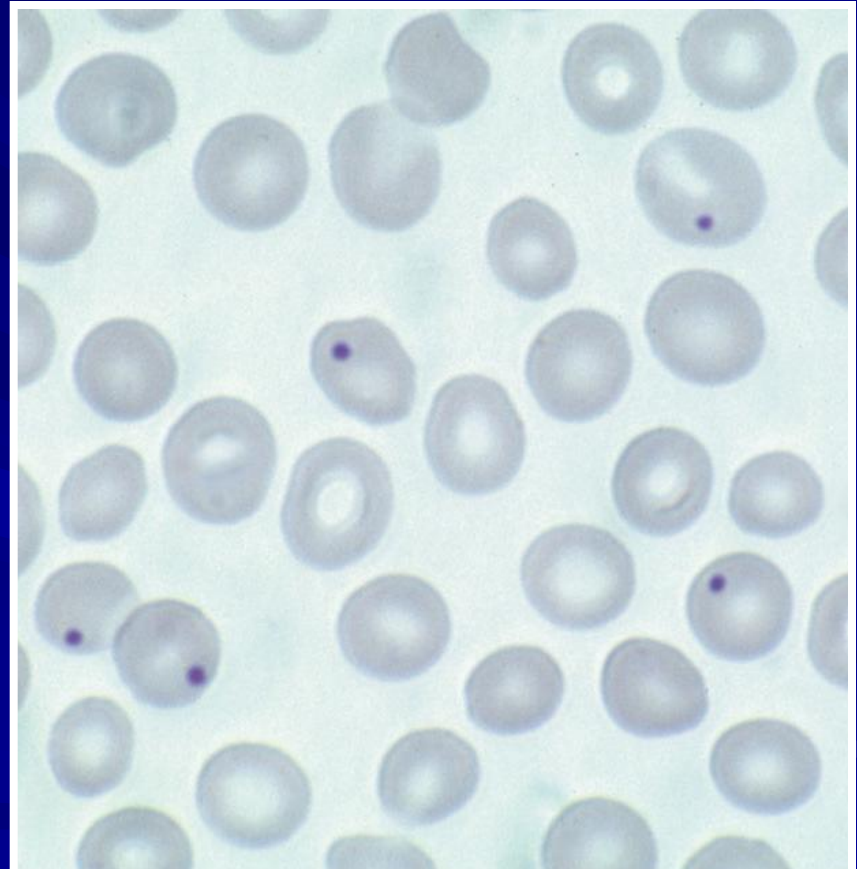


# ***RBC***

# ***Inclusions***

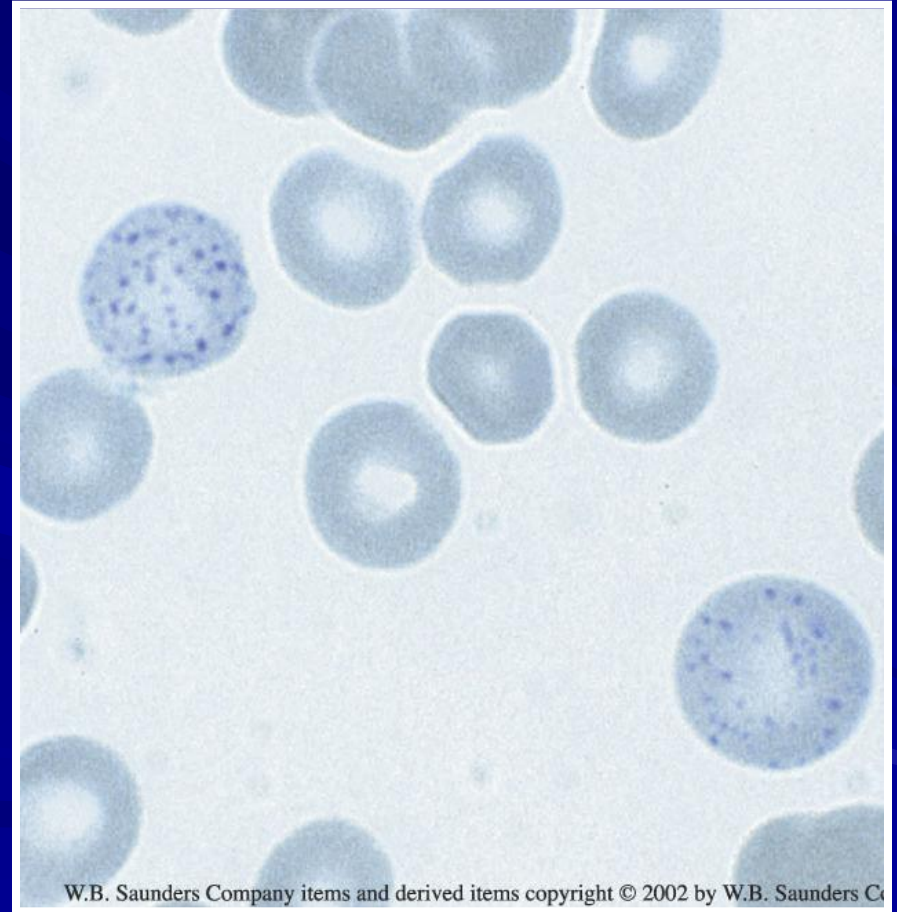
# Howell-Jolly Bodies

- Round, purple inclusions in RBCs.
- Composed of DNA.
- Commonly seen in in patients with hypofunctioning spleens.
- Splenectomy.



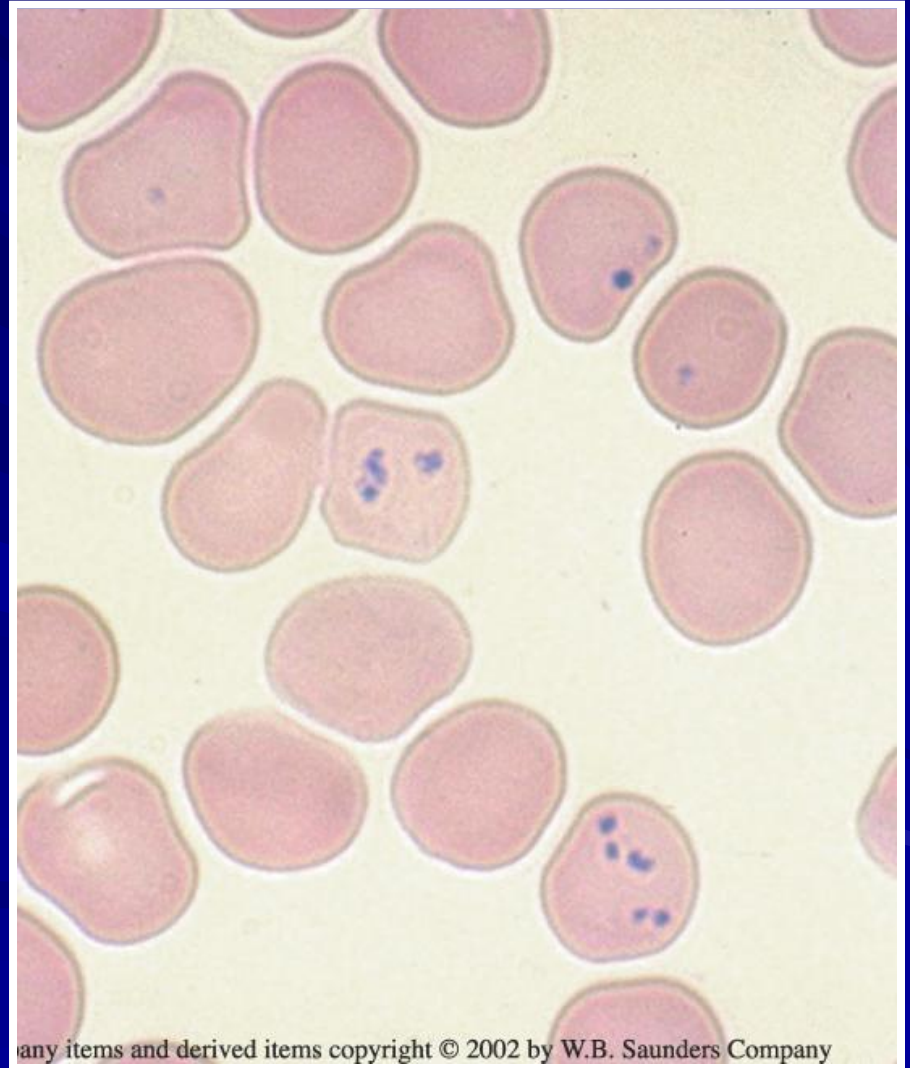
# Basophilic Stippling

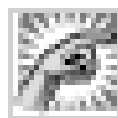
- Numerous, small purple inclusions in RBCs.
- Aggregates of ribosomal RNA.
- Most commonly seen in lead poisoning.



# Pappenheimer Bodies

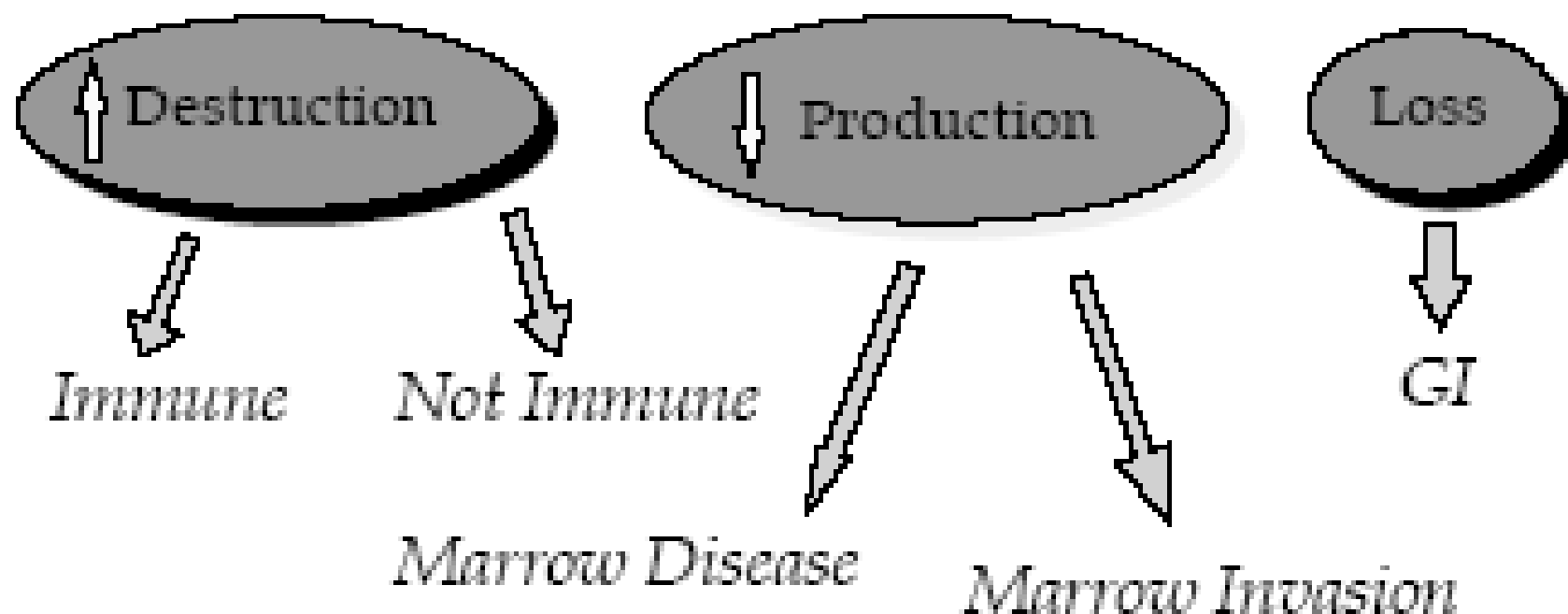
- Clusters of dark blue granules, irregular in size and shape.
- Composed of iron and ribosomal RNA.
- Seen in sideroblastic and hemolytic anemias.





# Evaluating an Anemia

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# Decreased Production

## *Marrow Disease*

Nutritional

Iron; Copper; Folate

Metabolic

Thyroid; B-12;

Failure

Aplastic Anemia

Myelodysplasia

Infection

Congenital

Fanconi; BFD

## *Marrow Invasion*

Malignant

Leukemia

Neuroblastoma

Lymphoma

Solid Tumor

Non-Malignant

Histiocytosis

Storage Disease

# Increased Destruction

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*Immune*

*Not Immune*

ABO

Rh

AIHA

EBV

SLE

*Intrinsic*

Enzyme

Membrane

HGB

*Extrinsic*

DIC & Sepsis

Burns & Heat

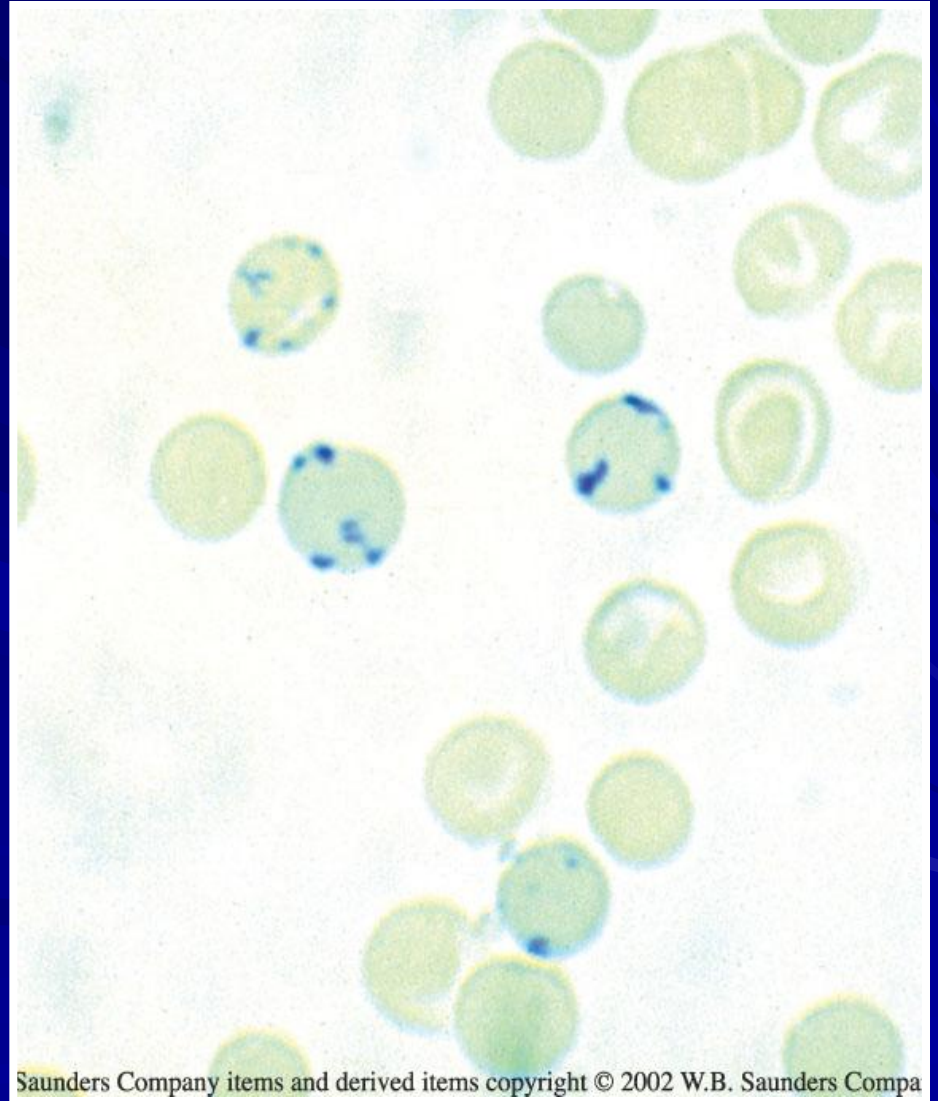
Toxins

Heart Valve



# Reticulocytes

- Immature RBCs.
- Contain residual ribosomal RNA.
- Reticulum stains blue using a supravital stain (new methylene blue).
- Counted and expressed as % of total red cells.



# Reticulocyte Count

*Uses supravital stain which stains cells in the living state.*

$$\text{Retic \%} = \frac{\text{\# retics per 1000 RBCs}}{10}$$

$$\text{Corrected retic} = \frac{\text{\% retics} \times \text{pt. HCT}}{45}$$

Retic production index

**DIVIDE BY FACTOR OF 2**

# Ταξινόμηση

## Σύμφωνα με το λειτουργικό έλλειμμα στην παραγωγή RBCs

- **Marrow production defects**
  - Hypoproliferative d/o
- **Red cell maturation defects**
  - Ineffective erythropoiesis
- **Decreased Red cell survival**
  - Blood loss / hemolysis

# Ταξινόμηση

## Σύμφωνα με το λειτουργικό έλλειμα στην παραγωγή RBCs

- Ret index  $< 2.5$ 
  - Normocytic
    - Hypoprolif
      - Marrow damage
        - Infiltration, aplasia
      - Fe deficiency
      - ↓ stimulation
        - Inflammation, renal, metabolic

# Ταξινόμηση

## Σύμφωνα με το λειτουργικό έλλειμα στην παραγωγή RBCs

- **Ret index < 2.5**
  - **Microcytic**
    - **Maturation disorder**
      - **Cytoplasmic defect**
        - Fe deficiency
        - Thalassemia
        - Sideroblastic
      - **Nuclear defects**
        - Folate, B12
        - Drug toxicity
        - Refractory anemia

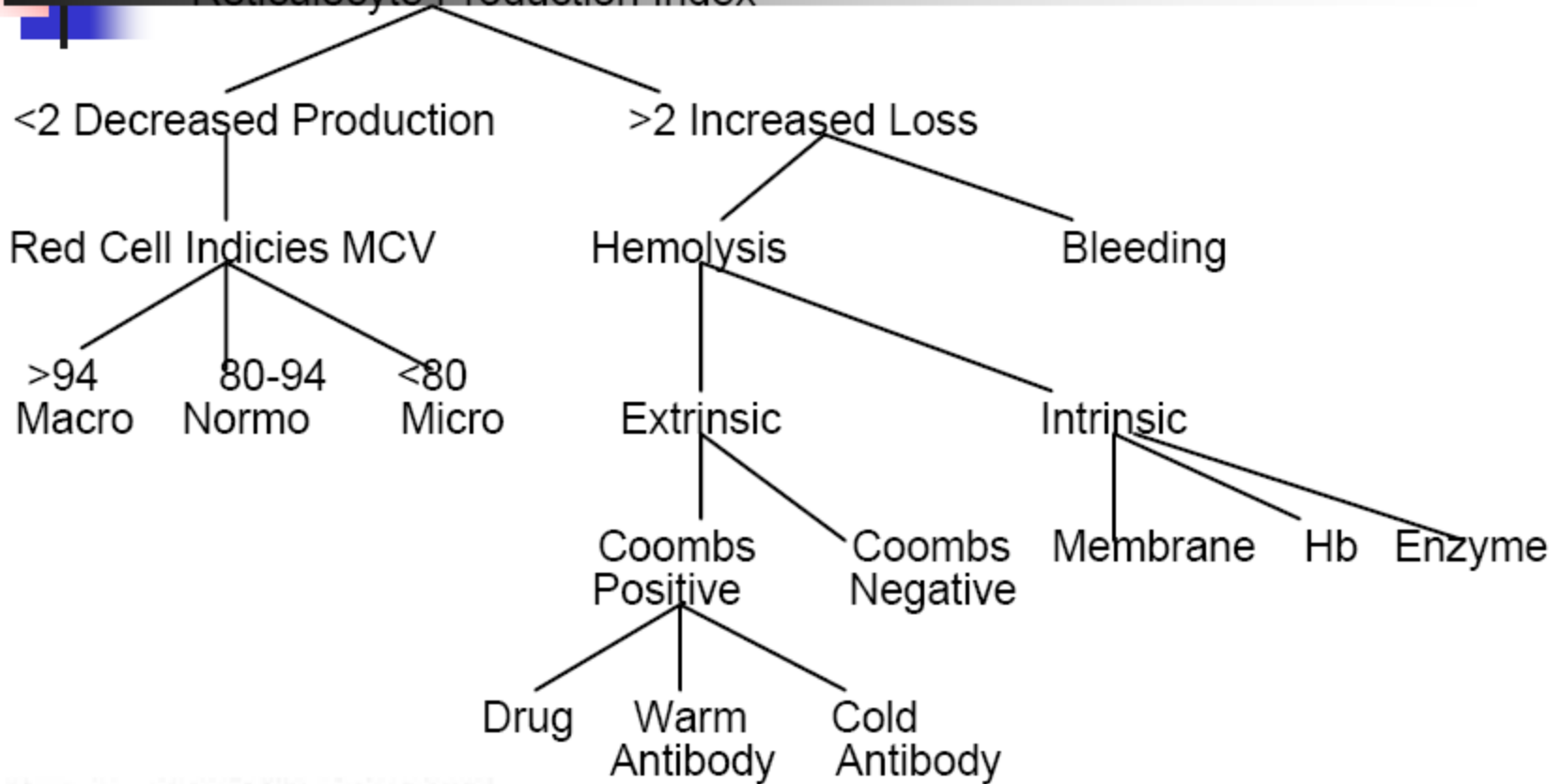
# Ταξινόμηση

Σύμφωνα με το λειτουργικό έλλειμα στην παραγωγή RBCs

- **Ret index  $\geq 2.5$** 
  - **Hemolysis –hemorrhage**
    - Blood loss
    - Intravascular hemolysis
    - Metabolic defect
    - Membrane abnormality
    - Hemoglobinopathy
    - Autoimmune defect
    - Fragmentation hemolysis

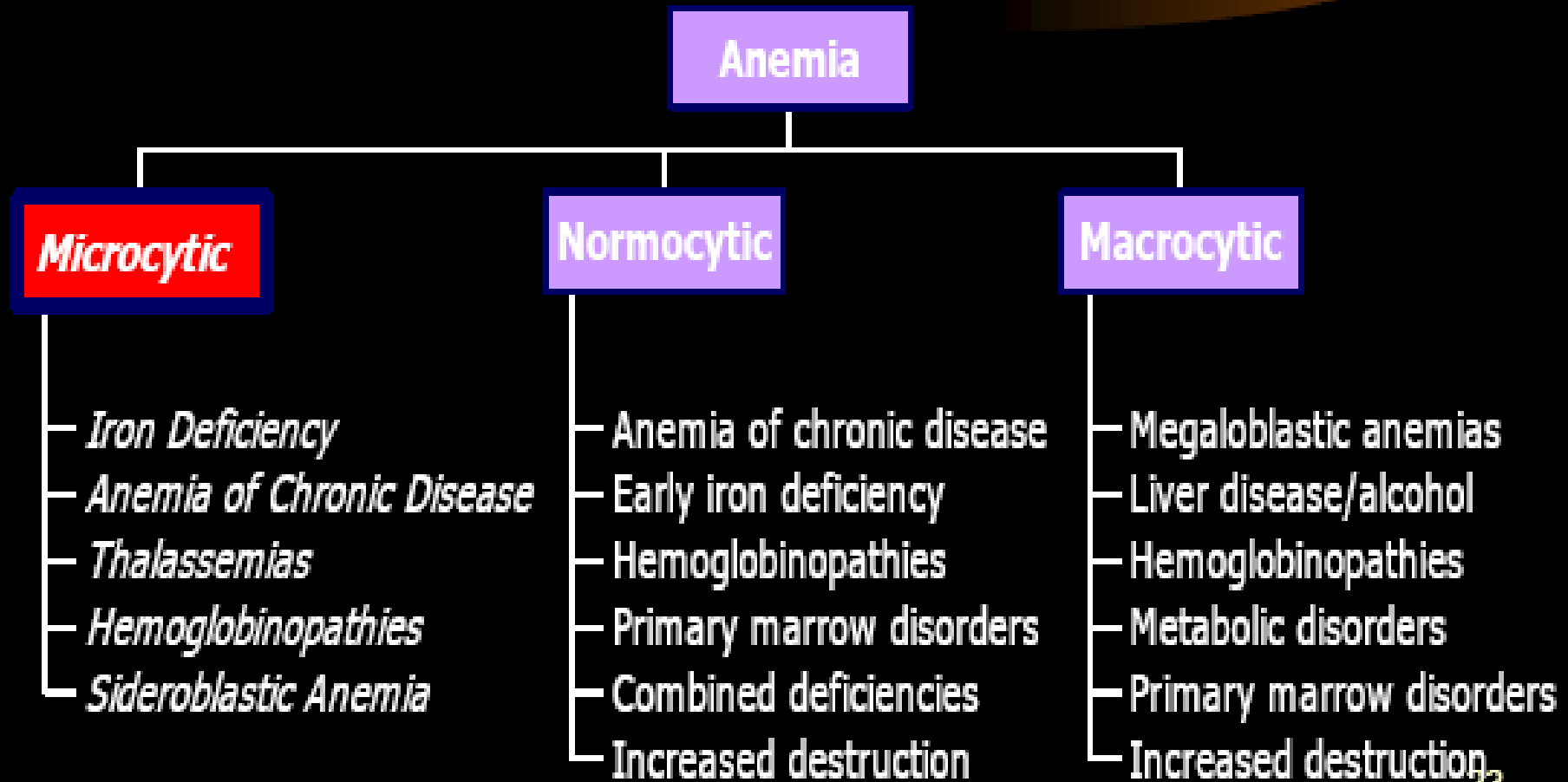
# Diagnostic Pathway

## Reticulocyte Production Index





# Anemia Workup - MCV

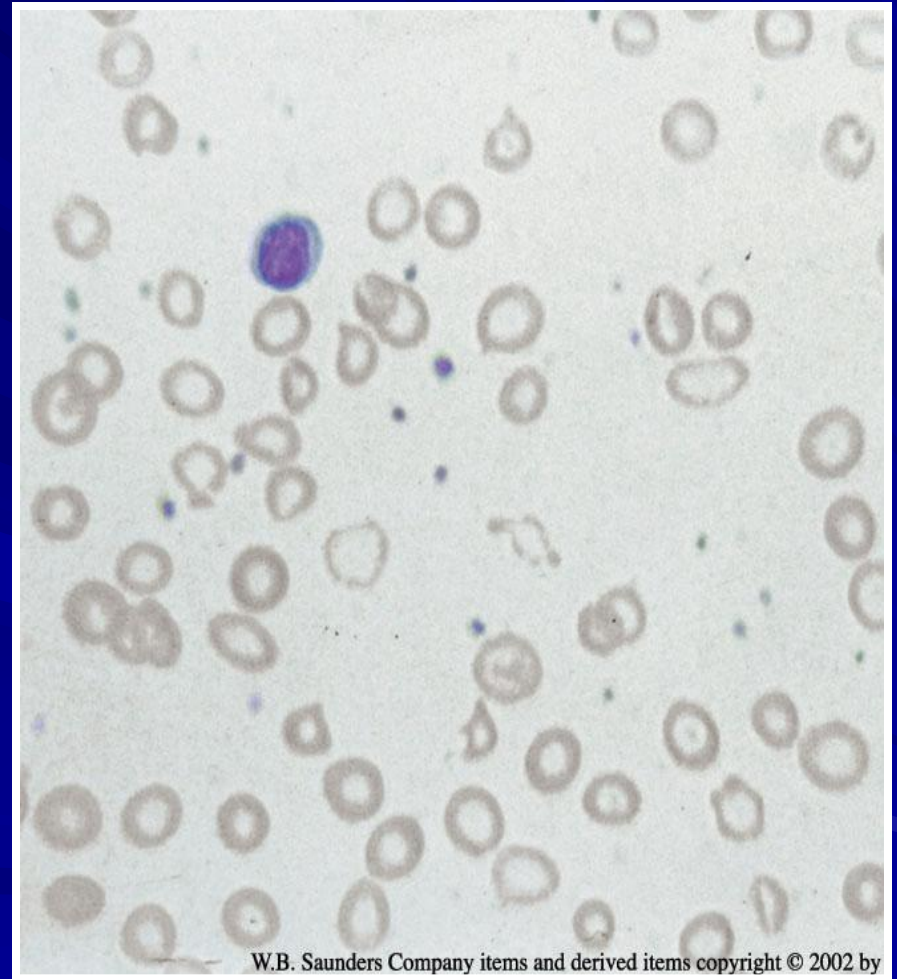


**Microcytic, Hypochromic = MCV < 80**

- Iron deficiency**
- Sideroblastic**
- Chronic disease, Inflammation**
- Lead poisoning**
- Thalassemia trait**

# Microcytic, Hypochromic

- Many RBCs smaller than nucleus of normal lymphocytes, increased central pallor.
- Iron deficiency, thalassemias, anemia of chronic disease.



