


Hemophilia Treatment: Factors to Consider


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Objectives

- Discuss standard half life and extended half life factor treatment options for patients with hemophilia
- Describe emicizumab-kxwh role in therapy for Hemophilia A



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Hemophilia

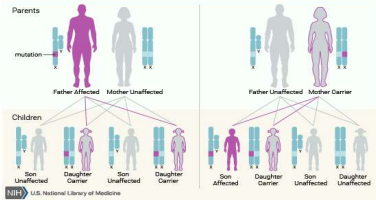
Hemophilia A

- Factor VIII (FVIII) Deficiency
- 80% of cases

Hemophilia B

- Factor IX (FIX) Deficiency
- 20% of cases

X-Linked Recessive



MedlinePlus, National Library of Medicine.

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Complications and Classification

Severity	Mild	Moderate	Severe
Baseline Factor Level (% of normal)	6-30%	1-5%	<1%
Bleeding	Major Trauma	Minor Trauma	No Trauma

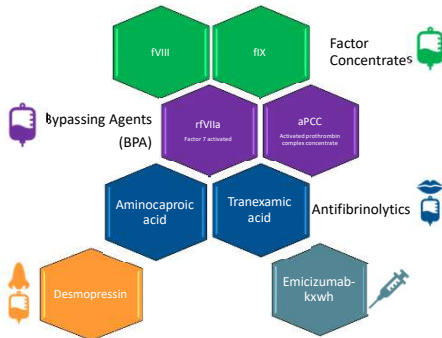
- Life threatening bleeds
- Joint damage and Immobility

- Inhibitors (factor antibodies)
- Viral Transmission

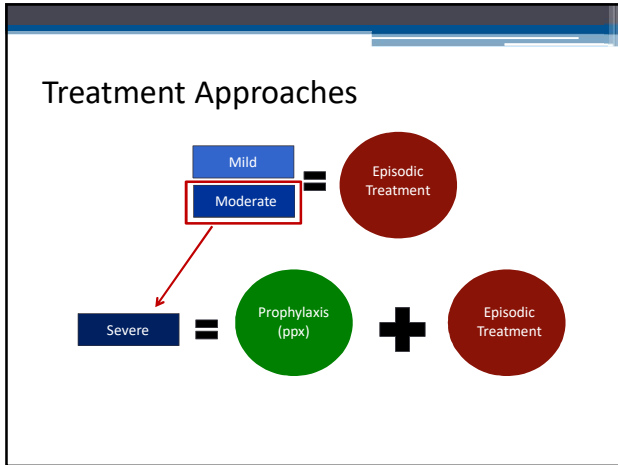
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Treatment Options



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Prophylactic Therapy

- Primary Prophylaxis
 - Initiation of preventative therapy before onset of joint disease, second clinically relevant bleed, and 3 years of age
- Secondary Prophylaxis
 - Initiation of preventative therapy after two or more joint bleeds but before disease and typically > 3 years of age
- Tertiary Prophylaxis
 - Initiation of preventative therapy after onset joint disease

Manco-Johnson, et al. NEJM. 2007; Strisava A. Hemophilia. 2020

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Recombinant Factor Concentrates

- First Generation
 - Animal and/or human proteins in final formulation
- Second Generation
 - Animal and/or human proteins in culture medium but not final formulation
- Third Generation ★
 - No animal and/or human proteins in medium or final formulation

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Factor Concentrates

- Standard Half-Life (SHL)
 - FVIII: ~12hr
 - FIX: ~18-24hr
- Extended Half-Life (EHL)
 - FVIII: 1.4-1.6x half-life SHL
 - FIX: 3-5x half-life SHL
 - Recovery and extravascular distribution differ from SHL FIX and between EHL FIX concentrates

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Third Generation FVIII Concentrates

Extended Half Life

- Efmoroctocog alfa (Eloctate®)
- Damoctocog alfa pegol (Jivi®)
- Ruiroctocog alfa pegol (Adynovate®)
- Turoctocog alfa pegol (Esperoct®)

- Octocog alfa (Advate®; Kovaltry®)
- Simoctocog alfa (Nuwig®)
- Turoctocog alfa (NovoEight®)
- Moroctocog alfa (Xyntha®)
- Lonoctocog alfa (Afstyla®)

Standard Half Life

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Third Generation FIX Concentrates

