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Qué abarcan

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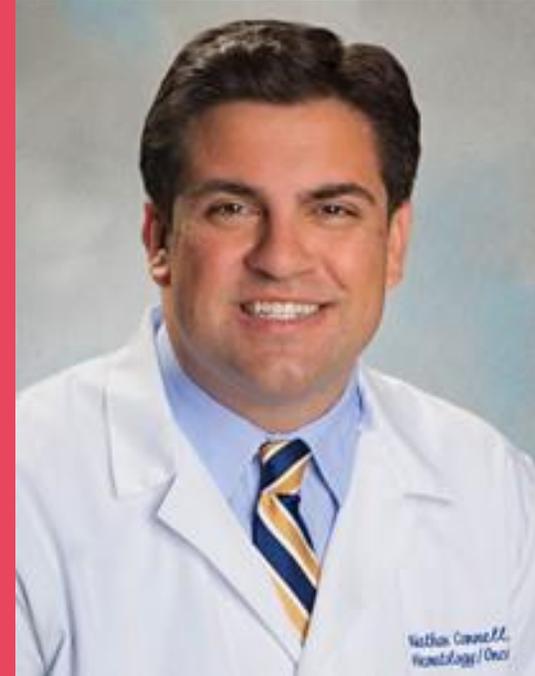


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# WELCOME

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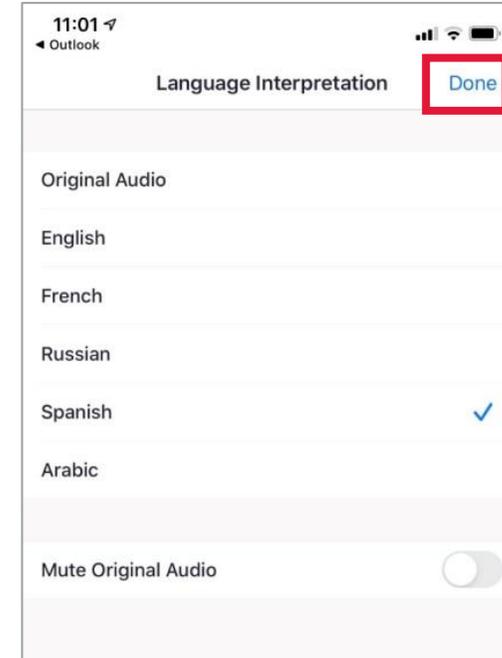
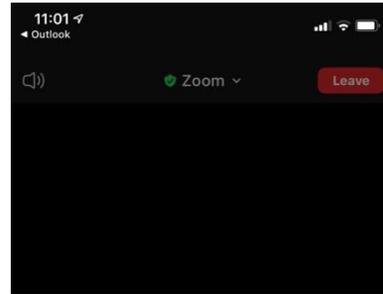
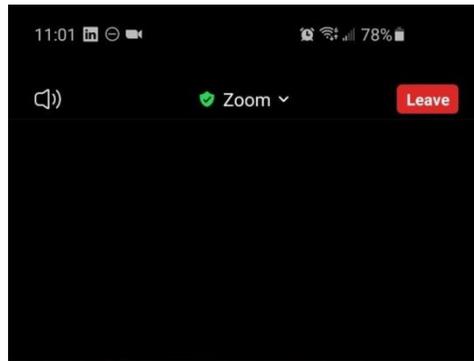


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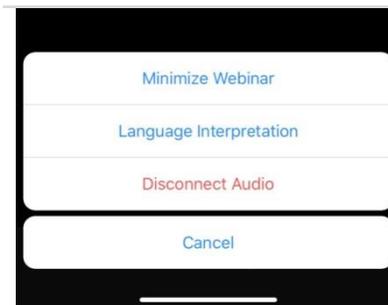
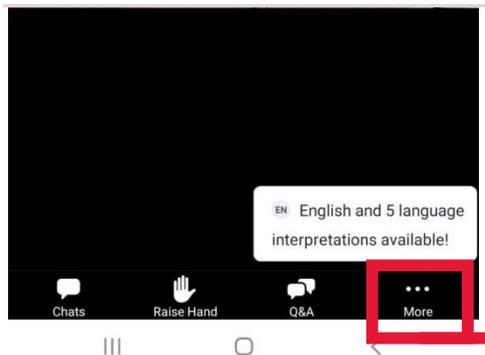


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# AGENDA

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1. Welcome
2. Update on Diagnosis of VWD
3. Update on Management of VWD
4. Patient Perspectives
5. Panel Discussion and Q&A



# ASH ISTH NHF WFH 2021 Guidelines on the Diagnosis and Management of VWD

CLINICAL GUIDELINES



## ASH ISTH NHF WFH 2021 guidelines on the diagnosis of von Willebrand disease

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**Background:** von Willebrand disease (VWD) is the most common inherited bleeding disorder known in humans. Accurate and timely diagnosis presents numerous challenges.

**Objective:** These evidence-based guidelines of the American Society of Hematology (ASH), the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH), the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF), and the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) are intended to support patients, clinicians, and other health care professionals in their decisions about VWD diagnosis.



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# INTRODUCTION TO VWD

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# ERIK VON WILLEBRAND

## Hereditär pseudohemofili



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**Hereditär pseudohemofili.**

Av  
**E. A. v. Willebrand.**

(Med 2 figurer i texten.)

1. Sjukdomsbegrepp. Tidigare observerade fall.

I sitt nya stora arbete över de hemorragiska diateserna framhåller E. FRANK (Breslau), att den klassiska hemofilien är en så exakt hereditär—familjär anomali, att det kan ifrågasättas. Huruvida över huvud sporadiska fall av sjukdomen existera. Däremot är, säger han, den klassiska trombopenien så utpräglat sporadisk, att man kan diskutera, om en familjär form av densamma alla förekommer. Med trombopeni avses här den sjukdom, som sedan gammalt bär namnet morbus maculosus WURLEOPI eller purpura hæmorrhagica och som på senaste tid av FRANK och en del andra forskare betecknats såsom **essentiell trombopeni**.

Hittills har man velat betrakta ärftlig blodaresjukdom och hemofili såsom synonyma begrepp. Men om man genomgår hithörande litteratur, skall man finna, oss ock i ett fåtal fall, beskrifningar över en familjär form av hemorragisk diates, som redan därigenom skiljer sig från äkta hemofili att den även förekommer bland kvinnor och, såsom det tyckes, t. o. m. oftare än bland män. Men även i andra avseenden kan man draga en skarp gräns mellan ifrågavarande familjära lidande och hemofilien. Därom mera längre fram i kap. 6 om diagnosen.

Helsingfors 1926. — 1926-1-11. — Handlingar, nr. 2.