## **Normochromic = MCV κφ**

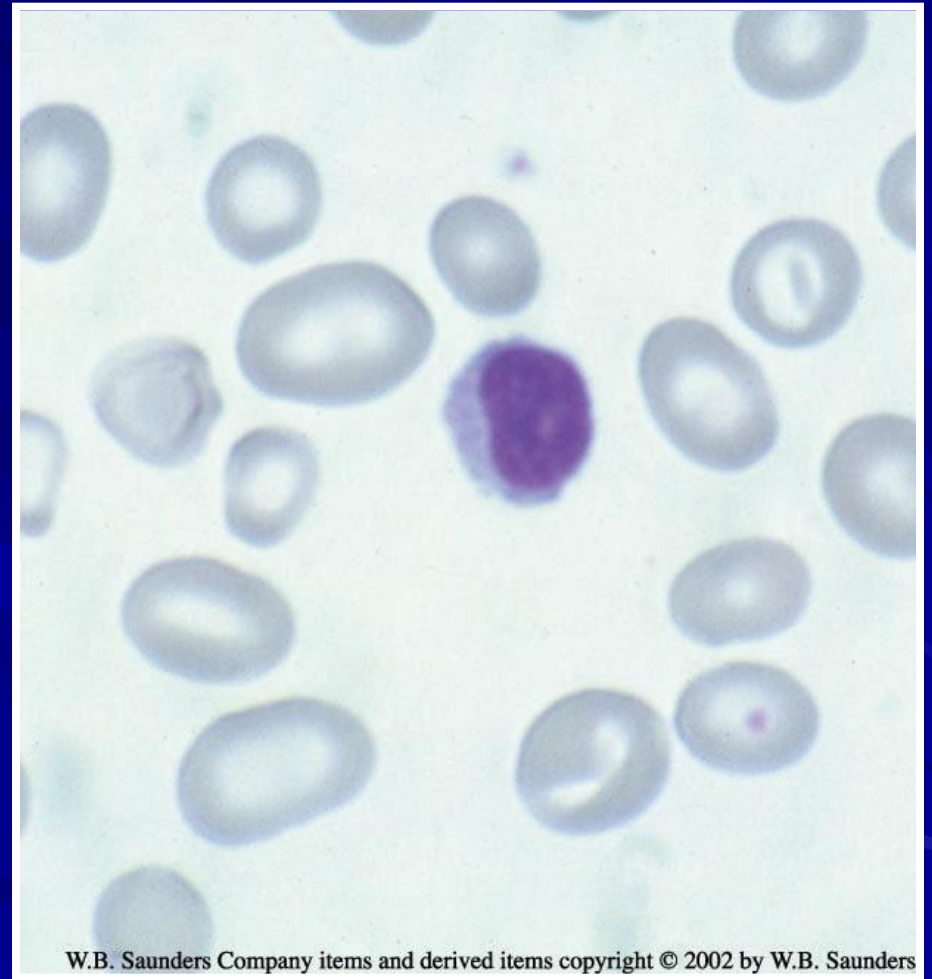
- Hereditary Spherocytosis**
- Hereditary Elliptocytosis**
- PNH**
- G6PD deficiency**
- Aplastic anemia**
- Acute blood loss**

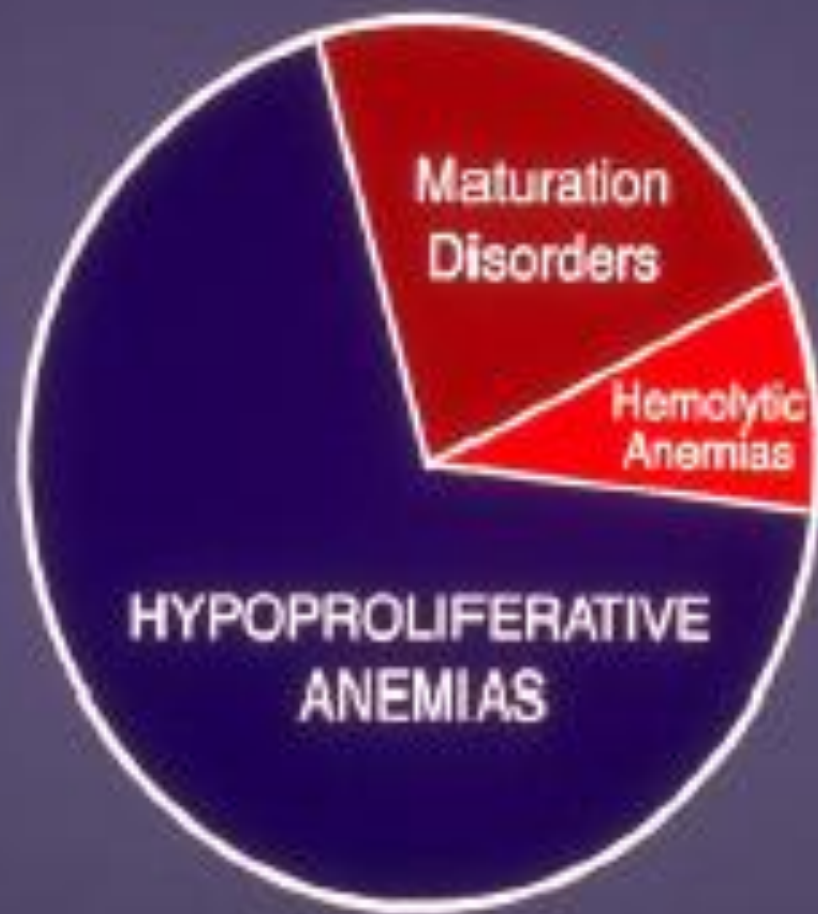
**Macrocytic = MCV > 100**

- Vitamin B12 deficiency**
- Folate deficiency**
- Liver disease**

# Macrocytic RBCs

- Most RBCs larger than nucleus of normal lymphocytes, increased MCV.
- Folate or Vitamin B12 deficiencies, alcoholism, and liver disease.







**HYPOPROLIFERATIVE**

# Σιδηροπενική αναιμία - Επιδημιολογία

- Σιδηροπενική αναιμία: 1-2% των ενηλίκων
- Σιδηροπενία χωρίς αναιμία: 11% των γυναικών (κυρίως στην αναπαραγωγική ηλικία) και 4% των ανδρών

# Αιτιολογία

- ↑↑ αναγκών σε Fe
  - Rapid growth, infancy, pregnancy, EPO Rx
- Απώλεια αίματος
  - menses, acute blood loss, blood donation
- Δυσασπορρόφηση
  - Crohn's, sprue
- Ενδοαγγειακή αιμόλυση
- Πνευμονική αιμοσιδήρωση

# Κλινική εικόνα

- Αδυναμία, κεφαλαλγία, ευερεθιστότητα και εύκολη κόπωση
- Το σύνδρ. Plummer-Vinson (δυσφαγία με οισοφαγική στένωση) και η κοιλονυχία δεν παρατηρούνται σήμερα
- Πίκα: χαρτί, πηλός, πάγος (παγοφαγία)
- Ερυθρή χρώση ούρων μετά κατανάλωση πατζαριών

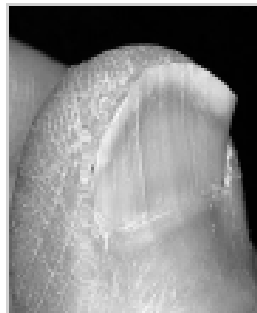
Glossitis



Angular Chelitis



Koilonychia



# Δείκτες σιδηροπενίας

- Φεριτίνη: ο καλύτερος δείκτης των αποθηκών σιδήρου
- <10-15: 99% ειδικότητα, 50% ευαισθησία
- <30: 85% ειδικότητα, 90% ευαισθησία
- > 200 τουλάχιστον κάποιες αποθήκες
- ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ: Πρωτεΐνη οξείας φάσης (x3)
- Τρανσφερίνη / σιδηροδεσμευτική ικανότητα (TIBC) και κορεσμός τρανσφερίνης )= σίδηρος/TIBC)
- Σίδηρος ορού: μειώνεται και στην αναιμία χρόνιας νόσου
- Σίδηρος μυελού: μέτρο σύγκρισης
- Υποδοχείς τρανσφερίνης: αυξάνονται

## Spoon Nails – Fe Def.

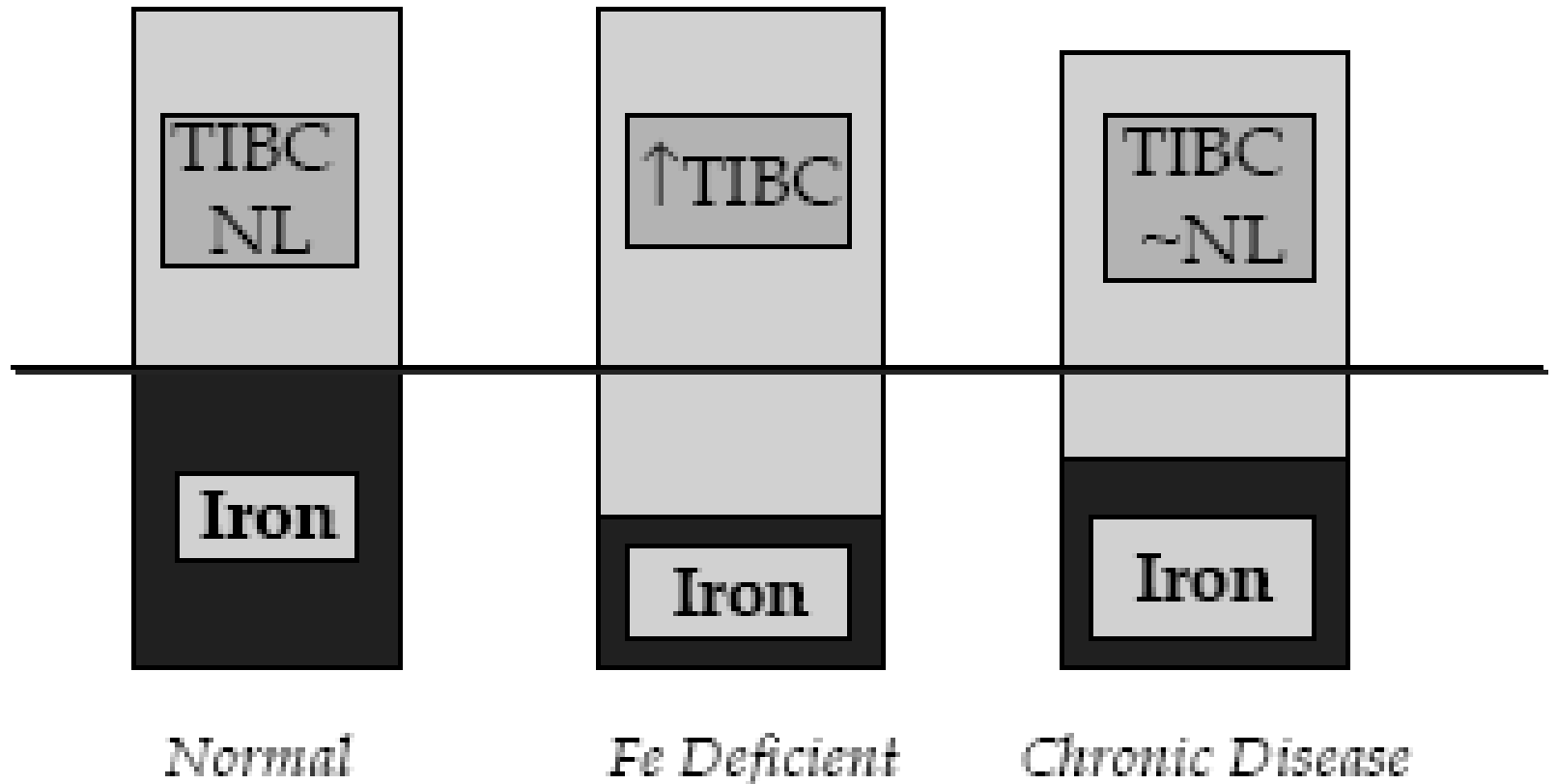




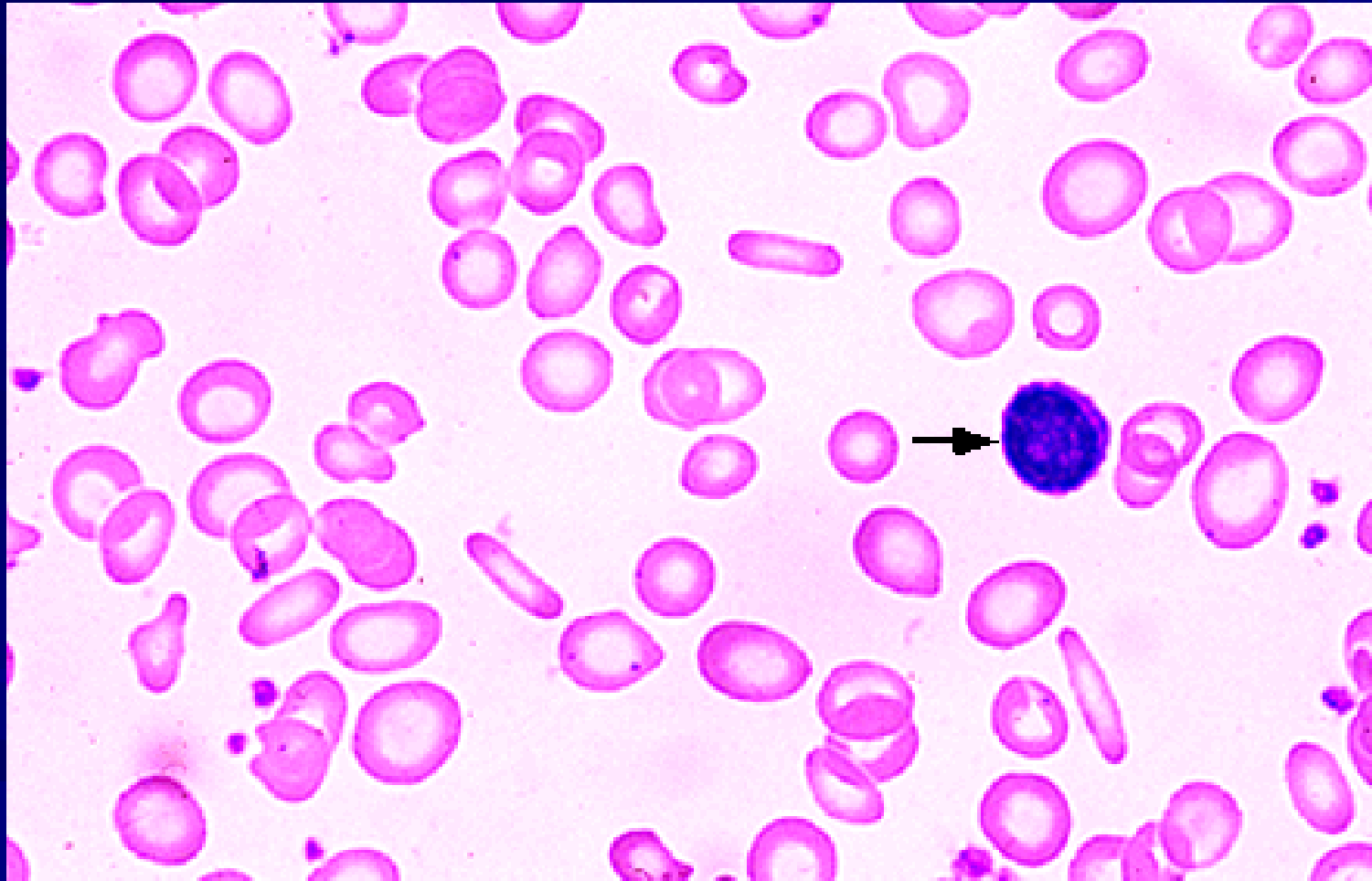
# Δείκτες σιδηροπενίας

	Φυσιολογικό	Σιδηροπενία χωρίς αναιμία	Σιδηροπενία με ήπια αναιμία	Σιδηροπενία με βαριά αναιμία
Σίδηρος μυελού	2+ 3+	Καθόλου	Καθόλου	καθόλου
Σίδηρος ορού, μg/dl	60-150	60-150	<60	<40
Σιδηροδεσμευτική ικανότητα, μg/dl	300-360	300-390	350-400	>410
Κορεσμός τρανσφερίνης, %	20-50	30	<15	<10
Αιμοσφαιρίνη, g/dl	Φυσιολογική	Φυσιολογική	9-12	6-7
Μορφολογία ερυθρών	Φυσιολογική	φυσιολογική	Φυσιολογική ή ήπια υποχρωμία	Υποχρωμία και μικροκυττάρωση
Φεριτίνη, ορού ng/ml	40-200	<20	<10	0-10
Πρωτοπορφυρίνη ερυθρών, ng/ml	30-70	30-70	>100	100-200
Αλλοιώσεις βλεννογόνων	ΟΧΙ	ΟΧΙ	ΟΧΙ	ΝΑΙ

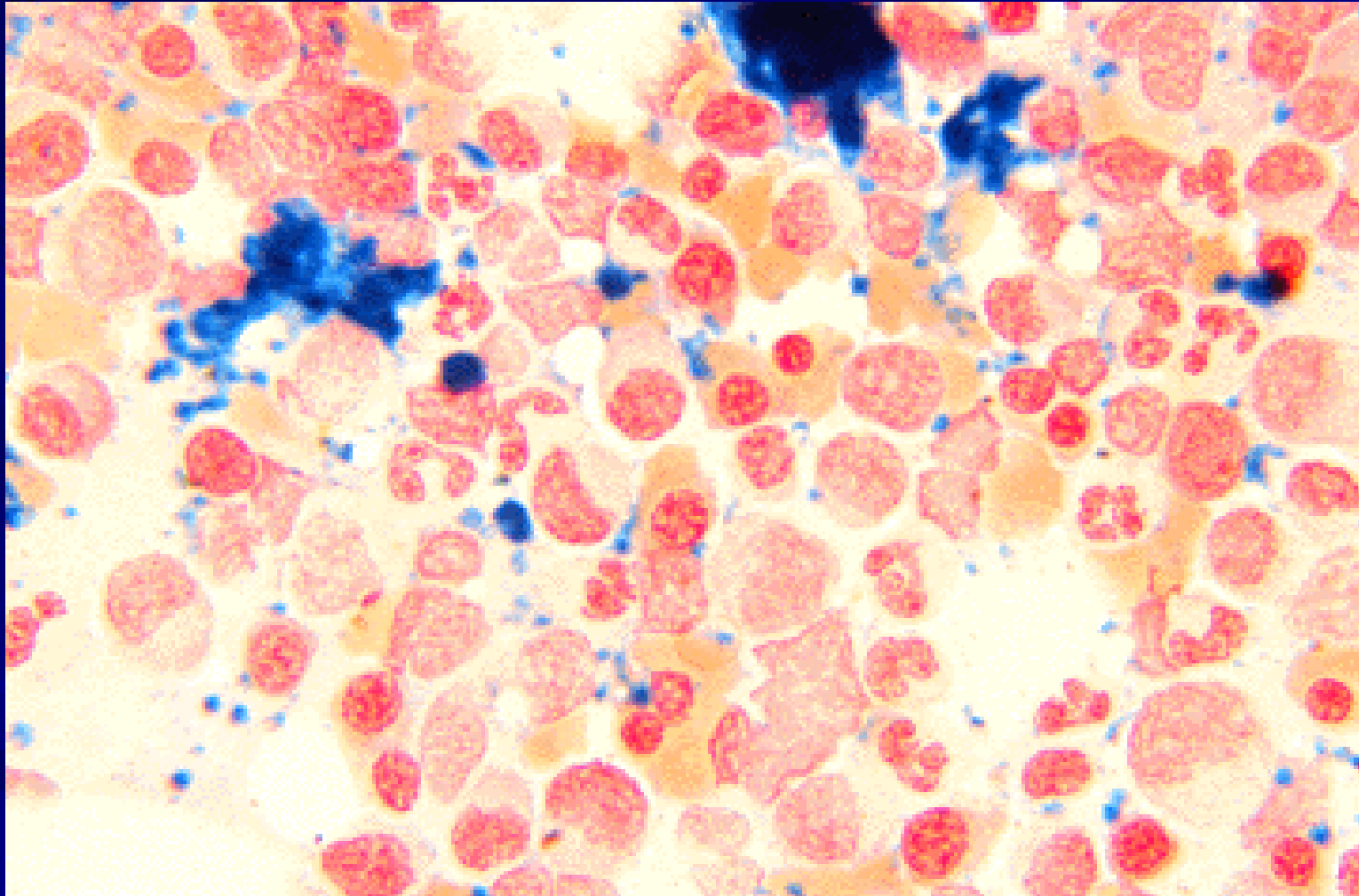
- *Iron*
- *Ferritin*
- *TIBC (transferrin)*



# Υποχρωμία - μικροκυττάρωση

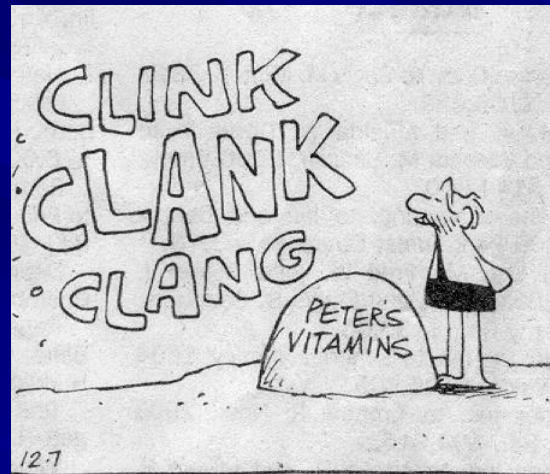
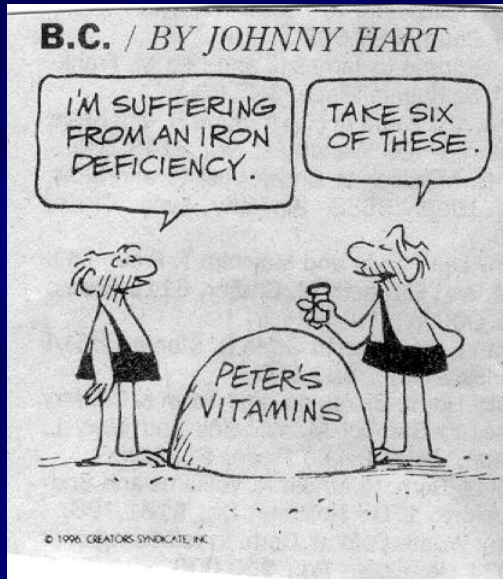


# Σίδηρος μυελού χρώση με κυανούν του Βερολίνου





# Therapy of Iron Deficiency



# Θεραπεία

- Μετάγγιση
- Από του στόματος Fe
  - 200-300 mg/d = απορρόφηση 50 mg
  - 6-12 μήνες
  - ΑΕ
    - Κοιλ άλγος, ναυτία, εμετός, δυσκοιλιότητα
- Parenteral iron
  - $\text{Body weight} \times 2.3 \times (15 - \text{Pt Hb}) + 500$  or 1000 mg (for stores)



# HYPOPROLIFERATIVE

Άλλες

# Άλλες hypoproliferative

- Αναιμία χρόνιας νόσου
  - Χρόνιες φλεγμονές, νεοπλασμάτα
    - Ρόλος TNF- $\alpha$ , interferon  $\beta$  σε νεοπλασμάτα
    - Ρόλος IL-1, interferon  $\gamma$  σε PA
- Νεφρικής νόσου
- Ενδοκρινικής νόσου, θρεπτικών διαταραχών
- Ηπατοπάθειας

# Εργαστηριακά ευρήματα

- Συνήθως ήπια αναιμία, σε 20% Hb < 8 g/dl
- Ορθόχρωμη, ορθοκυτταρική και σπανιότερα υπόχρωμη μικροκυτταρική
- Σίδηρος και TIBC μειωμένα, κορεσμός τρανσφερίνης φυσιολογικός
- Φεριτίνη ↑

# Iron studies in IDA and ACD

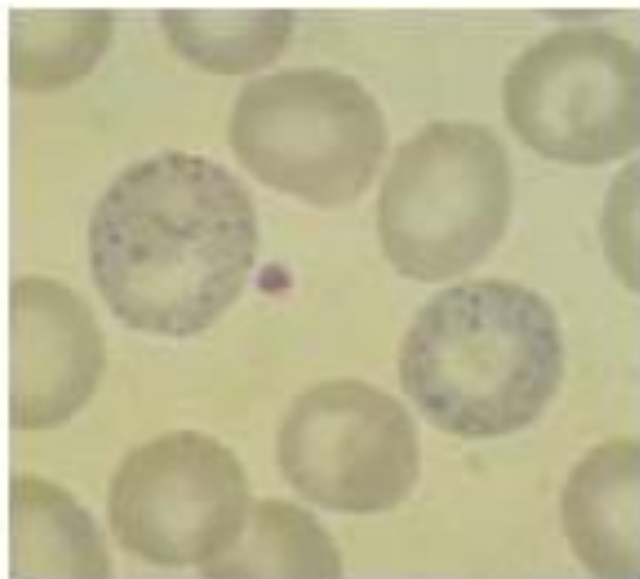
<b>Test</b>	<b>IDA</b>	<b>ACD</b>
serum iron	low	low
TIBC	high	normal or low
transf. sat.	low	low
serum ferritin	low	normal or increased
marrow iron	absent	normal or increased

