



FACTANE®
**A specific approach in
hemophilia A treatment**

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LFB : a biopharmaceutical group specialised in the treatment of hemorrhagic diseases

- Leading manufacturer of **plasma-derived medicinal products** in France.
- Exclusive right to the supply of plasma collected by the EFS, the French National Blood Organization (*Article 77 of law no. 2009-879, the French HPST law*)
- Growth strategy focused on :
 - Activities at international level
 - Development of innovative therapies.



Key figures

- 2nd pharmaceutical company serving hospitals in France
- 6th pharmaceutical company worldwide specialised in plasma-derived medicinal products
- 1.700 employees
- 20% of turnover invested in R&D budget
- 1 plant in 2 manufacturing facilities

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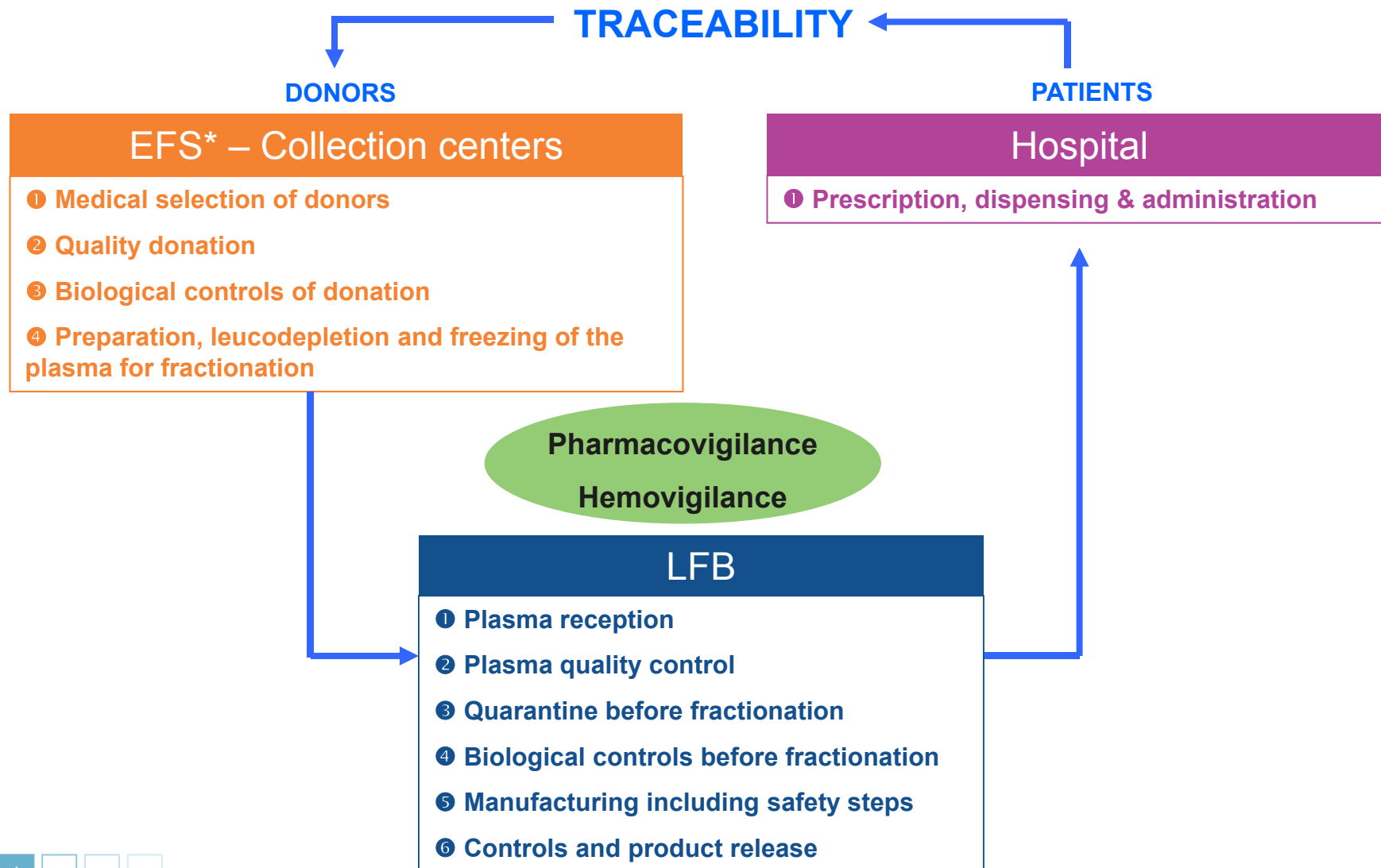


And Les Ulis ...





Multiple actors in security chain





Plasma Quality: Biological tests on donations undertaken in the blood transfusion institution

Tests	European Union Recommendations (1)	Standards for Plasma collected on French territory (2)	LFB requ.
Deleukocytation	0	$\leq 10^6/l$	$\leq 10^6/l$
<i>Blood donation tests</i>			
Ac anti-HIV-I and 2	+	+	+
Ac anti-HCV	+	+	+
Ag HBs	+	+	+
Ac anti-HBc	0	+	+
Ac anti-HTLV I et II	0	+ (not obligatory for plasma for fractioning)	+
Syphilis	+	+	+
Malaria (at-risk patients)	+	+ (not obligatory for plasma for fractioning)	+
VGD*HIV-I	0	+	+
VGD*HCV	0	+	+

(1) COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION 98/463/CE, Directive 2002/98/CE, Explanatory note CPMP/BWP/269/95rev3
 (2) Articles D.1221-6, D.1221-11, D. 1221-13 and D. 1221-14 of the Public Health Code and ruling of 29 April 2003
 * Viral Genome Detection





Plasma Quality: Biological qualification of plasma for fractionation

**Viral tests performed
after receipt of the plasma**

Upon receipt

By Nucleic Acids Amplification (NAA)

