

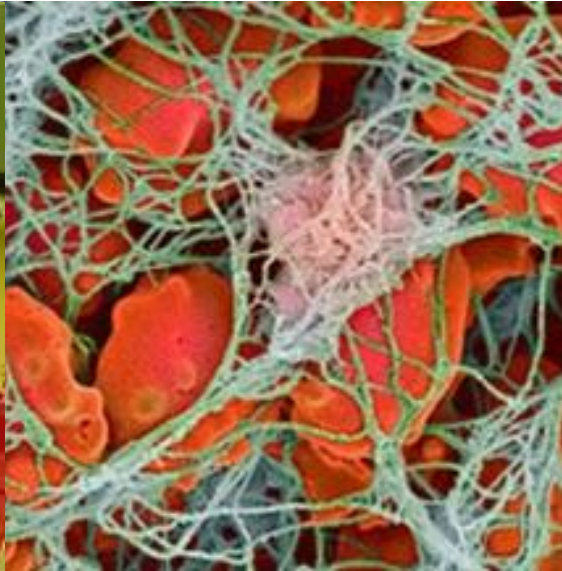
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# A D Negative Platelet Components ordering & use

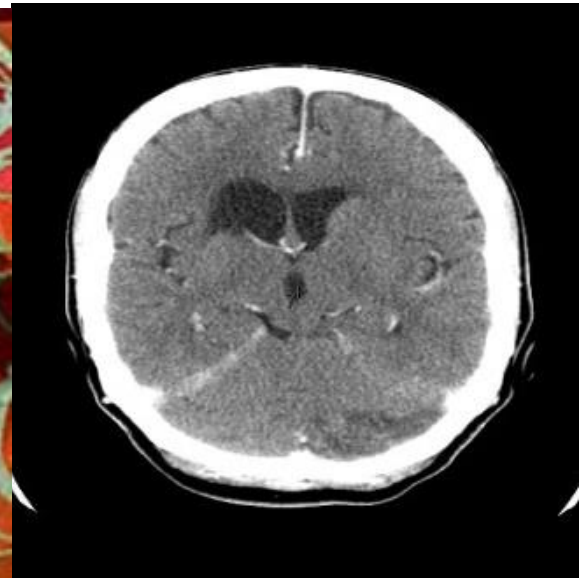
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# Why do we use platelet transfusions?

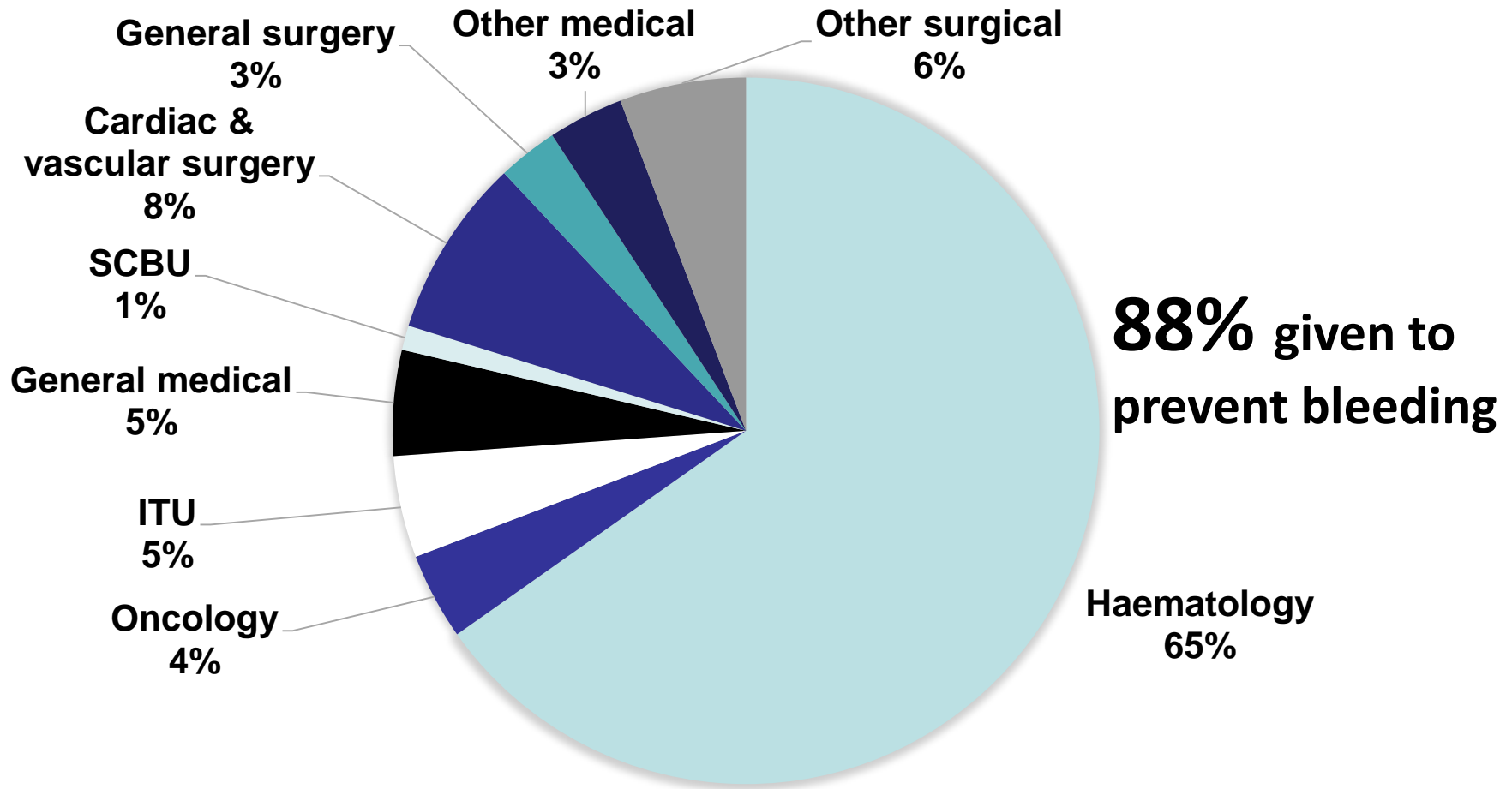
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# Haematology patients use the majority of platelet transfusions

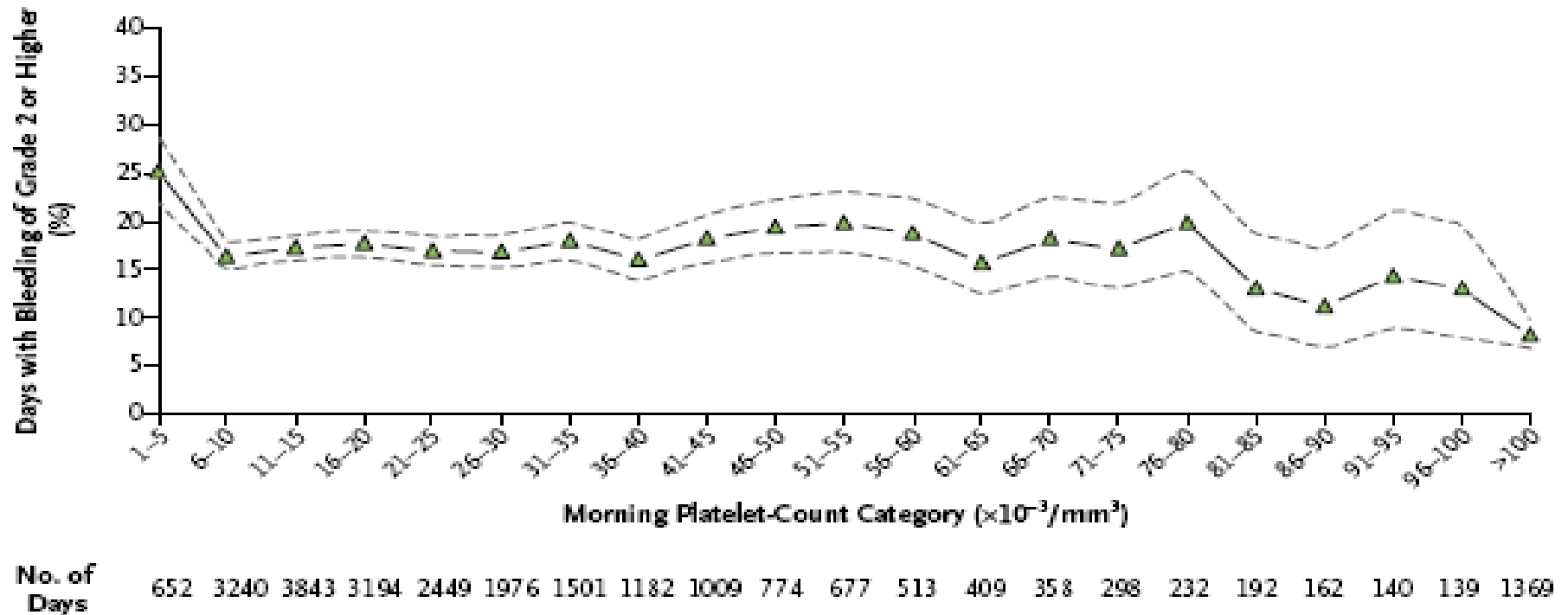


# Prophylactic Platelet Transfusions

**65%** (305/469) of patients received a prophylactic platelet transfusion for reversible bone marrow failure without additional risk factors, when the count was less than or equal to  $10 \times 10^9/L$ .