# Anemia of chronic renal failure

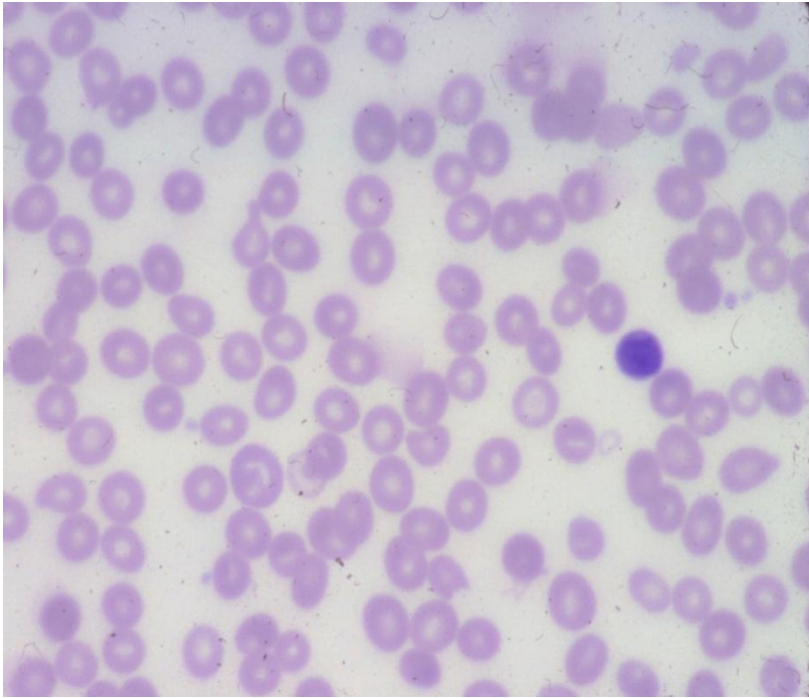
- Mechanism:
  - mainly due to reduced production of erythropoietin by diseased kidneys
  - also iron or folate deficiency, chronic inflammation, shortened red cell survival
- Treatment
  - erythropoietin thrice weekly
  - dialysis

## Sideroblastic

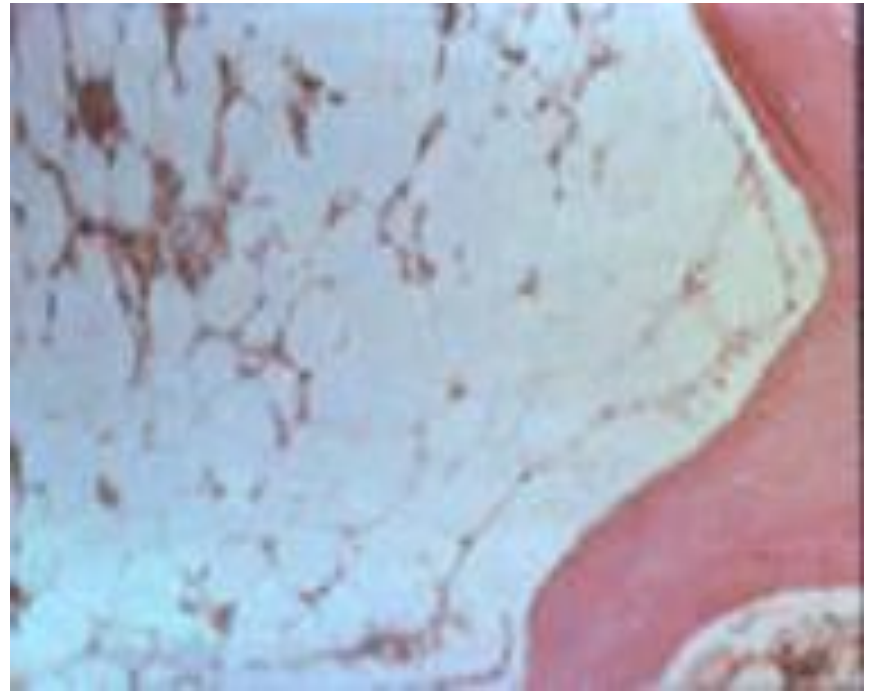
- Ring sideroblasts in bone marrow
- Serum iron is increased and TIBC normal resulting in a high saturation. Serum ferritin is increased
- Basophilic stippling
- Lead toxicity is suspect



# Aplastic Anemia



Blood



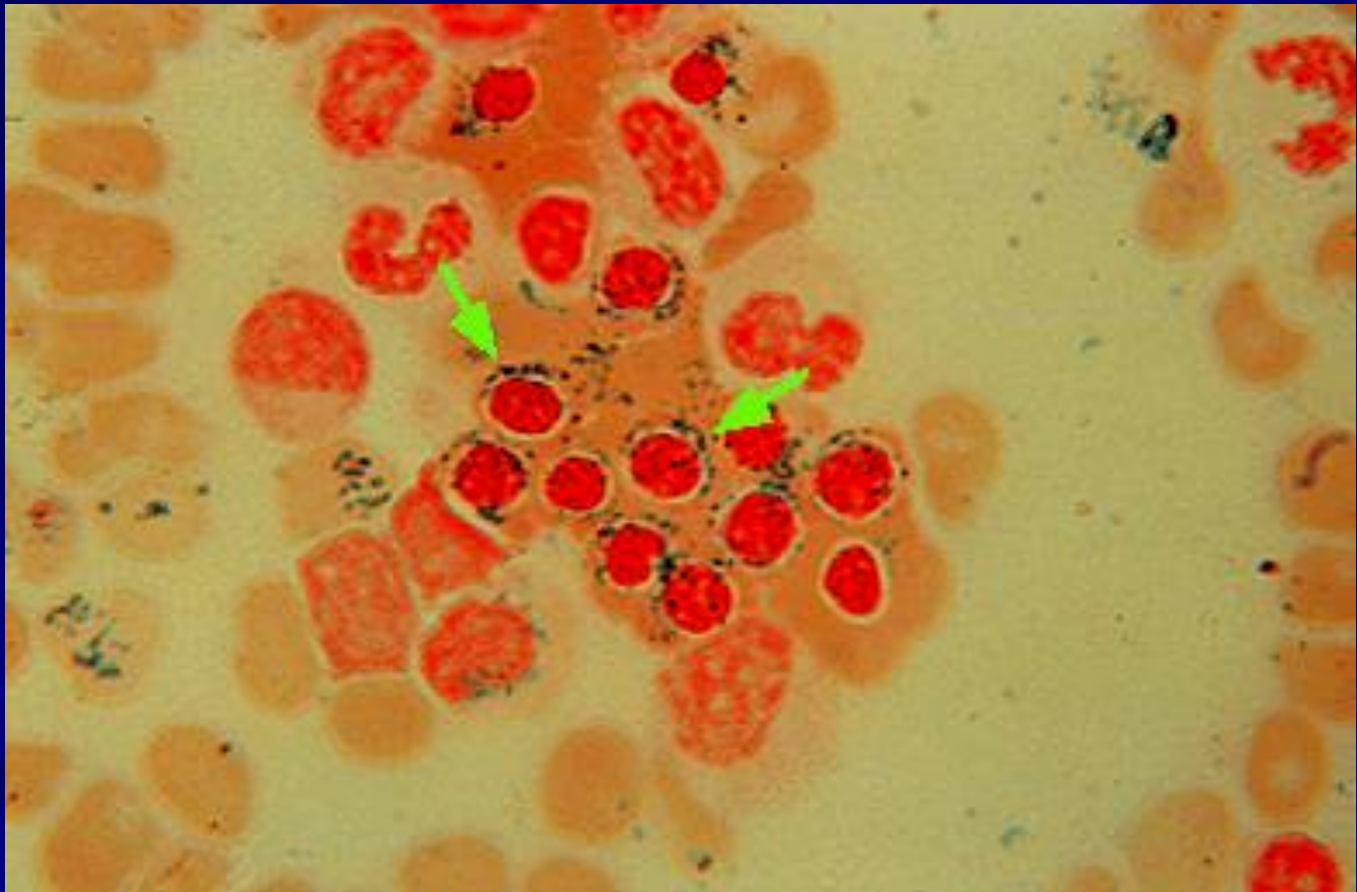
Bone Marrow Biopsy



# Μυελοδυσπλαστικό σύνδρομο

- Μέση ηλικία εμφάνισης 65 έτη
- Σπάνια <50 ετών
- Κλωνική διαταραχή των πρόδρομων αιμοποιητικών κυττάρων (stem cells)
- Αιτιολογία: περιβαλλοντικοί παράγοντες, χημειοθεραπεία (δευτεροπαθές)
- Αναιμία (μακροκυττάρωση, δυσπλαστικός μυελός)
- Λοιμώξεις (δυσλειτουργία ουδετεροφίλων, ουδετεροπενία 50%)
- Θρομβοπενία 25%

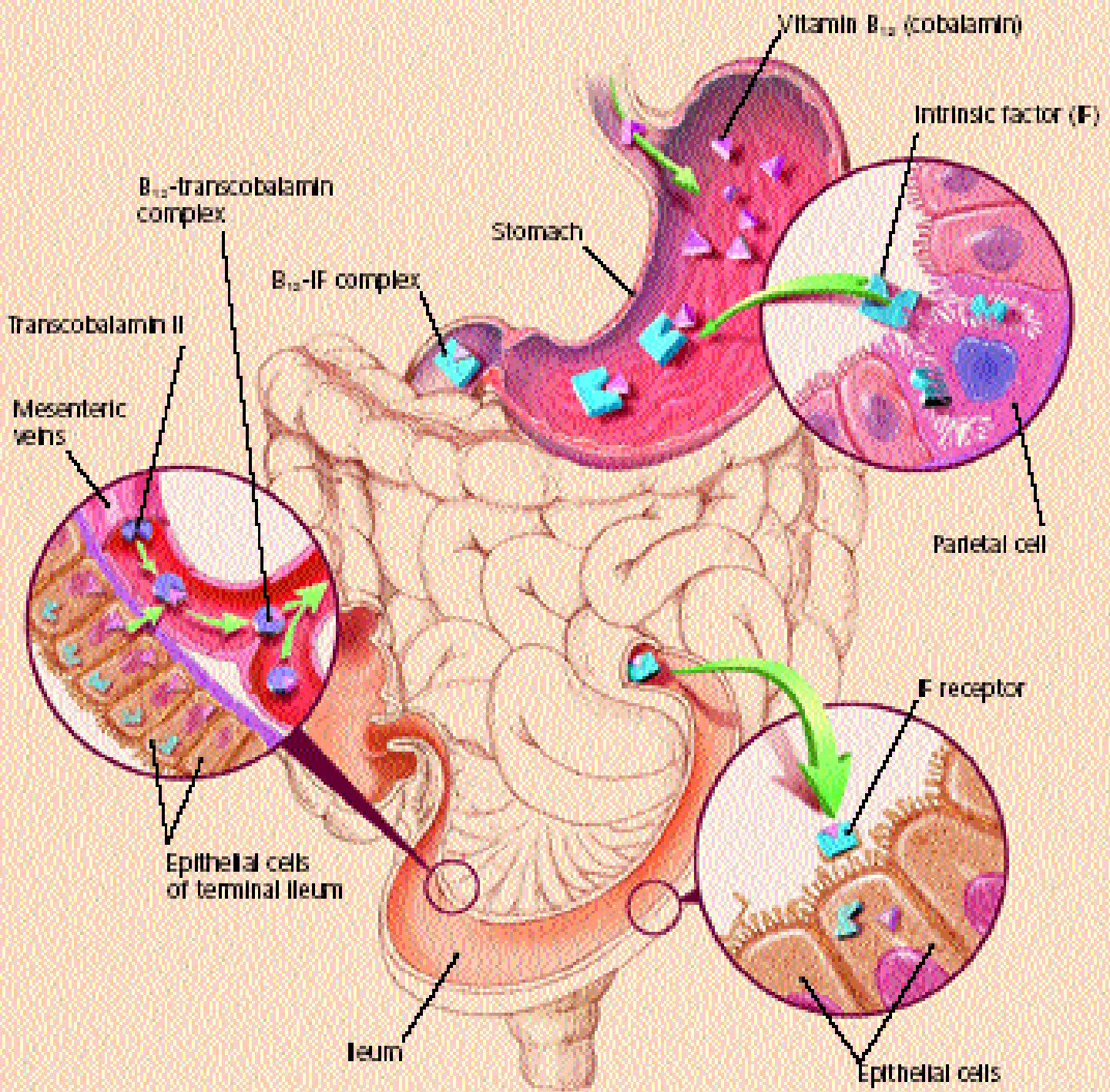
# Δακτυλιοειδείς σιδηροβλάστες



# Ταξινόμηση WHO

	Περιφερικό αίμα	Μυελός οστών
<b>Ανθεκτική αναιμία (RA)</b>	Αναιμία χωρίς βλάστες	Δυσπλασία ερυθράς σειράς
<b>Ανθεκτική αναιμία με δακτυλιοειδείς σιδηροβλάστες (RARS)</b>	Αναιμία χωρίς βλάστες	Δυσπλασία ερυθράς σειράς Δακτ. σιδηροβλάστες
<b>Ανθεκτική κυτταροπενία πολλαπλών σειρών (RCMD)</b>	Κυτταροπενία 2 ή 3 σειρών	Δυσπλασία 2 ή 3 σειρών
<b>Ανθεκτική κυτταροπενία πολλαπλών σειρών με δακτυλιοειδείς σιδηροβλάστες (RCMD-RS)</b>	Κυτταροπενία 2 ή 3 σειρών	Δυσπλασία 2 ή 3 σειρών Δακτ σιδηροβλάστες
<b>Ανθεκτική αναιμία με περίσσεια βλαστών 1 &amp; 2 (RAEB 1&amp;2)</b>	Κυτταροπενία βλάστες <5–19%	Βλάστες 5-20%
<b>Αταξινόμητο ΜΔΣ (MDS-U)</b>	Κυτταροπενία	Δυσπλασία μυελικής ή μεγακ. σειράς
<b>ΜΔΣ με del5q (5q- syndrome)</b>	Αναιμία Θρομβοκυττάρωση	del5q
<b>Χρόνια μυελομονοκυτταρική λευχαιμία (CMML)</b>	Μονοκύτταρα >1000/μl Βλάστες <5-19%	Βλάστες <10-19%

# **MATURATION DISORDER**



# Έλλειψη B12

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# Κλινικές εκδηλώσεις

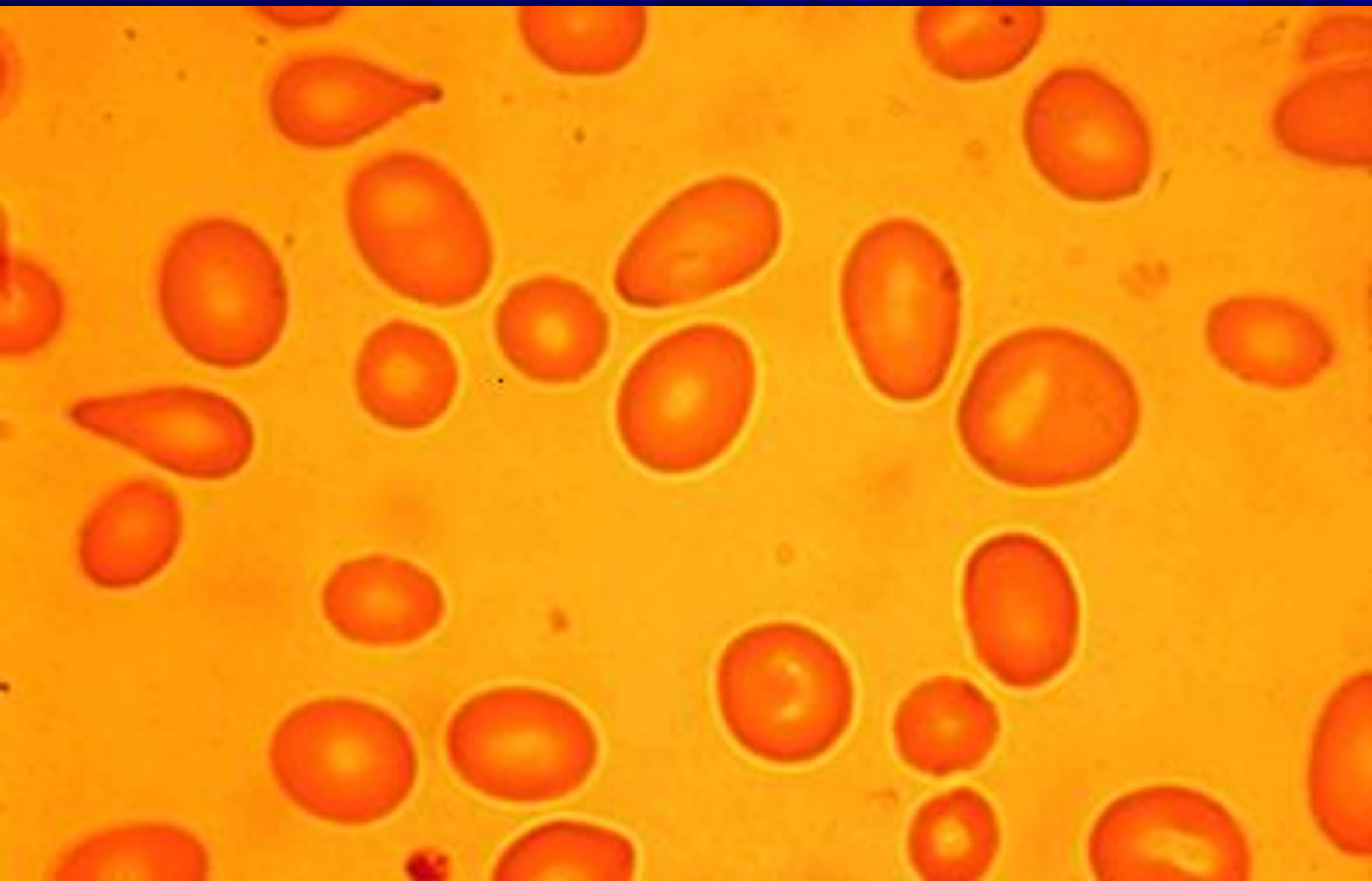
- Αναιμία (λεμονοειδής χροιά δέρματος)
- Νευροψυχιατρικές εκδηλώσεις (ΜΟΝΟ σε ανεπάρκεια Β12)
  - διαταραχή μνήμης – συγκέντρωσης, άνοια
  - Περιφερική νευροπάθεια (διαταραχή εν τω βάθει αισθητικότητας, παραισθησίες, αδυναμία, σπαστικότητα, αστάθεια βάδισης) – υποξεία συνδυασμένη εκφύλιση (οπίσθιων και πλάγιων δεματίων)
- Γλωσσίτιδα

## Glossitis and Chelosis – Fe and B12

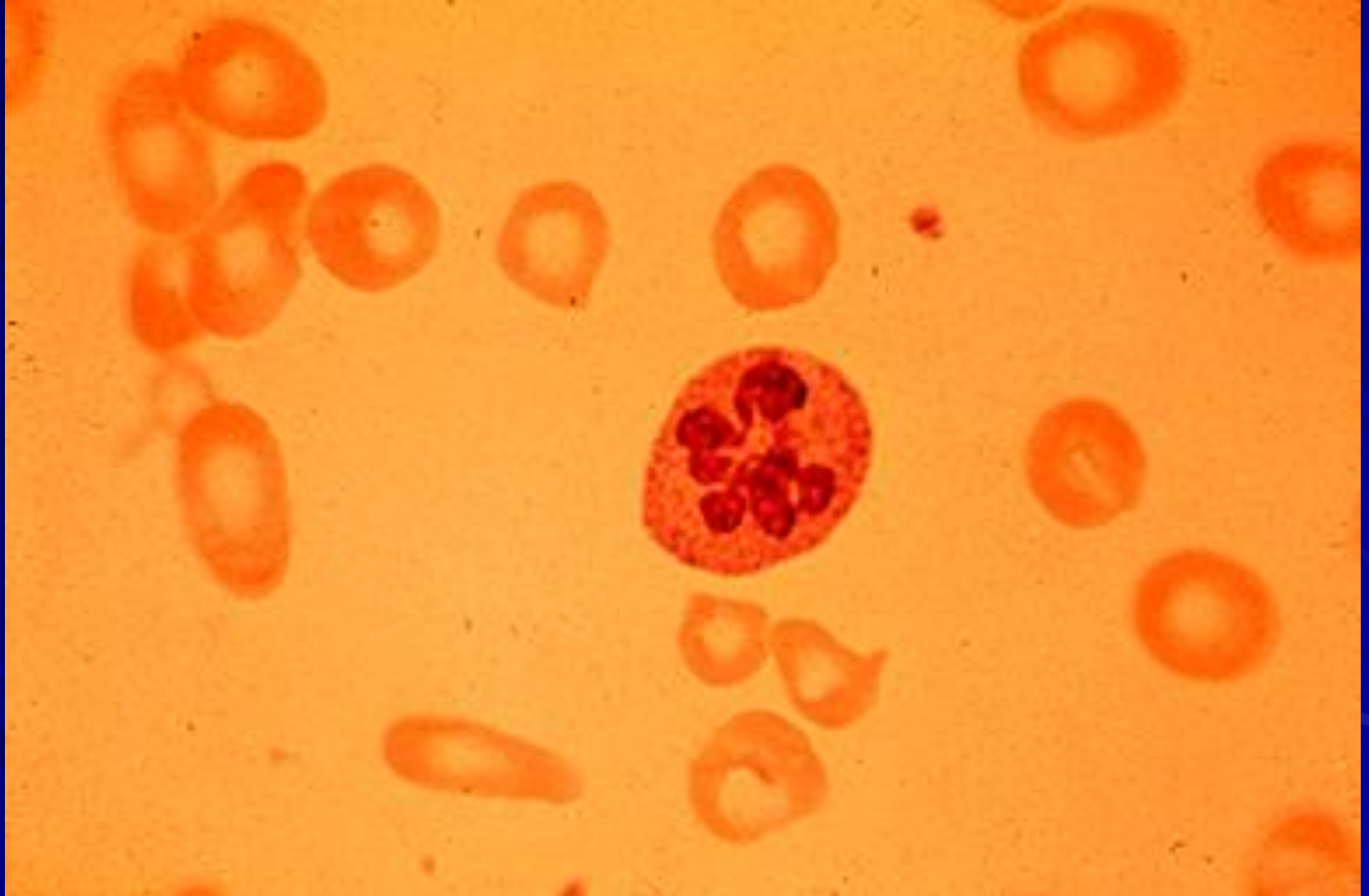


# Εργαστηριακά ευρήματα

- Μακροκυττάρωση –  $MCV > 100$
- Πολυκατάτμητα ουδετερόφιλα
- Μεγαλοβλάστωση μυελού
- Αύξηση LDH – έμμεση υπερχολερυθριναιμία
- Λευκοπενία – θρομβοπενία
- Αύξηση ομοκυστεΐνης και μεθειονίνης

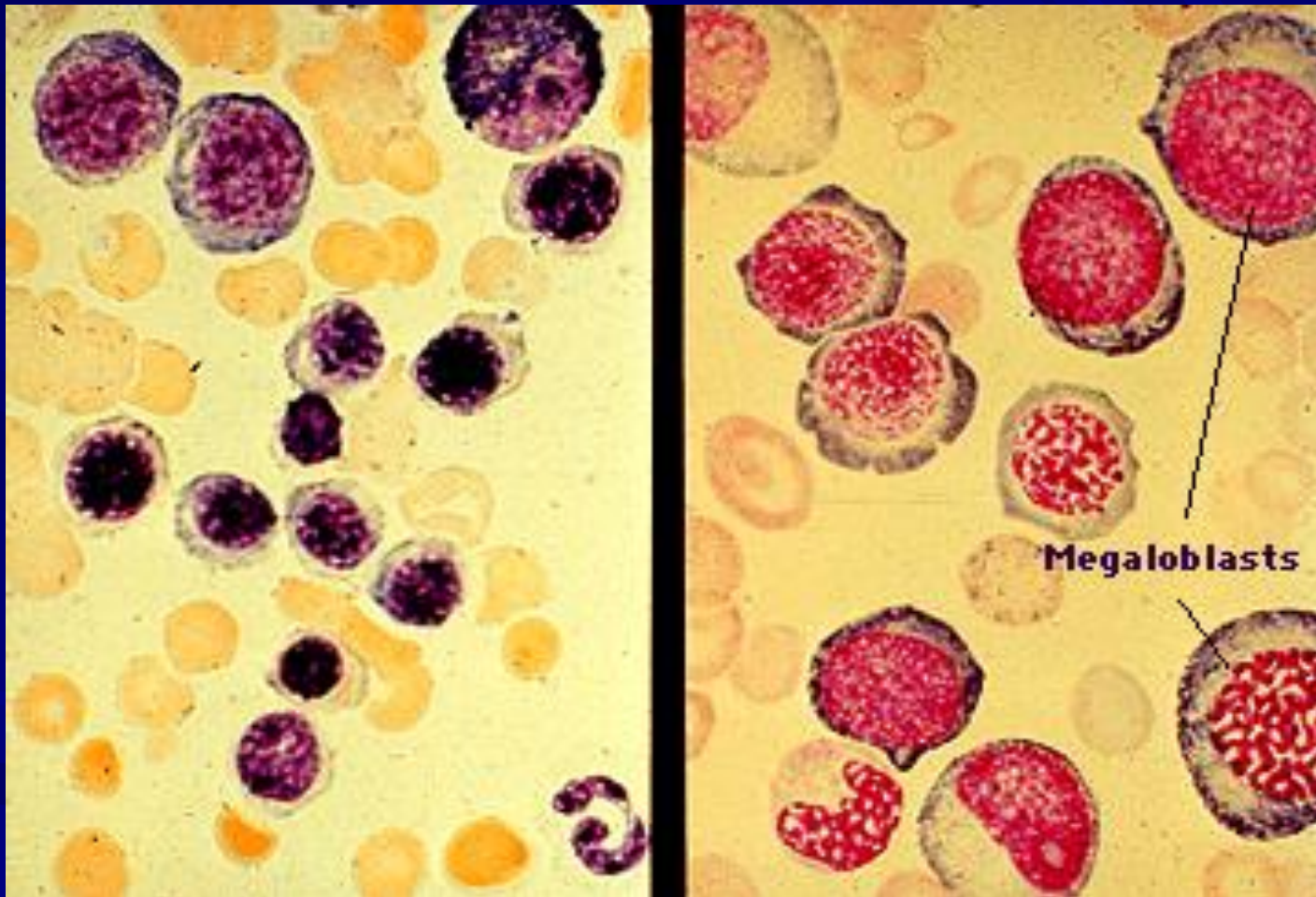


# Πολυκατάτμητα πολυμορφοπύρρηνα





# Μεγαλοβλάστες



# ΘΕΡΑΠΕΙΑ

## ■ Αντικατάσταση

- 1000 µg / wk X 8 wks im
- 1000 µg / month im / for life
- or
- 2 mg crystalline B12 pos / daily
  
- 1 mg folate /daily
  
- Folinic acid if due to drugs
  - 100 – 200 mg/d
  - rescuvolin

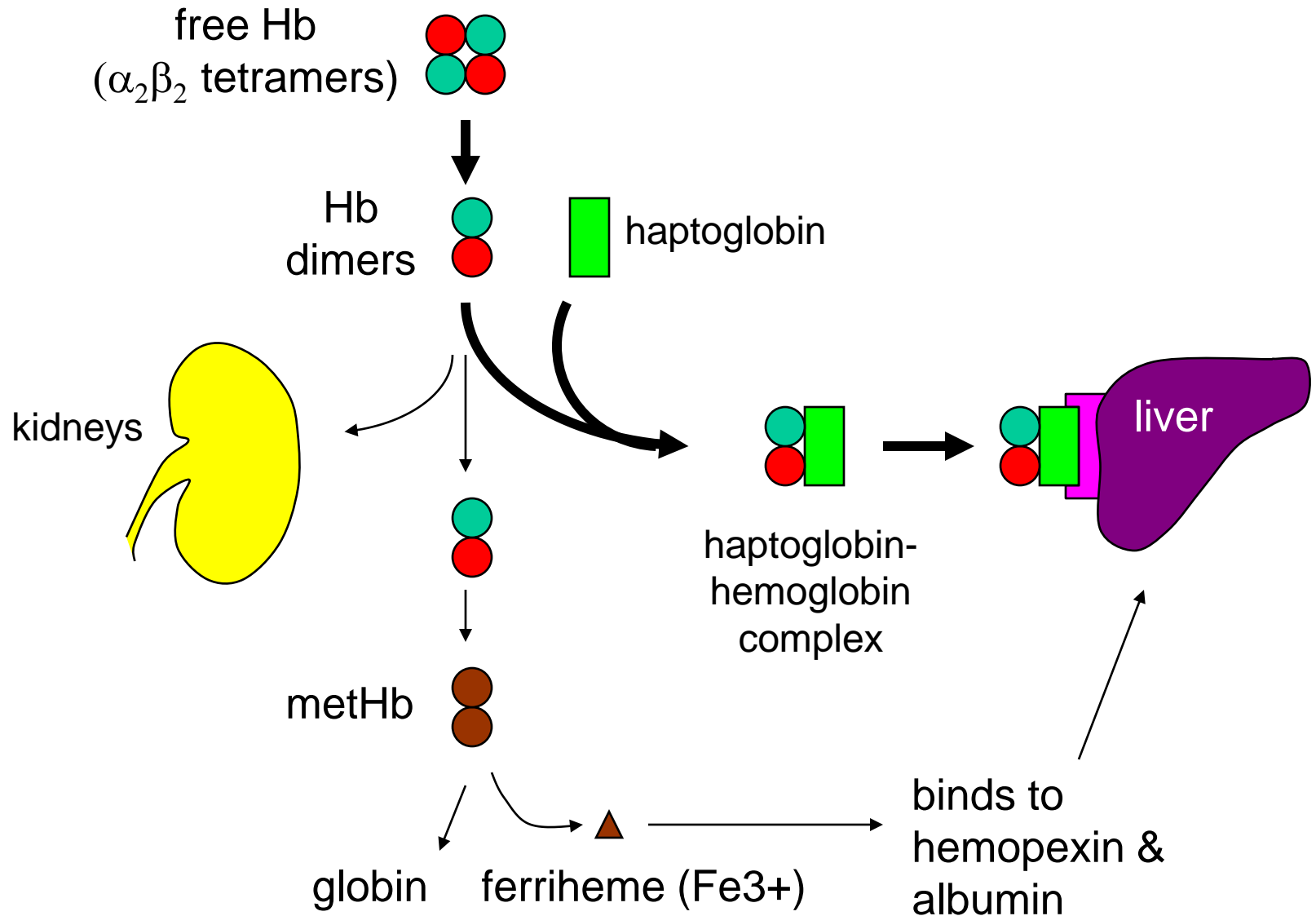


# ΑΙΜΟΛΥΣΗ/ΑΙΜΟΡΡΑΓΙΑ

# Normal red cell turnover

- normal RBC survival of  $\sim$  120 days
- macrophages of the reticuloendothelial (RE) system removes RBC's
  - unclear what marks a red cell for removal
  - spleen is major site of RBC clearance
- RE system is extravascular
  - 90% of normal RBC destruction occurs without release of hemoglobin into circulation.

