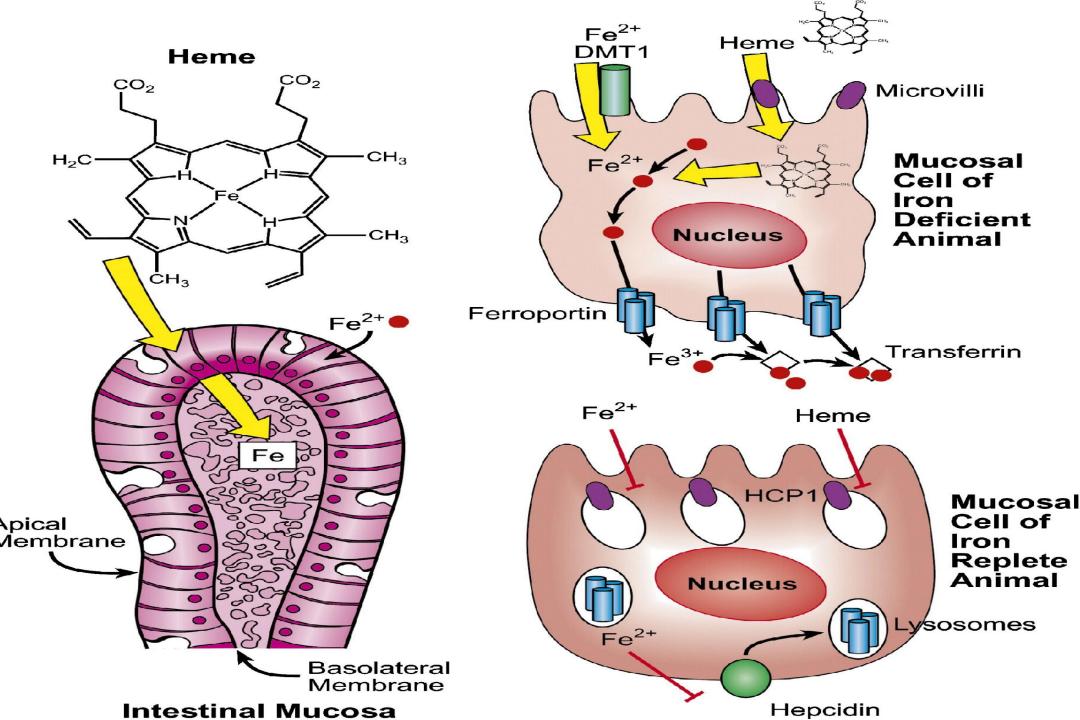






- A red blood cell survives 90 to 120 days in the circulation; about 1% of human red blood cells break down each day
- The spleen is the main organ which removes old and damaged RBCs from the circulation



# Lab. diagnosis of hemolytic anemias

- Anemia decrease Hb, RBCs, Ht
- Reticulocytosis
- Indirect hyperbilirubinemia
- Increase urobilinogen
- Increased level of lactate dehydrogenase (LDH)
- Absence or reduced of free serum haptoglobin



# Intravascular hemolysis



- laboratory signs of
- hemoglobinemia free plasma Hb Increase
  - hemoglobinuria
  - hemosiderynuria smoky urine



- Folinic acid deficiency
- Gallstones
- Thrombosis
- Hemolytic crisis
  - rapid destruction of large numbers of red blood cells
  - Aplastic crisis



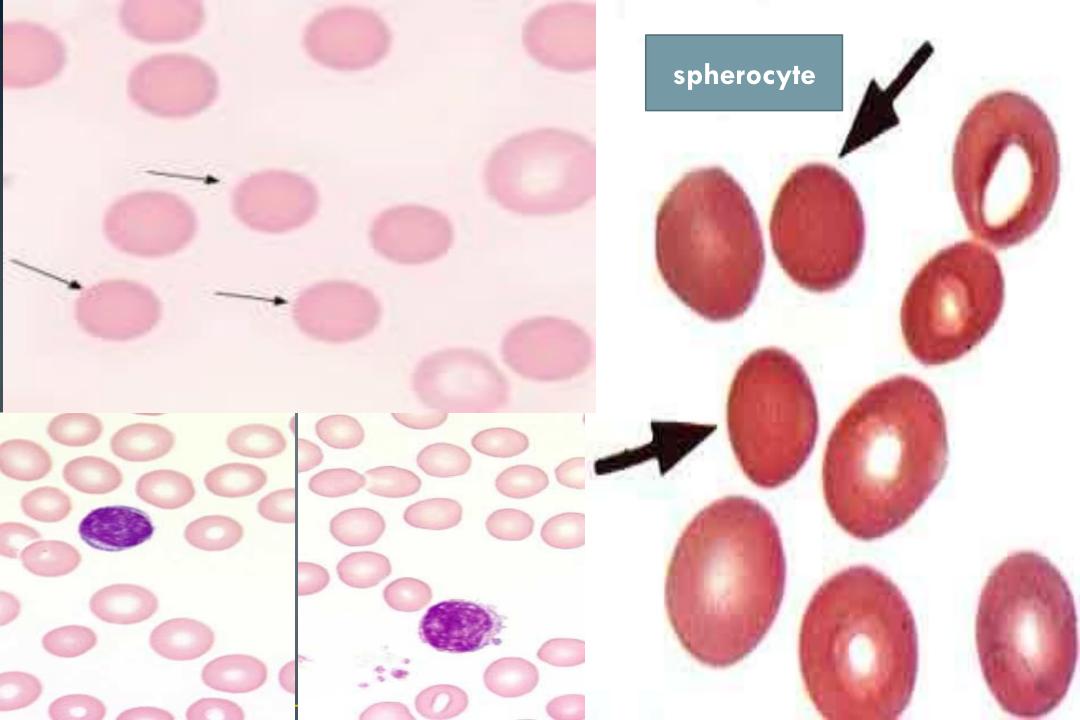


#### 1. Spherocytosis

- The most common defect of red cell membrane protein (1/2000 birth)
- Inheritance autosomal dominant
- Deficient of membrane protein causes change of shape (round, no central pallor)
- Clinical features: jaundice, gallstones, splenomegaly,
- Laboratory features: anemia, hyperbilirubinemia, reticulocytosis, ↑
  LDH
  - blood smear -spherocytes
  - abnormal osmotic fragility test
- Treatment splenectomy



