



# Requirements for Blood in Civilian MCE / Large Scale War



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**War is a laboratory of nightmares, but . . . more than any other recorded events in history, war has advanced the care of the injured.**

**C. William Schwab**



# MCI Blood Planning





# What if...



- ▶ 1000 lb blast
  - Outhouse
  - Mini Van
- ▶ ~2500 casualties
  - 150 Dead on Scene
  - 95 critically injured





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**ELECTRONIC MASS CASUALTY ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING SCENARIOS**

CREATE A NEW DISASTER EVENT REPORT  
Select a disaster event below to view its details and generate a report.

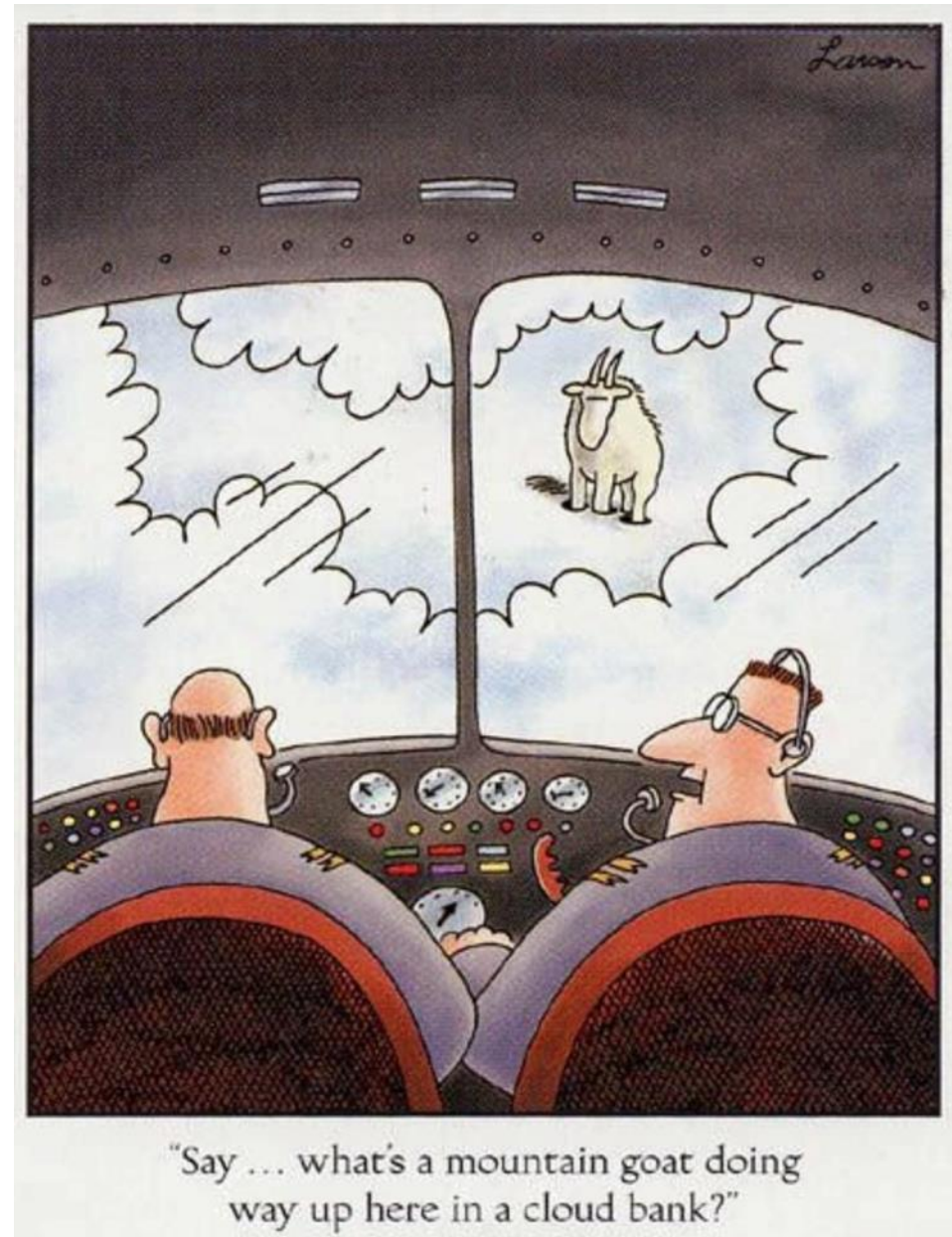
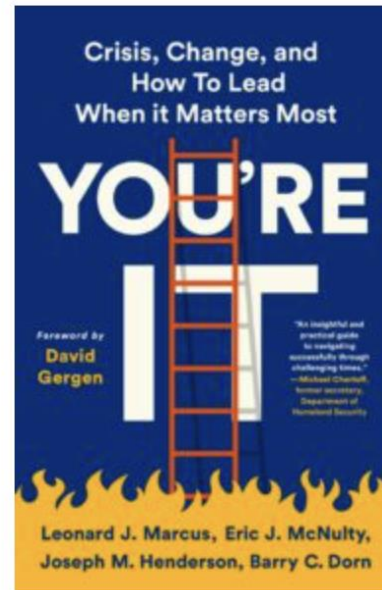
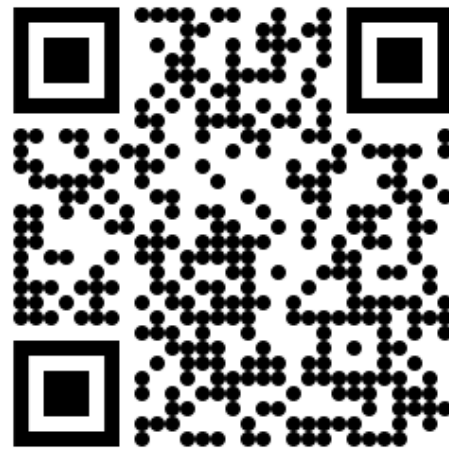
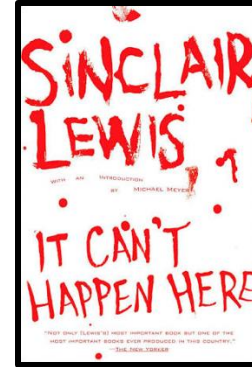
<https://www.pacerapps.org/Emcaps/Disaster>