PV B19

HAV

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**First step
fractionation**

By immuno-enzymology

Ac anti-HIV 1 and 2 (sub-type 0)

Ac anti-HCV

Ag HBs

By NAA

PV B19

HIV

HAV / HBV / HCV





Factane®: Viral safety

Type of virus	Virus tested	Model virus of:	Solvent/detergent treatment	15 nm nanofiltration	Overall reduction factor
Enveloped	HIV-1	HIV	≥ 4.4	≥ 3.8	≥ 8.2
	BVDV	HCV	nd	≥ 4.1	≥ 4.1
	PRV	DNA virus	≥ 4.1	≥ 4.9	≥ 9.0
	VSV	-	> 6.5	nd	> 6.5
Non-enveloped	VHA	-	nd	≥ 3.6	≥ 3.6
	PPV	Parvovirus B19	nd	≥ 5.5 ⁽¹⁾	≥ 5.5
	SV40	Highly resistant virus	nd	5.3	5.3

HIV: human immunodeficiency virus

BVDV: bovine viral diarrhoea virus

PRV: pseudorabies virus (high total protein content)

VSV: vesicular stomatitis virus

HAV: hepatitis A virus

PPV: porcine parvovirus, model of parvovirus B19

SV40: particularly resistant simian virus

nd: not done

(1): results under worst-case conditions





Elimination of EST

Cryoprecipitate

AIOH3 + PRECIP.+ FILTRATION

FR : 1.5 / CF : 3

SD +
DEAE TOYOPEARL

Eluat 2 FR: 1.7

NANOFILTRATION
35 + 15 N

FR ≥ 3.3 (≥ 4.7-1 run)
≥ 3.3 (Bioassay)

FACTANE®

Eluat 1 FR: 3.9

2° CHOMATOGR.
ION EXCHANGE
CHROMATOGR.
(Affinity)

NANOFILTRATION
35 N

FR ≥ 3.1

WILFACTIN®





The LFB commitment in
the treatment of
hemorrhagic diseases



1 deficiency = 1 medicinal product

■ 2 approaches

Conventional approach

Cryoprecipitate

1 batch : **FVIII/VWF**
→ Hemophilia A
→ VWD

LFB's approach

Cryoprecipitate

FVIII: Factane® (SD-35-15 nm) → Hemophilia A

VWF: Wilfactin® → VWD



→ Better therapeutic valuation of human plasma
→ More flexibility to increase the viral safety
→ Avoid exposure to unnecessary proteins that may be harmful



Concentrates for the treatment of bleeding disorders including rare diseases

Product	Factor VIII	Factor IX	Von Willebrand Factor	Factor XI	PCC	Fibrinogen
Trade mark	Factane®	Betafact®	Wilfactin®	Hemoleven®	Kanokad®	Clottafact®
Biological Safety	SD-35-15nm	SD-15nm	SD-35nm-DH	SD-15nm	15nm – 15nm	SD-35nm-DH
Applications submitted	France & Belgium, Luxembourg, Portugal, Brazil, Iran, Lebanon, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey	France & Greece, Netherlands, Portugal, United Kingdom, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, Brazil, Lebanon, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey	France & Finland, Greece, Italy, Belgium, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Brazil, Lebanon, Portugal, Estonia, Sweden, Norway, Austria, UK, Denmark, Turkey	France	France	France, Turkey



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Factane® : Objectives of the development

- Very high purity plasma-derived FVIII
 - → specific activity > 100 IU/mg total protein
- SD treatment and 35nm-15nm filtration
- VWF content : 20 to 40 IU/100 IU FVIII with full structural and functional characterisation in order to minimize the inhibitor risk



Very High Purity FVIII concentrate → state of the art viral safety profile





Role of the VWF – FVIII immunogenicity

■ FVIII stabilisation ^{1,2,3,4}

- Protection → against proteolytic actions of enzymes
- → against FVIII PL/activated platelets fixation
- Regulation of FVIIIa inactivation
- Regulation of FVIII catabolism

■ Possible reduction of FVIII immunogenicity ^{5,6}

- Haemophilia mice model: → less inhibitors with pdFVIII-VWF than with rFVIII
→ rFVIII+VWF incubation : ↓ inhibitor titers
- *in vitro* VWF inhibits: → dendritic cells capture of FVIII
→ dose-dependant specific FVIII L_T activation
→ FVIII endocytosis (FVIII catabolism)

VWF may reduce FVIII immunogenicity

¹ Weiss HJ. J Clin Invest 1977; 60:390-404. ² Koedam JA. Eur J Biochem 1990;189:229-34. ³ Fay PJ. J Biol Chem 1991;266:2172-7.
⁴ Saenko EL. J Biol Chem 1995;270:13826-33. ⁵ Delignat S. Haematologica 2007;92(10):1423-26. ⁶ Dasgupta S. Blood 2007;109:610-2