# Morning platelet count is a poor predictor of bleeding risk



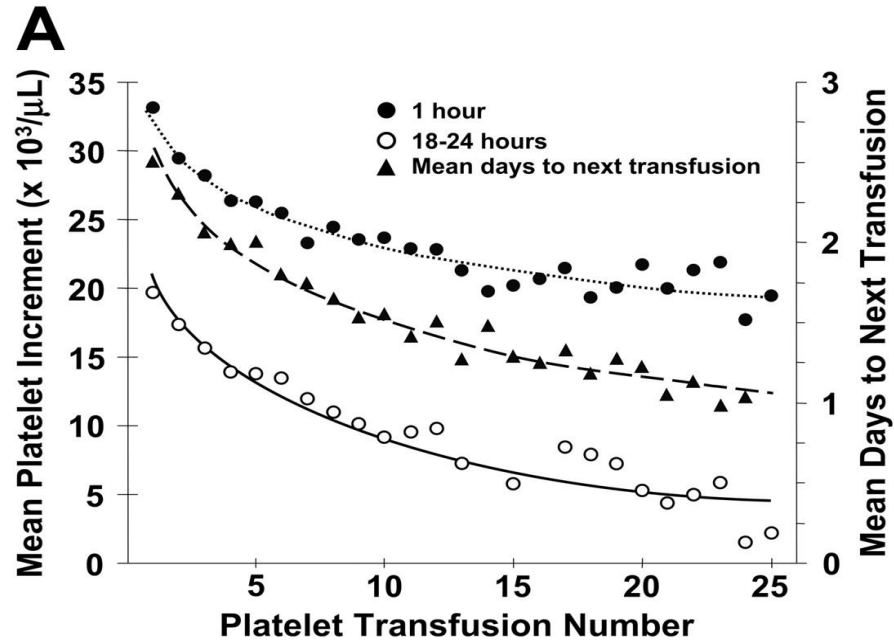
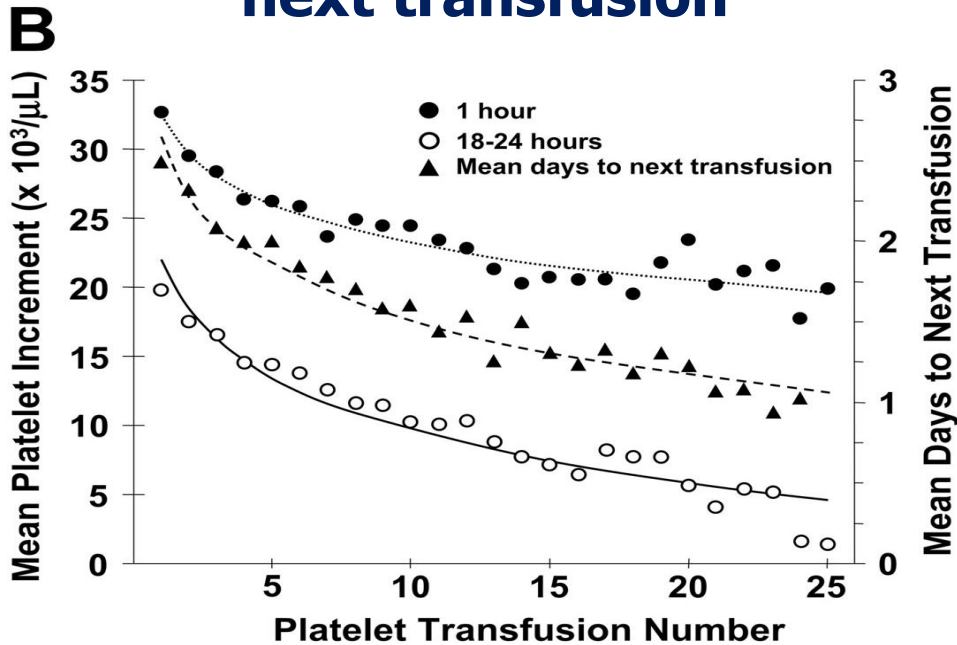
Dose of prophylactic platelet transfusions and prevention of hemorrhage. Slichter *et al.* *NEJM* 2010;362:600-613

# Prophylactic Platelet Transfusions

Only **42%** of prophylactic platelet transfusions were considered appropriate in chronic bone marrow failure



# Relationship between number of platelet transfusions, platelet increments and days to next transfusion



- 1-hr increment
- 18-24 hr increment
- ▲ Days to next transfusion

Slichter S J et al. Blood 2005;105:4106-4114

# Pre-procedure Platelet Transfusions

Overall appropriate use was **27%** (37/138)

**51%** (29/57) compliance in patients prior to procedures where platelet transfusion was recommended up to a maximum platelet count threshold of  $50 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ .

In **7%** (9/138) of patients who had a platelet transfusion prior to a procedure the only procedure being performed was a bone marrow aspirate or trephine.





# Central Line Insertion (ultrasound-guided)

	Number of procedures (Platelets < 50)	Number of haemorrhages (Platelets < 50)	Number of major haemorrhages
Haas 2010 (tunnelled)	344	0	0
Zeidler 2011	173	6	0
Foster 2010	122	0	0
Cavanna 2010	116	0	0
Tercan 2008	49	0	0
Della Vigna 2009	45	0	0
Napolitano 2013	39	1	0
Tomoyose 2013	33	0	0
Total	921	7	0

# Bone marrow aspirate & trephine

Year	Number of bone marrows performed	Number of haemorrhages	Number of haemorrhages (plts < 50)	Risk of haemorrhage
<b>2002</b>	13,506	10	3	1 in 1,351
<b>2003</b>	19,259	11	2	1 in 1,751
<b>2004</b>	20,323	9	0	1 in 2,258
<b>2006</b>	15,388	8	1	1 in 1,924
<b>2013</b>	9,295	9	6	1 in 1,033
<b>Total</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>12</b>	

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# Current methods for platelet production (UK)

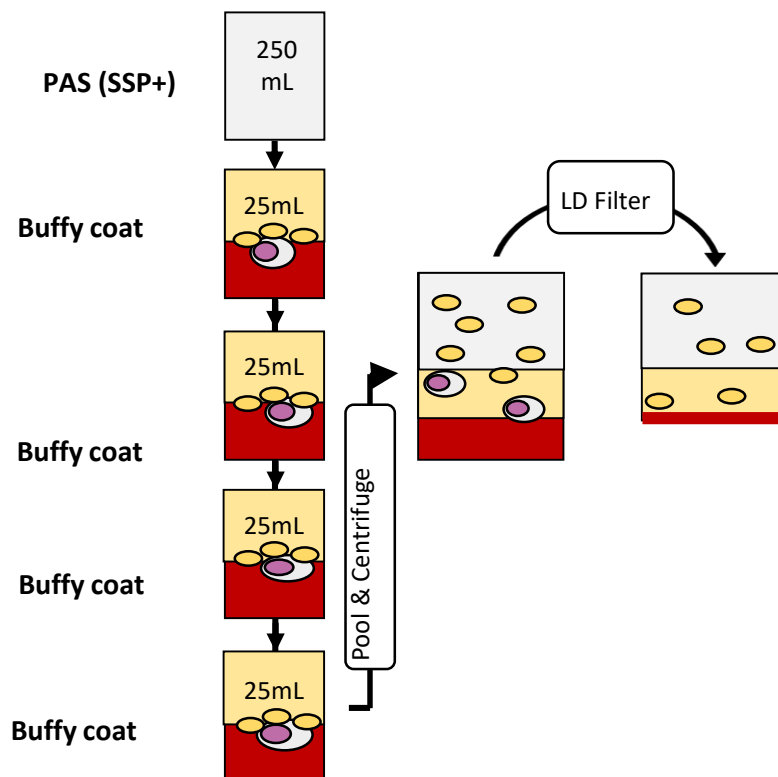
## Apheresis



1, 2 or 3 units collected per donation via machine that returns other blood cells to donor