# von Willebrand Disease

The most common inherited bleeding disorder  
Affects men and women equally

Due to decreased amount, absence of, or  
decreased function of von Willebrand factor  
(VWF)

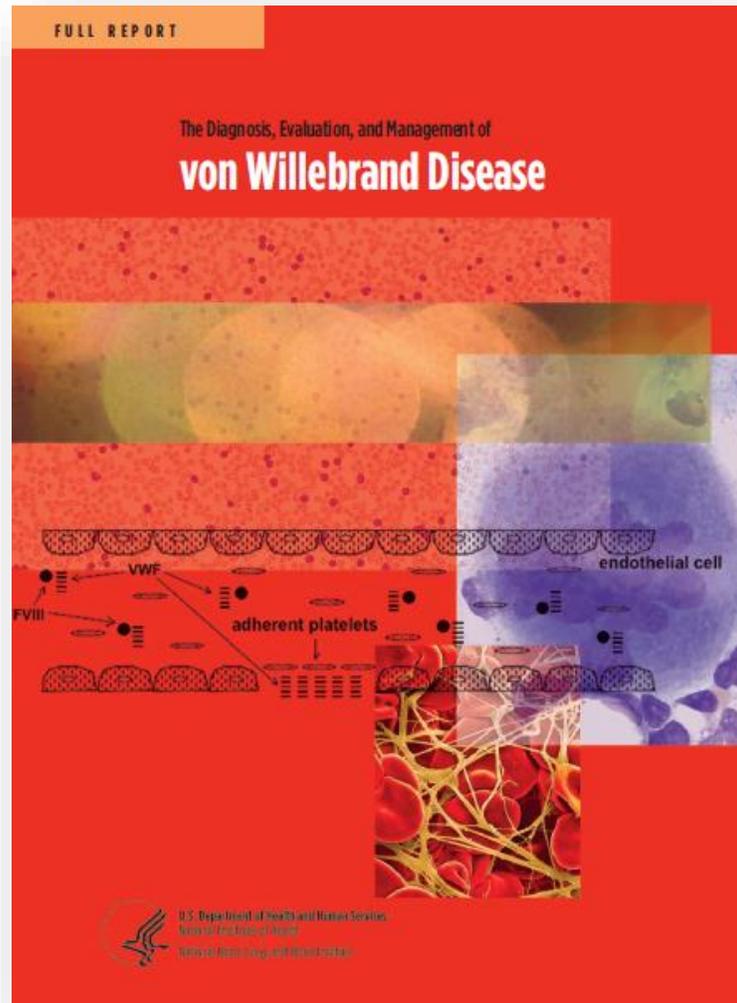
Bleeding is commonly mucocutaneous (easy  
bruising, gum bleeding, heavy menstrual  
bleeding, postpartum hemorrhage, bleeding  
after surgeries), but can involve joints and deep  
tissues

# GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT



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# GUIDELINES FOR VWD



## 2007

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- Expert panel convened by NHLBI in about 2004, in consultation with ASH and other stakeholders
- Literature searches ended in 2006
- Published in December 2007



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## 2015

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“A well-qualified and authoritative organization, or a consortium of such organizations, should develop a new or updated evidence-based clinical practice guideline on VWD.”

Report of November 2014 National Hemophilia Foundation Strategic Summit on VWD



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# VWD GUIDELINE COLLABORATION OBJECTIVES

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- Facilitate clinical decision-making regarding the diagnosis and management of von Willebrand disease to contribute to ***better health outcomes, quality of life, and health equity***
- Increase ***access*** to appropriate diagnostic testing and therapeutic options
- Identify ***research priorities***
- Guide healthcare providers, patients, payers, and other stakeholders as to ***priority focus areas*** in VWD



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# GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

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## PANEL FORMATION

Each guideline panel was formed following these key criteria:

- Balance of expertise (including disciplines beyond hematology, and patients)
- Close attention to minimization and management of COI

## CLINICAL QUESTIONS

10 to 20 **clinically-relevant questions** generated in **PICO format** (population, intervention, comparison, outcome)

### Example: Clinical Question

“In a patients with VWD and history of severe and frequent bleeds, should routine prophylaxis with VWF concentrate or no routine prophylaxis be used?”

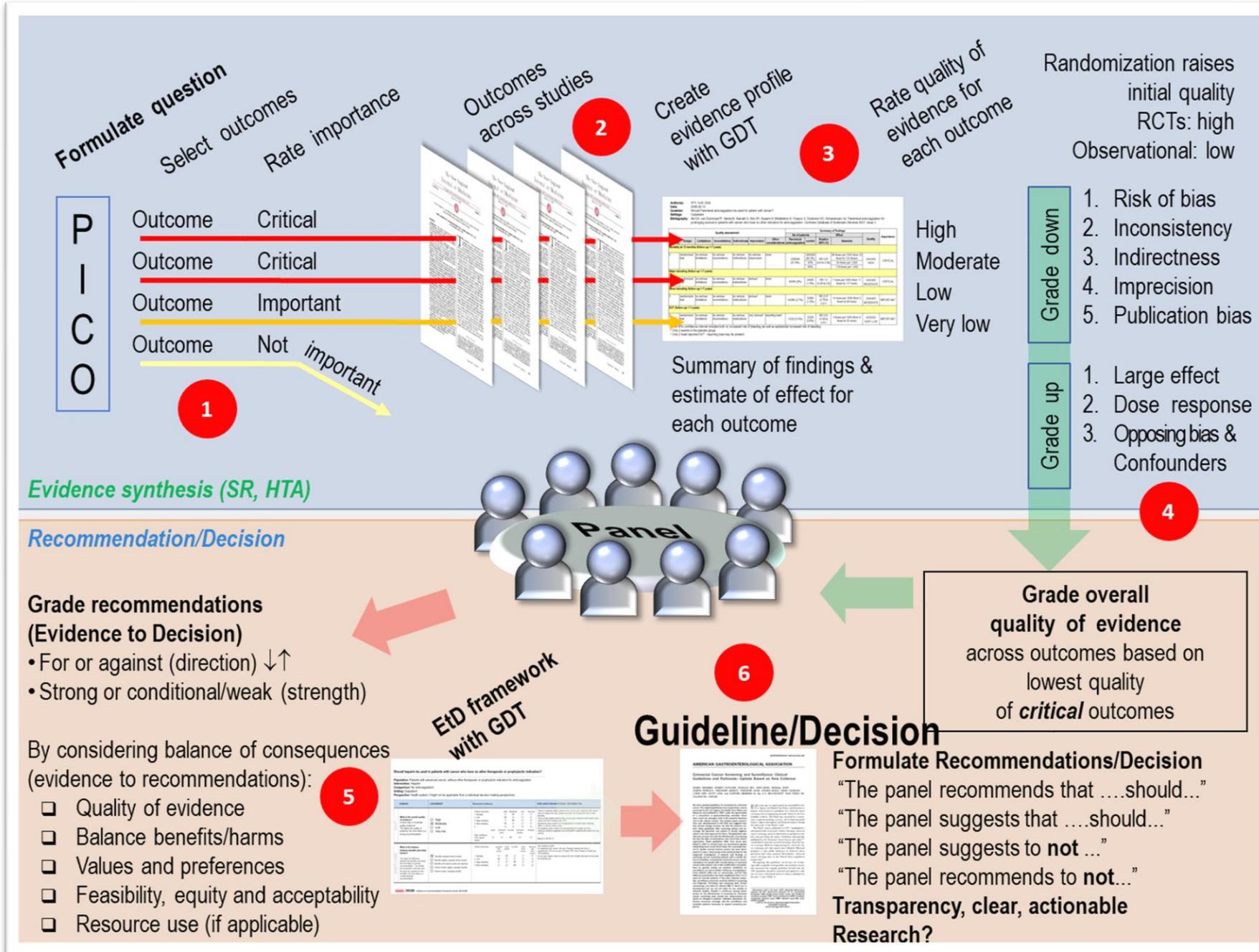
## EVIDENCE SYNTHESIS

Evidence summary generated for each PICO question via systematic review of health effects plus:

- Resource use
- Feasibility
- Acceptability
- Equity
- Patient values and preferences

## MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations made by guideline panel members based on evidence for all factors.



