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## ISBT WORKING PARTY ON RARE DONORS

### SOUTH AFRICA

Have a national Rare Donor Program:

Yes, rare donors sourced throughout South Africa

Number of Donors in Database:

Total number of 164 rare donors of 20 different rare types

Definition of Rare:

Blood types found in < 1% of general population

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Number of Frozen Rare Cells:

313 donations currently in frozen storage

How are Rare Donors found?:

- Screening
- Patient sample investigations
- Family studies

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Number of Rare Donor units used per year:

Varies but on average about 18 per year

Shipping Outcome form used?:

No

Most difficult types to find:

Ge-, Lan- , Jk:-3, Lu:-5, p phenotype

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Other items of interest:

Increased number of requests for multiple antigen  
negative donations