

PRACTICAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION 1ST SEMESTER

Blood products preparation

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Learning Objectives

- Understand the concept of whole blood and its components.
- Learn the steps of blood component preparation.
- Recognize the importance of proper handling and storage.

Blood products preparation methods

Blood components can be prepared and reduced from two main sources:

1. Whole Blood Donation

- Collected as 450 mL of whole blood.
- Then separated by centrifugation into RBCs, plasma, and platelets.



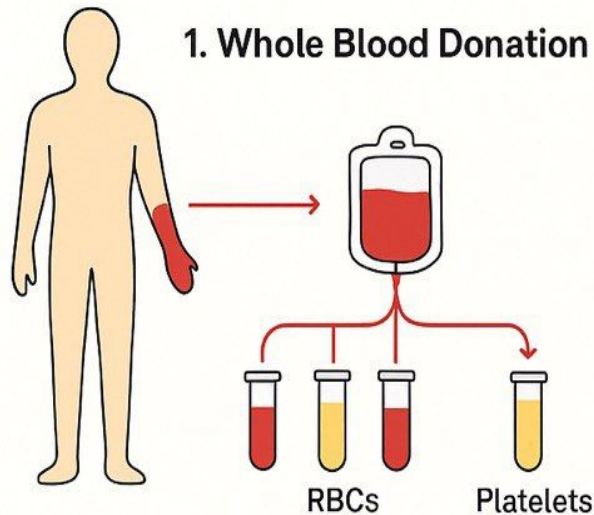
2. Apheresis Donation:

- ❑ Uses an automated cell separator to collect specific components directly (e.g., platelets, plasma, or RBCs).
- ❑ The remaining components are returned to the donor.
- ❑ Produces higher yield and purity of the desired product, reducing donor exposure.

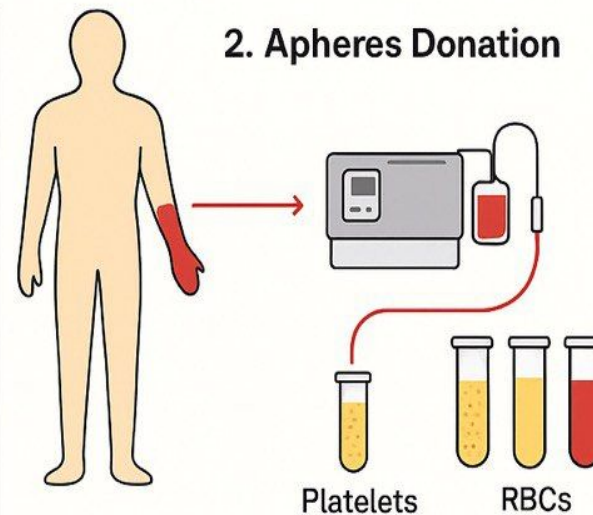


Blood Product Production and Reduction Methods

Blood components can be prepared and reduced from two main sources:



Collected as 450 mL of whole blood,
Then separated by centrifugation into
RBCs, plasma, and platelets.
Allows production of multiple components
from one donation.



Uses an automated cell separator to collect
specific components directly (e.g. platelets,
plasma, or RBCs). The remaining components
are returned to the donor.
Produces higher yield and purity of the
desired product, reducing donor exposure.

Both methods aim to optimize blood product utilization and ensure component-specific transfusion.

Importance of Blood Component Separation

- Component separation allows optimal use of each part of blood.
- Different patients require specific components based on clinical needs.

Whole Blood Donation

Equipment and Materials Used:

- Blood bags with anticoagulant (CPDA-1 or CPD/SAGM.)
- Centrifuge.
- Plasma extractor.
- Sealer .
- transfer bags.