**50% of UK supply**

## Whole blood (buffy coat)-derived



**50% of UK supply**

# The Component

Approx  $300 \times 10^9$  platelets in 300 mL

Only a tiny volume of a platelet component is platelets < 1%

Stored for 7 days – room temp

Compatible for ABO/RhD blood groups

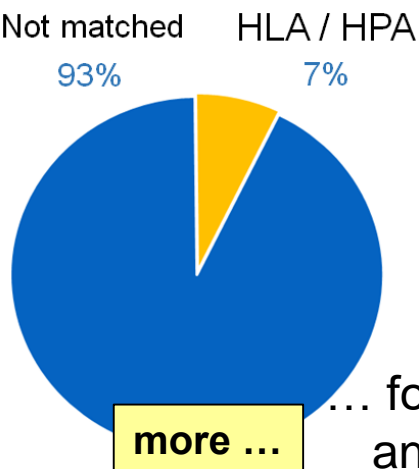
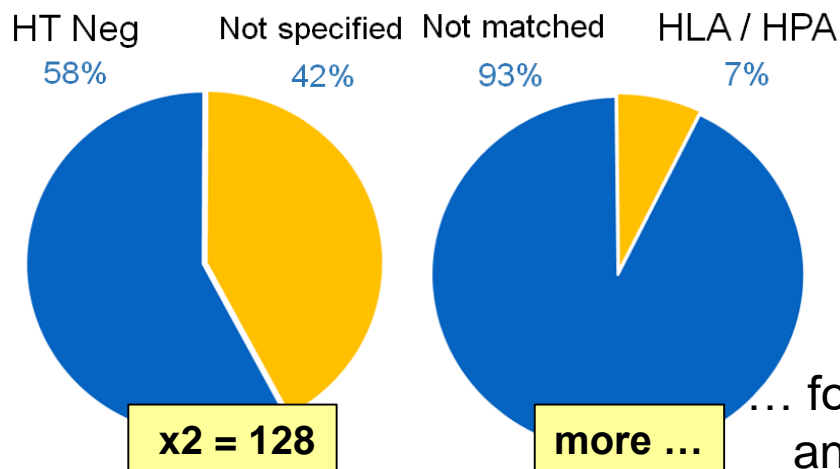
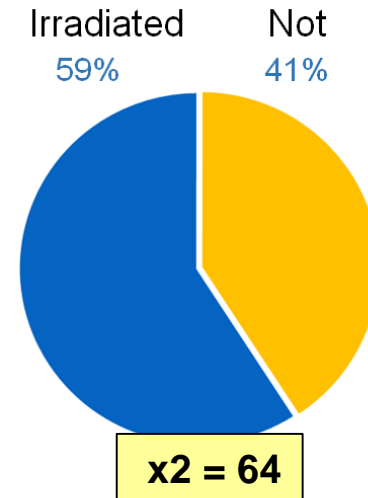
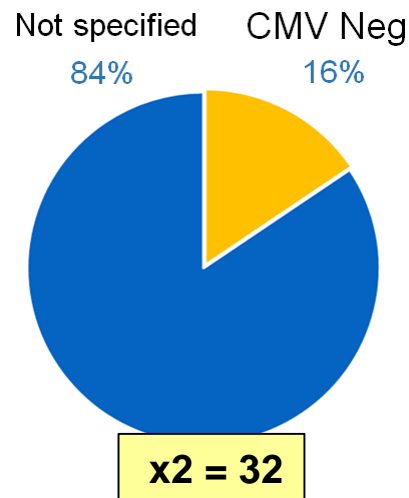
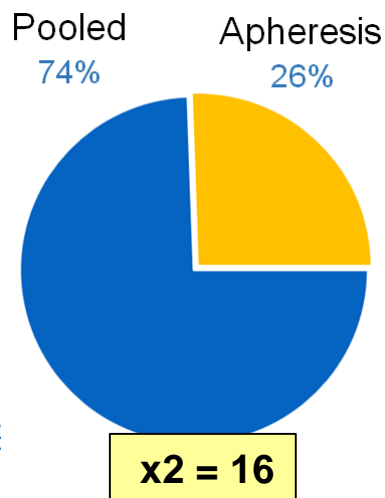
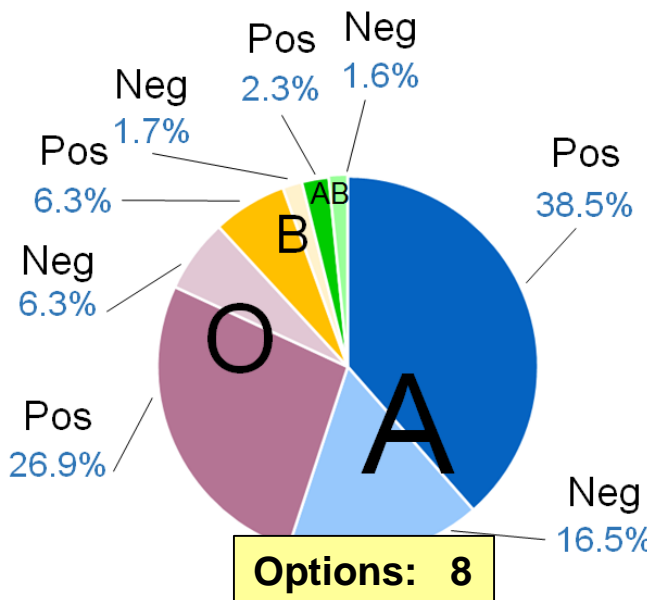
Apheresis platelets have to be high titre negative

