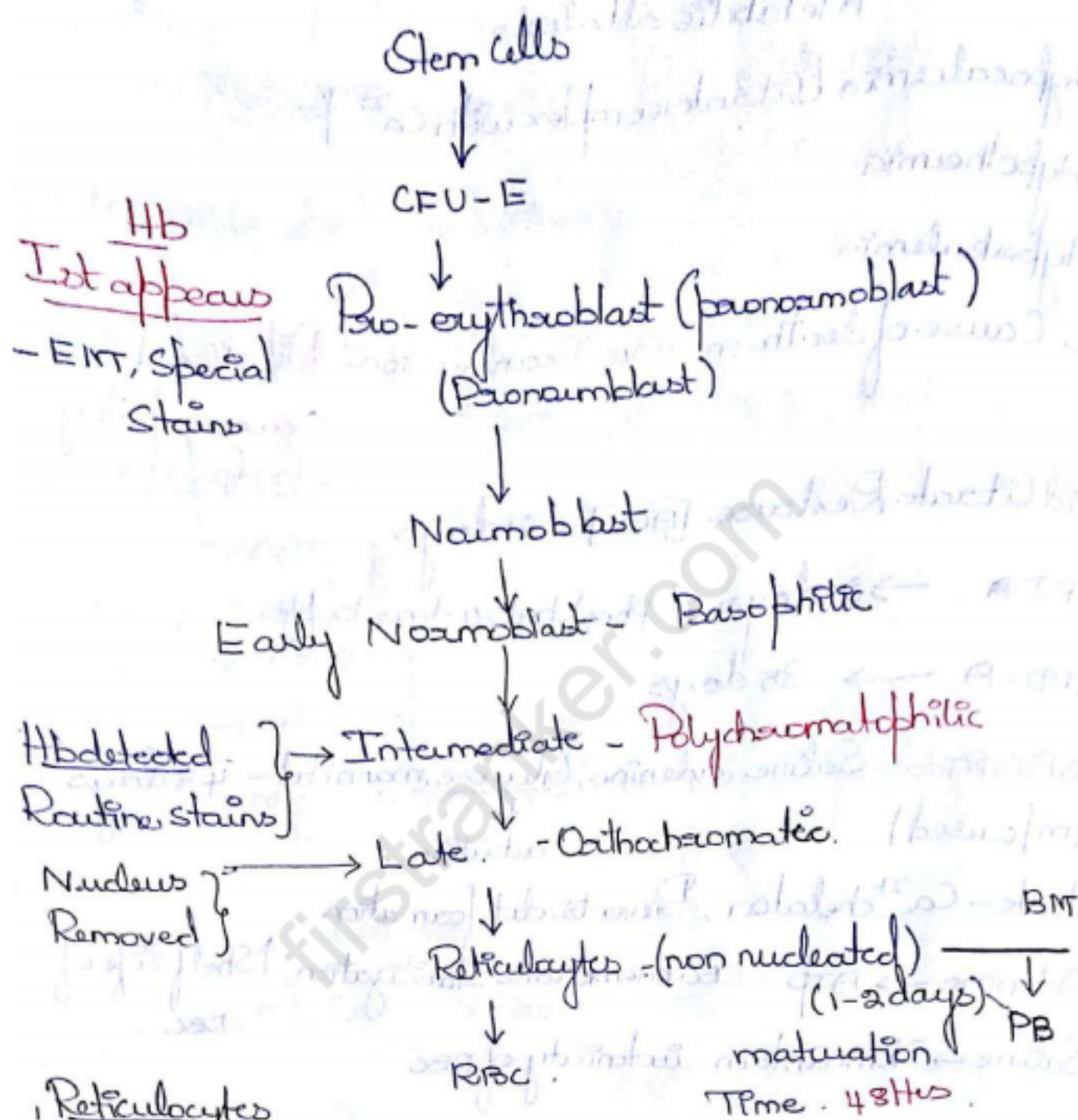




Reticulocytes



- Reticulum like structures

Ribosomal RNA proteins

→ can be stained by Romanowsky stain (Routine stain)

- 1) Giemsa
- 2) Leishmann
- 3) Jenner stain
- 4) Wright stain.



