

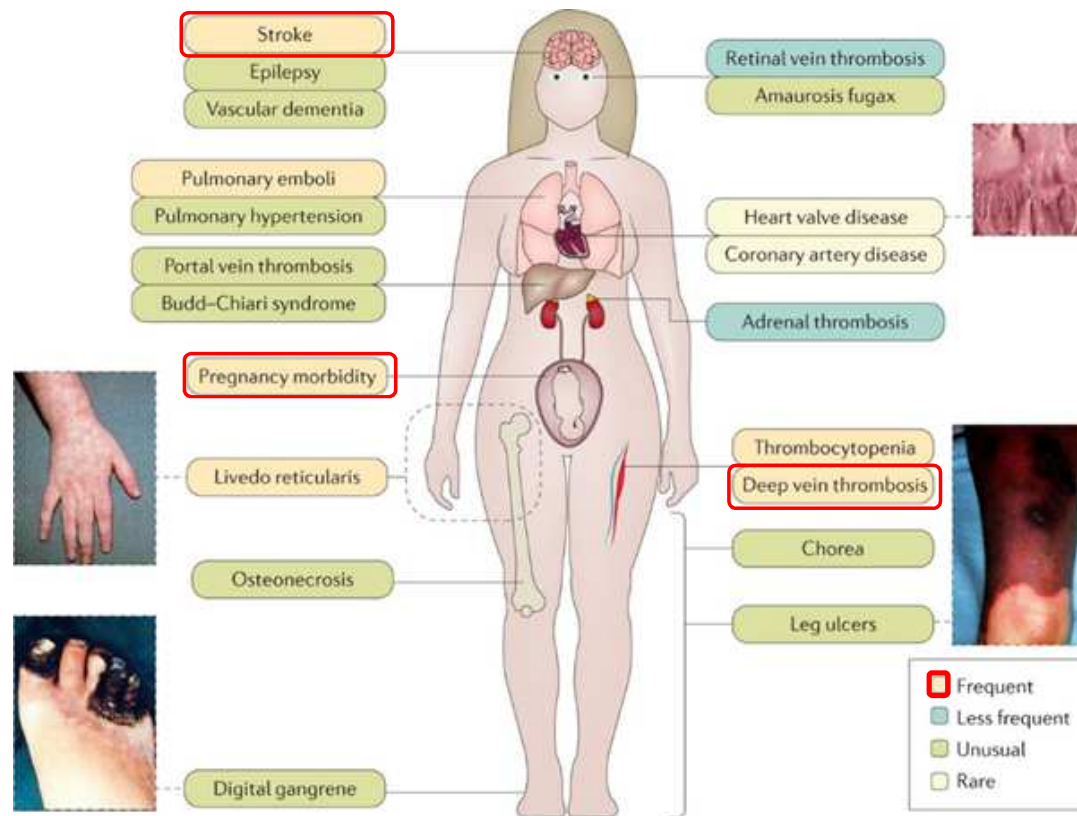
# Thrombotic APS pathophysiology: consequences for laboratory diagnosis

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# Antiphospholipid syndrome (APS)

## Clinical manifestations



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# Antiphospholipid syndrome (APS)

## Clinical manifestation

**Thrombosis**  
**Pregnancy complications**

**Other non-criteria:**

- Hematological  
thrombocytopenia
- Skin  
livedo reticularis  
leg ulcers
- Cardiopulmonary  
heart valve disease  
pulmonary hypertension
- Central Nerve System  
chorea
- Kidney  
nephropathy

Sydney classification criteria

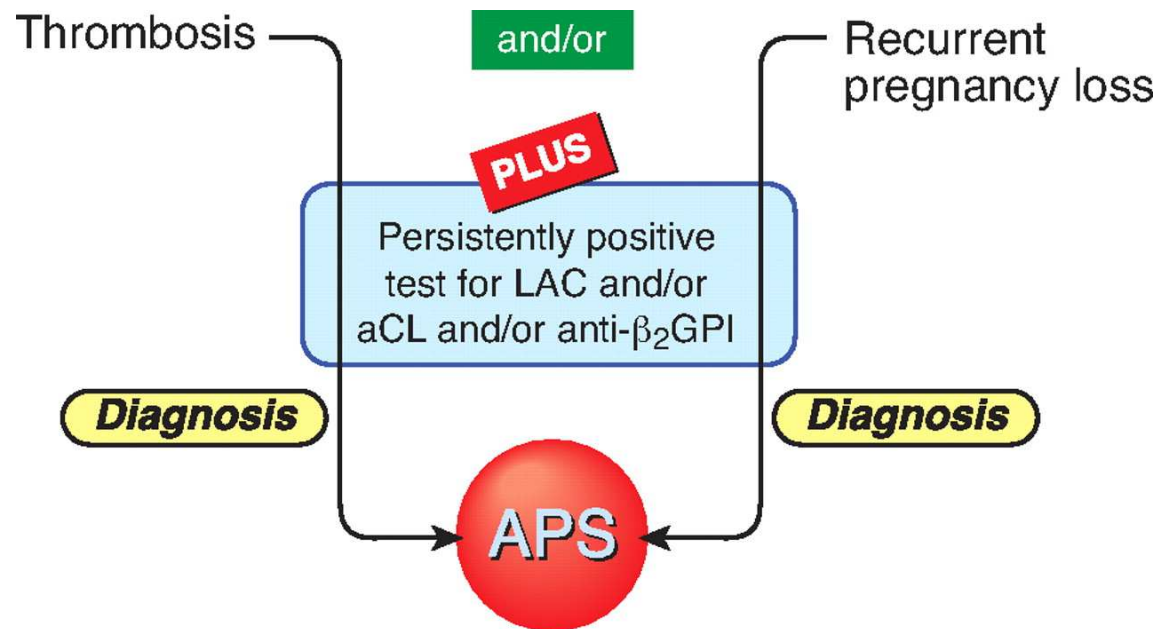
*MIYAKIS ET AL, J THROMB HAEMOST 2006; 4: 295-306*

Non-thrombotic  
No other  
hypercoagulable  
states associated  
with these  
symptoms

**Unique  
pathophysiology!**

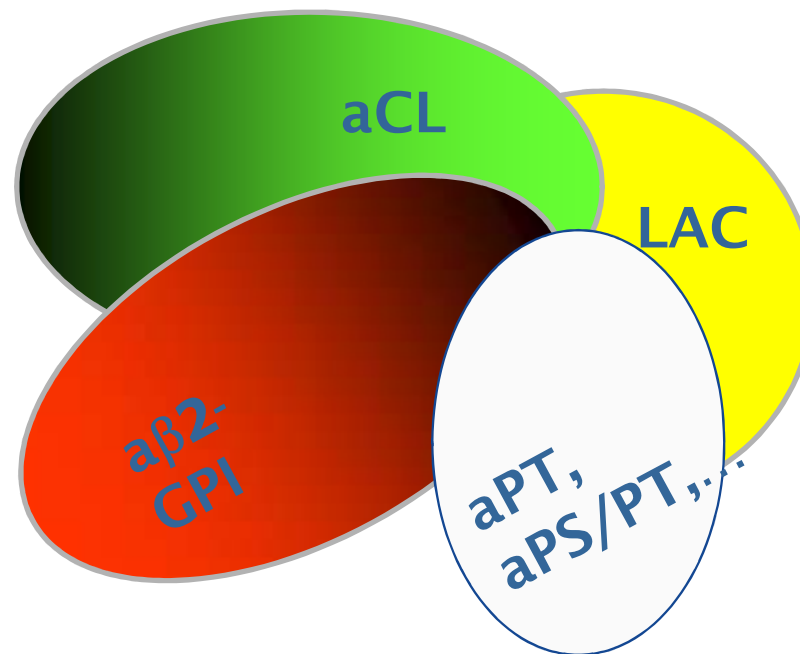
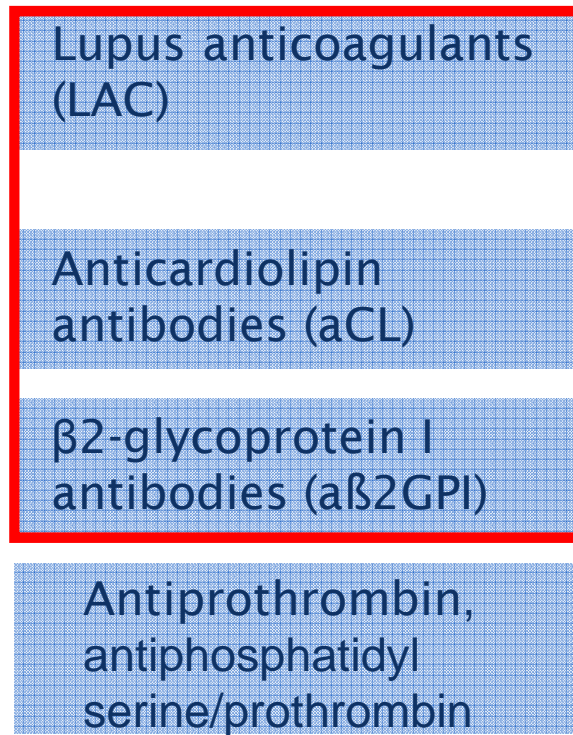
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- ▶ autoimmune disease
- ▶ antiphospholipid antibodies (aPL)

