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I enjoyed reading Chow et al.'s paper entitled 'Neonatal alloimmune thrombocytopenia due to HLA-A2 anti-effective in the early newborn period when their titration body' in the recent issue of Acta Haematologica [1992;87:153-155]. The baby's platelet count was about $100 \times 10^9/l$ on the 16th day of age and less than $25 \times 10^9/l$ on the 19th day of age. Although antiplatelet antibodies were shown in the mother's serum and 'the baby's serum reacted with both sensitized to HLA-A2 antigen and 'the patient's platelet count the father's and the autologous platelets', the baby's platelet count became normal while anti-A2 was cleared up' the findings let counts shown in figure 1 do not match the explanation might be coincidental but not necessarily related, of thrombocytopenia with transplacental antibodies in