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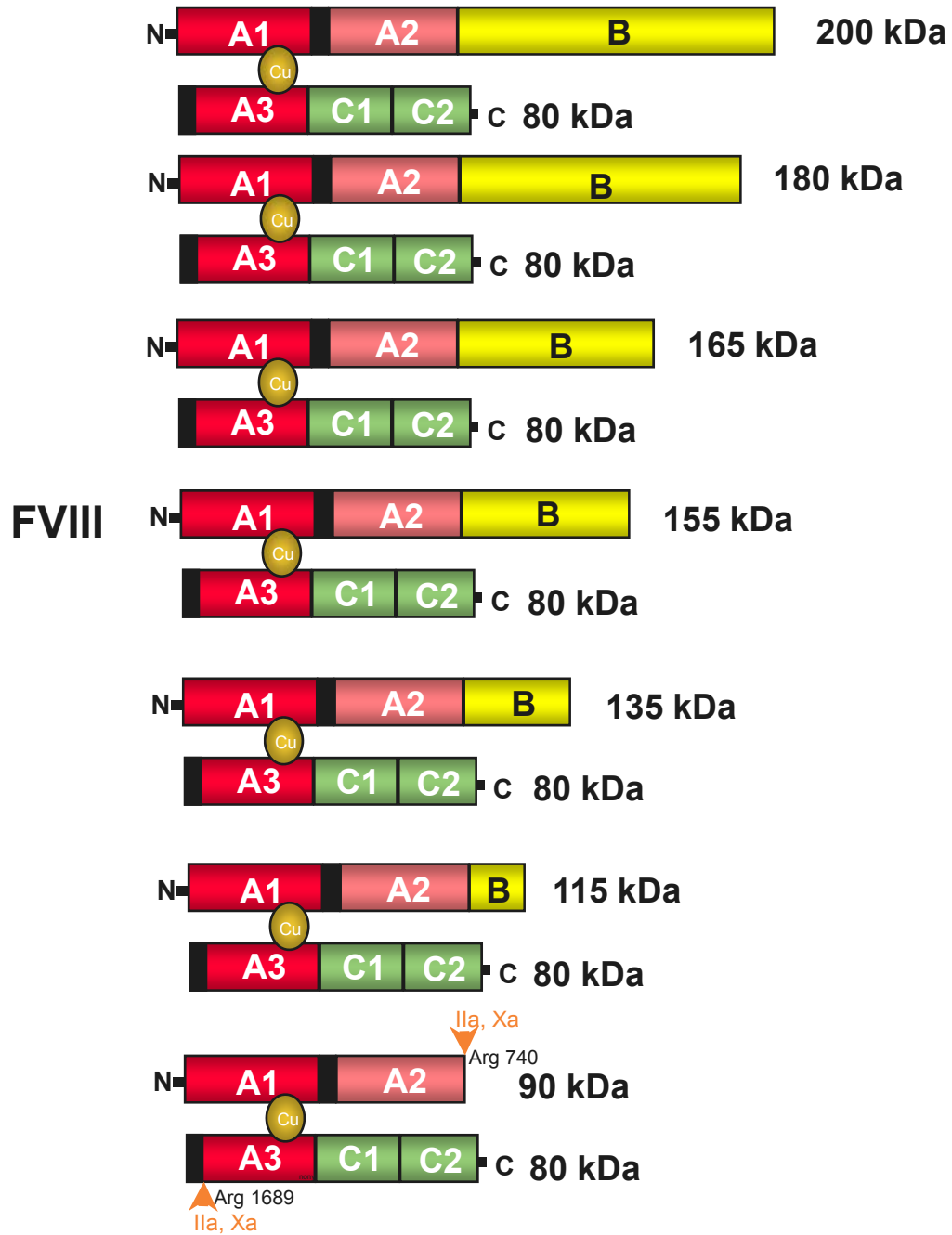
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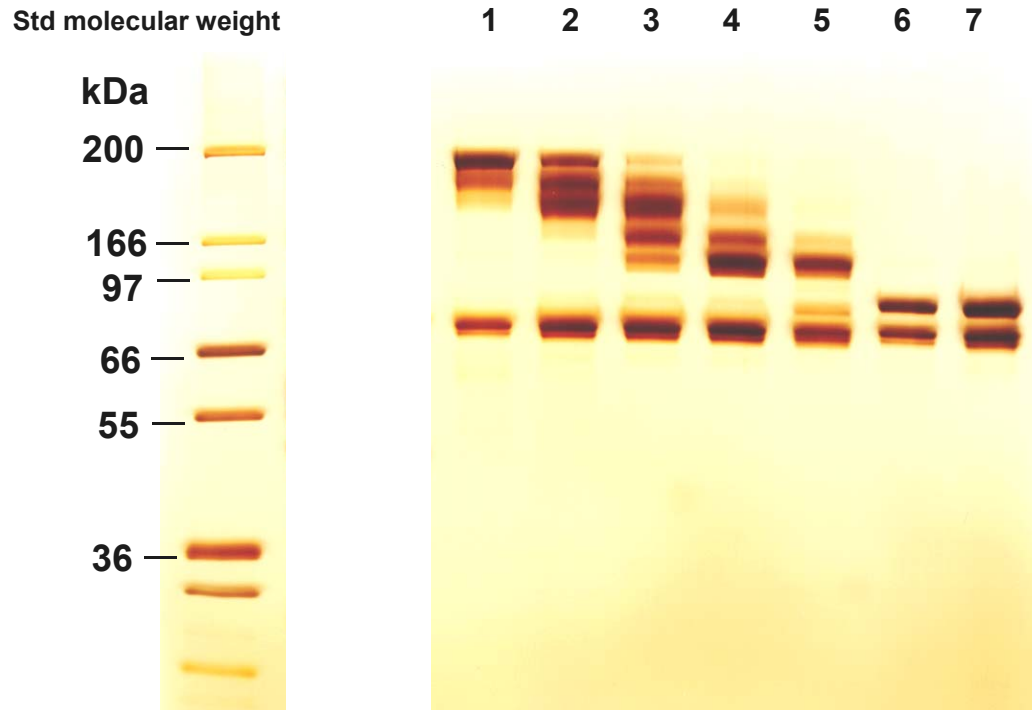
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Schematic representation of the FVIII different forms





Factane® : different molecular forms of FVIII (SDS -PAGE)



- Physiological representation of FVIII heterodimers in Factane®
- No fragments or activated forms of FVIII or thrombin generated degradation products

