



# **Il significato della titolazione degli anticorpi in Medicina Trasfusionale: aggiornamento**

**Il ruolo della titolazione degli anticorpi anti-AB nel trapianto di CSE:  
impatto sulla gestione del pz e del graft**

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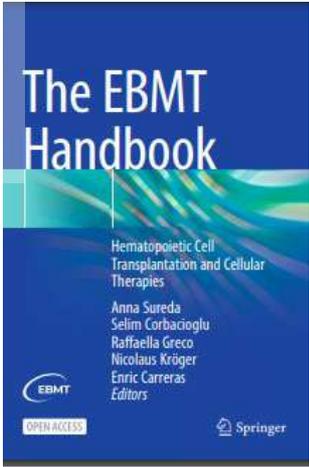
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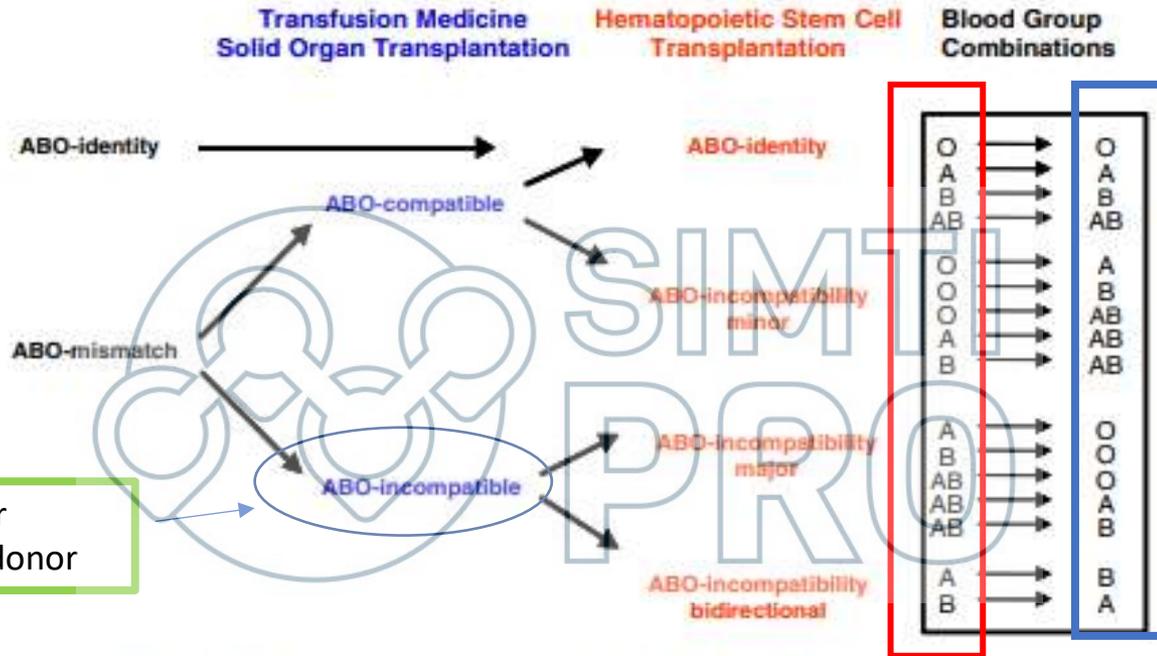


Sorgenti CSE		
	BM	PBSC
CD34+	2,4 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg	7,3 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg
CD3+CD4+	26 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg	393 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg
CD3+CD8+	18 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg	236 10 <sup>6</sup> /Kg
Recupero PMN >0,5x10 <sup>6</sup>	21 gg	14 gg
Recupero PLT >20x10 <sup>6</sup>	22 gg	16 gg
Reticolocitosi > 1%	22 gg	15 gg
GVHDa	+	+++
GVL	+	+++
OS	=	=
FDS	=	=
GVHDc	+	+++
RBC	200-450ml	20-50 ml
Plasma	≥1000 ml	200-500 ml
Raccolta Vantaggi	Anche Donatore pediatrico	Aferesi Mobilizzazione con GCSF + cort ↓ T degenza ↓ complicanze infettive
Svantaggi	Procedura invasiva, autodonazione	Accessi venosi Doppia raccolta No pediatrici
Utilizzo	20%	80%
Malattia	NMD (AA)	MD



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30% related donor  
50% non-related donor

ricevente

donatore

Fig. 1. ABO-blood group compatible and incompatible transplantation.



# Management trapianto CSE ABO INCOMPATIBILE

- Outcome e Complicanze
- Trattamento Graft /Paziente
- Monitoraggio IEM : Metodiche Titolazione IHAs e significato variazione titolo IHAs
- Strategia trasfusionale adeguata



## ABO COMPATIBILITY AND ACUTE GRAFT-VERSUS-HOST DISEASE FOLLOWING ALLOGENEIC BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTATION<sup>1</sup>

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## Impact of ABO-blood group incompatibility on the outcome of recipients of bone marrow transplants from unrelated donors in the Japan Marrow Donor Program

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### Controverso se incompatibilità ABO possa influenzare outcome trapianto

Engraftment e Recovery leucociti e Plt, Relapse, non-relapse mortality NMR, GVHD acuta e cronica, Overall Survival OS, disease free survival DFS, graft failure.

Bacigalupo 2021, Kanda 2009, Kimura 2008, Damodar 2017, Worel 2016.

