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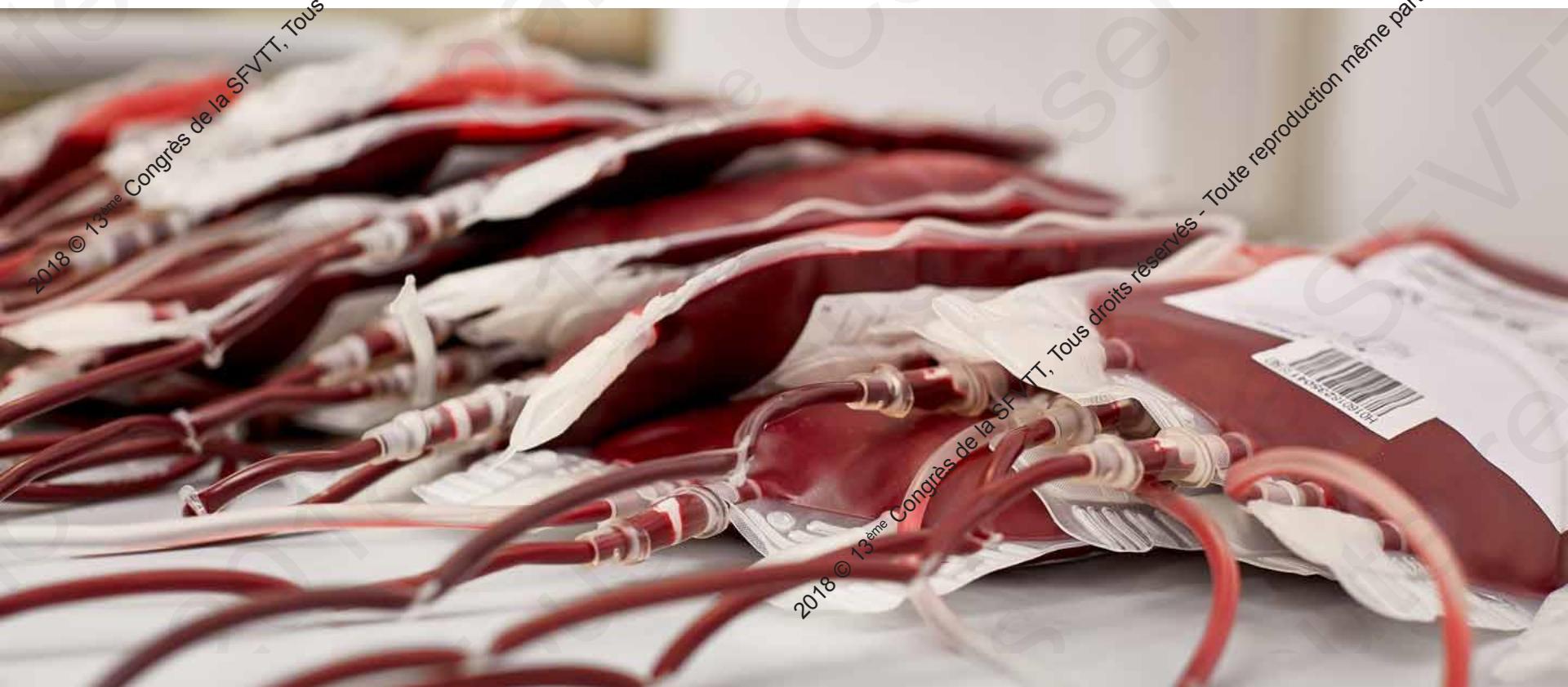
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# Lésions de stockage des PSL

## *Une revue générale*

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# Introduction

- Revue générale sur la **qualité *in vitro*** des produits sanguins labiles (PSL)
- Lésions dues à la **fabrication** et à la **conservation**

**CE**

= Concentré érythrocytaire  
= Concentré de globules rouges (CGR)