HLA/HPA matched if needed

Tested for HIV, HBV, HCV, HEV, bacteria



# The supply chain is complex

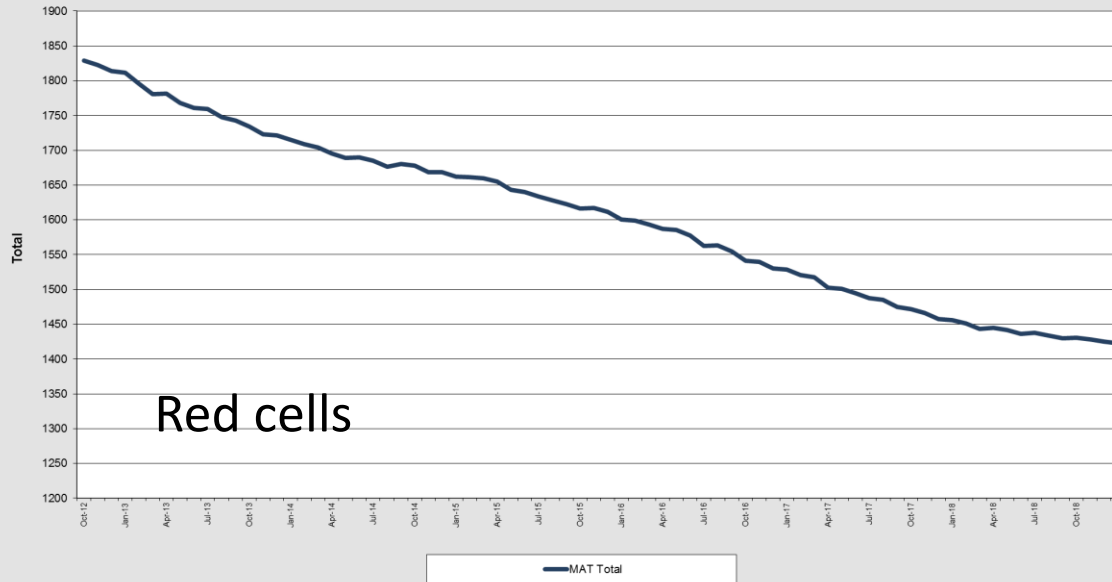


OBOS Demand Data  
March '18 to March '19  
Platelet Supply Team

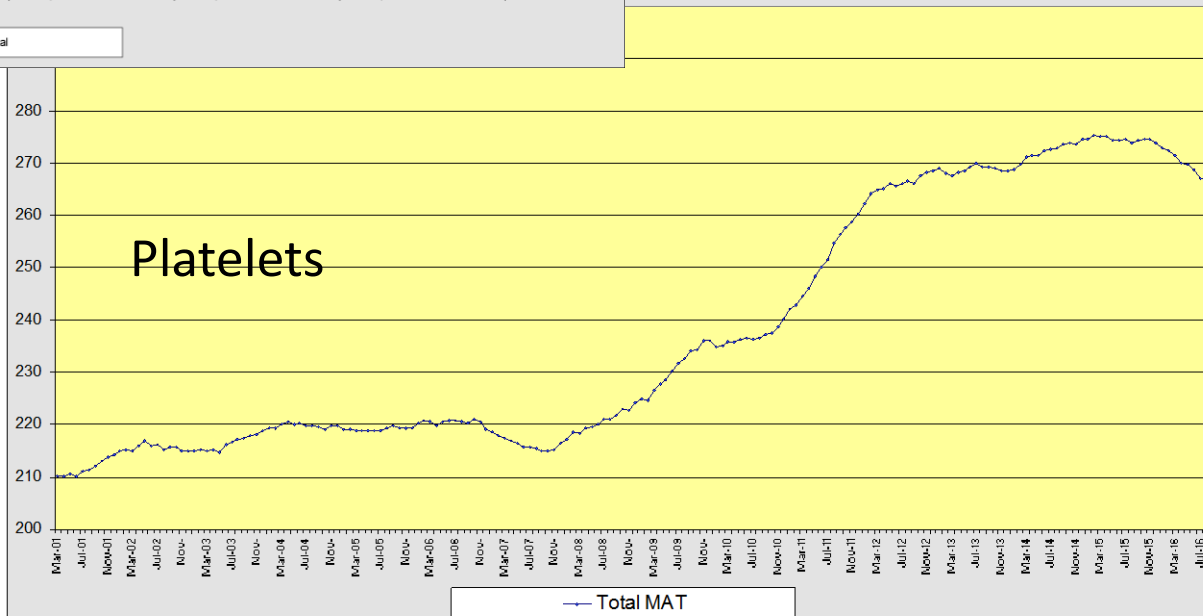
... for adult platelets with  
an expiry of 3-4 days  