Factane® manufacturing process respects physiological FVIII molecule





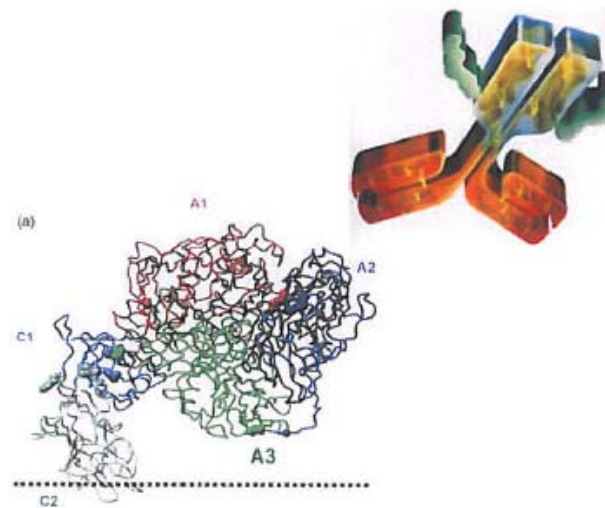
Requirements of the *emeA* - European Medicines Evaluation Agency -

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Preclinical Testing ?

- Assessment by laboratory tests ?
 - ◆ Extensive characterization of novel products
 - ◆ Proposal for specific tests based on experience with a double-inactivated (SD + past.) FVIII causing a cluster of inhibitors:
 - slower FVIII cleavage by thrombin, more rapid Xa generation, enhanced PL binding (NIBSC data)
 - 40 kD impurity (company)
 - ◆ So far no established predictive test available





Functional characterisation Factane®

■ 5 batches

	FVIII:C Chromogenic assay (IU/ml)	FVIII:C One-stage assay (IU/ml)	FVIII:Ag (IU/ml)	FVIII:C One-stage assay / FVIII:C Chromogenic assay	FVIII:C Chromogenic assay / FVIII:Ag	FVIII:C One-stage assay / FVIII:Ag
Factane®	89 ± 7	121 ± 10	101 ± 14	1.36 ± 0.18	0.90 ± 0.11	1.2 ± 0.18
FVIII-LFB®	103 ± 3	128 ± 4	121 ± 10	1.24 ± 0.07	0.85 ± 0.07	1 ± 0.12
				No FVIII activation	No FVIII degradation	No FVIII degradation

FVIII was not denatured during the process





FVIII binding to phospholipids

FVIII sample	Binding to phospholipid PC:PS Dissociant constant K_D (M)
Factane® Geometric mean (GCV)	1.43×10^{-8} (2.37) ⁽¹⁾
FVIII-LFB® Geometric mean (GCV)	1.34×10^{-8} (3.78) ⁽¹⁾
Physiological data	0.6×10^{-8} ⁽²⁾

- The student's t-test showed no significant difference between Factane® and FVIII-LFB® ($p < 0.05$)

Factane® binds to phospholipids with a physiological affinity

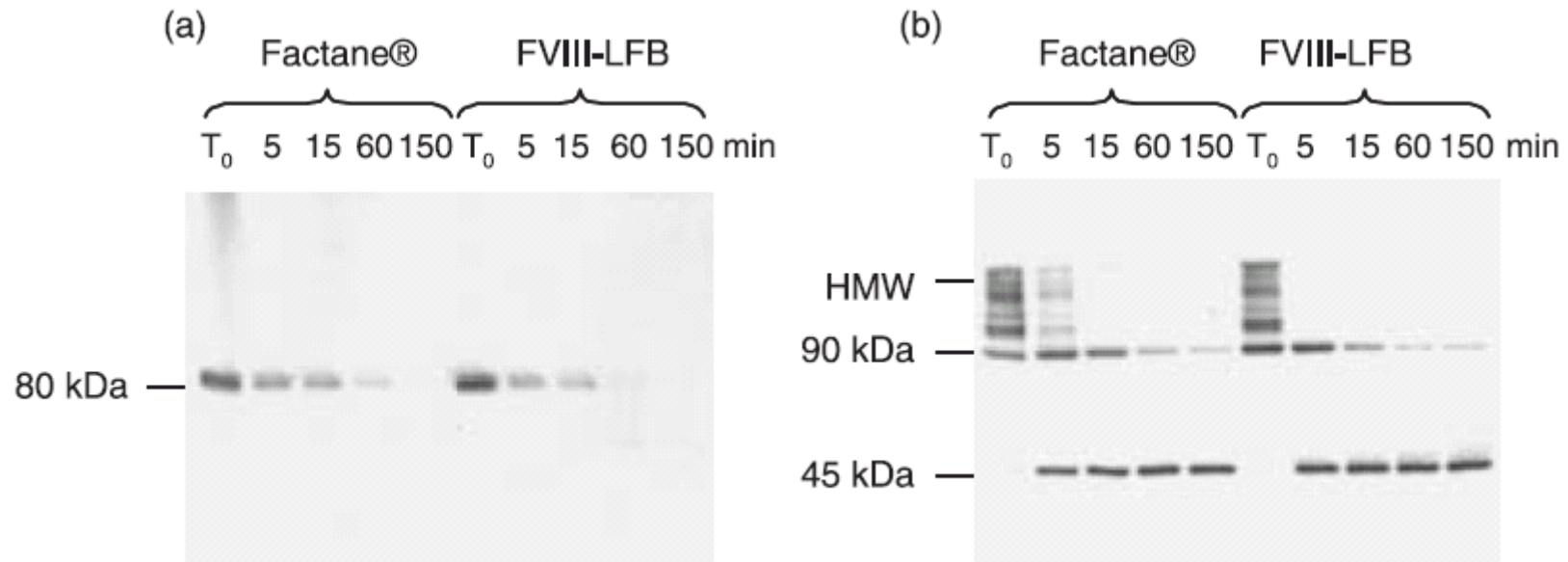


(1) *Chtourou S et al. Vox Sanguinis 2007;92:327-37*

(2) *Saenko E et al. J Chromatogr A; 1999;852:59-71*



Cleavage by thrombin: physiological timing



- Fig. (a) : progressive disappearance of the 80 kDa light chain that occurred within 60 min.
- Fig. (b) : degradation of the high molecular weight forms of FVIII's heavy chain complete within 60 min. for both products.