### TRANSPLANTATION AND CELLULAR ENGINEERING

#### Impact of ABO mismatching on the outcomes of allogeneic related and unrelated blood and marrow stem cell transplantations for hematologic malignancies: IPD-based meta-analysis of cohort studies

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#### ABO-Mismatched Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation

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CSE	Complicanze	Cause	Misure di prevenzione
ABO Incompatibilità			
Maggiore	Emolisi immediata (durante infusione)	RBC incompatibili IHA $\geq 32$ (2)	RBC deplezione se $>20\text{ml}$ ( BM no PBSC) PEX albumina/plasma (2,3,4)
	Emolisi ritardata (7-14 gg)	Linfociti B residui ricevente	Immunoassorbimento, PEX se titolo IHA anti don $\geq 32$
	PRCA (29%) A $\rightarrow$ 0	Persistenza IHAs anti Don	
Minore	Emolisi immediata	IHA nel plasma donatore	Plasma deplezione BM e PBSC se IHA anti ricevente $\geq 256$
	Emolisi ritardata	Sindrome Linfocita Passeggero PLS	RBC exchange group 0 (2)
Bidirezionale	Emolisi immediata	IHA Don/Ric	RBC e plasma deplezione
	Emolisi ritardata	IHA Ric. e linf B Don	

1. **Matteocci**, and Luca Pierelli . Review. Immuno-Hematologic Complexity of ABO-Incompatible Allogeneic HSC Transplantation Cells 2024, 13, 814
2. **Worel**, N. ABO-mismatched allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. Transfus. Med. Hemotherapy 2016, 43, 3–1
3. **Raimondi**. ABO-incompatible bone marrow transplantation: A GITMO survey of current practice in Italy and comparison with the literature. Bone Marrow Transplant. 2004,34, 321–329.
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Cause	Condition	Onset	Prevention	Treatment
<b>ABO mismatch</b>	<p><b>Acute hemolytic reaction</b></p> <p>Membrane attack complex</p> <p>Intravascular hemolysis</p>	<b>Day 0</b> , at the time of stem cell infusion	Red cell reduction of the graft in major ABO mismatch; plasma reduction of the graft in minor ABO mismatch	Supportive care; transfuse recipient-compatible red cell units in major ABO mismatch; transfuse donor-compatible red cell units in minor ABO mismatch
<b>Minor ABO mismatch</b>	<p><b>PLS</b></p> <p>Isohemagglutinin</p> <p>Donor B lymphocyte</p> <p>Recipient RBC</p>	<b>Day +4-14</b>	Plasma reduction; in vivo or in vitro lymphodepletion	Supportive care; transfuse donor-compatible red cell units; RBC exchange
<b>Residual recipient plasma cells; abnormal immune tolerance</b>	<p><b>PRCA</b></p> <p>Donor-specific antibodies</p> <p>Recipient lymphocyte and plasma cells</p> <p>Donor erythroid precursors</p>	<b>1-3 months</b>	Myeloablative conditioning when able	Supportive care; transfusion refractory cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Anti-B cell: rituximab</li> <li>- Donor lymphocyte infusion</li> <li>- Anti-plasma cell: daratumumab, bortezomib</li> <li>- Other immunosuppressants, IVIG, Syk inhibitor.</li> <li>- Erythropoietin, TPO mimetics</li> </ul>
<b>Development of new autoantibodies; abnormal immune tolerance; mixed chimerism</b>	<p><b>Allo- and autoimmune hemolytic anemia</b></p> <p>Antibody Fc receptor</p> <p>Macrophage: phagocytosis and cytokine release</p> <p>Opsonized red cells</p> <p>C3b - complement receptor</p>	<b>&gt;3 months</b>	Myeloablative conditioning when able	Supportive care Severe cases: treat as AIHA outside of the transplant setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Common: corticosteroids, IVIG, rituximab</li> <li>- Others: erythropoietin, splenectomy, Syk inhibitor, anti-plasma cell, anti-complement, other immunosuppressants</li> </ul>

Figure 2. General approach for posttransplantation immune-mediated hemolysis. The graph outlines underlying mechanisms of posttransplantation hemolysis.

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- Target Titolo IHAs
- Sicuro ricevente < 32
- Ricevente  $\geq 1:32$ , deplezione RBC in Graft e PEX ricevente
- Donatore 1:256, rimozione plasma nel Graft

### ABO-mismatched transplants

### ABO-incompatible bone marrow transplantation: a GITMO survey of current practice in Italy and comparison with the literature

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## Eterogeneità nell'approccio per manipolazione Graft (BM/PBSC) e trattamento ricevente.

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### ABO incompatibile graft management in pediatric transplantation

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## Monitoraggio immunoematologico IEM e timing ricevente/donatore

Fase pre trapianto 30 gg prima

**Incompatibilità maggiore e minore (donatore/ricevente)**

ABO/Rh/K

DAT e IAT

Titolo Ab naturali e immuni anti A/B ( IHA IgM e IgG)

Ricerca emolisina anti A/B

**Incomp. maggiore** titolo IHA IgM e IgG pre e post PEX

Fase post trapianto

**Incomp. maggiore, ricevente**

Titolazione IHA (IgM e IgG) gg +1,+7, +14, +30 ogni 15gg fino 100 gg dall'infusione