# SCOPING SURVEY

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6  
continents

601  
participants

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comments

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49%  
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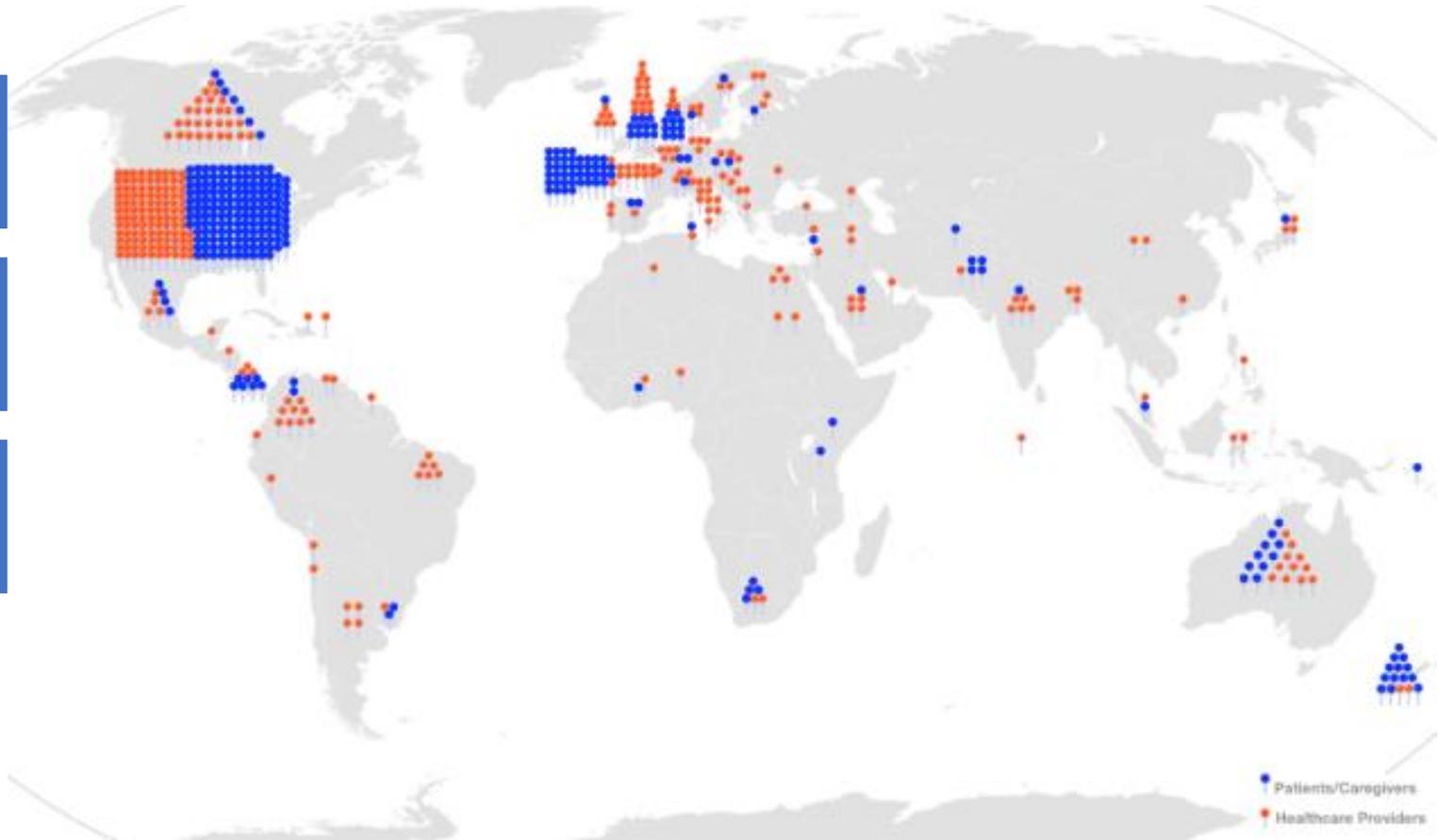
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26% no  
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identified

18% low /  
middle-  
income

82% high-  
income  
countries





# How Patients and Clinicians Should Use These Recommendations

	<b>STRONG Recommendation</b>	<b>CONDITIONAL Recommendation</b>
For patients	Most individuals would want the intervention.	A majority would want the intervention, but many would not.
For clinicians	Most individuals should receive the intervention.	Different choices will be appropriate for different patients, depending on their values and preferences. Use shared decision making.
For policy makers	The recommendation can be adapted as a policy in most situations	There is a need for substantial debate and involvement of stakeholders

# Context

Panels took the perspective of a **high-resource setting**

- Important to understand what might be the goal of optimal care
- Advocacy efforts and policy work
- Adolopment (adaptation, adoption, *de novo* development)

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# DIAGNOSIS OF VON WILLEBRAND DISEASE



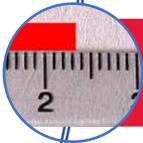
Use of Bleeding Assessment Tools



Assays of platelet-binding activity of VWF



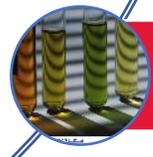
VWF levels that normalize with age



Diagnostic thresholds for type 1 VWD



Diagnosis of Type 1C VWD



Assays and Diagnostic Thresholds for Type 2 VWD

# MANAGEMENT OF VON WILLEBRAND DISEASE



Prophylaxis



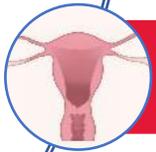
Desmopressin Challenge/Trial



Antithrombotic Therapy



Major and Minor Surgery



Gynecology: Heavy Menstrual Bleeding



Obstetric: Neuraxial Anesthesia and Postpartum Hemorrhage

# UPDATE ON VWD DIAGNOSIS GUIDELINES



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# DIAGNOSIS: DIAGNOSTIC THRESHOLDS

*For patients with an abnormal initial VWD screen (low VWF:Ag and/or platelet-dependent VWF activity) suspected of type 1 VWD, should the diagnostic cutoff be at VWF:Ag and/or VWF platelet-dependent activity <0.30 IU/mL or <0.50 IU/mL?*

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Strong recommendation based on low certainty in the evidence of effects

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## Remarks:

- VWF level(s) refers to VWF:Ag and/or platelet-dependent VWF activity (eg, VWF:GPIbM).
- The lower limit of the normal range as determined by the local laboratory should be used if it is  $<0.50$  IU/mL. ABO-specific reference ranges are not required.
- VWF is an acute-phase reactant that increases in response to a variety of stimuli (e.g., bleed, trauma, pregnancy). VWD diagnostic testing should be performed when patients are at a baseline state of health.

