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Thrombocytopenia	

### **Thrombocytopenia**

- Definition
- · Classification
  - Primary thrombocytopenia-ITP-autoimmune, after virus or drugs-ages 2-6
  - Secondary thrombocytopenia-decreased production, increased detruction, abnormal pooling
- Pathophysiology
- · Clinical manifestations

# Thrombocytopenia Etiology

- · Decreased platelet production
- · Abnormal platelet pooling
- · Increased platelet destruction

# Hereditary Coagulation Disorders

- Classic hemophilia (Hemophilia A)-x linked recessive; factor VIII deficiency
- Hemophilia B (Christmas Disease)-x linked; factor IX deficiency
- Von Willebrand's disease-autosomal dominant; factor VIII deficiency and defective platelets
- Clinical manifestations vary with severity
  - Mild
  - Moderate
  - Severe

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# Acquired Coagulation Disorders

## Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation (D.I.C.)

- Definition-acquired bleeding disorder due to activation of clotting cascade within circulation
- Pathophysiologyextrinsic path activation due to endothelial damage activates intrinsic path; systemic clotting followed by diffuse fibrinolysis –consumes coagulation factors
- Clinical manifestations-microcirculation microthrombi, systemic bleeding, acrocyanosis, hemolytic anemia

## Conditions Associated with DIC

- · Obstetric conditions
- Shock
- Malignancies
- Trauma
- Infections
- Surgery
- Hematologic conditions

### Drugs Which May Decrease Hemostasis

- Those interfering with platelet production or function
  - E.g. alcohol, colchicine, aspirin and salicylates, heparin, lidocaine, NSAIDs, theophylline, etc.t
- Those interfering with clotting factors
  - E.g. coumadin, heparin, amiodarone, thyroid meds, anabolic steroids
- Those decreasing Vitamin K levels
  - E.g. antibiotics, clofibrate