

Blood Components



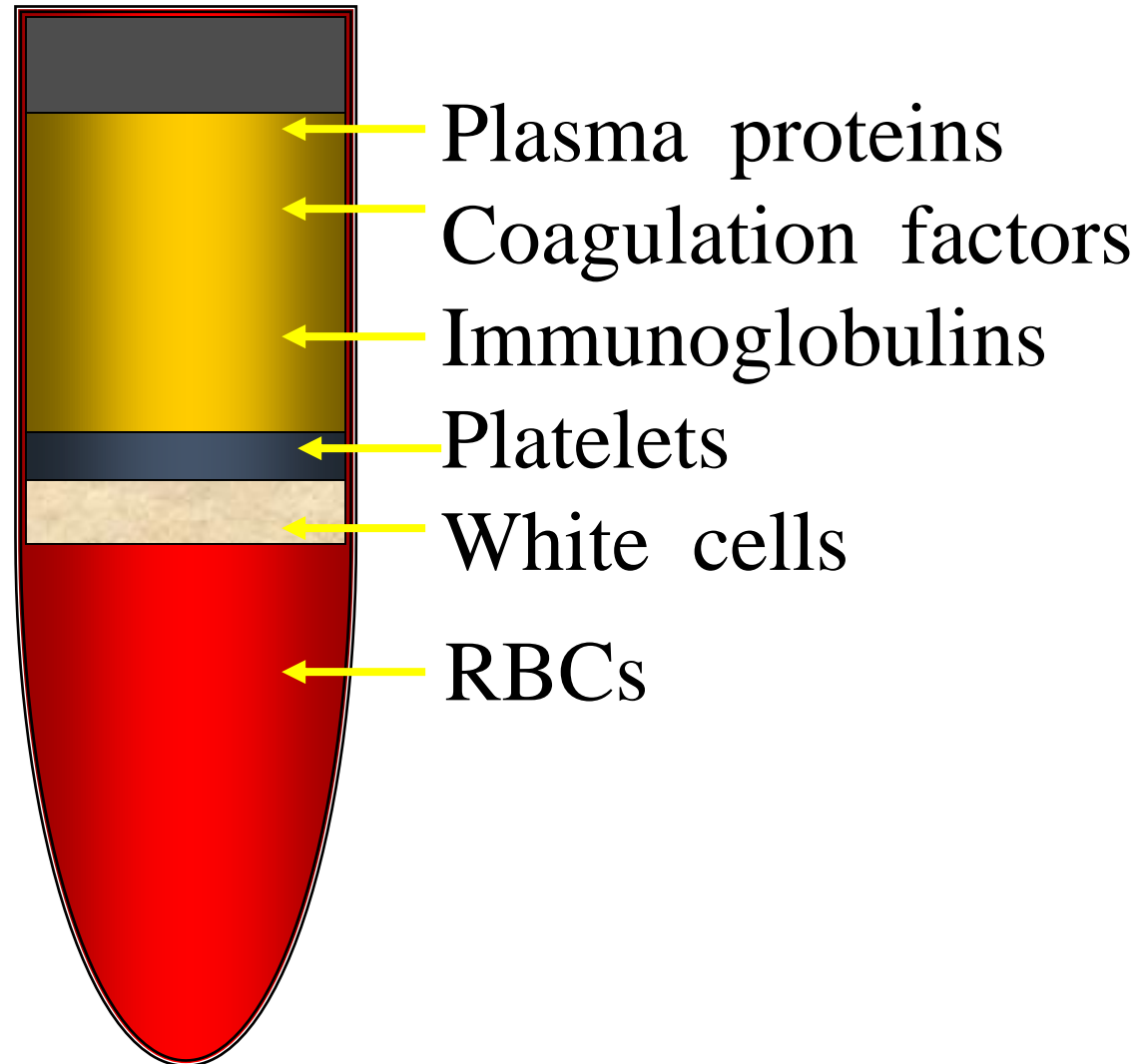
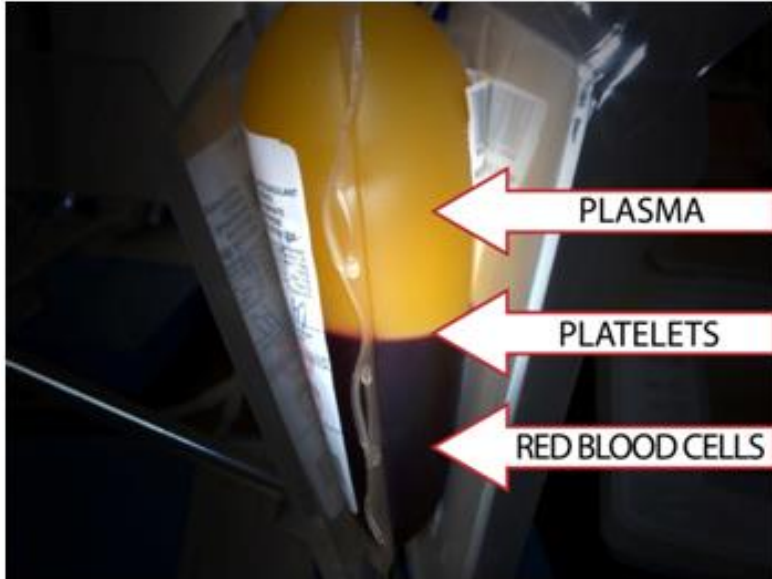
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Blood components

- At the end of this lecture student should be able to:
- List the different blood components
- Describe how these components are prepared, stored, half life and therapeutic applications
- Describe the complications of blood component administration.