 OPEN AIR EXPLOSION
  TRANSPORT EXPLOSION



# Our Nation's Worst Day...

- ▶ Are YOU ready?
- ▶ Essential Elements for Success
  - Crisis Leadership
  - Anticipating Wicked Problems
- ▶ Hope for the best...but PREPARE (EXERCISE) for the worst





# Blood Products: Forgotten Choke Point

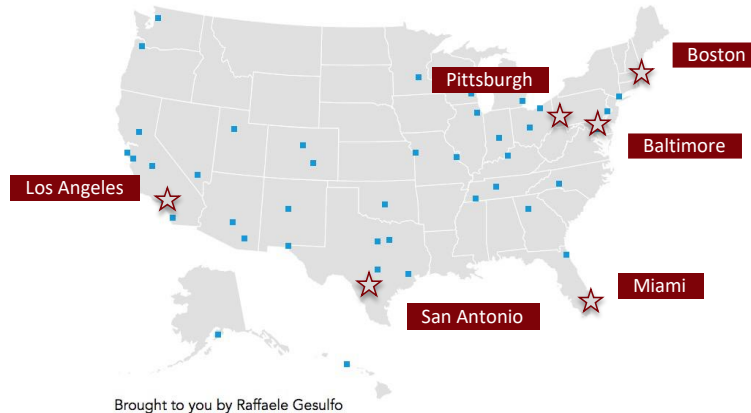
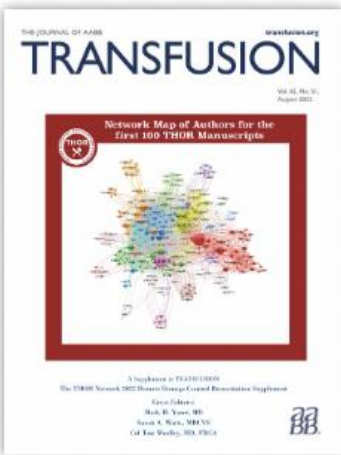
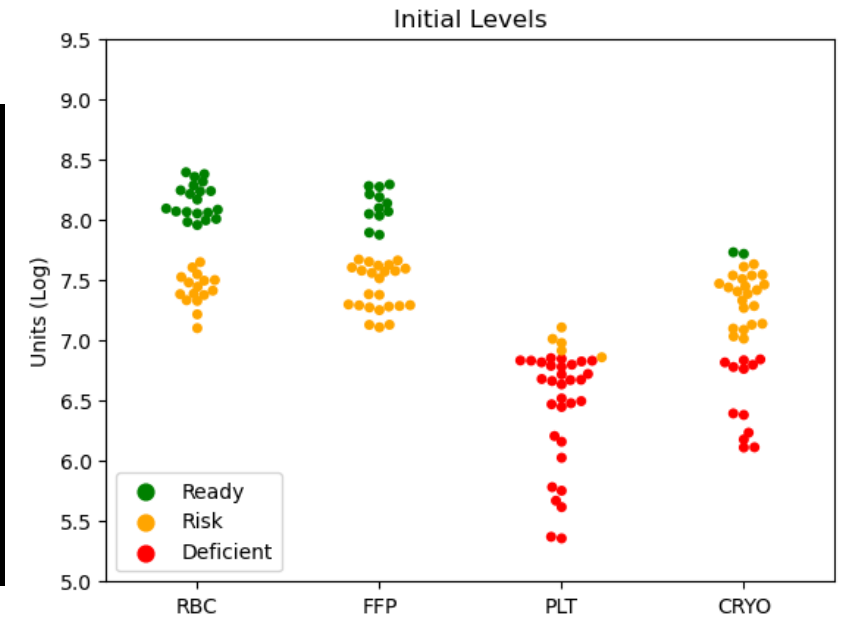
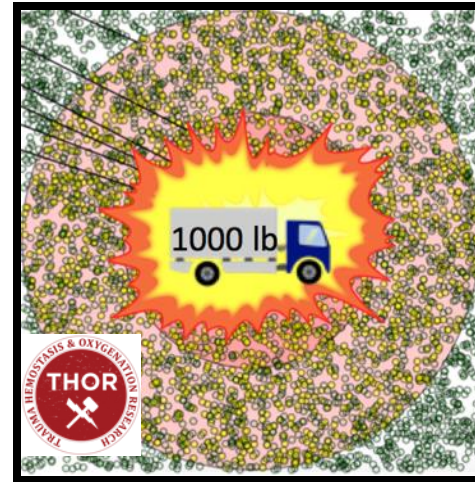
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## TRANSFUSION

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS | [Free Access](#)

**U.S. cities will not meet blood product resuscitation standards during major mass casualty incidents: Results of a THOR-AABB working party prospective analysis**

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Brought to you by Raffaele Gesulfo  
Product Designer at Navar

|                  | Initial (N = 36) |     |            |            |
|------------------|------------------|-----|------------|------------|
|                  | RBC              | FFP | PLT        | CRYO       |
| <b>Ready</b>     | 20               | 12  | 0          | 2          |
| <b>Risk</b>      | 16               | 24  | 6 (4-7)    | 22 (22-26) |
| <b>Deficient</b> | 0                | 0   | 30 (29-32) | 12 (8-12)  |

\* Value (95% Confidence Interval)

