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# Antiphospholipid Syndrome

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A disorder caused by the presence of autoantibodies directed against phospholipids, causing a hypercoagulable state, which may result in blood clots, stroke, heart attack, and in women, significant pregnancy-related complications, including miscarriage and still birth. The syndrome is often associated with other autoimmune disorders, most commonly lupus erythematosus, and infections, including syphilis and Lyme disease.