Whole Blood





Indication

- Acute , active blood loss with hypovolaemia
- Massive transfusion

Administration

- Must be ABO and RhD compatible
- Use blood administration set

Dosage

1 unit → increase Hct 3 % or Hb 1 g / dL



Why components?

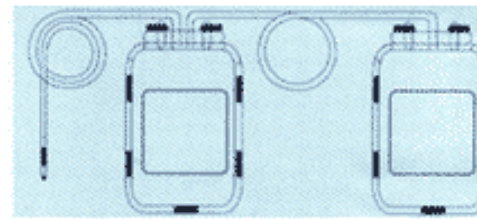
- Meets specific requirement
- Keep risk to a minimum
- Maximize donor resources
- Provide effective transfusion therapy

Blood Components

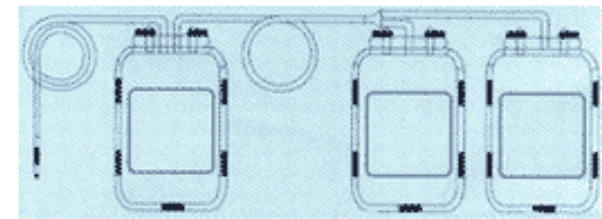
- + Types
- + Description
- + Preparation
- + Storage & Transportation
- + Indication
- + Dose

Types of blood components

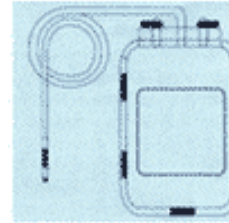
- Cellular components :Red cells
Platelets
Granulocytes
- Plasma components :FFP
Cryoprecipitate
Cryo poor plasma
Stored/frozen plasma
- Plasma derivatives :Albumin
Immunoglobulins
Coagulation factors



Double blood bag



Triple Blood Bag



Single Blood Bag



Quadruple Blood Bag

Fresh Whole Blood

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graph TD; A[Fresh Whole Blood] -- "Heavy spin, 4°C (within 8 hrs)" --> B[Packed Red Cells]; A -- "Heavy spin, 4°C (within 8 hrs)" --> C[Fresh Plasma]; B --> D[Stored in 1- 6°C]; C --> E[Freeze -80°C immediately]; E --> F[Stored at ≤ -18°C];
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Heavy spin, 4°C (within 8 hrs)

Packed Red Cells

Fresh Plasma

Stored in 1- 6°C

Freeze -80°C immediately

Stored at $\leq -18^{\circ}\text{C}$







Packed red cell



units with red blood cells and some plasma

with Anticoagulant -CPD

(Citrate/Phosphate/Dextrose)

Other additives: ACD/SAGAM

Packed Red Cells

250 - 350 ml

Plasma 30 %

PCV 70 %

Aim is to \uparrow O₂ carrying capacity



Indication

- Replacement of red cells in anaemic patients

Dosage 10 - 15 ml / kg

PRC 1 unit \rightarrow \uparrow Hct 3 % or Hb 1g/dL

Leukocyte reduced red blood cell



Leukocyte depletion(LD)

- LD blood component $\leq 5 \times 10^6$ WBCs/unit
- Prepared by leukocyte depletion filters

Leukocyte reduced red cells

Advantages

- Minimizes white cell immunization in patients (HLA alloimmunization)
- Prevention of FNHTR
- Reduces risk of CMV transfusion

Dosage

- same as PRC

Administration

- same as Whole Blood



Washed Red blood cells

- Washed with saline several times
- Resuspended in 100ml of normal saline

Indications

- Prevention of FNHTR
- Prevention of allergic & anaphylactic reactions

Ex: Transfusion dependent patients


Thal. / MDS

Washed Red blood cells

Disadvantages

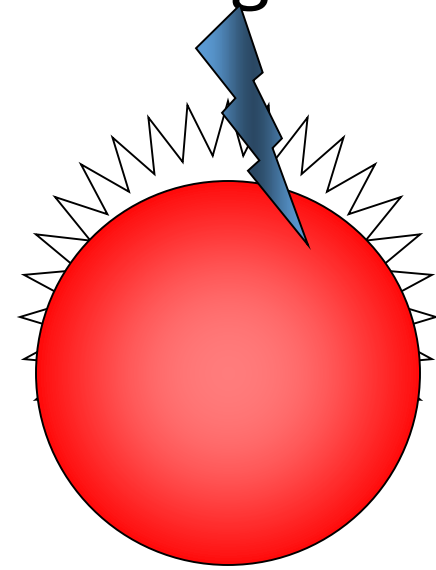
- 20-25% loss of RBC
- Chance of contamination

Administration

- Preferably given within 4 hours
- If delayed may get  risk of infections

Frozen Thawed RBCs

- Not used in Sri Lanka
- Can be kept for 8 - 10 yrs(Normal storage \cong 35 days)
- Auto transfusion
- To prevent HIV
- Rare blood groups
- Used immediately after thawing