VWF:Ag quantity in Factane®

- Dosage not requested by health authorities
- ELISA test – calibration against the international standard 00/154
- **79** batches : determined at random between 2006 and 2009

	VWF:Ag (IU/ml)	Total Proteins (g/l)	VWF:Ag/ total proteins (%)
FACTANE® 100 IU/ml	37 ± 11	0.8 ± 0.12	46 ± 13

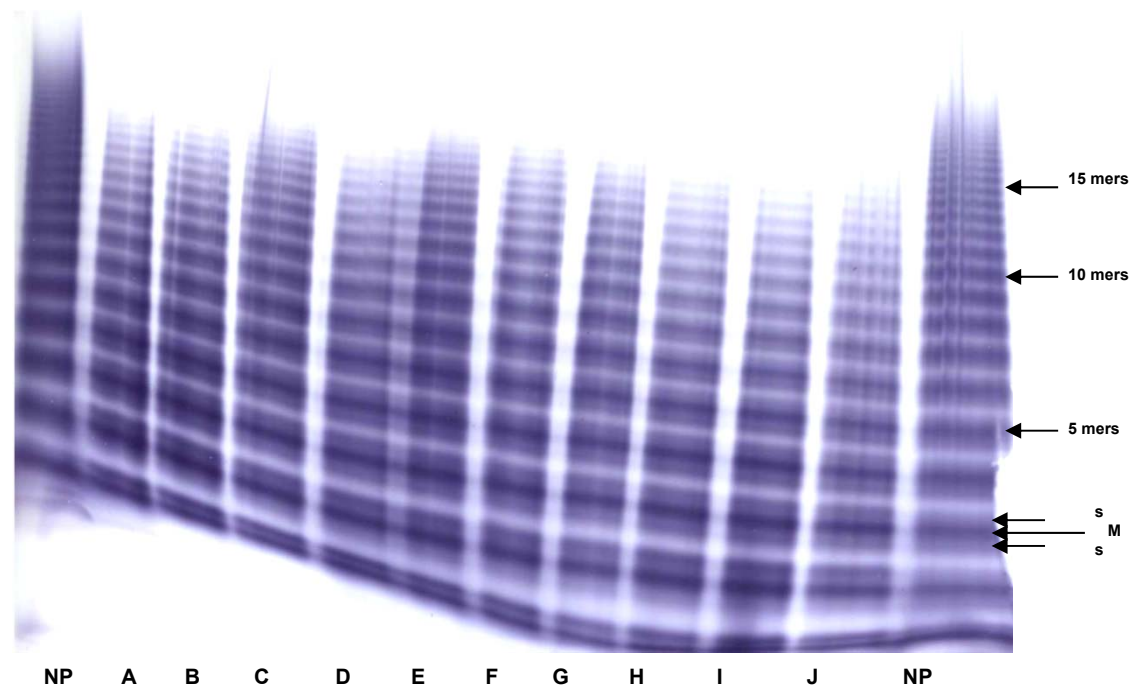
VWF is the major co-purified protein in Factane®





Factane® : preservation of VWF structure

Results

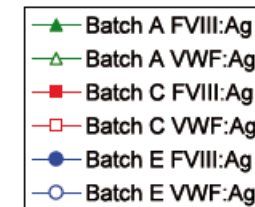
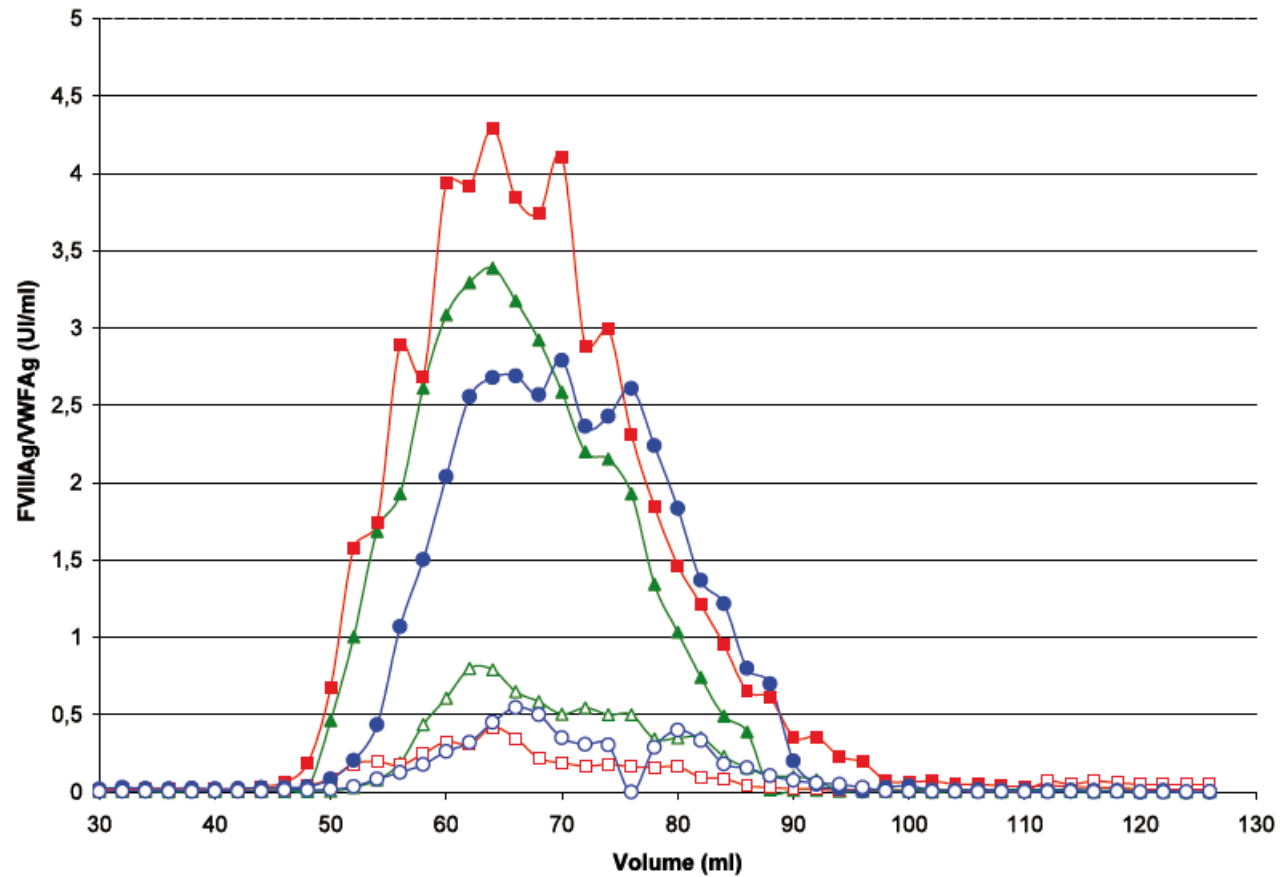