→ Supravital stain-specific staining
Best stain - New methylene Blue → Brilliant Green
 Blue.

Use of Romanowsky stain -

- Reticulocytes
- Howell-Jolly Bodies
- Basophilic stippling
- Cabot Ring

Heinz Bodies - never stained by Romanowsky stain.
 - methyl violet / Crystal violet stain.

Reticulocyte < Peripheral Blood
 Bone marrow

① R - 0.5 to 1.5% ↑ R - Hemolytic anaemia.

↓ R - aplastic anaemia.

Nutritional anaemia (Fe, Vit B₁₂)

In megaloblastic anaemia } mild hemolysis, can also - Jaundice,
 splenomegaly, Nu-RBC

B.m: Hypercellular

M/E - Ratio Reversal (normal M/E - 3/1)

Erythroidblastic Hyperplasia.

↓ B₁₂ → NO DNA Synthesis → nonnuclear maturation.
 ↓ Folic acid ↓ Apoptosis (nucleated RBC)

Bone biopsy

Best - Ant Tibia
medial site

Infants - Anterior Tibia lateral part

child/adults - Posterior iliac Crest

↓
obesity - Anterior iliac CrestHemolytic AnaemiaHereditary Spherocytosis - AD > AR
(15%)

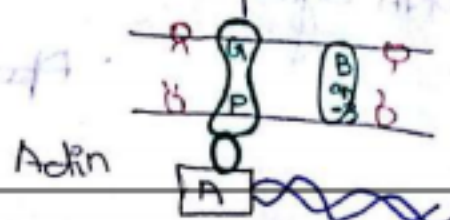
→ RBC membrane protein defect

a) Spectrin - m/abundant, m/c mutation *elliptocytosis*b) Ankyrin - m/c mutant in *spherocytosis*

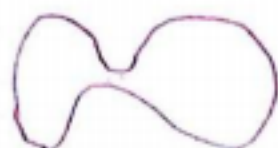
c) Band-3 (Anion Transport Protein)

d) Protein 4.2 - Palladin.

e) Glycophorin (not associated with HS)

α-Spectrin mutation - Correlate Severity
of HSRBC - Biconcave, → Spectrin - actin interaction

Glycophorin A > B > C > D.



RBC - 7.5 μ m dia.



- Central pallor (N) - $1/3$ rd of diameter of RBC.

Hypochromic - Cp - $> 1/2$ of dia of RBC.

Function - Provide flexibility/deformability to RBC.

↓
mutation

↓
No flexibility

↓
damaged membrane

↓
↓ Surface area

↓
micro-spherocytes (Smaller, no central pallor)

↓
Spleen (extra vascular hemolysis)

R. Splenectomy, But even after splenectomy, Spherocytes persists HS

Hemolytic Anaemia:

mild to moderate

SCA

Severe.

→ Jaundice

→ pigmented gallstones

+

+

↓ Reticulocytes

Aplastic crisis

} 5-7 days (Transient)

Screening - Pink Osmotic Fragility Test

④ RBC $\xrightarrow{\text{isotonic}}$ 0.9% NaCl

Hemolysis start at $\rightarrow$ 0.5% (0.48%)

Hemolysis completed $\rightarrow$ 0.3%

Hereditary Spherocytosis

Hemolysis $\rightarrow$ 0.5% ($\uparrow$ osmotic fragility)