**Incomp. minore, ricevente**

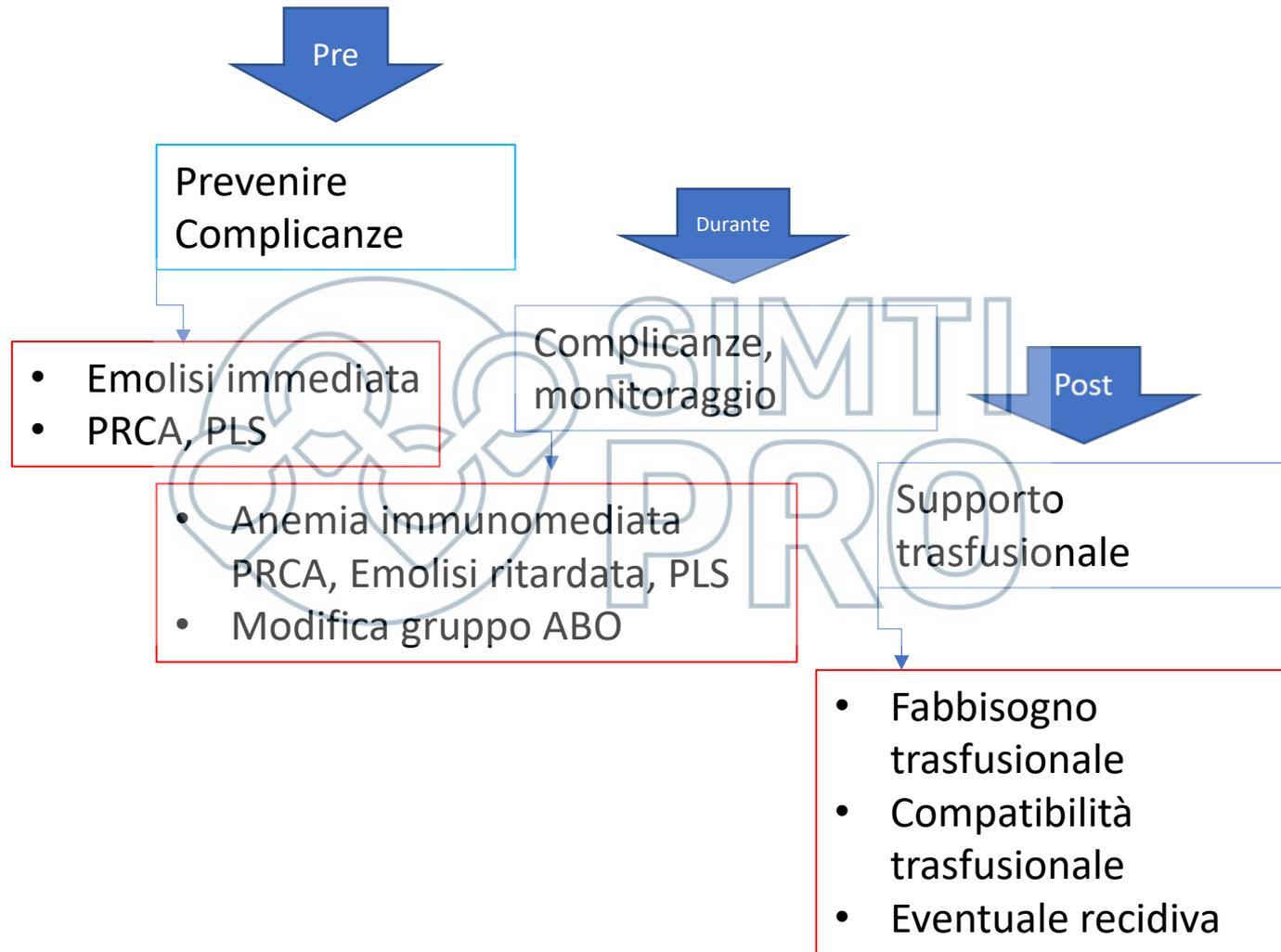
DAT e IAT ogni sett. per 2-3 sett

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*Tipizzazione ABO/Rh (+30, ogni mese) con corretta valutazione sierologica del campo misto nella tipizzazione diretta e genotipizzazione RBC, ove possibile.*

Matteucci, and Luca Pierelli . Review Immuno-Hematologic Complexity of ABO-Incompatible Allogeneic HSC Transplantation Cells 2024.

# Titolo IHAs anti-A/B in CSE ABO incompatibile



## ABO antibody titres: a multisite comparative study of equivalency and reproducibility for automated solid-phase and haemagglutination titration, and manual dilution with gel column agglutination technology

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**Background** - ABO antibody titres are important in many clinical decisions; however, much variability is observed in titre results. For reliable and reproducible titre results, automated ABO titration methods have been developed. In this 10-site study, we evaluated the equivalency of the automated ABO titration assays on the Galileo NEO, a fully automated blood bank analyzer (Immucor, Inc.) to manual titration with gel Column Agglutination Technology (CAT), as well as the reproducibility of both methods.

**Materials and methods** - Ten different locations participated in this study. The equivalency study included 70 random samples at each site. The reproducibility study tested the same blinded 30-sample panel at each study site. Anti-A and anti-B IgM and IgG antibody titres were tested with both the automated and manual methods; additionally, dithiothreitol (DTT) treatment was used to inactivate IgM antibodies in the manual CAT method.

**Results** - The equivalency between CAT manual method and Galileo NEO automated titres at each site ranged from 38 to 88%; equivalency for each

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## A WHO reference reagent to standardize haemagglutination testing for anti-A and anti-B in serum and plasma: international collaborative study to evaluate a candidate preparation

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**Background and Objectives** The aim of the study was to evaluate a lyophilized serum preparation, 14/300, for its suitability to serve as a World Health Organization (WHO) Reference Reagent to standardize and control haemagglutination titrations for anti-A and anti-B in serum and plasma, in an international collaborative study.

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## An exploration of the advantages of automated titration testing: low inter-instrument variability and equivalent accuracy for ABO and non-ABO antibody titres relative to tube testing

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## Metodo titolazione non standardizzato

## Challenges in antibody titration for ABO-incompatible renal transplantation

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### Abstract

**Background and Objectives:** Accurate and regular monitoring of anti-A and anti-B titres pre- and post-transplantation plays a crucial role in the clinical management of patients receiving ABO-incompatible renal transplants. There is no standardized protocol or an external quality assurance program (EQA) currently available for this testing in Australia. The aim of this study was to investigate the diversity of techniques, test platforms and reagents that were currently in use in various laboratories with the aim of developing an EQA.

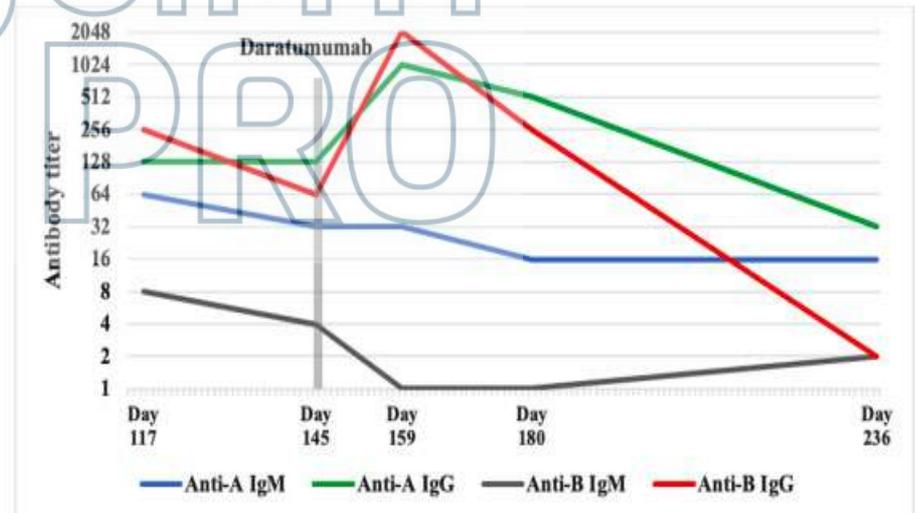
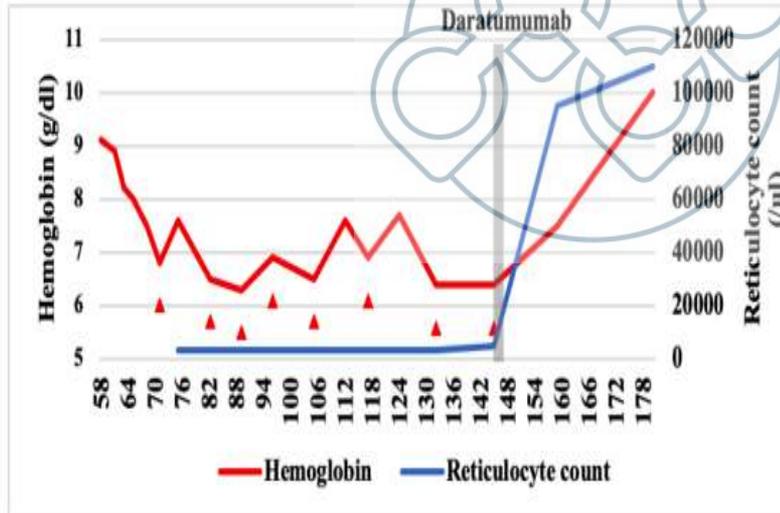
**Materials and Methods:** An online survey was sent to the participants enrolled with the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia Quality Assurance Program (RCPAQAP) to assess their interest in participation in the pilot study. A total of 24 participants who expressed interest were sent the group O plasma, A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub> and B cells to perform ABO titration using their own methods.

