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## **BSMS OPEN MEETING 2006**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, Paragon Hotel, Birmingham**

**TIME IS RUNNING OUT – 1 WEEK LEFT TO BOOK**

The 4 simultaneous interactive workshops including facilitators are finalised: -

1. The use of group O Neg red cells – Maggie Pailing (NBS) and Dr Craig Taylor (Russells Hall Hospital)
2. Cold chain validation – Joan Jones (Welsh Blood Service) and Sarah Raymond (NBS)
3. Best practice in blood inventory management in the hospital setting – Judith Chapman (BSMS) and Susan Buchanan (Scottish National Blood Service)
4. BSMS developments – Rob Hick (BSMS) and Stuart Penny (NBS)

The programme includes the blood supply chain 2005-06 and reports back from the 2005 BiteSize projects. There will also be the usual open forum, which will give you the opportunity to “grill” a panel on issues related to blood supply management.

**A programme and application form are enclosed** and are also available from [www.bloodstocks.co.uk](http://www.bloodstocks.co.uk)

**Closing date for applications is Friday 26 May**


## **BLOOD TRANSFUSION LABORATORY MANAGERS AND SENIOR STAFF ARE INVITED TO**

### **VANESA 4 VIPs**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, NBS New Street, Birmingham**

It has come to our attention that **laboratory managers and senior staff** may be unaware of the facilities and opportunities that VANESA, the BSMS data management system provides for understanding hospital blood inventory management. We are therefore offering a **one off** V4 VIPs course for laboratory managers/senior staff. The course will include information related to ‘getting the most out of’ VANESA in relation to inventory management practice. The course is **free** and places are limited so make sure that you book soon. Lunch is provided.

VANESA 4 DUMMIES courses will be running from July to December 2006 in Manchester and Birmingham. Further information and an application form are available on [www.bloodstocks.co.uk](http://www.bloodstocks.co.uk)



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### Welcome to BSMS

The Blood Stocks Management Scheme was established to understand and improve blood inventory management across the blood supply chain.

Central to our work is VANESA, the data management system where hospital and blood service data is submitted. In return participants can view real time data and charts.

The BSMS has a large bank of data on the blood supply chain and has detailed knowledge of its various elements.

### What's New?

Introducing [bloodstocks.co.uk](#)  
Welcome to the new [bloodstocks.co.uk](#), home of the Blood Stocks Management Scheme.

The new site has been completely redesigned to incorporate a new contemporary look and feel, a much improved and easy-to-follow navigation system, and an incorporated search.

All your favourite content from the old site is still here, it just looks better. Participants can access VANESA as normal using the 'Go to VANESA' button at the bottom of the navigation bar.

We hope you enjoy the new site and would like you to in touch if you have any feedback - positive or negative by using the [Contact Us](#) form.

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### Latest Publications

18 May 2006  
Issue 16 - Feb 2006

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### Training Courses

Title	Location	Date
<a href="#">VANESA 4 DUMMIES</a>	NBS Manchester	13/07/06
<a href="#">VANESA 4 DUMMIES</a>	NBS Manchester	18/07/06
<a href="#">VANESA 4 VIPs</a>	NBS Birmingham New Street	26/09/06

### BSMS Open Meeting 2006

The BSMS Open Meeting 2006 will take place on 7 June 2006 at Paragon Hotel, Birmingham

Registration for the 2006 Open Meeting is now open.

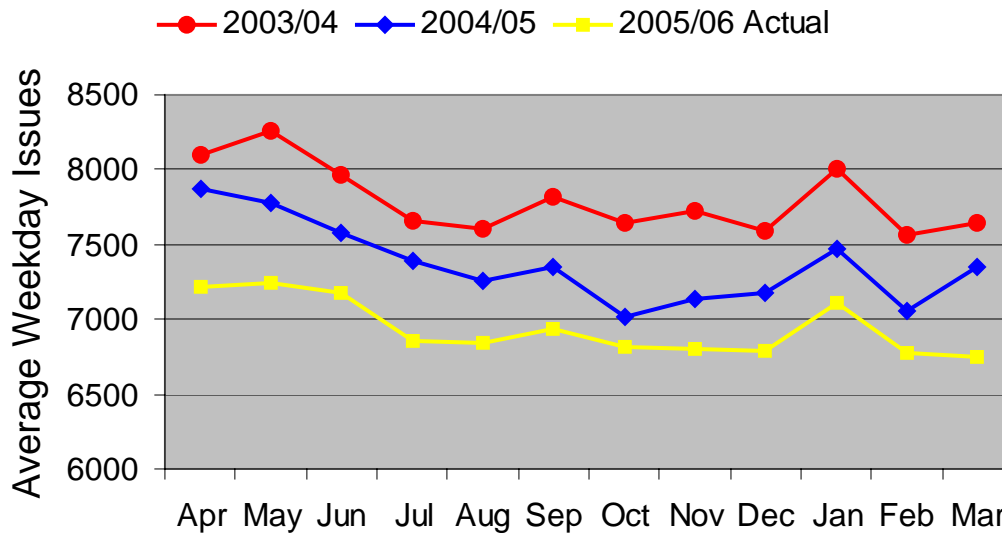
[Register Now](#)

Hospitals and UK Blood Services working together to promote better blood supply management

Site by Lightmaker

The **NEW** BSMS website has been launched. It has a different look and feel to the old one and will be much easier for you to "look around".

## RED CELL DEMAND 2005-06



During 2005-06 the demand for red cells continued to fall, although at not such a fast rate as in the previous two years. Total red cell issues for 2005-06 were 1.941M, **4.4% below** 2004-05 issues of 1.93M. Group O Neg issues were 203,718, **1.7% below** the 2004-05 issues of 207,262. Red cell issues for the first six weeks of 2006-07 are higher than expected, this may be due to a declining impact of appropriate use initiatives.