G6PD deficiency - XLR

m/c a/w - Bacterial infections

m/c Drug - primaquine & Rasbore

$\rightarrow$ Fava beans (favism)

malaria protective - P. falciparum

enzyme def

G6PD deficiency

Pyruvate kinase deficiency

Hb-pathies

Thalassemia

Hb C

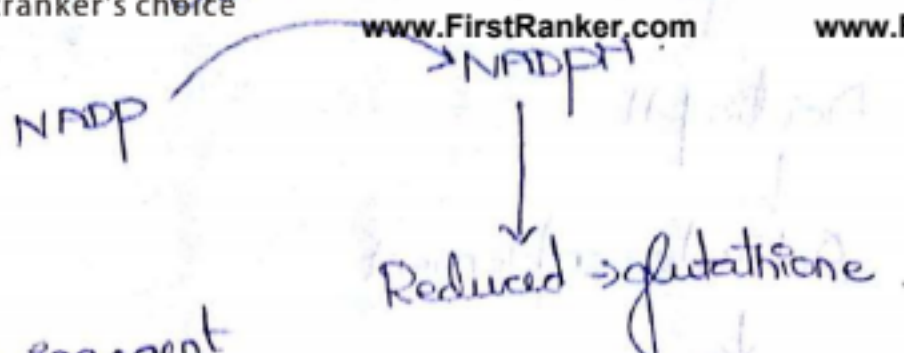
Sickle cell causes

Duffy negative



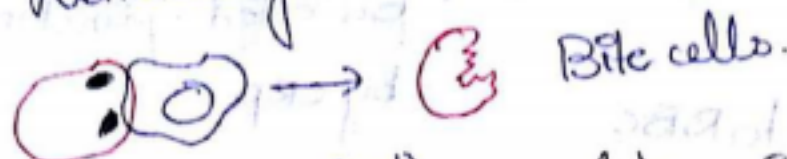
DR + P. vivax

- Protective against P. vivax



No Reducing agent

Denatured globin chains **Heinz cells**



Bite cells

3) ^(2/5/1) Paroxysmal ^(2/5/1) Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria.
Urine Sample - must be collected in →

meaning
1st void
mid stream

→ 5-10% - Congenital.

→ Somatic mutation in stem cell - Phosphatidyl Inositol.

coded by p11n

Glycosyl - A gene mutation.



GPI

Anchorage protein.

↓
Complement Regulatory Protein

1) **CD-59** - Membrane inhibitor of Reactive lysis

2) **CD-55** - Decay accelerating factor

3) - C3 Binding protein

m/Imutation: **GPI-AP**.

→ Amongst, complement regulatory protein - **CD59**.

PP - **Pan**cytopenia + **Hemolytic An** + **Thrombosis** - **T** - **Triad**

m/c Cause of death **Hepatic Vein thrombosis**

M/C - Budd-Chiari Syndrome → PCV

Pathogenesis - Acidic pH

↓
Activate complement

↓
C5-a (MAC) → generally RBC
protected against MAC
by CRP.

↓
Damage to RBC

↓
Intravascular Hemolysis

Screening - HAMS test, m/I

Sucrose lysis Test.

Confirm → Flow Cytometry

PNH → Aplastic anaemia.

↓
MDS → Acute Leukaemia

∴ Pre-leukemic condition - PNH, MDS, aplastic anaemia

Autoimmune Hemolytic Anaemia - AIHA

Warm

m/c Type

IgG1.

m/c of ALL

AI disorders - SLE

Cold

Hemagglutinin

IgM

Syphilis, mycoplasma

viral infections.

Hemolysin

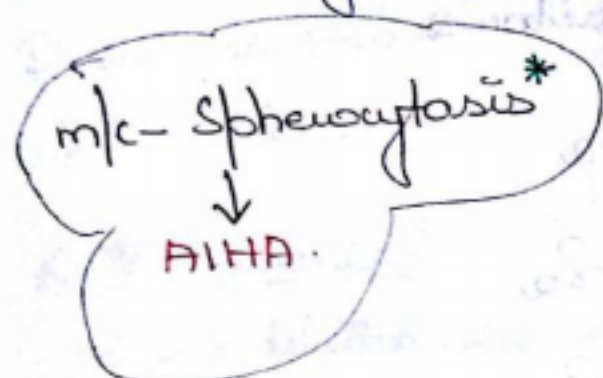
IgG1

Donath

Landsteiner Ab

(against R-Ag of EB)

Drugs - Penicillin
& methyl Dopa



Coomb's Test

Direct

Ab in
Surface of
RBC

→ AIHA.

