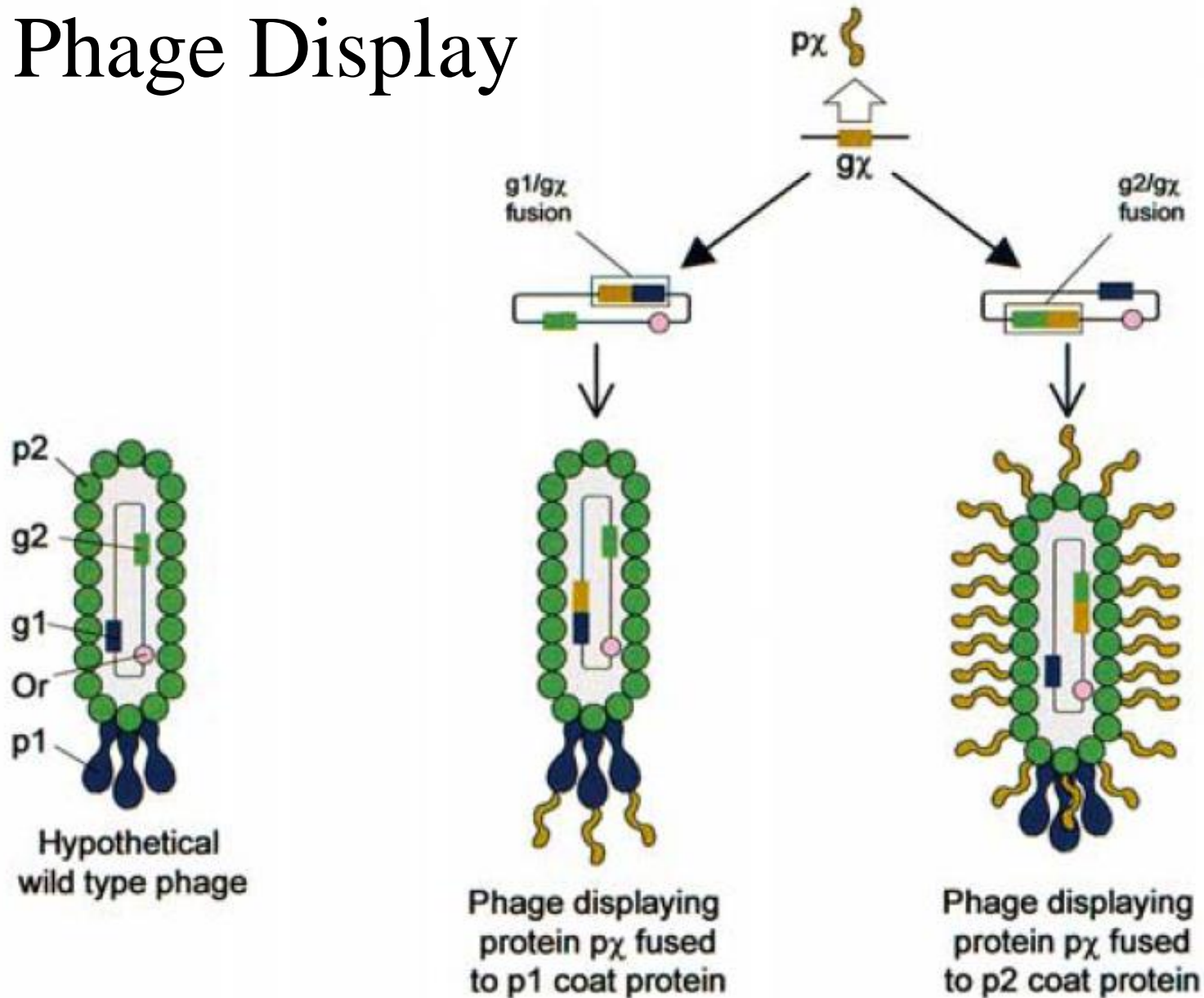
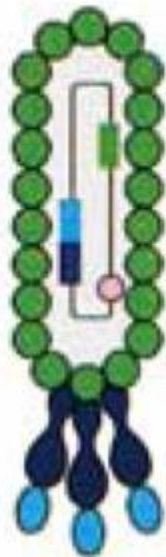