# The fate of intravascular hemoglobin



# Αιμόλυση καταστροφή RBCs

## Extravascular Hemolysis

Ingested by RE cell  
(spleen & liver)



Heme



Globin



Reutilized

Iron

Protoporphyrin



Reutilized

bilirubin

## Intravascular Hemolysis

Hgb liberated  
in blood vessel



Hgb + haptoglobin



↓ Serum  
haptoglobin



Hgb + albumin



+ hemalbumin  
& plasma Hgb

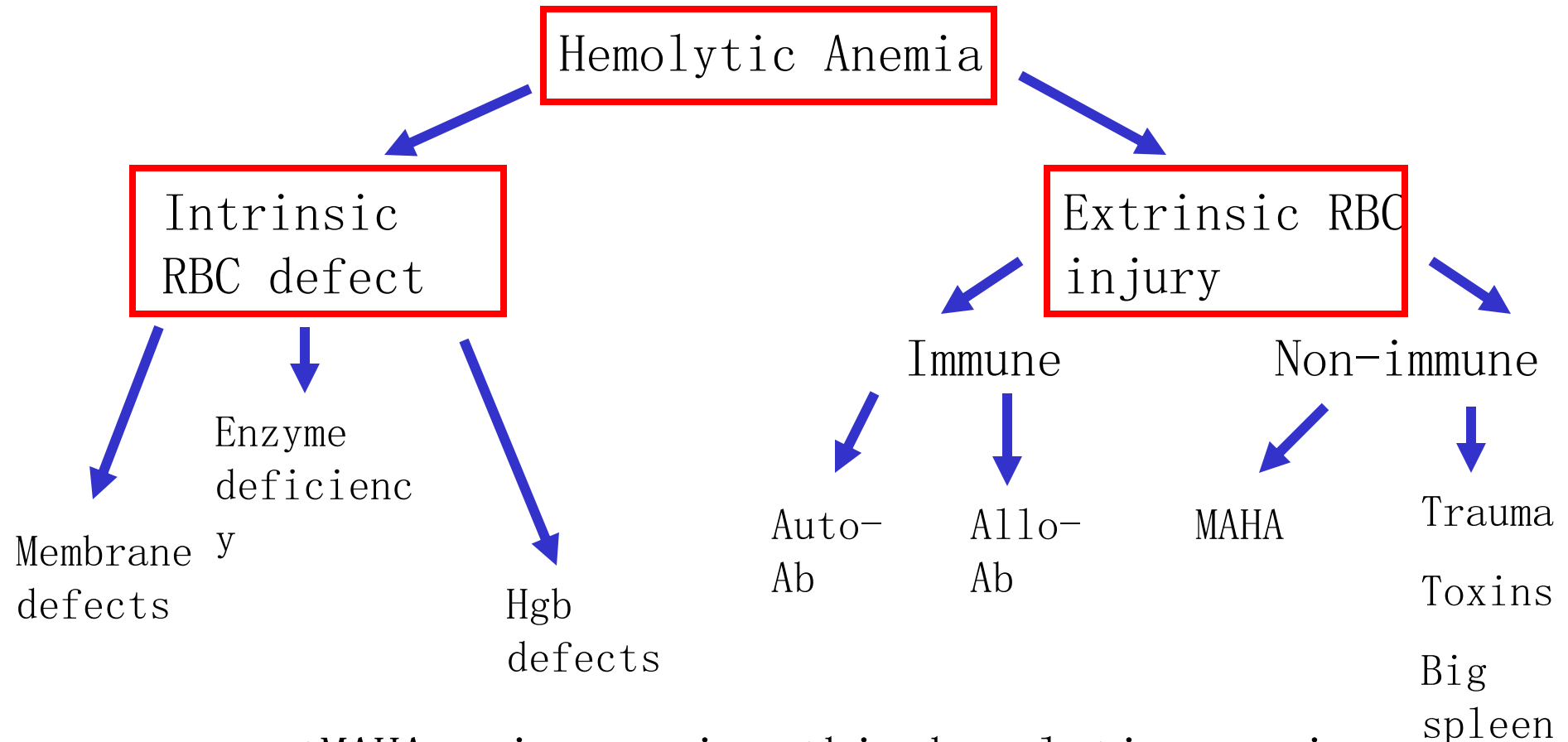


Hgb excreted  
in urine



+  
hemoglobinuria  
& hemosidenuria

# Διαφορική διάγνωση

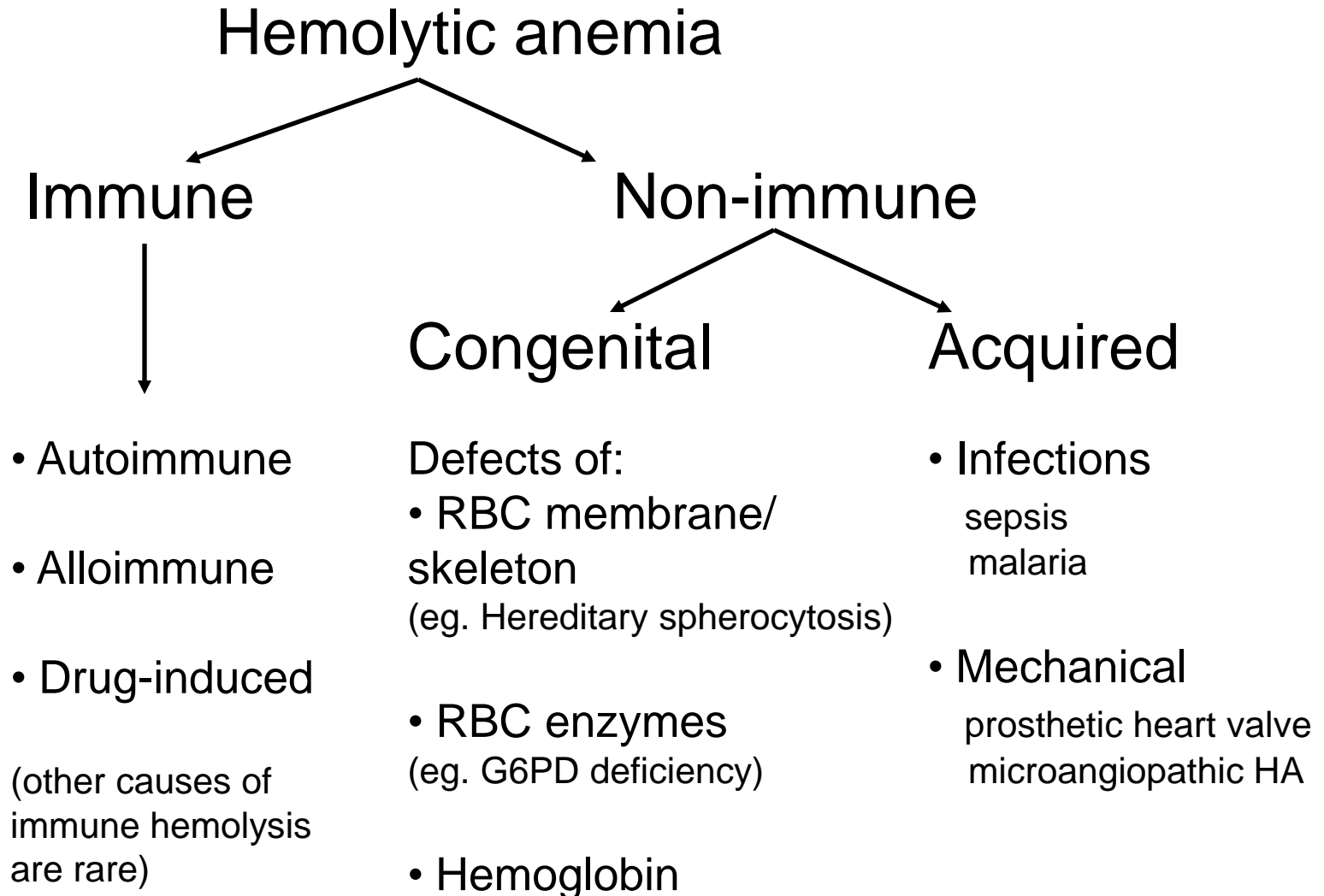


\*MAHA: microangiopathic hemolytic anemia

# Extravascular vs Intravascular hemolysis

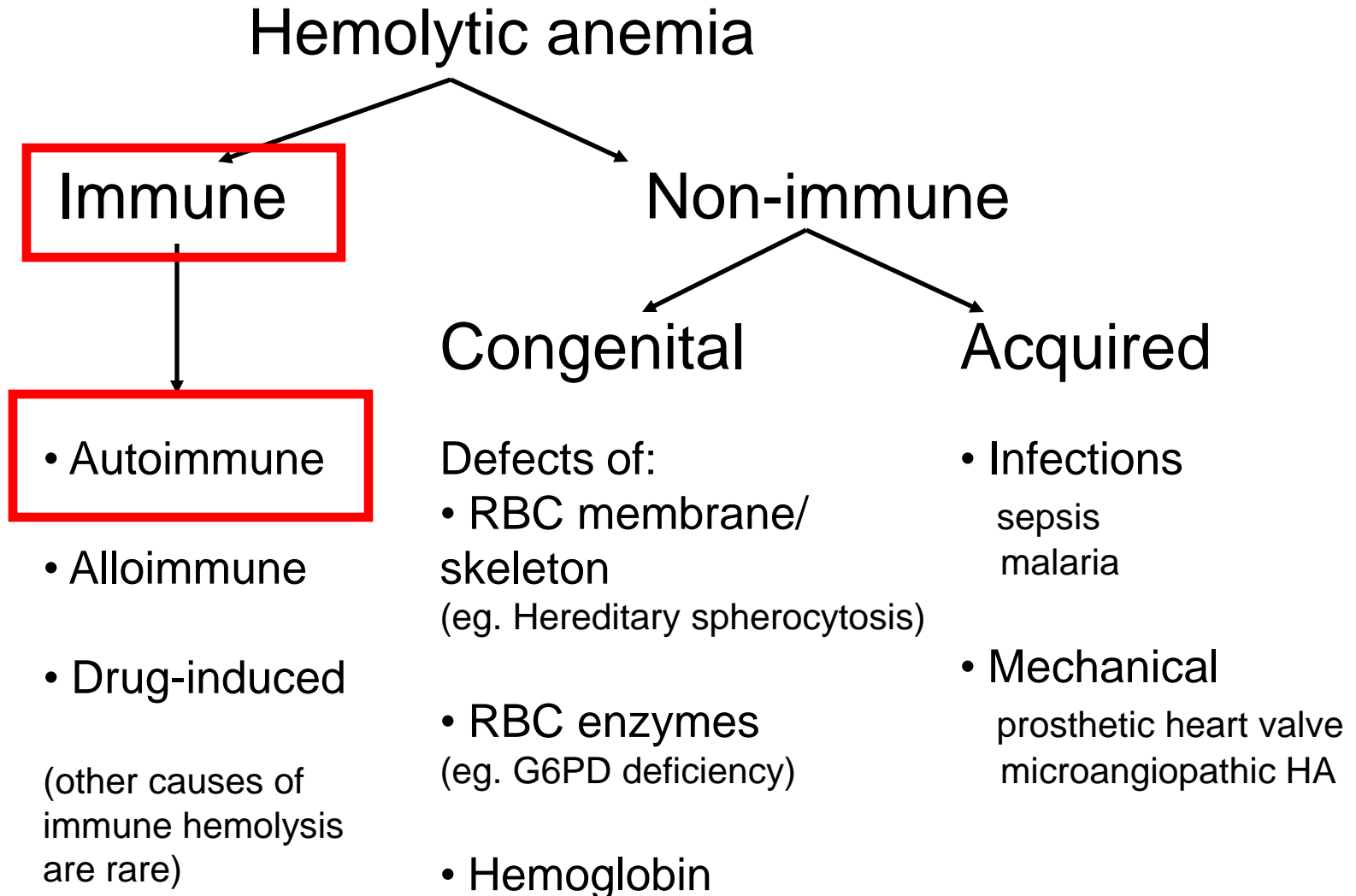
Test	Extravascular Hemolysis	Intravascular Hemolysis
LD	↑	↑↑
bilirubin	↑	↑
haptoglobin	N to absent	absent
hemoglobinuria	absent	present
free Hb in plasma	absent	present
urine hemosiderin	absent	present

# An approach to hemolytic anemia





# An approach to hemolytic anemia



# Immune hemolysis

- most frequent cause of hemolysis
- due to IgG or complement on red cells
  - tags the red cell for phagocytosis
  - spherocytes if incomplete phagocytosis
  - lysis of RBC occurs if complement cascade goes to completion

# Autoimmune hemolysis

- Most common type of immune hemolysis
- primary (idiopathic)
- secondary
  - autoimmune hemolysis secondary to:
    - autoimmune condition (such as SLE)
    - infection
    - lymphoma or CLL

# Diagnosis of immune hemolytic anemia

- 1. Direct Antiglobulin Test (DAT or direct Coomb's test)
  - detects IgG or complement **on patient's red cells**
  - the vast majority of patients with active immune hemolysis will have a positive DAT.
- 2. Indirect Antiglobulin Test (IAT, indirect Coomb's test)
  - detects antibody **in patient's serum** against red cell antigens
  - A positive IAT does not necessarily mean hemolysis is occurring - It may simply mean allo-immunization due to previous exposure to "foreign" red cell antigens (past pregnancy or transfusion).
- 3. Peripheral Blood Film: spherocytes

# Warm Auto Antibodies (IgG)

- Types of IgG

- IgG1 → 80%

- IgG2 } 5%
  - IgG3 }

- IgG4 → 15%

- Affinity for complement

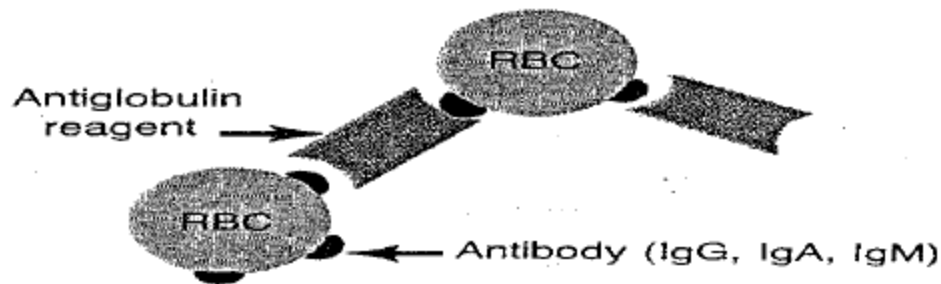
- G3 > G1 > G2 > G4

⏟  
minimal

# Cold Auto Antibodies (IgM)

- IgM directed against 'Antigen I' on red cells
- Seen in
  - Elderly
  - Lymphomas
  - Infections - EBV, mycoplasma
- DAT (Coombs) - + for C3, negative for IgG
- Treat - stay warm

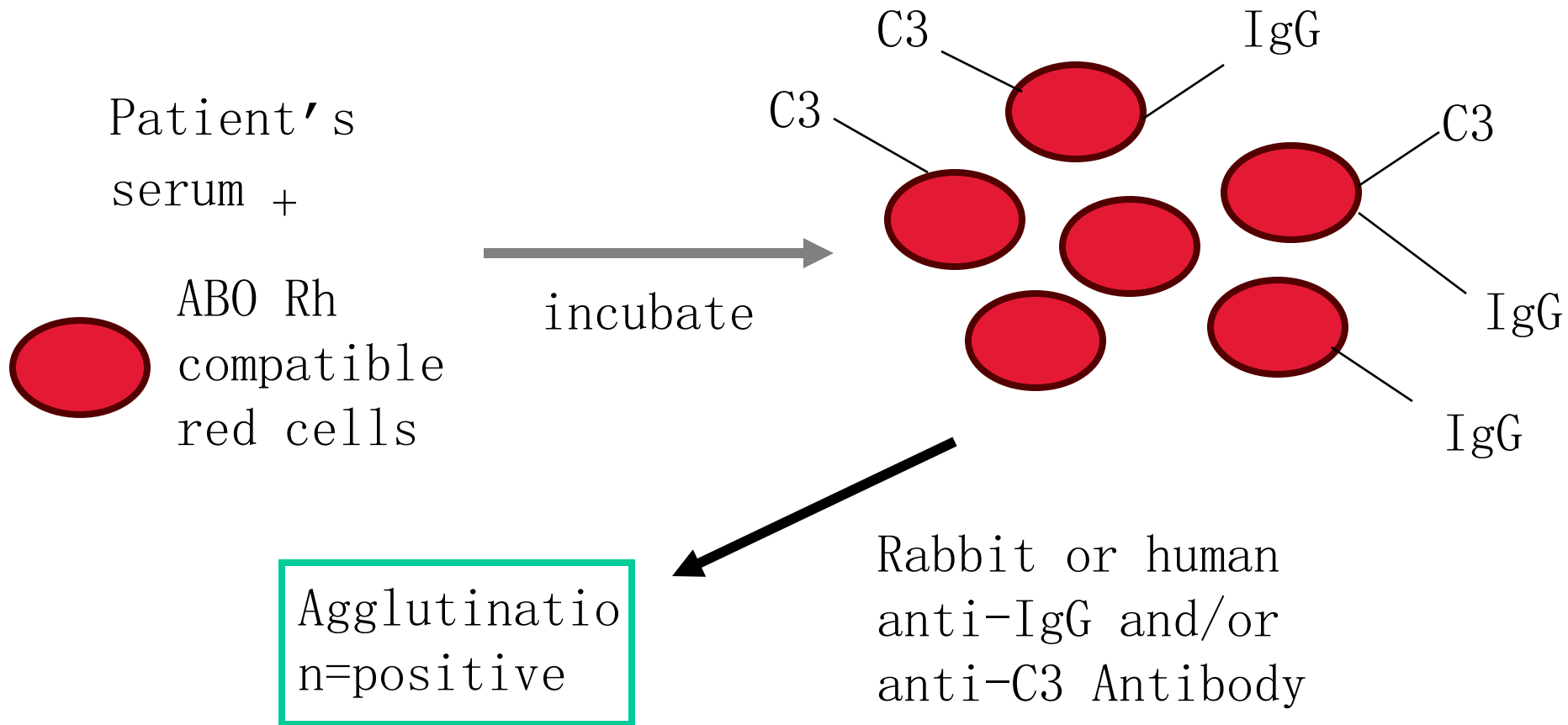
# Coombs' or antiglobulin test



- Helps differentiate the cause of hemolysis
  - Hapten related: direct +, indirect -
  - Immune complex: direct +/- (complement +)
  - Autoimmune: direct + (without hemolysis in some patients), indirect + in some, remains elevated for up to 2 years



# Indirect antiglobulin test (aka Indirect Coombs Test)



# IMMUNE HEMOLYSIS

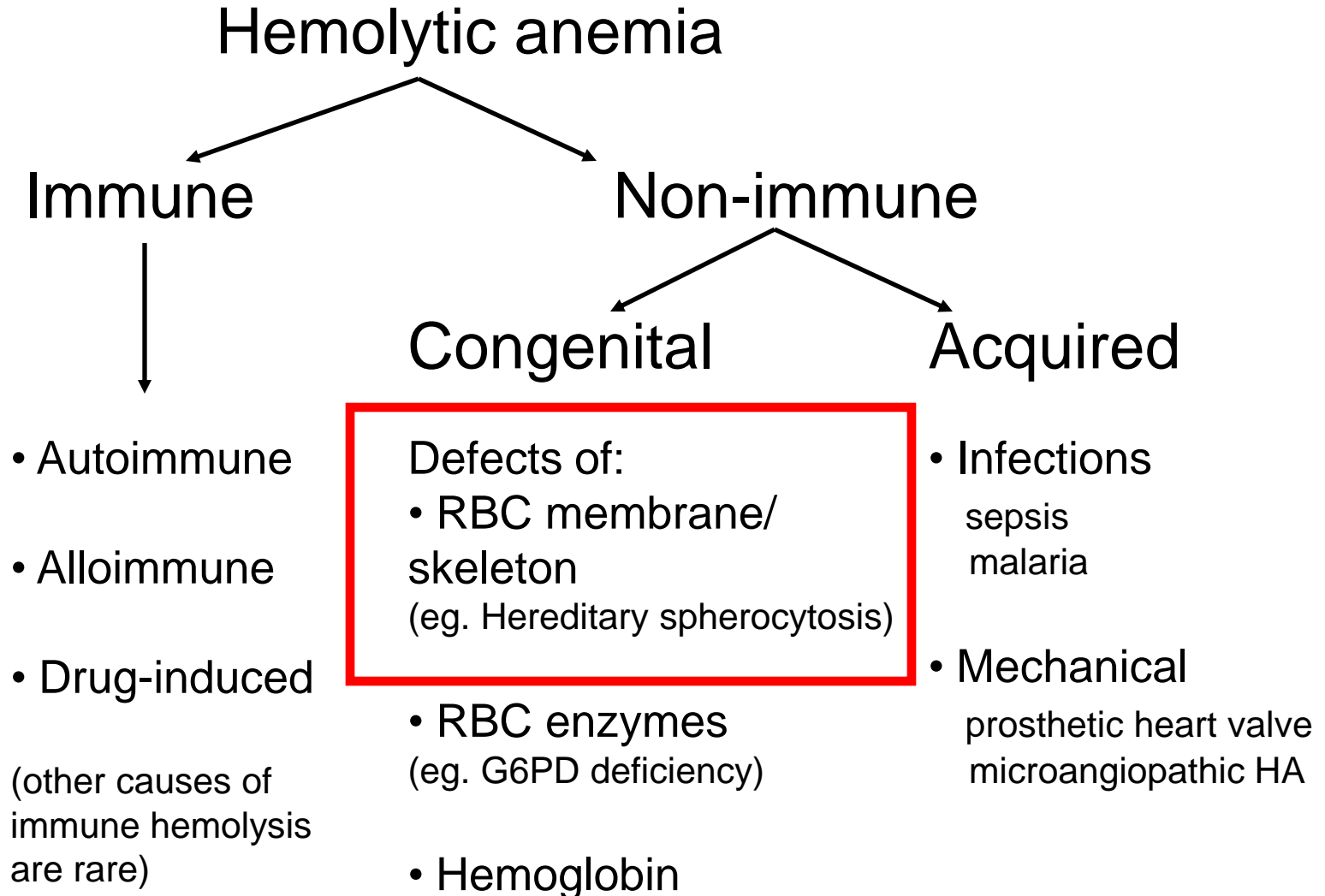
## *Drug-Related*

- Immune Complex Mechanism
  - Quinidine, Quinine, Isoniazid
- “Haptenic” Immune Mechanism
  - Penicillins, Cephalosporins
- True Autoimmune Mechanism
  - Methyldopa, L-DOPA, Procaineamide, Ibuprofen

# Treatment of autoimmune hemolysis

- treat the underlying cause, if there is one
- stop suspect drugs if possible
- prednisone
- transfuse RBC's, if needed

# An approach to hemolytic anemia



# Membrane defects

- Hereditary vs acquired
  - Spherocytosis
  - Elliptocytosis
  - Stomatocytosis

# Membrane defects

- Abnormal shape of red cells
- Decreased flexibility of RBC membrane
- Inability to pass through spleen
  - “conditioned” by spleen
  - Membrane loss

# Hereditary spherocytosis

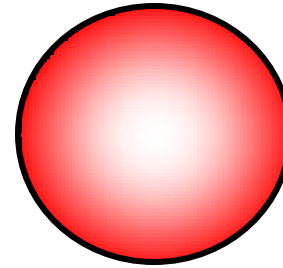
- most common inherited red cell membrane disorder
  - 1/5000 in northern European populations
- autosomal dominant
- caused by mutations in the genes that encode RBC membrane cytoskeleton proteins.