Drug induced.

- ITP (IgG → platelets)

4) Hemolytic disease of newborn.

Coomb's Test - ve! Aplastic Anemia.

→ mismatch Blood Transfusion.
in Recipient.



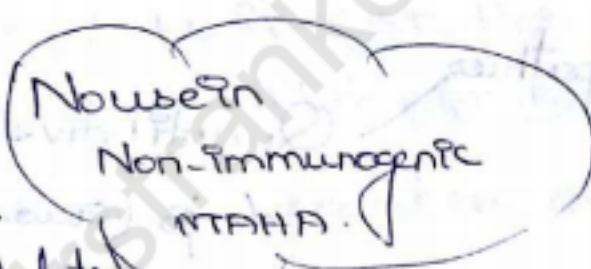
Indirect

Abs
in Serum.

- HDN in
maternal Sample.

→ cross matching
→ unexpected Ab.

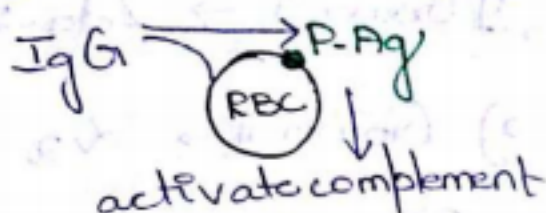
(In Rare blood
groups)



No use in
Non-immunogenic
MAHA.

Cold type

IgG - Hemolysin - Paroxysmal
cold Hemoglobinuria
m/c associated with viral infection



M.A.C.

↓
Hemolysis

Embryonic Hb (8 weeks 10L)

1) Gower I $\rightarrow$ Zeta-2 ϵ -2

2) Gower II $\rightarrow$ α -2 ϵ -2

3) Portland I $\rightarrow$ Zeta-2 ϵ -2 γ -2

4) Portland II $\rightarrow$ Zeta-2 ϵ -2 γ -2

8 weeks $\downarrow$

HbF $\rightarrow$ α -2 γ -2

$\downarrow$
HbA $\rightarrow$ α -2 β -2. [HbA₂ $\rightarrow$ α -2 γ -2] - minor.

Hb pathies

Qualitative

Quantitative

Sickle cell anaemia.

α , β (quantity reduced)

α - $\downarrow$ - α thalassaemia

β chain

β -chain $\downarrow$ β thalassaemia

6th position

glutamic acid $\rightarrow$ valine

[polar]-ve $\rightarrow$ neutral
insoluble

- Solubility is altered.

- Stability - normal.

Point mutation.

missense

Partially accepted missense point mutation.

α -thalassaemia

1 α gene deletion: $\alpha\alpha/\alpha-$: Carrier

2 α gene deletion: $\alpha-/ \alpha-$; $\alpha\alpha/--$: Trait

3 α gene deletion: $\alpha/-$ - HbZ

4 α gene deletion: $--/-$: Hb Barts - Hydrops fetalis.

β -thalassaemia

Q. [21/F: Hb-5g%] 1 unit of BT; Hepatosplenomegaly]
T. major, T. minor, T. trait, (AIHA)

1) T. major: Cooley A/mediterranean Anaemia

Hb - <3g%

multiple units of BT $\rightarrow$ Iron overload.

CHF $\rightarrow$ m/c COD

Usual - 10 years

Rarely reach 2nd decade.

Confirm: * HPL chromatography $\rightarrow$ Hb. electrophoresis

HbF $\uparrow$ To confirm

HbF - 30-90%

HbA - 96%

HbF - <2%

HbA₂ - 3.5%



Pediatric:

Hb - $> 7 \text{ g/l}$

upto $\rightarrow$ occasional Blood Transfusion

Pediatric:

Adult $\rightarrow$ Transfusion dependent anemias.