## Can these cities manage n=95 critical casualties?

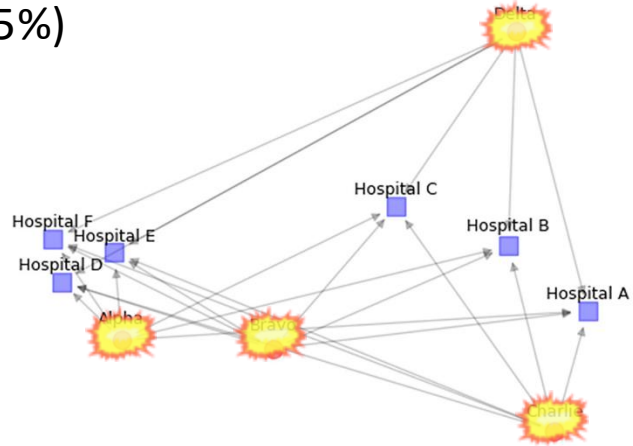


# Re-thinking Patient Distribution

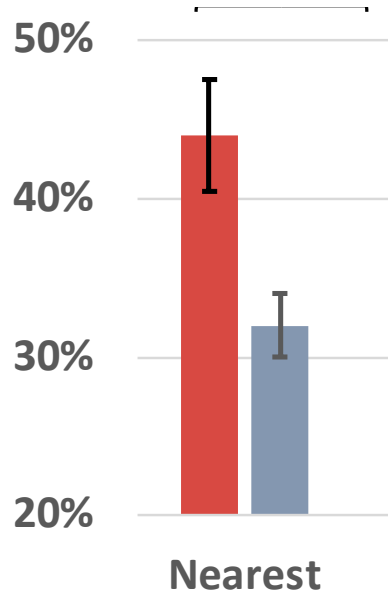
302 ± 7 casualties

-- > 57 ± 2 moderately injured (~20%)

-- > 15 ± 2 severely injured (~5%)



Triage Efficiency



■ Severe ■ Moderate

## Summary

- ▶ Equal OR Inventory-based BEST
- ▶ Maximize Patient Need Matched to Resources
- ▶ Regional Dashboards Needed!

### Optimizing Mass Casualty Triage: Using Discrete Event Simulation to Minimize Time to Resuscitation

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### Development and Implementation of Real-Time Web-Based Dashboards in a Multisite Transfusion Service

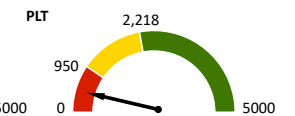
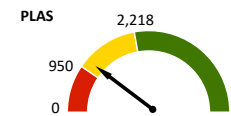
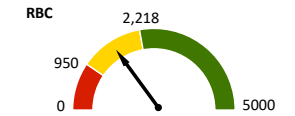
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| Product Inventory         |     |     |     |     |     |        |     |           |     |                 |     |  |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|-----------|-----|-----------------|-----|--|
| Red Blood Cells           |     | A   | B   | AB  | O   | Plasma |     | Platelets |     | Cryoprecipitate |     |  |
| Pos                       | Neg | Pos | Neg | Pos | Neg | Pos    | Neg | Pos       | Neg | Pos             | Neg |  |
| Current Level             | 10  | 42  | 3   | 4   | 9   | 20     | 75  |           |     |                 |     |  |
| Unprocessed               | 6   |     |     |     | 15  |        |     |           |     |                 |     |  |
| Minimum Stocking Level    | 5   | 14  | 1   | 2   | 1   | 5      | 5   | 20        |     |                 |     |  |
| Sufficient Stocking Level | 10  | 15  | 2   | 5   | 2   | 15     | 20  | 55        |     |                 |     |  |
| Maximum Stocking Level    | 17  | 53  | 4   | 9   | 6   | 35     | 39  | 135       |     |                 |     |  |

