

# DIFFERENTIATION BETWEEN TTP and HUS

TTP



HUS

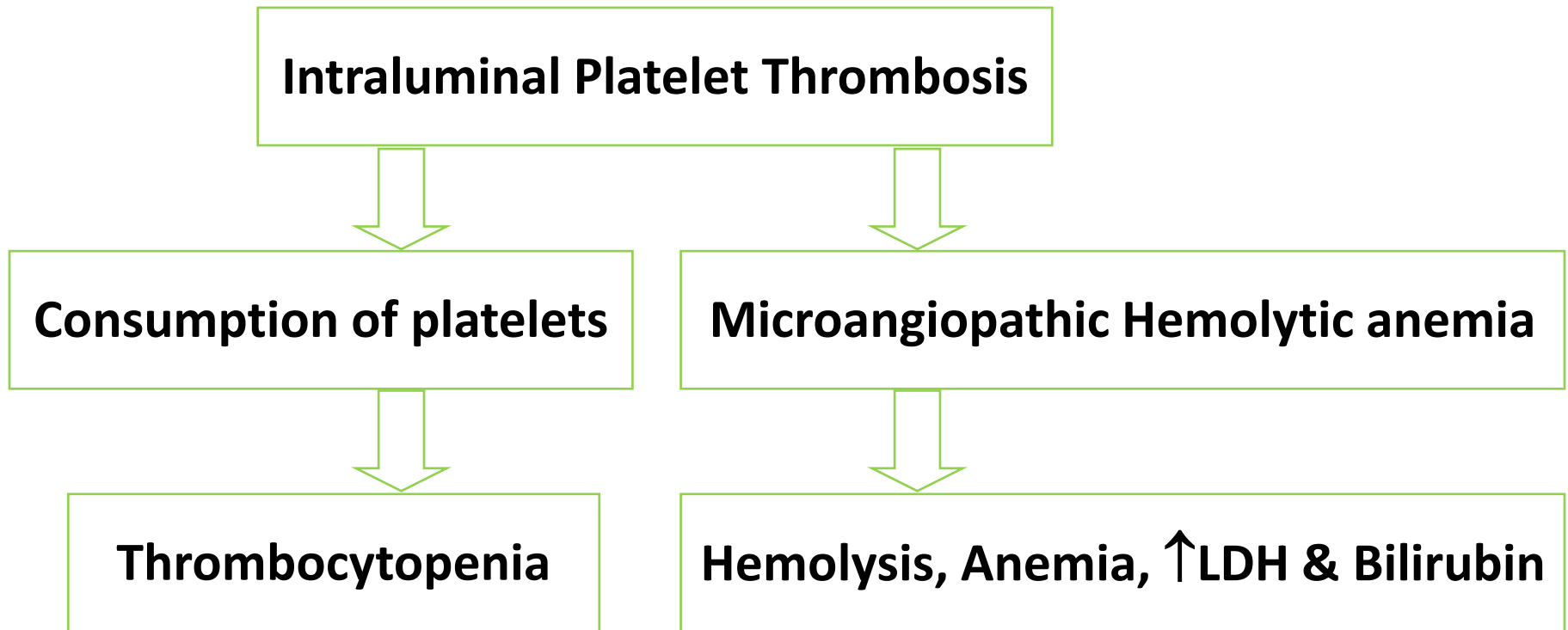


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# What is meant by Thrombotic Microangiopathy (TMA)?