Irradiated red cells

- Gamma –radiated to kill lymphocytes
- The lack of T-cells prevents graft –vs- host disease

➤ Indications

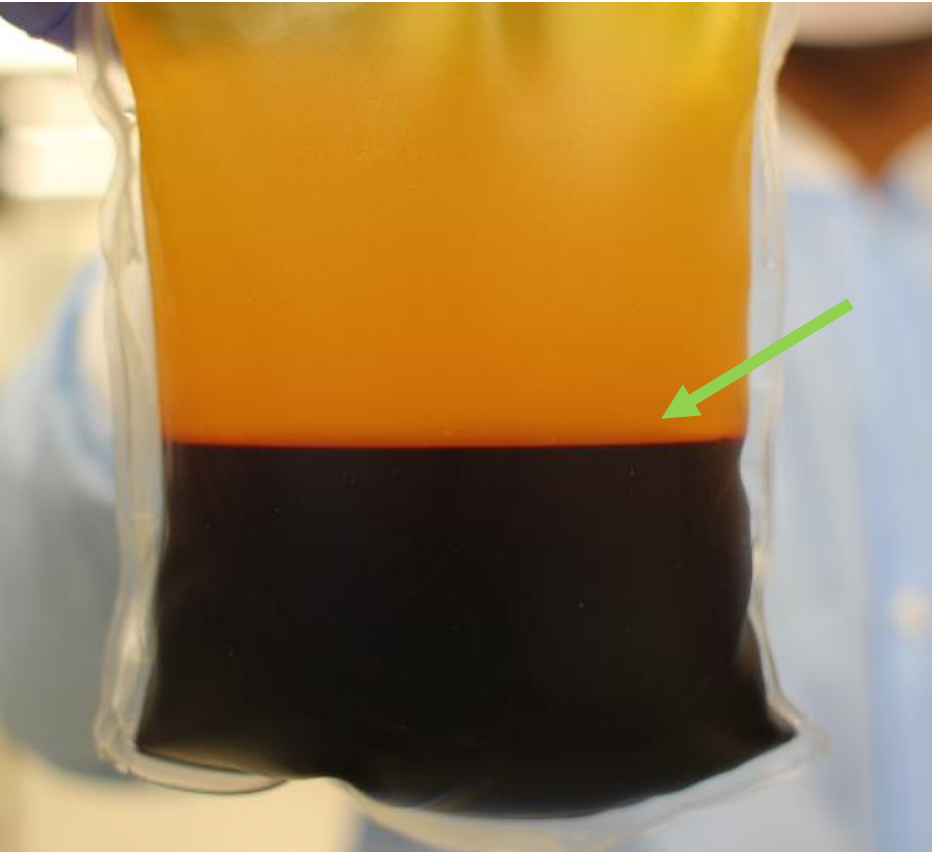
- Severely immunocompromised patients'
- Bone marrow transplants
- Intrauterine transfusion
- Hodgkin Lymphoma
- Transfusions from blood relatives
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**I am at risk for transfusion related
graft-verse-host disease**