**CP**

= Concentré plaquettaire  
CPA = CP d'aphérèse  
MCP = Mélange de CP

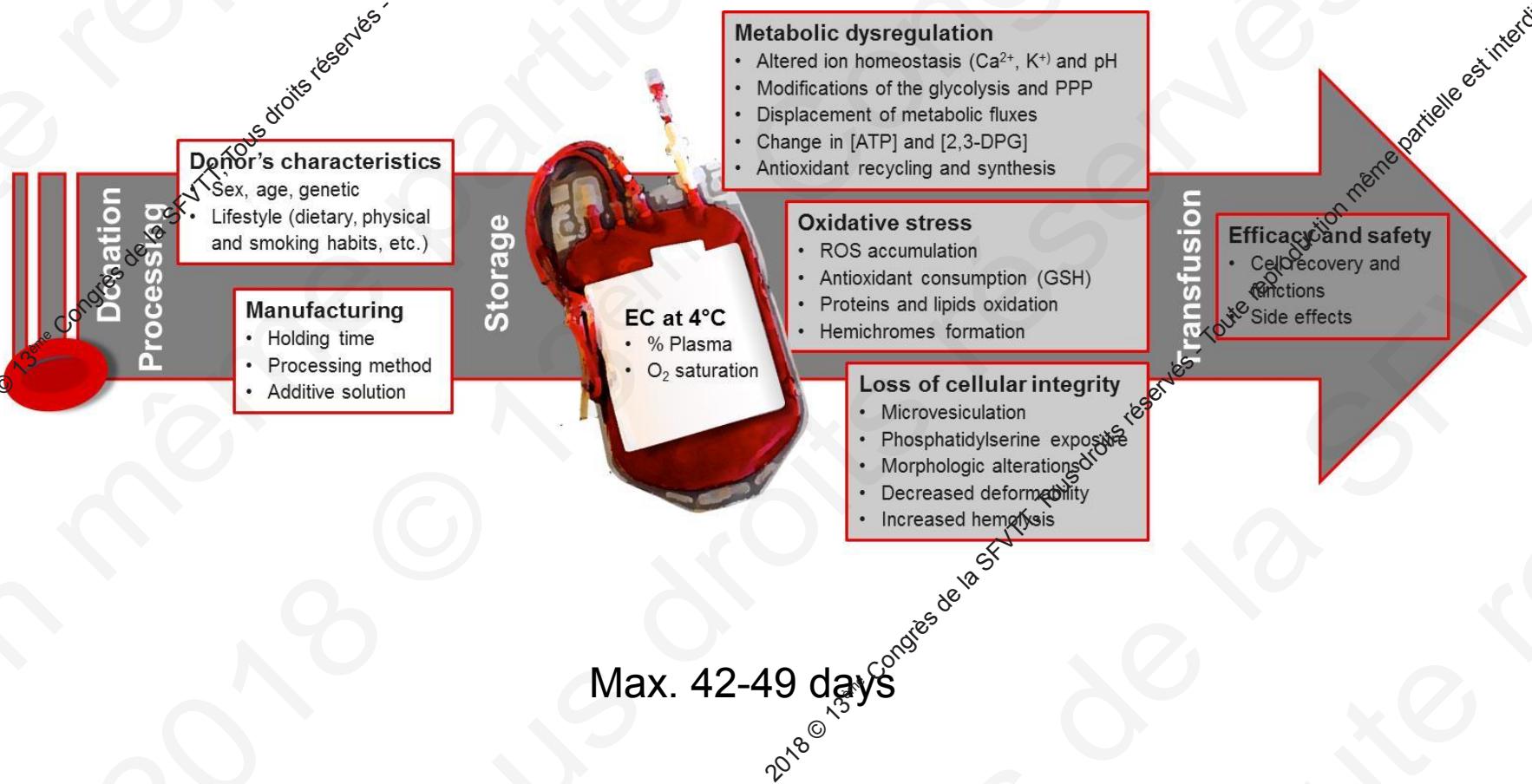


**Plasma**

Plasma «thérapeutique»  
Plasma pour fractionnement

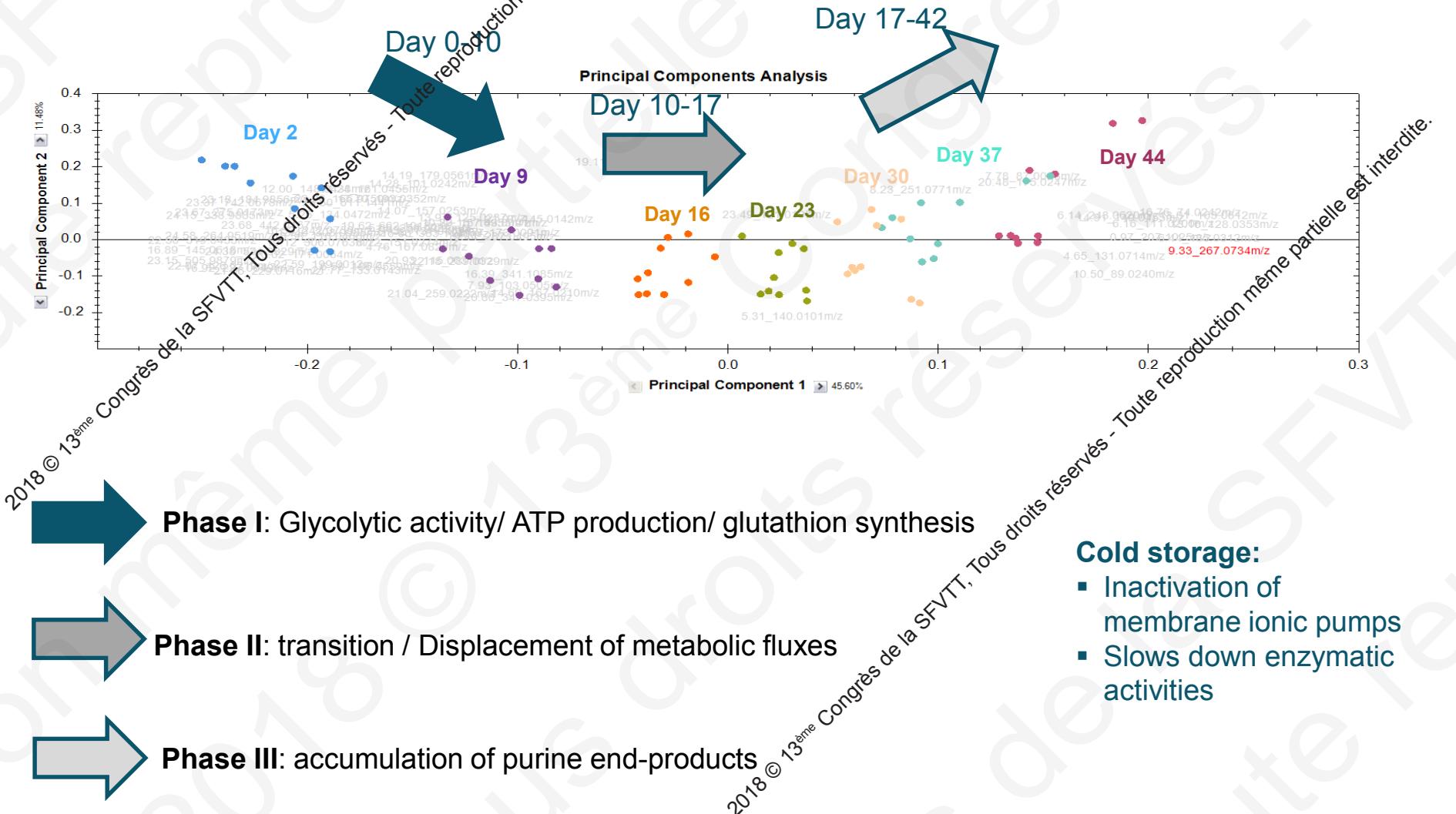


# The ex vivo journey of a RBC



# Metabolic dysregulation

- Metabolic dysregulation**
- Altered ion homeostasis ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ) and pH
  - Modifications of the glycolysis and PPP
  - Displacement of metabolic fluxes
  - Change in [ATP] and [2,3-DPG]
  - Antioxidant recycling and synthesis



# Extracellular metabolites

## ➤ Biomarkers of erythrocyte concentrate age

Paglia et al. identified **8 extracellular metabolites** able to discriminate the age of ECs in the three different phases

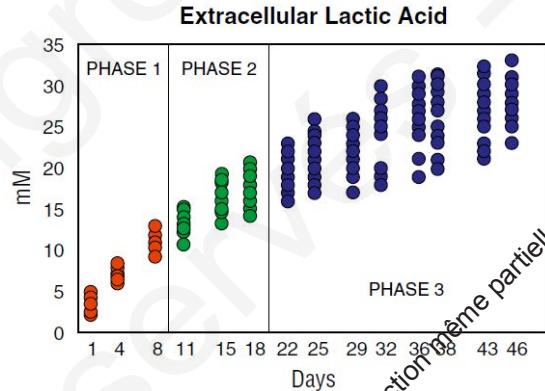


Table 2. Selected extracellular biomarkers with AUC higher than 0.75

Metabolites	HMDB ID	SAGM (extracellular metabolites)					
		Phase 1 vs phase 2		Phase 1 vs phase 3		Phase 2 vs phase 3	
		AUC	Student t tests	AUC	Student t tests	AUC	Student t tests
Lactic acid	HMDB00190	0.99	9.0E-25	1.00	2.4E-72	0.93	1.8E-31
Nicotinamide	HMDB01406	0.98	3.2E-25	1.00	3.4E-81	0.97	6.7E-41
Glucose	HMDB00122	0.97	9.5E-27	1.00	2.3E-51	0.93	9.1E-25
5-oxoproline	HMDB00267	0.94	7.7E-20	1.00	6.7E-68	0.89	1.2E-25
Malic acid	HMDB00156	0.90	3.0E-16	0.98	3.4E-53	0.84	2.6E-17
Adenine	HMDB00034	0.89	3.0E-14	0.98	2.2E-56	0.78	3.9E-11
Hypoxanthine	HMDB00157	0.86	2.7E-14	1.00	1.6E-88	0.98	2.6E-50
Xanthine	HMDB00292	0.86	2.3E-13	0.99	2.1E-57	0.92	1.3E-30

