



International Rare Donor Panel

The IRDP database can only be accessed by authorised users.

[Access the database](#)



Rare Donor Program

Country: **United States**

Country: USA

Rare Donor Program

| | |
|---|--|
| Rare Donor Program | Yes |
| National Regional or Facility based | National (44 Red Cross and 42 AABB-accredited US-based IRLs) |
| Number of Rare Donors | ~88,500 active US-based donors |
| Definition of Rare | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Lacking high prevalence antigen (<1/1000 donors) 2) Characterized RH variant alleles with hrB-, hrS-, hrB+vw/- phenotypes 3) Multiple common antigen negatives 3a. R1, R2, R0, or rr AND K- AND Fy(a-) or Fy(b-) AND Jk(a-) or Jk(b-) AND S- or s- 3b. R1, R2 or rr AND K- AND Fy(a-b-) 4) IgA deficient (levels <0.05mg/dL) 5) Rare Rh phenotype |
| Are the donors listed in the International Rare Donor Panel | Yes |
| Frozen Inventory | Held locally, no data available |
| How are Rare Donors found | Most by RBC genotyping panels, some by serologic screening |
| Number of Rare Donor Units used per year | ~1000 cases, 2159 units |
| ISBT Rare Donor WP Blood Shipment form used | Yes (for international cases only) |
| Outcome of incompatible transfusion form used | Yes |
| Most difficult types to find | E- hr ^S - (multiple alleles), Sec- (<i>RHCE</i> * <i>CeRN</i> homozygous) O neg U-, O neg Jk(a-b-) |
| Phenotypes confirmed by molecular testing | U-, Hy-, Jo(a-), V-, VS- |

Country: USA

| Phenotype | Total Active Donors | Group O | O Positive | O Negative | Other ABO/Rh |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------|------------|------------|---|
| GE:-2,-3 | 18 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 3 A pos 1 B pos |
| Jk(a-b-) | 37 | 25 | 25 | 0 | 6 Bpos,1 A neg,5 Apos |
| Ko | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 A pos |
| Kp(b-) | 109 | 74 | 53 | 21 | 4 B pos 9 A neg 21 A pos 1 AB |
| MkMk | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Rh:-34 | 0 | | | | |
| U- | 1130 | 777 | 720 | 57 | 196 A pos 123 B pos 17 B neg 16 A neg 1 AB pos |
| PP1Pk- | 34 | 11 | 11 | 0 | 14 A pos 6 A neg 3 B pos |
| SC:-1 | 1 | 0 | | | 1 A neg |
| En(a-) | 0 | | | | |
| At(a-) | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | |
| Di(b-) | 40 | 29 | 29 | 0 | |
| Jr(a-) | 10 | 5 | 4 | 1 | |
| Rh null | 3 | | | 0 | 3 A neg |
| Vel(-) | 111 | 86 | 72 | 14 | 15 A pos 7 A neg 1 B neg 1 B pos 1 AB pos |
| D-- | 14 | 6 | 6 | | 1 B pos |
| Oh | 15 | | | 1 Oh D- | |

Country: USA

How are your rare donors found?

| | Yes / No | Method | Comments |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Extended phenotyping donors | Yes, by some and in some instances | Manual tube and automated typing depending on the antigen and center | |
| Extended genotyping donors | Yes | Red Cross uses Agena HemoID DQS, OneBlood Uses Grifols IDCoreXT, Versiti uses locally-developed Lab-developed test, LifeShare uses HaploGenX HemoSelect | Unable to specify all methods used |
| Family studies | Sometimes | | |
| Antibody investigations | Sometimes | | |
| Other | | | |