RGB Indicator







# LSCO Blood Planning





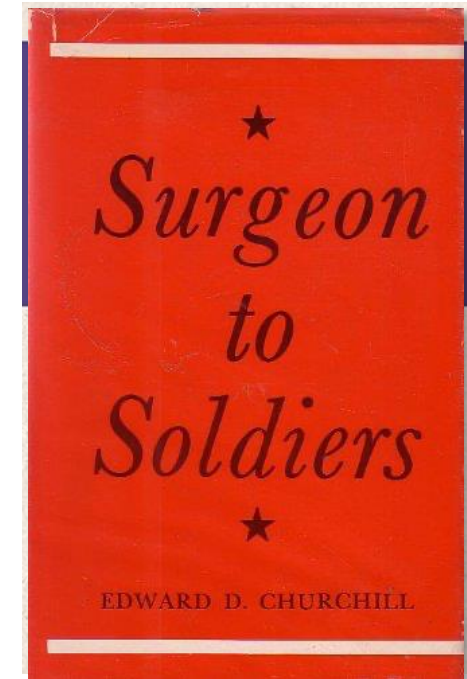
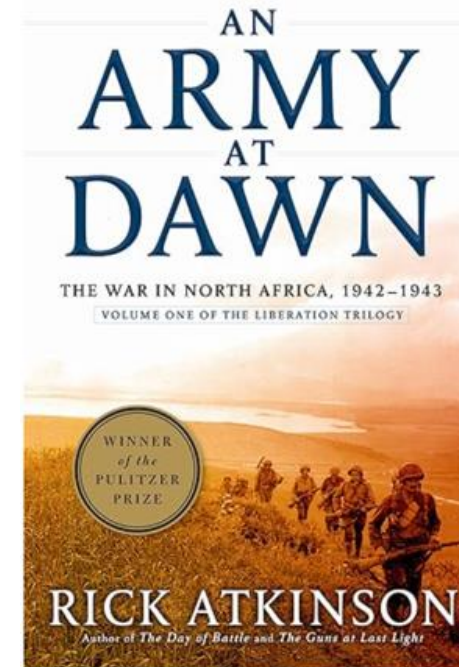
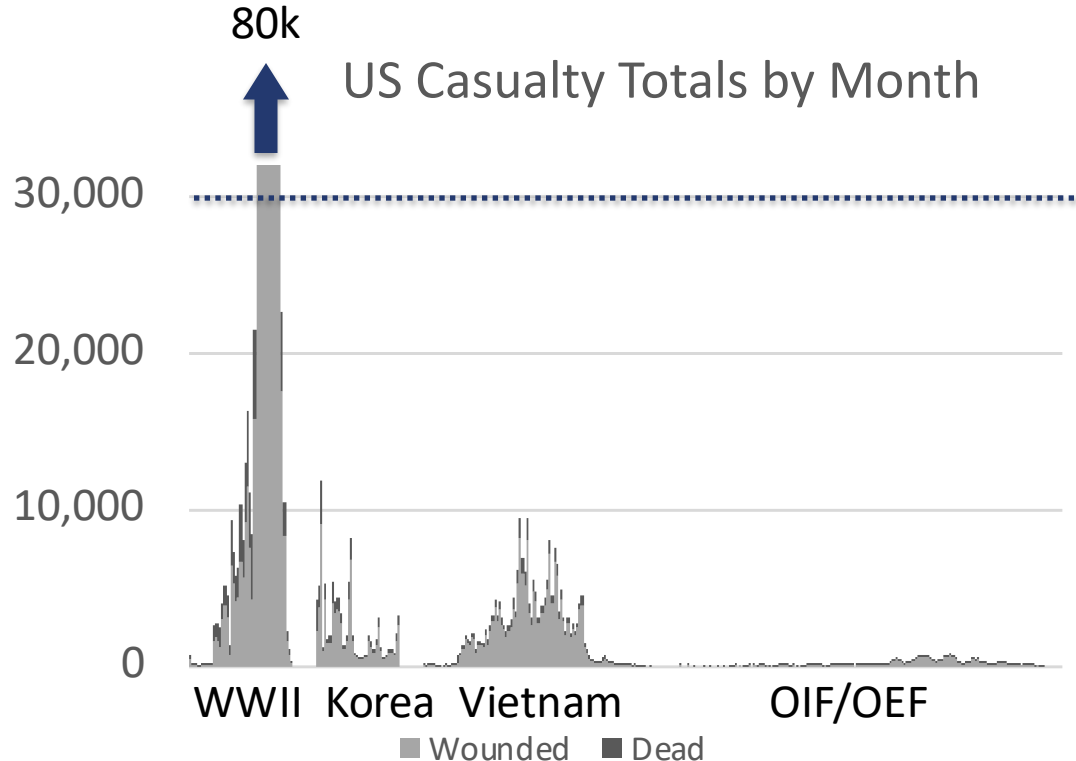
History, the Torch That Illuminates: Lessons from Military Medicine