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# Hereditary metabolic defect



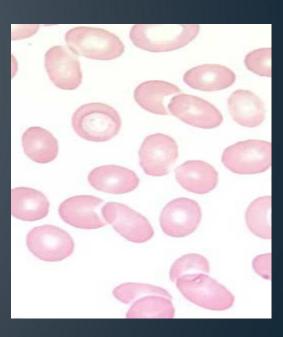
- Glucose-6-Phosphate-Dehydrogenase (G6PD) deficiency
  - Hemolysis is induce by infections, drugs
  - Hemolysis is intravascular

Pyruvate kinase (PK) deficiency

# Hereditary membrane defects







## Hereditary Hemoglobinopathies

- Thalassemias
  - Alpha thalassemia
  - Beta thalassemia: major, minor, (trait), intermedia
  - Delta/Beta thalassemia
  - Hereditary persistentce of fetal hemoglobin
- Sickle cell anemia





- A. Immune hemolytic anemias
  - 1. Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
  - 2. Alloimmune hemolytic anemia



- 1. Chemicals
  - 2. Bacterial infections, parasitic infections (malaria)
- 3. Hemolysis due to physical trauma, valve replacement, microangiopathic hemolytic anemia)
  - 4. Hypersplenism
  - 5. Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH)



#### Autoimmune hemolytic anemia - AIHA

- caused by warm Abs : Connective tissue disorders, or infection
- caused by cold-reactive antibodies (30%) in temp. < 37 °C eg.(4°C) infections, CLL, NHL

Laboratory findings:

**CBC** 

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According the cause.







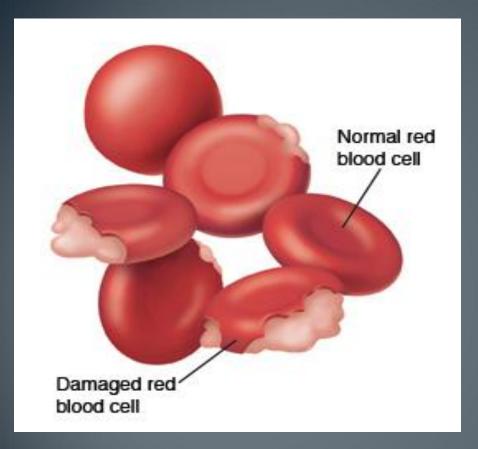
- Rh & ABO in neonatal hemolytic anemia
- Transfusion of incompatible blood
- After transplantation of bone marrow or organs

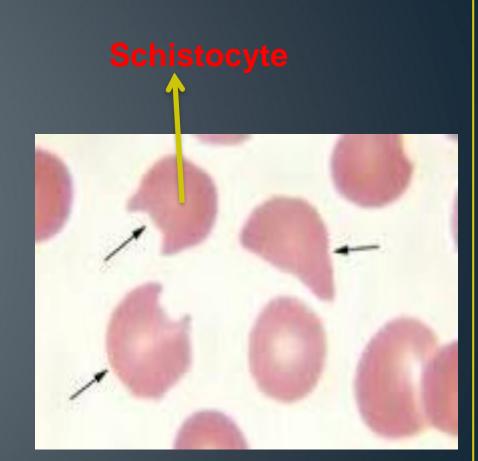
# Classification of microangiopathic hemolytic anemia

- Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP)
- Hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS)

# Pathogenesis of microangiopathic hemolytic anemia:

- Intravascular hemolysis caused by fragmentation of normal red cells passing through abnormal arterioles
- Arterioles are changed by deposition of platelets and fibrin
- Microvascular lesion cause organ demage (kidney, CNS)





## AE Microangiopathic hemolytic anaemia

Underlying disease

- •Invasive carcinoma
- Complication of pregnancy
- •Serious infection
- •Drugs



## C/P of microangiopathic hemolytic anaemia



- Symptoms:
  - Related to the primary disease
  - Related to organs demage

Laboratory findings of intravascular hemolytic anemia

Blood film: schistocytes

- an acquired clonal disease, arising from a somatic mutation in a single abnormal stem cell
- deficiency of the GPI (glycosyl-phosphatidylinositol) anchor on the surface of hematopoietic cells
- red cells are more sensitive to the lytic effect of complement
- intravascular hemolysis

#### **Symptoms**

- Irregularly hemoglobinuria occurs with dark brown urine in the morning
- Hemolysis is released by infection, surgery or other events
- Increased risk of thrombosis
- Renal failure
- Neurologic manifestation headaches

## Laboratory Findings:

- Hemoglobinuria
- Hemosiderinuria
- Pancytopenia
- Chronic urinary iron loss
- Serum iron concentration decreased
- Positive Ham's test (acid hemolysis test)
- (CD59, CD55) by FCM



#### Treatment

- washed RBC transfusion
- iron therapy
- allogenic bone marrow transplantation

Monoclonal antibody