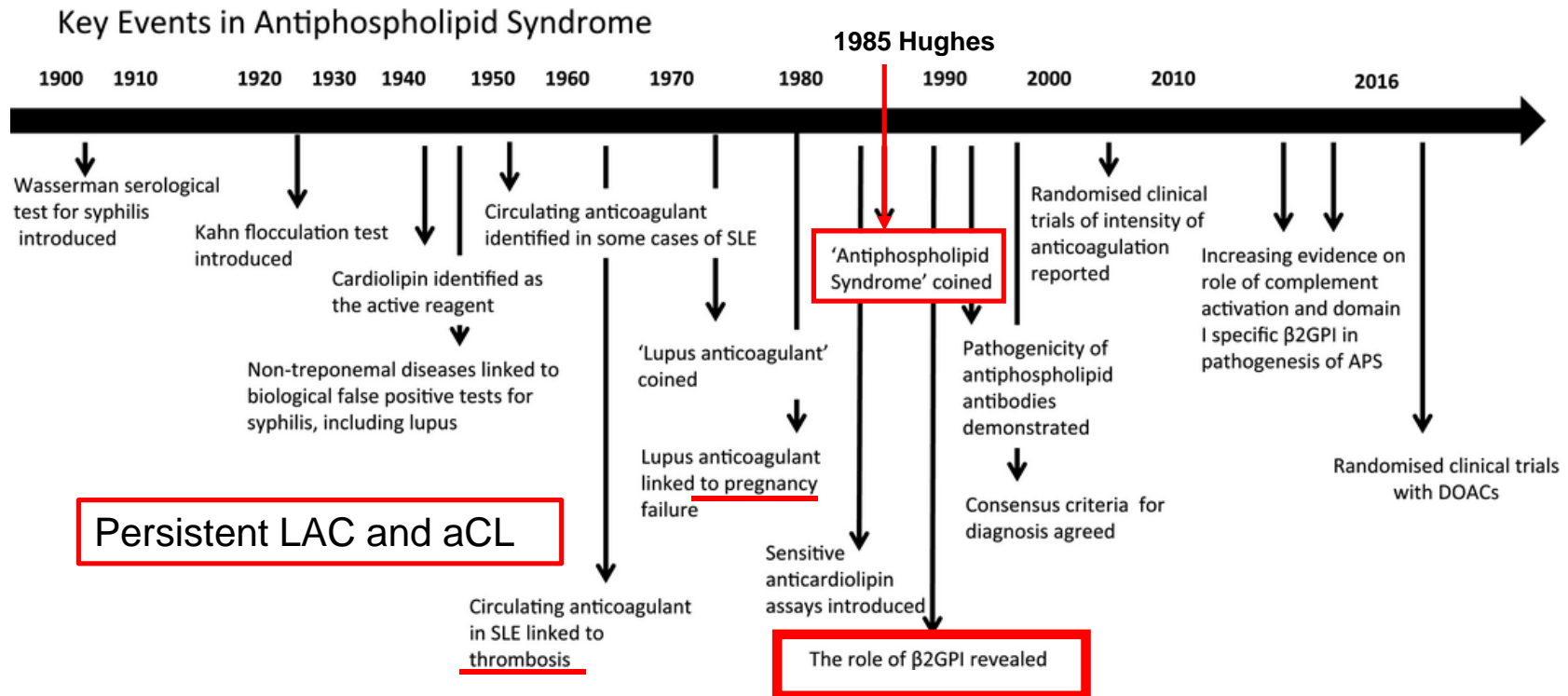


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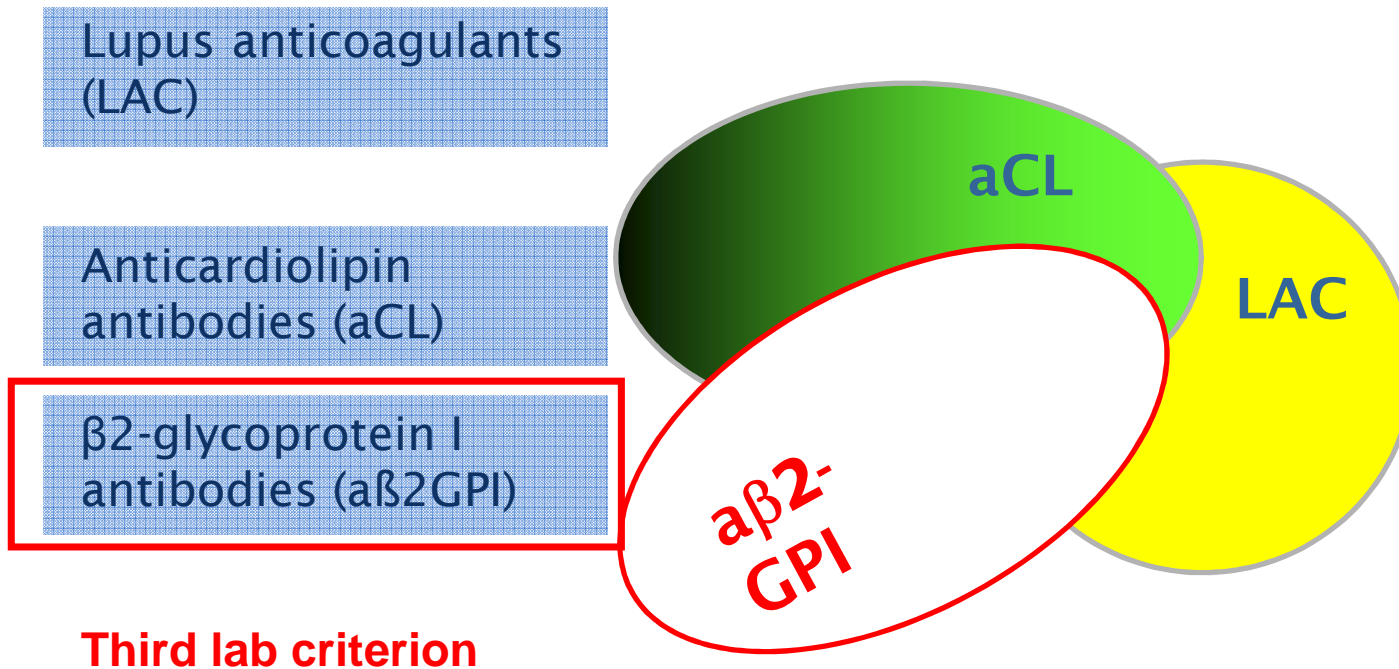
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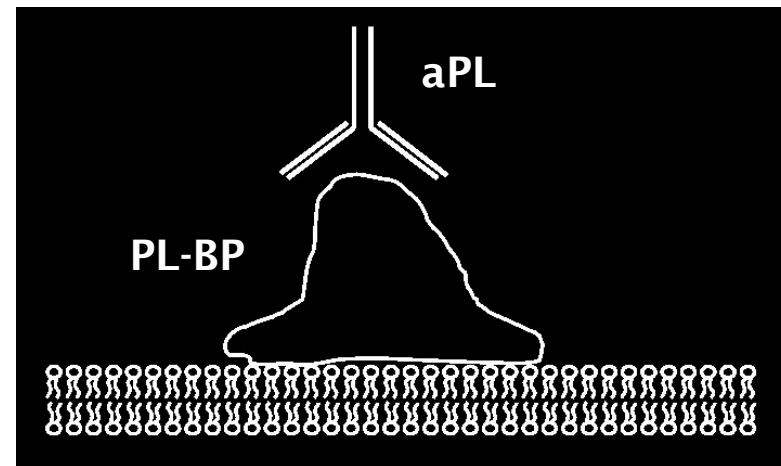
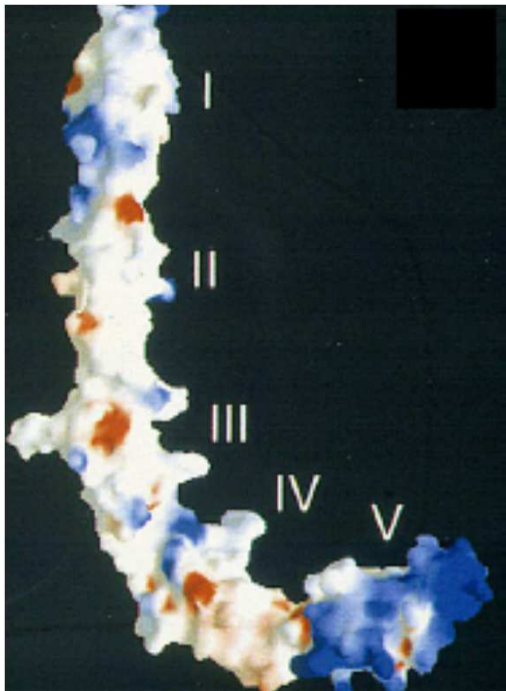
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SAPPORO CRITERIA: WILSON ET AL. ARTHRITIS RHEUM. 1999, 42: 1309-11

# Antiphospholipid antibodies (aPL)

“APS”= wrong name



$\beta_2$ - glycoprotein I ( $\beta_2$ GPI)

-described in 1966

-deficiency not associated with symptoms



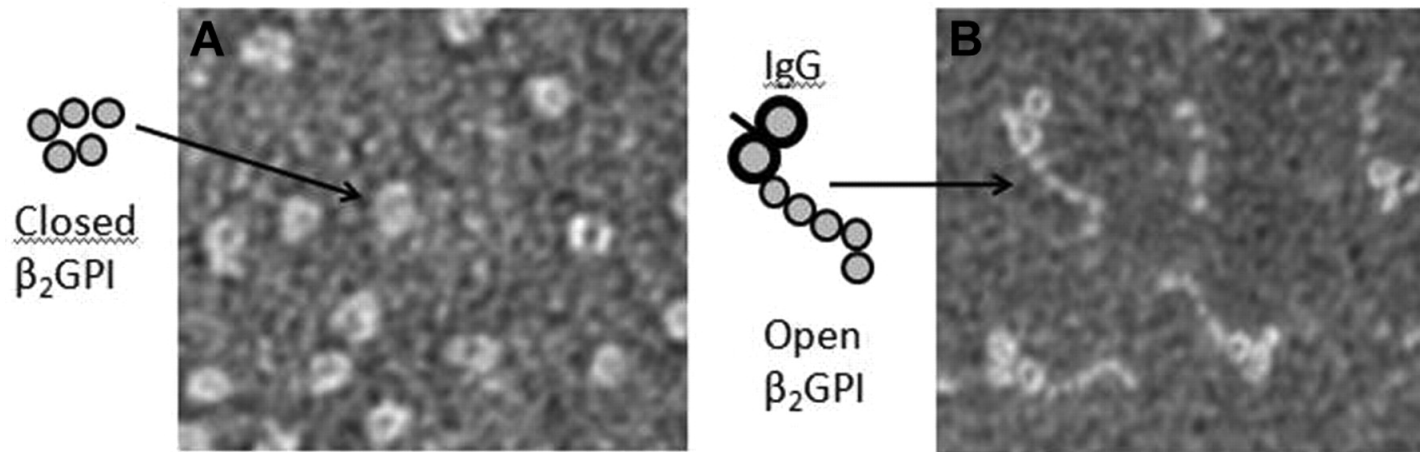
## $\beta$ 2- glycoprotein I ( $\beta$ 2GPI)

- ▶ No circulating  $\beta$ 2GPI-antibodies complexes in APS patients
- ▶ Levels of  $\beta$ 2GPI are similar in APS patients and controls
- ▶ Epitope on  $\beta$ 2GPI that is recognized by pathogenic antibodies is cryptic

AGAR ET AL. *BLOOD* 2010; 116: 1336-1343  
KUWANA ET AL. *BLOOD* 2005; 105: 1552-1557  
PHILIP G. DE GROOT AND ROLF T. URBANUS. *BLOOD* 2012;120:266-274

# $\beta$ 2- glycoprotein I ( $\beta$ 2GPI)

$\beta$ 2-glycoprotein I changes conformation on antibody binding.