**This patient
requires irradiated blood
and blood products only!**

Leukocytes - Buffy Coat



Volume-50 ml

WBC count- 2.5×10^9 / pack

Granulocyte count- 1.5×10^9 / pack

Dose of buffy coat-at least 10 units

RBC s 20 - 30 ml & Platelets

HCT-60% may cause polycythaemia

Needs Grouping & DT

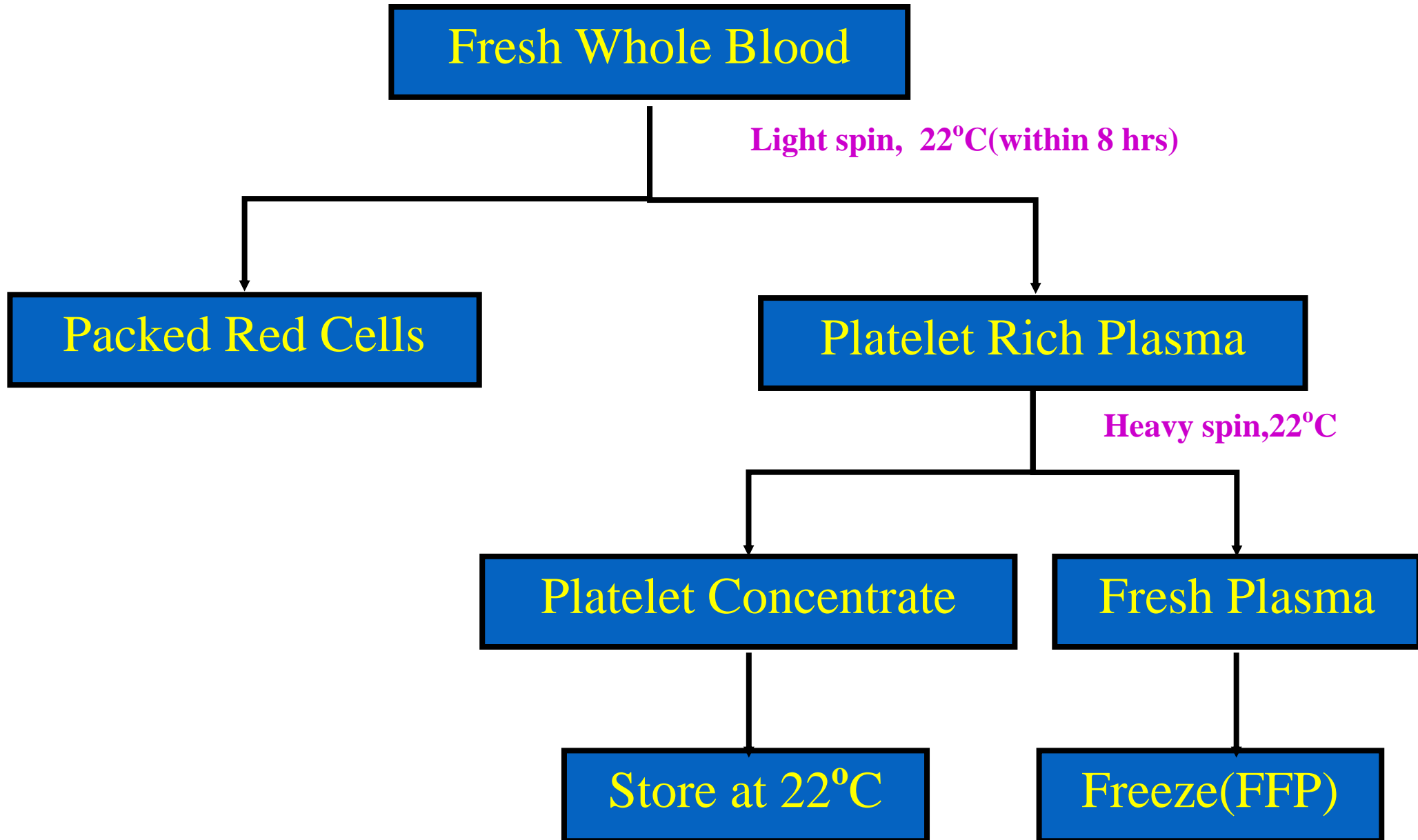
Group specific

Indications

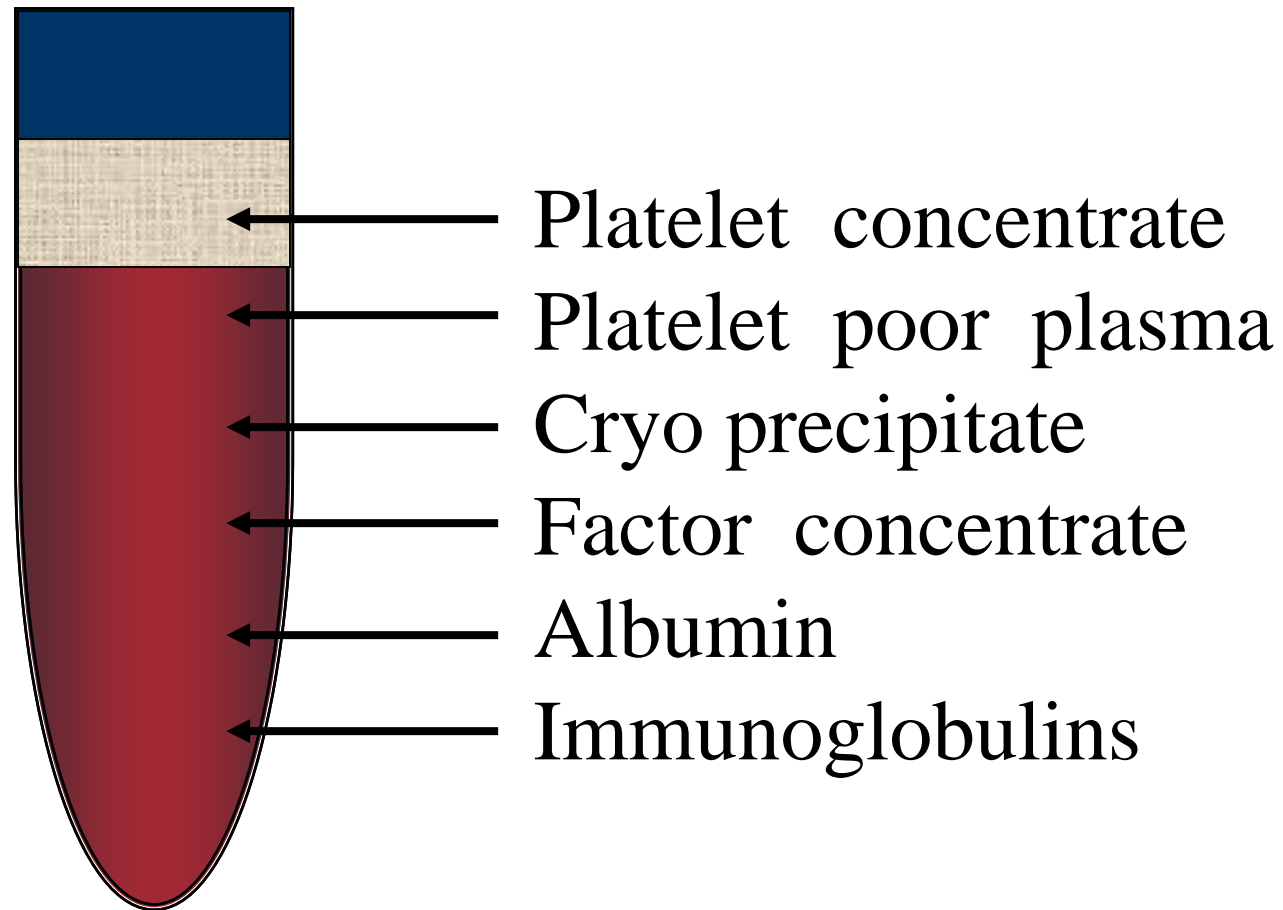
- Neutropenic sepsis
- Temporary method
- Now G - CSF is used
- Should be given as soon as prepared
(can be kept for 24 h at 20-24 c)

