“Stop-and-go” motion of sickle red blood cells on TNF-α activated vascular endothelial surfaces and the role of Factor H inhibitor

- FH segment normalized the transit of sickle cell disease red blood cells (SCD-RBCs) across the TNF-α activated vascular endothelial surface, abolishing the “stop-and-go” behavior of the sickle RBCs.

- This effect positively affected the transit time of sickle RBCs, reducing the likelihood of the RBCs to sickle during their transit of the microcirculation.

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