Phage Display



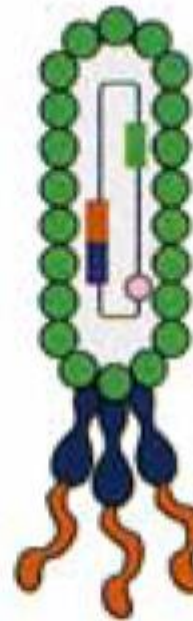
Phage Display



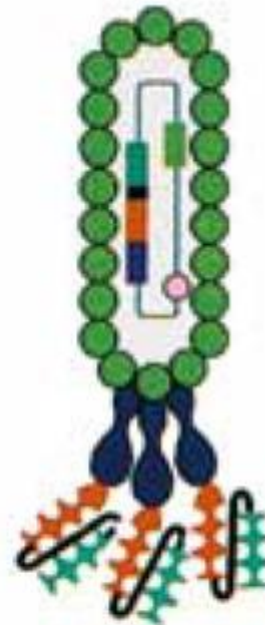
Natural peptides



Synthetic random peptides

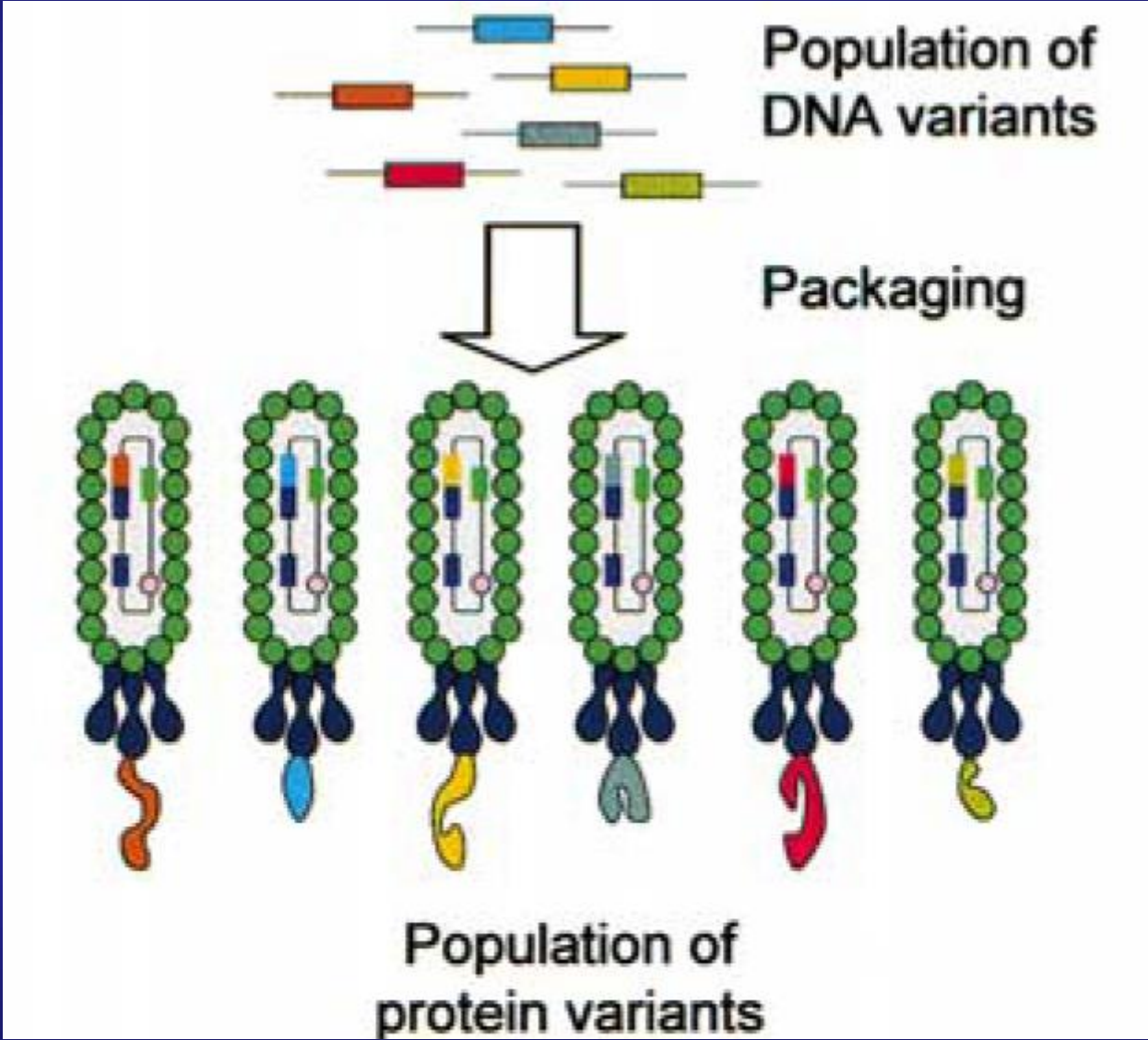


Protein domains & whole proteins

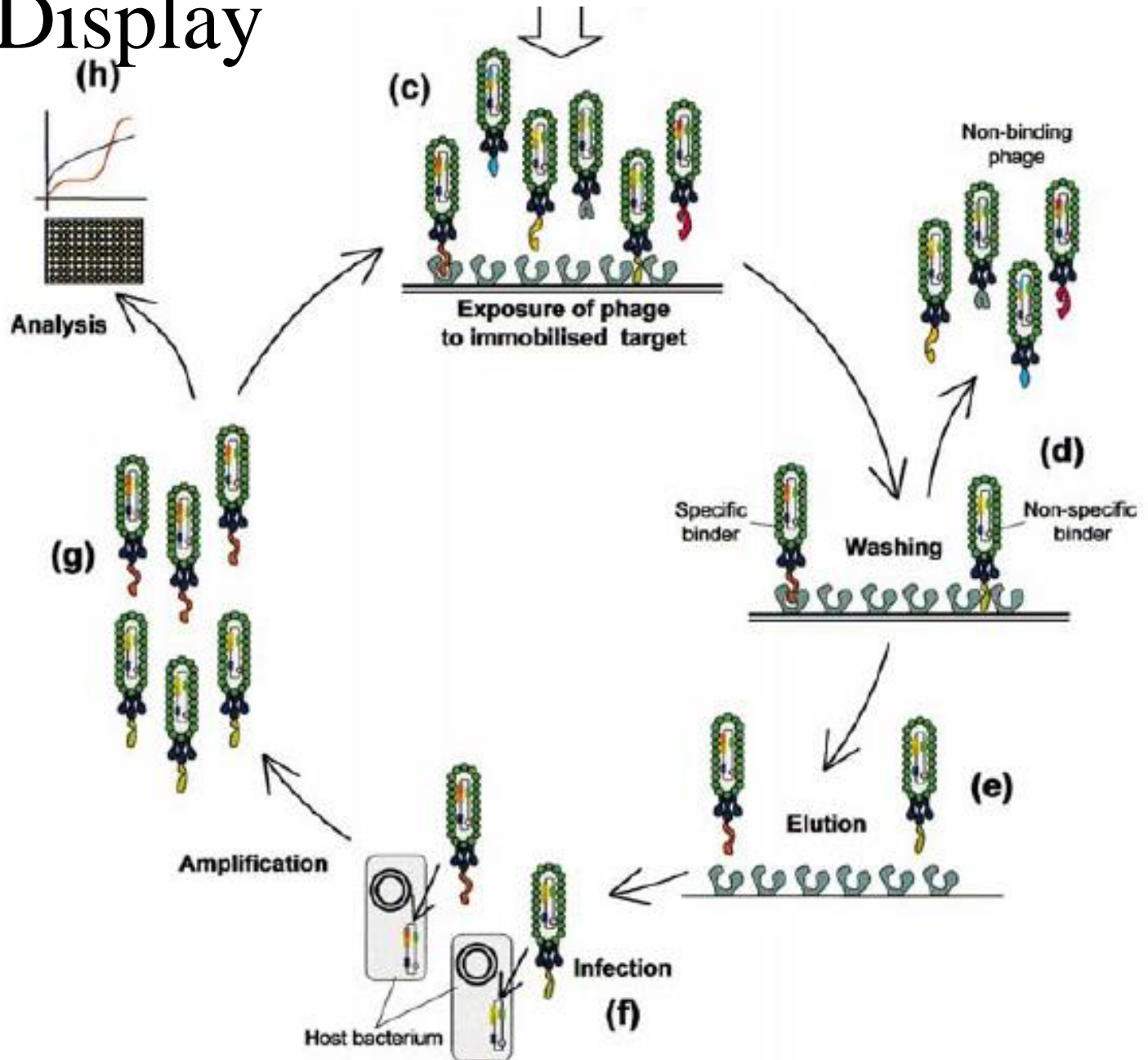


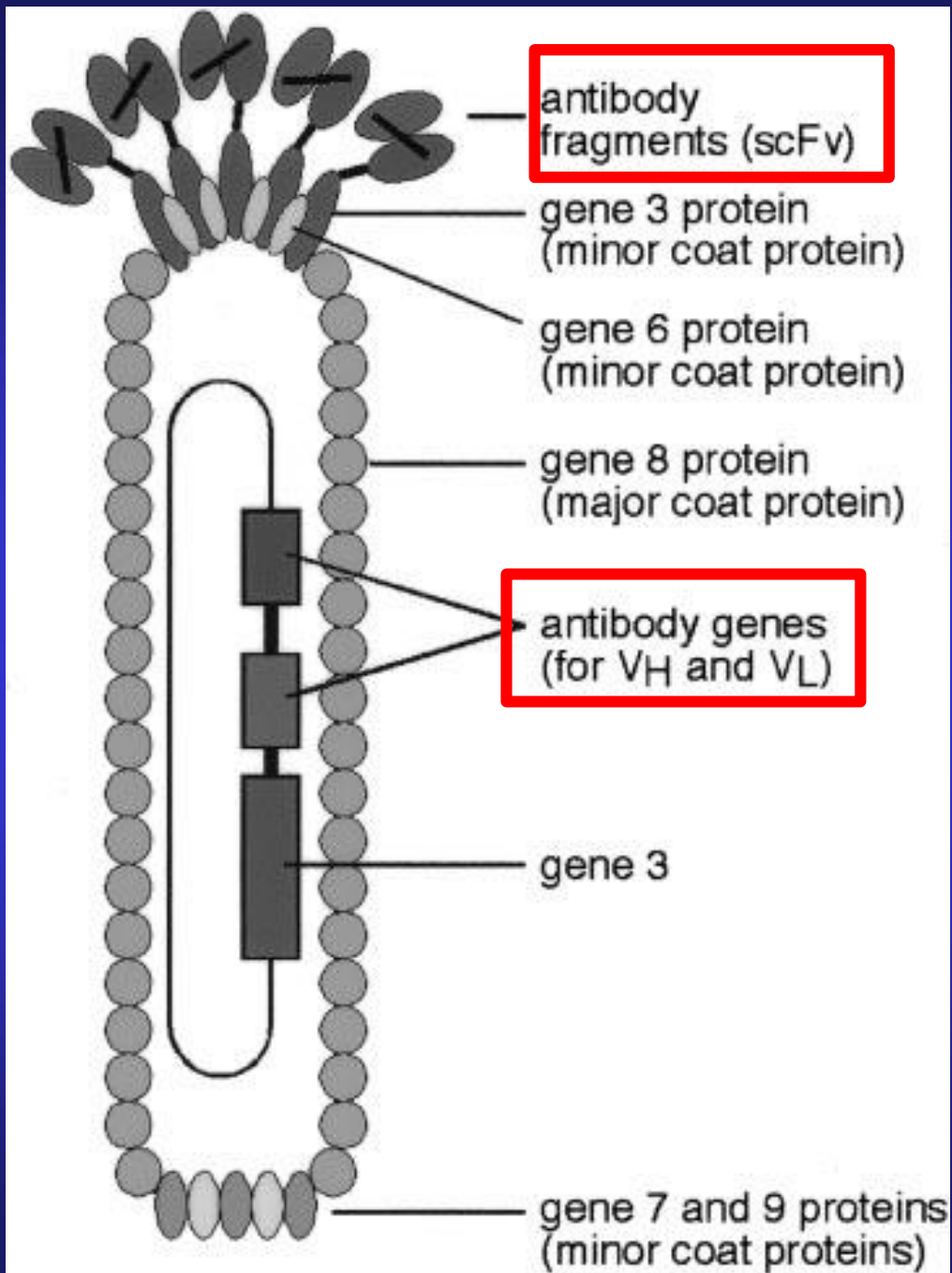
Antibody fragments

Phage Display



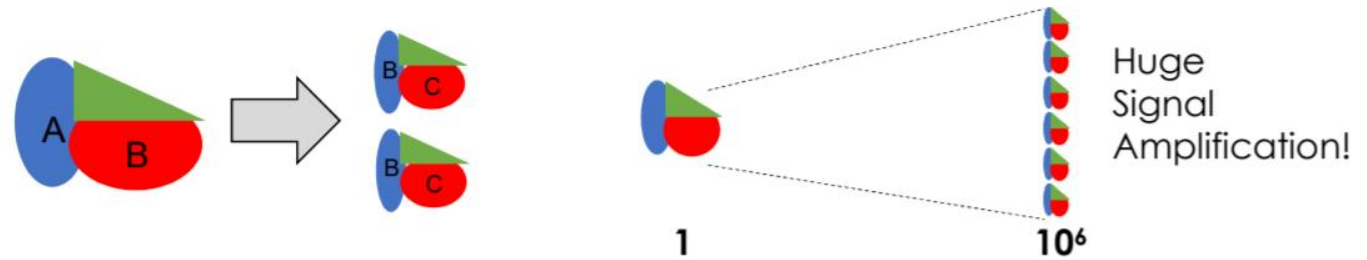
Phage Display





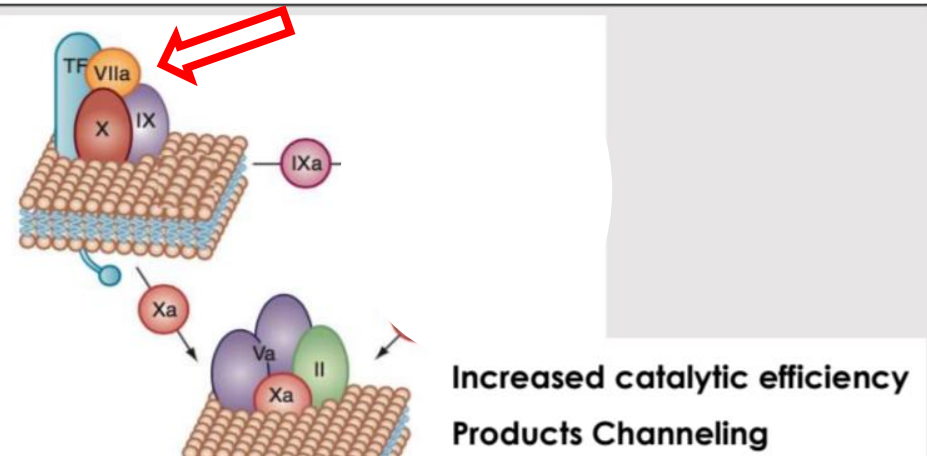
The cascade organization

Consequential enzymatic conversions of zymogens to activated enzymes



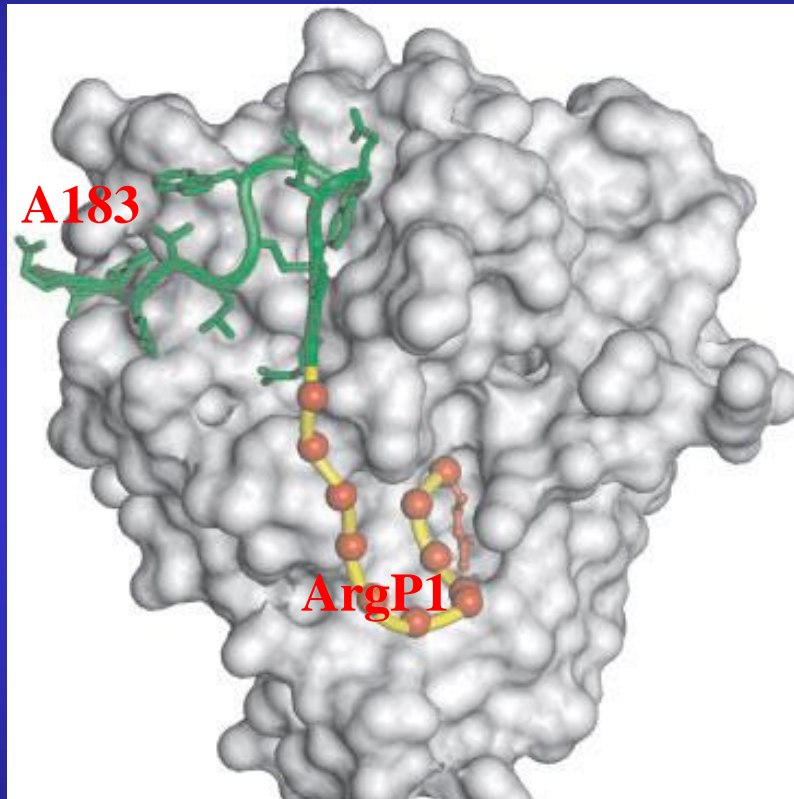
It takes place on **macromolecular complex**:

Complex name	Enzyme (active)	Cofactor	Substrate (zymogen)	Catalytic Efficiency
Extrinsic Tenase	FVIIa	TF	FX	$>15 \times 10^6$