to be held at 15  
Stock Holding Units.

# Red cell demand has decreased, not platelets

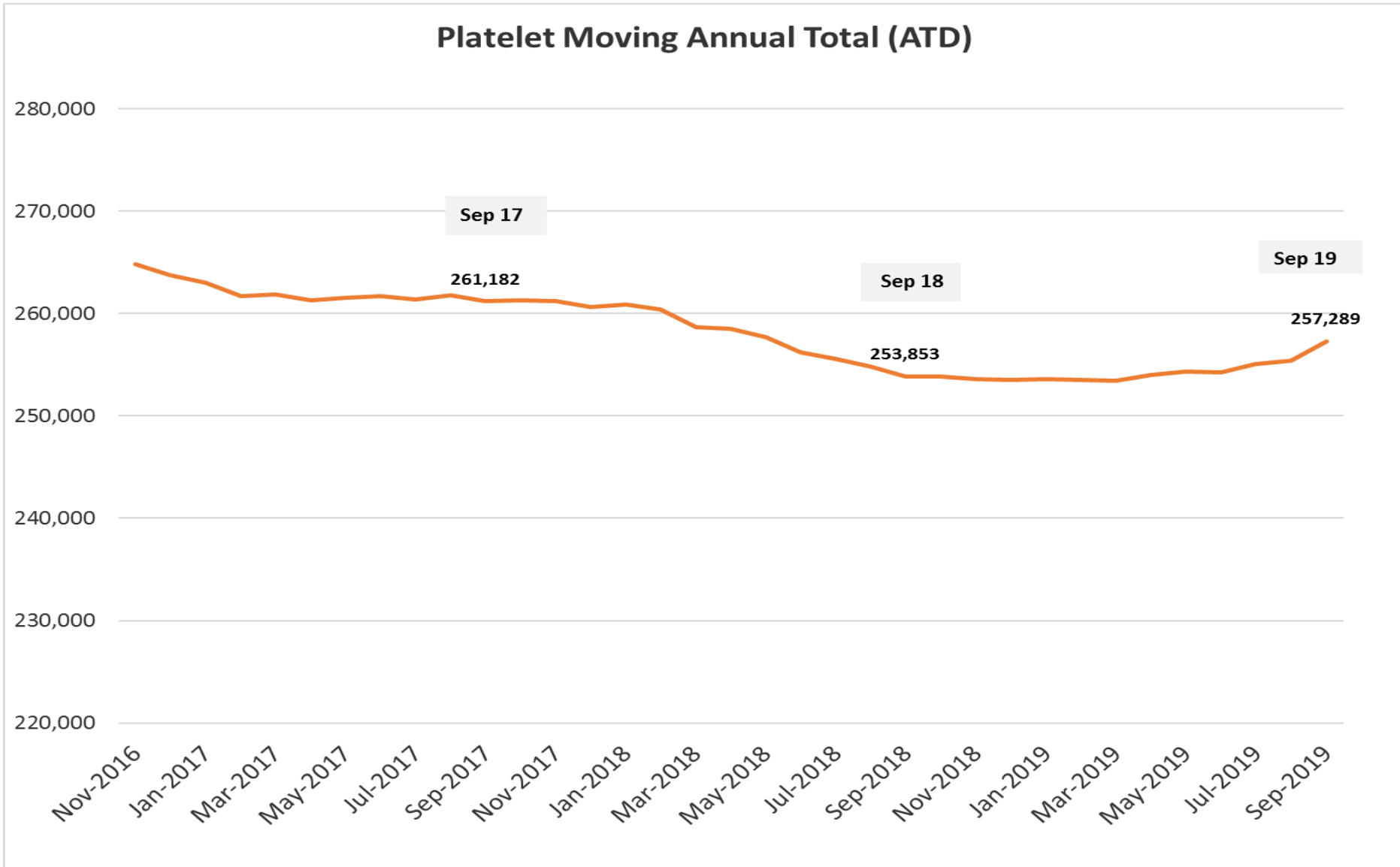
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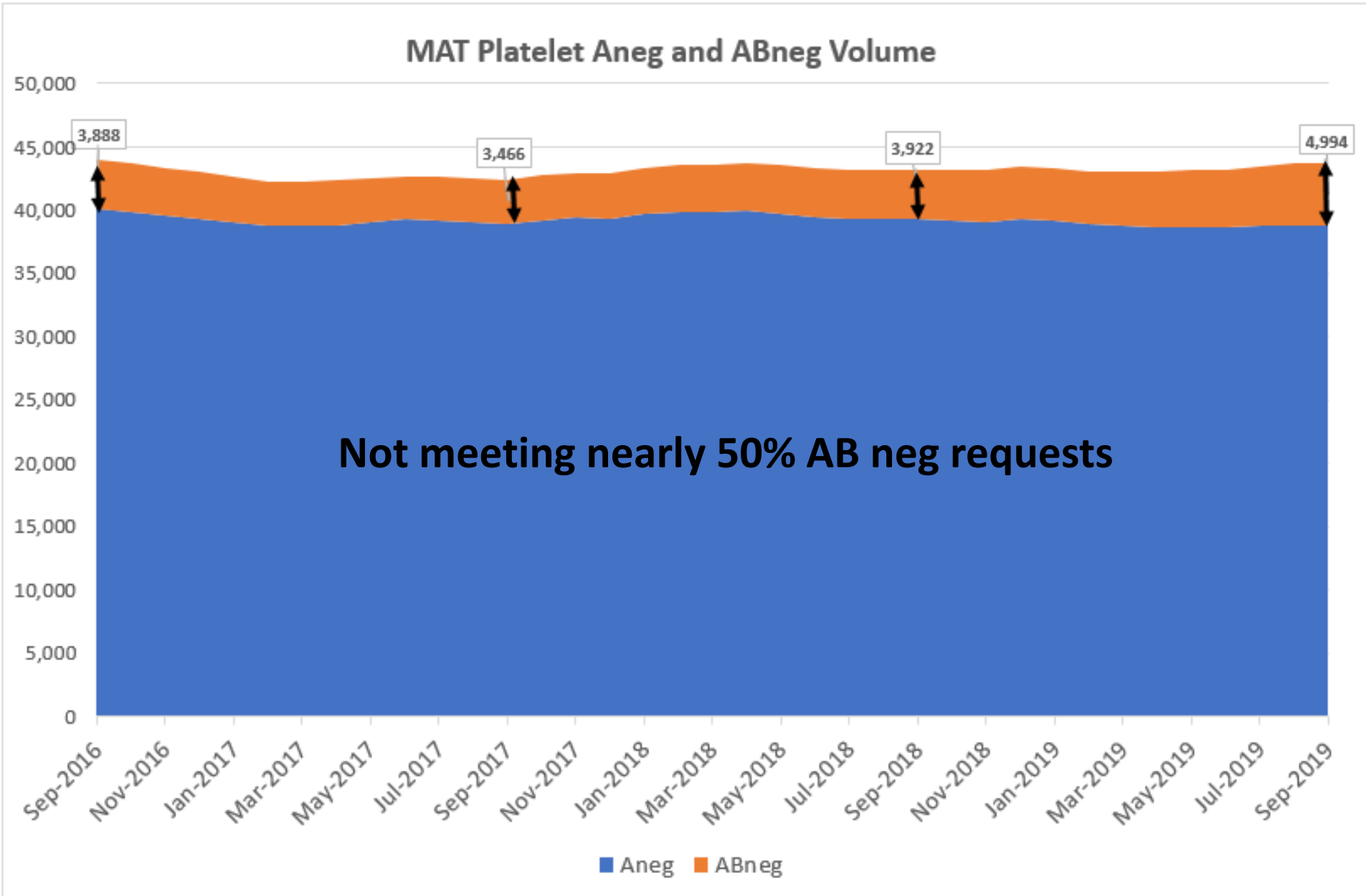
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# Total Platelet MAT demand