s: satellite; m: major ; A to J : batches of VHP pdFVIII (Factane®)

- Triplet structure similar to that of normal plasma
- No degradation product
- Multimeric profile is fully represented up to decamers



FVIII/VWF binding in Factane®

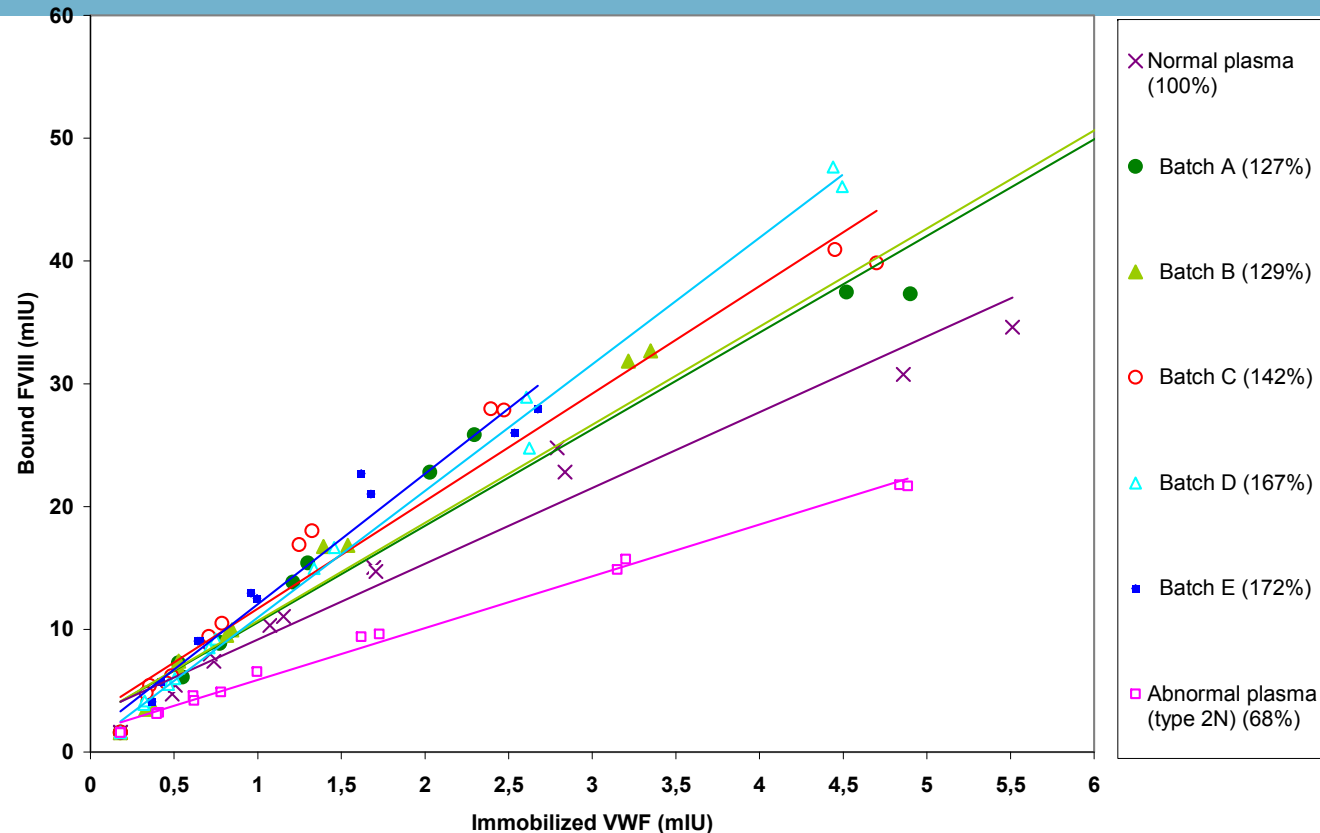


VHP pdFVIII (Factane®) batches	VWF:Ag (IU/ml)
Batch A	39
Batch C	24
Batch E	15

- FVIII-VWF complex linked
- Absence of free FVIII
- Same profile for the 10 studied batches of Factane®