Model of FVIIa protease domain with A-183 inhibitor

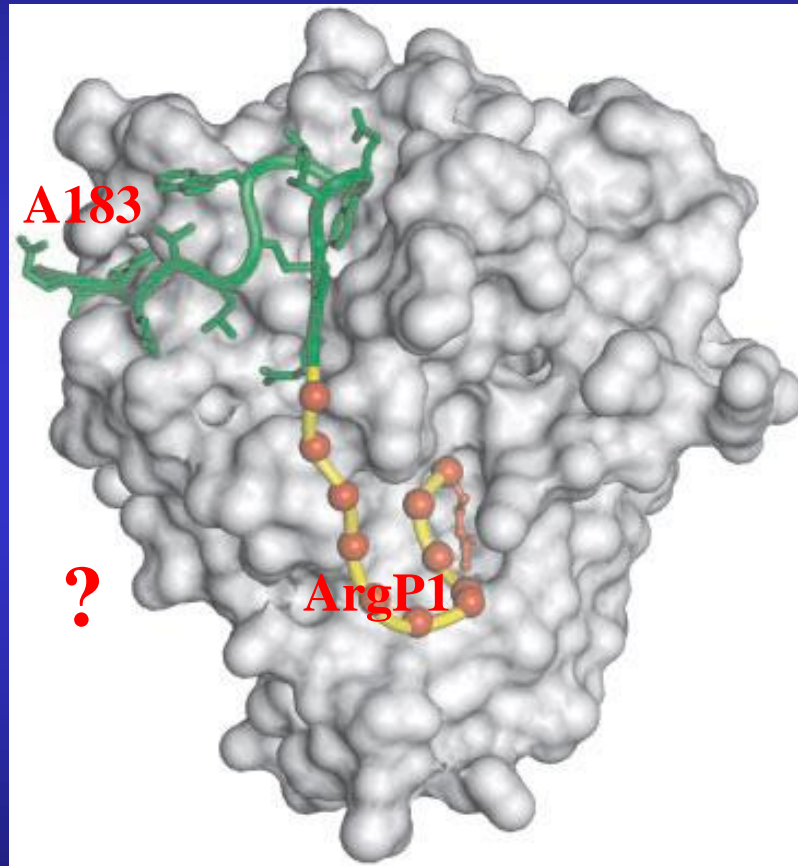
**A183, 15mer,
EEWEVLCWTWETCER
exosite interactions**



A-183 potent inhibitor of TF-FVIIa - inhibition was incomplete. At saturating concentrations A-183 showed a maximal extent of inhibition of FX activation of 78%

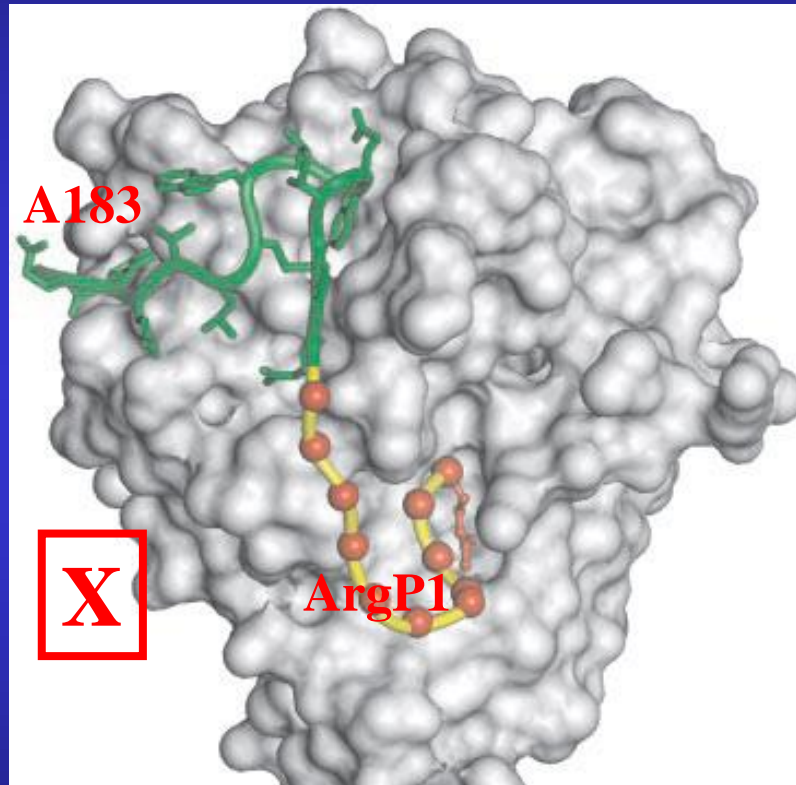
Model of FVIIa protease domain with A-183 + extension peptide X ?

**A183, 15mer,
EEWEVLCWTWETCER**
exosite interactions
+ active site
interactions
steric hindrance
with the substrate



Model of FVIIa protease domain with A-183 + extension peptide X ?

**A chimeric peptide with
a high degree of
specificity and potency**



- + exosite interaction
- + greater steric hindrance in the substrate binding cleft
- + higher affinity due to a more extensive binding surface

determinanti di specificità di proteasi

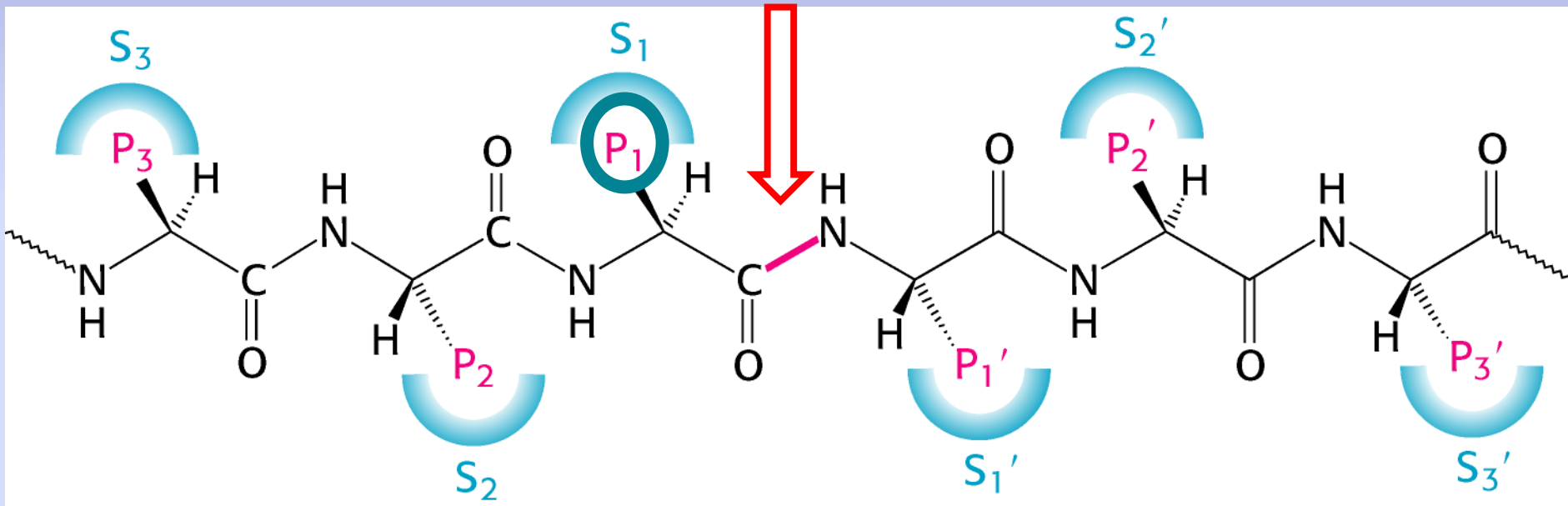
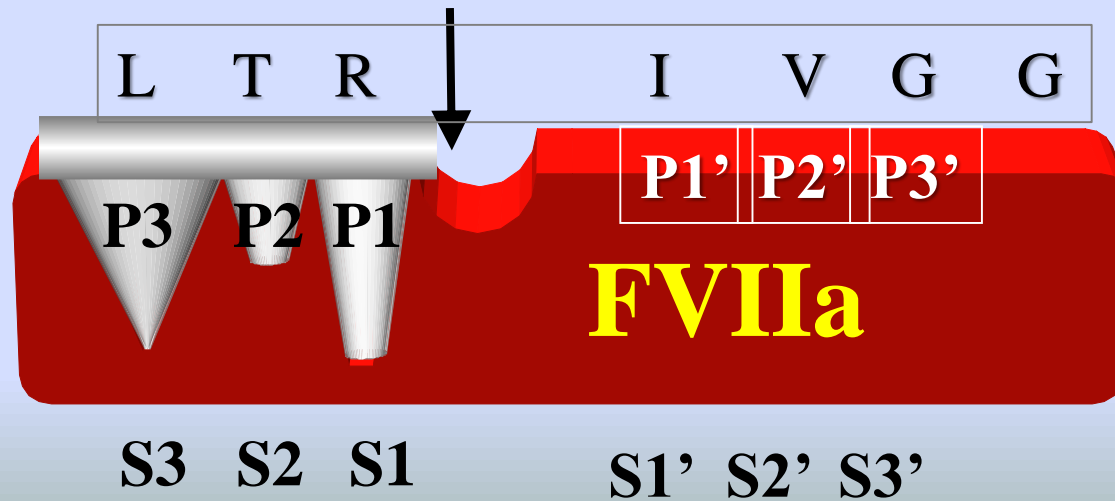


Table 1 Sites of cleavage in the human vitamin K-dependent zymogens*

Enzyme	Substrate†	P ₄	P ₃	P ₂	P ₁	↓	P ₁ '	P ₂ '	P ₃ '	P ₄ '
Xa/Va	II	I	E	G	R		T	A	T	S
	II ₍₁₅₋₁₆₎	I	D	G	R		I	V	E	G
VIIa/TF, IXa/VIIIa	X ₍₁₅₋₁₆₎	N	L	T	R		I	V	G	G
VIIa/TF, XIa	IX	K	L	T	R		A	E	A	V
	IX ₍₁₅₋₁₆₎	D	F	T	R		V	V	G	G
VIIa/TF, Xa	VII ₍₁₅₋₁₆₎	P	Q	G	R		I	V	G	G
IIa/IM	PC ₍₁₅₋₁₆₎	V	D	P	R		L	I	D	G



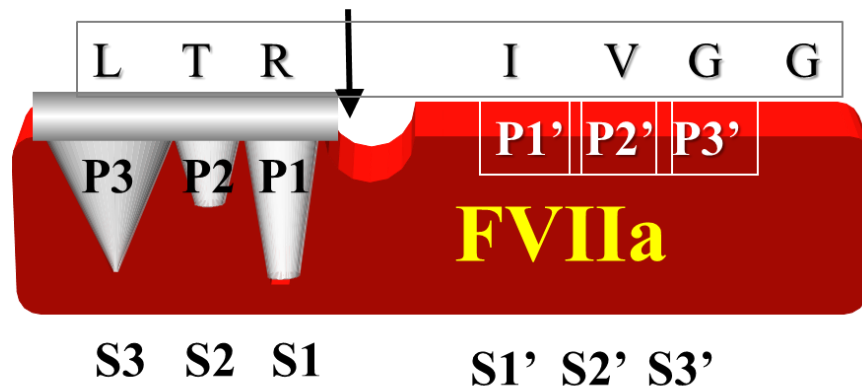
Library A designed to determine the length and sequence of the extension to reach into **the active site**

Inhibitors of Factor VIIa

Library	Position Anchor	Linker library positions														Spacer	Phage coat protein
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16			
A	A-183	X	X	X	X	X [?]	X	X	X	a	N L T R I V G G				protease resistant spacer	p3	

EEWEVLCWTWETCER

a = S, N, K, R;



