

The Fritsma Factor

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Cheat Sheet—February 2026

Welcome to our February 2026 [Fritsma Factor](#) Cheat Sheet. Much of North America, Europe, and Asia are in the throes of February winter storms; even here in sunny Alabama, snow and ice cover the northern portion of our state. We hope our participants from South America, Africa, and Australia are enjoying a beautiful summer. [Precision Biologic Inc.](#) provides free access to Fritsma Factor, Cheat Sheets, Quick Questions, and our Educational Modules.

Fritsma Factor is a moderated online service. I (Geo) review and welcome each new participant; ~1 a day. Many are referred by their professor, presumably a hemostasis course leader, others by colleagues. We have 1735 active subscribers and welcomed 45K visitors to the site in 2025, 92% via Google and Bing searches, the rest through referrals. We have ~4000 returning visitors per year. This Cheat Sheet reaches 1417 active contacts (holding steady year over year) with an exceptional open rate of 24.7% and click rate of 8.2%. Most clicks navigate to the website. Our unsubscribe rate is an enviable 0.22%. I thank you for your questions and comments, and I am eager to accept responses from “rising” colleagues who may be looking for basic information or who bring a fresh point of view.

January 2026 QQ: Fibrinolysis

A new Fritsma Factor Quick Question appears monthly—some are quizzes—some are polls. Our [January 2026 Quick Question](#) was a quiz that asked, “*What fibrinolytic enzyme digests fibrin?*” The intro said, “Fibrinolysis plays a crucial role in the treatment of thrombosis. The components of fibrinolysis, in no particular order, are plasminogen, plasmin, TPA, TAFI, PAI-1, α_2 antiplasmin, FDPs, and D-dimer.” See the [January 2026 QQ Summary](#) to learn how we scored and to read an illustrated summary.

February 2026 QQ: DOACs

[Our February, 2026 Quick Question](#) is also a quiz that asks, “*Which DOAC is a direct thrombin inhibitor?*” Since 2010, DOACs have become our primary antithrombotics that are prescribed for prophylaxis or therapy. While more DOACs are on the horizon, the current anticoagulants directly inhibit either thrombin or FXa. Watch for a comprehensive discussion of DOACs in March.

Spring 2026 Events and Conferences

Several hemostasis-related conferences are offered in February, March, and April. Navigate to our [Conferences](#) page for the list, and please send information on your conference if you don’t see it. A shout out to **Elaine Benoit**, [Precision BioLogic Inc.](#) who forwards much of the conference information when it becomes available. The list also provides links to several online webinar providers.

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