Δ : HPLC - HbF $\uparrow$ (10-30%)

3) Thalassemia minor: Pediatric/adult

9-11 g/l

No. H/O blood transfusion

Δ : electrophoresis - Both HbF $\uparrow$ HbA₂ $\uparrow$

$\uparrow$ HbF - (1-4%) - non diagnostic

HbA₂ - 4-8% - non diagnostic

P.B - NT RBCytic Hypochromic anaemia

T. minor

LDA

RDW - 11.5-14.5

$\uparrow$ RDW

anisocytosis

NTentzer index NTCV < 13

≥ 13

RBC Count

NESTROF - Best Screening method for Thalassemia



Th. - Hemolysis not complete } osmotic fragility

0.3% normally Hemolysis Complete
No lines seen

Hemolysis - not complete
RBC membrane Stable.

Thalassemia

Abt to view lines

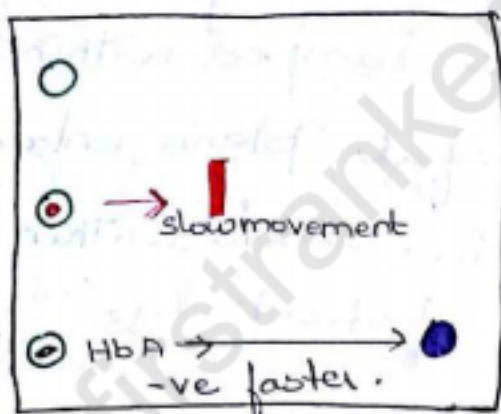
0.3% - Hemolysis complete
RBC - dissolved.

Normal

Sickle cell Anaemia

HbE

Hbs



Cathode (-)

Anode (+)

2 Bands → Carrier - Hbs + HbA
only 1 Band → Disease.

under Hypoxia, Sickle cells express adhesion molecule.



1) Vaso-occlusive - m/c clinical picture
Crisis a) hand foot Syndrome
b) acute chest syndrome
(no radiation) → Not resorbable

MI

3) fish-mouth vertebra

m/c Cause of OMT in Sickle Cell

Salmonella infections

4) Autophlebotomy

↓
Dyserythropoiesis

PR -



↓
nucleu Remnants

Howell Jolly Bodies

i) splenectomy

ii) megaloblastic anaemia

i) Aplastic Crisis - Pancytopenia

ii) Sequestration Crisis - most dangerous,

life threatening crisis

→ Large volume of RBC dumped within Spleen.

i) acute painful splenic enlargement.

ii) Hypovolemia - Shock (within 4 hrs)

patient - dye

→ medical emergency.

Hemosiderin + Ca^{2+} + Fibrotic Tissue

↓
Gamma Gandy Bodies

i) SCA

2) CML

3) Liver cirrhosis

→ myeloid leukaemia

→ myeloid leukaemia

i) most important factor $\rightarrow$ HbS concentration

In carrier - HbA polymerization prevents Sickling

ii) Total Hb $\downarrow$ Sickling

Reach to adult level ($< 2\%$) - 6 months

4-year old boy, episodic HA/Jaundice since birth

- Least likely - Sickle cell anaemia.

iii) $\rightarrow$ HbC Anaemia / HbSC disease

$\uparrow$ Sickling; HbC removes water & Sodium from cell. $\uparrow$ HbS concentration - $\uparrow$ Sickling

Features of HbC - 1) paroxysmal hemoglobinuria

2) Bone infarction.

Screening - 1) Sodium metabisulphite

2) Sodium dithionite.

Δ : HPLC $>$ electrophoresis.

Megaloblastic disease

i) Vit-B-12 $\downarrow$

ii) Folic - A $\downarrow$.