# Hypoxanthine and hypoxia

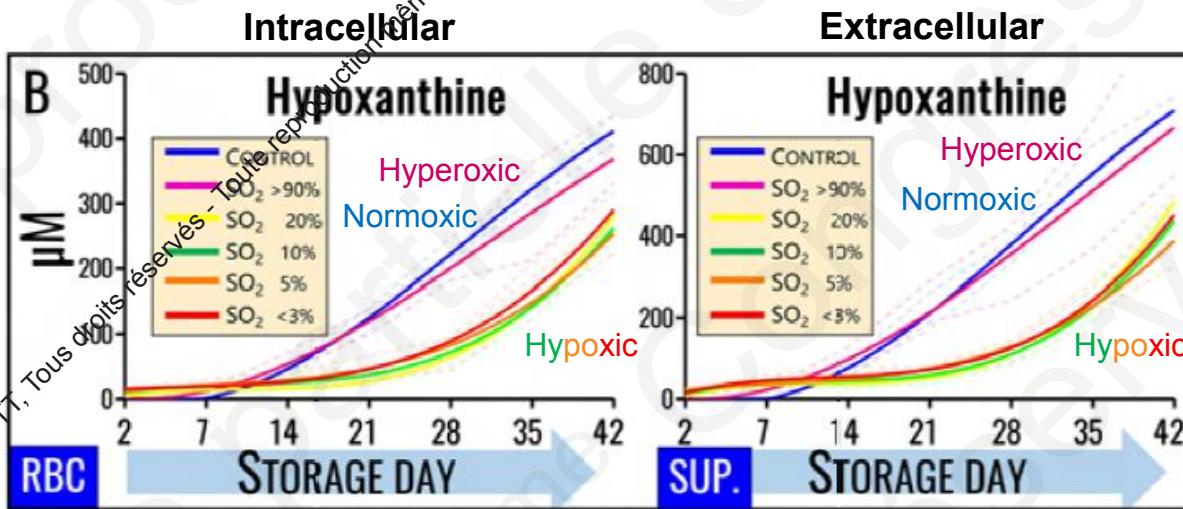
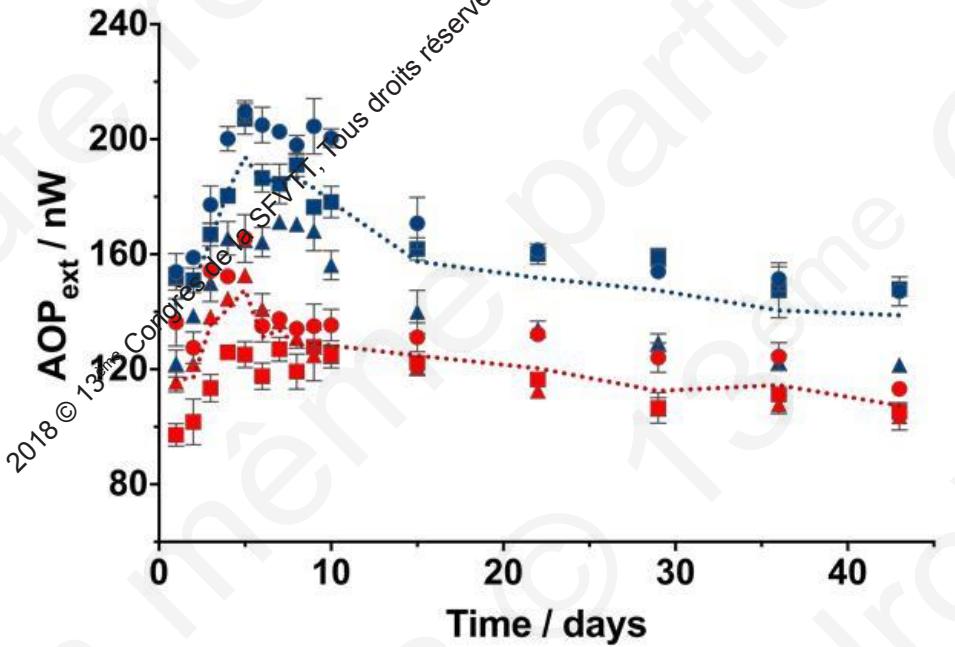


Figure 4 – Human RBCs were donated by healthy volunteers (n=4) prior to refrigerated storage in AS-3 under control (normoxic), hyperoxic (SO<sub>2</sub>>95%), or hypoxic (SO<sub>2</sub> = 20%, 10%, 5% or <3%) conditions for up to 42 days (A). Hypoxanthine concentration was determined in cells and supernatants, with significant decreases in the presence of hypoxia (B). In B, all data points shown on the x axis were tested and interpolated with third order polynomial curves (not assuming linear evolution of hypoxanthine accumulation during storage) and median  $\pm$  ranges (n=4) are shown (dark blue line and light blue areas, respectively).

- Accumulation of intra- and extra-cellular hypoxanthine (end-product of purine metabolism)
- Level of hypoxanthine is decreased by hypoxia, both *in vivo* and *in vitro*
- Negative correlation between intracellular level of hypoxanthine and post-transfusion recovery in mouse and humans

# Oxidative stress

- Accumulation of ROS during storage
- Antioxidant consumption (GSH)



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- ROS accumulation
  - Antioxidant consumption (GSH)
  - Proteins and lipids oxidation
  - Hemichromes formation

## Variation of antioxidant defenses in ECs

- Excretion of uric acid at the beginning (probably due to dilution of plasma and homeostasis effects).
- Antioxidant consumption

# Hallmarks of oxidative stress

Reviewed in: D'Alessandro et al, *Transfusion*, 2012

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- ROS accumulation
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## ➤ Protein fragmentation, membrane migration or externalization

- Accumulation of **flotillin-2** in band 3 complexes Prudent et al, accepted for publication
- Accumulation of **Peroxiredoxin-II** on RBC membrane

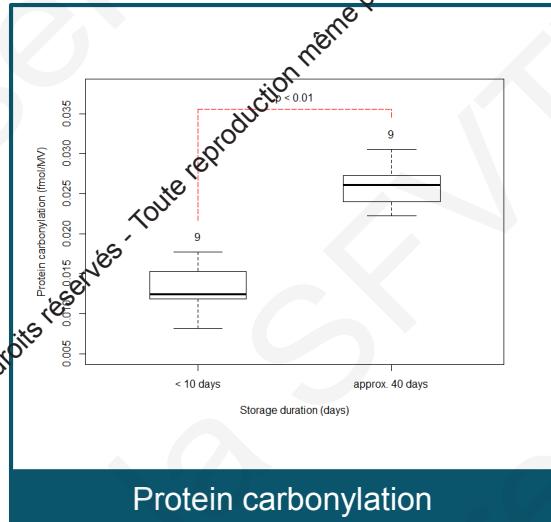
Rinalducci et al., *Transfusion* 2011

## ➤ Protein carbonylation (addition of carbonyl functions C=O)

- Accumulation of oxidized proteins at the cytoskeleton after 4<sup>th</sup> week of storage Delobel et al, *J Proteomics*, 2012