# EVIDENCE TO DECISION (EtD)

## Nine studies:

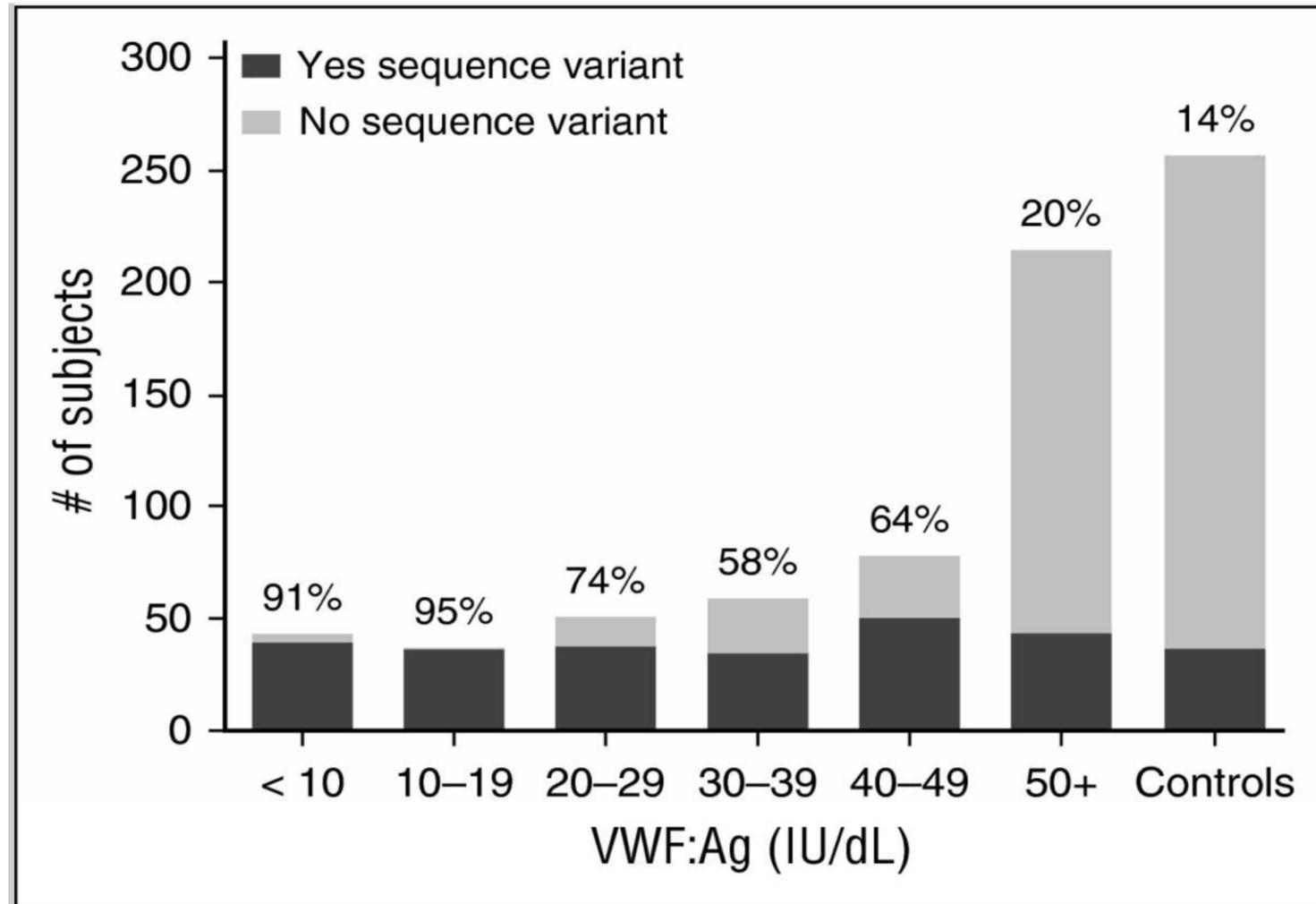
4 – mutation detection

2 – correlation between VWF levels and bleeding score

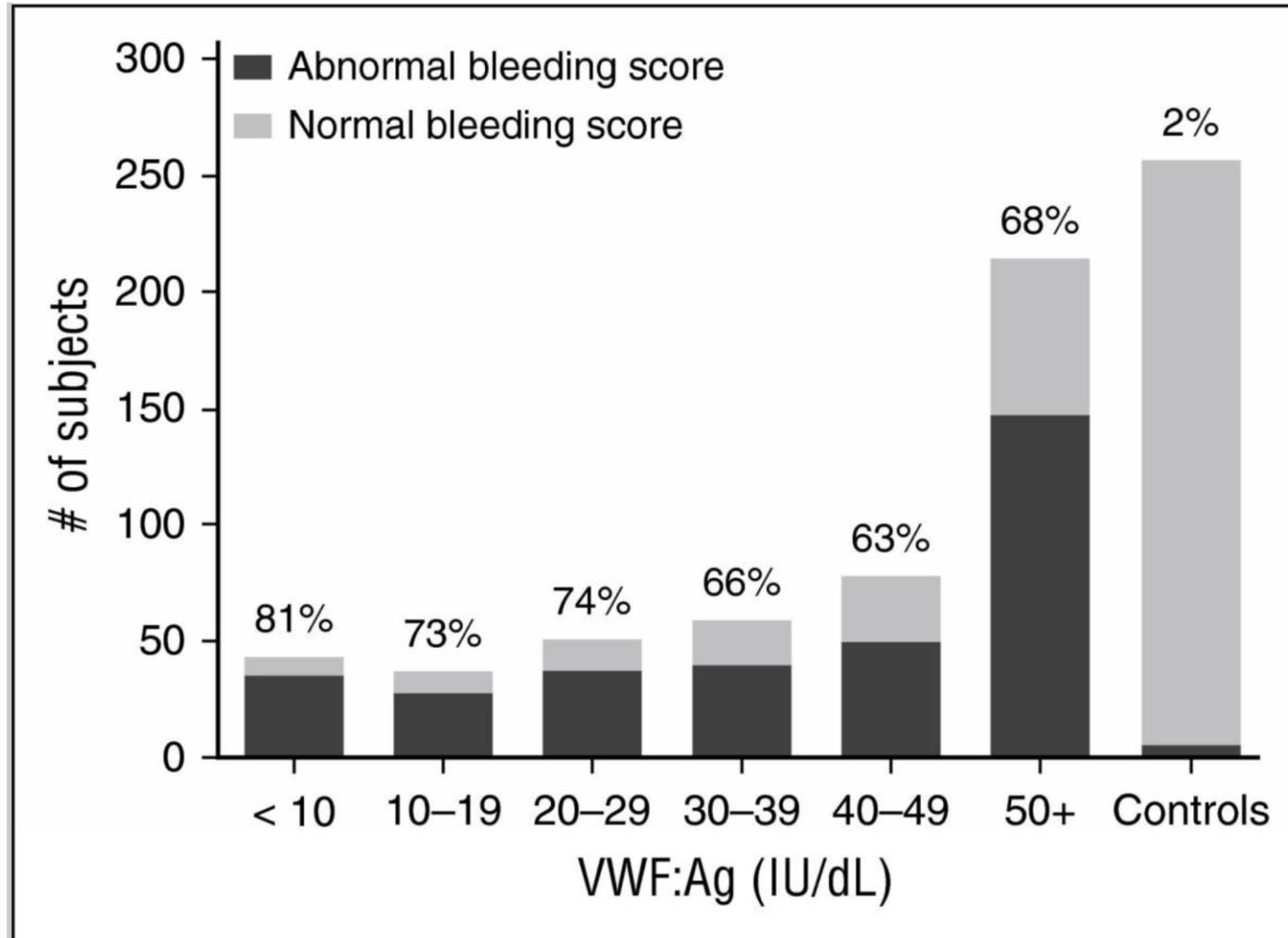
4 – likelihood ratios (2) & two odds ratios (2)

2 – prospective evaluation of patients (diagnostic accuracy)