Disadvantages

- Needs repeated doses
- GVHD



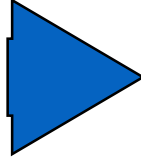
Platelet Rich Plasma



Platelet Concentrate

Random donor Platelets

Whole blood 1 unit



Platelet Concentrate 1 unit

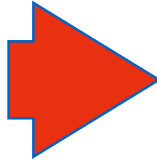


$\geq 5.5 \times 10^{10}$ platelets in
50 - 70 ml of plasma

Single donor platelets

1 Donor

Apheresis



Platelet concentrate



$\geq 3 \times 10^{11}$ platelets in
~ 300 ml of plasma

Platelets apheresis



Random Donor Platelet



Volume 45 – 65 ml

Single Donor Platelet



Volume ~ 300 ml

- Shelf life-5 days
- Should be kept in a shaker with continuous agitation
- Temperature-20-24°C
- Function deteriorates during storage



Indications

Treatment of bleeding due to

- Thrombocytopenia
- Platelet Dysfunction

Contraindications

- TTP
- HUS
- HIT

PLATELET CONCENTRATE

- Dosage
 - 1 unit of PC / 10 kg B.W.
 - Increment will be less in
 - Splenomegaly
 - DIC
 - Septicemia



1 unit of PC → ↑ Platelet 5000-10,000 / ul

PLATELET CONCENTRATE

Administration

- Ⓢ should be ABO compatible (No Rh Ag on platelets)
- Ⓢ Avoid Rh D+RDP transfusion to a Rh-women in child bearing age(why?)
- Ⓢ Use blood administration set
- Ⓢ Must not be refrigerated



