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# Platelet-Derived Microparticle

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A small, membrane bound vesicle circulating in the blood that was shed by a platelet. This is the most abundant type of microparticle in human blood. Since they contain platelet chemokines and surface proteins, these particles may modulate vascular processes, such as blood coagulation.