ISBT

Red Cell Product Specifications

Country: **United States**

Country: USA

Donor Selection

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Donation | Voluntary | |
| Age or Weight Restrictions | 17 years of age and older (16 years of age permitted in some states with parental/guardian consent) Must weigh at least 110 lbs, For donors <18 years of age: females under 5'5" and males under 5' must meet additional height and weight requirements | |
| Donation Interval | 56 days (8 weeks) for whole blood collection | |
| Sexual Activity Precautions | Sex with person positive for HIV, Hepatitis B/C, or HTLV | 3 month deferral for HIV, 12 month deferral for HBV or symptomatic HCV, no deferral for asymptomatic HCV; no specific guidance for HTLV contact (addressed on case-by-case basis) |
| | Male to male sex (MSM) or female to MSM sex | 3 month deferral but will change in a few months |
| | Sex worker or received payment for sex | 3 month deferral |
| | Use of non-prescribed needles | 3 month deferral |
| Travel Exclusions If donor has returned from an area endemic for the listed infectious illnesses | Dengue | No deferral defined but malaria deferral results covers travel to most endemic areas |
| | Ebola | No widespread transmission reported by FDA or CDC: no deferral/self-deferral If widespread transmission reported: indefinite deferral if ever infected with Ebola or 8 week deferral for travel to endemic country or contact with person/material infected with Ebola |
| | Malaria | Travel to endemic country: 3 month deferral, Lived >5 years in an endemic country: 3 year deferral, Malaria treatment completion: 3 year deferral |
| | West Nile Virus | 120 day deferral after diagnosis, all donors screened using NAT testing |
| | Zika Virus | 120 day deferral from symptom resolution |
| Lifestyle | Acupuncture Piercing Tattoo | No deferral No deferral if single use equipment used; if reusable equipment used or unknown: 3 month deferral No deferral if performed at state-regulated facility, if not state-regulated: 3 month deferral |
| | Drug use (Non-prescribed injected) | 3 month deferral |
| | Incarceration | If consecutive 72 hours or greater: 12 month deferral from release, if not consecutive or <72 hours: no deferral |
| | | |
| CJD restrictions | American Red Cross donor health questionnaire (ARC DHQ) inquires whether donor has a history of dura mater graft. Donors who have received an animal-derived, cadaveric, or allogeneic human-derived dura mater graft or had head or brain surgery without knowledge of whether a dura mater graft was received are deferred indefinitely. Geographic risk regions for bovine spongiform encephalopathy are no longer part of deferral criteria. The following are not addressed in the ARC DHQ but may be information volunteered by donor: Donors who volunteer the following information with transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs) or a family member diagnosed with a genetic TSE are indefinitely deferred. Donors who received cadaveric pituitary-derived human growth hormone are deferred indefinitely. | |
| COVID restrictions | COVID-19 vaccination: The ARC DHQ inquires about COVID19 vaccine administration. Donors who receive a non-replicating, inactivated OR RNA-based COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by AstraZeneca, Janssen/J&J, Moderna, Novavax, or Pfizer and have no symptoms have no deferral period. Patients with possible vaccine-associated symptom(s) are temporarily deferred until symptoms resolve. Donors who receive an unknown type of an attenuated COVID-19 vaccine will be deferred for 14 days from date of vaccination. | |
| | COVID infection: Donors are no longer asked about COVID-19 infection or symptoms preceding day of donation on ARC DHQ. Donors who volunteer the information are deferred for 10 days from: last day of symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection (with or without COVID-19 testing), or COVID-19 diagnosis from positive diagnostic test without symptoms. | |
| | Household contact: Donors are no longer asked about COVID-19 contacts on ARC DHQ. There is no deferral if donor is asymptomatic, Donor is deferred for 10 days after symptom resolution if donor is symptomatic. | |