Single Donor Platelet/Apheresis



- Indication

- ❖ same as random PC

- Dosage

- Usually 1pack of SDP = 1 therapeutic dose

- Administration

- same as random PC

Plasma Components

- Fresh Frozen Plasma

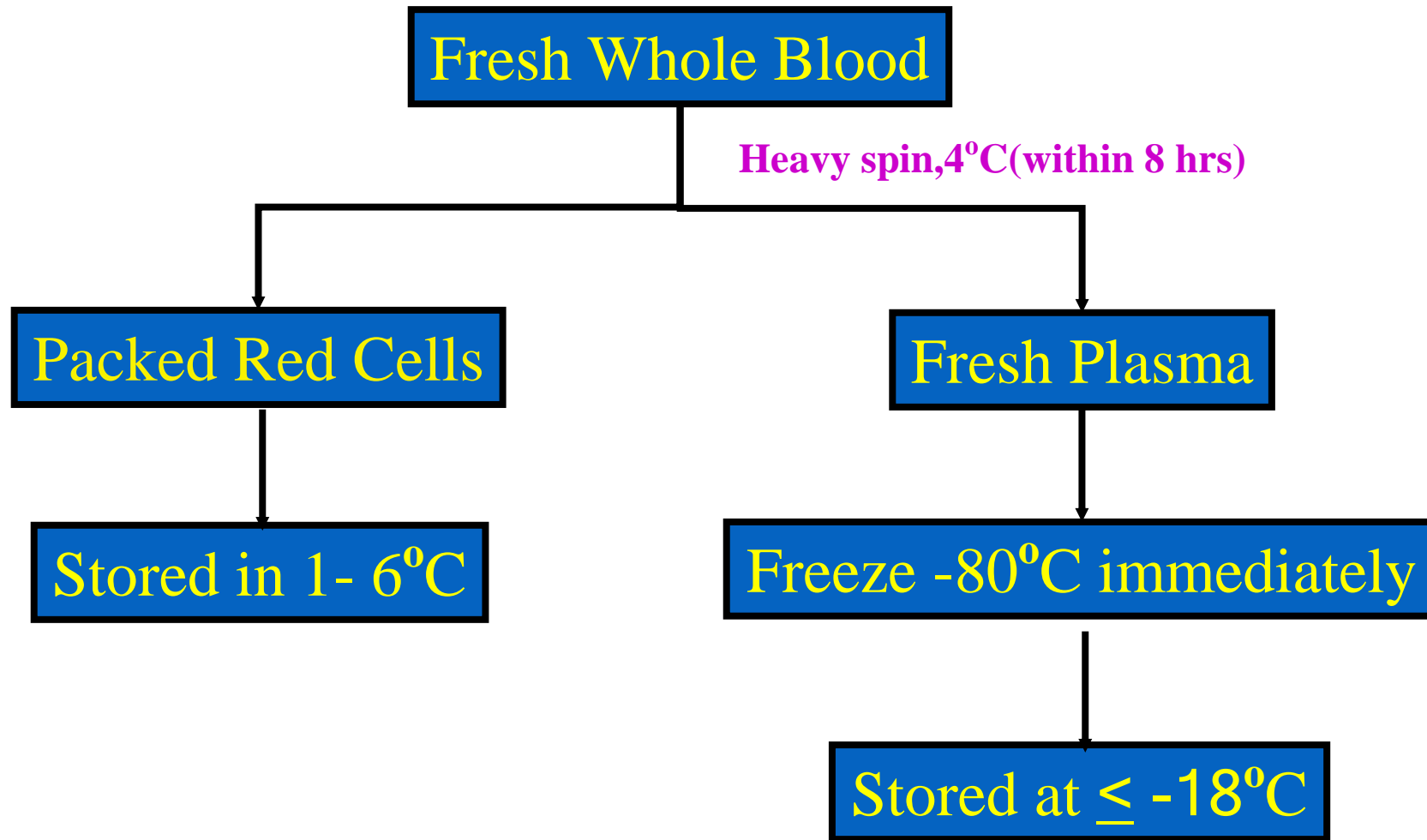
- Frozen Plasma :- Aged plasma

Cryoremoved plasma

- Cryoprecipitate

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA





Fresh Frozen Plasma

- + plasma separated & frozen in 6-8 hours of blood collection
- + volume ~ 250-300 ml
- + maximum level of labile and non-labile clotting factors (about 1 IU per ml)

Frozen Plasma

- Plasma separated from whole blood at anytime during storage
- Contain all non-labile coagulation factors

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA

Indication

- Replacement of coagulation factors when specific factor concentrate is not available-V, X, XI
- Replacement of multiple coagulation factor deficiencies :-liver disease , reversal of warfarin effect, Massive transfusion
- DIC
- TTP

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA

Not indicated for

- ❖ Volume expansion
- ❖ Immunoglobulin replacement
- ❖ Nutritional support
- ❖ Wound healing

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA

Precaution

- ◆ Acute allergic reaction are common
- ◆ Anaphylactic reaction may occur
- ◆ Volume overload-TACO