- ❏ Thrombotic Microangiopathy (TMA) is a group of disorders characterized by injured endothelial cells, microangiopathic hemolytic anemia (MAHA), with its typical features of thrombocytopenia and schistocytes.
- ❏ **Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS) & Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (TTP)** are the prototypes for TMA

# Mechanism of TMA in TTP-HUS?



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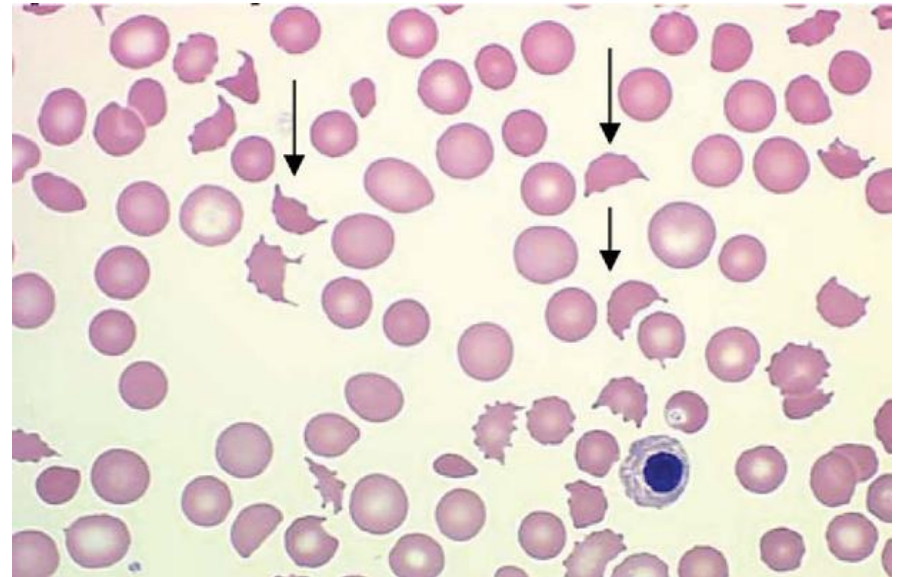
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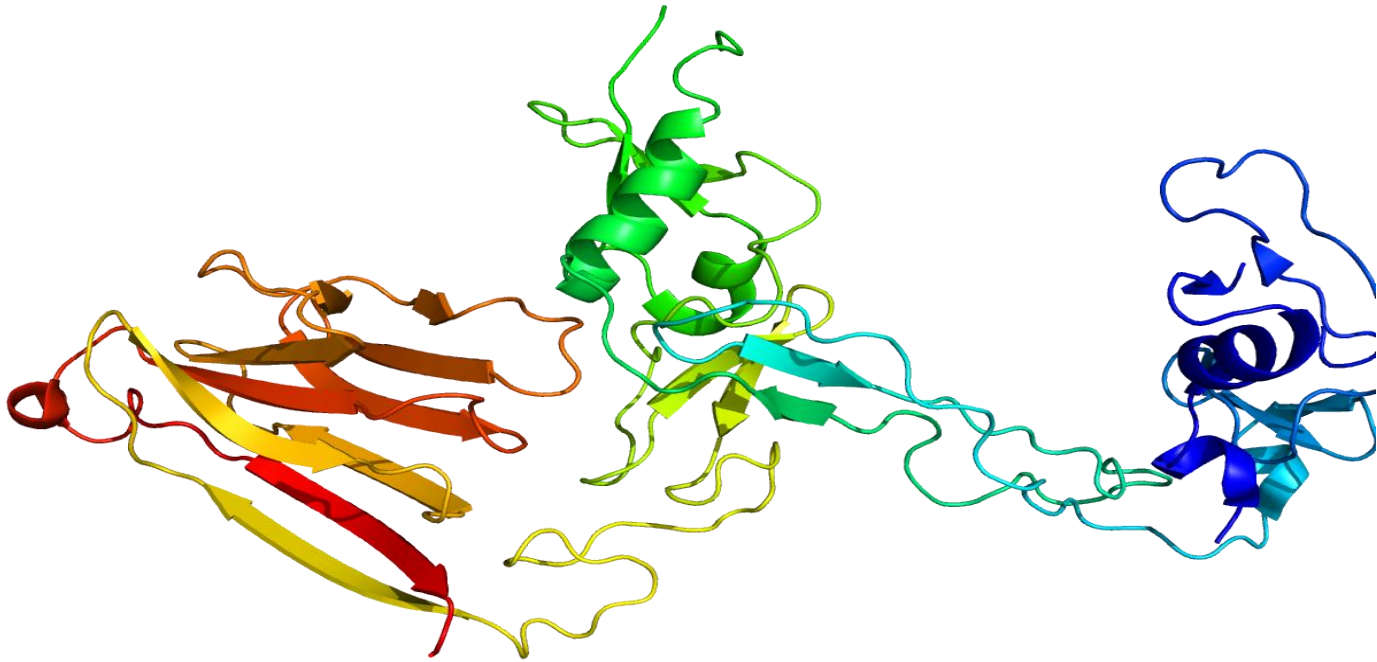
# Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (TTP)