Country: USA

Mandatory Infectious Diseases Screening of Blood Products ID

| | Screening test | Confirmatory test | Risk of blood transfusion transmission |
|--|--|--|---|
| HIV | HIV-1 and HIV-2 RNA NAT, HIV-1 (groups M and O)/HIV-2 EIA Multiplex MP-NAT HIV RNA/HCV RNA/HBV DNA NAT with reflex to Multiplex ID-NAT (TMA) | Discriminatory HIV RNA NAT assay (TMA) HIV western blot, an HIV-2 enzyme-linked immunoassay, and an HIV-1 and HIV-2 rapid test | 1 per 2.3 million donations |
| HCV | anti-HCV ELISA Multiplex MP-NAT HIV RNA/HCV RNA/HBV DNA NAT with reflex to Multiplex ID-NAT (TMA) | Discriminatory HCV RNA NAT assay (TMA) If HCV-antibody reactive, but NAT nonreactive: HCV RNA by NAT, if nonreactive: HCV-antibody screening test | 1 per 2.6 million donations |
| HBV | anti-HBsAg EIA, anti-HBc ELISA Multiplex MP-NAT HIV RNA/HCV RNA/HBV DNA NAT (TMA) with reflex to Multiplex ID-NAT (TMA) | Discriminatory HBV DNA NAT assay (TMA) Specific antigen neutralization for HBsAg, if neutralization positive and anti-HBc reactive: HBV NAT | 1 per 1.5 million donations |
| Syphilis | Automated agglutination assay | Serologic test for total antibodies, an enzyme-linked immunoassay, RPR | No cases of transfusion-transmitted syphilis reported since 1960's |
| HTLV (1 & 2) | Anti-HTLV-1/2 ELISA | Western blot | <1 per 2 million donations |
| CMV | Selected donors screened with Anti-CMV assay | | |
| Zika Virus | N/A: In May 2021, FDA approved the discontinuation of ZIKV NAT | | No suspect transfusion-transmission reported during the period when ZIKV NAT was performed. |
| West Nile Virus | WNV RNA MAT assay (TMA) First by MP-NAT that triggers targeted ID-NAT in specific geographic areas with positive MP-NAT | Retest WNV NAT assay on alternate sample, if nonreactive: WNV IgG/IgM | |
| Babesia | RNA NAT assay that detects four species of babesia (TMA) MP-NAT performed in 14 endemic states | Retest NAT on alternate sample | |
| Trypanosoma cruzi (T. cruzi) Chagas Disease | T. cruzi ELISA Donors tested only once | Enzyme strip immunoassay (ESA) | All reports of transfusion transmission have been from unscreened platelets, except one red cell case, or from whole blood from unscreened donors in Latin America. |
| | | | |
| | Tests must be FDA approved. Complete list of FDA approved donor screening assays: https://www.fda.gov/vaccines-blood-biologics/complete-list-donor-screening-assays-infectious-agents-and-hiv-diagnostic-assays#Anti-CMV%20Assays%20(detect%20antibodies%20to%20Cytomegalovirus) | | Provides details of antibody and nucleic acid testing Mark tests as NA when not required Include details of any additional testing required |