# Normal

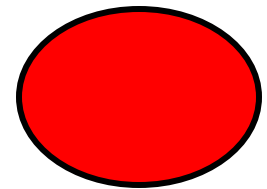
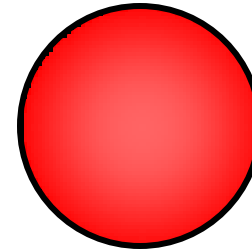
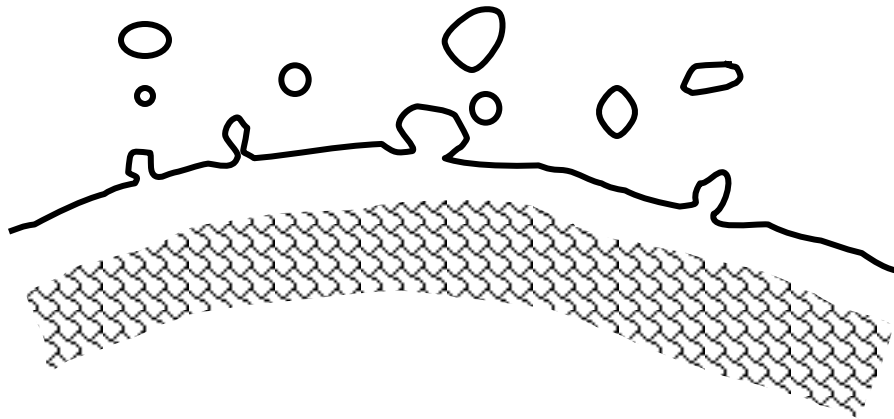
membrane



cytoskeleton



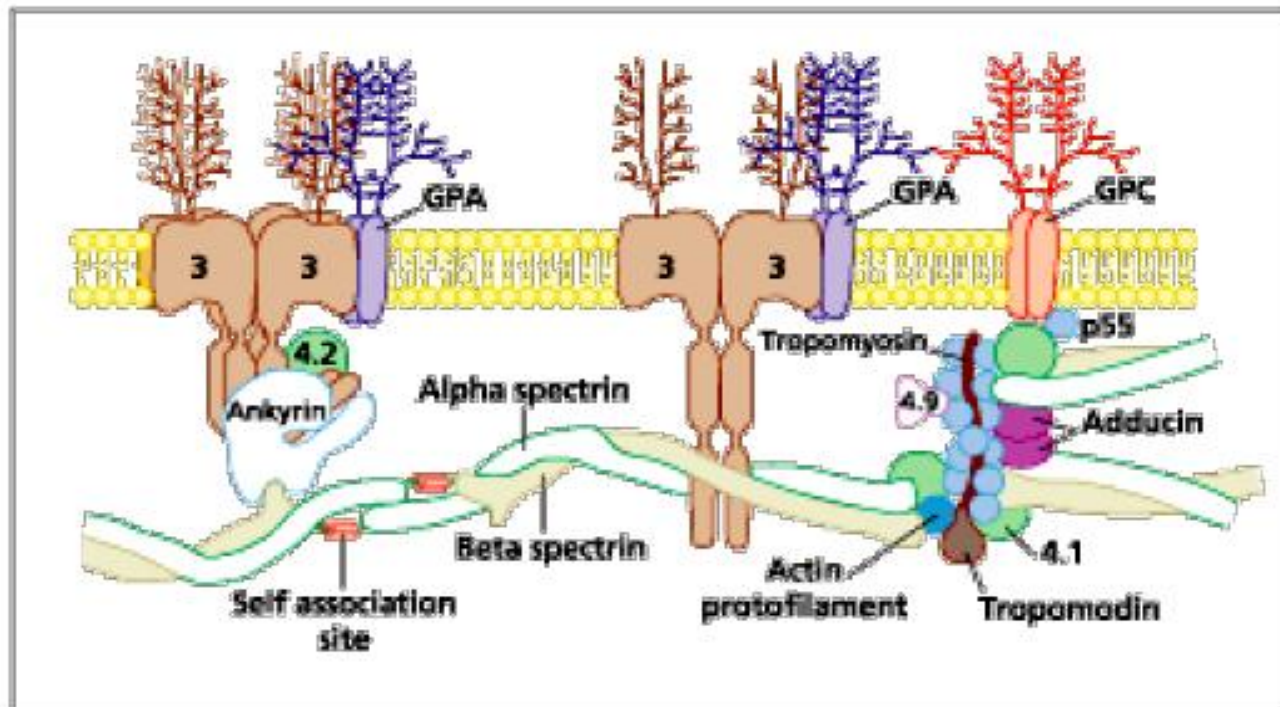
# Hereditary spherocytosis



loss of membrane = loss of SA = loss of deformability = increased splenic clearance

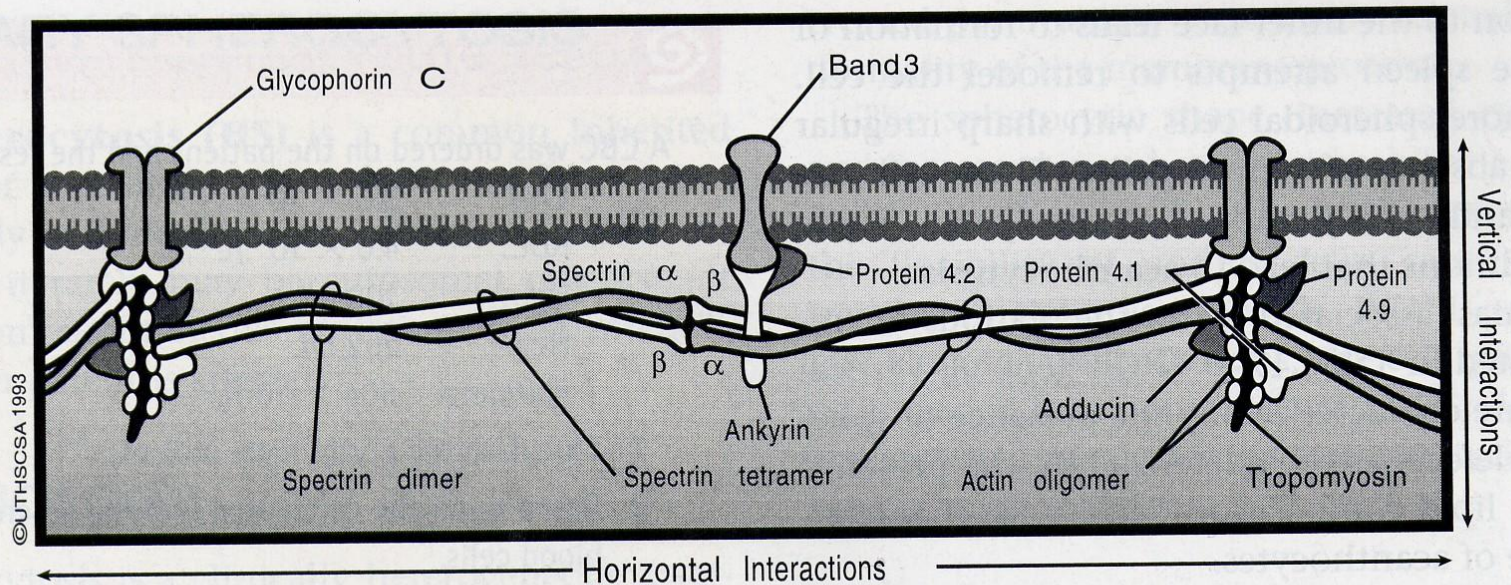


# Membrane defects

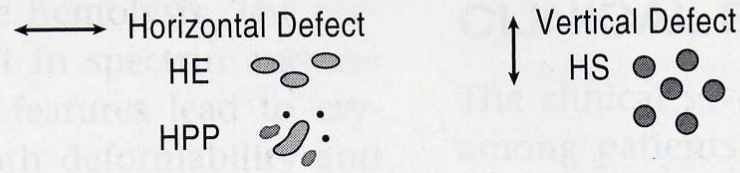


Model of RBC membrane

# Membrane defect in HS



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# Hereditary spherocytosis

- Spherocytes are cleared by the spleen more rapidly
  - lack of deformability means they cannot squeeze through the sieve-like slits of the spleen.

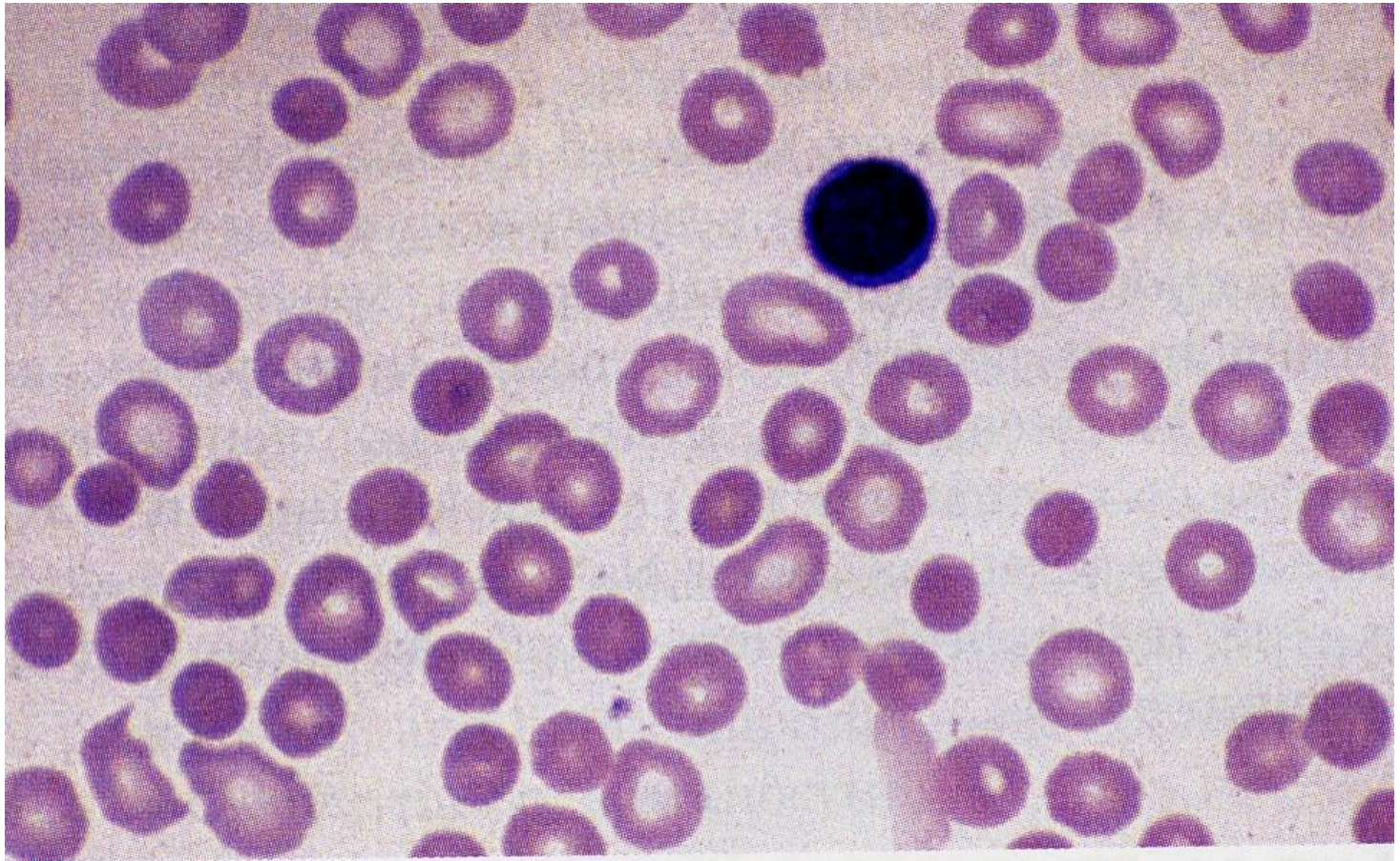
# Hereditary spherocytosis

- Clinical features:
  - clinical severity varies
  - most have mild to moderate anemia
  - splenomegaly, cholelithiasis, jaundice may occur
- Laboratory features
  - hemolytic anemia with spherocytes
  - osmotic fragility test
  - negative DAT



# Blood Smear

*Spherocytes*



# Osmotic Fragility

	•Normal	•HS
<u>[NaCl]</u>	<u>% Lysis</u>	<u>% Lysis</u>
1.0% NS	0	0
.75% NS	10	20
.50% NS	30	60
.25% NS	70	90
.00% NS	100	100

# Hereditary spherocytosis

- Treatment
  - most patients do not need treatment
  - splenectomy
  - counsel patient and family about inheritance

# Hereditary elliptocytosis

- Autosomal dominant
- Ddx
  - Iron deficiency
  - Thalassemia
  - Megaloblastic anemia



# Hereditary elliptocytosis

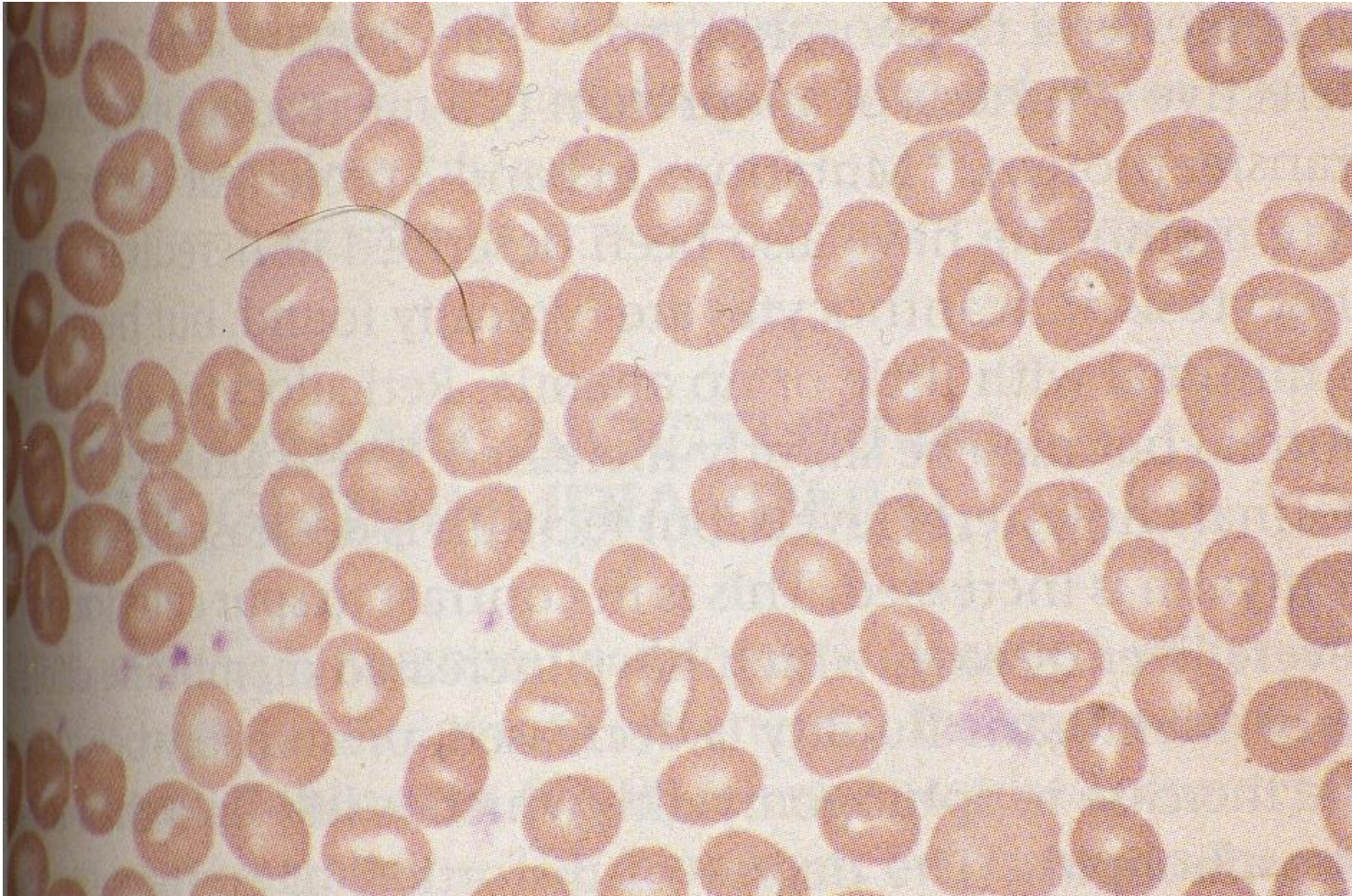


# Hereditary stomatocytosis

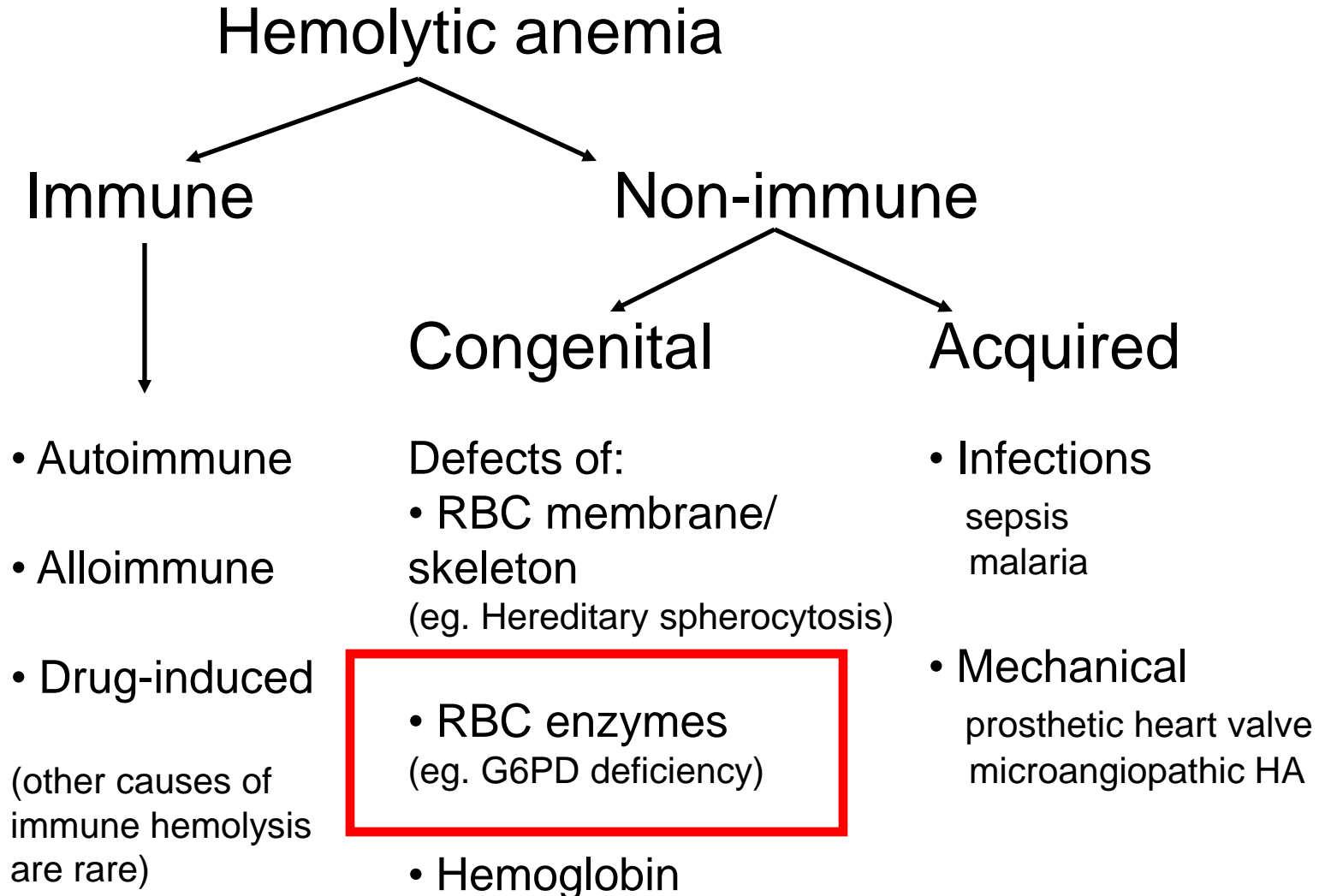
- Wide transverse slit or stoma
- Few stomatocytes (3-5%) on smear can be normal



# Hereditary stomatocytosis



# An approach to hemolytic anemia



# Enzyme deficiencies

- Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency
- Pyruvate kinase deficiency

# G6PD deficiency

- Most common inherited red cell enzymopathy
  - up to 10% of those with African and Mediterranean descent
- Over 200 million people worldwide
- ? Survival advantage with malaria infection
- X-linked -Extensive polymorphism
- hemolysis is due to increased oxidative damage to red cells

# G6PD deficiency

- clinical severity highly variable
  - Most experience little or no anemia unless exposed to precipitating event or drug
  - precipitants:
    - infections
    - sulfa, primaquine, dapsons
    - fava beans

# G6PD deficiency

## Oxidative stresses

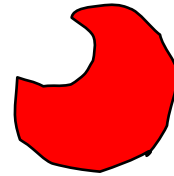
Acetamilide	Sulfamethoxazole
Methylene blue	Sulfamilamide
Napthalene	Sulfapyridine
Nitrofurantoin	Toluidine blue

- Severity of hemolytic anemia depends on
  - the type of defect
  - the level of enzyme activity
  - the severity of oxidant challenge

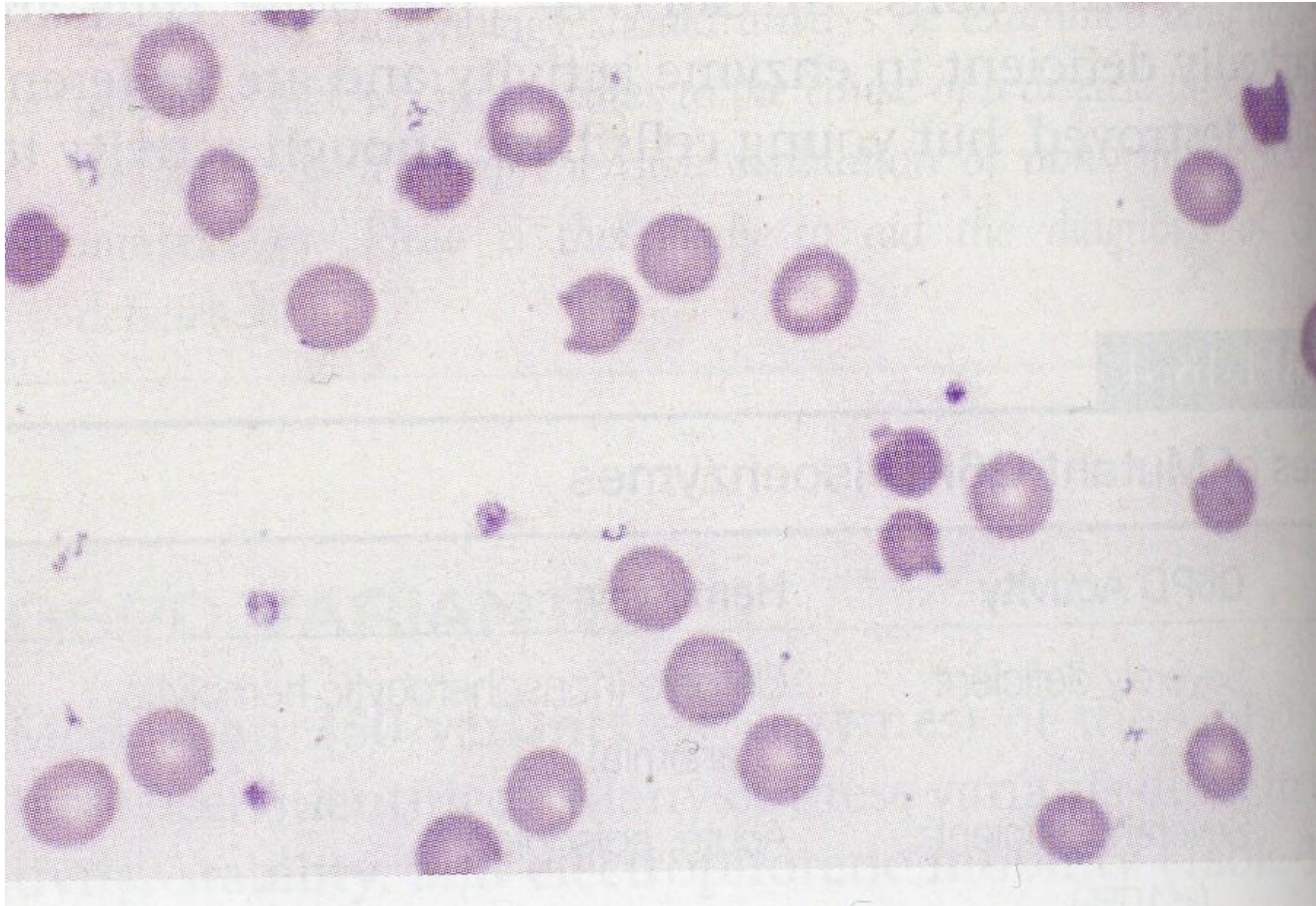


# G6PD deficiency

- Laboratory diagnosis
  - bite cells
  - Heinz bodies
  - measure G6PD level
- Treatment
  - supportive
  - avoid precipitants
  - counsel patient/family