## ➤ Oxidation of lipids

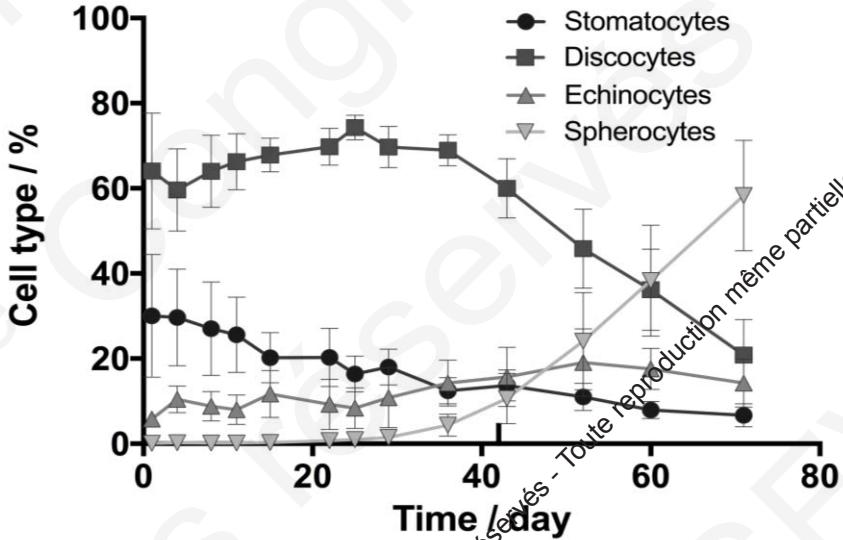
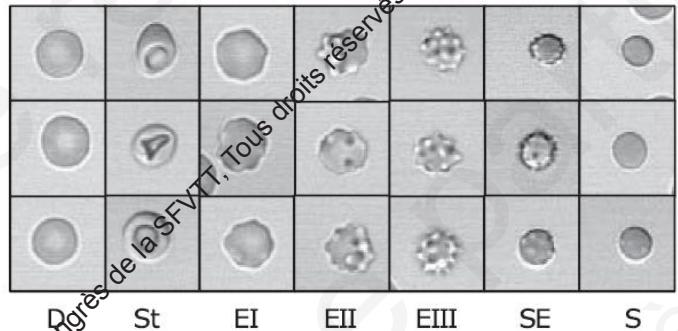
- Lipid peroxydation



# Loss of cellular integrity

- Microvesiculation
- Phosphatidylserine exposure
- Morphologic alterations
- Decreased deformability
- Increased hemolysis

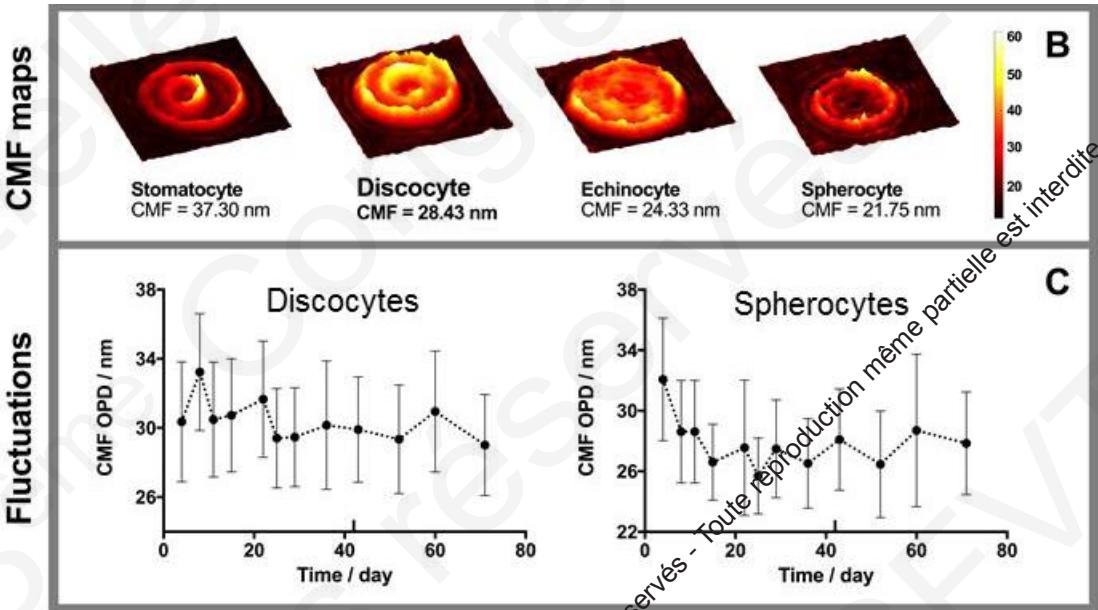
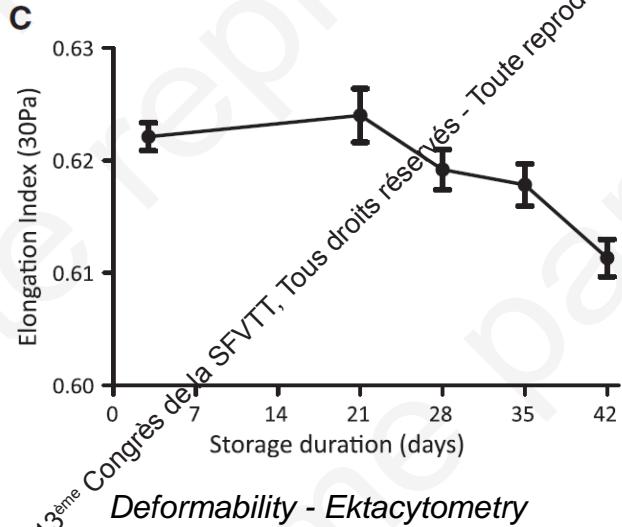
## ➤ Morphology alterations



- Morphology is affected with a significant effect during the last two weeks of storage
- The percentage of **discocytes** (or other reversible cell morphology) decreases
- **Spherocytes** are formed
- Formation of **small RBC** were reported after 28 days of storage

# Loss of cellular integrity

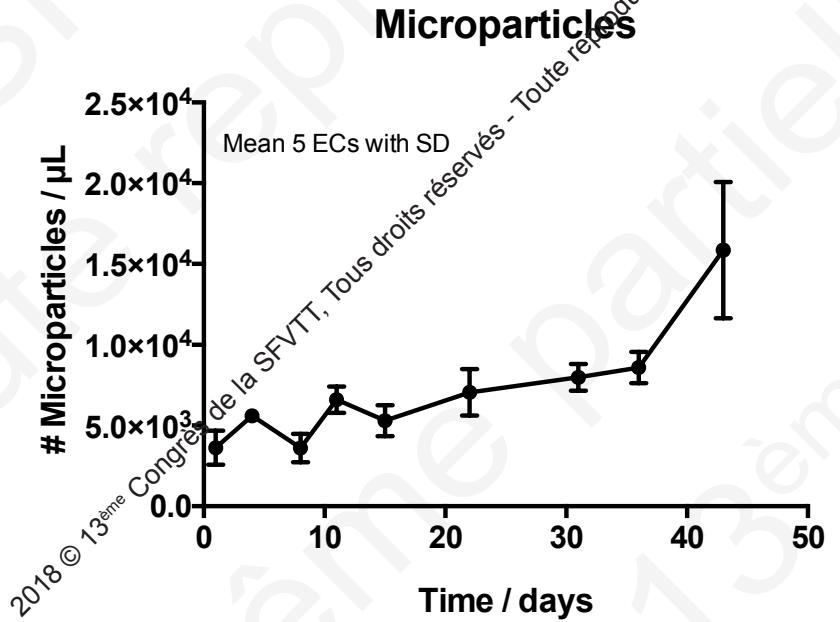
## ➤ Deformability / Membrane fluctuation



- Decreased deformability during the storage
- Lower membrane fluctuation in spherocytes compared to discocytes
- RBC are less susceptible to flow through the capillary microcirculation and will decrease the tissue oxygenation power.