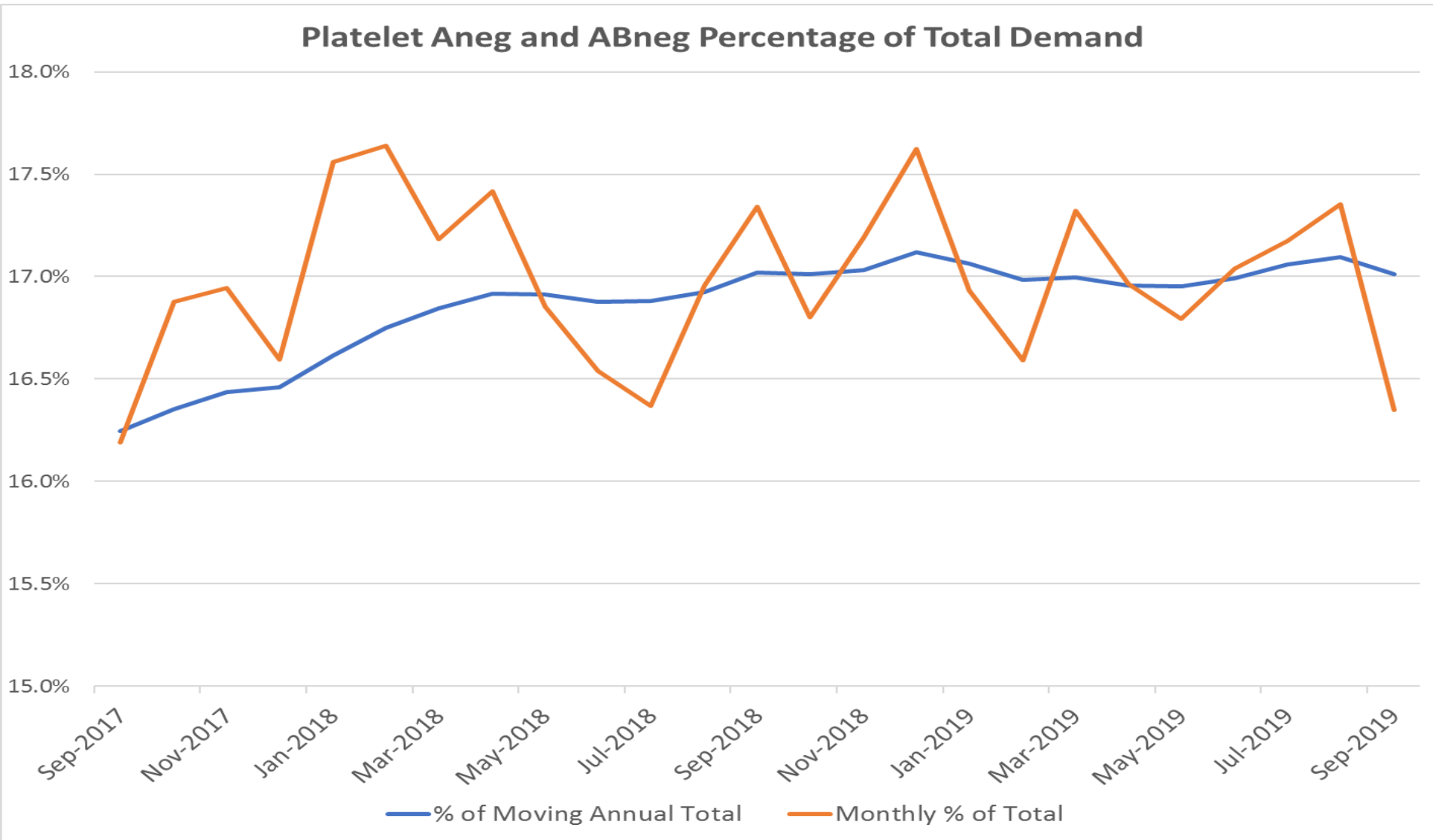


# A neg + AB neg Platelet demand as volume

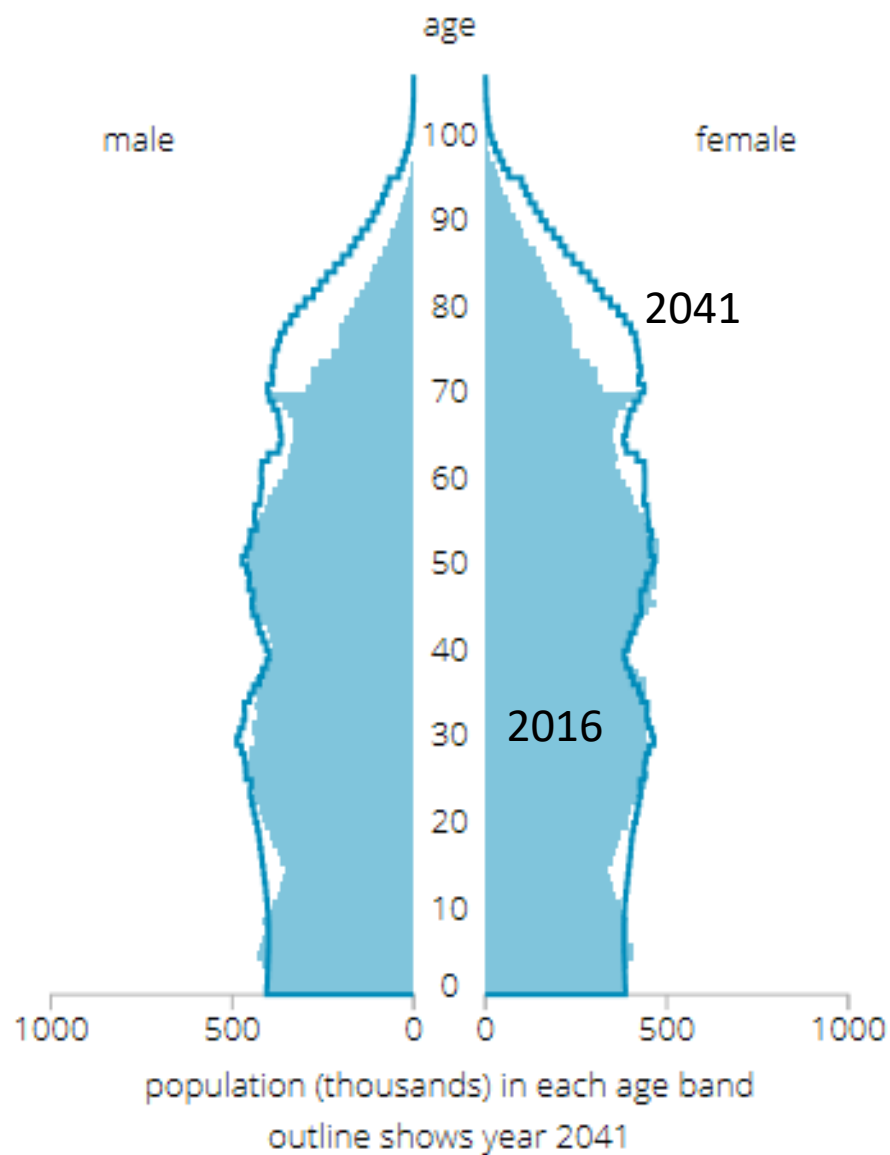




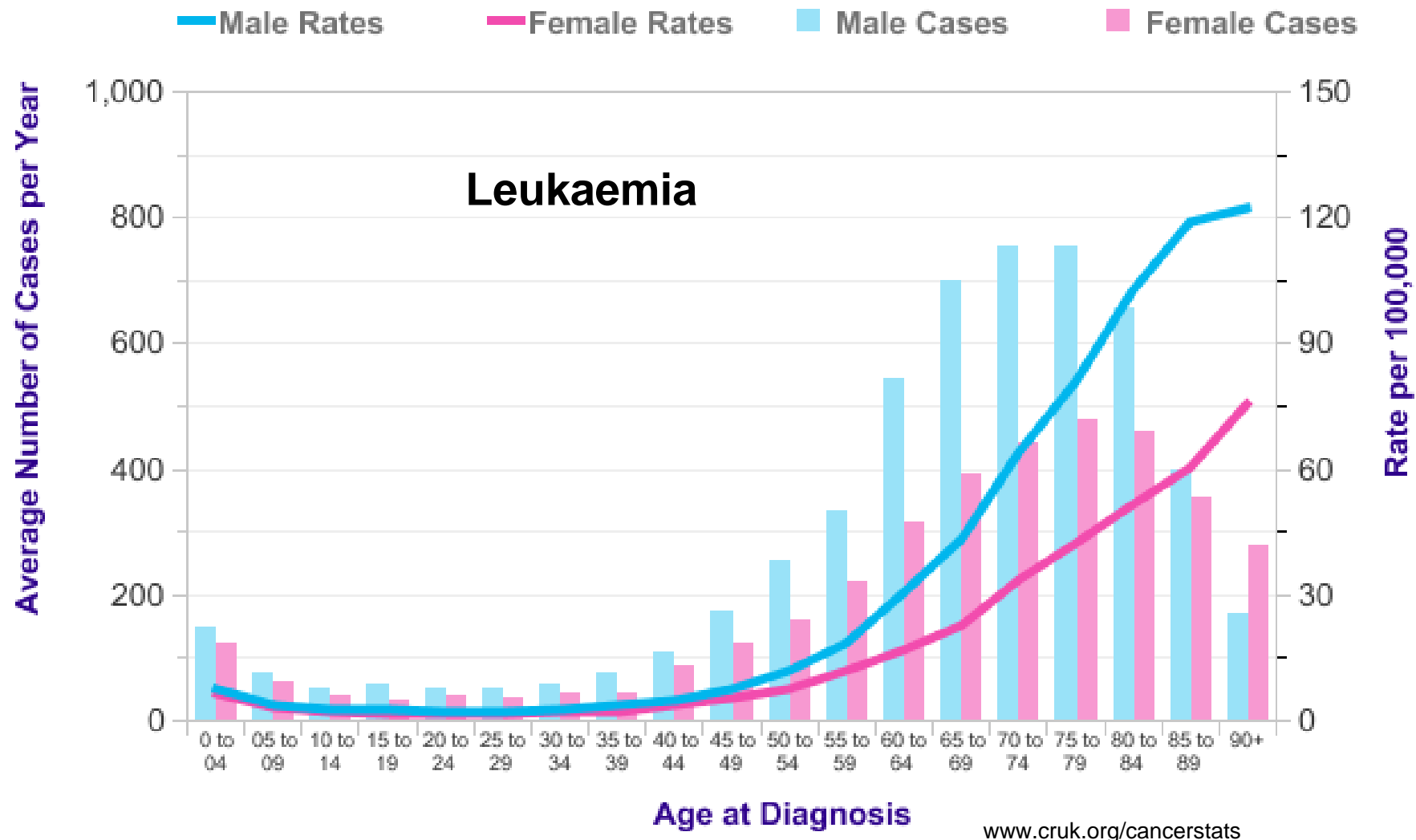
# A neg + AB neg Platelet demand as % of total platelet demand



# Our population is ageing



# Conditions that may require platelet transfusions increase with age



# Why do we need ABO and Rh matched platelets?

- Risk of red cell alloimmunisation
  - Residual red blood cells (rRBC)
- Risk of haemolytic transfusion reaction
  - Donor alloantibodies
- Increased destruction of transfused platelets
  - Recipient alloantibodies