# Problematica aggiuntiva !!!!!

*Titolazione durante utilizzo DARA per PRCA*

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Case report

Daratumumab as a Frontline Immunosuppression for Pure Red Cell Aplasia after Major ABO-mismatched Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation

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# Variazione titolo IHA dopo trapianto allogenico CSE ABO-incompatibile

IHA	ABO maggiore A/B/AB → O AB → A/B	ABO minore O → A/B/AB	ABO bidirezionale A ↔ B
Anti A	Scomparsa 82% 38-138 gg Più lenta nelle mieloidi	Comparsa anti A 11%, 13gg	Scomparsa 82% 38-138 gg Comparsa anti A 11%, 13gg
Anti B	Scomparsa 96% 16-29 gg	Nessuna comparsa	Scomparsa 96% 16-29 gg Nessuna comparsa
<b>Persistenza IHAs ricevente:</b> Resistenza plasmacellule al condizionamento	<b>Scomparsa più rapida in</b> unrelated, GVHdA, T cell Graft erytroid cell  <b>Ridotta Comparsa</b> • Immunosoppressione • Presenza di antigeni ABO su tessuti	↑IHAs ricevente predice PRCA Eventuale recidiva  ↑IHAs donatore GVHD	

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## Kinetics of disappearance and appearance of isoagglutinins A and B after ABO-incompatible hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

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ABO-incompatible allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) can be complicated by poor red cell engraftment and hemolysis, both mediated by isoagglutinins. Anecdotally, isoagglutinins indicates an activation of donor's immunity or even relapse. Consequently, the routine monitoring of isoagglutinins could help physicians to predict the risk of complications. The purpose of this study is to investigate the time to disappearance and appearance of isoagglutinins after ABO-incompatible allogeneic HSCT. In a one-year follow-up, data of 136 ABO-incompatible hematopoietic stem cell (HSC) allogeneic transplanted patients were studied, of which 60 had major, 61 minor and 15 bidirectional incompatibility. Survival analyses were conducted and association with hematological diseases, HLA-compatibility and transplantation strategy was investigated. We observed a disappearance of isoagglutinin A in 82.0% of cases at one year with a median and 75th percentile of 38.4 and 138.6 days, respectively. For isoagglutinin B, these same values were 96.4%, 15.9 and 29.1 days, respectively. The appearance of isoagglutinin A occurred in 10.7% of cases. Disappearance of isoagglutinin A was significantly slower in patients with myeloid diseases compared to other diseases. The results of this study provide useful values to detect early risks of preventable immunohematological complications and possibly, in exceptional cases, relapse.

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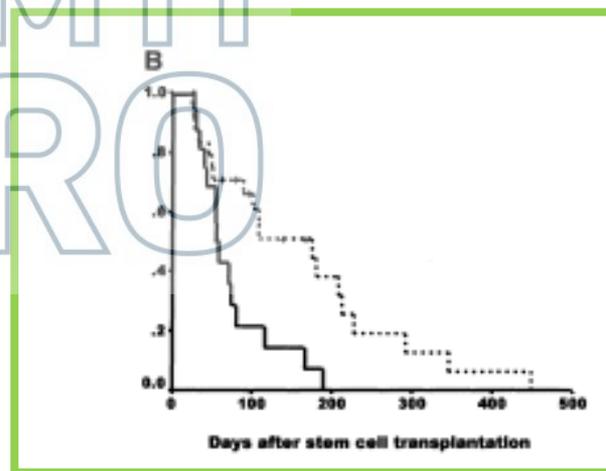
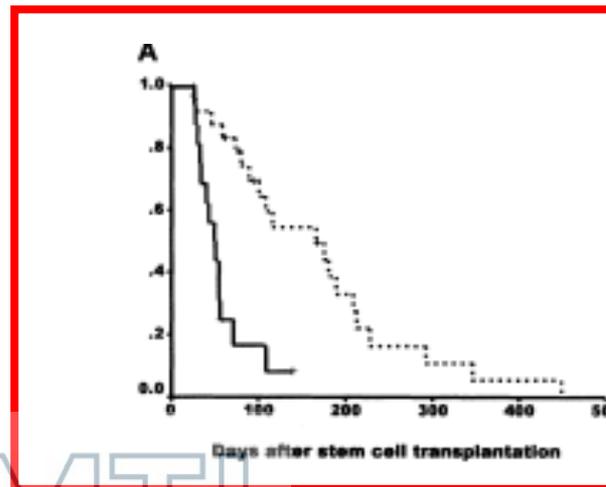
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### Changes of isoagglutinin titres after ABO-incompatible allogeneic stem cell transplantation