# Loss of cellular integrity

## ➤ Microvesiculation



- **Microvesicles: Irreversible lesions** due to membrane perturbations, cannot be eliminated *ex vivo*
- **View as a protective phenomenon** since Band-3 are enriched in MVs.
- **Pro-coagulant** and might contribute to **inflammation** in some patients

## ➤ Increased hemolysis

Rubin et al, Vox sanguinis, 2008

Rubin et al, Transfusion, 2013

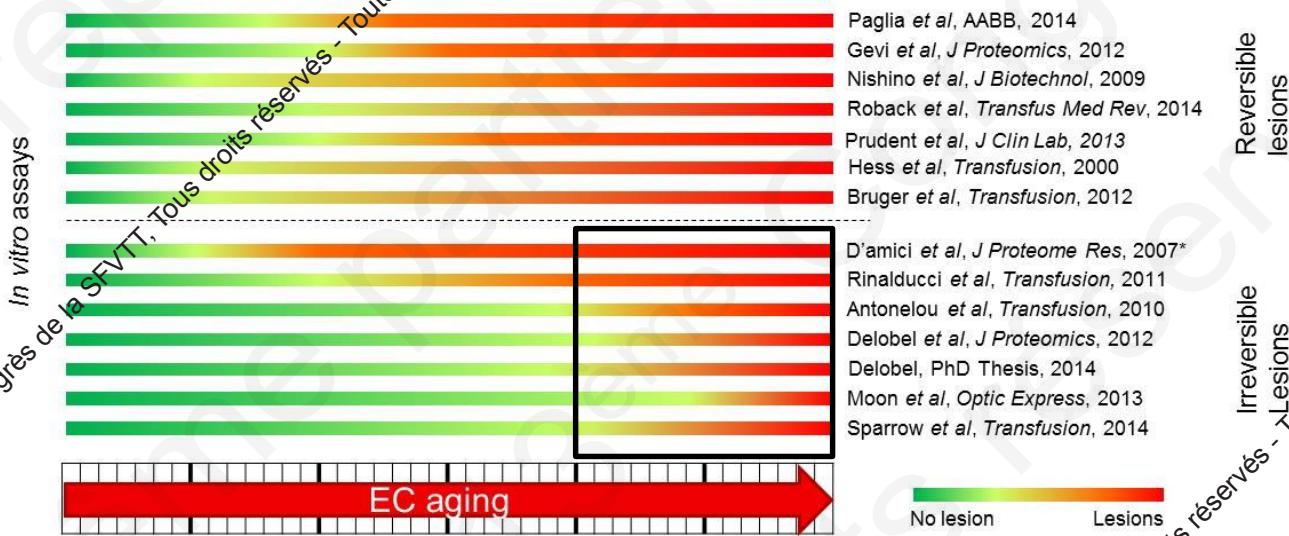
Prudent et al, Transfus Aph Sci, 2015

Bardyn et al, Blood Transfus., 2017; Gov et al, Adv Plan Lip Bil Lip, 2009

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# Summary (Red Cells)

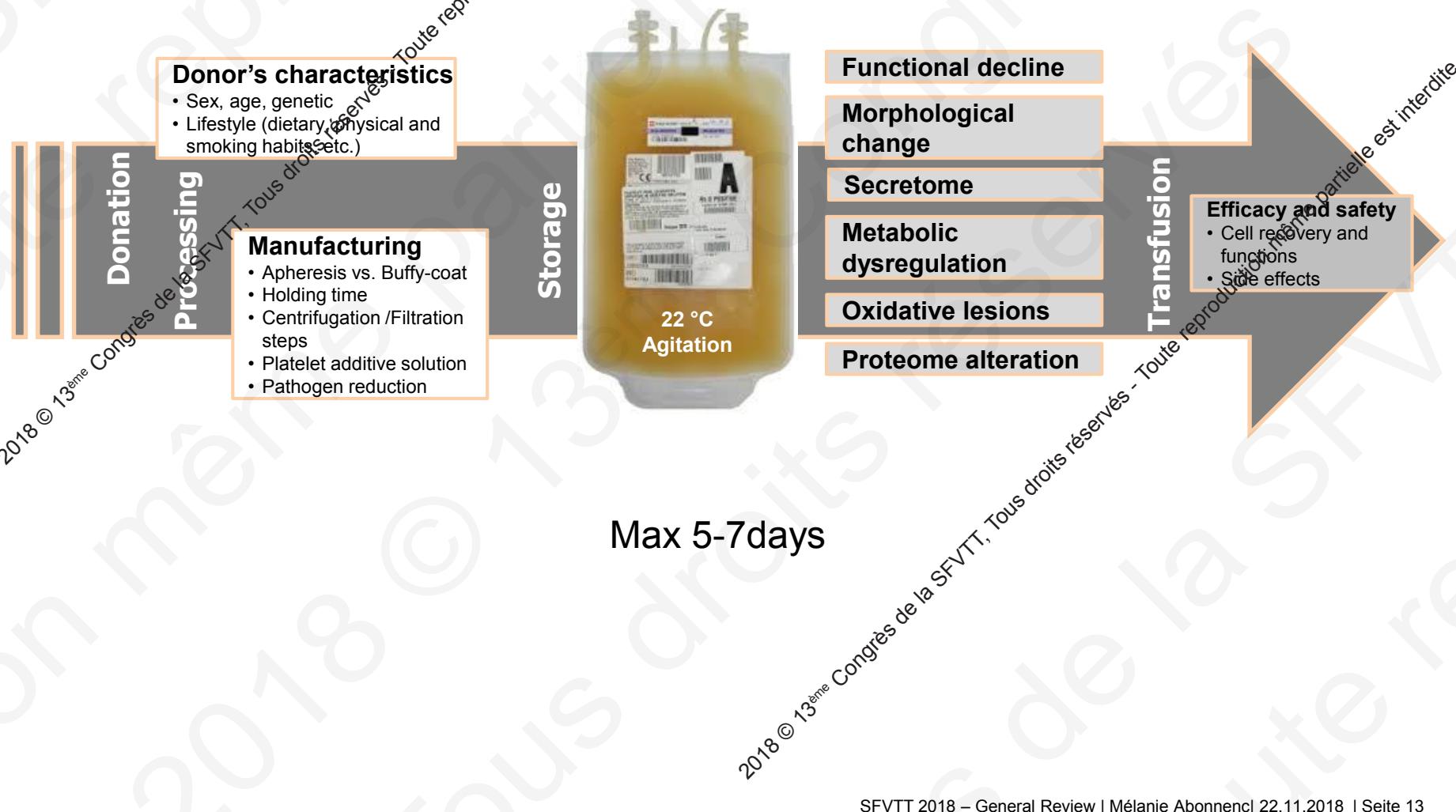
- Cascade of events (3 phases) that leads to irreversible lesions
- The last two weeks exhibit the more pronounced irreversible lesions



- Reversible lesions (*in vivo or in vitro*)
- Energy metabolism (decrease in ATP, 2,3-DPG)
  - Proteins (enzymatic activity, transport...)
  - Morphology change

- Irreversible lesions
- Protein oxidation
  - Ion release ( $K^+$ )
  - Morphology change
  - Expression of aging markers (PS)
  - Hemolysis and microvesiculation

# The ex vivo journey of a platelet



# Platelets stored at 22°C under agitation

Functional decline  
Morphological change  
Secretome

## Functional decline

- Platelet activation (CD62P, active configuration of GPIIbIIIa, enhanced fibrinogen binding)
- Decrease sensitivity to agonist activation (lower aggregation capacity)
- Lower response to hypotonic shock (HSR) (membrane integrity)
- Mitochondrial dysfunction (loss of mitochondrial transmembrane potential)
- Markers of pre-apoptotic events (Annexin V)