Dosage

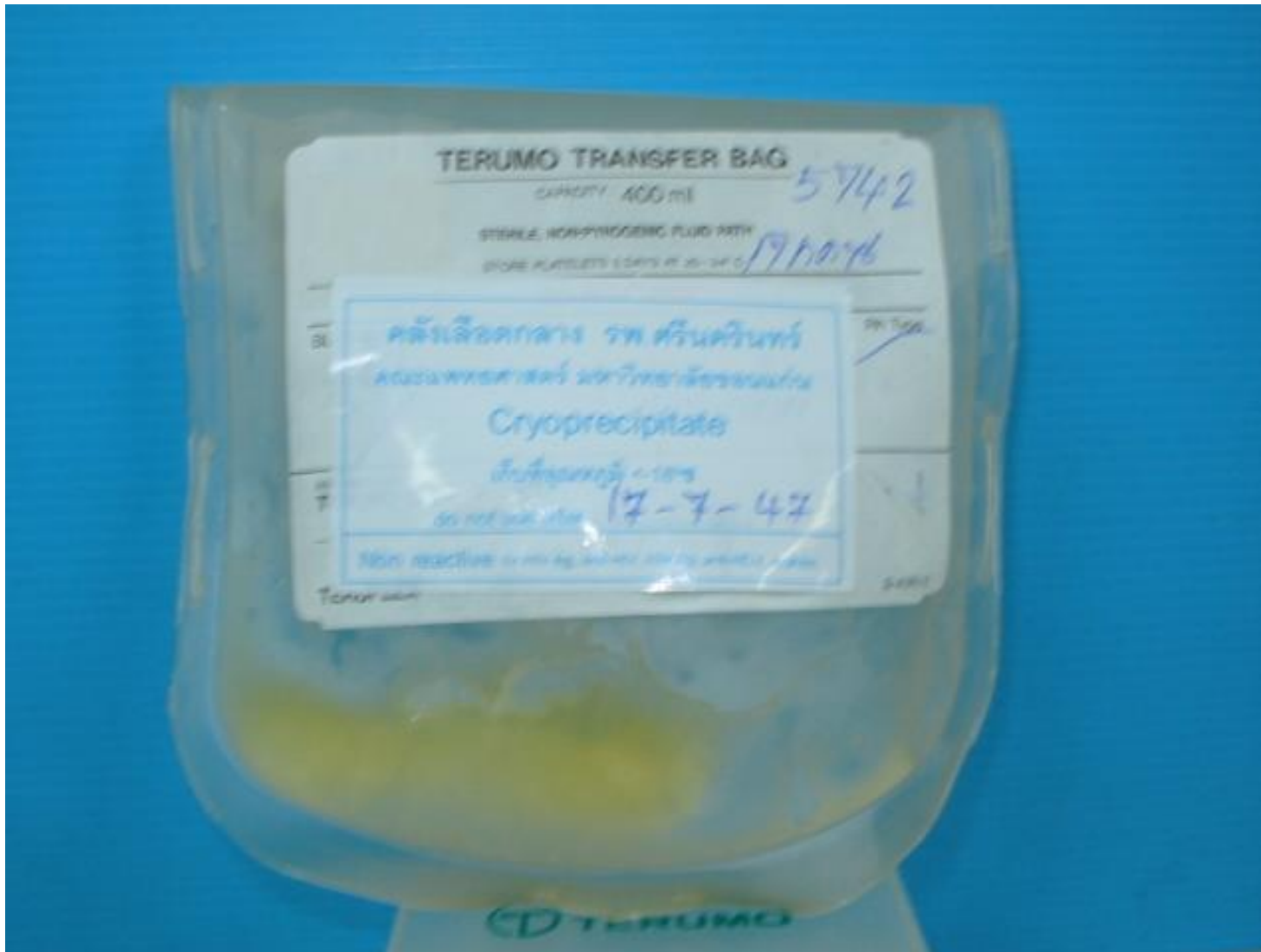
Initial dose of 15 - 20 ml / kg

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA

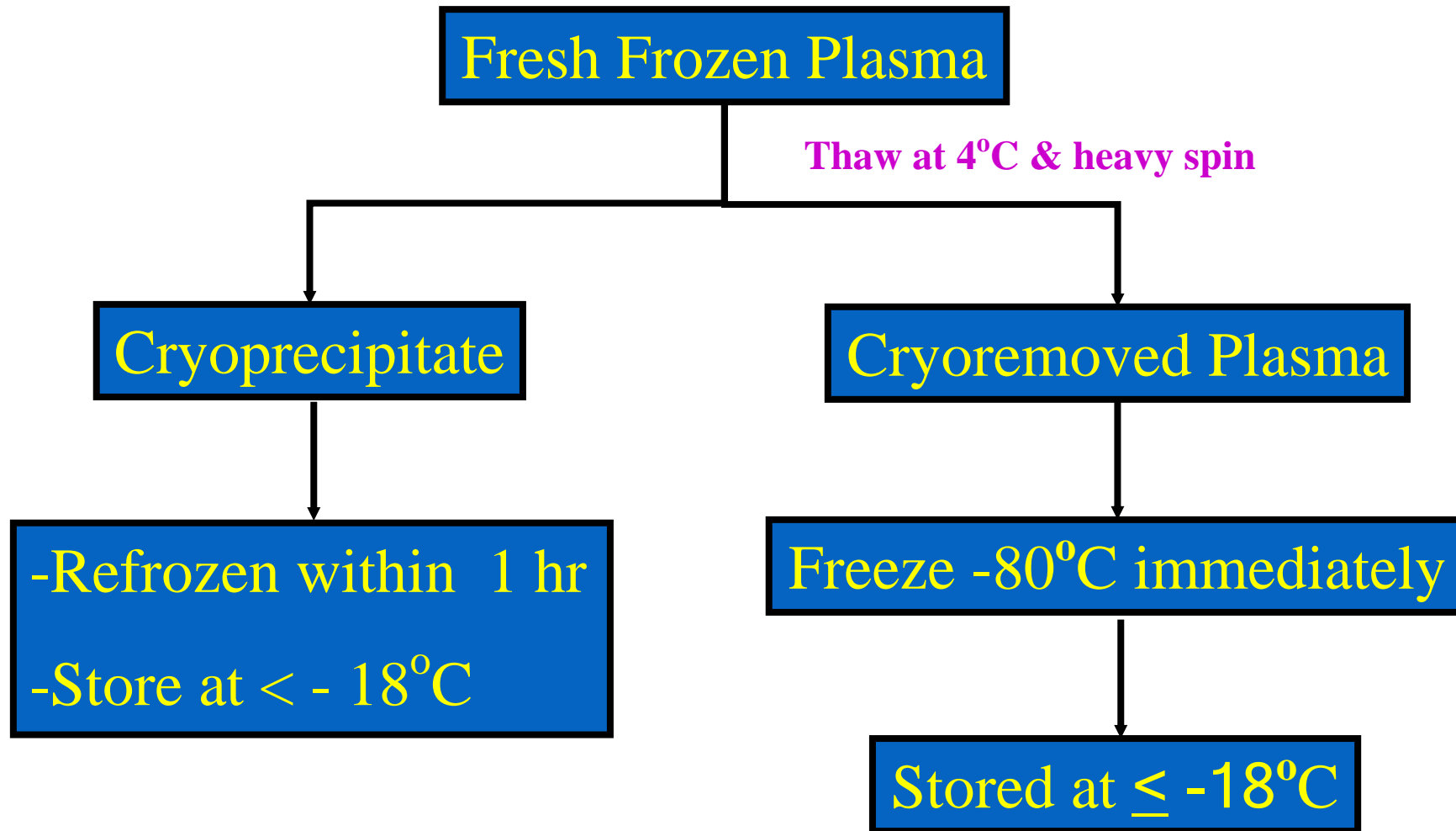
Administration

- Must be ABO compatible
- Infuse as soon as possible after thawing (within 6 hrs)
- using standard blood administration set
- Once thawed should not be reused as FFP after refreezing

CRYOPRECIPITATE



Cryoprecipitate is the
cold insoluble portion
of plasma that
precipitate when
FFP is thawed