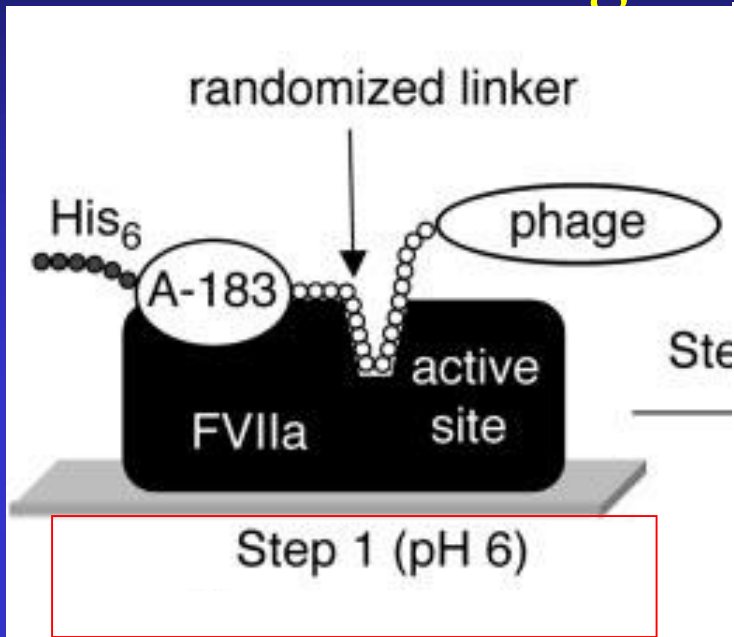
Library **A-D** designed to determine the length and sequence of the extension to reach into **the active site**

Inhibitors of Factor VIIa

Library	Position	Anchor	Linker library positions													Spacer	Phage coat protein				
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16						
A			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	a	N	L	T	R	I	V	G	G	-	protease resistant spacer	p3
B		A-183	X	X	X	X	?	X	X	X	b	L	T	R	I	V	G	G	-		
C			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	c	T	R	I	V	G	G	-	-			
D			G	G	S	G	G	S	G	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	G	G	-		

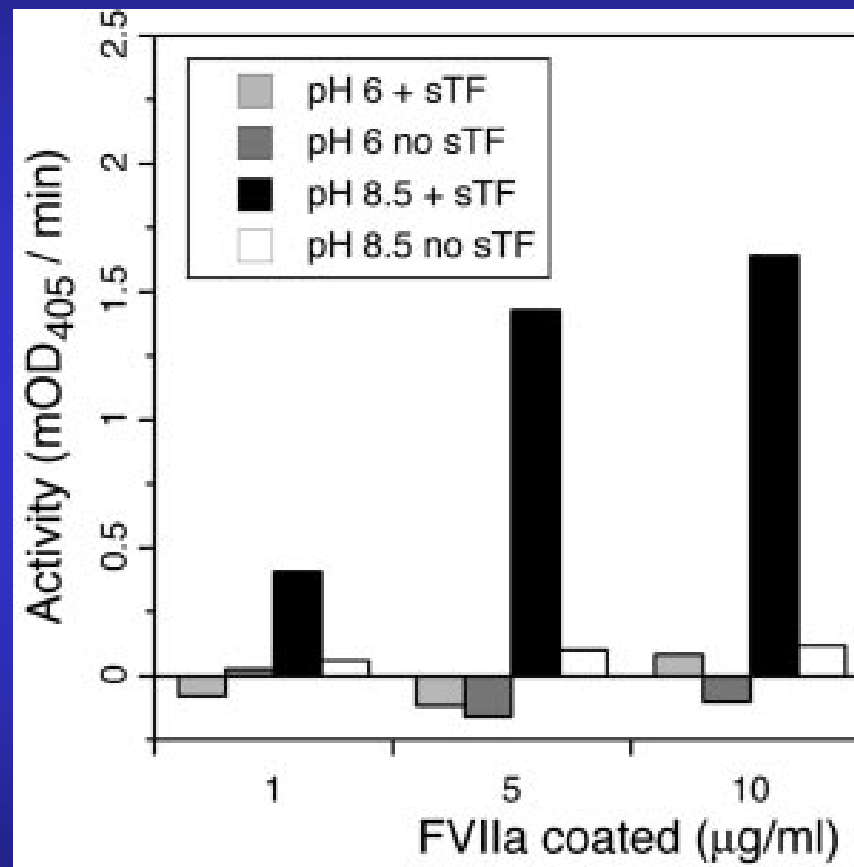
a = S, N, K, R; b = N, K; c = L, Q

Peptide Inhibitors of Factor VIIa: Phage binding

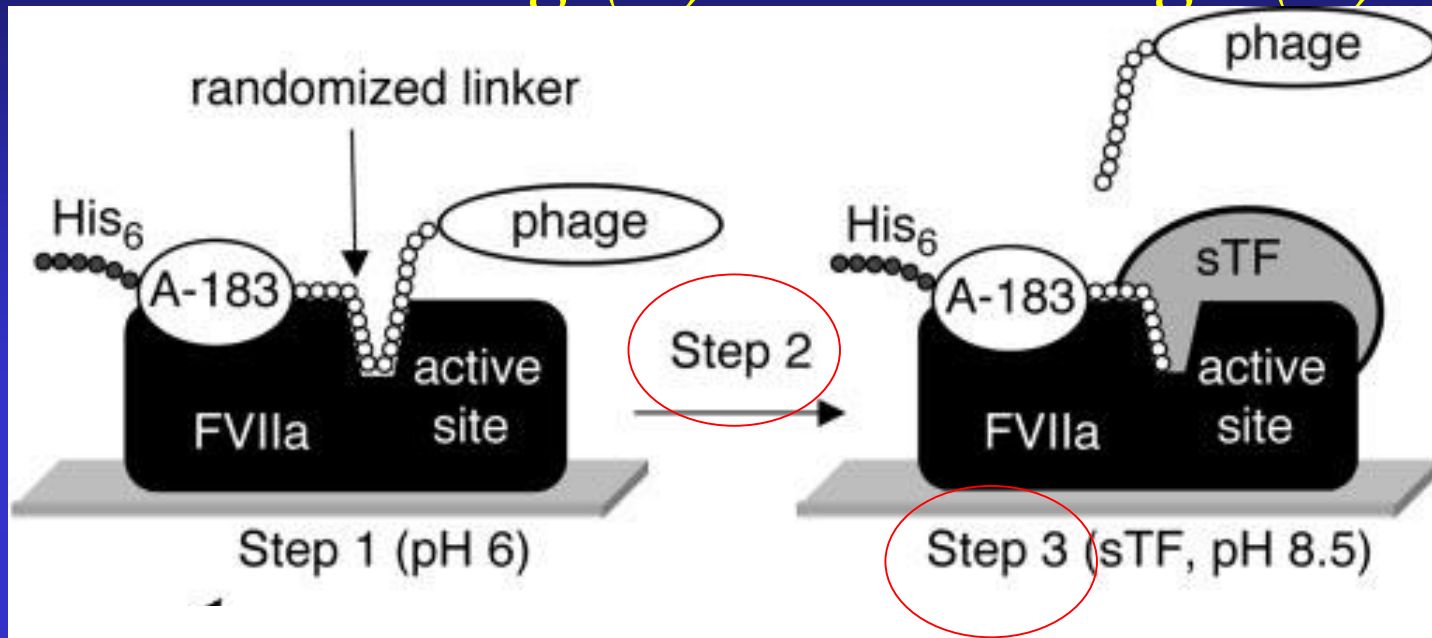


Unbound phage were removed by repetitive washing with binding buffer (step 2).