# G6PD deficiency (Heinz body anemia)

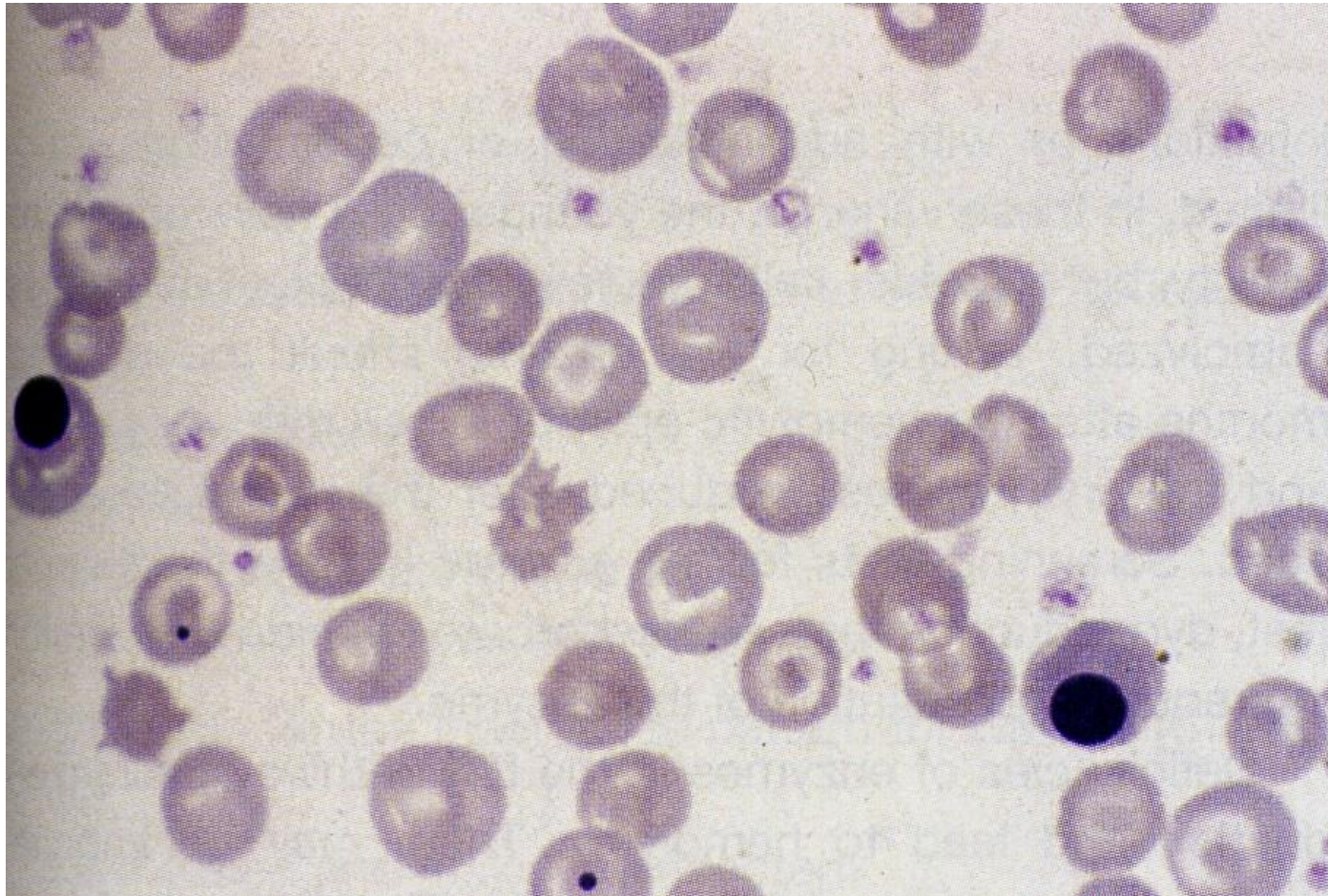


# Pyruvate kinase deficiency

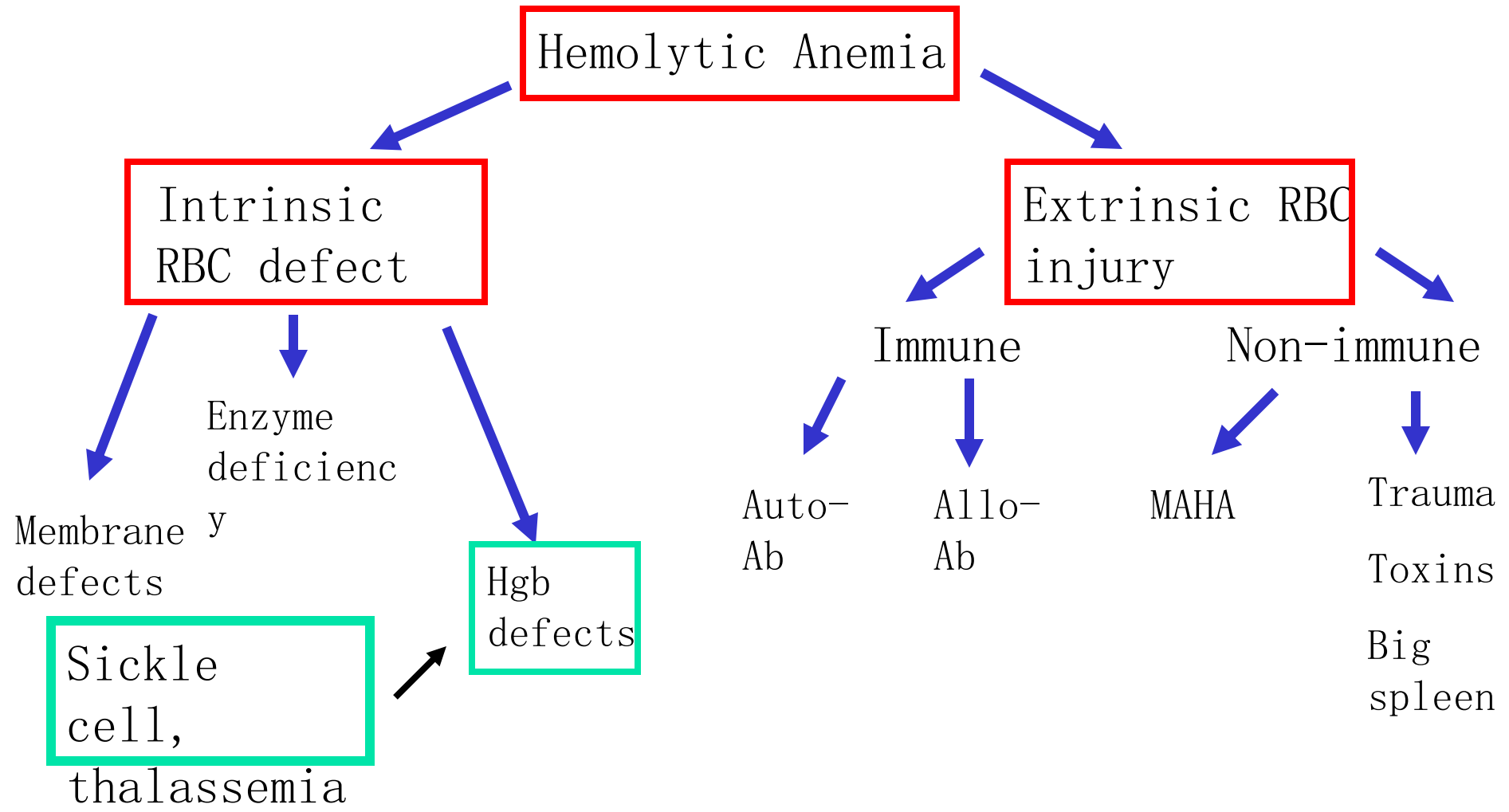
- Defects in glycolytic pathway
  - Decreased production of ATP
- Rare
- Autosomal recessive
- Heterogeneous disorder



# PK deficiency



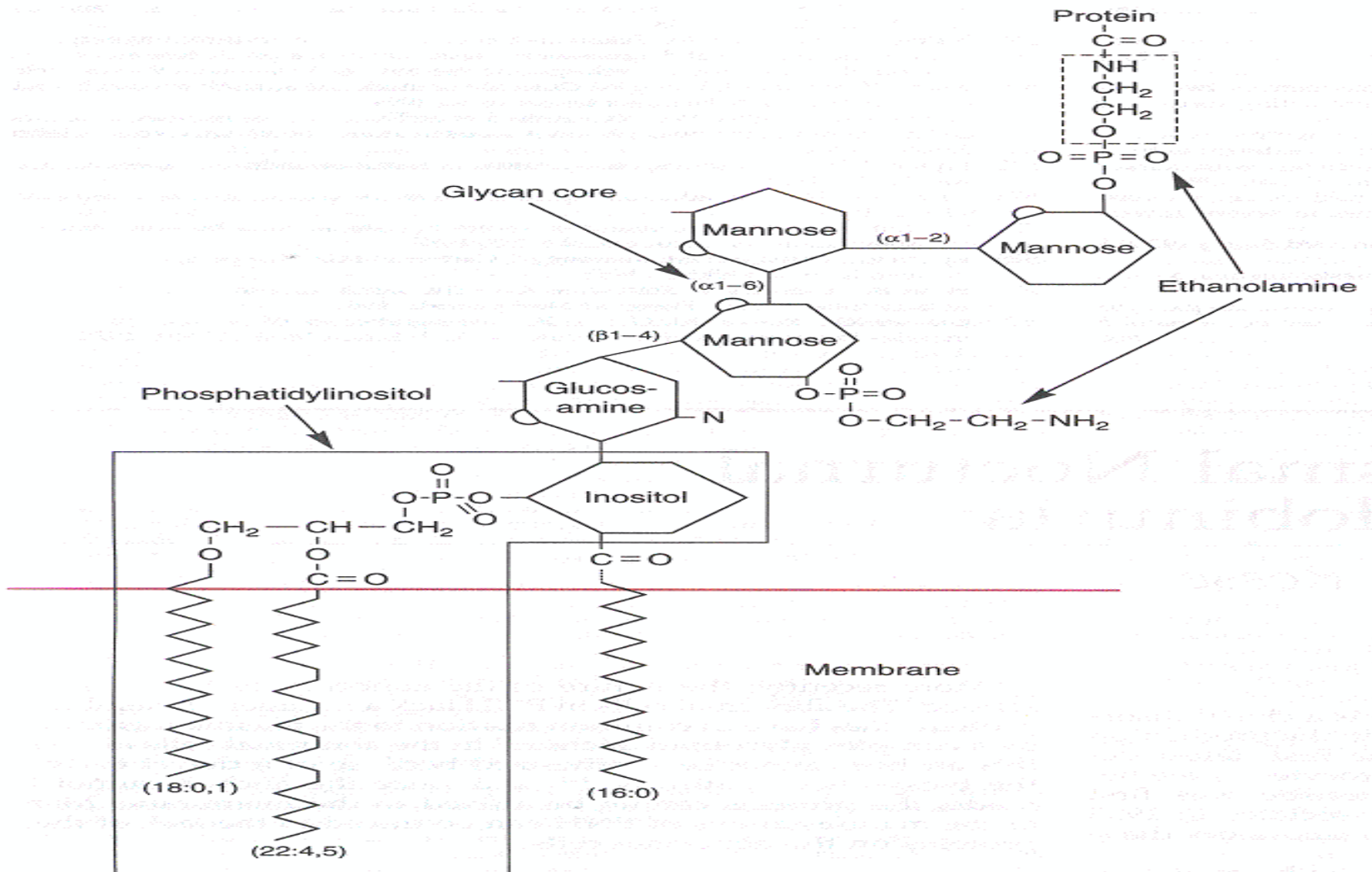
# Differential diagnosis



# Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria

- Clonal cell disorder
- Ongoing Intra- & Extravascular hemolysis; classically at night
- Testing
  - Acid hemolysis (Ham test)
  - Sucrose hemolysis
  - CD-59 negative (Product of PIG-A gene)
- Acquired deficit of GPI-Associated proteins (including Decay Activating Factor)

# GPI BRIDGE



# Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria

## *GPI Proteins*

- GPI links a series of proteins to outer leaf of cell membrane via phosphatidyl inositol bridge, with membrane anchor via diacylglycerol bridge
- PIG-A gene, on X-chromosome, codes for synthesis of this bridge; multiple defects known to cause lack of this bridge
- Absence of decay accelerating factor leads to failure to inactivate complement & thereby to increased cell lysis



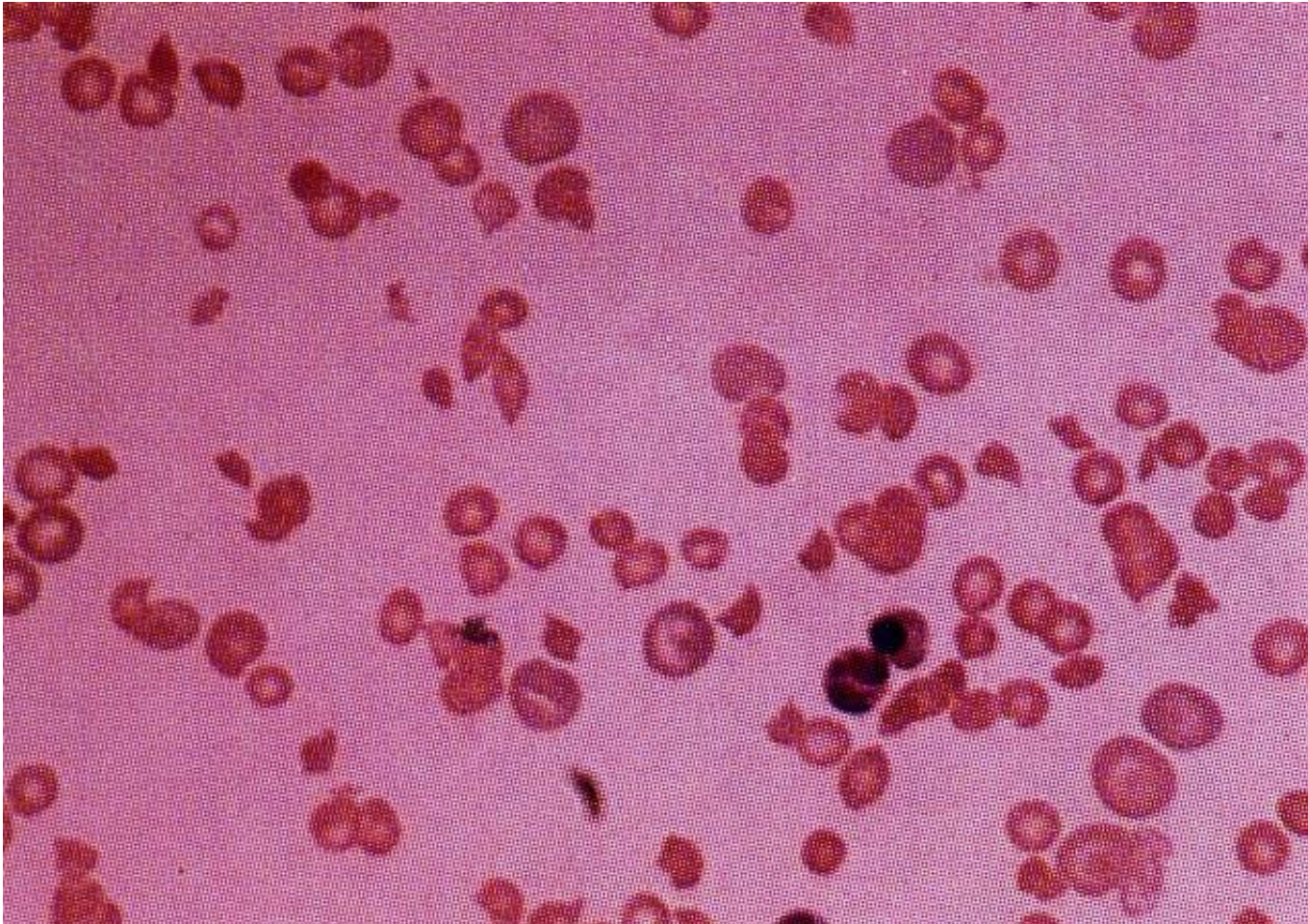


# PNH

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- Clinical findings:
  - The classic presentation is of hemoglobinuria in the first morning urine specimen.
  - The intravascular hemolysis that occurs during sleep may also be triggered by infection, surgery, or drugs.
  - Most patients also have hemosiderinuria.
  - Abdominal and back pain and headaches occur due to thrombosis of the abnormal platelets
- Lab findings:
  - The peripheral smear shows pancytopenia with a normochromic, normocytic anemia and increased reticulocytes.
  - The bone marrow is hyperplastic.
  - The sucrose hemolysis and Ham's tests are positive and there is decreased leukocyte alkaline phosphatase in the granulocytes

# TTP

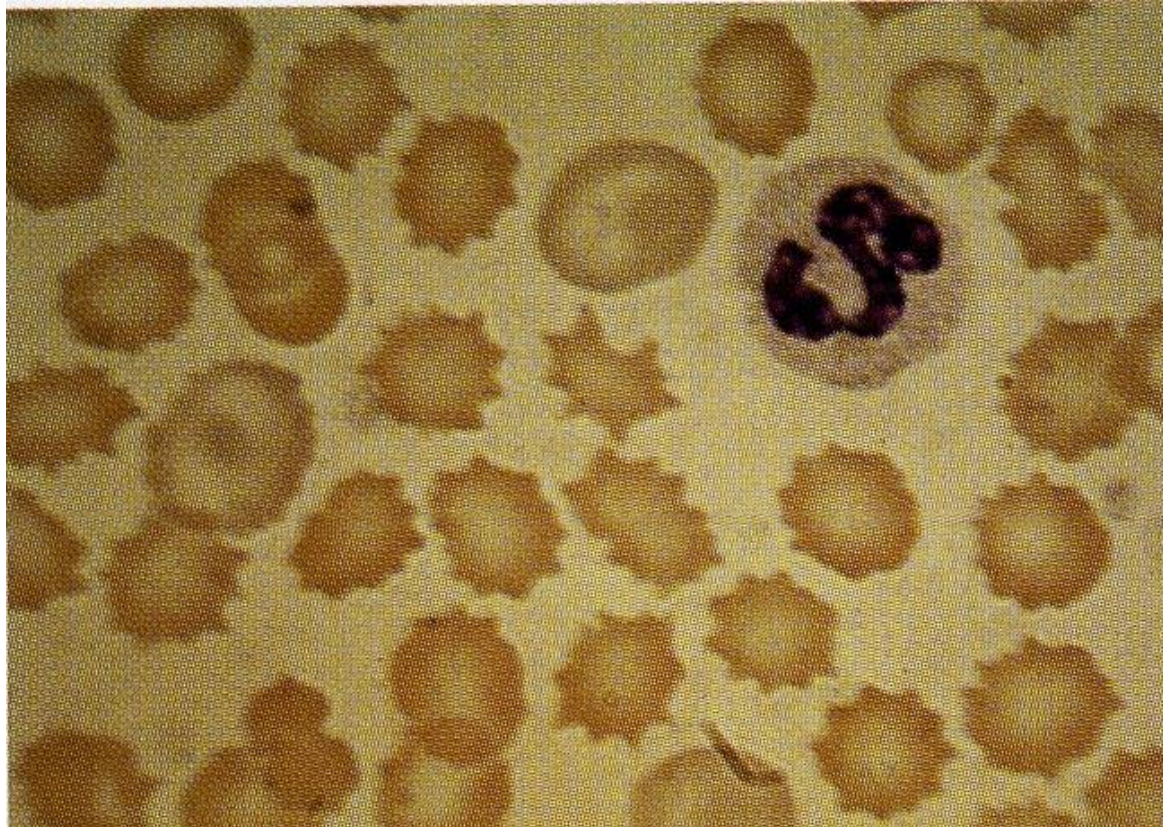






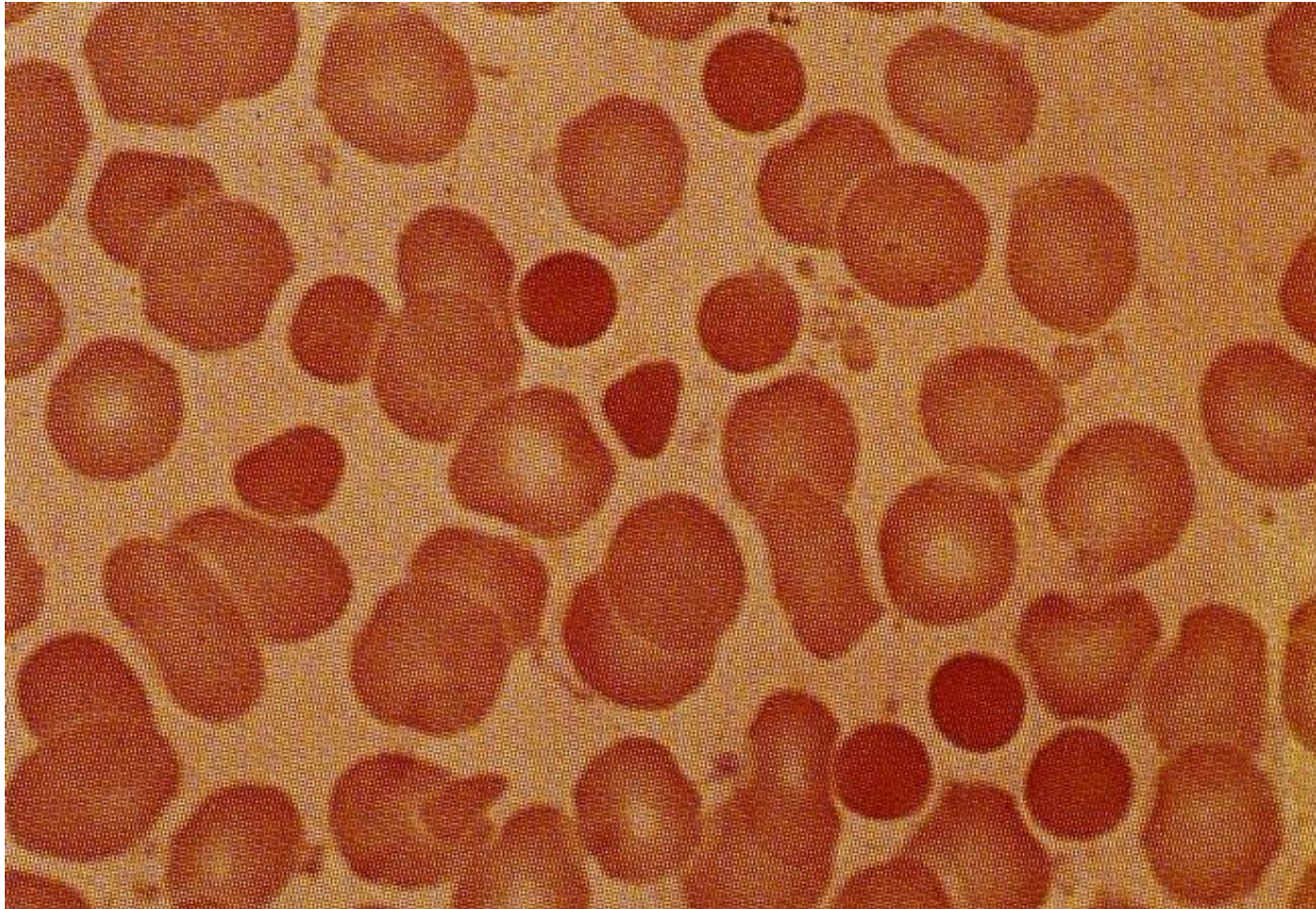
# Spur cell anemia

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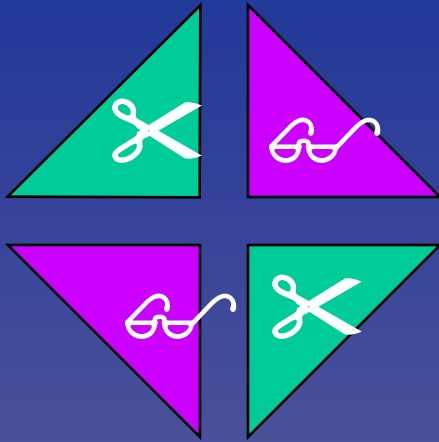
# Thermal injury



# Plasmodium



# Hemoglobins in normal adults



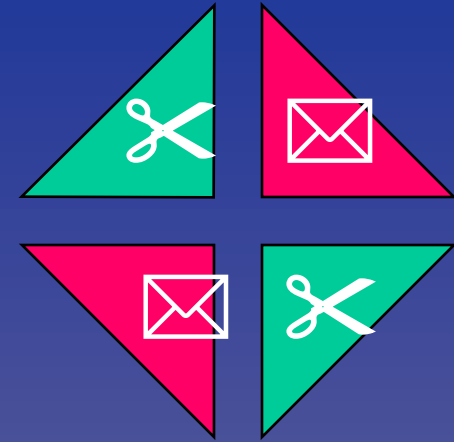
**HbA**

**98%**



**HbF**

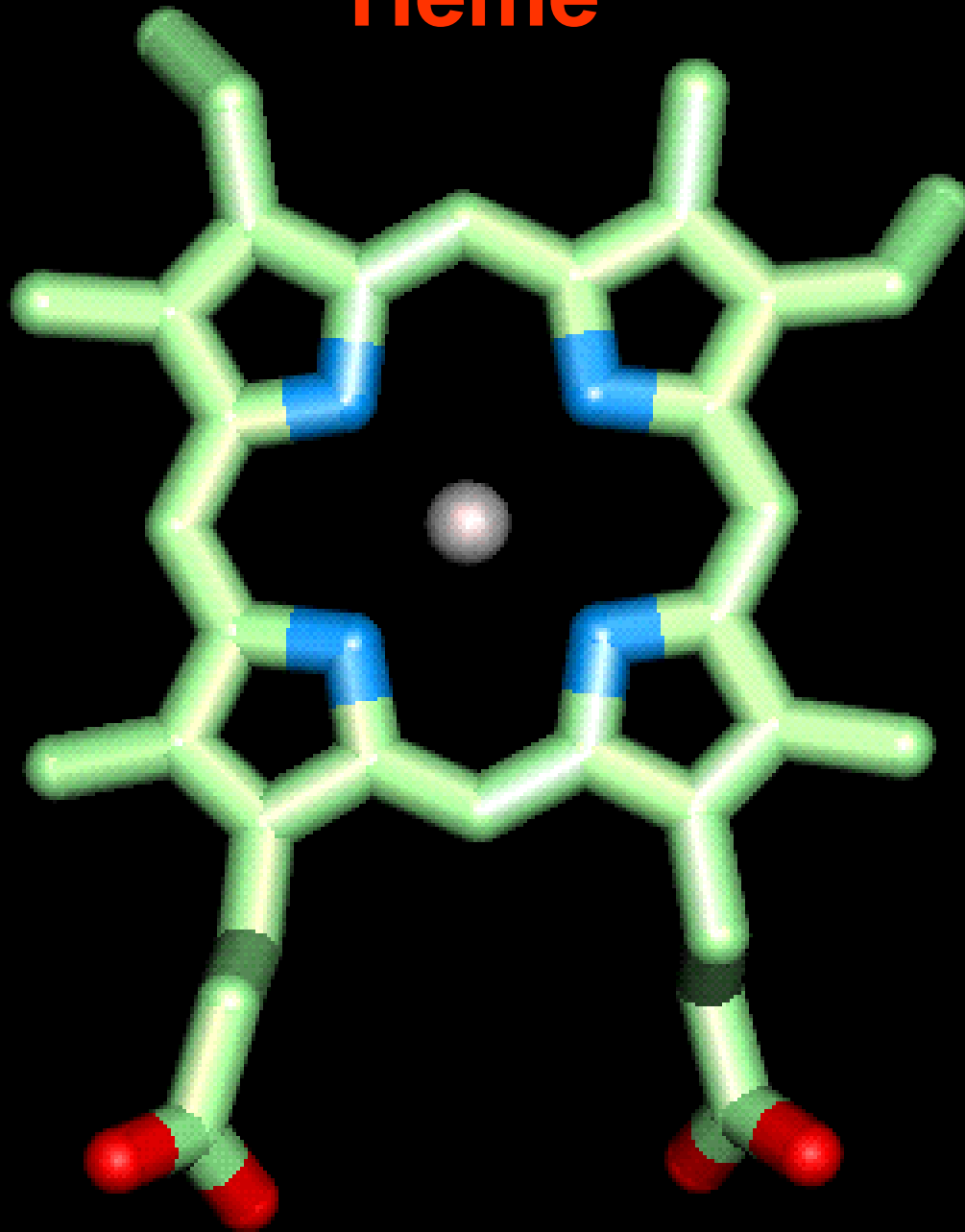
**~1%**



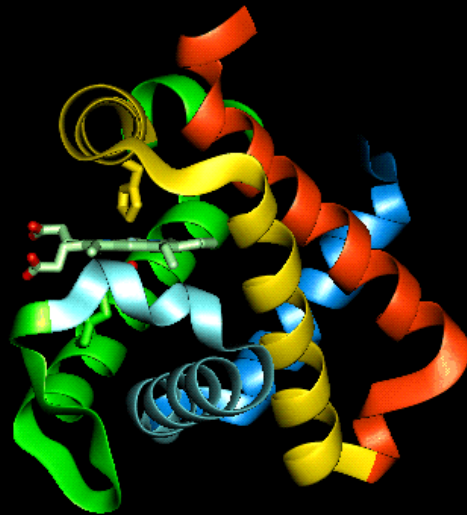
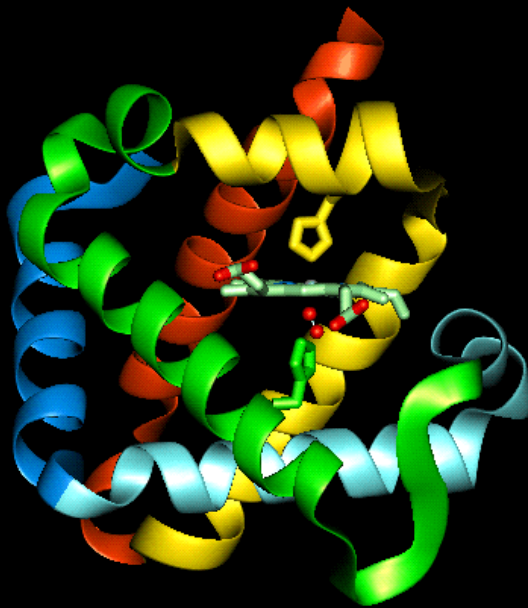
**HbA<sub>2</sub>**

