

Table 6. Exogenous factors requiring plasma cofactor

<b>Name</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Physical Properties</b>	<b>Mode of action</b>	<b>References</b>
Bitiscetin	<i>Bitis arietans</i>	25,000 Da, disulfide-linked heterodimer ( = 16,000, = 13,000 Da), pI 9.1	Bitiscetin binds to vWF forming a complex which binds to GPIb resulting in platelet agglutination	71
Botrocetin/Venom coagglutinin	<i>Bothrops jararaca</i> <i>Bothrops alternatus</i> <i>Bothropd medusa</i> <i>Bothrops neuwiedii</i>	26,500 Da, disulfide-linked heterodimer	Binds to vWF forming a complex which binds to GPIb resulting in platelet aggregation or agglutination	59-70
Cerastotin	<i>Cerastes cerastes</i>	40,000 Da, single chain glycoprotein, pI 6.6	Requires the presence of fibrinogen and vWF for platelet agglutination. Binding of cerastotin on GPIb could result in the secretion of vWF.	7
Ecarin	<i>Echis carinatus</i>	Metalloproteinase associated with C-type lectin related protein	Indirectly by the conversion of prothrombin to thrombin	72, 73
Venom Platelet-Aggregating Factor	<i>Enhydrina schistosa</i>		Requires the presence of prothrombin and Ca <sup>2+</sup>	74
Venom Platelet-Aggregating Factor	<i>Loxosceles reclusa</i>		Requires plasma component, aggregation via ADP and serotonin release	88