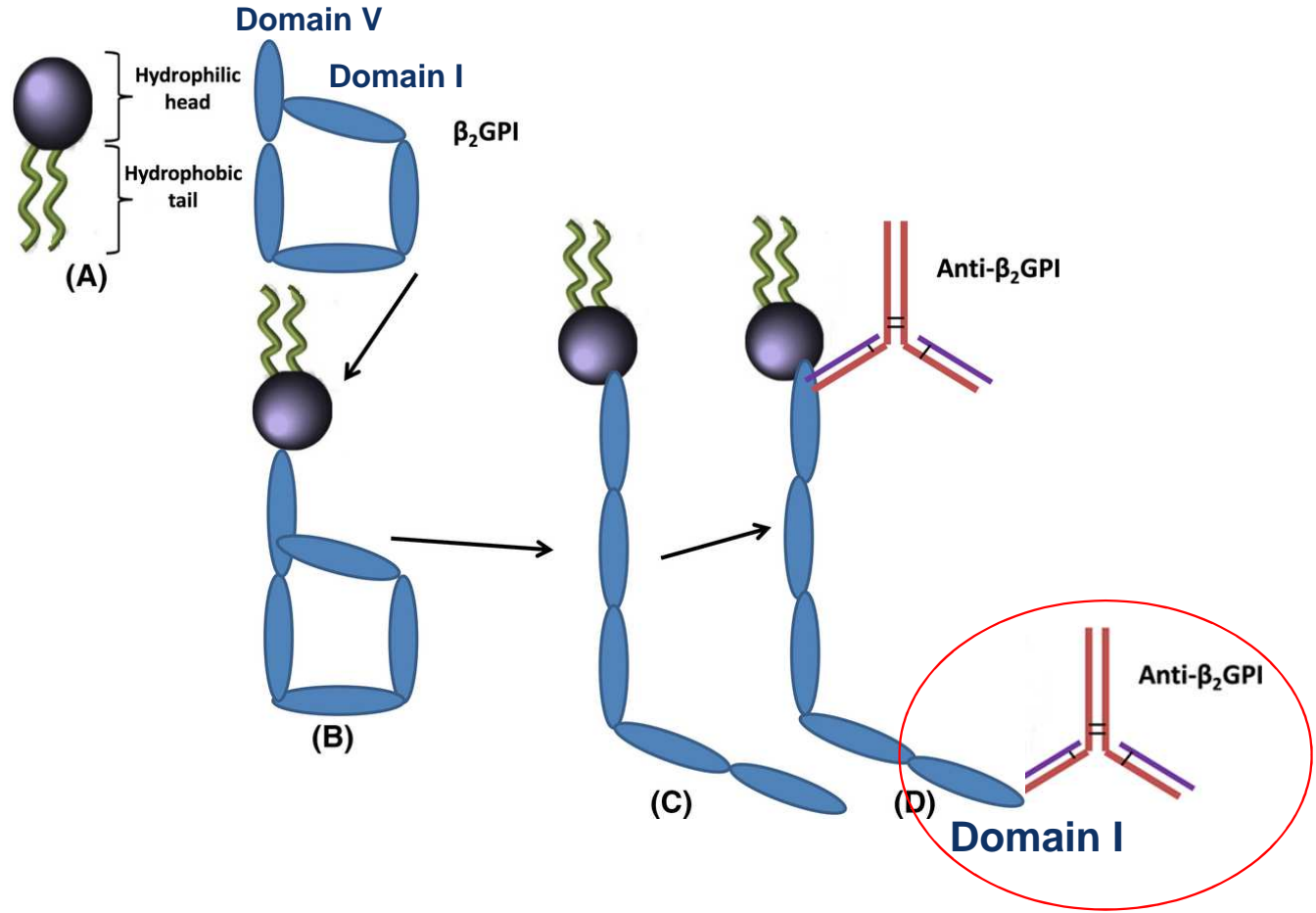


$\beta$ 2GPI in plasma

$\beta$ 2GPI in plasma +  
anti-domain I antibodies

DE GROOT AND URBANUS BLOOD 2012; 120:266-274  
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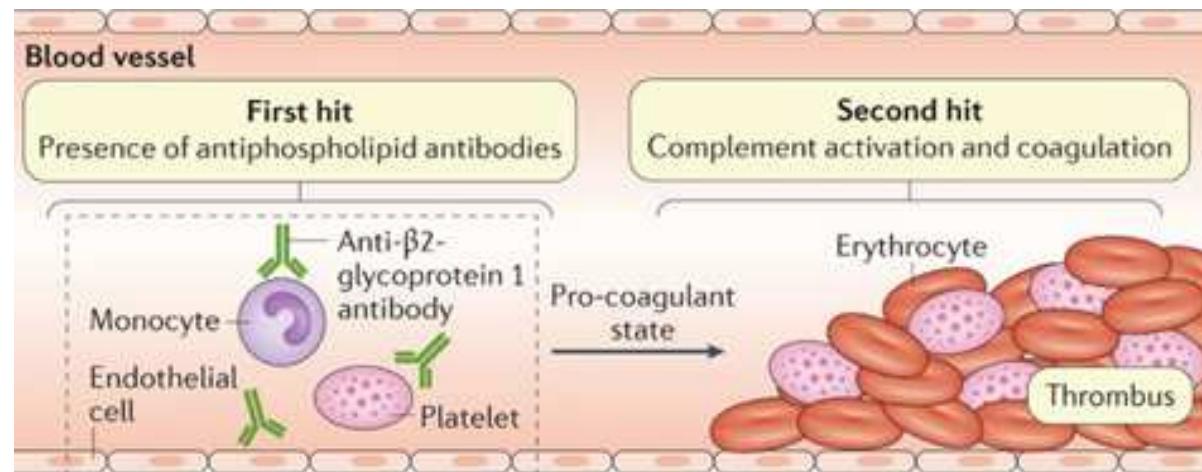
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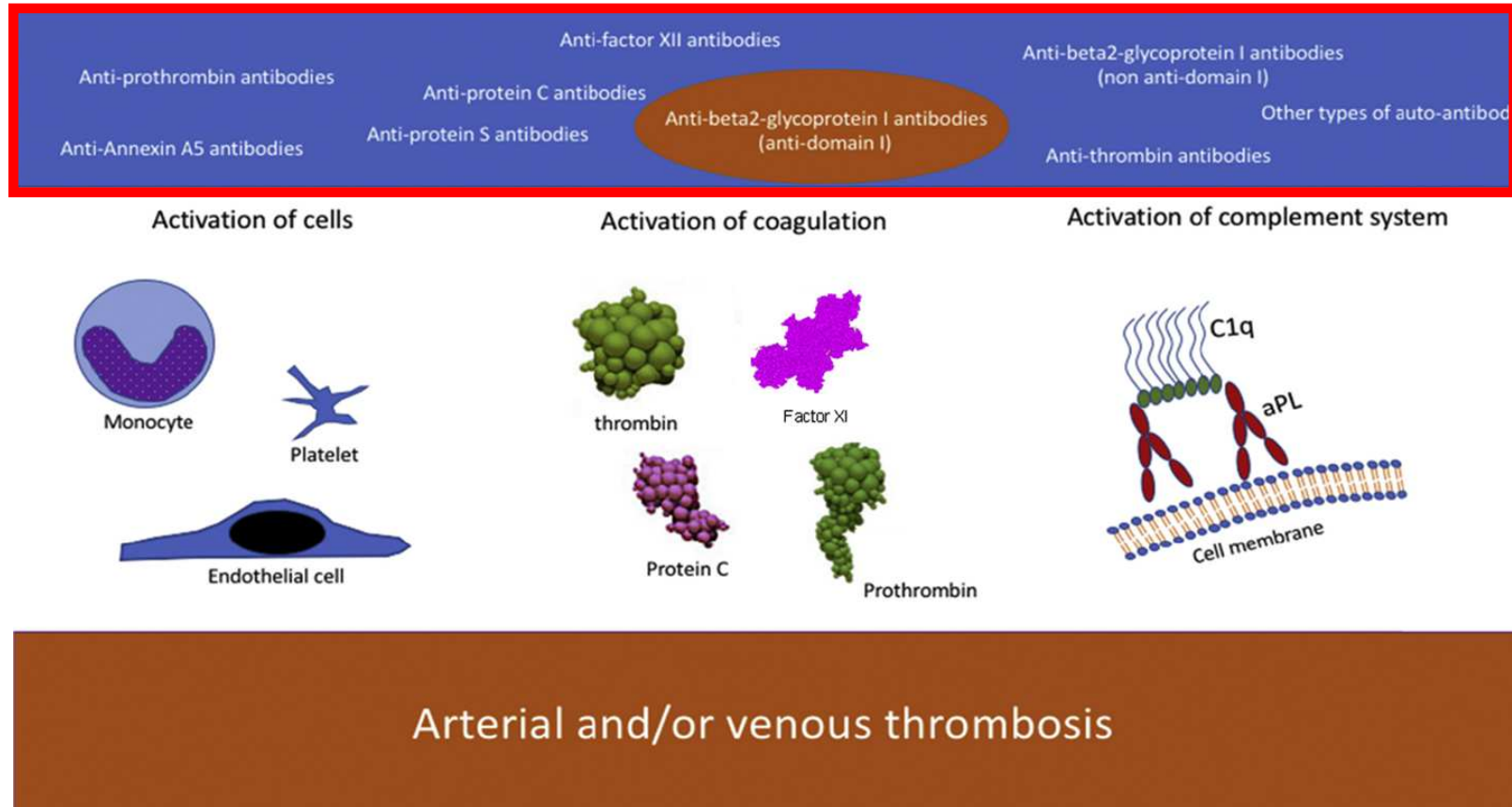
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# Why thrombosis?

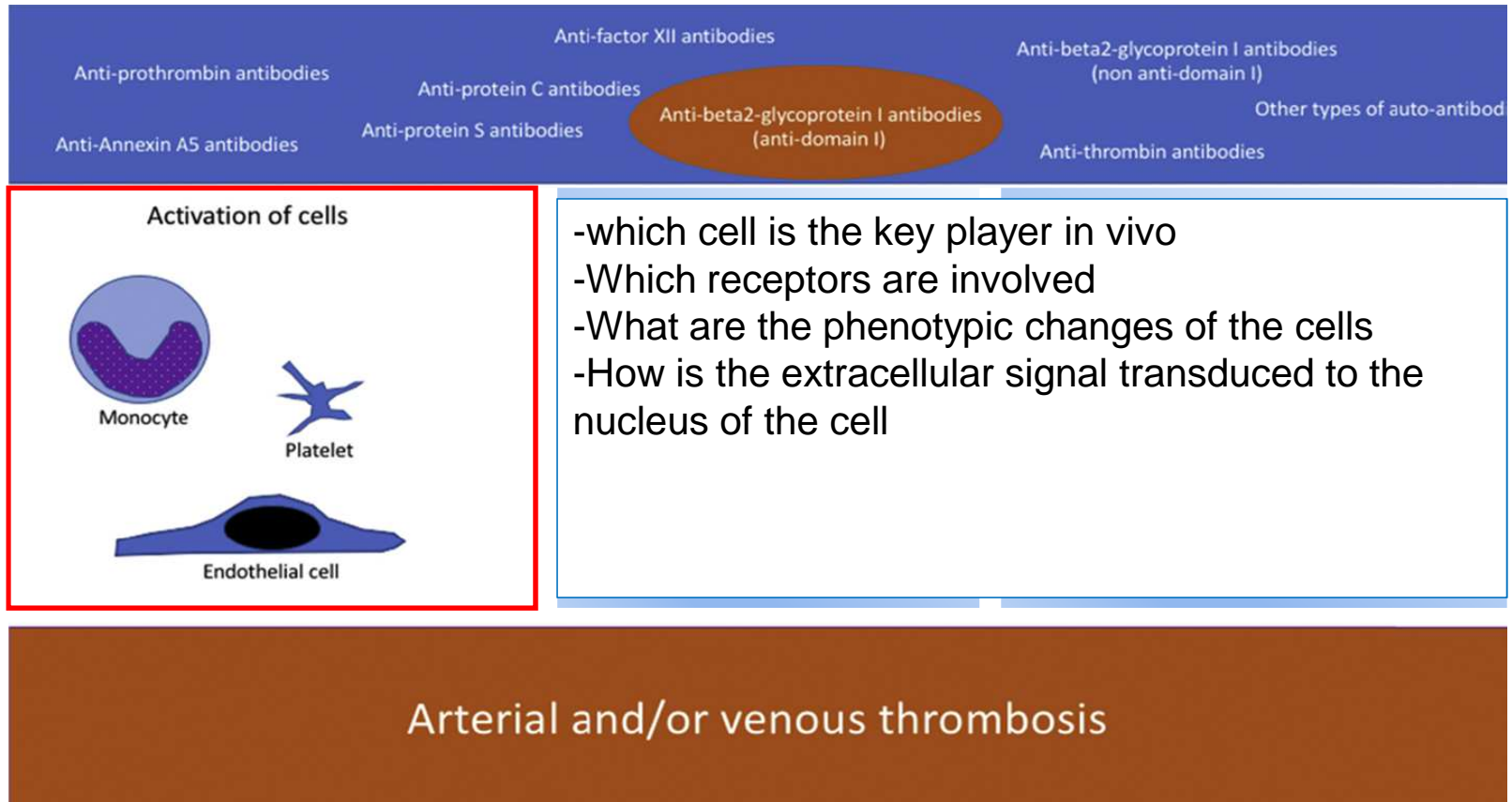


- Infection
- Inflammatory factors (e.g. concomitant connective tissue diseases)
- Non-immunological procoagulant factors (e.g. oestrogen-containing contraceptives, surgery, immobility)
- Minor vascular injury
- Genetic constitution  
HLA-DR4, HLA-DRw53, IRF5, STAT4

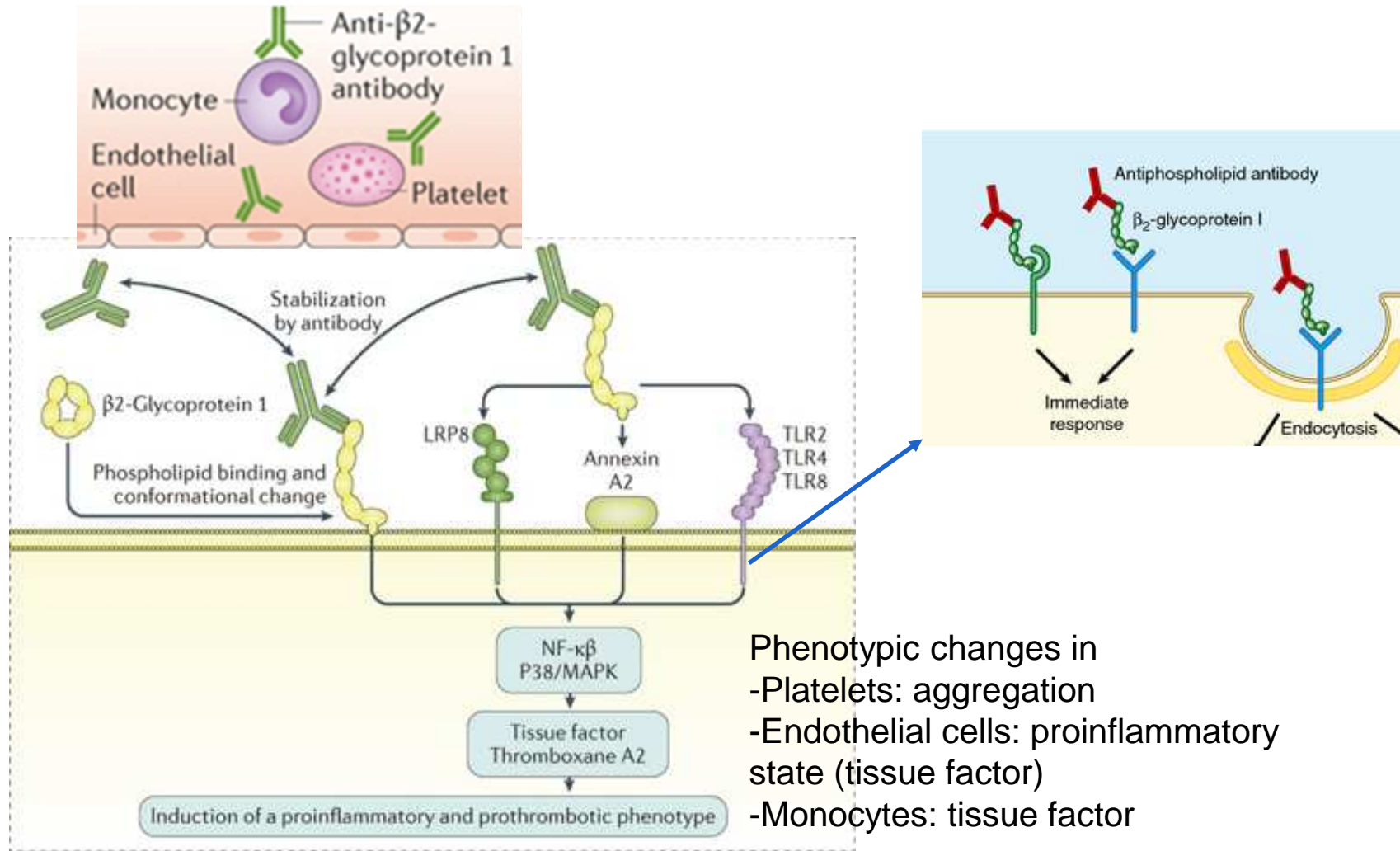
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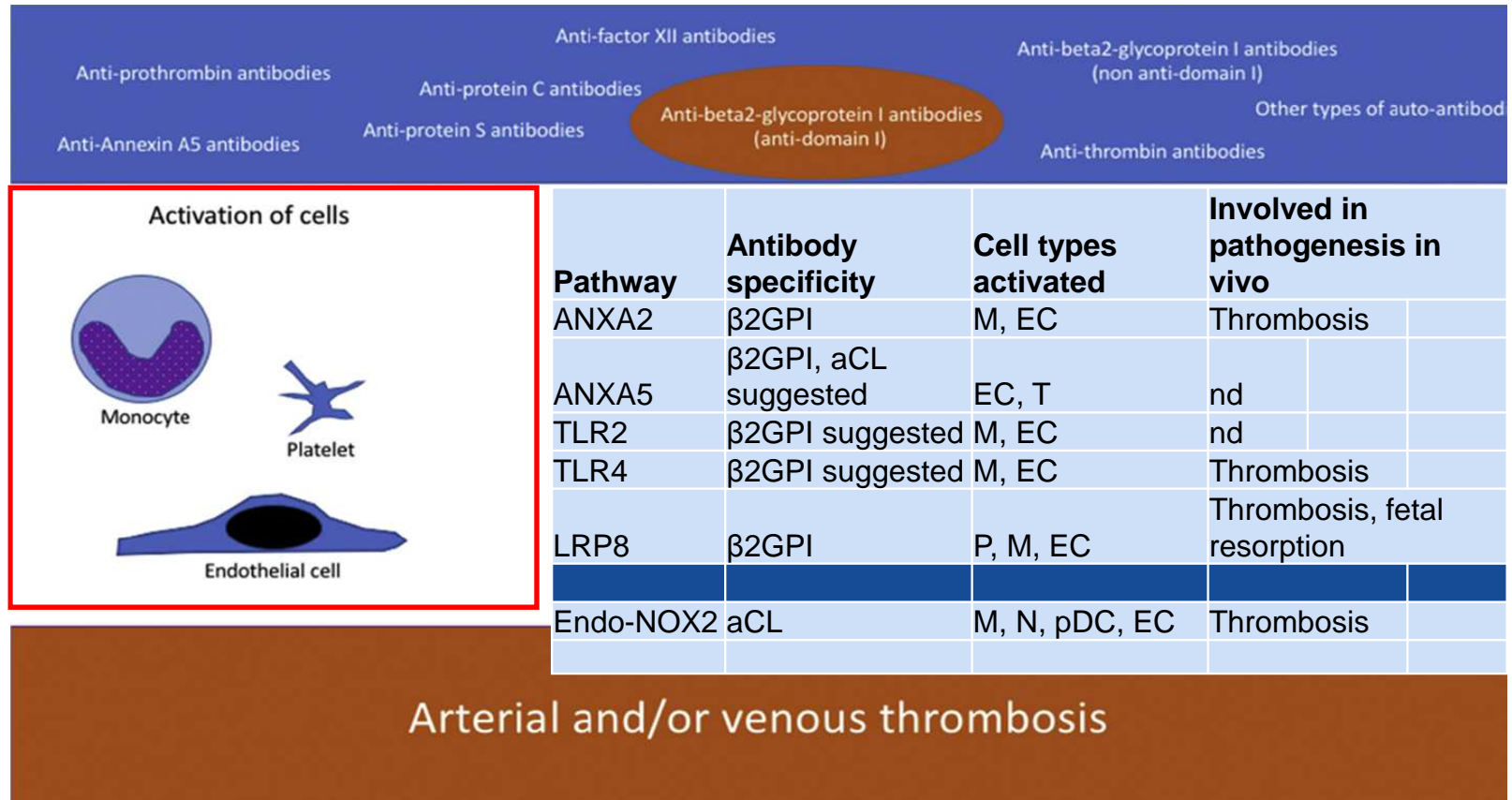
# Mechanism of aβ2GPI in cell activation