# SEQUENCE VARIANT FREQUENCY



# BLEEDING RATES AT VWF LEVELS



# LIKELIHOOD RATIOS

	VWF < 20	VWF 20 - 30	VWF 30 - 40	VWF 41 - 50	VWF 51 - 60
<b>Bucciarelli 2015</b>			∞	0.73	0.33
	VWF < 20	VWF 20 - 40		VWF 40 - 60	
<b>Tosetto 2007</b>	375	95		1.82	

High LR  
Low LR

The panel considered setting cut-off at 40



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# KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- The panel is placing high value on:
  - not missing the diagnosis, especially in those patients who bleed
  - avoiding overdiagnosis in patients who do not bleed
- Despite the low certainty in the evidence, the panel decided on a strong recommendation for 2 reasons:
  - a high value was placed on an explicit diagnosis to ensure access to care for those with a bleeding phenotype, and
  - to ensure international uniformity in diagnostic criteria and the avoidance of center-specific thresholds based on a conditional recommendation

# RESEARCH PRIORITIES

The panel identified the following research priorities:

- Detailed data for patients with VWF levels between 0.30 – 0.60 IU/mL, including:
  - Outcomes for bleeding with procedures
  - Prevalence of a concomitant bleeding disorder
- Correlation with bleeding symptoms and information about family members of patients with type 1 VWD

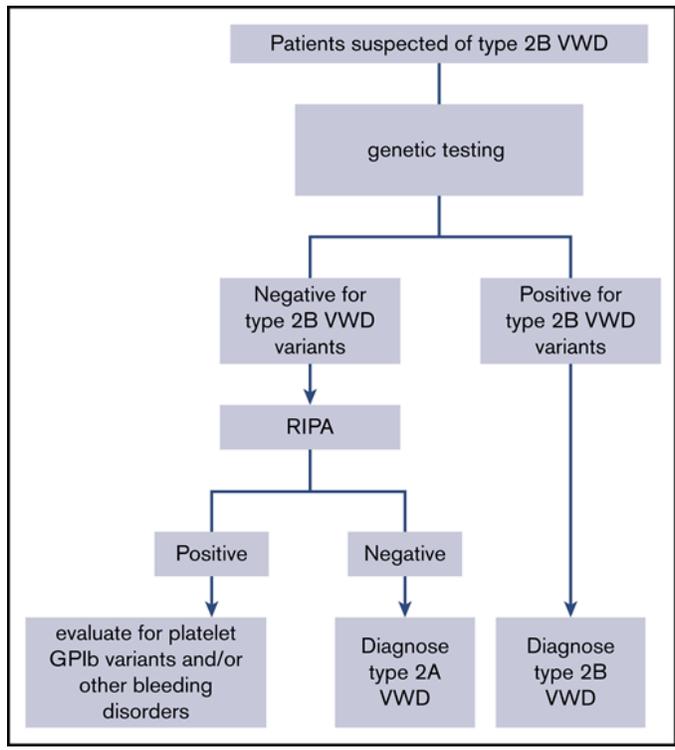
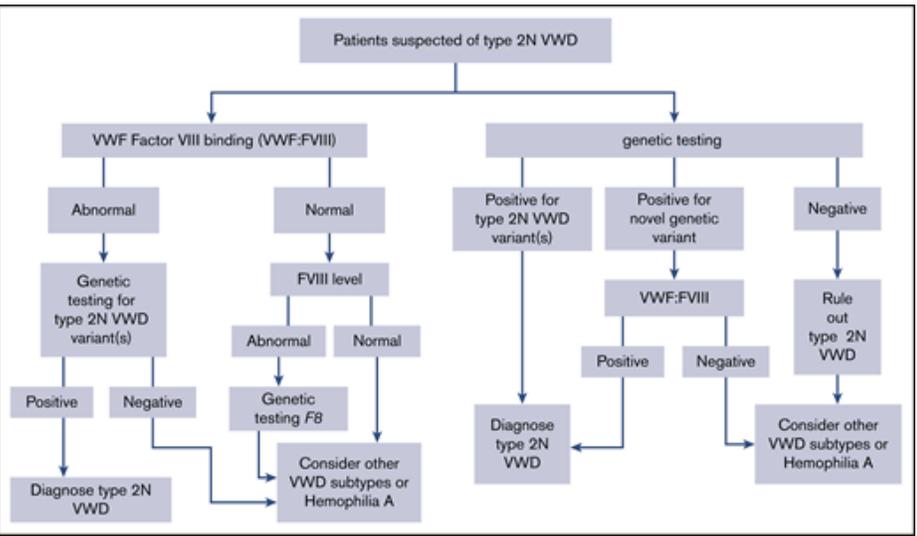
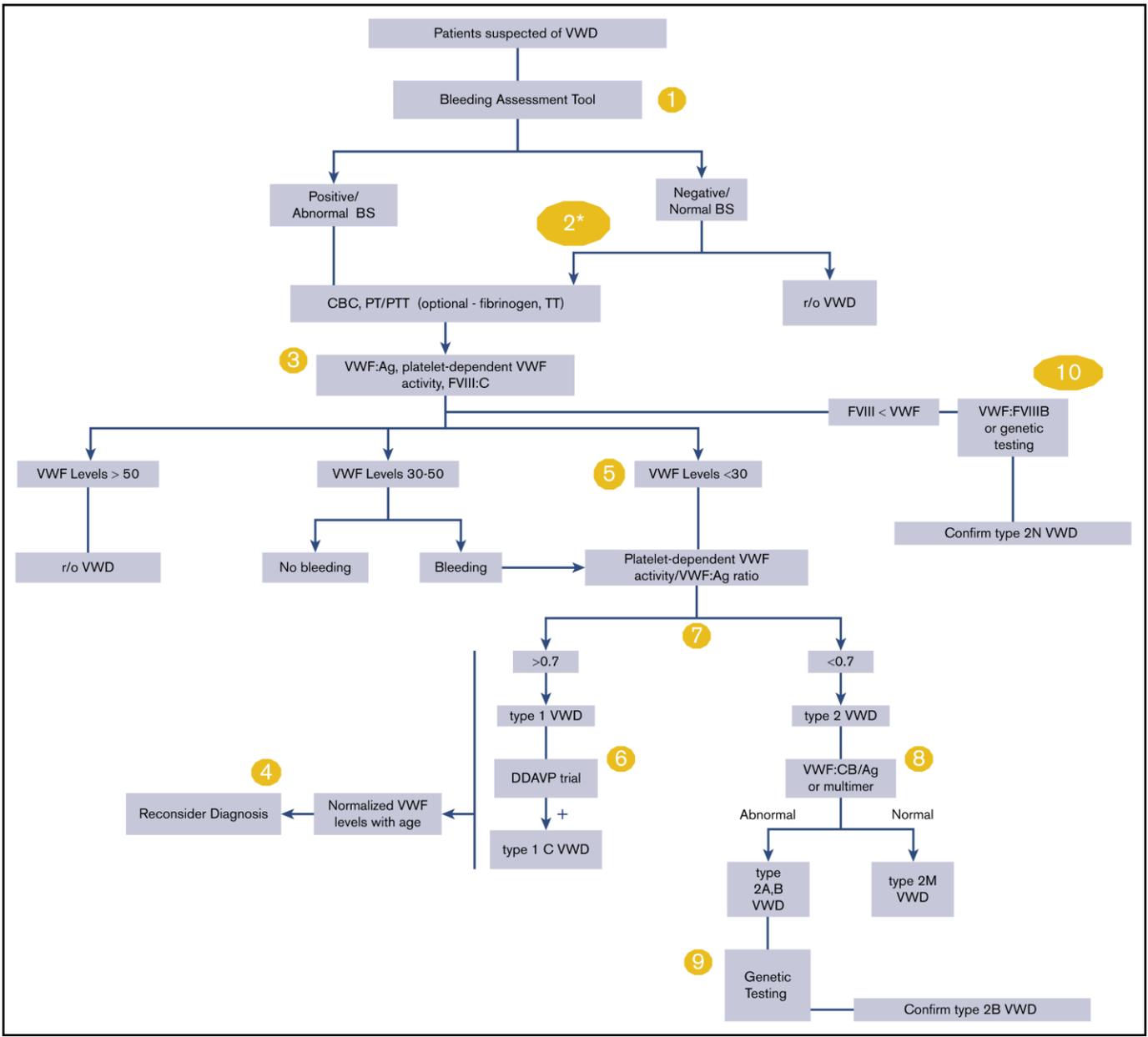
# OTHER KEY DIAGNOSTIC RECOMMENDATIONS

