## **Clotpro case 2**

- 27 year old male helicopter medivac after high-speed MBA versus car.
- Fluid resuscitation at scene (+1gm TXA) and ventilated with HI, chest and pelvic injuries.
- Unstable during transport and further resuscitation with blood and fibrinogen.
- Blood sample drawn for coagulation panel testing by Clotpro

FIB-test			EX-test			IN-test			TPA-test		
CT A5 A10	70s 6mm 7mm	<ul> <li>▶ 55-87</li> <li>▶ 6-21</li> <li>▶ 7-23</li> </ul>	CT A5 A10	59s 40mm 48mm	<ul> <li>▶ 38-65</li> <li>▶ 39-58</li> <li>▶ 47-64</li> </ul>	CT A5 A10	159s 38mm 47mm	<ul> <li>▶ 139-187</li> <li>▶ 32-53</li> <li>▶ 41-61</li> </ul>	СТ А5 А10	39s 40mm 48mm	▶ 30-59
MCF	9mm	▼ 9-27	MCF	53mm	▼ 53-68	MCF ML	5²ՠ 1%	► 49-65 ► 1-11	MCF	52mm	▲ 21-43
									ML	2%	<b>v</b> 92-100



## Interpretation

Step 1: FIB-test A5 is 6mm, this is a significantly low fibrinogen result given the injuries, especially after receiving prehospital fibrinogen.

Consider what you would order in your institution. If your hospital uses "Adult Dose of cryoprecipitate" you would order at least 1 adult dose. In Australia this is usually 1 x10 WB cryo or 1x 5 apheresis cryo. Alternatively 4g fibrinogen concentrate would also be reasonable. What is important, a follow up retest 10 mins after infusion of your nominated dose to track progress.

Step 2/3: Thrombin generation and platelets, the EX-test results are normal (CT 59 sec and A5 40mm) therefore no apparent deficiency of coagulation factors or platelets. These values should be reassessed after further fibrinogen and fluid resuscitation.

Step 4 : Clot stability, Hyperfibrinolysis can be a problem in severe trauma.

In this case the patient was given pre-hospital Tranexamic Acid (TXA) that works by blocking the lysine binding sites on plasminogen.

The Clotpro is the only viscoelastic analyser that can detect the presence of TXA.

The evidence of TXA is shown by the missing Lysis Time (LT) in the TPA-test .

The TPA-test is an extrinsic based assay with 650 ng/ml of rTPA added. In a normal patient the LT is < 411 sec but in this case the TXA has completely blocked the rTPA contained in the reagent.

Other physiological reasons for this result without the presence of TXA, is in sepsis (SIC) where abnormal levels of PAI1 driven by proinflammatory cytokines, block the rTPA in the test – resulting in hypo-fibrinolysis.