- Phenotypic changes in
- Platelets: aggregation
- Endothelial cells: proinflammatory state (tissue factor)
- Monocytes: tissue factor



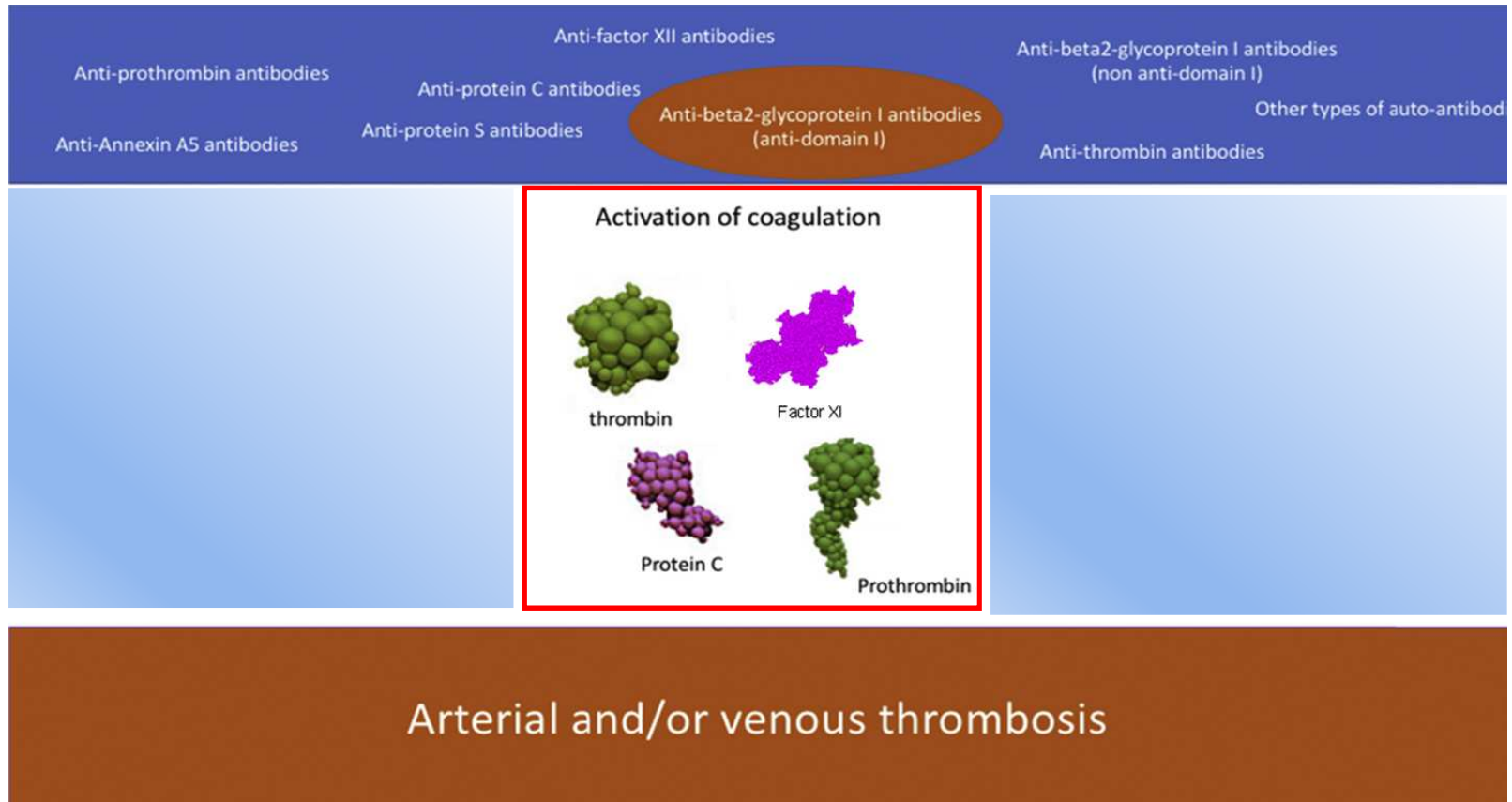
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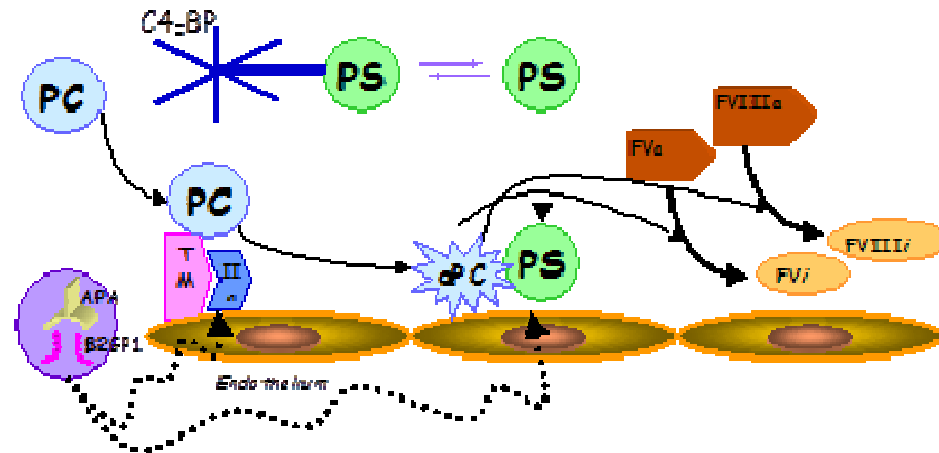
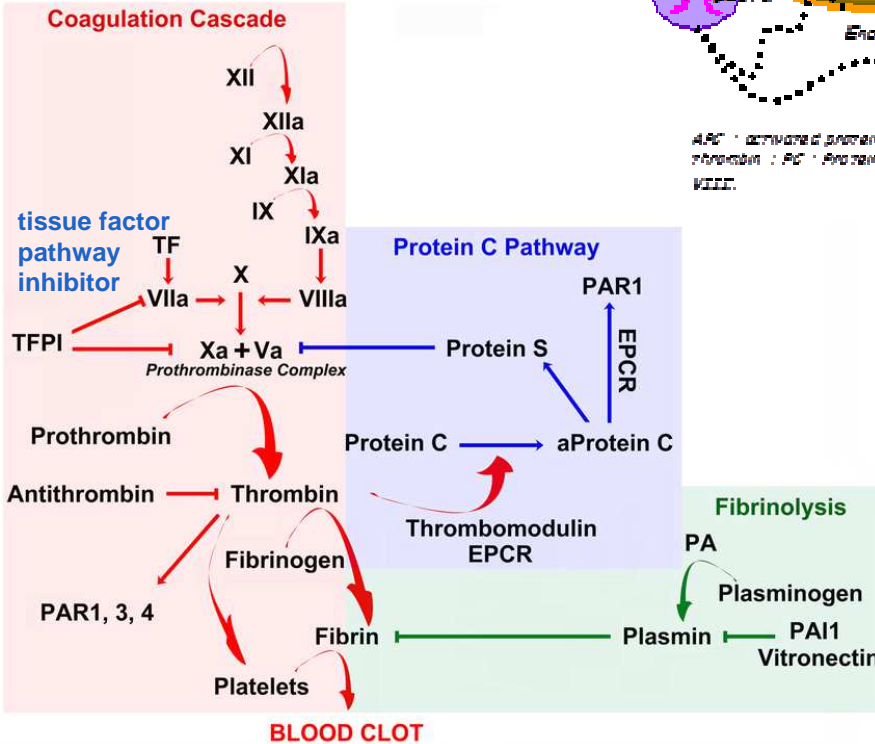
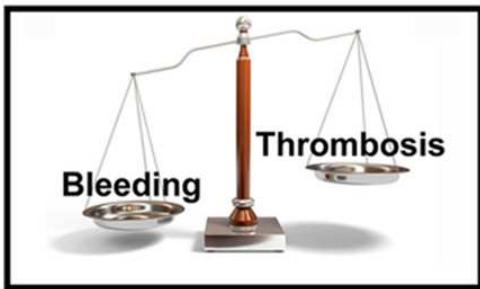
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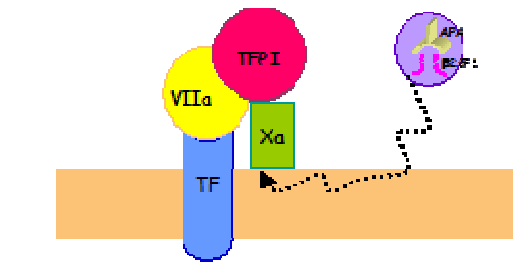
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# Interaction of aPL with coagulation regulation