For patients with a low probability of VWD (e.g., seen in the primary care setting), the panel recommends using a validated bleeding-assessment tool (BAT) as an initial screening test to determine who needs specific blood testing over nonstandardized clinical assessment

Strong recommendation based on moderate certainty in the evidence from diagnostic accuracy studies ⊕⊕⊕○

The panel suggests newer assays that measure the platelet-binding activity of VWF (eg, VWF:GPIbM, VWF:GPIbR) over the VWF ristocetin cofactor assay (VWF:RCo) (automated or nonautomated assay) for the diagnosis of VWD

Conditional recommendation based on low certainty in the evidence from diagnostic accuracy studies ⊕⊕○○



# THANK YOU



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# DISCLOSURES

<b>Conflict</b>	<b>Disclosure - if conflict of interest exists</b>
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# Management of VWD



General bleeding



Surgery



HMB & pregnancy



Aging

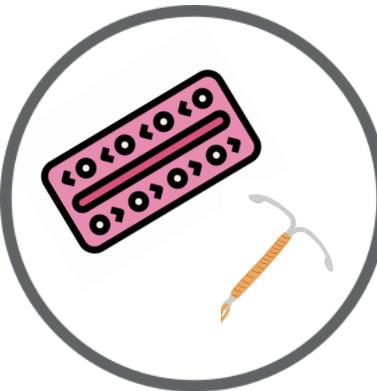
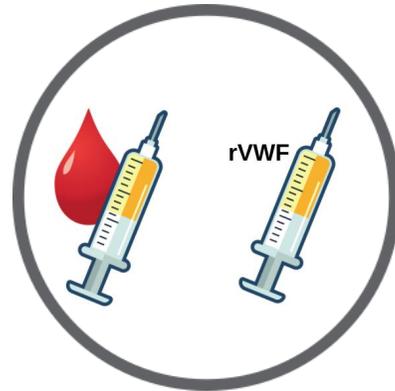
# TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR VWD

TRANEXAMIC  
ACID



DESMOPRESSIN  
(DDAVP)

VWF  
REPLACEMENT  
THERAPY



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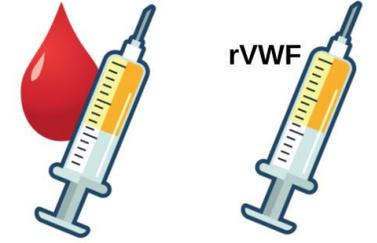


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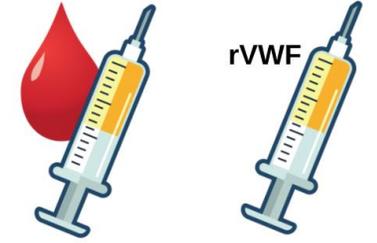
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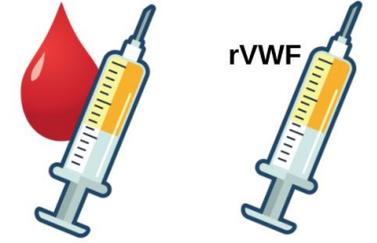
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- **More support for physicians and patients to access prophylaxis in VWD.**

# WHAT IS THE EVIDENCE?



- 1 randomized trial comparing prophylaxis with placebo.
- 5 studies with an explicit comparison between pre- and post-prophylaxis.
- 8 with an implicit comparison between pre- and post-prophylaxis.

# DDAVP TRIAL



## Who needs a DDAVP trial?

- In type 1 VWD patients with baseline VWF level of **<30 IU/dL**
- Suggests **performing a trial of desmopressin** and treating based on the results

# DDAVP TRIAL



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- In type 1 VWD patients with baseline VWF level of **30 – 50 IU/dL**

**Can be presumed to be desmopressin responsive**

# USE OF DDAVP IN VWD

## VWD Subtype

TYPE 1		TYPE 2			TYPE 3	
30-50 IU/dL	<30 IU/dL	2A	2M	2N	2B	
Adults will respond	Trial for all to assess response	May have a partial or shorter lived response			Avoid, may worsen low platelets	Will not respond
Children still need trial						
First line therapy if no contraindication	First line if responder + no contraindication to use	May be helpful for minor bleeding				

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# THERAPEUTIC TARGETS

For minor surgery

	Post-op target	
	FVIII	VWF:RC <sub>o</sub>
Nichols et al. 2008	>30, preferable >50 for 3-5d	
Castaman et al. 2013	>30 for 2-4d	
Laffan et al. 2014	Not specified	
Windyga et al. 2016	>50 for 3-5d	>30 for 3-5d

# THERAPEUTIC TARGETS

For major surgery

	Post-op target	
	FVIII	VWF:RC <sub>o</sub>
Nichols et al. 2008	>50 for 7-10 days	
Castaman et al. 2013	80-100 for 36h then >50 for 5-10 days	
Laffan et al. 2014	>50	-
Windyga et al. 2016	D0 >80-100 D1-7 >50 D8-14 >30	D0 >50 D1-14 >30

# SURGERY MANAGEMENT



## How best to monitor surgery in people with VWD?

- Both FVIII and VWF activity levels of  $\geq 0.50$  IU/mL for at least 3 days after surgery.
- Minor procedures, the panel *suggests* increasing VWF activity levels to  $\geq 0.50$  IU/mL with desmopressin or factor concentrate **with the addition of tranexamic acid.**
- **Change from just FVIII alone, emphasis on TXA.**

# SURGERY MANAGEMENT



- The panel *suggests* **giving tranexamic acid alone** over increasing VWF activity levels to  $\geq 0.50$  IU/mL if
  - Type 1 VWD with baseline VWF activity levels of  $>0.30$  IU/mL
  - **Mild bleeding phenotype**
  - **Minor mucosal procedures**



# SURGERY MANAGEMENT



- For patients at higher risk of thrombosis, it may be desirable to avoid the combination of extended increased VWF and FVIII levels ( $>1.50$  IU/mL) and extended use of tranexamic acid.