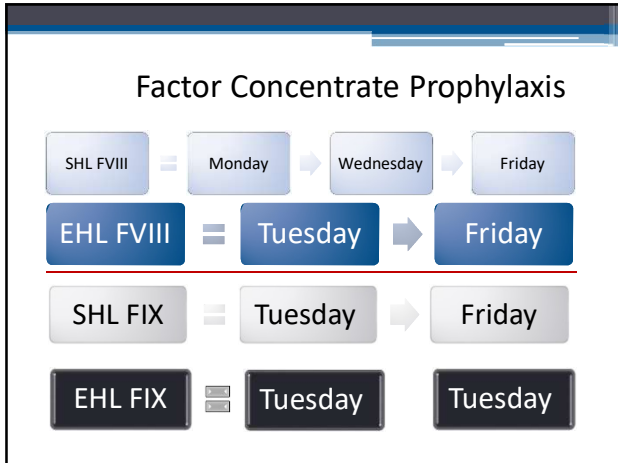
Extended Half Life

- Eftrenonacog alfa (Alprolix®)
- Albutrepenonacog alfa (Idelvion®)
- Nonacog beta pegol (Rebiny®)

- Nonacog alfa (Benefix®)
- Trenonacog alfa (Ixinity®)
- Nonacog gamma (Rixubis®)

Standard Half Life

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Dosing for Prophylaxis

Conventional/ Fixed Dosing	Tailored Approach
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard dosing approaching that utilizes SHL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High dose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieves lowest annual joint bleeding rate (AJBR) Essentially ensures patients always have measurable factor Intermediate dose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduces AJBR ~90% Low dose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduces AJBR ~80% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharmacokinetic Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically targets maintaining factor trough >1-5% Limited sampling strategy with Bayesian analysis Extended sampling strategy ~11 samples Clinical Factors Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bleeding phenotype Physical activity

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- ### Pharmacokinetic Modeling
- Pharmaceutical Manufacturers
 - myPKFit®
 - Hemotik®
 - PK Platforms
 - ADAPT®
 - WinNonlin®
 - WAPPS-Hemo®
 - Endorsed by World Federation of Hemophilia
 - Bayesian approach
 - FREE
 - Worldwide product with wide variety of factor concentrates (SHL and EHL)
 - www.wapps-hemo.org

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RL is a 14yo male with severe hemophilia A. He has previously refused factor prophylaxis, but recent developed multiple joint bleeds. The family and patient would like to begin a prophylactic factor concentrate regimen that allows for the least amount of infusions. What regimen do you recommend?

- A. Efmoroctocog alfa (Eloctate®) 50 units/kg IV twice weekly with follow-up pharmacokinetic studies
- B. Albutrepenocog alfa (Idelvion®) 50 units/kg IV once weekly, with follow-up pharmacokinetic studies
- C. Fixed dose Octocog alfa (Advate®) 25 units/kg twice weekly
- D. Fixed dose Eftrenocog alfa (Alprolix®) 50 units/kg IV once monthly

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Alternative to Infusions?

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Emicizumab-kxwh

- FDA approved for prophylaxis in adults and pediatric patients with Hemophilia A
- Subcutaneous injection
 - Loading dose 3 mg/kg weekly x 4 weeks
 - Maintenance dose:
 - 1.5 mg/kg weekly
 - 3 mg/kg every 2 weeks
 - 6 mg/kg every 4 weeks
- Most common side effect injection site reaction, headache, arthralgia
- Boxed warning for thromboembolism/thrombotic microangiopathy (TMA) when used in combination with aPCCs

Knight T. Thera Adv in Hem. 2018

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Emicizumab Significantly Reduces Annual Bleeding Rate for Inhibitor Patients

Study Population	Primary Objective	Outcome
Inhibitor Patients 12y+	Difference annual bleeding rate (ABR)	ABR- 89% decrease between group A and B (p<0.001)
Treated with bypassing agent (BPA) for episodic therapy or ppx + episodic therapy	A: Emicizumab ppx B: Episodic treatment with BPA C: Previous ppx pts changed to emicizumab	A: 2.9 [1.7-5.0] B: 23.3 [12.3-43.9] C: Lowered ABR by 79% (p <0.001) than previous BPA for ppx therapy
N=109		TMA (N=3) and thrombosis (N=1) treated with aPCC + emicizumab

Emicizumab dosing 3 mg/kg subQ weekly x 4 weeks, then 1.5 mg/kg subQ weekly

Oldenburg J, et al. *NEJM*, 2017.