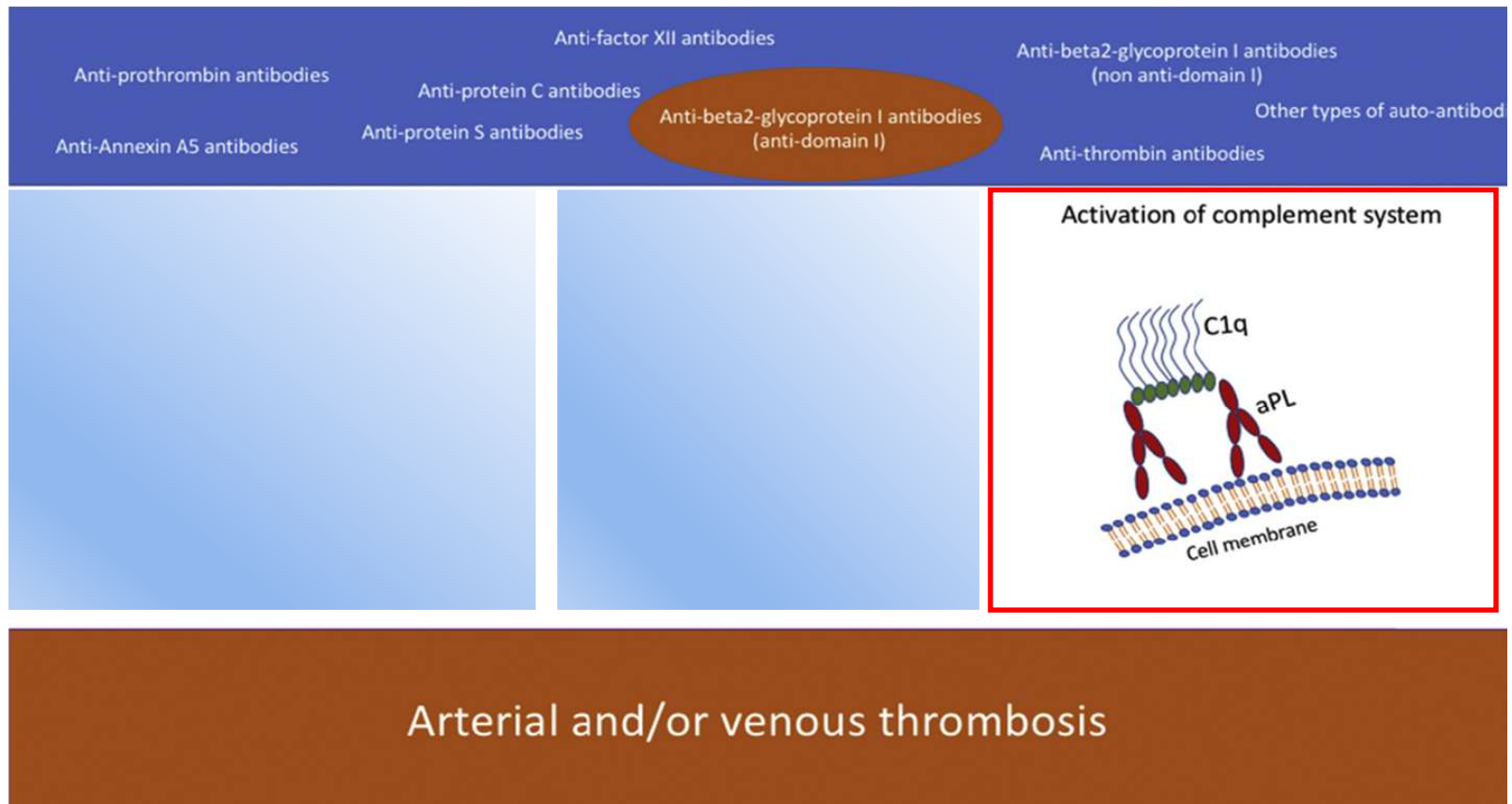


aPC = activated protein C ; TM = thrombomodulin ; PS = protein S ; C4-BP = C4b binding protein ; IIIa = thrombin ; PC = Protein C ; FVa & FVIIIa = activated Factor V & VIII ; FVi & FVIIIi = inactivated Factor V & VIII.



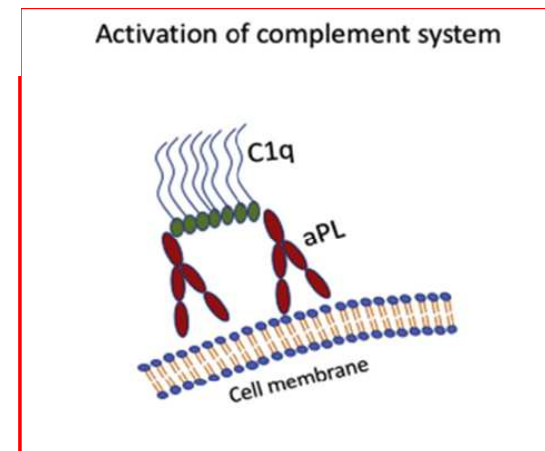
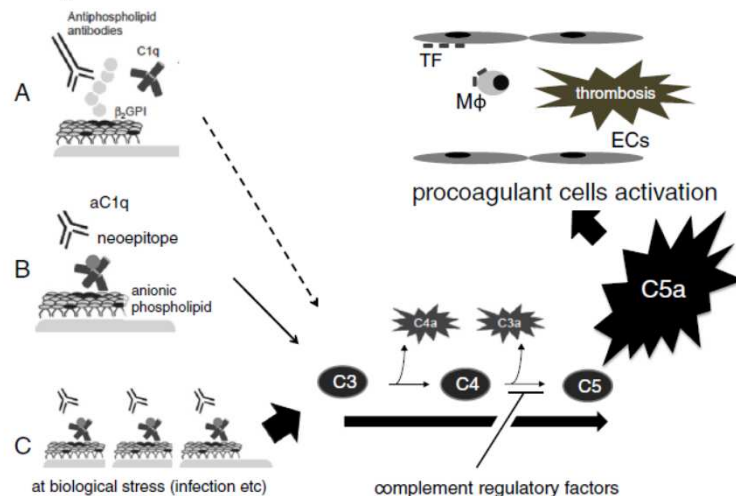
TF : Tissue Factor, TFPI : Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor, Xa : Factor Xa, VIIa : Factor VIIa

# Different players in APS pathophysiology



# Role of complement in APS pathophysiology

- C3, C4, C5 deficient mice injected with aPL combined with a vascular challenge showed a reduced thrombotic response
- Patients with primary APS show hypocomplementemia (consumption, activation)
- Anti C1q in APS patients, induce complement activation



DE GROOT AND DE LAAT, *BEST PRACTICE AND RES CLIN RHEUMATOL* 2017; 31: 334-34  
 PIERANGELI ET AL. *ANN NY ACAD SCI* 2005; 1051: 413-420  
 OKU ET AL. *AUT. REVIEWS* 2016; 15: 1001-1004

# Pathogenicity of aPL

- ▶ Mouse models:
  - ▶ purified a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG from APS patients injected to mice with injured blood vessels potentiates thrombus formation
- ▶ Cell cultures: activation of monocytes, endothelial cells, platelets by aPL results in expression of adhesion molecules, vascular cell adhesion molecules, E-selectin or tissue factor
- ▶ Thrombotic risk in APS patients
  - ▶ Serological and clinical factors
  - ▶ Type and level of aPL
  - ▶ Coexistence of predisposing thrombotic risk factors
  - ▶ Association with underlying autoimmune diseases (SLE)
  - ▶ The laboratory parameters in risk stratification for thrombotic complications in APS

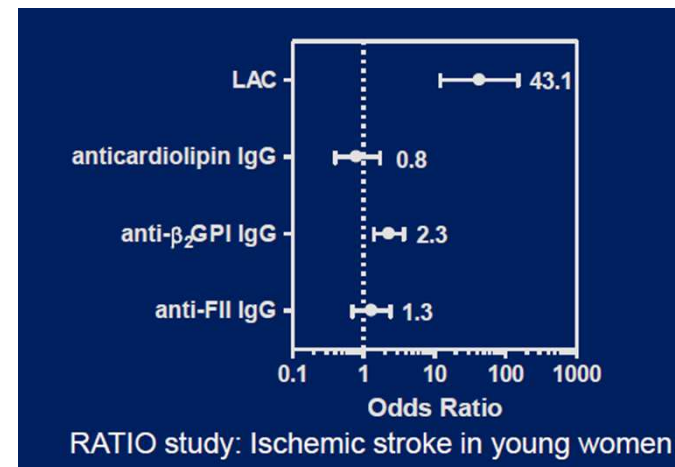
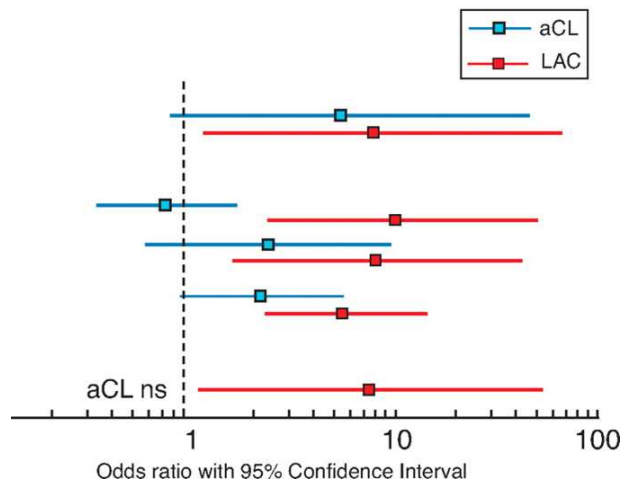
# Pathogenicity of aPL

## ▶ LAC

- ▶ stronger risk factor for thrombosis than aCL
- ▶ risk factor for venous and arterial thrombosis
- ▶ discrepancies in reported risk:

OR VTE: 3.6-9.4

OR Ischemic stroke: 1.8-43.1



DEVREESE. *THROMB RES.* 2012 OCT;130 SUPPL 1:S37-40

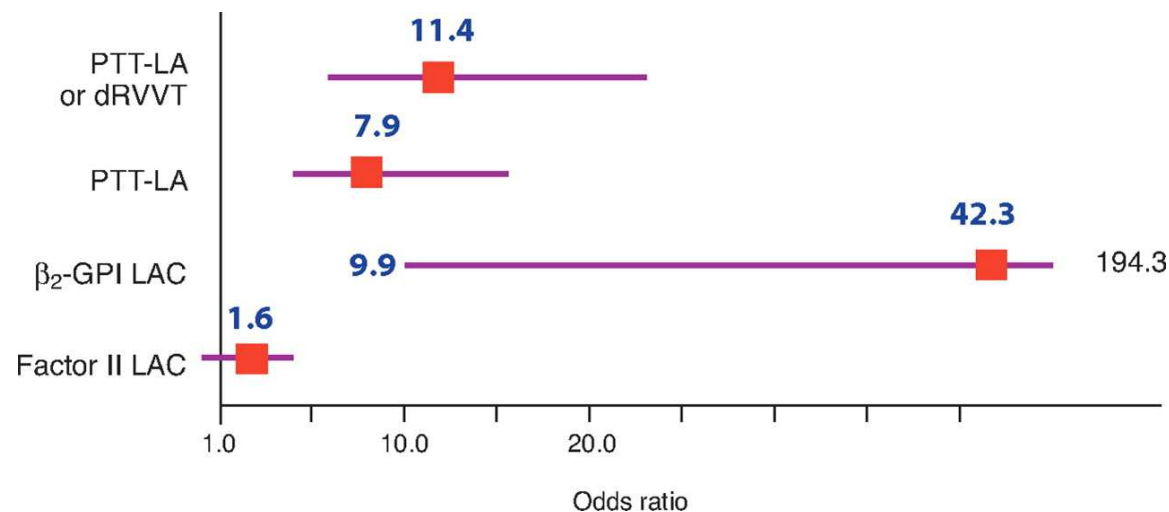
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URBANUS ET AL, *LANCET NEUROLOGY*, 2009, 8: 998-1005

DE GROOT ET AL, *JTH* 2005; GINSBERG ET AL, *BLOOD* 1995, BREY ET AL *STROKE* 2002

# Pathogenicity of aPL

- ▶ LAC: functional antibodies by coagulation assays, “all” aPL independent of cofactor
- ▶  $\beta$ 2GPI-dependent LAC strongly associates with thrombosis, compared with factor II (prothrombin)-dependent LAC



# Pathogenecity of aPL

## ▶ $\beta$ 2GPI-dependent LAC

### ▶ *Simmelink et al, 2003*

- Adding cardiolipin vesicles shortens the coagulation time (aPTT) in  $\beta$ 2GPI-dependent LAC  
Stronger relation (odd ratio 42.3) with thrombosis than LAC (10.2) and than ELISA anti- $\beta$ 2GPI (6.8)

### ▶ *Pengo et al, 2004*

- In low conc.  $\text{CaCl}_2$  more prolonged clotting times (dRVVT and dPT) in patients positive for  $\beta$ 2GPI-antibodies

### ▶ *Devreese, 2007*

- More prolonged clotting times in LAC positive patients with  $\beta$ 2GPI-antibodies in aPTT screening test (PTT-LA), also in routine  $\text{CaCl}_2$  concentrations (8.3mM)

### ▶ *de Laat et al, 2011*

- aPTT based  $\beta$ 2GPI-dependent LAC assay in multicenter study correlated better with thrombosis compared to classic LAC assay, but sensitive to sodium citrate concentration (109 M vs 129 M)



Complicated, not commercially available, not robust



# Pathogenicity of aPL

- ▶ Isolated positivity for LAC
  - ▶ In absence of clinical symptoms
  - ▶ In elderly patients
  - ▶ On a first occasion, not confirmed after 12 weeks
  - ▶ not  $\beta$ 2GPI-dependent
  - ▶ Clinical studies: low risk of thrombosis

Leiden Thrombophilia Study 472 controls, 473 patients	OR	OR 95% CI
LAC	3,6	1,2-10,9
a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG	2,4	1,3-4,2
aPT IgG	1,4	1,0-2,1
LAC + a $\beta$ 2GPI or aPT	10,1	1,3-79,8

PENGO ET AL J THROMB HAEMOST 2007, 2015;

DE GROOT ET AL , J THROMB HAEMOST 2005, 3: 1993-7

# Pathogenicity of aPL

## aCL IgG

- ▶ OR ELISA  
not consistent  
VTE: 4.7-5.5  
Arterial thrombosis: 1.4-15
- ▶ OR automated chemiluminescent techniques  
VTE: 11,7 [5,8-23,7]  
VTE: 55,7 [24,9-124,6]
- ▶ Isolated positivity: no association with thrombosis, except in SLE

*GALLI ET AL, BLOOD 2003; URBANUS ET AL, LANCET NEUR 2009; AHMED ET AL STROKE 2000; BREY ET STROKE 2000; NAESS ET AL JTH 2006; SANMARCO ET AL, 2007; GINSBURG ET AL, 1992; WU ET AL, 1992; SAIDI ET AL, 2009; DE MOERLOOSE ET AL, JTH 2010; DE CRAEMER ET AL, JTH 2016; PENGO ET AL 2005; RUFFATI ET AL 2008; RUNCHEY ET AL 2002; PROVEN ET AL 2004; LES ET AL, SEMIN THROMB HEMOST 2009*

## a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG

- ▶ modest risk: OR  
VTE: 1.6-2.4  
MI: 2.5  
Stroke: 2.3
- ▶ ELISA  
OR 4 -15.4  
OR 7.6-11.7
- ▶ OR automated chemiluminescent techniques  
VTE: 6,2 [3,4-11,3]  
VTE: 7,9 [3,9-16,1] and 139,0 [41,8-463,0]
- ▶ Isolated positivity: no association with thrombosis

*PETRI ET AL 2010; DE GROOT ET AL, 2005; MERONI ET AL, 2007; URBANUS ET AL, 2009; DEVREESE ET AL, BLOOD 2010; VAN HOECKE AND DEVREESE, INT J LAB HEMATOL, 2012; DE MOERLOOSE ET AL, JTH 2010 ) ; DE CRAEMER ET AL, JTH 2016; PENGO ET AL 2005; URBANUS ET AL 2009*

# aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI testing

## ➤ Isotype

- ▶ discussion about the role of IgM: thrombosis/pregnancy
- ▶ aCL/a $\beta$ 2GPI same isotype (IgG/IgM)= high risk for thrombosis
- ▶ IgA: further investigations
- ▶ Systematic review on the role of IgM included studies 2001-2014
  - More significant correlations with thrombosis for the IgG
  - Significant associations for IgM also found with corresponding IgG
  - How many APS patients missed upon omission of IgM?