Plasma extractor



Sealer



Centrifuge



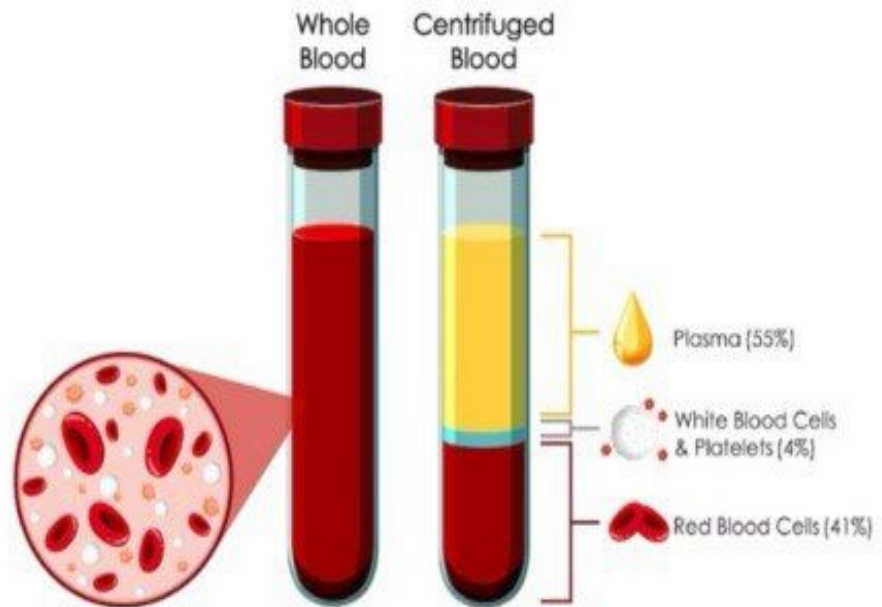
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Principles of Centrifugation

Centrifugation separates components based on density:

- RBCs: heaviest, settle at the bottom
- Buffy coat: thin middle layer (WBCs + platelets)
- Plasma: lightest, forms the top layer.