- Traditionally, TTP is characterized by the pentad:
  - MAHA,
  - Thrombocytopenia,
  - Neurologic symptoms,
  - fever, and
  - renal failure.
- The pathophysiology of TTP involves the accumulation of ultra-large multimers of von Willebrand factors as result of decreased activity of the plasma protease **ADAMTS13** (a disintegrin and metalloproteinase with a thrombospondin type 1 motif, member 13)

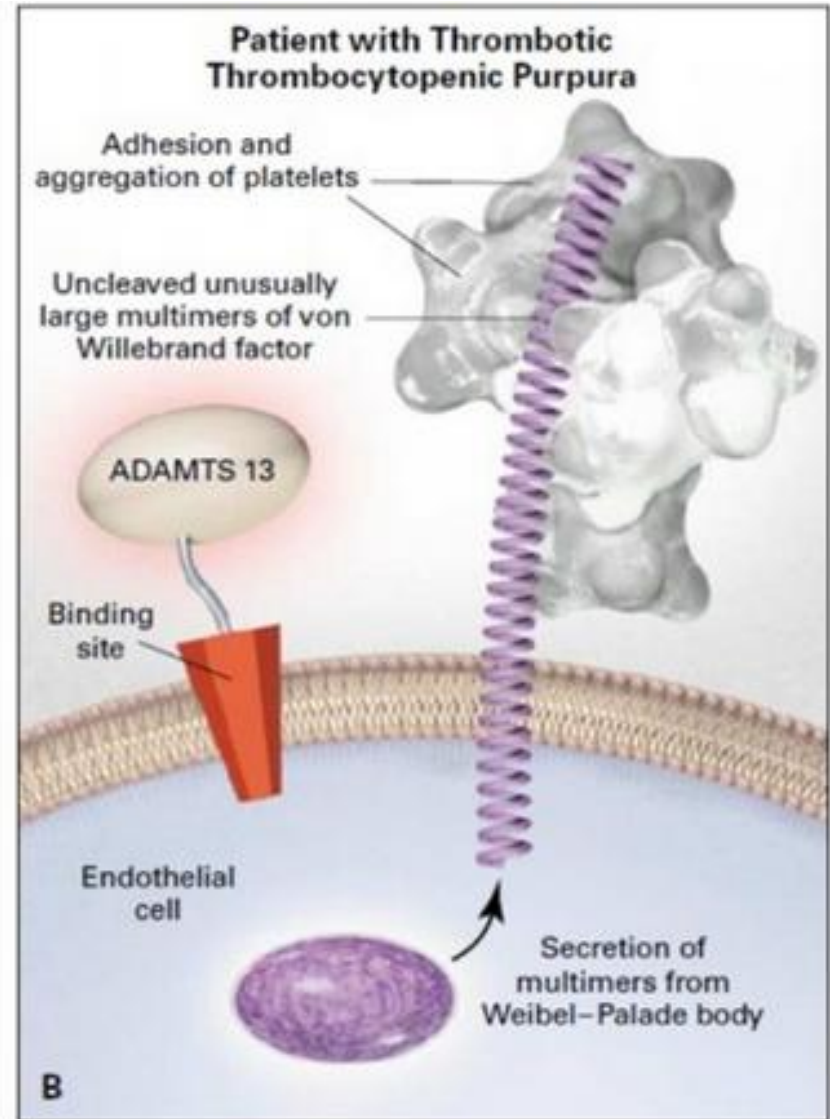
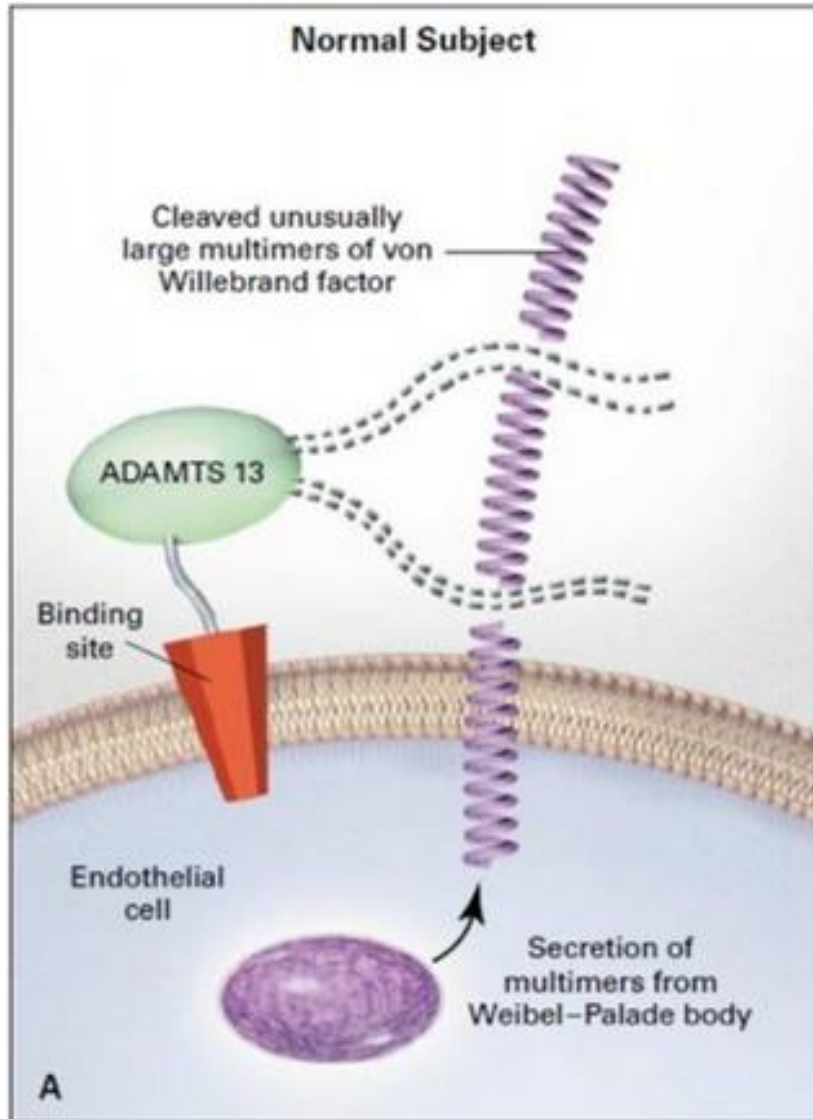


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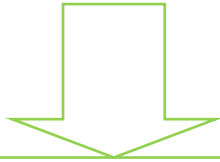


# Pathophysiology of TTP



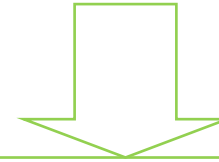
# TTP - Classification

**Autoantibodies  
Against ADAMTS13**



**Acquired TTP  
(60% to 90% of the cases)**

**Inherited  
deficiency  
of ADAMTS13**



**Congenital TTP**

# Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome(HUS)

- HUS is loosely defined by the presence of MAHA and renal impairment.
- Most cases involve children <5 years of age, but adults also are susceptible.
- Diarrhea, often bloody, precedes MAHA within 1 week in majority of cases.
- Abdominal pain, cramping, and vomiting are frequent.
- Fever is typically absent.
- Neurologic involvement might occur.