*DEVREESE ET AL, ISTH-SSC RECOMMENDATIONS, J THROMB HAEMOST 2014; 12: 792-5*

*DEVREESE ET AL, J THROMB HAEMOST 2018; 16: 809–13  
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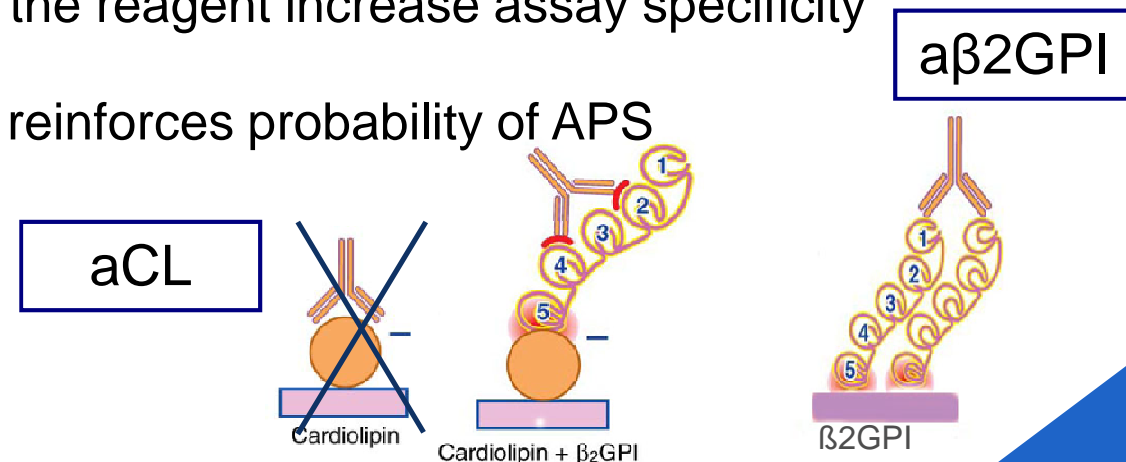
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# aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI testing

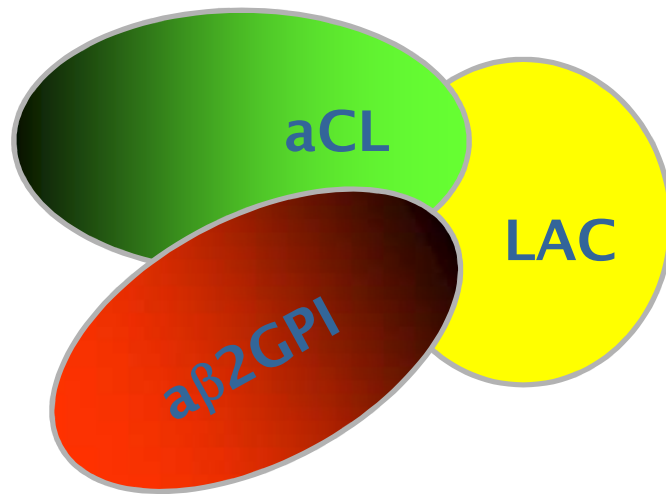
## ▶ $\beta$ 2GPI dependent aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG and IgM

- comparable sensitivity/ specificity for aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI
- good correlation between aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI
- aCL assays with human  $\beta$ 2GPI in the reagent increase assay specificity
- aCL and a $\beta$ 2GPI of same isotype reinforces probability of APS

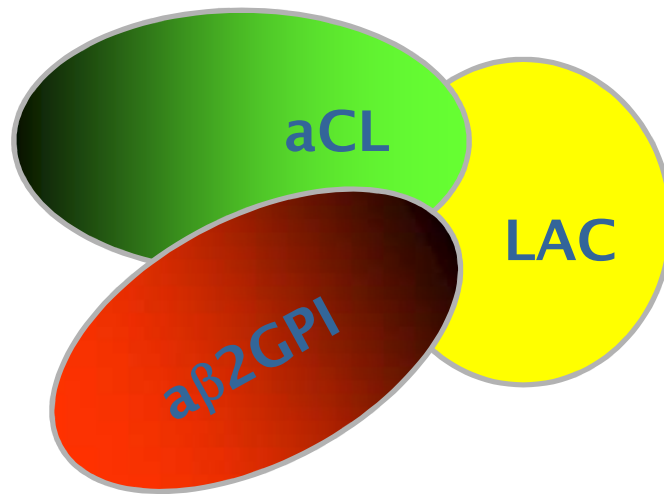
-high titer: > 99<sup>th</sup> percentile



# Pathogenicity of aPL



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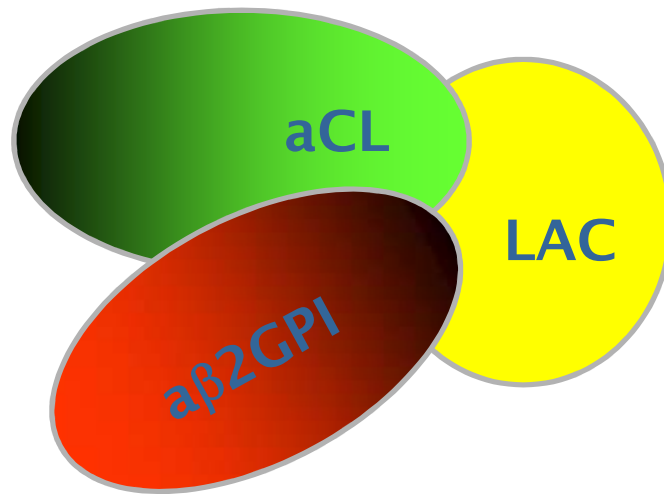


Antibody profiles:

**Triple positivity**

Positivity on multiple assays (LAC/aCL/aβ2GPI) is associated with an increased risk of thrombosis

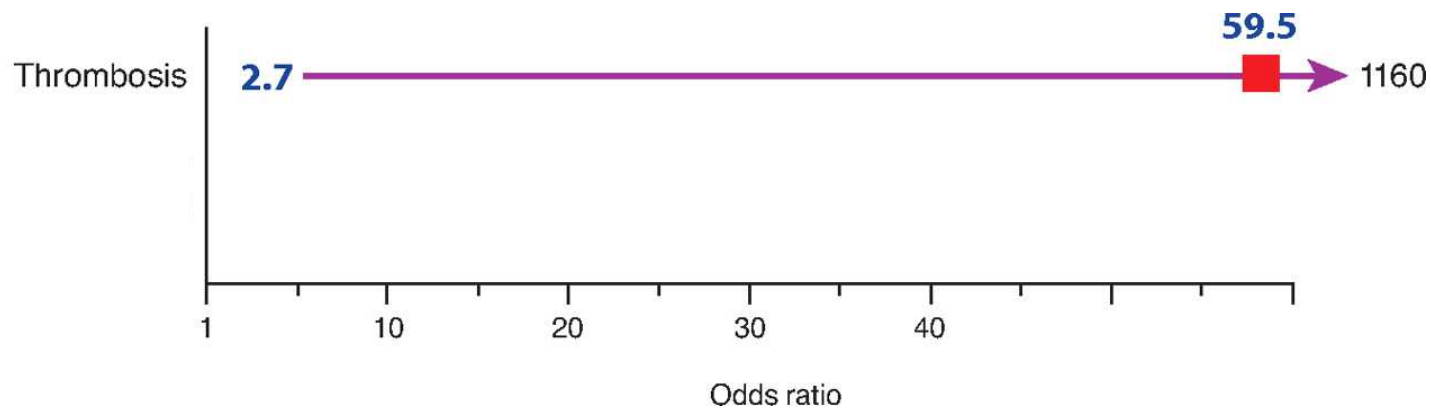
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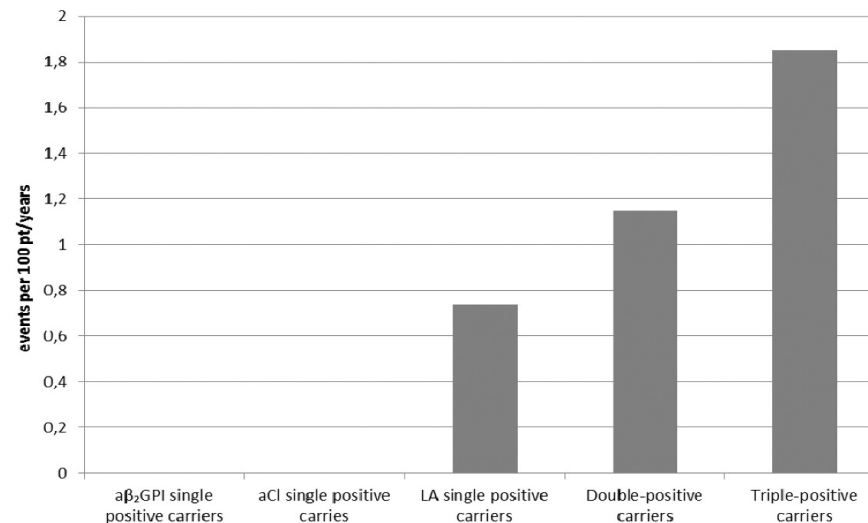
# Pathogenicity of aPL

## Antibody profiles

Double or triple positivity for aPL = risk factor for future thrombotic events

- Especially in individuals with an underlying autoimmune disease

- single positivity does not seem to carry an elevated risk



Average annual rates of first thrombotic events in single aPL-positive, double and triple aPL-positive carriers in a Finnish aPL **carrier cohort**.

*P MUSTONEN; K V LEHTONEN; K JAVELA; M PUURUNEN; LUPUS 2014; 23, 1468-1476.*



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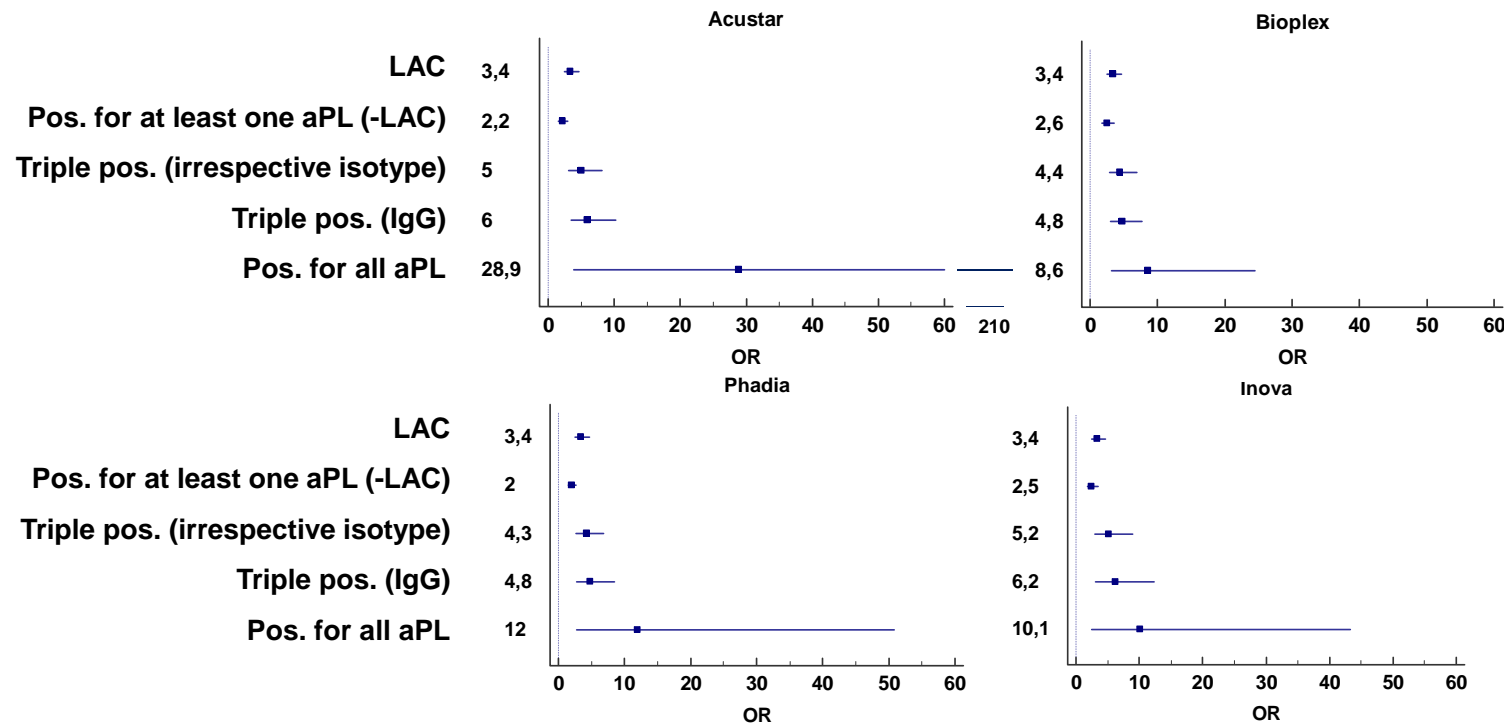
## Antibody profiles