## Morphological change

- From discoid to spheroid (swirling)
- Modulation of surface glycoproteins (loss GPIba, active form of GPIIbIIIa)

## Secretome

- $\alpha$ -granule secretion
- Release of immunomodulatory cytokines, chemokines and associated molecules
- Release of mtDNA

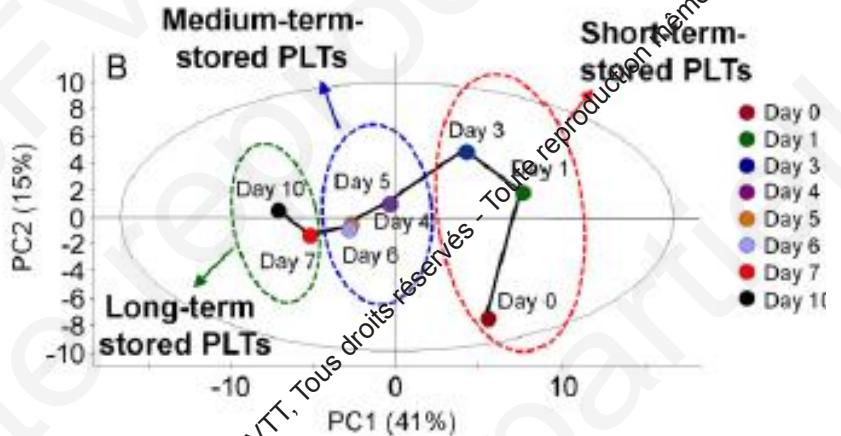
Ex-vivo

Linear decay

Shrivastava et al, *Transfus Aph Sci*, 2009  
Devine DV et al., *Clin Lab Med* 2010  
Tissot JD et al, *Transfus Clin Bio*, 2017

# Platelets stored at 22°C under agitation

- Metabolic dysregulation**
- Linear vs. discrete metabolic phenotypes
  - Mitochondrial dysfunction
  - Increased glycolysis (+++ upon PRT)
  - ATP/ADP changes
  - Alteration of purine and glutathione metabolism upon PRT



## Metabolomics approach

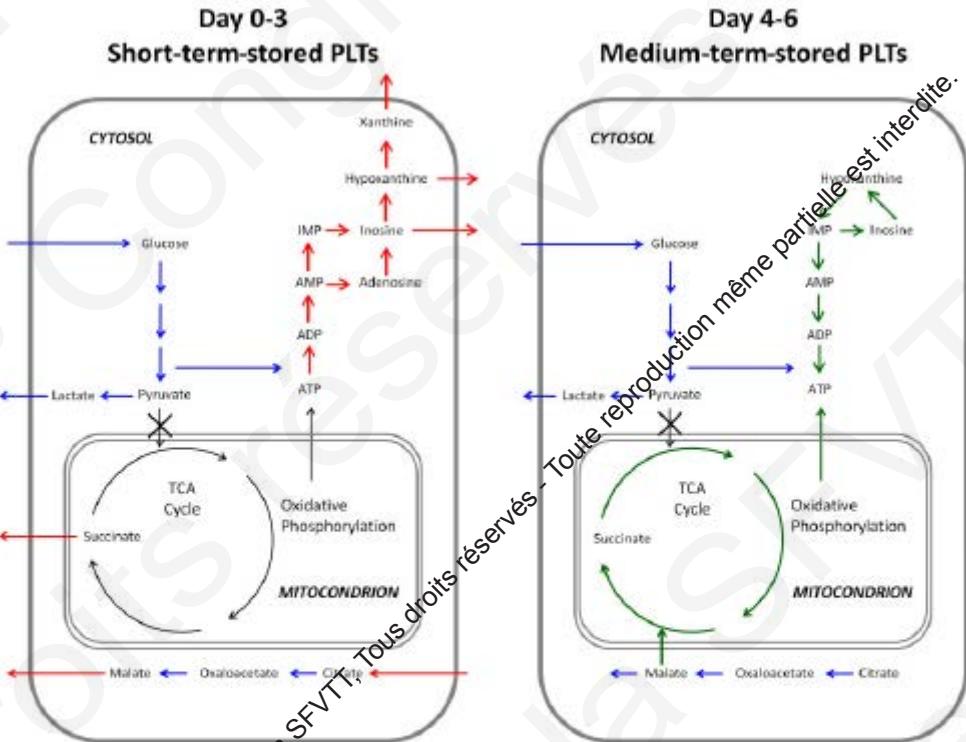


Fig. 6. Proposed metabolic phenotypes for short-term- and medium-term-stored PLTs. Blue lines represent active metabolic pathways in both phenotypes; black lines represent down-regulated metabolic pathways; red lines represent metabolic pathway characteristic of short-term-stored PLTs; and green lines represent metabolic pathway characteristic of medium-term-stored PLTs.

**Ex-vivo**  
**Discrete metabolic phenotype**

# Pathogen reduced platelets (22°C, under agitation)



**Intercept (Cerus)**



**Mirasol (Terumo BCT)**



**Theraflex (MacoPharma)**

→ Photo-(chemical) treatments

# Pathogen reduced platelets (22°C, under agitation)

Platelet storage feature	PI system		
	INTERCEPT	MIRASOL	THERAFLEX
Metabolic activity	± (96); ↑ (97)	↑ (98)	↑ (99)
Platelet activation (CD62P expression)	↑ (96, 100)	↑ (98)	↑ (99)
Platelet adhesion (under flow)	± (101); ↑ (102) <sup>a</sup>	↓ (102); ±(103)	n.d.
Clot formation (thrombo-elastography)	↓ (104)	↑ <sup>b</sup> , ↓ <sup>c</sup> (105)	↓ (99)
Responsiveness (to agonists)	↓ (102); ±↓ <sup>d</sup> (106) <sup>e</sup>	↓ (98)	± (99)
Platelet apoptosis (PS exposure)	± (107); ↑ (108) <sup>a</sup>	↑ (109)	↑ (99)
Platelet microparticle release	↑ (110)	↑ (111)	↑ (112)
Free mitochondria release	n.d.	↑ (95)	n.d.

↓ = decrease; ± = similar; ↑ = increase; n.d. = not determined. The references are only examples of published studies, but are not comprehensive. Differences in some study outcomes could be due to variations in production methods used (platelet-rich plasma vs BC/PCs or apheresis PCs), composition in storage solution—plasma vs platelet additive solution (in different concentration)—and assay procedures.

<sup>a</sup>At end of storage.

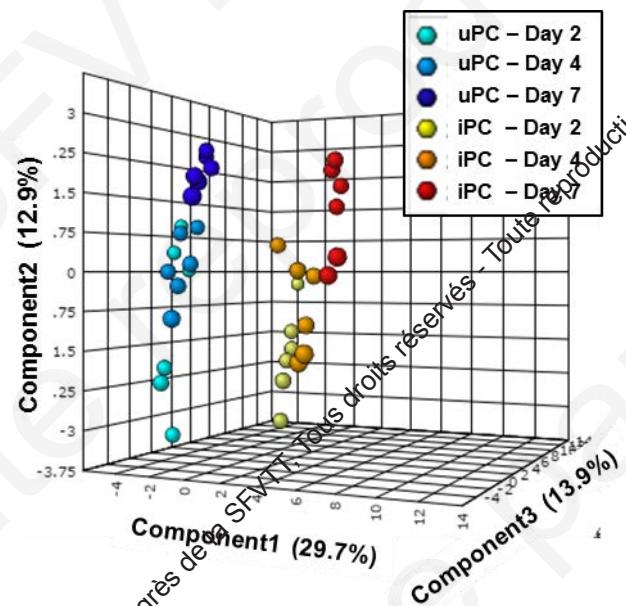
<sup>b</sup>Thrombus stability.