# Residual RBC content

No UK or EU requirement  
to measure red cells  
routinely



Control



$<4000\text{rRBC}/\mu\text{L}$



$4000\text{rRBC}/\mu\text{L}$



$5000\text{rRBC}/\mu\text{L}$

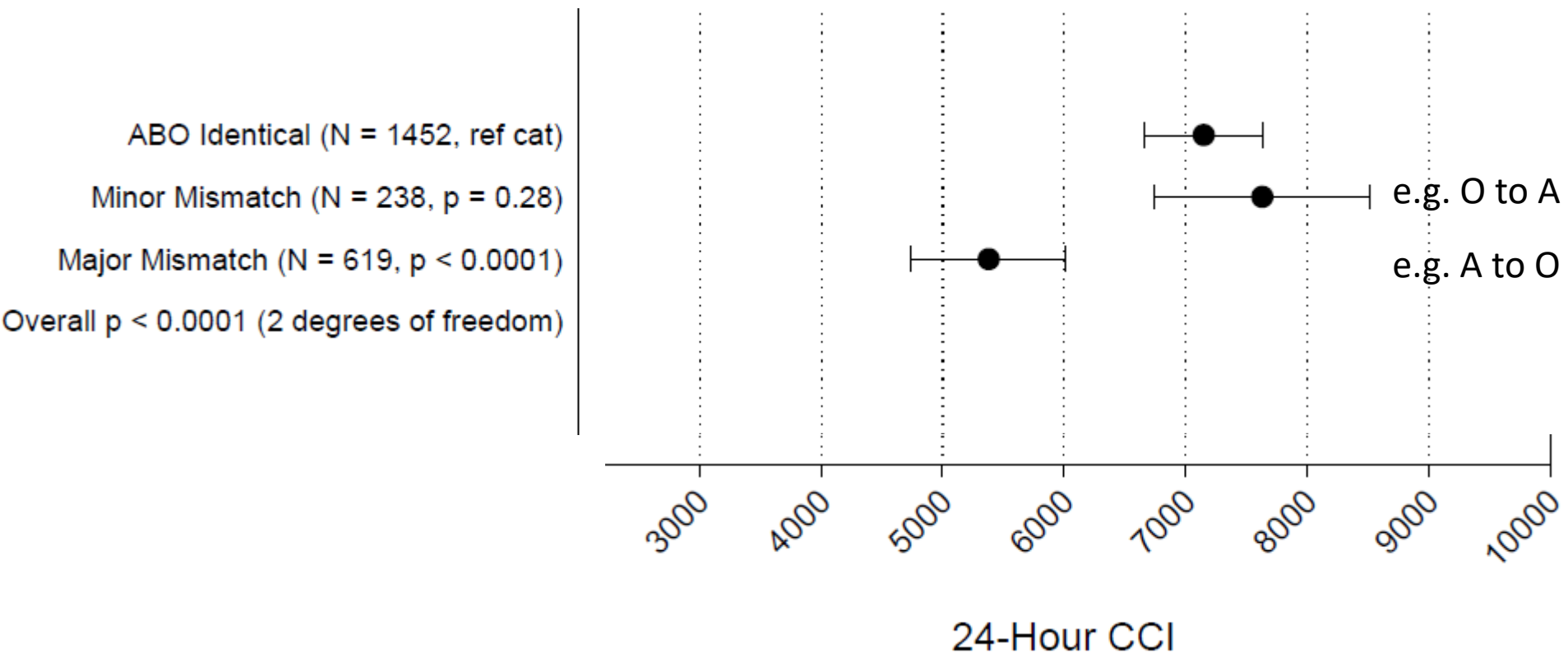


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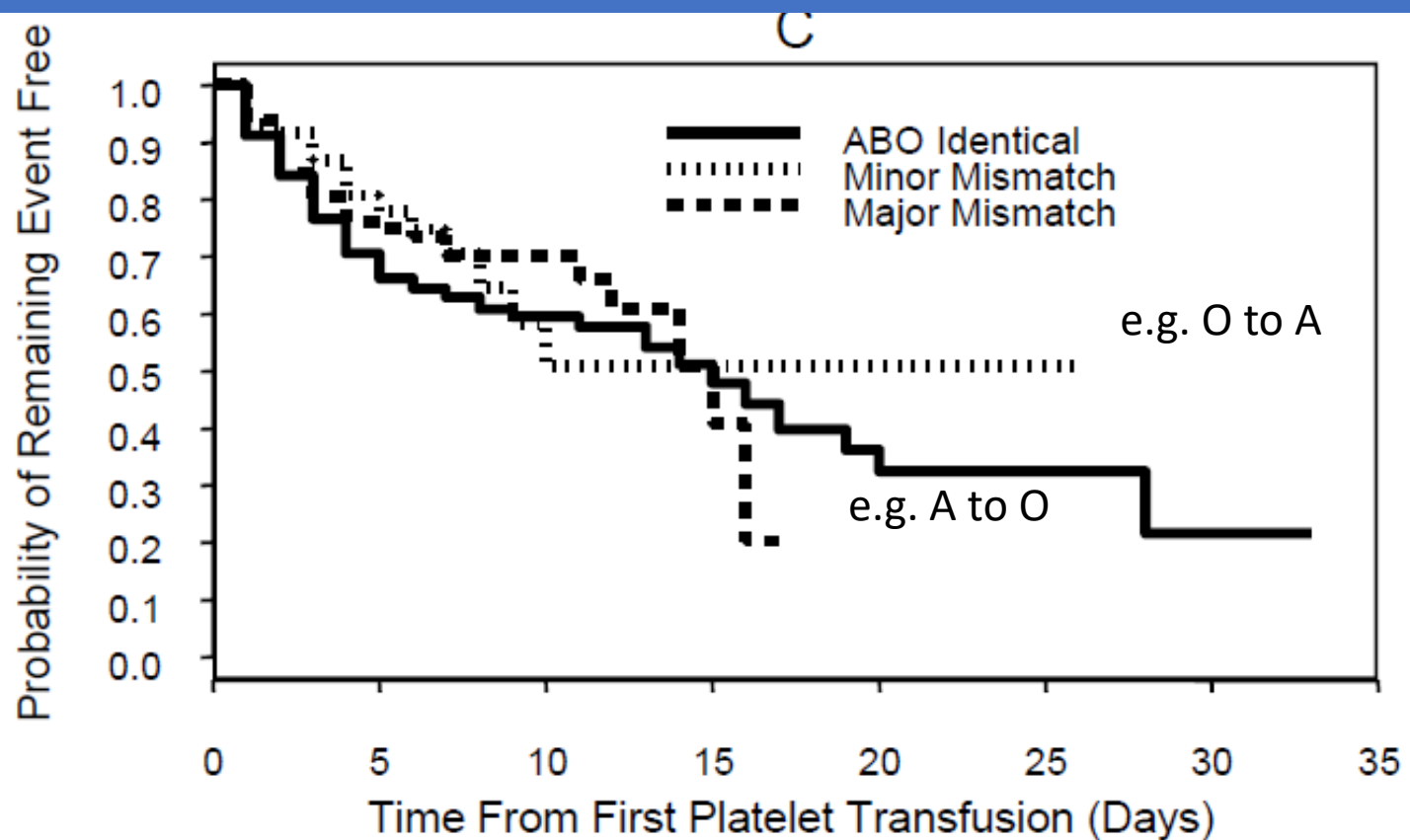
# Comparison with published studies – apheresis

Country	Study	Median volume of RBCs per unit
USA	Molnar et al 2002	0.17μL
England	Unpublished	0.3μL
Spain	Cid et al 2011	0.43μL
USA	Santana & Dumont 2006	0.47μL
Canada	Culibrk et al 2012	1.44μL (1.08-2.07μL)

# Corrected count increment



# Risk of bleeding

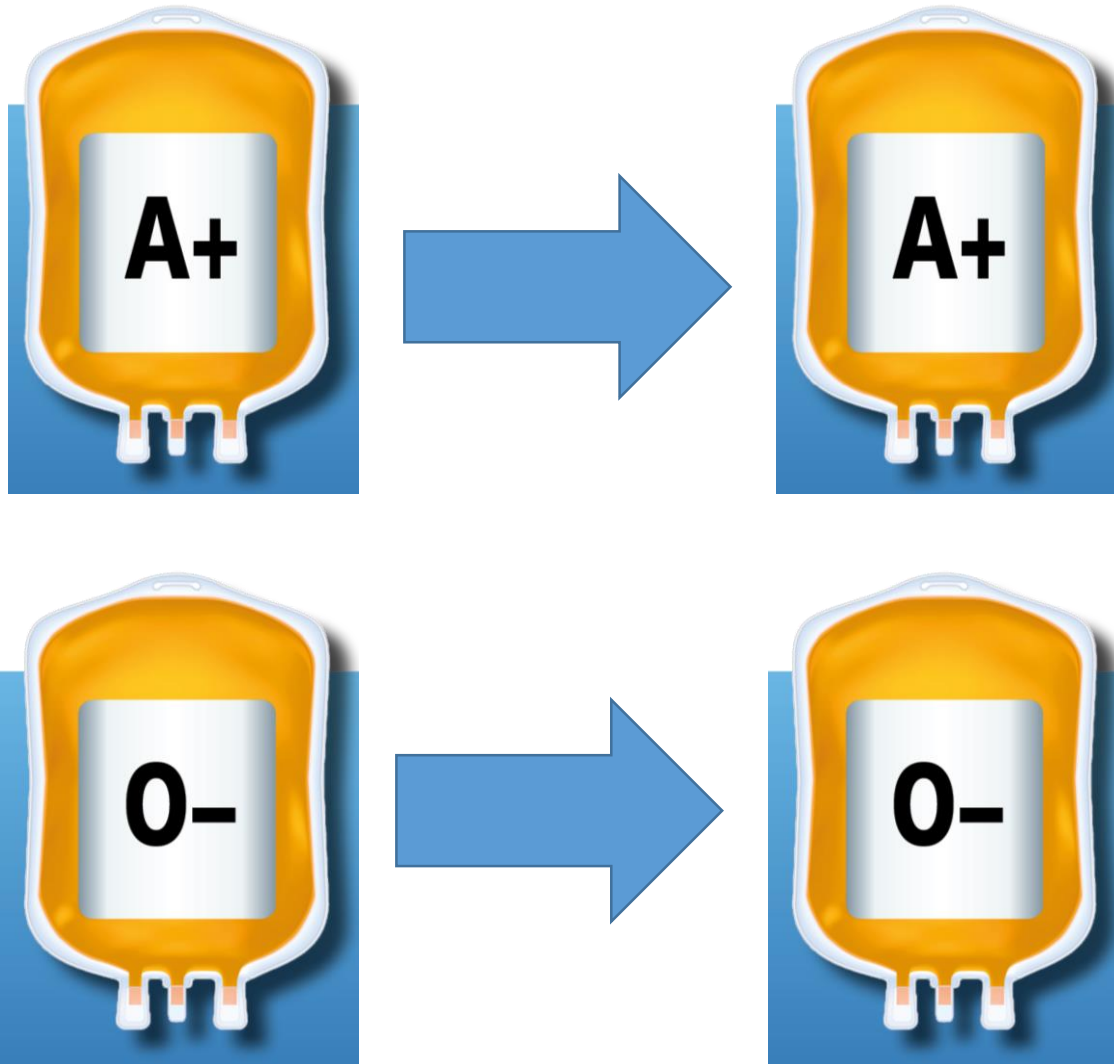


No. Patients at Risk

ABO Identical	467	215	78	31	10	3	1
Minor Mismatch	75	30	8	2	1	1	
Major Mismatch	198	72	27	5			