### Multicenter solid phase assay study

APS thrombosis n=259

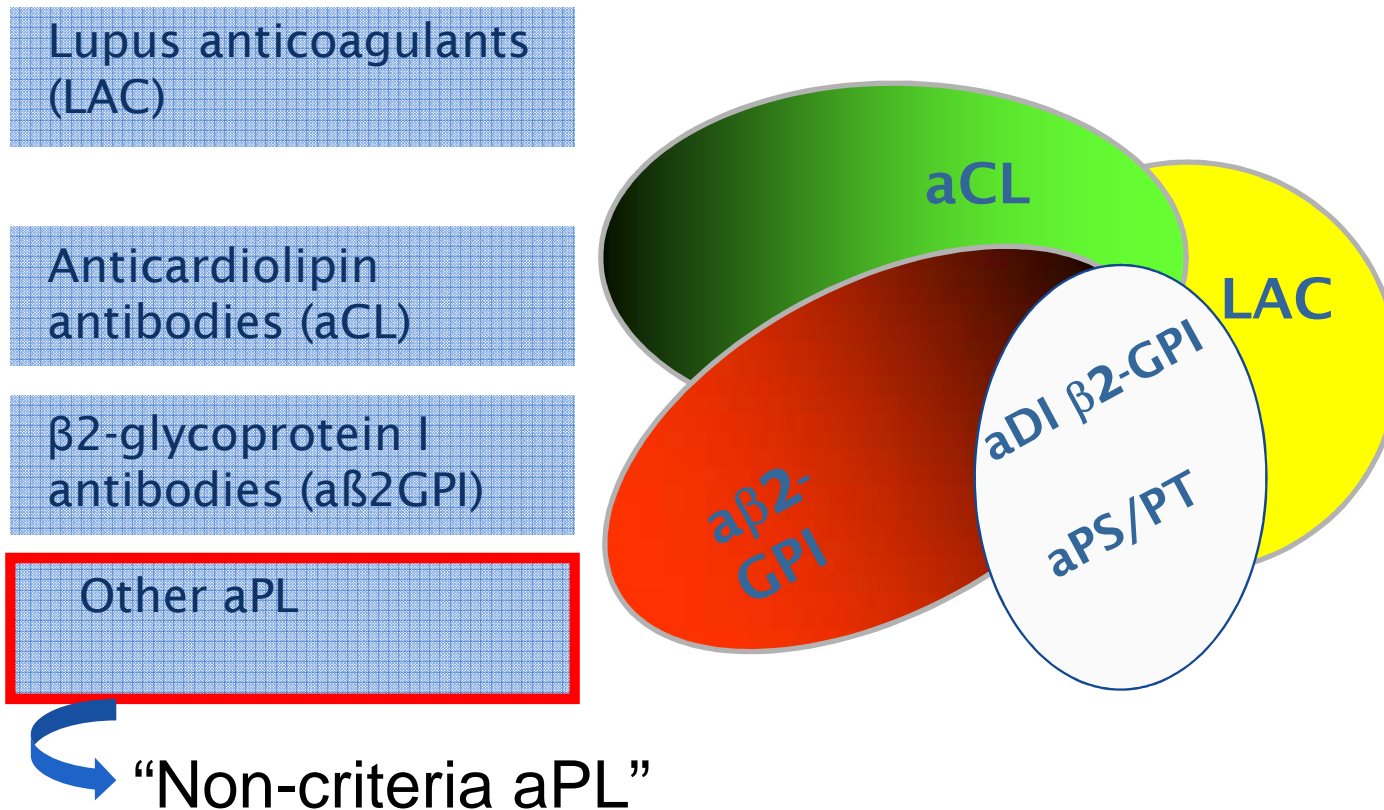
Non-APS thrombosis n=204

+ AID+HC: n=390

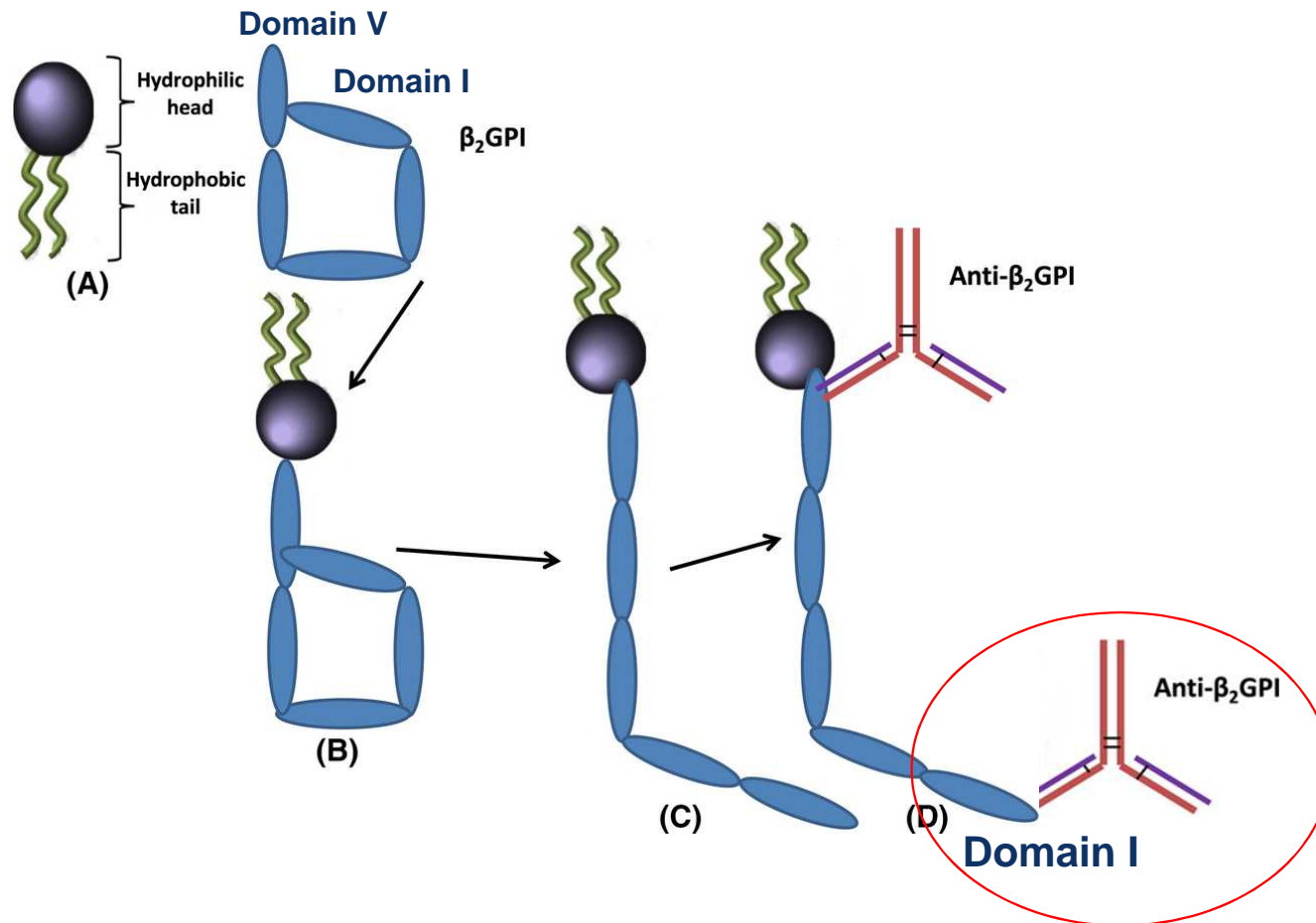


- Clinical association was globally concordant between solid phase test systems considering antibody profiles
- Considering all aPL, OR differ, measuring the four aPL with one test system

# Antiphospholipid antibodies (aPL)



# Non-criteria aPL: subgroup of a $\beta$ 2GPI



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# Pathogenecity of aPL

## ▶ anti-domain I a $\beta$ 2GPI

- increased association with thrombosis

OR 18.9 (DE LAAT ET AL, BLOOD 2005; 105:1540-5)

OR 3.5 (DE LAAT ET AL, J THROMB HAEMOST. 2009;7:1767-73)

**Table 2** Association between aPL and thrombosis

	Odds ratio (95% confidence interval)
Anti-domain I IgG	<b>3.5 (2.3–5.4)*</b>
Non-domain I	0.4 (0.3–0.6)
Anti-beta2GPI IgG	
Anti-beta2GPI IgM	0.9 (0.6–1.3)
LAC	<b>1.8 (1.1–3.1)*</b>
aCL	1.1 (0.6–2.1)

# Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI

## ▶ First in-house ELISA

- increased association with thrombosis  
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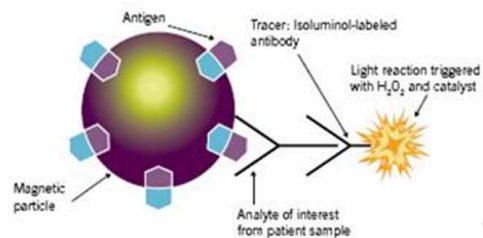
## ▶ Two other types of in-house ELISA

- A direct aDI ELISA (COUSINS ET AL. *ANN RHEUM DIS* 2015; 74: 317-319; PERICLEOUS ET AL. *PLOS ONE* 2016; 11: E0156407)
- A competitive inhibition ELISA (POZZI ET AL, *PROTEIN SCI* 2010; 19:1065-1078; BANZATO ET AL. *THROMB RES* 2011; 128:583-586)

## ▶ Commercial ELISA (INOVA) (ANDREOLI ET AL, *ANN RHEUM DIS* 2011; 70: 380-383; ANDREOLI ETVAL, *ARTHRITIS RHEUMATOL* 2015; 67: 2196-2204; AKHTER ET AL. *J RHEUMATOL* 2013; 40: 282-286)

## ▶ Chemiluminescence assay QUANTA Flash® assay (BioFlash/ Acustar, Werfen)

- Since 2014
- 17 published studies



(YIN ET AL, *AUTOIMMUNITY REVIEWS*, 2018, IN PRESS)

# Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI

- ▶ Commercial QUANTA Flash® assay  
BioFlash/ Acustar (Werfen): chemiluminescence immunoassay

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*MONDEJAR R ET AL. ROLE OF ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SCORE AND ANTI-B2-GLYCOPROTEIN I DOMAIN I AUTOANTIBODIES IN THE DIAGNOSIS OF ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROME. CLIN CHIM ACTA. 2014;431:174-8.*

*PENGO V ET AL. ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROME: ANTIBODIES TO DOMAIN 1 OF B2-GLYCOPROTEIN 1 CORRECTLY CLASSIFY PATIENTS AT RISK. J THROMB HAEMOST. 2015;13:782-7.*

*MAHLER M ET AL. AUTOANTIBODIES TO DOMAIN I OF BETA2GPI DETERMINED USING A NOVEL CHEMILUMINESCENCE IMMUNOASSAY DEMONSTRATE ASSOCIATION WITH THROMBOSIS IN PATIENTS WITH APS. LUPUS 2016; 25:911-916.*

*A.S. DE CRAEMER, J.MUSIAL, K. DEVREESE. ROLE OF ANTI-DOMAIN 1-B2GLYCOPROTEIN I ANTIBODIES IN THE DIAGNOSIS AND RISK STRATIFICATION OF ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROME. J THROMB HAEMOST 2016, 14:1779-87*