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Variables	No. of patients	Time to isoagglutinin disappearance against donor RBCs (median day)	P-value*
<b>Sex</b>			
Male	21	56	0.371
Female	19	109	
<b>Age (years)</b>			
< 35	25	71	0.747
≥ 35	15	116	
<b>Type of stem cell donor</b>			
Sibling	24	166	< 0.001
Unrelated	16	49	
<b>Source of stem cells</b>			
Bone marrow	32	80	0.986
Peripheral blood	8	116	
<b>Conditioning regimen</b>			
BuCy	27	89	0.545
Cy-ATG	5	56	
Bu-Fludar-ATG	5	116	
<b>GVHD prophylaxis</b>			
Cyclosporine plus methotrexate	29	74	0.602
Cyclosporine only	11	116	
<b>ABO incompatibility</b>			
Major	26	116	0.02
Major plus minor	14	51	
<b>Type of isoagglutinins</b>			
Anti-A	21	109	0.151
Anti-B	18	71	
<b>Chimaerism on d 30</b>			
Mixed chimaerism	14	71	0.275
Complete chimaerism	22	74	
<b>Chimaerism on d 60</b>			
Mixed chimaerism	8	80	0.702
Complete chimaerism	25	74	
<b>Chimaerism on d 90</b>			
Mixed chimaerism	10	71	0.381
Complete chimaerism	20	80	
<b>G-CSF administration</b>			
Starting on d 0	4	181	0.473
Starting on d 5	36	80	
<b>Acute GVHD</b>			
No	24	175	0.005
Yes	16	56	
<b>Chronic GVHD</b>			
No	20	109	0.157
Yes	14	56	



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# Pure Red Cell Aplasia (PRCA)

- **Etiologia:** IHA bloccano CFU-E a livello midollare (ABO early presenti)
- **Esordio** :29% Tx incomp. maggiore, +30+120 gg post, ↓ reticolociti, anemia normocitica, assenza di eritroblasti nel midollo
- **Fattori di rischio:** Trapianto A vs O (Incomp. Maggiore), IHA  $\geq 64$  IgG, Presenza di linfociti B residui o plasmacellule del ricevente RIC (condizionamento intensità ridotta), Donatori fratelli e presenza **IHAs anti-A elevati**
- **IEM:** DAT pos IgG/C3d, eluato pos antiA/B IHAs, Titolazione IHAs
- **Prevenzione:** Riduzione pre-trapianto IHAs anti-donatore. Pex o immunoad. *(Se IHAs anti-donatore presenti 60 gg post-trapianto, la probabilità di eliminazione spontanea è basso).*
- **Trattamento:** supporto trasfusionale, Riduzione graduale farmaci immunosoppressori, Infusioni di leucociti del donatore (DLI), Rituximab (Ab monoclonale diretto contro cellule B CD20+), ATG, DARA

## Prevalence of Pure Red Cell Aplasia Following Major ABO-Incompatible Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation

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## Anti-Donor Isohemagglutinins

At the time of PRCA diagnosis, the median level of IgG anti-donor isohemagglutinins (ISO) in the PRCA cohort was 1:128 (range, 1:1–1:1024). However, IgM anti-donor ISO in patient with PRCA was at a relatively low level ( $\leq 1:32$ ). At the time of PRCA recovery, the IgG anti-donor ISO titer was less than 1:64, and the IgM anti-donor ISO titer was less than 1:8. The median

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# PLS sindrome linfocita passeggero

**Eziologia:** produzione IHAs linfociti B donatore

**Esordio :** +5+21 gg, ↓HCT, Aptoglobina, ↑Hb libera e LDH

**Fattori Rischio:** unrelated donors, ricevente gruppo A, RIC ,ciclosporina per GVHD, RBC ricevente/ produzione di IHA linfociti B donatore ( PBSC)

Linfociti B sfuggono controllo T-cell

**Prevenzione:** riduzione plasma nel graft, inibitore calcineurina

**IEM:** DAT pos IgG/C3d, eluato pos antiA/B IHAs, Titolazione IHAs

**Trattamento:** PEX, supporto trasfusionale donatore compatibile, Rituximab

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## CASE REPORT

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### Passenger lymphocyte syndrome after ABO-incompatible allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; dynamics of ABO allo-antibody and blood type conversion

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#### ABSTRACT

Passenger lymphocyte syndrome (PLS) is a specific subtype of graft versus host disease (GVHD) following allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (allo-HSCT) characterized by an immune-mediated hemolysis caused by donor-derived B cells. However, precise nature of PLS has not been well characterized due to its rarity. We herein report two cases of PLS following ABO-incompatible HSCT whose clinical course and dynamics of anti-ABO allo-

#### KEYWORDS

Passenger lymphocyte syndrome; hemolysis; hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; graft-versus-host disease