Best choice is ABO & Rh matched





**If you stock platelets establish a strategy to  
maximise transfusion of ABO/D compatible units**



# The use of platelets of a different group should be limited to patients where:

1 the blood group is unknown



2 there is a need to prevent wastage due to time expiry



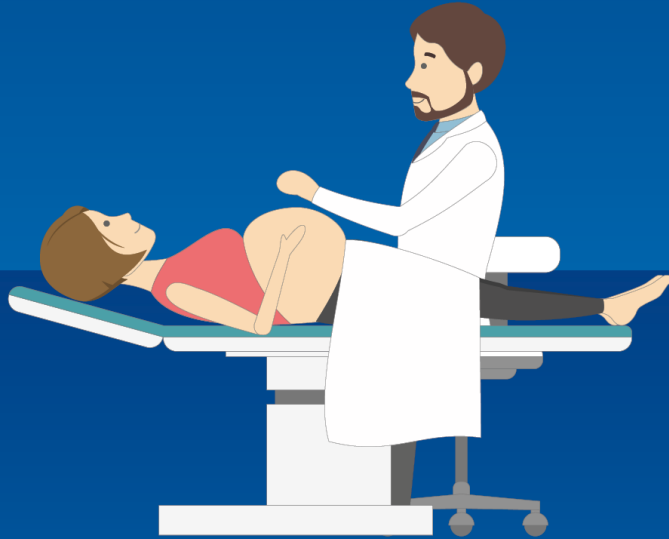
3 specific requirements are necessary



4 time does not allow



# CMV negative platelets are rarely needed: do not order unless the patient requires them



**1** Intra-uterine transfusion (IUT)



**2** Neonatal transfusion up to 28 days post EDD



**3** Elective transfusion during pregnancy (not labour or delivery)

# Best choices across ABO blood groups

Recipient Group	Group O	Group A	Group B	Group AB	Unknown
1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	<b>O</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>AB<sup>✕</sup></b>	<b>AB<sup>✕</sup></b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	A or B	AB <sup>✕</sup>	AB <sup>✕</sup>	A* or B*	A* or B*
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	AB <sup>✕</sup>	B* or O <sup>*‡</sup>	A* or O <sup>*‡</sup>	O <sup>*‡</sup>	O <sup>*‡</sup>

**Not enough AB platelets**

\* High titre negative if available

‡Avoid O platelets in non-O neonates and children – higher risk of haemolysis

# Best choices for D negative patients

D matched if possible

## **Prioritise**

- D negative women of child bearing potential
- D negative children (< 18 years)
- Already have anti-D antibodies

## **If D mismatched**

Use apheresis platelets if available (less RBC contamination)

Give Anti-D to D negative girls & women of child bearing potential

# Platelet stem cell transplant first choices

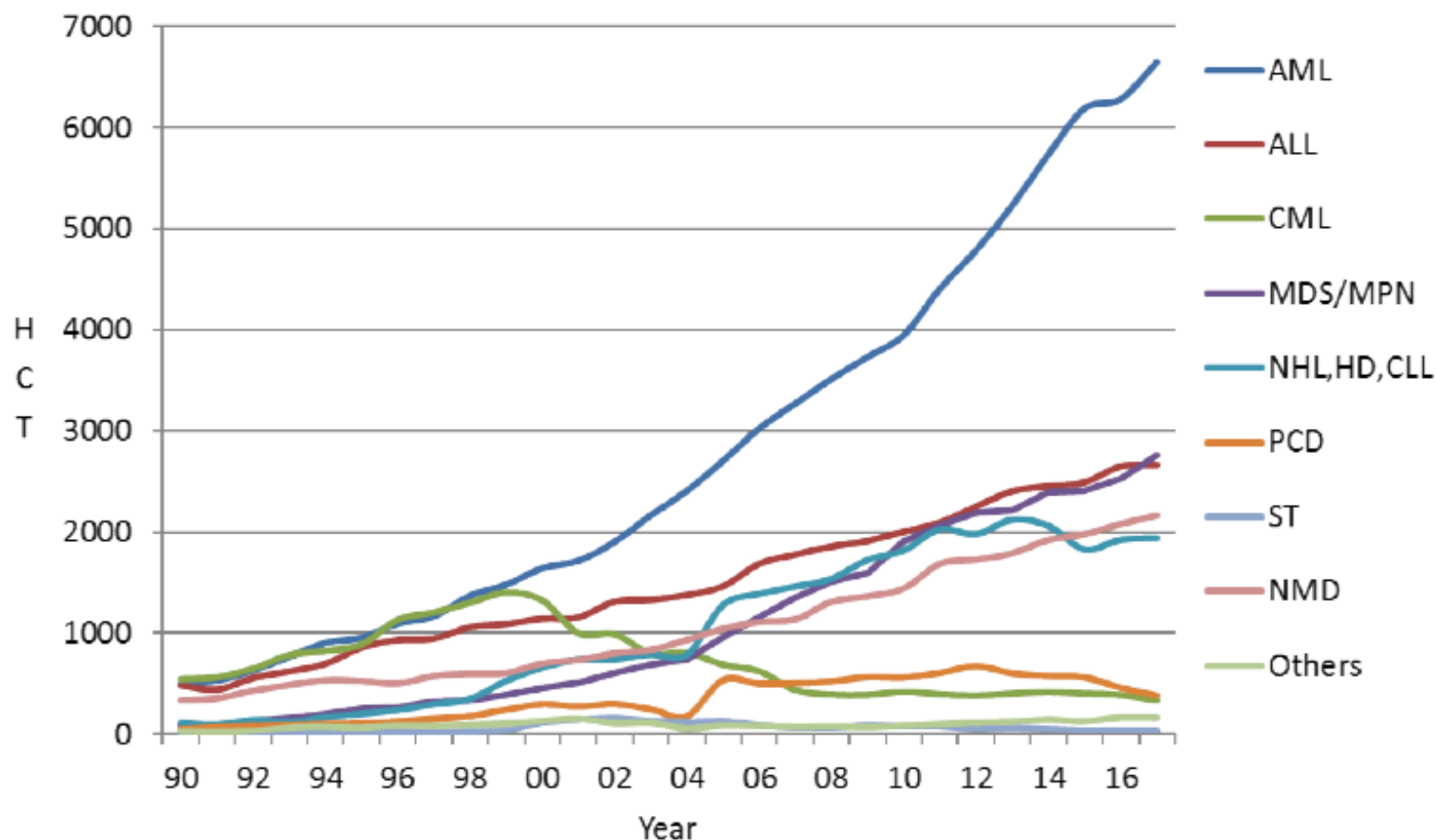
Donor	Recipient			
	O	A	B	AB
O	O	A	B	AB
A	A	A	AB	AB
B	B	AB	B	AB
AB	AB	AB	AB	AB



EBMT

# HSCT Activity in Europe 1990-2017:

Main indications: allogeneic 1<sup>st</sup>. HSCT





# Algorithm to guide hospital decision making in holding stock platelets

The objective of the algorithm is to guide hospitals in making a decision as to whether to hold stock platelets. Evidence has been collated by the BSMS in 2011 and in 2016.

## Specification of emergency platelet stock

***It is not necessary to hold A D Negative platelets.***

- *Units negative for high titre haemagglutinins & non-group O platelets are associated with a lower risk of haemolysis.*
- *Pooled platelets suspended in PAS would also be expected to reduce the risk of haemolysis.*
- *Develop practices which maximise the use of ABO and D identical platelets.*

***It is usually not necessary to specify CMV Negative/Apheresis.***

High usage  
> 1000  
units/annum

Platelet  
Usage

### ***Consider holding stock platelets***

*Factors to consider:*

- Consider holding at least one stock platelet.
- Level of Blood Service delivery. Avoidance of delay in clinical treatment.
- Patient mix – haematology /oncology patients
- Time expiry of platelet stock

### ***Hold Stock Platelets***

*Factors to consider:*

- Hold at least one stock platelet
- Audit: taking into account following factors:
  - Clinical availability
  - Time Expiry/waste
  - Ability to reassign platelets between a number of clinical specialties

### ***Evaluate need to hold stock platelets***

*Factors to consider:*

- Holding stock of platelets on certain days
- Time expiry of platelet stock
- Patient mix – haematology /oncology patients
- Level of Blood Service delivery. Avoidance of delay in clinical treatment
- Reduction in level of ad hoc/emergency deliveries. Holding stock may result in a reduction

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- Consider holding at least one stock platelet.
- Level of Blood Service delivery. Avoidance of delay in clinical treatment.
- Patient mix – haematology /oncology patients
- Time expiry of platelet stock
- Holding stock of platelets on certain days

Low usage  
< 400  
units/annum

< 1 hour

Delivery time to hospital from Blood Service

> 1 hour

## References

<http://hospital.blood.co.uk/media/28910/appropriate-use-of-platelets-across-blood-groups-final-1-2.pdf>

<http://www.b-s-h.org.uk/guidelines/guidelines/use-of-platelet-transfusions/>

# Summary

Reduce inappropriate use

Consider stockholding practices

Use ABO and D matched red cells whenever possible

- Better for patients
- Preserves supply of A neg and AB neg platelets