<sup>c</sup>Aggregation.

<sup>d</sup>Agonist-dependent.

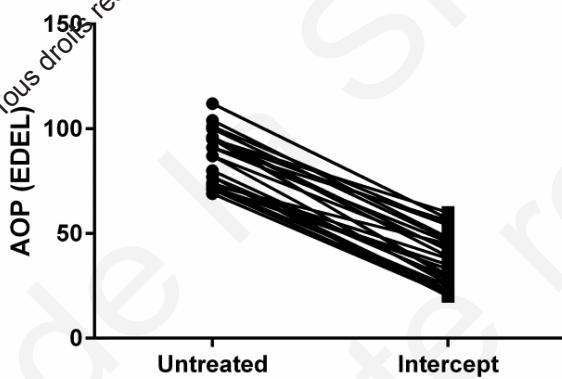
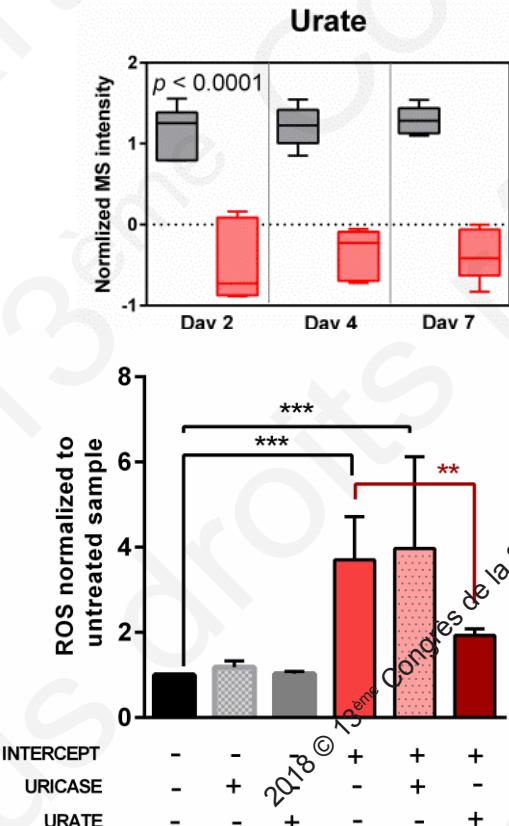
→ In general, **acceleration of the platelet storage lesions** following pathogen reduction treatments

# Pathogen reduced platelets (22°C, under agitation)



## Oxidative lesions at the molecular level

- Discrete metabolic phenotypes depending on **storage time and PRT**
- Alteration of **purine and glutathione metabolism**



# Pathogen reduced platelets (22°C, under agitation)

## ➤ Minor impact on the overall proteome

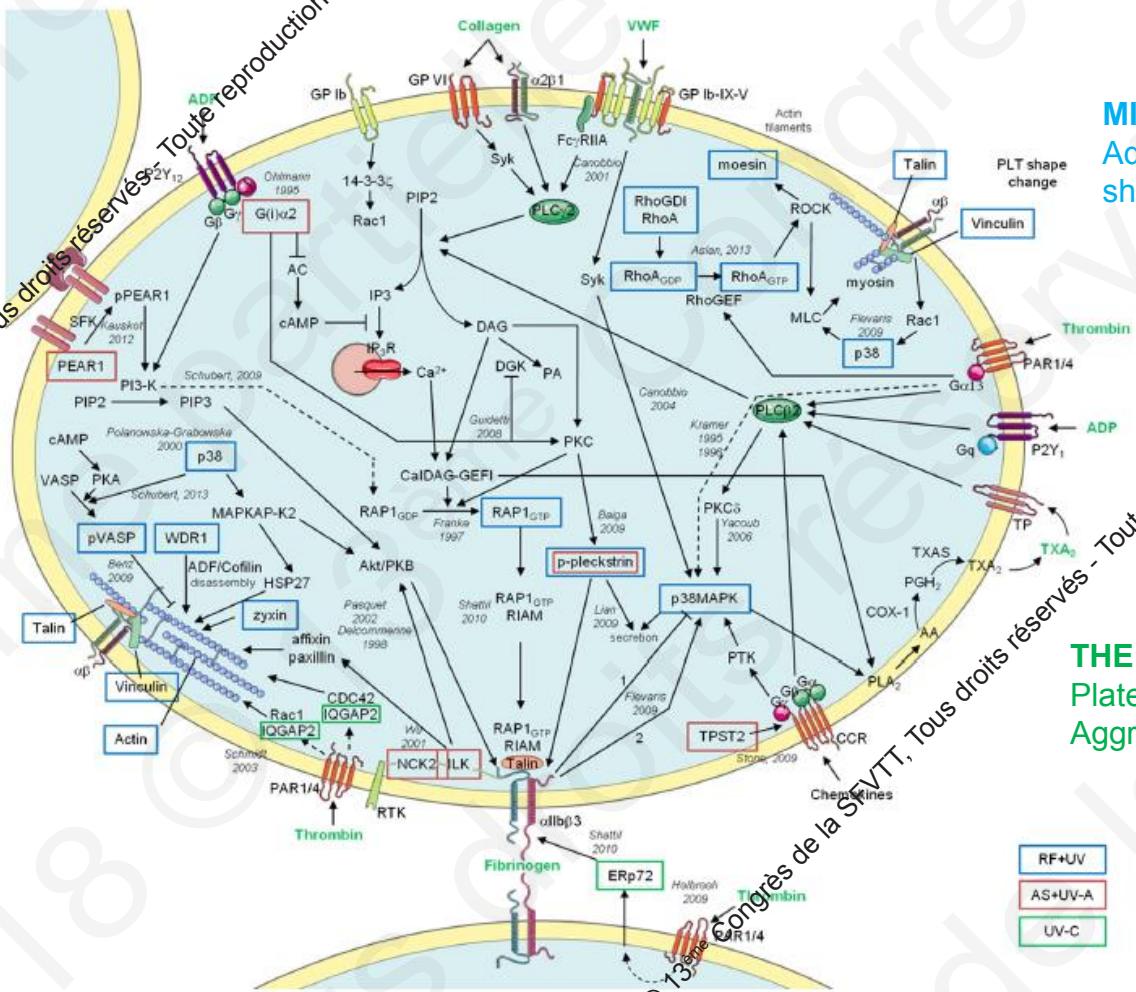


Fig 3. Platelet activation/aggregation pathways and proteins potentially affected by PI. Only potentially affected pathways are pictured. Part of the mechanisms was based on Ref [101,111], and cited references in italic. Illustrations used elements from Servier Medical Art [2].

