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**Last opportunity for booking a place at the
BSMS OPEN MEETING
Wednesday 13th April 2005
Paragon Hotel, Birmingham**



The meeting will be a great opportunity to discuss with colleagues in other hospitals and senior management in the NBS ways in which we can try to improve the management of the blood supply chain.

See www.bloodstocks.co.uk for the programme and an application form

Closing date: Friday 1st April

NEW VANESA SOFTWARE TO BE LAUNCHED IN SUMMER 2005

Hospital: **Cheltenham General Hospital**

Centre: **Bristol**

Messages

System : Comments added (3 Nov 2004 11:05:00) ✕

System : Monthly Wastage REMINDER (1 Nov 2004 08:15:00) ✕

FOR INFO: Annual Report & Open Meeting 2005 online (21 Oct 2004 13:27:00) ✕

For info: **0 Neg stocks** (15 Oct 2004 17:37:00) ✕

FOR INFO: **V4D - course updates** (23 Aug 2004 13:53:00) ✕

Eng & N. Wales Stock Figures 5 January 2005

	Red Cells	Platelets
O Pos	20952	540
O Neg	4810	144
A Pos	24310	453
A Neg	4096	90
B Pos	5262	42
B Neg	1240	9
AB Pos	1470	0
AB Neg	291	0
Total	62431	1278

Red Cells

Platelets

New buttons to access VANESA pages

Date range of the Blood Service stock charts extended

We will issue a new release of VANESA in the summer. There will be enhancements to the current software:-

- New look home page (shown above)
- Inclusion of a zero button for wastage data
- Messaging to take you monthly to the graphical display pages
- Data entry restrictions extended to three months
- Inclusion of an activity flag on the hospital home page
- Preference for submitting data on a monthly basis

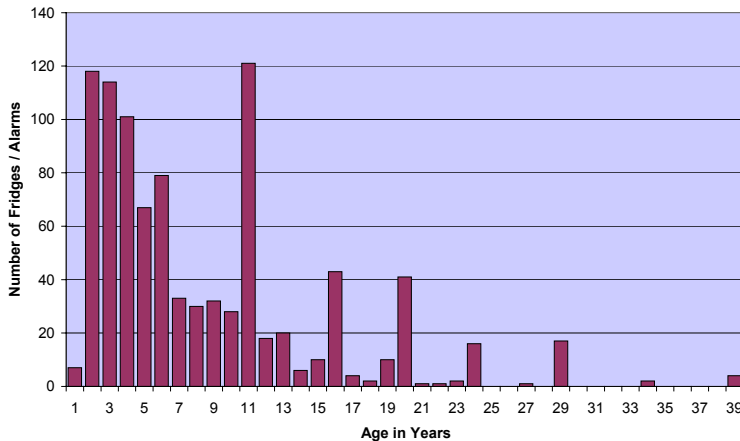


Blood Fridge and Alarm Inventory Practice Survey

A data taster!

- 234 hospitals (81%) completed the survey.
- There were 1139 blood fridges in the 234 hospitals.
- The number of fridges per hospital ranged from 1 to 22.
- 72/1139 fridges were not on a maintained power supply.
- A chart and table showing the age of blood fridges and the number of fridges holding flying squad units are given below

Age of blood fridges



4/1139 fridges were at least 40 years old. 50% of the fridges were less than 9 years old.

Fridges with flying squad units

Type	Location	Number
Issue	AE	18
Issue	ICU	10
Issue	Obstetrics	65
Issue	Theatres	103
Issue	Laboratory	11
Issue	Other	70
Stock	Laboratory	1
Total		278

278/1139 (24%) fridges held O Neg flying squad units

A comprehensive report will be issued in April

VANESA 4 DUMMIES - New dates and Venues

170 people have now been on our V4D courses. We continue to receive requests to run them, so have added a couple of new dates. We hope to organise an additional course in the South of England when we find a venue. V4D days are particularly useful for getting as much information as possible from VANESA.

6th May 2005 – Manchester Blood Centre

25th May 2005 – Birmingham New Street

Booking details available on www.bloodstocks.co.uk

Repository for Information on the Blood Supply (RIBS)

A further meeting of the project team has taken place. We have now identified a number of hospital pilot sites and are waiting for the NBS software developers to complete the new version of VANESA so that they can complete the development that is required for the BSMS to commence the pilot. We will be setting up an area on the website to provide you with more information on RIBS as it becomes available

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