What is haemophilia A?

People with haemophilia A lack or do not have enough of a clotting factor called factor VIII.

People with haemophilia A either:
- have a genetic defect or
- develop 'inhibitors' to haemophilia A

One in four patient is given very high doses of factor VIII replacement therapies12

What happens in the blood of a person with haemophilia A?

Without treatment, people with haemophilia A can suffer:
- Bleeding which can be life threatening if blood does not clot properly
- Spontaneous bleeding
- Bleeding after minor trauma
- Bleeding into muscles and joints, which can lead to disability

Life with haemophilia – the burden of treatment

People with haemophilia and their family, as well as their friends, face challenges everyday.

Treatment options for people with inhibitors:
- Immune tolerance induction (ITI)
- Bypassing agents
- Immune suppressive agents

Further effective and safe treatment option for those with haemophilia A is needed.

References