Pernicious anaemia { Abag/ant intrinsic factor of Castle (Parietal cells)
 $\rightarrow$ Fundus.

Adenocarcinoma in pernicious - Fundus

macrocytosis

Macrocytosis
most characteristic

Macrocytosis - $MCV > 100 fL$

diameter of RBC - $> 9 \mu m$

Microcytic $MCV < 80 fL$

dia of RBC - $< 6 \mu m$

most specific - Hypersegmented neutrophils

1 Neutrophil - > 6 lobes of neutrophil $<<$

> 15 lobes - > 15 / neutrophils

erythrocytopenia

i) Howell-Jolly Bodies

ii) Fine Basophilic stippling

iii) Cabot Ring - Figure 8



Target Cells

Sickle cell Anaemia

Iron deficiency Anaemia

Thalassemia (most characteristic)

Megaloblastic Anaemia



$MCV > 100 fL$

MCHC - $33 - 37 g/dl$

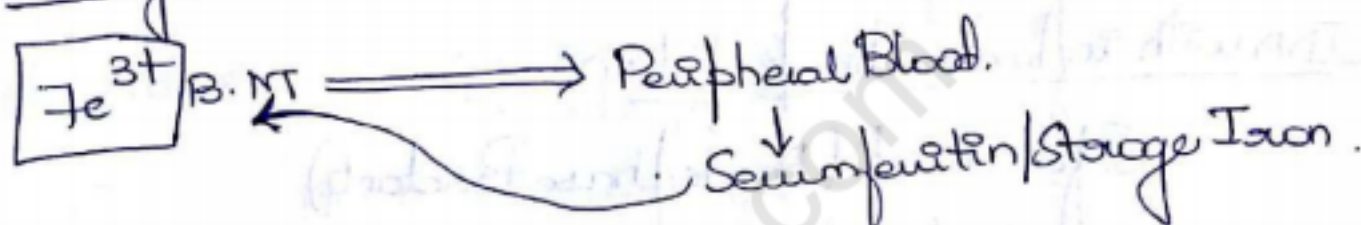
$\Rightarrow H.S \uparrow$, megaloblastic - normal (not characteristic)

m/c presentation $\rightarrow$ fatigability, irritability
 $\uparrow$
Latent Iron deficiency Anaemia - $\downarrow$ Iron Stores without
 Anaemia