Country: USA

| Red Cell Products | Leukocyte Depleted | Pediatric Leukocyte Depleted | Washed Leukocyte Depleted |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Description | Unit of whole blood collected into anticoagulant with in-line pre-storage leukofiltration is subsequently centrifuged with majority of plasma removed, +/- additive solution added. Alternatively, red cell unit(s) may be collected with anticoagulant by apheresis +/- additive solution added. | Leukocyte depleted red cell unit, <10 days storage at time of release, may have 4-6 additional bags attached by sterile welding to allow hospital to aliquot into smaller uniform units for distribution | Whole blood or apheresis red cell unit is washed in sodium chloride and resuspended in variable amount of 0.9% saline +/- low concentration (e.g. 0.2%) dextrose solution using an automated cell processor, with intention to remove majority of plasma proteins including antibodies and supernatant electrolytes. |
| Anticoagulant | Acid citrate dextrose solution A (ACD-A), citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD), citrate phosphate dextrose adenine (CPDA-1), citrate phosphate double dextrose (CP2D) Approx ratio 1:14 anticoagulant:whole blood | Acid citrate dextrose solution A (ACD-A), citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD), citrate phosphate dextrose adenine (CPDA-1), citrate phosphate double dextrose (CP2D) Approx ratio 1:14 anticoagulant:whole blood | Acid citrate dextrose solution A (ACD-A), citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD), citrate phosphate dextrose adenine (CPDA-1), citrate phosphate double dextrose (CP2D) Approx ratio 1:14 anticoagulant:whole blood |
| Additive Solution | AS-1 (Adsol), AS-3 (Nutricel), AS-5 (Optisol), AS-7 (SOLX) 100 mL in 450 mL total whole blood collection, 110 mL in 500 mL total whole blood collection | AS-1 (Adsol), AS-3 (Nutricel), AS-5 (Optisol), AS-7 (SOLX) 100 mL in 450 mL total whole blood collection, 110 mL in 500 mL total whole blood collection | No AS added back post-washing at ARC. |
| Average volume | Volume varies based on addition of AS | Same as standard red cell units | (180 mL+ /unit based on saline resuspension volume and goal hematocrit) |
| Storage Duration | 21 days for CPD, 35 days for CPDA-1; 42 days for AS solutions | 21 days for CPD, 35 days for CPDA-1; 42 days for AS solutions | 24 hours after initiation of washing procedure in an open system. |
| Leukofiltration | Leukocyte reduced to $\leq 5 \times 10^6$ WBCs in $\geq 95\%$ of units tested | | |
| Storage Temperature | 1°C to 6°C | | |
| Transport Temperature | 1°C to 10°C | | |
| Modifications | CMV seronegative, irradiated, Hgb S negative, phenotyped/antigen(s) negative | | |
| Irradiation Policy | X-ray irradiation or gamma ray (25-50 Gy) irradiation* | | |

Country: USA

| Frozen Leukocyte Depleted | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Description | Used primarily to preserve red cell units from donors of rare phenotypes, either autologous or for use for patients with similar phenotype/genotype requirements. |
| Anticoagulant | Acid citrate dextrose solution A (ACD-A), citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD), citrate phosphate dextrose adenine (CPDA-1), citrate phosphate double dextrose (CP2D) |
| Additive Solution | Glycerol is added to red cells as a cryoprotectant prior to freezing process |
| Leukofiltration | Leukocyte reduced to $<5 \times 10^6$ /unit |
| Average volume | ≥ 180 mL / unit (ARC specifies ≥ 180 g weight) |
| Storage Temperature | $\leq -65^\circ\text{C}$, frozen within 6 days of collection* 1°C to 6°C once thawed |
| Transport Temperature | $\leq -65^\circ\text{C}$ while frozen 1°C to 10°C once thawed |
| Storage Duration | 10 years frozen** Once thawed, expiration is 24 hours from initiation of thawing process with an open system (used at ARC), ≤ 14 d if closed system used |
| Irradiation Policy | Gamma irradiation: 25-50Gy or X-ray irradiation*** |
| Other | After thawing, glycerol is removed from the component prior to transfusion by washing the cells with sodium chloride. After washing, the red cells are resuspended in 0.9% sodium chloride +/- low concentration (e.g. 0.2%) dextrose. |



ISBT

Frozen Inventory

Country: **USA**

Country: USA

General Information

| | |
|--|--|
| Freezing Method | Glycerolization with mechanical refrigeration |
| Frozen Expiry (years) | 10 years |
| Storage Temperature | -65°C |
| Can inventory be issued and sent frozen | Yes |
| Thawing Method | Heat block followed by sequential wash with 12%, 1.6%, and 0.9% NaCl |
| Thawed Expiry (days) | Varies If open system, 24 hours If closed system, >24hr <14d |
| Additive Solution | 0.9% NaCl +/- low concentration (e.g 0.2%) Dextrose |
| Irradiation Policy | Not required but can be performed upon request |
| IUT and Neonate use | Varies Red Cross does not adjust the Hct of deglycerolized units, but provide a washed reconstituted product that can have Hct adjusted |
| Supply out of date Policy | Frozen expiry- potential to extend rare units to 30 years using Medical Review Board process |