**<3.5%**

# Heme



# Globin



proximal histidine



distal histidine



haem

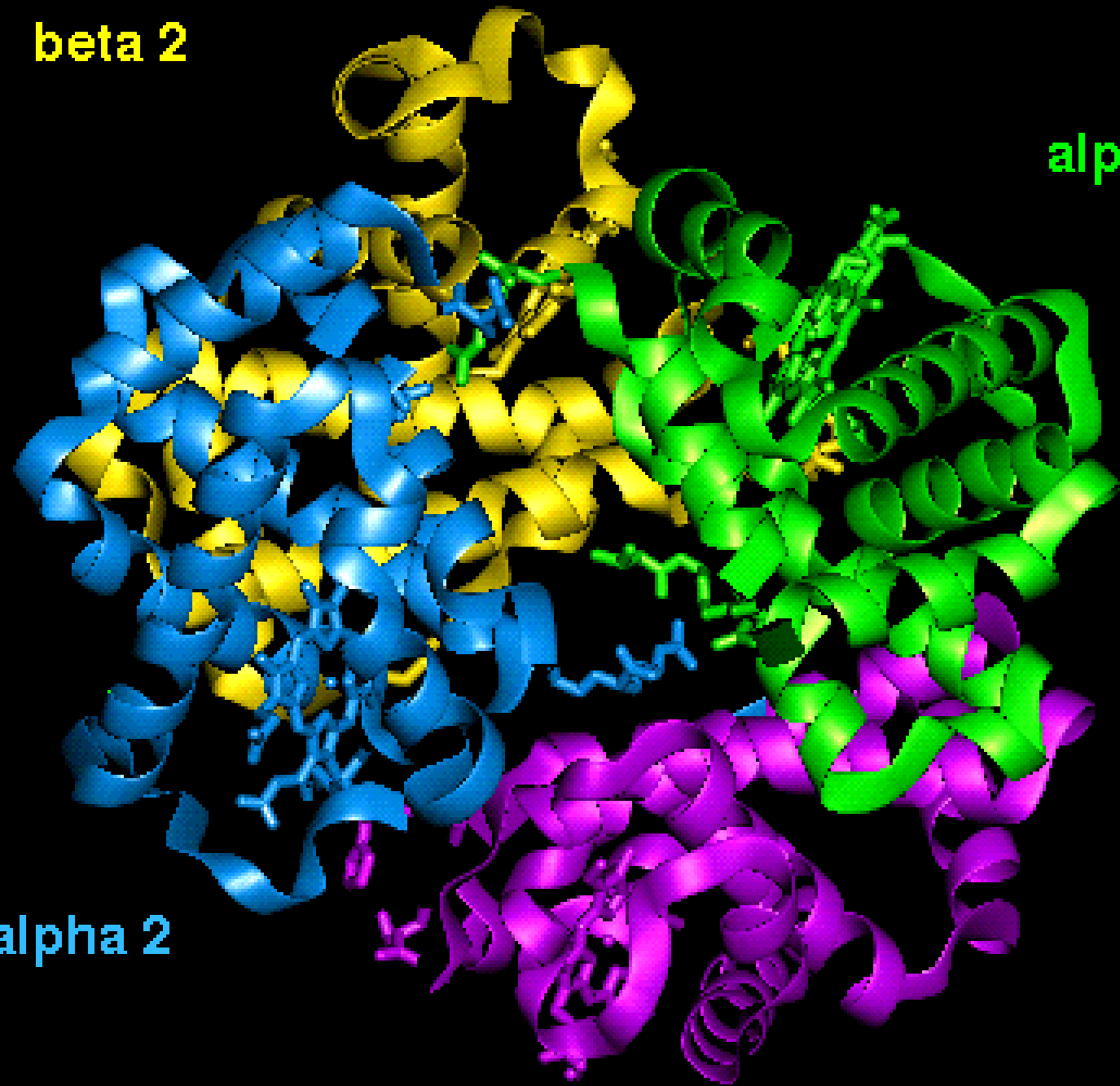


O<sub>2</sub>



beta 2

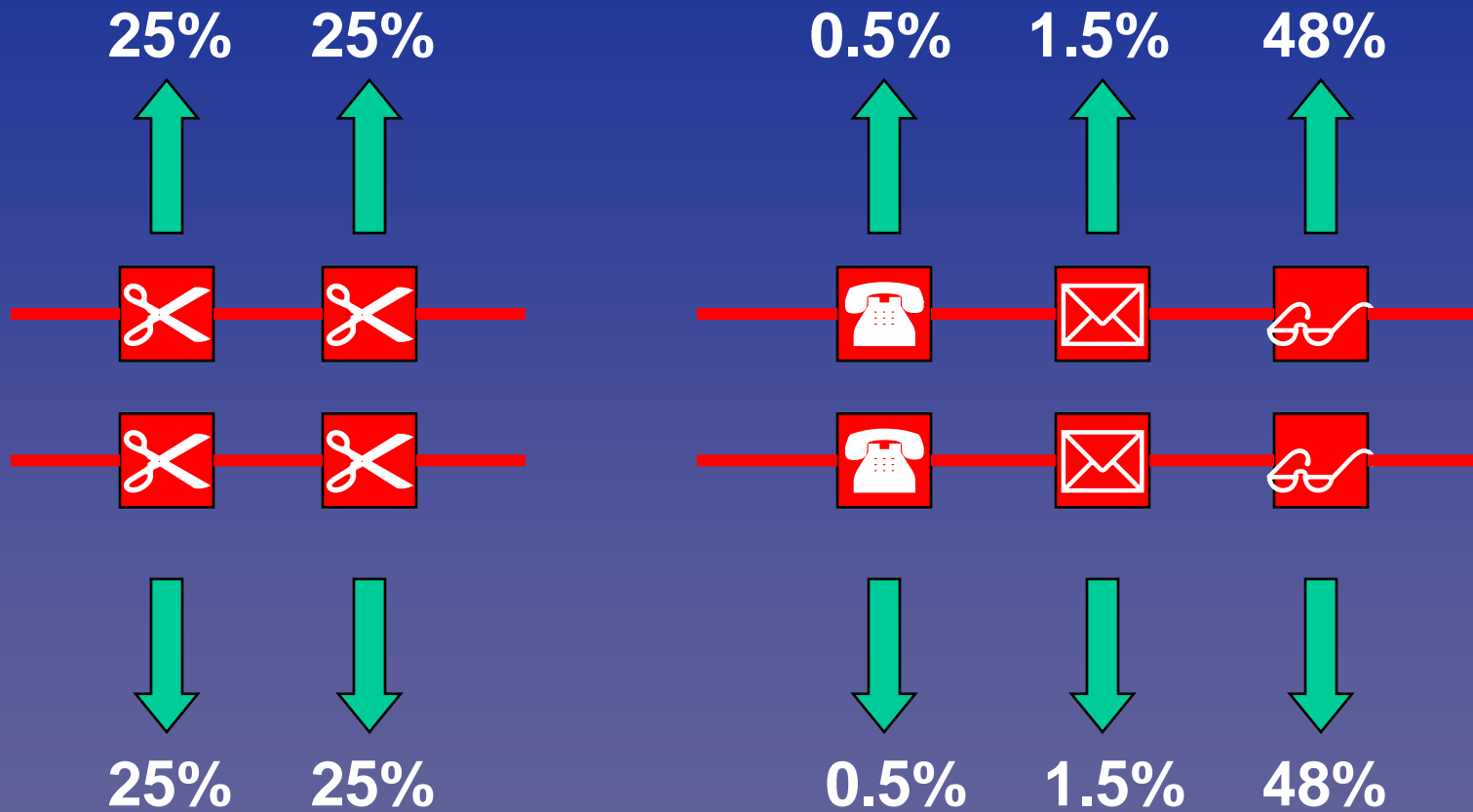
alpha 1



alpha 2

beta 1

# Hemoglobin synthesis



Chromosome 16

Chromosome 11

# Hemoglobinopathy

## definition

An inherited mutation of the globin genes leading to a qualitative or quantitative abnormality of globin synthesis

# Structural hemoglobinopathy

Amino acid substitution in the globin chain e.g. sickle hemoglobin (HbS)

# The Thalassemias

Syndromes in which the rate of synthesis of a globin chain is reduced

beta thalassemia - reduced beta chain synthesis

alpha thalassemia – reduced alpha chain synthesis

# Hemoglobinopathies

## Beta Chain Substitutions

**Hgb S: Valine for glutamic acid  
(6th position, beta chain)**

**Hgb C: Lysine for glutamic acid  
(6th position, beta chain)**

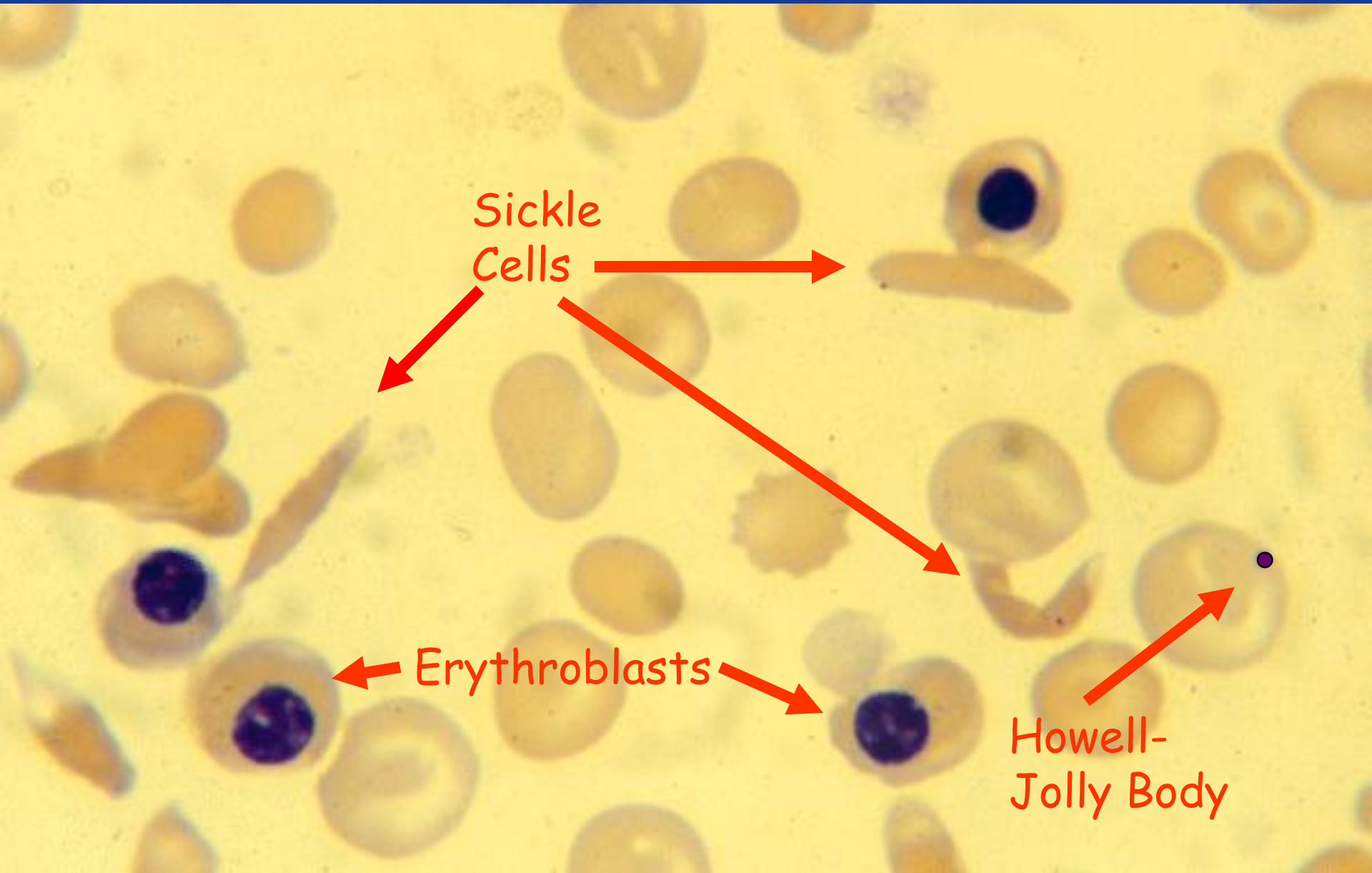
# Hemoglobinopathies

## Alkaline Electrophoresis

-            C                    S    F    A    +  
              A<sub>2</sub>                    D  
              E                    G  
              O

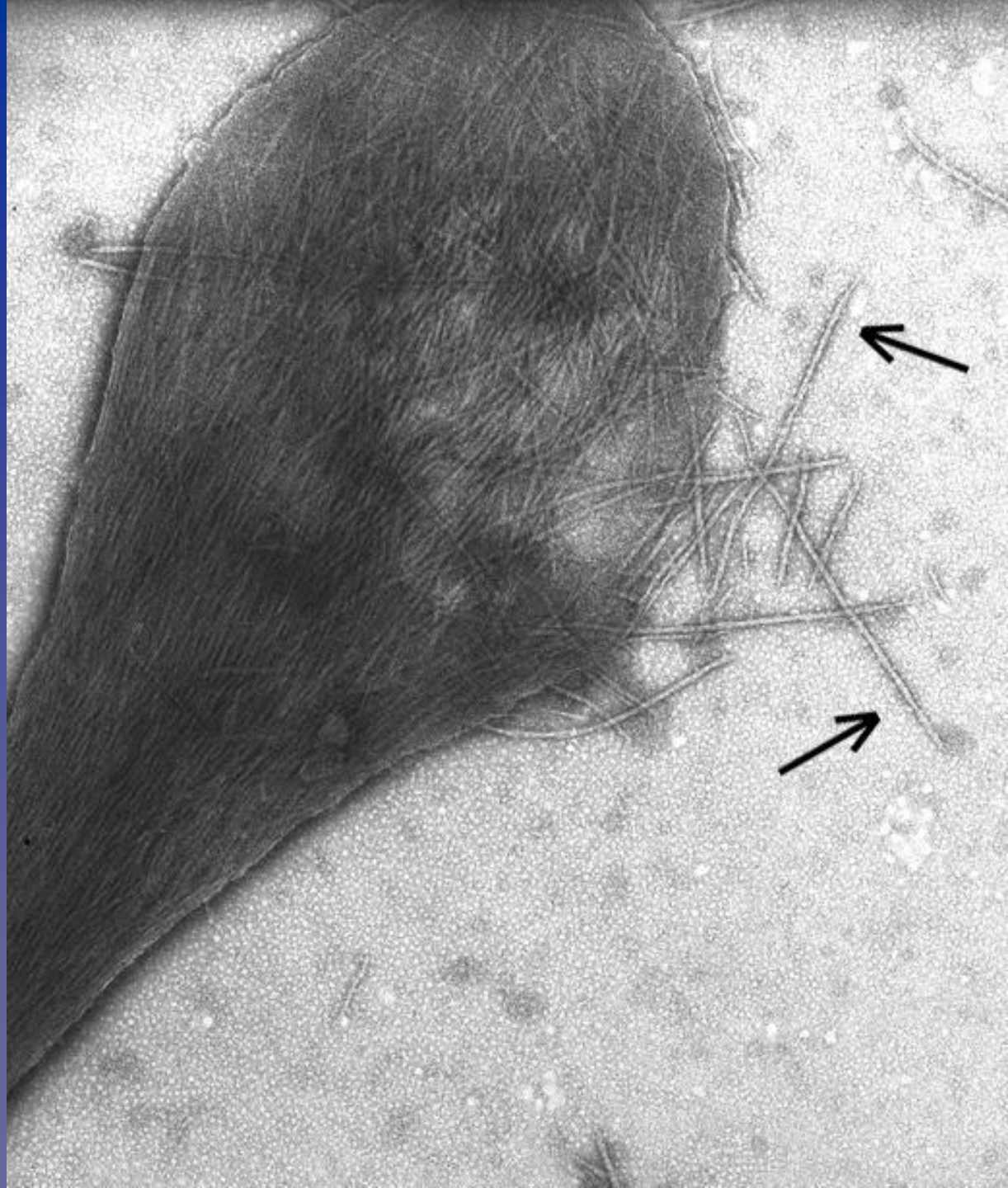


# Sickle Cell Anemia – blood film

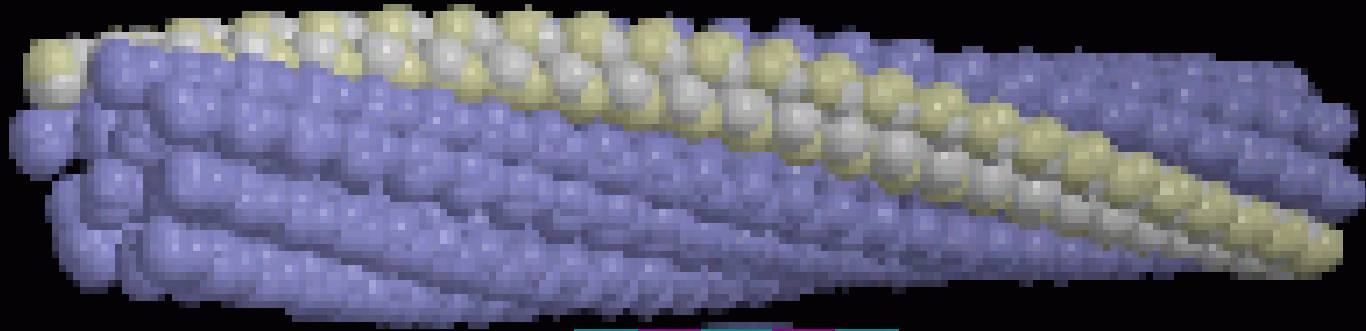
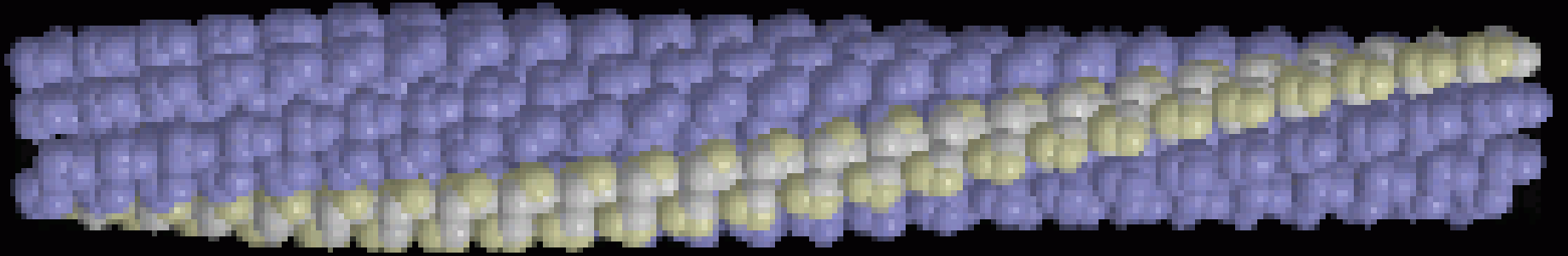


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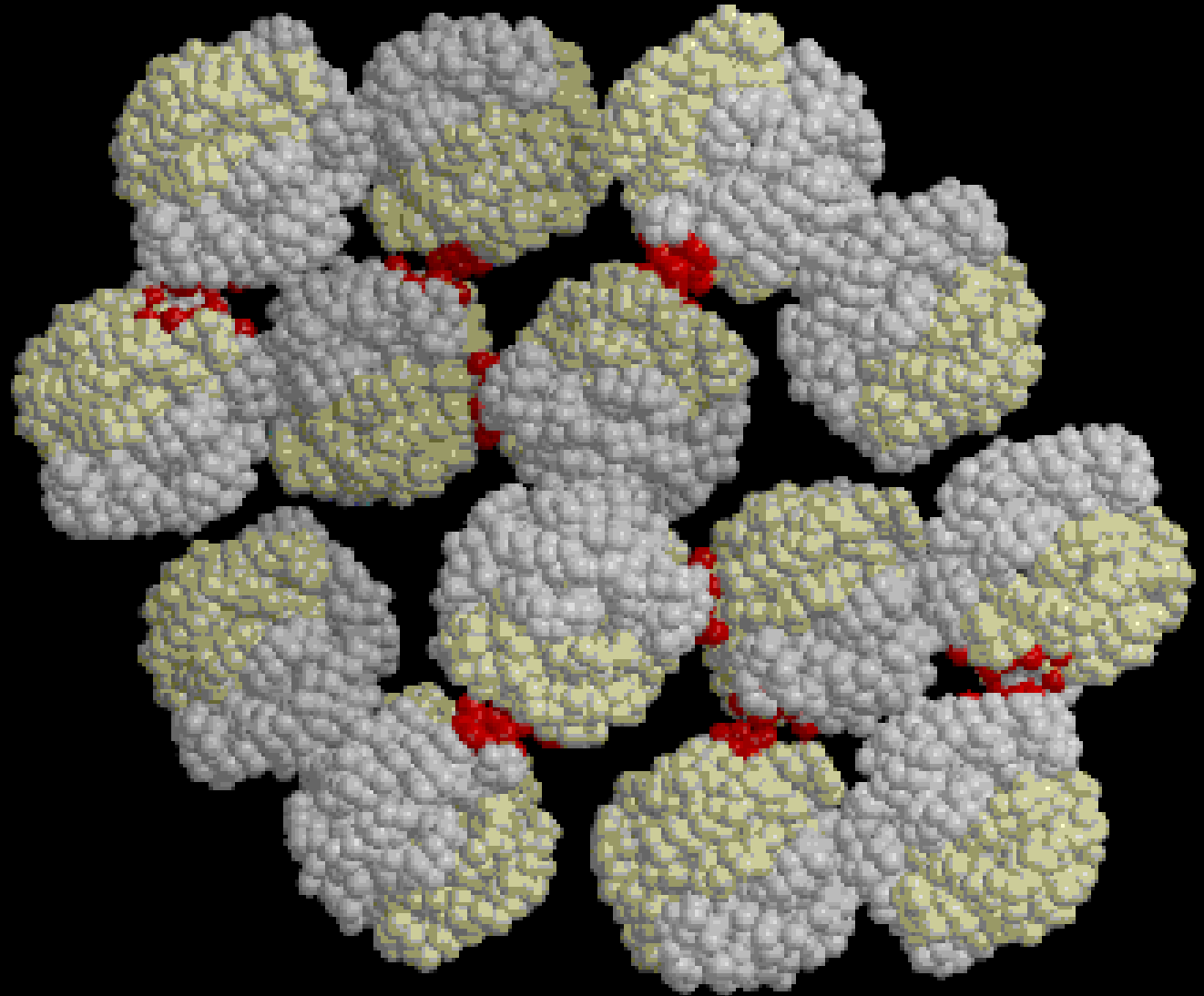
EM of red cell showing 'tactoids'



# Fibres of Sickle Hemoglobin



**Fibres of  
Sickle  
Hemoglobin  
– cross  
section**



# Sickle cell anemia – clinical features

1. Hemolysis
2. Occlusion of blood vessels
  - a. bone ('painful crisis')
  - b. lung ('acute chest syndrome')
  - c. brain
  - d. heart
  - e. spleen ('Acute splenic sequestration')
  - f. hands (dactylitis in children)
  - g. other

# Sickle Cell Anemia - treatment

- Opiates and hydration for painful crises
- Pneumococcal vaccination
- Retinal surveillance
- Transfusion for serious manifestations (eg stroke)
- Hydroxyurea
- Stem cell transplant

# Sickle Cell Trait

- Heterozygous state for HbS (HbAS)
- No serious clinical consequences
- Sudden death during intensive training
- Hematuria, isosthenuria (renal papillary necrosis)