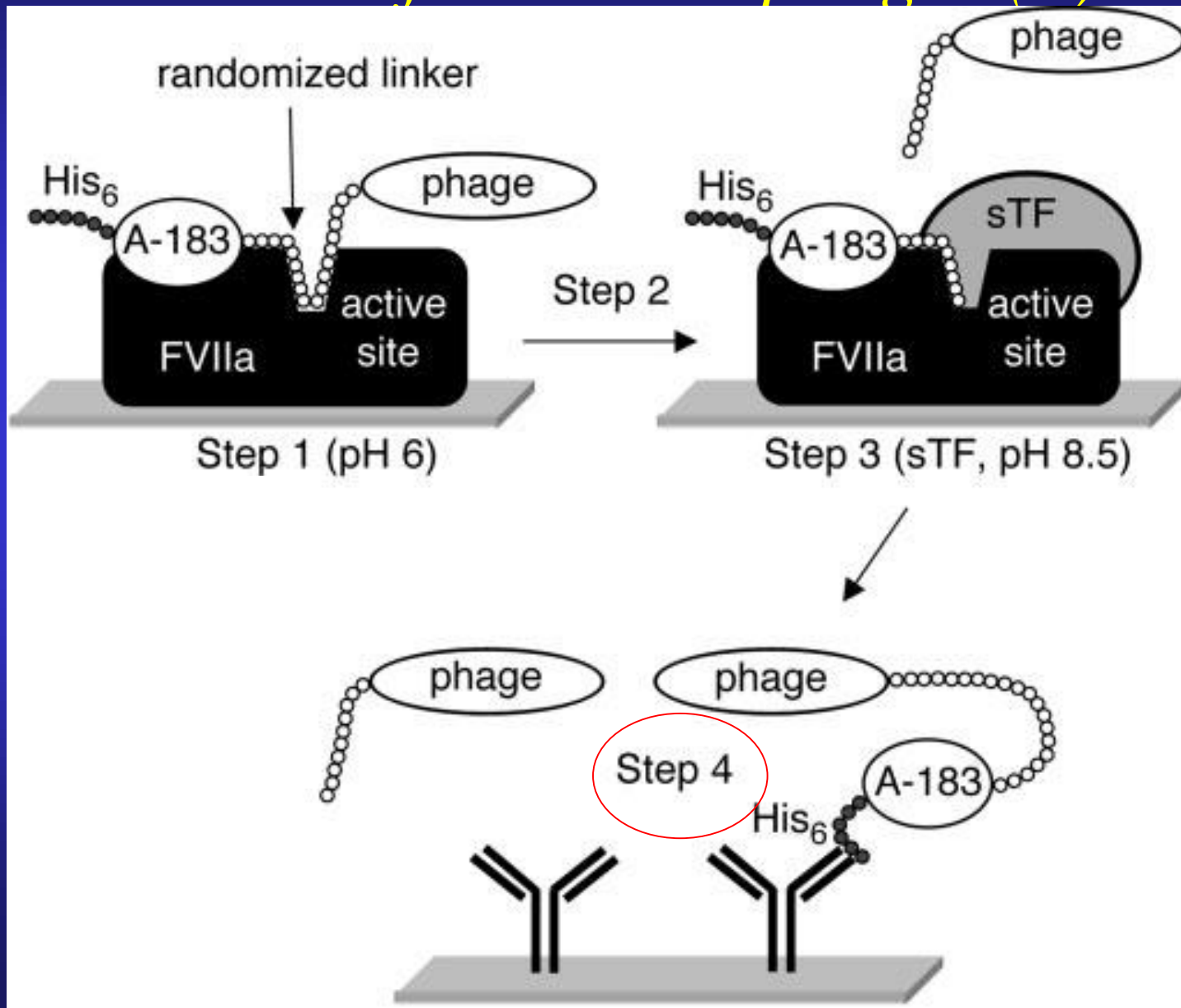
FVIIa Cleavage conditions



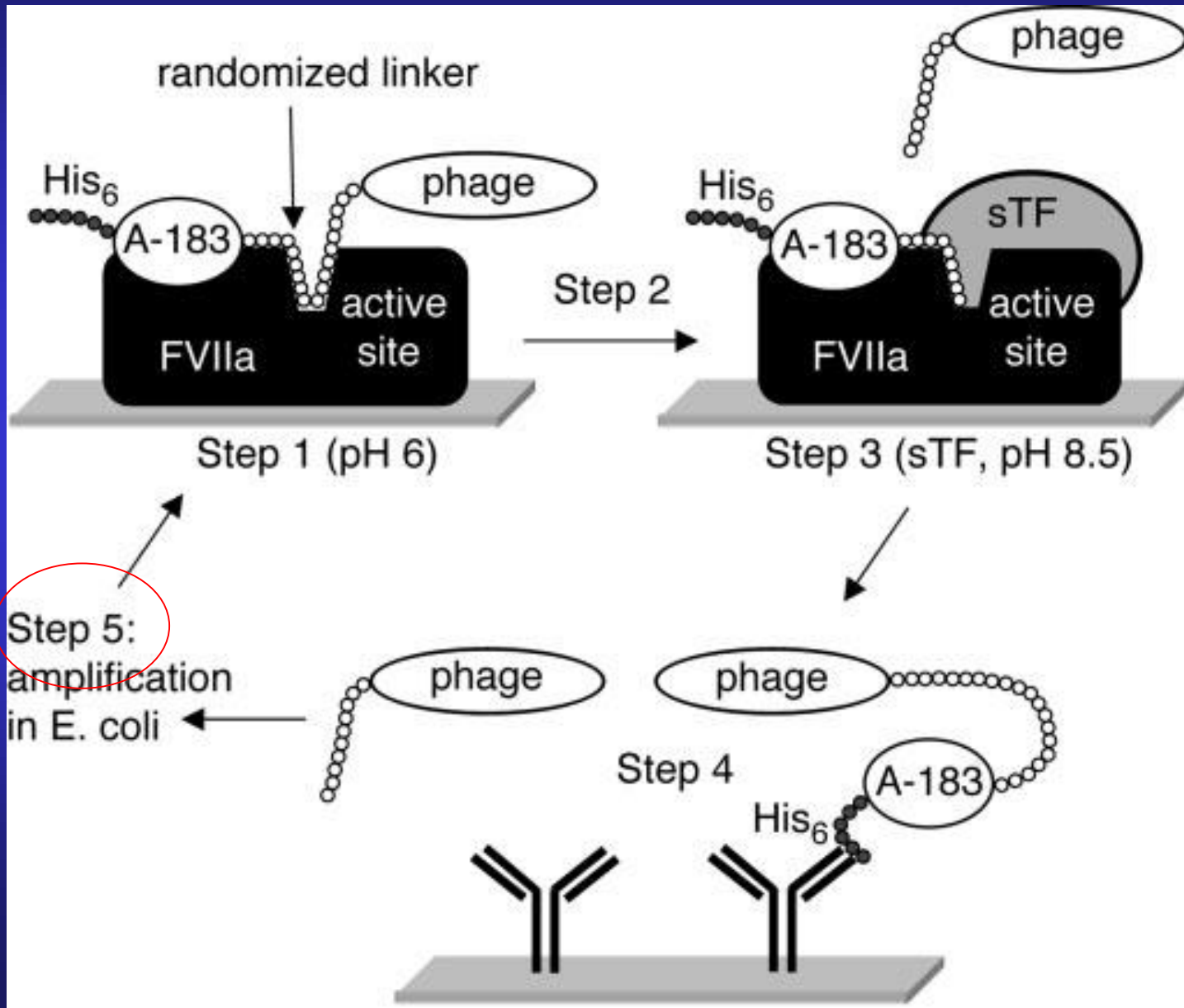
Peptide Inhibitors of Factor VIIa: washing (2) and cleavage (3)



Peptide Inhibitors of Factor VIIa: removal of unbound phages (4)



*Peptide Inhibitors of Factor VIIa:
propagation of selected phages and new rounds (5)*



A 183 X - sequence of the extension

Inhibitors of Factor VIIa

Library	Position Anchor	Linker library positions														Spacer	Phage coat protein			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16						
A	A-183	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	a	N	L	T	R	I	V	G	G	-	protease resistant spacer	p3
B		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	b	L	T	R	I	V	G	G	-			
C		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	c	T	R	I	V	G	G	-	-			
D		G	G	S	G	G	S	G	X	X	X	X	X	X	G	G	-			
		G E G V E E E L W E W R																		
		A 183 X																		
		a = S, N, K, R; b = N, K; c = L Q																		

Inhibition of TF-dependent FX activation

**A-183X was a potent and complete inhibitor of FX activation
maximal extent of inhibition of 99% with an IC50 of 230 pM**

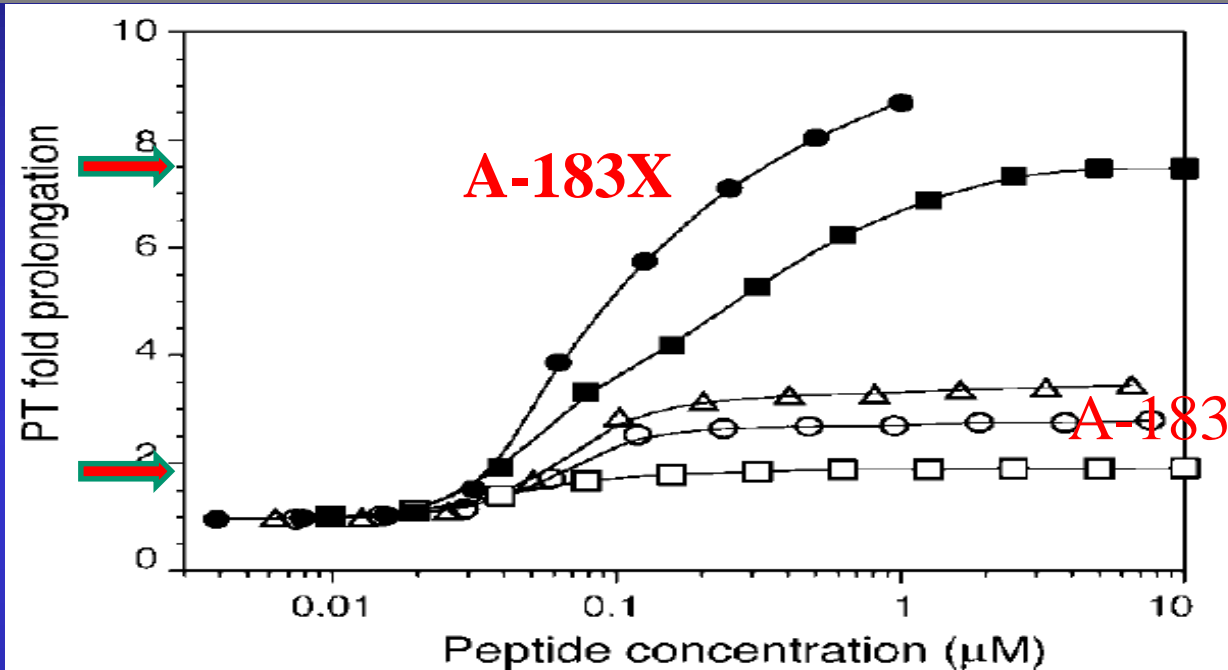
A-183

74%

IC50 of 1.5 nM

Prolongation of TF-dependent clotting times

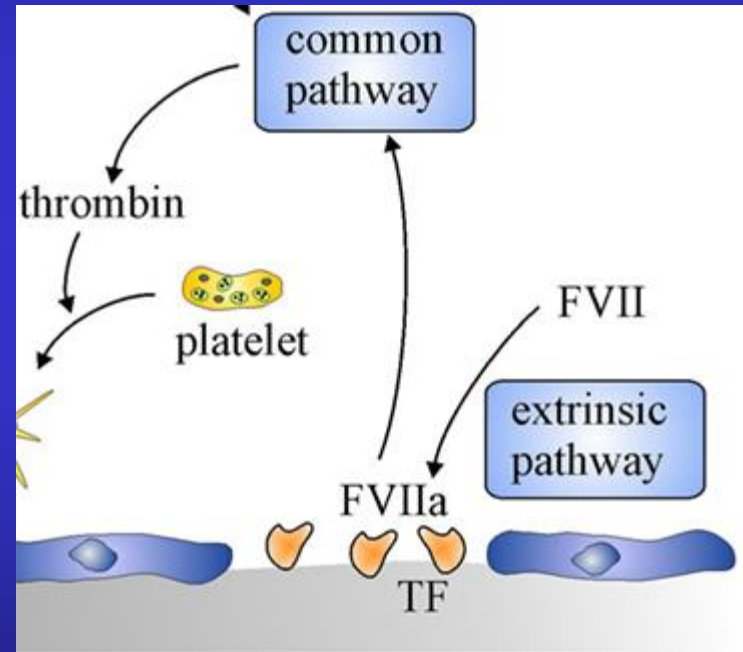
A-183X is a more effective anticoagulant



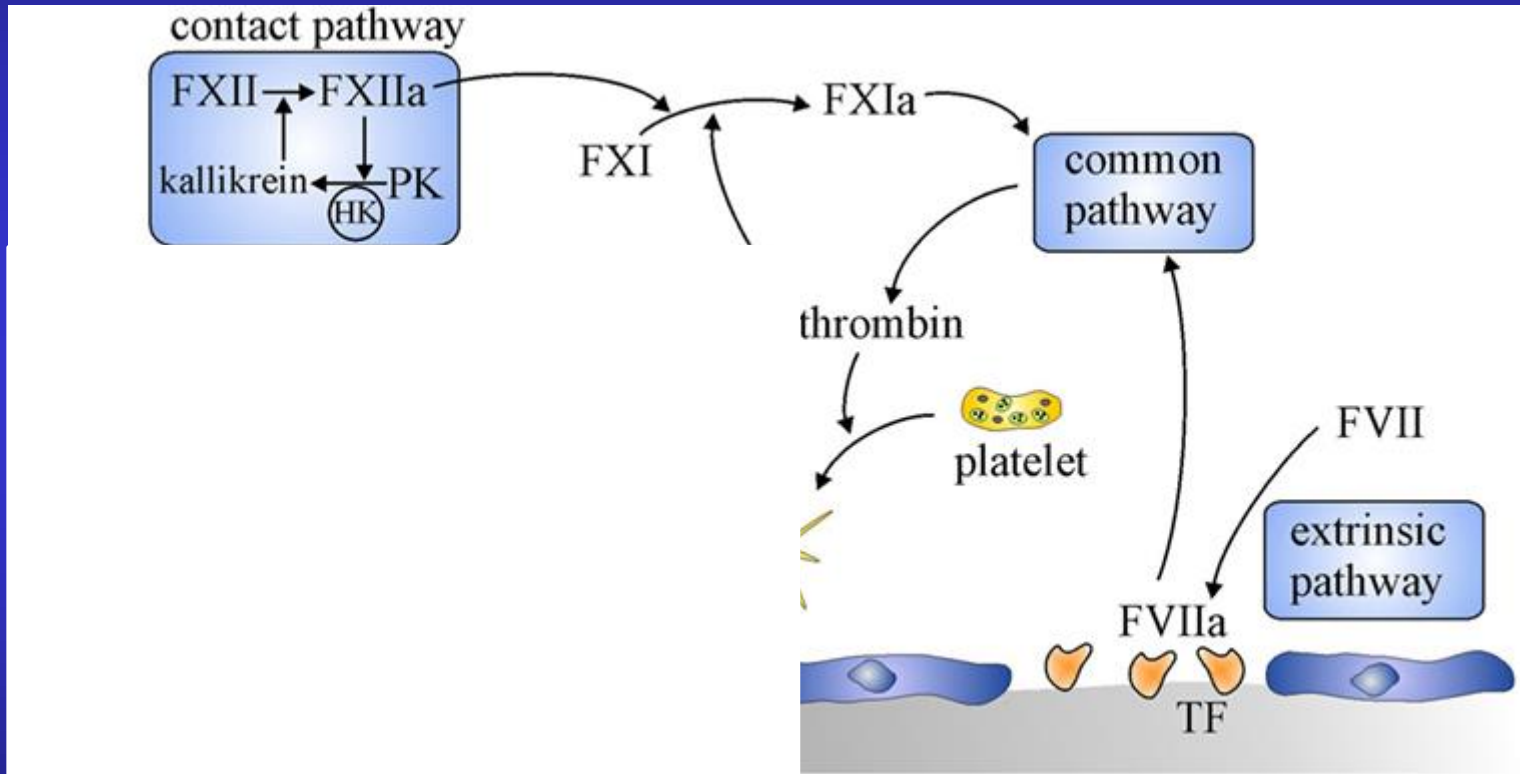
A-183X had a maximal prolongation of the prothrombin time of 7.6 fold
A-183 1.9- fold