FFP 1 unit



Cryoprecipitate 1 unit

(Volume ~ 10 - 15 ml)

Cryoprecipitate 1 unit contains

- F VIII:c 80 - 150 IU
- Fibrinogen 150 - 250 mg
- F XIII (20-30% of WB level)
- vWF (40-70% of WB level)

CRYOPRECIPITATE

Indication

- ❄ Factor VIII (haemophilia A)
- ❄ von Willebrand Disease
- ❄ Quantitative and Qualitative Fibrinogen
Deficiency :Hypo/Dysfibrinogenaemia/DIC/Liver
failure/Massive transfusion
- ❄ Factor XIII deficiency

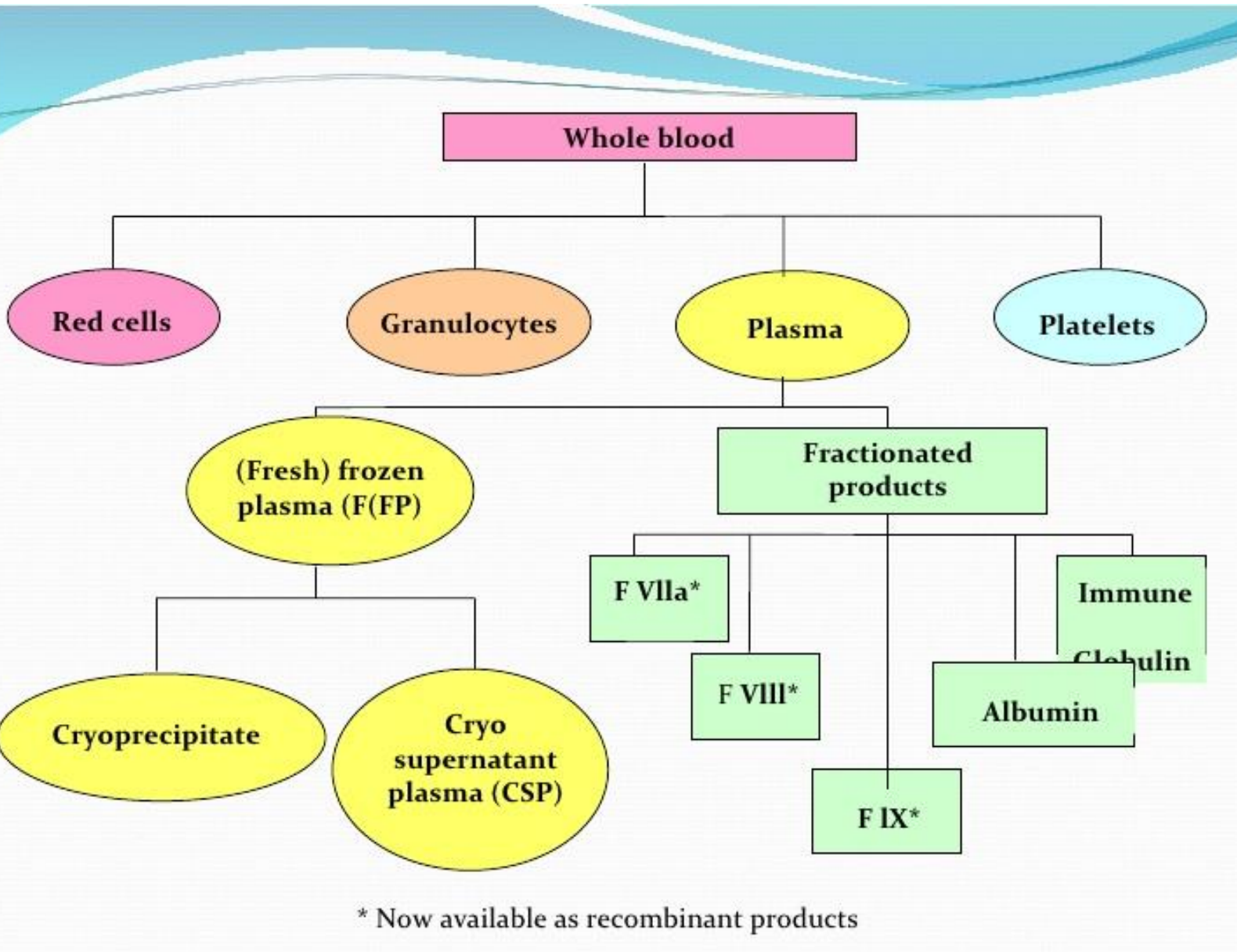
CRYOPRECIPITATE

Administration

- Dose of Cryo is based on the desired target level of the specific factor to be replaced
- **Group specificity not necessary**
- No compatibility testing required
- After thawing & pooling, infuse as soon as possible through blood admin. set
- must be infused within 6 hours of thawing

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE OF BLOOD COMPONENTS

COMPONENT	STORAGE TEMPERATURE	SHELF LIFE
Whole blood	1-6° C	35 days
RBCs	1-6° C	35-42 days
Platelets	20-24° C	5 days
FFP	< -18° C	1 year
Cryoprecipitate	< -18° C	1 year



Summary

- Blood component vs Whole blood
- Cellular and plasma components
- Storage and half life
- Indications
- Adverse effects

Thank you