# Types of HUS

- **Shiga Toxin Associated HUS**

- STEC HUS (Shiga Toxin Producing E.coli e,g O157:H7)
- Shigella Dysenteriae.

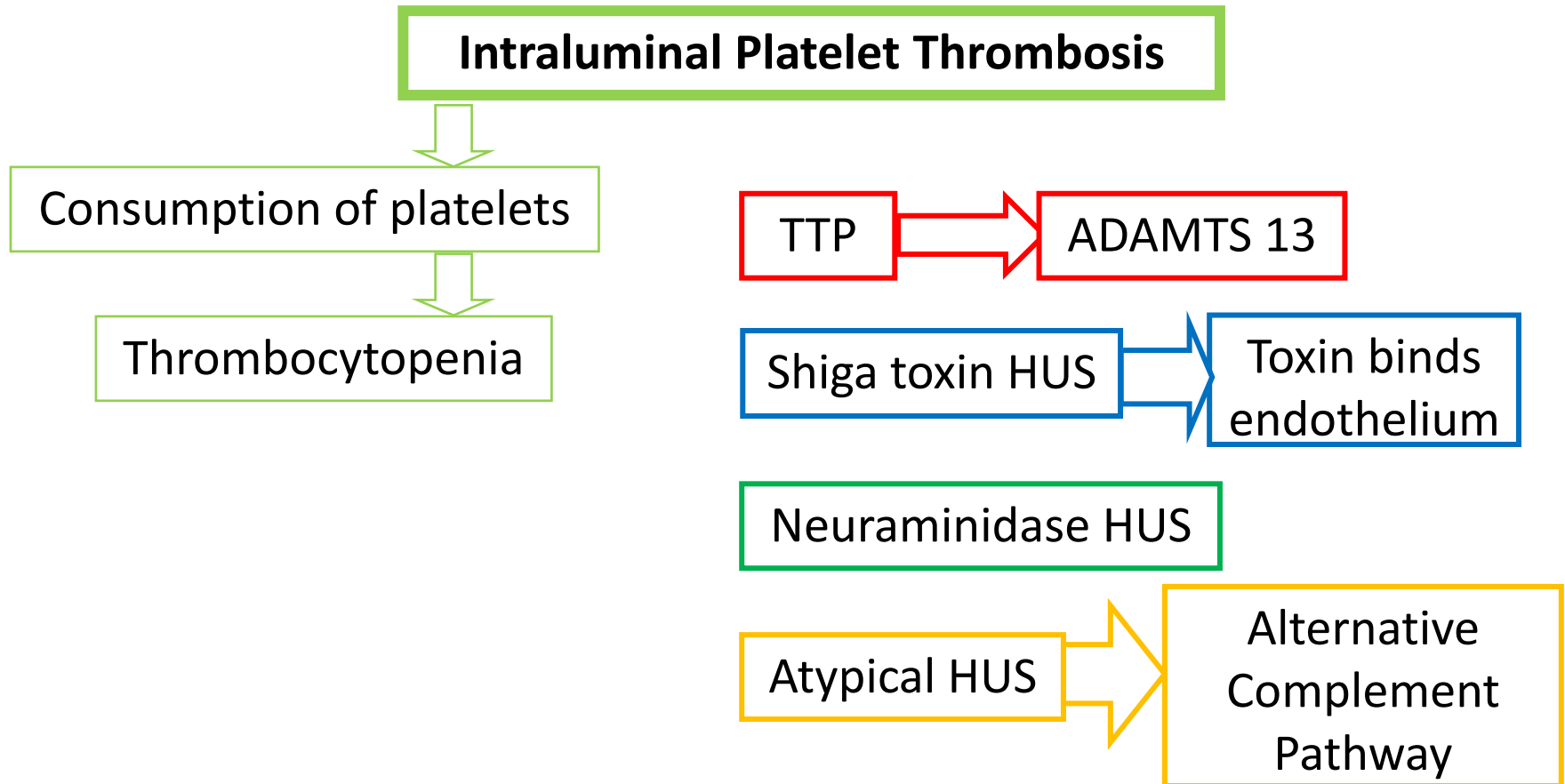
- **Neuraminidase Associated HUS**

- S. pneumoniae

- **Atypical HUS**

- Factor H deficiency leads to alternative complement pathway activation with ↓C3, normal C4,
- Autoimmune variant

# Pathophysiology of TTP-HUS



# HUS Versus TTP

## HUS

Usually Children <5 years

### Tetrad

- MAHA
- Marked renal dysfunction
- Mild to moderate thrombocytopenia
- Mild CNS dysfunction
- Fever usually absent

History of diarrhea or dysentery present

## VS

## TTP

Usually Adult

### Pentad

- MAHA
- Mild renal dysfunction
- Marked thrombocytopenia
- Severe CNS dysfunction
- Fever

No history of diarrhea or dysentery