II Modello Phage Display

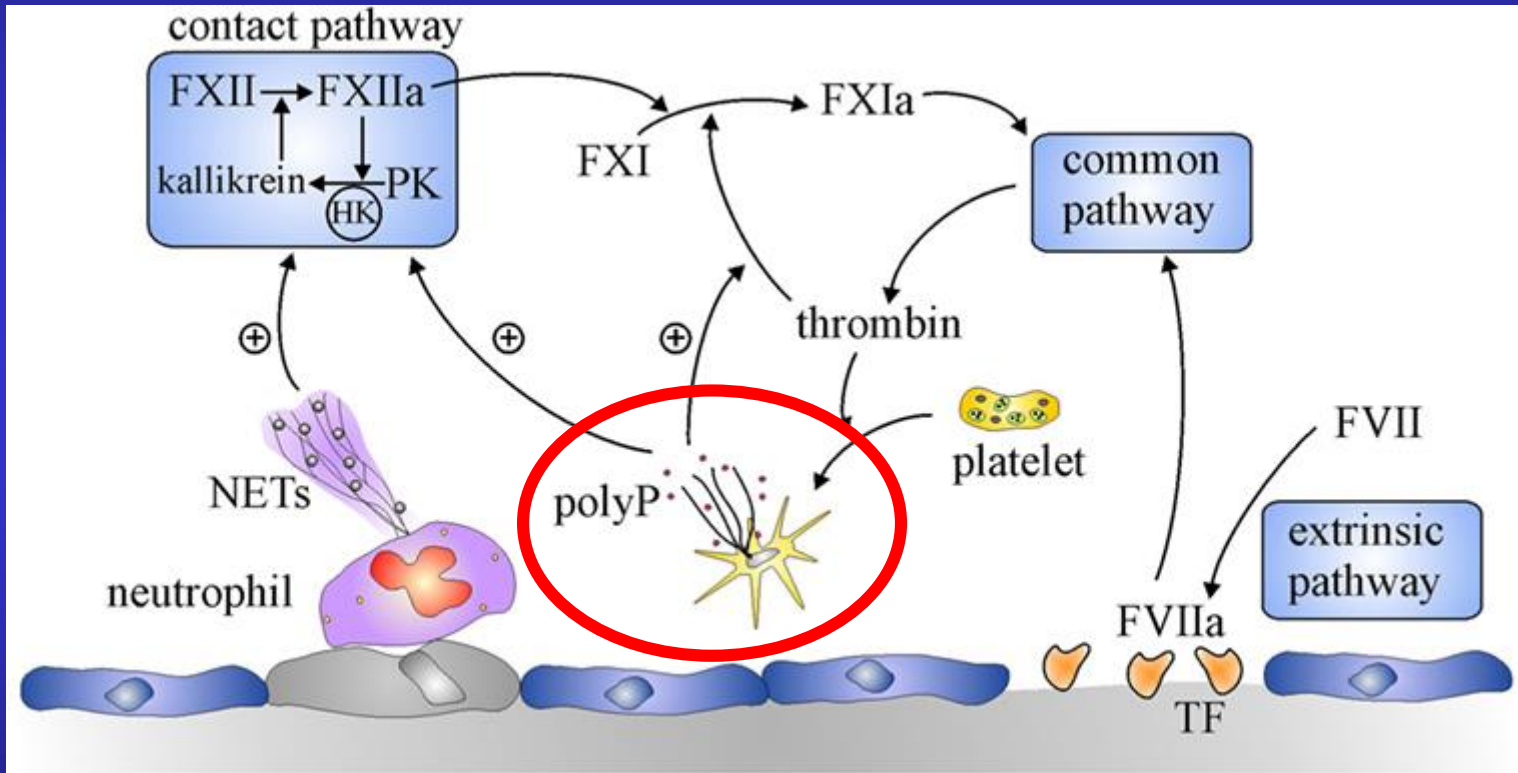
Coagulazione iniziata da Tissue Factor (TF)



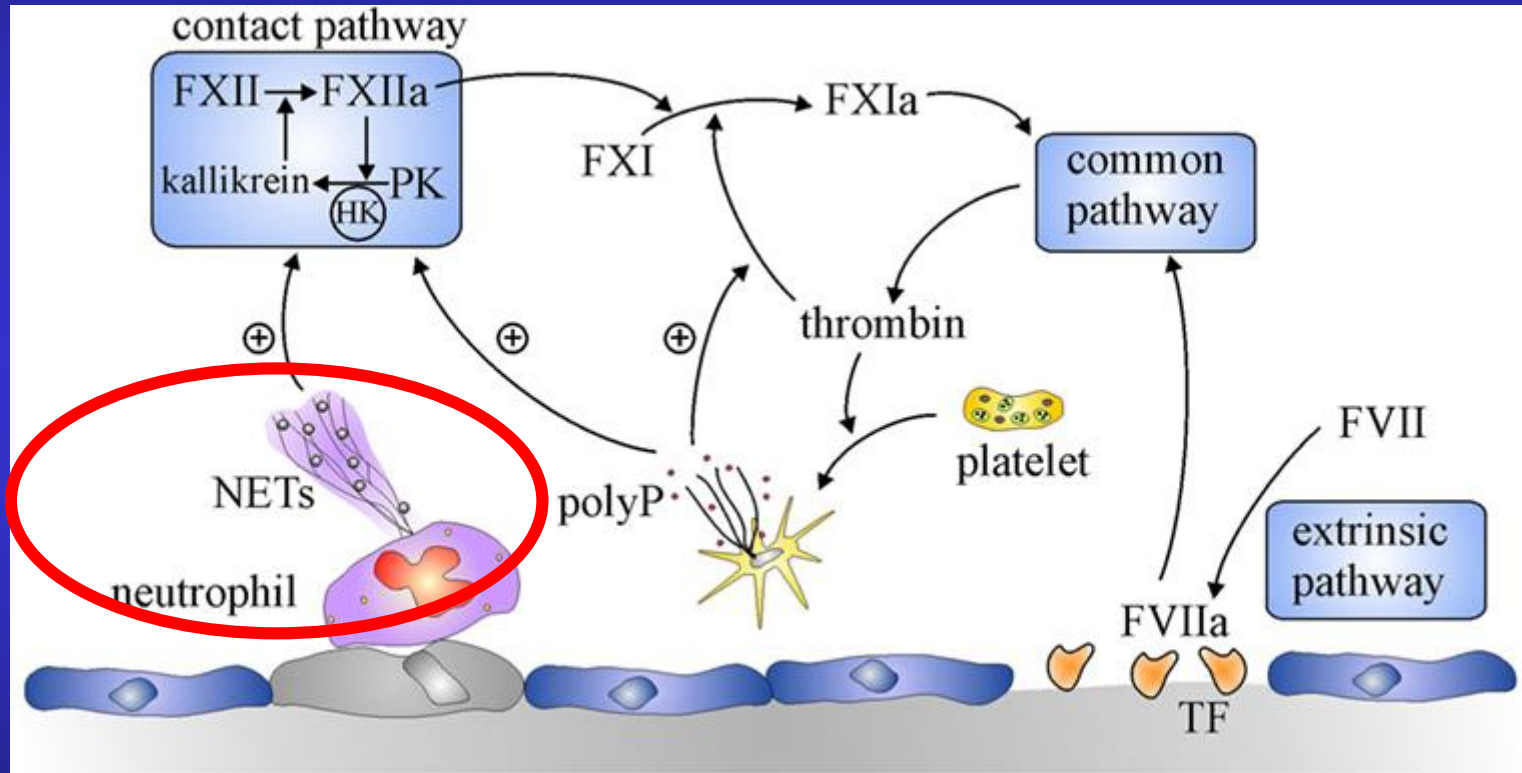
...e potenziata dalla via di contatto



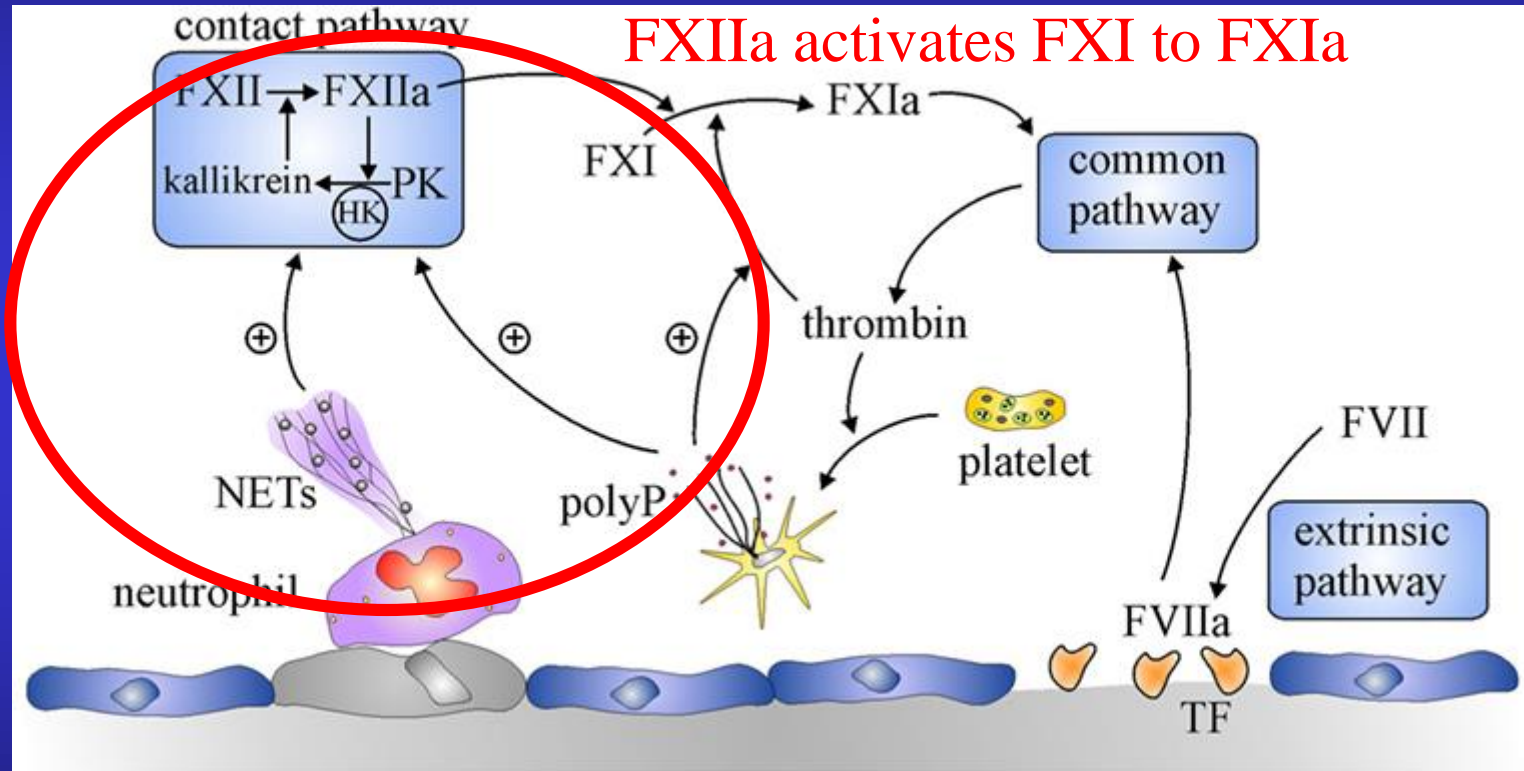
additional activation of coagulation occurs when thrombin-activated platelets release polyphosphate (polyP)