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# HEAVY MENSTRUAL BLEEDING



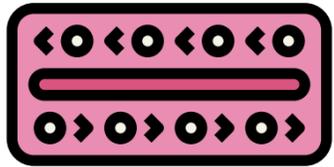
Planning to  
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# HEAVY MENSTRUAL BLEEDING



## How to best manage HMB?

- The panel *suggests* using either hormonal therapy (combined hormonal contraception [CHC] or levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine system) or tranexamic acid over desmopressin to treat women with VWD with heavy menstrual bleeding who do not wish to conceive.
- The panel *suggests* using tranexamic acid over desmopressin to treat women with VWD and heavy menstrual bleeding who wish to conceive.

# HEAVY MENSTRUAL BLEEDING



## How to best manage HMB?

- Don't forget possible role for prophylaxis!

# Management of VWD



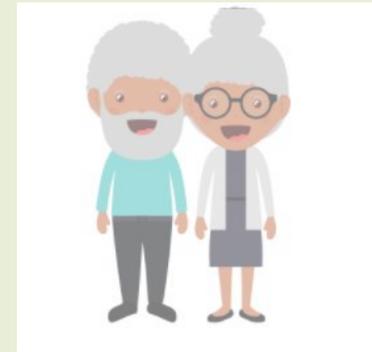
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# EPIDURAL ANAESTHESIA



## What about spinal anaesthesia?

- In women with VWD for whom neuraxial anesthesia during labor is deemed suitable, the panel *suggests* targeting a VWF activity level of 0.50 to 1.50 IU/mL over targeting an activity level of >1.50 IU/mL to allow neuraxial anesthesia.



# TRANEXAMIC ACID AFTER DELIVERY



## How to prevent Postpartum bleeding?

- The guideline panel *suggests* the use of tranexamic acid over not using it in women with type 1 VWD or low VWF levels (and this may also apply to types 2 and 3 VWD) during the postpartum period).
- (conditional recommendation based on low certainty in the evidence of effects ⊕⊕○○).

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- **Uncertain if bleeding in older adults abates with increased levels**

# Antiplatelets or anticoagulation use



**If someone has heart disease and needs antiplatelets/Aspirin, what is the advice?**

- In patients with VWD and cardiovascular disease who require treatment with antiplatelet agents or anticoagulant therapy, the panel *suggests* giving the necessary antiplatelet or anticoagulant therapy over no treatment.
- It is important to reassess the bleeding risk throughout the course of treatment.



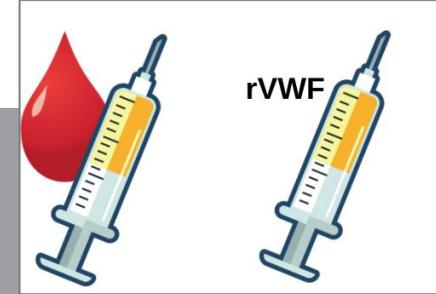
# GOOD PRACTICE STATEMENTS



Multidisciplinary  
team input prior  
with the patient



Patient education  
Risks/benefits  
Informed, shared  
decision making



? Prophylaxis  
DDAVP not suitable

# How do these guidelines change practice for people with VWD?

- New diagnostic thresholds, type 1 and type 2
- No DDAVP trials for “Low VWF” patients
- Clarifies post-op monitoring
- Support for prophylaxis
- Cardiovascular disease – individualized approach for antiplatelet use
- Postpartum TXA



# LIMITATIONS OF GUIDELINES

- Trying to cover 7 subtypes of VWD in 10 management and diagnostic questions
- Hugely limited by lack of research
- No strong recommendations



# BENEFITS

- People with VWD, basic scientists, clinicians, research methodologists
- Identified gaps in research and understanding
- Can help people with VWD where access to care determined by payers
- Independent of pharma involvement; Col clearly stated
- Multiple organisations, differing interest, similar goals





**ASH CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES  
VON WILLEBRAND DISEASE (VWD)**

# Where to find these guidelines:

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**Background:** von Willebrand disease (VWD) is the most common inherited bleeding disorder known in humans. Accurate and timely diagnosis presents numerous challenges.

**Objective:** These evidence-based guidelines of the American Society of Hematology (ASH), the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH), the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF), and the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) are intended to support patients, clinicians, and other health care professionals in their decisions about VWD diagnosis.

**Methods:** ASH, ISTH, NHF, and WFH established a multidisciplinary guideline panel that included 4 patient representatives and was balanced to minimize potential bias from conflicts of interest. The Outcomes and Implementation Research Unit at the University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC) supported the guideline-development process, including performing or updating systematic evidence reviews up to 8 January 2020. The panel prioritized clinical questions and outcomes according to their importance for clinicians and patients. The panel used the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach, including GRADE Evidence-to-Decision frameworks, to assess evidence and make recommendations, which were subsequently subject to public comment.

**Results:** The panel agreed on 11 recommendations.

**Conclusions:** Key recommendations of these guidelines include the role of bleeding-assessment tools in the assessment of patients suspected of VWD, diagnostic assays and laboratory cutoffs for type 1 and type 2 VWD, how to approach a type 1 VWD patient with normalized levels over time, and the role of genetic testing vs phenotypic assays for types 2B and 2N. Future critical research priorities are also identified.

**Summary of recommendations**

These guidelines are based on updated and original systematic reviews of evidence conducted under the direction of the Outcomes and Implementation Research Unit at the University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC). The panel followed best practices for guideline development recommended by the Institute of Medicine and the Guidelines International Network (GIN).<sup>1,2</sup> The panel used the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach<sup>3,10</sup> to assess the certainty in the evidence and formulate recommendations.

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# PATIENT PERSPECTIVES

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Can these guidelines be applicable everywhere in the world?



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# THE NEW VWD GUIDELINES: SO WHAT?

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## **BATs**

Evaluation of symptoms irrespective of VWF levels



## **EVIDENCE**

Extensive analysis of published literature and experience to support recommendations and unmet needs

## **DEFINITIONS**

Clear description of types and how to diagnose them



## **TIPS**

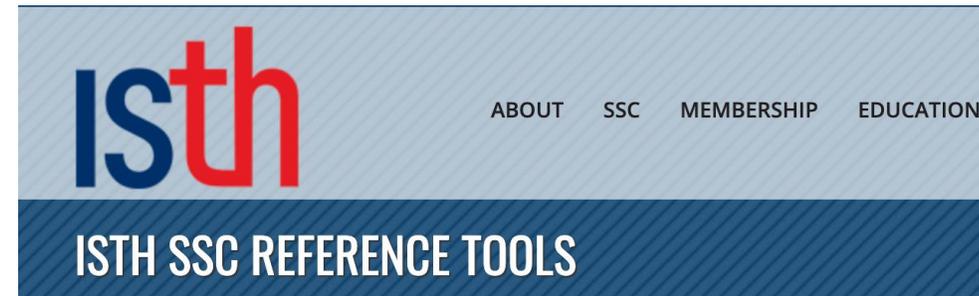
What is what?