# HUS Versus TTP

## HUS

### Cause:

- Shiga toxin producing E.coli and Shigella dysenteriae.
- Neuraminidase producing S. pneumoniae.
- Atypical HUS (Complement dysregulation)

## VS

## TTP

### Cause:

- Congenital deficiency or auto antibody to metalloproteinase ADAMTS13.



# HUS Versus TTP

## Management:

- STEC HUS (Shiga toxin associated): supportive eg, fluid balance, dialysis, blood transfusion,
- Neuraminidase-HUS:
  - Antibiotics and washed red cells.
- Atypical HUS:
  - Eculizumab  
(A monoclonal ab to C5)
  - Autoimmune variant:  
Plasmapheresis

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- Plasma exchange or plasmapheresis

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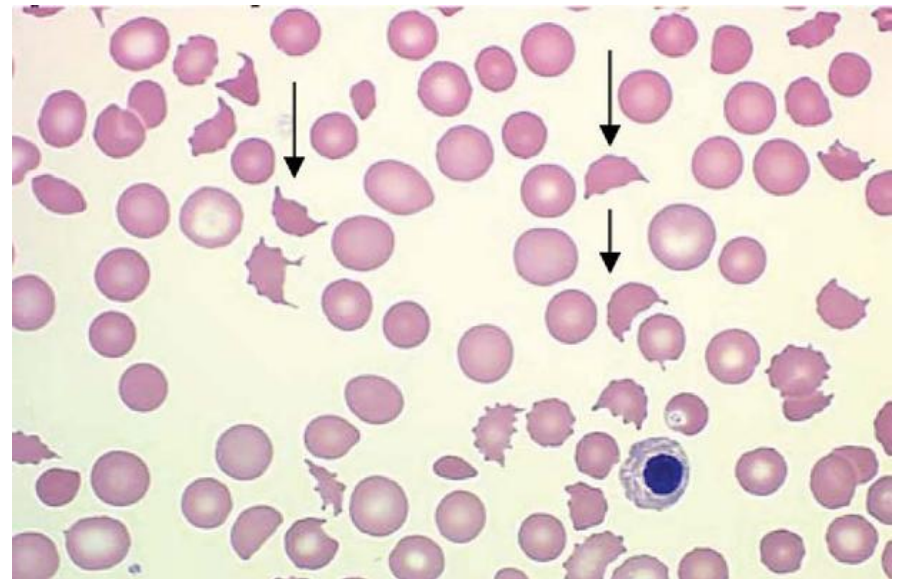
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