...and activated neutrophils extrude DNA and histones to form neutrophil extracellular traps (NETs)

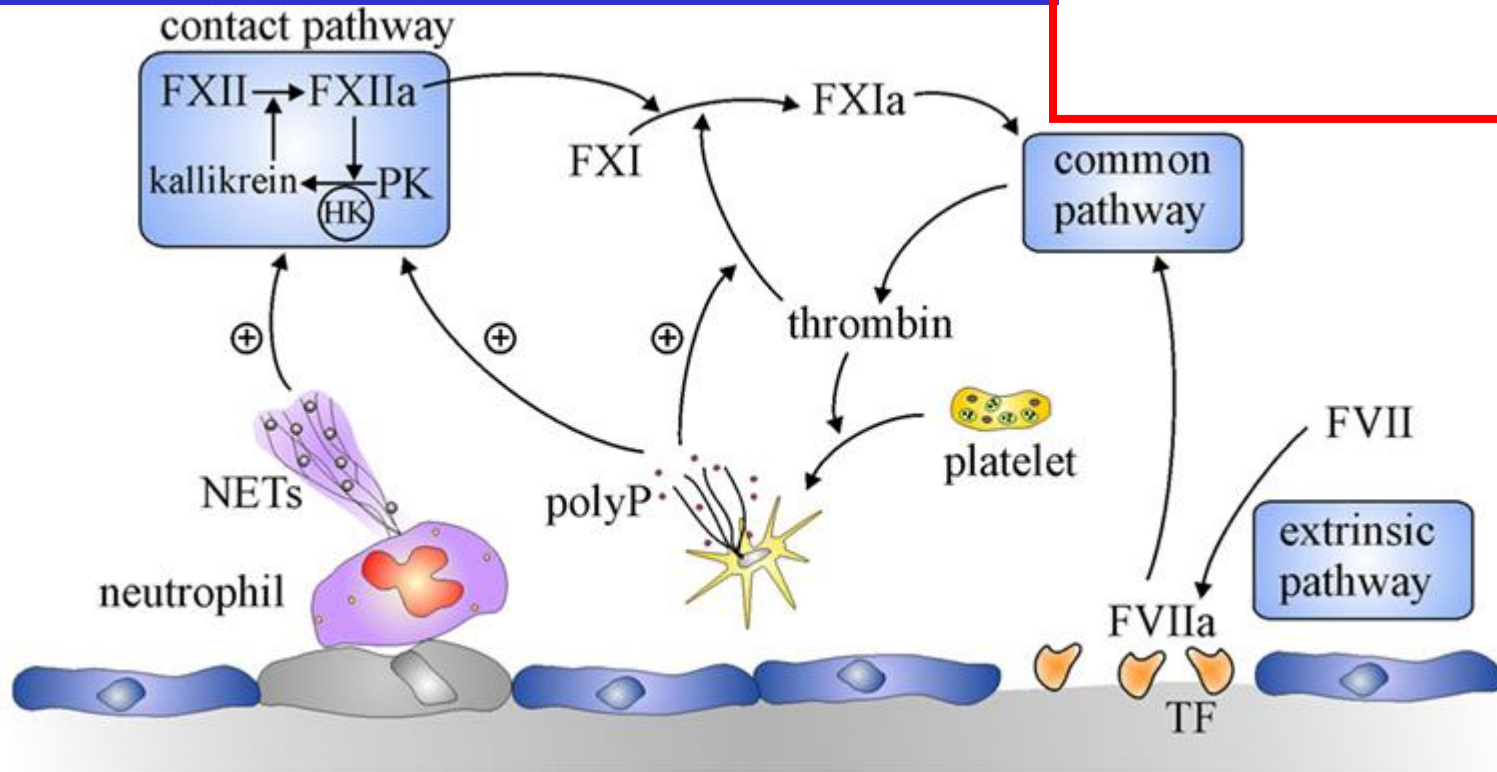
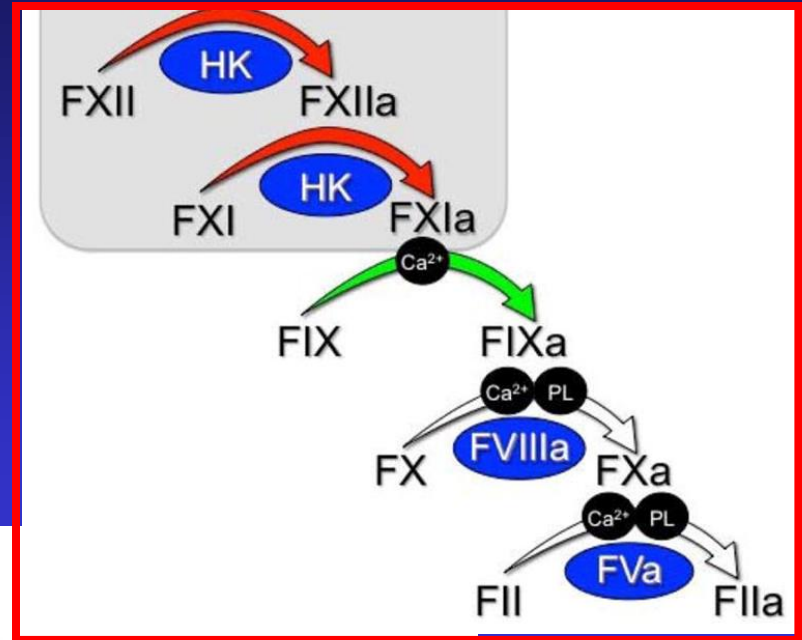


NETs and polyP activate the contact pathway

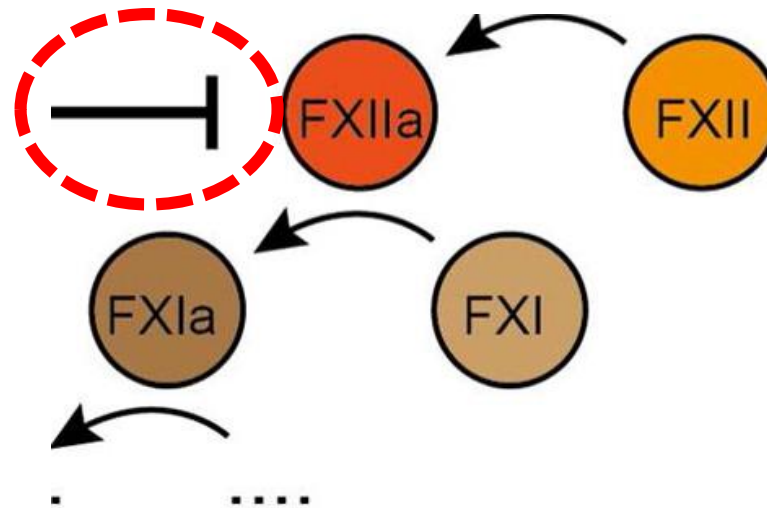


FXII and prekallikrein (PK) reciprocally activate each other to generate FXIIa and kallikrein, respectively

Coagulazione potenziata dalla via di contatto



Inibitori del FXII come antitrombotici

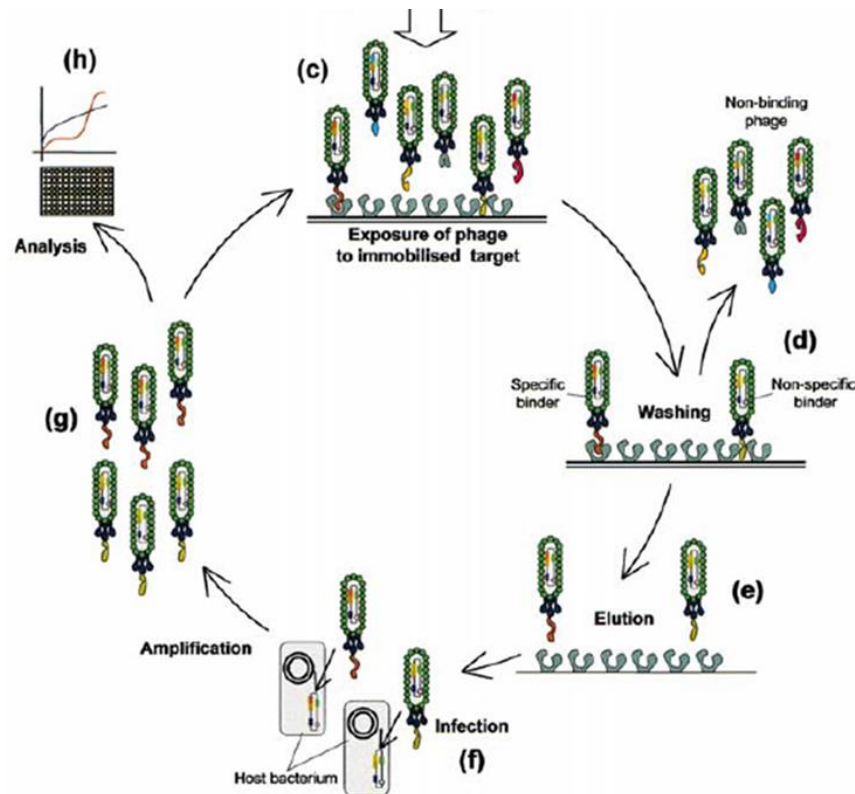
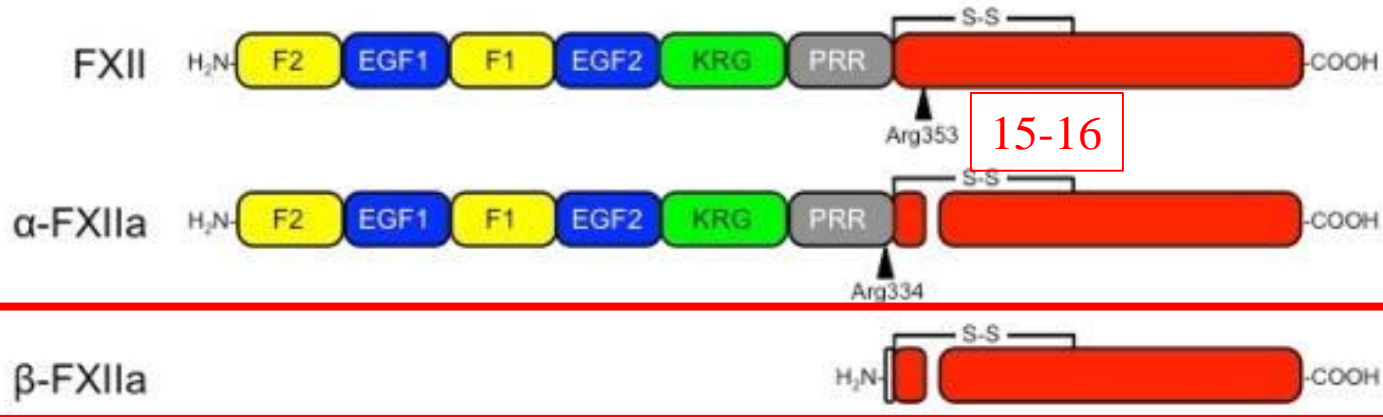


Using phage display combined to rational design, we developed a potent inhibitor of FXII with more than 100-fold selectivity over related proteases.