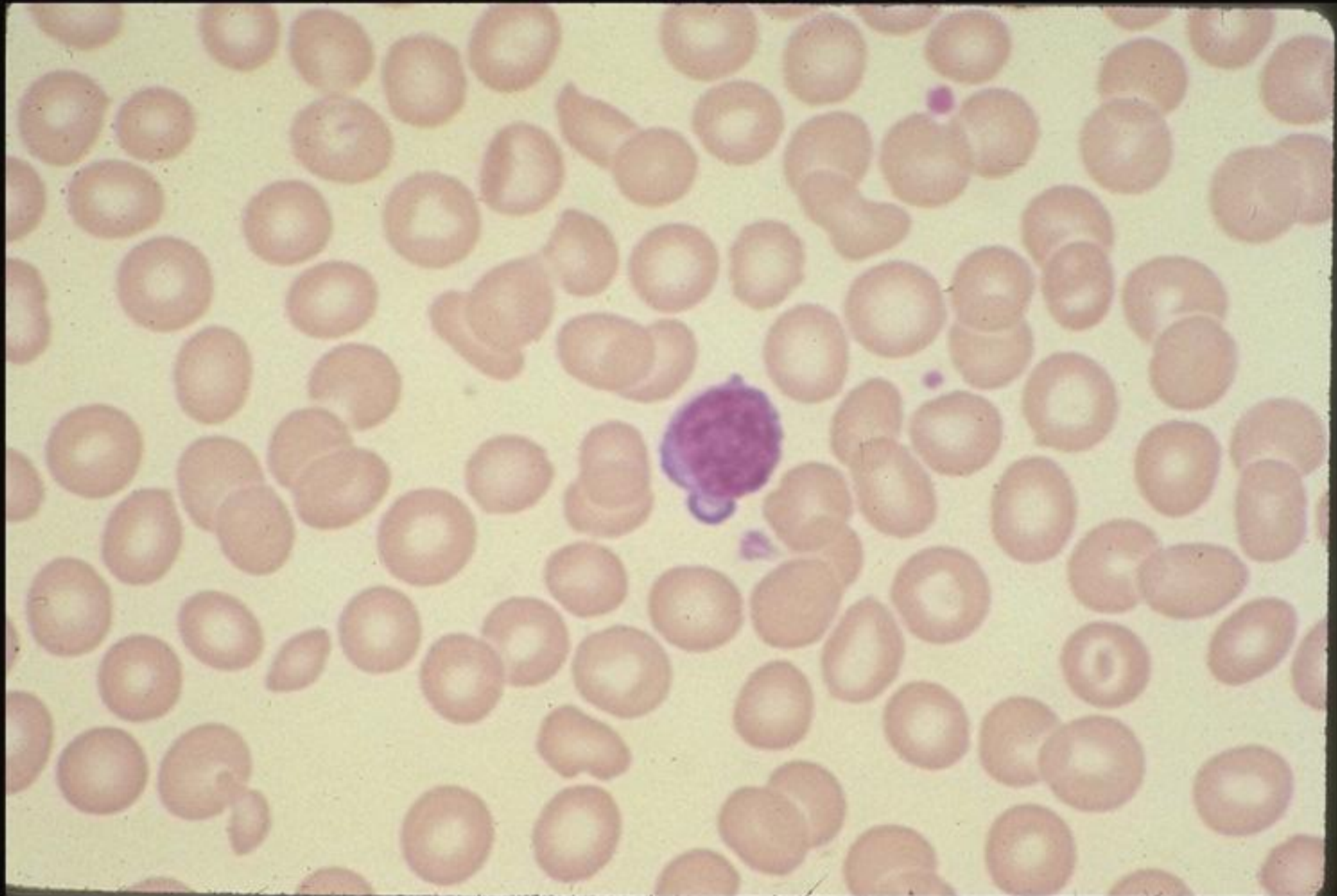
# Beta thalassemia

- Impaired production of beta chain
- beta thalassemia minor – heterozygous (or trait)
- beta thalassemia major - homozygous

# Beta thalassemia trait

- No symptoms
- Mild microcytic anemia

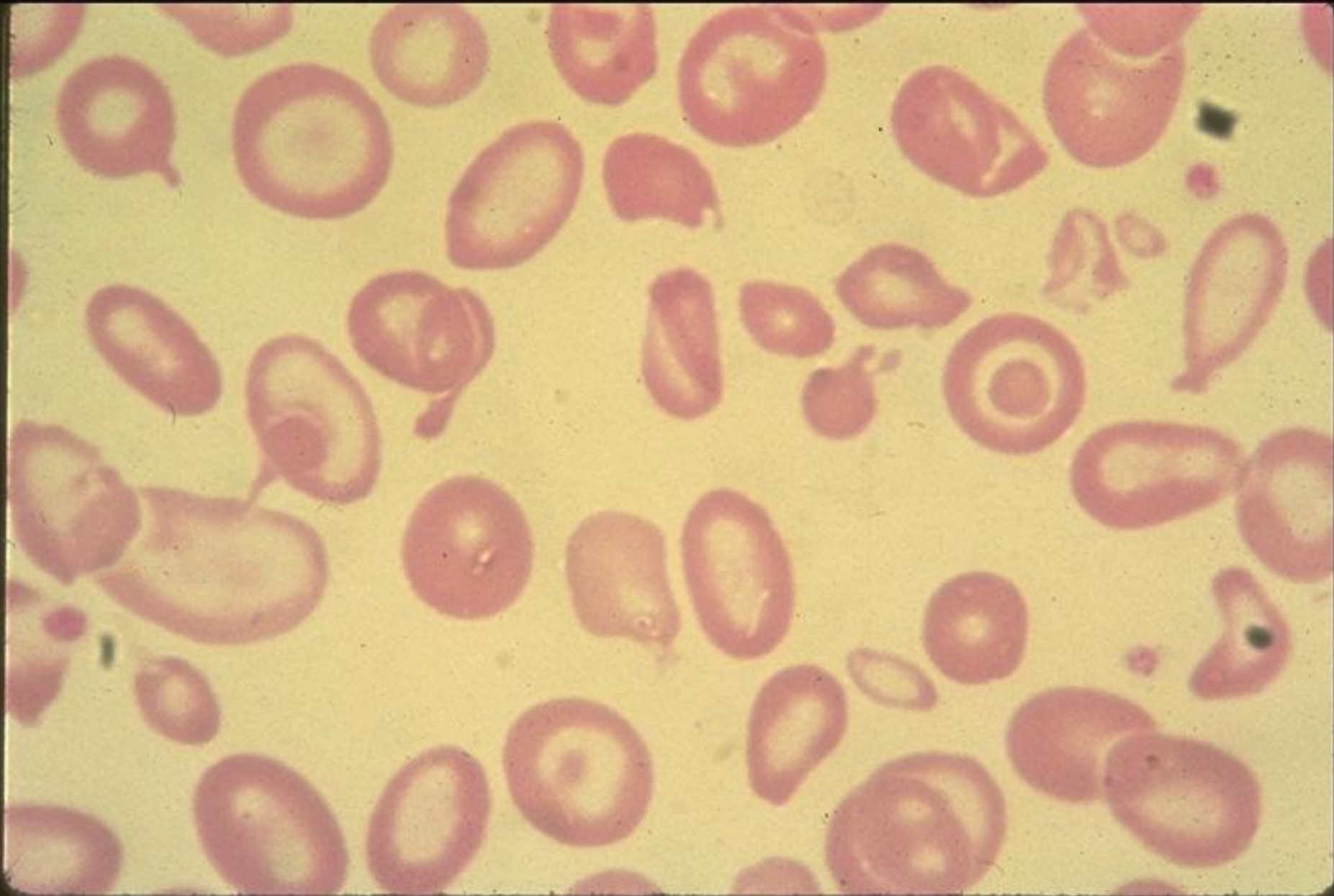
# Beta thalassemia - heterozygous (minor or trait)



# Beta thalassemia major

- No beta chain produced (no HbA)
- Severe microcytic anemia occurs gradually in the first year of life
- Marrow expansion
- Iron overload
- Growth failure and death

# Beta thalassemia major

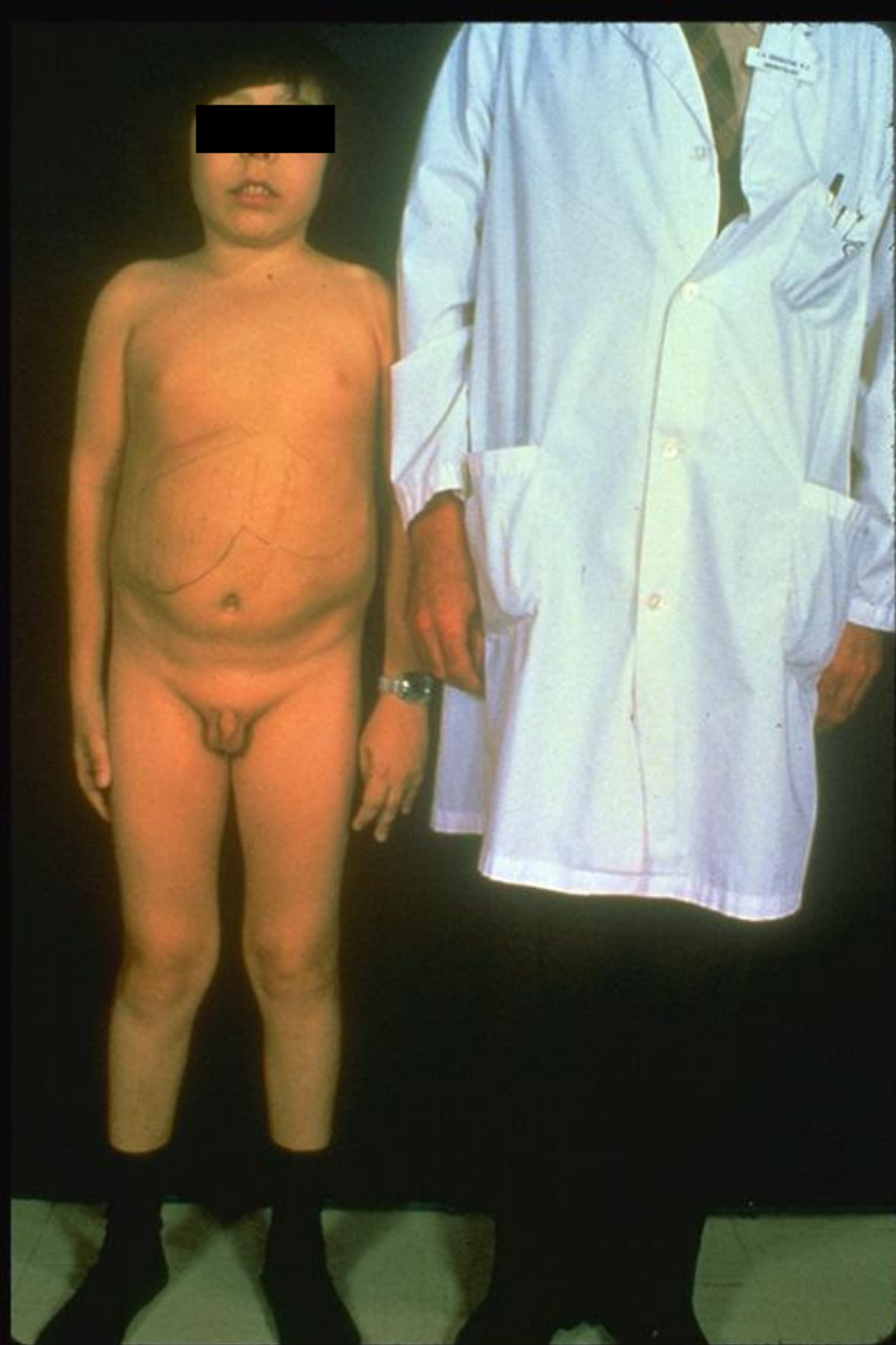








**Beta thalassemia major**  
**Male 18 years**




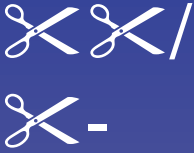





# Beta thalassemia major

## treatment

- Transfusion
- Iron chelation
- stem cell transplant

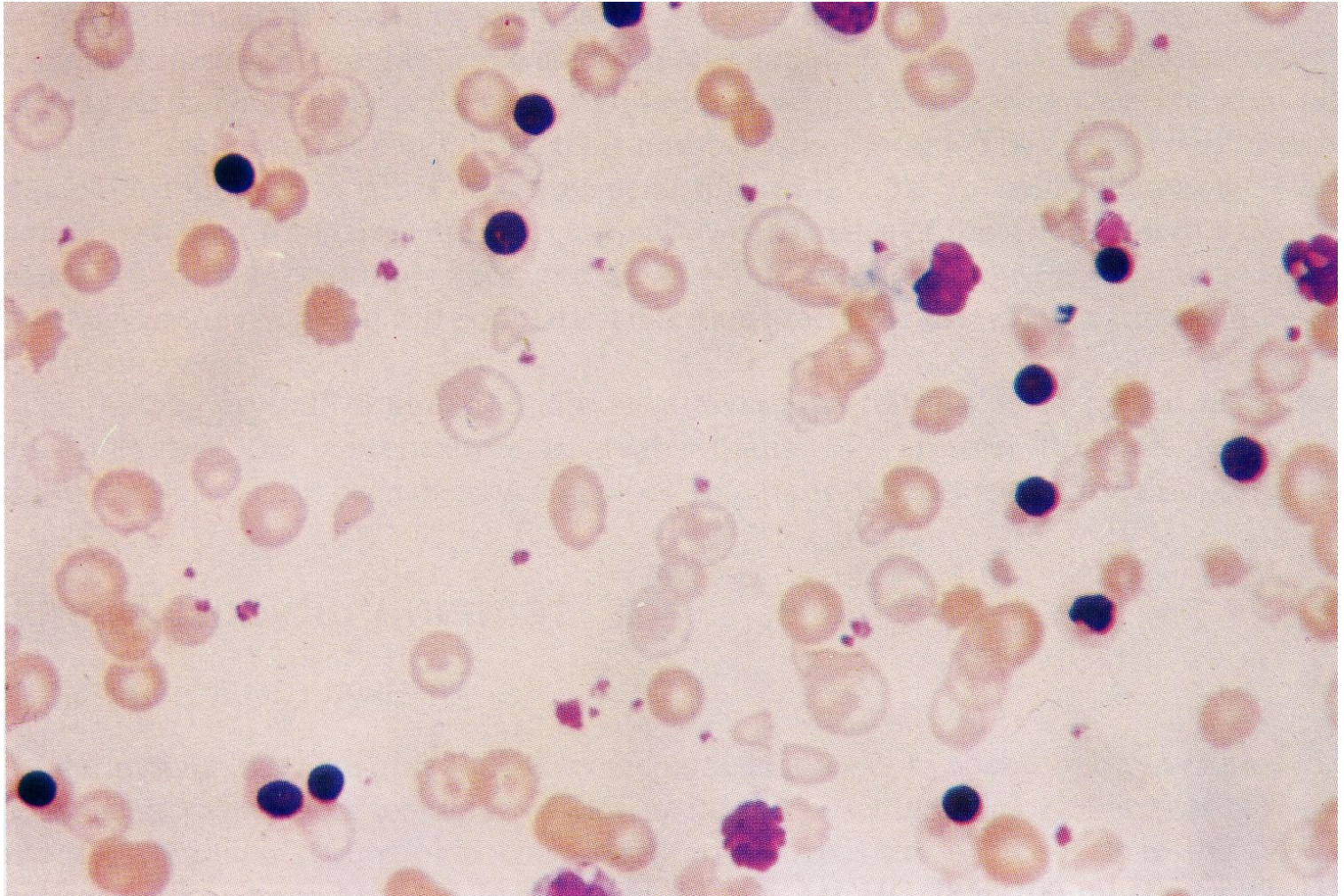
# Alpha thalassemia

	Normal
	Mild microcytosis
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	Hemoglobin H disease
	Hemoglobin Barts – Hydrops Fetalis

# Hemoglobinopathy-antenatal diagnosis

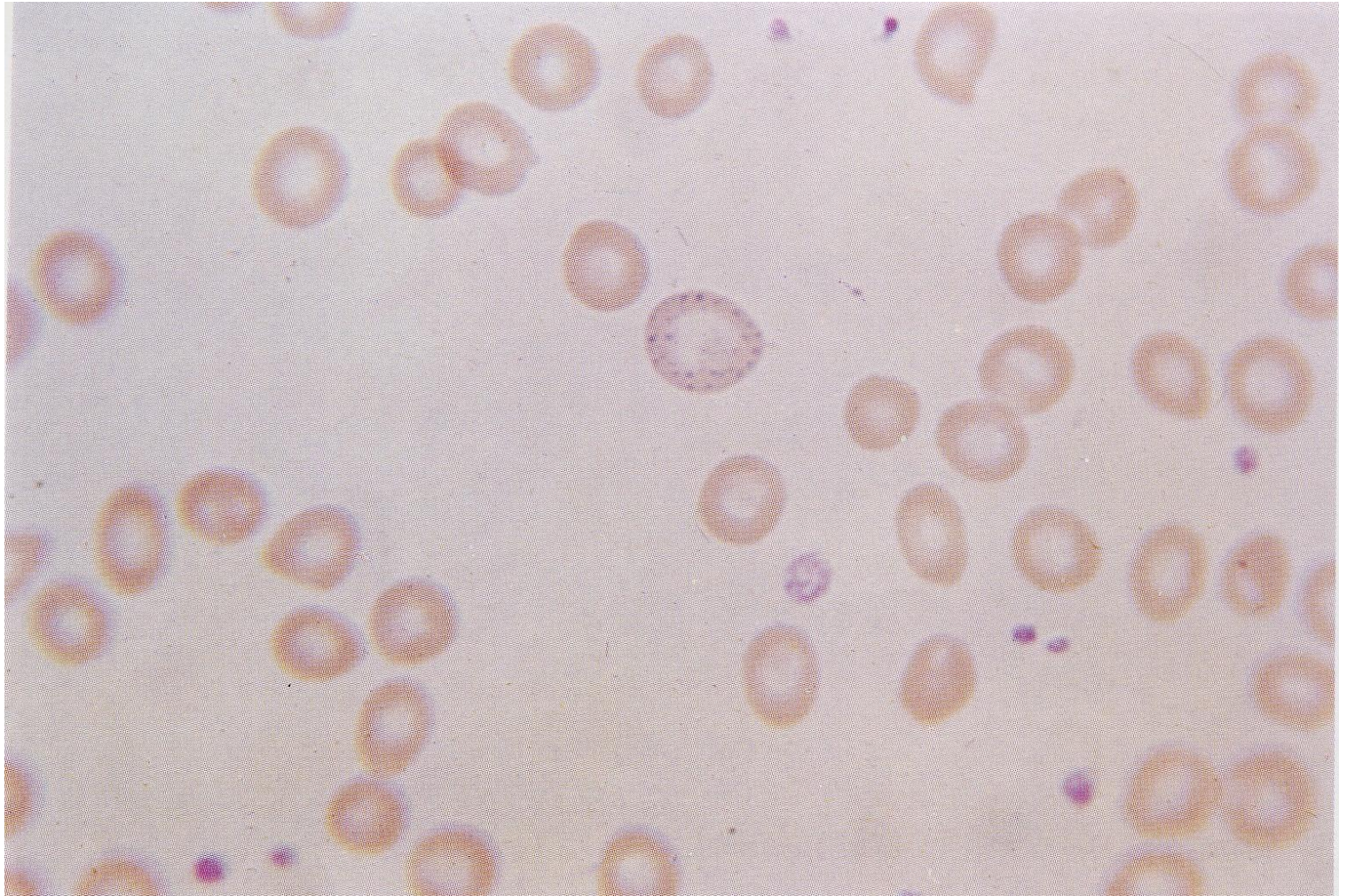
- Test partners of heterozygous or affected individuals
- Antenatal diagnosis from DNA obtained by chorionic villus sampling, or by amniocentesis

# Thalassemia major





# Thalassemia minor

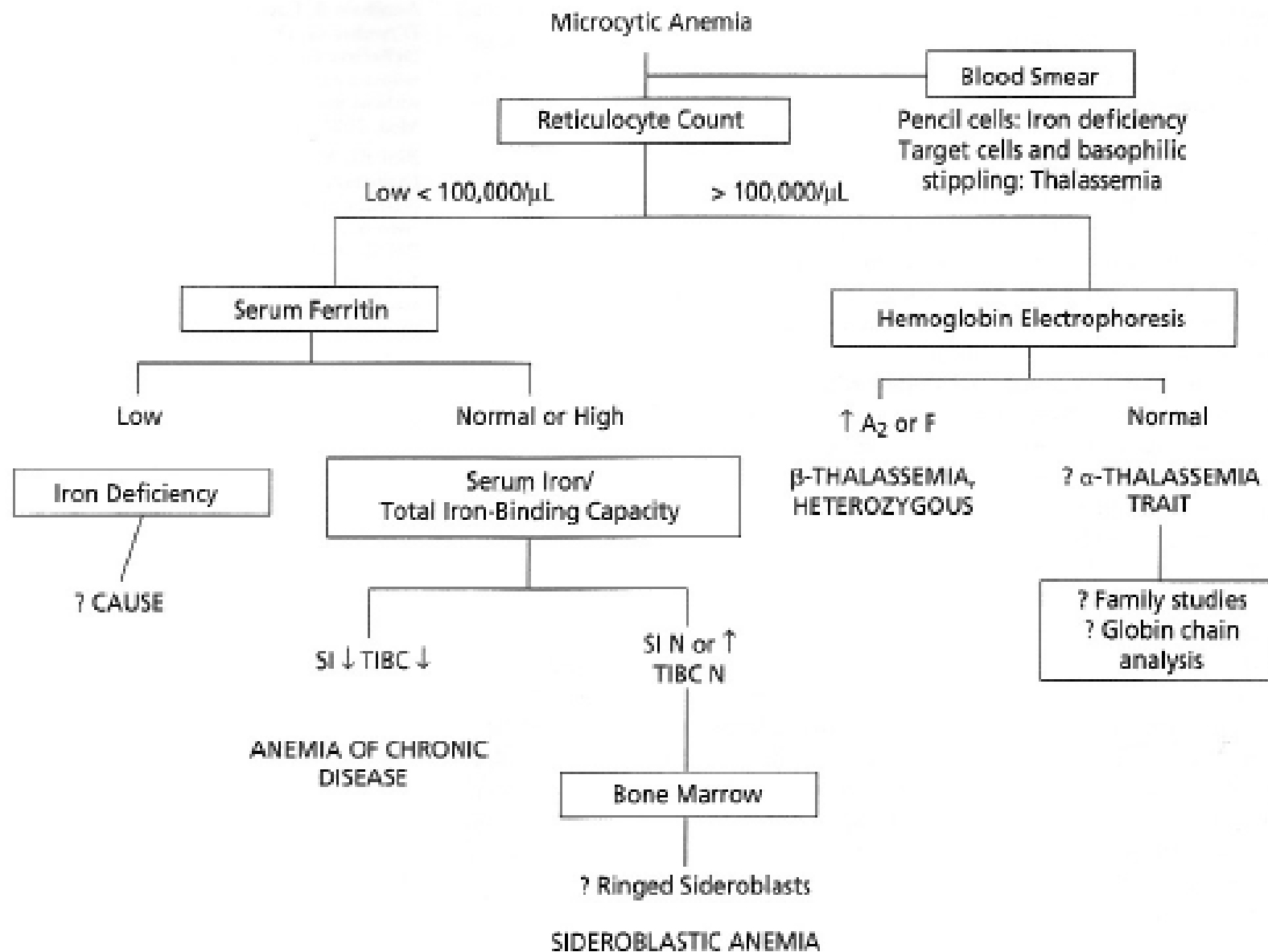




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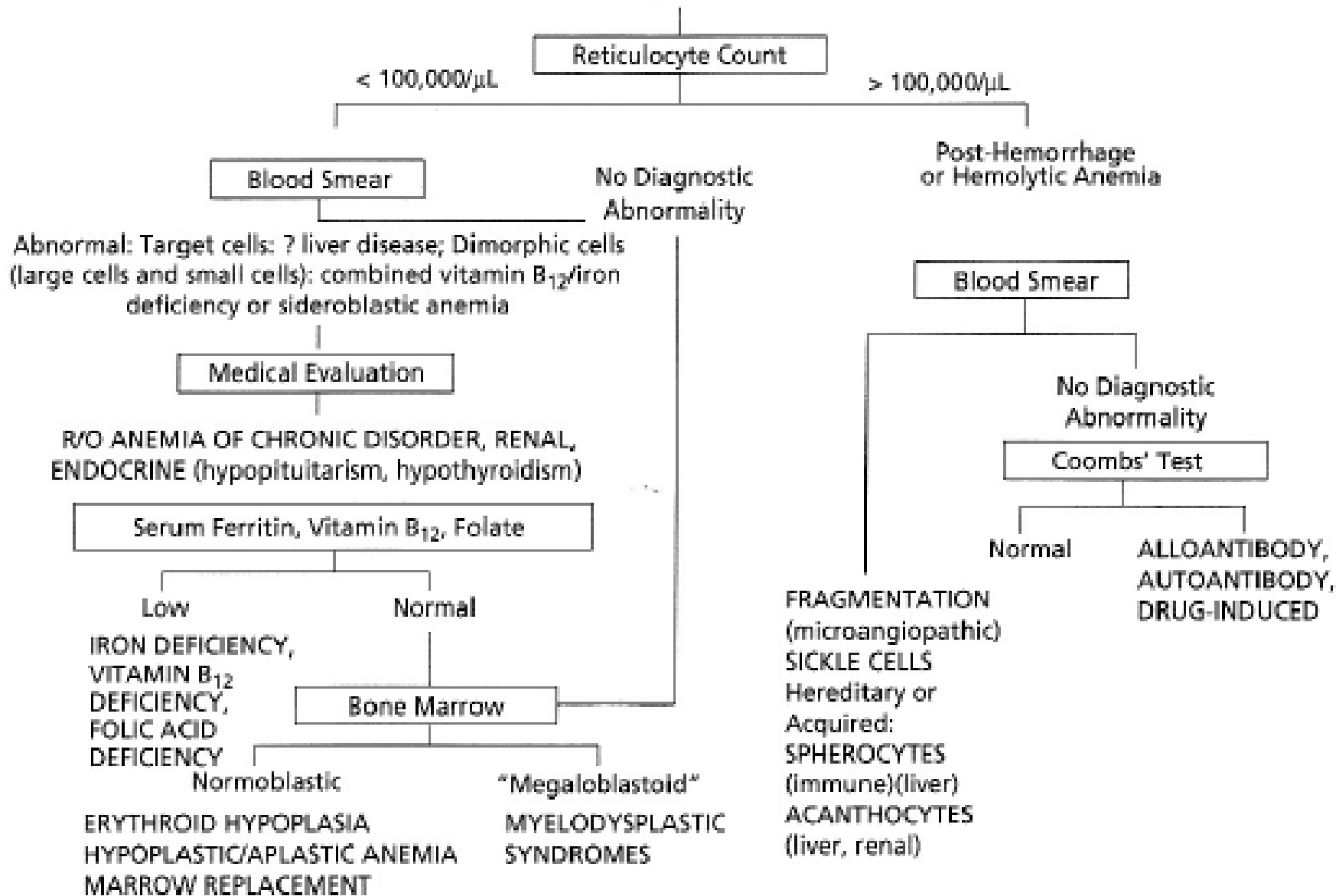
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- Hemoglobin Constant Spring – formed by a combination of two structurally abnormal  $\alpha$  chains (each elongated by 31 amino acids at the COOH end) and two normal  $\beta$  chains.
  - The abnormal  $\alpha$  chains are inefficiently synthesized resulting in an  $\alpha$  thal 1 like phenotype (excess  $\beta$  chains)
  - Homozygous individuals have mild hypochromic, microcytic anemia similar to a mild  $\alpha$  thalassemia.
- Hemoglobin Lepore – a normal  $\alpha$  chain plus a  $\delta$ - $\beta$  hybrid (N-terminal  $\delta$ , and C-terminal  $\beta$ ).
  - There is ineffective synthesis of the hybrid chain leading to  $\alpha$  chain excess and the same problems seen in  $\beta$  thalassemia.





# Normocytic Anemia



# Macrocytic Anemia