VWF capacity to bind FVIII



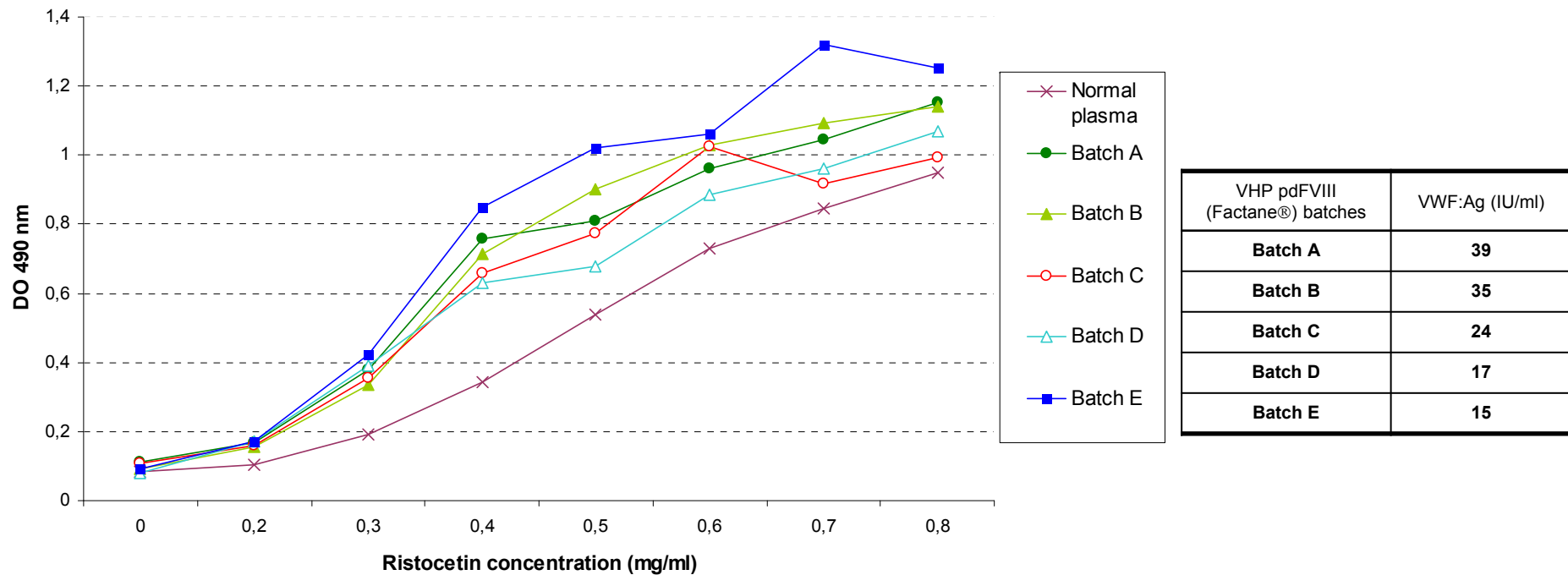
VHP pdFVIII (Factane®) batches	VWF:Ag (IU/ml)
Batch A	39
Batch B	35
Batch C	24
Batch D	17
Batch E	15

- ▶ All batches have a similar capacity for FVIII binding, even those with a low VWF: Ag content
- ▶ VWF capacity to bind exogenous recombinant FVIII comparable to that of normal plasma





VWF capacity to bind GPIb



▶ VWF binding to GPIb were similar to the binding profile of normal plasma



Factane® : preclinical characterisation

- FVIII structural studies

- FVIII functional studies
 - FVIII dosage : different assays
 - FVIII binding to phospholipids
 - FVIII cleavage by thrombin

- VWF content : structure and function
 - VWF:Ag

A comprehensive preclinical file



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Pivotal studies

***Study of the efficacy and safety of FACTANE®
in previously-treated patients (PTPs)***

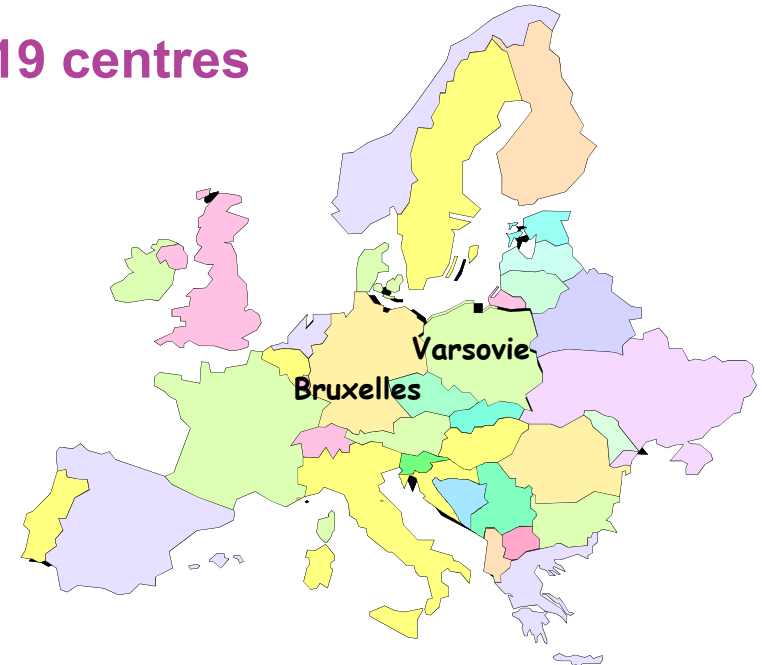




Factane® : pivotal studies

73 treated PTPs (42 France + 31 Europe) in 19 centres

- 71 pts evaluated in efficacy study
- 73 pts evaluated in safety study
- Severe haemophilia A FVIII:C \leq 1%: 67 patients
- PTPs : majority of patients > 150 CED
- Follow-up
 - \geq 6months 70/73 pts (96%)
 - \geq 12 months 35/73 (48%)





Factane® : pivotal studies results

	Number of episodes/procedures	Outcomes
Bleeding episodes	<i>Minor</i> 1672 (64 pts)	92.2% excellent/good
	<i>Major</i> 5 (5 pts)	100% excellent/good
Surgical procedures	29 (24 pts)	100% excellent/good