A→B

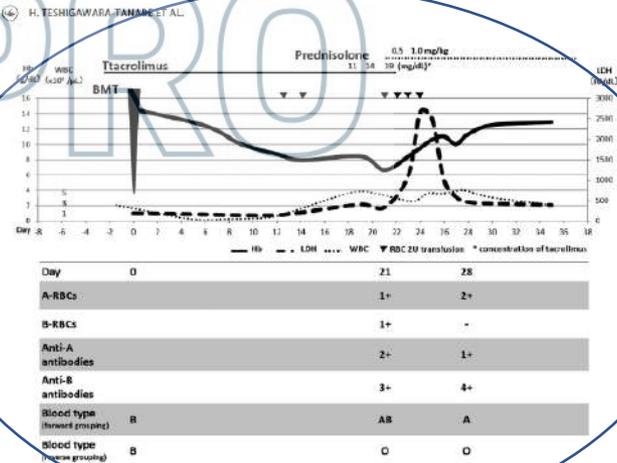


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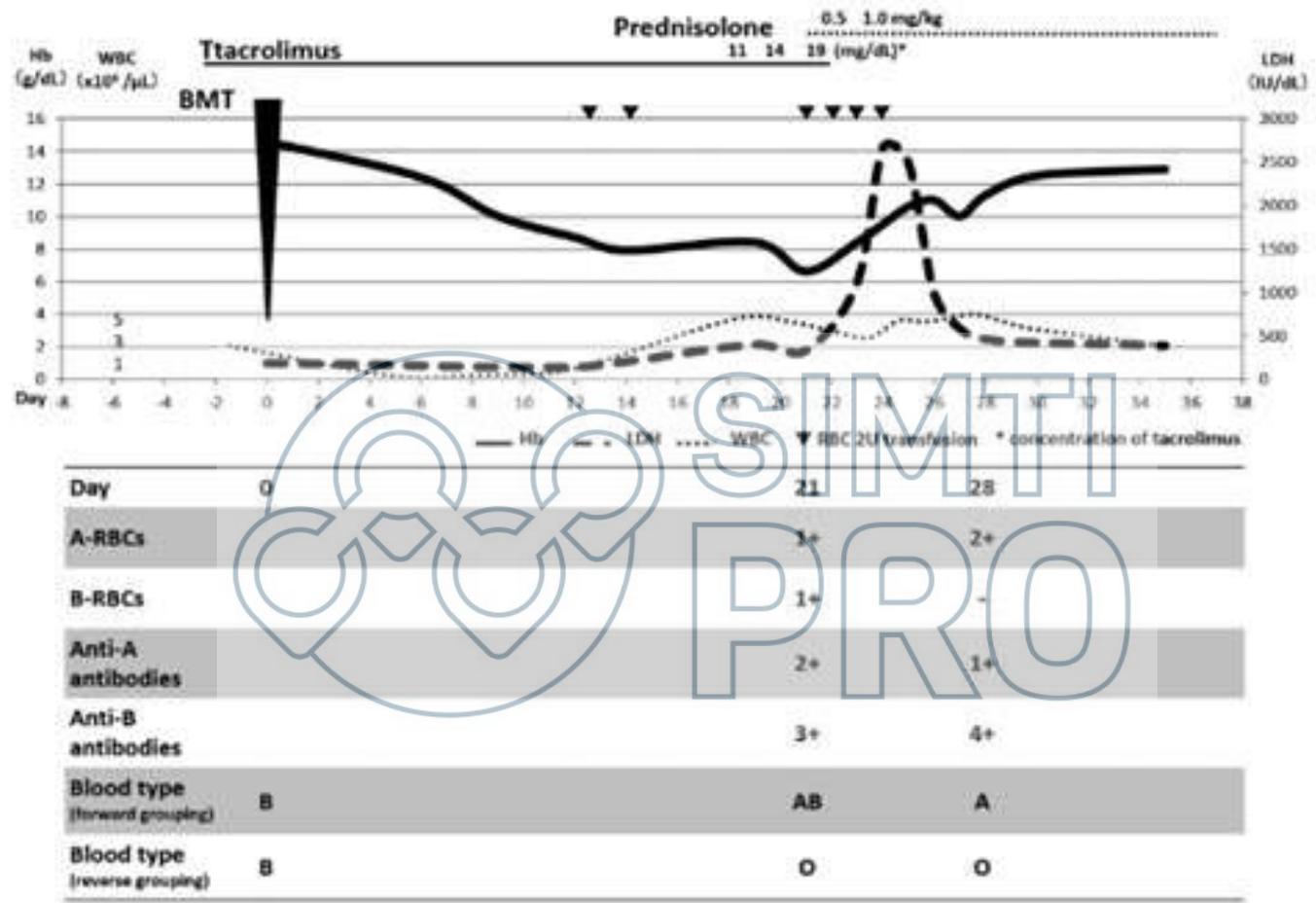


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«Per la Conversione del gruppo sanguigno ABO sono essenziali alcuni aspetti diagnostici e clinici: definizione sierologica ABO completa (tipizzazione diretta e inversa) con due prelievi di sangue consecutivi ed indipendenti, DAT negativo, valutazione della corretta presenza/assenza di anti-A /B, IHA a TA e IAT e indipendenza dalle trasfusioni. Può essere utile la genotipizzazione per confermare la presenza di alleli ABO convertiti.»

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Review

## Immuno-Hematologic Complexity of ABO-Incompatible Allogeneic HSC Transplantation

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## Conversione completa del gruppo sanguigno

- Incompatibilità maggiore: gruppo sanguigno ABO coerente diretto-inverso e IHA anti-donatore non rilevabili. <sup>(1)</sup>
- Incompatibilità minore: gruppo diretto completo del donatore, inverso originale del ricevente, DAT negativo per assenza di IHA anti-ricevente. <sup>(2)</sup>
- Incompatibilità bidirezionale: gruppo completo del donatore nella tipizzazione diretta. <sup>(2)</sup>
- La ricostituzione completa del gruppo sanguigno ABO avviene entro 90-110 giorni

Esiste la possibilità di un'espressione persistente dell'antigene ABO del ricevente nel sangue periferico dopo HSCT con incompatibilità ABO (Chimerismo) <sup>(3)</sup>

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# Fabbisogno trasfusionale in trapianto CSE

## PROLONGED RBC TRANSFUSION REQUIREMENT AFTER HCT

**TABLE 1. Patient and transplant characteristics (group differences in univariate analysis)**

Characteristic	Total of patients	Number (%) of patients with PRTR	p Value
Overall	487	48 (9.9)	
Recipient age (years) at transplant			0.002
0-12	101	2 (2.0)	
13-54	315	33 (10.5)	
≥55	71	13 (18.3) ←	
Median (range)	37 (0-70)	46 (1-67)	
ABO incompatibility			0.003
Major	128	21 (16.4) ←	
Minor	105	3 (2.9)	
None	254	24 (9.4)	
Conditioning			0.006
Myeloablative	329	24 (7.2)	
Reduced intensity	158	24 (15.2)	
Diagnosis			0.27
Malignant	409	43 (10.5)	
Nonmalignant	78	5 (6.4)	
Stem cell source			0.56
Marrow	138	12 (8.7)	
Peripheral blood stem cells	344	35 (10.2) ←	
Cord blood	5	1 (20.0)	
Donor type			0.024
Related, HLA-matched	194	11 (5.7)	
Unrelated, HLA-matched	219	29 (13.2) ←	
Related, HLA-mismatched	15	0 (0)	
Unrelated, HLA-mismatched	59	8 (13.6)	
GVHD prophylaxis			0.91
Standard (CsA + MTX)	256	24 (9.4)	
T-cell reduction	62	6 (9.7)	
Other	169	18 (10.7)	
aGVHD			0.046
Yes	239	17 (7.1)	
No	248	31 (12.5)	
Chronic GVHD			0.98
Yes	163	16 (9.8)	
No	324	32 (9.9)	
Mixed chimerism			0.28
Yes	238	27 (11.3)	
No	249	21 (8.4)	
RBC antibodies*			1.00
Yes	48	4 (8.3)	
No	439	44 (10.0)	

\* Positive DCT or irregular antibodies or isoagglutinin titer of greater than 1:28 within 60 days posttransplant. CsA = cyclosporine; MTX = methotrexate; DCT = direct Coombs test.