II Modello Phage Display

- Con modificazione chimica e ciclizzazione dei peptidi esposti

Three rounds of phage panning against β -FXIIa



Peptide sequences isolated after three rounds of phage panning against β -FXIIa

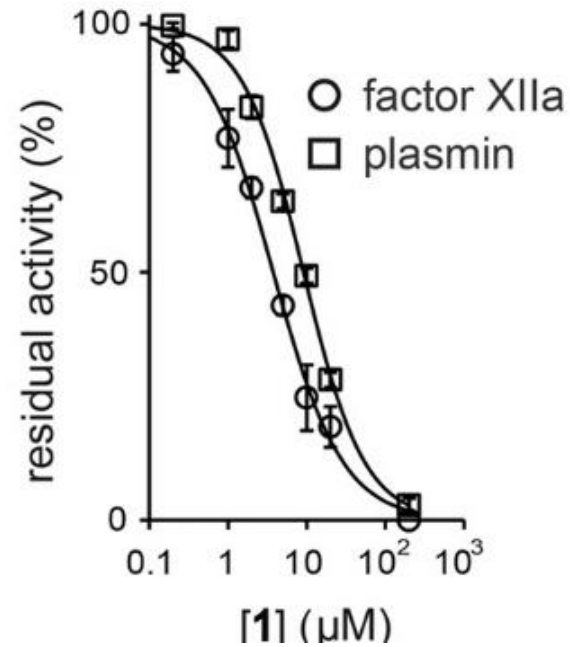
peptide:	sequence:	abundance:	K_i for FXIIa (μ M):
FXII301	A C D A R P C P Q T Y C L	28	20.5 +/- 5.2
FXII302	Q C N A R P C P S S Y C R	2	4.7 +/- 1.5
FXII303	G C M G R P C P V S Y C E	2	5.0 +/- 1.3
FXII304 (1)	S C G G R P C P P A Y C K	22	3.1 +/- 0.5
FXII305	G C L G R P C P M A Y C S	13	5.0 +/- 1.5
FXII306	G C W A R P C P L A L C Q	1	10.2 +/- 4.6
FXII307	G C A A R P C P L T A C W	1	33.5 +/- 5.9
FXII308	G C H G R P C P L Q Y C K	1	11.2 +/- 4.4
FXII309	R C Y A N P C P I S Y C R	1	
FXII310	S C S G R R C P P S Y C K	1	7.8 +/- 3.2

Development of a peptide inhibitor of FXII.

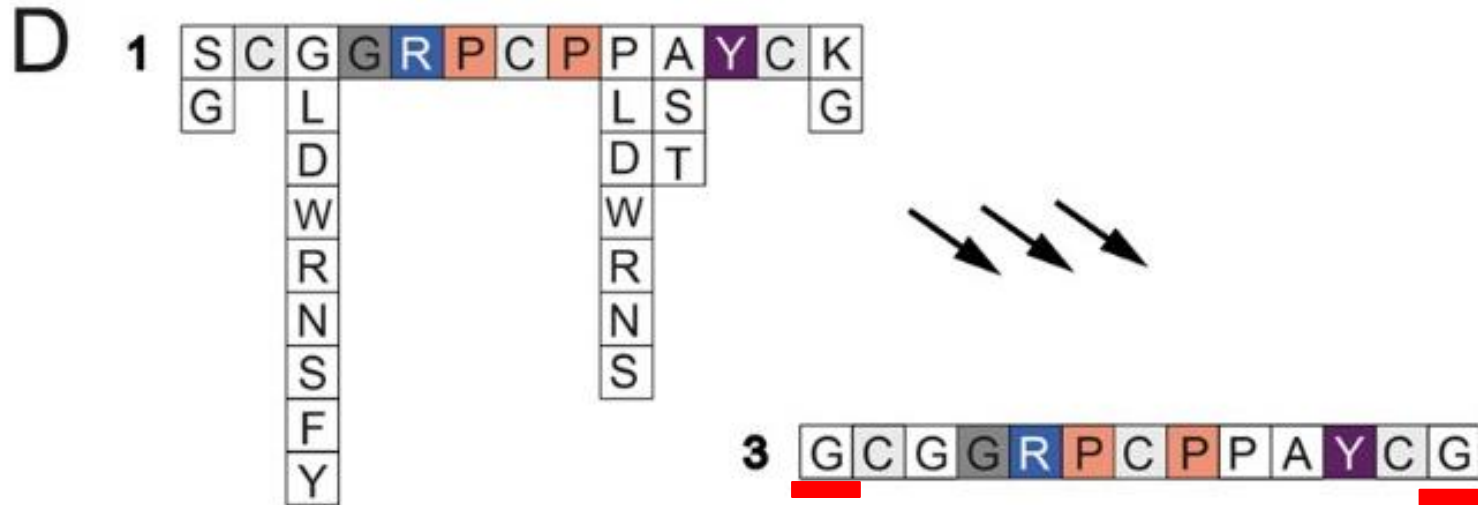
B

peptide 1

Protease	K_i (μM)
factor XIIa	3.1 \pm 0.5
tPA	> 120
uPA	> 120
factor XIa	> 120
PK	> 120
thrombin	> 120
plasmin	8.3 \pm 2.2
trypsin	> 120



Affinity maturation of peptide 1.



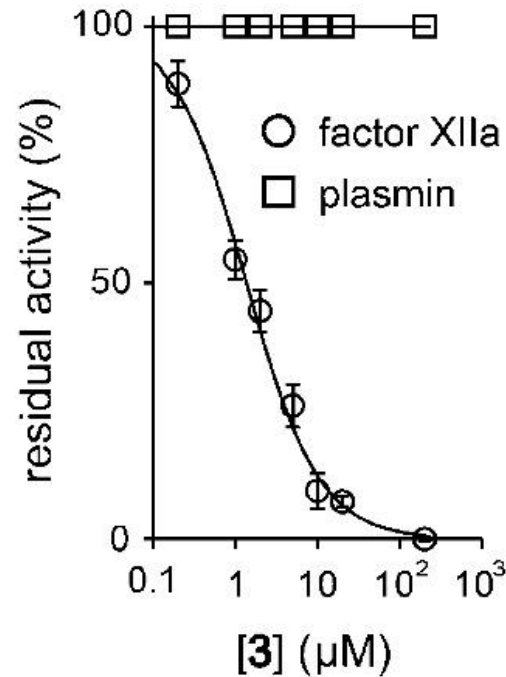
Peptides with amino acid substitutions in the indicated positions were synthesized and tested and led to **peptide 3** (clone FXII402)

Inhibitory activity of peptide 3

A

peptide 3

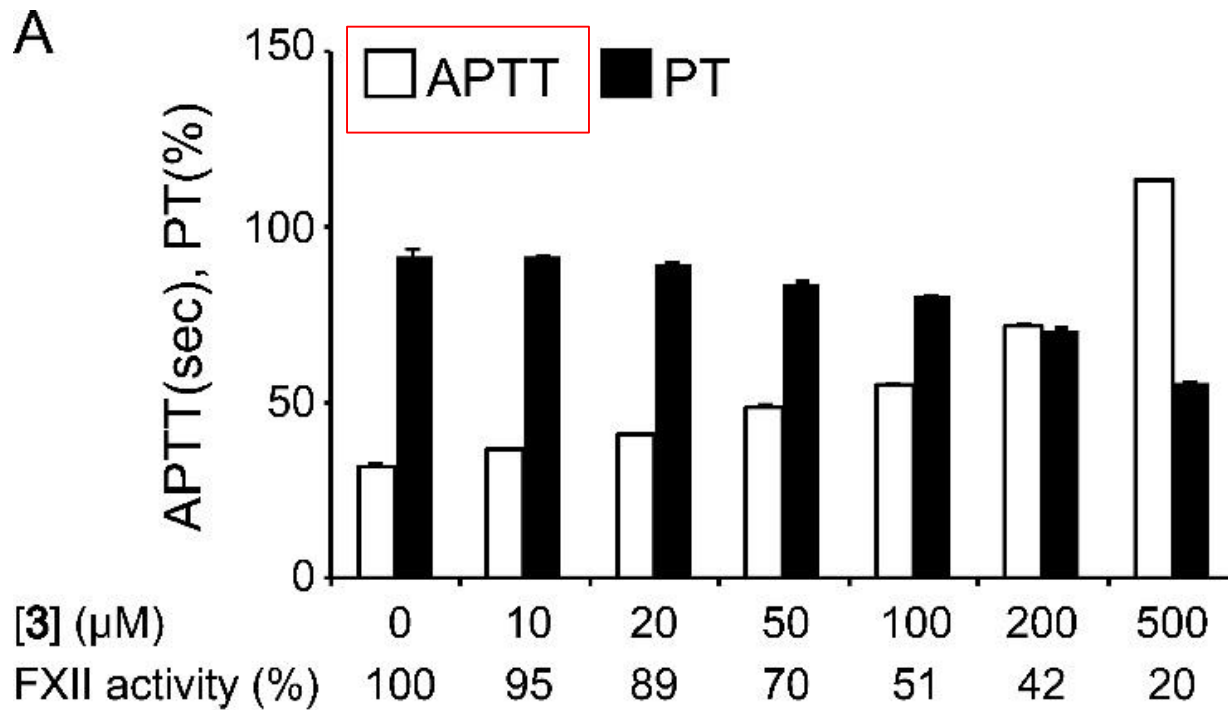
Protease	K_i (μM)
factor XIIIa	1.2 \pm 0.2
tPA	> 120
uPA	> 120
factor XIa	> 120
PK	> 120
thrombin	> 120
plasmin	> 120
trypsin	> 120



Peptide 1

Protease	K_i (μM)
factor XIIIa	3.1 \pm 0.5
tPA	> 120
uPA	> 120
factor XIa	> 120
PK	> 120
thrombin	> 120
plasmin	8.3 \pm 2.2
trypsin	> 120

Coagulation times in the presence of the FXII inhibitor peptide 3



Coagulation times

aPTT- intrinsic FXII dependent

PT – extrinsic Tissue Factor dependent

The highly selective peptide is candidate for antithrombotic therapy.