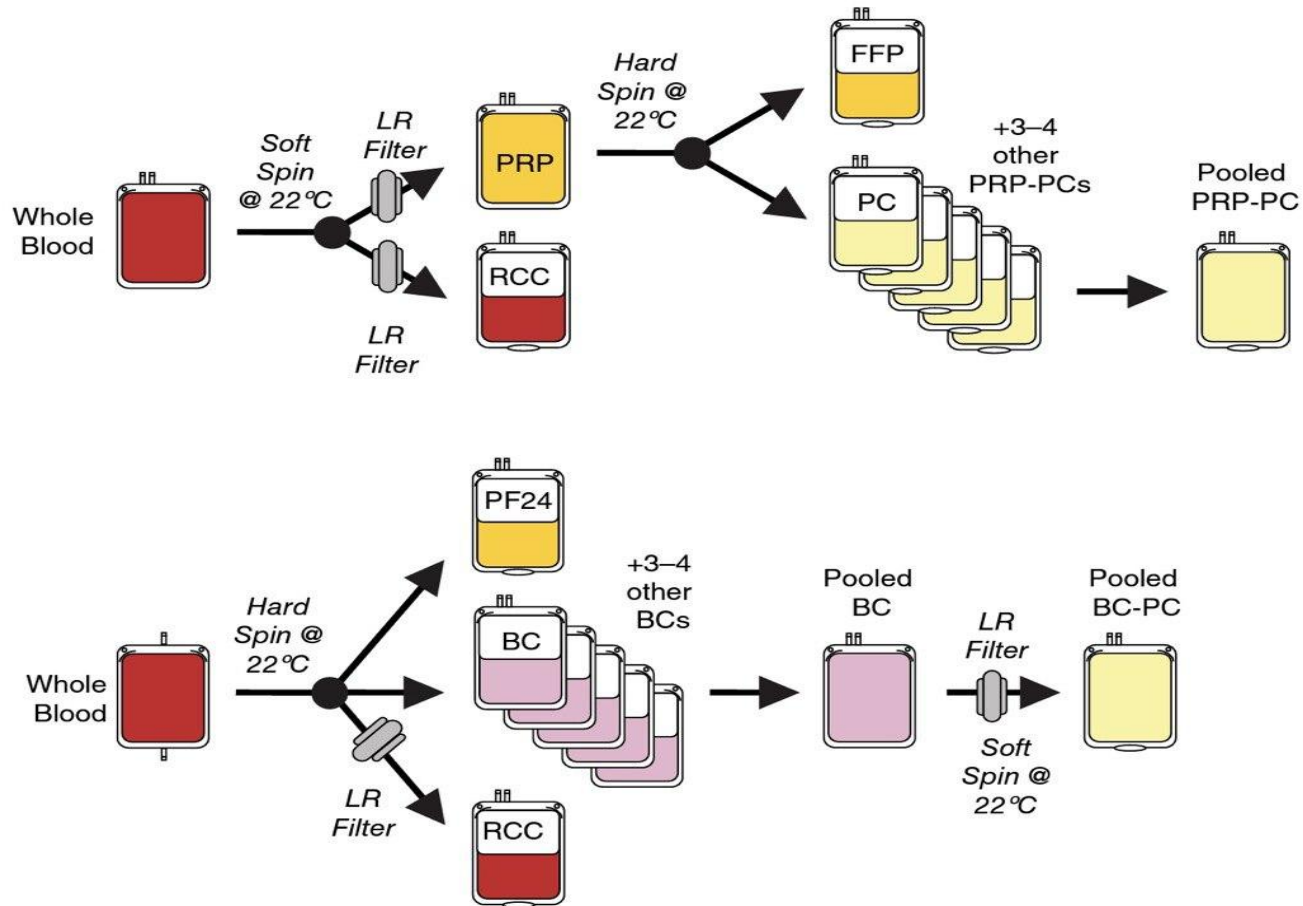
Step 1: Whole Blood Collection

- Donor selection and screening
- Blood collected into primary bag containing anticoagulant.
- Volume: $\sim 450 \text{ mL} \pm 10\%$
- Labeling and mixing during collection.



Step 2: Centrifugation and Separation

- Soft spin (~2000 g for 10 min) to separate plasma and buffy coat.
- Hard spin (~5000 g for 10 min) for platelet-free plasma.
- Use of plasma extractor to separate layers accurately.



Step 3: Plasma Preparation

- Plasma is transferred to a satellite bag.
- Can be frozen within 8 hours → Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP.)
- Stored at -30°C up to 1 year.



Step 4: Packed Red Cells Preparation

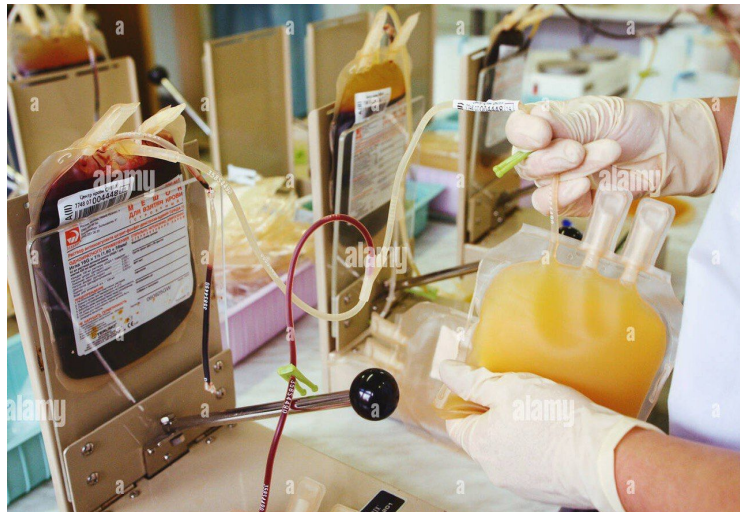
- After plasma removal, the remaining product is RBC concentrate.
- Add additive solution (SAGM.)
- Store at +2°C to +6°C for up to 42 days



Step 5: Platelet Concentrate Preparation

- Derived from buffy coat or platelet-rich plasma method
- Must be kept under constant agitation at +20°C to +24°C.
- Shelf life: 5 days.





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Step 6: cryoprecipitate

Cryoprecipitate is prepared from Fresh Frozen Plasma.

The cryoprecipitate frozen at -30°C or below, for up to 12 months.

contains mainly

fibrinogen (1)

factor VIII (8)

factor XIII (13)

von Willebrand factor

fibronectin.



Thawed
at 1-6°C



Centrifuged



Supernatant
removed



References

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2. WHO Guidelines on Blood Transfusion Services.

Q/ What are the blood products preparation methods?

Q/ what are the contents of cryoprecipitate?

Q/ cryoprecipitate contain:

1. Factor 7.
2. Factor 2.
3. Factor 1.
4. Factor 5.