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Emicizumab Significantly Reduces ABR for Pediatric Inhibitor Patients

Study	End Points	Outcome
Inhibitor Patients Age 1-15y	ABR and bleeding reduction compared to prior BPA treatment; health QOL	Intraindividual comparison to BPA showed 99% reduction [97.4-99.4] in ABR (n=15)
Receiving BPA for episodic/ppx treatment	A: Emicizumab ppx once weekly B: Emicizumab ppx every 2 weeks C: Emicizumab ppx every 4 weeks	A: ABR 0.3 [0.17-0.5], 77% ABR=0 B: ABR 0.2 [0.03-1.72] C: ABR 2.2 [0.69-6.81]
N=88 (85 <12y)		AE: 2 patients developed antibodies, 1 lost efficacy

Emicizumab dosing 3 mg/kg subQ weekly x 4 weeks, then (A) 1.5 mg/kg subQ weekly; (B) 3 mg/kg subQ every 2 weeks; (C) 6 mg/kg every 4 weeks

Young G, et al. *Blood*, 2019

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Emicizumab Significantly Reduces ABR for Non-Inhibitor Patients

Study	Primary Objective	Outcome
Non-inhibitor Patients 12y+	Difference ABR, treated bleeds between groups	96% and 97% (p<0.001) reduction ABR treated bleeds for A and B compared to C
Receiving ppx or episodic FVIII	A: Once weekly dosing B: q2week dosing C: No ppx D: previous on ppx with FVIII, once weekly	A: 1.5 [0.9-2.5] B: 1.3 [0.8-2.3] C: 38.2 [22.9-63.8] D: 68% lower ABR (p<0.001)
N=152		No major AE related to emicizumab

Emicizumab 3mg/kg subQ once week x 4 weeks; 1.5mg/kg weekly or 3mg/kg every other week

Mahangu J, et al. *NEJM*, 2018.

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Emicizumab Treatment Plan


Severe Hema = Prophylaxis = Emicizumab + Episodic treatment

- Episodic Treatment Options:
 - rFVIIa (inhibitor patients)
 - SHL or EHL rFVIII
 - Antifibrinolytics in addition to factor concentrates
 - Avoid aPCC due to risk of thrombosis and TMA

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Coagulation Labs for Emicizumab Patients

- Emicizumab interferes with the following test
 - Activated Clotting Time (ACT)
 - Activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT)
 - aPTT based clotting factor assays
 - Bethesda units
 - Intrinsic pathway clotting based assays
- Unaffected Assays
 - Bovine chromogenic Bethesda assay
 - One stage PT based single factor assays
 - Chromogenic based single factor assays
 - For FVIII, must be bovine based



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RC is a 5yoM (25kg) with high titer inhibitor. He has a target joint of right elbow and family would like to switch from bypassing agent prophylaxis to emicizumab. They desire a regimen that minimizes injections but provides best prevention of bleeds. What do you recommend?

- Emicizumab 3 mg/kg weekly x 4 weeks, 3 mg/kg every 2 weeks; rFVIIa (Novoseven RT[®]) 90 mcg/kg prn bleeding episodes
- Emicizumab 3 mg/kg every 2 weeks; rFVIIa (Sevenfact[®]) 90 mcg/kg prn bleeding episode
- Emicizumab 3 mg/kg weekly x 4 weeks, 1.5 mg/kg every week; aPCC (FEIBA[®]) 50 units/kg q8h prn bleeding episode
- Emicizumab 3 mg/kg weekly x 4 weeks, 3 mg/kg every 2 weeks; Efmoroctocog alfa (Eloctate[®]) 50 units/kg prn severe bleeding episode

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On the Horizon

- Non-factor therapies:
 - Concizumab
 - Fiturisan
 - Anti-TFPI monoclonal antibody
- Gene Therapy

Mannucci. *Haematologica*. 2020

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Hemophilia Treatment

- National and international guidelines do not give preference to emicizumab vs factor concentrates for the prophylactic treatment of Hemophilia A
- When utilizing factor concentrate for prophylaxis patients should be targeted to a trough of >1%
- Emicizumab is only approved for prophylaxis and patients must be provided with an episodic treatment option
- Patient's lifestyle and preference should be considered when choosing a treatment plan

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