# BLEEDING ASSESSMENT TOOLS

The increased value of phenotype over just factor levels to provide adequate treatment

Scoring Key

Symptom	Score	0	1	2	3	4
Epistaxis	--	No or trivial (less than 5)	> 5 or more than 10'	Consultation only	Packing or cauterization or antifibrinolytic	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin
Cutaneous	--	No or trivial (< 1cm)	> 1 cm and no trauma	Consultation only	--	--
Bleeding from minor wounds	--	No or trivial (less than 5)	> 5 or more than 5'	Consultation only	Surgical hemostasis	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin
Oral cavity	--	No	Referred at least one	Consultation only	Surgical hemostasis or antifibrinolytic	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin
Gastrointestinal bleeding	--	No	Associated with ulcer, portal hypertension, hemorrhoids, angiodysplasia	Spontaneous	Surgical hemostasis, blood transfusion, replacement therapy, desmopressin, antifibrinolytic	--
Tooth extraction	No bleeding in at least 2 extractions	None done or no bleeding in 1 extraction	Reported, no consultation	Consultation only	Resuturing or packing	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin
Surgery	No bleeding in at least 2 surgeries	None done or no bleeding in 1 surgery	Reported, no consultation	Consultation only	Surgical hemostasis or antifibrinolytic	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin
Menorrhagia	--	No	Consultation only	Antifibrinolytics, pill use	Dilation & curettage, iron therapy, ablation	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin or hysterectomy
Postpartum hemorrhage	No bleeding in at least 2 deliveries	None done or no bleeding in 1 surgery	Consultation only	Dilation & curettage, iron therapy, antifibrinolytics	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin	Blood transfusion or replacement therapy or desmopressin or hysterectomy
Muscle hematomas	--	Never	Post trauma, no therapy	Spontaneous, no therapy	Spontaneous or traumatic, requiring desmopressin or replacement therapy	Spontaneous or traumatic, requiring surgical intervention or blood transfusion
Hemarthrosis	--	Never	Post trauma, no therapy	Spontaneous, no therapy	Spontaneous or traumatic, requiring desmopressin or replacement therapy	Spontaneous or traumatic, requiring surgical intervention or blood transfusion
Central nervous system bleeding	--	Never	--	--	Subdural, any intervention	Intracerebral, any intervention



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The below resources were developed by the SSC Subcommittees as reference tools:

- [ISTH-SSC Bleeding Assessment Tool](#)  
(BAT translated in additional languages [see here](#) under "supporting information")
- [Scoring system for Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation \(DIC\)](#)
- [Bleeding Score and Questionnaire for Type 1 Von Willebrand Disease](#)

[https://elearning.wfh.org/resource/compendium-of-assessment-tools/#bleeding\\_assessment\\_tools1a42-60ce78a1-2573f205-9a34](https://elearning.wfh.org/resource/compendium-of-assessment-tools/#bleeding_assessment_tools1a42-60ce78a1-2573f205-9a34)

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# CLEAR DEFINITIONS

- Less confusion between low VWF and VWD
- Clear descriptions of types and diagnostic pathway

NORMAL VWF LEVELS		
LOW VWF LEVEL 30-50%		
VWD TYPE 1	VWD TYPE 2	VWD TYPE 3
1, 1C	2A, 2B, 2N, 2M	3

# ADVOCACY WORK FOR NMOs

Condensed review of all published evidence in short and clear recommendations allow patients and patient advocates to support their requests to HCPs and governments

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# TIPS

The most practical part of recommendations: obvious and well known for some, raised questions and misunderstandings in others

**Frequent bleeds** were defined as

- **≥5 bleeding episodes in the last 12 months, or**
- **≥3 episodes of hemarthrosis at the same joint or**
- **≥2 episodes of gastrointestinal hemorrhage** either unexplained or in association with underlying gastrointestinal angiodysplasia with requirement of [VWF concentrate] therapy.

**Major surgery** was considered to include:

- procedures requiring surgical opening into the large body cavities,
- procedures where severe hemorrhage was possible,
- interventions involving joints,
- third-molar extractions, and
- interventions where the patient's life was at risk.

**Minor surgery** was considered to include:

- procedures involving simple dental extractions and
- other outpatient procedures not otherwise specified under major surgery.

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## توصيات دليل WFH NHF ISTH ASH بشأن تشخيص داء فون فليبراند (VWD)

- يعرض هذا الدليل توجيهات مبنية على أدلة تهدف إلى تحسين دقة تشخيص داء فون فليبراند (VWD)، والحد من الاختبارات غير الملائمة، وتجذب الأضرار الناجمة عن المبالغة في تشخيص المرض.
- يُعدّ داء فون فليبراند أكثر اضطرابات نزف الدم الوراثي شيوعًا، لكنّ تشخيصه على نحو دقيق وفي الوقت المناسب لا يزال يمثل تحديًا.
- تشمل العوائق التي تحول دون إجراء تشخيص دقيق لهذا الداء حاليًا ما يلي:
  - | محدودة أو النعدام الاختبارات المعملية المتخصصة
  - | عدم فهم الاختلافات بين أعراض نزف الدم الطبيعي وغير الطبيعي.
  - | والخيارات الأنيمة لإجرائها.
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## Recomendaciones de las guías de ASH, ISTH, NHF, FMH para el tratamiento de la enfermedad de Von Willebrand (EVW)



Qué abarcan

- Recomendaciones basadas en pruebas científicas para el tratamiento de la EVW en el contexto de cirugías mayores y menores, pruebas durante procedimientos invasivos, uso de desmopresina, y uso profiláctico de concentrado de factor Von Willebrand (FVW).

Por qué son importantes

- La EVW es el trastorno de la coagulación hereditario más común.
- Actualmente hay una gran variabilidad en la práctica clínica aplicada al tratamiento de la EVW debido a la falta de pruebas científicas de certeza elevada para orientar la toma de decisiones.
- Hay múltiples subtipos de la EVW que requieren tratamiento individualizado con base en el diagnóstico específico, así como una gama de síntomas y múltiples terapias disponibles para su tratamiento. Lo más conveniente tanto para el médico como para el paciente es contar con orientación para correlacionar el trastorno con el tratamiento adecuado.

# GLOBAL VWD CALL TO ACTION

Promoting **adequate care and treatment**  
for people with von Willebrand Disease.

Each WFH national member organization (NMO) is invited to sign on to support VWD and other rare bleeding disorders recognition globally.

**48 NMOs have already signed on!**

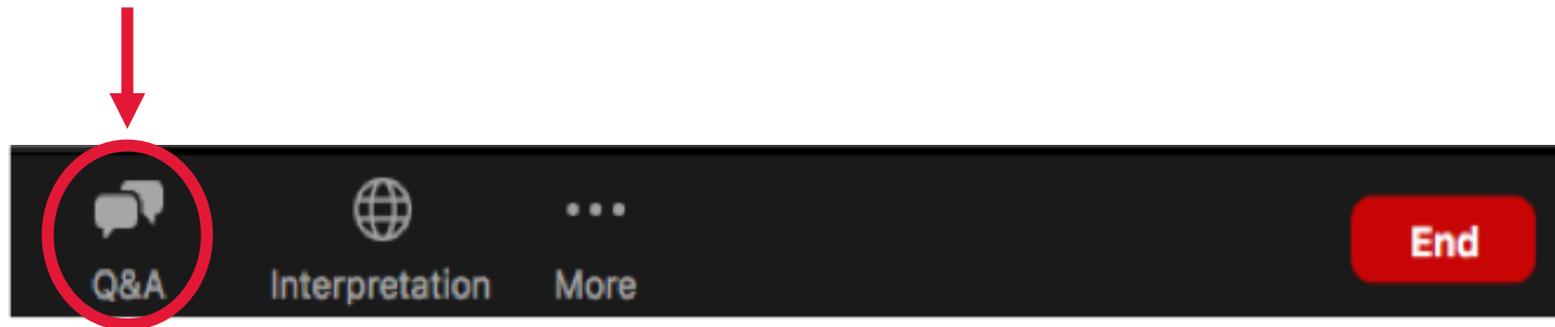
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