COL Michael E. DeBakey, USAR

MILITARY MEDICINE, 161, 12:711, 1996

# Quantify th

- NDMS Pilot: 1K/day x 100++ days == 30k/mo x ...





*“The vital role which whole blood played in the care of the wounded in World War II has been adequately dealt with elsewhere, but the essential planning that made possible the provision of over 385,000 pints of whole blood for the treatment of the greater portion of the 386,075 wounded in the European theater of operations is a story that needs to be told”*

- COL James B. Mason, **June 1948**



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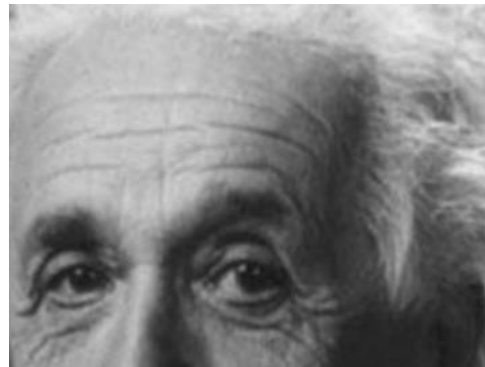
December 10, 1951

TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES:

I have asked the Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization to provide within that office a mechanism for the authoritative coordination of an integrated and effective program to meet the nation's requirements for blood, blood derivatives and related substances.

At his direction, the Health Resources Advisory Committee, Office of Defense Mobilization, has established a Subcommittee on Blood for this purpose. This Subcommittee will be concerned with the development of a single National Blood Program encompassing all phases of the problem.

I desire that other departments and agencies of the Federal Government coordinate their activities in the blood field through this mechanism.



The only mistake in life is the lesson  
not learned.

— Albert Einstein —

SCUDDER ORATION ON TRAUMA

## Blood and War—Lest We Forget

David B Hoyt, MD, FACS

JACS 2009;209(6):681-686

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## A Century of Evolution in Trauma Resuscitation



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# The thin red line: Blood planning factors and the enduring need for a robust military blood system to support combat operations

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**TABLE 2.** WB Planning Periodic Automatic Resupply (PAR) Recommendations

| Theater Medical Assets                                 | Description                                 | Recommended PAR Level (Units WB/ WBE) Per 72 h | Walking Blood Bank                         |
|--|---|--|--|
| Role 1 (ex: BCT)                                       | 3 unit WB per trained medic                 | 3  | At least 90% or unit members prescreened   |
| Role 1 or Role 2 non-surgical (ex: ASMC/C-MED)         | Nonsurgical resuscitation team              | 30   | At least 50 presecreened donors available  |
| Role 2 (ex: FRSD 20 PAX)                               | 10 surgical cases/day, average 4 units/case | 120  | At least 100 presecreened donors available |
| Role 3   | 24 surgical cases/day, average 6 units/case | 240  | At least 50 presecreened donors available  |
| MEDEVAC/Air Evacuation/<br>Critical Care Air Transport | Units per aircraft                          | 8  | At least 90% or unit members prescreened   |

This number best estimates the starting blood level in a new theater of operations. Blood PAR should be adjusted dynamically based on operational activity and resupply availability.

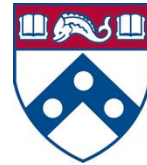


# Mitigation Strategies

- No SURGE Capacity
- Think Creatively To Identify Solutions
  - Dried Plasma, Plts
  - Deglys Blood (Collected -- > Sored During MCIs)
- Walking Blood Bank Education



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