Prothrombin Complex Concentrate for the Management of Bleeding in Factor X Deficiency



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BACKGROUND

- Deficiency of factor X (FXD) is a rare inherited disorder, which affects one in one million patients annually.¹
- Current strategies include utilization of fresh frozen plasma (FFP), prothrombin complex concentrates (4-PCC), or a new human plasma-derived FX, Coagadex®.²

PATIENT CASE

- 24-year-old female with known FXD presented to the emergency department
- Chief complaint: severe joint pain and ecchymotic patches for two weeks
- Physical exam: unremarkable, except tenderness to the right calf and left forearm, along with mild swelling
- Had not received twice-weekly human FX (Coagadex®) infusion in past month secondary to insurance issues
- Human FX was unavailable, 4-PCC was dosed based on dosing recommendations for Coagadex®, 25 IU/kg daily until hemostasis is achieved
- FX content per 4-PCC vial was reviewed by a pharmacist, for the 50kg patient two vials totaling 1348 IU of FX was administered
- Initial labs and repeat labs after 4-PCC administration are in Table 1
- No major bleeding events or adverse drug events were appreciated

Coagulation Labs	Before 4PCC Administration	After 4PCC Administration
PT (seconds)	104.5	17.6
INR	8.7	1.5
aPTT (seconds)	32	NA
Fibrinogen (mg/dL)	397	NA
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	5.8	7.6*
Hematocrit (%)	19.2	24.7*

Table 1: Coagulation studies in our patient before and 2 hours after dosing 4-PCC. PT= Prothrombin Time; INR = International Normalized Ratio; aPTT = Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time. *Labs drawn 12 hours after dosing 4PCC

	Factor X; Coagadex®	4-PCC; Kcentra®	3-PCC; Profilnine®	FFP
Components	Factor X	Factors II, VII, IX, X Protein C, Protein S	Factors II, IX,	Contains all factors of the soluble coagulation system
Typical FX content	250 IU/2.5mL 500 IU/5mL	~500-1020 IU/20 mL	~320 IU/5mL ~640 IU/10mL	~178-280 IU/250 mL
Dose	25 IU/kg	Based on Factor X content in vial	Based on Factor X content in vial	20mL/kg, followed by 3-6mL/kg BID
Onset	≤ 30m	≤ 10m	≤ 30m	≤ 30m
Cost	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$

Table 2: FX, 4-PCC, 3-PCC, and FFP for FXD-related bleeding. FX = Factor X; 4PCC = 4-Factor Prothrombin Complex Concentrate, 3PCC = 3-Factor Prothrombin Complex Concentrate, FFP = Fresh Frozen Plasma, h = hours, IU = international units, BID = twice-daily

CONCLUSION

- Without a generic available, Coagadex® costs approximately 75% more than 4-PCC per FX IU based on wholesale price.^{3,4}
- 4-PCC use in FXD has been previously reported in both planned and emergent surgeries without adverse events.^{5,6}
- Given the extreme rarity of FXD, it is unlikely that institutions will routinely stock a purified FX product.
- Our case highlights a cost-effective and viable option for managing FXD-related bleeding with 4-PCC in the emergency department when Coagadex® is unavailable.

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