Hb within normal limits

Fe-absorbed - Fe^{2+}
 $\downarrow$
 S.I $\rightarrow$ proximal duodenum

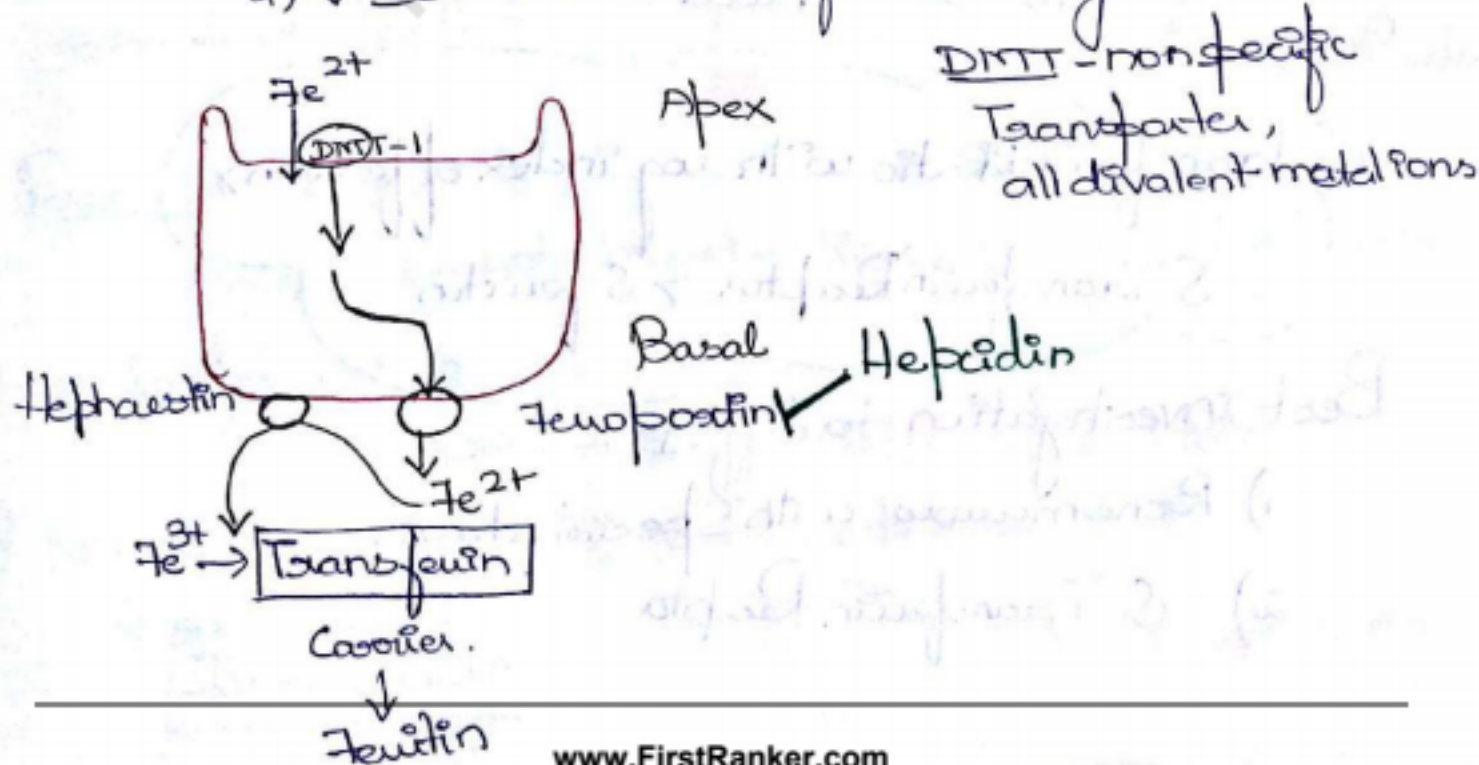
Storage - RES - BMT, liver, spleen.



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Hepcidin - master Regulator of iron metabolism

- 1) Iron absorption
- 2) $\downarrow$ Iron mobilisation from storage sites.



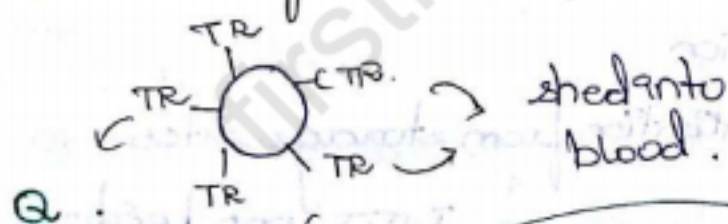
Lab findings

- i) Serum ferritin - $\downarrow$ earliest / most Sensitive
- ii) $\uparrow$ Transferrin
- iii) $\uparrow$ TIBC - normal 300-400 $\mu\text{g/dl}$
 < 300 - Anemia of chronic disease
- iv) $\downarrow$ Saturation of Transferrin (N: 22-50%
 $\text{IDA} - < 16\%$)
- v) Hepcidin - $\downarrow$

IDA with inflammation / infection

S. ferritin $\uparrow$ (Acute phase Reactant)

- i) gold standard Bone marrow Biopsy - with special stain (Prussian blue) for iron stores.
- ii) S. Transferrin Receptors $\uparrow$



(S. Transferrin Ratio with log index of ferritin)
 $\text{S. Transferrin Receptor} > \text{S. ferritin}$

Best investigation to diff. IDA & ACA:

- 1) Bone marrow with Special Stains
- 2) S. Transferrin Receptor