### **Protease Mechanism and Activation**

Zymogens, chymotrypsin, aspartic proteases

### Proinsulin

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# **Protease Zymogens and Binding Sites**

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 $Asp^{189}$ 

**Catalytic Triad** 

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## **Oxyanion Hole**

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The formation of the tetrahedral intermediate, (c and g), is stabilized by interactions with the Backbone amide N-H groups of Ser195 and Gly193.

Formation of the tetrahedral intermediate increases The interactions between the carbonyl oxygen and The N-H of the backbone for two reasons:

1) C=O→C-----O<sup>-</sup> the increased bond length of the C-----O- brings the oxygen closer to the N-H groups.

2) Negatively charged O interacts more strongly than Uncharged O in C=O.





### **Rate-limiting Step**



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**Chymotrypsin Inhibitor** 

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# Activation of Chymotrypsinogen

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# Human DNA Replication





Makes DNA copy highly accurate

# **HIV RNA Conversion**

FFFFFFFFFFFF

RT



Viruses use an enzyme called Reverse Transcriptase (RT) to copy its RNA into DNA

Builds DNA by putting in bases that match each strand thereby making a copy

CANNOT proof-read to make sure right so makes a lot of errors Results in high rate of mutations

Makes various mutated strains



# **HIV Cocktail**

Three enzymes important for HIV to replicate:



# Reverse Transcriptase: Copies virus RNA into DNA Very, Very error prone

Integrase: puts viral DNA copy into host cell's DNA

Protease: Cuts proteins into functional pieces



# **HIV Cocktail**

Because HIV can mutate so rapidly cant just knock out one enzyme or mutations provide resistance to the drug



So have to knock out more than one (preferably all three)

Makes it much less likely that mutations will allow the

virus to survive in the presence of many drugs with multiple targets.





Protease excises itself and then cleaves the other proteins from polyproteinthereby producingactive virusparts.



### Each virus is then packed with:



### Why not packed with protease?

## **Aspartic Protease Mechanism**

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### Catalytic Water



#### **HIV FIURASE IIIIIUIUIS**

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# Major Components of Blood Clotting

- 1) Intact Endothelial Cells
  - inhibit blood clotting
  - surface not conducive to clot formation
  - display membrane proteins that inhibit clotting
  - store von Willebrand factor in cytop. granules. Constituitively expressed and secreted into circulation or subendothelium. (20% made by platelets, rest endothelium)
  - make prostacyclin ~ inhibits platelet aggregation



http://www.meddean.luc.edu/lumen/MedEd/orfpath/murali.htm



http://www.vet.uga.edu/vpp/CLERK/anderson/ Endothelial cells with stored vWF (red)



2) Subendothelial Cells

- contain membrane prots and extracellular matrix prots (collagen) that normally do not contact blood

- When exposed after injury, platelets aggregate at the site by mediation of von Willebrand factor (vWF) that binds to both platelet receptors and collagen/subendo cells

- vWF is a large, multimeric protein with subunits of 225 kD each

### 3) Platelets

 unpigmented, enucleated cells that are fragments of larger progenitor cells called megakarocytes (bone marrow).

- Once bound release TxA2 and seratonin (and more!) that induce vasoconstriction to reduce blood flow and increase platelet aggregation.







# Platelets bleb off of megakarocytes



Platelets



### 4) Clotting Factors

- Soluble plasma proteins
- most made in liver
- most are serine proteases and circulate as zymogens



- cascade in which clotting factors are activated by selective proteolytic cleavage must have Ca<sup>2+</sup>

Factor	Common Name
Number	
Ι	Fibrinogen
II	Prothrombin
III	Tissue Factor
IV	Ca2+
Va	Proaccelerin
VII	Proconvertin
VIII	Antihemophilic Factor
IX	Christmas Factor
Х	Stuart Factor
XI	Plasma thromboplastin antecedent
XII	Hageman factor
XIII	Fibrin Stabilizing Factor

# \* Step 1: Platelet Aggregation

- Platelet adhesion is mediated by vWF. This activates platelets causing release of TxA2
- During activation, a receptor for fibrinogen becomes exposed on the platelet membrane.
- Activated platelets release:



α-granules

Fibrinogen vWF

Factor V



ADP/ATP Seratonin Ca<sup>2+</sup>

dense core granules

Platelet derived growth factor (PDGF) ~ promotes healing Platelet factor IV – prevents formation of active thrombin inhibitor from heparin and anti-thrombin III.