No appearance of inhibitors





Factane® : pivotal studies results

Prophylaxis

	N	Outcomes
Short- term <i>(school activities, sports, medical condition)</i>	458 infusions (38 pts)	9 bleeds in 6pts - 8 minor - 1 severe (concomitant pseudo-tumour)
Long-term, <u>median</u> & [range] 19.1 months [5.9 – 27.5]	1759 infusions (11 pts)	Bleedings <i>per year</i>, <u>median</u> & [range]): from <u>40</u>, [3-150] → <u>2.3</u>, [0-17]





Factane® : safety

	Number of related adverse events	Event type	Outcomes
<i>Not serious AE</i>	10 related (6pts)	-Injection site reaction (1)	Spontaneously resolved
		-Allergic reaction (1)	
		- Hot flushes (4)	
		-Nausea (1)	
		-Decrease of CD4 (1) and CD8 (1)	
<i>Serious AE</i>	2 related (2pts)	- Increase of pain (1)	Included by error Spontaneously resolved
		-Increase of pre-existing FVIII inhibitor (1)	
		- Migraine syndrome (1)	

Excellent safety profile





Retrospective study

***anti-FVIII inhibitor incidence in PUPs treated
with FVIII VHP/LFB from 1988 to 2001***





Inhibitor Incidence: methods

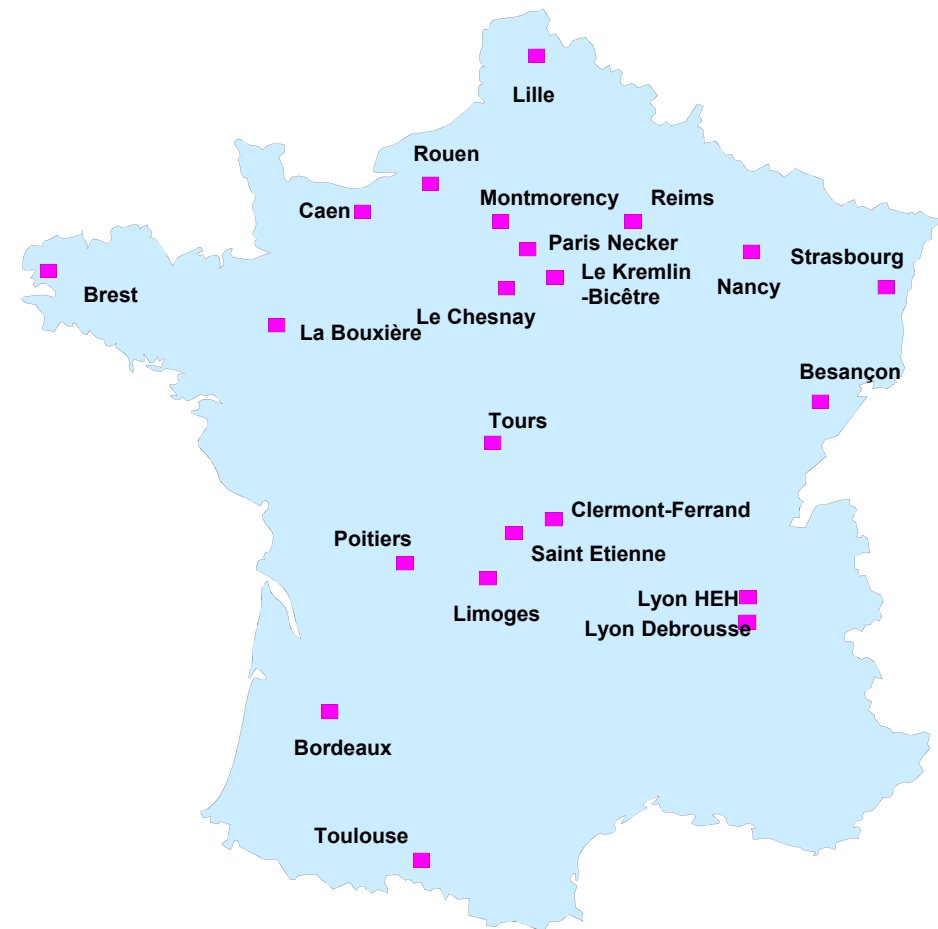
22 centres participated



Data collection and verification
Validation of all files by the Scientific
Committee



104 PUP files evaluated





Inhibitor Incidence: patients characteristics

FVIII:C<1%	Intron 22 inversion	Non caucasian	Family history of inhibitors
104/104	43/80	9/73	16/47
100%	54%	12%	34%

Homogenous population with severe hemophilia A





Inhibitor Incidence

RESULTS n = 104

Frequency

14.4% (15/104)

95 CI%: 7.7-21.2



- High responders 5.8% (6/104)
- Low responders: 6.7% (7/104)
- '1 test +': 1.9% (2/104)

Cumulative incidence at 50 CED

16.7%

95 CI%: 8.9-24.5



High responders > 5 BU:

7.2%

95CI%: 1.6-12.7

Confirmation of low inhibitor incidence (1),(2)





Factane® in Immune tolerance induction (ITI)

■ Retrospective LFB study : **6 patients**

- 4 high responders
- 2 low responders
- Immune tolerance achieved in **5/6 patients within 2 to 26 months** (total success rate 83.3%)
- Partial response for the 6th (high responder) patient after 19 months of treatment

■ Retrospective study by *Orsini et al.*: **8 patients**

- Total immune tolerance achieved in 7/8 patients
- 1 partial success

Efficacy in ITI → Factane® sole FVIII concentrate with an ITI marketing authorization in France



■ Extensive preclinical characterisation

- Molecular analysis
- Functional studies
- Structural functions and VWF contained in Factane®

■ Multicenter clinical development according to EMA regulatory requirement (CPMP/BPWG/198/95.rev.1)

■ Specific investigation

- Inhibitor issue
- Efficacy in ITI