- Incompatibilità maggiore ABO
- Disparità genetica
- GVHD II-IV
- Malattia ad alto rischio
- Età avanzata
- Livelli Hb pre-trapianto

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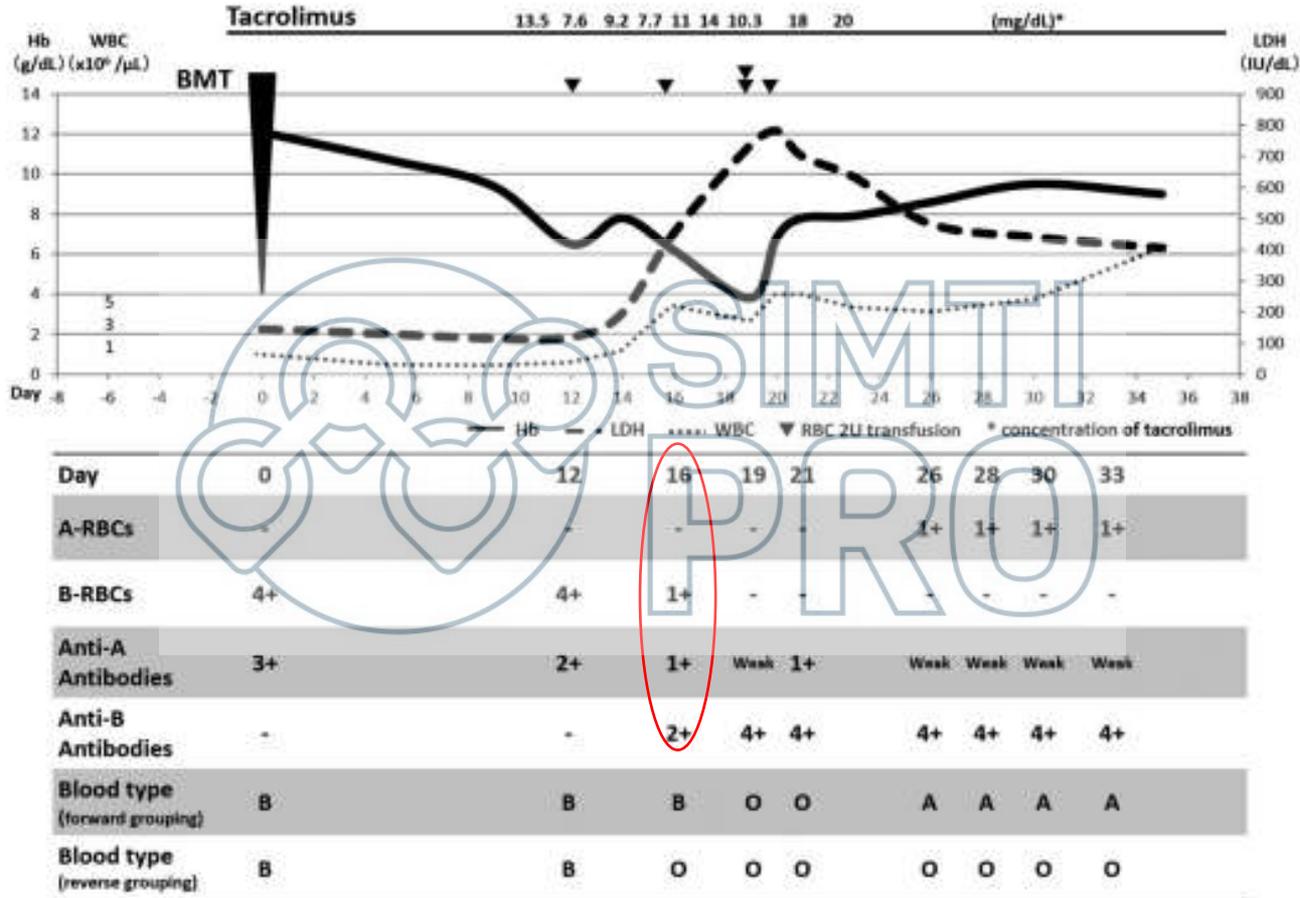
**TABLE 2. Factors associated with PRTRs: logistic regression analysis**

Factor	OR (95% CI) of PRTR	p Value
Recipient age (years) at transplant		
0-12	0.1 (0.03-0.7)	0.02
13-54*	1.0	
≥55	1.6 (0.7-3.7)	0.31
ABO incompatibility		
Major	1.9 (0.8-3.9)	0.18
Minor	0.2 (0.1-0.7)	0.01
None*	1.0	
Conditioning		
Myeloablative*	1.0	
Reduced intensity	1.7 (0.8-3.8)	0.20
Diagnosis		
Malignant*	1.0	
Nonmalignant	0.7 (0.2-2.2)	0.55
Stem cell source		
Marrow*	1.0	
Peripheral blood stem cells	0.5 (0.2-1.2)	0.12
Cord blood	4.5 (0.2-92.4)	0.33
Donor type		
Related, HLA-matched	0.4 (0.2-0.9)	0.02
Unrelated, HLA-matched*	1.0	
Related, HLA-mismatched	0 (no cases of PRTR observed)	1.0
Unrelated, HLA-mismatched	1.3 (0.5-3.3)	0.62
GVHD prophylaxis		
Standard (CsA + MTX)*	1.0	
T-cell reduction	1.6 (0.5-4.6)	0.40
Other	0.9 (0.3-1.7)	0.50
aGVHD		
Yes	0.6 (0.3-1.2)	0.12
No*	1.0	
Chronic GVHD		
Yes	1.0 (0.5-2.0)	0.99
No*	1.0	
Mixed chimerism		
Yes	1.5 (0.7-3.0)	0.26
No*	1.0	