Country: USA

Product Specifications

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Volume | ≥ 180 mL / unit (ARC specifies ≥ 180 g weight) |
| Supernatant Haemoglobin | Visual inspection, guidance to identify < 0.8% hemolysis |
| Haematocrit | 35% - 80% Washed product with specific request for high HCT must be minimum HCT of 80% (Typically requested for intrauterine transfusion product) |
| Haemoglobin | > 42.5 g mean component total Hgb / unit in at least 95% of all tested packed red cell units |
| Osmolarity | N/A |
| Residual leucocyte content | Leukocyte reduced to <5x10 ⁶ /unit |
| Sterility | N/A |
| Other | Quality control parameter for washed, deglycerolized red cells: ≥ 80% and ≤ 100% red blood cell recovery in 100% products QC tested |

The screenshot displays the IRDP website interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options like Home, Recent, Pinned, Find Blood, Rare Blood Search, Search History, Help Finding Blood, Contribute, Institutions, Contacts, Donors/Units, Contributor Dashboards, and Help Maintaining Data. The main area features a world map with red and blue location pins. On the right, a detailed donor profile is shown for Donor 4737235, including their IRDP ID (002573), ABO Group (O), and various antigen and antibody test results.

| Donor 4737235 | |
|-------------------|--|
| IRDP ID: | 002573 |
| ABO Group: | O |
| Antigens present: | Co ⁺ , Le ^a , e, s, Jk ^b , C, Jk ^b , N, D, Fy ^a |
| Rhities: | Co(a-) |
| Antigens absent: | kg ^a , Co ⁻ , Le ^b , M, Fy ^a , S, c, K, E |

| Donor 3438459 | |
|-------------------|---|
| IRDP ID: | 002581 |
| ABO Group: | O |
| Antigens present: | Co ⁺ , Fy ^a , s, c, Jk ^b , Le ^a , Fy ^a , E, C, e, Jk ^a , D, M |
| Rhities: | Co(a-) |
| Antigens absent: | N, S, K, C ^{III} , Lu ^a , Le ^b , kg ^a , Co ⁻ , P1 |

| 3191018 (5 Frozen Units) | |
|--------------------------|--|
| IRDP ID: | 002761 |
| ABO Group: | O |
| Antigens present: | Le ^a , D, e, Lu ^a , Jk ^b , Fy ^a , M, Vel, N, s, Jk ^a , C, Co ⁺ |
| Donors: | 0 |
| Rhities: | Co(a-) |
| Antigens absent: | P1, S, kg ^a , K, Co ⁻ , Le ^b , c, Fy ^a , Lu ^a , C ^{III} , E |

| 3504950 (4 Frozen Units) | |
|--------------------------|--|
| IRDP ID: | 002761 |
| ABO Group: | O |
| Antigens present: | Le ^a , D, e, Lu ^a , Jk ^b , Fy ^a , M, Vel, N, s, Jk ^a , C, Co ⁺ |
| Donors: | 0 |
| Rhities: | Co(a-) |
| Antigens absent: | P1, S, kg ^a , K, Co ⁻ , Le ^b , c, Fy ^a , Lu ^a , C ^{III} , E |



Ordering and Shipping

Country: **USA**

Country: USA

Exporting

| | |
|--|--|
| Request form available | ARDP Form 9: International Request Form |
| Government Requirements | Center for Disease Control (CDC) International Trade Administration (ITA) |
| Regulatory Requirements | Waybill |
| Rare Donor Program Requirements | ARDP Form 10: Customer Invoice ARDP Form 11: International Exports Tracking Form ARDP Form 12: Unit Information for International Shipment to shipping facility Photograph of labeled unit including phenotype Temperature Logger approval letter, if applicable |
| Other | |

Country: USA

Importing

| | |
|--|--|
| Government Requirements | Investigational New Drug (IND) or emergency (eIND) from the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) |
| Regulatory Requirements | IND or eIND requires patient consent, physician authorization with care plan |
| Rare Donor Program Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• That no/insufficient units found within the US• That compatible family members have been ruled out as donors, when applicable and when possible• That antibody has been found to be clinically significant using Monocyte Monolayer Assay (MMA), when possible |
| Other | |