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Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT) phases

Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia happens in phases. The tests that are done and the treatments given depend on the phase.

Phase 1: Unprovoked

- Unprovoked HIT or TSP
- Platelet count < 100 x 10⁹ / L
- Thrombocytopenia with thrombotic complications
- Onset of thrombocytopenia > 5 days after starting heparin therapy
- No alternative explanation for thrombocytopenia

Phase 3-4: Unprovoked (A)

- Unprovoked HIT or TSP
- Platelet count < 100 x 10⁹ / L
- Thrombocytopenia with thrombotic complications
- Onset of thrombocytopenia > 5 days after starting heparin therapy
- No alternative explanation for thrombocytopenia

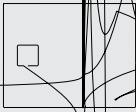
Phase 2: A

- Thrombocytopenia with thrombotic complications
- Onset of thrombocytopenia > 5 days after starting heparin therapy
- No alternative explanation for thrombocytopenia

Phase 5: Unprovoked

- Unprovoked HIT or TSP
- Platelet count < 100 x 10⁹ / L
- Thrombocytopenia with thrombotic complications
- Onset of thrombocytopenia > 5 days after starting heparin therapy
- No alternative explanation for thrombocytopenia

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