

# The Fritsma Factor

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Cheat Sheet—April 2023

Welcome to our April 2023 Cheat Sheet. This month we celebrate Laboratory Professionals Week in Canada, 09–15 April, and again in the USA, April 23–29. Go to the [announcement on our site](#) for links to Lab Week details from CMLS, ASCLS, and ASCP.

On **Friday, April 21** and again on **Friday, April 28** I'll provide a virtual presentation, "*Von Willebrand Factor, Friend or Foe*," illustrating the relationship of VWF, ADAMTS13, and thrombotic microangiopathies. The April 21 talk is in support of an ASCLS regional meeting hosted by the Alaska, Oregon, and Washington state societies. The hybrid April 28 meeting is hosted by the ASCLS-North Dakota society. [Click here for the announcement and handout](#). Then, on Friday, May 4 I present live in Fort Worth for the [COLA agency](#), this time on *Hemophilia Management, From Rasputin to Recombinants*." I hope you can attend.

## March 2023 Quick Question: DOAC Reversal

Our March 2023 addressed DOAC reversal by asking, "Which reversal agent is effective in managing apixaban overdose?" [Click here to see your responses and accompanying discussion](#).

## April 2023 Quick Question: Prince Alexis

Our April 2023 Quick Question asks "What was Russian Prince Alexis's disorder?" The choices are on the right:

1. Hemophilia A [FVIII deficiency]
2. Hemophilia B [FIX deficiency]
3. Hemophilia C [FXI deficiency]
4. Unknown

On 3/30/2023 we posted a series of three updated hemophilia audio PowerPoints. Hint: you will find the answer to the QQ under Educational Modules, Hemophilia Part 1: History. We will enjoy seeing your answers and comments.

## Coming Events

On the BioMedica Diagnostics website, we will post a new "Coag Conversation" on April 3, featuring **Dr. Emmanuel Favaloro** speaking on "*The Many Faces of von Willebrand factor or Von Willebrand Factor, ADAMTS13, Malignancy and Beyond*." The April post is the first of a three-part series in which Dr. Favaloro discusses *acquired von Willebrand syndrome*, VWF's association with *malignancy*, and VWF's association with *arterial thrombosis*. Watch for an upcoming FF post and a personal email announcing the "Conversation."

The [International Society on Laboratory Hematology meets May 11–13, 2023 in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA](#). Our partner organization NASCOLA invites you to dinner and a business meeting during the ISLH convention.

As always, we invite your questions and comments. Thank you.

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