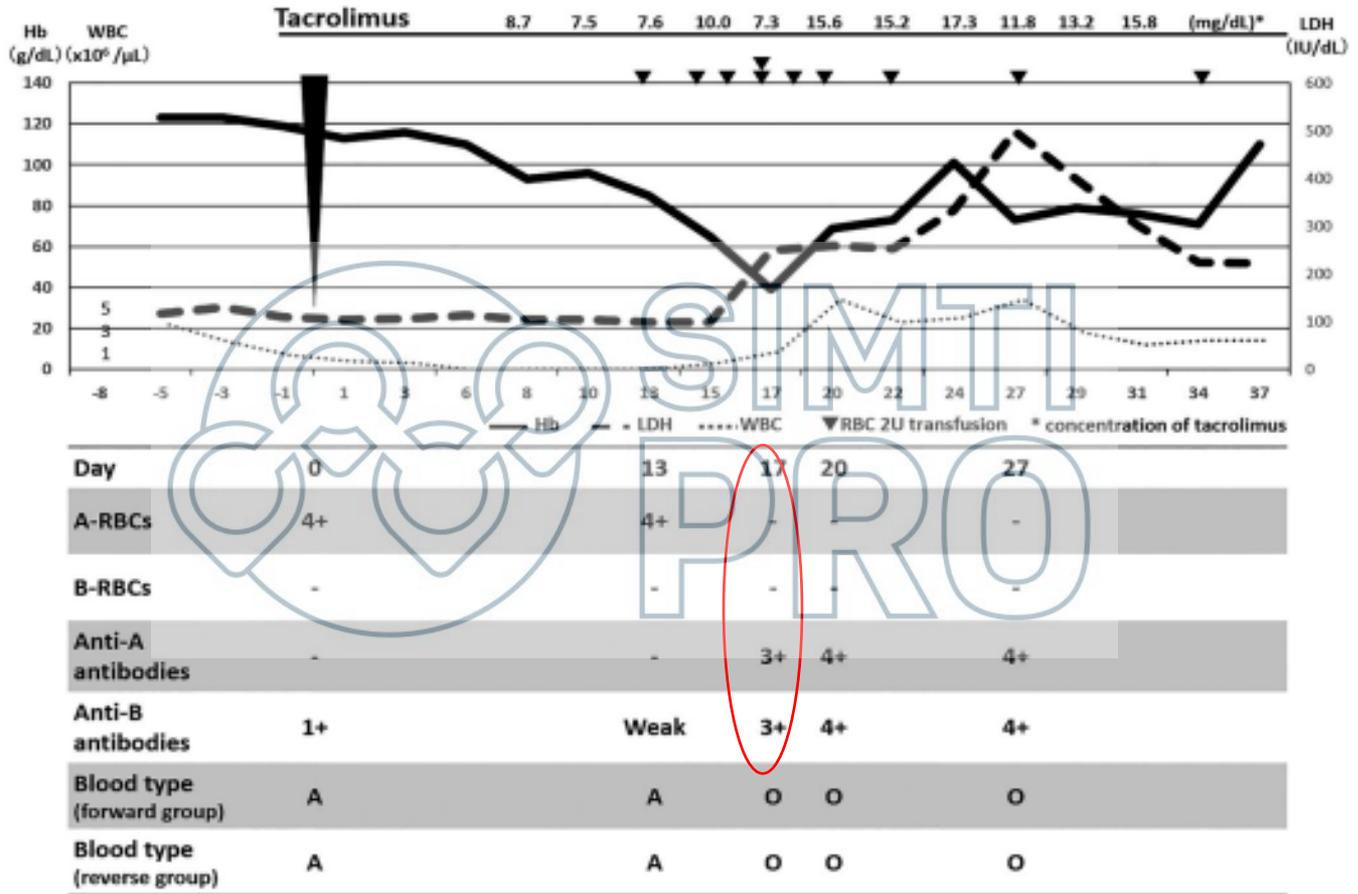
\* Reference group. CsA = cyclosporine; MTX = methotrexate.

A vs B PLS

**A**



O vs A PLS



# Indicazioni alla trasfusione di emocomponenti nell'incompatibilità ABO.

				Pre				Durante		Post	
ABO incompatibility	Recipient	Donor	Phase I		Phase II			Phase III			
			All product	RBC	PLT 1st	PLT 2nd	Plasma	All product			
Major	O	A	Recipient	O	A	AB, B, O	A	Donor			
	O	B	Recipient	O	B	AB, A, O	B	Donor			
	O	AB	Recipient	O	AB	A, B, O	AB	Donor			
	A	AB	Recipient	A	AB	A, B, O	AB	Donor			
Minor	B	AB	Recipient	B	AB	B, A, O	AB	Donor			
	A	O	Recipient	O	A	AB, B, O	A	Donor			
	B	O	Recipient	O	B	AB, A, O	B	Donor			
	AB	O	Recipient	O	AB	A, B, O	AB	Donor			
	AB	A	Recipient	A	AB	A, B, O	AB	Donor			
	AB	B	Recipient	B	AB	B, A, O	AB	Donor			
Bidirectional	A	B	Recipient	O	AB	B, A, O	AB	Donor			
	B	A	Recipient	O	AB	A, B, O	AB	Donor			

This table was modified based on previous studies [1-3].

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- IHA vs progenitori e PLT trasfuse
- Plt da aferesi Pls ↓
- Corretto fenotipo per stato Ag/Ab
- Compatibilità Ag Sistema Rh e K

## \*IRRADIAZIONE

Auto, almeno 2 week prima Tx, almeno 3 mesi dopo Tx  
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### Transfusion support in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

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**Abstract:** Transfusion support for hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) is an essential part of supportive care, and compatible blood should be transfused into recipients. An leukocyte antigen (HLA) matching is considered first and as the blood group does not impede HSCT, major, minor, bidirectional, and RhD incompatibilities occur that might hinder transfusion and cause adverse events. Leukocyte reduction in blood products is frequently used, and irradiation should be performed for blood products, except for plasma. To mitigate incompatibility and adverse events, local transfusion guidelines, hospital transfusion committees, and patient management should be considered.

**Key Words:** Transfusion, Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, ABO blood group, RhD, HLA, irradiation

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## Implementazione di linee guida IEM per gestione del trapianto di CSE ABO incompatibile

Compatibilità ABO per attuare migliore strategia di prevenzione e corretto supporto trasfusionale

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*Requisiti minimi attività trapiantologica*  
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**Requisiti minimi organizzativi, strutturali e tecnologici del Programma di trapianto (PT) di CSE e delle Unità ad esso afferenti.**

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4. Unità di Processazione.

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