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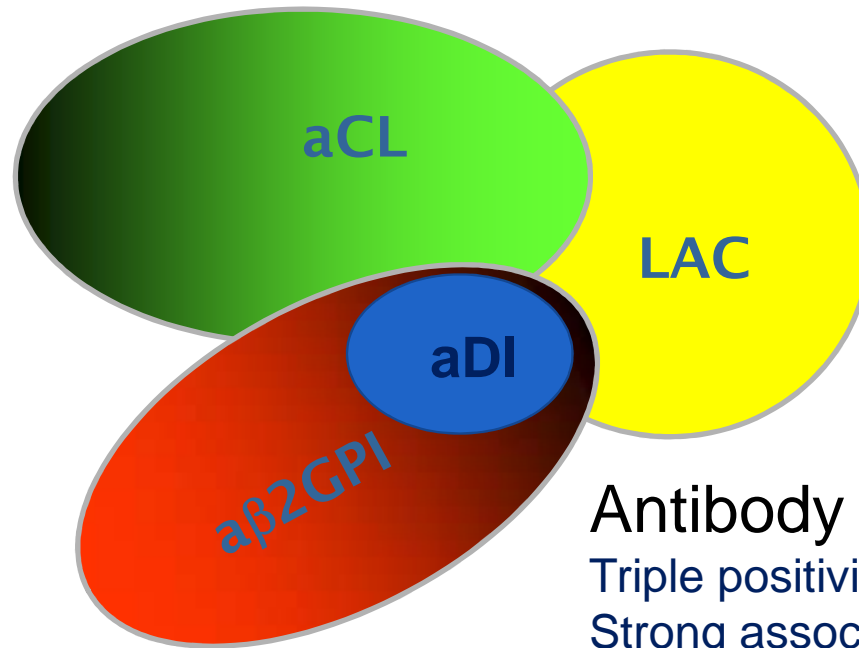
	a $\beta$ 2GPI (20 CU)	a $\beta$ 2GPI (164 CU)	$\beta$ 2GPI-aD1 (20 CU)	$\beta$ 2GPI-aD1 (190 CU)
Sensitivity %			34.9	
Specificity %			99.5	
OR	2.3	4.1	4.0	8.7

MAHLER ET AL, LUPUS 2016, 25:911-916

	a $\beta$ 2GPI (20 CU)	a $\beta$ 2GPI (60 CU)	$\beta$ 2GPI-aD1 (20 CU)	$\beta$ 2GPI-aD1 (44 CU)
sensitivity		56.4	53.5	48.5
specificity		99.1	97.8	99.1
OR		139	52.2	101

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## Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI



### Antibody profiles:

Triple positivity = patients at risk

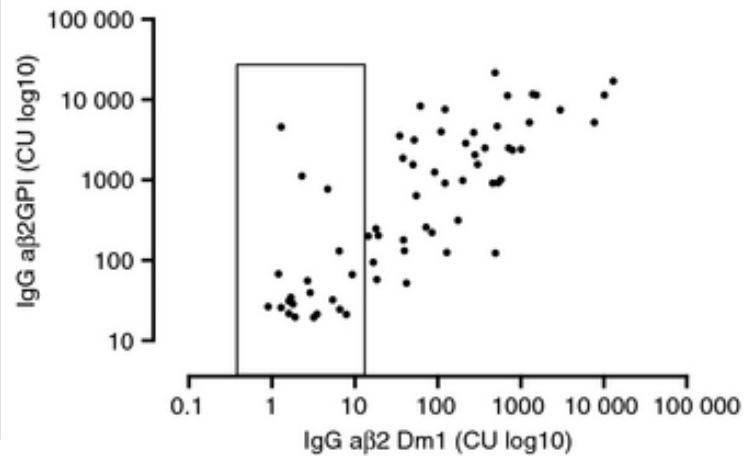
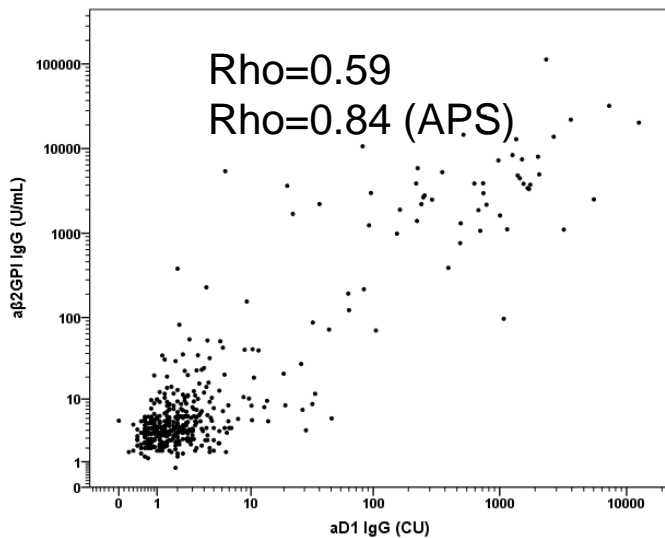
Strong association with anti-domain I  $\beta$ 2GPI (aDI)

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*PENGO ET AL.. J THROMB HAEMOST. 2015;13:782-7;*  
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# Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI

- good correlation for anti-domain I and a $\beta$ 2GPI for commercial assay QUANTA Flash® assay



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qualitative agreement aDI /a $\beta$ 2GPI	
<i>de Laat, 2009</i>	<i>positive agreement 55%</i>
Pengo, 2015	positive agreement 69%
Mondejar, 2014	overall agreement 91%
Meneghel, 2015	overall agreement 91%
Devreese, 2016	positive agreement 92%

## Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI

- Added value of the commercial aDI assay compared to criteria aPL: inconsistency in results

▶ **Yes:** LEE ET AL, *CLIN CHEM LAB MED* 2017; 55: 882-889; PERICLEOUS ET AL, *PLOS ONE* 2016; 11: E0156407; NAKAMURA ET AL, *ARTHRITIS CARE & RESEARCH* 2017: 1-46; NOJIMA ET AL, *THROMB RES* 2017; 153: 83-84

▶ **No:** IWANIEC ET AL, *THROMB RES* 2017; 153: 90-94; DE CRAEMER ET AL, *J THROMB HAEMOST* 2016; 14: 1779-1787; MARCHETTI ET AL, *J THROMB HAEMOST* 2016; 14: 675-684

Covariates		AUC predicted probability
LAC + aCL IgG/IgM	+ a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG	0.77
LAC + aCL IgG/IgM	+ aD1 IgG	0,76
LAC + aCL IgG/IgM + a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG	+ aD1 IgG	0,77

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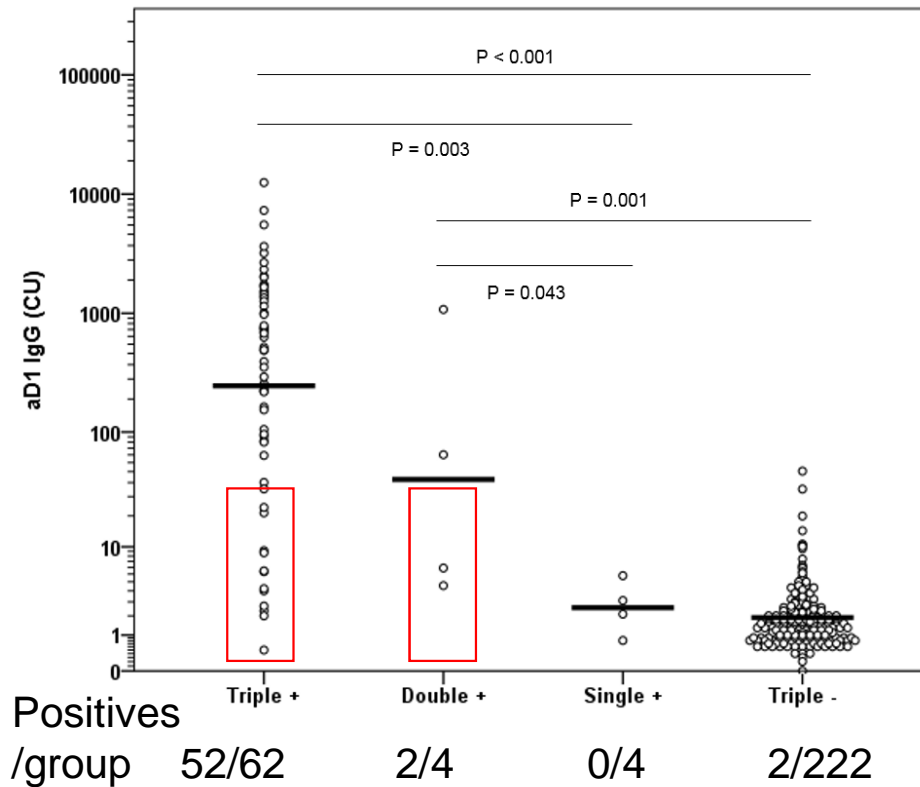
		AUC
LAC		0.872
LAC	+ aD1	0.755
a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG		0.770
a $\beta$ 2GPI IgG	+ aD1	0.728
Triple pos		0.829
Triple pos	+aD1	0.755

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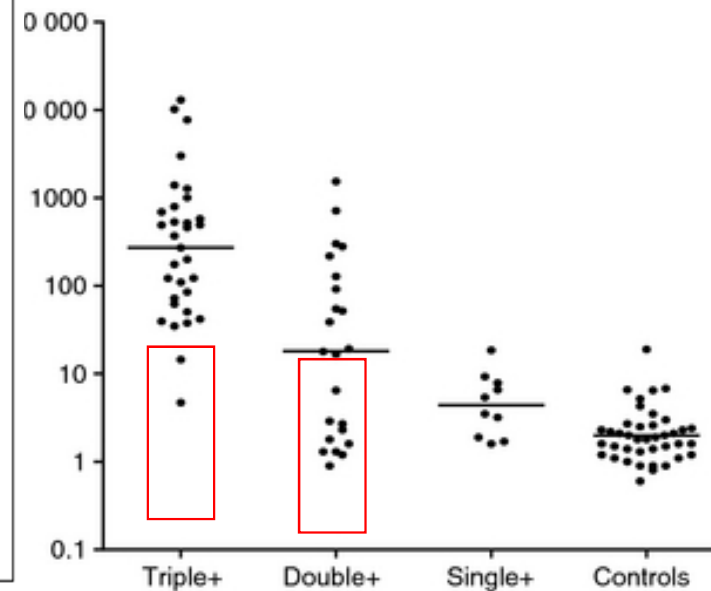
# Non-criteria aPL: anti-domain I $\beta$ 2GPI

292/ 426 patient samples ( APS, AID, DC, HC),  
positive for IgG a $\beta$ 2GPI

65 individuals over the three groups, all  
positive for IgG a $\beta$ 2GPI



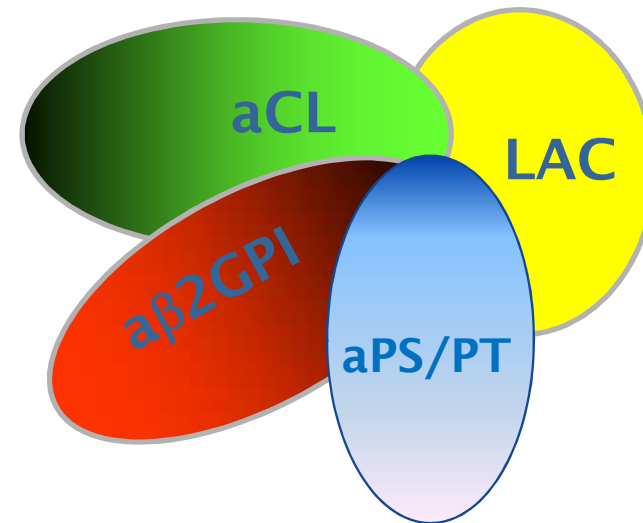
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# Non-criteria aPL: Anti-phosphatidyl serine/prothrombin

- ▶ Promising results
- ▶ Often associated with LAC
- ▶ Few studies in animal models
- ▶ Unknown epitope on prothrombin to which antibodies are directed
- ▶ Further studies



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## Conclusion: pathophysiology

- ▶ Different cell populations are activated by anti-beta2GPI antibodies
- ▶ A combination of mechanisms or dependent of the specificity of the antibodies
- ▶ Haemostasis and complement activation play a part in the induction of thrombosis by aPL
  
- ▶ Antibodies against domain I of  $\beta$ 2GPI are pathogenic
- ▶ Are anti-domain I of  $\beta$ 2GPI the only pathogenic antibodies?
- ▶ Other pathogenic antibodies? Other cofactors?
- ▶ Antibodies against the complex of prothrombin and phosphatidyl serine
- ▶ Are co-factor independent aPL irrelevant in the pathogenesis of APS?


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LACKNER ET AL. J THROMB HAEMOST 2016; 14: 1117-20;  
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# Conclusions: Laboratory diagnosis of APS

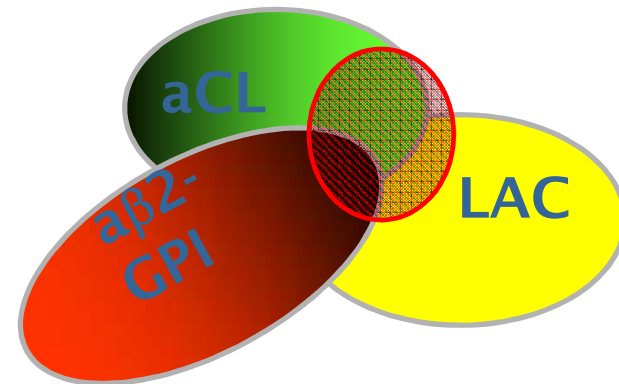
RECOMMENDATIONS AND GUIDELINES

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## Laboratory criteria for antiphospholipid syndrome: communication from the SSC of the ISTH

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- Perform all three assays **LAC, aCL, aβ2GPI IgG/M** to increase diagnostic utility, integrated interpretation of LAC, aCL and aβ2GPI
- Other aPL are not recommended yet



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**