### Platelet activation also induces large morphological changes

- membrane lipids rearrange

-phosphatidyl serine which is usually on the inner membrane of the platelet, flips out to outer membrane where it plays a role in binding prothrombin.









### Step 2: Fibrin is formed by cleaving fibrinogen (factor I)

- Thrombin catalyzes the conversion of fibrinogen to fibrin
- Fibrinogen is 2-3% of plasma protein
- Fibrinogen has 3 pairs of non-identical subunits A $\alpha$  (610 res) B $\beta$  (461 res)  $\gamma$  (411 res)
  - -Also two pairs of N-linked oligosaccharides
  - -A and B refer to parts of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  released upon thrombin cleav. A (20 aa) ; B (18 aa)





Once cleaved, fibrin is <u>insoluble</u>

So how do A and B confer solubility?

- 1) A & B mask sites that mediate aggregation
- 2) A & B are highly anionic and so repel other fibrinogen molecules







- $\alpha$  are linked also but slower
- If decreased FSF, have increased bleeding
- FSF in both platelets and plasma occur as zymogen activated by thrombin
- Thrombin cleaves an Arg-Gly bond near the N-terminus of FSF



# Overview of Thrombin Activation

Thrombin needs to active only locally, at site of injury

Circulates in plasma as prothrombin – single chain of 582 aa (almost twice the size of active thrombin)

Monomer in zymogen but a dimer when active A chain (36aa) and B chain (259aa) connected by disulfide bond



Prothrombin is cleaved by factor X twice

Arg271 – Thr 272releases N-term propeptideArg320 – Ile 321separates A and B chains

Second cleavage activates, allowing an ion pair  $NH_4^+$  of Ile321 and Asp524

# Propeptide of Prothrombin

- Propeptide has 3 domains
- 1) N-term 40 residue Gla domain
  - $Gla = \gamma$  carboxyglutamate
  - Strong Ca<sup>2+</sup> chelator
  - Bind Ca<sup>2+</sup> that mediates interaction with phospholipid membrane of platelet

$$H_3\dot{N}^+$$
 Ala – Asn – Thr – Phe – Leu – Gla – Gla – Val – Arg – Lys  $\stackrel{10}{-}$   
 $^{11}$  Gly – Asn – Leu – Gla – Arg – Gla – Cys – Val – Gla – Gla  $\stackrel{20}{-}$   
 $^{21}$  Thr – Cys – Ser – Tyr – Gla – Gla – Ala – Phe – Gla – Ala  $\stackrel{30}{-}$   
 $^{31}$  Leu – Gla – Ser – Ser – Thr – Ala – Thr – Asp – Val – Phe  $\stackrel{40}{-}$ 



### Vitamin K as a Cofactor

- Vit K is essential cofactor for proper prothrombin synthesis
- Must have in diet or no clotting
- Prothrombin is made in liver
- Made without Vit K but only 1-2% active. Reason is that Vit K is a necessary cofactor for post-translational modification of prothrombin in ER



CH<sub>3</sub>

Vitamin K<sub>3</sub> (Menadione)

-Needed for Glu conversion to Gla

### Vitamin K cofactor in Glu to Gla conversion



# **Inhibitors of Vitamin K Regeneration**

warfarin (rat poison)



- Take awhile to take effect because turnover of coagulation proteins is relatively slow (~5-7 days).
- Wont affect prots synthesized before ingestion

dicoumarol (spoiled sweet clover)









## **Isozymes of Lactate Dehydrogenase**

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