# Summary (Platelets)

## ➤ «Standard» platelets stored at +22°C, under agitation

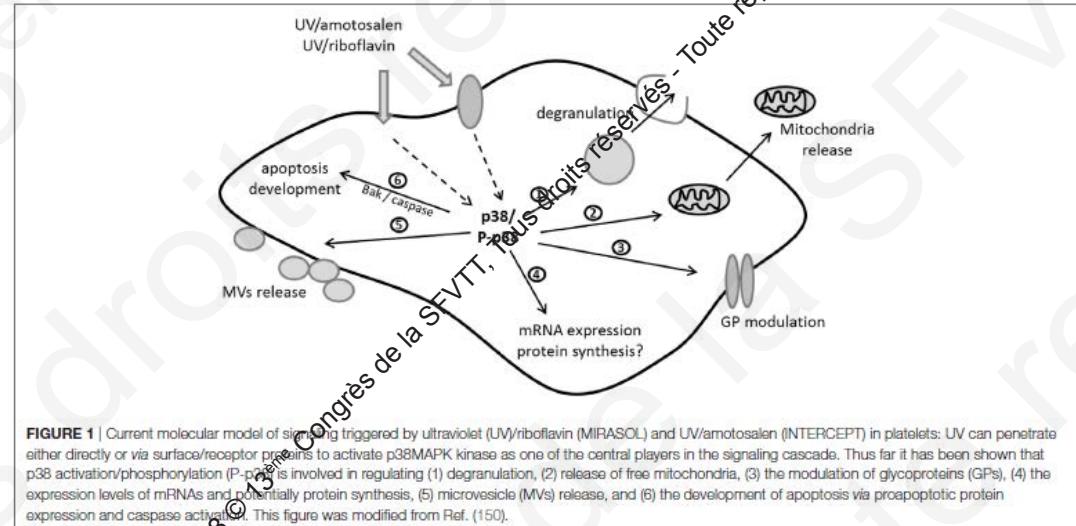
- Functional decline
- Importance of the composition of the platelet additive solution (PAS)

## ➤ Pathogen reduction technologies

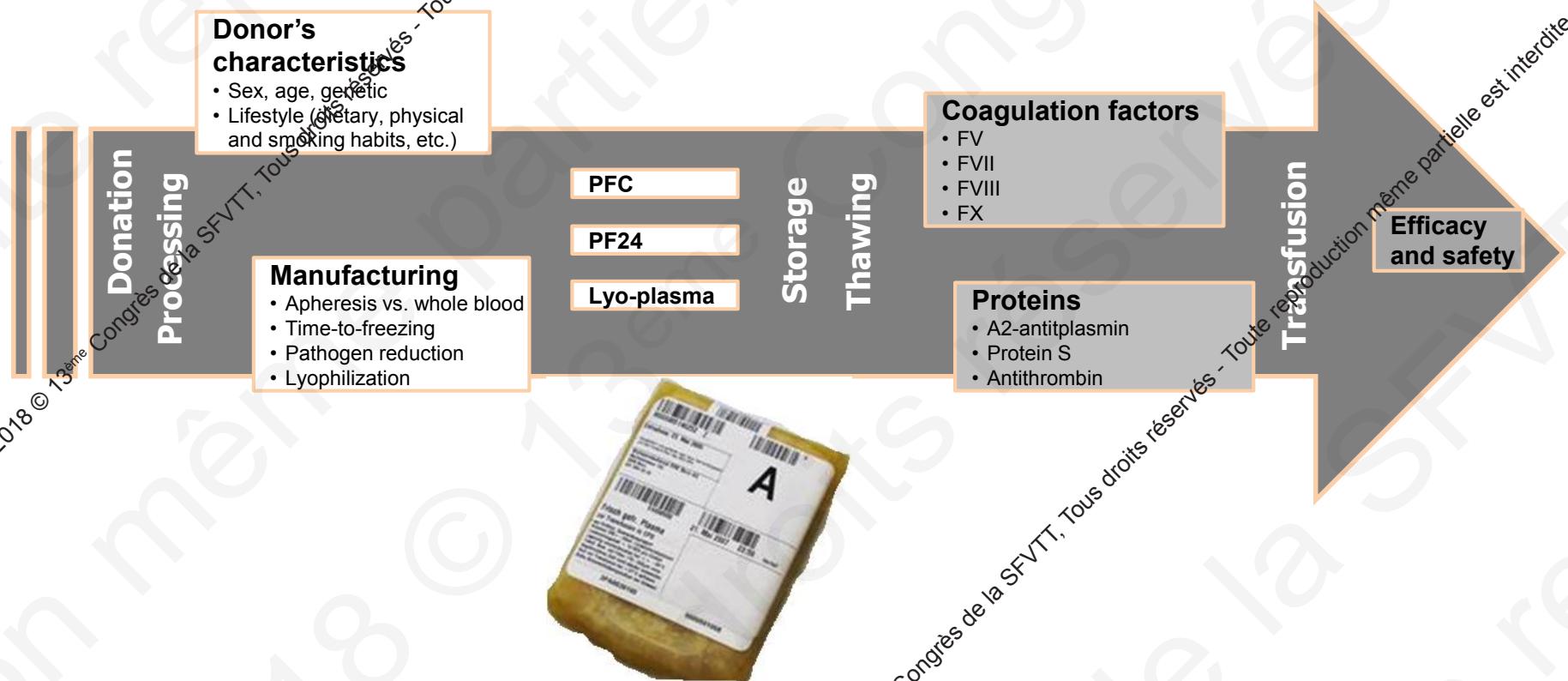
- Oxidative lesions (due to the nature of these photo-(chemical) treatments)
- Accelerate the apparition of platelet storage lesions
- Low impact on the overall proteome

## ➤ Emerging concept: Central role of the p38 MAPK

Schubert et al, Frontiers in medicine, 2018



# The ex vivo journey of plasma

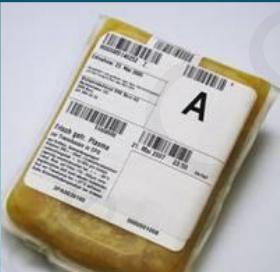


# Different types of plasma

**Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP)**  
(frozen in <8h post-don)

**Frozen plasma 24h (FP24)**  
(frozen in <24h post-don)

Quarantine



**S/D Plasma**  
(pooling of FP24)

**Pathogen-Inactivated Plasma (PI-FFP or PI-FP24)**  
Mirasol (Terumo BCT), Theraflex-MB (Macopharma), Intercept (Cerus)

**Thawed plasma (FFP or FP24)**  
(should be used ASAP but can be shortly stored at 22°C (4h) or at 4°C (24h))

**Lyophilized plasma (FFP, S/D plasma or PI-FFP)**



# Summary (Plasma)

## Review of literature (> 30 publications)

- *In vitro* quality parameters (Coagulation factors, fibrinogen, proteins)

## The more the plasma is processed, the worst the impact

- Time before processing and freezing
  - FFP is the less affected product (but heterogeneous and donor-dependent)
  - FP24: labile factors are decreased
- S/D plasma: Factor VIII,  $\alpha$ 2-antiplasmin and Protein S are clearly decreased compared to FFP (but homogeneous and standardized product, higher level of safety)
- PI-plasma: Factor VIII is decreased compared to FFP (homogeneous and standardized product – but less than S/D plasma, higher level of safety)
- Lyo-plasma: depends on the plasma used for freeze-drying (advantages: storage and reconstitution time)
- Leukoreduction is negligible (Gosselin et al, *Transfusion*, 2013)

# General conclusion

## The ex vivo journey of blood components



*There is still room for improving the quality of blood products  
by developing our knowledge on storage lesions*



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**Thank you  
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